

## News from the Home Field.

## DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

## B. H. M.

Garrison Chapel, Halifax, \$55.36; Baddeck, C. B., \$5.51; Lockeport, \$15.49; Tangier, \$10.00; Stellarton, \$36.00; Pugwash, \$13.85.

## WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Baddeck, C. B., \$9.70; River John, \$1.35; "A Churchman," Yarmouth, \$5.00.

## SUPERANNUATION FUND.

Baddeck, C. B., \$3.63.

## B. F. M.

Parrsboro', \$3.75.

## SHINGWAUK HOME.

Per J. T. T. Moody, Yarmouth—Mite Box, \$4.00.

## ALGOMA BISHOPRICK FUND.

Miss Orr, Aylesford, \$2.10; Kentville, \$6.00.

It is with deep pain that we learn of the sudden death of our Bishop's eldest daughter, Mrs. Belfield, which occurred on Monday morning. On Saturday his Lordship and Mrs. Binney were receiving congratulations on the birth of a grandchild, and so soon after the mother has been called away. Not only will the sad news prove a shock and arouse the liveliest feelings of grief in the circles which knew her best, but people of all religious views in Halifax will join the Church people of the Diocese in deploring the sad event, and in extending to the bereaved family their most heartfelt expression of sorrow and condolence.

HALIFAX.—The St. George's Society made a very handsome appearance in procession on St. George's day, and at the service which was held in St. Paul's Church, a large congregation was present. Rev. F. Partridge, B. D., Rector of St. George's, was the preacher, and he delivered a warm and loyal, as well as deeply earnest discourse, which has been highly spoken of since by those who were present.

DARTMOUTH.—After overcoming the difficulties incident to such an undertaking, the Church people of this important town have seen a new, and very complete and handsome Rectory, erected in close proximity to the Church. Mr. Bell, the Rector, was able to occupy the building about three weeks ago, and doubtless he and his family feel extremely rejoiced that at last they are settled in their own parish home. The finished building reflects in every way great credit on the architect and builder, as well as on the Building Committee and the Rector under whose personal oversight and direction the work was done. Some of the congregation have entered heartily into beautifying the grounds and are sending flowers for that purpose. The Church people of Dartmouth are to be congratulated upon this very important addition to their parish property.

PICOU.—On Sunday, 15th April, the Bishop held a Confirmation in St. James' Church, when the Rector (Rev. Jno. Edgcombe) presented thirty-nine candidates for the Laying on of Hands. This is the largest number ever presented at any one time in this Parish. One pleasing feature was so many young men coming forward to show that they are on the Lord's side. The congregation was very large—nearly five hundred; many persons had to leave for want of room. The Bishop's address to the candidates was very impressive. His Lordship also preached a powerful sermon in the evening.

LONDONDERRY MINES.—The Lenten and Easter-tide services have been unusually well attended this year. On the Thursday evenings of Lent meetings of the Girls' Friendly Society were held in a hall, to which many not members of the Society were invited. These meetings, which were largely attended, were, to a great extent, devotional in their nature. Instructions were also given upon parts of Holy Scripture, beautiful illustrations of each subject having been given by means of a magic lantern kindly lent for the purpose. On the last two evenings when "The Crucifixion" and "The Marys at the Tomb" were

shewn the hall was well filled. While the room was darkened hymns 108 and 114, A. & M., were sung. To all present the meetings were most impressive.

MR. WARNER, of Pugwash, recently visited this Parish, and very kindly gave us an evening's entertainment for the benefit of the Church. His recitations were much appreciated. Few persons have such powers as Mr. Warner has of controlling the feelings of an audience. Mrs. Warner played the accompaniments to a number of songs, which were particularly well received. We hope to have again the pleasure of a visit from our kind friends.

PEGGY'S COVE.—The Church people at Peggy's Cove have subscribed among themselves \$1000 towards a new Church, and will proceed to build at once.

LOCKEPORT.—The ladies of the Church of the Holy Cross held their annual fancy sale and tea meeting on the evenings of March 3rd and 4th, and realized the handsome sum of \$170. They desire to return their sincere thanks to the public for their patronage, and to the kind friends at Lunenburg and other places who so liberally aided them in their efforts to clear their Mission of debt. As the above sum all but clears the debt, the Committee appointed at the recent Easter meeting to build a parsonage will feel themselves encouraged to push on this much needed work. On the 12th a magic lantern exhibition, interspersed with songs by Lockeport choir, was given at Jordan Falls in behalf of the fund for repairing Trinity Church. Notwithstanding the very bad roads, over \$12 were by this means added to the sum already in hand, and strong hopes of the work being soon undertaken are entertained.

NEWPORT.—The Parishioners at Woodville have put up a substantial road fence at St. Anne's Church. We hope, ere long, to make some internal improvements. The Mite Society has been started, and at the end of the first month \$5.30 had been collected. The collectors for Brooklyn are Miss Maud Cochran, Miss Alice Redden, Miss Bertha Woolaver. For Scotch Village—Miss Lizzie Poole. For Woodville—Miss Lennie Parker and Miss Nellie Constantine. The Sewing Society at Newport has been again started, and the ladies purpose (D.V.) holding a sale and bazaar in September.

## DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

THE REV. L. G. STEVENS, B. D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Portland, has gone to Cambridge, U. S. A., to deliver before the Theological Students the annual course of lectures on "Preaching." During his absence of three weeks, the Revs. R. Mather and F. S. Sill will take charge of the Sunday services in St. Luke's.

DEANERY OF KINGSTON.—A meeting of the Chapter will be held (D. V.) at Norton, on Wednesday and Thursday, May 9th and 10th. Services at 7.30 p. m. at Lower Morton Church on the 9th, and at 10 a. m. on the 10th at the Parish Church. First meeting at 2.30 on 9th, at the Rectory. Affiliated members please take notice. J. H. TALBOT, Secretary.

CHATHAM.—The first annual service of the Deanery of Chatham Choral Union was held in St. Mary's Chapel, Chatham, on Wednesday evening, the 11th of April at 7.30. The Church was filled with a very large congregation. The choir which numbered about 30 singers, was composed of St. Mary's, St. Paul's and St. Andrew's, (Newcastle), choirs, and was under the conductorship of Rev. Canon Medley, Rector of Sussex. The music was rendered in a highly satisfactory manner, notwithstanding the difficulty of holding united preparatory practices, owing to the condition of the travelling, gave evidence of careful preparation. His Lordship, Bishop Kingdon—accompanied by most of the clergy of the Deanery, and the Revd's H. S. Wainwright, Rector of Kingston, and J. Roy Campbell, Rector of Dor-

chester—was present on the occasion and preached an able and interesting sermon, from the text 1 Cor. 16, verse 22. The prayers were said by the Rev. H. S. Wainwright, the 1st lesson was read by Rev. J. Roy Campbell, and the 2nd lesson by Rev. W. H. Street, Rector of Bathurst. The clergy, followed by the Bishop entered the Church at the beginning of the service in procession while the hymn "Ten thousand time ten thousand," was being sung, and at the close of the service retired in the same manner, while the hymn "The roseate hues of early dawn," was sung as a recessional. The collection, which amounted to \$14, was for the funds of the choir union. The service, which had been looked forward to with much interest, was highly enjoyable and was a successful inauguration of the Choir union of the Chatham Deanery. On Thursday evening at 7.30 a meeting in behalf of the Diocesan Church Society was held in St. Mary's Chapel Sunday School Room, Chatham. The rector of Chatham presided. The speakers were the Bishop Coadjutor, Canon Medley, and Rev. J. R. Campbell; and R. Carman, W. B. Howard, G. A. Blair, and F. E. Winslow, Esq., all of whom made admirable addresses. Canon Medley's being particularly interesting, and his Lordship the Bishop's eminently practical.

MONCTON.—The Missionary Meeting on Monday night was not as well attended as it should have been, and as the presence of the Coadjutor Bishop, Canon Medley and Mr. Campbell, should have drawn together. However, what was lacking in numbers, was made up by the earnest attention of those present. Both his Lordship and Canon Medley delivered highly forcible and convincing addresses, as did also the Rev. J. R. Campbell and Mr. Wran, the latter showing that Moncton, while not doing all she ought and might do, yet had contributed over \$1200 the past year, and had succeeded in getting out of debt. The Coadjutor Bishop evidently made a favorable impression in this Parish, as the following letter in the local paper sufficiently proves:—

SIR,—How can it be expected that our Church in this Province can thrive, when in direct violation of Scripture a Coadjutor Bishop, who is a bachelor, has been elected. Saint Paul says distinctly in his Epistle to Timothy that "a bishop shall be the husband of one wife, and know well how to rule his own household," and yet we have a bishop elected by the men of this diocese who does not fulfil the Scriptural Canon. It is not too late yet for him to remedy the evil, and clear the diocese of the sin under which it lies.

Yours,

A CHURCH-WOMAN.

FREDERICTON.—A meeting of the Associates of the Fredericton Branch of the Girls Friendly Society was held at Bishopscote, on Monday, April 23rd, 1883, his Lordship the Metropolitan the Rev. F. Alexander, sub-Dean, the Rev. G. Goodbridge Roberts, Rector, and a number of ladies friendly to the movement were present. It was decided to form a Diocesan organization of the society. His Lordship, the Metropolitan consented to act as Patron. Mrs. Medley was elected President. Miss Jacob was elected Secretary and Treasurer. Council—Mrs. DeVer, President of St. Pauls Branch; Miss Peters, Secretary of St. Pauls Branch; Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Inches, Miss J. Gregory, Miss M. Lister, Miss Hunt, Miss Carman, Mrs. E. Wilmot, Mrs. Scarnell, Mrs. Alexander. It was also resolved that the Presidents and Secretaries of all Parochial Branches that may be formed shall be, ex-officio, members of the Council. The Patron kindly offered to write to the S. P. C. K., for a grant of books, and also to have a short account of the objects of the Society printed for distribution. The Metropolitan then pronounced the Benediction, and the meeting adjourned.

THE Right Rev. Dr. Kingdon, Bishop Coadjutor, is proving himself a most active worker. He has been visiting the different parishes in this Diocese in behalf of the Home Mission Society, and besides, preaching twice and sometimes speaking to the Sunday School in addition, he has addressed meetings almost every evening for the past three weeks. His stirring and warmhearted speeches, and deeply Spiritual sermons, will have an important influence upon the Diocese.