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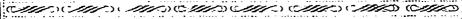
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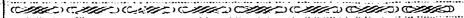
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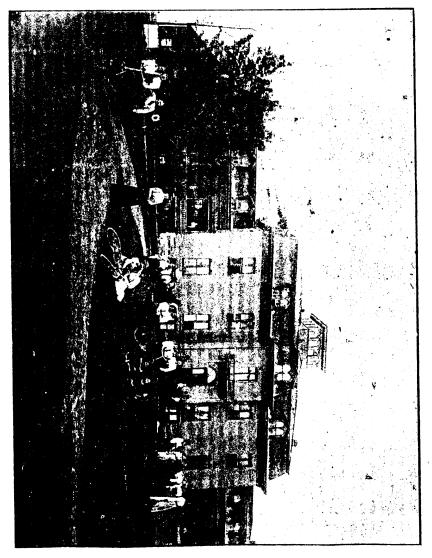
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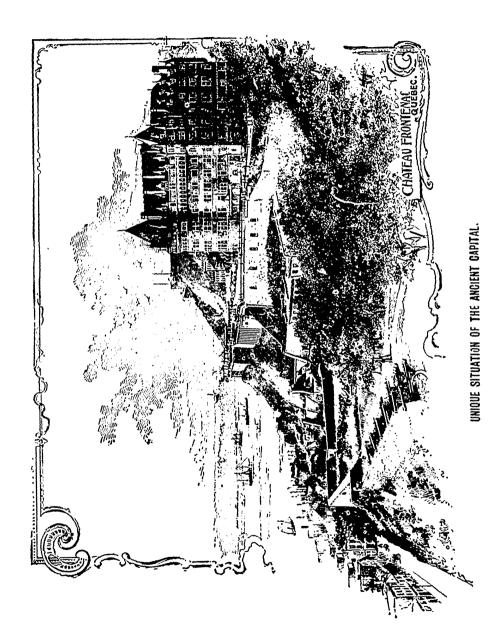
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The Bishop's Engagements for Monday, February 19 - Give Illustrated February.

Thursday, February 1—Lecture Divinity Students at Bishop's College, Lennoxville, on the Extension of Christ's Kingdom, and hear Students read and preach.

Friday, February 2 (Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary)-Celebrate the Holy Communion at Bishop's College Chapel 7.30 a.m., and return to

Sunday, February 4 (Fifth after Epiphany)-Celebrate the Holy Communion and preach at S. Paul's, Quebec City, and assist at the Cathedral at Even-

Wednesday, February 7-Preside at the Annual Meet ng of the Quebec Church

Society, 3 p.m. Thursday, February 8-Preside at Meeting of Central Board, 4 p.m.

Sunday, February 11 (Septuagesima) -DAY OF HUMBLE SUPPLICATION WITH REFERENCE TO THE PRESENT WAR. Celebrate the Holy Communion at Preach 11 a.m., Cathedral, 8 a.m. and assist at Evensong.

Wednesday, February 14-Preside at Meeting of Diocesan Board, 4 p.m.

Thursday, February 15--Travel to Mon-

Friday, February 16-Assist on Protestant Committee of Council of Educa-

Saturday, February 17—Ditto. Sunday, February 18 (Sexagesima)— Preach at S. Stephen's Chapel, Westmount, Montreal, 11 a.m. Preach at the Church of the Advent, Westmount, Montreal, 7 p.m.

Lecture at S. John's Chorch Hall. Subject: The Need of the Reformation of the Church, and how it really came

Tuesday, February 20-Return to Que-

Saturday, February 24 (S. Mathias)-Celebrate the Holy Communion at Cathedral, 7.30 a.m.

Sunday, February 25 (Quinquagesima) -Assist at the Holy Communion, Cathedral, 8 a.m. Preach 11 a.m., and assist at Evensong.

Ash Wednesday, February 28 - Celebrate the Holy Communion, Cath dral, 11 a.m., and preach at Evensong.

Our Picture.

Since our Gazette has readers all over this vast Diocese, and many also in England, and in the United States, as well as in other parts of the Dominion of Canada, we gladly seize the opportunity of shewing in this month's picture something of the unique and noble situation of our dear old City of Quebec. Our sketch is so taken, that it shews the grand river St. Lawrence as it comes down to us from Montreal, with the Megantic hills far away beyond the other side, the King's Bastion, with its flag staff, forming the nearest corner of Quebec the new Chateau Frontenac, Citadel, taking the place of the Governor's old Chateau on the Terrace, which is one of the finest promenades in the world, while Lower Town or Business Quebec appears below on the left, and the roofs of the houses beyond the Rampart in the foreground indicate the forgetfulness of Thee in the time steep course of Mountain Hill, by of our wealth. Pardon we become warren to the Hanne me accept of our wealth. less expense to be just as comfortable, and several others suited to all purses. To reside in Quebec is a great privilege and enjoyment; to these who cannot do this we would suggest at any rate a visit; for there is much to see that can be seen nowhere else, and a visit to Quebec is one that never disappoints.

Day of Humble Supplication.

His Grace the Lord Archbishop of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada has appointed Septuagesima Sunday, February 11th, as a day upon which all our people shall be called upon to meet in their Churches in solemn service with the especial object of united acknowledgement of the power and wisdom of Almighty God, and of seeking that He in His mercy and goodness will bring the present happy war to a right and lasting peace, and overrule all things in world of sin and sorrow to the enlargement of His blessed Kingdom.

Accordingly, the Lord Bishop of this Diocese has communicated the above fact to all our Parish Clergy, and has appointed as follows with regard to the Public Services of the Day:

- (A) THE HOLY COMMUNION, if possible, early, with the special prayers given below, with a request that the communicants in their secret prayers, will seek God's protection for our soldiers and sailors, God's comfort for the sick and wounded, as well as for the bereaved families of the slain, and also God's guidance, not only in the conduct of the war, but also with regard to the conditions of peace.
- A SPECIAL SERVICE OF HUMBLE SUPPLICATION.
- (1) A Hymn. e.g. Hymn 244, H.A.M. tune 16 or 268, or 349.

(2) Preliminary Address.

