

News from the Home Field.

DIocese OF NOVA SCOTIA.

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Received from Rev. C. Croucher, Glace Bay, five dollars eighteen cents, Easter offering from Glace Bay Mission to Foreign Mission.

From Rev. R. Shreve, Yarmouth, three dollars thirty eight cents from Helen B. Rowley's mite box for the Wawanosh Home for Indian Girls at Sault Ste. Marie.

From A. C. F., Grand Pre, for Diocese of Saskatchewan, twenty dollars.

WM. GOSSIP, Treas. B. F. M., Dio. N. S.

HALIFAX.—The Most Rev. Michael Hannan, D. D., Archbishop of the Roman Catholic Church, died after a very brief illness on Monday, and was buried on Friday of last week. Seven Bishops and fifty-eight Priests took part in the services, and several thousands of people, including many Protestants, were in the funeral cortege. Bishop Binney and several of the clergy (Rev. Dr. Hill, of St. Paul's, being a mourner) besides a number of ministers of the various Protestant Bodies, were in the procession. Dr. Hannan had been but five years occupant of the see, and was only sixty-two years of age. He had proved himself a wise administrator, and lived on terms of good will and friendship with those who differed from him in religious matters. Possessing but few of those characteristics which made his predecessor, Archbishop Connelly, so popular, he yet was universally beloved by his own people, and greatly respected by the whole community for his many admirable qualities.

A CLERGYMAN writes from a country parish: "I have declined work in — offering \$150 increase and a parsonage, worth to me in all \$250 a year better than my present stipend. I could not stand the thought of my work here being entirely given up, as the Bishop assured me it would be if I left." Such unselfish conduct ought not to pass unnoticed.

PUGWASH.—The following address having been recently presented to our Rector, you will oblige by publishing it:—

PARISH OF ST. GEORGE, PUGWASH,
April 10th, 1882.

To Rev. R. F. Brine, Rector:

We, the undersigned Church Wardens and Parishioners, beg to assure you that we have received with very deep regret the announcement of your intention to seek, at an early day, a Mission in which the discharge of parochial duties would be less arduous than those at present devolving upon you. In the event of your removal with a family of young ladies, who for nearly four years past have incessantly laboured in leading the choirs, sustaining the Sunday Schools, visiting the sick, and sympathizing with the afflicted throughout the whole of this great Mission, we shall sustain a loss which we unhesitatingly say will be irreparable. The deprivation of social intercourse in which we have so largely participated during the sojourn of Mrs. Brine and your daughters, will likewise be long and deeply felt by us. As the Shepherd of a portion of Christ's flock, we have invariably found you zealous and faithful in the performance of the duties appertaining to your high and holy office; courteous to us individually as well as to our respective families and kind to all around you. That a continuation of many years may yet be granted and blessed to you and yours in whatever sphere your lot may be cast, is our sincere prayer.

Signed by George S. Kinney and Wm. Sarson, Church Wardens, and by a large number of parishioners.

GLACE BAY MISSION.—The Easter services and meetings have passed off with much comfort to both pastor and people. Holy Week services began with a celebration at Christ Church on Palm Sunday, and were continued at this and St. Luke's Churches evening and morning throughout the week, ending with two celebrations on Easter Sunday, and one at the former on Easter Monday. Three of the churches were opened on Good Friday and the four on Easter Sunday. The congregations were good throughout the week, but at Christ Church they kept daily increasing until Sunday night, when chancel, nave and porch were packed, and on Monday morning the largest number of communicants (during the present incumbency) drew near to the Lord's Table. May the good Lord continue to increase the number. E. P. Archbold and Selwyn Shreve, Esqs., were elected to represent the Mission at the ensuing session of the Diocesan Synod. The Women's Work Society have decided to give their earnings this year towards a Church Hall at South Mead, and the Easter Meeting at St. Luke's, Big Glace Bay, have decided to pay their church inside and out and to add a vestry. These works, together with the raising of two hundred dollars still necessary to pay off the parsonage debt, will tax all the resources of the people during the present year. May their efforts be crowned with success and redound to God's glory.

AMHERST RURAL DEANERY.—The next meeting of the Chapter of this Deanery will be held at Truro on Tuesday, May 30th.

J. A. KAULBACH,
Secretary.

Truro, April 24th, 1882.

LIVERPOOL ROAD.—The Rev. H. D. DeBlois, now of St.

Stephen, N. B., but very recently Missionary here, has within a week or two received numerous signed requisitions from his old Mission, with a very respectable subscription list, asking him to come back once more among them. Although, both socially and financially, Mr. D.'s position in the important Parish of Trinity, St. Stephen, is far better than it would be here, yet it is hoped that he will accede to our request, especially as his health has to some extent failed where he now is. We all hope to see him back again.

