

for use. Of this large sum, just half has been paid in cash; for the remainder the members of the Committee and others have become personally liable to our two banks.

An appeal for further subscriptions will shortly be issued by the Bishop. It is hoped the former subscribers will contribute to aid the work during another five years, and that many others will help. Every effort is being made to have the building ready for consecration in September.

The biennial meeting of the Diocesan Synod will be held in June, unless arrangements can be made to hold it in September at the same time as the Cathedral is to be consecrated. This would seem to be very desirable, but it is said there are difficulties in the way, and the summonses still remain for June.

The Rev. E. Botwood, Rector of St. Mary's has left on leave of absence to visit Quebec and England. His place will be filled by other clergymen in St. John's.

A Confirmation was held in St. Thomas's Church on the first Sunday after Easter, when about seventy candidates were presented. The Bishop was attended by Rev. Ambrose Heygate as chaplain.

DIocese OF QUEBEC.

PRESENTATION TO THE LORD BISHOP OF NIAGARA.

The Lord Bishop of Niagara, on his return from Fredericton was the recipient of presentations, both from the clergy of Quebec and vicinity, and also from his late congregation in this city. The gift of the clergy is a costly Episcopal ring, consisting of a beautiful amethyst, handsomely set in gold. Upon the stone is cut the seal of the Bishop, one half of which is formed by the seal of the Diocese of Niagara, and the other half of the personal crest of Bishop Hamilton. The presentation was made by the Lord Bishop of Quebec, at His Lordships residence, in presence of a large number of the clergy. The Bishop of Niagara in acknowledging the gift, said, "the ring shall be as you desire a constant sign of the continuous, never-ending and unbroken service which I owe to Christ our blessed Redeemer and to His Church; a souvenir, too, of your kindly feelings of personal love for me."

The gift of the congregation of St. Matthew's is a pastoral staff made in London, England, by one of the leading Ecclesiastical Art manufacturers and designed, in the words of the accompanying address "to be at once a symbol of your office, and a token of our gratitude, which, descending as an heirloom, shall be to those who come after you, a monument of your faithful pastorate and of its affectionate appreciation."

The presentation was made in the presence of an immense congregation, by the people's Churchwarden, Mr. Edwin Pope. Our limited space admits of only the following extract from the Bishop's touching and eloquent reply. "The pastoral staff by which you give force to your God-speed to me will be continually with me in my future ministrations. To others it will be a symbol of my office as chief pastor in the diocese committed to my care. To me it will be this brightened and beautified beyond the reach of the most perfect human art by that which will be invisible to them, your love for me and God's abundant blessing on our union in this parish during these many years in the Church's quiet orderly system of working, and instruction, and spiritual training, and in her efforts to promote God's glory by good works of every kind. To God be all the praise. For the future now before us, I would remind myself and you that, although the tie which has linked you and me so closely together in the past is severed, yet we shall continue united by very real bands which neither time nor space can weaken. Whether here or elsewhere, whether struggling upon earth or at rest in Paradise, we are still united in the Church, which is the body of Christ and which keeps one and all safe in Christ Jesus. Once more I thank you and commend you to Him who is able to do for you exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, who is able even to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy." Thus

cheered and fortified by the loving gifts and prayers of his brethren, and the people of his former charge, Charles, Bishop of Niagara, goes to the new and exalted sphere of labor to which God has called him.

DIocese OF MONTREAL.

BISHOP'S APPOINTMENTS FOR MAY (CONTINUED.)

- May 17, Sunday—Farnham, Rev. Rural Dean Mussen
- " 18, Monday—Farnham Schools, Rev. Rural Dean Mussen.
- " 19, Tuesday—Abbotsford, Rev. Canon Robinson, M.A.
- " 20, Wednesday—Milton, Rev. P. de Gruchy.
- " 20, Wednesday—S. Roxton, Rev. P. de Gruchy.
- " 21, Thursday—Granby, Rev. W. B. Longhurst.
- " 21, Thursday, 3 p.m.—N. Shefford, The Churchwardens.
- " 22, Friday—Boscobel, Rev. C. P. Abbott.
- " 22, Friday—N. Ely, Rev. C. P. Abbott.
- " 24, Sunday—Waterloo, Ven. Archdeacon Lindsay.
- " 24, Sunday—Frost Village, Ven. Archdeacon Lindsay.
- " 25, Monday—W. Shefford, Rev. Alex. B. Given.
- " 25, Monday, 3 p.m.—Iron Hill, Rev. W. Robinson.
- " 26, Tuesday—W. Brome, Rev. W. Robinson.
- " 27, Wednesday—E. Farnham, Rev. J. Merrick.
- May 27, Wednesday—Adamsville, Rev. J. Merrick.
- " 28, Thursday—St. Hyacinthe, Rev. J. J. Roy, B.A.
- " 29, Friday—Upton, Rev. J. J. Roy, B.A.

