

The Rev. R. W. E. Wright, B.A., from the Diocese of Niagara.

The following of our own Clergy have taken charge of additional Missions:—

The Rev. Principal Adams, of the Mission of Belviders.

The Rev. Professor Wilkinson, of the Mission of Milby.

I have transferred the following Clergy to other jurisdictions:—

The Rev. J. Ball to the Diocese of Montreal.

The Rev. R. W. Colston, M.A., to the Diocese of Fredericton.

The Rev. J. C. Cox to the Diocese of Nova Scotia.

The Rev. G. A. Sutherland, M.A., to the Diocese of Vermont.

The Rev. T. A. Williams to England

The Rev. N. P. Yates to Germany.

And we have lost by death:—

The Rev. M. Kar, D.D.

The Rev. E. C. Parkin.

Thus, whereas the whole number of our Clergy two years ago was sixty-seven, the whole number at the present moment is sixty-nine, and this number will almost immediately be increased by the ordination of Messrs. Bishop, Harte and Moore to be Deacons, while we are about to lose the Rev. Charles Brooks, thus making the number of our whole staff including our University Professors and also those who are now receiving pensions up to a total of seventy-one, or including the Bishop to seventy-two.

And besides the additions that have thus been made to our ranks, I have also to record the following changes:—

The Rev. W. C. Adcock has left Fitch Bay and gone to East Angus.

The Rev. A. J. Balfour has been elected Secretary of the Church Society vice Rev. Canon Richardson resigned.

The Rev. H. A. Brooke has left Peninsula and gone to Scotstown.

The Rev. H. A. Dickson has left Randboro' and gone to Inverness.

The Rev. R. J. Fothergill has left the post of Assistant at Sherbrooke and gone to Shigawake.

The Rev. H. S. Fuller has left Bury and gone to Portneuf.

The Rev. G. G. Nicolls has left Shigawake and gone to Riviere du Loup.

The Ven. Archdeacon Roe has resigned his office of General Missionary Agent and gone to Windsor Mills.

The Rev. T. Rudd has left St. John's, Melbourne, and gone to St. George, Beauce.

The Rev. C. B. Washer has left Portneuf and gone to Bury.

The Rev. E. Weary has left Riviere du Loup and gone to Marbleton.

The Rev. H. E. Wright has left East Angus and gone to be Assistant at Sherbrooke.

And the following have been allowed their pensions:—

The Rev. Canon Richardson.

The Rev. Peter Roe.

And in connection with all this growth in the number of our Clergy, I ought not to forget that, during the same period, I have issued licenses to no less than 24 Lay Readers, who hold Services, preach and visit, who do, in fact, all that may be done in such matters by laymen, and who do it remarkably well.

There is, of course, in this, as in all other matters, a *via media*. On the one hand we all rejoice to encourage the growth of lay help, and we ought to be very thankful that so much of this most valuable assistance is being freely and heartily rendered. But, on the other hand, we must take care, lest our country people should get to think that the saying of Morning and Evening Prayer on Sunday and the preaching of a sermon is the sum and substance of all necessary worship, and that a layman can do all that is needful, to the neglect of the two Holy Sacraments, which our blessed Lord Himself, ordained, and which our Catechism rightly says, are necessary to all of us for the saving of our souls.

But besides the help which we derive from the employment of Lay Readers, there is, thank God, a very large amount of most valuable lay help which is being constantly rendered by our Honorary Counsel and other Church Society Officers in Quebec and elsewhere, by Delegates to Synod, by Church Wardens and Sidesmen, by St. Andrew's Brotherhood men, whose small Chapters are like a live coal imparting vital warmth right through a clergyman's work, by members of Church Choirs, by District visitors, Sunday-School Teachers and Mission Helpers, by Parish Guilds, and last though not least, by the Woman's Auxiliary, whose members do so much towards keeping alive our interest in missionary work in Algoma and in the North-West and also in foreign lands. And we have besides in Quebec City the Church Helpers, who not only assist our poorest parishes with most welcome grants to the Clergy and their Churches, but also every Fall take upon themselves the burden of making a thorough collection right through the City of Quebec and its neighborhood in behalf of the Church Society's various and necessary funds. This work will, I trust, henceforth be conducted more generally and systematically in the country parts as well, and I hope the Clergy will assist me, by all choosing for this work, friends to whom I can send from time to time information concerning our needs, to whom for the sake of distinction we will give the name, not of Church Helpers, but of the Church Society Helpers of the Diocese of Quebec.

And in order to include and gather into one all these different branches of lay help, I am glad to be able to report that in accordance with a recommendation made to the Synod in 1890, we are organizing a Quebec Diocesan Lay Helpers' Association into which we propose to invite all, female as well as