

only thirty-six worshippers gathered together to join in the Service. After Evensong the Bishop Coadjutor gave a very interesting and instructive lecture on "*The Holy Land*," and we heartily wish every person in the Settlement could have heard it. The offerings of the small Congregation amounted to \$10.81, which was added to the building fund. The Church, which was brilliantly lighted, looked very well, and the different arrangements and appointments were approved of by His Lordship.

Regular Services will now be held in this Church, two each month, one on Sunday and the other on a weekday evening, and it is hoped when all the work has been completed, probably some time in June, His Lordship the Metropolitan will Consecrate the Church. There are only a few Church families at Mount Middleton, but there are known to be more than eighty children within a radius of two miles, and it will be strange if some of these do not become members of the Church.

Lists of the Services to be held during the year will shortly be distributed.

SUSSEX.—Our Choir is busily at work preparing for a Parlor Concert to be given a short time hence in the interest of Mount Middleton Church. We are very glad to record their efforts as a proof of the breaking down of "Congregationalism," of which there is far too much everywhere, and we hope the Concert will be a success. The Ladies' Sewing Society have already shown sympathy in the same direction, and have paid into the hands of the Rector the sum of \$25 towards furnishing the new Church. We wonder if our young men could not do some useful work of this kind? No doubt the Parson would refuse no good offer. The offer of a few days work from the hands of some of the Sussex carpenters would be most acceptable. Is work too rushing at this time of year?

HAMPTON.—Our new Rector, Rev. Geo. Maynard, has arrived, and has been well received. We trust our anxieties will now be buried, and that all hands and hearts will be outstretched to help him in the work.

We regret to record the decease of Mr. John Raymond, who will be much missed in the Church and, indeed, throughout the whole neighbourhood.

NORFOLK.—The Parson has been quite under the weather since Christmas, and is still far from well. We are thankful to say, however, he has not been confined to his house for more than one Sunday.

ROTHESAY.—The Rector has been paying a visit to New York, and is still absent from the Parish. The School Teacher, who expressed the want of a school not too far from Church in the last number of K. D. M., secured a school at Nauwigewauk in less than a week. Who can say after this that the Magazine is not a good paper to advertise in?

### Deanery of Chatham.

CHATHAM.—The Clergy of the Rural Deanery of Chatham, with the exception of the Rectors of Dalhousie and Richibucto, met in this Parish on January 21st and three following days. It was an interesting and profitable reunion of the Brethren, who see each other seldom, and the Services in St. Paul's and St. Mary's in connection with the meeting were much enjoyed by both Priests and people. Excellent Sermons and Addresses were delivered by the Rectors of Richibucto, Newcastle and Baie des Vents. The Choristers did their part well in the Services, although we missed from some of the Services our valued little organist, Master Fred Blair, and one of our chief singers, Master Willie Howard, who were in St. John. Our organist's place was admirably supplied during his absence by Mr. Geo. Burchill, of Nelson, and Miss Gertie Goggin, of Chatham, who astonished us all by her proficiency. Mr. Burchill, being an "old hand" at the organ, although youthful in years, we were not surprised that he did his part well. There were Celebrations of the Holy Eucharist before and after the series of Chapter meetings, and thus the Brethren returned to their several Parishes encouraged and cheered by communion and fellowship with each other and with the Master in the Sacrament of Life. Among the matters of importance considered in Chapter was the organization of a Sunday School Teachers' Association for the Deanery, which will be consummated, it is hoped, at the next meeting in Newcastle, in April next. A resolution was unanimously passed having in view the prevention of the unseemly irregularity of solemnizing marriages in private houses, contrary to the regulation of the Church. It is to be hoped that our Church people will soon cease to ask the Clergy to disregard the Church's wise provision for the due celebration of this solemn rite.

There are rumours of preparation among the members of the Juvenile Guild for an entertainment, but we will not say more until more certain