- (3) The Litany, inserting before the rayer of S. Chrysostom the following special Prayers:
- "O Lord God of Hosts, our only Strength, we come before Thee

or wagon to the Upper Town. Here seech Thee, all these our offences, are the hotels, the Chateau, for those and cleanse us from our sins, who have money to spend, and the Clarendon, for those, who want, with Forgive whatever may have been amiss in us in the controversy, which has led us into this present strife, and grant in Thine own good time a righteous issue fraught with blessing to all mankind; through Jesus Christ our 1men" Lord. (Archbishop of Canterbury.)

> "O Lord, we beseech Thee, favorably to hear the prayers of Thy people that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by Thy goodness for the Glory of Thy Name: Through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen." (Collect: Septuagesima.)

"O most powerful and glorious Lord God. the Lord of Hosts, that rulest and commandest all things; Thou sittest in the Throne judging right, and therefore we make our address to Thy Divine Majesty in this our necessity, that Thou wouldest take the cause into Thine own Hand, and judge between us and our enemies. Stir up Thy strength, O Lord, and come and help us; for thou givest not alway the battle to the strong, but canst save by many or by few. O let not our sins now cry against us for ven-geance; but hear us, Thy poor servants begging mercy, and imploring Thy help, and that Thou wouldest be a defence unto us. against the face of the enemy. Make it appear that Thou art our confessing our many sins and our | Saviour and mighty Deliverer,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Regard the mourners-all who grieve Amen." (Prayer Book: Before a Fight.

"O Lord God Almighty, by Whose permission nation riseth against nation, Who usest their swords for Thy judgments, and Who makest wars to cease in all the world: Vouchsafe, we beseech Thee, to our forces now engaged in South Africa, protection and when o'er the earth triumphant Kight courage in danger, and mercifulness in victory. Grant to the wounded succour; to the dying pardon and peace; to the mourners comfort; to those, who minister to the suffering, skill and gentleness; and to us all, when Thou willest, the blessing of a righteous and abiding peace; through the merits of Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen." (Archoishop of Capetown.)

(4) Anthem or Hymn. e.g. Hymn 217' H.A.M. .The following Special Hymn to the first tune of 24, H.A.M.

O Lord of Hosts, without whose Will No wars are waged by men's decree, Their swords Thy purposes fulfil; The earth O Lord, is ruled by Thee.

Lord, we believe Thine arm alone Can save by many or by few; All vaunting pride we would disown, Our faith and trust in Thee renew.

Gird Thou our armies with Thy might, Keep Thou our flag unsoiled by sin, Help us in justice, truth, and right, The fight to face, the fight to win.

Have mercy, Lord, on those who fall, Howe'er as friends or foes they stood;

Grant Thy eternal peace to all Who find in death their brotherhood.

O'er all the wounded shed Thy cheer, Look down in pity on their pain, Help them to feel Thy presence near, To soothe and comfort, bless, sustain

For loss of father, husband, son; The stricken hearts do Thou relieve, Help Thou their prayer: "Thy will he done."

On all who serve and all who share The sacred ministry of love, By deel, by word, by gift, by prayer, Pour forth Thy blessing from above.

Lord God of Hosts, Lord God of Might,

O haste the day when wars shall

Shall reign in universal peace.

(5) Lesson: Joel II, 12.27 inclusive.

(6) The Aposties' Creed.(7) The Miserere (to be said or sung kneeling), with the Prayers that follow it in the Commination Service appointed for Ash Wednesday.

(8) Hymn. e.g. Hymn 376, H.A.M.

(9) Sermon.

(10)Offerings for the Canadian Patriotic Fund, to be sent to the Rev. E. A. Dunn, Bishopsthorpe, Quebec City.

(11) Hymn e.g. Hymn 595 or 437, H.A.M., or Hyrm for our soldiers, printed below, to the tune of Hymn 391, H A.M.

For our valiant soldiers, Lord, to Thee we pray; Guard and keep them ever, Be their guide and stay, When through veldt they're marching Many a weary hour. From their focs protect them By Thy mighty power. For our valiant soldiers, &c.

When in darkness resting, Arms are laid aside, God of battles shield them-Still with them abide: And if they in fighting Should not think of Thee, Do not Thou forget them, Still their succour be. For our valiant soldiers, &c.

Lord, when sick and wounded, Far, perchance, from care, Let Thy healing Spirit Save them from despair. Saviour, be Thou with them, All their prayers to hear, Strengthen, watch, and comfort, When none else is near. For our valiant soldiers, &c. Hungry, Lord, and thirsty
In the wilderness,
Thou did'st hear Thy people
In their sore distress:
Thou can'st turn to blessing
Every human pain,
Grant that these through suffering
Saving faith may gain.
For our valiant soldiers, &c.

Lord, among our army,
Fighting for our land,
Thou hast also soldiers
Fighting Satan's band;
Lord, be Thou their helper
Touch their lips with fire,
Let Thy Holy Spirit
All their words inspire.
For our valiant soldiers, &c.

Safe beneath the shelter
Of Thy mighty shield,
Thou can'st keep from danger
Soldiers in the field!
And, although around them
Tens of thousands die,
Thou can'st keep in safety
Those for whom we cry.
For our valiant soldiers, &c.

Amen.

(12) The Blessing.

Where the Holy Communion early, would be impossible, there may be, if desired, Holy Communion beginning after No. 8 of the Morning Special Service, with the Sermon at its usual place.

The Special Service should be used at all the Stations of our Parishes and Missions; but when there is Evening Service at a Church at which the Special Service has been used in the morning, the Evening Service should consist of the order of Evening Prayer with a Sermon and suitable Hymus, and the Miserere said or sung kneeling immediately before the Blessing.

If a Congregation has no Service on February 11th, then the Special Service may be used on a week-day or on

the following Sunday.

Copies of either or both of the Special Hymns may be obtained from the Rev E. A. Dunn, if ordered at once, at 40 cents per hundred for one, and 55 cents per hundred for both. Smaller quantities in proportion; postage included.

These Hymns may well be sung and the Prayers offered at discretion, frequently during the continuance of the

war.

Justice and Kindness.

