

fund, \$230.06; General purposes, \$4,613.24.

The Widows' and Orphans' Fund showed that the widows of deceased clergy upon the fund, sixteen in number, have this year received \$85 for half-year ending December 31st, 1885; \$100 for half-year ending June 30th, 1886. The payments are made in advance.

The available funds for 1885 were derived from the following sources:—Balance from 1884, \$862.90; Premiums of clergy, \$504.19; Collections and donations, \$452.85; Interest on investments, \$922.99.—Showing a decrease in collections and donations of \$336.07, an increase in premiums of clergy of \$26, and a decrease of interest on investments of \$346.51.

In the afternoon, after routine business, the following were appointed to fill vacancies:—

On the Executive Committee—Archdeacon Gilpin, Wm. Gossip, Dr. Hole, Prof. Hind and Hon. A. G. Jones.

On the Church Endowment Fund Committee—Mr. Thos. Brown.

On the Board of Home Missions Committee—Messrs. W. H. Tremaine, E. D. Meynell, W. H. Wiswell, W. M. Brown, J. J. Hunt, F. C. Sumichrast, J. Y. Payzant, C. B. Bullock, A. P. Silver and W. Gossip.

On the Widows' and Orphans' Fund Committee—Rev. Dr. Hole.

On the Board of Foreign Missions—Rev. Dr. Hole and T. R. Jolly.

On the Superannuation Fund Committee—Mr. J. C. Mahon.

The Executive Committee were authorized to prepare a memorial to her Majesty Queen Victoria on the jubilee, on the fiftieth anniversary of her reign.

EVENING SESSION.

In the evening the Synod resolved itself into a conference on general Church work, Bishop Binney presiding, when able and interesting papers were read by Rev. Canon Brock, on "How best to increase the number and efficiency of candidates for Holy Orders," and by Rev. V. E. Harris, on "The best means of strengthening the Church's work in our parishes." Discussion, participated in by many leading members of Synod, and to which the Bishop added his quota, followed each paper.

There was a large audience present, and expressions of approval to both the authors of the papers and the various speakers were frequent and hearty.

The Bishop, in closing, expressed his pleasure and interest in the practical hints and suggestions thrown out, and thanked those who had supplied the information, both by through the papers and speakers.

FIFTH DAY.

Reports having been received and vacancies in several Committees filled, it was resolved—"That an immediate effort be made towards the building of a cathedral for this diocese, as a fitting monument and memorial of the first centennial of the establishment of the Episcopate in Nova Scotia, which thus become the first Colonial Diocese of the Church of England."

A Committee is to be nominated by the Bishop, who are to take the matter in hand.

Revs. Smith, Hole, Moore and Snyder, and Messrs. Thomas Brown, Hunt and Vizard were named to fill vacancies on the Board of Discipline, the former members being re-elected.

The following resolution on the loss of the late Rev. G. W. Hodgson was adopted:—

That this Synod desires to record its gratitude to Almighty God for the example of devotion and self-denial to the service of Christ and to the good of his fellow-men which has been granted us in the life and death of George Wright Hodgson, in charge of St. Peter's, Charlottetown, P.E.I.—And moreover to acknowledge the great benefit which his wise counsels have imparted to the deliberations of the assembly. While we are well aware that

for him to depart and be with Christ is far better, yet our hearts are filled with sadness when we realize that in the Church militant we shall see his face no more. This Synod would express its sympathy with the sorrow of those whose nearness of kindred makes the pain of separation more keenly felt.

After a special vote of thanks had been passed to the Bishop of Iowa, and most gracefully responded to, the Bishop read the reports of Rural Deans.

It was determined to hold the next session of Synod, if possible, on the Friday after the Windsor Ecumenia, and the remaining business of the session was quickly disposed of, and the usual votes of thanks were passed, including one to Rev. Dr. Partridge for the able sermon by him at the opening of the Synod, which the Bishop heartily endorsed.

His Lordship the Bishop was then asked to vacate the chair, and the Archdeacon placed therein, whereupon Rural Dean Snyder moved that the cordial thanks of the Synod be extended to his Lordship for the manner in which he had presided during the meetings of the Synod. In doing so, Rev. Mr. Snyder referred at some length to the great fitness of his Lordship for conducting the work of the Synod, and of the fairness and ability he had shown in disposing of the matters which came before him. He concluded by hoping that one so eminent and well qualified as his Lordship would long be spared to preside, not only over the meetings of the Synod, but over the Diocese.

Mr. W. C. Silver, in seconding the resolution, spoke of the great ability displayed by his Lordship, and of the great pains he must have taken to study up the different subjects which he supposed would come before him, and of the systematic and satisfactory manner in which he had dealt with them.

The expression of concurrence from all the clergy and laymen present in what was said was most emphatic, and the resolution was confirmed by a standing vote.

