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The Lord Bishop's Engagements for June.

Saturday, June 1st—Go by Q. C. R. to S. Anselme and on to East Frampton.

Sunday, June 2nd—Confirmation and Holy Communion at West Frampton at 10.30 a.m. Confirmation at East Frampton at 3.30 p.m.

Monday, June 3rd—Drive to Cranbourne and sleep there.

Tuesday, June 4th—Confirmation and Holy Communion at Cranbourne at 10.30 a.m. and drive to S. George's, Beauce.

Wednesday, June 5th—Confirmation and Holy Communion at Cumberland Mills at 10.30 a.m. Confirmation at S. George's at 8 p.m.

Thursday, June 6th—Drive to S. Francis, on by Q. C. R. via Beauce Junction to Marbleton: Confirmation at 7.30 p.m.

Friday, June 7th—Confirmation and Holy Communion at Dudswell. By train to Lennoxville: Confirmation in College Chapel at 8 p.m.

Saturday, June 8th—Holy Communion at 8.30 a.m. By C. P. R. to Magog.

Sunday, June 9th—Confirmation and Holy Communion at Magog at 10.30 a.m. Confirmation at Cherry River at 3 p.m. Preach at Evening Service, Magog, at 7 p.m.

Monday, June 10th—Confirmation at McConnell. Go to Stanstead.

Tuesday, June 11th—(S. Barnabas Ap. and M.)—Ordination of Deacon with Litany and Holy Communion at Beebe Plain at 10.30 a.m. On to Hatley for Confirmation in the evening.

Wednesday, June 12th—Holy Communion at Hatley at 7.30 a.m. On to Coaticooke. Confirmation at North Coaticooke at 7.30 p.m.

Thursday, June 13th—Visits and Confirmation at Coaticooke at 7.30 p.m.

Friday, June 14th—Drive to Perryboro for Adult Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion at 10.30 a.m. On to Dixville for Confirmation at 7 p.m.

Saturday, June 15th—Holy Communion at Dixville at 8 a.m. By G. T. R. to South Durham. Confirmation at 7.30 p.m., and on to Kirkdale to sleep.

Sunday, June 16th—Confirmation and Holy Communion at Kirkdale at 10.30 a.m. Preach at L'Avenir at 3.30 p.m. Preach at Sydenham Place at 6.30 p.m.

Monday, June 17th—Confirmation and Holy Communion at Dennison's Mills at 11 a.m. Preach at Spooner Pond at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, June 18th—Drive to Drummondville. Confirmation at 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 19th—Holy Communion at Drummondville at 7.30 a.m. By Train to Actonvale. Confirmation at 7.30 p.m.

Thursday, June 20th—By G. T. R., for the Prize giving at Compton Ladies' College.

Friday, June 21st—To Melbourne for the dedication of a Font at S. John's, Melbourne, and on to Windsor Mills.

Saturday, June 22nd—Charges to Candidates for Holy Orders.

Sunday, June 23rd—Confirmations at Windsor Mills and Brompton.

Monday, June 24th—(Nativity, S. John Baptist)—Early to Lennoxville. Ordination of Deacons with Litany and Holy

Communion in College Chapel at 10.30 a.m.]

Tuesday, June 25th—Meeting of Corporation.

Wednesday, June 26th—Dinner of Alma Mater Society and the Boys' Reception.

Thursday, June 27th—Holy Communion with Convocation Sermon by the Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia at 11 a.m. Convocation, Speeches and Honorary Degrees at 2.30 p.m.

Friday, June 28th—By G. T. R. to Thetford Mines. Preach at Evening Service.

Saturday, June 29th—Confirmation and Holy Communion at Black Lake at 10.30 a.m. Drive on to Ireland.

Sunday, June 30th—Confirmation and Holy Communion at Lower Ireland at 10.30 a.m. Confirmation at Upper Ireland at 3.30 p.m. Preach at Adderley.

Church Society.

CENTRAL BOARD.

A statc. meeting of the Central Board was held on the 21st of April; seventeen members were present. The Report of the Education Committee, recommending grants to seventeen schools was approved of. The report of the Finance Committee, after amendment, was also adopted. Letters from the Lord Bishop and the Rev. Principal Adams, with reference to financial assistance in behalf of higher education, were read. Grants were made towards the education of sons and daughters of eight clergymen, some at Lennoxville and some at Compton. An "outfit" grant of \$100 was made in favour of one about to enter upon Missionary work in the Diocese. The Treasurer of the Society presented a statement of moneys received, and moneys invested since last report. The Secretary read the Legal opinion of the Hon. Counsel, which had been sought, touching the sale of timber on Glebe-lands in Inverness. The Report was referred to the Land Committee. A letter from the Hon. Treasurer of the Cathedral Church Hall Committee to the effect that an increase of rent would have to be charged the Society for its use of their rooms, was read, and referred to the Finance Committee. A communication was read from Mr. A. H. Moore, touching a certain bequest reported to have been left to the Church in Ramboro. Further particulars were asked for. A letter of thanks was received from the Incumbent

and Church-Wardens of Peninsula, Gaspé, for the Society's grant of \$100 towards a new Parsonage in that Mission. The Committee appointed to re-draft By-Law XV, on the subject of "Pensions," was authorized to have 200 copies of the same printed for distribution on occasion of the special General Meeting of Church Society called for its consideration on May 30th.

A Resolution of Sympathy with the Rev. M. M. Fothergill, the Society's late Secretary, on the death of his son, the Rev. Frederic A. Fothergill, was passed, and a copy of the same ordered to be sent to him.

S. Paul's Church, Quebec.

The Lenten Services at S. Paul's were all very well attended, the interest being kept up right through the Holy Season. During Holy Week there was Service every day.

On the Wednesday in Holy Week a Confirmation Service was held by the Lord Bishop at 8.00 p.m., when three candidates were presented by the Curate-in-charge for the Holy Rite. There was a special Service on Good Friday at half-past ten, consisting of Morning Prayer followed by a series of addresses, hymns, and meditations on the Seven Words from the Cross. Many spoke of the helpfulness of such a Service.

The Easter Services were bright and happy, and the Church was looking its best, the floral decorations being very beautiful. There was Morning Prayer with a choral celebration of the Holy Communion at half-past ten, at which the Rev. R. A. Parrock officiated, and spoke a few words of Easter Greeting. In the afternoon there was Festival Evensong at a quarter past three with Catechising on the Easter Story. At both these Services, the Congregations were very good, and there was a slight increase in the number of communicants.

The Annual Vestry Meeting was held in the Church on Easter Monday, and the proceedings were, as usual, most harmonious.

Messrs. E. H. Taylor and J. Piper were reelected Wardens for the ensuing year. A resolution of sympathy was passed, in connection with the resignation of the late Rector, the Rev. Canon Richardson.

The accounts presented by the Wardens were very satisfactory, shewing that last year's overdrawn balance of \$86.49 had

been reduced by care and retrenchment to \$63. And it was decided to try and reduce it still further by means of a concert.

This has now been carried out. A most successful concert was organized by the Rev. E. A. Dunn, and held in the Cathedral Church Hall on, Thursday, May 16th, and thanks to the kind cooperation of many friends, the entire debt has been wiped out, leaving a small balance to the good. This result is highly satisfactory, and there is much cause for thankfulness that this little Parish should be so prospered in every respect.

Anniversary Meeting of the Church Society.

This meeting, which was unavoidably postponed from April the 29th, was held in the Cathedral Church Hall, on the evening of May the 6th.

The chair was taken by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, at 8 o'clock, and after the singing of a hymn by the entire congregation and the offering of prayer by the Dean of Quebec, the Bishop delivered a brief opening introduction. He accounted for the comparatively small attendance by referring to the various disappointments which had been experienced by the Committee this year, but he was certain that those who were present at the meeting would be more than compensated by the mental and spiritual Treat which they would now be permitted to enjoy.

The Right Revd. Dr. Courtney, Bishop of Nova Scotia, was received with loud applause, and delivered one of the best addresses ever heard here from this gifted speaker. He said that he would take for his text that night, the name of the Society in whose interests they had met together. It very properly stood out on the cover of their report in capital letters, larger than any other word upon it. Taking the latter of the two words first, His Lordship said that man was so constituted that association was necessary to his successful existence. Men might have been constituted like grains of sand, contiguous, but unassociated together. Without association in Christian work we closed up, as it were, the avenues by which others could reach us and by which we were able to reach out to others. He told the story of the bundle of faggots, to show the strength of union,

and applied it to the condition of the Diocese of Quebec before and after the establishment of the Church Society. He described the results attained by the Society as little less than marvellous. As to the blessings achieved by association, he referred to the great association of the human family and to that of the nation. One great nation had undertaken to prove that it could live without association; that it wanted nothing from any other and could so well get on without any other that it built a great wall around itself which was known as the great wall of China. And what was the result? We saw to-day that though this nation contained four hundred millions out of fourteen and a half hundred millions of the earth's population, and was a Goliath amongst the nations, yet it could not live without the others.

The Bishop referred to organization in the State and in the family as well as in the Church. His Lordship noticed the advantages of organization in Christian effort, both to the Church, and her members. Yet there were dangers attending societies, and he indicated some of them, such as over satisfaction with the machinery of which they were composed,—a tendency to rest on their oars instead of constantly pressing forward with a determination to go one better as the Americans would say, and a holding back from active co-operation on the part of the young. He believed the affairs of the Diocese of Quebec were not only as well but even better conducted than those of any other Diocese in the Dominion. Yet the Church continually needs to enlarge her borders, to lengthen her cords, to strengthen her stakes; and this could only be done by constantly adding to her funds, especially in these days when decreased dividends lessened the income from the old established funds. He put the duty of Churchmen squarely before the meeting, showing that this was better than to send them away with their ears tickled with oratory. Then he took up the word "Church," regretting that it should be a bugbear to anybody, and declaring that the Church of Christ was broad enough to include Tractarians, high Church, low Church and broad Church, all of whom had in it their *locus standi*, from the personal relationship of the soul to its maker, to the churchly reverence for the ordinances of

Christ and the divers orders established by Him in His Church. There was also needed in it the consciousness of the perfect harmony existing between science and revelation. He urged zeal and devotion to the Society, founded by the good Bishop Geo. Mountain and nurtured by the saintly Bishop Williams, and careful study of its annual reports. His Lordship's address was an exceedingly able and eloquent one throughout and was listened to with marked attention. At its conclusion a hearty vote of thanks was tendered him.

