

the roof shingle. It is estimated that the amount of £30, including work and materials, has been expended on this building during the present year. A small building is in course of erection at Glace Bay, to be used for divine worship on the Lord's Day, and available also as a school house during the week. The Bishop kindly promised the sum of £10 sterling to aid in its erection; and it is supposed that at least £20 in work and materials has been expended upon it to the close of the year. There is also some hope of this Church at Lunenburg being carried forth to completion in the ensuing summer.

The funds contributed for Church purposes within this Parish and Mission in the past twelve months, may be stated as follows:—The Rector's salary, £5, remitted to the Church Society, £22 10s; collected for pious and charitable purposes at the Offertory in the several Churches and Stations, £15 15s; the Bazaar, £58; paid in a 5th instalment of the subscription to the Parsonage House, £30; estimated expenditure at Coxheath, £30; same at Glace Bay, £20, subscribed and paid at the different outposts towards the purchase of 3 hours for the Travelling Missionary, £18 13s 4d; making a total for the year of £269 18s 4d.

As regards what is more strictly the office and duty of the Clergy attached to this Committee, viz: preaching the gospel, public prayer, and sacraments, they desire thankfully to acknowledge by the goodness of God a continuance of the health and strength necessary to fulfil their arduous vocation. Divine service has been regularly held in the Parish Church, and as frequently as possible at every accustomed station. In addition to the Sunday services, on week days have been appropriated to prayer and preaching, always with this one conscientious desire—to set forth the Divine truth agreeably to the Word of God and the formularies of the Church, to all who are willing to receive the ministrations of religion in her appointed way. There have been during the year 43 baptisms, 11 marriages, 10 funerals, and 142 communicants, being an increase of 36 over the number in the last year.

In this report, now read, the Committee desire to express their thankfulness for whatever good has been done, and their ardent desire that more and more may be continually effected for the glory of God. But as the Diocesan Society and this local branch of it depend entirely upon voluntary contributions for funds wherewith to act, they affectionately entreat all its members and friends without exception to bestow something yearly upon its objects. Every one can subscribe a small sum annually; and nothing could give your Committee greater pleasure than to see the names of all who are friendly to it enrolled among its list of subscribers. According to custom a collection will be taken in the course of the proceedings, at which it is hoped all present will make a conscience of putting in what they can afford, that the sum realized may be such as shall not discredit this assemblage when it is publicly announced, and encourage the Committee to go on for the future incurring the expense necessary to hold an annual public meeting. Besides which, there is a book now lying open on the Secretary's desk for the purpose of enrolling the names of those who wish to appear as subscribers to the funds of this useful Society; and all who are friendly to its objects are invited to subscribe their names for any sum, however small, which may be paid whenever convenient during the present year.

By order of the Committee.

W. Y. PORTER, Sect'y.

The Report being read, it was then moved by Mr. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Hill, and

*Resolved*, 1st. That the Report now read be adopted, and forwarded to the Parent Society in Halifax by the Secretary of this Committee.

Moved by Mr. Davenport, seconded by Mr. Porter, *Resolved*, 2nd. That this meeting desires to return thanks to Almighty God for the measure of success vouchsafed to the Society during the past year.

Moved by Mr. Chas. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Bourinot,

*Resolved*, 3rd. That the following be the officers of this Committee for the ensuing year:

Patron—The Bishop. } Ex-Officio.  
President—The Rector. }

Vice-Presidents—Hon. Judge Dodd, Henry Davenport, Esq.

Secretary—Rev. W. Porter.

Treasurer—Capt. Ouseley.

Standing Committee.

C. E. Leonard, Francois Oliver, J. P. Ward, H. Ingles, J. Bourinot, H. V. Brown, J. L. Hill, E. P. Archibald, Thos. Townsend, and William Muggab, Esq.

Moved by Mr. Ward, seconded by Mr. Henry Ingles,

*Resolved*, 4th. That the amount of funds realized by the end of February next be then remitted to the Parent Society by the Treasurer.

