

their kind regards and good wishes your excellent partner in life, Mrs. Fitzgerald, who has always been indefatigable and zealous in the furtherance of every good and charitable work amongst them. We assure you that they will continue to take an undiminished interest in the future welfare of yourself and Mrs. Fitzgerald." The Dr. replied in a feeling address. The Rev. Mr. Omera was appointed rector for a term of five years.

St. Peter's.—The Easter meeting passed off quietly. There was a balance of over \$100 in hand. The subject of the curate's resignation and of the continuance of the boys' school came up. It was decided to endeavour to obtain a teacher from England who could carry on the school work and act as lay-reader; St. Peter's will therefore soon be without a curate.

FRENCH RIVER.—The *Charlottetown Examiner* says: "The choir of St. Thomas' Church, French River, recently presented the choir leader, Prof. McKinnon, with a substantial and acceptable testimonial of the high appreciation with which his labors have been received. And it may not be out of place to here state that St. Thomas' Church never was in a more flourishing condition than now, and Rev. Mr. Reagh has the satisfaction of seeing at least a part of the fruits of his good work."

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

CONSECRATION OF THE BISHOP-ELECT OF NIAGARA.

FRIDAY, MAY 1ST., 1885.

Railway and Steamboat Arrangements.

New Brunswick Railway.—Tickets to Fredericton full fare. Certificates supplied on April 30th at railway stations, valid for return free until May 4th.

The signature of the Hon. Sec. is necessary on certificates before leaving Fredericton.

Intercolonial Railway.—Clergymen holding certificates travel at half rates.

Lay visitors can procure return tickets at a fare and a half from stations to St. John, April 30th to May 4th.

Grand Southern Railway.—Return certificates from Hon. Sec.

Union Line S. S. Co.—Steamers "David Weston" and "Star."

Free return tickets from April 30th to May 4th inclusive.

The Rev. T. E. Dowling will be ready to sign and issue return certificates for the N. B. and G. S. Railways at Mr. W. T. H. Fenety's book store, opposite Officers' Quarters, Queen Street, Fredericton, on Friday morning, May 1st., at 9 o'clock.

By order of the Metropolitan,

THEODORE E. DOWLING.

April 22nd., 1885.

Hon. Sec.

ORDER OF SERVICES.

Friday, May 1st. (Festival of S. S. Philip and James.)

1. Morning Prayer in the Cathedral at 8 o'clock.

2. The Consecration Service at 10.30 a.m.

The clergy are requested to be at the Vestry of the Cathedral at 10.10 a.m.

FREDERICTON.—Five bishops are expected to be present at the consecration of the Bishop-elect of Niagara,—the Most Rev. the Metropolitan, the Bishops of Nova Scotia, Quebec and Maine and the Bishop Coadjutor of Fredericton. The Bishop of Quebec has been appointed preacher. The order of the service is now in press and will be on sale at the bookshops in Fredericton.

The Church Bill for consolidating the various Acts of Assembly has been passed by the Legislature and signed by the Lieut.-Governor. One

special feature of the Act is that churchwardens must be communicants. This is a step in the right direction, towards doing the Church's work in the Church's way. The Bill became law before Easter Monday, so that Vestry Meetings were subject to the changes which it contained.

PETITCODIAC.—An interesting series of addresses on the "Seven last words on the cross," were given during Lent, by Mr. Roger Taylor, lay reader and Divinity Student in this mission. He is proving himself an able assistant to the worthy Rector. Confirmation classes are in preparation for the sacred rite, which will be administered by the Metropolitan (D.V.) about the middle of June. The latest and newest name for a young ladies' sewing society has been adopted by that organization in this parish. It is "the digits." They meet regularly every Saturday afternoon to sew for Church purposes.

SUSSEX.—Trinity Church has been the recipient of a beautiful Easter gift in the form of some brass vases for the altar. May loving hands ever be ready to fill them with floral offerings, is our best wish.

WELDFORD.—The vicar of Denstone, England, and his churchwarden, Sir J. Percival Heywood, have generously supplemented a grant from the Confraternity of the blessed Sacrament, and have presented to the parish church of Weldford a set of holy vessels for the service of the altar, consisting of silver chalice and plates, glass flagon, cruet with a bread plate for the credence table—the whole enclosed in a substantial oak box. The Rev. Mr. Holloway, the missionary in charge, will no doubt be cheered and encouraged in his good work through the remembrance of his kind friends in Denstone, where he was formerly curate. On leaving his curacy there to come to this Diocese, he was presented with a beautiful altar cloth and a handsome violet silk burse and veil, which are now in use in St. Matthias' Church, Harcourt.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

