

The Rev. Dr. Mountain's generous offer to Kings' College.

Rev. J. S. Mountain, D. D. of Cornwall, Ont. a graduate of King's College, has recently offered \$5,000 to Kings' on these conditions:—"If the interest on the present debt is kept paid up so that it does not increase in any way till the time of my death, I will leave to the College corporation five thousand dollars towards the payment of the present said debt, if you can obtain bona fide promises of the same sort of sufficient money to wipe out said debt. I mean, of course, bona fide promises of bequests of sufficient money for said object."



The Bishop's Visit to the Rural Deanery of Lunenburg.

The Bishop left Halifax by the stage on 8th February at 6.30 a. m. and travelled as far as the Cross Roads, 18 miles, where he was met by the Rev. Laurence Amor, and after packing the impedimenta in the sleigh, they drove together to the new Rectory, built on the foundations of the former one, at French Village, S. Margaret's Bay. After dinner they went on to Peggy's Cove, where the Bishop was hospitably entertained by Mr. Wesley Crookes, having travelled altogether 36 miles. After partaking of a light supper there was Evening Prayer in S. John's Church, the congregation, which filled the building, consisting almost wholly of men, to whom the Bishop preached on Gen. iii. 6., after which a meeting was held when the Bishop spoke of their having at last elected a Rector for the newly constituted parish of S. Peter's exhorting them to do all they could for him in the way of raising funds, and that they should fulfil the promise of providing a Rectory, rent free, as soon as possible. Also that they should fix their attention chiefly on the essentials of Divine worship, and not on the accessories of vestments, postures, and such-like, which change with the changing age, while the essentials always remain the same.

Sunday was a busy day, beginning with a celebration of the Holy Communion at 8 o'clock, when there were about 30 communicants. Then came Morning Prayer and the confirmation of 12 candidates, to whom the Bishop spoke for

more than half an hour, reminding the congregation that much of what he had to say applied to them also, while all of it had an interest for them.

Then immediately after dinner Mr. Amor conducted the Bishop to Indian Harbor, where was a young man who was prevented by an attack of measles, and also a heavy cold on the lungs from coming to the Church, so he was confirmed in the house, and a short address made to him. These semi-private confirmations are always deeply interesting and frequently pathetic, and sometimes there is a more vivid realization on the part of all concerned, of the blessing and strength vouchsafed by God to the soul which seeks for them in this ordinance of the Holy Apostles.

We had been obliged when going down on Saturday to exchange our sleigh for a wagon, obligingly lent to us by Mr. Hubley, a Baptist friend, and here we changed back again, and hurried on as the time was fast slipping by. On reaching S. Peter's, Boutilier's Cove, there was first the funeral of an old man to be taken, one who had been anxious for some little time past to be confirmed, and hoped to live until the time of the Bishop's visit, but died on Thursday night. It was a solemn and touching sight to see the black-cloth covered coffin lying on the trestles right in front of, and in contrast with the white robed line of girls waiting to be confirmed, and one would think suggestive of many solemn and heartsearching thoughts. The Bishop read the Lesson and Mr. Amor took the rest of the service. Then followed Evening Prayer and the Confirmation of 10 Candidates, to whom the Bishop gave an address on the Parable of the Sower, which forms the Holy Gospel for the day (Sexagesima Sunday). Then came a drive of 5 miles to the Rectory at French Village, which was reached at six o'clock, and after a cup of tea, Evening Prayer in S. Paul's Church and the Confirmation of 26 Candidates (16 male and 10 female). But this was preceded by the Dedication of a font and pulpit (there was a pulpit dedicated in S. Peter's church also), a brief address on the sufferings of the Armenian Christians, for whom the Metropolitan has asked the prayers and contributions of all the congregations in the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada; and by the presentation of an Honor card to each of 26 children of the Sunday School who had repeated