

News from the Home Field.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

ST. JOHN.—The Metropolitan, accompanied by the Bishop-Coadjutor, arrived in St. John October the 26th, and both were tendered a reception in the Church of England Institute, Oddfellows Hall, in the evening. The room was suitably decorated, and at one end a refreshment table was spread. A representative audience was present from the churches of the St. John Deanery. The Rev. Canon Brigstocke presided, and presented an address on behalf of the Institute, to which the Metropolitan replied. The Canon then read an address to Dr. Kingdon, to which his Lordship made a happy reply.

On the following evening the Sixth Anniversary Service of the Institute was held in Trinity Church. The clergy of the city, with the Rev. Messrs. Hoyt, Lockward, W. B. Armstrong and Hoadley, were present, with the Metropolitan and the Coadjutor. The prayers were said by the Rev. Canon Brigstocke, and the lessons read by the Rev. Geo. Schofield and Canon DeVeber. The Bishop-Coadjutor preached his first sermon in St. John from 1 Cor. iii. 9—"Ye are God's building." During their stay, the Bishops were entertained at a dinner given in their honor by prominent Churchmen in the city.

SUSSEX.—The daily papers notice a pound party in Victoria Hall, the proceeds of which go towards the ornamentation of Trinity Church. A ring of bells is talked off.

WANTS.—The Rev. Dr. Ketchum, Secretary of the D. C. S., would be obliged to any of the clergy or others who will kindly send him the following back numbers of the Reports of the Society, or any one of them, viz.:—The 18th, 22nd, 23rd and 26th. These copies are required to complete a set.

Mr. J. W. Lawrence, of St. John, would be glad to procure old New Brunswick Almanacs of an earlier date than 1831. If any persons have copies of old Almanacs they would confer a favour by sending them to him, and assist him in his historical and antiquarian researches.

SHEDIAC.—Tenders are asked for the construction of a Rectory for St. Martin's in the Wood, Shediac. The plans drawn by R. C. Boxall, Esq., of Sackville, are very similar to those of the Rectory at Sackville, and the building will be complete in all its appointments and handsome in appearance. The old Rectory was sold at auction for the extraordinary low sum of three dollars and sixty cents. It has been torn down by the purchaser. The building was very old, and worthless for occupation, but there was a great deal of timber in it. Thus has disappeared one of the old Church landmarks of Shediac. The late Rector, Dr. Jarvis, resided in the house for over forty years. The congregations fill the Church, and the Rev. Mr. Barber is making good progress. Six hundred dollars have been contributed to the new Rectory, and many other subscriptions are expected from the people.

ST. ANDREWS.—Diocesan Church Society Deficiency.—At the late Harvest Thanksgiving Service offerings were made at All Saints' Church and St. John's Chapel towards the payment of the deficiency which still exists in the funds of the D. C. S. The collections in both churches amounted to nearly \$40. This, with subscriptions previously given, will make up, at least, \$105 for the object above named from St. Andrews and Chamcook.

PETITCODIAC.—Special Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held in St. Andrew's Church on the 23rd ult. The church was tastefully decorated with grain, and the services were hearty and impressive. Appropriate sermons were preached in the morning by the Rector and in the evening by his assistant. The collections, which were in aid of the D. C. S., amounted to \$8.96.

CHATHAM.—Permit me, through the columns of your paper, to give a short account of the transactions of the Deanery of Chatham at its late session on 18th inst. *et seq.*, at Chatham. There were present Revs. D. Forsyth, Dean, F. Almon, J. H. S. Sweet, A. F. Hiltz, W. J. Wilkinson, E. P. Flewelling. It had been intended to hold, on the evening of the 18th, a service, consisting of evening prayers and addresses by some of the clergy, but owing to the severity of the weather the congregation was so small that it was not thought advisable to have any thing more than evening prayers. On the 19th Litany was said at 9 o'clock a. m., and at 7 o'clock p. m. evening prayers were offered, and the addresses delivered that had been prepared for the previous evening, viz., one by Rev. A. F. Hiltz, on "The claims of the Revised Version of the New Testament," and another by Rev. F. Almon, on "Home and Foreign Missions." On 20th Holy Communion was celebrated by the Dean, assisted by the brethren, at 8 o'clock a. m., and at 7.30 p. m. there was full evening service, with chanting of psalms and canticles. The sermon was preached by Rev. J. H. S. Sweet from 1 Cor. iv. 1, 2, who gave a very cogent and lucid exposition of the doctrine of the Ministry of the Church as held by the Anglican branch of it. The offertories on all these occasions were for the

