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January 11, 1894.]

Miss Edith Worman, St. Anne's, Tor.	32	38	70
" Minerva Howard, St. Stephen's,			
Toronto.....	35	34	69
Master Edward Colgan, St. John's,			
Dundalk.....	30	35	65
Miss Agnes Shortley, St. George's,			
Montreal.....	48	15	63
Master Ed. Lewis, Trinity, Barrie.....	35	25	60
Signed,			
J. BEDFORD JONES, Archdeacon.			
WM. BELT, Canon			
H. POLLARD,			
G. B. KIRKPATRICK,			
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Home & Foreign Church News

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.

NOVA SCOTIA.

ANNAPOLIS RURAL DEANERY.—A meeting of this deanery was held at Granville Ferry on Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 22nd and 23rd, being the regular dates as per resolution of previous meeting. The Rural Dean and five others of the clergy were present and took part in the proceedings of a very interesting meeting. The Rev. F. P. Greator, much to the regret of the brethren, was again prevented from being in attendance owing to sudden illness. The Rev. J. Warner also sent his regrets, having made arrangements for a well earned holiday in the United States. Proceedings commenced with a missionary meeting in the pretty church at the Ferry on Tuesday evening. Rev. H. How said prayers and the meeting was addressed in lengthy speeches by the Rev. the Dean (in his well known effective style, his grasp of telling facts being, as is usual, his characteristic feature), and the Rev. J. M. Withycombe, who treated the subject of the "Scope and Claim of our Diocesan Mission." Owing to the lateness of the hour, the Rev. H. A. Harley, who was to have addressed the meeting, did not speak. There were a good many of the parishioners present at this meeting, though the weather was anything but favourable. On Wednesday morning there were matins and Holy Communion in the same church, at which service the rector of Digby preached an appropriate sermon from the suggestive words: "Without me ye can do nothing." Chapter met at the rectory in the afternoon for the transaction of business. Mr. Binnington, theological student of St. Boniface, Warminster, Eng., a guest of Rev. Mr. Gale, was invited to take a seat with the clergy. A casual question regarding the amount in funds for proposed travelling missionary, led to an informal discussion *in re* the same, during the course of which Mr. Harley made reference to the fact that he had received the promise of \$200 per annum from the Bishop of the Diocese for a missionary to take charge of the Digby Neck Mission. This sum, with an additional sum in prospect from the B.H.M. and other sources, would enable him to secure the services of a man as soon as one might be available. The office for ordination of priests was then read in order without comment. The Rev. W. B. Belliss, rector of Clements, being called upon, read an able paper on "Systematic Giving." Revs. Dean How and Harley spoke interestingly and to some length on the topic suggested by the paper. The deanery commended very highly the suggestive and argumentative character of Mr. Belliss's paper. Perhaps the most interesting feature of the meeting was the following very practical and progressive motion proposed by Rev. Mr. How of St. Luke's, Annapolis:—"That there be a Deanery Sunday School Convention to meet simultaneously with the clergy, at which delegates from the various parishes might be in attendance, one or more of whom to prepare a paper on some subject bearing upon S. S. work, for discussion; and that this convention work with a view to uniformity in S. S. work throughout the deanery, and regular examinations of teachers and pupils, according to the schedule and recommendation of the Provincial Synod." Rev. J. M. Withycombe seconded the motion, at the same time urging the necessity of more progressive action in relation to this all important branch of Church work. The R. D. appointed Rev. Messrs. How, Gale and Belliss as a committee to meet for discussion of the details of proposed convention and to report at next meeting. Rev. F. P. Greator was appointed to be preacher at the next meeting; substitute, R. D. DeBlois. Next place of meeting, Annapolis. The clergy who came from a distance, and indeed all the visiting brethren, carried away with them grateful recollections of the hospitality and kindness shown towards them by the genial rector and his estimable lady, and the good parishioners of Granville Ferry. J. M. WITHYCOMBE, Secretary.

Petrarch read and wrote day and night. On the table where he dined and by the side of his bed pen and ink were always ready.

QUEBEC.

