

Rector of Annapolis and nephew of Sir William Ritchie, Chief Justice of Nova Scotia, to Miss Cecelia Clementi Smith, daughter of the late Rev. John Smith, Rector of Buckhurst, England, was celebrated at St. John's Church, the Rev. V. Clementi, uncle of the bride, and the Rev. J. W. R. Beck, Rector and Rural Dean, officiating. A tapestry had been laid leading into the church from the drive way, and at the appointed hour the bridal party arrived in carriages and entered the church. The bride was beautifully dressed in cream white satin trimmed with lace and orange blossoms, and carried a very beautiful bouquet. Miss Nellie Rubidge, daughter of Mr. T. Rubidge, C.E., and Miss Jane Barloe were the bridesmaids. The groom was attended by Mr. A. Almon, of Ottawa, and Mr. G. V. Clementi, of Peterborough, Mr. Dunsford giving the bride away. After a *recherche* dinner at the residence of Rev. V. Clementi, the happy couple left for Toronto, accompanied by the hearty good wishes of all.

SACKVILLE.—The past week was a very busy one with us. On Tuesday morning the annual Guild Service was held at the Parish Church, and the sermon preached by the Rev. F. R. Murray, Rector of St. Luke's Cathedral, Halifax, who, in affectionate and forcible terms, set before his hearers their duty as members of the Guild and of the Church, and urged them prayerfully and diligently to fulfil them.

In the afternoon Mr. Murray accompanied the Rector to Hammond's Plains, and gave a similar address to the Guild there, much to the delight of the Church people of the place, who highly appreciated his kindness to them, and will not soon forget his words of earnest and loving counsel.

The Rev. E. H. Ball, Rector of Tangier, assisted at the morning service here, and in the afternoon held a service at the Woodlands, Beaver Bank, which was well attended. In the evening the handsome altar cloth presented to the Church at Bedford by Miss Cochrane, daughter of the Rev. Ruper Cochrane, formerly Rector of Sackville, and now Rector of Langton, in the Diocese of Lincoln, England, was used for the first time; an excellent and very appropriate sermon being preached on the occasion by the Rev. H. J. Winterbourne, of St. Mark's, Halifax. The altar cloth is a very beautiful piece of needle-work, and was wrought by Miss Cochrane with her own hands. Of the deanery meeting and the services connected with it, nothing need be said here, as you will doubtless receive a full account of it from our worthy Secretary. Several of the brethren attending it gladdened our hearts with their presence on Tuesday afternoon, when the annual Social of the Guilds was held in the Rectory grounds. This gathering was the first of its kind ever held here, and was pronounced by all a great success. The arrangements connected with it were entirely carried out by the members of the Guild, who are for the most part young people, and who deserve great credit for the admirable manner in which they conducted the affair. At six p.m. they gave us a repast, which left nothing to be desired, the attendants vying with each other in courtesy to their guests. After tea we were entertained with music, vocal and instrumental, recitations, dialogues, etc., concluding with "God Save the Queen." Every one seemed pleased with the day's proceedings; and, to crown our happiness, a handsome addition will be made to the finances of the Guild.

DIOCESE OF CAPE BRETON.

SYDNEY.—On Sunday, the 28th of June, we had the privilege of hearing two excellent sermons from the Rev. Canon Clurton, Senior Fellow of King's College, England, who was on his way from St. John's, Newfoundland, to Fredericton, and kindly gave his valuable services.

On the previous Sunday, in the absence of the Incumbent, the congregation of St. George's had

the benefit of the ministrations of the Rev. C. Warren, of Island Cove, Newfoundland.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

KING'S COLLEGE.—The discussion in Synod as to the confederation of this College with that of Dalhousie has attracted notice in the Province of Nova Scotia. The *Hants Journal* thus refers to it:—

The views expressed on a resolution and amendments as to the College, before this body, deserve notice. Canon Brigstocke thought it would be a disgrace to the Church if the College was allowed to confederate with Dalhousie. Rev. Mr. Simmonds hoped the diocese would make an effort to place the College on a more secure basis, and raise the endowment. Mr. Geo. E. Fenety spoke in the same strain, and suggested great caution. Rev. A. F. Hiltz condemned the union, giving strong reasons on the ground of Mr. Munro's relation to Dalhousie. The Lord Bishop thought they could not sacrifice the religious basis of King's by a union, declaring that if they did so he would rather adopt the New Brunswick University than go to Halifax, "to fly to evils we know not of." Finally it was resolved that this Synod did not possess sufficient information to justify a decision.

MONCTON.—Rev. E. S. W. Pentreath, Rector of Christ Church, of Winnipeg, and Associate Editor of the *CHURCH GUARDIAN*, occupied the pulpit of St. George's Church in this town last Sunday evening. Mr. Pentreath has been spending his holidays in New Brunswick; and shortly returns to resume his duties in Manitoba. He is well known as one of the "hard-working" clergy, and has done excellent work in the West.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

IRELAND.—During the past year, Robt. Hamilton, Esq., offered the sum of \$125 to the Mission of Ireland, provided that the Mission made up \$175 within a given time, to augment the Local Endowment Fund. At first it seemed almost impossible to make up the required amount. However, after a little exertion on the part of the congregations, the necessary figure was reached, and \$300 were added to the Endowment Fund, swelling it to the good round sum of \$2,000.

