

ANNUAL MEETING

Of the Diocesan Church Society

HELD LAST EVENING

A Very Large Number Present—Reports Read and Addresses Given.

The annual proceedings of the Diocesan Church Society were continued yesterday. The meetings throughout the day were devoted to matters pertaining to the Church.

In the evening a very large congregation attended the annual public meeting of the society, in fact the seating capacity of the schoolroom was taxed to its utmost capacity.

Archdeacon Reagh presided and read the following report of the Executive Committee:

Your committee though forced to confess that the work of the church in this province during the past year has in some respects failed to justify our hopes, yet believe that, as a whole, it affords a reasonable measure of encouragement. St. Paul's congregation under the leadership of their new Rector seems to be getting strength for new efforts. The vacancy at Crapaud has been satisfactorily filled by the appointment of the Rev. J. M. Forbes and churchmen throughout the parish are now united and enthusiastic.

The Archdeacon has arranged for filling Rev. Mr. Forbes' place at Alberton, while the rectors of the other parishes, without exception, report favorably upon the year's work. We are sorry to say that Cherry Valley

is still unprovided for, and there seems to be little hope of a satisfactory arrangement being reached in the immediate future.

If, however there is some ground for congratulation, there is much also for sober reflection. Entering as we now are upon the last year of the 19th century, a retrospective glance at the history of the church on this Island during the past hundred years must draw forth the admission that our portion today falls very short of what might have reasonably been expected. It is to be hoped that the realization of this may inspire us with a determination to attack the difficulties that confront us more zealously and more intelligently in the future, than we have done in the past.

Though as regards our home relations the year has been comparatively uneventful, outside of these, it has been far otherwise, for we in common with other portions of the Empire, have been called upon to face the dread issues of war, and, for the first time in our history to send our sons across the ocean, to sustain our country's cause. A number of our men are now at the front in South Africa, others are nearing Cape Town, with whom the Rev. W. J. Cox but lately a member of our ministerial ranks goes forward as chaplain and still others are being enrolled. Rejoice as we may at the outburst of patriotic spirit which has been called forth the dread penalties which attach to such conflicts are not to be ignored.

This truth has already been forced upon us, for even now we are called upon to mourn the loss of Captain Hensley who was killed heroically leading his men into action in the battle of Spion Kop. Most fervently do we pray that the war with all its honors may speedily end in the triumph of Truth and Righteousness and the furtherance of God's purposes for mankind.

The clergymen of the different parishes read their reports all of which were full of encouragement for the future.

At the conclusion of the reports Rev. Leo Williams, rector of St. Paul's then addressed the meeting, selecting for his subject "Home Missions." He said that in the Anglo-Saxon race there is unity. It is utterly impossible for the church to stand if it is separate and apart. He failed to understand the churchman who sought to advance missions in the foreign field and neglect home missions. Therefore for the preservation of the church, her people should stand shoulder to shoulder. Every parish in the province is dependent on another. What will harm Alberton, will harm St. Pauls and vice versa. We should be selfish on the front of self preservation. It needs as much determination on the part of the clergy in the small parishes and straggling audiences as the one who goes forth to evangelize in a foreign field.

Mr. Williams' address was practical and was listened to with intense interest.

Rev. J. M. Withycombe of Summerside delivered a very able address on the laity of the church. He said that the laity should be willing to undertake increased opportunities and undertaking the work should not shrink looking forward to the building up of the church first by loyalty to Divine foundation to her creed, to her sacraments and loyalty to the prayer book. Secondly by unity. There are only two types of churchmen, broad and narrow. Rev. J. W. Godfrey's paper was well written and contained a number of excellent suggestions.

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FIELD MARSHALL LORD ROBERTS.

Who, with Lord Kitchener as Chief of Staff, has gone to the front.

RIVER CROSSED BY BULLER

On Monday Last, the War Office Announces.

BOER ACCOUNT IS DIFFERENT

Canadians Court-martialed For Sleeping—Six Companies Sent to Modder River—Roberts and Kitchener Go to The Front—Redmond's Boer Resolution Rejected.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—[Special]—The Mail today commenting on the colonial part in the war says one outcome should be to give them representation at Westminster.

CANADIANS FOUND ASLEEP.

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—[Special]—The Government has a report from Colonel Otter dealing with matters to January 1st.

He speaks of having to court-martial three men, two of A Company, and one of B Company, found asleep on duty.

MAY SAIL FROM ST. JOHN.

Other matters had all been dealt with by cable.

The point of departure for Lord Stratheona's Horse is not yet settled and the chances of St. John getting it are believed to be growing.

REDMOND'S BOER RESOLUTION.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—[Special]—Redmond today moved an amendment to the address, declaring the time had arrived to end the war, by recognising the independence of the Transvaal and Orange Free State. The amendment was rejected, 368 to 66 and the House adjourned.

CANADIANS RETURN TO BELMONT.

TORONTO, Feb. 7.—[Special]—Frederick Hamilton esbles the Globe that the Canadians returned to Belmont today from Richmond and Thornhill.

A MOUNTED INFANTRY COMPANY.

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—[Special]—The Government has given permission for the organization in connection with the Queen's Own Rifles of a Mounted Infantry company.

