

port, (Church of England), has returned by the "Sarnia" last evening from a visit to England.

Rev. Canon Brock, D.D., President of King's College, is about leaving Windsor, says the *Hant's Journal*, on a short tour to several cities of the Eastern States, in the interests of the College.

ADVENT SERVICES.

HALIFAX—*St. Paul's*—Second Sunday, Dec. 4th; a.m., Rt. Rev. the Lord Bishop of Newfoundland; p.m., the Rector. Third Sunday, Dec. 11th; a.m., Rev. F. H. Almon; p.m., the Rector. Fourth Sunday, Dec. 18th; a.m., Rev. F. H. W. Archbold; p.m., the Rector. On the Sunday evenings in Advent the Rector purposes to preach a course of four sermons on 2 Tim., iv. 7, 8. First Wednesday, Nov. 30th; p.m., Rev. J. Scandrett Edwardes. Second Wednesday, Dec. 17th; p.m., Rev. F. R. Murray. Third Wednesday, Dec. 14th; p.m., Rev. F. Partridge, D.D. Fourth Wednesday, Dec. 21st; p.m., Rev. F. H. W. Archbold.

St. Luke's Cathedral—Holy Eucharist: daily, 7.30 a.m.; Sundays, 8 and 10 a.m.; third Sunday, 11.45 a.m. Matins: daily, 9 a.m.; Sundays and holy days, 11 a.m. Litany and intercession: Wednesdays and Fridays, 12 (with reading.) Evensong; daily, 5 p.m.; Sundays, 7 p.m. Mission Services: *St. Luke's* hall, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8 p.m.; Cathedral, Wednesdays, eight p.m.; Fridays, 7.30 p.m. Instructions on the Holy Eucharist on Saturday at eight p.m.; Dec. 3rd, "In the heart;" Dec. 10th, "In the home;" Dec. 17th, "In the church." Sunday matins: Dec. 11th, Rev. H. Lancaster; Dec. 18th, I. Poole. Sunday evensong: Dec. 11th, Rev. F. Almon. Wednesdays: Dec. 7th, Rev. Dr. Hole; Dec. 14th, Rev. N. R. Raven; Dec. 21st, Rev. Dr. Partridge. Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, the Rector; Fridays, the Curate.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

ST. JOHN.—The Annual meeting of the Girls Friendly Society in connection with the Church of England Institute, was held in the rooms of the Institute on the afternoon of the 29th ult., the President, Mrs. W. H. DeVeber, in the chair. The report presented showed that during the past year four members have been married and have left the city; there are now seven honorary members, 20 associates, and 50 ordinary members of various classes of working girls. The treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$24. Each associate member then made a report of the girls with whom she was connected, and a donation of a pair of blankets from the funds of the society was made to an associate for a sick member in straightened circumstances. The following motions were carried:—

1. That new members should only be introduced at quarterly meetings, and that an appropriate prayer should be added to the usual closing prayer.
2. That a Vice-president should be added to the officers of the Society.
3. That badges should be provided for the members with the G. F. S. motto, "Bear ye one another's burden," and Mrs. G. F. Smith, and Miss H. Peters were appointed to attend to these matters.

The Officers for the ensuing year were then elected by ballot: Miss Murray, President; Miss F. M. Smith, Vice-President; Miss H. Peters, Secretary-Treasurer. Mrs. Brigstocke kindly consented to continue as teacher of the Bible-class.

The meeting then adjourned.

This Society is doing good work amongst working girls and their employers. A bright pleasant room is open every Tuesday in the Church of England Institute, to the members

from 7.30 to 9.30. Associates are always present, and the girls are taught writing, singing, knitting, cutting out or embroidery if there is any aptitude for it. The annual fee is but 25 cents. The Associates pay 60 cents. The St. John branch is connected through the Diocesan Branch in Fredericton, with headquarters in Toronto. There are numerous branches in the States so that wherever a girl goes she can, if a member, have an introduction to helpful associates and pleasant friends. The one indispensable requisite for membership in England, Canada, and the United States, is a good character.

NEWCASTLE.—The regular meeting of the Deanery of Chatham was held in the parish of Newcastle, on Monday, Nov. 21st, and two following days. There were present Rev. Rural Dean Forsyth, W. J. Wilkinson, E. B. Harper and J. H. S. Sweet, Rector of the Parish. Four other members of the Chapter failed to put in appearance; one of whom, the valued Secretary of the Deanery, the Rev. A. F. Hiltz, Rector of Derby, being confined to his bed by a sharp and severe illness brought on by his faithful and arduous services in his unwieldy and extensive mission. Much sympathy was felt for him, and many hopes were expressed that his life might be spared. In the course of the Chapter the following resolution was carried unanimously:—Resolved, that the members of this Chapter, having heard with great sorrow of the illness of their brother, Rev. A. F. Hiltz, Rector of Derby, desire to place on record their sincere sympathy with him in his trouble, and to express a hope that he may speedily be restored to health.

