

News from the Home Field.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

KING'S COLLEGE ENDOWMENT.—The Rev. President of King's College is now canvassing Halifax on behalf of the Endowment Fund. We have not heard actually what amount has yet been promised, but from the tone of the President's Appeal on Sunday night, at St. Luke's, we are inclined to the opinion that the amount hoped for from the city has not yet been obtained. We suppose ten thousand dollars would not be too much to expect from the rich Churchmen of Halifax, and there ought to be no great difficulty in raising that amount. If Churchmen do not now make some sacrifices, if needs be, in order to maintain the Institution, their descendants will have either to mourn an inferior position for the Church, or give much more largely than is now required from their fathers.

THE REV. W. A. DESBRISAY, of New York City, nephew of Rev. M. DesBrisay, a former Rector of Christ Church, Dartmouth, preached in that Church on the morning of Sunday, 31st of July, at the Bishop's Chapel in the afternoon, and at Trinity Church, Halifax, at the Evening Service. The Rev. gentleman is now on a visit to his brother, Judge DesBrisay, at Bridgewater.

HALIFAX.—St. Paul's.—Mr. Samson, of King's College, has been nominated to the vacant Curacy of this church, and will be ordained to the Diaconate at the approaching ordination in September. From what we have heard, Dr. Hill is fortunate in having secured the services of Mr. Samson as his assistant.

Trinity.—The Rev. H. L. A. Almon, the Curate in charge, has already won a place in the affection of his people, and the congregation is steadily improving. We should not be surprised to learn before a great while that Mr. Almon has filled his church with a permanent congregation.

MR. HANCOCK, of St. Augustine's College, Canterbury, is expected in Halifax by the next steamer from England, and will be ordained to the Diaconate, and assigned to work in this Diocese.

The prayer for fine weather was used in several of the Halifax Churches on Sunday last.

SACKVILLE.—Bazaar.—A bazaar, picnic, and fancy sale will be held at the grounds of the Sackville Rectory, on Thursday 1st September. The picnic will be made very attractive: tickets, entitling the bearer to admission to the grounds, and to a dinner, costing only 25 cents. The attractions for the young folks will be swings, archery, races, etc. The steamer *Mic-Mac* will run to Bedford on that day, and conveyances will meet ticket-holders at the wharf, and convey them to the Rectory grounds, thus affording a drive through some of the most beautiful scenery in Nova Scotia. The proceeds of the bazaar, &c., will be devoted to the fund for completing the Rectory. A choice lot of English fancy articles have been received from friends in England, and will be sold at the bazaar. For particular see advertisement in *Morning Chronicle*.

TRURO.—On Friday evening, the Bishop of the Diocese was present, and administered the Rite of Confirmation or "Laying-On-of-Hands" to a class of seventeen, principally adults.

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Received from Rev. H. DeBlois, (previously omitted), \$7.14, Collection Deacony Meeting in July, at Digby, for Foreign Missions. W. GOSSIP, Treasurer.

ALBION MINES.—The Rev. G. W. Hodgson arrived here on Tuesday, 17th, as agent for the endowment Fund of King's College, Windsor. The weather was so unpropitious that the case was not laid before the people assembled. Mr. Hodgson will pay us another visit for the purpose. Those who faced the bad weather were well paid by hearing from Mr. Hodgson a beautiful "Instruction" on Prayer.

