

sented to come and hold a "quiet day" on July 20th, and to license those who had proved themselves worthy by many years of faithful work. About forty, including the two native pastors, were invited to come on the 19th for two nights and the intermediate day, and about half that number attended. The gathering was a great success in every way.

The College Chapel was used for the services; the Bishop gave an address on Tuesday evening, which gave the keynote for the whole meeting. His text was taken from St. Mark VI, 31: "Come ye yourselves apart and rest awhile." After evening prayer a formal welcome was given, according to Maori custom, to the visitors.

The "quiet day" began with a celebration of the Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m., with an address by the Bishop. This service was attended by a number of the English residents, and some College boys who were in residence, and there were twenty-nine communicants. Short services followed at 10.45 and 11.30. The Bishop gave three very helpful and inspiring addresses, taking as his text the first three petitions of the Lord's prayer, and, at the conclusion of the last service, he formally admitted 14 to the office of Lay Reader, and handed his License to each of them.

Dinner was served in the College dining room for Europeans and Maoris together, to the mutual delight of both races.

In the afternoon a Conference had been arranged, for the discussion of any question affecting the work of Lay Readers. This resolved itself into a series of questions put to the Bishop by various workers, with a view to getting definite instructions from him as to the vestments to be worn and the various services which Lay Readers are competent to take. The meeting was closed with the Benediction, about 5 p.m., as the Bishop had to return to Napier by the evening train.

After tea evening prayers were said, with a short suitable address by the Superintending Missionary summing up the lessons of the day. Then, according to Maori custom, we all again adjourned to the schoolroom to say farewell, as our visitors were to leave by the early train next morning.

The Lay Readers apparently thoroughly appreciated and enjoyed this little recognition of their work, and attempt to help them in their life and service. It was the first time, they said, in their memory, that

Maoris had been entertained in this way by Europeans, and they asked their hosts that this might be made an annual meeting, promising that we should have all the workers present next time. They were very pleased with the Bishop's straight answers to their questions, and with the series of addresses at the services, and expressed the hope that they might remember and carry out his words of exhortation.

We trust that this small beginning may grow to greater things in the near future, here and, perhaps, elsewhere.

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## Parochial News.

I.N.B.—To ensure insertion in the next month's issue of the GAZETTE, matter must be received by "The Editor, WAIAPU CHURCH GAZETTE, Havelock North, Hawke's Bay," not later than the 15th of the month. Notes should be brief, and to the point, and legibly written on one side of the paper.]

### S. Augustine's, Napier.

*Vicar: Rev. Canon Tuke.*

The coming Mission must overshadow every other topic of Parish interest. It is an opportunity in the spiritual life of the Parish that may never be repeated. Many more should attend the Friday evening weekly Intercession Service and also wait to practise Mission hymns after Evensong on Sundays.

The members of the C.E.M.S. will help to distribute the tracts and other literature in connection with the Mission. Any women volunteers to help in this work will be gladly welcomed.

The Bishop's lecture on "Palestine" proved most interesting to those who ventured out in the torrential rain that evening. The Bishop has most kindly promised to repeat the lecture later on.

The Sunday, on which the Bishop visited us for the day, was a most helpful time for us all. All the services were well attended and at night the Church was packed. "Why am I a Christian?" and "Why am I a Churchman?" were the subjects of addresses that must have taught our people some wholesome truths about the Church and the privilege of being Churchmen. His Lordship's short address on the Mission was earnest and made us all realise the value of the opportunity at hand.

The C.E.M.S. had an evening for impromptu speeches lately, which proved instructive and enjoyable. Mr. Dawson-Smith presided, and we had the pleasure of a visit from the Rev. J. Hobbs, who, with the Vicar, took part in the proceedings.

A Bush Show will be held (D.V.) on September 7th and 8th in the Parish Schoolroom. We need volunteers for help in staging, etc. The Women's Guild will have a stall of their work and will again superintend the tea in the tent.

The Parish Invalid Chair will be available for anyone who cares to hire it, and take care of it, for 2/6 per week.

Our sympathy goes out to the Rev. and Mrs. Barns in the loss of their son Percy,

who lingered so long and patiently with consumption in Mrs. Elwood's house, where he received most kind attention.

Our promising bright Sunday scholar, Dorothy Shipp, succumbed to meningitis; her loss is sadly felt by her parents and all who knew her.

The annual meeting of Parishioners was attended by about 40 Parishioners, chiefly men, who discussed various items till after 10 p.m. The Envelope system found its champions in Messrs. Williamson and Stock—and able ones too. The latter by a black-board sketch proved his figures convincingly. Messrs. Barb and Lydford are new members on the Vestry, and will be useful men. Mr. Thorp is our Vicar's Warden and Mr. Williamson the People's, who have a good Treasurer over their finances. The wardens are also our Synodsmen.

### BAPTISMS.

*"Suffer little children to come unto Me."*

Phyllis Elizabeth Philpott, Gwennie Bileen Houghton, Gertrude Trevelyan Woodcock, Edward Arthur Woodcock.

### MARRIAGES.

*"Heirs together of the Grace of Life."*

George Thomas Tyler to Daisy Maud Wakeford.

### BURIALS.

*"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."*

Ada Mary Dodd, aged 53 years; Lucinda Mabel Hanna, 10 months; Percy Edwin Barns, 31 years; Sidney Jason Leston, 11 weeks; Ann Porter Howe, 66 years; Dorothy Shipp, 10 years; Harriet Perrow, 79 years.

### S. Matthew's, Hastings.

*Vicar-Elect: Rev. J. B. Brocklehurst.*

The Rev. Joseph Broadhurst Brocklehurst, Vicar of Whangarei, has been appointed Vicar.

Mr. Brocklehurst was ordained in England, and held his first Curacy (1901-2) at Middleton Junction, Manchester. From 1902 to 1905 he acted as Mission Chaplain in the Diocese of Rockhampton, Australia, and was subsequently Vicar of S. Barnabas, North Rockhampton. After acting for a time as *locum tenens* at S. Mary's, New Plymouth, he became Vicar of Waitara, which Cure he held until he was preferred to his present position as Vicar of Whangarei.

### Waipukurau.

*Vicar: Rev. F. W. Martin.*

### Takapau.

On his first visit to this part of the Parish, the Bishop arranged to hold a Confirmation at Blackburn on the 11th Sunday after Trinity. The Bishop arrived at Takapau on August 6th, and was taken to Makaretu by Mr. C. Lewis in his motor car, arriving about midday at Llansanor, the residence of Mr. Lewis.

On Sunday morning, he proceeded to Blackburn, where the Confirmation was held in the public schoolroom, which was crowded. The Curate, the Rev. T. A. Meyer, presented nine male and four female candidates. The Bishop's address was very instructive, and his earnest appeal to the loyalty of Church people is not likely to be forgotten. The candidates owe much to