

Hon. J. H. Cameron to be \$45,182.96; also, an estimate of the receipts and expenditure for the current year, showing a surplus of over \$2,000; also, the Bishop's certified list of the clergy of the Diocese of Toronto in their order of seniority.

Letter was read from the Bishop stating that the Rev. John Carry's leave of absence would be extended for another year from 1st July next, and that as Mr. Carry is able to discharge the duties of the curacy of a small country parish in England, he is willing to relinquish for the further time of his absence one-half of the stipend which he receives from the Commutation Fund, if the committee consider that he should make this abatement, or any abatement at all.

Resolved.—That the Rev. Mr. Carry by resigning his charge in this Diocese, prolonged absence and uncertain return, has in terms of the Canon forfeited, *pro tem*, his claim upon the Commutation Trust Fund.

The attention of the Committee having been called to the fact that the Rev. T. P. Hodge, who is on the Pay List, is not engaged in any Parochial duty; *Resolved.*—That all payments from the Commutation Surplus Fund to the Rev. Mr. Hodge be discontinued from the 1st day of July next, until the Bishop certifies to this Committee that he is employed in Ministerial work, as provided by the Canon in that behalf.

In regard to the claim of the Rev. S. Briggs to participate in the Commutation Surplus, the opinion of Messrs. Bethune, Osler & Moss was read, stating that Mr. Briggs is not entitled to participate in the Commutation Fund Surplus, unless he is so entitled in respect of his service up to 1869.

Resolved.—That the Secretary-Treasurer notify the claimants, in accordance with the Bishop's list, (whose names have now been fixed), to furnish the Certificates required by the By-Law, and that the Sub-Committee of Management do consider and act upon such certificates up to the amount of the available surplus.

The Rev. S. Briggs having been transferred from his present position on the Bishop's list, (June 1, 1858) to June 1, 1868, the names referred to in the above resolution are as follows:

Revs. A. J. Fidler, Aurora; John Creighton, Cartwright; George Nesbitt, Mulmur; H. D. Cooper, Colborne; Isaac Middleton, Brampton; E. W. Murphy, Innisfil; Richard Harrison, Toronto; Frederick Burt, Minden; and Johnstone Vicars, Pickering.

Land Committee.

Present.—Rev. Canon Brent, Chairman; Rev. W. Logan, Judge Scott, Messrs. Harman and Farncomb.

Peterborough Glebe.—Offer accepted from Messrs. Hatton & Morrow to purchase 4 acres of Park Lot 15, for \$250 an acre.

Lot 3, Con. 2, Bealey.—Offer accepted from Thomas Shields to purchase 5 acres of cedar for \$3 an acre.

Sundry other applications were laid over for further consideration.

Mission Board.

Present.—The Lord Bishop, Chairman; The Archdeacons of York and Peterborough; Rural Deans Givins, Lett, Stewart, Osler and Cole; Canon Morgan; Revs. F. Burt, Septimus Jones, H. D. Cooper and I Middleton; Professor Wilson, Major Bligh, Messrs. J. Ham Perry, C. J. Blomfield, T. H. Ince, A. R. Gordon and S. S. Peck.

The following new guarantees were received and accepted:

Pickering, \$200 per annum for three years, from 1st of October, 1876.

Holland Landing, \$325, for one year, from 1st March, 1877.

St. Luke's, Pinkerton's (Cookstown Mission) \$200 per annum for three years, from 1st April, 1877.

The Secretary presented the quarterly Financial Statement of the Mission Fund, shewing the account overdrawn to amount of \$9,756 06, subject to reduction by the debt due from the Diocese of Niagara, and the Algoma Fund overdrawn to the amount of \$909 38.

The Secretary reported that, in answer to the special appeal on behalf of the Mission Fund debt, \$5223 50 have been subscribed, of which \$1622 15 have been paid.

In regard to the Mission Fund Pay List the Archdeacon of York presented the report of the Sub-Committee on the exceptional cases which had previously been placed in Schedule D.

The Committee recommended that the following Missions be placed in Schedule B, viz.: Alliston, Batteaux, Brooklin and Columbus, Cameron, Craighurst and Waverly, Dysart, Gore's Landing, Minden, Mulmur West, North Orillia and Medonte, Perrytown, Pickering and Vespra.

That the following be placed in Schedule C, viz.: Bradford, first reduction in July 1877 to \$125; Cookstown, first reduction in July 1878; and Woodbridge to be reduced to \$200 in July 1877.

The Board adopted the Report.

Resolved.—That the Mission of Galway be constituted a travelling Mission for one year, from 1st July 1877, at the rate of \$600 per annum.

Resolved.—That a grant of \$100 be made to Minden on account of the Rev. J. E. Cooper for one year from 1st April, 1877.

Resolved.—That the Rural Deans be requested to furnish reports from their several Deaneries for incorporation in the Annual Report of the Mission Board, to be presented to the Synod at next Session.

The Secretary laid before the meeting the completed "Map of the Diocese of Toronto, shewing the Rural Deaneries, Churches, Stations and Church population in each Township according to the census of 1877, prepared for and presented to the Mission Board by George B. Kirkpatrick."

Widows and Orphans' Fund, and Theological Students' Fund Committee.

Present.—Revd. H. C. Cooper, Chairman; Revs. J. S. Baker and F. Tremayne, Capt. Blain, Messrs. Vankoughnet and Agar.

