

or socialists—the Church. Therefore it is up to all the members of the Church, and also to those spiritually minded men and women who are outside the Church to give—yes, even in these hard times—more liberally than before. Church work, Parish work, School work, Mission work—all are being hampered through lack of funds. Should such things be in a Christian land? Let us all give our mites, our tens, our hundreds, and if we insist on having something in return it is waiting for us in that blessedness, spoken of above.

Waipukurau.

Vicar: Rev. A. W. Stace.

Since our last notes appeared in the "Gazette" we have had a visit from the Bishop and also from our Archdeacon.

Archdeacon W. J. Simkin came to the parish on Saturday, June 10th, and spent the Trinity Festival with us. The Archdeacon preached most helpful sermons at St. Mary's, and was the celebrant at the eleven o'clock choral celebration. In the afternoon he and the Vicar went to Hatuma, where the Archdeacon addressed a representative congregation. On Monday morning, 12th June, the Archdeacon met a number of the church workers on the church ground and went very carefully into the whole scheme for the rebuilding of St. Mary's. We are deeply grateful to Archdeacon Simkin for the help that he has given us in this matter. On Friday, June 30th, he again paid Waipukurau a visit and also Archdeacon Herbert Williams and Mr Bull, when the building of a new church was further considered.

On Sunday, July 9th, we had a very helpful and encouraging visit from our Bishop. At the eight o'clock service the Bishop was the celebrant and a large number made their Communion. It was especially pleasing to see the number of young communicants present at the service. In the evening the Vicar presented eleven candidates for Confirmation. The church was all too small for the large congregation who desired to be present at this service. The Bishop gave a very impressive address which will long be remembered by those who were privileged to hear it.

On the Monday evening church members entertained the Bishop at a most enjoyable social. Mr F. Basham arranged a very pleasing musical programme and the members of the Ladies' Guild and Mothers' Union provided a dainty supper. Addresses of welcome were given by the Vicar, by Mr Charles Saunders and by Mr G. Bryce. The Bishop, in his reply, gave some valuable advice with regard to church building. He also

spoke of the devotional services at St. Mary's and paid a very high tribute to Mrs Basham and the members of the choir. Altogether this was one of the most enjoyable socials held in the parish. Of the Church people of the Waipukurau Parish it may be truthfully said "as we get to know our Bishop better we love him more."

St. Augustine's, Napier.

Vicar: Canon E. D. Rice.

The Vestry organised a very successful parish social evening last month, and it was well attended.

The C.E.M.S. had over 30 men present at its evening on July 31st, when Mr McIlvride, the Labor candidate for Napier, spoke on the attitude of the Labour Party to the Church, which was followed by a lively and good-hearted discussion.

The Vestry decided to engage a curate, and the Rev. B. R. Brierly, lately from England, will start work here after Synod.

The sale of work on August 16th was a very great success owing to the splendid efforts of the women workers, and the liberality of parishioners. The net proceeds amounted to £106, and we shall therefore be able to go straight ahead with the new porch and the new stone fence.

The Rev. R. Godfrey, of Melanesia, gave an inspiring address on the work in Raga to a meeting on August 17th.

Waipiro Bay.

Vicar: Rev. J. Pigott.

The Vestry have accepted a tender of £127 10s for repairs to the Vicarage, which include renewing foundations all round the outside, painting and fixing in the scullery—wash tubs with all necessary piping and a copper. Special efforts are being made throughout the district to strengthen the Parish Fund. The ladies of the St. Mary's Guild, Takomaru Bay, have arranged a sale of work for the second week in November, the Waipiro Bay Ladies' Guild are holding a "Gift Afternoon" at the Vicarage on October 14th, and the Te Araroa people are having a similar function about October 28th. It is probable that something will also be arranged at Ruatorea and Waima. The Vicar has just returned from an extended tour round the northern part of the parish, station services were held at Pakihiroa, Ohinepoutea, and Mokoivi. Having had an exceptionally wet winter the roads in some places are almost impassable and the journey occupying about a fortnight, was made with the aid of a faithful pack-horse. At one place just under the snow line of Mt. Hikurangi and about four miles in from Mokoivi, in a slab whare, testifying

to the pluck and pioneering efforts of some of our returned soldiers and their wives, James Robert McMillan received the Sacrament of Baptism, aged eight months.

Gisborne.

Vicar: Rev. Canon H. Packe, M.A.
Assistant Priest: Rev. T. A. Cato.

The Confirmation Talks have begun and we hope to have a good many candidates to present to the Bishop for the holy rite in November. At the Parish Church the classes for boys and men is at 10 a.m. Sundays, for women and girls 7.30 p.m. Tuesdays. Classes will be arranged for the three suburban churches. Will intending candidates please apply at once at either of these classes? We hope before long to have a fully equipped kindergarten Sunday School. The material is ordered and we ask for liberal donations to this worthy object. Also for more teachers. We have been granted the use free of the City Hall for the Sunday School, so the middle school can be comfortably accommodated there, and the kindergarten will have the use of the Sunday School. The Girls' Club held a most successful Shop Day lately and netted £19 towards the Club Room Fund. The Rev. E. T. Cox, M.A., kindly addressed the Girls' Club one night on "The Girl Who Found the Bluebird," and dealt a good deal with the story of Helen Keller's life. It was a most enjoyable and instructive address. Community-singing was also indulged in and a happy time was spent there. The Vicar also addressed the Girls' Club one evening on "Tennyson and His Works," particularly, "The Holy Grail," and drew many helpful lessons from it.

Another service of admission for members of the Girls' Club has been held in the church, when 16 girls were admitted, several of these girls being of other denominations. An impressive sermon was given to the members by the Vicar which they will long remember. Any girl from 16 years upwards may join the Club, as long as she faithfully keeps the rule of daily prayer for one another, and of regular Communion in her own church.

St. Andrew's, Port Ahuriri.

Vicar: Rev. F. B. Redgrave, M.A.

This parish has sustained a great loss by the death of Mr Thos. Clark, of Eskdale. One of the best known public men of Hawke's Bay, Mr Clark had for nearly 30 years helped in every possible way Christian work in the district in which he resided. He will be much missed by all sections of the community.

A sale organised by members of the G.F.S. realised £40 on behalf of