

News from the Home Field.

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DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

B. H. M.

GENERAL PURPOSES.—Walton, per Rev. H. How, \$8.80.

SUPERANNUATION FUND.—St. Paul's, Halifax, (additional) per Rev. Dr. Hill, \$1.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.—St. John's, Cornwallis, Thanksgiving collection per Rev. F. J. H. Axford, \$3.68; St. James', Newport, do., per Rev. H. How, \$2.85; Trinity, Halifax, do., per Rev. W. Sampson, \$6; Maitland, do., per Rev. G. R. Martell, \$5.70; Christ Church, Albion Mines, do., per Rev. D. C. Moore, \$7.33; St. George's, New Glasgow, do. do., \$6.16; Westville, do. do., \$4.77; Digby, do., per Rev. Jno. Ambrose, \$8; Lunenburg, do., per Rev. Dr. Owen, \$22.25.

JNO. D. H. BROWNE,
Secretary.

HALIFAX.—The "Mission" services at St. Luke's, St. George's and the Bishop's Chapel, have been very largely attended during the past week.

The Missioners are telling preachers, and their words, under God, cannot fail to do good.

Services in the Academy of Music on Saturday night and Sunday afternoon, brought together very large numbers of all religious names and ranks of life, to hear the stirring addresses.

GRANVILLE.—The services of the Church in the above mentioned parish have been well attended during the past summer, and a general interest manifested in Church work. In the Parish Church the children's flower service was held as usual in July, and the Harvest Thanksgiving on the last Sunday in September. Holy Communion is celebrated in this Church fortnightly. The Parochial Guild which has now been in existence nearly five years has been a great success, is well attended and much appreciated. The church at the Ferry, although the number of church people is very small, continues to prosper, the few church people there as here, being as a rule liberal givers, and devoted lovers of their church.

HALFWAY COVE.—This Home Mission sustained a great loss on the 15th Sept., by the death of Mr. Philip Dort, of Sandy Cove. The deceased always took a lively interest in all church matters, especially was he anxious to see the new parsonage finished, and the new church up; but our Heavenly Father willed it otherwise, and so He called him from the Church Militant, to join the Church Triumphant.

NEWPORT.—On Thanksgiving Day the services were greatly improved by the strains of a new "Karn Organ"—catalogue price \$325, bought from Messrs. Heustis Bros., of Windsor. Great credit is due to the liberality and to the energy of Mr. and Mrs. John Pools, of Scotch Village, whose attempts were heartily seconded by a ready response throughout the parish, assisted by some liberal donations. This is the 2nd organ from Windsor, introduced into the parish within a short time, the other being at the Mission Room Tenny Cape Mines, for which the Lord Bishop has with his wonted thoughtfulness obtained from the S. P. C. K. a grant of money and books.

ALBION MINES.—The Revd. P. H. Brown, Rector of St. Margaret's Bay, has paid us a visit. He cleared \$35 for his Peggy's Cove Church by his readings, &c., and won for himself a good opinion generally; but especially as an extempore preacher, clear, unhesitating and logical. He officiated on Sunday, both in Albion Mines and New Glasgow churches, and gave his readings in the first named place. On Saturday and on Monday, at the latter.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

PORTLAND.—St. Luke's Church School room was filled with a large and enthusiastic audience on Friday evening, it being the fifth anniversary of the Rectorate of Rev. L. G. Stevens. In his address, the Rector said the past five years had been to him personally years of hurried and hard work, of responsibility and care; but it had been a work lightened by the ready assistance and warm sympathy which had always been extended to him. He thanked those of his people—no considerable proportion of the whole number—who had so carefully entered into his plans, promoting them by their personal exertions, furthering them by their offerings, and holding them up most of all, as he believed, by their prayers. He took this occasion to thank publicly his brethren of the clergy for their generous and willing assistance during his illness from accident, especially the Rev. R. Mather and Rev. F. S. Sill, who were present, and who subsequently made interesting addresses. The Rector congratulated his people on their energy in rebuilding the Church, outward provisions and appointments of the material tabernacle being nearly completed, the total cost being about \$28,000. He then made brief reference to Parish Record—270 had been baptized, 66 prepared for confirmation, 48 couples united in holy wedlock, and 166 committed to Him Who is the Resurrection and the Life. A well arranged programme of instrumental and vocal music, interspersed with readings, then followed, in which both the Rector and his wife took part. After the programme was finished, coffee and refreshments from bountifully laid side tables were handed round to the audience, and thus ended a very agreeably spent anniversary evening.

SPRINGFIELD.—On Monday, October 29th, the new Church at Belleisle Creek was consecrated and set apart for Divine Service by his Lordship the Bishop Coadjutor of Fredericton.