BULLER AGAIN CROSSES THE RIVER.

LONDON, Feb. 7.—[Special]—The War Office announces that Gen. Buller

crossed the Tugela on Monday, and is moving toward Ladysmith.

England looks on this as a supreme effort and believes there will be no turning back for any cause this time.

A BOER ACCOUNT, NOT CREDITED.

A Boer despatch says the British tried to cross at Pount and Moten Drifts on the Upper Tugela but were driven back in disorder at the former, and fighting still continued on Tuesday at the latter place.

The War Office has no such news and does not credit the Boer account.

THE CHIEFS GO TO THE FRONT.

Lords Roberts and Kitchener have gone to the front, wherever that is.

Report says the Boers are attacking Gen. Gatacre at Sterkstroom from two sides. The belief however is that Gen. Gatacre has begun a movement to join General Kelly-Kenny and that Roberts has gone up to personally superintend operations.

GETTING READY TO MOVE.

This does not indicate that the forward move on Bloemfontein has yet begun, but that the preliminary steps have, and news from Thebus, Colesberg and Sterkstroom is eagerly awaited.

THE LEINSTERS TO REMAIN.

HALIFAX, Feb. 7.—[Special]—Word has been received that the Sixth Lancashire militia that were coming to relieve the Leinsters will go to South Africa in their stead.

CANADIANS MOVING TO THE FRONT.

MONTREAL, Feb. 7.—[Special]—A Star special says all but A and G companies of the Canadians have gone to Graspan en route to Modder River.

Those two companies, including the Izlanders are left at Belmont.

HON J. I. TARTE.

Taken Suddenly ill at Ottawa, but is better.

OTTAWA, Feb. 7.—[Special].—Hon. J. I. Tarte was taken suddenly ill on Tuesday afternoon and had to spend the night in his room at the House of Commons, but is much better today.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Closing Prices	Feb. 7.
American Sugar	119 1/2
American Steel & Wire	58
American Tobacco	105 1/2
Brooklyn Transit	75
Burlington	126
Continental Tob.	34 1/2
Federal Steel	56 1/2
Federal Steel Prfd	76 1/2
Louisville & Nashville	81 1/2
New York Central	135 1/2
Rock Island	109 1/2
St. Paul	124 1/2
Tennessee Coal and Iron	99
United States Rubber	29 1/2
Union Pac Prfd	74 1/2
April Cotton per 100 lbs	8.24

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—[Special] The following are the closing rates:

February wheat, 66 1/2; corn, 31 1/2; oats, 22 1/2; pork, \$10.95. May wheat, 68 1/2; corn, 33 1/2; oats, 23 1/2; pork, \$11.12 1/2. July wheat, 69; corn, 34 1/2; oats, 22 1/2; pork, \$11.17 1/2.

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THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—[Special]. Rain, warmer then colder, fresh to brisk easterly winds.

AT THE RINK.

ABOUT 300 people attended Hillsboro Rink last evening to witness the races and hockey match between the Stars of Souris and the Abegweits of Charlottetown. At 8.15 the one mile novice race was pulled off. There were three starters—Jack Gaudet, Samuel Doyle and Peter Martin. Doyle led from start to finish, winning the race, Gaudet second; time 4.10. On the 18 h lap Martin fell and dropped out of the race.

One mile sweepers' race was won by Joseph Power. Time 4.13.

Half mile boys' race. In this race there were four starters. Joseph Large won the race by a good spurt, J. Small second. Time 2.46.

The hockey match resulted in a defeat for the Stars of Souris. When half time was called the score stood 6 to 0 in favor of the Abegweits. The Stars by their desperate efforts secured one goal in the second half, while the Abegweits made 3. Score stood 8 to 1 when time was up.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. C. R. Rogers, of Rogers & Rogers, Summerside, is in the city.

Capt. Holmes, who was chief officer of the Coban under Capt. Fraser, has assumed command of the Coban.

Rev. Dr. Monaghan, St. Dunstan's College left by Tuesday night's special train en route to Pictou today.

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YESTERDAY THE GUARDIAN published a short reference to the fact that twelve months ago the Dickson Manufacturing Company of Sacration had received an order from the South African Republic for five locomotives which the Boers had decided to add to their war equipment. The locomotives were completed and boxed for shipment, when orders were received to postpone it until further notice, and the engines are now lying idle there, while the Boers are in need of locomotives for their armed trains. It was thought, evidently, when the order was given that trouble might be met, and directions were given, when the engines were completed, to take them to pieces and place the various parts in boxes, which were to be addressed to a firm in Durban. Natal, Durban, however, is now swarming with English soldiers.

The engines being of the narrow gauge class are not suitable to the standard gauge roads.

THE GUARDIAN understands that the manufacturers have now offered the engines to the Prince Edward Island Railway and a photo has been received.

The engines are of the mogul type with three driving wheels. Total weight of each engine is about 78,000 lbs; water tanks capacity 850 gallons. To all appearances the engines would be good for the hauling of heavy trains.

The engines are constructed specially for use of armored trains, and are modelled on the same lines as the locomotives which served so efficiently in the Sudan campaign. They are so made that by placing bags of sand along the platforms on the sides the boiler and mechanism may be protected, and are compact and built quite close to the rails.

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