RICHMOND.—On the 2nd Sunday after Easter, a new and handsome church, situate in the centre of the town of Richmond, was opened for Divine service by the Bishop of Quebec. The building, which is of brick, is cruciform in shape and Gothic in architecture and of sufficient size to accommodate four hundred people. The roof of the nave is supported by arched principals, the spandrels being filled with tracery: the roof of the spacious chancel is "waggon-headed" and divided into compartments by means of moulded ribs. The east windows (which like a large one in the western end, is filled with richly stained glass, executed by Messrs. Spence & Son) is well elevated: the space between it and the floor of the sanctuary, across the entire end is filled with narrow panels, pillars and arches, all in white oak. The general effect is pronounced very good. Beneath the nave is a Sunday-school-room capable of accommodating three hundred children; and beneath the chancel, a chapel that will seat seventy people; for use when, on week days, the congregation is small. The building is heated with coal by means of a "duplex furnace," furnished by Mr. George Prowse of Montreal; and is brilliantly lighted by means of the "Lightning Lamp." The coronas, which are of solid brass, chaste and beautiful, were procured from New York. The whole cost thus far has been about \$12,000; of which one third yet remains to be paid. The congregations on Sunday last were very large and the services hearty, the chancel being beautifully decorated for the occasion with flowers. The Bishop of the Diocese was celebrant, and also preached both at Matins and Evensong. He was assisted by the Rev. Dr. Roe, the Rev. Dr. Reid, the Rev. A. Balfour, and his son the Rev. A. J. Balfour, rector of the parish. At the Easter meeting, the vestry so far met the rector's wish for a "free" church, that the seats in this new edifice were declared to be unappropriated and free at every evening service.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

MISSION OF BOSCOBEL AND NORTH ELY.—The Churchwardens elected for the above Mission on Easter Monday, were, for the congregation of St. John the Divine, Boscobel, Messrs. Lot Hackwell, and Joseph Copping, and for All Saints, North Ely, Messrs. W. L. Davidson and Francis Davidson. The Delegates for the ensuing Synod were, for Boscobel, Messrs. Wm. Hackwell, sen., and James Osborne, sen., and for North Ely, Messrs. W. L. Davidson and Joseph Davidson. Wm. Hackwell, Esq., was elected Delegate to Dunham Ladies' College.

LACHINE.—*St. Stephen's Church.*—(Rev. R. L. MacFarlane, B. A. Rector.) Officers appointed for year 1885-86: Rector's Warden, J. G. Brock; Parish Warden, S. J. Doran. Sidesmen, W. Thorneloe, W. F. Salisbury, H. T. Wilgress. Lay Delegates to Synod, Edward Wilgress, R. C. Thorneloe. Auditors, Edward W. Strathy, W. Bryan Ledger.

The annual vestry meeting of this Church was a very harmonious one, the work done during the past year having been most encouraging. After passing votes of thanks to the outgoing Churchwardens, the Choir, and the Ladies Guild for their services, the meeting adjourned. This parish is now in a very prosperous condition, the congregations are increasing and the finances are in a healthy state, sufficiently so to enable the Vestry to vote an addition to the Rector's stipend.

MONTREAL.—*St. George's.*—On the evening of the 2nd Sunday after Easter, the Bishop held a Confirmation in St. George's Church. The Very Rev. the Dean of Montreal, (Rector), Revs. Hood and Trotman were present, the Bishop being attended also by Rev. J. G. Baylis, B.D., acting as Chaplain. The Dean presented the candidates 33 in number; after which the Bishop addressed them in an earnest and affectionate manner, urging all to *decision and faithfulness* in the service of Him to whom they were about to promise allegiance and obedience. A pleasing and impressive feature of the service was the singing, (after the usual silent prayer,) of the beautiful hymn "Come Holy Ghost our souls inspire," the Bishop, clergy, candidates and congregation all kneeling. The service throughout was specially earnest and reverent. The candidates were admitted to their first communion immediately after the Confirmation service proper.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.—The third of the monthly meetings of the Association was held in the School-room of Trinity Church, on Monday evening, the 20th inst. The Lord Bishop of the Diocese occupied the chair, and there were also present on the platform the Vice-President, Dr. Davidson, and Archdeacon Evans, Canons Ellegood, Henderson and Mills, Rural Dean Lindsay, Revs. J. Stone, H. J. Evans and Lariviere. There was quite a large attendance of those interested in Sunday-school work. After the singing of a hymn and prayer, the Bishop called upon Dr. Davidson, the appointed reader, to introduce the subject for the evening's consideration, by reading his paper on "Sunday-school Hymnology." This done, the chairman thanked the Essayist for his valuable paper, and referred to efforts made in the direction of a set Liturgy for Sunday schools in the earlier years of his own ministry. After brief addresses by Canon Ellegood, Rural Dean Lindsay, and Mr. Stone, the meeting was brought to a close.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

OTTAWA.—*Vestry Meetings.*—The usual Easter vestry meetings in the various churches of the city were largely attended, and as a general thing passed off in a very harmonious manner.

Christ Church.—A large and influential meeting of the Easter vestry of Christ Church was held on Monday evening in the schoolroom of the church, for the election of churchwardens and for general purposes. The Venerable Archdeacon of