

## News from the Home-Field.

### Diocese of Nova Scotia.

ST. ELEANORS, P.E.I.

The Lenten services in St. Mary's Church and St. John's Church, St. Eleanors, have been well attended, the special Bible classes and instructions on the practical Christian life, both in town and country, being specially adapted to the season. Large numbers continue to avail themselves of the excellent library which has lately been placed in St. John's library room back of of the organ recess. Special addresses are being delivered Friday afternoons and Wednesday nights in St. Mary's, and on Friday nights in St. Eleanors, by the rector. The new organist in St. Eleanors will probably be Miss Alice Andrew, eldest daughter of Mr. William Andrew, of North St. Eleanors, who for some time past has made a study of instrumental music.

### Diocese of Fredericton.

RISTIGOUCHE.

EDITOR "CHURCH GUARDIAN"—Beyond the simple announcement in a late issue of your paper that another of the priests of the Church has passed to the rest of Paradise, I have seen nothing referring to the late P. H. Brown, rector of French Village, St. Margaret's Bay, N.S., and at one time of Dalhousie in this County. You will pardon an old friend of his, who owes to that faithful clergyman much of his knowledge of the Church and her ways, for so far intruding on your columns as to give expression to his respect for and gratitude to the manly outspoken "Father" Brown who had such clear and definite views as to what the Church of England is, and her claims to the allegiance of English speaking people. It is valuable to have men like him in the priesthood of the Church (and thank God their number is increasing) who are not disposed to teach the Faith as held by her in any half hearted apologetic manner, but who have the courage of their convictions and through good report and evil report, and often at the risk of much unpopularity speak the whole truth at all times. May the God of the widow and fatherless comfort those who mourn for him at home.

The Rev. J. Simonds desires to thank the lady who responded to his request in the CHURCH GUARDIAN for a copy of the annual report of the Ministering Children's League.

### Diocese of Quebec.

QUEBEC.

To the Editor of THE CHURCH GUARDIAN.

SIR.—I shall be very much obliged if you will insert in your paper the accompanying list of subscriptions which I have received from Sherbrooke for the Clergy Houses of Rest at Cacouna and which I beg to acknowledge with grateful thanks.

I am Sir yours faithfully,

LOUISA IRVINE

Sec'y Clergy House of Rest.

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W. A. Elkins, \$5.00; Mrs. Bird, \$4.00; Mrs. W. White \$5.00; Mrs. E. T. Brookes, \$4.00; Mrs. C. H. Fletcher, \$3.00; Mrs. King, \$4.00; Mrs. Pope, \$4.00; Mrs. Ives, \$4.00; Miss Fuller, \$2.00; Rev. R. J. Tothergill, \$1.00. Total \$36.00.

### Diocese of Montreal.

MONTREAL.

ST. JUDES.—*Confirmation service.*—The Rev. Mr. Charters preached at St. Jude's Church, on Sunday morning 27th ult. and in his sermon made appreciative comment on the enlargements and improvements that had been made in the church since his last visit to it. In the evening the Lord Bishop of the Diocese held a Confirmation service. For nearly three months the Rev. Mr. Dixon has been preparing the candidates for Confirmation, in his classes and meetings, with the happy result that he presented to the Bishop sixty-three young men and women for the "Laying on of Hands" after the apostolic practice. The Bishop exhorted his young hearers to realize the great responsibility of the sacred obligation they were about to enter upon. The Rev. Canon Rollit assisted the Bishop and rector in the services.

TRINITY PARISH.—Last Wednesday evening was made the occasion of Trinity Band of Hope, to present Miss Fannie LeMessurier, their devoted and indefatigable superintendent, with a handsome gold watch and chain, as a small token of their regard and appreciation. Miss Louisa Levasseur, accompanied by Master Fred Organ requested Canon Mills, on behalf of Trinity Band of Hope, to make the presentation. The Canon expressed his great pleasure in doing so and testified to their high appreciation of Miss LeMessurier's untiring labors, concluding with all best wishes for continued happiness and success. Miss LeMessurier in a feeling manner thanked all present for such a proof of their kindness and consideration.

