

News from the Home Field.

DIOCESAN SYNOD OF FREDERICTON.

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SECOND DAY.

The Synod resumed its session on Thursday morning at 10, a. m.

The first business after Prayers and Roll-call was the consideration of the codification of the Statutes.

Rev. G. M. Armstrong received permission to bring up a matter affecting the Board of Foreign Missions, approving the formation of a Central Board, and arranging the constitution of the Corresponding Committee of the Diocese. The report was received, and laid over for discussion.

Mr. Wm. Jarvis moved that the codification of the acts be read and taken into consideration section by section. He supported the motion in an able speech, reciting the history of legislation in New Brunswick, and the position of the Church from before 1784.

Mr. G. R. Parkin, for Mr. Schofield, moved that, "Whereas the powers vested in the Synod by the Act of Assembly, incorporating the same, have not been found sufficient to prevent frequent applications to the Legislature for the management of the affairs of the Church; and whereas, it is desirable that full power to regulate and control such affairs should be vested in the Synod; therefore Resolved, that it be referred to a committee to prepare a bill to vest such power in this Synod and to repeal such acts or portions of acts as may be inconsistent with such bill; such bill to be reported to this Synod before being submitted to the Legislature." He supported this in an eloquent speech, seconded by Rev. J. R. Campbell.

Mr. C. W. Weldon, M.P., agreed with the speaker in theory, but in a most learned and able manner presented a statement of the relations between the Church of England and the Legislature, and explained that the amendments to the codification gave to the Synod the power to create and subdivide Parishes for ecclesiastical purposes, and all such matters as the Legislature could delegate to the Synod, leaving the Legislature only control of such matters as must come before it.

Hon. Judge Wilkinson supported the amendment.

Rev. F. H. Almon supported the resolution very forcibly.

Mr. G. D. Street, Q. C., supported the amendment, and suggested an amendment which he had prepared, asking the Legislature to repeal all the Acts of the Legislature affecting the Church of England, and vesting in the Synod such powers as might be necessary to carry on its own affairs.

The Synod adjourned until 3, p. m.

Afternoon Session.

The Synod re-assembled at 3 p. m. The Lord Bishop was supported, as in the morning, by Lieut. Governor Wilmot and Rev. Dr. Kingdon.

Rev. Canon Medley supported the amendment. Rev. G. W. Armstrong spoke in favour of the resolution. Hon. Daniel Hanington, M.E.C., supported the resolution. Mr. E. B. Chandler spoke strongly in favour of it. The Lord Bishop then addressed the Synod on behalf of the Resolution. It being now 5 o'clock, the hour of practice at the Cathedral, the Bishop left the Chair and the Rev. G. M. Armstrong took it. Rev. Canon Brigstocke favoured the resolution.

Mr. G. R. Parkin closed the debate. This terminated a discussion which lasted the whole day, and was conducted in a most able manner. Yeas, 23; Nays, 47.

Mr. C. W. Weldon moved an amendment to the effect that the Bill be referred back to the Standing Committee, and that they should be authorized to petition the Legislature for the Act. This was lost, and the Synod adjourned with the understanding that the codification should be taken up in the morning.

THIRD DAY.

The Synod met at 10.30 a. m. After the usual formalities, Mr. Jarvis then brought in the Codification of the Laws.

All the sections on "The Diocesan Synod" were then adopted unanimously, the words "Coadjutor Bishop if any" being inserted where necessary.

The second section was reconsidered, by adding to the effect that all members of the Synod should be communicants and residents of the Parish.

The sections on the Diocesan Church Society was then taken up.

A motion was made by Rev. I. A. Hoyt to appoint a committee to draft a Bill vesting the property, &c., of the Society in the Synod. This was opposed and voted down. The whole of the seven sections were then unanimously adopted, an amendment being accepted to allow investments in municipal debentures of any Province in Canada, instead of confining them to New Brunswick.