The first service in connection with the Deanery meeting was held in the pretty and well appointed Church of St. Andrew, on Monday morning, when the Rural Dean preached an instructive and earnest sermon from the words, "Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear; for our God is a consuming fear."

On Tuesday morning there was a celebration of the Blessed Eucharist at 8.30. The Rural Dean being the celebrant, assisted by the Rector of the Parish. The Chapter met for business at 10 a.m.; the Rev. J. H. S. Sweet was appointed Secretary *pro tem*. The minutes of the last meeting having been read, amended and conjoined, Romans v., was read in the original and discussed. The afternoon service was taken up principally in the reading of Ps. xiv, and lxx, and in the discussion it called forth. This ended several matters of importance were considered, and the following resolutions named:—That, subject to the will of the Rector, the next Deanery meeting be held in the Parish of Dalhousie, on January 23rd; that the Rev. Geo. Peters be the preacher, and that the Revs. J. H. S. Sweet, and E. B. Harper prepare papers on subjects assigned. The Rev. A. F. Hiltz was re-elected the Secretary of the Choral Union Association, and in connection with that Association the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—"Resolved, that a vote of thanks be conveyed by this Chapter to the Rev. Canon Brigstocke, Rector of Trinity Church, St. John, for the able and instructive sermon preached by him in September last in St. Mary's Church, Chatham, on the occasion of the Annual Choral Union service of the Deanery."

In the evening, prayers were said at 7.30 p.m., by the Rev. E. B. Harper, the lessons being read by the Rev. W. J. Wilkinson. The Rural Dean, kindly taking the place of one of the absent brethren, gave a very instructive address on the necessity of cultivating Personal Holiness. On Wednesday the Litany was said at 10 a.m., and at 7.30 p.m., the Deanery service proper was held. Prayers were said by the Rural Dean; the lessons read by the Rev.

W. J. Wilkinson, and the Deanery sermon (a very powerful one, well thought out and well delivered, preached by the Rev. E. B. Harper, the lately appointed Rector of Weldford. During the morning of this day the Rector, accompanied by the Rural Dean, drove to the Parish of Derby, and administered the Holy Communion to their suffering brother.

ST. JOHN.—*C. of E. Institute*.—Rev. L. G. Stevens, rector of St. Luke's Church, lectured before the Church of England Institute, in Trinity Sabbath-school room, on the evening of the 28th last, on "The Parson's Trials and Triumphs." Rev. Canon Brigstocke presided. At the close of the lecture, Rev. Canon DeVeber moved a vote of thanks to the lecturer. The attendance was large, and the lecture most entertaining.

SALISBURY.—Work on the new Church is progressing rapidly. It is hoped that it may be ready to open on Christmas Day. On Dec. 1st, the Ladies' held a bazaar and high tea. Proceeds were in aid of Church funds.

ST. JOHN.—The funeral of the late Shadrach Holly, Esq., took place on the afternoon of 23rd Nov., from the deceased's residence, Douglas Road. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, and the bad state of the streets undredged of persons, representing all classes of citizens, turned out to pay their last tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased. Rev. L. G. Stevens, Rector of St. Luke's, of which Church Mr. Holly was a consistent member for many years, officiating. The Portland police force, the Mayor, and corporation of Portland, Mayor Thorne, of St. John, Recorder Jack and the members of the Alms' House Commission preceded the hearse in the procession to the Church. The pallbearers were Hon. David McLellan, Messrs. James Manchester, H. W. Miller Edwin Fisher, R. A. Gregory and John A. Chesley.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

BROME.—Commencing with St. Andrew's day, Nov. 30th, services are being held regularly on Saint's days in St. John's Church.

A service was held on Thursday evening, Dec. 1st, in St. John's Church, when an able and interesting sermon was preached by Rev. J. J. Scully, Rector of Knowlton, on the subject of the Coming of Christ and its relation to the Christian warfare. Services will be held on the remaining Thursday evenings in Advent with the following clergy as preachers. Rev. W. P. Chambers, B. A., Dec. 8th; Rev. H. R. Meek, Dec. 15th; Rev. Rural Dean Smith, Dec. 22nd.

The members of the Guild of St. John have since their organization held four very successful entertainments in the school room. The programmes have included vocal and instrumental music, readings, recitations, *tableaux vivants* and dialogues, followed by serving cake and coffee. For the manner in which our people have done their parts to bring the efforts of this young organization to a successful issue great credit is due them. The immediate object for which the Guild is working is the purchasing of a new organ for the Church. Already negotiations have been entered into with the Krans Organ Co. for a really superior instrument to cost about \$130, which will be used for the first time on Christmas day.

A Christmas tree is to be given the scholars of the Sunday school in the School room on Christmas Eve.

LACHUTE.—*St. Simon's*.—On Sunday, 13th of November, a very interesting Thanksgiving service was held. The music was good and the sermon better. Although as yet only a Mission parish there are great signs of progress, and