

THE BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW.

The following circular has been issued by the Brotherhood: "Owing to the length of time elapsing between the Dominion Convention held at Woodstock in February, 1895, and that now fixed to be held in Montreal, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, October 9th, 10th and 11th, 1896, the Council have considered it advisable to communicate with every Chapter by means of this letter, which you are requested to have read at your next Chapter meeting. The Council has appointed Sunday, June 7th, being the First Sunday after Trinity, as Brotherhood Sunday, for the meeting of all Brotherhood Chapters in corporate communion in their respective parish churches, and for such other observances as the clergy may think proper. As in the notice of this matter last year, 'we earnestly appeal to every Brotherhood Chapter and member to join in the observances of the day by uniting our intercessions on behalf of the Brotherhood and its work in the service of Holy Communion at our various parish churches.' During the past fifteen months it can hardly be said that the progress made by the Brotherhood in Canada as a whole has been particularly encouraging. Whilst some twenty-six new Chapters have been formed, the number of dead and dormant ones has increased, owing in a great measure to two causes. First,—removal of active members to other places and a want of material to fill the vacancies thus made. Second,—an excessive spirit of congregationalism which has obscured the idea of Brotherhood, and resulted in Chapters in the same town holding entirely aloof from one another, and in a consequent loss of that fraternal feeling which should be a distinctive feature of a Chapter of the Brotherhood. We are of the opinion that the first is not a valid excuse, as no one man is so entirely necessary to the well being of a Chapter that another cannot be found in a measure to fill his place, and we also think that the more general formation of Boys' Chapters in training future Brotherhood men should, to a certain extent, remedy this cause of weakness; and that a fuller realization of the fact that the Brotherhood is a religious order, and that all its members are bound to pray and work together, would do much to remove the second cause. This duty of stopping the leaks is the duty of every individual member. We know men cannot always find opportunities to meet together, but members should consider the button to be a sufficient introduction anywhere, and avail themselves of the many opportunities thus afforded to exchange greetings and compare notes regarding the work being done, and much good would result. Joint Chapter meetings can, at any rate, occasionally be arranged for, and *St. Andrew's Cross*, which tells all members what work is being done by others, can be subscribed for, read, and discussed, and above all, every individual member can make our present difficulties a subject of special intercession, not only on Brotherhood Sunday, but always and at all times. It must never be forgotten that our first rule is the rule of prayer. In view of the Convention to be held in Montreal in October next, a strong and united effort is very necessary during the next four months. Interest must be aroused in this Convention amongst all Brotherhood men, and indeed amongst all Churchmen, and this will best be accomplished by Chapter officers impressing upon every member of his Chapter their own personal responsibility for this end; that every member of the Order should pray for the success, in the best sense, of this Convention; and should, in addition, take a lively enough interest in it to send suggestions for programme to the Council and correspond generally upon the matter with headquarters. Matters of finance and other details connected with sending a strong delegation from each Chapter to Montreal should be taken up now, and not left until the fall. All correspondence connected with hospitality, etc., should be addressed to F. W. Thompson, 443 Berri Street, Montreal. In conclusion, we would most earnestly urge upon every Chapter and member the necessity of assisting the Council in the strenuous efforts which they are making to arouse an increased interest in the work of the Brotherhood, ever keeping before us the stimulating thought that it is work for the extension of Christ's kingdom amongst our fellow young men. The Council feel that this object can be greatly furthered by a well attended Convention, where we can discuss our difficulties and shortcomings, with a view to overcome both. Trusting that you will give the matter set out above your most prayerful consideration."

The Rev. George Scratton, for twenty years vicar of Stickford, near Boston, Lincolnshire, died recently at Stickford, in his seventy-ninth year. Ordained in 1851, he was for four years a curate of Wolverhampton and Pembury, Kent, when, in 1855, he accepted the curacy of Stickney, where he remained till 1876, when he was presented to the neighbouring vicarage of Stickford. He was the author or editor of a number of volumes.

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FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS

QUEBEC.

ANDREW H. DUNN, D.D., BISHOP, QUEBEC.

