

When a number of them were leaving on Friday or Saturday morning by the early train, they were surprised to see His Lordship at the station. He had walked a long distance to the station to see them off, and parted from them with a "Good-bye, my brothers, and may God's blessing be with you all. This little incident evidences the true spirit of brotherhood, and shows that his Lordship earnestly seeks the loving co-operation of his brethren in the Diocese. The clergymen will not soon forget it. One of them was overheard saying, "Did you ever hear of a Bishop doing the like of that—rising at an early hour and walking a long distance to say good-bye to a number of his clergy."—*Hunt's Journal.*

NEWS FROM THE HOME FIELD.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

HALIFAX.—Bishop Courtney lectured in St. George's schoolhouse, April 30, before a large audience on "Youth." Dr. J. J. Hunt presided. His Lordship eloquently discussed and illustrated the recklessness and joyousness of youth, and then applied the truths gathered by mature age, which youth might take account of—the existence of law, distinctions between law and might, and the law of government. A vote of thanks was moved by the rector, and seconded by W. H. Whiston, and an address presented to the Bishop by the parish of St. George's.

Tuesday being the festival of St. Philip and St. James, there was evensong and a sermon by his Lordship the Bishop of Nova Scotia in St. George's Church, at 8 p.m.

The Cathedral.—The Cathedral Committee have purchased from the Dominion Government the old penitentiary building and grounds for the sum of \$10,000, the stone in which is to be used in the construction of the Cathedral. The building will be taken down during the present year.

Bishop Courtney's popularity in Boston was of no uncommon order. A wealthy lady of his congregation on the eve of his departure gave him a cheque for \$10,000, and had previously given him a lease of a residence free for a number of years. It is said also that an American lady came out from England for the express purpose of seeing the consecration; and on arrival here found a despatch from the States stating that her sister was very ill, so she had to go right on. An elderly lady, Miss Jay, who came from Boston, presented him with his bishop's vestments and ring.—*Recorder.* [It is also understood that St. Paul's, Boston, presented Bishop Courtney with \$2,500 toward the Cathedral building fund.

St. Paul's.—The Right Reverend Dr. Courtney, preached his first sermon as Bishop of the Diocese, on the 29th ult, at St. Paul's Church in the morning to a congregation that completely filled the church, benches having to be placed in the aisles to accommodate those desirous of hearing his lordship. On going into the pulpit and before beginning his sermon he said he had received since his arrival an anonymous communication signed "An outside member of St. Paul's church," which he had thrown in the fire without reading; and he took this opportunity of stating that he never by any chance read anything of the kind, as it was his custom on receiving a letter in an unknown hand to turn immediately to the signature, and if anonymous to destroy it without reading. He would at all times be happy to receive and give courteous attention to any one coming to him, or addressing him on matters of any kind when they did so in person or over their own name. He then preached a most eloquent and impressive sermon from the text Phil. iii. 10, "That I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings." In the evening the Bishop preached in St. Luke's.

WINDSOR.—On the 1st inst. the Lord Bishop of the Diocese visited Windsor to meet the Governors, Faculty and Students of King's College. Rev. Canon Bock, President of the College, Rev. Canon Maynard and other gentlemen were at the station to receive and welcome him.

ALBION MINES.—A meeting of Churchmen resident in Westville, was held on the feast of St. Philip and St. James, Rev. D. C. Moore, rector of the parish, presiding; when it was resolved to secure at once from the Acadia Coal Co., Limited, a site and to issue collecting books for subscriptions for the erection of a church as soon as possible. Messrs. Malnek, Fergery, and Maddin, undertook to collect. For nine years we have worshipped in a hired hall. It is time a House of God was built.

PICOU.—At a parish meeting held on the 1st inst., for the purpose of considering the advisability of appointing a rector to the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rev. John Edgcombe, it was unanimously resolved that Rev. H. A. Harley, lately of Windsor, be invited to accept the charge of the parish. Mr. Harley is a young man of exceptional ability, and we are glad to hear that he has accepted the chance offered him.

The Churchwardens for ensuing year are: Geo. J. Johnstone, and C. E. Tanner, both re-elected. Vestry—C. Dwyer, T. Robley, F. R. Davies, T. H. Lane, R. McDonald, C. E. Davies, M. Morrison, W. F. Tauner, T. Tanner, J. Hudson, G. F. Campbell, and G. H. Elliott; C. W. Lane, Vestry Clerk.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

KINGSTON.—Mr. Oswald Smith, our respected Churchwarden, has just returned home after a rather lengthy visit to Boston. Mr. Smith received a cordial "welcome home" from pastor and people. Mr. Jonathan Forster still acts as sexton for St. John's Church, without accepting remuneration, a good example for others to follow. The rector, the Rev. D. V. Gwilym, of Richibucto, delivered the first of a course of sermons on "Exodus" on Sunday, April 29th. There was a large congregation present. Last year he delivered an instructive course of sermons on "Genesis" which was much appreciated.

