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Special Notice.—All subscriptions to the **Diocesan Gazette** for the year just passing away (or even in some cases for previous years), which are not already paid, should be sent in at once. Unless notice to the contrary is received, it is taken for granted that all old subscribers wish to continue for another year. In fact the acceptance of the paper, as it comes through the mail or is delivered, involves the liability to pay the subscription, unless a definite refusal has been sent in. The Editor will be glad to receive **Renewal Subscriptions for 1901** as soon as possible. It is hoped, that those, who feel that the **Gazette** is of use in the Diocese, and who are able to do so, will, as in former years, contribute some small extra donation towards the cost of its production. At the present rate of subscription it is only just possible to "make ends meet." We would also remind our readers that now is the time to induce all their friends and neighbours to take the **Gazette**. This they can do by giving twenty-five cents to their Clergyman, who will forward their name and address and their money to the Editor, and thus they will receive each month a most interesting **Budget**, generally illustrated by some picture or pictures, and always exhibiting the Church life of the Diocese, as well as the work and the wishes of the Bishop.

The Bishop's Engagements for December.

Saturday, Dec. 1st. — Travel to Melbourne.

Advent Sunday, Dec. 2nd. — Confirmation at S. John's, Melbourne. Confirmation of sick person at Richmond. Confirmation at S. Anne's, Richmond.

Monday, Dec. 3rd. — Travel to Sherbrooke. Address the W. A. and go to Lennoxville.

Tuesday, Dec. 4th. — Preside at Corporation Meeting of Bishop's College. Attend Business Meeting of Convocation. Attend Business Meeting of S. Francis District Association. Attend Public Meeting of Convocation and Attend Anniversary Service of S. Francis District Association in the evening.

Wednesday, Dec. 5th. — Celebrate the Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m. Attend Session of Deanery Board and preside at Missionary Meeting.

Thursday, Dec. 6th. — Travel to Leeds for Confirmation, and S.P.G. Lecture.

Friday, Dec. 7th. — Return to Quebec.

Sunday, Dec. 9th. — Celebrate the Holy Communion at Cathedral 8 a.m. Preach 11 a.m. and assist at Evensong.

Monday, Dec. 10. — Travel to S. John, N.B.

Wednesday, Dec 12th. — Travel to Fredericton, N.B.

Friday, Dec. 14th. — Return to S. John.

Sunday, Dec. 16th. — Celebrate and Preach at S. Paul's, S. John, N.B.

Monday, Dec. 17th. — Travel to Quebec.

Tuesday, Dec. 18th. — Preside at Central Board Meeting 4 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 20th. — Travel to S. George, Beauce, for Confirmation.

Friday, Dec. 21st (S. Thomas' Day). — Return to Quebec.

Sunday, Dec. 23rd. — Celebrate the Holy Communion at Cathedral 8 a.m., preach 11 a.m., and assist at Evensong.

Tuesday, Dec. 25th, (Christmas Day). — Celebrate the Holy Communion 11 a.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 26th. (S. Stephen, M.)

Thursday, Dec. 27th, (S. John, Ap.) — Celebrate the Holy Communion, Cathedral 7.30 a.m.

Friday, Dec. 28th, (Holy Innocents).

Sunday, Dec. 30th. — Celebrate the Holy Communion, Cathedral 8 a.m.

The Bishop's Christmas Card.

Since our DIOCESAN GAZETTE is really the Bishop's monthly Letter, or means of communication with his whole Diocese, his ideal is that every family in the Diocese should receive this monthly Booklet with all its suggestions and information. And then at Christmas or New Year's time, the Bishop likes to send to every family his personal greetings. This he does this year by a Christmas card with a beautiful little photogravure taken from Furst's well known Picture of the Christ Child under the loving care of the Blessed Virgin Mother and S. Joseph. The Hand is uplifted to bless. May His wondrous blessing reach a' who thus see their Lord, and may they have Grace to accept the invitation written below, is the Bishop's Christmas wish!

CHURCH SOCIETY.

CENTRAL BOARD.

A stated Meeting of the Central Board was held, under the presidency of the Lord Bishop, in the Cathedral Hall, on November 20th, seventeen members being present. Letters were received from three clergymen desiring the Board's acceptance of as many school teachers, not possessed of Diplomas. The Board did not deem it wise to depart from their rule. An Outfit Grant was promised, as soon as funds were available, to a young clergyman entering upon Mission work. Thanks were received for grants promised towards the erection of new Churches at Shawinigan and Grand-Mère. An application was received for a grant towards the extinction of a debt overhanging a Parsonage since its erection many years ago; referred to the Finance Committee. The Honorary Counsel submitted a legal opinion touching the Society's rights and powers under the Will of the late Mr. James King. The Board appointed Mr. Robert Campbell, Advocate, of Quebec, to represent them in this matter, and instructed their Secretary to forward a copy of the Legal Opinion to the Bursar of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, and to inform the Executors of the Estate of the late Mr. King of Mr. Campbell's appointment as their representative. The Committee on Medical Certificates submitted a report recommending in lieu of the old form, another one governing all applications for participation in the benefits of

the Pension Fund of the Society and governing also the Medical Examination. The report was adopted by the Board. The city Clergy, together with Mr. John Hamilton, were appointed a Committee to review the subscription lists of the city, in aid of the Society's Funds as soon as they could be obtained from the hands of the Church Helpers, who have again kindly undertaken the office of Collectors. The Very Rev. the Dean of Quebec and Mr. John Hamilton were named as a Committee to aid the Bishop in making arrangements for the Anniversary Meeting.

