

Next morning, the 15th., we started for Byng Inlet, taking the precaution of giving a free pass to a volunteer pilot, a French Canadian, who offered to take us there safely in consideration of the favor, which he did, with only one slight "bump" against a rock, which however did the boat no damage. Here we found a little village nestling by the water side, which presented a scene of liveliest bustle and activity. Thanks to the fact that Messrs. Dodge and Co. are running their extensive mill, with a full compliment of hands, while the neat dwelling house, the large hotel, as beautifully clean as it is commodious, the well stocked store, and tastefully furnished offices attached, all crowned by the tasteful church perched on the loftiest point in the village, and literally "founded on a rock," combined to make a picture which we had not seen surpassed or indeed equalled in any point in our travels. Despite the fact that here, as elsewhere, there had been no means of advertising the service beyond notices put up on the wall and store after our arrival. A congregation of about 60 persons gathered in the church, and though nearly all of them unfamiliar with our Prayer Book, took their part in the responses very generally, with the assistance of the little pamphlets already referred to. Only two or three members of the Church of England could be found in the whole settlement. That our church had been much more numerous represented in former years, was evident from the fact that a clergyman, the Rev. R. W. Green (now of Wiston) had resided here. But what between deaths and removals, and, worse and more fatal than either, the apathy of the Church is caring for her children, their number had steadily dwindled down, till now it has all but reached the vanishing point. Can it be wondered at, that with a process like this going on silently, but surely, in scores of places, scattered all over the Dominion, she should to-day be lying under the deep reproach and humiliation of ranking only a fourth among the religious communities that divide the land between them?

(To be continued.)

DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

PERSONAL.—Ven. Archdeacon McDonald, of McKenzie River, has returned to Winnipeg with his family.

The Rev. Mr. Baring, son of the late Bishop of Durham, has been visiting Winnipeg and the Northwest.

The Diocesan Synod of Rupert's Land meets on October 28th.

The Governor-General, in the course of his tour among the public institutions of Winnipeg, visited St. John's College, where he was received by the Bishop and College Council, and presented with the following address:—

May it please Your Excellency:

We, the Chancellor and Council of St. John's College, desire to take advantage of the opportunity given by Your Excellency's visit to Manitoba to assure you of the hearty pleasure with which, in common with the other inhabitants of the Province, we welcome Your Excellency amongst us.

We would, at the same time, express our loyalty for Her Most Gracious Majesty, whom Your Excellency has the honour of representing.

St. John's College has grown out of a school that may be said to have extended the benefits of education to this community from almost the beginning of English settlement along the Red River.

We have endeavored to advance with the growth of the country. St. John's College is one of the colleges of the University of Mani-

toba, and affords an education both in theology and arts.

There is also a grammar school on the foundation of the college preparing boys for the University, for professional examinations, or for commercial life.

We appreciate highly the interest Your Excellency has shown in higher education by the medals which you have given to so many institutions, and we assure you that we prize greatly those which you have been pleased to give to St. John's College School and St. John's College Ladies' School, an institution closely connected with this college.

We trust the visit of Your Excellency to the Northwest may afford you much pleasure, and that you may carry away with you a favorable impression of this portion of the Dominion.

In the name of the Chancellor and Council of St. John's College.

R. RUPERT'S LAND,
Chancellor.

His Excellency, in the course of his reply, after referring to his appreciation of the efforts in the Province towards higher education, said:

There are no circumstances under which such education is more needed than those which are present where a comparatively scanty population finds itself in possession of a country large enough to afford a home to one which might be numbered by millions instead of by thousands. Just as a man in mature life does not recover the mistakes which he has made as a lad, so in a country like this the mistakes made in the infancy of your provincial life may bring the sternest retribution in after years. It is for that reason that I am glad to see that owing to your action and that of other educational institutions co-operating with you, a good liberal education is being placed within the reach of the youth of this province. I feel no doubt that amongst the lessons which your students are learning here, they will learn to grow up as loyal and attached subjects of the British Empire. (Applause.)

It gives me great pleasure to learn that you have in connection with the college a grammar school and a school for young ladies. These institutions, taken in connection with the university to which you are affiliated, give you a very complete piece of educational machinery, capable of expansion hereafter, and possessing all the elements necessary to success.

