The Waiapu Church Gazette

CALENDAR FOR JULY

- 4. Sixth Sunday after Trinity.
- 11. Seventh Sunday after Trinity.
- 18. Eighth Sunday after Trinity.
- 22. Th., S. Mary Magdalene.
- S. James A.M. Ninth Sunday after Trinity.

THE BISHOP'S ENGAGE-MENTS.

July 4. Wairoa. August 8. Hastings. August 22. Opotiki. August 29. Whakatane.

DIOCESAN AND GENERAL.

The Editor regrets that in publishing the "aid to self-examination" in the last issue, he inadvertently omitted to state that it was taken from the booklet "Yourself," written by the Vicar of Opotiki.

Synod will meet this year on Thursday, October 14th.

Canon Rice, who, unhappily, had to spend some weeks in the Waipukurau Hospital, has recovered sufficiently to return home.

The Editor has received a reply to Mr Salt's letter in the last issue, but as, unhappily, it is not accompanied by the name of the writer, it cannot be published.

WHAKAREWAREWA MISSION HOME.

Miss Snoad, of the Whakarewarewa Mission, has been ordered by the doctor to take a complete rest. For many years she has devoted herself unsparingly to Maori Mission work. Her furlough being shortly due, Bishop Williams advised that she should be granted six months' leave of absence at once and should visit her home in England.

Her Maori friends have shown their aroha and appreciation of her labours by many tokens of affection,

Whakarewarewa presented her with a beautiful Maori piu-piu and dress. From her Ohinemutu classes she received a kind farewell and Maori souvenirs, the Rev. W. T. Puha and Mrs. Munro speaking with much gratitude of her influence amongst the lads. Gifts from all the neighbouring pas will remind Miss Snoad of her absent friends.

Very especially will she value a resolution passed and forwarded to her from the Rev. M. Tumatahi, and other clergy assembled at the Maori Conference held at Mourea. It was signed by the Bishop of Aotearoa and enclosed in a model carved canoe, and conveyed thanks for her loving services, wished her a good voyage and a speedy return, with health fully restored.

Miss Snoad sailed on the "Remuera" on June 16th.

MOTHER'S UNION

A meeting of the Diocesan Council of the Mothers' Union was held in Napier on Friday, June 11th, at 2.15 p.m. There was a good attendance.

The opening prayers included special intercessions for guidance in the business that was to come before them.

The president, Mrs H. W. Williams, spoke of the keen interest taken in the Mothers' Union by the late Mrs Henley, who had been made a life vice-president, and a vote of sympathy with her son and daughter was passed by the meeting.

Mrs J. J. Anderson was elected as delegate to the Dominion Council, to be held in Wellington in August.

Mrs Morse, Diocesan correspondent on the Overseas Committee in England, having sent in her resignation, the executive had instructed the secretary to write and inquire if Mrs Hetherington, who had lived for some time in this Diocese, and was greatly interested in the Mothers' Union, would consent to hold office. This action was endorsed by the council.

Several remits for the Dominion Council were passed.

It was decided to hold the annual general meeting in October, on the afternoon before the opening of Synod, as has been done for the last two years; the annual meeting of the council, for the election of officers and the passing of reports, to be in September.

It was agreed to hold a Quiet Day in Napier near the end of October, possibly the last Wednesday.

The executive was authorised to pass the report to be presented to the Dominion Council.

OBITUARY.

It is our sad duty to record that Mrs David Ruddock has passed from this life. She has gone to a higher life. She was a daughter of the Rev. Vicesimus Lush, and was born near Auckland, at Howick, in 1857. Strength of personality showed throughout her life with the holy virtue of joy. She passed the First Grade of the Board of Theological Studies in its first year. Even as a girl of about twelve she could count on the friendship of Bishop Patteson and value his sweet smile. As a Sunday School teacher and parish worker at the Thames she awoke respect and affection, still alive among some of her pupils and friends left from those days. Married to the Rev. David Ruddock at Bishopscourt Chapel by Bishop Cowie, they worked afterwards in Sydney, in Brisbane, in Rockhampton and in England, and in each case her talent for making friends and securing their loyal love was of value to many. Then later in Hawke's Bay she was so much loved that one resident there states she was known as "the Angel of Hawke's Bay." She had the sorrow of losing both her sons in the Great War, but she has left behind her a sweet memory of sympathy to others and love from all who knew her.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND'S MEN'S SOCIETY.

At the annual Dominion Conference of the Society, to be held at Tauranga on the 14th, 15th and 16th September, we are to have the privilege of hearing two addresses by Dr. J. A. Kempthorne, late Bishop of Lichfield. His Lordship has been chairman of the Industrial Christian Fellowship and from his activities in that office will be able to give us an especially appropriate message in our discussion of the subject, "The Recall to Religion."