

ecclesiastical design. In the higher and centre arch is a large I. H. S. in white, below on the four smaller arches are the words, in bronze, "Unto Us a child is Born" and "Unto Us a Son is given." On the centre of the screen in white is the word, "Emmanuel." High above the screen and below the festooning from the arch is a beautiful star, the centre of gold with a border of silver. The inner chancel is appropriately decorated. The font is trimmed with vines and the most beautiful flowers, with lilies in the bowl. It is elevated on a platform, and the neatness and appropriateness of the work here, as well as elsewhere, speaks well for those who had it in hand. The ladies of the congregation had the work in hand, and were assisted by several gentlemen.

VICTORIA.—The Rev. W. Davis, Rector of Woodhouse, preached the anniversary sermon in St. John's Church, on the 27th, to the Freemasons. The sermon was an interesting and instructive discourse, with which the fraternity were much pleased and highly gratified.

MITCHELL.—Very hearty Christmas services were held in Trinity Church on Christmas Day. The church has been tastefully decorated. Large congregations gathered at all the services. The offertory on Christmas morning was the largest for many years (\$65), which was given to the rector.

The Sunday-school Christmas tree in the Town Hall was held on the 30th, and was a most successful affair.

The rector is delivering a series of week-evening lectures on the Prayer Book, bringing each one to bear on the daily spiritual life.

A new chancel is spoken of, which will be the beginning of a handsome new church.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

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MELBOURNE.—A handsome memorial stained glass window has just been erected in this Church by Mrs. Lloyd, the subject of which is, "Our Lord and St. Mary Magdalene on the morn of the Resurrection." At the base is the following inscription, "In loving memory of Robert Howard Lindsay and Ella Kate Lindsay." The window is the work of Messrs. Spence & Sons, Montreal.

GEORGEVILLE.—St. George's Church had their annual Christmas tree in the Camperdown Hall on Christmas eve. The tree as usual was heavily laden with presents for all members of the Sunday School, it being the rule in St. George's Sunday School that all the scholars, both rich and poor, should be served alike. Through the generosity of our enterprising young merchant, A. G. Dolloff, Esq., the children were bountifully supplied with choice candies. We were pleased to see so many outsiders present at the festivities and they will be equally welcome at St. George's Church on any Sunday.

HARDWOOD ISLE.—This neighborhood lies five miles to the north-west of Windsor Mills. Then an resident about thirty families of Protestants. It was considered an important station by the Travelling Missionary some twenty years ago. Since which time very little has been done by the Church of England, until within the last eighteen months when fortnightly services on Sunday have been regularly kept up by the Missionary from Windsor. An effort has been made towards church building. The frame having been erected and materials collected on the ground ready for work early next summer.

A Union Sunday School has been carried on for some years, and in the absence of a church school the Missionary has rendered all the assistance in his power towards procuring a library and other requisites. A very pleasant

social entertainment was held for this purpose recently, consisting of tea &c., followed by music from the children and choir, together with recitations and readings. A short dramatic piece was also very cleverly acted and the usual Christmas Tree for the children was not forgotten.

As the Missionary finds it difficult to administer the Holy Communion on Sunday morning owing to the regular service in the churches throughout the Missions, he remained and held service the following morning, having given notice the Sunday previous. Though the number of Communicants was small, yet to the two or three the blessing is promised and the services and sacraments of the Church brought to the people in their complete fullness.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

MONTREAL.—*St. George's.*—This church was crowded on New Year's Eve, on the occasion of the annual midnight service. Appropriate and earnest addresses were delivered by the Lord Bishop, the Rev. Wm. Haslam, of England, and the Rev. J. G. Baylis. The Bishop's address, in particular, was most impressive.

FRELIGHSBURGH.—Happy and joyous Christmas gatherings were held in the Bishop Stewart Memorial Church, which were well attended. The earthly joy was shaded to many by the chances and changes of time, particularly in reference to one who has ever been the untentation but faithful and noble-hearted supporter of the parish. A place never before this vacant, and ever honored from its occupant, was both noted and regretted by all familiar with the history of the parish. The carols of Christmas Eve were inspiring and well rendered by the Sunday-school, Miss Landsberg presiding at the organ. A large number of communicants participated in the Holy Supper on Christmas Day.

