

PICTOU.—"Rev. Mr. Donald, of Port Hope, Ontario, has accepted Prince Street congregation's second call. Salary \$1,500."

The above extract refers to one of three congregations of Presbyterians in this small town, in which the Church of England has but one congregation. We are apt to consider the Scotch element as nursing the "bawbee" in an unlimited degree; but let us English Churchmen ask ourselves how many parishes raise the half of \$1,500 without help from some series of initials, *E. G.*, *S. P. G.*, *B. D. M.* or *C. and C. C. S.*?

MAHON BAY.—It is well that it should be known that the new bell for St. James' Church in this place—is of home manufacture, being cast in the village by Messrs. McLeod Bros: the bell is a great success, and Messrs. McLeod, who are young men deserve the greatest credit for their work.

BADDEAL, C. B.—The Bazaar held here on Tuesday, 11th inst. was a success, and the rapidity with which the fancy articles and more substantial eatables went, proved the taste of the people of this place. In consequence of the presence of the Judge of Supreme Court and Suite, there was a large attendance. The weather was fine. Many thanks we offer to all who kindly assisted in making our bazaar pay. Our missionary was here, the work is too much for him: we fear constant journeying over 100 mile mission is not conducive to longevity.

ACADIA MINRS.—Acknowledged with thanks from E. Scottie, 25, Catharine L. Moody, \$4.00

FREDERICTON.

(From our Own Correspondent.)

CHATHAM, N. B.—The clergy of the Rural Deanery of Chatham, N. B., met at Richibucto, on June 5th. There were present: The Revs. N. A. Coster, Rector of Richibucto; W. B. Armstrong, of Weldford and Kingston; A. F. Hiltz, of Derby and Blackville; H. H. Barber, of Newcastle; and D. Forsyth, of Chatham. The Holy Communion was celebrated at the parish church on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock. The Venerable Rector of Richibucto was assisted in the communion office and in the administration by the Rector of Chatham, Rural Dean, and the Epistle and Gospel were read by Revs. A. F. Hiltz and H. H. Barber, respectively. Evensong was said in the neat and comfortable Sunday school-house, near the Rectory, and the Rev. H. H. Barber preached an eloquent and appropriate sermon. Prayers were said by the Rector of Chatham, and the Lessons read by the Rector of Derby. On Thursday morning, the chapter met at the Rectory, and, after routine business, considered the subject of the establishment of a Divinity school in connection with the Cathedral at Fredericton, and unanimously concurred in favor of the proposed scheme. A portion of the 1st chapter of St. Paul's Epistle to Timothy was then read and critically discussed.

On the evening of the same day a missionary meeting was held in the Sunday school-house, where addresses were delivered by Revs. Barber, Hiltz and Forsyth. The two former spoke upon the duty and privilege of giving to the general missionary work of the Church, and the latter advocated the claims of the Missionary Diocese of Algoma. The addresses were listened to with much interest, and the amount of the offerings very gratifying.

On Friday, the clergy returned to their several parishes, much refreshed by their pleasant reunion, and not unmindful of the excellent and kind hospitalities of the Venerable Rector of Richibucto and Mrs. Coster.

The next quarterly meeting of the Deanery will be held at Dalhousie.

ST. JOHN.—The clergy of this Deanery met at St. George's Church, Carleton, on Tuesday, in Whitsun week. Morning Prayer and Holy Communion commenced shortly after nine o'clock, in accordance with the new rules of the Deanery.

Clergy present: The Revs. G. M. Armstrong, W. Armstrong, G. Schofield, F. H. J. Brigstocke, T. E. Dowling, Stanley Boyd, and J. W. Milidge. In consequence of the inclemency of the

weather a small but devout congregation were present.

Rev. Canon Brigstocke, Rector of Trinity Church, St. John, read prayers.

Rev. Wm. Armstrong, Rector of St. James', read the first lesson.