The Lord Bishop of Quebec made a few remarks upon the work and report of the Church Society and soundly rated those who had the presumption to declare that the spirit of Church partyism had any place in the management of the Society, the distribution of its funds or the appointment of clergymen to vacant parishes. His Lordship's remarks were received with marked enthusiasm, and the meeting closed with the Benediction.

Hymn.

Cast thy care on Jesus ;
 Make Him now thy friend,
 Tell Him all thy troubles,
 Trust Him to the end.
 He is Man and Brother,
 He is Lord and God,
 And the way of sorrow
 Is the path He trod.

Cast thy care on Jesus :
 Nothing is too small
 For His vast compassion,
 He can feel for all.
 In the gloom and darkness
 Clasp His living hand,
 He will guide and cheer thee
 Through the desert land.

Cast thy care on Jesus ;
 Tell Him all thy sin,
 All thy fierce temptations
 And the wrong within.
 He Himself was tempted,
 And He pleads above
 For the soul that asketh
 Pardon through His love.

Cast thy care on Jesus ;
 What is death to those
 Who in deep submission
 On His love repose,
 But a short step further,
 Nearer to His side,
 Where their eyes shall see Him
 And be satisfied.

F. G. SCOTT.

University Intelligence.

BISHOP'S COLLEGE, LENNOXVILLE.

Rev. D. Adams reports :

Lectures have gone on very much as usual during the early part of Trinity Term. The occurrence of Ascension Day and the Queen's Birthday on May 23rd and 24th, followed by the Synod Week will make some breaks in the continuity of the courses.

All are looking forward to the end of the month with pleasurable anticipations, for the Jubilee Celebrations will take place on June 26th and 27th. The *Diocesan Gazette* may reach Alumni of the College and School who do not see the "Mitre" or College Magazine. Hence through these columns the Principal and Head-master beg to give a cordial invitation to all to be present in the week of Convocation. On Sunday evening, June 23rd, the Principal proposes to preach his usual valedictory sermon for the Session. On Monday, June 24th, the Bishop will hold an ordination in the College Chapel. On Wednesday the Alma Mater Society will have a Luncheon; in the evening the School gives its Reception, the Athletic Sports having been arranged for the morning and late afternoon. On Thursday the University Sermon will be preached by the Right Reverend the Bishop of Nova Scotia, D.D. Convocation will take place in the afternoon. Many degrees will be conferred *honoris causa*, of which a full list will be given next month. It is satisfactory to learn that the Governor General, the Right Hon. the Earl of Aberdeen, and the Lieutenant Governor the Right Hon. J. A. Chapleau, have both signified their intention of accepting the invitation of the University to be present on the Jubilee occasion and to accept the degree of D.C.L.

So much for the future: one point which we would venture to bring to the recollection of the readers of this Gazette is that June the 9th, is Trinity Sunday, and on that day the annual collections will be made for Bishop's College.

The College has many applications for admission from deserving persons who wish to be candidates for the ministry and who need help. It is hoped that the Jubilee offerings will prove to be an increase on former years. It is gratefully acknowledged that an increase was reported last year, and especially was there a large in-

crease in the number of congregations which contributed.

On May 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, we had the pleasure of a visit from the Bishop. He arrived at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, May 15th, and proceeded to the Lodge. At 6 p.m., a Lecture was given on the Canons of the Provincial Synod; only those being taken likely to be of use to the Students. The relations of the Diocese to the Province, and the Province to the Dominion were discussed in referring to the jurisdiction of Diocesan, Provincial and General Synods.

On Thursday, at 12 p.m., a Lecture was given on Canons of Diocesan Synod. Reference was made to the forms for Registration, prepared by Archdeacon Roe and approved by Judge Brooks; these were published in the May Gazette. The lecture was continued on Thursday at 2.15, closing at 4 o'clock. At various hours candidates for orders were required to speak and read before the Bishop. Friday was a busy day: in the afternoon a Business Meeting of Convocation was held at which arrangements for the Jubilee were advanced a stage. In the evening, the School held its Missionary Meeting, the Head-master in the chair. The Principal read a report shewing that \$125 had been raised since February 1894, and \$164 expended up to April 30th, 1895; It was determined to have a Student working in the Mission during the Summer Vacation. The Bishop and the Chancellor made interesting speeches, and the meeting was an enthusiastic one. The Bishop left us for Hall's Stream on Saturday, the 18th, at 4.50 p.m.

The following Organ Recital was given in the Chapel, by Mr. Arthur Dorey, on Friday evening, May 3rd, comprising Selections from the Works of Richard Wagner:

PROGRAMME.

1. Lohengrin—*a.* Prelude.
b. Introduction [3rd Act].
c. Elsas Song.
d. Bridal Chorus.
2. Gotterdammerung—Funeral March.
3. Tannhauser—*a.* March and Chorus.
b. The Evening Star.
c. Pilgrim's Chorus.
4. Die Meistersinger—*a.* Walter's Prize Song.
b. Processional March.
5. Flying Dutchman—Spinning Song.
6. Rienzi—*a.* Prayer.
b. March.

Vocalist, Mr. A. A. Brockington.

The Offertory was devoted to the College Mission Fund.

Cathedral Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.

The Annual Meeting of this Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in the Church Hall, on Monday, the 6th May, at 10.30 a.m. Eighteen members were present. Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. The Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports were read and adopted.

A letter from Mrs. Petry was read, saying it was impossible for her to again accept position as President. The following resolution was then passed: Moved by Mrs. Hunter Dunn, seconded by Mrs. R. H. Smith, that the members of the Cathedral Branch of the W. A. accept with great regret Mrs. Petry's resignation as President, and trust she will continue to take as warm interest in the work as heretofore. Election of officers by ballot resulted as follows:

President.—Mrs. E. L. Sewell.

Vice-President.—Mrs. R. H. Smith.

Secretary.—

Treasurer.—Miss M. Anderson.

Ladies nominated by the Dean.—Mrs. Petry, Mrs. Staveley.

Distributors of Leaflet.—Misses C. Fraser, Justine Sewell, M. Norris and Ada Sewell.

Miss M. Anderson kindly consented to act as Secretary-Treasurer until a suitable person presents herself.

The Dean then addressed the meeting and closed with the Benediction.

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE C. B. W. A.

At this our Ninth Annual Meeting I am glad to say the work has been steadily carried on during the year. Weekly Sewing Meetings have been held regularly with the exception of the summer months. Lady Joly de Lotbinière has kindly read missionary papers and books at the meeting. Three large boxes of clothing have been sent to the Saskatchewan district, N. W. T., containing 225 new and 105 second hand articles of clothing. Last month the Lord Bishop of the Diocese gave a lecture on the History of the English Church, for which a small entrance fee was charged, proceeds of which were given towards our Canadian Missionary, Miss Smith, in Japan. By the request of the Diocesan Branch, money has been collected towards the Thank-Offering, for the consolidation of the Church in Canada, and towards the funds for the Life Membership, to be presented to their late Secretary, Miss Montizambert.

EMILY SEWELL,
Sec'y C. B. W. A.

Cathedral Sewing Guild.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Fourteenth Annual Meeting of the Cathedral Sewing Guild was held in the Church Hall, on Friday, the 19th of April. The Dean of Quebec, as Hon. President, was in the chair. The minutes of the last annual meeting were read and approved by the Dean, and then the following report was read:—

REPORT.

The Fourteenth Annual Meeting of the Cathedral Sewing Guild :

During the past year the meetings have been regularly held, every Friday, and, from October to December, on Wednesdays also. The attendance during the autumn was most encouraging, but it has fallen off greatly towards spring, the membership is now 39, honorary members 14. It will be remembered that at the annual meeting of 1894, after the last payment on the building had been made to Mr. J. C. More, it was decided to make our work, quite complete by adding tables and china suitable for sales, teas, etc., etc. This has been done with the addition of a china cupboard with small folding table attached, in all costing \$126.36. A small fee will be charged each Society for their use. In April the Guild joined the "National Council of Women"; the President and Vice-President have attended many of the meetings. As the Committee find that so many of their members are at times absent from the city, an Auxiliary Committee of six ladies, viz: Madame Blanchet, Miss Phillips, Miss Clapham, Miss Henry, Miss L. Dunn, Miss Dean, were appointed to act for them. The Guild closed for the summer on June 8th, and reassembled on October 7th. During November and December the Rev. C. M. and Mrs. Rawson paid a visit to Quebec. The members of the Guild wishing to welcome them, and shew them the result of their work (the Guild having been first organized by Mr. and Mrs. Rawson in 1881), tendered them a reception in the Church Hall on December 4th, to which all the Cathedral congregation were invited. The Christmas sale was held on the 19th and 14th of December, the total result being \$395.32. The Committee wish to express their hearty thanks to the ladies who so kindly took private tables, thus adding considerably to the result of the sale.

With much regret, we have to record the death, in Toronto, of Mrs. Hemming, who was for many years a member of this Committee and always took a deep interest in our work. The vestry wishing the sexton Judd to live in the Church Hall, Cooper and his wife, who have been in charge of the building since 1890, left on December 15th, and Judd moved in early in January. On March 1st, Mrs. Arthur Ahern resigned from the office of Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, and Miss Louisa Healy took her place for the balance of the year, and on March 21st, Miss J. E. Stevenson, who has been our President since October, 1893, sent in her resignation, to the deep regret of all the members.

MARION BOSWELL,
Sec.-Treas.

MINUTES OF THE C. S. GUILD, ANNUAL MEETING.

To decide whether the Guild should rejoin the National Council of Women. Moved by Mr. Webb, seconded by Mrs. Kenneth Fraser, that the Guild should rejoin the Quebec branch of the National Council of Women for the ensuing year. (Carried.)

Proposed by Miss Stevenson, seconded by Mrs. Edward LeMoine, that \$50 be voted to Mr. E. A. Jones towards the current expenses of the Church Hall. (Carried.)

