

NEWS FROM THE HOME FIELD.

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DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

TRURO.—We regret to have to state that our much respected Vicar is obliged to seek a few weeks' rest, on account of loss of voice.

Mr. Sumichrast, Rev. Mr. Eaton and others will take the services at St. John's.

On Saturday, Rev. D. C. Moore, R.D., took a funeral for Mr. Kaulback, who left that morning to visit his aged mother and other relatives in Lunenburg. The hope and belief is universal here that he will return quite able to perform his many duties in this wide parish.

ALBION MINES.—The New Glasgow part of this parish received a welcome visit from the Halifax Church of England Institute last week. Four first-class cars contained the party, who were marshalled by their able Secretary, A. DeB. Tremaine. They visited the glass works, steel works and forge works; and expressed themselves well pleased with all they saw. Mr. Graham Fraser, the manager, and J. D. McGregor, Esq., director, took care that they should see a furnace full of metal run off, and a beautiful sight it was. The very successful glass works were not working, but glass cutting was seen, and many little *souvenirs* bought and taken away. Some went to the old mines, and saw the first railroad and first locomotive of British America, and the process of reducing the water in the Foord Pit of sad memories, by 800 gallons at a time, in square iron buckets. The chapel at New Glasgow and the chancel of the Parish Church were duly admired by those who saw them. The hotels gave reduced fares, and the proprietor of the Banquet House made a kind contribution from his small profits to St. George's Sunday-school.

On Sunday last an appeal was made for King's College in the Parish Church, and our Bishop on the sea was remembered in the service, "Eternal Father, strong to save" being sung after the sermon.

HALIFAX.—*Personal*.—The Lord Bishop of the Diocese left Halifax on Saturday for Newfoundland, and preached at the Cathedral there. On Wednesday his Lordship and family sailed from Newfoundland for England. The Ven. Archdeacon Gilpin acts as Commissary during the Bishop's absence.

Mr. C. F. Hall, B.A., has been appointed senior assistant master at the Collegiate School, Windsor. Mr. Hall is a graduate of Mount Allison College, N.B., and has for the last four years been Principal of the Academy of North Sydney, and was formerly Principal of the Amherst Academy.

King's Academy will this year open with renewed vigor, and expects an attendance much larger than usual.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND INSTITUTE EXCURSION.—The excursion to New Glasgow arranged by the Institute Committee was a very enjoyable affair. Nearly two hundred excursionists took advantage of the cheap trip to visit the many attractions which New Glasgow offers. Rev. D. C. Moore showed much kindness in attending to the wants of the excursionists.

S. S. EXCURSIONS.—St. Paul's, St. Luke's and Trinity have had their annual Sunday-school excursions, and all have been pronounced very enjoyable and acceptable affairs. St. George's and St. Matthias' Mission have a united one next week to Hasterman's grounds.

St. Luke's.—A meeting of the Ladies' Sale of Work Committee met last week. Nearly all present were in favor of deferring the sale of work until a future time, and wanted the proceeds of the sale to be devoted to the fund for the new church; so it is likely that the expected large bazaar will not take place, after all, at Christmas.

FALMOUTH.—The clergy were kindly entertained by Mr. John Smith, Mr. James Smith and Mr. John Lawrence during the recent meeting of Avon Deanery.

NEWPORT.—St. Anne's Church, Woodville, is being repaired and repainted. It is hoped that this autumn will witness the addition of a much needed organ to the church furniture. Some new communicants, who belonged to other religious bodies, have been added to the roll of St. Anne's. There is a very warm feeling towards the Church in this neighborhood.