Rev. Stanley Boyd, the second lesson. Rev. T. E. Dowling, Rector of St. George's, Celebrant.

Rev. G. M. Armstrong read the Epistle, and Rev. G. Schofield, Rector of Simonds, the Gospel. Sixteen of the laity communicated.

The Bishop's Commissary, the Rev. G. M. Armstrong, Rector of St. Mark's and Dean Rural, preached an eloquent and impressive sermon, appropriate to the solemn season, in which he pointed out the necessity of the offices and operations of the Holy Spirit in applying the benefits of the death and passion of our Mediator and Redeemer Jesus Christ, to hearts of men.

After service the clergy met in the vestry where they were joined by Rev. Mr. Sill and Rev. Foster J. Almon, who were prevented attending the service by services in their own parishes.

Business was then taken up, and, among other things, a form of prayer to be used at meetings of the Deanery was adopted.

The 1st Epistle of St. John, 5th chapter to the 9th verse, was then expounded by the clergy, verse by verse.

The subject for discussion, "How to create and sustain among men an interest in their religious privileges and duties," was not so fully considered as its importance deserved, as the hour decided on for closing the meeting was at hand, and it was unanimously resolved to take up the same subject at the next meeting of the Deanery.

The clergy then adjourned to the Rectory, where they did ample justice to a capital lunch, provided by the hospitality of the Rector of St. George's and Mrs. Dowling, and separated soon after 2 p.m., all, no doubt, feeling that they had spent a pleasant and profitable morning.

MONTREAL.

MEETING OF SYNOD.—The Synod opened their proceedings on Tuesday, the 18th inst. by Divine service in the Cathedral.

The following clergymen officiated at the service: Ven. Archdeacon Lindsay, Canons Norman and Baldwin, and the Rev. Messrs. Robinson and Young. The Rev. Mr. Rolit preached the sermon, taking for his text Ephesians iv. 15.

In the afternoon the Synod met for business, and after the calling of the roll the Synod proceeded to the election of officers, when the following were re-elected:—Clerical Secretary, the Rev. J. Empson, B.A.; Lay Secretary, Wolfred Nelson, C.M., M.D.; Treasurer, O. J. Brydges; Chancellor Strachan Bethune, Q.C.; Church Advocate, E. Carter, Q.C.; Auditors, M. H. Sanborn and Thomas Simpson.

COMMITTEES.

The committees are as follows:—*Finance.*—The Rev. the Dean (convener), Revs. R. Lindsay, J. Rolit, Canon Baldwin, Messrs. J. Plimso, C. J. Brydges, F. W. Thomas, C. Garth, J. Crawford. *Canons.*—Ven. Archdeacon Leach (convener), Ven. Archdeacon Lindsay, Revs. R. Lindsay, H. Henderson, E. Hood, J. Fulton, Canon Anderson, F. W. Fyles, Messrs. Edward Carter, Q.C., S. Bethune, Q.C., L. H. Davidson, W. W. Lynch, M.P., C. Lyndsay, R. Evans, W. H. Ker, Q.C., S. E. Dawson, H. B. Simpson, G. Macrae, Q.C. *Church Provision for the Lumber Districts.*—Ven. Archdeacon Lonsdell (convener), Rev. the Dean, Canon Ellegood, W. C. Merrick, Canon Anderson, Canon Baldwin, W. Henderson, H. W. Nye, Robt Lindsay, Messrs. Thos. White, G. B. Baker, L. H. Davidson, W. B. Simpson, J. Hutton. *Sunday Schools.*—Rev. Canon Baldwin (convener), R. Lindsay, J. C. Davidson, D. Lindsay, Sir William Johnston, Messrs. H. Cooper, N. S. Whitney, W. Craig. *Intemperance.*—Canon Baldwin, the Dean, Ven. Archdeacon Lonsdell, Revs. D. Lindsay (convener), W. Jones, Messrs. S. Bethune, C. Garth, W. W. Lynch, T. Simpson, Davidson Scott. *Church Music.*—Revs. R. Lindsay, E. Wood, R. W. Norman, (convener), Canon Ellegood, P. DeGruchy, J. Constantine, H. B. Linghurst, Canon Baldwin, J. Fulton, Messrs. F. W. Thomas, S. Bethune, M. H. Sanborn, J. H.