The object of the Guild having now been accomplished and a new one to be formed, it was proposed by Mrs. Webb, seconded by Miss Anderson, that the ladies should endeavor, by the sale of their work, etc., to raise the sum of \$3,000 as an endowment fund upon the Church Hall. (Carried.)

Proposed by Mrs. Petry, seconded by Miss Stevenson,—That a vote of thanks be tendered to the Dean for his kindness in presiding at the meetings of the Guild.

Proposed by Miss Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Blanchet,—That a vote of thanks be tendered to Mr. E. A. Jones for his kind cooperation in managing the financial affairs of the Church Hall. (Carried.)

The business of the meeting being over it was closed by the Dean.

The following officers were elected for 1895-96:

President.—Miss Boswell.
1st Vice-President.—Miss Anderson.
2nd Vice-President.—Madame Blanchet.
Secretary-Treasurer.—Miss Phillips.
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer.—Miss L. Healy.

Committee.—Mrs. Lemoine, Mrs. Stein, Miss Clapham, Mrs. Webb, Miss Dean, Miss Lillian Footé.

Our Synod and the Bishop's Charge.

Our Synod met in biennial session on Tuesday, May 28th, a large number of clergy and lay delegates being present.

The Synod was opened in the morning by a Service in the Cathedral at 9.30. There was a good congregation and a large number of Communicants. The Altar and Pulpit were beautifully decorated with flowers and there was a large floral Cross above the Altar. The Service was fully choral, and was splendidly rendered, the musical portion being under the direction of the Organist of the Cathedral, Mr. E. A. Bishop. The Clergy proceeded in robed procession from the Church Hall to the Cathedral. The Rev. F. B. Norrie intoned the first part and the Rev. E. A. Dunn the latter part of Morning Prayer. Rev. Canon Foster read the first Lesson and Rev. Canon Thorneloe the second. At the Holy Communion the Celebrant was the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by Very Rev. Dean Norman and Rev. Canons Von Iffland and Richardson. A large number of the members of the Woman's Auxiliary were present.

The members of the Synod then entered the Church Hall, where the session was really opened. The first item of business, after the roll call and inspection of credentials, was the election of officers. The Revd. Canon Von Iffland and George Lampson, Esq., M.A., were elected Clerical and Lay Secretaries, and the Revd. A. J. Balfour and John Hamilton, Esq., Assistant Secretaries. Lieut.-Col. George Rolt White was elected Treasurer and Major G. E. Allan Jones, Assistant Treasurer.

The Right Revd. the Lord Bishop of the Diocese then delivered his Charge as follows: "My Reverend Brethren and Brethren of the Laity,—At the outset of my address I desire, in accordance with good custom, to lay before the Synod a diary of my principal acts; but since this diary embraces some 533 different items, to read it would, I fear, be an infliction. I will, therefore, simply cause it to be printed, with a view to permanent record.

Well, from this diary, it appears that during the past two years, besides preaching many sermons and taking part in many Services and giving many illustrated lectures on the History of the English Church and other subjects, I have been permitted by the mercy of God to hold 163 Confirmations at the following places:—The Cathedral of the Holy Trinity (7), St. Matthew's (4), St. Michael's, St. Paul's, St. Peter's (2), Actonvale (2), Bishops' College (2), Bourg Louis (2), Robinson Bury, St. John's Bury, Cape Cove, Perce, Coaticook, Compton (3), Cookshire (2), Danville, (2), Kingsley, Lorne (2), "outbrook, Dixville, Perryboro', Stanhope, Drummondville (3), East Angus (2), Ascot Corner, East Frampton, West Frampton, Standon, Fitch Bay, Georgeville, Gaspe Basin (2), Gaspe South (2), Hall's Stream (2),

Hereford (2), Hatley, Inverness, Campbell's Corner, Sydenham Place, Kingsley, Spooner Pond, Kirkdale, L'Avenir, Mutton Bay, Tabatiere Point, Blanc Sablons, Bras D'or, Harrington, Naushquan, Old Fort Island, Wabbie Island, Shecatia, Baie des Roches, Lydia's Cove, St. Augustine Island, Leeds (2), Beattie's Settlement (3), Broughton, Kenner's Mills (2), St. Giles, St. Sylvester, Lennoxville (2), Levis, New Liverpool, Louiseville, Grindstone Island, Entry Island, Magog (3), Cherry River, Point St. Peter, Malbaie (2), Corner of the Beach, Marbleton (2), Dudswell Centre (2), East Dudswell, Melbourne (2), Milby, Sandhill, Lake Beauport, Stoneham, Paspebiac, New Carlisle (2), Hope-Town, River David, Peninsula (2), Little Gaspe, Portneuf, Randborough, Island Brook, Richmond (4), Riviere du Loup, Sandy Beach (2), Scotstown (2), Lingwick, Agnes, Ditchfield, St. George, Cumberland Mills, Cranbourne, Sherbrooke (3), Shigawake (2), Port Daniel, L'Anse aux Gascons (2), Stanstead (2), Beebe Plain, Three Rivers, Upper Ireland, Lower Ireland, Adderly, Black Lake (2), Valcartier, Waterville (2), Eustis, North Hatley, Ways Mills and Windsor Mills.

At these Confirmations I have confirmed 1,590 candidates, 745 male, 845 female, of whom no less than 377 were upwards of twenty one years of age.

I have ordained the following to be Deacons:—

The Rev. N. M. Bayne, of Bishops' College, Lennoxville, B.A.

The Rev. I. N. Kerr, of Bishops' College, Lennoxville, B.A.

The Rev. R. A. Parrock, of Pembroke College, Cambridge, B.A.

The Rev. E. K. Wilson, of Bishops' College, Lennoxville, B.A.

The Rev. W. J. Curran, of the Church of England College, Montreal.

The Rev. E. A. Dunn, of Pembroke College, Cambridge, B.A.

The Rev. J. N. Hunter, of Trinity College, Toronto, B.A.

I have ordained the following to be Priests:—

The Rev. H. A. Brooke, of Bishops' College, Lennoxville, B.A.

The Rev. C. H. Brooks, of McGill University, M.A.

The Rev. N. M. Bayne, of Bishops' College, Lennoxville, B.A.

The Rev. I. N. Kerr, of Bishops' College, Lennoxville, B.A.

The Rev. R. A. Parrock, of Pembroke College, Cambridge, B.A.

The Rev. E. K. Wilson, of Bishops' College, Lennoxville, B.A.

I have received the following clergy from other dioceses:—

The Rev. F. B. Norrie, from the Diocese of Ontario.

The Rev. G. F. Hibbard, B.A., from the Diocese of Toronto.

The Rev. R. W. E. Wright, B.A., from the Diocese of Niagara.

The following of our own Clergy have taken charge of additional Missions:—

The Rev. Principal Adams, of the Mission of Belviders.

The Rev. Professor Wilkinson, of the Mission of Milby.

I have transferred the following Clergy to other jurisdictions —

The Rev. J. Ball to the Diocese of Montreal.

The Rev. R. W. Colston, M.A., to the Diocese of Fredericton.

The Rev. J. C. Cox to the Diocese of Nova Scotia.

The Rev. G. A. Sutherland, M.A., to the Diocese of Vermont.

The Rev. T. A. Williams to England

The Rev. N. P. Yates to Germany.

And we have lost by death :

The Rev. M. Kar, D.D.

The Rev. E. C. Parkin.

Thus, whereas the whole number of our Clergy two years ago was sixty-seven, the whole number at the present moment is sixty-nine, and this number will almost immediately be increased by the ordination of Messrs. Bishop, Harte and Moore to be Deacons, while we are about to lose the Rev. Charles Brooks, thus making the number of our whole staff including our University Professors and also those who are now receiving pensions up to a total of seventy-one, or including the Bishop to seventy-two.

And besides the additions that have thus been made to our ranks, I have also to record the following changes:—

The Rev. W. C. Adcock has left Fitch Bay and gone to East Angus.

The Rev. A. J. Salfour has been elected Secretary of the Church Society vice Rev. Canon Richardson resigned.

The Rev. H. A. Brooke has left Peninsula and gone to Scotstown.

The Rev. H. A. Dickson has left Randboro' and gone to Inverness.

The Rev. R. J. Fothergill has left the post of Assistant at Sherbrooke and gone to Shigawake.

The Rev. H. S. Fuller has left Bury and gone to Portneuf.

The Rev. G. G. Nicolls has left Shigawake and gone to Riviere du Loup.

The Ven. Archdeacon Roe has resigned his office of General Missionary Agent and gone to Windsor Mills.

The Rev. T. Rudd has left St. John's, Melbourne, and gone to St. George, Beauce.

The Rev. C. B. Washer has left Portneuf and gone to Bury.

The Rev. E. Weary has left Riviere du Loup and gone to Marbleton.

The Rev. H. E. Wright has left East Angus and gone to be Assistant at Sherbrooke.

And the following have been allowed their pensions:—

The Rev. Canon Richardson.

The Rev. Peter Roe.

And in connection with all this growth in the number of our Clergy, I ought not to forget that, during the same period, I have issued licenses to no less than 24 Lay Readers, who hold Services, preach and visit, who do, in fact, all that may be done in such matters by laymen, and who do it remarkably well.

There is, of course, in this, as in all other matters, a *via media*. On the one hand we all rejoice to encourage the growth of lay help, and we ought to be very thankful that so much of this most valuable assistance is being freely and heartily rendered. But, on the other hand, we must take care, lest our country people should get to think that the saying of Morning and Evening Prayer on Sunday and the preaching of a sermon is the sum and substance of all necessary worship, and that a layman can do all that is needful, to the neglect of the two Holy Sacraments, which our blessed Lord Himself, ordained, and which our Catechism rightly says, are necessary to all of us for the saving of our souls.

