RELIGIOUS.

BAPTIST.

The Karens a few years ago were wild Jungle-dwellers, and despised by the people of Burmah. They have since become christianized through the efforts of Baptist missionaries, and are now employed by the Burman Government in introducing new industries into the country.

The pastor of the Boreau Baptist Church, New York, Rev. Edward Jackson, son of Rev. Adoniram Jackson, pioneer missionary to Burmah, India, is about to spend some time with Stanley, in missionary explorations in Africa.

The Convention of the Maritime Provinces meets at Amherst on the 22nd August.

The Rev. W. J. White, of the Baptist Mission in Japan, is preparing an adaptation of Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress. The illustrations are drawn from Japanese life.

The Rev. Thos. Spurgeon, son of the great Baptist preacher, is pastor of a large and growing church in Auckland, Australia. A new building just dedicated was built at the expense of his father's congregation.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The death of Rev. G. W. Hodgson is a severe loss to the Church of England in Canada. A man of strong powers of observation, a magnetic speaker, an original thinker, and of great independence, he was enabled to exercise a marked influence upon the thought and action of the place in which he might live. Had he been settled in England, he would have taken a front rank among the clergy there. Most of the public questions connected with Prince Edward Island were guided if not originated by his powerful speeches and writings. As a theologian he ranks high. Firmly convinced himself of the position he held, he was tolerant to others. Unswerving in his allegiance to the Church of England, he was considerate towards the opinions and faith of those who differed from her on one side or the other. His life was blameless; his zeal abundant. And "being dead he yet speaketh." The Church cannot supply his place.

The returning volunteers belonging to the Church of England attended St. George's Church on Sunday evening last, when they were addressed by Rev Dr. Partridge. About 30 belonged to this congregation.

The Rev. C. W. McCully has been temporarily appointed to Dartmouth, until the election of a new Rector.

The Rev. A. J. Townend is approaching convalescence. Rumor says he leaves for England shortly.

The Rev. A. Bent has taken charge of the Parish of Pugwash.

THE CANADIAN PRIMATE ON CHURCH PARTIES.—The last Provincial Synod of Canada was opened with a very remarkable address from the Metropolitan, the venerable Bishop of Fredericton. A local paper happily describes it as characterized by "brilliant simplicity, fervent charity, and wealth of wisdom gained by long and deep knowledge of men and their work." The address opens by saying that "the question with Canadian Churchmen used to be, What is England going to do for us? Now we have to face the just as serious question, What are we going to do for Canada? In answer to this the address points out "dangers and duties." The first danger is that of "a wealthy congregationism usurping the noble heritage of the Catholic Church; while multitudes who were once with us find no place in our churches, no interest in own hearts, and nursed by no tender mother within our fold, quietly slip away from us, and often become our bitterest foes." Their work in Canada is to hand on the church "so that not a crumb of a heritage so precious should be lost."

PRESBYTERIAN.

A special thanksgiving service for the suppression of the rebellion in the North-West, and the return of the volunteers of this city, was held last Sunday evening in St. Matthew's Church. Rev. Mr. Laing, the pastor, preached on the occasion. The music furnished by the excellent choir, was beautifully rendered.

A call from Knox Church, Pictou, has been extended to Rev. George S. Carson, who has but lately returned from Scotland where he took a post-graduate course. He gives every evidence of being a successful minister of the Gospel.

Rev. John M. Allan, for four years pastor of the Free Church in Madeira, is now in Nova Scotia. It is expected that he will preach in St. Andrew's church on Sunday next.

The new church which has been for some months in course of erection at Dorchester, was dedicated on the 8th inst. Revs. Dr. McRae and Joseph Hoff preached on the occasion. To those acquainted with Dorchester it is a matter of wonder that the building was undertaken, there being but very few Presbyterian families in the town. The people have shown a liberality and enterprise worthy of all praise. We heartily join with a contemporary in wishing that they day is not far distant when "the little one shall become a thousand and the small one a strong nation."

The Rev. W. S. Holt, late Presbyterian missionary in Shanghai, is now laboring among the Chinese in Portland, Ore., a foreign mission on the home field.

Out of a total of 181 churches in Edinburgh, 124 are Presbyterian.

There have been added to the membership of the Third Presbyterian Church, Chicago, during the pastorate of Dr. Kittredge, from other churches 1,639 and on confession 1,527, making a total for the fifteen years of 3,166.

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