Loyalty to the Church, the Diocese and the Church Society.

PAPER READ AT THE LORD BISHOP'S VISITATION AT BISHOP'S COLLEGE, LENNOXVILLE, BY THE VERY REVEREND THE DEAN OF QUEBEC, SEPTEMBER 1900.

"Loyalty to the Church, the Diocese and the Church Society": This is the subject, with which I have to deal. I propose to treat it in the following manner, viz. :—To consider, briefly, the relation, in which the Parish stands towards

1. The Diocese and the Church Society.
2. The Church at large;

and also to consider the responsibilities, which these relationships entail. Let us consider first the relation of the Parish to the Diocese.

It is, of course, a very close and intimate relation. The Diocese is a unit, and the various parishes form its component parts. The Bishop is the Father in God of the family, which is co-extensive with the Diocese. The idea of the family is, I take it, inherent in the word Diocese—*diocesis*. The spiritual charge of the whole family is the Bishop's. The charge of souls he delegates to the various Priests in the Parishes and Missions. The supervision and oversight he must exercise himself, as the head of the family. All Churchmen in a Diocese are bound together, therefore, in a very close bond of union.

If one member suffers, all the members suffer with it, or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it. If one Parish is in distress, the whole Diocese feels it, or ought to feel it. If in one Parish good work is done, it is a strength to the Diocese. And, on the other hand, all that concerns the Diocese at large, concerns the Parish and

every member of the Parish. This close and intimate relationship ought to be realized, and when realized, acted upon in a practical manner.

Each Parish should take a pride in the welfare of the Diocese, and do its utmost to conduce to that welfare; and the Diocese must be concerned in the well being of each several Parish.

But, it may be asked "How can a single, small, perhaps poor and isolated Parish, help towards the welfare of the whole?" Surely in many ways. Let me mention only a few:

1. By manifesting a ready sympathy with all that concerns the Diocese. It is astonishing what a power a sympathetic interest, when widely spread, exerts for the furthering of any good work.

2. By making sure that those, who are elected as Delegates to the Diocesan Synod, are men, who will attend and take part in, or, at all events, take an interest in the proceedings of the Synod.

3. By paying the Synod assessment regularly and promptly.

4. By loyally and promptly taking a part in any movement, which may be set on foot, by proper authority in the Diocese, and helping to further it with all good will. Many Parishes hold aloof from large movements, because it is thought that the little help, which they can render, is of no value. We know the folly of this argument, and that the prompt help of the many, doing as they are able with a willing heart, is the greatest power of all in helping forward any movement.

Then there are appeals, which come to us or our Church Wardens from the Bishop or the Synod, or from the Church Society.

These appeals may seem sometimes not to concern the individual Parish at all, or only perhaps very remotely, and are, therefore, not always responded to. But, apart from the question of loyal obedience, surely this is a mistake—even from a selfish point of view. The welfare of each component part is bound up in the welfare of the whole, and that, which tends to the consolidation and strengthening of the Diocese as a whole, must have its reflex effect upon the Parishes.

We will take one instance. It may seem to be a matter of small moment to a Parish, whether or not the Diocese has or has not a good Pension Fund. It may be said, the Parish or Mission will

always have a Clergyman as long as it is able to pay its assessment—and when a parson is past his work he has got to look out for himself, the Parish can't be expected to do that.

But as a matter of fact it is a very important matter for the Parish itself. If the Diocese possesses a good Pension Fund, as, I am very thankful to say, this Diocese does, the Parish Priest is relieved of a vast amount of care and anxiety, and can fulfil the duties of his calling amongst his parishioners with a much lighter heart, and therefore more effectually than he could possibly do, if there was no fund to fall back upon for support in his old age. *This is a direct benefit to the Parish.*

Then again the possession of a good Pension Fund by the Diocese is beneficial to the Parish in a further and perhaps more important respect.

When a Parish Priest, through age and infirmity, gets beyond his work and feels that the duties of his office can no longer be fully and faithfully discharged, he is able to surrender his charge and retire from active service.

If the Diocese does not possess a good Pension Fund, it often becomes a matter of sheer necessity for the Parish Priest to remain at his post long after he has ceased to be able to fulfil his duties adequately and thoroughly, much to his own distress, as well as to the detriment of the Parish.

Again, take the case of the Mission Fund. It is a matter of vital importance, not only to the whole Diocese, but also to every Parish, whether the Diocesan Mission Fund has the hearty, unflinching and generous support of every Parish in the Diocese, and of every Churchman in the Diocese.

If the Mission Fund is not well supported, it means smaller incomes for the Clergy, and God knows they are small enough as it is. It means smaller stipends, or, at all events, defers the time when they may be increased. It also means larger assessments in the Parishes, and, what is worse still, the necessity of curtailing the work in some parts of the Diocese, and inability to send out men into new ground, when an opportunity of starting a Mission, with good hope of success, presents itself.