But besides the help which we derive from the employment of Lay Readers, there is, thank God, a very large amount of most valuable lay help which is being constantly rendered by our Honorary Counsel and other Church Society Officers in Quebec and elsewhere, by Delegates to Synod, by Church Wardens and Sidesmen, by St. Andrew's Brotherhood men, whose small Chapters are like a live coal imparting vital warmth right through a clergyman's work, by members of Church Choirs, by District visitors, Sunday-School Teachers and Mission Helpers, by Parish Guilds, and last though not least, by the Woman's Auxiliary, whose members do so much towards keeping alive our interest in missionary work in Algoma and in the North-West and also in foreign lands. And we have besides in Quebec City the Church Helpers, who not only assist our poorest parishes with most welcome grants to the Clergy and their Churches, but also every Fall take upon themselves the burden of making a thorough collection right through the City of Quebec and its neighborhood in behalf of the Church Society's various and necessary funds. This work will, I trust, henceforth be conducted more generally and systematically in the country parts as well, and I hope the Clergy will assist me, by all choosing for this work, friends to whom I can send from time to time information concerning our needs, to whom for the sake of distinction we will give the name, not of Church Helpers, but of the Church Society Helpers of the Diocese of Quebec.

And in order to include and gather into one all these different branches of lay help, I am glad to be able to report that in accordance with a recommendation made to the Synod in 1890, we are organizing a Quebec Diocesan Lay Helpers' Association into which we propose to invite all, female as well as

male, who assist in any possible way, on the sole condition that they shall be Helpers in their several parishes, agreeing to pray at any rate once a week for their fellow-helpers throughout the diocese, and agreeing also to unite in the Holy Communion in their own Churches on some one Sunday in the year to be appointed by the Bishop and to be called Lay Helpers' Sunday. Indeed, if you ask me which are our most prosperous parishes, I shall answer, that the highest and happiest state of things depends not upon the eloquence of the Clergyman, and not upon the perfect rendering of the Services, but rather upon the earnest enthusiasm of the men of the congregation joining together gladly and naturally in every department of lay help. Depend upon it, my brethren, it is only when your Church Wardens are earnest Communicants and constant attendants at Church, taking a deep and self-sacrificing interest in the prosperity of the work, and leading others by their presence and example to tread in their footsteps, that you can possibly expect a hope for the abiding blessing of God.

And now, turning from men to things, I have to report that during the last ten years I have consecrated the following Churches:—

Indian Church, Pointe Bleue, Lake St. John, July 12, 1893.

The Chancel of St. Matthew's Church, Peninsula, Gaspé, July 16, 1893.

St. James, Gaspé South, July 18, 1893.

St. Peter, Malbaie, Gaspé, July 20, 1893.

St. Luke, Corner of the Beach, Gaspé, July 21, 1893.

St. James, Hope Town, Bonaventure, July 28, 1893.

St. Paul, L'Avenir, Oct. 8, 1893.

St. Matthew's, Beattie's Settlement, Leeds, Dec. 15, 1893.

St. Paul's, Hall's Stream, January 26, 1894.

I have also consecrated the following Burial Grounds:—

Cookshire, June 19, 1893.

York, Gaspé, July 18, 1893.

Corner of the Beach, Gaspé, July 21, 1893.

Hope Town, Bonaventure, July 28, 1893.

Kirkdale, October 9, 1893.

Levis, June 12, 1894.

Mutton Bay, Labrador, July 12, 1894.

I have also dedicated the following Churches, etc., which, for various reasons, I could not formally consecrate:—

St. Peter's, Blacklake, June 9, 1893.

St. John's, Thetford Mines, June 9, 1893.

The private Episcopal Chapel, Quebec City, September 22, 1893.

St. Barnabas', North Hatley, July 23, 1894.

And during the same period we have founded, either legally or conventionally, the following additional Missions or Parishes:—

Belvidere, Lennoxville.

Hereford with Hall's Stream.

Milby with Sandhill and Johnville.

Montmorency with Stoneham and Lake Beauport.

St. John's, Melbourne.

Scotstown with Canterbury and Lingwick.

We have also added 150 miles of coast and three stations, on the Island of Anticosti, to our already extensive Mission on the Labrador. We have changed the name of St. Sylvester Mission to St. George, Pénouze, and have arranged that a clergyman should reside entirely at St. George, and should, besides ministering to St. George and Cumberland Mills, also take Cranbourne, which had hitherto formed part of the Parish of Framp-ton. At the same time we have asked the Incumbent of Leeds to add to his charge St. Sylvester and St. Giles, County Lotbinière. And, in consideration of this addition, we are taking away from the Leeds Mission Kinnear's Mills, and are giving this station to the Mission of Inverness, which has hitherto had only two Churches, while Leeds, with its new additions, has had six.

I need hardly say that I have presided or taken part in many, many meetings in the City of Quebec, at Bishop's College, Lennoxville, at Compton College and elsewhere, and every Term I have devoted two whole days to the instruction and examination of our University theological students on subjects doctrinal, historical and practical,—a work which I trust and believe has not been without some good fruit. I have also revived a plan adopted by Bishop Williams, but for some years past fallen into abeyance,—the plan of holding every two years a Visitation at Bishop's College, Lennoxville, receiving the Clergy there for two or three days as my guests, delivering a formal Charge, and holding with them conferences on many great and important subjects. My primary visitation last September was felt by us all to be a season of true profit and blessing.

And, I have further opened another and a new channel of communication between the whole Diocese and myself, by starting last year the *Quebec Diocesan Gazette*, which month by month contains information and teaching likely to be extremely helpful and interesting to both Clergy and people. From the very beginning we have circulated about a thousand copies per month, and, owing to the ability and industry with which my Domestic Chaplain, the Rev. R. A. Parrock, has edited it, the *Gazette* has continued to make its way, and has now this year a distinctly increasing circulation and is doing much good.

One hears very much in the present day about the necessity there is to divide our dioceses and increase the number of our Bishops. I quite agree, my brethren, that the oversight of the Bishop should be a felt and valued reality, and that the Bishop should be personally known to the people of every parish, and that, if, owing to the extent of the diocese, this is impossible, then there

should be subdivision and the creation of a new diocese, or at any rate the appointment of a Suffragan. But with the present facilities for travelling, it seems to me that I am well able, while God gives me health and strength, to answer fully every reasonable call of my Clergy,—to visit some Parishes several times and all Parishes except those on the Labrador and the Magdalen Islands, at least once in every year. I shall, of course, not be unwilling to give up the Magdalen Islands to the new diocese of Prince Edward's Island whenever this diocese shall be formed, because this will be a great saving of labor in the way of travelling, as well as a considerable economy as regards time. And for the same reason, if the Bishop of Newfoundland's diocese should ever be divided, I should not object to give up our Canadian Labrador. But until this can be done, I can easily go once in every two years to each of these distant Missions. I found time, in fact, over and above my diocesan journeyings and besides a visit to Toronto for the first session of the General Synod of the Canadian Church, and besides a visit to Ottawa with a view to furthering the work of the St. Andrew's Brotherhood, to pay a visit last Fall to England, where, besides deriving much pleasure from and old scenes, old faces, I was able to accomplish much towards the expense of increasing our missionary staff on the Labrador.

As to the general progress of our work, I am quite aware that statistics are seldom interesting and very often fallacious; but I feel that I must just draw attention to the gross results of the returns made by the Clergy to me for the last two years:—

1893—Total souls, 18,850; Baptisms—adults, 60; infants, 677; Confirmed, 1,100; Communicants, 6,750; Marriages, 147; Burials, 424; Sunday scholars, 3,131; Parish Helpers—male, 417; female, 1,018.

1894—Total souls, 21,398; Baptisms—adults, 66; infants, 709; Confirmed, 485; Communicants, 7,327; Marriages, 169; Burials, 453; Sunday scholars, 3,374; Parish Helpers—male, 435; female, 1,012.

1893—Assessments and other money raised for Parish, \$58,996.74; Money raised for Diocesan Funds, not assessments, \$33,153.30; Money raised for objects outside the diocese, \$4,760.01; Total raised, \$96,910.05.

1894—Assessments and other money raised for Parish, \$60,587.80; Money raised for Diocesan Funds, not assessments, \$14,521.66; Money raised for objects outside the diocese, \$5,634.04; Total raised, \$80,743.50.

Here we have growth at every point, for although there appears to be a large falling off in the amount of money raised for Diocesan purposes and consequently in the total financial result, this difference is more than accounted for by the fact that in 1893 \$21,251.70 were received towards the Bishop Williams Memorial Fund, whereas in 1894, almost all the promises that had been made having been already redeemed, only \$2,158.01

were received for the same object. And thus it appears that, apart from this, there was an increase in 1894 of \$462.05 raised for our Diocesan Funds.

On the whole, therefore, I am very thankful to be able to report, that we are certainly making good and solid progress, and yet some of our populations are so small and so little able to support the ministrations of religion, that I fear the time is coming, when we shall be obliged to revert to the plan of giving to our people in some districts Services at stated intervals by means of itinerating missionary Clergy, and I sometimes think that, instead of so many small and comparatively compact Parishes, it would be better to give to the man of experience a larger area, and to ordain men as assistants in these great missionary districts, instead of expecting every newly ordained Deacon at once to enter upon a quasi sole charge. It also seems to me that it would be for the advantage of the diocese, if it were possible, to arrange that at the close of a ten years' ministry, it should be an understood thing that our Clergy would exchange parishes, except in cases in which the Bishop might beg an incumbent not to move. And with regard to our younger Clergy, who have received assistance by means of Exhibitions at Bishop's College, and also are bound to give five years of service in the diocese, it would be better that it should be understood that, at the end of their five years, they would not only be free, but would be expected to find work in another diocese, unless they were begged by the Bishop to stay and continue their work. By this plan we should only keep the very best of our men, and we should carefully fill our vacancies by ordaining the best of our Lennoxville graduates. But, in order that all this work may be done by the best men and in a full and efficient manner, we must go on, both in Quebec and also in every country Parish, doing all we possibly can to support that great source of all our financial well-being, the Quebec Church Society. We are rapidly giving up the S. P. G. grants; we are suffering still more from the rapid diminution, that is taking place in the interest of money, which affects the Bishop's Endowment Fund as well as every other Fund under our care. And at the same time, owing to the extension of our work, we have more stipends to pay than ever was the case before, and with all this we are eager to increase the scale of those stipends, simply because they are not what they ought to be nor what they would be, if all our people valued their privileges as they ought.

