

News from the Home Field.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

Under "The Synod of Fredericton," on page four, read for "next week" "the week after next."

ANDOVER.—Rev. G. C. V. Eastman lectured on Free Masonry in Beveridge Hall, June 7th. On June 30th the ladies of the Sewing Circle intend holding an Apron Sale for the purpose of liquidating a debt on the Parsonage.

PORTLAND.—St. Luke's.—Mr. Robert Middlemore, long a member of the Vestry, died at the advanced age of 80, and was buried from St. Luke's Church on the 9th ult. He had represented the Parish in the Synod on several occasions.

RICHMOND.—The ladies of the Sewing Society in connection with St. John's Church, Richmond, intend holding a Strawberry Festival and sale of work in the Daily Woods, on Tuesday, 29th June, instant.

BAIE DES VERTS.—Rev. Ernest P. Flewelling, missionary at this place, is doing faithful work, which is bearing good fruit. The great drawback at present is the want of a Rectory. There is no house to be rented in the mission, and Mr. Flewelling has not been able to move his family down. Consequently he is separated from them nearly all his time. The mission is too poor to build at present. This is a case where assistance would readily be given if some of our people of means would consider their stewardship aright. If the mission belonged to the Church in the U. S. help would be forthcoming from generous laymen outside the Parish. Our people are much slower to give, and less generous than their brethren across the border. We hope a way may be disclosed by which the missionary can get a home for his family in the mission. The only way at present seems to build. But where the money is to come from seems a problem hard to solve.

ST. ANDREW'S HEARD FROM.—A large and influential meeting of the members of the church was held in the church school room on Monday evening, the 7th inst. The chairman, the Rev. Dr. Ketchum, explained the object of the meeting, the claims, purposes and present position of the society.

It was moved by T. T. Odell, Esq., warden of the County, seconded by George D. Street, Esq., and resolved unanimously:—

Whereas, from a statement of the account of the treasurer of the Diocesan Church Society, made up to the 1st May, 1887, and now submitted to this meeting it appears that, for the missionary services of this Diocese, the funds of the society are largely deficient, in the opinion of this meeting every possible effort should be made to prevent the withdrawal of any of its missions."

It was then moved by George S. Grimor, Esq., seconded by S. T. Govo, Esq., M.D., and carried unanimously:—

"That special contributions be solicited in aid of the deficiency fund, now being made up in other parts of the diocese, that the annual subscribers be earnestly requested to renew their offerings, and that special efforts be made to obtain increased subscriptions throughout the parish."

The meeting was also addressed by Henry Osburn, Esq., and Harris Hutch, Esq. The speeches were very interesting and expressive of a determination to act upon the spirit of the resolutions.

The choir of All Saint's Church was in attendance and sang appropriate hymns.

At the close of the meeting several gentlemen present expressed their determination to largely increase their contributions, and a committee was appointed to solicit donations to the deficiency fund and to carry out the object proposed in the last resolution. There is good reason to believe that the proceedings of this meeting will result in a large increase in the contributions from St. Andrews and Chamcook.—Telegraph.

KINGSLEAR.—A large and enthusiastic meeting was held on the 8th inst., at Spring Hill, in this Parish, to consider what step should be taken towards removing the Church Society's deficiency. The Rector, who presided, briefly set forth the position, and asked the parishioners not for a special collection,

but for a general increase in contributions over last year. He stated that he was to double his offering, and asked all his people to do so, agreeing to refund the money in case any one suffered from his increased contribution. Stirring addresses was made by the Rev. G. G. Roberts, M. A., Messrs. E. L. Wetmore and G. R. Parkin. The Rector then followed with a few pointed remarks, and circulated papers among the people to sign the full amount which they intended giving, again urging them to make a large increase over the last year. The result surprised all, as it was the planting season many were unavoidably absent, but \$93.50 was subscribed. There were only two who gave no more than last year, nearly all doubled the amount, and some gave four times as much. There were eleven new contributors, who gave \$31.00, which, added to the general increase of the old subscribers, makes a total gain (equal to a special offering for the deficiency) of \$56.41. This sum will be increased by those who could not be present at the meeting. The Parish of Kingslear has lost many of its number by removal, and is in a far less prosperous financial condition than years ago, but meetings like the above, with addresses by laymen, will always be successful.

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.—At the Quarterly Meeting of the Board, held in St. John's Church School Room, on Friday, June 4th, the Treasurer was requested to close his accounts for 1879-80 on Saturday, June 19th. Contributions received after this date cannot be acknowledged in the Annual Report to be presented to the Diocesan Synod on June 30th.

