

Church Life and Work

Rev. H. R. Grant Called to Prince Rupert

"The only man about whom there was no divided vote." "The man we have been waiting for." Such remarks have been made in connection with the call to Prince Rupert of Rev. Hugh R. Grant of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Vancouver. Prince Rupert's gain will be Vancouver's loss, and we wish we could have kept Mr. Grant in the more southern city.

On two occasions of late pigeons have made themselves at home inside St. John's Church during Sunday services. The present minister of the church is Rev. E. Leslie Pidgeon, and one morning when a lone pigeon went to the open window and brought its mate to the service the Psalm selection happened to be that containing the lines:

"Behold, the sparrow findeth out
An house wherein to rest;
The swallow also for herself
Hath purchased a nest;
Even thine own Altars. . . ."

Victoria Notes

In Victoria recently (writes a correspondent) Principal Mackay officiated at the Anniversary Services in Knox Church, of which Rev. Mr. McCoy is minister. In the morning the subject was "The Importance of Using the Present," and in the evening "The Keystone of the Arch." Both sermons expounded the gospel of sacrifice and service.

On the Monday evening the anniversary social was held, and various denominations were represented by pastors and friends. Mr. McCoy has been ten and a half years with the congregation, the first five and a half being spent by him as their missionary. Five years ago the congregation became self-supporting, and a unanimous call was extended to Mr. McCoy. The relations of congregation and minister have been exceptionally happy and harmonious throughout.

St. Andrew's, Victoria, is opening a mission in Foul Bay district, and plans are now under way for a building.

St. Paul's is opening a Sunday School at Esquimalt.

St. Aidan's and Gordon Head have been separated, the former becoming a self-sustaining charge under the Rev. Mr. Kidd and the latter becoming a mission charge under Mr. Munro.

Erskine Church, which is the first mission church organized in Victoria for a number of years, is being ably cared for by the veteran Dr. Campbell under the direction of St. Andrew's.