And therefore, while we are truly thankful to know that the Bishop Williams' Memorial Fund, chiefly owing to the princely generosity of two well-known Quebec laymen, but also by the united co-operation of nearly all, but, alas! not quite the whole of our Parishes, has risen to a sum total of about \$40,000, still we cannot help recognizing the fact, that

the interest upon this sum will not nearly make up for our loss, or meet our needs. And consequently, we must seek as our great hope and remedy: (1) A very careful and economical administration of our Funds. (2) A cultivation by our Clergy and by our best laymen of the right spirit as regards the absolute necessity of growth in our Parish assessments, and (3) generous and self-denying donations and subscriptions to our Church Society Funds.

In connection with this subject I may say that I propose at the beginning of next year to issue a new form of Diocesan return, which will make it amply clear in the Church Society Report of a year hence which Parishes are loyally supporting our Diocesan Institutions and which Parishes are living unto themselves and for themselves; and it has also occurred to me that it might not be a bad plan for Synod to pass a resolution to the effect that it is most desirable that the collection taken up on the occasion of the Bishop's annual Visitation of all the Parishes of the Dioceses for Confirmation should form, as in the Diocese of Maryland and other Dioceses in the United States, a "Bishop's Visitation Fund," placed at the disposal of the Bishop for the building up of the Church Society or other Diocesan Fund. Something might also be done, if our Clergy would all speak to their people, as some do, each year at the beginning of Lent and ask them in their self-denials to make the Mission Fund of the Church Society the recipient of their bounty. And no one knows how much good would arise if our Clergy would explain, when visiting the sick and on other suitable occasions, what is being done by the Church Society for the Diocese, thus leading our people to do something towards this great work, or towards the endowment of their own Parishes by their "last Will and Testament," for it was thus that the good work was built up in the old land in the old days. And it should also, I think, form a regular part of our instructions to our Candidates for the "Laying on of hands" that, from the day of their Confirmation, they should consider it to be alike a duty and privilege to become personally subscribers, even if it has to be in a very small way to the Church Society's Mission Fund.

You will, I am sure, be glad to hear that a proposal will be made for the adoption of a simpler form of returns to Synod; and we ought also, if we can, to frame some laws as to dilapidations, so that the incoming Clergyman should always find his Churches and his parsonage in good substantial repair. This can only be done, it seems to me, by periodical surveys, with power granted to Rural Deans, or others, to order Parishes to make such repairs as may, from time to time, be necessary. And, closely connected with the support of our Clergy and the maintenance of our Churches and parsonages, is the interest, which we all ought to take, and the aid which we ought to render to our centres of

higher education, Bishops' College, Lennoxville, and Compton Ladies' College. I know that there are some, who think, that these should be self-supporting Institutions, but this is simply impossible, if they are to do the work, for which they are intended, if, i.e., they are to afford an opportunity of higher education at comparatively small cost. Bishops' College School asks for nothing and gets nothing, although by receiving the sons of our Clergy at two-thirds of the ordinary fees it might seem to have some claim upon us. And it is on this ground particularly, i.e., because Compton Ladies' College receives the daughters of our Clergy at greatly reduced fees, because indeed it is a good, sound, Church of England School offering really high attainments to many of the daughters of our people, who would otherwise have to send their children to Convent Schools (a most undesirable arrangement, if it can possibly be avoided) it is upon this ground that we really ought to be glad to offer to Compton College our aid. I am very glad, therefore, that, at the intercession of Canon Thorneloe, so many of our Quebec friends made last year handsome contributions towards the freeing of the College from debt, and I sincerely hope that this year, by a long pull, and a strong pull, and a pull all together, the whole of the remainder of this debt, a sum of about \$1,500, will become a thing of the past. Of course, it is understood that our annual collections in our Churches on the fourth Sunday in Lent, go towards the annual current expenses, and it would only be by a considerable increase in the number of pupils at the present fees that we could even hope to do without this kindly outside support.

Bishop's College has a still stronger claim upon us: for here many of the best of our Clergy have been trained, most of them receiving assistance, without which they could not have attained the high object of their life, and have entered the sacred ministry. And it is only by the devoted labors of these and other good men that our Missions are all filled and the work of our English Church is growing and prospering in the Diocese. Bishop's College, therefore, besides being a University offering the very highest training in the way of a liberal education, fitting men for all the learned professions, is also a great missionary Institution, and claims at our hands as Christians and Churchmen our self-denying and devoted support. At our summer Convocation this year, an occasion which we are promised will be graced by the presence of His Excellency the Governor-General and many other great and distinguished men, we are to celebrate our Jubilee in thankfulness to Almighty God for all His great mercies vouchsafed to us and we are to take a review of the history of the fifty years which have passed since the College was founded in 1845 by the saintly and venerated Bishop George Mountain.

And a great endeavor is at the same time to be made to raise a Jubilee fund of \$10,000, of which about \$4,000 will be spent upon the completion of the College Chapel and about \$6,000 upon the erection and fitting up of a Gymnasium for our Lennoxville boys and men. This is a work in which it seems to me we all ought to determine to take an earnest part, while at the same time we all ought to agree with ourselves to go on supporting so helpful and so noble an Institution year by year.

But my brethren, I feel very strongly that our efforts in behalf of religious education ought not to end in what we do for Lennoxville and Compton. If separate schools are dear to the hearts of the Roman Catholic minority in Manitoba, separate Church of England schools, if we could but have them, should be just as dear to the hearts of the English Church minority of this Diocese and Province. It may be an ideal which cannot be realized, but it should still be an ideal; and we ought always to remember that any approach that we can make towards that ideal, by using the power which we have under the present school law to teach our own children the principles of the Faith as we have received them, is one of our highest duties, one of our most necessary works. And if, by any means, we could start, at such a centre as Sherbrooke, a cheap Church of England school for boys and another for girls, it would be the duty of all of us to rally round such a noble and useful attempt, and to endeavor to carry it through to a successful issue. And I am sure, too, that we ought to make an entirely new departure as regards our S. P. C. K. Depositories. I feel convinced *i. e.* that, associated with these Depositories, there should be a regular system of colportage, whereby Bibles, Prayer Books, Hymn Books and books of sound Church doctrine should be carried to every farm and homestead where our people are to be found throughout the Eastern Townships, the Megantic hills and the Gaspé coast. For it is by a wide distribution of Church literature and Church newspapers, that a very great deal may most certainly be accomplished which has only been attempted as yet upon a very limited scale. And with all this, my reverend brethren, we should do all we possibly can towards bringing our occasional Services, as object lessons, before the whole body of our people. Our Baptisms, our Marriages, etc., should all be celebrated, not in private houses, except in cases of sheer necessity, and then only with the Bishop's special consent, but in Church, publicly, before the whole congregation. Many who seek to have such things done in private, are afterwards glad that their whim was not complied with, and that there was such a goodly gathering of their neighbors, to pray with them at the Baptism of their child at the time and place appointed by the Rubric after the second Lesson, or to save their Wedding by the sacred associations

of God's House from being a mere drawing-room show. Any Clergyman therefore who breaks these rules I shall consider guilty of a breach of his Ordination vows. And certainly on both Scriptural and Prayer Book grounds, we, Clergy, ought to labour to secure that every woman shall come to Church, according to universal custom, to offer after childbirth her public Thanksgiving and Praise.

Again it appears to me that very likely much good would arise from the creation of one or more Rural Deaneries. I am aware that, in some instances, at present, the Rural Deanery is divided into Sub-Deaneries and I know that the Sub-Deanery meetings have been the means of doing a very great deal of good. But I lean towards the idea, that each Sub-Deanery might well be a Rural Deanery and then the duties of each Rural Dean could be fully and thoroughly performed. For, as things are at present, besides receiving and tabulating the Returns of the Clergy for Synod, a Rural Dean is required by Canon XII: "(1) to make periodical visits to each Church, parsonage and other ecclesiastical building and burial ground within his Deanery, to inspect the condition and state of repair; to ascertain whether they are insured against fire; whether the Churches are supplied with all accessories necessary for the due celebration of divine Offices; whether the Parochial Registers are accurately kept: to see that duplicate copies of the Parish Registers are filed in Court according to law; to inquire into the sufficiency of the title of all Church property. (2) To induct incumbents into corporal possession, and to introduce newly licensed clergymen to one or more of their congregation either by letter to the church wardens or whenever possible, personally. (3) To promote the designs of the Church Society and render all assistance in his power to the Diocesan Board in its operations. (4) To make a full report of his proceedings annually to the Bishop, who shall lay the same before the regular meeting of the Synod."

Now all this is most carefully arranged for the welfare of the Church, but how could our present good Rural Dean of St. Francis, Canon Foster, by any possibility visit all his parishes and carry out all these multifarious duties? And yet there is great need that all these duties should be regularly and carefully performed, and consequently one is led to the conclusion, that, while we must take great care not to give up the close federation of the parishes which form the present Deanery of St. Francis, enabling the Clergy and Delegates to meet once a year in the winter at Sherbrooke to such good purpose, it would really, with the good will of the Clergy, be well to make our Rural Deaneries smaller and more numerous, in order that all the useful work contemplated by our Canons, may be literally and fully performed.

That a full and faithful performance of our

duty is what is looked for and expected of every one of us, is pressed upon us in an especial manner by our next thought, *i. e.*, by a review of the names of those, who, during the past two years, have passed away, and who were during their lives active workers for the well-being of the Diocese. There is no need of an obituary notice, for such notices have already appeared in our *Diocesan Gazette*. I would simply remind you, that during the last two years we have lost two of our older Clergy, the Rev. E. C. Parkin and the Rev. Dr. M. Ker; we have also lost one of our most earnest and active Laymen, Mr. W. G. Wurtele, and we have further to record the entrance into rest of three holy women, Mrs. Nicolls, the widow of Principal Nicolls, of Bishop's College; Mrs. Richardson, the wife of the Rev. Canon Richardson, and last, but not least, Mrs. Williams, the widow of your late revered Bishop. Departed in peace, they rest in hope; and they will all (we trust, believe and pray) shine as special jewels in the Crown of our Blessed Lord.