Application for the usual pension from the W. & O. Fund was received from the Widow of the late Rev. Geo. S. J. Hill.

Ordered.—That Mrs. Hill be placed on the fund for \$200 per annum. The first quarterly payment to be made on the 1st July next.

Resolved.—That the Chairman be instructed to ask the Archdeacons of the Diocese to notify those parishes in their several Archdeaconries where no collections have been made in answer to the Special appeal of October last, and to urge upon them the necessity of endeavouring to obtain the amounts for which they have been assessed as soon as possible.

A Sub-Committee was appointed to prepare the Annual Report for presentation to the Synod, with instructions to mention therein the names of all defaulting parishes.

Mr. Henry C. Avant's application for a Divinity Exhibition having again been laid before the Committee, Mr. Avant was placed upon the list of Exhibitors in expectation of a vacancy occurring in October next.

General Purposes Fund, Statistics and Assessment Committee.

Present.—Marcellus Crombie, Esq., Chairman. Revs. Dr. O'Meara, S. J. Boddy, John Fletcher, R. W. Hindes and John Vicars. Dr. Hodgins, Alderman Boswell.

A grant of \$50, was made in aid of the building fund of Holy Trinity Church, Cavan.

An application for a grant in aid of St. Luke's Church, Ashburnham, was laid over for the present, the church not being so far finished as to admit of service being regularly held in it.

The chairman having presented a report from the Sub-Committee in regard to the Burnside Trust, the same was referred back for further consideration.

Sunday School, and Book and Tract Committee.

Present.—Rev. Geo. I. Taylor in the chair, Revs. J. D. Cayley, and C. R. Matthew. Messrs. Gillespie and Morgan.

The following grants were made:—\$20 worth of Library Books to each of the Sunday Schools at Stayner, Leslieville, St. Paul's, Innisfil, and All Saint's, Brock: to meet a payment of \$10 in each case. \$5 worth of Library Books for St. Mark's, Otonabee.

Also \$4.50c. worth of Prayer Books and some of the old stock for the congregation at Brook's School House, North Essa.

An application from the new Mission of Chan-

leston and Cataract was deferred until an Incumbent is appointed to the Mission.

Audit Committee.

Present.—Rev. W. Grant, chairman. Rev. George Nesbitt, and Mr. W. Gamble.

The Auditors submitted an interim report for the quarter ending 30th April, 1877, together with the balance sheets of the Rectory Lands and Clergy Trust Funds: the audit to be completed and annual report prepared in time for the meeting of the Synod on the 19th June.

Printing Committee.

Present.—Dr. Hodgins, Chairman, Revs. A. Williams and T. Walker, Mr. Pepler.

Ordered.—That the deferred number of the Diocesan Gazette be printed as soon as the Report of the Committee on Church Discipline is received, and that it contain the order of proceedings of Synod together with all reports ready at date of publication. That 750 copies be printed.

That the Journal of Synod be issued immediately after the Synod in the usual form. That 500 copies be printed.

That a number of the Gazette be issued containing the proceedings of the Synod Committees for November 1876, and February and May, 1877: 500 copies to be printed.

A sub-committee was appointed to prepare the Annual Report, and to embody in it a suggestion to the Synod that a less number of issues of the Gazette take place.

Ordered.—That the Secretary be authorized to obtain a number of post-cards printed, to be used at his discretion. That as soon as the present stock of cards for summoning Synod Standing Committees is exhausted, a new form be prepared containing a schedule of the whole of the committees, to be sent to each member with the particular committee of which he is a member indicated by a cross or other mark.

The Special Committee on the canon for enforcing Church Discipline met on Thursday, May 17th, and finally adopted a canon for presentation to the Synod, the same to be printed for circulation amongst the members before the meeting of Synod.

SYNOD OFFICE.—Collections &c. received during the week ending June 2nd, 1877.

MISSION FUND.—*Parochial Collections.*—Church of the Holy Trinity, Toronto \$28.74.

WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' FUND.—*October Collections.*—Bobcaygeon \$10.50c., Dunsford \$2.50.

Parochial Collection.—Mrs. Dooley, Cobourg, subscription \$2.00.

DIVINITY STUDENTS' FUND.—*April Collection.*—St. Thomas's Toronto, \$1.60; Bobcaygeon \$4.30, Dunsford, 70 cents.

NORTH ESSA.—A soiree in connection with St. Jude's Church was held on the 29th ult. As a matter of course, not one of the expected speakers was present. Local talent was, however, utilized by the incumbent; and the people were pleasantly surprised to see the young men of the neighbourhood take their places on the platform to promote the enjoyment of those present by giving readings, recitations and so on; and this they did in a very creditable manner. The event of the evening was the presentation to Mr. Jas. Armonson, for several years one of the church-wardens, and now on the point of leaving for Manitoba, of a beautiful copy of the Book of Common Prayer and a copy of the latest edition of hymns A. and M. with music. Several young ladies of the congregation sang some favourite hymns, very sweetly indeed. The attendance was so much larger than had been anticipated that seats made of planks and blocks had to be extemporized. The programme just intimated and the financial result of the entertainment justify your correspondent in saying that the affair was quite a success.—Com.

MARKHAM.—*Grace Church.*—We are glad to see that the new Incumbent is meeting with a large amount of success as the result of his energetic efforts in working up this parish. Great improvement is going on, and the congregation rapidly and largely increasing. Every thing cannot be done at once; but we have no doubt that shortly the responding at the services will be more gener-