

to be conferred upon them. All the candidates had been in residence at Te Rau some time before the ordination, and had received instruction and help from the Ven. Archdeacon Williams and the Rev. F. W. Chatterton.

The morning of the ordination was beautifully fine and a large congregation filled the Church and remained to the end of the service. The candidates were presented by the Archdeacon, who also preached a very appropriate and helpful sermon in which he emphasized the great need of the Laity praying more than they generally do for the Clergy.

The Bishop of the Diocese was attended by the Rev. F. W. Chatterton as Chaplain, and was assisted in the Laying on of Hands by the Revs. L. Dawson Thomas (Vicar), H. T. Rawnsley, M. W. Butterfield, W. H. Roberts, and Ahipene Rangi in addition to the Clergy previously mentioned. The Rev. Pine Tamahori was also present. The service had been carefully arranged and was very reverent throughout. The Gospel was read by the Rev. Himepiri Munro, who is to minister in the Hawke's Bay district. The Rev. W. A. Te Waaka, who was also ordained to the Diaconate, will work Taupo, Tokaanu, etc. The following Deacons were ordained to the Priesthood:—Rev. Peni Te U. Hakiwai (Ruatoiki), Ratema Te Awekotuku (Whakatane and district), Wiremu K. Paraire Rangihuna (Nuhaka and Mahia Peninsula), Paraone Turei (Waipiro Bay), and Reweti T. Kohere (Kawa-Kawa).

The strengthening of the main line of attack in our Maori Mission work should do much for the edification of the native race in the Diocese. Let us remember to pray for them.

Parochial News.

[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 Tuhe.

THE MISSION.—May we be able to write in the next number of the GAZETTE of our joy and thanksgiving for the opportunity embraced! May there be a deep conviction of sin and a true desire for a closer walk with God as a result of the services!

The C.E.M.S. men are working heartily and devotedly. The value of such a band will be a great strength to the Mission. The Vicar feels thankful to see them bent on doing their best to help the work.

Our Missioner, Prebendary H. V. Stuart, has had a very happy time at Pukekohe and Huntley, where the people responded wholeheartedly.

CONFIRMATION.—The Vicar has announced Confirmation Classes immediately after the Mission. Many names will, we trust, be given in and a prayerful preparation made for the Confirmation—the first under our present Bishop—in mid-December.

THE GIRLS' CLUB under the able instruction of Miss Elsie Williamson, gave a capital display of exercises a short time ago. The work was excellently done by seniors and juniors alike.

THE TENNIS AND CROQUET GROUNDS should soon look to advantage if the grass seed comes strongly away in this beautiful weather, as we expect it will. A few warm showers of rain would help it along just now. Those interested in it are making efforts to give a good entertainment in aid of the funds soon.

CHOIR COMPETITIONS.—Since writing the choir competitions have been held, and our hearty congratulations have been given to Mr. H. L. Harston, our Organist and Choirmaster, for his success in his Mixed Choir, who won the coveted honour from the Hastings Choir, who beat them last year. The Church Choir, in spite of some absent members, did very well, and hope to do better next year if all the members will be loyal to our Conductor, who works so hard. The Judges' remarks on the choir's singing were encouraging and should stimulate all members to keep up the high standard now attained. It was a musical treat to listen to the sacred and secular items they gave. The Hastings Choirs did excellently well under their Conductors, Messrs. Tombs and Hudson.

BULB SHOW.—The Bulb Show was favoured with glorious weather. It gave great pleasure to the large number of flower lovers who patronised it. The Women's Guild came to the fore as usual and were kept busy in the tent, where the tea was evidently appreciated. We all missed our genial helper, Mr. W. C. Yates, whose thoughts were much with us in our difficult task of grouping and staging. Mr. Dawson-Smith gave his valuable help and time, as did other members of the C.E.M.S., in erecting the tent, etc. Mr. H. L. Harston kindly provided the pianola, which, under Master E. Harston, gave us many good selections. Miss Cordingley sang very nicely during the first afternoon to an appreciative audience. Few Shows can boast of two Bishops being exhibitors. Bishop Williams showed a beautiful specimen of "Rangiora" in blossom, and our Bishop and Mrs. Averil brought a beautiful lot of camellias it would be hard to equal anywhere.

About £20 will be netted as a result of the pretty exhibition. The tables and mantelpieces were much admired.

We are glad to note a change for the better in the serious illness of Lady Whitmore, and trust she may soon rally. Mr. Cross, too, is at last gaining strength. Mrs. Rolls and her family of seven children have the sympathy of everyone in the bereavement of her husband, who is mourned by so many. Mr. Stephen Hicks, an old Parishioner, has also a sad loss in

his little girl of seven, whom he brought here from Petone to bury in the family ground.

BAPTISMS.

"Suffer little children to come unto Me."

Bryan Lopdell, Neville Francis Simpson, William Richard Walters, Mavis Natarlie Bate, Jonattan Noel Bartle, James Thomas Hopewell.

MARRIAGES.

"Heirs together of the Graces of Life."

Walter Jones to Mabel Simson, Arthur Norman Forrester Angove to Sarah Olive Forrester, Frederick Lionel Robson to Emily King.

BURIALS.

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

Frank George Rolls, 37 years; Madeline Hicks (Petone), 7 years; William Lewis Finlayson, 26 years.

Taradale.

Vicar: Rev. A. P. Clarke.

The annual meeting, which was of a very sociable, and happy nature, was held in the Parish Hall, the Vicar presiding, being upheld by the Rev. G. W. Davidson, Curate; Mr. McCutcheon, Church Warden; and the Secretary, Mr. Shore. The Vicar in a somewhat full address felt bound to congratulate Parishioners on the progress made in material things, and expressed strong hopes that in spiritual things the same progress had taken place, although it was impossible to tabulate spiritual results. He thanked the Parishioners and outside friends for their generosity in supplying the necessary funds for the Puketapu Church, and for the enlargement of "All Saints," Taradale. The Vicar appointed Mr. J. F. Langley his Church Warden, whilst Mr. O. McCutcheon was re-elected People's Warden. The following were chosen as Vestrymen: Messrs. H. Shore, G. C. Fletcher, J. H. Rundle, S. R. Wood, H. P. Kay, Burr, S. Harris, W. Williams, G. Harpham, A. Harpham. Mr. H. Bull was re-elected Auditor.

Notes of thanks were passed to the Lay Readers, Messrs. A. Pallot, W. Pallot, and D. Haultain; to the Choirs and Organists of the Parish; to the Sunday School teachers; to the Foster Trustees for their liberal assistance; to Mrs. J. Young, Misses Powdrell, Atkins, and Roberts, also to Mr. A. Wilson, all for gifts to S. Thomas' Church, Meanee.

At a Vestry meeting held subsequently Messrs. H. Shore, J. F. Langley, and G. Harpham were elected Parochial Nominators.

It was announced at this meeting that a lady had offered £20 towards a belfry for Puketapu Church.

GIFT AFTERNOON.—On Wednesday, 24th August, a most successful function was the "gift afternoon," when a goodly number attended, each one bringing his or her present; among the gifts were many beautifully worked garments, ornaments of different sorts and conditions, gifts of money, and even of animals from the farmers. Half of the gifts are for the Taradale annual Missionary Sale to be held on 28th of September, the other half for the Puketapu Japanese Fair in aid of the Puketapu New Church Fund, to be held on October 26 and 27. The ladies provided