

of such Committee to canvass all persons who avail themselves of the services of the Church, and obtain from them promises of subscriptions, quarterly or monthly, which the members to whom they are promised should also collect. One of the members of the Committee should be elected Treasurer, and to him the collectors should regularly forward the list of subscribers and the amount collected.

This is already partially done in some places. It should be done everywhere.

N.B.—As it is well that all offerings to God should be visibly and solemnly presented to Him, it would be well if these subscriptions when received were presented by the Treasurer through the offertory at the time of Divine Service, but care should be taken that they be distinguished from the other offerings.

3. One half of the funds thus collected should be paid quarterly to the Diocesan Fund, and the other half retained towards the expenses of the clergyman in the district in which it is collected. The ordinary offertory would be for the expenses of the Services, or any special purpose for which notice would be given.

N.B.—The Diocesan Fund will be managed by the Executive Committee of the Synod, which will also have the disposal of the sums granted by the English Societies. And a statement will be published after the annual meeting of the Synod of the amounts thus received made up to the previous Easter. It must be remembered that in all cases at present, and probably for some time, the Diocesan Fund will have to pay back to the district much more than the half of the subscriptions it will thus receive, but this apportionment will help to keep alive a sense of the unity of the Diocese, of the importance of which I spoke at the beginning, and in course of time the richer places would largely help the poorer.

The following facts may help to a more clear understanding of the amount needed in any district:—

1. A clergyman in this country, who must keep a horse to get from one station to another, and to visit people in the neighborhood as he ought to do, can scarcely be expected to live on less than \$1,000 a year.

2. This, supposing he holds two services every Sunday, means a necessary expenditure of about \$10 for each such service, besides any incidental expenses that there may be in connection with the service.

3. From the above, each place can easily calculate what its share in the general expenditure comes to, according to the number of services given to it, and therefore how much out of that it will contribute, and for how much it will be indebted to others.

I am convinced that there are many who do not give as much as they otherwise would because they do not as yet realize the need. It is for this reason that I have tried to put the expenditure before you in as plain a manner as possible.

There is one other matter about which I desire to say a few words.

An association for union in prayer and work with the Church in this Diocese has been formed in England. The rules of the association are:—

1. To make intercession by using the prayer of the association at least once a week; and by commending the work to God, from time to time, in Holy Communion.

2. To give help by some gift or labor of love, and advance the Church's work in this district as opportunity offers and other just claims admit.

I am sure we ought to be deeply thankful to know that there are over 500 persons who have enrolled themselves in this association, and whose prayers therefore are week by week ascending to the Throne on our behalf. A work thus upborne by the intercessions of

faithful souls must be blessed of God. There can be no greater comfort and help than to know that we have such prayers.

Do you, however, yourselves, my brethren, intercede for the work that is being done amongst you, as earnestly and as definitely as you might do?

Some of you may remember that the first message I delivered to you was this: "Ye that make mention of the Lord, keep not silence, and give Him no rest, till He establish, and till He make Jerusalem a praise in the earth." My first request to you was that you should make the welfare of your church a special and definite subject in your prayers.

Perhaps it may help some of you in this if we had an association for special intercessory prayer in this Diocese, and used the same prayer that is said in England. I have therefore had the prayer reprinted as adapted to our use, and any of the clergy will be glad to give a copy and to enrol as an associate any one who will promise to use it. I think people here ought to promise to use it at least three times a week.

And now, brethren, beloved in the Lord, I commend you to God, and to the power of His grace. May He establish, strengthen, settle you, and make you to be given to every good word and work, so that when the Lord shall return He may find in you a people bringing forth much fruit to the honor and glory of His Holy Name.

Your servant for Christ's sake,

ADELBERT,

Bishop of Qu'Appelle.

REGINA,

Feast of St. James Ap. & M., 1885. }

• DIOCESE OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

CONSECRATION.—Tuesday, 1st September will be a red letter day with Newfoundland Churchmen, for upon that day the Consecration of the new part of the "Cathedral Church of St. John the Baptist" will take place. The Consecration Service will be held at 11 a.m., and the Sermon delivered by the Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia.

The singing will be led by the united choirs of the three Churches. In order to meet the convenience of the clergy of the diocese, the biennial session of the Synod has been postponed from the month of June to the first week in September, and it is hoped that the majority of the clergy will thus be enabled to attend the consecration of the Cathedral.

