

members of Christ, draw our Spiritual nourishment by Sacramental union with the Church, and when that union is broken the nourishing sap cannot reach the severed branch. "The earthly Priesthood is the appointed instrument by which the Holy Ghost brings to bear upon the world the hidden powers of the world to come." All the members of a body serve that body but the ministry of each differs. The ministry of the hand differs from the ministry of the foot; the ministry of the eye from the ministry of the ear; the ministry of scent from the ministry of taste; so God has given "some Apostles; and some Prophets; and some evangelists; and some pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the Saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ."

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News from the Home Field.

Diocese of Nova Scotia.

HALIFAX.

The services at St. Luke's Cathedral on Whit Sunday were well attended. Dean Gilpin was celebrant at the first celebration, and the Rector, Rev. E. P. Crawford, at the second, which was choral. A third celebration took place after morning prayer. Other parochial clergy assisted during the day. Appropriate sermons were preached by the Rector and the Rev. Dr. Bullock at morning and evening service. The beautiful music of the Communion service by Agutter, a talented writer of English Church music, was expressively sung by the choir, and with equal success they sang the time honored composition of Ebdon's canticles in C, and Attwood's anthem, "Come Holy Ghost." Mr. Gatward has a promising boy soloist in Robinson, who sang the solos of the above with ability. The musical committee of St. Luke's have taken in hand the matter of raising funds to provide a new organ.

Diocese of Fredericton.

ST. JOHN.

The sixty-eighth anniversary of Trinity Church Sunday School was observed on Sunday, the 13th instant, by special services, attended by the children, teachers and friends. The sermon was preached by the Venerable Archdeacon Brigstocke, D.D., in the course of which he spoke of the condition of the Sunday School as very satisfactory. His address was upon "The Influences of the Holy Spirit." The Church had been decorated with flowers by the members of the Sunday School.

St. Luke's.—The Vestry has granted a six weeks' vacation to the Rev. E. Sibbald, Rector. He will make a short visit to Ontario.

An enjoyable Conversazione was given in the school-room of St. John's Church on Thursday evening week.

Trinity Church Y. M. A. have chosen as officers for this year: President, F. A. Kinnear; Vice-President, J. H. Northrup; and Dr. R. J. Robinson, Secretary-Treasurer, who with L. Donald and H. H. Pickcott form the Committee of Management.

An adjourned meeting of the St. John Clerical Association was held on the evening of the 1st inst., over which the Ven. Archdeacon Brigstocke presided. Rev. Mr. Dioker read a paper urging that there should be a greater recognition than there is now of religious training in the public schools. This led to a discussion

upon the subject. There seemed to be a pretty general opinion among the members present that the fundamental principles of Christianity should be taught in our public schools. A committee was appointed to make a thorough investigation into the whole matter, and probably there will be at some future day a public meeting to discuss the general subject.

PERSONAL.—Mr. A. P. Tippet has left St. John for Montreal. Before leaving he was entertained at St. Mary's Church school-house, where after a brief programme of music and reading, the Rev. Mr. Raymond read a farewell address from the teachers and scholars, and on their behalf presented him with large beautiful framed photographs of the church and school-house, in token of their appreciation.

Diocese of Quebec.

SHERBROOKE.

The third annual festival of the Association of Church Choirs of the Deanery of St. Francis was held in St. Peter's church, Sherbrooke, on Thursday evening, 17th May instant. The Rev. Canon Thornloe, rector of the parish, conducted the service, prayers being intoned by the Rev. E. Wearay, and the first lesson read by the Rev. Principal Adams, D.C.L., and the second by the Rev. E. A. Willoughby King, M.A. The preacher of the evening was Rev. Professor Wilkinson, of Bishop's College. The service opened with the hymn 227 A. and M., the special Psalm being cxviii. The Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis were sung to special arrangements of Mr. Dorey, the musical director of the Association and organist of St. Paul's church.

Bunby's anthem, "Awake up my glory," Gounod's "Jesus, Word of God Incarnate," and West's "Oh, how amiable are Thy dwellings," were all well rendered by the associated choirs.

