

been shewn the "more excellent way." Those who have known you long, and known you well, discern in you, if in any man, the gift of gifts—the loving sympathy, which is the very bond of peace, and of all virtues. We, who have worked with you, and watched you in all your varied relations, know that you suffer long, and are kind—we know that you envy not—that you vaunt not yourself—that you are not puffed up—that you behave not yourself unseemly—we know that you are not easily provoked—that you think no evil—that you rejoice not in iniquity, but rejoice in the truth—we know that you bear all things, hope all things, endure all things. And therefore our hope is confident that you will be a "wise masterbuilder," for however liable all other gifts and qualities may be to fail upon occasion, and fall short; though the race is not always to the swift, nor the battle to the strong; neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding; nor yet favour to men of skill; though time and chance happen to them all—yet we know that charity never faileth. What more shall I say? What more can I say? "being confident of this very thing that He which hath begun a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ." what can I say? what else than pray, that "your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and all judgment." God be gracious unto thee, the Lord bless and keep thee, the Lord make His face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee, and the good hand of God be upon thee, to give thee power, and to cause thy work to prosper, and the fruit of thy labour to abide for ever, and for ever. Amen.

NEWS FROM THE HOME FIELD.

Gathered specially for this paper by Our Own Correspondents.

DIocese OF NOVA SCOTIA.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

CHARLOTTETOWN.—*St. Peter's*.—During the past winter a series of lectures on Christian evidences was given by the Rev. G. W. Hodgson, Incumbent of *St. Peter's*. The lectures were nine in number, and were delivered on the Sunday evenings between Septuagesima and Palm Sunday. No services were attached, the regular choral Evensong having been sung at 4 p.m. The lectures were marked by deep thought and wide reading, and were listened to by large congregations of all denominations. The subjects were I. Question at issue and the nature of the Evidence. II. The Supernatural. III and IV. Miracles. V. Inspiration and Revelation. VI. Prayer. VII and VIII. Evidences of Christianity. IX. Man's Responsibility for his Religious Belief.

On Good Friday a slight change was made in the services in this Church. Matins, and Ante-Communion were said at 9.30, and the *Reproaches* sung. From 12 to 3 the Three Hours service took place, five of the Seven Words being preached by the Incumbent, and two by the Curate. Evensong was said at 7.30.

The Easter services as usual were bright and hearty, the church being prettily decorated. The Communion service was sung to Woodward, and Evensong to Tallis. The anthem was the Earl of Wilton's "O Praise the Lord."

The Rev. W. B. King on resigning the Curacy of *St. Peter's*, in June, will go as Assistant Priest to *St. John the Evangelist's*, Boston, Mass.

St. Paul's.—The Rev. Dr. Fitzgerald resigned the Rectorship of this church at Easter. He is succeeded by the Rev. Chas. O'Meara, who for two years past has held the curacy. Dr. Fitzgerald is now a veteran in the work having been in charge of *St. Paul's* for over thirty years.

St. Peter's.—The financial statement made at the Easter meeting showed a balance in favour of the church.

AMHERST DEANERY, N. S.—The Board of Home

Missions having made a grant towards maintaining a travelling Missionary for this Deanery, the Chapter desire to appoint a single man, one who is robust in bodily health as well as earnest in the Master's work.

The pay will be sufficient, and the prospects of success are (with God's blessing) most promising. The Chapter meet June 3rd, up to which date applications will be received by the R. D.

REV. D. C. MOORE,

Stellarton P. O. N. S.

S. MARGARET'S PARISH, N. S.—The Bishop visited us on the 25th, Saturday, the festival of *St. Mark*, and confirmed 18 in the Parish Church; and in the evening drove to *Beggar's Cove*.

The next day, (3rd Sunday after Easter,) the Bishop consecrated the new church. The building is of the pointed style, with high pitched roof, and lancet windows. The nave measures 44 x 24, and the chancel 18 x 20. The organ chamber, and vestry, on either side, make the building cruciform. There is a tower at the side of the nave through which is the general entrance to the church. Out of the church rises a graceful spire, with what is so usual, *now*, we are thankful to say, the sign of our redemption on its summit. The interior of the church is finished within with blackash,—the wainscot, all around, about 5 ft. high, pulpit, desk, lectern, altar, dudos, pews and stalls, all being made of this durable and handsome material. The usual consecration office was used. The Rector preceded the Bishop, bearing the Pastoral staff,—and he being preceded by the chapelwardens, Msesrs. John Massey, and James Danbin, jr.