I think that we (the Clergy) often fail to use our influence sufficiently in bringing these matters before our people, and in getting them to realize their duty to

the Diocese and the Church Society. At least, I speak for myself; I know I am to blame in this respect. and I take for granted that some of my brethren are in the same boat.

I think we most of us fail to do our duty with regard to the *Mission Fund*. It is very important to see that the House-to-House Collectors do their work intelligently and thoroughly. What we want to get is a large body of subscribers to the Mission Fund in every Parish in the Diocese.

It is quite unfair that some parts of the Diocese should be thoroughly canvassed and others practically neglected. We want to see that intelligent collectors are chosen—and then get them together before they set out on their rounds and see to it that they thoroughly understand the work they have to do, explain the necessity of supporting the various funds, what the various funds are for, and impress upon them the necessity of not being put off with the first excuse and urge them to call and call and call again until they get the subscription.

And then, when they have been their rounds, go over the lists with them to make sure that no names have been omitted.

Then again when the annual collections are made in Church for the various funds, we must explain explicitly the objects of the various funds, and the need of supporting them generously and the disastrous results which will follow if they are not well supported. Take the General Fund, for instance, we must make it clear to all that, unless this fund is well supported, the whole Diocese must suffer, that grants for the erection of Churches and Parsonages will have to be curtailed, that the support hitherto given towards the Schools cannot possibly be continued, that the grants given towards the education of the children of the Clergy, so much valued and so sorely needed, will have to be reduced, and the other effects which must inevitably follow if the General Fund falls behind hand.

No matter what the Parish is, it does not do to take anything for granted. It is our bounden duty to explain carefully and minutely the circumstances of every appeal even though we may run the chance of becoming wearisome to some of the members of our Congregation who may know a little more than the rest.

We have the privilege of belonging to the best equipped Diocese in Canada as

far as funds and financial system is concerned, but is there not a danger of over-estimating this privilege or rather of under-estimating our responsibility in the matter of keeping alive amongst our parishioners a continued and un failing interest in all that concerns the welfare of our beloved Church.

We must not forget that the comparative ease, with which our funds have been kept up to an adequate level in the past, was largely due to the splendid generosity of two noble Churchmen, whom God in His Wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst. There is not a Parish in the Diocese which has not benefited by their noble generosity. There is not a Parish which is not in duty bound to do what it can when called upon to contribute towards a fitting Memorial of one or other or both of these worthy men.

But the fact that we can no longer count upon their support makes it all the more necessary that we should strain every nerve to sustain unflinching, and to increase the spirit of generous liberality amongst all the Church people of the Diocese.

I do not see why we should not from time to time gather our people together for a Church Society meeting. I am sure that they might be made interesting and helpful. It ought not to be difficult to get some neighbouring brother Priest, who has worked in other parts of the Diocese, perhaps on the Coast of Labrador or the Magdalen Islands, to come to the meeting and tell some facts about the work.

You have your Annual Meeting of the St. Francis District Association at Sherbrooke I know, and we have the Anniversary Meeting of the Church Society in Quebec, but I think that something of a similar nature, on a smaller scale in our Parishes or several centres, would not only be helpful, but exceedingly interesting to our people.

Let us strive in every way to arouse a spirit of enthusiasm for the welfare of the Diocese. God's work must be supported and it must be done thoroughly and heartily.

The spirit of *esprit de corps* has been a marked characteristic of this Diocese in the past, and must be maintained. We must see to it that our people take a pride, not only in their own Parish Churches and their interests, but in all that concerns the Kingdom of God in

our Diocese, aye, and beyond the borders of our own Diocese as well.

And this brings me to the last division of my subject—the relation of the Parish and the relation of Church people towards the Church in general. Hitherto I have perhaps dwelt too much upon motives, which, if not merely selfish, are not far from self-interest, but behind and surpassing in importance all the motives which I have as yet brought forward for the duty of going beyond the limits of our own Parish in the interest which we are bound to take in the welfare of the Church of Christ, there is, of course, the glorious truth of the Oneness of the Body of Christ, and that equally splendid but much forgotten truth—"the Communion of Saints"—that doctrine which not only brings inexpressible comfort and consolation to our sad hearts, when our dear ones who have died in the faith of the Redeemer have passed away from the Church on earth to the Church in Paradise—but which has also its practical bearing, as all great doctrines have, upon our conduct here and now, and especially our conduct towards our brother Christians in the same Diocese and throughout the world, fellow-members of the Body of Christ, to whom we are linked by a closer tie than that of blood.

When any sudden or great calamity threatens our fellow-Christians in any distant part of the world the interest of our people is for a short time aroused. We offer petitions to God for their deliverance, but when the matter has ceased to become the topic of the day in the newspapers, there are very few who give more than a passing thought to that far distant portion of God's Church, and the trials of those who labour and suffer there.

What a lack of real Missionary interest and zeal there is amongst our people and amongst ourselves. When we think of it, there is, there can be no more important, more engrossing subject in this wide world for a Christian people than the history—the present history of the advance of the Holy Catholic Church, but it is too sadly true that there are few subjects, about which people in general take less interest. How are we to bring home to our people in our Parish the supreme importance of the Missionary work of the Church? How can we arouse and foster a Missionary spirit amongst our people? First and foremost by taking a keen interest in the Missionary work of

the Church throughout the world ourselves. This, I am convinced, is of primary importance, and is the main essential. Our people are not so much to blame in the matter as we are. We must give them information. How can people take an interest in a subject of which they have no knowledge. It is true we have the annual appeals, but if our people hear no more about the grand work of the Church as she struggles and strains to plant the standard of the Cross in all parts of the world than the knowledge which is obtained by the comparatively few who listen to these appeals or who attend an occasional Missionary Meeting, is it any wonder that they are not enthusiastic about Missions?