Moved by Mr. Bourinot, seconded by Mr. Townsend,

*Resolved* 5th. That this Committee express their gratification at the visit paid them last summer by the Bishop, and anticipate with pleasure meeting him again at every recurring period of his visitations.

Moved by Mr. Archibald, seconded by Mr. Arnold.

*Resolved*, 6th. That it is the duty of all to contribute according to their ability for spreading a knowledge of Christ and his Gospel throughout the world.

After the above Resolutions had been put and carried, Bishop Heber's Missionary Hymn was sung, and a collection taken amounting to the sum of £3 13s 7d.

Some further remarks having been made by several speakers, the President left the Chair, which being taken by Judge Dodd, the thanks of the meeting were unanimously voted to the Rev. Richard Uniacke for his conduct in the Chair.

Mr. Uniacke returned thanks, and the meeting was concluded by singing the Doxology, and the Blessing.

W. Y. PORTER, Sect'y.

Sydney, Cape Breton, 16th Jan., 1856.

FOR THE CHURCH TIMES.

Yarmouth, Wednesday January 23, 1856.

At 7 o'clock this evening the Local Branch of the D. C. Society held its Annual Meeting in the Parochial School-room.

The Chairman opened the business with the 100th Psalm and the "appointed prayers."

The Minutes of the last annual meeting were read, Mr. C. B. Owen and Mr. William H. Moody proposed the following Resolution, which was passed unanimously:

1st. "That a review of the efforts of the D. C. S. during the past year leads us to return our thanks to Almighty God for his mercies, and to depend only upon Him for protection and support in our future labours."

Mr. Rowley moved and Mr. B. D. Fleet seconded the next Resolution.

2nd. "Whereas, some of the Clergy in the Diocese who are resident Rectors of Parishes, do not receive from the Society at Home, from their own parishes, or from any other source, a stipend equal to that enjoyed by the assistant missionaries in other parishes. *Resolved*, therefore, that the Committee of the D. C. Society be requested to modify the rates so as to enable them to extend assistance where circumstances require it, to the Rectors of those Parishes, to the extent of bringing up their salary, at least to that of the assistant missionaries;" which also passed.

The third Resolution was proposed by Mr. W. H. Moody, and seconded by Mr. J. Wentworth Moody.

3rd. "Resolved, That we cannot allow the present occasion to pass without expressing our satisfaction at the formation of the Diocesan Assembly, or Synod of the Church, which will, we hope, more effectually engage the co-operation of the laity in the Work of the Church." Passed unanimously.

Messrs. J. W. Moody, and Norman J. Bond proposed,

4th. "That the 10th section of the 10th bye law of the Incorporated Society should be so construed as not to permit any of the funds of the Society to be appropriated to the Collegiate establishments at Windsor." Passed unanimously.

Messrs. Rowley and N. J. Bond next proposed,

5th. "That for the better diffusion of Church statistics and intelligence throughout the Diocese, it would be very desirable to publish in the annual Reports a return from every Parish or Cure of the number of marriages, baptisms, death visits, journeys, &c., &c., similar to that furnished to the Society at home." Passed unanimously.

Proposed by Messrs. Owen and J. T. Hutchinson, 6th. "That a Committee of four persons, in addition to the three officers, be appointed, whose duty it should be to prepare and arrange all details of business, and assist in the collections." Passed *nem. con.*

It was suggested in connection with the last Resolution, that quarterly meetings should be held, at which it should be the endeavour of the Committee to obtain the assistance of some of the lay members of the Church in giving a lecture on some Missionary, Biblical, Historical, Biographical, or other such interesting Church subject.

The former officers were re-elected, the four Committee-men also appointed, the contributions of some present were paid in, and proceedings terminated with the Doxology and the "appointed grace."

J. W. H. ROWLEY, Sect'y.

FOR THE CHURCH TIMES.

