

BURTON.—His Lordship the Co-adjutor Bishop addressed a large meeting in the Temperance Hall, Oromocto, on Thursday evening, May 31st, on behalf of the Diocesan Church Society. His Lordship pointed out the fact that though there were no less than forty-two thousand people belonging to the Church in this Diocese, yet that only three thousand contributed to the funds of the Diocesan Church Society; and that unless Churchmen gave far more liberally than heretofore to the D. C. S., that many Missions must be closed. He earnestly deplored such a result as must ensue—infants unbaptized, the sick and dying unvisited, and unable to enjoy the privileges and comfort of the prayers of the Church and of Holy Communion. The Bishop also dwelt on the fact that in devoting to the Giver of all Good a portion of our substance, a blessing was ever resting on the cheerful giver. He stated that but a few years ago the Diocese was receiving from the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel the sum of twenty thousand dollars yearly, which grant is now reduced to but eight thousand dollars, owing to the demand on the funds of that Society for opening new dioceses in North-West America, Africa, Asia, New Zealand, etc., and bade his hearers face the fact, that ere long we must be self-sustaining, except for the very limited grant that could be drawn from the D. C. S., unaided by the Home grant. He commended Dissenters on their liberality, in not only supporting their missions, but in building places of worship, colleges, and in giving to foreign missions, and asked if they were really more wealthy than the members of the Church? The meeting closed with Hymn, A. & M., "Who givest all," which was heartily sung. It is pleasing to add that several new names have been added to the list of subscribers in this Parish, and that in a few instances (would it were more) the subscriptions have been increased.

DIocese OF ONTARIO.

(From our own Correspondent.)

On Monday evening a service in connection with the opening of Synod was held in St. George's Cathedral, when the Rev. J. W. Burke, B. A., of Belleville, preached an admirable sermon.

The Synod of the Diocese met on Tuesday, the 12th, for the transaction of business. A large number of clergy and laity were present.

After roll call, the Rev. A. Spencer was re-elected Clerical Secretary, Mr. R. V. Rogers, Lay Secretary, and Mr. R. M. Moore, Treasurer.

The Auditors submitted their report, which spoke in the most complimentary manner of the Secretary's books and of the finances. The Treasurer's report was also received and laid on the table.

After several notices of motion Synod adjourned.

Resuming in the afternoon, the Bishop delivered his annual address, the most important point in which was suggesting the advisability of affording relief to himself, as the work is more than one man can do, and recommending a division of the Diocese. A see house and other matters of importance were also referred to.

After considerable discussion upon the various points touched upon, on motion separate committees were appointed to consider the following objects: 1, The letter of the Bishop of Algoma; 2, The proposed division of the diocese; 3, The procuring of a See House; 4, The state of the Church in this diocese; and the following special committees were presented:—On the division of the diocese, Archdeacon Lauder, of Ottawa (chairman), Revs. H. Pollard, J. J. Bogart, A. Nesbitt, K. L. Jones, the Chancellor and Messrs. W. Wilson, H. Hartly Munsen, L. Keefer Lett; on Algoma matters, Rev. Mr. Kirkpatrick (chairman), Revs. H. Wilson, W. Lewin, C. P. Emory, and Messrs. D. Collins, E. H. Smythe, J. S. Muckleston and R. V. Rogers; on the proposed See House, the Dean of Ontario (chairman), Rev. J. W. Burke, E. P. Crawford, E. A. W. Hannington, and Messrs. R. T. Walkem, Bristol, Sinclair and Leslie; on the state of the

Church, the Archdeacon of Kingston, (chairman), Revs. H. Wilson, R. T. Stephenson, R. Lewis, A. W. Cooke, E. Loucks, and Messrs. G. A. Kirkpatrick, E. J. B. P. Pense, G. A. Wicksteed, F. A. Knapp and Jas Reynolds. Synod adjourned.

On assembling Wednesday morning Archdeacon Jones presented the report of the special committee upon the state of the Church. It recommends that there be a standing committee on Church statistics in connection with the diocese which shall seek to make itself acquainted with the condition and progress of the diocese, and shall receive for tabulation and inquiry the annual returns of clergymen on the state of the Church and report annually.

The Dean presented the report upon a See House, expressing much satisfaction with the project, as suggested by the Bishop, of building or buying a See House at a cost not exceeding \$10,000, to be located in Kingston. The funds could be easily raised in the diocese. The Committee recommend that subscriptions be taken up by the canvassers, payments to be spread over five years at 6 per cent.

