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*Calendar.*

Circumcision of our Lord. Prop. Col., Ps. and Gosp. to serve till Epiph. Chris. Pref. at Holy Com. F.  
1 Sun. after Christ.

Epiphany of our Lord. Ath. Cr.

Lucian, P. & Martyr.  
1 Sun. after Epiph.

Hilary, Bishop & Confessor.

2 Sun. after Epiph.

Prisca, Rom. V. & M.

Fabian, B. of R. & M.  
Agnes, S. V. & M.  
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3 Sun. after Epiph.

Conversion of St. Paul.  
4 Sun. after Epiph.

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## UNDENOMINATIONALISM.

The Bishop of Chester has replied as follows to an invitation extended to him by the Rev. J. C. Sowerbutts, Wesleyan minister, of Heaton Chapel, near Stockport, to preside over a conference of an undenominational character on mission work :—

“The Palace, Chester, Nov. 6, '91.—Rev. and Dear Sir. It is with sincere regret that I am compelled to decline the invitation with which you have honoured me to preside over the foreign missionary conference to be held at the Wesleyan chapel, Heaton Chapel, near Stockport. I need hardly say that I revere and almost envy the missionary devotion and enterprise of the various Nonconformist bodies, but I am deeply convinced that any solid step towards reunion is impossible on the basis of that euphemistically termed undenominationalism which is, I observe, adopted in your programme. I regard this undenominationalism, which is at present the one State-paid religion in the country, as the great imposture of our day, the offspring of an unhallowed alliance between bad logic and worse theology, the youngest pretender to religious supremacy, the smooth-faced minion of a designing secularism. At Stockport just now, in the notorious case of the industrial school, it is revealing itself in its true character as the patron of religious intolerance and bigotry. With the stupendous exception of the Roman Catholic claim there is, perhaps no more formidable obstacle to the reunion of Christendom than this Frankenstein evoked by our ecclesiastical-political empiricism. Nor is it easy to see how missionary zeal can long survive the influence of a system which slowly, perhaps, but surely, takes all the color out of religious belief. But the undenominational character of the conference is not my only difficulty. The circular you were good enough to send me seems to assume what has been aptly termed the theory of ‘polychurchian.’ From this, too, I must respectfully, but firmly stand aloof. I cannot believe that the problems which vex us are to be solved by substituting for the ancient idea of one Holy Catholic Church the novel conception of a practically unlimited aggregation of perpetually sub-dividing religious organizations. This is, indeed, to propose an ‘*cirenicon*’ by the corruption of a world and an idea. In conclusion, let me again assure you of my genuine and enthusiastic respect for

the missionary work in many of its aspects of your own and other Nonconformist denominations. I fervently hope that the time may not be far distant when we may be enabled to co-operate on the surer basis of the Catholic faith and constitution as held and exemplified by the primitive and undivided Church. I have, etc., F. J. CESTR. The Rev. J. Crompton Sowerbutts."—*London Times*.

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CHRISTMAS CAROLS.

The following carols were sung at the special Christmas service at Christ Church Cathedral on Sunday after Christmas:

- "Christmas Eve."
- "In the field with their Flocks Abiding."
- "Hail, thou ever-blessed morn!"
- "The Babe of Bethlehem."
- "The Shepherds at the Manger."
- "The Starry Night of Old."

In addition to the above, Mr. Espland sang a tenor solo "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing," and the leader, Mr. Herbert Kent, gave a most beautiful rendering of the "Dream of Bethlehem."

At St. John's the musical programme was as follows:—  
 "Carol, Sweetly Carol." . . . . .  
 Solo—"The Gift." . . . . .

Mrs. Rolands.

"Come, Ye Lofty." . . . . . Sir G. J. Elvey.  
 Solo—"The Star of Bethlehem." . . . . . Stephen Adams.

Mr. Rolands.

"The First Nowell." . . . . . (Traditional)

— *Colonist, Dec. 29th, 1891.*

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A PLEASANT EVENING AT CHRIST CHURCH.

A large audience gathered at Christ Church School-room, last night, to listen to the entertainment provided by some of the leading amateurs of the city. The programme, which is given below, was carried out in a splendid manner, although two of the lady performers, Mrs. Walkem and Miss Rhodes,

were unavoidably absent. The first part of the performance, which consisted of the Christy Minstrel entertainment, was productive of great merriment. Appended is the programme:

Christy Minstrel entertainment, with guitars  
and banjos. . . . . Mrs. Phillips-Wooley's troupe

Refreshments.