When His Excellency had concluded his reply, he was shown over the college, and afterwards driven to the Ladies' College, where he was met by the lady principal, Mrs. Cowley, and welcomed to the institution. The young ladies sang a song, which was most appropriate to the occasion.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

LUDLOW.—Hudson Memorial Church.—The treasurer acknowledges the receipt of the following sums:—Mrs. Montgomery Campbell, \$10; Rev. Canon Neales, \$5; some members of the Girls' Friendly Society, Fredericton, \$5.

MAUGERVILLE.—Harvest Festival.—The harvest festival at Maugerville was held this year on the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels. Bright, warm sunshine and the glory of the autumnal leaves clothed the land in fitting thanksgiving attire. The pretty church, decked by reverent and loving hands with a tasteful profusion of exquisite flowers and fruit and grain, looked, if possible, more beautiful even than at former festivals. The morning service was a very hearty one, eight of the clergy taking part in it. The Metropolitan celebrated the Holy Eucharist, and there were fifty-six communicants. The sermon was preached by Rev. C. H. Hatheway. After service the whole congregation adjourned to the Rectory and its pleasant, elm-shaded grounds, where long rows of table-cloths, spread upon the grass beside the flower-beds, were speedily covered with such

an abundance of good things that the merry crowd of parishioners and visitors, with excellent appetites and the best of wills, were quite unable to dispose of all of them. The presence and genial kindness of our dear Bishop added greatly to the general enjoyment. The happy day ended with a bright and impressive evening service. The energetic Rector of Maugerville is much to be congratulated on the harmony which seems to pervade his flock, and which such parochial gatherings as this tend greatly to promote.—Com.

CAPE BRETON.

SYDNEY.—A handsome stained glass window has been placed in St. George's Church, Sydney, in memory of the late Hon. J. Bourinot, Senator and French Consul. The centre illustrates the scene described in St. Luke's Gospel, when the just and devout Simeon came by the Spirit into the Temple, "when the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for Him after the custom of the law." Simeon is shown at the moment when he took the infant Saviour in his arms and blessed God. The words, "Now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy word," are inscribed above and below the illustration. The coloring of the whole design is exceedingly rich and chaste. The artistic execution of the work reflects much credit on the well-known establishment of Spence & Sons, Montreal.

DIOCESE OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

We are favored by a special correspondent with the following particulars, beyond those already given, as to the consecration of the Cathedral at St. John's, Nfld.:—

After five years' work, the transepts and choir of the Cathedral in this city have been completed, so far as the committee in charge of the undertaking have been able to proceed with it, and the new part was consecrated on the 1st September by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by the Bishop of Nova Scotia and a large number of the clergy. An account of the ceremony is forwarded with this; if room can be found for it, it will be read with much interest by many Newfoundlanders in Canada.

The proposal to erect in St. John's a new Parish Church and Cathedral combined, to replace a wooden church there forty years old, originated about the year 1840, in the early years of the episcopate of the first Bishop of Newfoundland, the late Dr. Spencer. The proposed building was to be of stone, of a plain style of architecture, but sufficiently pretentious and amply large, as it was thought, for the wants not only of the congregation of that day, but for many years to come. Nearly £4,000 was subscribed in St. John's for its erection; £1,000 stg. was contributed by the two great English Church Societies; and an amount nearly as large was collected in England by the late Archdeacon Bridge. With these funds the cut limestone for the exterior of the entire building was prepared in Ireland, and landed on the site of the proposed church by 1844, and on the 21st August in that year the foundation stone was laid by Bishop Spencer. Further means being required, little more was done towards proceeding with the work until 1846, when the terrible fire of that year reduced the Parish Church to ashes; and the means of the parishioners being so reduced by the same calamity that they were unable to help in the work, Bishop Field went to England to seek for assistance in the emergency, in which he was so successful that, with the addition of the money raised for the purpose under the Queen's letter, he determined on abandoning the old design and commencing, at any rate, a larger and handsomer church. For this purpose he procured plans from the late Sir Gilbert Scott for a building which, both in size and beauty, should be worthy of the name of a Cathedral.