Pangman, Dr. Davies, C. G. Geddes, L. H. Davidson, C. Bourne. *Works of Mercy.*—Rev. R. Lindsay, (convener), Canon Baldwin, J. Dixon, J. T. Dumoulin, J. Smith, Canon Evans, Messrs. T. White, S. E. Dawson, W. B. Simpson, W. Salter, W. Drake, M. Desbrissey.

THE ADDRESS OF THE METROPOLITAN.

The very Rev. Dean Bond then read the annual address to the Synod as follows:—

FAIRCHILD, May 28rd, 1878.

My Rev. Brethren and Brethren of the Laity.—Though far away from you at this time, I am with you in spirit and am able thoroughly to realize your important gathering on the opening day of our Synod, and be assured there is not a single subject which will occupy your thoughts and consideration in which I am not equally interested with yourselves. The mission fund with all the different questions connected with it; its present wants and its future prospects; how best to economize our existing income or to enlarge its amount, will assuredly occupy your very serious attention. I can hardly think that the Report adopted by the executive committee, which was held on the day after my departure from Montreal, will be carried out, inasmuch as it proposes; 1st, a special reduction of grants to some missions which I feel sure are too weak to bear it, as for instance, Bolton, Mille Isles, S. Ely, Valleyfield and Warden; 2nd, a 10 per cent., reduction, which would greatly cripple such missions as Kildare, Lachute and Thorne; and 3rd, it contemplates the possible amalgamation of existing missions. The more I think upon the subject the more I am persuaded that although it may be possible to make slight retrenchments—in this or that detail of expenditure, you must not and ought not to take any step which will tend to diminish the salaries of our clergy, which are already reduced to the lowest standard, and also that it would be positively fatal to the life and growth of the Church to minimize and compress our present missionary system. I have always felt and now feel it more than ever that your thoughts must be turned and your efforts made to devise some better system to call out the undeveloped liberality of our Church members. There is in the Diocese a mine—somewhat exhausted I fear just now—but still a mine which has never been sufficiently worked, but let us try and test its yet further productiveness; let us make an urgent appeal to that self-denying generosity which the love of Christ inspires.

Some preparatory step will, of course, be taken with reference to the approaching election of my successor. I trust that a way will be opened by which that process may be rendered comparatively easy.

You will probably feel that the course recommended by the eminent lawyers to whom the case has been submitted may be safely acted upon, and I earnestly trust that when the time comes for you to make your choice, God Himself may influence you to carry out His wise purpose. I have requested the Chancellor to apprise me as soon as the present session of Synod is over what will be the most convenient date for my actual resignation. I have reckoned upon the 15th of August, when the Lambeth conference will be fully over, but as to the exact day I shall be guided by his advice.

The closing year of my Episcopate has been marked by a much larger number of confirmations than any which preceded it. At this I rejoice, for I consider it to be a test, and a very reliable one of the Church's life in the Diocese.

The number of confirmations held in the last twelve months amounts to 62, and 818 persons have partaken of the rite. I am thankful that all our missions are satisfactorily filled up, so that on my departure for England I was enabled to leave every flock in the Diocese with its appointed shepherd. In the past year I have ordained eleven clergymen.

And now, dear brethren, I commend you, the members of this Synod, to Him who is the Great Master of Assemblies. May He take you under his special guidance, and that everything may be done discreetly, advisedly, and in the fear and love of God, may he who occupies my place as presiding over you in this present Synod, be filled with the spirit of wisdom, and may the same spir-