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## G.F.S. NOTES.

Our picnic was, as usual, a very pleasant finale, and an opportunity of saying good-by till our next meeting in September. It was a pity that our picnic was a week later than last year, for several of our girls had already left Ottawa for the country or seaside. The afternoon of the 25th June was cloudy, but no rain fell, and some of us thought the absence of sun a relief, as we rambled about, picking wild flowers, strawberries, and botanical specimens, for we saw our lecturer of two weeks back, and hoped she would again instruct us. The view from the terrace charmed us, as it had done last year, our tea was bountiful, and this time the table cloth had been remembered, and so had the G.F.S. cake, which was clapped on its appearance. Our short outdoor service was made more interesting by the admission of a new member, for our chaplain was good enough to visit us, and our only regret was that the lowering skies had kept our babies and married members away.

The Rev. Mr. Mackay and Mrs. Mackay are enjoying a well-earned holiday with friends among the islands of the St. Lawrence River, and the assistant editor, Rev. Mr. Loucks, is visiting his father in Picton, and hopes to leave later on for the clergy house at Cacouna. The Rev. J. H. Gorman and Mrs. Gorman, both of whom have been very unwell for some time, have been made the recipients of a very

handsome sum by their congregation, to seek renewed health at the seashore. They expect to be absent for some three weeks. The Rev. G. Bousfield, of Billing's Bridge, will take the services in Grace Church during Rev. Mr. Gorman's absence. The Rev. Mr. Ritchie and Mr. Orde, licensed lay reader, supplied Mr. Gorman's place during his illness.

The first synod of the new diocese of Ottawa, held in St. John's Hall, beginning July 7th, was in every way a great success. That the Bishop is a very efficient chairman became apparent to all at the outset, and his kindly manner encouraged a very general expression of opinion upon most of the subjects under discussion. A noteworthy feature of the synod was the interest displayed by a number of delegates whose names hitherto adorned perhaps the synod paper, but from whom little was ever heard. The large attendance, too, both of clerical and lay delegates, was very noticeable, and the short, crisp speeches made by both parties, and from a large number of speakers, added much to the general interest without wasting time. In looking over the synod committees, and comparing them with those of previous years of the old diocese, it will at once be seen what a degree of new life has been added to the Church. Many a new face will be seen and many a new voice will be heard representing the Church at the Provincial Synod in Montreal and the General Synod to be held in Winnipeg. There is cause for much thankfulness in this, inasmuch as it shows the inherent vitality of the Church, when men are ready to give their time and money in its interest. Among the items of business with which the synod was concerned none was more important than the division of the funds between the mother and daughter dioceses. A delegation empowered to deal with the question, composed of Dean Smith and Chancellor Walkem, reached Ottawa just as our own synod was about to empower Judge Senkler with a similar mission to Kingston. The discussion has resulted in a satisfactory termination of several of the funds involved, but it became necessary eventually to empower Judge Senkler to proceed to Kingston, where he succeeded in disposing of the whole question (one indeed which might have caused much irritation) in a manner highly satisfactory to both dioceses. It is to