Pianoforte solo—Gavotte . . . . . Miss Arden

Song—Dreamland . . . . . Miss Lipscomb

Reading . . . . . Ven. Archdeacon Scriven

Song—O Fair Dove, O Fond Dove . . . . . Mrs. Wollaston

Song . . . . . Mr. Wootton

God Save the Queen.

—*Colonist, Dec. 8th, 1891.*

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ST. SAVIOUR'S.

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THE CHILDREN'S TREAT.

The children of the Victoria West Episcopal Church, St. Saviour's, enjoyed their annual Christmas entertainment on Tuesday evening, in the Victoria West Hall, and the little people of St. Paul's Sunday School, Esquimalt, also came up in a body to make the occasion even more pleasurable.

Games of all kinds were provided, then tea was served, and afterwards a concert was provided, in which the children took part, contributing a number of songs and recitations. Miss Amy Mackenzie received a well merited encore on the conclusion of her solo, which brought the first half of the musical bill of fare to a close. In the interval between parts I and II, prizes, forty-one in number, were distributed to the scholars, and the Christmas tree, of which Mr and Mrs. Russel had charge, was relieved of its glittering wealth. Mr. McKay made a typical Santa Claus; Mrs. McKay had charge of the important department sacred to refreshments, and all the ladies contributed to the stock of eatables and gifts. One of the most pleasing features of the evening was the presentation to the organist, Miss Harris, of a well filled purse, from the Rector, choir and congregation. In the second part of the programme a particularly bright number was the negro sketch, "Fun in the Kitchen," by Mr. Holmes and Miss Weller. Mr. Wallace also gave a song in his usual excellent style.

*Colonist, Dec. 31st, '91.*

*ST. BARNABAS, VICTORIA.*

It is with much satisfaction that we write the record of the past month.

On December 15th our sale of work was held in the Cathedral school and was the means of adding about \$160 to the funds. About 100 persons partook of the high tea and pronounced it a success; a short concert was given at the close of the sale.

A subscription was started early in the month to provide for the painting of the interior of the church. The work was completed in time for the Xmas services and the appearance of the building has been very materially improved. \$72 has so far been subscribed and about \$30 more will be needed.

Our Christmas services were hearty and well attended. There were 46 communicants and an offertory of \$14.25 for the Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

On the 29th we had our second confirmation service, nine candidates were presented to the Bishop and listened most attentively to his Lordship's instructive addresses.

On New Year's eve we had evensong at 11.15. There was a fair congregation. Immediately after 12 o'clock the Communion service was commenced, the rector being celebrant. Instead of a sermon, addresses were delivered by the Ven. Archdeacon Scriven and the Rev. J. B. Hewetson. There were 39 communicants at this service.

We, at St. Barnabas, feel that we have had very much to be thankful for during the first year's existence of our parish, and we look forward confidently to the future, believing that God will continue to bless the work and determining that the close of 1892 shall see our church full and our debts extinguished.

G. W. T.

*SONGHEES INDIAN SCHOOL.*

The children of the above school, with their parents, were invited to a "Christmas Tree" at the Cathedral schools, yesterday afternoon, by the kindness of the "King's Daughters." Games and other amusements were indulged in, after tea; then the presents on the tree were distributed to each child by a gentleman who admirably acted the part of "Santa Claus." Bags of candies were also given to the delighted

children as they departed for their homes. Amongst the company present were the Lord Bishop of Columbia, Rev. D. W. Barber, Rev. J. B. Hewetson and Mr. W. H. P. Arden. The teacher desires to thank the King's Daughters and other friends who provided the enjoyable afternoon, for the beautiful presents so bountifully provided.

—*Colonist, Dec. 22nd, 1891.*

### ORDINATION.

The Rev. W. H. P. Arden was admitted to the diaconate in Christ Church Cathedral on Sunday, Dec. 28th. Matins had been said at 8 a.m., and the service commenced with a hymn and sermon preached by the Ven. Archdeacon Woods, who dwelt upon the three-fold order of the ministry and the continuity of the Church of England. The Ven. Archdeacon Scriven sang the Litany; and the other Clergy present were the Rev. J. B. Hewetson, and the Rev. M. C. Prowne. The Lord Bishop—having only just recovered from his illness—himself finished the solemn service including the celebration. The Revs. E. G. Miller and W. J. Flinton were to have been raised to the Priesthood, but at the last moment their ordination was postponed till the new year. The Ven. Archdeacon Woods is one of the Canons of Christ Church.

### ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH — CEDAR DISTRICT.

On All Saints day, Nov. 1st, we had our harvest thanksgiving. The new church looked very nice in its harvest attire. The Rev. J. W. Flinton preached in the morning; I took children's service and preached in the evening.

On Nov. 5th, the church was photographed and the result is everything that we could wish.

Mr. Charles York is still very ill, but we hope that he may yet be spared to us for some time.

Nov. 15th, I exchanged duty with the Rev. G. H. Tovey.

Tuesday following, when the ground was covered with this season's first snow, we had the first wedding in the new church. The attendance of most of the neighbors round, made the service an enjoyable one. It being the first in a new church, it fell to my lot, in carrying out a time-honored custom, to present the bride with a family Bible.

There are four candidates now being prepared for the confirmation, which we hope will take place at the time of the consecrating of our church.

Services during advent were held at the Church, Chase River School house, South Cedar School-house, and at Oyster Bay School-house.

#### BAPTISMS.

Privately, Nov. 9th, William, May, Amos, Nelson, Westley and Samuel, children of Charles Yerck and Sarah, of Nanaimo River.

At Oyster Bay School-house, Nov. 29th, William, John, Edward, children of John Brenton and Emott, of Oyster Bay. Rosa Jane, daughter of Jane Brenton and John Brickley, of Oyster Bay.

#### MARRIAGE.

Nov. 17th, at St. Philip's Church, Frederick J. Curran, of Nanaimo, to Rose Bradley, late of Nottingham, England.

E. G. MILLER,  
Incumbent.

### *AN INTERESTING EXPERIENCE.*

TO THE EDITOR OF THE DIOCESAN MAGAZINE :

DEAR SIR:—It was Sunday Nov. 29th, I had previously arranged with a family of nine who had not been baptised to come from the Bay to meet me at Oyster Bay School House where service would be held and baptism publicly administered.

This family lived some way round the Bay, a few miles, and the only way they could come was in an ox wagon by way of a "skidded road."

The service was fixed for 3:30, the neighbours knew of it, and sixteen attended. I arrived on horseback and having lit a fire some of the congregation made their appearance. Rain was now coming down plentifully and the shades of twilight crept around earlier than usual. Four p. m. came, the candidates had not arrived, I began a shortened form of even-song—we sang hymns to an instrument denominated an "Aeolian orchestra."

The difficulty of manipulating this instrument is that after each verse the musician has to wind back to the commencement, while the congregation stand silently watching.



About 4.30, four candidates and their friends made their appearance, and, without further delay, I proceeded with the Baptismal office. The eldest candidate was 17 years, so with a few words of exhortation to the candidate and congregation, I began the adult form of baptism. This being finished we sang another hymn, although it was almost too dark to read the words. A member of the congregation perceiving our difficulty, sent for a buggy lamp, and with the help of this, holding it in one hand, I read the office of infant baptism. The sponsors stood by, answering for two boys, ages 9 and 10, and an infant girl.

Then followed an address on Advent and the office we had performed. It was now quite dark, but I hope this did not prevent the words finding way to some hearts. The address ended, we closed the service by singing the "Old Hundred."

I am

Faithfully yours,

E. G. MILLER,  
*Missionary Clergyman.*

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### CEDAR HILL.

St. Luke's, St. Michael's and Tolmie Schoolroom were beautifully decorated for Christmas, and from Christmas day to New Year's day Cedar Hill proper has been a whirl of celebrations and festivities. At Tolmie, on Monday, Dec. 28th, our congregation gave a social, at which about 75 people were present. Mrs. Webb and Mr. Graham provided the music—piano and violin—for the dancing, and a delightful evening was brought to a close about 12 o'clock. On Wednesday the school children had their treat. Tea, a magic lantern and Christmas tree being provided for their enjoyment. In all, over 30 children were entertained.

We hope to begin our Mission church next month, when the weather will prove, perhaps, more favorable to the building operations.

The meeting held to elect a committee to carry out and collect funds for the Cadboro Bay Church, chose the following gentlemen:—Messrs. Ira Wilson, B. Evans, Shrapnel, Branch and Pauline.

The meeting held to form a Ladies Guild selected Mrs. Pauline as president, Mrs. Petherick as secretary and Mrs. Arden as treasurer.

W. H. P. A.

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COMOX.