The interest which depends on this food will grow very thin in the course of twelve months. We ought to preach Missionary Sermons more frequently. I have known of men, who make it a rule to preach a Missionary Sermon once a month. We teach people about the journeys of St. Paul and the past history of the Church of England, but the Kingdom of Christ is still growing, important and intensely interesting Church history is now being formed, Apostolic journeys are still being undertaken and Churches are being founded. There is ample and interesting material for Sermons on the progress and trials of the Church in the present day to be found in the annual reports and monthly magazines of the Missionary Societies. Much is being done, I know, by the Women's Auxiliary in the cultivation of the Missionary spirit. All honour to the women, but I have long felt that the men, since the W. A. has been formed, have taken less interest in the great Missionary work of the Church than they did formerly. Fewer men attend Missionary Meetings than formerly. One reason, perhaps, is because Missionary Meetings, now-a-days, are for the most part held under the auspices of the W. A., and most men don't care to attend meetings that are run by women. We men ought to take our share of the work and not leave it all to the women.

We might talk it over with some of the men of our Parish and get them to organize a Meeting themselves and, if possible, persuade them to read a paper or make a speech themselves. Many of them can do it, and do it well if they will, and it is our duty to try and make them have the will. One good speech

from an earnest layman will do more good than half a dozen from a Parson.

We should encourage our people to subscribe for and read some good Missionary Magazine. We can have a short Service of Intercession for Missions, say once a month. We ought to make much of the annual day of Intercession.

There are countless ways of arousing interest, if we only have the will and the zeal ourselves. Yes, the key to the whole difficulty lies just there. We *ourselves* must be enthusiastically loyal to the Church in the Diocese and the Church at large, which means that we must be enthusiastically loyal to Christ our Lord, the great Head of the Church.

If we want to expand the hearts of our people, we must see to it that our own hearts are expanding. The appeal of the Crucified "This have I done for thee, what doest thou for Me," demands an answer, and the Priest of God must be ready to give that answer—before he can expect his people to do so. There can be no real interest in Missions till we realise the all embracing love of God.

All real effective work for God depends upon our personal union with Jesus Christ, as the source of all spiritual life, upon the great fact that we abide in Him and He in us.

If our own hearts are aflame with the love of God, with loyalty to our King and Saviour, with Love for Christ's Body, the Living Body—the Living Church, we shall easily find methods of spreading that love and loyalty.

A Wealthy Parent.

The following came recently to a Clergyman from the pen of a prosperous business man :—

"We intend to start our son Ronald in at Kindergarten in a few days, and I pray that these first days of schooling for him may be the beginning of an education, the definite end of which will be the priesthood of the Church. Certainly this is his mother's and my own most heartfelt desire, and I cannot but feel that, if he is spared to us, God will give us this great blessing. I do not ask for my boy money or position, or ease, but I do hope that his life may be used to the glory of God and that, before it ends here, he may have been enabled to make the

world just a little better than he found it, and I believe that my prayer will be answered."

Would that more of our wealthy men in Montreal, Toronto and Quebec would write such letters as this !

The Ministry of Angels.

In his Sermon on this subject, at Michaelmas, the Rev. Dr. Dumbell, Rector of Sherbrooke, P.Q., said, in part :—

"Are any of you in doubt as to whether the Angels have sufficient knowledge of us, our condition, our hearts, and our trials, to enable them to 'succour' and defend us? Let me remind you how we have been taught (and all Christians believe) that Satan knows our weak points, and offers his temptations accordingly. But can we for an instant think that, because of his rebellion and fall, Satan was forthwith endowed with greater intelligence and powers than he possessed before? Surely we cannot believe this. Therefore, whatever knowledge and insight Satan may have, must be possessed in at least an equal degree by the holy Angels that 'minister' to us."

"Again: does anyone feel as though it were derogatory to the dignity of Almighty God that we should receive 'succour and defence' from Him, at the hands of His Angels? Nay, but in accepting good things from earthly friends, do we fail to recognize the giver (our host, for example, at a feast) because we are waited upon by his servants? Depend upon it, these (and many other) doctrines of the Bible and Holy Church are largely plain and simple, if we will but think them out."—*Chicago Living Church. 13th Oct., 1900.*

The Country Clergyman.

Some one has said that the city Rector is like the captain of an ocean greyhound, he rings the bell, the great engines turn, and the mighty machine moves swiftly on, by reason of its great momentum, its complete equipment and because it is well manned at every post. The country Parson, however, is like a man paddling a canoe; he gives the whole impulse and

momentum to his craft, and must be watchful lest he be upset. The village Clergyman requires more tact and skill, for he deals with a town meeting, while the city Rector deals with a small committee, and they, as a rule, are men of affairs. The city man of necessity puts the emphasis on organisation, the country Parson on personal contact and inspiration. The city Rector must be a master mechanic, the village Pastor a galvanic battery. The former deals in the main with adult individuals, the latter with the family life. It was Spurgeon who said that he was thankful he was Pastor of a large Church, for he never had genius enough to be Pastor of a small one. --*Selected.*

The Old Church in the New Land.