LENNOXVILLE.—*Bishop's College Jubilee Fund.*—The following sums have been received on account of the \$10,000 required by 31st July: Amount previously acknowledged to 17th April, 1896, \$5,978.82; H. B. Brown, Sherbrooke, \$150; Wm. Morris, Sherbrooke, \$100; A. G. Lomas, Sherbrooke, \$100; S. L. Clough, Lennoxville, \$100; Miss R. Hamilton, Quebec, \$100; James Coristine, Montreal, \$100; H. MacKenzie, Montreal, \$100; Mrs. G. D. Phillips, Montreal, \$100; R. Wilson Smith, Montreal, \$100; Hon. John S. Hall, Montreal, \$100; I. S. Mitchell, Sherbrooke, \$100; George Povey, Lennoxville, \$75; U. G. Le Mesurier, Montreal, \$60; Rev. Lennox Williams, Quebec, \$50; Mr. Justice Andrews, Quebec, \$50; Mr. Justice Irvine, Quebec, \$50; Mrs. Torre, Quebec, \$50; Edwin A. Jones, Quebec, \$50; J. MacFarlane, Montreal, \$50; J. N. Greenshields, Montreal, \$50; H. S. Holt, Montreal, \$50; James Crathern, Montreal, \$50; G. H. Balfour, Montreal, \$50; H. J. H. Petry, M.A., Lennoxville, \$50; C. S. White, Lennoxville, \$50; A. W. Elkins, Lennoxville, \$50; James A. Mackinnon, Lennoxville, \$50; Ven. Arch. Roe, D.D., Windsor Mills, \$50; I. Ainslie Young, Quebec, \$30; Wentworth G. Petry, Quebec, \$30; W. S. Dresser, Sherbrooke, \$30; W. Drysdale, Montreal, \$30; C. E. L. Porteous, Montreal, \$30; A. F. Foss, M. D., Lennoxville, \$30; J. B. Orr, Lennoxville, \$30; T. J. Tucke, Sherbrooke, \$25; H. C. Wilson & Sons, Sherbrooke, \$25; Walter Blue, Sherbrooke, \$25; Armitage Rhodes, Quebec, \$25; C. A. French, Sherbrooke, \$25; H. R. Fraser, Sherbrooke, \$25; J. Hager, Montreal, \$25; C. S. Pentland, Quebec, \$25; G. E. Allen Jones, Quebec, \$25; Stuart Dunn, Quebec, \$25; Herbert W. Price, Quebec, \$25; H. J. Pratten, Quebec, \$25; G. G. Stuart, Quebec, \$25; V. Boswell, Quebec, \$25; E. W. Abbot & Sons, Lennoxville, \$25; Dr. Robertson, Lennoxville, \$25; A friend, Montreal, \$25; D. Morgan, Quebec, \$20; Samuel J. Shaw, Quebec, \$20; Miss I. Hamilton, Quebec, \$20; Mrs. L. Irvine, Quebec, \$20; Rev. J. L. Bell, Quebec, \$20; Hyndman & Hyndman, Sherbrooke, \$15; Rev. James Hepburn, Richmond, \$15; H. S. Speed, Lennoxville, \$15; Rev. Canon Dixon, Montreal, \$15; Mrs. Hawes, Lennoxville, \$15; S. W. Perry, Lennoxville, \$15; Rev. M. O. Smith, Lennoxville, \$15; F. Wiggott, Lennoxville, \$10; Mrs. Ready, Lennoxville, \$10; F. Billingsly, Quebec, \$10; J. S. Winfield, Quebec, \$10; W. Price, Quebec, \$10; A. F. Hunt, Quebec, \$10; Rev. E. A. Dunn, Quebec, \$10; Rev. Canon Richardson, Quebec, \$10; Jas. Lyster, Montreal, \$10; Mr. Burge, Lennoxville, \$10; Mr. Mallory, Lennoxville, \$10; Mr. Fitzgerald, Lennoxville, \$10; Richard Parrock, Shrewsbury, Eng., \$10; John Sharples, Quebec, \$10; S. Carmichael, Montreal, \$6; Miss E. M. Badgley (additional), Montreal, \$4; A triend, Quebec, \$5; G. R. Renfrew, Quebec, \$5; W. Tufield, Quebec, \$5; J. G. Bilet, Quebec, \$5; W. C. Hall, Quebec, \$5; Rev. W. G. Lyster (Cape Cove), \$5; St. George Boswell, Quebec, \$5; Mrs. Culmstock, Lennoxville, \$5; W. T. Dussault, Sherbrooke, \$5; Hon. D. A. Ross, Quebec, \$3; S. Carpet, Quebec, \$3; H. G. Kerwin, Lennoxville, \$3; Miss Ready, Lennoxville, \$1. Total to May 19th, \$9,078.82.

Bishop Fulford Memorial Window Fund (B. C. Chapel). The following sums have been received: Strachan Bethune, Esq., Q.C., Montreal, \$20; Henry S. Musseau, Esq., Montreal, \$5. Total, \$25.

The Principal's Visits.—On Sunday, April 26th, Principal Adams preached in the morning in St. Matthew's Church, Quebec, and in the evening in the Cathedral, and on Sunday, May 3rd, in the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Montreal, in the morning, and in St. Jude's in the evening.

Meeting of Bishop's College Missionary Union.—The meeting for Trinity term was held on April 30th (the eve of St. Philip and St. James). In the absence of the Principal, the chair was taken by the Rev. Prof. Allnatt, D.D. There were present Professors Wilkinson and Parrock, twenty-two students and some ladies. An instructive paper reviewing the life of the late Right Rev. Charles John Stewart, second Bishop of Quebec, was delivered by Mr. William Barton, B.A. Mr. George Pye, B.A., followed with some remarks on the same subject. He also spoke of the efforts of the Union at getting in practical touch with real missionary enterprise, stating that in the last three years about \$180 had been collected from the Professors and students, and sent abroad. About \$155 was sent to St. Paul's College, Madagascar, for education of natives as missionaries amongst their brethren. The balance was sent to the Canadian North-West. After some speeches by other members, and the singing of a hymn, the meeting was closed with the usual collects.

