

the Rev. Philip Brown, the rector of St. Margaret's Bay, and one only daughter, now resident at Lockeport. She leaves also father and mother, and five brothers and four sisters, two of whom Mrs. James E. Richardson and Mrs. Stanley, are resident in Lockeport.

On Christmas Day, 1884, she presented Holy Cross Church, Lockeport, with a beautiful brass altar cross, with the inscription, "To the Glory of GOD, for use in His Church of the Holy Cross, Lockeport, presented by Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, Xmas, 1884."

Having served His Church with faithful love here, she has been called to the rest of Paradise.

CLEMENTSPORT.—A meeting of the Annapolis Rural Deanery was held in this parish on Wednesday, October 13th. The most noteworthy feature of the meeting was a paper read by Rev. J. Ambrose, rector of Digby, on "The Election of Rectors to Parishes." The gist of this most interesting paper is contained in the following resolutions, which were passed after due discussion, with a view to obtaining the opinions of other rural-deanery chapters in the diocese on the subject,—

Resolved,—That, in the opinion of the members of the Annapolis Rural-Deanery Chapter, now convened, it would be best for (1st) the due discharge of the Bishop's inalienable responsibility, (2nd) the peace and prosperity of a parish in the choice of a rector, and (3rd) the success, comfort and good name, of not the parishes only, but the clergy also, if in the exercise of patronage, the rectors be thus chosen:—

I. In self-supporting parishes the names of suitable clergymen shall be presented to the electors by the Bishop, as also from the parish corporation, and from such names a selection shall be made by the parish, but only with the Bishop's concurrence and approbation.

II. In parishes partially self-supporting the names of suitable clergymen shall be supplied to the electors by the Bishop, and from such names the selection shall be made by the parish.

If the electors be unable to make a selection from the names first supplied by the Bishop, they may request him to suggest further names until a choice be made.

III. In parishes or missions not self-supporting to the extent of providing one-half of the salary of the rector or missionary, the patronage shall be in the hands of the Bishop alone.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

SUMMERSIDE AND ST. ELEANOR'S.—Mr. Selwyn Shrove, lay reader, of Halifax, who was on the Island on business during the early part of October, was in this parish on the 15th and 16th Sundays after Trinity, taking services three times each Sunday. He was much liked by the people, who are most thankful to him for his kindness in giving service to those who would otherwise be without it. On the 17th Sunday after Trinity the Rev. J. W. Johnston, rector of Crapaud, was here and took four services, giving us a celebration of the Holy Communion in both St. Eleanor's and Summerside, besides an afternoon and an evening service. In the evening he spoke very earnestly against the extravagances which, under the name of religion, are becoming so common in our day.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

QUEBEC CITY.—There is a movement amongst the members of the Cathedral congregation to invite the Rev. Dr. Lobley to assume the position of co-rector.

Mr. E. A. Bishop, organist of the Cathedral, will give the first of his series of organ recitals in the Church, on Friday, the 5th inst.

Rev. Robt. Ker has left the city to assume the duties of his new charge at Mitchell, Ont. On the eve of his departure Mr. Ker was presented with a purse of \$100 by a number of his Quebec friends, and with a silver-headed cane

and farewell address by the congregation of Trinity Church.

No successor has yet been appointed to Mr. Ker. Rev. F. E. J. Lloyd writes to the *Chronicle* that his name was mentioned in connection with the charge, at a vestry meeting of the Trinity Church congregation, without either his knowledge or consent.

There was a very large congregation in St. Peter's Church on Sunday morning last, and more than the usual number of communicants at the celebration service. The occasion was an interesting one—the 20th anniversary of the Rev. M. M. Fothergill's induction as rector of the church. The reverend gentleman has ministered nearly 22 years in all to the congregation of St. Peter's, but for the first two years he was *locum tenens* for the rector of the parish, the present Lord Bishop of Niagara. The service was specially hearty, and the singing of the choir, which has recently received some valuable additions, was much admired. The rector preached a feeling and impressive sermon from Rev. XI., 15—"The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord and of his Christ." The preacher dwelt upon the privileges as well as the duty of all who profess and call themselves Christians, of laboring for the extension of Christ's Kingdom. Referring to his own ministrations at St. Peter's, he said that 440 infants and adults had been baptized at the font during the past 20 years, 291 who had arrived at years of discretion had been confirmed, 90 couples had been married, and the bodies of 111 members of the congregation had been committed to the earth. The rector continued "I need scarcely refer to the many changes in our congregation. Members who have been with us are still, we trust, with us in spirit, awaiting us in the Paradise of God. Many, too, have gone out from among us to other parts of the country. The church building itself has been changed. From a pewed church it has become free and unappropriated. To God be all the praise! A parsonage has been provided, also a lot of land secured on which to erect a suitable parish building for school and other purposes, as well as providing rooms for our sexton." The preacher proceeded to refer to the immense increase of parochial work and organization in St. Peter's within the last few years, to the special increase in the work of the Church Society in the parish, to its Guild, its temperance organization, its Ladies' Auxiliary, &c., and said that these spoke of anything but the general decadence which we sometimes have sounded in our ears.

