

RELIGIOUS.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

Rev. David Smith, B. D., and Rural Dean, has been unanimously elected Rector of Sydney, in place of the lamented Dr. R. J. Uniacke. Mr. Smith is a gentleman of much ability, a sound scholar and churchman. He graduated from St. Augustine's College, Canterbury, in 1868, and took his degree of Bachelor in Divinity from King's College, in 1885, by special examination.

The Rev. Charles Bowman, D. D., has resigned the parish of Parrsboro' and it is said is coming to Halifax to reside.

Other changes in some of the parishes are rumored.

The Ven. Sir Lovelace Stamer, Archdeacon of Stoke, has been appointed Suffragan to the Bishop of Lichfield, with the title of Bishop of Shrewsbury. He is a High Churchman, and has already done good work for the church in the "Black Country."

It is computed that over £700,000 sterling was given to charities in England last year in large sums. Amounts of less than £1,000 increase the total to at least £1,000,000.

A testimonial of seven hundred sovereigns was offered to Bishop Kennion on the occasion of his projected visit to England, to attend the Pan-Anglican Synod at Lambeth. The Bishop refused to accept the money personally, but would devote it to reducing the bank overdraft of the Home Mission Fund.

The Right Rev. James C. Campbell, D. D., Lord Bishop of Bangor, has completed his 74th year. He is the *seventieth* bishop of Bangor, which See was founded before the year 516, and he was consecrated in 1859.

PRESBYTERIAN.

It is proposed to erect a new Presbyterian Church at Five Islands, Colchester County, the coming summer.

Rev. Dr. Burns is rapidly recovering from the effects of the accident which befell him a few weeks ago. He occupied the pulpit of Fort Massey church at both services last Sunday.

The Presbyterian Board of Publication, Philadelphia, offers a bible as a gift to all who repeat the shorter catechism correctly.

Dr. John Hall's church, New York, supports three missions in that city. It is stated that his congregation are worth \$400,000 000. During his twenty years pastorate, Dr. Hall has only been absent from his church two Sundays.

At Barnegat, New Jersey, there is a Presbyterian Church which has been wonderfully stirred by the preaching of a blind evangelist, Mr. Thomas Houston. The present result of all is the addition of fifty-one persons to the church, and a general quickening of interest on the subject of religion in the entire place.

The Presbyterian church in the United States (North) is making great efforts this year to raise a million dollars for ministerial relief. Last Sunday a simultaneous effort was to have been made throughout the church on behalf of the fund.

BAPTIST.

Rev. Geo. Sturgis has been holding special services in connection with the Free Baptist church, at Clark's Harbor, Shelburne County. Many conversions are reported.

There are over 500 Baptist churches in Burma, with over 56,000 communicants.

Thirty-four of the Baptist ministers of Michigan belong to Ontario. They should be at work in their own country.

Last Wednesday was set apart by the Baptists of the Maritime Provinces for prayer in behalf of their educational institutions. Special services were held at Wolfville.

The First Baptist church, Minneapolis, Minn., made a canvass of one hundred blocks in its vicinity, and found that while nearly all the children attended Sabbath Schools, only one-half the people went to church.

Mrs. Lucy H. Hawkes, of Paris, Maine, left by her will \$50,000 to the Maine Baptist church at Mechanics' Falls, and \$25,000 to the Woman's Baptist Home Mission Society.

METHODIST.

The special services conducted by the Rev. F. H. W. Pickles, at Liverpool, in connection with the Methodist church, have been productive of much good. About sixty persons have already professed conversion.

It is stated that as a result of the special services in the Methodist churches in St. John, hundreds have decided on a new life, and great earnestness has been awakened in many others.

Rev. W. G. Lane is to deliver his lecture, "A Trip to Sweden," in College Hall, Gerrish Street, next Monday evening. It will be illustrated by oil paintings prepared by the reverend gentleman. We would recommend all who desire to spend a delightful evening to be present.

Rev. T. Watson Smith, who was compelled to resign the editorial management of the *Wesleyan*, is at work on the second volume of his "History of Methodism." It is expected that the work will be ready for publication in the course of a few months.

The General Conference (quadrennial) of the Methodist Episcopal church of the United States meets in the Metropolitan Opera House, New York, on May 1st.

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