

tion is drawn to the Missionary work this year begun in the Township of Potton. This long neglected district was visited during the summer by the Rev. W. Jones, by whom a most able report was presented to the Lord Bishop. Mr. Jones, by his active and praiseworthy exertions, was enabled to secure, at a small outlay, a substantial stone Church (then being without any Minister or congregation,) which was available for immediate occupation.—Towards this object, the sum of £50 was unanimously voted by the Board. A Missionary sent by this Society is now laboring devotedly among its population, with God's blessing on the Church's ministrations, now furnished to it, the friends of the Society may hope to hear of a great improvement in this part of the Diocese, until its spiritual condition cease to present so unhappy a contrast to the beauty of its external features.

Extracts are also given in another part of the Report, showing what has been effected in the mission of Clarendon, under the energetic working of the Rev. J. S. Sykes. In the last two years the Church in that mission has gathered much strength; the increased congregation at Clarendon, the Church nearly completed at the Portage du Fort, where a Missionary has recently been sent by this Society, the Churches in preparations at Onslow and the Gore, the formation of the new mission of Petite Nation, where another missionary is laboring, the purchase of the High School at Missisquoi which is now the property of the Church, are proofs of increased life and zeal, and of the blessing of God vouchsafed upon the Society's work. These important matters are more fully dwelt upon in the extracts from the Reports of the different Missions.

The following are the grants made by the Central Board during the year:—		
To repairing Parsonage at Chambly.....	£	15 0 0
To erection of do. at Buckingham.....	60	0 0
To Book and Tract Committee.....	110	0 0
To erection of the Church at Gore.....	60	0 0
To do. do. at Portage du Fort.....	50	0 0
Towards purchase of Church at Potton.....	50	0 0
To Parsonage at St. Armand West.....	25	0 0
To purchase of High School House, Missisquoi.....	100	0 0
	£450	0 0
Grants remaining unpaid:		
To North Sheffield Church.....	£	25 0 0
To Sutton Church.....	37	10 0
To Hemmingford Parsonage.....	10	0 0
To Church at Portage du Fort.....	25	0 0
	£	97 10 0

#### WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' FUND.

The sum of over £2,500 is now invested for this fund. The amount raised for this fund from all sources during the past year is over £300.

The following reports have been received from the different Parishes and Missions.

#### DEPOSITORY.

The following are the issues since the last report.	
Bibles .....	200
Testaments .....	403
Prayer Books .....	667
Hymn Books .....	473
Miscellaneous Books .....	541
Tracts .....	

100 Bibles and 100 Prayer Books have been granted the Lord Bishop, for circulation in the newly formed Missions.

The Central Board would recommend that special contributions should be made in order to enable the Book and Tract Committee to increase their Stock of Books, and to make larger grants of Bibles and Prayer Books, which are essentially necessary to the carrying on of Missionary work in new missions.

It is impossible to exaggerate the importance of the society's work, or the responsibility of the members of the Church to exert themselves in its cause. No limits can be set to the pro-

spects of its usefulness. It is, and for many years must continue to be, the Church's chief auxiliary, in her missionary work at least. The more the Church is enabled by its assistance to do, the wider does she see the field to be, which is evidently opening before her. She has but to take possession, to find with God's help the land conceded to her. As His servant of old, so our Church seems, in reliance to the Great Head, and recognizing His guidance to be justified in saying, "Let us go up at once and possess the land, for we are able to overcome it." There are no formidable enemies to oppose or rival us except indeed those enemies to Him and His Church, irreligion and unbelief, whom whose opposition she looks not to be conquered, until He shall have put all enemies under His feet \* \* \* \* \*

### DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

#### ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY.

The Annual Meeting of the Church Society of the Diocese of Quebec, being its Fifteenth Anniversary, was held on the evening of Wednesday, January 11th 1857, in the Lecture Hall, Anno St, at 7 o'clock, Divine Service having been previously held at All Saints' Chapel.