QUEBEC.—Another Advent season has passed away, drawing us nearer to the second "Advent" of our Lord, for which the Church has been, and is still earnestly and faithfully calling upon her children to prepare, "that we may be found an acceptable people in His sight." The services on Christmas Day were well attended, and the Cathedral, St. Matthew's, St. Paul's, St. Peter's, and St. Michael's were beautifully decorated in honor of the Saviour's birth.

The Cathedral.—Holy Communion was celebrated at 7 and 8 a.m. and after Matins at 11 a.m., and there was a good attendance of communicants. The Dean of Quebec was the preacher, and the choir occupied the stalls lately erected in the chancel.

St. Matthew's.—The festival services were commenced with choral evensong at 7.30 p.m. on Christmas Eve. On Christmas Day celebrations of the Holy Eucharist were held at 6 a.m., 7.30 a.m. and 10.30 a.m., Matins having been said at 9.45 a.m. The 10.30 a.m. celebration was full choral, and the rector, L. W. Williams, M.A. preached an able sermon on the events of the day. The number of communicants was the largest for a number of years past, and it was gratifying to see that the great majority received at the earlier services. The decorations in this church were very handsome and appropriate, the chief features being the chancel screen and the font. The altar was adorned with numerous vases of natural flowers. At the 4 p.m. service a selection of carols was ably rendered by the choir, the words and music being taken from "Carols Old and New" published by the Rev. Mr. Bramley of Oxford, and arranged by Dr. Stainer. At this service the Lord Bishop of the diocese delivered an instructive address to the children. Just previous to this service the Sunday school children assembled in the parish rooms where His Lordship distributed the prizes for the past year to the children. Large congregations were the feature of the day. On St. Stephen's Day a celebration was held at 7.30 a.m., matins at 10.30 a.m., and evensong at 5 p.m. On St. John the Evangelist's Day there was a celebration at 10.30 a.m. Holy Innocent's Day, celebration at 7.30 a.m., matins at 10.30 a.m., and at 3 p.m. a united children's service was held which was attended by the various Anglican Sunday schools, and the members of the Bands of Hope and Mercy, and the Ministering Children's League of St. Matthew's parish. The Lord Bishop, who is a great favorite with the little ones, addressed them again on this occasion. After the service the children were treated to a tea in the parish rooms.

St. Peter's.—Bright and joyous services were held in this church on Christmas Day, the rector, Rev. A. J. Balfour, M.A., preaching an appropriate sermon at 10.30 a.m.

St. Paul's.—Christmas Day was truly a day of rejoicing in this parish, as the congregation had the pleasure of again having among them their rector, the Rev. Canon Richardson, who has been very ill for several weeks past.

Passed Away.—On Christmas Day, the widow of the Rev. Prof. Nicolls entered into the rest of Paradise. Deceased was a daughter of the late Right Rev. G. J. Mountain, third Bishop of Quebec. She leaves two sons to mourn her loss, the Rev. G. G. Nicolls, M.A., incumbent of River du Loup (en bas), and Armine D. Nicolls, Esq., bursar of Bishop's College, Lennoxville. The funeral, which was largely attended, took place from St. Michael's Church, Quebec (of which her brother, the late Rev. Armine Mountain, was for a number of years rector), to Mount Hermon Cemetery, where she was interred in the family lot beside her father and brother.

MONTREAL.

Obituary.—Rev. I. Constantine, M.A., formerly rector of Stanbridge East, P.Q., passed away 16th Dec. ult., soon after his arrival in England, having recently retired from parochial work. It is expected that his daughter, who was with him in England, will return to Canada. The deceased was one of the senior clergy of the diocese and was much esteemed and beloved.