### Diocese of Toronto.

TORONTO

A meeting was held last Thursday night in the school room of St. James' Cathedral to organise an association having for its object the reform of the present mode of church burial. The chair was taken by the bishop of Algoma, and there were also present:—Rev. Canon DuMoulin, Rev. John Langtry, Rev. W. Jubb, Rev. Mr. Reid, Rev. John Pearson, Mr. Lawrence Baldwin, Mr. Beverley Jones, Mr. Kemp and several others. Mr. Lawrence Baldwin, who acted as secretary, read letters from the bishop of Niagara, Mr. Justice Street and Prof. Clark, regretting their inability to attend. The proceedings were opened by the bishop, who expressed his hearty sympathy with the object of the meeting, considering that the present system of burial stood in need of reform, principally on account of the needless expense that was often incurred by families who were not in a position to do so, but who were desirous of showing at least as much respect for their dead as their neighbors did for theirs. It was not intended to interfere with the legitimate profits and business of those engaged in the burial of the dead, but to promote a fuller appreciation of the ideas of Christian burial, timely interment in perishable coffins, and to simplify and lessen the cost of funeral and mourning ceremonial. Rev. Dr. Langtry, Rev. John Pearson and Mr. Beverley Jones briefly supported the objects of the proposed association, the rules and constitution of which were next read by Mr. Lawrence Baldwin. A resolution was then passed approving the formation of an association and adopting the constitution

as read by the secretary, and which had been drawn up on the lines of the association in England. The election of officers for the new association was next taken up, the following gentlemen, proposed by Mr. Kemp, and seconded by Mr. Watlington, being unanimously elected: President, Mr. Justice Street; vice-presidents, Rev. Dr. Langtry and Dr. J. George Hodgins; secretary-treasurer, Mr. Lawrence Baldwin; Council, Rev. Canon DuMoulin, Rev. Canon Sweeny, Rev. J. C. Roper, Rev. Septimus Jones, Rev. T. C. Street, Macklem, and Messrs. A. H. Campbell, J. H. Plummer, Beverley Jones, Oliver Howland, David Kemp, F. J. Stewart and Dr. Edward Spragge.

PETERBORO.

Rev. A. Lloyd, M.A., the headmaster of Trinity College School, Port Hope, delivered the lecture of the Lenten series at St. John's church Wednesday evening, 30th ult. The usual service was held before the lecture and the attendance was large.

"Rooted in the Past" was the subject of the lecture. Rev. Mr. Lloyd treated it from the physical, social, political and spiritual aspects. And in regard to the latter in particular pointed out: If they were rooted in the past physically, socially and politically how much more were they rooted in the past spiritually. The words they used in worship had been handed down many generations. The buildings in which they worshipped, the tracery of the windows, the arches and the pillars, all were rooted in the past. The very churches told of the inheritance that was theirs to-day. Their very belief was rooted in the past and if it was not for the labor of those gone before, although they were brought up in different climes and spoke different languages from ours, yet if they had not taught and labored that belief would never have been handed down. He would ask them to follow him while he explained three chapters of Revelations which went to give the Scriptural views of being rooted in the past. The speaker referred to the book of Revelation as a divine book, with nothing human in it but the language. The book of Revelation divided itself into two parts which were very unequal. The first and that upon which he would speak was the first three visions John received on the Isle of Patmos and which told of the things that are. Then the fourth chapter showed the door into Heaven and the vision was no longer of things that are but of what are going to be. The reverend speaker then took up the first three chapters and in an interesting way dealt with the visions of John, dwelling upon the messages to the several Churches and making an application of the same to the churches of latter days, calling up the infallible commentary of history as his witness. In concluding he said the world looked to the Church of England for the preservation of the worship, and the heathen looked to them more than to any other body. The door was open wider to them than any other. He exhorted them to hold fast their religion and their services for they had the pledge that they were rooted to the past.—*Review condensed.*

ORILLIA.

The Church of England Temperance Society have requested the East Simcoe Ministerial Association to consider the increase of liquor drinking in this community since the repeal of the Scott Act, and to take measures for checking the further spread of the evil. The Society will again oppose the issue of shop or wholesale liquor licenses in Orillia, when the Commissioners meet to consider applications this month.