RICHMOND.—The parsonage at Melbourne, belonging to St. Ann's Church, Richmond, and occupied by Rev. J. Fuller (officiating for the rector, Rev. A. J. Balfour, absent in England), was burned down on Monday morning, the 25th ult. The house was valued at \$1500 and insured for \$625, and the furniture for \$1000, in the Royal of England.

PORTNEUF.—A harvest social was held in the schoolhouse at Portneuf, the Rev. Mr. Colston presiding. The room was gaily decorated with flags and a very interesting programme of readings, recitations, songs, etc., was performed by the local talent, assisted by a few friends from town. The entertainment was opened with a chorus from the children of the school, who also during the evening amused the audience with comic dialogues for juvenile performers; a pleasant evening was spent, and at its termination tea, coffee and cakes were dispensed *ad libitum*.

BLACK LAKE.—A growing field for the missionary work of the church is opening up in the asbestos mining district of the Eastern Townships among the miners. Several claims are already being mined in the neighborhood of Black Lake, and there is a rapidly increasing influx of English and French-Canadian operatives. The nearest clergyman is resident 10 miles distant, and his calls are so numerous that

he is only able to visit Black Lake once in 6 months. Meanwhile Mr. T. R. Johnston, owner of Black Lake Mill, is conducting the services.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

PRESENTATION TO THE CHANCELLOR OF THE DIOCESE.—It has been known for some time past that it was intended to present to S. Bethune, Esq., Q.C., D.C.L., Chancellor of the Diocese, a tangible token of the esteem in which he is held, and the appreciation entertained by Clergy and Laity alike of his now long continued services—over thirty-five years—in behalf of the Church in the Diocese of Montreal. It was thought by many that the presentation would have been made during the meeting of Synod; but this not having been done, owing, perhaps, to Mr. Bethune's absence in England the important event did not transpire until the evening of the 22nd ult., when a certain number of the subscribers to the testimonial received cards of invitation to Bishop's Court. A goodly number being present the Lord Bishop of the Diocese in making the presentation of the very handsome and costly solid silver tea-service, read the address, which was signed by himself on behalf of the subscribers, and added some well merited words of warm appreciation and approval on his own part. The address referred to the appointment of Mr. Bethune as Chancellor by Bishop Fulford, and to his highly prized and valuable services since in the several departments of Diocesan work, and also to the valuable legal assistance and advice, always and most promptly given, "with the unvarying courtesy of a Christian gentleman, and with the soundness of the experienced lawyer" to the various Churches and Missions of the Diocese, concluded: "We request the acceptance of the accompanying Testimonial, not as in any degree commensurate with your lengthened and valuable services, but as a slight memorial and witness in your family of the grateful love and of the high regard cherished by the Bishop and members of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Montreal, for their first and honored Chancellor."

Dr. Bethune replied:

My Dear Lord Bishop.—It is with feelings of profound emotion and warmest gratitude that I accept at your hands this valuable Testimonial as a token of the kind appreciation by the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of this important Diocese, of my humble services as its Chancellor and of their grateful love and high regard. And in doing so I beg to offer my most heartfelt thanks to you and all those other dear friends who have so generously contributed to this beautiful and costly gift which I trust may remain in my family from generation to generation in memory of this eventful occasion.

Very respectfully yours,

STRACHAN BETHUNE.

The silverware is neatly engraved; each piece bears the family escutcheon—a griffin's head rampant, and the motto "Debonnaire," in addition to the monogram in Roman capitals, "S.B." The centre piece bears the following inscription:—

Presented to

Strachan Bethune, Esq., Q.C., D.C.L.,
Chancellor of the Diocese of Montreal,

By the

Bishop and many of the Clergy and Laity of
the Diocese,

In grateful recognition of

Valuable services rendered during 35 years,
Montreal, 1886.

Perhaps no one in the Diocese, the Bishop himself excepted, is as capable as ourselves of appreciating the Chancellor's services, or how thoroughly well merited was the formal recognition of them by the Diocese at large. For years we have worked side by side with Dr. Bethune in the Synod and out of it, and we beg most heartily to add our congratulations on this event.