YARMOUTH.—Trinity Parish.—The Lenten Services in this Parish have been devotional, useful and well attended. The number has certainly been greater than during any of our former seasons of humiliation. The Curate has been obliged to exert himself almost beyond his strength, but we were happy to find him in the pulpit on Easter Day as energetic and original as ever. (John xx. 20, Rev. i. 8.) During the greater part of March our Rector (who entered his 79th year on the festival of the Annunciation) was quite unwell, though only one Sunday absent from church, and able to take his share of duty during Holy Week. We were glad to see him in his place on Palm Sunday, when he preached on St. John xii. 26, and also on Good Friday morning, when his text was John xii. 21—"Sirs, we would see Jesus." On Easter Day the services were chiefly in the hands of the Curate, who preached two admirable sermons from John xx. 20 and Rev. i. 8.

The church was well filled all day, and one hundred and twenty communed at the 11 o'clock service, the Rector being celebrant. The hymns were 134, 131, 127, 138, 135, 140 A. & M., and the choir sustained its long established reputation. The alms for our "Parish poor" amounted to \$31.70, making a total of \$106 during the year. The day was indeed a joyous one, and we felt that amidst all our natural anxieties for the welfare of our Parish, we could "thank God, and take courage." The Parish Meeting was held on Easter Monday evening. It was well attended, and passed off most harmoniously. The Wardens' accounts were satisfactory, and exhibited a large sum of money received and expended. The amount of the general offertory collections was \$580; special, \$288.99; Home Missions, \$297. The Hon. I. E. Baker and Job Hatfield, Esq., were re-elected Wardens, and were authorized to retain the services of our present Curate, now in his fourth year, at the same salary (\$1200). The sum of \$60 was voted as usual to be paid to the Incumbent at Tusket. Henry G. Farish, Esq., was unanimously chosen Vestry Clerk in succession to his father, the late Dr. G. J. Farish. It is worthy of note that this office has been held by three members of this old Church family since the formation of the Parish in 1806, with the exception of a few years during which the duties were well discharged by W. H. Moody, Esq. At the close of other routine business, the following very gratifying resolution was moved by J. W. Moody, Esq., seconded by T. W. Johns, Esq., and received by all rising:—

Resolved, That in recording the decease of the late Dr. Gregg Joseph Farish, who died 19th Dec., aged 72 years, this meeting also desires to signify its appreciation of his services as Vestry Clerk, and also to express the great respect and confidence in which he was held by the parishioners, and a sense of their loss in the removal from among them of a Christian brother and Churchman.

J. T. T. MOODY,
Chairman.

April 10, 1882.

The Benediction was then pronounced by the Rector. John Wentworth Moody and Dr. J. C. Farish were duly chosen Delegates to the Synod, and Messrs. T. C. Moody and T. R. Jolly Substitutes.

PICCOL.—The regular Easter meeting of St. James' Parish was held on Easter Monday. The total receipts for the year amounted to \$1,493.01; disbursements, \$1,365.60; balance on hand, \$127.60; liability on ordinary expenditure account, \$127.00. The Sunday offertories averaged \$22.93 per Sunday, against \$20.43 for last year; an increase of \$2.53. The voluntary system adopted by this Parish in 1880 has thus far proved much more satisfactory than the pew rent system. The Report of the New Church Building Committee submitted to the meeting shewed that the total cost of construction was \$7,914.71; total debt on same \$2,621.91.

Churchwardens for current year—Robt. Hockin and Thomas Tanner; Vestry—C. Dwyer, J. R. Davies, F. W. Fraser, T. Robley, J. Bayliss, J. H. Lane, H. Kirkwood, J. S. Purnell, R. McDonald, C. E. Davies, G. J. Dicks, G. E. Johnson; Vestry Clerk, Chas. E. Tanner; Delegates to Synod—John R. Davies and Chas. E. Tanner; Substitutes—H. T. Clarke and B. Curran.

DIocese OF FREDERICTON.

FREDERICTON.—The daily services during the past Lenten season were well attended. Lent lectures or sermons were delivered before large congregations at the Cathedral on Wednesday evenings by the Metropolitan, the Bishop-Coadjutor, the Sub-Dean of the Cathedral, and the Rector of Fredericton; and at the Parish Church on Friday evenings—four by the Rector, two by the Sub-Dean, and one by Rev. H. Montgomery, Dean of the Cathedral. The frequent services during Holy Week awakened much interest, short meditations being given daily at both churches. On Holy Thursday the Parish Church was crowded with worshippers at the evening service, when eight adults were baptized by the Rector, and Bishop Kingdon preached with great earnestness on the institution of the Holy Eucharist and the

