

will be some, we trust, who, knowing that many people are now kept from taking part in our Cathedral Worship by the feeling that they have no seat of their own, and by the fact that others might ask them to move from their seat if they attempted to come, will propose and press upon their fellow-worshippers this salutary change. For in this way, and in this way alone, it is possible for all our English-speaking people to know that they will meet with a kindly and hearty welcome within our Cathedral walls, and thus alone can our Cathedral become a very centre of thanksgiving and praise for worshippers of widely differing opinions and feelings, all drawn together to the House of the Lord to meet their Father and their God.

For the sake, therefore, of the Cathedral itself, and much more for the sake of many, who at present are deterred for various reasons from taking part in its Services, we trust that we may be permitted to hear after Easter that at all the Sunday Evening Services all the Seats in our Cathedral are free.

### NOTES.

**AD CLERUM.** The Bishop trusts that all the Clergy will remember to make use of the special Prayer and Thanksgiving which he has authorized to be added to the Church Services on March 6th or 13th in connection with the Bicentenary of the S. P. C. K. These Prayers will be found in our February issue.

We have not yet received any detailed report of the proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the Church Society, which was held last month. No doubt some account will be given after the Special General Meeting, which the Lord Bishop has been asked to call at an early date. We are able, however, to record that Mrs John Hamilton, of Quebec, and W. A. Dunn, Esq., of Pembroke College, Cambridge, were added to the Roll of Life Members, and that the Reverend T. H. Lloyd was elected an Ordinary Member. Considering that any Communicant who subscribes \$2.00 per annum is eligible for election, and that any of the Clergy, who are qualifying by annual payments for the benefits of the W. and O. Pension Fund, can be elected without any further subscription, we are surprised that more applications for membership are not sent in.

It is no exaggeration to say that all Quebec was both charmed and benefited by the truly grand representation which Sir Squire Bancroft gave, on February 17th, of Charles Dickens' well-known story "A Christmas Carol." Such an event ought to leave us all more ready to give pleasure to others and to be kind to those in need. Our thanks are due

to the Hon. R. R. Dobell for bringing within our reach so rich a literary Feast. The proceeds of the evening, which, we understand, were upwards of \$100. were divided equally between the Jeffery Hale Hospital and the Hotel-Dieu du Sacré-Cœur.

### DISTRICT NEWS

[Owing to the Blizzard which was raging in Quebec and the surrounding district for nearly four days (February 20th to 24th), we were quite cut off from all communications by mail, and, consequently, have not received our usual items of District News. -Ed. Q. D. G.]

#### SANDY BEACH.

We are very glad to hear from this Mission of the good attendance of the people at the Holy Communion. Taking the past year as an example, there were, on Easter Day, seventy-four Communicants, on Ascension Day twenty-five, on Whitsunday thirty-seven, on a Sunday near Michaelmas sixty-five, on Thanksgiving Day forty-five, on Christmas Day sixty-two, with a few on the following Sunday, and twenty-eight on the Epiphany. Now we do not exactly know what may be the number of families or of Communicants in the Mission; but when it is remembered that four years ago the utmost limit for any one Service was forty-eight Communicants and forty-five was considered a large number for the Festivals of Christmas or Easter, it will be seen that, despite a slight decrease of population, there has been great growth in this matter of Communion; and although the ideal of every Communicant coming to the Holy Feast every Lord's Day, as did the early Christians, has not yet been reached, yet there is much for which to thank God and take courage.

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