

I need say no more upon this subject just now, for it must be fully discussed. And so must the subject of the expense of these Synods, which must naturally be somewhat more than it has been in the past. By this, I do not mean, that we shall have to expect much larger sums as Synod Assessments from our several Congregations, but rather that we shall have to devise some plan, by which our Congregations, having been assessed with careful regard to their proportionate ability, shall really *pay* the Synod Assessment that has been agreed; not just at Synod, but year by year. And if we can only help our Congregations to appreciate the value to the Church of Synodical action, or in other words, to know that our Synods do really bring us great and useful results, then I feel sure that the expense, although at first sight it may seem to be large, will be easily met, simply because all our Congregations will be only too glad to contribute according to their means.

And, now, my dear brethren, since I am in a few short days leaving the Diocese for a little time in order to work for Quebec, as I hope, in the old Country whence I came, while I feel sure that our good Archdeacon will, in my absence, give able attention to all necessary business, I assure you that you will be continually upon my heart and in my mind. For the present moment I can only say now in conclusion, how much I hope that during this Synod we shall be expeditious in our despatch of business, keeping before us, as our special motto, "Deeds not words," and how much I trust that what we do we shall all do as in the sight of God, to the praise of his most Holy Name, and to the salvation and edification of precious souls.