Diocesan Church Society. The time intervening between these devotional exercises was profitably occupied with other matters. 1 Tim. vi. was read in the original, and discussed at length. A paper on Sunday Schools, by Rev. A. F. Hiltz, followed, giving rise to a lengthy and interesting debate on several points connected with the subject now engaging attention. On the 20th the Circular of the Board of Home Missions, respecting the anticipated increase in the assessments for 1882, was taken into consideration, and a plan adopted for raising the amount required in the Deanery, which, it is hoped, will meet the difficulty. It was resolved, in addition to this, to recommend each Incumbent within the Deanery to place the financial condition of the Diocese before his people at as early a date as possible, and to call in the assistance of his brethren of the clergy to aid him in doing so. At the request of the Chapter the Rev. the Dean consented to read a paper on "The Pastor in his Study" at the next session, to be held in Newcastle Feby. next; Rev. J. H. S. Sweet, one on "The Pastor in his Parish," and Rev. W. J. Wilkinson, one on "Children's Services." Rev. F. Almon was appointed to preach the next Deanery sermon, and Rev. E. P. Flewelling his substitute.

A. F. HILTZ,
Secretary.

Derby, Oct. 25th, 1881.

STANLEY.—Sunday, October 23rd, was quite a "Red Letter Day" in the history of the Church in this Parish. Morning Prayer was said at St. Thomas' Church, Stanley, at 9 a. m., at which service five adults were baptized by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Kingdon; also two infants (children of one of the adults referred to) by the Rev. W. O. Raymond. At the 11 o'clock service Bishop Kingdon administered the Rite of Confirmation to thirty-three candidates, of whom thirteen were males and twenty females. The addresses of the Bishop-Coadjutor before and after the administration of the Apostolic Rite were very excellent, and were listened to with earnest attention, not only on the part of the candidates but also on the part of a congregation that packed the church to its utmost seating capacity. All those confirmed, with two exceptions, remained to partake of the Holy Communion. In the afternoon the Bishop held Confirmation at St. James' Church, Tay Creek, where he found another large and very attentive congregation. The service here, as at Stanley, was hearty, and the Confirmation exceedingly impressive. In the evening the Bishop again took part in the service at St. Thomas' Church, Stanley, preaching a most earnest and telling sermon to a very large congregation from 1 Cor. xiv. 23, 24, 25. The number confirmed at St. Thomas' Church would undoubtedly have been considerably larger but for the fact that diphtheria is raging in the Parish. Never having been known here before, the presence of the dreaded disease excites much alarm. Up to the present time about twenty families have been visited by the disease, and nine children have died. Under the circumstances the services of Sunday last were deeply gratifying, and we earnestly trust that God's richest blessings may rest upon the events of the day. Several of those confirmed had been educated in other religious communions.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

HALIFAX.—St. Luke's.—The Rev. W. L. Currie has been placed in charge of this Parish for three months, or until a Rector is elected and enters upon his duties. The Rev. President Dart, of King's College, officiated both at the Morning and Evening Services on Sunday week.

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.
Received Oct. 8th, from Rev. J. E. T. Moody, \$16.10, Thanksgiving offering, for Algoma.
Received Oct. 25th, via Grand Pre, \$20.00, for the Diocese of Rupert's Land, in a note dated August, 1881.
WM. GOSSIP, Treas. B. F. M., Dio. N. S.

ALMON MINES.—A stupid blunder of somebody made the writer of the account of the Bishop's recent visit say "the Bishop's sermon we must say," etc., for *we need not say*, etc. The Bishop's sermons are proverbially able and eloquent. Also, the collections were printed \$40, should be \$70.

STEWIACKE.—Services were held in this Mission on Sunday, the 23rd ult., by the Rev. J. C. Cox, of Harrietsfield, who also administered the Holy Communion at the Church in Lower Stewiacke. At the Dutch Settlement, Elmsdale, and at St. Hubenacadie, Services were held on the same day, at which places there were good congregations. At the latter place, Miss McNeal, a blind pupil teacher, presided at the organ. Mr. Cox is about removing to the Mission of Stewiacke, where he has already received many tokens of kind regard, which is quite gratifying. This Mission has been for some months without a resident clergyman, and the people of Stewiacke, with those of its several out-stations, are very glad that the ministrations of our beloved Church are again to be enjoyed by them; and they are not only ready to subscribe liberally towards his stipend, but are likewise giving their time and labor towards making the Parsonage house more comfortable for the family of their minister, who hopes to enter at once upon this his new field of pastoral labor.