other special teachings of the sacred season. The services on Good Friday morning, afternoon and evening were very solemn and impressive. At the Cathedral morning service on Easter Even thirty-four candidates were presented by the Rector to the Metropolitan, one by one, to receive the Apostolic "Laying On of Hands," and they, with the whole body of worshippers, seemed deeply impressed by the address of our venerable and beloved Bishop on the last utterance of our Divine Redeemer from the Cross—"Father, into Thy hands I commend My Spirit." On Easter Day the Cathedral and Parish Church were both beautifully decorated with choice flowers, and jubilant anthems, and hymns, and canticles gave expression to the gladness of thankful Christian hearts. There were two celebrations at each church. At the Cathedral 230 communicated on Easter Day, and 70 on Easter Monday and Tuesday. At the Parish Church, where the Rev. Mr. Weeks kindly assisted the Rector, 120 communicated on Easter Day. All the newly-confirmed became communicants. Counting those who received at the two churches on Low Sunday and those who have received privately with the sick and infirm, about 80 may be added to the above numbers, making about 500 communicants within the octave of Easter out of a total of Church people in Fredericton given by the last census at, I think, about 1,500. It is to be remembered that 65 were presented by the Rector and Sub-Dean for Confirmation last All Saints' Day, making 99 within six months. It is to be remembered also, in estimating the labours of the Fredericton clergy, that in addition to the Cathedral and parochial work, including a weekly service at the Almshouse by the Rector, and at the mills, generally by the Deacon, the Mission of New Maryland, distant 5 miles, is diligently cared for by the Sub-Dean, service being held every Sunday, and the sick and sorrowful ministered to with all fidelity and love. A full church, hearty singing and responding, increased communicants, a flourishing Sunday School, and assessments and subscriptions promptly paid up prove that his labour there is "not in vain in the Lord."

CENTREVILLE.—St. Barnabas Church, Wicklow.—Names of Wardens and Vestrymen: Senior Warden—Thomas Wakem, Jr. Junior Warden—Joseph Ritchie. Vestry—George Stewart, John Ritchie, Sr., Samuel Ritchie, William Ritchie, George Antworth, Wellisley Lamoreaux, John Ritchie, Jr. (Vestry Clerk). Representatives to D. C. S.—Thomas Wakem, Sr., John L. Saunders. Representative to Synod—John L. Saunders. Substitute—Stephen S. Wiggins.

ST. STEPHEN. Trinity.—Our Lenten services here were well attended, and as an outcome from them I had fourteen new communicants on Easter Sunday. The parishioners intend putting up a parochial school-house this spring for purposes connected with the Church.

SHEDDAC.—St. Martin's in the Woods.—Wardens—S. J. Welling, H. A. Scovil. Delegates to Synod and D. C. S.—W. J. Gilbert, Hon. Daniel Hanington. The finances were shown to be highly satisfactory, and the prospects for the future encouraging.

ST. JOHN.—The Metropolitan has confirmed 22 in Trinity and the Coadjutor 16 in St. John's Church. The Metropolitan left for Montreal on Wednesday, taking Sussex and Chatham en route. The Coadjutor preached at Sussex on Sunday, and left for Montreal by the Monday night express. Rev. Messrs. Weeks and Montgomery have taken the Cathedral duty.

STANLEY.—There is nothing specially interesting to report in connection with the parish. The new bell gives every satisfaction. It has a rich musical tone, and amply sustains the excellent reputation of Meneeley & Co., West Troy, N. Y. The Parish finances were found to be in an extremely satisfactory condition at the Easter Monday meeting. During the coming Spring the grounds around the Church and Parsonage are to be much improved by planting trees, laying out walks, erecting new gates and renewing old fences.

SUSSEX.—A very pleasing surprise took place in this Parish on Easter Even. The Rector was presented with the very handsome offering of \$91.00 by his Parishioners, which was accompanied by a very kind and courteous little note expressive of the good wishes of his flock for a happy and blessed Easter. On Easter Day before the Sermon in the morning service, the Rector returned his cordial thanks to his friends and parishioners, and said he hoped such kind offerings not only showed that the members of his flock were well disposed towards their Pastor, but that the work of the Good Shepherd was being faithfully done.

MONCTON.—The Moncton Times of Tuesday says:—"St. George's Church Sunday School was crowded last evening to say farewell to the Rev. E. S. W. Pentreath, late Rector of this Parish, who was to leave in the night train for Winnipeg. At 7.45 o'clock Geo. Taylor, Esq., was called to the chair and stated why the meeting had been called. He referred to the time when the reverend gentleman had first entered the Parish, and the difficulties he had met with in the performance of his work. He closed by presenting him, on behalf of the congregation, with a purse of \$152. Mr. Pentreath, who was very much affected by this display of kindly feeling on the part of his late parishioners, assured them that it was totally unexpected on his part. He said he had had no idea that he would find it so hard to sever his connection with this Parish, and would never forget the eight years he had spent among them. E. B. Chandler fol-