

is, under Christ, the source of spiritual power to the Church. He is the keeper of the truth and the dispenser of sacraments. In this work he is assisted by a council of elders and a board of deacons, the elders and deacons being chosen directly from the congregation.

This conception of the Episcopal office makes the Bishop the head, not of many, but of one congregation. The people over whom he is placed are his people, and the clergy are his clergy. It is his business to know his people, that he may guide them in prosperity and succor them in adversity. Such were the Bishops who presided over the Church in the first days. They were found in every considerable town. Where we have one Bishop the early Church had fifty, and each Bishop was fully acquainted with all the people who were under him. He could encourage and rebuke, not only the elders, but also the young men, the women and the children. Originally the parish was the Bishop's jurisdiction. The word parish means 'round the house,' and the Bishop's house was the centre from which went forth the governing and teaching power of the Church. And as the Bishop was the teacher and minister of the Church, he had a place necessary in which to teach and minister. His Church was the church of original jurisdiction; all other churches in his parish or diocese were, as we should now say, chapels of the Cathedral Church. Such was the primitive Bishop, a holy man, chosen by his brethren to oversee the affairs of the Church in his town or city.

By theory they are responsible for the well being of the Church, and yet few know so little about the real estate of the Church as they. The vastness of their jurisdiction and the multiplicity of their affairs prevent their acquainting themselves with the souls of their people. Even the clergy go unshepherded. There is on the part of the clergy a yearning for a deeper spiritual life. It is the Bishops who should minister to this demand. A Bishop should, once a year at least, gather his clergy about him for purely spiritual purposes. He should cry to them as our Lord to His Apostles: 'Come ye apart into a desert place and rest awhile.' He should minister to them, that they in turn may minister to others.

It seems to us that a Bishop should be the pastor of every clergyman in his diocese, and of the families of the clergy; and from our knowledge of the needs of this body of people, we should say that fifty clergymen would be all that any Bishop would care to look after. Our conception of a Bishop leads us to long for the day when all so called dignity shall be cast aside; when the Bishop shall serve rather than rule.—*St. Andrew's Record.*

NEWS FROM THE HOME FIELD.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

BRIDGEWATER.—The Garden party by the ladies of Holy Trinity Church, at Judge Des-Brisay's beautiful grounds, on last Thursday afternoon and evening was eminently successful in every particular. The grounds in the evening presented an enchanting appearance. Strings of bunting adorned the flagstaff and were placed among the trees, while electric lights illuminated the entire scene. The effect of the variegated shrubbery and flowers, flashing lights and bright eyes, gracefully draped and many colored flags, was fascinating. The band discoursed sweet music to a large and delighted assemblage, and everybody seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves. Booths were erected in different parts of the grounds where willing hands and pretty girls presided over ices, strawberries and other refreshments. We must not forget to mention the excellent manner in which Mr. Fitzhenry performed the difficult triple-tongued cornet solo to a splendid full band accompaniment. The Judge's museum came in for its share of sightseers and its magnitude and completeness was a surprise to those who never before had the pleasure of a private view.

The illumination by electric lights was carried out by Mr. Lewis Gelling, son of the Rector, and was much admired. Lewis is always ready in a good work, and is highly esteemed by his fellow townsmen. The singing by the band, interspersed with music, added much to the pleasure of the evening. The result of the entertainment is \$123 besides expenses.

WINDSOR.—*Church School for Girls.*—The closing exercises of this Church Institution were held on Tuesday, 23rd June, in the presence of a large number of friends. Forty-five pupils were in attendance. The Halifax and St. John papers speak very highly of the progress made, particularly of the musical and drawing department. The Very Reverend the Dean of Nova Scotia spoke enthusiastically and offered a gold medal for next year. The successful competitors for the 'Gold Star' were Miss Scott of Quebec, and Miss Partridge of Halifax. There were also seven 'Silver Stars' awarded. Subsequently to the proceedings we understand that the Bishop of Nova Scotia, now in England, announced by letter his intention of giving two prizes next year; the conditions and subjects will be soon announced.

The Calendar of the School was issued on the day of presentation of the prizes, with the names of the young ladies who obtained honors, and all needful information respecting the School.

In the afternoon the corner stone of the new building was laid, according to a form of service specially prepared by the Dean of Nova Scotia, who officiated.

With this suggestive acknowledgement of the purpose and trust of the Church School for Girls, closed an important episode in the Church history of the Maritime Provinces. Financially the School is already a great success. It opened full, and the receipts during the past half year have exceeded the School expenditure by more than one thousand dollars. Every effort will be made to complete the new building, which is described in the Calendar, at the earliest moment compatible with proper attention to details.

