

Deanery of Kingston.

JOHNSTON.—The festivities of the Christmas Season in this Parish continued long after the festival itself had passed away. We saw with pleasure in Church and at their homes the faces of several persons who had been absent from our midst for some months. How delightful it is to see this love of home kept up! Surely the love of CHRIST which induced Him to become Incarnate must flow down from Heaven upon us in larger measure at Christmas than at any other Season of the Christian year. So it seems at any rate to the outward eye.

We had two Christmas Trees this year, one at Goshen, on Tuesday, January 8th, when sixty-five children received a present and a bag of candy, and the Tree was illuminated with three dozen candles besides many pretty little flags. It was a gorgeous sight and highly appreciated. The other Tree was at English Settlement, on Thursday, January 10th, when forty children received presents and candy. A very pleasant evening was spent in the Church Hall, and the Fife and Drum Band gave us some capital music. There was also a sale of Sewing Circle goods in connection with the Tree, James Pearson, J. P., being auctioneer. The bidding was lively, but the prices did not run very high.

We are sorry to state that Miss Letitia Coyle, who takes charge of the Sunday School at Canaan Rapids, is lying dangerously sick. We trust, ere this is printed, that she will, through GOD'S goodness, be well again.

The Central Railway is making rapid progress. We can hear the "tooting" of the engine plainly from the Rectory; a very unfamiliar sound.

KINGSTON.—The Christmas and Epiphany Seasons have been well marked this year throughout the Parish. On Christmas Day at Old Trinity eighty persons Communicated. The Church looked well in its holiday dress, and the Rood Screen, which had been put up for the first time, was particularly admired.

All Saints Church at Clifton was also handsomely decorated. A warm and comfortable stable has been built opposite this Church, which we find very serviceable. Some members of the Guild had charge of the work and carried it through successfully.

Saint James' Church, Long Reach, had no "trimmings" this year, but the new windows, which take the place of the long unsightly ones, formed a decoration in themselves, and the sight

of the posts for the iron gates which had been put in position a short time before Christmas gave us cheer on the outside.

Saint Paul's, Whitehead, was nicely decorated, and a general interest has been aroused in Church work.

A lady member of the All Saints Church presented a handsome hanging lamp for the Chancel as a Christmas offering.

Altogether things are progressing in old Kingston.

PETITCODIAC.—Just too late for January number came the following from this Mission: "The Rector's heart was made glad on New Year's night by a visit of about forty of his Parishioners, who, after an address read by Mr. G. F. Fowler, expressive of their good-will and affection, handed him an envelope containing \$82.50. On the following evening, after Service at Wilson and McLaughlan's Mill, Mr. Symington, Lay Reader and Assistant to the Rector, was presented by Mr. Thomas Fairweather with a gold watch, in token of the esteem in which he is held by those residing at and in the neighborhood of the Mill to whom he gives regular Services and Instruction.

The Rector's larder has also been well supplied with turkeys and geese, kind friends having, in addition to the above mentioned gift of money, remembered the 'inner man.'" WELL DONE, PETITCODIAC!!

SPRINGFIELD.—We are glad to say one of the wants mentioned lately in K. D. M. in connection with SS. Simon and Jude's Church has been supplied. One acre of land, nicely situated alongside the Church, has been purchased for a Cemetery. The most pleasing feature about it is that there is no debt upon it, the sum of \$100 being paid to Mr. Secord and the deed drawn.

This speaks well for the worshippers at this little Church.

The next thing will be the Consecration of the ground for Christian Burial.

At the Parish Church, which looked very pretty in its Christmas decorations, five adults were baptized at the Evening Service on the last Sunday of the Old Year, a large Congregation being present.

All three Churches were decorated at Christmas and looked well.

STUDHOLM.—On Monday, January 21st, the new Church at Mount Middleton was opened for Divine Service by virtue of the License of the Bishop of the Diocese. The day was a stormy one and