The sections incorporating the Bishop of Fredericton and his successors were then read. The Bishop explained that the Queen by Letters Patent had conferred on him the title of "Lord Bishop of Fredericton," but that the Legislature had no power to confer such a title, therefore in the sections his successors were known simply as the "Bishop of Fredericton." This, however, did not interfere with the right of Churchmen to give by COURTESY any title which they chose. This settles the matter that the title of "My Lord," a relic of the connexion of Church and State, is simply a title of courtesy and not of right.

The first three were passed with a verbal alteration, and in the last Section a clause was added—"that in order to remove any doubts respecting the election of the Rev. H. T. Kingdon, D.D., in January 1881, and ratified in July 1881, such election is hereby confirmed, and that he is declared to be the Coadjutor Bishop, with the right of succession."

The sections relating to Presentations to Rectories were then discussed. The first section was passed with this amendment, that Priests only shall be capable of admission to any Parsonage benefice or promotion, thus excluding Deacons from institutions of Parishes. The Synod then adjourned until 3 p. m.

Afternoon Session.

The Synod resumed at 3 p. m. the consideration of Presentation to Rectories. When Section 20 was reached, Rev. I. A. Hoyt moved to strike out all reference to pews. This was carried, 34 to 24. Whereupon, Mr. W. M. Jarvis, seconded by Mr. E. B. Chandler, moved to postpone the discussion of the Bill till next Synod, stating that this matter would destroy the whole Bill before the Legislature, as interfering with private rights.

The continuation of the discussion was moved and carried. Rev. F. Sill, who voted in the majority, then moved a re-consideration. His Lordship having to go and meet the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Albany, Mr. G. Grimmer was asked to take the chair. The matter was then reconsidered, and Mr. Hoyt withdrew his amendment. Hon. D. Hanington moved that the word "male" shall be omitted, leaving women to vote, who are pew-holders, for Rectors. Lost.

At this point the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Albany, accompanied by the Metropolitan, entered the room, and was greeted with hearty applause. The Bishop introduced Dr. Doane in a few graceful words, alluding to his venerated father, the late Bishop of New Jersey, and the kindly feeling existing for the Church in the United States. Bishop Doane responded in the finished and polished manner for which he is noted, and then left the Synod with the Metropolitan.

Section 20 was then adopted, and all the other sections. The debate was then adjourned until 9.30 a. m. to-morrow.

Rev. Mr. Pentreath moved his resolution on the Permanent Diaconate, seconded by the Rev. G. G. Roberts, to the following effect:—

Whereas, The Provincial Synod at its last session unanimously passed a Canon providing for the admission of Laymen as Permanent Deacons, without relinquishing their secular calling;

And Whereas, Such an order of men would tend to the growth and organization of the Church in this Diocese;

Therefore Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to report at next Synod a Canon regulating the qualifications, and other matters pertaining to such office, and in the mean time this Synod would earnestly invite God-fearing and zealous Laity to offer themselves for the work.

The motion stood over till to-morrow.

Canon Brigstocke then brought in his resolution on Foreign Missions Canon. The following were then elected on the Committees:—

Foreign Missions—Revs. G. M. Armstrong, G. G. Roberts, E. S. W. Pentreath. Laity—T. W. Daniel, C. H. Fairweather, E. J. Wetmore.

Domestic Missions—Revs. Canon Brigstocke, Canon DeVeber, Canon Partridge. Laity—W. M. Jarvis, A. H. DeMille, T. B. Robinson.

The Synod then adjourned till to-morrow at 9.30 a. m.

(To be continued.)

THE DIOCESAN CHURCH SOCIETY OF FREDERICTON.

The D. C. S. assembled in Odd-Fellows' Hall, on Tuesday, July 5th, at 10, a. m.

After Prayers, the Roll was called, and a quorum found to be present.

The Reports were then read. The amounts contributed or promised are given to our readers:—

Andover.—\$60.

Bathurst.—The Envelope system has proved successful. Church to be completed before winter. No decrease in contributions.

Bay du Vin.—12 infants baptized, 5 deaths. Numbers few and poor. Contributions \$25. Failure of salmon fishing has interfered materially with contributions. A Rectory in course of construction.

