



PLACENTIA BAY, NEWFOUNDLAND.

His Lordship's episcopate has been characterized by zeal, activity and a liberality of sentiment and means which have deservedly won for him the esteem and veneration of a united flock.

As a preacher his manner is striking, unusual, deliberate, and his discourses have a freshness and originality which give them a force all their own.

Under his fostering care and charge he has witnessed the growth of a large increase of funds to Diocesan Institutions, and the erection of some of the finest churches that grace the land, but Bishop Jones' name will be long remembered in connection with the completion of the Cathedral Church of St. John the Baptist in this city, a work intended to commemorate the active life and services of a noble predecessor.

Soon after his arrival in the diocese he threw himself with devotion into a scheme, which had not only this for its object, but which was to afford accommodation for an increasing church population, and furthered by a liberality of Churchmen unprecedented in the history of any Colonial Diocese, he was enabled to set the crown to his work by consecrating it in September of 1885."

In the United States there is a Ladies' Aid Society in one of the Protestant Episcopal Churches which has the following by-law: "We hereby covenant and agree, both as a society and as individuals, to refrain from all uncharitable comment upon the actions or character of any member of this society, or of the church, and not to relate or repeat anything to the injury or discredit of another."

## OUR PARISHES AND CHURCHES.

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(Concluded.)

IT IS subject for melancholy reflection for all zealous churchmen that a long and faithful pastorate like that of Rev. Dr. Breynton, a pastorate lasting for about thirty-four years, should have been carried on without the supervision and needful acts of a bishop. There are, so far as we can discover, no records of confirmations or any episcopal acts whatever being performed in Halifax during all that time, for the simple reason that there was no bishop to conduct them. Children born during the early years of his pastorate had become men and women, well advanced in life and had never had the opportunity of receiving the rite of confirmation. Young men, who might have been induced to take upon themselves the office of the sacred ministry, were loath or unable to go through the ordeal of the tedious voyage, expense and formalities connected with the taking of Holy Orders in the old country. And thus were golden opportunities lost to the Church of England in this country, never to be retrieved.

While, however, Dr. Breynton was in England, beginning to feel that his working days were well nigh ended, the long coveted boon of the episcopate was at length somewhat grudgingly granted to the colony of Nova Scotia. England was not without men who deprecated this action as deplor-

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