

Rev. Dr. Bethune; the Chancellor of the Diocese of Toronto, Hon. J. H. Cameron; the Bishop's Secretary, Rev. H. J. Grasset, and the Secretaries of the Synod, Rev. Dr. Lett and Dr. Bovell. The vote was taken by ballot, and, on the ballot-box being opened, it was found that Rev. Dr. Lewis, of Brockville, had received all the ballots thrown, viz., the votes of 32 c' zymen and of 39 parishes. The number of clergymen present being about 40, it appeared that about one-fourth of their number had abstained from voting. The claims of Dr. Bethune have been urged by many of his friends, but when it was ascertained that a majority were in favour of Dr. Lewis, those who would have preferred Dr. Bethune, refrained from carrying the contest the length of the ballot-box. The result of the vote having been announced, the Bishop elect, Rev. Dr. Lewis, was lead from his seat by the Chancellor of the Diocese, and formally introduced to Bishop Strachan, by whom he was warmly congratulated on his election. He received also the congratulations of the Synod individually, not ever excepting those who had opposed his election; and then in a short address thanked the Synod for the honour conferred upon him, expressed his sense of the solemn responsibility of the trust reposed in him, and hoped that by God's grace he would be enabled rightly to discharge it. The Synod then proceeded to elect delegates, clerical and lay, to the Provincial Synod, which meets in Montreal in September, when it is probable the consecration of Dr. Lewis will take place. Some discussion took place as to the best name for the new diocese, and the question was finally left to the decision of the Bishop of Toronto, who is known to have expressed a preference for the name Ontario. The Synod then adjourned.

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#### MISSIONS TO THE JEWS IN ABYSSINIA.

We rejoice that the members of our Church in England are deeply sensible of the claims of the Jewish people. A powerful organization is established there to convey to them wherever they may be found the glad tidings of salvation through a crucified Saviour. The annual meeting of the Society was recently held in London, at which some deeply interesting facts as to the progress of the Gospel among the Jews in Abyssinia were made known. The Rev. A. H. Stern, who had just returned from that country, said, in the course of an able address:

It is delightful to preach in places where you are surrounded by all the wonders of God's work. There is a charm in ministering in the plain, in the woodland, or by those mighty rocks which abound in Abyssinia; which, like the truth of God, will fill the mind with rapture, and the heart with praise and adoration. In several places which we visited—some of the largest Jewish settlements—we had great assemblies congregating around us; and I often felt when standing on some lofty rock, or in some green and beautiful valley, surrounded by hundreds and hundreds of immortal beings, who all hung upon my lips, drinking in the words which conveyed to them a message of life or death—often have I felt my heart moved with compassion and grati-