United Choir Festival at Sherbrooke.—The fifth annual festival and meeting of the Association of Church Choirs of the Deanery of St. Francis, was held at St. Peter's Church, Sherbrooke, on Thursday, May 21st, and was a marked success. Full choral Evensong was sung at 7.30 p.m. There was a fairly large congregation. About 80 singers representing ten choirs were present. The choir of Bishop's College and school chapel, numbering 32, being the only surplused choir present, occupied the choir stalls, and entered and left the church in procession. Ten clergy were present. Evensong to the 3rd collect was sung by Rev. G. H. Parker, Compton, the prayers following by Rev. Principal Adams of Bishop's College. Rev. E. A. W. King read the 1st, and the Rev. Albert Stevens the 2nd lesson. The lessons were special, I. Chr. xvi. 4-87, I. Cor. xiv. 1-20. The sermon by the Rev. W. T. Forsythe was a convincing exposition of the two prevailing principles of Anglican worship, namely, sacrifice and beauty. The Rev. Dr. Thorneloe, rector of St. Peter's, gave the blessing. The order of music was as follows: Processional hymn, "Hark, Hark the Organ," Elliott; Psalms 147, 150 to Gregorian tones; *Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis*, Calkin; Anthem, "When God of Old," Hall; Anthem, "O Taste and See," Sullivan; Anthem, "Hear O Lord," Michael Watson; Hymn, "The Church's One Foundation," No. 215 A. and M.; Anthem, "Praise ye the Lord," Gounod; Anthem (sung kneeling), "Evening Shadows," Hills; Processional, "Onward Christian Soldiers," A. and M. 391. Mr. Arthur Dorey, F.C.O., musical director of the Association, was organist. The service was hearty and reverent, and the singing good. It is felt that these annual events are strong factors in improving the tone and extending the knowledge of the possible beauty in the Church's services. Choice flowers flanking the handsome brass cross, decorated the altar, which was vested in white, and a floral cross of beautiful design and workmanship surmounted the font. Immediately after the service, the annual meeting was held in the parish hall adjoining the church, the Rev. Principal Adams, president, in the chair. Mr. Wells, Hon. Sec.-Treas., read his annual reports, which were satisfactory. He was unanimously re-elected. The Rev. Prof. A. C. Scarth, rector of Lennoxville, was elected president, and Rev. E. A. W. King, vice-president for the ensuing year. The next annual festival will be held in St. George's, Lennoxville. Meanwhile other services will be sung at various centres throughout the district. The last annual festival was held in Bishop's College Chapel. Much of the success of the Association's work is due to the untiring zeal, excellent taste and thorough knowledge of Church music of Mr. Dorey, who was one of the originators of the society. The ladies of St. Peter's parish kindly provided a most sumptuous tea for the visiting choirs and refreshments again after the service. Cordial votes of thanks, on the motion of the retiring president, were passed to the ladies and to the authorities of St. Peter's Church, Sherbrooke, for the use of the church and parish hall.

MONTREAL.

WILLIAM B. BOND, D.D., BISHOP, MONTREAL.

BEAUHARNOIS.—The success of this Mission has been so marked amongst the people, that they resolved some two months ago to erect themselves a church building, and in furtherance of this object they held a concert in the Town Hall on the 14th inst. Needless to say that the energetic people who have made a success of the mission, threw their enthusiasm into the concert, and the result is that it will long be one of the "red letter days" of Beauharnois. The hall was crowded to excess, and every item was well rendered and received hearty applause, and total surplus to be placed to the Building Fund, about \$57. The Mayor (Jas. Wilson, Esq.) occupied the chair and was genial as ever. Special mention ought to be made of the instrumental music rendered by Messrs. John Scott, W. Pearson and T. Scott, and the singing of Messrs. J. R. Berry and C. H. Bowen (Sherbrooke), Moore and Bourke (Montreal), S. O'Neil, W. Pearson and T. Jubb was really a treat, while Miss Moore, Miss Warren and others contributed largely to the enjoyment. The glees and choruses were as near perfection as need be. Mr. Bertal Heeney, of the Diocesan College, Montreal, assumed charge of this mission on 1st of May, and is prosecuting his labour with great energy and acceptance. There is a determined effort being made to erect a small church this autumn, and such cheerful services and hearty worshippers deserve a fitting place in prayer and praise.

MONTREAL.—His Lordship Bishop Bond has made the following appointments for his annual visitation of the parishes: July 5, Sunday, Morin and Mille Islet, Rev. H. A. Meek; July 6, Monday, Lakefield, Rev. A. E. Mount; July 7, Tuesday, Lachute, Rev. A. B. Given; July 8, Wednesday, St. Andrews, Rev. J. W. Dennis; July 9, Thursday, Comon, Rev. J. Car-