As the weather was fine, and the roads very good, the church was overflowing, and numbers had to stand outside. The Bishop complimented the people upon their liberality in the matter, and that they had thought nothing within their reach too good for the house of their God; not asking, "How little will do?" or "How cheaply they could build,"; but giving the best in material and labour for the sanctuary.

After consecration of the church, 22 were confirmed, and then the Bishop proceeded to the altar and celebrated the Holy Eucharist, the Rector being Epistoler and server. Eighty-one made their communions upon this interesting occasion, including all the newly confirmed. It is a day to be much remembered in this community. This chapel is dedicated to *St. John the Evangelist*, and replaces a rather hideous structure of Nova Scotian Gothic which was fast going to decay.

We have now, in this large parish, three handsome new churches, built by the last three Rectors. The Parish church built by the Rev. John Ambrose, the well-known Rector of *Digby*; *St. Peter's*, built by the last Incumbent; and the last of all by the present priest. There were confirmed in this parish, at the Parish Church, 18; at *St. Peter's* Chapel, 14; at *St. John's* Chapel, 22; making a total of 54.

The Bishop's addresses upon these occasions were most earnest, and made, we hope, a deep and lasting impression on all. Although the weather was so fine during the Bishop's visit, we regret to have to record that on Monday morning, owing to his many engagements, the Bishop had to depart in a driving rain.

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DARTMOUTH.—A successful sale of fancy articles was recently held in the parish here and about \$80 realized and applied to the purchase of books for the Sunday-school Library.

HALIFAX—PERSONAL.—The Rev. Dr. Mockridge of *Christ Church*, Hamilton, paid a visit to Halifax last week and was the guest of the Rev. Dr. Partridge. Dr. Mockridge preached twice on Sunday at *St. George's*. The sermons were remarkable for deep, original and earnest treatment of the themes, and will long be remembered by those who had the pleasure of listening to them.

The Rector of *Yarmouth* has been in town during the past week taking duty for the Rev. W.

H. Sampson. Mr. Sampson took duty at *Yarmouth*.

C. E. S. S. INSTITUTE.—A meeting of the Association was held last Monday in *St. Luke's* Hall. About 70 teachers were present. A model lesson on the parable of the Prodigal Son was given by the Rev. K. C. Hind, Criticisms followed in which the Rev. E. J. H. Winterbourne and Mr. T. Brown took part. Mr. F. C. Sumichrast then delivered an address on the proper training needed by Sunday-school teachers for their work, and, after gently attacking the transportation of English methods to Canadian schools, went on to suggest a scheme of lectures for the benefit of teachers. These lectures were to be of a broad rather than of a microscopic nature, and to shew in one view the solvent points of the whole subject now in hand. It was suggested that the lectures be given in the Church of England Institute. A lively discussion followed on some needed improvements in the Executive. Some genial words from the chairman, the Rev. Dr. Partridge, brought a very pleasant meeting to a close at a rather late hour. The next meeting of the association will be the annual Festival service at *St. George's* Church, on June 11th.

CHURCH CONGRESS REPORTS.—The reports of the late Church Congress have been left by Rev. Dr. Mockridge at Gossip's Book store, Granville St., and may be obtained from there.

DIocese OF FREDERICTON.

BISHOPS IN THE PULPIT.—It is not often that three Bishops preach in *St. John* on one day. Such happened on Sunday, when Bishop Sweetman of Toronto, preached in *St. John's* Church, Bishop Williams, of Quebec, in *St. Paul's*, and Bishop Binney, of Nova Scotia, in *Trinity* and in the *Mission* Church. Large congregations were present. Rev. Lennox Williams, son of the Bishop of Quebec, preached in *St. Paul's* in the afternoon.—*St. John*, N.B., *Globe*, 4th May.

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.
June 7,	Confirmation at Hampton and French Village.
" 8 & 9	Confirmation at 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 16	Dorchester.
" 18	Sackville.
" 20	Moncton.
" 21	Petitcodiac.
" 23	Springfield.
" 25	Fredericton for Ember week and ordination.
June 5	Woodstock.
" 10	Centreville.
" 13	Richmond.
" 19	Prince William.
" 22	Canterbury.

DIocese OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

ST. JOHNS.—An influential meeting of Churchmen was held in the Synod Hall, in March, to receive a report from the Cathedral Completion Committee—the five years in which it was hoped the work would be completed having expired. The undertaking has proved a much more formidable one than was anticipated five years ago—the estimates as to both cost and time having been too low. The Treasurer's statement showed that £36,925 have been expended since the work was commenced in 1880, and a further sum of £4,000 will be required to complete the building sufficiently