

## OUR CHURCH MONTHLY

assisted by Messrs Eaton and Scovil, lay readers.

Rev. H. Beers, who is at present spending a holiday in the parish, has also kindly officiated for several Sundays. Efforts are being made to obtain a rector as soon as possible.

Kensington has not yet secured a successor to Rev. T. Lloyd, the late incumbent, who went to the United States last spring.

### AMHERST

The Parish House being sufficiently advanced for use, a successful promenade concert, sale, and tea came off on Friday evening Dec. 20th, realizing about \$122.

The sad news of the death, at Antwerp, of Capt. William H. Townshend was received here on the 13th Dec. with many expressions of sorrow. Capt. Townshend was the fourth son of the late Canon Townshend, and was in the 48th year of his age, leaving a wife and two sons at their home in Philadelphia, from which port he sailed, having been in the employ of the International Steamship Co. He was highly esteemed by his employers. He was in town about two weeks after his father's death, apparently in good health. Paralysis of the brain was the cause of his sudden demise.

A memorial window, beautiful in design, and exquisite in its soft rich coloring, has just been placed in position on the North side of the nave of Christ Church, in loving memory—by her children—of Mary Blair Dickey, wife of the Hon. Senator Dickey, born Sept. 10th 1825, died April 30th 1895. Among the details in the window are the four emblems of the Gospel above and below the central figures, and, at the top, a heart all aglow with love. The figure in the left light is St. Mary of Bethany, represented as bearing the alabaster box of ointment for the anointing of our Saviour's head, and is intended to speak of devotion to the Master. The

subject of the right light is taken from the Acts of the Apostles, representing Dorcas as holding clothing in her hands for the poor. Thus are love, devotion, and good works set forth, the whole being a most appropriate offering in memory of one, so devoted to her Church and noted for good deeds and almsgiving. On Sunday, Dec. 22nd, it was solemnly dedicated to the glory of God.

The work is from the establishment of Messrs Burlison and Gylls, London, G. B.

Christ Church was appropriately decorated in honour of the birth of our Saviour, the altar receiving special care. The cross and vases were filled with beautiful white chrysanthemums contributed by a few ladies of the parish, and re-table was banked with exquisite red, white, and yellow flowers presented by Mrs. St. George of Montreal. There were two celebrations of the Holy Eucharist at 8, and at the 11 o'clock service.

The services throughout were bright and hearty, the singing good, the Anthem being particularly well rendered.

St. John's the Evangelist Day was duly observed by the members of Acacia Lodge A. F. and A. M. attending Divine Service in Christ Church at 7.30 o'clock p. m., Rev. G. Roy Campbell, rector of Trinity Church, Dorchester, N. B. being the preacher.

On Monday, Dec. 30th, the Parish House will be formally opened by the the Bishop of this diocese at 3 o'clock. His Lordship will preach in Christ Church at 7.30, and at this service the induction of Rev. V. E. Harris will take place, too late for a full report to appear in this issue of the "Monthly."

M. E. B.

### SHELburne

Opening of new Church Hall and celebration of Dr. White's 60th year of Rectorate.

After much hard work and patient waiting the Church Hall was opened

on Dec. 5th. Many years ago, Dr. White proposed the erection of such a building, and a site was given by Mr. C. White and his sisters, but the undertaking was postponed from time to time. Happily, however, our beloved Rector, now in his ninetieth year, lives to see the embodiment of his cherished idea, and still goes in and out among his parishioners and friends.

The coincidence of the completion of the "Church Hall" with the closing of Dr. White's sixtieth year as Rector of Shelburne suggested the idea of marking both events by an "At Home" in the new building. Accordingly, on the evening of Dec. 5th, a large number of parishioners and their friends gathered there and enjoyed themselves in a really social, homelike way.

At 9.30, the Rev. Mr. Morris, after a few remarks, read the following resolution which had been passed a few days before at a Parish Meeting:

*Whereas*, the Rev. Thomas Howland White, D. D. has been, at this date, Rector of the united parishes of St. George and St. Patrick for sixty years, during which time he has never ceased to discharge the duties of his sacred office, his active work gradually decreasing with increasing years—and

*Whereas*, we deeply appreciate the blessing of his continued presence amongst us, and desire to record our high estimation of his work as parish priest throughout an unusually extended pastorate—therefore

*Resolved*, that the building known as the "Church Hall" be made a Memorial of the labours of Dr. White in this parish, and that a suitable inscription recording the purport of this resolution be placed upon the building.

R. A. BRUCE, Secretary,  
W. S. H. MORRIS,  
Chairman.

Passed Nov. 29th, 1895

Dr. White acknowledged the resolution in an address of some length which will long be remembered by those privileged to hear it, referring in terms of touching humility to his