But of all events of the last two years affecting the welfare of our beloved English Church in Canada, the greatest has undoubtedly been the gathering of all our widespread Dioceses into one harmonious whole by the formation in September, 1893, of our General Synod. This is a matter, my brethren, involving no doubt, great labour and much expense. Indeed, it will be one of our duties at this Synod to make provision for our share of the expense, both as regards the General Synod of 1893, and also as regards the General Synod of 1896. But we may well hope and believe that the good results will far outweigh the labour and the expense. For now we can act, not as individual Dioceses, but as one great portion of the Anglican Church, and nothing of grave moment can be undertaken by an individual Bishop or Diocese without consulting the whole body. We shall also be able now to arrive at some degree of Diocesan reciprocity, for, while our Diocesan Funds are Trust Funds to be administered for the benefit of our individual Dioceses, yet we may be able to agree that a Clergyman, when he is invited by a Bishop to move from one Diocese to another, shall not have to begin life again, receiving only the stipend of a novice, but shall have put to his credit the years he has served in his first Diocese; and possibly some arrangement may be able to be made in the matters of Pensions and W. and O. Funds. One thing, at any rate, is certain, and that is this: *viz* that everything which tends towards unity is good, and that consequently the unification of the Church of England in Canada must in the long run prove to be a source of much strength and blessing.

And now, my dear brethren, in conclusion, I feel bound to express to you what I can assure you is before me in the great work to which I have been called every day of my

life, *viz*, my own deep sense of insufficiency and shortcoming; and yet I hope you will believe me when I declare, as before God, in all earnestness, that I have "done what I could." Indeed, I can truly say that, during the whole of these two years of persistent labour, there has been but one allow, and *that* has been the fact that I have been entirely misunderstood and misrepresented by some of our Cathedral worshippers. I do not wish to blame them, and if they know that they are really actuated by the love of God and not by party spirit, I have nothing to say, except that certain things are questions of history and not of individual opinion, which, when allowed free course, too often leads to confusion. I do not wish to blame them therefore, but I am very very sorry. For I know only too well that the great hindrance and foe to that true Christianity, which was delivered by our blessed Lord to His Apostles and by them handed on in the Holy Catholic Church, is not indifference—is not infidelity—is not agnosticism or any other "ism," but is simply and solely our most unhappy divisions. Yes! so truly is this the case that, at the suggestion of our good Archbishop of Canterbury, I would beg of all of you, my reverend brethren, who are able to do so, next Sunday—Whit-Sunday—the great Festival of the Holy Spirit, that in your teaching you should make some allusion to the pressing need there is of Christian unity and Christian love, and that you should also use the Prayer for Unity, which you will find in your Prayer Book in the Form of Service appointed for the Queen's Accession Day, the 20th of June. "that, as there is but one Body, and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may henceforth be all of one heart and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify God through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Nay, my brethren, if those who differ most from the very moderate changes which I have felt obliged to ask for in our Cathedral Church, could but know me personally, I am quite sure that their thoughts, words and actions would have been, in many respects, very different. And I only regret that the constant daily work, which is necessary, if I am to minister as I ought to do, to the needs of the whole Diocese, does not permit me to have much opportunity of a closer friendship or acquaintance. Those, however, who know me best, know how much I deprecate all partizanship and hate all narrowness. For I want to see the Church of England in our midst as wide as she really is, and I am most eager that we should all learn to hold large and generous views, clinging firmly, of course, to the holy principles which we have ourselves been taught, but always ready to see *good* rather than *evil* in those who differ from us, and always praying that the Great

God, in His own good time, may knit together all who name the Name of Christ into one holy, happy family, co-operating in all good works and united in all things necessary in the bright and blessed bonds of Christian Love."

At the close of the Bishop's Address, the Synod adjourned until the afternoon.

Quebec Clerical Library.

The new Catalogues of this Library have now been sent out to all our Clergy, and it is hoped that they will all take advantage of the opportunity given them of using such a splendid collection of books. From time to time new books will be added to the Library, and the Sub-Librarian intends to announce such books in the *Quebec Diocesan Gazette*. He therefore asks all members of the Library to take notice of any books which are so announced and to enter their Titles in their own Catalogues, in order that they may keep them up to date.

One addition has already been received kindly presented by the Rev. Canon Richardson, viz: "Lex Mosaiica or the Law of Moses and the Higher Criticism," with an introduction by the late Right Rev. Lord Arthur Hervey, D.D., edited by Richard Valpy French, D.C.L., L.L.D., F.S.A.

Public Worship

(BY THE BISHOP OF WAKEFIELD).

CONFESSION OF SIN.

Be in good time. Confession hath first place
In drawing nigh unto the throne of grace;
When sin is pardoned, thou canst praise and pray.

Sin unconfessed will bar the onward way.

REVERENCE.

Kneel on thy knees. Before the mercy-seat
Is not the lowliest posture the most meet?
The Master knelt in prayer; and is it so
The graceless servant cannot bend so low?

RESPONDING.

Make thy response. Observe thy Church's ways;

The faithful Churchman Prayer-Book rules obeys.

The tongue that thrills with worship lights the fire

In other souls, and kindles high desire.

PRaise.

Sing with both heart and voice: yet in God's ear

'Tis but the heart that singeth loud and clear.

Sing with a heart on fire with holy love,
And thou shalt join the Angels' songs above.

GOD'S WORD.

Mark well the blessed lessons of God's Word,
And bear some good fruit of the lessons heard.
The preacher heed; some counsel he may speak

To help thee better live throughout the week.

HOLY COMMUNION.

Turn not thy back when bidden to draw nigh
To the sweet feast of holy charity.
Meet there thy Lord, who comes thy soul to feed.

And in His love to make thee His indeed.

The Wye Appeal.

There has recently been in session at Kingston, Ont., a court of unusual importance. It is styled the Metropolitan Court, and is constituted for the hearing and determining of appeals brought up from the several Dioceses in the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada.

The full bench would consist of all the Bishops in the Dioceses of Ontario, Niagara, Huron, Toronto, Quebec, Algoma, Fredericton, Nova Scotia and Montreal, and three legal assessors. In the court just closed the Bishop of Huron was supposed not to sit, as the parish in dispute was in his Diocese, and he accordingly was not present. And two of the assessors were also absent, leaving the duties of the assessor solely to Chancellor Walkem, of Kingston. The following Bishops were present:—His Grace Archbishop John Travers Lewis, of Kingston, Ont., Metropolitan of the Province of Canada, Bishop of the Diocese of Ontario, and President of the Court. Their Lordships Bishop Andrew Hunter Dunn, of Quebec; Bishop Hollingworth Tully Kingdon, of Fredericton, New Brunswick; Bishop Charles Hamilton, of the Diocese of Niagara, Hamilton; Bishop Frederick Courtney, of Nova Scotia.

This bench has been in existence for thirty-two years and this was its first session.

R. V. Rogers, Q.C., of Kingston, Ont., was the registrar or clerk of the body. The court opened on Thursday, April 25th, 1895, at 3 p.m., in St. George's Hall, Kingston, Ont. The Bishops, as they filed in arrayed in the beautiful robes of their office, presented a most imposing spectacle. Rural Dean Carey, of Kingston, bore the crozier, consisting of the magnificent silver cross of the metropolitan.

Presiding Justice Lewis rose and said: "I declare the court open, and as this is our first session we have no rules or precedents by which to be guided, but we make no mistake if we open our session with prayer," and prayer was accordingly offered. The appeal before the court was from the Diocese of Huron, in the Province of Ontario, and the Parish of Amherstburg, Rev. George W. Wye, rector. The appellant was represented by George W. Marsh and his brother, L. E. Marsh, barristers, etc., London, Ont., and the respon-

dents by Richard Bayly and F. P. Betts, barristers, etc., London, Ont.

Space will not permit to present more than an outline of this very interesting case. Rev. Geo. W. Wye was appointed rector of the aforesaid parish, April 20th, 1889, by Maurice Scollard Baldwin, Bishop of Huron, a vacancy having occurred by the death of the former rector. Immediately on his appearance as rector there developed a bitter opposition which continued up to December last, when his connection with the parish ceased. The appeal book in this case contains 366 pages of type-written testimony. The case is nothing more nor less than one of those unfortunate affairs known as a church quarrel. The rector was tried before a board of triers, consisting of five members, on the allegation that his "usefulness was gone." The trial occupied nine days, during which counsel appeared on both sides, and four out of the five triers found that the usefulness of the rector was practically gone in the parish. It was from this finding or decision of the board of triers that the appellant's attorneys, the Messrs. Marsh, appealed. The moral character of the Rev. Mr. Wye was not, it was said, assailed. The appellant's attorney, Mr. Marsh, contended that the ruling powers in the Huron Diocese (apart from the Bishop, whom he considered neutral) were against his client, Rev. Mr. Wye, and that the board of triers below had been packed against him. The first session of the court on Thursday was occupied by hearing the arguments for and against the appeal on what lawyers would call technical grounds. Mr. Bayly argued for about two hours that the appeal was not brought within the time prescribed in the canon of the Huron Diocese, that the bond was not properly filed, that an intervening court should have been first approached, etc. etc., all of which was replied to by G. W. Marsh, and the court gave its decision next morning through assessor Walkom. This decision, which fell within the province of the assessor, was to the effect that all technical objections were over-ruled and that the appeal must proceed.

G. W. Marsh then commenced his argument for the appellants and continued it without intermission during the sessions of the court through Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday. The court opened each day at 10 a.m., and sat until 1 p.m.,

when a recess was taken until 3 p.m., and then an adjournment would take place daily at 6 p.m.