It has often been said that the best friends to this Dominion are those who help the two great Races, which inhabit it, to live together in godly union and concord; and among such, there is none more prominent than the Hon. Mr. Parent, the Mayor of Quebec. It was he, who a couple of years ago, called at the new City Hall a meeting of French and English together for the relief of the starving multitudes in the great Empire of India, and by united action secured from the old City of Quebec an offering for the Indan Famine Fund of upwards of \$10,000. Lately, too, the Mayor has made several speeches, showing how glad the French and English should be to live and even fight side by side under the British Empire's Flag. And a few days ago, when the Mayor discovered that the Rev. John Almond, because he was only appointed to be Church of England Chap'ain to the first Canadian Contingent just at the hour of sailing away from the port of Quebec, had not received, like the other two Chaplains and other officers of the same rank, the handsome gift of £20 from the Citizens' Fund, his Worship insisted, at the time of the distribution in favor of the men of the second Contingent, that Mr. Almond should not be forgotten, and he has thus caused the £20 to be forwarded to the Bishop, in the brave young Chaolain's behalf. "Mere justice," someone will say. Yes! but "very kind"- : graceful act, which will do much good!

Considering, in fact, all that Mayor Parent has done for the City and Province of Quebec, and especially the way in which he has lived to slay fooli h prejudices, and to cult.vate unity of purpose and friendliness of spirit, we may truly say of such a man, in such a position, that he deserves well of his country, and also of his Queen. And even if he should never obtain Imperial recognition, at any rate our worthy Mayor has the happiness of the grand and true reflection "Blessed are the peace-makers, for they shall be called the children of God!"

CHURCH PARADE.

There was a Church Parade to the Cathedral on Sunday, January 14th, attended by "E" Battery, R.C.A., and

No. 3 troops of "A" and "B" squadrons, Canadian Mounted Rifles, including most of the Montreal and Quebec members of the Contingent, accompanied by the men of the R.C.A. a d Sth Royal Rifles. The Service commenced at 9.30 with the hymn "Onward, Christian Soldiers." Morning prayer was read by the Rev. F. G. Scott, Rector of St. Matchew's, and Chaplain at the Citadel. The other hymns selected were "Stand Up, Stand Up, for Jesus," "Fight the Good Fight," and "O God, our Help in Ages Past." The Holy Communion was choral, the Bishop bring Celebrant, assisted by Dean Williams, the Rev. F. G. Scott, and Rev. R. A. Parrock (Bishop's Chaplain). The Dean preached a mo t impressive sermon from the text Psalm xviii., v. 2: "The Lord is my Rock and my F riress and my Deliverer, my God, my strength, in whom I will trust, my backler, and the horn of my salvation and my strong tower." The Service concluded with the hearty singing of the National Anthem.

CHURCH SOCIETY.

CENTRAL BOARD.

A stated meeting of the Central Board was held on January 16th, the Lord Bishop in the chair. The Secretary submitted to the meeting the Annual Report, which, having been considered clause by clause, was adopted and ordered to be presented at the approaching Annual Meeting of the Society on the seventh February. The question of securing a complete and accurate record of Title Deeds of Church properties throughout the Diocese was discussed. On the recommendation of the Chancellor and approval of the Diocesan Registrar, it was decided, first, to procure a record of Deeds, according to Parishes, at present in the archive, and then through the co-operation of the Clergy, supplement the list as may be necessary. It was proposed to secure the services of Mr. F. C. Wurtele in carrying out this work under the supervision and instruction of the Registrar. In accordance with notice given at previous meeting an alteration in By-Law XIII (on Pensions) was considered, and as amended, it was decided to submit the alteration to the Annual Meeting for consideration. The report of the Joint Committee of the Central and

Diocesan Boards, on the proposal of the Lord Bishop in reference to certain mission work and bequests of the late Senator Price, was presented by the Chancellor and adopted. Mr. R. Campbell, as chairman, submitted the report of a Committee appointed to confer with the Lord Bishop with reference to the "Location for the meetings of the Church Society and its Committees." The report expressed satisfaction with the present arrangements and was adopted. The Secretary submitted a report as to Bonds deposited or withdrawn from the Society's safe by the Treasurer in his presence since the last meeting. The Treasurer submitted a report of investments made and moneys received since last meeting.

The Rev. II Gomery's Work for the S. P. C. K.

During his second year as travelling Agent for the S. P. C. K., in the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, the Rev. H. Gomery has held two hundred and twenty-two Services or Meetings, has pressed the value of the Society and its publications upon thousands of our people, and has collected for the Society, including a few subscriptions amounting to \$55 from the Diocese of Quebec, as follows:

Niagara	\$187	31
Quebec		
Nova Scotia		
Montreal	121	48
Toronto	87	59
Fredericton		65
Ottawa	37	63

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We are very sorry to hear that there is among the Churchmen of our civies a feeling that it is the business of the Euglish Missi nary Societies to make grants to Canada, and that there is no call upon them to show their gratitude for all that has been done and is being done for the Canadian Church by subscribing regularly towards the funds of these Societies. But surely such Churchmen must see, first, that we could not have received the nobie grants that have been bestowed upon us, unless our brother Churchmen in England had subscribed for our good, and secondly that it is quite as much and more our duty, now that we have been helped on to our feet, to subscribe regularly to enable the Society to continue its grants to the poorer parts of our Dominion and to other lands as well.

The Bishop of Algoma's Collections.

In addition to the \$670.25, contributed or promised in Quebec City to the Bishop of Algoma during his recent visit, we are glad to be able to record that he received also \$1,311.36 from other parts of the Diocese, as follows:—

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And further, we understand that there were certain offerings made in Sherbrooke and other places, but not yet paid, to the extent of \$108.56. Consequently the total offerings contributed or promised by the Diocese of Quebec, amounted to the creditable sum of \$2,090.17.

Church Helper's Association

At the annual meeting of the Church Helpers' Association, held at the Church Hall, some very interesting and satisfactery reports were presented. The secretary has kindly furnished for publication the following particulars of the gathering.

There were sixteen members present. The president opened the meeting with

praver.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and confirmed; also the reports of the secretary and treasurer were read,

Moved by Mrs. J. B. Forsyth, seconded by Miss I. Irvine, that the reports of the secretary and treasurer be adopted, and that the editors of the Quehec Chronicle and the Diocesan Gazette be asked to kindly publish them.

The following officers were elected by hallot for the ensuing year, Miss Von Iffland and Miss Dunn acting as scrutineers:

President-Mrs. C. Sewell.

Secretary—Mrs. P. Patterson Hall. Assistant Secretary—Miss Mabel Sewell.

Treasurer—Miss E. Patton. Vice-Presidents.