DEEP SEA MISSION.—A number of ladies and gentlemen met recently in the Synod Hall with the object of organizing a Montreal branch of the Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen, and to assist in carrying on the medical work on the Labrador coast already started by the parent society in London, Eng. Mr. Richard White presided, and among those present were the Very Rev. Dean Carmichael, Canon Empson, Dr. Grenfell, superintendent of the mission, and Messrs. Munn and Kingman. Dr. Grenfell said the amount required to complete a hospital for one

year would be about \$5,000; the Ladies' Aid Society, he announced, had already promised to assist in providing clothing for a hospital in Labrador. After earnest speeches by the chairman and Dean Carmichael, a very strong and influential committee was formed, with power to add to its numbers; this committee will meet early in January and proceed to elect officers, who will appoint a ladies' aid committee. Dr. Grenfell will continue his lecture at Toronto and Ottawa and left last week for Ottawa to make the necessary preparations. His Excellency the Governor-General will preside over the Ottawa meeting.

New Year's Day found St. Stephen's Church with an overflowing congregation, when the mid-night hour announced the arrival of 1894. Interesting and earnest addresses were delivered by the Dean, Dr. Kerr, and Archdeacon Evans, on "Closer Intercourse with Christ," on "Cross Bearing for Christ" and on "Jesus Only." At 10 o'clock a.m. at the cathedral, there was celebration of Holy Communion and a New Year's sermon by Rev. Mr. Mervyn. The Lord Bishop received callers, and he seems to be doing well.

ONTARIO.

CLAYTON AND INNISVILLE.—The Feast of the Holy Nativity of our Lord was once more fairly well kept throughout this large parish, which is really an arduous missionary cure, although not classed as such by the synod, being self-dependent. Owing to the existence of three churches, Holy Communion was administered at Holy Trinity Church, Innisville village, on the morning of the last Sunday in Advent, instead of Christmas Day. On this latter day, the Lord's Supper was celebrated at St. John's Church, after morning prayer, and another eucharistic service was held at Clayton in the afternoon. Just one hundred communions were made in connection with these three services, and although such a number looks well and encouraging for a country charge, yet we ought to claim a better showing, as a large number, both young and old, failed to adore Him at His holy altar, on the most joyous day of the Christian year. On Tuesday evening, the 26th, an Xmas tree entertainment was held at Clayton, in the public school, for the benefit of Grace Church Sunday School. After a lengthy and enjoyable programme of music, recitation and reading had been gone through, with encores by a crowded house, Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus, personated by two young men in very dramatic style, created great interest and excitement until the richly laden tree was left bare and fruitless. At the close of the entertainment, the Rev. John Osborne thanked his Clayton congregation for the pleasant surprise they made him on the 20th by sending to the rectory a costly and handsome book-case and writing-desk, along with a fine, large, fur cutter-robe, and he expressed the hope that the harmony and good will which now exists between them as pastor and people, might always continue. The missionary meetings are to be held in this parish on the 15th and 16th of January.

NEW BOYNE AND LOMBARDY.—Although the latter part of the year 1893 was a trying period in this parish, owing to illness and death, the seasons of Advent and Christmas were not allowed to pass unnoticed. During the former, the incumbent delivered some lectures on the Book of Common Prayer to the congregation of Trinity Church, Lombardy, and on the feast of the Nativity the usual services were held. Early celebration and evensong at Trinity, and matins, with celebration, at St. Peter's. Notwithstanding that the weather was unfavorable, the congregation at St. Peter's was very good, a large number partaking of Holy Communion. On the day before Christmas, the Sunday School at Trinity were presented with books, games, etc. We wish to thank those friends who kindly gave donations towards helping to procure the presents for the children. Our esteemed organists, Miss Fanny Klyne, of Trinity, and Miss Joynt, of St. Peter's, were each the recipients of a sum of money from the respective congregations, as a mark of appreciation of services so well rendered.

OSNABRUCK AND MOULINETTE.—A service of exceptional interest was held in St. David's Church, Wales, on Christmas Eve. It was a children's service. The teachers and scholars of the Sunday School, numbering over 100, assembled in the basement at 7 p.m., and at the hour of service walked in procession, wearing badges and bearing banners, to the church. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather and the bad state of the roads, the church was packed, chairs being brought up from the basement and placed in the aisles to seat all the people. The procession was met at the door by the Rev. R. W. Samwell, rector, and marched up the nave singing "Onward Christian Soldiers." Evensong then followed, in the course of which six carols were sung by the scholars in a manner that fully re-