How often we hear Clergymen saying "I do wish I knew of some plan by which I could give a really good and entertaining course of lectures to my people and show them what our dear old Church really is, and how thankful they should be to God that He has called them to live as Members within her borders." It is in response to such aspirations as these that we can heartily recommend a little Book entitled as above, containing sixteen brief and popular Lectures delivered to his people by the Rev. Ernest Smith, D.D., Rector of the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Baltimore, Maryland, U.S.A. Having lately given to these Lectures, which are published by Longmans & Co., New York and London, a second perusal, we do not hesitate to say that the subjects are well chosen and ably handled, in such a way that the hearers are sure to be greatly interested, as well as benefited. In some places the course might be given at a week day Service, or instead of the second Sermon on Sunday. They might either be read as the work of a Master or in some cases notes might be made from these Lectures and from other works, and then in delivery they would take the form of Addresses or helpful talks. Such knowledge, it need not be said, is most important, inasmuch as it leads people to love their Church and builds them up in the faith taught by our Lord and His first followers to the glory and praise of God.

It often happens that people sing jubilantly at Church. "We Shall Know Each Other There," who refuse to know each other here. — *Atchison Globe*

The Hamilton Memorial.

Our readers will no doubt be much interested in learning how far the work of erecting the Memorial to the late Mr. Robert Hamilton has progressed. First of all, it will be remembered that there was a very general desire to erect a fitting Memorial for Mr. Hamilton, whose benefactions flowed far beyond the limits of his own diocese of Quebec into those of Montreal and Ottawa. It was under these circumstances that the Bishops of Montreal and Quebec headed the movement, which took the form of the extension and improvement of the buildings at Lennoxville of Bishop's College and Bishop's College School. Plans were obtained, committees appointed to solicit subscriptions and the Corporation of Bishop's College undertook to see to the carrying out of the work. In this scheme of extension and enlargement, several objects were kept in view. The first of these was to give to Bishop's College School a separate and enlarged Dining Hall to accommodate the boys and Masters by themselves, without any communication with the College Students. It was found that by extending the old Dining room on to the quadrangle or playground, and by raising the roof to the same height as that of the main College building a fine, bright, airy Dining Hall could be obtained for the school, while on the second flat the students would have a separate Dining Hall of their own.

This plan also gave extra Lecture rooms, baths and bedrooms, besides enlarging the kitchen and pantries. The expense of this part of the improvements, it was thought, would be covered largely by the numerous friends of Bishop's College School and by the old boys, many of whom are certainly well able to do this, and, we feel sure, would be glad and willing to do their part, if the matter could only be brought before them individually. Meantime all this work has gone on and has proved to be a very great boon to the School, as well as a handsome addition to the old buildings. Many of the friends of the School have assisted and have earned our heartfelt thanks, but \$12,000 is a large expenditure; we trust therefore there will still be many of the old school boys, who, when they read this, will not turn a deaf ear to the appeal. Montreal, Ottawa and Quebec have many

wealthy Citizens, who have had their sons educated at B.C.S. and they both could and would do a very great deal towards this great school improvement if only they understood it.

The second part of this Memorial consists in affording better accommodation for the Principal, and the Lodge has been rebuilt so as not only to give the Head of the Institution a good comfortable House but also to give increased accommodation for students' bed-rooms and extra lecture rooms. This section of the whole plan will cost about \$8,000 and many generous subscriptions have been given by warm friends of the University.

The last or third part of this great effort consists in restoring the central Tower and enlarging and improving the Library, which is at present very inadequate. The cost of this will be between three and four thousand dollars: we trust and we think that the amount will soon be forthcoming and that thus this great work will be carried on to full completion.

But as the total sum required will be about \$24,000 and thus far the subscriptions amount to only about \$18,000, hence there are still needed some \$5,000 or \$6,000.

When we consider however that Bishop's College School is the Eton of Canada, which has given to many a citizen of this vast Dominion as well as to many from the great neighbouring Republic their education, as well as being the scene of happiest days, it is certain that more subscriptions ought to come in from friends of the school, and a large number of even small gifts would soon bring our project to a grand and successful issue.

Already the Parishes of the Diocese of Quebec have done much, and the subscription list contains moreover the names of no less than five of the Bishops of this Ecclesiastical Province, as well as of several Ministers on both sides in Politics.

The treasurer is J. Cape More, Esq., Manager of the Merchants Bank, S. Peter Street, Quebec, and in Montreal, the committee is composed of Sir M. M. Tait, acting Chief Justice, Richard White, Esq., of the *Montreal Gazette*, the Rev. Dr. Ker, Rector of Grace Church, G. H. Balfour, Esq., Manager of the Union Bank. Any of these will gladly and thankfully receive subscriptions. Any one desiring to give to one

particular part of the buildings can do so and the money will be appropriated accordingly: i.e. for the school part, to wit, Dining Hall and new kitchens, or for the College part, to wit, the Principal's Lodge and Students Room, or for the University part, to wit, the Library and central Tower, and subscriptions may be spread if desired over three years.