Cathedral, Mrs. J. C. More. St. Matthew's, Mrs. Carter. St. Michael's, Mrs. Forsyth. St. Peter's, Miss Elliott.

Committee.—Mrs. E. Sewell, Mrs. G. R. White, Miss Boswell, Mrs. Holloway Mrs. J. T. Ross, Miss Mary Dunn.

Advisory Committee —Cantain Carter
J. Hamilton, Esq., J. C. More, Esq.

Auditor -J. C. More, Esa.
ANNUAL REPORT.

The following is a statement of the work done by our Association during the past year:

Our membership is about the same

our members being 124.

As decided at last annual meeting, the annual sale was held later in the autumn, it having been thought advisable to change the date for many reasons. It took place on the 26th Octo-

. . .

The receipts were much the same as usual.

One special, ten monthly and two general meetings were held, the attendance at the latter meetings being and 17 respectively.

The annual collection for the Church Society was again undertaken by some of our members.

Miss Tillie Kennedy having resigned from the executive committee last May St. Paul's has been unrepresented at

our committee meetings.

A donation of children's clothing has been received from Mrs. Webb, sent to the family of one of our clergy The gift has been gratefully ac-

knowledged.

No funds being available at the October general meeting to meet the applications received, a resolution was passed empowering the committee to vote certain sums of money at their next meeting.

We have endeavored to give a favorable response to all appeals, but owing to some requests being for objects outside our work, we have reluctantly had to refuse assistance.

We tender our sincere thanks to all those friends who have kindly contributed money or clothing for our work.

HELEN A. SEWELL, President.

CAROLINE M. HALL. Secretary.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT February-\$25 towards a stove for

parsonage at Stanstead.

\$15 toward a set of communion vessels for use of Rev. Mr. Almond in his visits to out of the way missions the diocese.

April -White Stole to Rev. W.

Adcock.

\$20 towards analtar cloth for Church at Hereford.

\$6 towards a horse shed, and \$14 towards an organ for Church at Lake

May-Dossal for Church at New Carlisle, congregation contributing \$5.

Set of Communion vessels for Church

at Grande Mere.

Set of fair linen for Churches of St. Paul and Christ Church, Frampton.

General meeting-Cassock to Rev. A.

Surplice for Church at Maple Grove. Also one for travelling purposes in same mission.

\$20 towards painting interior of par-

sonage at St. George, Beauce.

June.—Large set of Altar vessels for Church at Black Lake, congregation of that place contributing \$10, and St. Matthew's Guild \$19.

September.-\$15 towards expenses of sickness in a clergyman's family.

October-Altar cloth for new Church at Kinnear's Mills, congregation giving \$5.

November—\$25 towards a furnace for parsonage at Marbleton.

\$25 for same purpose at Shigawake. \$25 towards a stove for Church at

Grande Mere. \$35 towards a set of Altar vessels for Churches at Johnville and Sandhill.

December-\$20 towards expenses of Clergyman in moving.

HELEN A. SEWELL,

President. CAROLINE . ыJ., Secretary.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Treasurer's statement showed the total receipts to have been \$598.08, including a balance of \$204.96 brought forward from previous year.

The expenditure amounted to \$438.32 leaving a balance in hand of \$159.76.

SUNDAY OBSERVANCE.

BY THE REV. JAMES HEPBURN, M.A.

Mr. Chairman, My Lords and Breth-

I have some encouragement in venturing to address you upon the subject assigned me, viz., "Sunday Obeveryone of you is deeply interested, and therefore you will all listen patiently to what is said. It is a subject to be considered from different points of view; and I am encouraged to hope that from the discussion that is sure to follow, much light will be thrown upon it-to our mutual help and advantage.

The proper observance of Sunday or the Lord's Day, is a subject of extreme importance, at the present day. The growing neglect of the day in our country and elsewhere brings sadness and a painful anxiety to all. That the neglect is growing few will gainsay. If it were not a growing evil, and a threatening evil, why should so much attention be given it in the most august assemblies. It has been

brought before the Convocations of the Church in England. It has been discussed in her annual Congresses (where only the most pressing and burning questions are treated). It is only a few days since we were all reading with interest what was said in London in the largest Congress ever assembled in the old land; it has been brought before our Diocesan Synods in Canada on various occasions, and of course it has found a place in the programme of the Provincial Synod, once and again. A few weeks ago the Diocese of New York met under the presidency of its great Bishop Potter, who was ably assisted by a hardly less famous man, Dr. Dix, the Secretary of the General Convention of the United States of America. And only two subjects were handled-the law of Divorce, and the observance of Lord's Day. The whole world been exercised most sorrowfully the has for years past about the first, because the purity of the life-blood of the nation depends upon the due observance of the moral law of God in all its connections, and especially as it bears upon the hallowed relations between husband and wife. What of the importance attaching to the second subject (Sunday observance) on the pro-gramme of that New York Synod at such a time and under the trying cirthat made the first cumstances im-

peratively necessary?

There is but one conclusion to be drawn from what I have been saying, and that is, that much devolves upon the Bishops and Clergy in order that there may be a recovery for the Lord's Day of much that has been lost, and a deliverance from many

abuses.

I purposely avoid calling it the Sabbath Day. It is not the Sabbath Day—the Sabbath Day was abolished long ago. St. Paul the Apostle says as clearly as it is possible for man to lay it, that the day i. abolished. We is longer observe the Sabbath Day; but the day of the Risen Lord—the day of the Resurrection—a day of joy and gladness, because of that Resurrection. And we deprecate very strongly the practice of some who still speak of the Sabbath Day and Sabbath Day to observe, with all the regulations and restrictions of the Ancient Law. No! but we have the Lord's Day to keep. And it speaks of

duties to be done, which are closely connected with the life and health of our souls. And it speaks of privileges-the highest that man can wish for in the present life-privileges that the angels of Heaven might envy us in possessing. Yet how many hun-dreds and thousands of professing Christians live as if there was not a solitary duty devolving upon them nor a single privilege to be found in the Lord's House on His Day-as if any house was as good as the House Prayer, and as if there was no distinction in the days of the week. To correct the prevalent abuses, we have surely much to do. I have said that the Sunday is not the Sabbath Day. It is not. Yet there is a connection between the two to be traced. There must be, for do we not regularly read the Ten Commandments of the Law of Moses in our weekly worship, one of which is "Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath Day"? There must be something in common between our observance of the Lord's Day, that of the Sabbath Day of old, or else this commanament would not be used as it is. This connection does not concern the letter of the law; but it does the spirit of it, which is a matter of far greater moment.