The brief of Mr. Marsh was carefully prepared, and as he had been connected with the case from the beginning he seemed saturated with the litigation and took an absorbing interest in presenting every detail. Mr. Bayly commenced his argument on Wednesday morning and spoke during the sessions of the day. He had no particular written brief and argued mostly from memory, exhibiting a very considerable capacity of being able to carry a case in his mind. On Thursday morning F. P. Betts commenced his argument as one of the attorneys for the respondents and continued through the morning session. In the afternoon Mr. Marsh put in his reply and spoke until nearly six o'clock, when L. E. Marsh closed the case in a short address. The arguments being thus concluded, the court adjourned until twelve o'clock noon the next day. At twenty minutes past twelve, Friday, May 3rd, the court entered in due form and Archbishop Lewis called upon Bishop Kingdon, of Fredericton, to deliver the decision of the court. The Bishop delivered a written judgment, announcing that the court had decided to dismiss the appeal without costs. His lordship the Bishop of Niagara, followed with a written opinion in which he found that the Rev. Mr. Wye had contributed to the loss of his usefulness by his own conduct in some degree, but also blamed those members of Mr. Wye's congregation who had withdrawn from the church, and especially those dissentients who had circulated printed pamphlets throughout the parish injurious to Mr. Wye. He concluded by saying that he concurred with the judgment as rendered by Bishop Kingdon. His lordship Bishop Courtney, of Halifax, followed with a written opinion, in which he said he agreed with the Bishop of Niagara in the suggestion that the triers in the court below should be chosen by lot instead of being chosen by the executive committee. He also recommended a change in some sections of the canon of the Diocese of Huron under which the Rev. Mr. Wye had been tried. At the same time, he severely animadverted upon the conduct of those opposed to Rev. Mr. Wye. He concluded by concurring with the opinion of his lordship, Bishop Kingdon, saying that it was a very

serious matter to reverse the finding of the court below, who had had the advantage of having all the witnesses before them. His lordship Bishop Dunn, of Quebec, followed with an oral opinion, in which he said that owing to indisposition he had been unable to write an opinion, but he concurred in the judgment of the court.

This closed a case which, being the first of its kind, will always possess some historical importance.

Deanery of St. Francis.—Association of Choirs.

ANNUAL SERVICE IN THE CHAPEL OF ST. MARK, BISHOP'S COLLEGE, LENNOXVILLE.

The Fourth Annual Festival was held on Wednesday, May 22nd (eve of Ascension Day), and proved most enjoyable for all concerned.

The members of the choirs began to reach the College in the afternoon, and at 4 o'clock Mr. Dorey conducted a combined practice which lasted till 5.45. At 6 o'clock a substantial Tea was provided in the Lodge and the Lecture Room of the Principal. The hospitality was provided by the members of the College and School Staff. The Service was held at 7.30 p.m. At this Service about fifty persons were robed in surplices, including the College Choir, Students and Clergy. The procession entered at the west door singing the 227th hymn "For thee, O dear, dear Country." There were seventy-five in all in the combined choir, these occupied the choir seats, those in surplices who were not members of the choir having seats on the raised part of the chapel, while nine clergy had seats within the Sanctuary. The massing of the choirs with fifty robed figures in the eastern part of the chapel as a kind of background formed a very effective piece of grouping. There was an excellent congregation, the chapel being comfortably full, the seats in the western part having been rearranged for the occasion so as to increase the seating power of the chapel. It is not too much to say that the Service in its reverent rendering and in its true tone of deep feeling and of joyous enthusiasm marks an epoch in the development of Church Music in the Deanery of St. Francis. Many present who had attended Cathedral and Collegiate Services both in

England and Canada say that they can scarcely remember a Service which was more satisfactory and uplifting in its character. It was agreed on all sides that this was the best Annual Service which the Association has yet held, both in the aggregate voice power of the combined choirs in numbers, and in quality and in effectiveness. This is very satisfactory, as showing progress and proving that the Association is doing good service under the leadership of its valued and untiring director, Mr. Arthur Dorey. On this occasion Mr. Dorey and members of the College Choir (which is made up of members of both College and School) had given much time to special practices. The members of the Sherbrooke and College Choirs being constantly in touch with Mr. Dorey, who trains both, naturally formed a powerful nucleus and a guarantee for success. It is hoped that the College Choir will always maintain this usefulness. The members have the inestimable advantage and privilege of a daily Musical Service: chanting a psalm and a canticle every morning, besides having Choral Services on Sundays. The first part of the Service up to the Third Collect was intoned by the Rev. Dr. Allnatt, with the ferial inflections. Canon Thorneloe intoned the remainder of the prayers, while Professor Searth, Rector of Lennoxville, said the final prayer and gave the Blessing. The Rev. Albert Stevens read the first lesson, Deuteronomy xxxiv. The Rev. E. A. W. King read the second lesson, 1 Cor. xiv. 1-19. The Preacher (Rev. Principal Adams) took as his text Ps. cviii, 2—"Awake lute and harp; I myself will awake right early."

These words were a defence, if one were needed, of the use of instrumental and vocal music in Divine Worship. Music had succeeded in interpreting many of our emotions, penitance as well as joy, defeat as well as triumph; still art was the handmaid of nature, and nature was paramount. Music was collective, and these gatherings brought us together to worship God, emphasising our union when worshipping in separate places with one aspiration. Church Music, Hymns and tunes had become more widely spread than any special church opinions; the hymns we had in common, Catholic hymns used by Non-confirmists, Non-confirmist hymns used by ourselves, might be regarded as the harbingers of Christian reunion. At the level

of our aspirations we were one if not at the level of our opinions, creeds and government. Our earthly services however beautiful were not to be compared with the perfect beauty of the heavenly worship, near to which our thoughts were brought by the Ascensiontide season. The light of the firefly, a creature of God, was more effective than that of the electric light, a discovery of man. So when God shall be all in all, there will be no loss of spiritual energy as there is now.

The Psalms, chanted to plain Gregorian, were xxiii, 'Dominus regit me,' cxxxiii—'Ecce, quam bonum,' cxxxiv—'Ecce, nunc,

Some verses were full; when not full there was the antiphonal arrangement, trebles and altos odd numbers, even numbers tenors and bases.

The Canticles were *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis*, an admirable setting by Mr. Arthur Dorey in G. There were three short anthems illustrating different styles, but all well adapted for public worship.

(1) 'Ye that stand in the House'. W. Spinney rather stately.

(2) 'Jesus, word of God, Incarnate,' Gounod. this most pathetic and inspiring.

(3) 'Awake up my glory . . . J. Barnby. this cheerful and attractive, and ending with a well known chorale.

The hymn before the sermon was No. 305, "Saviour, Blessed Saviour."

The offertory anthem, 'O how amable are thy dwellings West.

The closing hymn was No. 31. "Saviour again to thy dear name we raise."

sung while the procession slowly moved out and well supported, as was the processional, by the members of the choir who were in their places. Thus ended a most joyous and uplifting Service. We trust its success will be an incentive to more noble worship, in voice and in heart, for all who were present. After the Service the Annual Meeting was held in the College Dining Hall. The Rev. Dr. Adams was elected President, in succession to Canon Thorneloe. Rev. A. Stevens was elected Vice-President. Dr. Wells Sec.-Treasurer. Mr. Dorey, Musical Director, to whom a cordial and appreciative vote of thanks was passed. A vote of thanks was also passed

to the members of the College School Staff for their hospitality. Sherbrooke was selected for the next year's place of meeting. The members then adjourned to the Lodge for refreshments and all felt that the day had been successful. Besides the clergy above named the following were present: Rev. Prof. Wilkinson, Rev. W. Adcock (Angus,) H. E. Wright, (E. Sherbrooke,) A. H. Robertson, (Cookshire.) The choirs represented were: Sherbrooke, East Sherbrooke, Lennoxville, Bishop's College, Hatley, Waterville, Cookshire, Angus, Compton, and Island Pond, (Vt.)

DISTRICT NEWS.

LEVIS AND NEW LIVERPOOL.

The Annual Vestry Meeting, for Holy Trinity Church, Levis, was held on Monday, April 15th. The accounts for the year were very satisfactory, showing a good surplus. Hearty votes of thanks were given to Messrs. J. H. Simmons and Frank Carey, retiring Wardens, for their faithful services during the past year.

The Rector nominated Mr. E. J. Smallhorn as Rector's Warden, and Mr. Alexander Anderson was elected on behalf of the people. Mr. W. Hamilton was elected Vestry Clerk, and Messrs. Alexander Russell, Wm. Hamilton, George Addie and Charles Knight were elected sidesmen. To the regret of the Congregation, Mr. Smallhorn found it necessary to decline the nomination, feeling that the duties of Warden required more time than he had at his disposal. Mr. Ernest Piton was nominated to fill the vacancy.

Votes of thanks were given to the Organist and Choir for their devoted services. Also to the "Young Church Workers," for a gift of \$22 towards the finances of the Church, the result of their own labours during the winter months.

Easter offering, \$25.

The Annual Vestry Meeting of Christ's Church, New Liverpool, which was postponed on account of the bad condition of the roads, was held on Monday, the 6th day of May.

There was a good attendance, and harmony and good-will prevailed. The ac-

counts, when examined, showed that the Vestry was in debt for the sum of \$76.00. This amount having been kindly presented to the Vestry by the devoted Church-Warden, Mr. Henry Atkinson, the Church begins the work of another year, free from debt. The Incumbent, nominated Mr. Atkinson as Minister's Warden, and on motion of Mr. E. H. Wade, Mr. Henry Sample was elected People's Warden. Mr. E. H. Wade, the retiring Warden, kindly consented to assist the new Warden, and to act for him in his absence.

It was decided to repaint and otherwise improve the condition of the Church.

The usual votes of thanks were passed.

Easter offering, \$29.31.

SANDY BEACH.

The Rev. G. T. Harding reports:—

Our Lenten Services, this year, were unusually successful. They were devoted to a special work in the interests of Temperance, although their design was also to awaken more spiritual life generally; and they partook, therefore, of the character of a "Mission," with special Mission Hymns and prayers used by permission of the Lord Bishop. We had full congregations throughout, excepting one stormy night, and many showed and expressed a deep interest in the effort thus made.

In order to reach some practical results in connection with these Services, I asked those who wished it to meet me at the Parsonage on Easter Eve and sign the following resolution, which I had had printed on cards for the purpose:—

"I solemnly resolve in God's strength to strive more earnestly, henceforth, to fulfil my Baptismal vows, in particular, 'To keep my body in temperance soberness, and charity'; and to this end will faithfully use, God helping me, all the means of grace to which I may be admitted in His Church."

