

read the service on Sundays, as lay-reader, and will, in due time, if he (Mr. F.) passes the catechist's examination grant to him the standing of a catechist. He does not commence his duties at Shéguiandah until late in the summer. Meanwhile he will be engaged at the Indian School at Birch Island.

The Fifth Triennial Council of Algoma.

In accordance with the Bishop's instructions the fifth Triennial Council of the Diocese of Algoma has been summoned to assemble at North Bay, on Tuesday, 31st May, 1898.

The clergy are requested to notify the lay representatives of their missions and to give them credentials.

OPENING OF COUNCIL.

On Tuesday morning the opening service of the Council—Matins and celebration of Holy Communion will be held in St. John's Church, North Bay, at 10 o'clock. All the clergy are requested to be present in their robes. To this end they are desired to assemble in the school hall of the church at least fifteen minutes before the hour of service.

DAILY SERVICES AND SESSIONS OF COUNCIL.

During the Council Matins will be said daily at 9 a.m., and Evensong at 5.30 p.m.

On Wednesday, 1st June, a missionary meeting will be held in St. John's school hall, at 8 p.m. Chairman, the Bishop. Speakers, Rev. Rural Dean Machin, Rev. W. J. Thursby, Rev. J. Hickland and others.

The first session of the Council will be held (at 11.30) immediately after the opening service on Tuesday morning in St. John's school hall, and be opened with prayer by the Bishop. The calling of the roll of the clergy, the examination of the credentials of the lay representatives, the election of officers, and other matters incidental to organization will be proceeded with.

The subsequent daily sessions of Council will be held in the morning, from 9.30 to 12 o'clock, and in the afternoon from 2 to 5.30 o'clock.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The Council being duly organized will proceed to business in the following order:

1. Reading and confirmation of the minutes of last Council.

2. The Bishop's address.
3. Notices of motion.
4. Reading of reports.
5. Consideration of reports.
6. Discussion of motions in order.
7. Appointment of committees.
8. Other business.

And this will be the order of business on each succeeding day of the Council, except that there will be no address by the Bishop, and that—unless otherwise ordered—the following proceedings will take precedence of other matters after the appointment of committees on the second day of the Council:

Election of clerical delegates to Provincial Synod.

Declaration of vote of lay delegates to Provincial Synod.

Appointment of clerical and lay delegates to General Synod.

Election of Rural Deans.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

The following notices of motion have been handed in:

By Rev. A. J. Cobb,—

That this Council embrace this, the earliest opportunity, of expressing its deep sympathy with our late esteemed Bishop and Mrs. Sullivan, with their family, in the sad bereavement and sickness through which they have recently passed.

By Rev. A. J. Cobb,—

That this Council, recognizing the considerable support afforded by the various diocesan branches of the Woman's Auxiliary towards the maintenance of the diocese, together with the assistance afforded the clergy and their families, respectfully desires to record its gratitude for past support, and prays their further assistance towards a more consolidated organization throughout the diocese of its present existing branches of church workers under that name.

By Rev. A. J. Cobb,—

That as in the poorer missions of the diocese many of our members not possessing means to contribute towards the support of the clergyman by sums of money, yet would gladly give of their substance in kind, provision be made by a recognized form of receipt for such contribution (at a fair market valuation), handed to the clergyman, the same receipt, signed by the clergyman, to be placed in the offertory and accredited by the wardens to the donor's account with them.—[Form to be submitted.]

By Rev. A. J. Young,—

That the clerical members of the Standing Committee shall be elected in manner following:—Two by the Deaneries of Muskoka, Parry Sound and Nipissing, and two by the

Deaneries of Thunder Bay, Algoma and Manitoulin Island.

By Rev. A. W. H. Chowne,—

It is desirable that a uniform practice exist in the diocese with regard to the conducting of marriages; and as some are in the habit of marrying in houses, contrary to the rule of the diocese, it causes grave difficulty for others, who are desirous of maintaining the rule, and so giving unstable persons the opportunity of introducing dissenters into the family, and ultimately causing a leakage from the Church.

By Rev. J. P. Smitheman,—

That the clergy should cultivate closer relations with the teachers and scholars of the elementary and other schools in order that the Church may exercise her proper influence.

By Rev. A. H. Allman,—

That it is most desirable to promote clerical meetings for devotion and counsel.

By Rev. A. R. Mitchell,—

That dancing in connection with church entertainments is not conducive to spiritual advancement.

By Rev. John W. Thursby,—

That, subject to the approval of the Bishop, a systematic effort be made to induce the young sons of Christian parents to become "postulants for Holy Orders," with a view to missionary work in this diocese.

By Rev. John W. Thursby,—

That this Council recommends community life for the clergy as a means of compassing and increasing the missionary work of the diocese.

It has been suggested that a "Quiet or Devotional Day" should be held for the clergy at the close of the Council, and that the Bishop should be requested to conduct the devotions. But as it is most desirable that the proceedings of the Council should not be unduly prolonged this must be left to be determined during the Council.

It is proposed to hold an Ordination in All Saints' Church, Huntsville, on Sunday, 5th June.

The Rev. A. J. Young, having resigned the office of Secretary of Council, communications, pending the appointment of his successor, should be addressed to the Bishop at Sault Ste. Marie.

For the illustration of Michipicoten Island we are indebted to the courtesy of Mr. Moir, of the Sault Star.