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Calendar.

AUGUST.

4th.—10th S. AFTER TRINITY.

Mattins, I. Kings xii.; Romans
iv. Evensong, I. Kings xiii., or
xvii.; Matt. xviii. 21 to xix. 3.

6th.—Transfiguration.

11th.—11th S. AFTER TRINITY.

Mattins, I. Kings xviii.; Romans
ix., 19. Evensong, I. Kings xix.,
or xxi.; Matt. xxii. 15 to 41.

18th.—12th S. AFTER TRINITY.

Mattins, I. Kings xxii. to v. 41;

Rom. xv. 8. Evensong, II. Kings
ii. to v. 16, or iv. 8 to 38; Matt.

xxvi. to v. 31.

24th.—ST. BARTHOLOMEW A. and M. Athan. Creed.

25th.—13th S. AFTER TRINITY.

Mattins, II. Kings v.; I. Cor. vi.

Evensong, II. Kings vi. to v. 24,
or vii.; Mark i. to v. 21.

SEPTEMBER.

1st.—14th S. AFTER TRINITY.

Mattins, II. Kings ix.; I. Cor. xi.
17. Evensong, II. Kings x. to v.
32, or xiii.; Mark v. 21.

NOTE.—All Collections on Sunday, September 1st, are for the Diocesan Home Mission Fund.

Synod Programme.

A Missionary meeting will be held in Napier on Thursday, August 26th, when the Dean of Nelson will be the chief speaker.

Friday, August 27th, will be a "Quiet Day" for clergy, in the Cathedral. Conductor, the Dean of Nelson.

Synod will open in St. John's Schoolroom on Friday evening, when the Bishop will deliver his Synod address.

On Sunday, August 29th, in the Cathedral, Choral Communion will be held at 11 a.m. The sermon will be preached by the Dean of Nelson.

Work in a Church Army Hut.

A chaplain is quite helpless in the

winter, unless he can get some sort of place to hold services in, a Church Army hut for preference, or some sort of room or barn that can be roughly seated for services and entertainments, and if possible warmed and lighted for the men to come in at night to write their letters, etc. If you are lucky and have influence with the powers that be, you may perhaps be fortunate enough to have one or more Church Army huts allotted to you. Then the fun starts. These huts are bought by the Church Army in France, and come by rail in sections. At last they arrive at railhead. usually when you least expect them; and they then have to be carted to the site selected, perhaps five to ten miles. By the time you have levelled and drained the ground, and after many labours got the hut erected and ready for use, precious days have gone by. Stores and coffee urns, cups and fuel, woodbines and biscuits, then haunt you like a nightmare, for they have all to be brought from a distance, and transport on the muddy winter roads is difficult and hard to come by. If you once start this sort of thing, you must see it through to the bitter end at all costs. A cup of tea or coffee, really hot and sweet, and food, a few cakes or biscuits, are small things in themselves, but for men who have been enduring all the miseries of the mud and shelling in the trenches they are everything. Poor lads! one is repaid a thousand times for any little worry or trouble by their very evident enjoyment. And if through lack of supplies or want of transport, or one's own lack of foresight, you are "sold out" early in the day, their looks of bitter disappointment—they rarely grumble or complain—are almost more than you can bear. I am more than ever convinced that this is a very real part of the chaiplain's work, or rather the Church's work, for he in his official position stands to the men as the measure of the Church's care for Quite in the early days at Grantham, when the new Army was in

its birth pangs, I realised this truth, and after two and a-half years I am more than ever convinced of it. Nevile Talbot, in his little book, "Religion at the Front," says there is something wrong with the Padre's position in the Army, with his uniform and salutes and officer's status, and all that they mean. He says he cannot picture our Lord as such, and that we should find him as a regimental stretcher-bearer. I am sure he is right, but I think I could see Him, too, working in one of these huts. What a hut that would be! Would to God we could make some of ours like it.

To Subscribers.

We should esteem it a favor if all subscriptions sent to the Manager were addressed to Box 29, Waipawa, and not to the Diocesan Treasurer, Napier.

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Diocese of Waiapu.

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The Diocesan Office has been removed to the Cathedral precincts. The building has been enlarged and greatly improved.

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Rev. W. J. Simkin.

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