The following extracts from a recent letter to the Bishop, dated 31st Dec., will prove of interest :

Since my last letter to your lordship the building of the church has made good progress, all the outside works are nearly completed. The doors and windows were ordered in Victoria three weeks ago and they were to arrive yesterday, but I have not yet heard whether or no they did. Mr. Drabble, secretary for the building committee, was to receive from Mr. Robb the deeds of transfer of the lot on which the church stands. The deeds are to be made out to the Synod of Columbia.

The week before last I went to Union Mines to baptize the child of Mr. Grant, the owner of the saw mill there. I had to borrow a strong horse and a good four wheeled buggy, for the road, though a new one, is in terrible state, owing to the continual rains of the last two months. My wife went with me, and we stayed at the Mines over a night. We returned during a frightful storm of wind and rain; the buggy was so full of water that a basket containing books and a few other things kept floating about the bottom.

We are going to have a bazaar during the next month. Two boxes of goods for us left England on the 5th of September last. Mrs. Bentley alone contributed \$100 worth of goods, besides sending \$150 in cash, then she has supplied all the material for altar linen and furniture, and Miss Walker is now working up this material. I must say, and I say it thankfully, the few friends I have here and in England have been very kind and generous, and if unforeseen accidents had not happened the church at the Bay would be finished and paid for.

J. N. WILLEMAS.

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CHEMUNUS.

There has been no report since September of our doings in this mission. We might have recorded a very interesting Harvest Festival in October, when the church of St. Michael

and All Angels was beautifully decorated by members of the congregation, and the edifice proved none too large for those assembled.

The same might have been said of the All Saint's or River Church. An effort is being made by the congregation of the said church to complete the fencing of the church yard, which is used as a cemetery, and which consists of an acre of land. When that is done the cemetery will be consecrated. A subscription was started by Mrs. Mainguy, and already \$50.00 has been collected. A grant of \$75.00 has been obtained from the S. P. C. K. towards improvements to be made in the church, and when this is accomplished the premises will be an ornament to the parish, and reflect credit on both pastor and people.

On Christmas day, morning service with Holy Communion was held in this church. The congregation was unusually large, and the ladies had displayed great taste in the decorations. Mrs. Holmes presided at the harmonium.

At St. Michael and All Angel's the service was held by request in the evening, and although the weather was very disagreeable and stormy, yet a goodly number turned out. On entering the church a person could hardly help being struck with the beauty of the surroundings. No pains had been spared in the decorations; and on all sides something fresh met the eye, showing plainly what willing hands can do when incited by love of the sanctuary. The church being warm and well lighted, added greatly to the comfort of those present. Mrs. Holmes again made herself useful at the organ, having walked with me three miles, through the rain and snow, in order to be present.

An acre of land has been generously given by Mr. M. Howe for the purpose of a cemetery. In connection with this, steps have taken towards enclosing it with a picket fence, lich-gate, etc. The lumber has been kindly promised by Mr. Palmer, manager of the Chemainus & Victoria Lumber Manufacturing Company. This liberal gift is a great help to us, as our means are very limited, and there still remains a debt on the church, for which the Incumbent is responsible.

The work of clearing the cemetery and making the fence posts has been commenced, and donations of money or labor promised; hence, we look forward hopefully to the material work of the church, and we trust that the spiritual work will also advance in the hearts of the people.

D. HOLMES.

P. S. — I would like the Canon on Cemeteries to be published in the Magazine. The Editor is mistaken in thinking he has already published it. D. H.

### THE CANON ON CEMETERIES.

In response to Mr. Holmes' request, we here reprint the CANON ON THE MANAGEMENT OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND CEMETERIES IN THE DIOCESE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

#### I.

That The Incumbent and Churchwardens for the time being shall have the management and control of the Cemetery, subject to the general superintendance of the Archdeacon.

#### II.

That the said Incumbent and Churchwardens appoint a sexton, who may have sole charge of the grave-digging and keeping the ground in order.

#### III.

That every Cemetery shall be fenced and surveyed and mapped into burial spaces 5 feet by 10 feet.

#### IV.

That burial space of the above dimensions be disposed of in perpetuity, on the sum of five dollars \$5, which payment, together with others hereafter to be mentioned in the Schedule of Charges, to be devoted by the said Incumbent and Churchwardens to a fund, such a fund to be reserved for the sole purpose of payment of sexton, and clearing, inclosing and otherwise keeping the Cemetery in order. That persons on purchase of burial spaces shall receive the following document signed by the Incumbent, and one of the Churchwardens:

"Received from A. B. of . . . . . the sum of . . . . . for that piece of ground, part of the Church of England Cemetery at . . . . . numbered . . . . . on the map of the Cemetery, in the custody of the Incumbent and Churchwardens of . . . . . the above piece of ground to be held by the said A. B. subject to the rules for the time being in force, for the management of the Cemetery.