"Amongst the gifts which have recently been presented to the Cathedral, and which we hope will be in position before the consecration, we may mention the Bishop's Throne. It is of carved oak, and is now being executed in London by the artist who has lately designed the new Episcopal Throne in Lincoln Cathedral. It is presented, together with a prayer-desk and footstool by a number of friends in England and Newfoundland who have subscribed the requisite funds.

"Carved oak *Sedilia*, for the use of the clergy on the south side of the Sanctuary have been given through His Honor Judge Prowse, by Mrs. Farrar; the Litany desk, also of carved oak, by Mrs. J. A. Partridge, of Oxford; and service books by Canon and Mrs. Turnock, of Ipswich."—*The Times*.

PERSONAL.—The friends (and they are numerous) of the Rev. F. R. Murray, of Halifax, will be pleased to learn that he arrived here per *Coban*, and intends to remain in our midst till after the consecration of the new portion of the beautiful Cathedral Church of St. John the Baptist. During his stay the rev. gentleman will visit several of the adjacent settlements.

Acknowledging that we have been wrong is only showing that we are wiser to-day than we were yesterday.

AMERICAN BUDGET.

The Rev. D. H. Macurdy, of Philadelphia, among other bequests for religious purposes, gave to Nashotah, Wis., \$3,000 and the theological works in his library.

The Rev. Charles W. Rankin, D.D., for thirty-two years rector of St. Luke's church, Baltimore, Md., has resigned that parish, which has grown under his long and faithful ministrations to be one of the most important in that diocese.

WYOMING.—We gather the following statistics from the Journal of the annual Convocation of the missionary jurisdiction of Wyoming, held in St. Mark's church, Cheyenne: baptisms—infants, 68; adults, 14; confirmations, 18; marriages, 32; burials, 26; communicants—present number, 272; Sunday school teachers, 50; Sunday school scholars, 356; total contributions, \$8,900.72.

NEBRASKA.—The trustees of Hobart College, at the instance of the Rev. Dr. Potter, late Bishop-elect of Nebraska, president of the institution, have conferred on Bishop Worthington the honorary degree of LL.D., and on the Rev. Canon Doherty the honorary degree of S.T.D.

LONG ISLAND.—Since the Rev. Mr. Sparks introduced a surpliced choir and choral service in St. Luke's Church five years ago, an innovation so much disliked at that time, the following surpliced choirs have been established in Brooklyn: Emmanuel, the Rev. Dr. Walbridge, rector; St. Barnabas, the Rev. Mr. Washburn; St. Luke's Chapel, the Rev. Mr. Foster; St. Mark's (Eastern District), the Rev. Dr. Haskins. Choral services and surpliced choirs are also shortly to be introduced at the Church of the Good Shepherd, the Rev. Dr. Cornwell; at St. James, the Rev. Mr. Homer; and at St. Ann's on the Heights.

BROOKLYN.—It has been found that St. Luke's Chapel, formerly the Bedford Congregational Church, is too small for the services held in it, and extensive alterations will be made during the present summer. An addition will be built upon the end toward Atlantic Avenue to give proper room for the choir, the sacristy, a guild-room, and a choir-room. Additional seating capacity for 150 will thereby be afforded in the nave and transept.

QUINCY.—On Sunday last there was added to the memorials in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Quincy, a very beautiful and artistic brass processional cross, the gift of Mrs. Nelly Carson Medill, in memory of her husband, Samuel Medill, who was, at the time of his death, one of the managing editors of the *Chicago Tribune*.

BRITISH BUDGET.

It is announced that in consequence of declining health Bishop Oxenden will at the end of October resign the vicarage of St. Stephen's, near Canterbury, which he has held since 1879. The living of St. Stephen's is valued at £500, and is the gift of the Primate.

The Rev. J. W. Horsley, who is about to retire from the position of Chaplain of H. M. Prison, Clerkenwell, owing to its approaching abolition, has accepted the post of Clerical Secretary to the Church Society for providing Homes for Waifs and Strays, in succession to the Rev. J. O. Bevan, who has resigned upon being presented to a living.

The 335th anniversary of the first French service held for Huguenots in the crypt under Canterbury Cathedral, occurred on the Eighth Sunday after Trinity, when there was a special preacher, the sermon being in English.

St. Martin's Church, Canterbury, belongs to