ST. STEPHEN.—We learn from St. Stephen that the Rev. T. E. Dowling, who only returned from a winter in the Southern States on 27th April, has announced to the congregation of Christ Church that owing to the continued ill-health of Mrs. Dowling he will be forced to resign his charge on the first of September, as the doctors have recommended a change of climate for Mrs. Dowling, who is still in South Carolina. Mr. Dowling has only been a few years in St. Stephen, but has been connected with the Diocese of St. John for 27 years. He has hosts of friends in this city who will hear with regret of his removal from the province.—*St. John Globe.*

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

FRELIGHSBURG.—The Bishop visited this parish on the 3rd inst, arriving from Pigeon Hill, under the guidance of Rector Allen of the West parish of St. Armand, on the evening previous. The District of Bedford Clerical Union had been summoned by the Secretary on the same date, but floods in some parts and spring roads throughout prevented all the members but three putting in an appearance. At 9 o'clock the Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop, a few of the parishioners uniting with the clergy. The musical part was cheerfully and devoutly rendered; at 3 p.m., the evening prayer and confirmation office (Rural Dean Nye, acting as chaplain) was combined with large attendance of parish-

ioners and a hearty service of song. The beautiful Memorial House of God was made more beautiful by a rich display of blossoming and other plants which Christian hearts and hands had tastefully supplied; there were five candidates, all of mature years. The Bishop's address was earnest and practical. The Rev. John Ker, to whom the sermon had been assigned, delivered a fervid and excellent discourse, profitable alike to the candidates and the congregation at large. The Bishop made some usual calls upon the aged or sick, and was accompanied on Friday morning to Stanbridge East by the Rector.

The ladies of the Guild, with well-known generous hospitality, made provisions for dinner and tea for the Bishop, clergy, wardens, building committee, and a few others in the Memorial Hall. The commendation might appear extravagant, if commensurate with the bountifulness and quality of the repasts afforded and their effective catering to the tastes and complete supplying of every want of their guests, all seasoned by that most delightful of all condiments, the cheerful giving from cheerful givers.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

NEW HAMBURG.—The corner stone of the new St. George's Church was laid at New Hamburg, on Thursday morning, May 3rd, 1888, by His Lordship the Bishop of Huron. Mrs. Baldwin accompanied the Bishop.

The following clergymen and their wives were also present. The Rev. Canon Patterson, Rev. Robert Ker and Mrs. Ker, of Stratford; Rev. J. T. Wright, St. Mary's; Rev. S. L. Smith and Mrs. Smith, of Berlin; Rev. Mr. Cox, and the Rector of the parish; Rev. J. Edmonds and Mrs. Edmonds.

The day was an eventful one for the Church people of New Hamburg. The new building already well advanced, wore a festival appearance, adorned with flags and streamers.

Mr. N. R. Plum, the Rector's warden, read an interesting paper containing a brief history of the Church of England in Hamburg, from the first service held many years ago. This was deposited with other documents, church papers, newspapers, &c., in the cavity beneath the stone. The address which followed from the Bishop was, as might be expected, altogether admirable. The form of service authorized by the Provincial Synod was printed and used, with appropriate hymns.

The Bishop and clergy then proceeded in their robes to the old church, where Morning service was held. All the clergy took part. The Rev. Mr. Ker preached the sermon from Exodus xxv. 22. The offertory amounted to \$52.61. The clergy, their friends and visitors then repaired to the residence of John Allechim, Esq., where an excellent luncheon had been prepared through the kindness of the Ladies' Aid Society. It is expected that the new church will be ready for the opening services in October or November.

"Not unto us, O Lord, but unto Thy name give the praise."

DORCHESTER.—Special Services have been conducted during eight days in St. Peter's Church, Dorchester, by the Rev. W. J. Taylor, of Wardsville. A Bible-class, or reading, was held each afternoon and an evangelistic service each evening. The interest visible from the first steadily increased, as the large and increasing attendance made manifest. Very many of those present placed in the box for "requests for prayer" such testimony as showed the richest blessings to have flowed to them from God by the instrumentality of these services. The meetings were made bright and attractive by hymns of familiar tunes and suitable words, and the intense earnestness of the missionary together with his vivid clearness in presenting and pressing home the truth, resulted in heart-