PARRSBORO.—A hearty Service was held in St. George's Church on the day of General Thanksgiv-

ing. For the first time in the history of this Parish, a display of the fruits of the earth was made in the Church on that occasion, the greater part of which, on their removal, are to be for the benefit of the clergy, so fulfilling the injunction to offer the first fruits to the Lord. Prayers were also said by the Curate, the choir sang well an appropriate selection of hymns, and the Rector preached from Prov. iii. 9, 10, to an attentive and interested congregation of more than a hundred people. Many were not there who should have been, but in a mixed population, where all other denominations neglect the observance of the day as a religious celebration, obstacles are thrown in the way of those who otherwise might wish to keep it with due solemnity.

NEW GLASGOW.—A literary and musical entertainment took place at the Mechanics' Hall, on Friday evening, 7th October, in aid of the Church of England Building Fund, which was well attended. In the absence of the Rector, Rev. D. C. Moore, Mr. Pritchard, our excellent lay reader, by request, took the chair. The Misses Hudson opened the entertainment with a duet on the pianoforte, which was rendered with spirit and great taste. Their execution was excellent, and would have been creditable to professionals. They were very successful too in their singing. Miss Stewart, whose vocal talents are too well known to require any commendation, if we may judge from the applause that followed her songs, was duly appreciated. "Robin Adair" was rendered with deep pathos, and the "March of the Cameron Men" brought down the house. Miss Black, of Montreal, made her debut with great success. The ballad "Bonnie Bessie, the Pride of Dundee," and "In the Gloaming," were both sung in a rich mellow tone with good effect. Mr. F. D. Laurie, whose name appeared in the programme, was unavoidably absent. The Messrs. Poole, Bell, M. P. P., Burland, of Montreal, and Pritchard, read selections from the best authors in prose and poetry. Mr. Burland, who was encored, and called to the front, in addition to his readings from Mark Twain, etc., entertained the company with facetious anecdotes which called forth their mirth. Altogether, the entertainment was quite a success, and went off with great eclat, producing about \$35.

TRURO.—A Missionary Meeting was held in St. John's Church, on Thursday evening, when addresses were delivered by the Clerical Secretary and the Rev. D. C. Moore, and a collection taken up in aid of the funds of the Board of Home Missions. Truro can boast of the finest Church in the Province, and the admirable and complete manner in which it is furnished, corresponds to its solid and handsome external appearance. The building has already been described in our columns. It is built of Nova Scotia free stone, and cost about \$23,000. It is worth a visit, especially from Halifax Churchmen, who, unhappily, have not yet succeeded in providing themselves with a Church worthy of their wealth and numbers. Mr. Kaulbach, the Vicar, Mr. Tremaine, C. E., and the people generally, are to be congratulated on the near completion of so noble a monument of their perseverance, self-denial and liberality.

AMHERST.—A largely attended meeting of the Chapter of the Amherst Deanery was held at Amherst, on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 25th and 26th October. There were present, besides the Rev. the Rural Dean, Canon Townshend, Rector of the Parish, Revs. Dr. Uniacke and R. J. Uniacke, of Amherst, E. H. Ball, of Spring Hill, R. J. Brine, of Pugwash, Dr. Bowman and G. D. Harris, of Parrsboro, J. A. Kaulbach, of Truro, D. C. Moore, of the Albion Mines, V. E. Harris, of the Londonderry Mines, J. L. Downing, of River John, A. D. Jamison, of Maitland; and as visitors, the Rev. E. S. W. Pentreath, of the Diocese of Fredericton, and the Clerical Secretary, from Halifax. Services were held on Tuesday evening, when a sermon was preached by the Rev. J. A. Kaulbach, on the Home Missionary work, and the importance of sustaining it; on Wednesday morning, when, after a sermon by the Rev. R. J. Brine, the Holy Communion was celebrated; and on Wednesday evening, when Missionary addresses were delivered by the Clerical Secretary and the Rev. E. S. W. Pentreath. On Wednesday afternoon, the Chapter met, and the Clerical Secretary brought before it the present condition of the Board of Home Missions, and the necessity that existed for largely increased subscriptions. At the suggestion of the Board, the Chapter appointed a deputation, consisting of the Rev. D. C. Moore, J. A. Kaulbach, and V. E. Harris, to visit the several Parishes within the Deanery, and to urge upon the attention of the people the claims and needs of the Board. An excellent spirit was shown by the members present, and a determination evinced to put forth special exertions to increase the funds. After some further time spent in an interesting and animated discussing of the affairs of the B. H. M., the Chapter proceeded to consider and discuss some features of the Service for the administration of the Holy Communion. Afterwards, River John was selected as the next place of meeting, and the highly important session was brought to a close. The collections on Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning were for Algoma, and on Wednesday evening for the B. H. M. The clergy owe much to Canon Townshend and his people for their kind attention and warm hospitality. Amherst everywhere displays signs of prosperity and growth; and the Services of the

Church were highly enjoyed by those present. The beautiful little Church so well testifying to the loving care of its Rector, is soon to be enriched by the addition of a handsome and costly Reredos, the gift of the children of the Rector, and in memory of their deceased mother. A memorial brass to the late Mrs. Townshend has also been ordered, and will soon be in place in the chancel.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

(To the Editors of the Church Guardian.)