The committee upon the division of the diocese agreed with the Bishop's remarks, and submitted the boundaries of the Archdeaconaries as the most expedient separation. The Ottawa Diocese would consist of the counties of Carleton, Dundas, Gengarry, Lanark, Presscott, Renfrew, Russel and Stormont, with 42 clergymen and 42,983 church people. The Kingston Diocese would consist of Addington, Lennox, Hastings, Frontenac, Prince Edward, and Leeds and Grenville, with 52 clergymen and 42,338 of a Church population. The report recommends a standing committee upon the subject, and that application be made to the Provincial Synod for the separation. The following delegates to the Provincial Synod were elected: Clerical list—Archdeacon Jones, Rev. J. W. Burke, J. J. Bogart, G. W. White, Archdeacon Lauder, A. Spencer, F. W. Kirkpatrick, A. C. Nesbitt, J. G. Low, C. B. Pettit, W. Lewin, and E. H. M. Baker; substitutes, Revs. E. P. Crawford, C. P. Emory, K. L. Jones, W. B. Carey, H. Pollard, R. Lewis. Lay delegates list—Dr. Henderson, Messrs. R. T. Walkem, J. Reynolds, R. V. Rogers, Judge MacDonald, Dr. Wilson, J. Shannon, A. J. Mathieson, S. Keefer, Hon. G. A. Kirkpatrick, D. Collins and H. Hatney; substitutes, Lieut. Col. Maunsell, Judge Senkler, Messrs. C. Dumbille, W. T. Benson, D. F. Jones and Judge Carman.

DIocese OF HURON.

(From our own correspondent.)

THE Bishop of Huron has appointed Rev. F. W. Kerr, Vice-Provost of the Western University, one of his examining Chaplains.

APPOINTMENTS.—The Bishop of Huron has been pleased to make the following appointments:—The Rev. J. W. Campbell, late of England to be incumbent of Southampton, in the room of Rev. P. Fox, resigned; Rev. Jabez Edmonds, to be *locum tenens* of Seaforth, in the place of Rev. Rural Dean Hill, absent on leave. Two gentleman of England, candidates for holy orders, have been appointed *pro tem*, Mr. Ashman to Colchester, and Mr. Ashton as assistant at Thorndale Mission.

When I wrote you a few days ago it was expected that the election of a Bishop would take place at the Session of Synod, which meets on the 19th of June, but owing to a new interpretation of Canon VIII of Provincial Synod, that the consent of the House of Bishops can only be obtained by a meeting of the Bishops, it will have now to be deferred. This view does not seem to have occurred to any of the Bishops, and it remains to be seen whether they will concur in this interpretation of the Canon. It certainly does not seem advisable that a meeting should be necessary in so purely formal a matter as that of giving consent to a resignation to which there is no objection.

THE following circular-letter explain themselves:—

THE CHAPTER HOUSE,
LONDON, ONT., June 9, 1883.

To the Members of the Synod of Huron:

MY DEAR BROTHERS,—I regret to find that with all my desire to facilitate the welfare of the Diocese, and to obviate the inconvenience and expense of a second Session, it will be impossible to hold a legal election of a Bishop as my successor at the approaching Session of Synod, on the following grounds:—

1. That the consent to my resignation, which has been given by a majority of the individual Bishops of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, as notified to me by the Metropolitan, is not such a consent of the *House of Bishops* referred to in Canon No. VIII. of the Provincial Synod as would make a vacancy in the See of Huron, and enable an election of my successor to be legally held.

2. I find, moreover, that it will be impossible to procure a meeting of the House of Bishops before our own Session of Synod.

Under these circumstances I desire to notify you that I have to withdraw my proposed addition to the Constitution respecting the election of a Bishop.

I also wish to inform you that I have placed my resignation in the hands of the Metropolitan, and requested him to take the necessary steps to obtain the consent of the *House of Bishops*, in full accordance with the Canon, and thus enable me to fully and legally complete my severance from the See of Huron, after which the election of my successor will take place, as provided by the present Constitution.

Trusting to meet you all at our approaching Synod in the fulness of the blessing of the Gospel of Christ.

Ever believe me
Your affectionate Brother in Christ,
I. HURON.

DIocese OF ALGOMA.

General Diocesan Fund.—The Treasurer begs leave to acknowledge the following contributions: F. G. London, S. Ont., \$6; Mrs. Barber, Oxford, £25, 11s., 10d., stg.; Miss Gray's class, St. Bartholomew's Sunday-school, per R. W. Plant, Esq., \$2.35; Henry Salt, Esq., per Mrs. E. M. Bromfield, £2 2s od stg.; "Bromfield" £3 14s 6d stg.

DIocese OF MONTREAL.

BOSTON CENTRE.—The Ladies Society have obtained for the Altar of S. Patrick's Church, a crimson covering made by the Embroidery Society of S. John the Evangelist, Montreal. It was put into use for the first time on the occasion of the Bishop's last visit.

A NEW Church has been opened at Beaconsfield, Point Clare, on Sunday 10th. The Archdeacon of Iberville, Rev. W. Evans being delegated by the Bishop to be present on the occasion.

HIS lordship the Bishop is reported as being quite unwell after his tour through the townships. We are all hoping that it will prove only a slight indisposition.

REV. MR. DUVERNET has given in his resignation as assistant minister of the Church of S. James the Apostle. Mr. D. intends visiting Europe for a time.

REV. MR. BRIDGE, the new rector of Sweetsburgh and Cowansville, has entered into residence. The envelope system has been introduced into this parish, and so far with success.

IN KNOWLTON, the rector has formed a society to be known as the "Guild of the Holy Life." The object being the promotion of personal religion.

SIR A. T. GAULT, Canada's ex-High Commissioner, says "that the most effective agency we have