There is the principle of securing rest for weary men based upon the fact that the Lord God Himself rested after the Creation; and closely bound up with it is the principle of elevating and sanctifying that rest, by using it for the honor and worship of God. Man must rest from toil, and get away from the whirl of life and pleasure, so as to be able to do his duty to his Creator. There is also the principle of brotherhood. Not must a man rest but his wife also and children. Yes; it is made very clear and express, by the giving of details as to servants without and within the house, extending even the beasts and cattle. These are the principles of the law; or the spirit of it, that hinds men forever. From this bond of duty we never can be freed. I think it is very necessary that we should take some trouble to show how the Sabbath Day observance passed on into the Christian observance of the Lord's Day which fell on the day of the week.

It is a help to notice that the Sabbath Day was kept by the Jews, not only as a rest in memory of God's

rest, when he had finished the works everyone of them should lay by him of Creation; but also in memory of in store, as God had prospered him, their deliverance from Egyptian bond- that there might be no need of gatherage. Indeed the movement towards de-lings when he came." If you think of a liverance was begun as it happened on Congregation still observing the Sabthe Sabbath Day. Had it been begun bath and getting this instruction about on some other day, itself was so weighty a fact that the stand utterly perplexed, for you say day would have demanded regular 6b. Why this needless trouble? Worship servance. And if this he admitted, it was offered the day before, and gifts is easy to see how Christians were were an essential part of it. What is at once prepared to immortalize the the sense of returning the next morndeliverance of the world from sin and ing with gifts? Does not wisdom death, by a regular and continuous say, bring young gifts when you come weekly celebration of the day on which it was accomplished by the Reson we interpret the passage that dead of their Christians from the Lord and Master, Jesus Christ.

Sabbath Day points in the same di-the same morning week by week and rection. The liberties, which he took year by year. St. Paul lays down with the day, gave great offence to the instruction for Corinth similar rigid teachers boldly justified the taking of liberties; and in so doing called Him- of gifts to help the poor of Jerusalem self the "Lord of the Sabbath." He whenever they met for Christian worhad the power to regulate the day, ship. and He intended to use that power in the interests of men, for "man was not made for the Sabbath, but the

Sabbath for man."

Over this ground I must pass hur-Yet vou will allow me to allude to proofs familiar to all, that we must employ in defence of our position, which we shall find assailed from time to time. There are many worshippers of the letter, who refuse to come away from the Sabbath Day observance, and we must deal with them and show that we are loyal to is alive for evermore, and has the keys the commands and requirements of the of death and Hades." This was the Lord.

The first fact to be noted is that on l Resurrection Day, the Blessed no less than Saviour appeared times to different Disciples. The next not appear to anyone is that He did until the next first day. It is noteworthy that He ignored the Sabbath, Disciples the next day. but met the When Saint Paul was left in Troas seven days, the chronicler states that was left in Troas day of the week the "on the first together to break Disciples came bread." When he wrote his Epistle to the Christians of Cornith, one re-

the deliverance the first day from their leader, from the beginning, i.e., ord and Master, Jesus Christ. from the morning of the Resurrection The teaching of our Saviour about the of the Lord, had met for worship on of the time; and He what he gave to other places, and he these calls special attention to the bringing

> Saint John the Divine, an exile on the lonely rock Patmos, "was in the spirit on the Lord's Day." Observe that this title of "the Lord's Day" was never given to the Sabbath Day, and it must not be given to it here. The whole Book of the Revelation, if read without prejudice, will show that it was the day held sacred to memory of the Lord, on whose count the book was written and whe is described in the opening page "One who liveth, but was dead, who great central truth, around which all other truths revolved-the truth of the deepest importance to the whole world-and which called for a weekly memorial, that its influence might be felt by all, and more and more, until

the end of the world.

I think it wise now to admit that these references to the Holy Scriptures are not by themselves a sufficient proof that we are right in keeping the Sunday instead of the Sabbath.

But, if we follow the lines laid down for our guidance in the Church of England, we feel no obligation to markable instruction he gives them prove every practice or custom from (unless the first day of the week was the Bible. We have the custom of the the day regularly observed by the Church from the beginning, and to us Christian Church everywhere) and it is that is a law as secred as any law that "upon the first day of the week can be, for can it be possible to think

that the Church of God has been in error from the first on a matter of vital concern?

The Christian's day of worship has been the first day, or Sunday, and without fear or misgiving we follow it faithfully. I will not make a pretence of learning, and quote the Fathers Papias Irenaeus, Tertullian, etc. I will dwell upon the famous letter of Governor Pliny. But I will refer 1.0 the change introduced in the Roman by the first Christian Emperor Constantine, because it has been perverted. It has been asserted when the Emperor became a Christian, the Church was so delighted, that she threw the reins of Government into his hands and allowed him privilege of introducing many of his heathen fancies, and among them the worship of his God, the Sun, on the Sun's day—Sunday.

It is well to know the perversion, so as to be ready to meet it. Until the day of Constantine, there was no regular day of weekly worship, but became a Christian, as matter of course he had to observe the Christian's day of worship himself; and then very naturally he used his his influence, and successfully, to have a for worship by allowed his dav Government.

This was an immense gain to the Church to have one of her customs authority, and sanctioned Ъv members left in safety, as they erected houses of Prayer for the Lord, and went to them week by week, or day by day, as they had opportunity for the duty of obedience, so becoming to us when strength and refreshment of their i souls.

The continuous history of the Church for fifteen centuries bears the clearest and strongest testimony to the obserof the week vance of the first day by Christians wherever found. Then a few began to hark back to the Sabbath Day. And they have had a tered into it, we cannot do willimited following since. But we need it. If we tried to, we should reckoned with the many generations of Let us emphasize this our experience, Christians who have been perfectly agreed on the matter from the first.

great truth—is that the Lord God de-they are so many) who have not yet mands the peculiar observance of one had the experience! Believe me we day in seven. He demands it for our shall thus do much good. sakes, and for His sake.

