

ity, he will be able calmly to meet the brusque words of a certain class of vestrymen, and to hold his peace rather than lose his temper. The vestry will be quite able to discover this holy meekness and gentleness in the conduct of their clergyman, and will for the cause of Christ, if even when they cannot follow him in some of his wishes, they are constrained to say to each other, "he is a man of God; he makes us ashamed of our tempers."—*Irish Ecclesiastical Gazette*.

NEWS FROM THE HOME FIELD.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

HALIFAX.—Trinity Church.—A Meeting was held last week at which the Rev. Dr. Hole stated, that the time had now arrived for the erection of Trinity Church into an independent rectory. He had laid this proposition before the vestry and they having approved it had agreed to call a meeting of the parishioners. The following propositions were made:—

That certain readjustments of St. Paul's and St. George's parishes should be made provided the Rector and Churchwardens of the latter consented, and that the new parish of Trinity should, assuming that an agreement would be come to with St. George's, should be defined as having its northern boundary at Hurd's lane and up Cogswell street to Quinpool road, and its southern boundary the north side of Duke street from Water to Brunswick streets.

To give Trinity the opportunity of establishing itself, St. Paul's to agree to pay towards the support of the ministry for five years the following sums: First year, \$700; second year, \$600; and for each of the succeeding three years \$500.

The subject was very fully discussed, and resolutions embodying the above were unanimously carried. The resolutions were passed with a view to having all preliminaries arranged, in order to be able to submit the question at the earliest possible date to the Bishop for his approval, the division of parishes, on the request of the parishioners, resting with him. We heartily commend the proposed change. Many years ago under the able administration of Rev. Mr. Ancient, Trinity Church had an overcrowded congregation; this was also the case under Canon Cochran's administration. A series of reverses managed as is too often the case, to scatter the congregation and leave the Church comparatively empty. The whole-souled work of Rev. Mr. Sampson brought many of the congregation together again, and to his indefatigable efforts and leading is due the movement which has culminated in the proposal to form a separate parish. Trinity possesses a field for promising work if in the hands of a good worker, surrounded mostly by the poor, and near one of the worst and most degraded parts of Halifax, a mission work unparalleled in the history of the Church is the possibility open to the new parish. Bright hearty service; a Church whose external beauty of surrounding shall be a sacred lesson and ease in contrast to the squalid homes; an earnest energetic mission worker as Rector, and then Trinity will rise once more to regain and go beyond the grand position she held in the days of the blessed ministration of a Cochran and an Ancient.

LOCKEPORT.—On Sunday evening, March 4, the new Church at Jordan Falls, was opened for divine service, the Rev. H. How, the popular vicar of Shelburne, preaching an able sermon from Ex. xxv. 34, upon the Presence of Shekinah in Holy places. The eloquent address was eagerly drunk in by the large congregation which completely filled the building. The aged Rector of Sheburne, than whom none so generally beloved in the county, sent a letter of congratulation to the congregation, once under his charge, which was read by the Rector

of Lockeport, Rural Dean Gibbons. In this letter, the Rev. Dr. White says: "It seems but as yesterday when the cornerstone of the first place of worship and erected at Jordan, as laid by the writer of these words. You have by Divine help been enabled to erect a building more worthy His name to whose glory it will be dedicated. Let me, dear Brethren, affectionately remind you, that it is not enough to assist rearing altars and building up temples to the living God, we must ourselves be built up a spiritual house—an habitation of God through the spirit; we must, ourselves, be the temples of the Holy Ghost, and Christ must dwell in our hearts by faith—and having assisted to raise a temple to His glory here on earth, may you, dear Brethren, through His abounding mercy, be received, into that Heavenly city where the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the Temple thereof.

The Rector has been enabled to secure for this Church many valuable presents. The east window from Castle & Sons, Montreal, is in memory of the late great Bishop of Newfoundland, Edward Field; four altar cloths one of white silk, are gifts from Rev. Theodore Mayo, an English friend; the three beautifully worked pied mats are from the Messrs. Gresswell, friends of our late Bishop at Oxford. The large Bible and Prayer-book were given by the Vicar of St. Saviour's, Poplar, E. London, England. Two beautiful hanging lamps were gifts, one from the poor congregation of St. Peter's, London Docks—one from the family of a coachman at North Lodge, Windsor Forest—who denied themselves of sugar in their tea in order to show their love for the missionary Church of our common Saviour. The manner of the poor people at St. Peter's, London Docks, giving the amount for one lamp for the sanctuary was told by the Rector, and we trust that such a deeply touching incident may inspire others to go and do likewise.

Another lamp was given by a little girl in England whom the missionary interested in missionary work.

