

News from the Home Field.

Gathered specially for this paper by Our Own Correspondents.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

B. H. M.

THE Secretary directs the attention of the Missionaries of B.H.M. to Clause six of Quebec Scheme Rules, and to the fact that by recent action of the Board he has been directed not to endorse quarterly payments until the terms of said Clause have been strictly complied with.

Halifax, 24th Oct., 1883.

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Algoma Bishopric Fund—Lunenburg, per Rev. Dr. Owen, \$6.00; St. Luke's, Halifax, per Rev. F. R. Murray, \$21.50; Rawdon, per Rev. W. J. Ancient, \$5.43; Rev. G. H. Butler, Chester, \$6.00.

Bishop Fauquier's Chapel—St. James', Newport, per Rev. H. How, \$8.27; St. Ann's, Woodville, do., \$1.69.

Shingwank Home—St. Luke's, Halifax, per Rev. F. R. Murray, \$7.38.

Diocese of Rupert's Land—St. Luke's, Halifax, per Rev. F. R. Murray, \$21.50.

JNO. D. H. BROWNE, Secretary.

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Society for the Propagation of the Gospel—Lunenburg, per Rev. Dr. Owen, \$25.00.

General—Annapolis Rural Deanery, per Rev. H. D. DeBlois, \$1.10.

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YARMOUTH.—The sudden death of the much-loved and venerated Rector of this Parish, the Rev. J. T. T. Moody, D. D., will cast a gloom over the Church which will not easily be dispelled. Dr. Moody was apparently in his usual good health to within three quarters of an hour of his death, which was probably caused by apoplexy. He was born in Halifax, and educated at King's College, where he took his degree of B. A., in 1882. After his ordination, in 1829, he became Rector of Liverpool, in which official capacity he remained for eighteen years, when he removed to Yarmouth, where for 37 years he has nobly done his duty. During his long ministerial life, Dr. Moody was ever a faithful pastor and affectionate friend, and was everywhere esteemed and honored. Dying at a good old age, he has left behind him the memory of a peaceful life fragrant with good deeds. Dr. Moody attended the last Encœnia of King's College, at Windsor, when he received from his old alma mater the degree of D. D. Dr. Moody was in his 80th year, and was probably the oldest clergyman in the Diocese of Nova Scotia.

SYDNEY, C. B.—Last winter, a sewing circle of the ladies of St. George's congregation was formed, under the energetic Presidency of Mrs. C. E. Leonard, in aid of the new Rectory, which is now approaching completion, and on Thursday, the 4th inst., their labours culminated in a very satisfactory and successful bazaar, which was held in the Temperance Hall. In providing their refreshment tables they received liberal assistance from parishioners residing in the country, mostly at Coxheath, from the same families by whom the frame of the Rectory was contributed, as well as many other friends. The attendance in the evening was doubtless greatly increased by the presence of the Sydney Cornet Band, who kindly gave their services. Every one seemed disposed to further the object of the bazaar; purchases were readily made, and early in the evening, the last article was sold. After payment of expenses, the sum of \$381.25 was handed over to the building committee.

SEAFORTH.—This parish was visited on the 6th by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese. On Sunday

morning, the 7th, his Lordship confirmed 55 candidates, in ages ranging from between 40 and 50 down to 14 years. The day was propitious to a large gathering, and the Church could not hold all the congregation that assembled. The candidates met with their priest, Rev. J. A. Richey, in the school-house, at an early hour, and the roll called, 32 males and 23 females answered to their names. These were formed into a procession at 10.30, and walked to the Church (the female candidates wearing their long white veils, the males white rosettes, and each division carrying its banner,) singing "Onward, Christian Soldiers." When the banners had been put in the chancel, and the candidates had taken their places, at 10.45, the Bishop entered, preceded by Mr. Richey vested in white girded alb, bearing his Lordship's pastoral staff. "The Church's one foundation," was now sung, and the Priest, kneeling on the lower chancel step said the Litany. Then, after an hymn, followed the Order of Confirmation, the candidates being presented three at a time. Those who have heard our Bishop address a Confirmation Class need not be told here of the rapt attention with which the whole audience listened to his Lordship's forcible and persuasive utterances. The Rite was followed by a celebration of the Holy Communion, the Lord Bishop being celebrant. Candles not lighted were, with the vases of flowers, on either side of the altar cross, the large and beautiful bouquets being a present for the occasion from the Rector's brother, his honor the Lieut. Governor of N. S. The banners, altar-book, and the altar-linen, with its fine embroidery, had likewise been sent out a present from Sister Caroline, of the Church Extension Association, England. In the afternoon the Bishop went 15 miles to East Chezzetcook, and consecrated the new chapel there—Christ Church. His lordship expressed himself much pleased with this small chapel, erected and furnished as it is by the almost unaided exertions of a little band of true hearted Church people, all, like the Apostles, fisherman. The altar here was illuminated by many candles burning on its ledge, and on the window ledge above, as was the whole Church, in a still better sense, by the True Light of the Divine Word, then and there faithfully preached. The Holy Altar, vested in white, had of course, the usual cross and flowers, the cross being a gift from the before-named good and kind Sister of the Church. His Lordship the Bishop expressed himself much pleased with his whole visit to the parish. Long may the remembrance of this Episcopal visit dwell on the hearts and lives of the many permitted to hear the truth from his Lordship's lips, and to receive the benefits which it is evidently as much his pleasure, as it is his high office, to impart.

