

It is well known that the thoughts of this good Bishop are occupied with graver subjects than ritualistic observances, yet he warns his clergy not to be unmindful of proprieties of dress and demeanor when ministering in God's House, and particularly at the Holy Table; observing that attention to such matters and to the furniture of their churches has a good effect upon the decorum and reverence of their congregations.

His Lordship thus concludes his charge:—

"I end as I began; I am not sanguine; I entertain but little hope that all or anything that I have said will be of use. I wish I could have spoken better and to better purpose. Perhaps it would have been better if I had spoken less, or less plainly; but when the heart is full, the mouth will speak, and mine, at least, will speak out. I have not refrained, and never will refrain, from telling you your duties and dangers, your failings and shortcomings; openly, or privately, as the occasion may require and justify. And if in return I receive no thanks, but, as it may be, the reverse, I have the testimony of my conscience that, next to my care and concern for your people, and, let me add, not the least for the poor men of color, I have no greater desire than to be useful and acceptable to you. In a few days (if it so please God) I shall have left you, and I never left you with greater pain and reluctance; not for any comfort or gratification I have had, or should expect to have, more than usual (God knoweth), but because I perceive and feel more than ever before your need of succour and sympathy, of help, direction and superintendence. I can only hope and pray that God Himself, our Heavenly Father, will be, and do, all this and more for you and your people; or raise up, if it be his blessed will, a more worthy instrument than myself, for the promotion of these and all His holy and gracious purposes, in and by you, through Jesus Christ our Lord."

We do not pretend to do justice to the able charge of this truly missionary Bishop, but have selected such parts as may prove of interest to the clergy of this diocese.

A statement is appended showing the number confirmed at Bermuda during the visitation to be 428.

We understand that the Bishop has also occupied himself in forming and instructing a "Choral Association" there.

## NEWFOUNDLAND.

### EXTRACT FROM THE BISHOP'S PLEA FOR COLONIAL DIOCESES.

(Continued.)

The number of "New Churches" since my arrival is very large; many of them in entirely new localities (five on the Labrador,) but the majority to replace smaller and less sightly buildings of the primitive style. There are now in this portion of the Diocese (Newfoundland and Labrador) eighty Churches, consecrated and in use, seven ready for consecration, and eight others in progress. Of those already in use, I have been privileged to consecrate fifty-two, nearly all of which are of much improved construction; and, in the majority, there is a font of stone, with silver vessels for the celebration and administration of the Holy Communion. Several of these Churches were assisted from funds put at my disposal by the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, but more, and more largely by our own Church Society. Our "Cathedral," built after the great fire, chiefly from the collections made in England by a Queen's Letter, in which the restoration of the Cathedral and Parish Church was specially mentioned (it happened that our