

Personal & General

Fourteen sons of Bishops have up to the present time lost their lives in the war. * * * *

The new address of the S.P.C.K. is Greener House, 68 Haymarket, S.W., London, Eng. * * * *

Miss Knox, of Havergal College, Toronto, has been spending a few weeks in the Maritime Provinces. * * * *

The consecration of the new Bishop of Peterborough, England, will take place in Westminster Abbey, on St. Matthew's Day, September 21st. * * * *

The following Chaplains have gone to the front from England: Captains the Revs. H. McCausland, B. W. Pullinger, E. Carman and W. H. Thomas and Major the Rev. W. L. Baynes-Reed. * * * *

Arthur H. Messiter, Mus. Doc., for the past 33 years organist and choir-master of Trinity Church, New York, died on the 22nd inst. The late Dr. Messiter was a native of Frome, in Somersetshire. * * * *

The Rev. R. H. Lightfoot has been appointed Principal of Wells Theological College, England. He has occupied the position of Vice-Principal since 1912 and is one of the Archbishop's Examining Chaplains. * * * *

The Bishop of Chichester, Right Rev. C. J. Ridgeway, was recently presented by the clergy of his diocese with an illuminated address in order to mark his completion of fifty years in Holy Orders. The presentation took place at Brighton. * * * *

The Right Rev. W. C. White expects to leave England for China via Norway, Sweden and Russia on September 16th, reaching Kaifeng the beginning of October. He is at present serving temporarily as Chaplain of the 3rd Infantry Training Brigade, C.E.F., Shorncliffe Camp, England. * * * *

At the last meeting of the Standing Committee of the S.P.G. (England), the Rev. J. D. Granger was accepted for missionary work in the diocese of Algoma (Canada). On July 7th the same Society bade farewell to the Rev. F. R. and Mrs. Rawle, who have gone to the diocese of Calgary (Canada). * * * *

The closing event of the recently-held Convocation of the missionary district of South Dakota was the dedication by Bishop F. Johnson of the Bishop Biller memorial cross. This beautiful monument has been erected in Woodlawn Cemetery, Sioux Falls, and it is the gift of the Church people in South Dakota. * * * *

Major D. H. C. Mason, son of Mr. Herbert Mason, Toronto, has been awarded the D.S.O. Major Mason is an old Ridley College boy, and while at school won the medal given each year to the boy who by vote of the school, possesses the most manly character. Two others, who won the same medal, were Lieut. Jarvis and Lieut. Lockhart Gordon, both of whom have laid down their lives at the front. * * * *

Devotees of Charlotte Brontë did not let the centenary of her birth pass without recognition, even in these troublous days. On June 17th a service was held at Haworth, in Yorkshire, where the distinguished writer's father was Vicar for many years, and

an address was given by Bishop Well-don, Dean of Manchester. In October, a meeting is to be held at Bradford, when Mrs. Humphrey Ward will give an address on "The Life and Character of the Novelist." * * * *

Peculiar interest attaches to a navy-blue scarf which the Queen is sending to her sailor son, Prince Albert. The scarf was knitted by no fewer than 240 persons, each of whom paid a shilling for the privilege of knitting one row. The idea originated with the employees of a laundry at Byfleet, and when the work was completed the scarf and the money were forwarded to Queen Mary. The workers are naturally very proud that Her Majesty has deemed their handiwork worthy of being worn by the young Prince, and the fact that the money has been handed over to the Prisoners of War (British Navy) Fund has given equal satisfaction. * * * *

A memorial to the late Rear-Admiral Cradock, R.N., who lost his life in the naval action off Coronel on All Saints' Day, 1914, was unveiled in York Minster lately by the Marquess of Zetland. It is of white alabaster, with a white marble bust of Admiral Cradock, with bronze figures on either side emblematic of courage and loyalty. It bears an appropriate inscription. Mr. A. J. Balfour, the First Lord of the Admiralty, who was present, gave an address. At the close of the proceedings the Archbishop of York pronounced the Benediction. * * * *

H.R.H. the Princess Louise, Dowager Duchess of Argyll, in the Gardens of Kensington Palace, London, lately presented General Steele, on behalf of the Canadian forces with a silken Union Jack and silver shield, given by the women and children of the British Isles in acknowledgment of Canada's goodwill and valuable co-operation. A guard of honour, consisting of four officers and a hundred other ranks of a battalion stationed at Shorncliffe were present. There were also detachments from the Church, Nursing and Ambulance organization, from the Foundling Hospital and from the London Church Lads' Brigade. * * * *

A very remarkable thing came to pass in Washington, D.C., on a recent date, when the choir of the National Cathedral, in their vestments, sang Christian hymns at the official memorial service to the late President of the Chinese Republic. This they did at the request of the State Department and of the Chinese Ambassador. The hymns sung were, "Lead, Kindly Light," "Nearer, My God, to Thee," "O God, Our Help in Ages Past," and "Lord of Our Life and God of Our Salvation." These hymns were selected by the Legation, printed in full on the programme, and sung by the great assemblage as well as by the choir. * * * *

The Rev. A. E. Dearden, lately a well-known Baptist minister at Openshaw, Manchester, was recently ordained Deacon by the Bishop of Ripon, and licensed to the curacy of St. Stephen's, Bowling, Bradford. Among the candidates for priest's Orders at Canterbury Cathedral were two ex-Nonconformist ministers. The Rev. Minos Devine, M.A., Curate of St. Peter's, South Croydon, was formerly a Congregational minister at Stoke Newington; and the Rev. C. E. P. Antram, Curate of St. Martin's with St. Paul's, Canterbury, was formerly a Baptist minister at Ramsgate. The Rev. R. J. Campbell was ordained priest at Birmingham, and the Ordination of a former Presbyterian took place at St. Alban's Cathedral.

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