

## News from the Home Field.

## DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

## MEETING OF D. C. S.

The General Committee of the D. C. S. assembled in Trinity School Room at 10 a. m., on the 29th June, the Lord Bishop in the Chair.

After Prayers, the Rev. Dr. Ketchum, Secretary, called the roll of Clergy and Lay Delegates and the names of the Executive Committee. Rev. W. S. Neales, of the Diocese of Northern California, was invited to a seat on the floor of the house.

The Chairman ruled that assistant ministers were entitled to vote, being subscribers to the Society.

The Reports were then read by the Secretary, from which we extract a few salient points, and the amount of subscriptions to Home Missions.

**Aberdeen.**—Rev. L. A. Hoyt reported \$11.00 from this Mission. Rev. A. Hoadley has resigned through ill health.

**Andover.**—\$90.00, of which \$30.00 are for the Deficiency Fund.

**Albert Co.**—The Missionary acknowledges gifts from various persons towards Church improvements. Contributions \$15.00.

**Bathurst.**—\$100.00 for general purposes.

**Campobello.**—About \$50.00.

**Burton.**—For general purposes \$86.00, Deficiency \$7.00. Total \$93.00.

**Canterbury.**—A most encouraging report. The contributions are \$180.00 against \$40.00 last year. An organ, costing \$320.00, has been paid for, and the Church at Canterbury Station fitted up.

**Charleton.**—Contributions \$150.00.

**Madawaska.**—Contributions \$14.00.

**Derby.**—Contributions \$122.50.

**Dorchester.**—This Parish reports a large increase. For the Deficiency, \$190.94; general purposes, \$141.56. Total \$332.50.

**Fredericton** reports the very handsome sum of \$1,860.00 for general purposes—double that of last year.

**Greenwich.**—Contributions \$48.00.

**Hampton.**—Contributions \$85.00.

**Kingsclear** reports \$133.65 against \$70.00 last year.

**Moncton** reports \$75.

**Munquash** reports \$70.

**New Denmark** is advancing. 44 were baptized, 20 confirmed, 14 were married, and 16 buried. The communicants number 106. There are 400 souls in the mission. Contributions \$30.50.

**Newcastle.**—There are 26 additional communicants. \$220 are given by this mission, \$120 more than last year.

**Petersville.** \$37.

**Petitcodiac.**—Contributions \$120.75, a large increase over last year. Two windows have been given by the Bishop.

**Queensbury.** \$50.

**Richmond** reports the handsome sum of \$190, and credits THE CHURCH GUARDIAN for much information diffused among the people, which greatly assisted the Missionary in collecting.

**Rothesay.**—Contributions \$250.

**Sackville.**—Contributions \$64.72.

**St. Andrew's and Chamcook** send \$335.

**St. David.**—Contributions \$92.

**St. John, St. Mark's,** \$400.00.

**St. John, Trinity Church,** \$720.

**Portland, St. Paul's,** \$798.

**St. Martin's.**—Contributions \$62.80, double last year.

**St. Mary's,** \$100.

**St. Stephen, Christ Church,** \$50.

**St. James' Church, St. John,** \$75.

**Simonds,** \$87.43.

**Sussex.**—The communicants number 150. There are \$250 for general purposes.

**Waterford,** \$29.25.

**Upham,** \$130.

**Walford,** \$36.

**Westfield,** \$94.

**Wicklow.**—The contributions have increased from \$30 to \$86, \$40 of which are for the Deficiency Fund.

**Woodstock.**—This parish, which became self-supporting last year, reports finances in a flourishing condition. \$3,000 have been subscribed for the new church. A new church is framed and boarded in at Jacksontown, and the contributions are: for Deficiency Fund, \$111; for general purposes, \$80; total, \$191.

**Trinity Church, St. John,** reported \$720.90.

From **Chatham** a most interesting statement was received: A new chancel has been arranged, a large organ purchased, \$1,300 have been paid for improvements, 85 have been confirmed, a

chancel carpet furnished, and \$300 subscribed for general purposes, and \$193 for the Deficiency, making the handsome total of \$482. Great applause followed this announcement.

**Richibucto** reports \$68.60.

**Maugerville,** \$93.

**Restigouche,** \$42.

**Gagetown,** \$69.92.

**Douglas,** \$58.90.

**Shediac,** \$70.

**Prince William,** \$80.

**Kimpton,** \$130.

**Point du Cheval,** \$30.

**Springfield,** \$100.

**Cambridge,** \$100.

**Norton,** \$100.

**New Maryland,** \$70.

The gratifying announcement was made that, with a few parishes yet to hear from, there have been subscribed for general purposes, \$7588.03; Deficiency Fund, \$1966.92; total, \$9552.85; being \$4000 more than last year.

