

Synod, it was inexpedient for the General Synod to take action. In the memorial in regard to representation, no action was taken. That in regard to religious instruction in schools, it was resolved that it was essential, both for the community and for the children, that there should be religious instruction in primary schools; that a half-hour a day should be given to it; that where this is impossible there should be provision made in the course of studies for teaching the Scriptures, the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments; that with regard to the powers by the General Synod, no action was taken; that with regard to a Canadian edition of the Prayer Book, we recommend that an appendix be added to the Prayer Book, containing special forms of service for thanksgiving, consecration of churches, institution and consecration of incumbents, and for intercessories with regard to the expansion of the Diaconate. The matter will be laid before the Lambeth Conference. A memorial was received from the Diocese of Ontario with regard to the marriage laws of Ontario. The consideration of the Executive Committee's report: Clauses 1, 2, 3 and 4 of section 5 passed as being mere statements of fact. Clause 5, accounting for the deficit: the causes were stated to be (1st) reduction in contributions; (2nd) reduction of rate of interest earned on invested funds; (3rd) increased demands on the General Purpose fund, and consequently reduction of amount left to be transferred to the Mission fund. This evoked a long discussion. Canon Young stated that this clause was the result of the work of the Committee on Income and Expenditure, and that the reduction applied only to this particular fund, and was caused chiefly by an appeal for the Indian Famine fund.

Rev. T. G. A. Wright, of Millbank thought the difficulty lay in not having a proper standard of giving, which he believed to be a tenth. If this were adopted there would be no lack of funds. Rev. T. L. Armstrong thought an explanation was due from those clergymen who omitted making collections for the Mission fund. Rev. Rural Dean Hicks thought the lack of funds was due to the lack of sympathy on the part of the laity, and this was owing to want of information with regard to the management of the funds. There was a prevalent belief in some quarters that the funds were mismanaged. He thought it hard that sixty of the most prominent men selected out of the Synod should be charged with misappropriation. If this lack of confidence were to continue we might as well shut up our churches. What is wanted is fuller information to be given on these points. Rev. J. Ardill thought with the last speaker that it was necessary to educate the people in regard to the management of funds, and suggested that the report of the Executive Committee should be published in connection with convening circular of Synod. The laity were to a large extent ignorant of the state of the funds. "Are not the clergy to blame for this?" asked Mr. T. H. Luscombe. Mr. Ardill thought also that a deputation should be appointed from the centre to attend meetings in the remoter parts. The Synod of the Diocese of Niagara, now in session, sent fraternal greetings to the Synod of Huron. A committee was appointed to draft a reply.

Afternoon session.—The report of the Layworkers' Association was read, in which allusion was made to the six annual meetings held at different centres as having been very successful, and especially the one at Clinton in October last. In view of this being the Septennial year, it had been decided to hold a Church Congress in London in October next, and already the services of prominent men had been secured. A communication was received from the secretary of the Y.M.C.A. extending a cordial invitation to visit their rooms. The courtesy of the association was much appreciated by the members. Discussion on the remaining clauses of the Executive Committee's report was continued by Mr. T. H. Luscombe, who pointed out that the funds had been temporarily diverted. The Synod had borrowed from themselves until it could replace the funds. Rev. J. T. Wright thought the cause of the deficit could be traced to former legislation in uniting the Church Society with the

Synod, and in putting the surplus commutation into the Mission fund. He thought the See House debt should be separated from the Mission fund, and offered to be one of a hundred to give a hundred dollars to wipe it out. The proposition was cheered, but there was no response. The remaining clauses of the report were then passed. The Committee on the Diaconate asked to be continued, and that the names of Revs. J. C. Farthing and W. Craig be added. Adopted.

The annual missionary service was held in the evening in St. Paul's cathedral at 8 o'clock. The service was conducted by the assistant minister, Rev. A. G. Dann, and by the Cathedral Chapter, Archdeacon Davis, Revs. Canons Young, Richardson and Hill taking part. The choir, under the direction of Mr. Sippi, rendered excellent music. The sermon was preached by the Venerable Archdeacon Mills, D.D., of Montreal, a former member of the Synod of Huron and a graduate of Huron College, and also of the Western University. The text was taken from the first clause of 19th verse of the 17th chapter of the Gospel according to St. John: "For their sake I sanctify myself." The sermon called attention to the many suggestions made as to the proper qualifications for the pulpit and pointed out that all was of no use without holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord. The preaching of the Word is God's means of bringing men to Himself, and the secret of success is set forth in the text. Holiness is essential to work of the ministry. Entire consecration to His service has more influence than many other qualifications. The Word denotes consecration and complete devotion to the work, and the Lord Jesus is thus our mediator and example. There must be the same consecration in His people, the same devotion to the work which God has given them to do. There is no scope for successful shamming in the ministry. The eyes of men and the eyes of God are upon His ministering servants. A minister's success will always be in proportion to his consecration to God. More of the power of holiness is needed, not only in the pulpit, but in the pew. True Christianity is Christ, and His people should preach Christ by living Christ. The sermon was eminently practical, and was listened to with the closest attention.

Thursday morning.—The rules of order were suspended, and thanks of the Synod were moved by Archdeacon Davis, seconded by Rev. W. Craig, to Ven. Archdeacon Mills, D.D., for his able, practical and instructive sermon and for his kind donation of his expenses to the Mission fund of the diocese. Carried unanimously.