MAIN-A-DIEU.—The ladies of the little village of Main-a-Dieu gave a tea meeting on the 27th of September last under the management of our worthy and respected clergyman, the Rev. T. F. Draper, the proceeds of which are to be placed in the hands of the Building Committee towards the erection of a new church in this village. We are glad to state that it was a great success taking into account the paucity of Church people in this part of the mission. Much praise is due to Capt. John Martell who so kindly gave up the lower flat of his dwelling house for the tea. The refreshment table and other amusements were conducted in the Temperance Hall. The proceeds amounted to \$112. Rev. Mr. Draper and the ladies exerted themselves to make everything agreeable and pleasant and to help those present to enjoy themselves, and they did so to their hearts content. We have great pleasure in stating that the building committee have decided to erect a new church instead of altering the old one as was formerly noticed in your paper, and we hope the work will very soon be commenced as all materials are on the spot. Amount raised is a nest egg towards having outside of building finished. If any reader of this paper would help towards building this church, which is surrounded on all sides by Roman Catholics, situated in a poor district, by giving contributions, no matter how small, we

feel quite safe in saying that they would be gladly received by the Priest in charge.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

DORCHESTER.—His Lordship the Coadjutor Bishop took part in the Services here on Sunday, and preached to large congregations. The Sunday Services were especially of a Thanksgiving character, and the Church was tastefully decorated for the occasion. Dorchester is likely to become more and more important, as valuable mines are soon to be worked on a large scale. Mr. Campbell, the Rector, has recently assumed the duties of Chaplain to the Penitentiary in succession to the Rev. R. Simonds, whose retirement will be felt, not only as a loss to the Institution, but especially as a great loss to the town, the whole population having learnt to appreciate his many gentlemanly and Christian qualities.

FREDERICTON.—His Lordship the Metropolitan is expected home very soon from the United States.

St. James.—In the anniversary sermon, to which we made slight allusion in our last, the Rev. G. O. Troop, the Rector, gave a summary of the work done, and other interesting facts in connection with the Parish during the past year. During the year \$94.61 had been collected for the D. C. S.; \$153.56 for the poor; \$563.93 for new S. S. house; \$64 for S. S. books. The Baptisms had been 58—22 adults and 45 infants; 10 marriages had taken place, and 12 burials. He had made 348 parish visits, preached 119 sermons; 48 persons had been presented for confirmation, and there were 117 communicants. In November three confirmation classes would be established, one being for young men and women over 21 years of age, the second for young men under 21, and third for young women under 21. Already 40 persons have handed in their names, and there is every prospect that the classes will be large.

ST. STEPHEN.—The death is announced of Mr. Zachariah Chipman, for many years a leading citizen of this town, and well known throughout the Province. The deceased was eminent for his good works, and very highly esteemed by a large circle of friends. He leaves a widow, one son, and four daughters. One of the latter is the wife of Sir Leonard Tilley; one is Mrs. Toller; another is married to Mr. Howland, of Toronto. The other is married, and resides abroad. Mr. Chipman was 69 years of age.

ST. JOHN.—At St. Paul's Church, at 6.30 o'clock, Tuesday morning, the marriage of Capt. W. S. Ruddock and Miss Alice M. Horncastle, by the Rev. Canon DeVeber, was witnessed by a large gathering of friends and relatives. The happy couple left on the early train on Wednesday morning for New York, accompanied by the best wishes of their friends.

A LARGELY attended meeting of the male portion of the congregation of the Church of St. John Baptist Mission Chapel, was held on Monday evening. The Rev. J. M. Davenport occupied the chair, and Mr. H. W. Frith acted as Secretary. It was voted to form a men's guild in connection with the church, and the Rev. Mr. Davenport, Messrs. H. W. Frith, G. A. Schofield, Chas. McLaughlan, jr., and J. V. Thurgar were appointed a committee to draft a constitution and submit the same to a future meeting. It was decided to remove the organ to the south side of the chancel, and \$60 was subscribed on the spot to meet the expense. The total cost of organ chamber, etc., is put at \$300, of which two-thirds is now subscribed.

KINGSTON.—Rev. L. G. Stevens, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Portland, conducted service here on Wednesday evening, and a large congregation attended. Mr. Stevens is an able preacher.