Burton.—Contributions \$106. House, with land, has been bought at a cost of \$1400, for a Rectory.

Campobello.—Contributions, \$80. Nine confirmed in August last. Sum raised for Church purposes greater than last year.

Canterbury.—Contributions \$40.

Chatham.—Contributions \$80. Increase in voluntary offerings. Mr. Searle, 29 years Church Warden, has died. In St. Mary's Chapel, needful articles of furniture provided, and the building to be re-seated by August, at a cost of \$400.

Derby.—No report.

Dorchester.—Contributions, \$183.11.

Gagetown.—New church consecrated last November. Seats free and unappropriated, and weekly Communion, and a S. S. to be built in a few months.

Greenwich.—Contributions \$40. Church to be built in lower end of Parish. Land for church and burial ground given by Mr. James Nutter. Another station opened, with average attendance of 40. Three Sunday Schools in the Mission, with an attendance of 100.

Kingston.—Contributions not reported. Trinity Church repaired and painted.

Mondon.—Contributions, \$50. The tower and spire are under contract to be completed by Aug. 15th, and several improvements have been made in the church. A school-house is in frame.

New Denmark.—Presbyterians have attempted to draw away some people of the Mission, but without success. The son of the Missionary, Rev. N. H. M. Hansen, is preparing for Holy Orders. Church ready for plastering. Contributions, \$30.

New Maryland.—Contributions, \$70.

Norton.—Decrease in contributions.

Petersville.—Contributions, \$17.85.

Pointe du Chene.—Contributions, \$31.84.

Restigouche.—New church consecrated Sept. 5th at Campbellton by name of Christ Church. Communion plate given by the Bishop, with Altar linen from Mrs. Medley. Font, Altar-cloth, organ, and other things needed. Contributions, double that of last year.

Richibucto.—Rector took charge in January. Church contemplated at Kingston, Contributions over \$70.

Rothsay.—Contributions \$50.

Richmond.—\$60 subscribed for S. S. Library. Besides giving nearly \$100 to increase salary. Gave at Christmas a sleigh robe, and later a waggon. Contributions over \$200.

Sackville.—Contributions \$52.10. Rectory built at cost of \$2700, on which a debt still rests.

St. Andrew's.—Contributions \$265.18.

St. David's.—Contributions exceed those of last year \$90.

St. Jude's, Carleton.—Contributions \$31.46.

St. James', St. John.—Contributions \$100.

St. George.—Baptisms 43. Contributions \$120.

St. John, Trinity.—Contributions \$723.20.

St. Martin's.—Contributions \$70.48.

St. Stephen.—Contributions, \$50.

St. Paul, Portland.—Contributions, \$350.

St. Mary's.—Contributions, \$40.

Shediac.—Contributions, \$22.27.

Simonds.—Church at Black River repaired, and Graveyard fenced. Materials given by John McLeod, Esq. Contributions.

Springfield.—Contributions, \$80.

Stanley.—Church completed, and Rectory built. \$500 due on Rectory. 2,000 men employed last winter in lumber camps. Services were held for them as far as practicable. Literature for these men recommended to be provided. Contributions, \$60.

Sussex.—Not less than \$200. Guild formed at Studholm, with weekly meetings. Attendance on Sundays increasing at Sussex and Studholm.

Upham.—Contributions not behind last year.

St. Martin's.—Contributions \$62.14. Parish Church repaired. Chancel window given by Bishop in memory of Mrs. Catherine Walker. Debt on parsonage extinguished. Burial ground bought, paid for and consecrated.

Waterford.—Loss by fire made up by parishioners, while the Bishop sent a contribution with letter of sympathy. Contributions \$36.53.

Welford.—\$777 realized for new church, and \$900 now in hand for building. Rectory to be begun at once. Contributions not given.

Westfield.—53 baptized, seven of whom were adults. Church Work localized, and found of great assistance. Gift of land \$400. Total amount raised in Parish, \$1737. Contribution to D. C. S., over \$100.