Bishop's College, Lennoxville.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

The Michaelmas Term, which is already more than half way through, has so far passed most successfully. Our new Principal has arrived, and has already won good opinions and high praises in all quarters. As a teacher and administrator, his powers are already recognized; and his popularity, especially amongst the Students, is undoubted. So that under his rule we all feel that "Bishop's" may look forward with confidence to a prosperous future. Both he and Mrs. Whitney have well established themselves in our respect and loyalty, by their great kindness shown to all, and by their sympathy manifested in our various undertakings. They have veritably taken up their abode among us, since at present they occupy the top flat of the Divinity House, the new Lodge not yet being completed. But this second stage of the Hamilton Memorial Buildings is approaching completion, and we can now see for ourselves that the College will present a more dignified front than before. And when the central portion is renovated and architecturally brought into harmony with the new wings, the whole will form a pile more worthy of the Institution.

The great loss sustained by the departure of Professor Holme and Mr. Rusk has already been noticed. At present the College is working with a reduced staff, but fortunately it has been found possible to continue the English Honors Course—as well as the Classical and Mathematical. The number of Students is below the average of the last few years. In June we had to say farewell to nine out of the thirteen '00 graduates;—and to five of the Trinity Students. C. F. Rothera has left to take up work in Montreal; J. W. Aytoun to return to England, where he has entered Lichfield Theological College; F. G. LeGallais, P. Callis and J. C. Tanna have taken Holy Orders and are now working in this Diocese. Of those who are here, A. H. Wurtele, after a

year's work as Lay Reader in the Magdalen Islands, has returned to complete his studies before Ordination; E. R. Roy has begun his second year in Divinity, while G. Weagant, J. G. Ward, R. A. Cowling, and F. W. Carroll, who has only just recovered from a severe illness during the vacation, have returned to take the Divinity Course during the next two years.

Only a few Freshmen have entered, but they come from widely different parts, one being from England, and three from Ontario,—which perhaps is a hopeful sign, as shewing that the College and its merits are still well known outside the Diocese and Province.

To come to a more detailed notice of events; Fortunately there has been no "dull season" this term. The Football lasted much longer than usual. Our team succeeded in getting into the final round of the Intermediate League Matches; and only succumbed to McGill II after a good match played in some six inches of snow at Montreal, on November 10th. Besides Football, we have been engaged in other activities. The Debating Society continues a prosperous existence, and has held three meetings, at which the merits and demerits of the Higher Education of Women, Anonymous Journalism, and the Conservative Party, were fully discussed.

The proposed joint-debate with the Montreal Diocesan College had to be postponed till next term, when it will be held in Montreal. On Thursday, November 15th, the Football Club gave a "Hop" in the Gymnasium, which went off very successfully, thanks in no small degree to the efforts of the College Ladies, who all mostly kindly acted as Patronesses on the occasion.

After these various forms of entertainment, we are now preparing for the coming examinations which are not far ahead;—in fact Christmas seems already very close at hand.

The School has entered upon the new year with bright prospects, the entry at the beginning of term being a large one. In Football its efforts were crowned with two brilliant successes gained over the Montreal High School.

The Cadet Corps took part in the proceedings at Sherbrooke on November 6th, when Captain Fraser and some of his Company were welcomed home from South Africa; and next morning both College and School were honoured by a visit from the Captain and his men.

From Montreal we hear that the Bis-

hop's Medical Dinner, (at which the Principal and Messrs. Weagant and Gordon, as representatives of the Divinity and Arts Students respectively, were present) was held with great enthusiasm and success on November 8th

Our Mission on the Labrador.

From a letter to the Bishop by the Rev. George Pye, Missionary on the Labrador, we select the following points, which will interest our readers:—

After speaking of the death of certain of his most helpful Church members, Mr. Pye goes on to describe the work in different parts of the Mission. He says:—"The Rev. F. G. LeGallais has gone to St. Paul's River. One of the ladies is teaching at Tabatiere and the other at Mutton Bay, where I intend to pass the first part of the winter. We received the bale of clothing a few days ago, for which I am deeply grateful. I have made arrangements to have a Mission boat built at Natashquan. The Rev. F. G. LeGallais and myself found the Mission-House, as I left it, and therefore we spent two weeks in carpentering. I am working at it daily, and hope to have it warm before the cold weather sets in. We have had a little snow, which has interfered with this work, but after a few fine days the outside will be finished. Almost all the schooners have left the coast. I may have an opportunity to send another letter, but probably this will be the last for some time."

Diocesan Scheme for the Better Support of Domestic and Foreign Missions.

At the recent meeting of the Domestic and Foreign Mission Board held in Toronto, it was represented by the General Treasurer that, with our present enlarged staff of Missionaries in the Foreign field, it will be necessary to raise at least \$3,000 more for this purpose in 1901 than in 1900; it was also agreed that the time has come, when as many members of the Church as possible must be enrolled as annual subscribers to the D. & F. M. Fund. And consequently the Bishops were requested by the Board, with the help of their Diocesan Corresponding Committees, to arrange for a full setting forth of this need and for a general

canvass throughout their Dioceses. With this view therefore the Bishop now earnestly suggests and requests :

1. That every Clergyman in the Diocese will impress upon his people, and that frequently, the solemn obligation enjoined by our Lord upon every Christian to take an active part in propagating the Gospel ; and the sacred duty which therefore rests upon each one, according to his ability, to contribute systematically towards the Church's D. and F. Mission work.

