

Deanery of Chatham.

CHATHAM. — The "rumours of preparation" for an entertainment by the members of the Juvenile Guild, of which mention was made in the February "*Deanery Magazine*," proved to be well founded, for an entertainment was held in S. Mary's School Room on Thursday evening, February 21st. And such an entertainment!! Such an audience!! To say that the juveniles did their part well, and that it was evident how carefully they had been trained by Vice-President, Mrs. Howard, and that the School Room was packed with a delighted audience, would be to say little. Limited time and space will not allow us to refer to all particulars we would like to mention, and so we will sum up all by saying that this "concert" of the Juvenile Guild will long be remembered. Fifty years hence, some of our clever boys and girls will say to their friends and relations, we suppose, "Do you remember 'the concert' by the Juvenile Guild in S. Mary's School Room, when Lena Goggins was in the charade, 'Aunt Berthia's Journey,' and did her part so well? Do you remember 'Dame Durden,' the character song by Marion Johnston, Lu Howard, Susie Gillespie, Lena Goggin, Florrie Blair, Stafford Goggin, Rupert Blair, Frank Gillespie, Geo. Howard and Frank Blair? Do you remember how nice all the boys and girls looked with their pretty badges? Do you remember how the School Room was crowded, and how pleased the audience was?" The answer will always be, "Oh, yes, I remember all. It was a wonderful concert!!"

S. Paul's and S. Mary's Sunday School libraries have been replenished with additional books, which are welcomed by the scholars. It is greatly to be regretted that the school in Douglassfield has been broken up for want of a suitable place of meeting, and the impossibility of its superintendence by the Parson. Is there no thorough-going young Churchman in our town, who is a faithful worshipper, communicant, and Church-worker, who would be willing to take the oversight of the Douglassfield Sunday School and otherwise assist in the providing of Mission Services in this village?

Old S. Paul's requires a new roof, which we hope it will receive during the coming summer, as well as other repairs outside and within. It would not be much if some one would give the shingles for the roof, and somebody else would put them on.

Of S. Mary's we ought also to be able to say before the summer is past, "The glory of this latter house is greater than of the former." Contributions will be gladly received for the restoration of the "House of God."

DERBY AND BLACKVILLE. — The Rector of Newcastle and Nelson is again holding Services on each alternate Sunday afternoon in S. Peter's Church, Derby, but no Services have been held in Blackville since before Christmas. With the consent of the Metropolitan the Churchwardens are about to advertise for a Rector, and we hope a clergyman may soon be found to carry on the work of the Church in this important Mission.

NEWCASTLE AND NELSON. — We are sorry to have to record the sudden death in Boston of Mr. George Kethro, son of our esteemed Parishioner J. G. Kethro, Esq., to whom with his family we extend our sympathies.

We are glad to say that the frame for a new Church at Nelson will probably soon be on the ground, and that encouraging progress has been made in securing the needful funds for the proposed building of a "house of prayer for all people."

BAY DU VIN. — The boys and girls have done well with their "Mission Boxes," at the January opening of which \$7.24 were realized. If the children of the Church do as well elsewhere there will be a good return from the Mission Boxes throughout the Diocese at the next meeting of the D. C. S.

We were glad to have with us on Sunday, February 17th, Geo. Burchill, Jr., Esq., and Mrs. Burchill, of Nelson, and only regret that their visit was too short. We have missed from the Services our old and valued friend, Mrs. Alex. Williston, Sr., who has been absent on a visit to St. John, Fredericton, and elsewhere. We shall be glad to welcome her back to her hospitable home by the sea.

DALHOUSIE AND CAMPBELLTON. — Church-work goes on regularly and quietly in this Mission, and the Parson is preparing his plan of Lenten work. One great obstacle in the way of satisfactory results is the very bad winter road between Dalhousie and Campbellton, which is very little used since the branch railway was opened, and is often almost impassable.

The Rector's wife, who is organist of S. Mary's Church, Dalhousie, was the recipient of a well-filled purse from the congregation at Christmas.