To this was appended, on the same card, a prayer compiled from the catechism, to be said daily for one year, as follows:—

"O my Lord God, my heavenly Father, the giver of all goodness, send Thy grace upon me, that I may worship, serve and obey Thee as I ought. Be merciful to me, and forgive me my past sins; save and defend me in all dangers, ghostly

and bodily; keep me from all sin and wickedness, and especially from that sin 'which doth so easily beset me'; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with Thee and the Holy Ghost be all the honour and glory, world without end. Amen."

As an evidence of the impression made, I am glad to say that thirty-one persons signed these cards.

Easter Day was wet and stormy, with very bad roads, which to some extent affected our Services; but they were hearty and well attended considering. At an eight o'clock celebration of the Holy Communion twenty-five, and at the mid-day celebration thirty-three persons communicated, which, with eighteen others on Palm Sunday and seventeen at private celebrations made an aggregate of ninety-three communicants for the season; many other regular ones, of course, missing the opportunity.

At the Easter Vestry Meeting, on Monday, the old Wardens were again chosen, namely: Mr. Wm. Alexander, for the Clergyman, and Capt. Robt. Pye, for the people; and I was glad to find from the accounts that the amount of the Sunday collections for the year was the largest we had yet had, being \$116, without special collections.

MAGDALEN ISLANDS.

The Rev. J. N. Hunter writes:—

Our winter's exile is past, and now for eight happy months we are in means of communication with you all.

During the winter 21 Services have been held at Grosse Isle, and 27 at Grindstone. The Clergyman spends a whole Sunday at each of these places, fortnightly, having two Services a Sunday. Besides the Grindstone Assessment Papers, Grosse Isle has likewise signed, and what is more they have paid in \$20 out of \$24, conscience money, for old arrears of assessment since 1892 and back.

At Christmas we had a tree at the Parsonage. It was the joint labour of the Clergyman, William Leslie and Phillip Jean. Suffice it to say it was a success.

The Easter Services were conducted at Grosse Isle, to overflowing congregations at both Services of 125.

And now for a thing hardly credible for Grosse Isle, but nevertheless true; over

\$15.00 was given in the collection plate that day, of which about \$12 was assessment.

Death has visited this Parish and taken away a baby brother, Timothy Maccormick, a lad, Guy Clarke, son of the present Warden of Grosse Isle, and Mrs. Richard Patton. The latter leaves a young family. I could make use of clothes for such cases as this, and also for Grosse Isle, where Diphtheria played havoc with struggling families. Books are also needed for the weary winter months. To any one who shall hear this one of many cries may those words come "In that ye have done it unto the least of one of these little ones, ye have done it unto Me." And be sure your sweet charity will be returned by the Prayers of these lisping babes, as also of these simple, earnest fishermen and wives.

In regard to further temporal work that is being carried on in this Mission, it is as follows :—

1. At Grosse Isle the Church is to be painted outside, and, if possible within, at a cost of about \$25 to be met by a collection of 50c. from every member within the spiritual limits of Trinity Church. This collection is actually going on, and to a great extent has been met.

2. At Grindstone a new wire fence of cedar posts and four foot wire at a cost of about \$40, partly to be met on the same plan as for the painting of Holy Trinity, Grosse Isle, partly by money on hand, and lastly by sale of old fence.

3. At Entry Island, the building of a Church, for which, so far, sufficient has been collected for buying material, besides a grant of \$70 from the S. P. C. K., for continuation of work.

STANSTEAD AND BEEBE PLAIN.

The Lenten fast and Easter festival have been duly observed in this Parish. At Christ Church, Stanstead, Lent was ushered in by two Celebrations of the Holy Communion on Ash Wednesday. During Lent, special Services were held on Wednesday and Friday evenings with addresses by Rev. W. T. Forsythe, Rector; those on Wednesday evenings being on the "Distinctive Doctrines of the English Church;" on Friday evenings on the "Life of the Blessed Virgin." During Holy Week there was daily Mattins and Evensong with

addresses at Evensong by the Rector. There were also early Celebrations of Holy Communion on Tuesday and Thursday. On Good Friday, there was, in addition to Mattins and Evensong, a special Service of Meditation in the afternoon from 2 to 4 o'clock, upon the "Way of the Cross." On Easter Day, there was an early Celebration at 7 a.m. The *Te Deum* and *Benedictus* at Mattins were sung to special sittings by C. L. Williams. The music at Evensong was also well rendered. The Celebration after Mattins was fully choral, being sung to a setting by Roland Smart. The Church was prettily decorated. The Easter Offerings amounted to \$44.98. The special Lenten Offerings to help pay off the debt on the Church amounted to \$114.20. The number who made their Easter Communion was 60. The numbers were affected by unpropitious weather. At the Vestry Meeting, on Easter Monday, it was decided for the next year, to raise the additional sum of \$125, to take the place of what we now receive from Beebe Plain, so that that congregation may enjoy the services of a resident Pastor.

At All Saints' Church, Beebe Plain, Services were held every Thursday evening during Lent will addresses by Mr. H. S. Harte. During Holy Week, there was daily Evensong and addresses on the "Seven Words from the Cross," by Mr. Harte. On Good Friday, there was Mattins in addition to Evensong. On Easter Sunday, there was a Celebration at 8.30 a.m. Mattins and Sermon by Mr. Harte at 10.30 a.m., and Evensong and Sermon by Rector at 7.30 o'clock. The Church was very prettily decorated with flowers and plants.

At the Vestry Meeting, the members of this brave little congregation resolved to raise \$300 during the coming year, to secure the Bishop's promise of a resident Pastor.

It is hoped that Mr. Harte will be ordained Deacon in this Church, on S. Barnabas' Day next.

BOURG LOUIS.

The Rev. J. B. Debbage writes:—

The Lord Bishop of the Diocese paid his annual visit to this Mission for Confirmation on the 8th of May. His Lordship had intended to be here on Sunday, the 5th; but was unavoidably prevented, and thus could only come on a week-day. Our farmers

were very busy trying to get their seed into the ground, but a goodly number were present for the Service. His Lordship as usual gave interesting and instructive addresses both to the candidates and to the rest of the Congregation. He set forth the benefits of the Sacred Rite, and what was required in those who come to it, in order that these benefits might be theirs. He carefully disclaimed any power to confer the benefits himself, declaring that the great God must give them. But He did this in His own way and Confirmation was His appointed way. Nine Candidates were confirmed, six male and three female. Two of the male Candidates were adults. The next morning His Lordship left us and returned to Quebec. We trust that many were strengthened and encouraged by the visit.

COMPTON.

The Annual Meeting of the Corporation of Compton Ladies' College was held on Wednesday, 15th of May, in the College, the Lord Bishop of the Diocese being in the chair. The College was reported in excellent working condition under its worthy Lady Principal, Miss Cochrane and her efficient staff.

An interim statement of accounts was presented, showing that, notwithstanding the outbreak of illness during the Winter, which resulted in the closing of the College for a time, and the temporary loss of several pupils, the Institution had been able to hold its own, only a comparative small deficit being anticipated at the end of the year. This was considered very satisfactory.

A statement of subscriptions towards the debt on the College buildings was also presented, showing, that since June last, \$2,541.33 had been subscribed, and \$2,144.33 actually paid. This leaves \$1,158.67 yet to be obtained, the debt being \$3,700.

It will be remembered that Mr. Robt. Hamilton began this good work by offering \$500, payable in two equal instalments, upon condition that the whole debt were paid off by December 31st, 1895. The first instalment has been claimed and paid. It remains for the friends of the College to secure the second and final instalment by generously contributing the required sum of \$1,158.67 within the present year. Surely for so excellent a work as Compton is

doing, and indeed for the credit of the Diocese—for Compton Ladies' College is the Diocesan School for girls—every effort should be made to avail ourselves of Mr. Hamilton's liberal offer, and to sweep away what remains of the burden of debt.

Something of what the College is doing for the Church was shown on Tuesday evening, when seven of the pupils were confirmed by His Lordship the Bishop of Quebec in the beautiful Parish Church of Compton, being presented by Rev. G. H. Parker, Rector of the Parish, whose devotion to the interests of the College and its inmates is beyond praise.

A happy bright celebration followed on Wednesday morning at 7, all the newly confirmed being then admitted to Holy Communion.

The Bishop's presence and words both in Church and at the College meeting were cheering and of great practical value.

Postscript.

The Editor begs to acknowledge the following additional subscriptions for 1895:—

Rev. R. J. Fothergill (14). Rev. C. H. Brooks (7). Rev. S. Riopel (1). Rev. V. G. Lyster (1). Mr. Eckhardt (2). Mr. G. H. Dunn (1). Rev. W. G. Faulconer (1). Mrs. Light (2).

Also, the following subscriptions from the Cathedral Parish per Rev. E. A. Dunn:

Mrs. Ed. Sewell, Mr. Holt, Mr. G. Duncan, Mrs. Clapham, Miss Shepherd, Mr. S. J. Shaw, Mr. Rae, Mrs. Dunbar, Mrs. Meredith, Mrs. Erskine Scott, Mrs. Sewell, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Benson, Mrs. Capt. Benson, Mr. Champion, Miss J. Veasey, Mrs. Colley, Mrs. Blanchette, Dr. Parke, Dr. Geo. Parke, Mrs. Colin Sewell, Mrs. Farley, Mrs. Holloway, Mrs. Hope Sewell, Mrs. Stein, Mrs. E. Joly de Lotbinière, Miss Thomas, Mrs. Billingsly, Miss McFarlane, Mrs. H. Russell, Miss Laird, Mrs. Lacon Welch, Mrs. Baldwin, Mrs. K. Fraser, Mrs. W. J. Lemesurier, Mrs. Machin, Judge Andrews, Mrs. Ellis, Miss Pentland, Mrs. Lamotte, Mrs. St. J. Boswell, Mrs. Shehyn, Mrs. Rivers, Mrs. Hill, Mr. Cumberland, Miss Mary Eno, Mr. Judd, The Very Rev. Dean Norman, Miss E. Patton (2), Dr. Ievers, Miss Dunscombe, Mr. R. Gooday, Mrs. P. D. Ross, Miss Foote.