#### V.

That no appropriated burial space be opened without the

written authority of the owner of such space, or his legal personal representatives, unless for the burial of one of the immediate family of such owner; provided always, that it shall in no case be opened contrary to the expressed wish of the owner

## VI.

That application for the purchase of burial spaces, or for burial may be made to the Incumbent of the District or to the Sexton.

## VII.

That the following be the scale of charges:—

1. A burial space 5 ft. in perpetuity.....\$5.00
2. " " in a grave 5 feet deep.....5.00
3. " " " for child under 10 years of age 2.50
4. For any depth beyond 5 feet, every foot extra..1.00

## VIII.

In special cases it shall be in the power of the Incumbent and Churchwardens to reduce or remit either of the three last charges.

## IX.

That the Incumbent and Churchwardens may remove at their discretion, any enclosure or fencing which may be in a state of delapidation, from any burial spaces, after due notice of such intended removal, given, if possible, to the owners of such burial spaces.

## X.

That the position of the graves or vaults, and the general arrangement and laying out of the grounds, shall be determined by the Incumbent and Churchwardens, subject to the approval of the Archdeacon.

## XI.

That no monument, gravestones, or erection of any kind shall be placed in any Cemetery without the consent in writing of the Incumbent nor shall any inscription or any work, monument, railing or gravestones, be made, without the consent of the Incumbent reserving to the Archdeacon the power of ordering the removal of any inscription or obstruction, subject to an appeal to the Bishop as hereinafter provided.

## XII.

The Archdeacon shall be empowered at any time he may think fit, to call on the Incumbent and Churchwardens for

accounts of the money received and expended upon the Cemetery for the past year.

## XIII.

That in case of any dispute arising between the Incumbent and Churchwardens, an appeal may be made to the Archdeacon, whose decision shall be final, and in case of dispute arising between the Archdeacon on one part, and the Incumbent and Churchwardens on the other, an appeal may be made to the Bishop, whose decision shall be final.

## XIV.

Except as directed by the Coroner or other Public officer having legal authority in that behalf, no body shall be disinterred for removal, without the consent of the Bishop, or in his absence the Archdeacon.

## ITEMS.

THE REV. J. B. HEWETSON has entered upon his duties at Christ Church Cathedral.

THE PLANS for the new Cathedral are pouring in.

THE BISHOP has quite recovered from his serious illness, but Dr. Hanington prescribes caution.

FIFTEEN CHINAMEN are being instructed at the Mission lately established.

## THE WEATHER FOR DECEMBER, 1891.

*Atmospheric Pressure*—The mean atmospheric pressure reduced to sea level was 29.83 inches. The greatest pressure (30.31) occurred at 5 p. m. of the 10th, and the least (28.89) at 5 a. m. of the 24th, giving a monthly range of 1.722 inches.

*Temperature*—The mean temperature was 49.27, being 0° 28 below the average, and 3.10 lower than in 1890. The highest temperature (52.0) occurred on the 16th, and the lowest (28.4) on the 24th, giving a monthly range of 29.6. The warmest day was the 16th, mean temperature 49.7, and the coldest day was the 24th, mean temperature 28.9.

*Humidity*—The mean humidity was 97.

*Cloudiness*—The mean amount of cloud was 0.71. There were 8 cloudy, 23 partially cloudy days.

*Precipitation*—Rain fell on 22 days to a depth of 11.24 inches, being 4.34 above the average, and 2.91 inches more than in 1890. Snow and sleet fell on 8 days, melting as it fell, the greatest fall being on the 12th and 13th, making a total precipitation of rain and melted snow 12.58 inches.

*Wind*—The total miles in wind was 7,222, being an average velocity without regard to direction of 9.70 miles per hour. Most windy day, the 29th, 838 miles, mean velocity of 28.5 miles per hour. Least windy day, the 5th, 79 miles, mean velocity of 3.00 miles per hour. Greatest velocity in one hour 42 miles, from 10 to 11 a. m. of the 9th.

*Fog*—On 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 6th, 11th, 17th, 23rd, 24th.

*Snow and Sleet*—On the 5th, 12th, 13th, 20th, 23th, 29th, 30th, 31st.

*Fairbairn*—On 2nd.

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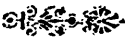

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