The Report of the Executive Committee was read and adopted. The investments amount to \$111,071.32. The old Book Depository Committee was re-elected. The stock of books is in good condition. The sales last year were \$314.69. The Auditors reported favorably on the accounts and securities of the Society, and the papers, &c., had been handed over to the new Treasurer, S. Schofield, Esq.

Several changes in the arrangement of Missions have been made, and some applications for new grants have been refused for want of funds.

The estimate of income and expenditure was submitted.

The Committee to interest Sunday Schools in Home Mission reported 700 Missionary Boxes among the children. A leaflet will be issued in August.

The Board of Home Missions was increased to 5 clergy and 7 laity, and the following were elected:—Revs. Canons Partridge and Brigstocke, Rev. T. E. Dowling, G. M. Armstrong, Canon De Veber. Laity—Messrs. Schofield, Frith, Chandler, Jarvis, Clinch, Parkin, and Daniel. Mr. Clinch furnished a telephone in the building for the use of members. The Society adjourned till 8 p. m.

The D. C. S. resumed at 8, the Bishop in the chair. The Revs. J. H. Talbot, F. S. Sill, and Messrs. H. Peters, G. A. Fairweather and G. A. Schofield, were appointed a Sunday School Committee.

The Lord Bishop read a letter from the Society of the S. P. G., stating the grant they would make to the Diocese. It is £2020 Os. 0d., being a decrease of \$500 from Jan. 1st, 1881.

The Assessments for the Parishes were then taken up. An increase of 10 per cent has been made in the amounts to be raised by the Missions.

Only a few were passed by the Society, several being referred to the Board of Home Missions, and the meeting adjourned till 8 p. m. on Monday evening.

Wednesday, June 30th.

The D. C. S. met at 8 p. m., the Lord Bishop in the Chair. The Minutes were approved.

The consideration of the Missionary Schedule was again taken up.

The increase of ten per cent bore heavily on many of the Missions, and a number of Missionaries stated the case of their Parishes, but in most cases the extra amount was accepted cheerfully, and in other cases of peculiar hardship the matter was referred to the Board for consideration.

The pension was continued to Rev. T. Harten. Grants to widows of deceased clergymen were made.

Mr. S. Schofield was elected Treasurer. Rev. Canon Ketchum, D. D., was re-elected Secretary.

Messrs. C. H. Fairweather and G. W. Whitney were appointed Auditors.

The Treasurer was granted \$300, and the Secretary \$100 for the ensuing year. \$350 were granted for contingencies.

H. W. Frith, Esq., was cordially thanked for his services as Treasurer during the past 12 years.

The Rector and Church Wardens of Trinity Church were thanked for the accommodation provided, and Mr. R. T. Clinch for the provision of a telephone.

The members of the press were thanked by the Society for full report of the proceedings.

The D. C. S. then adjourned *sine die*,—a motion to adjourn until 4.30 p. m. for special business being defeated by four votes.

**DORCHESTER.**—The Misses Hanington held a Sale in Trinity Church school-house on Tuesday evening June 29th for the benefit of the Deficiency Fund of the D. C. S. The handsome sum of \$58, was realized. Might not this example be profitably followed by the ladies of other parishes in the Diocese?

## DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

**NEW GLASGOW.**—The sermon on Sunday at the 4.15 service was from Eccles. vii. 12, and referred to the 100th anniversary of Church of England Sunday Schools. This new Sunday School, begun by the Rector 18 months ago with two children, has now teachers to divide the labour with their Pastor. And on Sunday a further step was taken by initiating a subscription for a S.S. Library.

**ALBION MINES.**—The Centenary of Sunday Schools in the Church of England was observed here on the 27th inst. The central block of pews in the Parish Church was quite filled with the children at 2.30 who had a service of their own. The Rector addressing them on the privileges they enjoyed, and the love of their Heavenly Father for them, the love of Jesus, and the care of their spiritual Mother, the Church, in bringing them forward for the gift of the Holy Ghost. They sang, (Miss Hudson leading them at the organ) the children's Hymns "If I come to Jesus." "The Methers of Salem" And "Jesus gentle Shepherd." The sermons morning and evening bore upon the subject of the Centenary.