The annual meeting of the Weymouth Branch of the Diocesan Church Society was to have been held on the 9th inst., but, owing to the severity of the weather, it was postponed to the 16th. The great quantity of snow that fell about this time rendered travelling difficult, in some localities almost impossible; this, and other causes, deprived us of the pleasure which we anticipated from the presence of the Rev. Messrs. Gray, Godfrey, and Clare. The President opened the Meeting by offering up the appointed prayers, after which, in the absence of a gentleman, unavoidably absent, he moved the first resolution which was seconded by Mr. W. Vail:—

1st. *Resolved*—That while this Meeting gratefully acknowledge the prosperity which has attended the Diocesan Church Society during the eighteen years of its existence, they feel that they are placed under renewed obligations to exert themselves in behalf of an Institution on which the Church in this Province shall have, before many years, to depend for the support of its clergy.

2nd. Moved by Mr. James Jones, and seconded by Mr. C. P. Jones.

*Resolved*—That while ascribing to Almighty God the entire praise for the success that has hitherto been granted to the Allied arms in the East, we feel that we cannot regard war, even in its best aspect, except as a national calamity, and, therefore, pray that peace may speedily be restored, and that the victories achieved may be consecrated to God's glory, by introducing the light of gospel truth into those benighted lands.

3rd. Moved by Mr. G. C. Jones, seconded by Mr. Thomas Cottor:

*Resolved*—That the rapid extension of the Episcopate throughout the dependencies of the British empire affords cheering proof of the zeal with which those Venerable Societies, to which their Provinces are so deeply indebted, prosecute the great cause of missions, and should stimulate us to increasing efforts among ourselves, in order to enable them to employ all their means and energy on younger and more destitute fields of labour.

4th. Moved by Mr. Alpheus Jones, seconded by Mr. St. Clair Jones:

*Resolved*—That we contemplate with thankfulness the prosperity of our Collegiate Institutions at Windsor, and, among the improvements introduced in the course of instruction, regard with much interest the attention that is now devoted to the sound education and pious training of Candidates for the Ministry.

The attendance was numerous, and much interest was evinced in the proceedings.

The gentleman who spoke in behalf of their respective resolutions, did so in an able and creditable manner. A very general determination prevails here to exert ourselves in behalf of a Society, which, if duly fostered will, in time to come, confer benefits on this Diocese that no words can express.

Thanks were tendered to the ladies who have hitherto acted as collectors, and they were desired to continue their valuable aid.

Among some of the resolutions passed at this Meeting, it was unanimously resolved that in future the Annual Meeting of the Society should be held in the middle of October.

The singing of Bishop Heber's Missionary Hymn, followed by the Benediction, concluded the engagements of the evening.

Weymouth, Jan'y 28th.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CHURCH TIMES.

DEAR SIR:—On Tuesday evening, the 19th inst., the Annual Meeting of the Mahone Bay Committee of the D. C. S. was held in the School House.

The proceedings were interesting and satisfactory. After the minutes of the last meeting, and the Report had been read, the Rev. President made a few introductory remarks, and then called upon Mr. Frederick Ernst to move the first Resolution, which being seconded by Mr. David Slaghenwhite, passed, as did the other four, *nem. con.*

The 2nd Resolution was moved by the Hon. W. Rudolf, and seconded by Mr. Lewis Knaut.

3rd Resolution was moved by the Rev. H. L. Owen, Rector of St. John, Lunenburg, and seconded by B. Zwicker, Esq.

4th Resolution, after the missionary Hymn had been sung was moved by B. Legge, Esq., and seconded by Dr. Jacobs.

5th Resolution was moved by Mr. G. P. Milner, and seconded by Mr. James Duncan.

Officers and the Committee for the ensuing year were appointed, a collection taken up, and the meeting closed, as it had been opened, with the usual formalities.

Mahone Bay, Jan. 28, 1856.