W. M. JARVIS, Treas. B. F. M.

MISSION OF GRAND LAKE AND JOHNSTON.—In conformity with the resolution passed at the special Deanery meeting of Kingston in May last, this Mission has had three Missionary meetings to stir up the people on behalf of the D. C. S. Two were held at the same hour on Thursday evening last, one at S. James' Church, Lower Jemseg, the other at S. John's Church, Mill Cove. The Rev. Canon Medley was alone at the first place, and the Rev. J. H. Talbot and the Rector were at the latter place. The services were well attended.

On Saturday evening, after a hard day's canvass for the CHURCH GUARDIAN, (when 16 subscribers were added to the list), the Rector took a service at S. Luke's Church, Waterborough, and in an address of 45 minutes, very clearly placed the whole matter of the Church Society before the congregation.

Since the Rector gave up his connection with the Inspectorship of Schools last year, and devoted his whole time to the work, he has had the large Parish of Johnston given into his charge for a time, and there is a marked improvement in Church matters in this large Mission. What is wanted here, is a good, live Curate to work with the Rector, so that 6 services at least may be held every Sunday. There is a promising field here if this matter can be arranged.

MUSQUEASH.—An interesting meeting of the D. C. S. was held in St. Ann's Church, on Wednesday evening, June 2nd. There was a good attendance of parishioners. After the prayers of the Society and a hymn the Rector of the Parish, Rev. H. M. Spike, explained briefly the objects and intention of the meeting. Then G. Herbert Lee, Esq., in a very effective and clear manner, stated the objects of the Society, its very rapid growth, and the difficulty in supplying the new parishes with the help which they expected. The great interest which the Society for Propagating the Gospel had always manifested for the Church in this Diocese, having, during the past years, bestowed one-twentieth part of its whole income in sustaining ministrations of the Church in this province. Rev. Mr. Mather, Master of the Wiggins' Orphan's Asylum, spoke of the growth of the Church on the north shore of this province, and of the many new parishes opened in Victoria and Carleton Counties. He stated that the gradual withdrawal of the yearly amount of \$500 out of the block sum sent by the S. P. G. must be met by the people or the D. C. S. This hard lesson was now being taught. It has consequently brought on a large deficiency in the funds of the D. C. S., requiring all, rich and poor, to make a hearty response to the call made by His

Lordship the Metropolitan. This appeal must be met by acts of self-sacrifice on our part, and by this means show our love for the Church. Mr. G. Clowes Carman addressed the meeting in a few words, stating that the people would support the Society, and suggesting the appointment of a committee to collect for the Society.

On Monday, June 7th, Rev. T. E. Dowling, Mr. George Daniels, and the Rector of the Parish, Rev. H. M. Spike, met a large congregation at St. Thomas' Church, Dipper Harbor, at 3 o'clock, p. m., and at the Schoolhouse at Mace Bay, at 7 o'clock, p. m. Mr. Dowling spoke earnestly on behalf of the present wants of the Society, the marvellous growth of the Church at Woodstock, Andover, and other parts of the Upper St. John River, where 8 missionaries in the large counties where nine years ago 2 missionaries occupied these extensive districts. This, of necessity, made a very pressing demand on the funds of the D. C. S.; it was painful for the committee to refuse the earnest appeals of these sheep in the wilderness. He asked what can we do and repented what can we not do where willing hearts full of gratitude for past and present blessings are called to work for God's glory? We should then labour and pray; the duty is ours, the results are from God. Mr. George Daniels spoke effectively of the great needs of the Society, and of the many blessings resulting from the constant ministrations of the Church's services. The collections taken at these meetings for the Deficiency Fund amounted to \$6.16.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

ERRATUM.—The omission of three words in Mr. Bullock's notice last week rendered the last paragraph unintelligible. It should have been "The Clergy of the Cathedral, the Rural Deans, &c."

HALIFAX.—There will be a gathering of all the Sunday Schools—Teachers and children—in St. Paul's Church on the afternoon of Sunday, the 27th inst.—the Centenary of Sunday Schools—when there will be a Children's Service and an Address from his Lordship the Bishop of the Diocese.

St. Mark's.—A handsome red pulpit banneret was last week presented to this Church by some ladies in St. George's Parish.