The vote of thanks to the Bishop brought forth a touching address from him, in which he said he knew that the day was fast approaching when he would be obliged to cease from active work, but while strength was afforded he would stand to his post. When strength failed for the travelling he would resign.

The Hodgson Memorial Committee met after closing of the Synod, and proposed to place a memorial to his memory in the contemplated cathedral.

The Synod has been one of the most harmonious, pleasant and profitable ever held here.

LIVERPOOL.—The Rev. W. S. Morris, who was formerly Curate of this parish, but who has been elected to the Rectory of St. Clement's, Clementsport, was presented with an address by the parishioners here, and a purse of \$122, as a mark of their appreciation of his labors amongst them, and of regret at his departure.

ANTIGONISH.—The ladies of St. Paul's congregation held in the Curlers' Rink, on Thursday, the 8th instant, a strawberry festival and sale of useful and fancy articles. The labor of good works had ample reward; the sum realized was \$188. The rink was tastefully decorated with spruce and bunting, and the Amateur Brass Band kindly added much to the evening's pleasure. Too much praise cannot be given to the very few ladies who have laboriously toiled, and it would be invidious to particularize; yet we cannot refrain from acknowledging our deep indebtedness to Mrs. Grey, wife of R. Grey, chapel warden, for the valuable assistance and co-operation she rendered—her house and very efficient services having been for the past few weeks at the disposal of the sewing circle. The amount netted far exceeding the expectations of the ladies, they generously donated \$50, supplemented by a cheque for an

additional \$50 from Charles C. Gregory, Esq., and presented as a token of esteem to their pastor, the Rev. R. F. Brine. The balance will be appropriated to much-needed repairs on the church.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

SYNOD MEETING.—Continued.

After the fying of notice of appeal on the part of the parish of St. Paul, referred to in our last, the Bishop intimated a hope that the intention might not be carried into effect, pointing out that the Upper House of the Provincial Synod had decided that no such appeal could lie, and that such action would probably increase rather than decrease the difficulty, and be useless.

Canon DeVeber thought the vestry of St. Paul's should reserve the right of appeal. He did not think the whole question would come up. The only question which would come before the Synod was whether his Lordship had the right to grant a license to another clergyman in a parish without obtaining the consent of the rector of that parish. He had not the slightest intention to interfere with Mr. Davenport's good work. The question which the vestry of St. Paul's desired to have decided was one of church government. His Lordship had stated that this Synod could not give legal decisions, hence the vestry of St. Paul's had appealed to a body which could give a legal opinion. He thanked his Lordship for allowing him to make this explanation.

The remaining business of the Synod was then proceeded with, and the following Committees were appointed:—On the Bishop Medley Scholarship Fund: The Coadjutor-Bishop, Canons Brigstocke and Medley, and Messrs. C. H. Fairweather and A. F. Street, with power to add to their number; on the amalgamation of the D. C. S. with the Synod: The Coadjutor-Bishop, Canon Brigstocke, Revs. L. A. Hoyt, O. S. Newnham, and Messrs. Weldon, Peters and Smith; to prepare a Canon as to the duties of Churchwardens: The Coadjutor-Bishop, Revs. J. R. Campbell and R. E. Smith, and Chief Justice Allan and Hon. B. R. Stevenson.

Mr. C. H. Fairweather was appointed Treasurer of Synod.

The Declaration of Principles, forming part of the Constitution, was adopted and ordered to be printed in the Journals of the Synod.

Mr. W. C. Vroom moved, seconded by Rev. G. O. Troop, that this Synod recognizes the evil of intemperance as one of the greatest obstacles to the spread of Christ's Kingdom; and that, in the opinion of this Synod, the Church of England should be found in the front ranks in the contest against this gigantic evil, and that the Clergy and Laity of this Diocese be called upon resolutely to oppose the evil, and to encourage every legitimate effort to suppress it; and the motion was adopted.

After renewal notice by Rev. L. A. Hoyt as to a Standing Committee in regard to defining the boundaries of parishes, and the usual votes of thanks, the Synod adjourned *sine die*.

PETICODIAC.—His Lordship the Co-adjutor Bishop formally opened a new Mission Room in Salisbury on the 15th inst. For ten years there have been no Church of England services in Salisbury, but now, thanks to the energy of the rector and curate of Peticodiac, we shall be favored with weekly services. The room is nicely fitted up with altar, font, reading desk, lectern, chairs and a small organ. The walls are relieved by pictorial representations of scenes in our Lord's life. At the opening service His Lordship celebrated the Holy Eucharist and 26 took part. The Bishop gave stirring addresses, and was attentively listened to. The organist, Miss M. Smith, has trained a choir of 12 boys and girls, who say the hymns and canticles well. Next year we hope to have a new Church here,