

The Synod adjourned at 6 o'clock to meet again at 10 next morning

The Synod met Thursday at 10 o'clock a.m., after routine proceedings and appointment of several committees, the report of the S.P.C.K. Depository was presented by Rev. E. S. W. Pentreath and adopted on motion by him, seconded by Rev. A. E. Cowley. It showed that there was on hand \$500 worth of stock over indebtedness, and that the sales had been very encouraging.

Votes of thanks were passed to St. George's Church, Ottawa, for a continued grant of \$500 to the Mission at Routhwaite, to the S. P. G., the C. M. S., the Colonial and Continental Church Society for aid received and to the S.P.C.K. for books and tracts; to the C. P. R., the M. & N. W. R., and the N. P. R. companies for reduction of fares; to the ladies of the city churches for entertaining the delegates at luncheon; to the Bishop for his address, with a request that he allow it to be printed in the report of the proceedings; to the Alumni Association of Wycliffe College for the generous promise of maintenance of a clergyman in the Mission field; to the Rector and wardens of Holy Trinity Church and school for the use of the Church and Schoolroom; to Mr. B. D. Richardson for his valuable and efficient services as honorary Lay Secretary; to the clergy and others in Eastern Canada who kindly and generously assisted the deputation from the Synod, and to the Bell Telephone Company for the use of a telephone during the Session.

The debate on the question of guarantees of clergymen's stipends was resumed, and after discussion the following resolution was unanimously adopted: That the Executive committee be recommended not to recommend the appointment of a clergyman to any parish or Mission until a satisfactory guarantee is in the hands of the Secretary.

It was resolved that Missionary meetings have a place in the proceedings of each Synod, and that the Archdeacons make the necessary arrangements therefor. Also that, in addition to the proposed Missionary meetings, devotional meetings for the members of the Synod be arranged for by the Rectors of the city.

On motion the Executive committee were directed at their first meeting to draft a circular letter to the incumbents and lay delegates of the various Missions and parishes, such circular to embrace the resolution of the Rev. H. A. Tudor unanimously carried at the Synod, and also enclosing a list of subscriptions already promised towards the stipend of the officer named in the resolution, and requesting them to make inquiries as to the amount that may be relied on for that purpose from their respective Missions.

The Session was then closed with the Benediction by the Bishop.

This closed the best meeting of Synod ever held in the Diocese. The class of delegates from the country is steadily improving, and the young clergy are coming to the front. In no Diocese in Canada is there such a large proportion of young clergy.

#### DIocese OF SASKATCHEWAN AND CALGARY.

EDMONTON.—Church work has been carried on here for a number of years by Rev. Canon Newton, of Clover Bar, who at much personal inconvenience and self-sacrifice has labored single-handed in that distant and growing settlement. Dr. Newton has recently withdrawn from work in the village, and has entered on the arduous duties of travelling Missionary for the outlying districts. His work extends from Fort Saskatchewan, including Beaver Lake and Sturgeon river, to the settlement on the Red Deer. He is now spending a few weeks at the Red Deer, where his services are much appreciated.

The work in the village of Edmonton has

been entrusted to the Rev. Chas. Cunningham, B.A., who graduated in classical honors from St. John's College, University of Manitoba, last June, was ordained Deacon by the Bishop at Saskatoon in July last, and entered on his duties as curate of All Saints', Edmonton, in August.

Mr. Cunningham is a young man of unusual promise. He is a native of Manitoba, and before going to Winnipeg was a student of Emmanuel College, Prince Albert, and lay reader under the late Bishop McLean. He has been warmly welcomed at Edmonton, and is receiving the active and whole-hearted co-operation of church people there. Since his arrival All Saints' Church, which was a mile west of this village, has been removed to a more central site, given by the Hudson's Bay Company, within it. During the removal services have been held in the public schoolroom, where the Bishop of the Diocese preached on Sunday, Oct. 12th, to large congregations. Besides speaking twice on the Sunday and addressing the Sunday School, his Lordship during his visit, administered Holy Communion once, confirmed three persons, officiated at a double wedding, presided at a meeting of the congregation, inspected the churchwarden's accounts, and paid a good number of visits. At the meeting of the congregation he promised \$50 from church funds towards the cost of the removal of the church.

For nearly three years an association of ladies of the congregation, called 'The Willing Workers,' has been in existence, and has been most successful in raising funds for church purposes. The congregation is much indebted to Mr. C. D. T. Beecher, of the Hudson's Bay Company, for performing, with marked ability, the duties of people's churchwarden.

During his stay in Edmonton the Bishop was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. P. Daly.

#### DIocese OF COLUMBIA, VICTORIA, B. C.

##### SYNOD MEETING.

The first Session of the fifth Synod of the Diocese of British Columbia was opened in the Cathedral on Oct. 15th with divine service. His Lordship the Bishop was present, and the sermon was preached by Rev. J. A. Leakey, who took for his text Isaiah 61, v. 1. After service the Synod assembled in the schoolroom, for the transaction of business. Those present were:

His Lordship the Bishop presiding.

