

Personal & General

The Rev. K. Alexander, of Woodstock, Ont., has accepted the position of Rector of Flint, Michigan, and will leave shortly to take up his new work.

Meetings of the House of Bishops, the M.S.C.C. Board, the Sunday School Commission, the Council for Social Service and W.A. are being held this week in Ottawa.

A special session of the Synod of the Diocese of Newfoundland for the purpose of electing a successor to Bishop Jones, who is retiring, will be held on Wednesday, October 10th.

The Right Rev. Charles D. Williams, Bishop of Michigan, has gone to France on a special mission for the Red Cross. He will spend several weeks in observation of the work of the organization on the west front.

A national convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew will be held in Philadelphia, U.S.A., Wednesday to Sunday, October 10th to 14th. Among the speakers are Bishops Rhineland, Garland, Du Moulin and Gailor, and Dr. John R. Mott.

The Rev. Charles J. James, M.A., Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Toronto, has been elected Rural Dean of the Deanery of Toronto, in succession to the Rev. E. C. Cayley, D.D. Dr. Cayley resigned the position, we regret to learn, on account of ill-health.

The late Mrs. Mary Rigley, of Kingston, Ont., after providing in her will for bequests amounting to \$1,400, left the balance of her estate in the hands of the Rev. T. W. Savary, Rector of St. James' Church, Kingston, to divide among the charitable institutions of the city.

The 1917 Congress of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States opens in Cincinnati on October 23rd with a celebration of the Holy Communion and an address by the Right Rev. Frank Du Moulin, D.D. The meetings continue until Friday afternoon, October 26th.

The Rev. F. H. Buck, who, on the outbreak of the war was engaged in work in the Yukon in connection with the Church Camp Mission, has recently been gazetted a Chaplain at the front with the rank of captain. On the outbreak of war he went overseas as a private in the Yukon contingent.

On September 12th the Rev. S. Clowes Noxon, Rector of Winona, Ont., received a cable that his son Franklyn was reported wounded and missing, September 6th. His son is second lieutenant in the 6th Lancashire Fusiliers, and was a student at Wycliffe College for two years prior to his enlistment.

Before returning to Vancouver to resume his duties in Latimer Hall, the Rev. Professor Ellis, who has been in charge of one of the churches on Hanlan's Island, Toronto, during the past summer, was invited to the home of Mr. Charles Bailey after the service on Sunday evening last and presented with a purse containing over one hundred dollars.

The Metropolitan of British Columbia, Dr. DuVernet, visited the northern part of the Diocese of Cariboo on behalf of Bishop de Pencier, who is at the front, holding a Confirmation service on August 31st in

St. John's Church, Quesnel, and on the following Sunday, September 2nd, unveiling a scroll of honour, containing the names of 295 men who have gone to the front from the district between Soda Creek and Blackwater, thirty-four of whom have laid down their lives for the great cause.

The Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States met in Washington on September 15th to organize a War Commission of the Church. It was decided to raise a fund of \$500,000, and also to send a Bishop to Europe at once to look after the interests of Episcopalians in the trenches and camps. An executive committee of clergy and laymen was appointed to carry out the plans. Bishop Rogers Israel, of Erie, is now in France, and the hope of the War Commission is that he may be induced to remain there.

Rev. Professor Walter Ellis, M.A., B.D., of Latimer Hall, Vancouver, who has been acting Incumbent of Emmanuel Church, Toronto Island, for the summer, has accepted the appointment as an honorary Chaplain to the Naval and Marine Institutes of Canada for Vancouver. The investiture took place on Sunday evening, the 16th inst., at the Church of the Redeemer, Bloor Street, Toronto, with which Professor Ellis was formerly associated. There was a naval festival service of thanksgiving and intercession for the fleets at sea. Rev. Alfred Hall, D.D., senior Chaplain for Canada, preached the sermon and performed the ceremony of investiture. The chaplaincy scarf of purple silk, emblazoned with a lighthouse, is the gift of His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught.

When about to leave New York for England on board the "Orduna," Dean Almon Abbott said in an interview with a reporter: "I'm naturally very anxious to get over to the front. My heart and soul are in this war. One of my wife's brothers has been killed and two others are in the army. So I want to do my bit. I'm going over under the auspices of the Canadian Y.M.C.A., one of four preachers selected to make a 'religious drive' on the front held by the Canadians. We're going to preach to the men when they come out of the trenches, and in moving up and down the lines we'll be within a few miles of the front. I'm very glad to be sailing on the 'Orduna.' She has made thirty-two round trips without encountering a submarine, and as she is equipped with a smoke screen device I'm sure she'll get through again in safety. I was very much interested to find a complete pneumatic suit in my cabin instead of the usual flimsy life preserver. Every cabin is now equipped with these suits, which will keep one afloat for at least twenty-four hours. As soon as I get to Liverpool I'll hurry on to London, and within a fortnight I expect to be with the Canadian troops at the front. But a year from now I hope to be back in Cleveland."

M. S. C. C.

The Rev. R. H. A. Haslam expects to sail for India, on his return from furlough, from Vancouver on October 25th.

Miss Florence Martyn, who has been taking a special hospital course in "The Rotunda," Dublin, Ireland, hopes to reach Canada in time to accompany Mr. Haslam.

Miss L. L. Shaw is due to sail from Vancouver for Japan on October 20th. The Rev. W. M. Trivett and Mrs. Trivett, of Honan, China, are at present in Ottawa with Mrs. Trivett's parents.

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