

NEWS FROM THE HOME FIELD.

Gathered specially for this paper by Our Own Correspondents.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

ADDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS BY THE BISHOP.

MAY.	MAY.
19. New-Dublin.	24. Liverpool.
20. Petite-Rivière.	26. Lockport.
20. La Have Islands.	27. Green Harbor.
21. Broad Cove.	28. Shelburne.
22. Port Medway.	29. Church Over.
23. Eagle Head.	31. Yarmouth.
JUNE.	JUNE.
3. Weymouth.	12. Middle Grenville.
4. Barton.	14. Bridgetown.
5. Digby.	14. Belle Isle.
7. St. Clements.	15. Middleton.
9. Annapolis.	16. Aylesford.
9. Bosette.	17. Berwick.
10. Perrott.	18. Cornwallis.
10. Dalhousie.	19. New Ross.
11. Grenville Ferry.	

HALIFAX—*St. Paul's*.—The Rev. Dr. Hill left Halifax last Monday by steamer for England. During his absence the parish will (we understand) be in the charge of Rev. W. H. Sampson, the priest in charge of Trinity.

St. Luke's.—The rector's statistical statement for the past year is a very gratifying one. During the year there were 7 marriages, 21 burials, and 45 baptisms: 3 adults, 10 private, as well as 14 receptions into the Church. The Communicant's roll now numbers 452, 347 persons attended the Easter celebrations, this being the largest Easter Communion ever made in the Church. There have been 210 Celebrations in the year, with 5,226 Communions. Since June, the rector has been enabled to pay 1,144 recorded visits, besides those made by the assistant clergy. The work at St. Alban's and the Hospital has been carried on most regularly by the zealous efforts of Mr. Wiswell and Mr. Sumichrast.

St. Matthias Mission.—A fancy dress entertainment is to be given next week by the children of Willow Park, in aid of the building fund of this Mission. The fan drill from the *Spectator* will be one of the chief attractive features. The committee of the building are very anxious to make the place comfortable before the coming winter.

St. George's.—An interesting paper on the early history of this Church, was read by the Rev. Dr. Partridge last week, before the Nova Scotia Historical Society. The parish was originally founded by German settlers, Lutherans, who were brought to Nova Scotia in 1750. Most of these were sent to Lunenburg in 1753, but 15 families remained in Halifax where they soon built a small church, which still exists in good repair. Their services were kept up by their school-master, and clerical duties were performed for them for many years by Rev. Mr. Breynton, rector of St. Paul's. The paper was principally occupied in tracing the policy of the Government towards these settlers, and in describing the polity of the church and the history of the first six years of its existence. The after history of the parish is to be continued in a series of papers, which will probably be published in pamphlet form.

EPISCOPAL.—The Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia commenced the confirmation tour of the western portion of his diocese on Friday, the 8th May. Arriving at the Prince of Wales Hotel, head of St. Margaret's Bay, at 2 p.m., he walked from thence to St. James' Church, on the north shore, a distance of two miles, where a numerous congregation (for a week-day service) awaited him. Prayers were read by the Rev. P. Brown; 13 candidates for the laying on of hands were presented by the incumbent, the Rev. H. Stamer, and after an earnest address to the newly confirmed, and an impressive sermon, His Lordship left for Hubbard's

Cove, arriving at the rectory at 6 p.m. Early the following day, many could be seen wending their way to the parish church for forenoon service. 41 were confirmed, bringing up the number, in the two churches, to 54. The Bishop was most energetic and solemn in his address, both to the newly confirmed and to the congregation in general, warning them against absenting themselves from any of the means of grace; and especially against withdrawing from the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, when so positively commanded by their Saviour and so freely offered to those that will repent. The interest manifested by the numerous congregation throughout was very commendable. 53 partook of the Holy Communion. The music rendered by Miss Stamer, daughter of the rector, who presided at the organs of both churches, was much appreciated by all. His Lordship left after lunch for Chester, accompanied by the Rev. G. Butler, seemingly much pleased with his visit.