The Lord Bishop having taken the chair, the prayers appointed for such occasions were read; when, after some brief introductory observation had been delivered by his Lordship, the Secretary was called upon to read the Report for the past year; which having been done, it was—

I. Moved by the Hon. W. Walker, seconded by the Rev. Official Mackie, D. D., and—

Resolved:—That the Report now read be adopted, and printed under the direction of the Central Board.—

II. Moved by the Rev. S. Jones, seconded by G. M. Douglas, Esq., M. D., and—

Resolved:—That this Meeting thankfully acknowledge the mercy of Almighty God in whatever measure of success has attended the labours of the Society during the past year.—

III. Moved by the Rev. Principal Nicolls, D. D., seconded by Jas. B. Forsyth, Esq., and—

Resolved:—That in consequence of the proposed withdrawal of assistance from this colony, on the part of the Society for the propagation of the Gospel, this meeting would urge upon every Churchman in the Diocese the necessity of renewed and increased exertion, to enable the Society to carry on its important objects.

IV. Moved by the Hon. Judge Badgley, seconded by M. H. Warren, Esq., and—

Resolved:—That this Meeting desires to express its feelings of continued and undiminished interest in the labours of the Sister Societies in B. N. America.—

V. Moved by Wm. Andrew M. A. Esq., seconded by H. S. Scott, Esq., and—

Resolved:—That the following persons be elected Life-members of the Society:

Lady Estcourt, Miss Taylor, Major General Trollope, C. B., Lt. Colonel Dalton, R. A., Hon. J. M. Fraser, Rev. T. Pannetfather, Thomas Glover, W. H. Anderson, John Pye, Thos. Poston, Jas. Haslett, Thos. Andrews, Alex. D. Bell, and Wm. Petry, junr., Esqs.

That the following persons be elected members of the Corporation:

Lt. Col. Fitzgerald, R. A., Lt. Col. Wolff, Doctor Boswell, E. Clarke, Capt. Porey, 9th Regt. E. B. Davis, Dr. Von Iffland, R. W. Henneker, Jos. Pennoyer, H. F. Machin, Wm. Ritchie, Hon. H. Smith, Alex. Winter, Richd. Pope, F. W. Wood, Jeff. Brock, W. Andrew,

W. Swentman, W. Swallow, J. S. Waterson, Chas. Hamilton, Capt. Holyoake, Rev. S. Jones, Rev. W. C. Merrick, Mrs. Todd, F. Morgan, Thos. Little, Mrs. E. H. Brown, Mrs. R. Sample, John Atkinson, John Clarke, A. Peckles, John Winslow, R. Wingate, A. McTeet, Fred. Andrews, F. W. Andrews, Geo. Campbell, T. Lambie, and H. Ireland.—

That the following gentlemen be requested to accept the office of Vice-President for the current year:

Hon. Mr. Chief Justice Bowen, Major Gen. Trollope, C. B. Hon. Mr. Justice Meredith, Hon. H. Black, Hon. Mr. Justice Badgley, Hon. J. M. Fraser, Hon. Ed. Hale senr., Hon. Ed. Hale junr., Hon. Geo. Pemberton, Hon. J. Stewart, Hon. W. Walker, Hon. H. Smith, Hon. Mr. Justice Short, Rev. Official Mackie, D. D., Rev. S. S. Wood, Rev. J. H. Nicolls, D. D., and such chairmen of District Associations as are members of the corporation.

And that the following gentlemen do compose the Central Board, in addition to the ex-officio members, viz.:

Rev. R. A. Carden, Rev. A. W. Mountain, Rev. D. Robertson, Rev. H. Roe, Rev. Prof. Thompson, W. Andrew, Esq., Lieut. Ashe, R. N., Wm. Boswell, Esq., M. D., Lt. Col. Fitzgerald, R. A., Jas. B. Forsyth, Esq., R. Hamilton, Esq., J. Jameson, Esq., H. N. Jones, Esq., H. LeMesurier, Esq., J. MacLaren, Esq., A. J. Maxam, Esq., C. N. Montizambert, Esq., E. Poston, Esq., H. S. Scott, Esq., Jas. Sealey, Esq., Jas. A. Sewell, Esq., M. D., Max. Sheppard, Esq., A. Von Ester, Esq., W. G. Wurtele, D. D. Younge, Esq.

The Meeting was closed with the Benediction.

GILBERT PRECY, Sec.

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