The offertory anthem was by J. B. Calkin, "Rejoice in the Lord." Hymn 305, "Saviour, blessed Saviour," was sung before the sermon, and the service closed with the ever-dear hymn, "Saviour again to Thy dear Name."

After the service a business meeting of the Association was held, when the Rev. Canon Thornloe was re-elected President; Mr. A. Dorey, musical director; and Mr. Wolls, Sec. Treasurer. The College chapel at Lennoxville was chosen as the place for the next annual meeting.

District festivals will be held in St. Ann's church, May 20th instant, and in St. Peter's church, Cookshire, on May 31st.

This Association is doing much under Mr. Dorey's able direction, not merely to raise the tone of Church music throughout the Deanery, but also to render more beautiful the ordinary services of the Church.

Diocese of Montreal.

MONTREAL.

Trinity Ordination.—The Lord Bishop of the Diocese held the Trinity Ordination for his diocese in Trinity Church, Montreal, on Trinity Sunday morning, 20th May inst., when eleven deacons were advanced to the Priesthood, and eight persons admitted to the Diaconate. The sermon, an eloquent one, was delivered by the Rev. Canon Norton, D.D., from 12th chapter of St. John, 21st verse: "Sir, we would see Jesus." The candidates presented by the Examining Chaplain, the Rev. Canon Mills, B.D., Rector of the parish, and were the following: For the Order of Priest—Revs. E. I. Rexford, B.A.; James A. Elliott, B.A.; John I. Strong;

R. F. Hutchings; J. A. Lackey; T. W. Ball, B.A.; R. C. Brewer. C. G. Rollit; Charles Wright, W. J. M. Waterson and B. S. T. Marriott, Rev. J. H. Bell was unavoidably absent, having been called away through sickness.

For the Order of Deacon—Messrs. F. A. Pratt, B.A.; James Thompson, B.A.; A. E. Mount, A. C. Ascah, A. Wilson, R. Emmet, Wm. Stocker and H. O. Loisel.

The Gospel was read by Mr. Thompson, B.A., he being the first in order in the examinations.

The service including the Holy Communion Office was fully rendered. Agutter's Communion service, and Barnby's offertory sentences being read, and effectively rendered by the large choir of the church. Stainer's *Veni Creator Spiritus* was also sung.

MONTREAL JUNCTION.—*St. Philips.*—The Lord Bishop of the Diocese confirmed a class of eight persons in this church on Ascension Day evening. A large congregation was present, and the service throughout was very impressive.

C. E. T. S.—At the last meeting of the Council of this Society Rev. Dr. Ker resigned the office of honorary secretary, through pressure of parochial work, and the Rev. T. E. Cunningham, Rector of St. Luke's church, was appointed to succeed him. A cordial vote of thanks was passed to Dr. Ker for his services to the Society. It was decided to ask the Bishop to appoint one Sunday in the year as "Temperance Sunday," on which Temperance sermons shall be preached and collections made on behalf of the work of the C. E. T. S. Temperance picnics to be held in each Rural Deanery in the Diocese, under the auspices of the C. E. T. S. were suggested, and the clergy are urged to form local branches. The secretary will be glad to furnish all information needed as to the formation of branches.

Diocese of Ontario.

The Archbishop has postponed the examination of candidates and the Ordination for one week from the date previously announced. The latter will be held on Sunday, June 17th; the Synod meeting on the 19th.

The May committees are in progress this week, and satisfactory reports have been received regarding all the Diocesan funds.

Diocese of Niagara.

GUELPH.

St. James'—Mrs. Buckle's class of girls was the Banner Class of the Sunday School for April. No member of the class was absent from school during the whole of March. The Banner Classes for May are those of Mrs. Buckle and Miss Hall. Each will hold the banner for two Sundays.

The Bishop of Niagara will be present at St. George's on Sunday, the 17th June, and hold a confirmation in the evening of that day.

Miss Kate Reynolds has retired from the position of Organist which she so efficiently filled for the past year, and Miss Saunders resumes her old post.

The Sewing School which has been doing a good work all winter, closed for the summer on Saturday, May 12th, at 3 p. m. when prizes were distributed.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew in Canada is to have a "Brotherhood Sunday." The day fixed is June 3rd. The members will attend the Holy Communion together on that day.