

Hon. Clerical Secretary, called the names of the clergy present, when the following gentlemen answered to their names :—

J. L. Alexander, F. Alexander, R. Arnold, A. Boulbee, G. A. Bull, A. B. Chafee, J. C. Cox, C. T. Denroche, A. Dixon, N. Disbrow, J. Fenwell, E. J. Fessenden, J. H. Fletcher, J. Francis, J. G. Geddes, T. Greene, W. Green, J. Griddle, H. Hayward, J. Hebden, A. Henderson, A. C. Hill, H. Holland, G. Hooper, S. Houston, C. L. Ingles, R. S. Locke, W. Lumsden, N. C. Martin, W. Massey, J. Morton, E. H. Mussen, J. G. Macarther, D. I. F. Macleod, W. McMurray, A. W. Maenab, F. L. Osler, H. B. Owen, H. N. Phillips, T. G. Porter, T. B. Read, J. B. Richardson, T. T. Robarts, W. Shortt, P. L. Spencer, R. G. Sutherland, E. A. Taylor, C. E. Thomson, W. M. Tooke, W. H. Wadleigh and J. B. Worrell—51.

The Hon. Lay Secretary, J. George Hodgins, LL.D., called the names of the Parishes and Lay Representatives. The following gentlemen whose names are record'd were present :

Amaranth—R. C. Bickerstaff, G. Duggan ; Ancaster, Dundas and West Flamborough—A. Miller, S. B. Brooks, K. Wishart; Barton and Glanford—W. Kerr, W. B. Gage, W. Muirhead; Beamsville—F. Wyatt, G. Copeland, W. Hearle; Beverley—J. Catto ; Caledonia and York—A. A. Davis, J. Roper, J. Aldridge; Cayuga—A. P. Farrell ; Chippawa—J. F. Macklem ; Clifton—T. McGrath, W. Leggett, W. W. Woodruff; Dunnville—C. Stevens, J. Graham, G. Docker; Elora—E. H. Newman, H. Roberts, W. H. L. La Penotiere; Fergus—A. R. Holland; Fort Erie—G. Lewis; Georgetown—T. J. Wheeler, C. Unwin; Glenallan—T. Holt; Grantham—C. Donaldson, T. Keyes; Grimsby—A. H. Pettit, B. R. Nelles, J. P. Muir; Guelph—J. C. Chadwick, G. Elliott, G. Buckland; Hamilton, Christ Church and All Saints—H. B. Bull, M. O'Reilly, J. J. Mason ; Ascension—F. W. Gates, E. Browne, W. Powis; St. Thomas—F. E. Kilvert, J. Meakins; Louth and Port Dalhousie—E. Goldsmith, W. H. Read; Lowville, Nassagaweya and Carlisle—S. Dice; Merriton—T. W. Rawlinson, J. H. Ball, G. W. Ruitton, Jr.; Milton and Hornby—T. Rixon, J. Cowin, Sr.; Minto—H. Smith; Niagara—J. W. Ball, J. B. Plumbe, G. Coit; Norval and Stewarttown—H. Ross, G. Thompson; Oakville—J. W. Williams, W. Y. Pettit, H. Fullen; Omagh and Palermo—G. Mason, J. D. Smith, J. Bigger; Orangeville—J. B. Reid; Port Colborne—R. B. Denison, F. Snyder, S. W. Farrell; Rockwood—J. Sibbald, J. C. Tarbutt; Saltfleet (under the mountain)—G. R. Davis; Saltfleet—A. Wodehouse; Stamford—H. C. Mewburn, C. Moss; St. Catharines, (St. George)—J. Powell, J. Holmes, R. Harison; (Christ Church)—C. Brown; Thorold—J. Keefer, J. Reaveley; Walpole—D. Cavanagh, Dr. Langrill, D. Almas; Walpole (south)—C. E. Brown, R. Jackson, A. Hobbs; Waterdown—W. Stuart, J. H. Shouldice, B. Crickmore; Welland and Fonthill—W. G. Thompson; Wellington Square and Nelson—W. Chapman—44 parishes, represented by 91 Lay Representatives present.

The Lord Bishop then delivered the following Address :

*Reverend Brethren and Brethren of the Laity :*

I have summoned you hither for the discharge of an important duty. At the instance of the Synod of our Diocese I have assented to the separation from it of six counties, viz., Lincoln, Welland, Haldimand, Wentworth, Halton, and Wellington, to constitute a new Diocese. These contain a church population of nearly 50,000 souls and in all 56 clergymen. All preliminary arrangements having been satisfactorily effected, the clergy and lay delegates of the portion of the Diocese thus set off are now called upon to elect a godly and well learned man who shall preside over it as Bishop. A position of such elevation and authority involves a corresponding responsibility, and in meeting the difficulties of that trust, in the exercise of which there should be no hasty action, but a cautious and fair discrimination of rival aims and antagonistic influences, an overseer of the Church has many perplexities to encounter and some trials to endure.

The highest in human endowments, and the ripest in experience of the world, cannot hope for exemption from events and issues which create disappointment, and evoke complaint often expressed in terms of unseemly bitterness. A better mind