ST. MARGARET'S HOME.—We heartily welcome the Sisters of St. Margaret's to Montreal. The work which they have undertaken is a truly charitable one, and merits the cordial support of Christian men and women of every name. From what we know of the Sisters' operations in other places, we have every confidence in their wisdom as well as in their zeal. They come here under the patronage of the Most Rev. the Metropolitan, and with the full sanction of the Bishop of the Diocese

SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.—We would remind our Montreal readers of the model lesson for the Infant class to be given by Mrs. (Principal) Henderson, on Monday evening 18th inst., in the school-room of St. Stephen's Church, without doubt the lesson will be interesting and able. We hope to see a large attendance of S. S. Teachers and friends.

CITY.—Church of St. John the Evangelist.—The annual dedication festival in the Church of St. John the Evangelist. will be held on 7th of June, and Sunday after Trinity, for which special musical services are in preparation, and at which the Bishop of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, one of the leading preachers of the sister church, will be present and preach. The Bishop will also during his sojourn in the city deliver a lecture in reference to Seabury Centennial, held in England last fall, at which he was present. The date and place will be announced subsequently.

CHURCH HOME.—The annual meeting of the Church Home was held Thursday evening April 30th, at the Home, University street, The Very Rev. Dean Carmichael presided, and among those present were Rev. Canon Norman, Rural Dean Lindsay, Rev. J. G. Norton, Rev. Arthur French, Rev. C. J. Machin, Messrs. Geddes and Baker, and a large number of ladies. The secretary in her report says:—"Since its foundation the Church Home has in a measure changed its aspect, and the committee now see more and more the desirability of opening it to the needs of indigent gentlewomen. While there are other institutions

for the poorer classes in our city there is not one that supplies this want, and all must admit how needful it is for those who, no longer being able to afford a home of their own, can, by paying a small sum monthly, feel in a measure independent and experience the advantages of a quiet and well regulated abode. This arrangement does not interfere with the object for which the Home was founded, and the committee wish it to be distinctly understood that there will always be a certain number of beds set apart for the poorer women. We have at all times some of them under our care, whose happiness is by no means a secondary consideration, and who will not be disturbed unless by death or unforeseen circumstances. But our desire is to provide as far as lies in our power for those who have seen better days, and that there are many such all will allow, as also that they may claim sympathy and help from those more happily situated. With this double object in view the Home is more likely to become in a measure self sustaining. The Home is quite full and applications are frequently received for any vacancies that may occur, so that in this respect we could not do more until we are able to enlarge our premises." The Bishop of Montreal was re-elected President.

DIocese OF ONTARIO.

KINGSTON.—The Diocesan Committee meetings were held in the Synod Hall during last week. They accomplished a good deal of routine work. The mission board had an interesting sitting, and made several changes, striking off some of the grants and reducing others.

St. James.—The children's Band of Hope held an interesting meeting last week. The proceedings consisted of music, readings and recitations. The Rev. J. K. McMorin, the new incumbent, is expected to commence his duties here on the 17th of the present month.

DIocese OF TORONTO.

DEANERY OF SIMCOE.—The service in connection with the meeting of the clergy of the Rural Deanery of East Simcoe, was held on Tuesday evening, 5th inst., in St. James' Church, Orillia. The Rev. G. A. Anderson, M.A., Protestant Chaplain to the Reformatory, read evening prayer and part of the Communion service. The Rev. W. J. Armitage read the lessons and assisted at Holy Communion. The Rev. W. H. French preached an appropriate and powerful sermon. The Rev. A. Stewart, M.A., Rural Dean, was celebrant, and the Rev. Canon Morgan assisted at Holy Communion. A large proportion of the congregation remained for the latter.—Orillia Packet.

ORILLIA.—The Right Rev. Edward Sullivan, D.D., Bishop of Algoma, will address the C.E.T.S. meeting here next Friday evening, the 15th inst. He is one of the most eloquent of the House of Bishops.

Private George E. Lloyd, Q. O. R., wounded in the shoulder at Poundmaker's Reserve, on Saturday 2nd inst., was a student at Wycliffe College before he went to the front. He had finished his second year course, and had almost completed his studies preparatory to being admitted to holy orders. He came from Brighton England, about three years ago, where he was born. He was a school teacher at Brighton, and was also a lieutenant in the 10th Middlesex Volunteers. He is a strong, powerful man, and "every inch a soldier." He is not married, and has no relatives in Canada. He has lectured in Orillia, and labored as a student missionary in this district.—Orillia Packet.

We regret to learn of the continued illness of Rev. J. F. Sweeney, rector of St. Philip's Church, Toronto. There is no probability of his being able to resume his duties for some weeks. We know his many friends will read this with sorrow. We trust, however, that his recovery may be more speedy than present appearances indicate.—Evangelical Churchman.