SACKVILLE.—For some time past the work of restoration has been going on at the Church of All Saints, Bedford, in this parish, but lack of means has hitherto prevented our carrying it to completion. Mr. Morrison having with his accustomed kindness offered the use of his grounds for the purpose, it was determined to hold a promenade concert in aid of the restoration fund, and those who were present at The Cedars on Thursday evening, August 27th, had a very enjoyable treat. This beautiful spot, charming and lovely at all times, presented on this occasion the appearance of a fairy land. The night was one of those which can only be fully enjoyed in the open air, and hundreds of people availed themselves of it to promenade the beautiful grounds and enjoy the music. Large Chinese ball lanterns illuminated the long avenue of cedars through which the visitors passed to the concert ground, which presented a perfect blaze of light. Festoons of variegated lamps hung from the three flag-staffs; torches and lanterns shone among the trees; the house was decorated with lamps of colored glass, while a number of boats moored to the shore, and dressed from stem to stern with lamps of varied hue, added to the beauty and brilliancy of the scene. The band of the 63rd Regiment was in attendance, and discoursed sweet music during the evening. The happy crowd were entertained at intervals by the comic songs and recitations of Sergt. Cheesman, and the ladies presiding at the refreshment and flower tables were kept unceasingly busy by a multitude of eager purchasers. To Mr. Morrison and the ladies of his family we tender our best thanks for their generous kindness and untiring efforts to promote our enjoyment; nor would we forget our obligations to the Hon. James Butler, his estimable lady, and other kind friends who, though not belonging to our communion, so generously aided us on this occasion. The ladies of our own church were indefatigable in their labors, and the Committee report the amount of receipts at about \$135.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

NEWCASTLE.—The Most Reverend the Metropolitan, the Bishop of the Diocese, administered the rite of Confirmation in St. Andrew's Church on Friday evening, Aug. 28th. The pretty little church was tastefully adorned for the occasion, the altar, font and lectern being especially cared for, while over the rood screen was a magnificent floral cross, which showed well from the body of the church. The congregation was an unusually large one. His Lordship was accompanied by the Rev. Canon Medley, of Sussex, the Rev. Rural Dean Forsyth, of Chatham, the Rev. A. F. Kilby, of Derby, the Rev. W. J. Wilkinson, of Baie du Vin, and the Rector of the Parish, the Rev. J. H. S. Sweet. The service commenced at 8 p.m.

by the singing of a hymn, after which the confirmation service was proceeded with. Before the laying on of hands the *Veni Creator* was sung by the congregation kneeling. Nine—six being adults—received the Apostolic rite. The sermon was preached by the Bishop, in the course of which he congratulated the congregation on the interest which they evidently took in the Church of Christ, especially alluding to the clearing off of an old debt which for some years had been a drag upon the little flock. We may mention that this is the second confirmation in this parish during the past twelve months, the previous confirmation having been administered by the Bishop-Coadjutor on the 31st of last August. *Laus Deo*.

The congregation have just been furnishing a very handsome and substantial iron fencing both for the church and school-house lot, that for the churchyard being placed in position before the holding of the above service, and it was a source of much pleasure to the congregation to know that the new fencing was much admired by the Bishop and others who saw it for the first time on this occasion.

DORCHESTER, N.B.—On Tuesday, Aug. 18th, the Sunday-school children and parochial friends held their annual picnic at Point du Chene, which is fast becoming a favorite resort for such gatherings. The whole affair was very successful, and afforded much pleasure to nearly 300 people.

On Monday, the 24th, there was an "At Home" at the Rectory, when nearly 90 were present, and a very pleasant social evening was spent. Towards the close of the evening the following address was presented:—

DORCHESTER, N.B., Aug. 24th, 1885.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Campbell:

Understanding this to be the twentieth anniversary of your wedding-day, we beg to offer our congratulations; and we also ask you to accept the accompanying gift, as an expression of our regard and esteem.

We hope that you may celebrate many similar occasions, and we also trust that you may long continue to do the work of the Church in this parish.

And we are, on behalf of the ladies subscribing,

MRS. DAVID CHAPMAN,
MRS. GEO. W. CHANDLER,
MRS. D. L. HANINGTON,
MRS. JOHN B. FORSTER.

The Rector replied briefly and suitably, and after refreshments had been served, the evening's proceedings were closed with the Doxology and the Benediction.

With regard to the parish generally, it may be added that this spring upwards of \$400 have been expended on the old Parish Church; the new stone and iron fence has been completed by the addition of gates of ecclesiastical design; and, whilst as yet, the work has not been begun, at a meeting of the vestry and pew-owners, called for the purpose of considering the matter, they did themselves the honor of unanimously resolving to re-seat the church and make it free.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

BURY.—The children of St. Paul's Sunday-school had their annual picnic on the 25th of August. At half-past 10 they all met at the church, and after a short service, formed and marched in procession to the large and commodious drill shed, which, being on top of the hill, is perhaps the most conspicuous object in the picturesque little village of Robinson. Once having arrived at the grounds around the shed, the children dispersed and amused themselves as best they could with games, swings, etc., waiting for the all-important event of the day, namely, luncheon. Two long tables having