It is good for men to have regular periods of rest. Not that men could not work on steadily every day in the year for awhile, for as far as the strain goes many could; many do. But it is good for men all the same, let them be ever so strong. It must be good, for the Lord has enjoined it; and in all His legislation for men He has studied most thoughtfully and tenderly their interests. What is good for us He decrees.

is verv easy to develop this thought; but I leave it for others. What surely must appeal to us more powerfully even than this is, that the appointment is for God's sake, His honor and worship. Do we brethren, under feel ourselves, the weightiest obligations to keep the day that is fixed for such hallowed purposes.

There may be a good deal of selfishness and, indolence in observing a day, that we regard as first appointed for the resting of weary limbs, though there is truth in it as far as it goes. But when we think of the day as connected with the dignity and honor of God, we are moved with better feelings, and more powerful by far. We are roused by this, when we pay little or no attention to the other.

The day is God's day-not ours. He demands it at our hands; and he has a right so to do. He requires us to tread his courts, bringing our gifts the Lord our God calls; and then we think of the privilege—the great and glorious and blessed privilege of worship.

It is a privilege indescribably precious, when we have accepted it, and continued to accept it year after year. Once we have thoroughly tered into it, we cannot do without not trouble ourselves any more about that the delight was gone out of our them. We are quite satisfied to be lives, and we could not endure it. again and again, with all the force of character, resulting from our strength and depth of our convictions, The truth to remember, and it is a let us urge it upon the many (oh !

Presently I shall speak of recrea-

that I believe find a fitting place on Sundays, after the proper duties of the day are done, or as rest between one duty and another. For we cannot possibly live our natural life of toil for six days in the week, and then spend the whole of Sundays in devotions of one kind and another. Attempts to bring this about have ended disastrously, driving people to utter recklessness, and godlessness and sin.

But first I must speak of the two great obstacles to Sunday observance -labor and pleasure. The regulation of Sunday labor is full of difficulties. of Sunday labor is full of difficulties, say much, many, many of our people There is work in the house and in the had better rise to their standard and barn; there is loss in business, if the run be broken; there is travel on the street and on the railroad; there are cabmen and drivers; there are waiters in hotels and elsewhere, and they can-between us and them is very much not be let free.

No! Have those that employed thought over the matter them considerately? It is surprising a difference it makes, when we what think with sympathy and compassion, and arrange a plan of work. One mistress will keep all her servants busy the whole of every week day, and just as busy on Sunday as any other day. And another will plan for her maids and give them almost any privilege good for them. Some servants never get to Church at all; others can get there every Sunday, and can also avail themselves of the greatest of Christian privileges, the Holy Communion.

Several very interesting papers were read in this connection at the recent Church Congress in London, England. One gentleman of large experience contrasted the workings of three large establishments, employing seventy men each; one firm kept fifty men busy on Sunday; another, ten; and another, only one. Many similar facts were given. How eloquent are these figures. When the employer wishes to ease his men, he can.

And how many of us men might lift loads of care and trouble from wives and servants, if we did not insist upon luxurious fare on Sunday.

If we would see the evils arising from excessive toil reduced in our country, it would be wise for us to look first and see if we ourselves cannot do something at home.

It is much harder to deal with companies and corporations than with individuals. In fact it seems as if there was some truth in the adage: "Corporations have no souls."

Remember a holiday on Sunday now and then is not much of a privilege. Worship regularly, and it is easy; it is also comforting-delightful; but let your attendance he broken, and your joy is measurably gone at once; and is in danger of dying out. Many of our people are disposed to condemn the Roman Catholics for amusements on Sunday afternoons. Well! before we give half the day. Unless our righteousness exceeds theirs, let us have a wholesome fear. I think that in many places in our country the comparison against us.

And this leads me to my second obstacle in the way of Sunday Observance — Pleasure — not Lahour. Experience teaches us that, if labor and toil injure our Sunday worship, pleasure injures it ten times more. We have heard of Continental Sundays. The fashion is spreading like a plague. England sees much of them now, and especially among the rich. They are all the rage in New York and Caicago. Canada is not disposed to be left behind. Even in our towns and villages you cannot hire a livery horse on Sunday, for they are all engaged. In summer, wheels are flying from dawn till dusk. It is painfully sad, for it betokens an utter disregard of God's wishes; it reveals a fearful lack of piety and devotion; and what will be the future of a country that is not steadied by the thought of the fear and the love of God? You should be as much afraid of what is coming to a people, who live without the fear of God, as you are of the fate of a god-less man. There is no future to be depended upon, unless by allegiance to God you merit it. We hear of the fast lives of those in cities, and certainly in summer resorts one is not favorably impressed by their representatives, but there is enough in the country with which we are familiar to make us deeply ashamed. Farmers living a few miles back, in the busy season, use Sunday very extensively; first, to have a long sleep to make up for half a dozen short ones; then to drive

down at noon to get the mail, and call on the doctor for medicines. If they are feeling well, they will start earlier, in order to find a friend or a relative, and have a comfortable day's chat and gossip.

You would suppose that the leisured few (after six days of fun and frolic) would be satisfied with a quiet day; but no; they are respectable, and go to Church in the morning, but after lunch there must be "a run, and just a quiet supper, you know, for a few friends."

All this shows a low spiritual tone in the land.

Now, understand me, I am no Puritan critic. I do not object to see a lad on his wheel on Sunday; and I would greatly enjoy seeing a father (busy through the week), with his family driving for fresh air, or walking, or boating. But it does seem reasonable to require, that those, who have of leisure during the week, should seek less on Sunday. Some advocate field games for the afternoon, and quote the example of some of the finest men we ever had - e.g. John Keble, at Hursley. I have not a shadow of a doubt that the boys under the Saintly Keble lived excellently, escaping danger; but I would not dare to take the responsibility he took, for I could not maintain the necessary control. It is better to err on the safe side.

We must guard the Lord's Day with care. We must be emphatic and earnest in our teaching in public and in private. I speak for myself, Brethren in the Ministry, when I say that often there is a great falling away, when we are face to face with men alone.

