

Diocesan Church Society.

NOTICE.

The clergy of the diocese are hereby respectfully reminded that the annual collection in aid of the Theological Students' Fund, is appointed to be taken up in every church, chapel, and station, *within the month of April.*

Serious inconvenience having hitherto been felt, from the irregular manner in which the returns of collections and parochial subscriptions are made,—the special attention of those concerned is directed to the rule, which requires *all returns to be made by the 30th inst.*, as the Books will *positively* be closed on that day, and returns subsequently received cannot be included in the Annual Report.

The attention of Incorporated Members is also called to the *third* article of the constitution, by which a report is required from the Secretary of all those who have not paid up their annual subscriptions of *five dollars* before the 30th of April, in every year.

The omission of this payment, on the part of the Lay-members, will deprive them of a vote at the meetings of the Society, while a similar neglect on the part of a Clerical Member, or failure to take up the quarterly collection in aid of the special objects of the Society, or to keep up a parochial branch in his parish or mission, will invalidate the claim of his children and widow to the Society's pension; the prospects of this fund (the Widows and Orphans') claim the serious attention of all members of the Society, for unless punctuality be observed, it will not meet the demands upon it.

J. W. BRENT, *Lay-Secretary.*

GORE AND WELLINGTON RURAL DEANERY.

The clergy, churchwardens, and lay delegates, of the several parishes within the above deanery, are requested to attend in the school room of Christ's Church, Hamilton, on the Thursday in Easter week, at 12 o'clock, in order to give the Rev. Dr. Read an opportunity of conferring with them on the subject of the Episcopal Endowment Fund, which, with the sanction of the Bishop, and at the request of the committee appointed by the Synod, he is now engaged in collecting; and to make such appointments as they may think proper for Dr. Read's visits to their respective parishes in behalf of the above fund.

ARTHUR PALMER.

NEWCASTLE DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of this district branch will be held in St. Peter's Parochial School House, on the evening of Wednesday, the 26th of April next, at half-past 7 o'clock.

A meeting of the standing committee is requested in the School House, at 12 o'clock noon, on the day above mentioned.

HENRY BRENT, *Secretary.*