The usual midnight service was held on New Year's Eve.

COWANSVILLE.—The service in Trinity Church on Christmas Day was mainly for the children. The hymns "Hark the herald angels" and "O come all ye faithful" were rendered by the choir and Sunday-school children. Rev. Mr. Bridge then addressed the children, after which they sang their carols. The service was repeated on Sunday evening, and on Monday evening the children of the Sunday-school gathered in the Town Hall and partook of a "high tea" provided by the ladies of the parish, after which their Christmas tree was unladen.

WEST FARNHAM.—On Christmas Eve the ladies of St. James' Episcopal Church gave their usual and annual treat to the children attending the Sunday-school. The meeting took place at the school hall, which was filled to its utmost capacity. The Christmas tree was laden with kind remembrances. Santa Claus was prevented from being present, but kindly sent his deputy, who was for two hours very busily employed in handing to the recipients their gifts, amongst which were a very handsome clock and bracket, the gift of the employees of the South Eastern Railway workshops to the Rev. Canon Mussen. Tea was provided by the lady members, of which over 120 partook. During the evening the young folks, under the direction of Miss Drew, sang several selections with pleasing effect.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

DIOCESE OF NEW WESTMINSTER.

TRENNANT.—The Lord Bishop visited this parish on the twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity, and consecrated All Saints' Church, besides administering "the laying on of hands."

LYTTON.—The Bishop, on the occasion of his last visit, consecrated a church for the Indians of this station; and also held a Confirmation, at which fifteen Indians—three men and twelve women—were confirmed. He also baptized thirty-five adults (fourteen men and twenty-one women) and six children.

LORNE COLLEGE.—We are pleased to find from a late number of the *Churchman's Gazette*, of New Westminster, B.C., that this institution seems to be making most satisfactory progress. The primary department of this school has been for some time under the management of Mr. D. E. Kerr, a graduate of the Ottawa Normal College, who has been doing good work. Mr. T. Watson has just arrived from England to be an assistant in this department. He has had three years' experience teaching in the National Schools at Rugeley, and passing his annual examinations with credit. Besides instruction from the Rev. C. J. Brenton, M.A., the Principal, the upper classes have received lectures on the Prayer Book twice a week from His Lordship, the Visitor, and lately in arithmetic and Latin from the Rev. H. C. Finnes-Clinton, M.A. Oxon, for some time Vice-Principal of Warminster College. Several new pupils have come into residence, and the receiving capacity of the school is being seriously taxed, want of more room being greatly felt. Noticeable among the clubs organized by the pupils is that of the reading room, and amongst the many periodicals on file we are pleased to notice the *Church Guardian*.

PERSONAL.—The *Gazette* says:—Justinian Pelly, Esq., who for the past year has been in all business matters connected with the administration of Diocesan affairs—the Bishop's right hand man—and who so ably filled the post of Diocesan Secretary, left New Westminster on the 8th of December for England. The loss of his presence as a prudent adviser and thoroughly practical man of business will be much felt by the Bishop, who has none at hand to fill his place with anything like the same ability; and all who were brought into contact with his sympathy and ready counsel will much miss his friendly presence. We can only console ourselves with the thought that the interests of this Diocese are still his, and that he will continue to work in England for the same ends for which he worked here.

CHURCH AND STATE.

The following address, was delivered in a Nonconformist church in South London on a Sunday lately:—

"**BRETHREN:**—In the service on which we have just been engaged, we have prayed that God would enlighten the darkness, and overrule the designs of those who would break the bond between Church and State in this land; and I desire to speak to you as to the spirit in which we should offer this prayer.

"First of all—we should not offer it as supposing that the existing relations between Church and State, are in all respects those which God would have them to be.

"Secondly—we should offer it in the full knowledge and understanding, that the relations of Church and State can never be perfected till the nations of Christendom have learned to know God's purpose in the Church and in the world.

"We pray, however, that the bond may not be broken:—

"First—Because for centuries it has been a part of the corporate life of the nation, and its severance would involve national injury.

"Secondly—Because those who wish to sever this bond have nothing to put in its place, and its severance would, therefore, be equivalent to a national rejection of Christianity; and the