

liament to remove obstacles supposed to affect the assembling of the churches for synodical action in the colonies" is the next matter of interest. Also the foundation of the Endowment Fund in 1856 by the Rev. Mr. Pennefather. I may here state that this fund was largely augmented by the Rev. Mr. Thompson, and the late Bishop, then Rector of the school, who took charge of the services, with the Rev. E. Loucks as deacon, after Mr. Pennefather's resignation. All this time the congregation was greatly hampered by debts, incurred in the first place by the building committee, and then the failure of pew rents, but these liabilities did not seem to cause much anxiety; for though committees were appointed at almost every Vestry to consider what steps should be taken to wipe them out nothing really was done, only they reported.

The question of a new Burial Ground was at this time (1857) agitating the minds of the congregation, and a committee was appointed and renewed year after year till November, 1869, when the chairman reported that steps were being taken to establish a public cemetery, which was done in the early seventies, under a special Act of Parliament; a sufficient ground being obtained across the Saint Francis; on Moulton Hill, and which was consecrated by the late Bishop Williams.

I came into residence as curate on the 2nd of March, 1859. From that time till the death of the Rev. Mr. Doolittle, the records show nothing of importance, save that at an adjourned meeting of the Vestry 22nd April, 1861, it was shown that there were no liabilities except a sum of sixty pounds cy., due Mr. Pennefather, and by him donated to the Endowment Fund. Also at the same meeting it was decided that the stipend of the officiating incumbent be raised to \$600.00 and that some steps should be taken to provide increased sitting accommodation in the Church. Free pews were not lost sight of, for at this meet-