SEAFORTH.—On Wednesday, May 6th, the nineteenth meeting of the Tangier Rural Deanery was held, at Seaforth, of which the Rev. J. A. Richey is Rector. Divine service was held on Tuesday evening at the parish church, the Rev. J. Lowry, of Ship Harbor, and the Rev. G. F. Maynard, of Falkland, taking evensong, the lessons being read by Rev. E. H. Ball, of Tangier. Extempore addresses were then given by the five visiting clergy. The Rural Dean, Rev. W. Ellis, of Sackville, gave the introductory address; he was followed by the Rev. J. L. Bell, of Dartmouth, on "Christ the Light of the world"; Rev. J. Lowry spoke on the subject of "Tithes and Offerings"; Rev. E. H. Ball on "The Scriptural and Modern views of Worship"; and Rev. G. F. Maynard on "Christian Life"—all which subjects had been previously requested by the Rector. The subjects embracing a wide area cannot fail to reach the hearts of the hearers, one address being special food for some, another for others. The morning service of Wednesday consisted of choral Litany, sung by the Rural Dean, and the Holy Eucharist, at which he celebrated, assisted by the Rev. J. L. Bell. There was a large congregation, and the communicants numbered nearly 30. The Rural Dean preached on Christ's address, "Blessed are the eyes which see the things that ye see," (St. Luke x. 23.), from which the preacher took opportunity of showing the still greater blessedness of the Christian living now, under the fulness of God's grace, as administered through His Church, and many a telling point of Catholic doctrine and Christian life were brought forth from the text, which must have both edified the hearers and encouraged the rector. At the afternoon session of the Chapter, the Rev. G. F. Maynard, of Falkland, was present by invitation, and a motion requesting the Bishop to annex Falkland to the Deanery was most cheerfully passed. The revised by-laws of the Deanery were finally reconsidered, confirmed with some alterations and agreed upon; the experience of nineteen years since the constitution of our Rural Deaneries was first formed helping, it is trusted, to make them nearly all that can be required. At this meeting, two members of the Chapter were present for the first time since its resuscitation, and it is felt that the influence of the happy and edifying meeting is a guarantee of much future enthusiasm and much consequent usefulness. To the rector and Mrs. Richey, and to the good Church people of Seaforth, the members of the Chapter are indebted for hearty hospitality. The next meeting was fixed for July 15th, at Sackville.

STEWIACKE.—At a meeting recently held in Holy Trinity Church, Lower Stewiacke, for the purpose of electing a rector for this lately constituted parish, the Rev. J. C. Cox, B.A., who has officiated as incumbent for the last three and a half years, was unanimously elected the first rector.

At the Easter Vestry Meeting held in this parish, Jas. Miller, Esq., and Mr. Thos. Gibbon were elected churchwardens, and Mr. F. H. Holesworth was re-appointed vestry clerk. A resolution was passed to have the ceiling and walls of the church

tinted with alabastine, which has since been accomplished, greatly to the improvement of its internal appearance. A new organ from Kearns' manufactory, has likewise recently been substituted in the place of the small melodeon, which has done duty in this old church for so many years.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

The following are the appointments of the Most Rev. the Metropolitan for parts of May and June:

May 25. Fredericton for Ember week and ordination.	[Village.]
June 7. Confirmation at Hampton and French	
" 8 & 9. " " Springfield.	
" 12. " " Sackville.	
" 14. " " Dorchester.	
" 16. " " Petitcodiac.	
" 17. " " Shediac.	

The following are the appointments of the Bishop-Coadjutor for the remainder of May and part of June:

MAY.	JUNE.
20. Moncton.	5. Woodstock.
21. Petitcodiac.	10. Centreville.
23. Springfield.	13. Richmond.
25. Fredericton for Ember week and ordination.	19. Prince William.
	22. Canterbury.

NORTON.—The Parish Church, which has been undergoing extensive repairs for some months, was re-opened for service on the 6th inst., and although the day was both cloudy and cold, it did not in any way mar the happiness which pervaded the hearts of its members at the prospect of once more enjoying service within its walls.

On the arrival of the early train from St. John, the Most Reverend, the Metropolitan, who had kindly promised to be present, was met by the Rector and several Clergy of the Deanery, as also Capt. Baxter, of Bloomfield, at whose house they were most cordially entertained until time for service.

At 11 o'clock, a.m., the service was commenced by the singing of the "Litany of the Church" as a processional, followed by reading of the prayers by Rev. O. S. Newnham, first and second lessons by Revs. J. Lockward and W. O. Raymond, the special prayers for the occasion being read by the Metropolitan, who also preached the sermon, which His Lordship opened by congratulating the congregation on the good they had done.

The Holy Communion Service was conducted by several of the Clergy, His Lordship being celebrant, and of which seventy-five partook. The Offering amounted to nearly \$35.00. After service the Metropolitan, Clergy, Choir, and a goodly portion of a very large congregation were driven to the residence of Mr. J. B. S. Raymond, where a very handsome luncheon was provided, and at which the Metropolitan kindly and most generously offered to give a stained-glass East-window: this handsome gift, coming from one so highly esteemed and revered, was a great source of joy, especially to those who have been most active in restoring the church.

ALBION MINES.—This Mission has lost the valuable aid of Mr. Morris A. F. Taylor, who has joined the Clara Mission, Mattawa, O., under the well-known Rev. Forster Bliss. Westville can no longer have her Sunday services, but will have to go back to Friday evenings alone, and the hoped for services at Vale Colliery, &c., &c., must again be postponed. How long it will be before we can afford a Curate is now the pressing question? We pray God to bless Mr. Taylor in all his undertakings.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

DRUMMONDVILLE.—At a meeting of the vestry of St. George's Church, a gold-headed cane and purse were presented to Rev. F. J. B. Allnatt, who has been elected rector of St. Matthew's Church, Quebec. The rev. gentleman made a suitable