2. That every Congregation in the Diocese be thoroughly canvassed for subscriptions and donations, more especially with a view to enrolling as many members of the Church as possible, as *Annual Subscribers* to the D. and F. M. Fund.

3. That men, and if possible young men, be enlisted to carry on the work amongst men ; and women, amongst women and children. And that to this end each Clergyman do furnish the names of such men and such women, one or more of each, from each of his congregations, as are willing and best fitted to fill the office of local Collectors in the cause.

Provided, however, that, wherever a branch of the W. A. do exist, and is willing to assume the duty, the work here amongst the women and children shall be undertaken and carried on by this organization, in accordance with instructions furnished by the Diocesan Branch of the Auxiliary.

4. That, on receipt of the names of Collectors, the Diocesan Secretary of the D. and F. M. Board shall send to each, through the Clergyman of the Parish or Mission, a subscription book, furnished and approved by the Committee, and endorsed by the Bishop.

5. That in these subscription books, there shall be a record kept of all donations received in behalf of Domestic or Foreign Missions ; and a list also of Annual Subscribers to the same, together with the amounts given for either Domestic or Foreign Missions, or both, and how payable, whether annually or otherwise.

6. That in connection with this work, the subscription year shall be understood to terminate on the last day of May in each year ; on or before which date the Clergyman shall transmit to the Secretary of the Corresponding Committee in Quebec the Collectors' book with the subscriptions and donations received during the previous year.

7. That before these annual subscrip-

tions and donations are sent to Quebec, the Clergy do present the offerings of each Congregation, during Divine Service, to Almighty God for His gracious acceptance and blessing :—this with a view at once of keeping the good work constantly before the minds of their people and their individual responsibility in connection therewith ; and also with a view of impressing upon them that the work is God's work, that it is God who looks for and expects their gifts, and that all such offerings rightly made are really a personal gift to Him, who has said : "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

8. That a list of annual subscribers, together with amounts subscribed, and of donors of \$2 and upwards, be sent to the Treasurer of the Board of Management by the Treasurer of the Corresponding Committee, when he forwards his annual statement.

9. That there be published in the DIOCESAN GAZETTE, by Parishes, a list of Annual Subscribers to D. and F. Missions, together with amounts of subscription, and also a separate list of donations in the same behalf.

10. That a special effort be made in every congregation to awaken the interest and enlist the co-operation of children in this holy cause, whether they be Sunday School children or not. And that the Clergy, when transmitting to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Corresponding Committee in Quebec the amount of their children's offerings made in response to the Lenten Appeal, do send at the same time *Vouchers* for any donations which may have gone from their children direct into the Mission field during the previous year.

11. That a separate account for children's offerings be kept by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Corresponding Committee, the Board of Management having expressed a desire to be kept acquainted with what the children of our Church are doing for the Missionary cause.

12. That the Collectors be furnished with information, which will be of help and interest to them and to the people generally, and at once appeal to their sense of duty, and especially of the privilege it is to be co-workers together with God in this His own great work of Love ; and that with a view to this suitable leaflets be sent out with the Collectors' books.

13. That so far as possible, the consent and approval of the Rector of the Parish having been obtained—some selected Clergyman or Layman be welcomed to aid in setting on foot the above scheme in every Congregation.

In this way, it is hoped that a really great work will be accomplished, bearing abundant fruit to the glory and praise of God.

IN MEMORIAM

FRANCES BOBBITT.

At Harrington, on the Labrador Coast, in the early morning of Saturday, September 29th, Frances Cox, beloved wife of Daniel Bobbitt, Church Warden of Christ Church, Harrington, entered into rest at the age of 44 years. In her decease the Church in Harrington has sustained a great, and all appearance, an irreparable loss. Before her illness she always took a great interest in all Church work, and was a diligent and faithful Sunday School teacher. It is largely due to her untiring efforts that we have to-day such a pretty little place of worship in Harrington. She was followed to her last resting place by a large number of friends, who truly and deeply sympathized with the bereaved husband.

DISTRICT NEWS.

GRAND' MERE.

The Rev. W. Barton writes :—

On Sunday, October 14th, Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held. The decorations of flowers, fruit, vegetables and grain, offered by members of the congregation, were very pleasing, the work of preparation being undertaken by willing hands. The Services were hearty and bright, Priest and people each taking their part in offering the true Service of praise.

The largest number of Communicants, ever present at one time in our Church, partook of the "Sacrifice of Praise and Thanksgiving." A special feature of the evening Service was the Offertory Solo, 'O Lord my God,' sung most beautifully by Miss N. Ritchie.

MARBLETON.

On November 15th and 16th the Lord Bishop of Quebec paid a short visit to this Parish for Confirmation. In his Address at Dudswell Centre, the Bishop

showed that Confirmation has the strongest possible foundation in Holy Scripture, and is a most important means of Grace. On the evening of the 15th the Bishop gave a lengthy lecture at Marbleton upon the steady and marvellous growth of British power in every part of the world, and showed how, during the nineteenth century, the Missionary spirit of the Mother Country has planted the Church in every land where Britain's flag is unfurled.