The Bishop's Prizes.—His Lordship the Bishop of Nova Scotia, writing from London, under date June 16th, announces that he will give annually a prize to the girl recommended to him by the Lady Principal as most deserving of it.

The prize will be for 'faithfulness in School duties,' in accordance with the motto of the School '*fideliter.*'

Also a second prize to the girl who had dur-

ing the year made the greatest advance in her knowledge of 'The History of the Church of England.'

WINDSOR COLLEGE.—*St. Augustine's College and the University of Windsor, N.S.*—The Board of Governors of this University have adopted the suggestions recommended a few weeks ago by a correspondent in these columns, and St. Augustine's men can now enjoy at Windsor the same status accorded by the University of Durham. Full particulars will be published in the University Calendar for next term.

King's College is the oldest Church University of the Dominion, and possesses a Royal Charter from George III., dated 1802. The Hood worn by graduates are identical with those of the University of Oxford.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

ST. ANDREWS.—On Thursday evening, July 2nd, the Rev. T. E. Dowling, Domestic Chaplain to the Anglican Bishop in Jerusalem and the East, delivered a most interesting lecture to a large and appreciative audience. The Rev. gentleman described in a very pleasing manner life in Jerusalem; he also exhibited a copy of the Torah in the five books of Moses, written in Hebrew (from Bagdad), Jerusalem Phylacteries or printlets; photographs of the Holy Land and Syria; photographs of the Patriarchs of Constantinople, Alexandria, Antioch and Jerusalem; also maps of these places, the situation of which he pointed out to the audience; a number of curiosities and ornaments, and a large assortment of carved Mother of Pearl, Bethlehem shells, which are manufactured by the Christians in Jerusalem. After the lecture a collection was taken up on behalf of the Jerusalem Bishopric Mission Fund, a hymn being sung by the choir, the audience departed regretting that this interesting lecture had come to a close.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

THE INDIAN MISSION AT LAKE ST. JOHN.—On Friday, the 10th inst., the Lord Bishop of Quebec confirmed an interesting class of Indians and whites at the new church on the Reserve at Lake St. John. Visitors were favorably impressed by the earnest manner of the Indians, and also by the extreme neatness and beauty of the church, which reflects much credit upon the architect and builder. There are few churches in this country so beautifully proportioned.

There remains a balance of \$120 not covered by subscriptions. It is hoped that this amount will soon be raised, and that this, the only Indian Mission in the Diocese may be free from debt, and its new church consecrated. This Mission is now served by Rev. Mr. Stuart, of Three Rivers, who visits his Indian flock once a month. Occasional services are also held by other clergymen who may be visitors at Lake St. John. Thus, on a recent Sunday, divine service was taken by Rev. Mr. Bancroft, of Sutton, Diocese of Montreal. Most of the Protestant Indians at Lake St. John were baptized years ago by Bishop Horden, of Mooseonee. They hunt in winter between Lake St. John and Hudson's Bay, and belong to the Montagnais tribe. For years since they have made Lake St. John their summer quarters; they would have been altogether without the ministrations of religion had not Mrs. Cammings, whose husband was for years the pastor of the Hudson's Bay Company at Lake St. John, collected them on Sunday at the company's fort and given them Christian instruction together with readings from the Church's liturgy. It was only after the railway was built to Lake St. John that Missionaries of the Church in this Diocese discovered the existence of these poor Indians who had through so many vicissitudes remained faithful to the doctrines and teachings

THE John Bull says of the new Archbishop; If he is not, as a scholar, the equal of Dr. Thomson, nor, as an orator, to be ranked with Dr. Magee, there are certain qualities far more essential to a Bishop in respect to which he is superior to both. He possesses a thorough knowledge of Church affairs which neither of them had. In the details of efficient parish work and diocesan organisation, Dr. MacLagan is better versed than perhaps any English Bishop of our time—except the Bishops of Wakefield and Truro. His tenure of the See of Lichfield has been marked by well directed activity, and visible progress in all directions. Critics whose ideas about him are derived from the newspapers, may sneer at his diocesan administration as 'fussy'; that is not an opinion held at Lichfield, where the wisdom of his government is well understood and acknowledged. Dr. MacLagan has been absurdly termed an extreme High Churchman. He is certainly not a 'Liberal' Bishop. He is, in fact, a moderate High Churchman with Evangelical leanings; a man of many sympathies, and intimately acquainted with the habits of thought and religious difficulties of all classes of the community.