SIRS,—While thanking you for your kindly notice of our appeal for funds to endow the Professorship of Theology in this University, may I correct a mistake into which you have not un-naturally fallen, that of supposing Bishop's College to belong to the Diocese of Quebec only. Bishop's College is the property of the Church of England in the Province, not Diocese of Quebec. This is fully explained in a paragraph of the circular from which your correspondent has sent you an extract. The paragraph is as follows:—

"In weighing the claims of Bishop's College, the important relation in which it stands to the Church in the entire Province of Quebec ought to be borne in mind. It is the property of the Church in the two Dioceses of Montreal and Quebec, and is in every respect and equally under the control of the Bishops and the Synods of these Dioceses. Its governing body is appointed, six members by the Bishop and five by the Synod of each Diocese; the members holding office for three years only. The Corporation must also report to each Synod full particulars of its educational and financial condition. The two Bishops are, respectively, the senior the President, and the junior the Vice-President of the Corporation; the Bishop of Quebec at the present moment being President, and the Bishop of Montreal Vice-President. The eight exhibitions of \$150 a year each, granted annually by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, for the education of Divinity students, belong to both Dioceses, four being in the gift of each Bishop. Finally, the sons of the clergy in both Dioceses have the right to claim free tuition in the College School."

May I say to those of your readers who have my circular before them, that since its issue I have received subscriptions to the amount of nearly a thousand dollars in addition to the list printed in the circular, sufficient, in fact, to secure the two donations conditionally offered, provided the subscriptions were fully paid in. All of them, however, extend over five years. We shall, therefore, need subscriptions, made on the same principle, to a very much larger amount, enough, in fact, to secure the actual payment in cash of a thousand dollars more before the end of 1882 than what will come in from the subscriptions so far received. I think that the success of the appeal is now certain.

HENRY ROE.

Bishop's College, Lennoxville, 28th Oct., 1881.

(From our own Correspondent.)

QUEBEC.—Carrying out a beautiful idea, and following the successful practice of last year, the Cathedral was declared free to all the congregations of the city, and a united thanksgiving service was held in the morning. The pulpit, reading desk and chancel were tastefully and profusely decorated with flowers, fruits, grains, vegetables and potted plants, and also with appropriate banners, painted by some of the members of the congregation. The Bishop and all the city clergy were present. The prayers, including those of the special thanksgiving service were said by the Revs. R. Ker and Ernest King, the lessons read by Revs. Charles and Chetwood Hamilton, the Communion office said by the Bishop, and the sermon preached by the Rector, Rev. G. V. Housman from the 4th verse of the 100th Psalm—"Enter into His gates with thanksgiving," &c. Some of the points very fittingly and forcibly brought forward were the duty of thanksgiving in general, and its special obligation at harvest time; the greater blessings enjoyed by this country than by many others; the excess of causes of gladness always in the world over those of sorrow; the beneficial discipline of trials and afflictions since all things work together for good to them that love God; the call to show thankfulness, not by words only, but by deeds, and in particular to supporting the Pension Fund of the Diocese, to which the thankofferings of the day were to be devoted. In other churches thanksgiving services were held in the evening. St. Matthew's Church was, as usual, very beautifully adorned by choice floral and agricultural offerings distributed in the best taste throughout the interior. A fine sheaf of grain and a plough, decorated by different cereals, were marked objects in the centre aisle, whilst appropriately conspicuous in the chancel and south transept were the texts, "Thou crownest the year with Thy goodness," and "The harvest is plenteous," "The labourers are few." The service was intoned by Rev. Chetwood Hamilton, and the musical parts well rendered by the choir, under the zealous and able leadership of the organist, W. G. Petry, Esq. The Rector, the Rev. Charles Hamilton, preached from St. Mark iv. 26-30—the parable of the seed growing secretly in the ground, and applied its teaching, in his usually earnest and effective way, to the unseen growth of grace in the heart. The congregations, both in this church and in the Cathedral, were unusually large and attentive.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

(From our own Correspondent.)

THANKSGIVING DAY was very generally observed throughout the Diocese by special services. Most of the churches in the city of Montreal combined in a general service at the Cathedral, at which the