**AMHERST—Centenary Sunday Schools.**—Cape Breton Mission.—We had three glorious and hearty services in our Church on Sunday week. Five Clergymen officiated, Miss Townshend after six months' severe illness was enabled to take the organ again, to the great advantage of Divine Service and gratification of the large congregation. The morning sermon by the Revd. R. Smith Rector, of St. George, Diocese of Fredericton, was an excellent, sound discourse, delivered with energy and clearness. Holy Communion followed, in which service all the Clergy took part. At four o'clock the congregation assembled again when the Rector, Canon Townshend entered at the head of a long procession of Sunday School children, who took their seats in front of the choir. An appropriate service proceeded consisting of hymns, psalms, portions of God's Word, the Creed, and two Collects, with two addresses, one by the Rector, and the other by Dr. Uniacke. At seven o'clock a very large congregation assembled; the service was most cheering and hearty. A very interesting sermon was delivered by the Rev. S. Gibbons in behalf of his Mission work in Cape Breton. The Congregation which had only received notice at morning service that day, responded with an offering of \$21.00. Our Rector seems backward in communicating to your paper his good work. I hope therefore you will excuse my intrusion.

**Weymouth.**—Gladly did we endeavour to comply with the recommendation in the Bishop's Circular, by a due celebration of the Centenary of Sunday Schools on the 27th June. Morning Prayers were said at the Parish Church by the Rev. Canon Dart, and the Rector preached from St. John xxi. 15—"Feed my lambs." Before 3 p. m. the scholars of St. Thomas' Sunday School had joined those of St. Peter's, in order to take part in a service adapted to the occasion. After singing a hymn, the service began with the Lord's Prayer. The selections from the Psalms were 119 (1, 2 and 6 pts.), and the 127. The lessons, Prov. iv. and St. Matt. xxi. 1-17. The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Burrill having been brought to Church for baptism, on the invitation of the Rector, Canon Dart administered the rite. The choir stalls were occupied by the scholars, and the service throughout was very hearty; at proper intervals very appropriate hymns were sung. After the Prayers, the Rector requested Canon Dart to give an address, to which he most kindly consented. His remarks, he said, would, in the first place, apply to the adult portion of the audience, and he would afterwards speak to the children. He began by making special reference to the holy rite which they had that afternoon witnessed. After an able vindication of Infant Baptism, he referred to

the great anxiety entertained by the Church for the religious instruction of her baptized children, and this was evident from the appointment of Godfathers and Godmothers. He congratulated the children on the very creditable manner in which they had taken their part in this service, their success, he said, having exceeded his anticipations. Some persons asked, "What can children do for God?" Such persons, however, did not speak wisely, for they forgot the numerous instances which the Bible records of youthful devotion and piety; and he would strongly recommend them to begin at once to work for their Saviour, and he illustrated his remarks by several pertinent examples of the great good which had been done by children and young persons.

The Rector spoke of the great benefit which he could, from his own personal knowledge, testify had resulted from the office of sponsors. Referring to the incidents in the 2nd lesson, it was seen how early childhood had been interested in the service of our Blessed Lord; and it was certain that the sincere efforts of his young friends would not want the recognition of that same Gracious Being, who now, as when He was upon earth, regarded children as objects of His special favour. He trusted that they would always bear in mind the great privilege they enjoyed in having been early dedicated to God, and "grafted into the body of Christ's Church;" and in "the Holy Child Jesus" they had a most beautiful example of the love and obedience which they owed to their parents. The latter were, on their part, urged to cherish their children as "the heritage of the Lord," and they might rest assured that religious instruction and godly example would not fail to leave a most salutary and lasting impression upon their hearts.

The beautiful Parish Church was completely filled by a congregation who were evidently deeply interested in the gratifying service.

There is a third Sunday School in this Parish, at the Church at Barton, St. Mary's Bay; but as the scholars were ten miles from the Parish Church, and only about half that distance from the Church at Marshalltown, the Rector gladly accepted the proposal of the Rector of Digby to have the children attend the Centenary celebration at Marshalltown.

We have recently had a visit from the Rev. S. Gibbons, of Cape Breton, who is pleading the wants of his arduous Mission. Owing to our own urgent need of funds to meet liabilities incurred in the erection of our new Parish Church, we regretted that we could do no more at present than invite Mr. Gibbons to make his case known to the congregation, and this he accordingly did at the close of an able sermon, on the evening of the 22nd June. The offering amounted to nearly \$9, which we handed over to the devoted Missionary, by whom it was gratefully accepted.

