

March. All the clergy of the Parish were present. His Lordship laid hands upon twenty-eight candidates, of whom twenty-one were presented by the Rector, Rev. George M. Armstrong, and seven by the Rev. W. O. Raymond, Incumbent of St. Mary's. The scholars of St. John's and St. Mary's Sunday Schools occupied seats in the galleries. The candidates occupied the front pews in the church. In addition to the usual office, his Lordship made a very earnest and instructive address to the persons confirmed. The church was crowded in every part. Hymns were sung before and after the rite by the very efficient choir of the church and were admirably rendered.

ST. PAUL'S, PORTLAND.—Rev. C. B. Kenrick, M. A., lately Curate of this Parish, has accepted the position of *locum tenens* of Christ Church, St. Stephen, during Rev. Mr. Dowling's absence in England. Mr. Kenrick's resignation of the curacy took effect on 1st April. A very handsome ebony cane, silver mounted, was presented to the Rev. Mr. Kenrick, by his bible class, on the evening of March 25th. The class assembled at Mr. Kenrick's boarding house and made the presentation through the senior member, Mr. James N. Rogers. Mr. Kenrick made a very feeling reply.

TRINITY CHURCH.—The Rector has, as usual, arranged a list of special Lenten services, which has been printed in a very appropriate form and circulated among the members of the congregation. It provides for week days a daily service, together with sermon on Wednesday evenings at 7.30 o'clock, Expository Reading in St. Mark's Gospel, on Fridays, at 5 p. m., for Sundays, a celebration of the Holy Communion, and Litany Service, with an instruction on the Holy Communion at 4 p. m. On Sunday evenings a course of sermons is being preached on "The Messages of the Lord Jesus to the Churches of Asia."

The Rector's Bible Class for ladies, held every Wednesday afternoon, continues to be largely attended. A Bible Class is also held for young men every Sunday at 3 p. m., by the Rev. A. Gollmer.

Candidates for confirmation are being instructed by the clergy.

The organist and choir have for some time past been engaged in practicing the music for Easter Day Services, which promises to be more than usually well rendered.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.—The next regular meeting of the Association will be held at St. Paul's Sunday School House, on Tuesday, April 13th, at 8 P. M. Subject of discussion—"The Sunday School in its relation to the Church." Speakers Rev. W. O. Raymond, Rev. G. O. Troop, and Mr. A. P. Tippet. The annual examination for teachers will be held in Trinity School House about the 25th May next.

The following is a corrected statement of the Sunday Schools belonging to this Association at the close of the year 1885, the figures given in the last number of the CHRONICLE being inaccurate :

	Schools.	Superin't	Librarians	Teachers.	Scholars.	Contributions.
Trinity.....	1	1	3	30	260	\$185
St. John's.....	1	1	2	22	223	208
St. Paul's.....	1	1	5	21	265	374
St. James'.....	1	1	4	22	250	128
St. Mary's.....	2	2	4	28	372	126
St. Jude's, Carleton,	1	1	1	6	66	18
St. Luke's, Portland,	1	1	5	27	265	120
Totals,	8	8	24	156	1,701	1,159

Shediac.

The Lenten meeting of the members of this Rural Deanery was held at Shediac, on the 11th and 12th ult. There were present, Rev. J. Roy Campbell, Rural Dean, Rev. C. F. Wiggins, Rev. F. W. Vroom, Rev. A. J. Cresswell and Rev. A. J. Reid. The following minute was unanimously passed:—"That this Deanery desires to place on record an expression of its deep sympathy with the Rev. Arthur Hoadley, Rector of Moncton, in his impaired state of health, and of the sincere regret with which it learns that he finds it necessary to resign the charge to which he has so earnestly and faithfully devoted himself."

"His earnest zeal, his wise counsel, and his prompt aid in every work, which might promote the welfare of the church, in this Deanery, will be greatly missed among us, especially at the meetings of the chapter at which, whenever possible, he was wont to be present."

"It is our earnest prayer to God, that his removal may tend to the improvement of his bodily health, and that the blessing of the Master whom he so faithfully served may ever