WINDSOR.—Canon and Rural Dean Maynard in his Parish Church Work, refers to the recent meeting of the Avon Deanery at Windsor as having been most interesting in every way, although he complains that his people failed to show by their attendance on the services the interest they should have done in its proceedings. The Reverends Messrs. Ruggles of Kentville, Axford of Cornwallis, and How of Newport, made addresses at the public meetings. The next meeting will be held in the Parish of Aylesford, of which the Rev. R. Avery is Rector. We should like to get a full report of these Rural-Deanery meetings, for we presume questions of practical utility are discussed, and much information of general interest and value imparted. Speaking of Rural Deaneries, we hope the efforts being put forth by the Amherst Deanery to support a travelling Missionary will soon warrant the putting of a man into the field; for we feel sure that no better work can be done by the several Deaneries throughout the Provinces than the support of a travelling Missionary by each, to reach such scattered families as may not be able to see or hear a Clergyman, and to baptize and bring to Confirmation the children of such families. Very many have been lost to the Church in the past by not being looked after.

GRANVILLE.—A marriage of special interest took place in the Parish Church of All Saint's Granville, on Wednesday last. The bridegroom being the Rev. V. E. Harris of Londonderry, and the bride the daughter of the Hon. W. B. Troop, M.P.P. Long before the time announced for the ceremony, the Church was filled with a reverent congregation, and presented a lovely appearance, the altar being vested in white silk, while a profusion of beautiful flowers in brass vases stood on either side of a floral cross upon the r-table. At 10 o'clock the marriage service was commenced by the Rector of the Parish, the Rev. F. P. Grotorax, the hymn, "The voice that breathed ser Eden" being sung by the Choir. After the marriage ceremony, the Rector announced that the Holy Com-

munion was about to be celebrated, and requested all who did not wish to remain until the close of the service to withdraw. The first part of Hymn number 309 A. and M was then sung, the second part being taken up by the Choir, immediately after the prayer of Consecration. The happy couple departed for home by the steamer Empress, with the earnest prayers and hearty good wishes of all people in the district amongst whom the bride was much beloved.

WALTON.—Presentation to Mrs. Mumford.—The choir of St. Matthew's Church, together with A. McN. Parker, present you this gift as a token of their appreciation of your services among them, for your zeal and strenuous efforts to procure means to purchase an organ, for the great interest you have manifested in the members of the choir, for prompt and punctual attendance at practice and the Church Service, which we are all aware often caused great inconvenience and such self-denial as is seldom seen. Not as a reward, but as an expression of our indebtedness and thankfulness for what money could not fully compensate. And be assured we esteem you very highly as an organist and chorister; and we know that the harmony and progress of the choir was due to your thoroughness, skill, unselfish devotion, and efficient management. And not only by us, but by the whole congregation was your kindness appreciated. Although the position you vacated has been ably supplied for the present, yet we feel your absence a loss, and cherish the hope that we will again have your presence, and voice to enliven the worship. With most sincere thanks and best wishes of A. McN. Parker, W. H. Jay, Hattie Allison, Jane E. Salter, Mary Allison, R. J. U. Salter, F. Weir, Rachel Salter, Jessie Ross, Marion Parker, Mary Parker, Harry B. Weir, M. Salter, J. S. McCulloch, Members of Choir.

Mrs. Mumford made the following Reply:—

Dear Friends.—This is quite an unexpected meeting, and the object of it to be considered, I feel so much indebted to the choir, Mr. Parker, and all those who interested themselves in my behalf—more than I expected—having been willing to give my services voluntarily. The appropriate present will, I can thankfully say, relieve me of much fatigue, and when using the nice waggon, my mind will be always drawn to the bestowers. As I am so taken by surprise this evening, I am quite unprepared to say much, only again to express my heartfelt thanks on becoming the recipient of so nice a present; and as for what I have performed, I am still more paid in the kind remarks just read in the Address, all being satisfied, and hope I may be able as often as possible to fill my seat as organist in the Church. The new organist, Miss Ross, who will take my place during my absence, will, I know, give perfect satisfaction.