**BRIDGETOWN AND BELLE ISLE.**—The people of this parish were cheered and encouraged by a visit from Rev. R. Wainwright, Clerical Secretary to B. of H. M., extending from 26th ult. to July 1st. Everywhere in the parish much satisfaction is felt and expressed with the earnest and impressive addresses delivered by that gentleman, who is considered by all to be "the right man in the right place," and one who will, with God's blessing on his work, do much to awaken the various parishes to the necessity of increased exertions on their part in behalf of the Missionary enterprises of our Church. Mr. Wainwright commenced his exertions in this parish by preaching on the morning of 27th ult. to an attentive congregation in St. James', Bridgetown, from the words in 1 Kings xviii. 20: "How long halt ye between two opinions," and at the conclusion of his sermon announced as his text for the evening, 1 Kings xix. 9: "What doest thou here, Elijah?" Both sermons were listened to by large congregations, and evidently greatly impressed the hearers. In the afternoon there was a service at Belle Isle, 7 miles distant, where a large congregation had assembled, whom Mr. Wainwright addressed for the first time, many of our dissenting brethren being present. On this occasion the address consisted principally of an able exposition of our Home Missions, and the urgent need at present existing for increased contributions towards the mission funds, impressing upon the hearers the idea, too much lost sight of by all, that the giving of their substance is not to man but to God. Perhaps the most interesting feature of Mr. W.'s visit to the people in

general, was the celebration of the Centennial Anniversary of Sunday Schools by the children of the Parish. The children had been practising for some time past under the instructions of Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Goodwin, and acquitted themselves very creditably. The celebration came off on Monday evening, when the Parish Church was filled by the parents and friends of the little ones.

A procession formed at the Vestry, and marching round the north side of the Church, entered the door, headed by Master H. Dodge in surplice, bearing a handsome banner, made for the occasion, having on it a red cross, surrounded by the text, in blue letters, "One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism." The children entered the Church singing "Onward Christian Soldiers" to A. Sullivan's tune. After they had all taken their places, the Evening Prayer was said by the Rector, the children taking the principal part in chanting and responding; after the children had sung again from Hymn, A. & M., "Hosanna we sing like the children dear," and taken their places, the Rev. Mr. W. addressed them in suitable terms, and congratulated them on their creditable appearance and singing. He then proceeded to explain to them the organization he was about to form, called the "Royal Reserves," and invited them to enlist, when between 40 and 50 young people and children came forward to be enrolled. After the closing hymn and Benediction, the children again formed in procession, and headed by their standard, receded singing "Hark, hark my soul." On Tuesday evening Mr. W. again proceeded to Belle Isle, delivered another address, and organized another Band of "Royal Reserves." The offertory collections at Belle Isle and Bridgetown, amounting to \$12.00, were devoted to the Home Mission Fund. Mr. W. left on Wednesday afternoon, bearing with him the good wishes of all. Thus ended a visit which will, we trust, be productive of much and permanent good, especially in the influence it will exert upon the young in training them to work for the good of their Mother the Church.

## PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

**CHARLOTTETOWN—Sunday School Centenary.**—A sermon was preached in St. Paul's on Sunday, June 27th at the morning service, by the Revd. Alfred Osborne, setting forth the position of children in the Gospel Covenant, and forcing home the great responsibility resting upon parents in seeing that their little ones are brought to a knowledge of Soul's mercy in Christ. The Revd. C. N. Tucker, B.A., preached in the evening, giving a clear and interesting account of the Sabrevois Mission. The Lord Bishop has been pleased to license Mr. Ernest M. Welsh as Lay-reader.

Two Divinity students are being prepared by Mr. Osborne to enter Windsor next October, and a third will continue his studies with Mr. Osborne during the coming winter. The Revd. T. B. Reagh, priested at the Trinity Ordination, was a Divinity pupil of Mr. Osborne's. The young people of St. Paul's are holding a small bazaar to-day, Friday, July 2nd, in aid of the Mite Society.

## DIOCESE OF HURON.

DURING the nearly ten years' episcopate of Bishop Hellmuth there has been an increase in the Diocese of Huron of 15 parishes, 74 churches, 37 parsonages, 16 mission stations, 18 clergymen, and 91 additional localities supplied with the ministrations of the Church. Fifty-three deacons, and 53 presbyters have been ordained, and 41 clergymen received from other dioceses, and 43 left the diocese.

## DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

(From our own Correspondent.)  
**ST. JOHN'S, P. Q.**—The Church of St. James in this parish will be served by the Rev. Mr. Rexford, of Montreal High School, during the absence of the Rector, who goes to the sea side for his health, which has for some time past been in a very precarious state. The Bishop held a Confirmation here on Sunday, 4th July.

**EAST FARNHAM.**—We chronicle here another instance of the footing the Church is taking among us, if we are to take Church building and the number of confirmed to be any criterion. On St. Peter's day a very neat brick church in the early English style, with tower, spire and cross complete was opened for Divine worship for the first time. It bears the name of St. Augustine, (of