BAVFIELD.—Holy Trinity Parish.—This Parish greatly enjoyed the visit of the Venerable Dr. White, of Shelburne, who spent the greater portion of the month of July amongst us. It will be fifty-two years next November since Dr. White became the first settled Missionary of Antigonish, then called Sydney. Perhaps more than common ties cemented the relationships subsisting between the Reverend gentleman and the people of this Parish. Combined with the spiritual union and including it, is another link binding us together, the partner of his joys and sorrows, who entered the rest of Paradise four years ago, having been a native of Antigonish. At longer or shorter intervals for nearly forty-six years, the Dr. has been able to make visits here, the last but this, having been made eleven years ago. On that occasion his stay was unavoidably quite short, and he was unable to hold a Service. Not so, however, on the recent visit, for two Sundays he officiated in St. Paul's, Antigonish, celebrating the Holy Eucharist on one of them, with much comfort to all, and on a week-day evening at St. Mary's, Bayfield. On each of these occasions he met and taught the old and the young, some to whom he had been spiritual counsellor and adviser more than half a century ago, but the greater number were the generation who knew him not personally, but who, nevertheless, from the esteem he had been held in by those who had gone before, rejoiced to meet him, the most revered memories having always been cherished of him in this Mission. If this devoted servant of his Master, now seventy-six years of age, was refreshed, as he declared, to us his visit was simply full of comfort. On the sixth Sunday after Trinity, we were favoured with a visit from the zealous Deacon of Louisburg, who assisted at Matins and Evensong, and in the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, preaching twice, and addressing the Sunday School children in the afternoon. Neither were his musical accomplishments unappreciated by the large congregations who attended the Services. We felt sorry when parting with him, that his isolated position prevents his visiting us more frequently. We glory in the clerical accessions to the Church of God. We have a right to rejoice at seeing the Prodigals coming back to the Father's house, and we have also reason to thank God very heartily for the large and valuable accessions to the laity. I have been led to make this remark, because of a notice sent me this day, stating that my old friend, Dr. Neil Sutherland, formerly of this Parish, was recently Confirmed at Acadia Mines. Two medical gentlemen, with striking coincidences in their Church career here, the former, Dr. J. W. Macdonald, who is well known in many parts of the Diocese, have left us to advance higher in that Mission. **

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

THE REV. G. W. HODGSON left Charlottetown last week for Nova Scotia. He goes on a begging tour for King's College University. He will visit the following places: Pictou, Albion Mines, Truro, Lunenburg, Bridgewater, Mahone Bay, Amherst and Londonderry. In consequence of both of the Priests of the Parish being absent, there will be no daily service in St. Peter's Church. The Rev. Dr. Wright, of Montreal, will take Sunday duty during the absence of the clergy.

The late Mrs. Alexander left a legacy of \$325 to the funds of St. Peter's Church.—*P. E. I. Paper*.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

GRAND MANAN.—The Church at North Head will be completed this summer. At this place the Summer Hotel is situated. During the absence of Rev. W. S. Covert, the Rev. G. J. Carey, who received again the Bishop's License, has been officiating with much acceptance at North Head.

PERSONAL.—The Rev. A. F. Fuller, of the Diocese of Western New York, has been visiting St. John. Mr. Fuller is a clever and eloquent extempore preacher, and preached in Trinity Church on the 14th. Rev. Canon Sills, of the Cathedral, Portland, Me., son-in-law of Rev. Dr. Ketchum, has been visiting St. Andrews.

MONCTON.—A very gratifying occurrence took place recently in this Parish. A few of the Parishioners in the kindest and simplest way, presented the Rector with a sum of money amounting to \$100, and requested him to go away for a vacation, so as to recover his health. He expects to return by the 28th. In the meantime, the Services are supplied by other clergy. For some weeks, the Rector had been ill from bronchitis and pneumonia.

The Bishop Coadjutor expects to visit the Parishes in Charlotte County next month.

MONCTON.—In the absence of the Rector, Rev. Mr. Wilkinson, of Petitcodiac, officiated in St. George's Church on Sunday morning and evening.

DORCHESTER.—The ladies who managed the Episcopal Bazaar, last week, met on Tuesday to consider the feasibility of building a new stone church for Dorchester, before devoting the proceeds of the Bazaar (\$275) to any other purpose. The movement was voted down, and the money will be devoted, as intended, to building a new churchyard fence.—*Post*.

THE BISHOP COADJUTOR went to Rothesay on Monday, August 15th, where he was met by Rev. Canon Medley, and entered on a tour of inspection of the different Parishes in the Deanery of Kingston, so as to become acquainted with the localities and the work of the Clergy of the Deanery. He preached at Sussex on the 21st inst.