RIVIERE DU LOUP.

The Rev. G. T. Harding writes :—

I shall be much obliged, if you will kindly publish in the GAZETTE the following statement of receipts and expenditure, in connection with repairs, etc., of the Church and Parsonage at this place, executed during last spring and summer; as I wish the kind friends outside of the Mission, who generously helped us in the work, to see how the money collected was used :—

Expenditure.

Chancel repairs.....	\$	9.00
New carpet and freight.....		16.78
Lachance & Son—building new chimney, plastering and carpentry work.....		108.89
Board of plasterers.....		8.00
Labourer.....		11.25
Paper for Parsonage.....		7.72
" " Church.....		8.00
J. A. Jarvis—Lime, etc.....		21.21
Papering, painting and whitewashing Church and Parsonage.....		44.16
Plumbers' work in Parsonage..		39.52
Repairing Church roof, etc....		3.75
Bank discount.....		2.70
Sundries.....		3.82
Balance in hands of Guild.....		7.62

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Receipts.

Balance on hand from 1899.....	\$	48.18
Collected by R. Walker.....		102.84
" " Mrs. Lindsay.....		31.40
Collected by Mr. Owen, St. Thomas.....		46.00
Entertainment, Portage.....		15.00
Social, St. Patrick.....		40.00
Church Wardens.....		9.00

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In regard to this work, and as far as I am personally concerned in the benefit of it, I wish to thank all the people of the Mission for the hearty way in which they have testified their good-will towards me, by helping it forward, eagerly and generously. Every one, I think, did something. In particular, Mr. Benjamin Walker, my Church Warden, should be very highly commended, for the determined and unselfish manner in which he took up the work, and attended to all the details of it, till quite finished, and Mr. T. Crockett, also, for the willing and generous support which he gave to it. These two, between them, took all the responsibility about securing the funds required from the Bank, and attending to the payment of the debt when due; while Mr. Walker, by means of a subscription list, collected by far the largest of the various sums raised to meet our liabilities.

We are much indebted, also, to the summer visitors, for the liberal help they gave us; and in particular, to Mrs. Macdonell and Mrs. Codville at St. Patrick, who have always been such good friends to the Mission, and who, in the present instance, went to a great deal of trouble for us, and were successful in raising the sum of \$40, by means of a Social held at their house.

But a very agreeable feature, in connection with the financial part of the work, is the large amount given by the members of the Church in the Mission itself. I advised them, in the beginning, to do all they could themselves, before appealing to the strangers; the result being, that about \$225 of the whole sum required (\$292) were raised, by subscription, in Riviere du Loup and the out-stations, including \$46 collected by Mr. P. G. Owen, of St. Thomas. This is very creditable to our people, and as it should be, and I hope they will always have the independence of spirit to act by the same rule.

I may add that the Church is greatly improved by the work that was done in it, and our home made quite comfortable and convenient by the improvements in the Parsonage.

BARFORD.

The Rev. G. H. A. Murray writes:—

The annual Harvest Thanksgiving Service was held at St. Cuthbert's, Dixville, on 4th October, and at St. Paul's, Stanhope, on 12th October. Both Churches

were beautifully decorated. The Rev. Dr. Dumbell, Rector of St. Peter's, Sherbrooke, preached an eloquent and forcible Sermon to an unusually large Congregation, at Dixville; while the Stanhope people, and several from Dixville, who joined them, were delighted to meet their friend and former pastor, Rev. A. Stevens. Mr. Stevens' earnest words were listened to with rapt attention.

At St. George's, Perryboro', the Service was held on the morning of Thanksgiving Day. Notwithstanding the fact that it was a busy time, the Congregation was a large one, and there were eighteen Communicants.

Through the energetic efforts of the Ladies of the Congregation a very enjoyable social was held at Mr. Baldwin's Hall, Dixville, which netted for the repair fund of St. Cuthbert's Church about \$23. There was also a similar gathering at Norton Mills in aid of St. Paul's S. S.

St. George's Church, Perryboro', has been repainted, and other improvements have been made.

LEEDS.

A successful Mission was held in Leeds, commencing October 5th and continued till the 15th, the Missioner being the Rev. I. M. Thompson, Rural Dean of Levis. Two Services were held daily. The attendance at the beginning was small owing to the wet weather, but, as the Mission advanced, the attendance grew and great interest was aroused by the kind, earnest and powerful words of the Missioner, till at last the Church was well filled with eager listeners. Two Mission Services were held also at St. Sylvester and two at St. Matthew's, Beattie's Settlement, and were well attended. It is to be hoped that the new interest and earnestness, which have been awakened in the hearts of all, will be maintained, and that the lessons of the Mission will not at once recede into the dim distance, but that the many resolves, made at the time, will by God's help be carried into effect.

Harvest Thanksgiving Services were held at St. Sylvester and at Leeds on Monday, October 15th, at 3.30 p.m. and 7 p.m. respectively. Both Churches were tastefully and beautifully decorated for the occasion, with flowers, fruits and vegetables. The Services were well rendered, bright and hearty, and also well attended. The Rev. I. M. Thompson preached earnest and appropriate sermons on both occasions.