I find no difficulty in being bold as a lion when I speak in the pulpit to everybody in general and nobody in particular; but I have no such courage to handle excuses, when I am with a man alone. And surely this is a weak-What paltry excuses are given to us, when we come to close quarters with offenders! But, oh! how often I have accepted them as sound and good, when only two of us were together! The truth of God is We must advocate that truth wherwe are. And the conviction has often been brought to me. that the quiet but faithful speaking of

productive of good. Here lies, perhaps, our greatest sphere of useful-My reverend Brethren, I see ness. that I have gone on too long, and I fear that you may think I have been preaching to you. I pray you believe that no such thought has crossed my mind. I have merely spoken to free my own soul; and I do trust that many of you will now take part, and help me and others more perfectly to do the duties devolving upon us especias those duties are connected ally, with the proper observance of day, hallowed by God's own appointment, and religiously observed by His Church since its foundation. For upon the observance of this day largely denends the welfare of our souls, well-being of our people, and our country, and (most solemn thought of all, and mostinspiring, too) the glory of the Lord Our God.

First Princip e of Christianity.

We have received a copy of a Leaflet on the above subject from the pen of the Rev. T. L. Ball, drawn with a view to general distribution: and this first Leaflet will be followed at intervals by others. To those who like to enclose a word in season in their letters or to leave a suggestion for their neighbor's good in a Railway Station or a train, these Leaflets are likely to prove useful. They may be procured from the Rev. T. L. Ball, Waterville, at 50 cents per hundred.

PUBLIC WORSHIP.

ON Your WAY

On your way to the LORD'S HOUSE be thoughtful, be silent, or say but little, and that little good. Speak not of other men's faults. Think of your own, for you are going to ask forgiveness.

WHEN YOU REACH THE CHURCH. Never stay outside, go in at once. Time spent within is precious.

In Church

that the quiet but faithful speaking of the truth to individuals alone is most Spend the time that remains in holy

thought. In prayer, remember the awful PRESENCE into which you have come.

Never look about to see who are coming in, or for any cause whatever. It matters nothing to you what others may be doing. Attend to yourself. Fasten your thoughts firmly on the Holy Service. Miss not one word. This needs a severe struggle, so you have no time for vain things.

THE BLESSED SPIRIT will strengthen you, if you persevere.

WHEN SERVICE IS OVER

Remain kneeling and pray. Be silent aud speak to no one until you are outside. Do not cover your head until you have left the Porch. The Church is God's House even when prayer is over.

ON YOUR WAY HOME.

Be careful of your talk. The world will too soon slip back into your mind. Love Praise and Prayer best.

Preaching is but the Help to that Holy Work.

Honorary Treasurership of the Diocesan Board.

After seventeen or eighteen years of carnest, steady, voluntary work, our Honorary Treasurer of the Diocesan Board of our Church Society, Mr. John Hamilton, has felt obliged to resign his office. The Treasurer's work consists, first of all, of receiving all the e'ements, which go to make up the stipends of the Clergy. These elements are briefly the interest on our invested funds, donations, subscriptions, grants of Societies, the assessments of the Parishes, that are under the Board. And with this there is also the duty of paying the Clergy of these Parishes on scale on the four quarter days.

The position, consequently, of the Honorary Treasurer is a most important and honorable one and is not a mere name

or sinecure.

Mr. John Hamilton deserves, therefore, and he will also have, we feel sure, the thanks, not only of the Bishop and of the Board in Quebec, but of the Clergy and Parishes concerned.

DISTRICT NEWS.

GEORGEVILLE AND FITCH BAY.

There were very pretty and successful Christmas trees at both Georgeville and Fitch Bay in the Christmas week, the attendance in both cases being quite remarkably large, and thoroughly happy evenings were spent by all present. At Georgeville, before the fruits of the tree were plucked, the children the Sunday School, assisted by friends, performed a little Christmas play in costume, which both interested and amused the company present in a very high degree. The play was called "A Christmas for Santa Claus," and was really a children's Cantata, consisting very largely of singing. It was quite a matter of surprise to all that the children were able to perform it as they did; and the performance reflected much credit on themselves, and must have involved a large expenditure of time and trouble on the part of those of their elders, who so kindly helped them to get it up, and make so great a success of it.

At Fitch Bay the evening resembled rather a large family party, with games, etc., than an entertainment; and the great family gathered together was thoroughly at home, and on the happiest of terms, entering into the whole affair with great spirit and enjoyment.

The Church at Fitch Bay has received an exceedingly handsome and most generous gift in the shape of a com-plete set of colored silk Chalice Veils and Burses for the different seasons. The violet set arrived in time to be used during Advent, and the white ones in time for Christmas. Both are beautiful; but the white, being the Festival set, are naturally more elaborately worked than the others, and are examples of the very best and highest type of ecclesiastical embroidery, both in design and color. The other two sets are expected shortly. We owe this really magnificent gift to one who was brought into the fellowship of Christ's Holy Catholic Church while resident in this place, and who has now gone forth from our midst, and is working as a Priest in the Diocese of Ontario-the Rev. W. A. Gustin.

WINDSOR MILLS AND BROMPTON.

The Rev. E. A. W. King sends the following report, in which he refers to some Parochial matters, which have occurred not very lately, and to c'hers of more recent date.

The Harvest Festivals were well observed, and the Churches decorated with care, taste and skill; as they were also for Christmas, through a very general and harmonious co-opera-

The Vestry of St. George's Church, Windsor Mills, has received a new coatdrawers for surplices, etc., a warm carpet, and a pretty table-cover. Changes have also been made in the placing of stove and furniture, so that it can be, and has been used, with comfort for meetings and for week-day Services in cold weather. The necessary outlay herein has been met as a thank-offering by the Missionary and his wife.

A Christmastide festival gladdened each of the Sunday Schools, when interesting and well-executed propleasure to all present. From wellladen trees were distributed rewards for regular and punctual attendance,

and for well prepared lessons.

A few generous donors offered funds for these gifts, and the kind hearts and skilful hands of the teachers and others endeavored in a pleasing and wisely discriminating way to assign to every Sunday School scholar some token of love and encouragement.

Brompton the Superintendent, Mrs. S. Varney, Miss E. Knapp, teacher and organist, and the Missionary, received gifts as well as the dear child-

ren.

Mr. King's was a handsome pair of fur gauntless, which unexpected, but important contribution to his personal comfort, he appreciates most hearting. The Venerable Archdeacon Roe, with his usual generosity, has made a donation to Christ Church Sunday School for the purchase of books. The names of those who best deserve the warm School are thanks of St. George's Mr. Alton Rowland, Superintendent; Miss Cassidy and Miss Dennison, teachers; Mrs. Briggs, for training performers in their musical and other parts; also Mr. and Mrs. James Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. MacFarlane, and Mr. A. Rowland, for contributing,

asked, most of the funds needed for the presents to the scholars. The "Ladies' Circle" and "Young People's Guild" of Christ Church, Brompton, maintaining their regular fortnightly meetings.