Clerical delegates.—Ven. Archdeacon Scriven, Revs. A. G. Beanlands, D. Holmes, G. W. Taylor, J. A. Leakey, H. Kingham, M. C. Brown, W. D. Barber, Cannon Paddon, E. G. Miller, J. W. Flinton and T. J. Christmas.

Lay delegates—Cathedral: Sir Jos. Trutch, Mr. Justice Crease; St. James', Col. Wolfenden; St. Saviour's, Messrs. J. S. Bailey and T. B. Norgate; St. Barnabas, Messrs. S. Baynes Reed and Rout Harvey; Lake, Mr. H. E. Crossdaile; Cedar Hill, Mr. Lindley Crease; Comox, Mr. Justice Drake; Saanich, Mr. J. J. Downey.

The following is the official list for the ensuing year: President, the Right Reverend George Hills, D.D., Lord Bishop of Columbia; Chancellor, Mr. Justice Drake; Registrar, Mr. L. Crease; Clerical Secretary, Rev. G. W. Taylor; Lay Secretary, Mr. H. A. Crossdaile; Treasurer, Sir Joseph Trutch; Auditors, Messrs. Rout Harvey, W. C. Ward.

His Lordship then delivered his charge in which he expressed some anxiety in respect of signs of spiritual growth. The number of communicants he said had but slightly increased, and that of confirmation candidates is very disproportionate to the number of baptisms.

Since October, 1889, three ordinations have been held admitting the Rev. Frederic Lambert Stephenson to the priesthood, and Mr. John William Flinton, and Mr. Earnest George Miller to the Diaconate. In the same period two clergy have left the Diocese, viz., the Rev.

F. L. Stephenson and the Rev. J. C. Brenton. Seven had been added to our list: The Rev. W. F. L. Paddon, Rev. F. G. Christmas, Rev. M. C. Browne, Rev. G. W. Taylor, Rev. W. D. Barber, Rev. J. W. Flinton and Rev. E. G. Miller.

Five new missions have been formed, namely, Salt Spring, now separated from Chemainus, being the electoral district of thirteen islands excepting Kuper; St. Barnabas, Spring Ridge; St. Saviour's, Victoria West; North and South Cedar, with south part of Nanaimo; and the Wellingtons and Northfield collieries. The Islands Mission of Salt Spring would, we had hoped, by this time have been provided for, but the clergyman who engaged to come was prevented at the last moment. The other four new missions are all most important, and their occupation by us a necessity if the Church of England is to do her proper part in making provision for the spreading tide of immigration. Our neglect of the two last has been a reproach. I have appealed to the S.P.G. for these and other neglected settlements and work in this Diocese, but hitherto in vain: still, I have hope of help from Churchmen in England towards the spiritual needs of their countrymen emigrating hither, who are unable, for some years at least, to contribute more than a small portion of the incomes of their ministers.

In this hope I have personally undertaken, with the concurrence of the Mission Board, the responsibility of making such provision as to secure for the four last named Missions the services of worthy and competent clergy.

The church at Salt Spring is finished with the exception of some inferior fittings. That of St. Barnabas, Spring Ridge, is commenced, as is the Church of St. Michael's and All Angels at Chemainus. Sites have been secured, and some subscriptions obtained or promised, for new churches at Comox Bay and Victoria West. Arrangements have been made for supplying the ministrations of the church to the inmates of the Jubilee Hospital who may require them.

##### THE MISSION AND ENDOWMENT FUNDS.

Much encouragement has been afforded by the assistance of the Clergy Endowment Fund. The arrears due to the clergy at our last meeting have been paid by it. We have been enabled to resume the work which had been dropped at Chemainus for lack of funds. Some grants to the clergy have been increased in view of the expensiveness of this colony. Confidence has been given to the recipients by the prospect of more punctual payments of their small stipends, and congregations, we trust, have been stimulated to do their part.

We must bear in mind that the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge promises £500 further for the Endowment Fund whenever we can meet that grant by £2000 raised on our part.

It is important also that the Mission Fund should be not only kept up but increased if possible. We shall all agree to thank the ladies of the Cathedral of the Women's Auxiliary for their steady work in raising by their own hands, and their collecting branch, not only \$400 as originally promised, but now \$500 a year to the mission fund. This is most acceptable.

##### CANADA'S WOMEN'S AUXILIARY AND GIRL'S FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

We have been much favored by the visits this year of earnest and intelligent lady workers in Christian missions and of charity. A deputation from the Canadian Women's Auxiliary for Domestic, Diocesan and Foreign Missions was the first of these. Mrs. Cummings and Miss Patterson afforded not only valuable information as to the extensive work of their Society, but left a deep impression that it is our duty and privilege here to co-operate with them in raising and distributing help to both the Home and Foreign Missions of the Church of England in the Dominion. That we shall soon see our churchwomen here inaugurate such co-opera-