The Maiapu Church Gazette

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST.

- 2—Eighth Sunday after Trinity.6 (Th.)—Transfiguration of Our Lord.
- 9-Ninth Sunday after Trinity.
- 16—Tenth Sunday after Trinity.
- 23—Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.
- 24 (M.)—S. Bartholomew A.M.
- 30—Twelfth Sunday after Trinity.

THE BISHOP'S ENGAGEMENTS

August 2-Dannevirke.

August 9-Auckland.

August 16—Woodville. August 19—S. John's, Napier.

August 23—Takapau.

August 30-Porangahau.

DIOCESAN NOTES.

The Venerable Archdeacon Butter-field is resigning the cure of Wairoa as on December 31st. The Bishop is arranging to appoint him as a supernumerary priest, with the title of Diocesan Chaplain, which should prove of great advantage to the Diocese. He will retain the Archdeaconry of Waiapu.

The Board of Nomination has appointed the Rev. Claude Hyde as Vicar of Wairoa.

The Clerical Members of the Standing Committee have elected the Rev. C. Mortimer-Jones as a member of the Board of Nomination in the place of the late Archdeacon Chatterton.

FREDERICK WILLIAM CHAT-TERTON.

Frederick William Chatterton, who died on Thursday, July 16th, was born in 1860 at Tamworth, where he received his early education. At seventeen he obtained a position in Lloyd's Bank in London and worked there for seven years.

In 1884 Bishop Suter of Nelson visited England, and during his visit arranged that Mr Chatterton should return with him to New Zealand. After a course of training under the Bishop at Bishopsdale he was ordained deacon in 1886 and priest in the following year. For two years he acted as the Bishop's domestic chaplain with a nominal curacy at Whaka-

maka. In 1888 he was appointed Vicar of All Saints' Church in Nelson, where he remained till 1902, when he became Principal of the Maori Theological College at Te Rau, Gisborne. While at the college he sat for and obtained the degree of B.D., Durham, and was made a Canon of Waiapu in 1918.

In 1919 he was appointed to the Cure of Rotorua, where he worked till failing health compelled his resignation in 1934. He was Archdeacon of Tauranga from 1919 till his death.

The Archdeacon was a staunch Evangelical, but always tolerant of the views of others. He was a deep thinker, and habitually formed a judgmatical view of any problem presented to him. In his early days at Nelson he imbibed an interest in the Maori race, which he retained for the rest of his life. He took a very keen interest in foreign missions, and was one of the active movers in the formation of the New Zealand Branch of the Church Missionary Society. He was very musical, and during his residence in London he acted as organist in one of the London churches. He was for many years a prominent member of the New Zealand Alliance and an ardent advocate of Prohibition.

He was never really robust, but was accustomed to fatiguing activities, being always careless of his own ease when he considered that his duty demanded action. A few years ago he underwent a serious operation, which while it gave him relief, seriously diminished his strength, and to onlookers it appeared that it was only his indomitable will which enabled him to carry out his duties.

While he held his own views strongly, his sense of justice made him considerate to those who differed from him. His affectionate disposition won the love of others and created a very wide circle of friends. He will be much missed by Maori and Pakeha, not only in the Diocese of Waiapu, but throughout the whole of New Zealand.

Mrs Chatterton may be assured of the heartfelt sympathy of her many thousands of friends.

OTHER DIOCESES.

WELLINGTON.

Work is going on apace at Putiki with the building of the third replacement of the first Church to be erected in the Wellington Diocese. On June 5th Sir Apirana Ngata and a party of Rotorua carvers on their way to put the finishing touches to the new carved house at Waitara, paid a visit to Putiki, and an enthusiastic meeting was held at the Pah in the evening. After inspecting the building with the contractor, and going over the plans. for the interior carvings and panelling work, Sir Apirana advised us to aim at another five hundred pounds for the completion of the building and decorations. The local Maori representative of the Native Department has assured us that he is confident of being able to raise half of this amount among the Wanganui Maoris, and the chairman of the H. and W. Williams Memorial Trust has also given his assurance that, if the Maoris do raise this further contribution towards the cost of the Church, the Trustees will subsidise it with a further grant of two hundred and fifty pounds. This will be the second grant for this amount that they have made towards the cost of the Church.

The building is being erected as a memorial to those who have been specially connected with the work of the Maori Mission in Wanganui in the past, and several handsome gifts have already been received towards the furnishings. Mrs H. D. Bates has given fifty pounds to provide a carved altar and choir stalls in memory of her husband, who was a pupil in Mr Richard Taylor's Mission School, and who was always keenly interested in the work at Putiki. A sum of £200, which was part of a legacy from Mr. Bates' estate for Maori Mission work, was the first contribution received towards the building fund for the new Church. The altar and choir stalls will form a fitting companion to the carved pulpit in memory of the Revs. Richard and Basil Taylor, for which the members of the Taylor family have given the sum of £75. Mrs. A. E. Barton, of Wanganui, has given a handsome sanctuary chair, carved by