

For the benefit of our English readers, we beg to announce that Mrs. Farnivall Wykeham, Shaa Road, Acton, London, W., has very kindly consented to receive Annual Subscriptions to the *Diocesan Gazette*, and to forward them with names and addresses of Subscribers to the Editor. The *Diocesan Gazette* will therefore besent, post free for a year, to any one who remits eighteen pence to Mrs. Farnivall.

Obituary.

The Rev. G. H. A. Murray writes:—

"It is with deep regret that I chronicle the death of three members of the Perryboro Congregation, and yet with sincere thankfulness that these have been our only losses within five years.

HENRY FRANCIS WALKER, a consistent Christian, who always took an interest in and worked for the Church's welfare, not only in his capacity as Church-Warden, but in many other ways, after a short but painful illness, borne patiently and resignedly, entered into the rest of Paradise, on the 27th of last October. As there was then no Burying Ground convenient to the Church at Perryboro', his remains were interred beside those of his near relatives in the Fletcher Burying Ground, near Barnston Corner.

On the following Sunday, a memorial Service was held in the Church, and the number present testified to the respect in which Mr. Walker was held in the community. Though only fifty-seven, he had lived to see a large family "virtuously and christianly brought up," as the head of which he will be very much missed.

MARIA BRADFORD, wife of Knightley Birch, passed away on January 9th. Having already a severe cold, she insisted on attending the funeral of her daughter-in-law at Sawyerville, a drive of eighteen miles each way over bad roads and under severe weather; in consequence of which she was seized with an attack of pneumonia, which, despite good nursing, and all that a loving husband and dutiful sons could do for her, did its fatal work inside of a week. Mrs. Birch was a kind mother, a devoted Churchwoman, and, until kept away by failing health, an active member of the Ladies' Guild. She was always in her place in God's House unless prevented by sickness or some other urgent cause,—one who never allowed the state of the weather or roads—a standard excuse with so many for being absent from Church—to keep her at home,

if it was at all possible for her to come: and as for attendance at the Lord's Table, I do not remember her to have been absent once during the last five years. At her own request she was buried near the little Church so dear to her, Mr. Jones having kindly donated half an acre of land adjoining the Church lot for a burying ground. The funeral which took place on Saturday, January 11th, was attended by nearly every one in the settlement. The Rev. Canon Foster assisted in the Service and the Rev. A. Stevens was among the mourners.

THOMAS CROMWELL, aged eighty-six, the oldest person in the settlement was laid to rest, on the following Monday, January 13th. Though a Presbyterian, yet since moving to Perryboro', Mr. Cromwell has always looked to the Church for ministrations for which he has always been most grateful. Having been crippled with rheumatism for a number of years, it was not his privilege to attend public worship, but this drawback was in a measure made up, by the regular visits of the Clergyman and private Celebrations of the Holy Communion. His funeral was also very largely attended,

It is truly comforting to know that it was the blessed privilege of each of the three to receive, on their death bed, surrounded by their children and neighbours, the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ."

ISABELLA ROE.

On Friday, January 17th, at noon, the funeral of Miss Isabella Roe, daughter of the Ven. Archdeacon Roe, took place in S. George's Church, Lennoxville. The Last Rites of the Church were performed by the Rev. Professor Searth and the Rev. Dr. Thorneloe. The body was committed to the ground in Lennoxville Cemetery. Although it was vacation time, as many of the Professors and Students of Bishop's College, as were able, were present to shew respect not only for the memory of an estimable Christian woman, but for the Venerable Archdeacon, who gave many valuable years work to the University of Lennoxville. We beg to tender our sincerest sympathy to the Archdeacon and Mrs. Roe, to the latter of whom, in her precarious state of health, this loss will doubtless be a great blow.