

Confirmation is the appointed way of *confessing Christ* before men. It is administered for the express purpose, among others, that children and others, who have been baptized, may openly, in the presence of God, and before the Church, confess Him, acknowledge themselves bound by their Baptismal vow, and may publicly own Christ as their Lord and Saviour, and declare themselves to be His servants.

WE copy the following sensible remarks from the "*Churchman*":

Complaint is sometimes made of the frequent migrations of the clergy. * * * Some changes from time to time are necessary, but there should be some fixed principle on which such changes are based. In some dioceses there is something like a regular line of promotion, and the clergy for the most part continue in that jurisdiction.

In other dioceses, there is a constant change, with no promotion from within. If a desirable "Parish" is vacant, a new and unknown man is called from some distant field; it is assumed that the unknown man is the good man if only he comes from far enough away. From a somewhat wide observation in the matter, we are inclined to think the latter principle is a vicious one, and that more progress is made in those dioceses where the clergy are encouraged to remain permanently, where faithful service in subordinate positions is rewarded, and where men are expected to work their way up, and new and unknown men are not pushed to the front. It may be that a wrong mode of procedure in this regard has somewhat to do with the unsettled condition of which complaint is made.

[For Church Work.]

DIOCESAN SCHOOLS FOR YOUNG LADIES.

LAST month's issue of your useful publication truly expresses "the fear that Canadian Churchmen are not sufficiently alive to the fact, that every Canadian Diocese should have a Diocesan School for Girls, under the supervision of the Bishop." In this connection, I am able to inform the numerous readers of *Church Work* that a seminary of precisely the above class has just been removed from this town to Halifax. Parents and guardians of girls will be benefited by the reestablishment of this excellent institution in a more accessible and eligible situation at the North-West Arm, one of the most beautiful and healthy among the suburbs of the City of Halifax.

St. Margaret's Hall has been admirably conducted here by the Rev. John Padfield, and is well calculated to aid in supplying "efficient and sound instruction, religious and secular education, at a reasonable cost," combined with judicious domestic supervision, and healthy recreation and exercise.

YARMOUTH.

THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

THE Young Men's Christian Association—of the Dominion, we presume—lately gathered in annual session in the city of Hamilton Ont., felt it necessary, by a string of resolutions passed unanimously, to declare itself strongly opposed to Plymouth Brethrenism, and to everything calculated to lower the office of the Christian ministry.

We trust that these views are honestly held by the members of the