Malbaie.

It really does seem as though one had nothing other than a series of "Tea Parties," in this Mission to record in the Dio-CESAN GAZETTE from time to time. so, however, in order to get the necessary funds for Church work here, one has of ing on walls and ceiling, a chest of necessity to resort to this Social Parish function for the raising of the needful.

With pleasure (?) I revert to an old expression of mine, and say, "The Lades of St. Peter's Church, Malbaie, held their Annual Church Tea, and Sale of Work, in the Hall at Malbaie, on the evenings of January 16th and 19th." Most unfortunately the weather was decidedly bad on

both occasions.

It was intended to entertain on one eve ing only, but the large-heartednesof my people in giving so bountifully to grammes, in which the scholars were the collectors for the making of this Tea, chiefly the participants, gave much left no alternative but to arrange for a second pleasan' evening, as it was quite impossible either to eat or to sell all the cakes, etc., on the 16th. Even on the 19th the storm dogs seemed to be against us, for it blew and drifted blindingly all day, only clearing shortly before the hour appointed for tea.

However, quite a fair number, in spite of the snow, were present again, when, in addition to hearing a selection of songs, band music, recitations, etc., from the Clergyman's Graphophone, his Magic Lantern served well to send the young-

sters present home in high spirits,

In a few words of welcome from the Clergyman, he remarked how pleased he would be to see so many who struggled in bad weather to a Tea, come oftener in fine weather to Church. To our good friends from the Corner Beach, whom we missed in many ways on the second evening, we tender our thanks for their presence, and our sympathy for them in their midnight return drive across the Bay, in the face of a blowing, smothering drift.

Where all did so much to help, it would seem out of place to mention names, but our best thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. LeMarquand and Miss LeGros, Messrs. T. and P. Vardon, Duncan, Hamon and Sackwood, etc., and we trust we may be more fortunate at our next Annual Tea in having finer weather.

However, we are all very Loyal here, if hearty cheering is "Loyalty;" for our good Queen, and her brave, noble soldiers were loudly cheered after the singing of the National Anthem.

Thus our "Parsonage Fund," in spite of the weather, was benefited to the ex

tent of \$78.50.

Magog,

The Rev. R. W. E. Wright reports: Everything is very quiet here, and one finds it hard to hunt up news for the Gazette.

The Christmas Services were very bright and hearty, and the number of communicants at the two Celebrations very good indeed. The Church was very prettily decorated by the Sanctuary Guild

and others.

On Saturday evening, December 23rd, the Annual Christmas Tree for the Sunday School children was held in the Town Hall, and the children all seemed to enjoy themselves immensely. first part of the evening's entertainment was a programme given in its entirety by the teachers and children, and much appreciated by the audience. Then came Santa Claus, and the Christmas Tree laden with presents, and every ne received something as a memento of the occasion.

We have lost several more of our Church members by removal since last I wrote, and we could not afford to lose them. We hope the changes have now come to an end. Of course others have to! take the places of those leaving, but unfortunately for us most of the new com-

ers are not Church people.

The Women's Guild are meeting regularly every fortnight, and hope to get rid of the Parsonage repairs' d bt by Easter,

NEW CARLISLE AND PASPEBIAC.

The Rev. E. K. Wilson writes:

During the last six months, in addition to the usual routine of Services, the following special events are

worthy of note:

In July the Ladies' Guild of Hopetown held a most successful sale of useful and fancy articles, the handsome sum of \$27 being realized. This may seem a moderate measure of success to many readers of the Gazette, but considering the smallness of our numbers in this part of the parish, and the unfavorable condition of

the weather, we were more than satisfied with the result, as we were thus enabled to pay a small arrears of \$10, and to improve our horse shed by the application of a coat of tar to the roof, and of whitewash to walls.

In August the united Congregations held a lawn social upon the Rectory grounds, and as the day was all that could be expected, there was a good attendance (about 250 being present). In the earlier part of the day several of our energetic helpful young people, having borrowed for the occasion the code of signals belonging to the brigantine Blenheim, then lying in the harbor, made the grounds quite gay colored burting. with many afraid, however, that their arrangement might have created confusion in the mind of one who understood the significance of each signal. To such an one the hanging out of a large yellow flag at the Rectory door might have been more suggestive of quarantine regulations than of parochial festivity. The object of this social was to obtain money to purchase stoves for the Rectory, and was so financially successful that we were able not only to obtain the stoves, but we had also sufficient funds to put in a new pump-a much-needed improve-

In September, Special Harvest Festivals were held at New Carlisle and Paspebiac. At the former the Rev. I. N. Kerr was the preacher. Church upon the occasion was fully decorated with flowers, fruit and Autumn leaves, the whole presenting a most artistic effect. At Paspebiac, also, we had expected Mr. Kerr to be the preacher, but, unfortunately, the sad drowning of Mr. Acteson, the preceding night, called him to Anse.Aux Gascons, and the incumbent was obliged to preach himself; however, we trust that no unforseen circumstances mə.y occur next Autumn to prevent our nearest Clerical neighbor from being with us.

At Christmas time two very enjoyable "Trees" were held at Paspebiac and New Carlisle. It is needless to say that they were a success. Christmas trees are usually a success; they cannot be otherwise, inasmuch as they have as their sole object the unselfish motive of giving pleasure to our little

ones.

IN MEMORIAM.

Barbara Forsythe, wife of Richard Smith. Died July 13th. Aged 43 years.

Margaret Ellen Edwards, wife of Allan Law. Died August 13th. Aged 61 years.

Marion Kempffer. Died September 4th. Aged 5 months.

Nina Jane Delaney. Died September 25th. Aged 20 years.

Lyman Abel Manger. Died October 13th. Aged 4 months.

John Francis LeGallais. Died October 16th. Aged 75 years.

Frederick Chambers. Died October 26th. Aged 71 years.

John Edgar Crosier. Died October 28th. Aged 1 year.

Rowena Mary Judith Ray. Died November 28th. Aged 6 months.

Sarah Ann Daval, wife of Philip LeGallais. Died December 4th. Aged 62 years.

Nathaniel Johnston. Died December 22nd. Aged 57 years.

"Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord"

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