The Bishop came to the Parish on Friday 26th, and on Sunday took part in three services. Celebrating at the Parish Church, and preached the Harvest Thanksgiving services morning and evening, and preaching at the hall which the new church supercedes in the afternoon. There were large congregations at all three services, the hall in the afternoon being crowded. The Thanksgiving offerings for the new church amounted to \$9.56.

On Monday morning at 10.30, His Lordship attended by the Rector of the Parish, and the Revs. E. A. Warneford and J. R. DeWolfe Cowie, proceeded from the vestry and were met at the porch door by the Church Wardens and the members of the building committee. The petition for Consecration was read by Mr. W. J. C. Northrup, and then way was made up the crowded aisle to the chancel the Bishop and clergy reciting Psalm 24 in alternate verses. After the service for Consecration, the sentence of Consecration having been read by the Rector, and the Church dedicated to the title of "St. Simon and St. Jude," Hymn 242 A. M., was sung, and usual Morning Prayer with the special Psalms, Lessons and Collects, appointed by the Provincial Synod was said.

Then after Hymn 215 had been sung the Bishop proceeded with the Communion Office, and preached a sermon from Exodus xv. 1. compared with Revelation xv. 3. He was listened to most attentively throughout in spite of the discomforts undergone by many of the people, there being upwards of 258 in a building seated to hold 130. There were 53 Communicants for the most part parishioners. And the offertory amounted to \$30.20.

The Church is a pretty little building all under one roof and sheathed throughout with black ash. The chancel being narrowed with a black ash screen. There is a small tower, which with the part screened of in one side, forms a fair-sized vestry. The east window, the gift of Trinity Church, St. John, is of stained glass. The altar is handsome and of good size, and was given by Rev. J. M. Davenport. The altar cloth and fron-

tal of beautiful work, and all the altar linen, together with much other help by his Lordship the Bishop Coadjutor. The chancel is covered with a neat wool carpet of ecclesiastical pattern, partly given by the Most Rev. the Metropolitan. The seats are provided for by the grant of the S. P. C. K., and the alms dishes were given by Rev. C. H. Hathaway.

This Church supplies a need long felt in the Parish. It has already added 15 to the communicants roll. And there are many young people who it may be hoped will shortly be ready for Confirmation.

There is a debt of about \$200 which has been assumed by the Rector and some of the parishioners, and a font is still needed. Any help towards either the reduction of the one or the procuring of the other will be very thankfully acknowledged by the Rector. We take this opportunity of thanking those Church people from other parishes who have already helped us.

It was the intention of the building committee to have given them word of the day of consecration and asked their attendance. But having only a few days notice they were prevented from arranging for the proper entertainment of invited guests. It is hoped however that they will take other opportunity of worshipping in the little Church which they have helped to build.

KINGSTON.—A regular quarterly meeting of the Chapter was held at Greenwich on Wednesday and Thursday, Oct 31st and Nov. 1st. There were only five of the clergy present, the smallest number that has gathered for a very long time.

Illness and urgent parish duty being the reasons which kept most of the brethren away. Acts xi and Psalm iv and v formed the Scripture Reading. The services were Evensong at 7 p. m. on Wednesday, with an address on Lay Help by Rev. J. H. Talbot. And Holy Communion on Thursday morning with an Eucharistic address by Rev. D. I. Wetmore. Various subjects of interest were discussed and \$25 of surplus funds voted for books for the Deanery library.

ST. JOHN.—The annual sale of the Ladies Missionary Working party of Trinity Church was held in the school room of the Church on Thursday night. There was a very large attendance. Besides the fine array of useful things which found a ready sale there was "High Tea," from 6 to 8, and the beautiful and attractive way in which the tables were spread, made them largely patronized. The amount obtained during the evening was quite large.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

MONTREAL.—The Board of management of the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions, meets in this city on the 28th inst.

DEAN BALDWIN is to be consecrated Bishop of Huron on the 30th inst., in Christ Church Cathedral.

MONTREAL.—On the 400th anniversary of Luther's birth, reference was made to it in several of the city churches.

On Saturday a special service was held in St. Martin's, and an able discourse preached by the Rector.

In the Cathedral, on Sunday evening, Dean Baldwin, the Bishop elect of Huron, preached to a crowded congregation on the great Reformer and his work. The sermon was a very powerful and eloquent one.

The Executive Committee of the Diocesan Synod of Montreal met on Tuesday week in the Synod Hall. Present: His Lordship the Bishop (in the chair), the Very Rev. Dean Baldwin, the Ven. Archdeacons Lindsay and Evans, Revs. Canons Norman, Carmichael, Empson, Ellegood, Robinson and Anderson, Rev. Messrs. Mussen, Mills, Rollit, R. Lindsay and Stone, Messrs. L. H. Davidson, James Hutton, Thos. White, M. P., S. Bethune, Q. C., Grath, Johnson, Drake, R. Salter and Thos. Simpson.