The beautiful pulpit of oak, was given by R. W. Freeman, Esq., of Jordan Falls, in memory of his wife, once a good supporter of God's Church on earth, now in Paradise. It is of beautiful design, splendid workmanship, made by D. Dunlop, of Jordan Falls, and we hope that the full gospel of Jesus Christ may ever be faithfully preached from it.

The interior work was performed under the direction of Wm W. J. Cox, with whom the work was certainly a labour of love.

The cornerstone of this Church was laid Oct., 2, 1885, by the wife of the Rector an account of which appeared in the CHURCH GUARDIAN at the time.

THE BISHOP-ELECT.—If reports are true the new Bishop will go to work in right earnest after his consecration, April 15th. It is said that Mr. L. Baker, an active Churchman of Yarmouth, has put berths on board his Boston steamer at Dr. Courtney's disposal, and thus secured his first appearance in the Diocese for that parish. Prince Edward Island is to have it is said, the earliest visitation of the new Prelate; then Picton, Albion Mines, Truro. This will occupy up to the Synod in July, after which it is thought Dr. Courtney will go to England for the Pan-Anglican Council.

The Daily papers are the authority for stating that the Rev. Dr. Courtney will be consecrated Bishop of Nova Scotia on Sunday, April 15th. This day, if the one appointed, will be an inconvenient one for the country clergy, many of whom will not close their Churches on account of the fierce reclaim competition in their parishes.

PERSONAL.—Many of our readers will regret to learn that the Rev. J. D. H. Browne has been obliged through ill-health to resign his charge of All Saint's Church, Passadena. Mr.

Browne's labours had been blessed with increase and it is to be regretted that he cannot continue the good work. Under Rev. Mr. Browne's ministry a Rectory has been built and the Church has increased wonderfully. When he took charge there were but 43 communicants. There are now 167, the membership having nearly been quadrupled in a term of eighteen months, and arrangements have been perfected for the building of a new Church costing not less than \$30,000, and seating about 600 persons.

C. of E. S. S. ASSOCIATION.—The monthly meeting of the Church of England Sunday-school Association, was held last week in St. Stephen's Chapel, Halifax. There was a large attendance of members, over 100 being present. Rev. Dr. Partridge, president of the association, acted as chairman. An excellent and interesting paper on "Sunday-school teachers' responsibilities" was read by Miss Jones, and the subject was afterwards discussed by Revs. F. H. Almon, C. W. McCully and H. G. Lancaster, Mr. W. H. Wiswell and Mr. D. H. Whiston. Rev. Dr. Partridge delivered a valuable paper on the subject, "Grading in Sunday-schools," which also elicited considerable discussion. One result of this paper will try the grading system, the teachers having special subjects and the pupils passing through their hands successively.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

MISSIONARY MEETING.—[Report continued from last number]:—

Mr. Justice Hensley presided, and on opening addressed the meeting at some length, after which Percy Pope, Esq., the Secretary of the Society, read the report of the Executive Committee which, after referring to the death of the Bishop of the diocese, on behalf of the Society placed on record an expression of its recognition of the great administrative ability of the deceased prelate, and its satisfaction with the election of the Rev. Dr. Courtney, to the vacant See. Reference was then made to the various changes in the several parishes and missions, and a resume of their condition and progress taken from the reports of the clergy was given. These show considerable life and advance—for example, at St. Paul's (Rev. S. Weston Jones), the receipts for the past year showed a considerable increase over last year, and the parochial organizations were actively at work.

In St. Peter's Church, the Rev. James Simpson, Incumbent, reports steady progress in the work of the Church. Services held 887; celebrations of the Holy Communion 162; burials 13; baptisms 14; marriages 1. Total amount contributed about \$4,700. There has been a considerable addition to the number of children attending the Sunday and week-day schools for boys and girls in connection with the Church. The societies within the Church have done satisfactory work.

In St. Eleanor and Summerside, (the Rev. C. F. Lowe, rector), the services held in the Churches of the parish had been well attended, and those at Traveller's Rest and Wellington, increased interest had been shown. The Sunday-schools have done good work during the year, a complete library from the S.P.C.K., having interested the scholars in good wholesome literature. The number of communicants has increased, greater opportunities of receiving having been given. Receipts \$1,306; baptisms 40; marriages 5; burials 13.

At Milton (Rev. Wm. Sampson), the interest in the services had deepened, tho' it was found necessary to discontinue the services at North Wiltshire and the Sunday-school during the winter months.

At Parkhill (Rev. Henry Harper, rector), the services of the Church have been well attended and regularly conducted. Seven new names have been added to the communicants'