PETITCODIAC.—A meeting of the Deanery of Kingston was held at Petitcodiac on the 10th and 11th. The clergy of the Deanery present were Canon Medley (Rural Dean), S. J. Hanford, E. A. Warneford, B. Shaw, Canon Partridge, C. Willis, J. H. Talbot, A. Hoadley, T. W. Vroom. There were also present Rev. H. H. Barber, of Shediac, and Rev. R. D. Bambrick, of Charlottetown. The Chapter met at 11 o'clock and at 3 on Wednesday, and at 9 on Thursday. On Wednesday evening there was a full choral Evensong in St. Andrew's Church, with sermon by Rev. E. A. Warneford on

Matt. xviii. 7. The clergy entered by the west door, singing as a processional the hymn "We love the place, O God." The first part of the service, as far as the end of the 3rd Collect, was sung by Rev. F. W. Vroom, Curate of Petitcodiac, and the latter part by Rev. Canon Partridge. The Psalms and Canticles were sung to Gregorian tones, according to Redhead's setting, and were chanted antiphonally by minister and people. At the close of service the Benediction was pronounced by the Rural Dean, and the clergy retired as they had come in, singing "Onward Christian Soldiers." On Thursday morning there was a celebration (choral) of the Holy Communion, at which the Rural Dean was celebrant.

D. C. S.—The Committee of the Diocesan Church Society, appointed to interest children in the work of Home Missions, beg to inform the Clergy that they are about to issue a Leaflet, written by the Right Rev. Dr. Kingdon, Bishop-Coadjutor of Fredericton, in the form of a letter to the children of the Diocese. As many copies of it as may be desired can be obtained by application to the Secretary of the Committee in St. John.

By order of the Committee.

FREDERICK S. SILL, Secretary.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

(From our own Correspondent.)

The following Missions in this Diocese are at present vacant: Cumberland, Frankville, Merrickville, and Roslyn.

We regret to learn of the Rev. A. Stunden's departure from the Diocese. He was a Deacon, in charge of the Mission of Frankville, and has gone to fill the important position of Curate to Holy Trinity Church, Winnipeg.

It is understood that several applications for Admission to the Diocese have been received.

THE REV. T. D. PHILLIPS, who has been in charge of a boys' school in this Diocese for some years past, has left for Chicago, where, it is said, he intends opening an academy.

The excellence of the crops in Ontario should move all our congregations to return their fervent Thanksgivings to the Great Lord of the Harvest.

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

(From our own Correspondent.)

BURLINGTON.—The harvest festival in connection with St. Luke's Church, Burlington, was held on the 16th inst. The Thanksgiving Service began at 1 o'clock, p.m. The Church, which is approached from the street by a long avenue, beautifully arched and shaded with trees, was appropriately and tastefully decorated, and displayed such a profusion of the fruits of the earth, as to present one beautiful symbol of the bounteous mercy of Him Who crowns the year with His goodness. The service was conducted by the Rev. Canon Belt, Rector, assisted by the Rev. C. E. Whitcombe, of Stoney Creek, and the Rev. L. DesBrisay, of All Saints, Hamilton, who preached from Ps. lxxv. 9. The congregation was large and attentive, the singing and responding hearty. The Offertory was for the Parsonage Fund. After service, the congregation repaired to the spacious and beautiful grounds of the Brant House, commanding a view of the Lake, and where the ladies of the Church held a sale of useful and fancy articles, whose proceeds were also devoted to the Parsonage Fund. A sumptuous repast, games, and a concert in the evening, helped to make up the enjoyments of the day. A large number of people from Hamilton were present. The Rector and ladies of the Church were unwearied in their efforts to make the day a happy one for their guests, and to make the Festival in every way successful.

HAMILTON.—The Rev. Canon Carmichael is at present away on his vacation.

All Saints.—The teachers and scholars of All Saints' Sunday School held their annual picnic in Dundurn Park lately, and had a delightful time. The scholars were joined by the girls of the Industrial School, under the charge of the matrons. The Rector of the Church, and a number of parents and others, were present. After half the games had been gone through with, tea, cakes, etc., were served, and right heartily the children enjoyed the bountiful feast. The ladies were indefatigable in their efforts to please the little folks, and with that object had an abundant display of edibles of various kinds, as also fruit. The games, or rather races, for they were varied, were well contested, and a large number of presents passed into the hands of the boys and girls. The teachers have to thank Messrs. J. Eastwood & Co., S. G. Treble, Davis & McCullough, M. Taylor, R. Duncan & Co., Garland & Rutherford, J. S. McMahon & Co., C. Foster, and A. Hamilton, for prizes so kindly given. The children, after singing the national anthem, broke up about 6.30 p.m. and departed to their respective homes, having spent a very pleasant afternoon.

OUR LONDON LETTER.

(From our own Correspondent.)

LONDON, August 9th, 1881.