SEAFORTH.—The Rev. R. Wainwright, Clerical Secretary, arrived in this Parish June 5th, and remained amongst us until Thursday, June 10th. During his stay he brought to our notice the great need there was for the hearty co-operation of every Churchman and Churchwoman in the work of increasing the funds of the B. H. M., and even the children could do something in helping on this noble work. On Sunday the Clerical Secretary preached in the Parish Church, Seaforth, to a very attentive congregation, from the text Neh. iv. 6—"The people had a mind to work." It was a most impressive and stirring discourse, and the effect upon the people was manifest on the following evening in their promptitude in coming forward to do what they could in carrying out the plan laid before them by the Clerical Secretary to increase the funds of the B. H. M. In the afternoon the Rev. R. W. preached at Porter's Lake, and in the evening at Salmon Hill, making a journey of 30 miles, not on a smooth road, over which the city clergymen travel, but over rocks, the dangers of which our country clergymen are so well acquainted. According to notice, the Clerical Secretary delivered one of his instructing addresses on Home Mission Work on Monday at 7.30, and, considering the time of year, when many of the fishermen are away from home, there were a good many present. After bringing before the meeting the low state of the funds of the B. H. M., he brought before us the plan by which he proposed to increase these funds, which was to organize two Societies—the one an adult

organization, and the other a regiment of 'Royal Reserves' which would enrol the children. The first Society would have for its President, the Rector of the Parish; its Vice-President, Secretary and Collector, who would make monthly collections. In a short time these offices were filled with ready and willing workers of both sexes. Then company A of the Royal Reserves was formed, His Lordship the Bishop Commanding Officer of the Regiment. Between twenty and thirty children were enlisted in this Division, from which they chose their Capt., 1st and 2nd Lieuts., Ensign, Sergeant and Corporal. It was a most interesting sight to see these little ones with their faces beaming with pleasure going up to the Secretary to enlist as soldiers in the 'Army of the Lord.' Each little soldier is furnished with an army chest to deposit his weekly collections, and at the end of every quarter the Captain, assisted by his two Lieutenants, will collect these chests, and take them to the Rector, who will open them and forward the money to the Secretary, with the names and amount collected by each, and at the end of the year the most successful collector will take the highest rank in the Company for the next year, and the others will rank according to their success. Thus ended the first meeting of this kind ever held in this Diocese, which was repeated at the East Side and Head on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings with a like success. The children enrolled at these places, forming a part of Company A, but having their own officers, making in all 59 Volunteers for Seaforth. The Secretary informed us he intended visiting every Parish in the Diocese for the purpose of forming similar organizations, and he carries with him our most hearty wishes for his success in this arduous work, and we bespeak for him and his work the sympathy and co-operation of every Churchman in the Diocese.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

CHARLOTTETOWN.—On Thursday, June 10th, were married in St. Peter's Church, Mr. James Carman of Chatham, N. B. to Miss Helen Stewart of Charlottetown. The ceremony was performed by the Priest Incumbent, the Revd. G. W. Hodgson. The service was fully choral; responses were chanted to Merbecke's Plain Song; the Psalm sang to Gregorian Tone, 8th, 2nd, ending. Before the service commenced the hymn "The voice that breathed o'er Eden," was sung;—and at the close of the service was sung as a recessional, the hymn "How welcome was the call." We wish the happy pair "Good luck in the name of the Lord." Both are active workers in the Church and Sunday School.

It is expected that a strong contingent of Island representatives will be present at the forthcoming Synod.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

MARIATANA.—This parish it is rumored is also to be vacated by the removal of Rev. J. Fulton to Upper Lachine. The Bishop finds more parishes vacant, than he has men to supply. The funds of the Diocese being in straitened circumstances the Bishop would hardly have filled all the vacancies, even if he had the men. But there is every hope that this year will see this reproach wiped away.

MANSONVILLE.—This parish on the borders of Uncle Sam's dominion, but in this diocese is also declared vacant, the Rev. Robert Kerr having accepted the incumbency of Holy Trinity (a proprietary concern) Church, City of Quebec.

Marriages.

TOWNSHEND—BROWN.—At Christ Church, Amherst, on Thursday, June 10, by the Rev. Canon Townshend, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Uniacke, J. Medley Townshend, Barrister-at-Law, to Annie Louise, eldest daughter of the late John Brown, Esq., Greenwood, Falmouth.

DOWLING—TAPLEY.—At the residence of the bride's father, Portland, N. B., on the 9th inst., by the Rev. L. G. Stevens, Benjamin J. Dowling, to Grace P., daughter of John Tapley, Esq.

Deaths.

DYER.—At St. Patrick, N. B., on Thursday, 3rd inst., Margaret E., daughter of Mr. Richard Dyer, aged 18 years and 24 days.

URTON.—At Cogswell's Settlement, Carleton Co., N. B., May 14, Miss Maria M. Upton, aged 59 years, daughter of the late Asa Upton, Esq.