It must be gratifying, indeed, to Mr. Hamilton to see the many trees he has been planting throughout the Diocese bearing such good fruit. It is a cause of great thankfulness to Almighty God that He has raised up such an earnest Churchman as Mr. Hamilton, with the power as well as the will to do good.

The Ladies' Association of Trinity Church held a special business meeting at the house of Mrs. Wm. Cross, at which it was decided to revise the constitution and by-laws, and to direct the efforts of the Association towards the purchase of a lectern and the improvement of the chancel appointments. It is expected that the ladies of Trinity Church will wield a great influence for good, as many of them are becoming much interested in Church work.

A marked innovation is noted in Westchester, Penn., where it is stated that women are to be admitted as members of the vestry in the Protestant Episcopal Church. This recognition is more remarkable than it would be in any other denomination, as the rule has been so stringent in that communion against women holding official positions. Possibly the difficulties attending the collection of a vestry in small places has wrought this change. Where the church is sometimes composed entirely of women, they have had to go out into the highways and hedges and compel a vestryman to come in from some other denomination, or from the wicked world.—*Advance*.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

The Bishop has made the following appointments for visitations in August:—

- August 9—Sunday, Hull, Rev. F. R. Smith.
- August 9—Sunday, Aylmer, Rev. T. E. Cunningham.
- August 10—Monday, Aylmer, Rev. T. E. Cunningham.
- August 11—Tuesday, Eardley, Rev. W. Windsor.
- August 12—Wednesday, Quio, Rev. H. Gomery.
- August 13—Thursday, Quio, Rev. H. Gomery.
- August 14—Friday, Bristol, Rev. T. Everett.
- August 15—Saturday, Bristol, Rev. T. Everett.
- August 16—Sunday, Shawville. Revs. W. H. Naylor, R. Dean.
- August 16—Sunday, Portage du Fort, Rev. J. Senior.
- August 17—Monday, Bryson, Rev. J. Senior.
- August 18—Tuesday, Thorne, Rev. A. J. Greer.
- August 19—Wednesday, Thorne, Rev. A. J. Greer.
- August 20—Thursday, Leslie, Rev. A. J. Greer.
- August 21—Friday, Alleyne, Rev. W. P. Chambers.
- August 22—Saturday, Alleyne, Rev. W. P. Chambers.
- August 23—Sunday, Aylwin, Rev. W. P. Chambers.
- August 24—Monday, River Desert, Rev. H. Plaisted.
- August 25—Tuesday, River Desert, Rev. H. Plaisted.
- August 26—Wednesday, Aylwin, Rev. W. P. Chambers.
- August 27—Thursday, Stag Creek, Rev. H. S. Fuller.
- August 28—Friday, Stag Creek, Rev. H. S. Fuller.
- August 29—Saturday, Masham, Rev. H. S. Fuller.
- August 30—Sunday, North Wakefield, Rev. H. S. Fuller.
- August 30—Sunday, Chelsea, Mr. N. A. F. Bourne.

The Synod Meeting.

THIRD DAY.

The Synod re-assembled at ten o'clock on Thursday, 18th June.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings having been read and approved,

The Bishop named the Archdeacons, Rural Deans and Canon Mussen as a Standing Committee on Statistics; the Ven. Archdeacon Lindsay, Convener.

The Rev. Rural Deans Naylor and Rollit read the Reports of their respective Deaneries.

Several notices of motion were given, after which the consideration of Rural Dean Fulton's motion for re-consideration of the grant to Franklin and Edwardstown was resumed.

Moved in amendment by Rev. Canon Davidson, seconded by Rev. J. H. Dixon, that the entire scale of grants be respectfully referred to the attention of the Executive Committee, for that reconsideration which the interests of the Church in whole or in particular localities demand, guarding, as far as possible, the interests of the clergy, and at the same time rousing to the utmost the energies of the laity.

The original motion was withdrawn, and Canon Davidson's amendment carried.

The reports of Committee on Endowments and Trusts and on the Widows' and Orphans' Fund were adopted.

It was resolved that a Canon be passed that in future every clergyman, upon being licensed to a charge in this Diocese, must become a subscriber to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund; and that the Committee on Canons be instructed to prepare such Canon.

The Treasurer's Report was adopted.

It was moved by Mr. Walter Drake, seconded by Mr. Charles Gibb, that the report of the Special Committee named to consider the question of Abbottsford and Rougemont be referred back to the Executive Committee, with power to act in the matter and decide the question at issue.—Carried.

The report of the Executive Committee was then adopted as a whole.

A Committee was named to confer with the Committee of the Diocese of Quebec, and, if necessary, with other religious bodies, with regard to the introduction of religious instruction into the Public Schools of this Province; and to report to this Synod at its next session.

Discussion was resumed upon the motion of Rev. F. H. Clayton on the duplicate register of baptisms, deaths and marriages.

The following amendment was adopted:—That a Committee be appointed to consider the whole question of registration, and to report to the next Synod.