When I despatched my last letter, the appeal case of the Rev. S. F. Green was proceeding. It, however, came to a sudden termination, as their lordships stopped the case at the close of the speech of the counsel for the appellant, giving judgment against the rev. gentleman without calling on the other side to answer the arguments of their opponents. And so terminates another stage of this scandalous and most lamentable case. And what has added to the disgracefulness of the case since I last wrote is the proceeding that took place last week in the rev. gentleman's house, when the sheriff sold the furniture of the vicarage to satisfy the legal expenses incurred in this case. As I have previously said, the features of this case are such as to make one's blood boil with indignation. It is a discreditable affair all round. Instead of that "bear and forbear" that should characterize the Christian, there has been too much dogged bigotry in sticking to what after all are only secondaries, if not non-essential. If "essential," then there are very few who are not in a state of unpreparedness, and who are the ministers of an incomplete Gospel. The sooner the Rev. Mr. Green is out of gaol, and his imprisonment for "conscience-sake" terminates, the better it will be for the discretion of its ministers, and more credit to all concerned.

I told you some time ago that Mr. Bradlaugh contemplated a raid upon the House of Commons. "to assert his rights as a member of Parliament, and fulfil his duties to his constituents." The whole farce has at last been played. On Wednesday last, the Apostle of Negation went down to the House, intending to force his way into the members' hall, and take his seat as a member, despite the fact that the House had ordered his exclusion therefrom, because of his previous riotous and eminently Bradlaugh behaviour. Well, on the day mentioned, he went down to the House, and attempted to enter the forbidden ground. But he was met by the guardians of order and decency, who challenged his business and right. In response, he demanded his right as a member, etc., etc. But the minions of the House knew him not, and barred his entrance. Then the chosen of Northampton offered that theatrical resistance and resentment that had been so well rehearsed, and which was to play so important a part in influencing those "millions of persons who would read the papers on the following day with shame and indignation." However, the officers of the House did not mince matters. Their orders had been explicit, and they fulfilled them very well. For, despite the effort of the intruder, who is a powerful, heavy man, he was hustled along the corridor, over the steps, into the yard. But not until he had nearly strangled one of the officials of the House, whom he caught by the throat, and stuck to him like a bulldog, shaking him as one of the members afterwards said in the House who had witnessed it, like a rat. But all this theatrical display was of no practical good. The representative of the sons of Crispian is still outside the House, and as far from gaining his object as ever. He subsequently applied to the divisional magistrate for a summons against the inspector of police, who opposed his progress to the "performance of his Parliamentary duties." That also was futile. And he now threatens the worthy magistrate with a *mandamus*. I see by to-day's papers, he threatens a renewal of his attempt to enter the House, when "he will go with such a force as will be sufficient to grapple with anything that may be brought to oppose him." So that we may yet expect some little more scenic display. But I think the country is getting tired of this farce, and if the Government were to put him in gaol as a disturber of the peace, we should see that there is more smoke than fire in the Iconoclasts agitation. It is not thought that Mr. Gladstone will make any further attempt to facilitate Mr. Bradlaugh's entry into the House. At a meeting on Sunday night, Mrs. Besant, Mr. Bradlaugh's friend, advised her hearers to "do a bit of drill," as it may be of use to them in competing with the forces opposed to them.

The Irish Land Bill has at last passed the Commons, and has also gone through the Lords, having been read there a third time last night. Their lordships have made many very important alterations in the Bill, alterations which, it is rumoured, Mr. Gladstone will strenuously oppose. So there is the prospect of a conflict between the two Houses. Of course the issue of such conflict is always uncertain, it is always unwise to prophecy unless you know; but I anticipate the Lords will give way in case of being opposed by the Commons, and thus throw the whole responsibility for the measure upon the Government. The Duke of Argyll made a most cutting and telling speech against the Bill, and in his peroration, wherein he likened the Government to the jelly fish, his sarcasm was overwhelming. Looking down upon the Ministerial benches, in a compassionate view, he compared them to a row of jelly fish, which, although the most beautiful of fish, were destitute of skeleton or backbone, and while making convulsive motions under the pretence that they are swimming, only drift helplessly with the tide. Beneath so humiliating a comparison the Government visibly shrank, while the Opposition cheered the noble Duke to the echo, as though he were one of themselves.

By the bye, the rumour is going the round of the