Notices of motion were given—By Canon Young, that incomes should not be reduced below \$700. By Rev. J. T. Wright, for a committee on superannuation, to report at next Synod. By Rev. Rural Dean Ridley, for a pastoral from the Bishop to make up to those whose salaries are to be reduced the amount by such reduction.

The report of the Committee on Lord's Day Observance was read clause by clause by Rev. W. J. Taylor. The first clause considered the humanitarian view of the subject, the second the scientific, and the third the Divine standpoint. The first abuse to which attention was called was Sunday visiting, the second that of Sunday newspapers, the third keeping open of stores to a late hour on Saturday, the fourth that of social entertainment, suppers, etc., on Sunday afternoons or evenings; the fifth the use of bicycles on the Lord's day, except for necessary purposes. The latter was declared to be an increasing evil which should be condemned.

The report of the Sunday School Committee was read clause by clause by Rev. J. Downie. The first clause called attention to the stock of prayer and hymn books and library books. The statistics show the number of teachers and officers to be 2,319, the number of scholars 18,213—or a total of 21,530. The committee recommend having quarterly missionary lessons in every school.

Afternoon session.—The scrutineers appointed to examine the ballot reported the following gentlemen elected, arranged in order of election:

General Synod—Clerical—Dean Innes, Archdeacon Davis, J. C. Farthing, G. C. Mackenzie. Substitutes—D. Williams, Canon Hill, Alfred Brown,

Canon Richardson.

General Synod—Lay—C. Jenkins, A. H. Dymond, M. Wilson, Q.C., R. Bayly. Substitutes—Judge Ermatinger, V. Cronyn, James Woods, A. C. Clark, and Sydney Smith, the last two being equal.

Provincial Synod—Clerical—Dean Innes, Archdeacon Davis, J. C. Farthing, D. Williams, G. C. Mackenzie, Alfred Brown, R. McCosh, Canon Hill, Canon Richardson, W. Craig, R. Hicks, J. Ridley. Substitutes—Canon Young, G. B. Sage, Canon Hincks, T. R. Davis.

Provincial Synod—Lay—Principal Dymond, M. Wilson, Q.C., C. Jenkins, James Woods, Chancellor Cronyn, Judge Ermatinger, R. Bayly, Q.C., J. Ransford, A. C. Clarke, W. J. Imlach, J. D. Noble, Judge Woods. Substitutes—E. Sidney Smith, Q.C., F. T. Harrison, T. H. Luscombe, H. Macklin.

Executive Committee—Clerical—D. Williams, Archdeacon Evans Davis, Canon Hill, Dean Innes, R. McCosh, J. Ridley, R. Hicks, W. Craig, G. C. Mackenzie, A. Brown, J. C. Farthing, T. R. Davis, S. F. Robinson, G. B. Sage, Canon Hincks, Canon Richardson, J. Ardill, J. W. Hodgins, Canon Young, C. R. Gunne, D. Deacon, W. Lowe, W. A. Graham, J. H. Moorehouse, H. A. Thomas, J. T. Wright, W. J. Taylor, F. G. Newton, and J. Hill. Lay—Principal Dymond, Matthew Wilson, Judge Ermatinger, James Woods, C. Jenkins, R. Bayly, Chancellor Cronyn, J. D. Noble, J. Ransford, A. C. Clark, T. H. Luscombe, J. E. Brooke, Sidney Smith, J. Fennell, H. Macklin, R. Fox, W. J. Imbutlach, J. Peers, J. W. Ferguson, Col. Gilkinson, Judge Woods, Philip Holt, G. M. Harrison, G. D. Sutherland, R. Shaw-Wood, L. Skey, W. Crawford, J. Golden, G. A. Ray.

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ALGOMA.

GEORGE THORNLOE, D.D., BISHOP, SAULT STE. MARIE.

The wardens of St. James', Ebberston, sent \$1.73 to the Rev. R. Rennison, Sault Ste. Marie, for the Indian Famine fund in March last.

British and Foreign.

The Rev. Canon Hayes, rector of Drunragh, has been appointed Dean of Derry cathedral.

Bishop Elliott has taken farewell of the clergy and people in his old Diocese of Bristol.

The Bishop of Bangor, who has been seriously ill, is now reported to be much improved in health.

The Rev. L. Gilbertson, M.A., one of the minor canons of St. Paul's cathedral, has been appointed Librarian.

The Most Rev. Dr. Peacocke, the new Archbishop of Dublin, was enthroned in Christ Church cathedral on the 17th inst.

The Rev. S. Harris, one of the curates of Leeds Parish church, has been appointed precentor of St. John's cathedral, Brisbane.

The Ven. Dean of Llandaff (Dr. Vaughan) was well enough to attend the morning service in his cathedral on Whitsunday last.

No fewer than 130 bishops have accepted the invitation of the Bishop of Bath and Wells to visit Glastonbury Abbey on August 3rd next.

The Rev. H. H. Bull has left to the Bishop of St. David's a sum of £8,000 to be used for the augmentation of poor benefices in that diocese, and for Church work generally.

The Right Rev. W. L. Williams, D.D., Bishop of Waiapu, N.Z., is at present visiting England for the first time since he went out to the Antipodes as a missionary of the C.M.S., in 1853.

The London Gregorian Choral Association celebrated its 27th anniversary service in St. Paul's