St. Mark, St. John.—Contributions \$333.

Prince William.—Contributions \$75. Organ purchased for church.

Fredericton.—Contributions, \$1050, an increase over any ordinary year.

Kingsclear.—Contributions will not be less than last year.

Maugerville.—Contributions, \$95.

Carleton—St. George's.—Contributions, about \$100.

Hampton.—Contributions, about \$90.

Wicklow.—Contributions, \$60.50.

Woodstock.—Contributions, \$111.

Westmoreland.—Church to be finished by Fall.

The reports from several parishes were not received. The Secretary stated that over 500 communicants were added during the past year, and 67 adult Baptisms. The Statistical Report and the Report of the Executive Committee were then presented:

The reports of the Auditors and the Book Depository were then read. The sale of books amounted to \$935.36, an increase in sales over the last year. The Committee desire to engage a Colporteur. They reported against Branch Depositories.

The Committee on interesting S. Schools in Home Missions reported \$739.28 as the result of one year's contributions from the Boxes. Three leaflets have been issued. The reports were all received and ordered to be printed. The meeting then adjourned until 3 p. m.

(To be continued.)

FREDERICTON, July 11th.—The Consecration of the Rev. Dr. Kingdon, as Co-Adjutor Bishop of the Diocese of Fredericton, took place yesterday morning in Christ Church Cathedral. The edifice was completely filled, many being obliged to stand. At 11 a. m. the beautiful chimes of the Cathedral having ceased to peal forth, a long procession of clergy and students entered the western door, and proceeded up the centre aisle to the chancel, in the following

order:—Six Divinity Students, two Deacons, 80 Priests, Rev. Dr. Kingdon, the new Bishop elect, and the Bishops of Nova Scotia, Quebec, Albany, and Maine; the Metropolitan—Right Rev. Dr. Medley, following in the rear, accompanied by his Chaplain, bearing the crozier. As the procession passed up the aisle, a hymn, set to Old Hundred, was sung. The Metropolitan immediately took his place at the Altar, and was assisted in the office of Holy Communion by the Bishop of Nova Scotia, who read the Epistle, and the Bishop of Maine, who read the Gospel.

The Right Rev. Dr. Doane, Bishop of Albany, one of the most able preachers in the United States, delivered a powerful and eloquent sermon from 2nd Timothy iv. 2. The subject was ably dealt with, and was most suitable to the impressive ceremony about to take place. The Litany was then sung, and the Bishop elect having answered the questions put to him by the Metropolitan, retired from the Chancel, and returned soon after vested in his new Episcopal robes. The hymn, *Veni Creator*, having been sung by the Bishops and clergy, the commission was conferred by the imposition of hands by the Bishops present.

The service throughout was most impressive, the devotion of the congregation being particularly noticeable. The new Bishop has made a favorable impression upon all who have met him, and is well calculated to make a successful Prelate. The mitre worn by the Metropolitan was sent out from England expressly for this service. The altar and font were beautifully decorated with flowers, one member of the congregation alone contributing twelve hundred roses. The morning was warm, clear and bright.—*Tel. to His Herald.*

NEWCASTLE.—At a meeting held in Newcastle on the 29th ult., the Rev. J. H. S. Sweet was unanimously elected Rector. The Parish of Dalhousie will therefore be vacant. There is a good Rectory in the latter Parish.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

DIOCESAN ROOM.

Collections, Subscriptions and Donations received for week ending July 9, 1881.

B. H. M. DEFICIENCY.

Amount previously acknowledged.....	\$775.36
Proceeds of Pazaar held by two little girls, Louie Ackhurst and Annie Bowman, St. Luke's, Hx.,	2.17
Collection Digby, Day of Intercession.....	3.60
The Bishop's Donation.....	250.00

Total to date.....\$1031.13

EDWIN GILPIN, Treasurer.

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

St. Elizabeth's Church, Springfield, P. E. I.,	\$5.30;
St. John's, Crapaul, \$6.70; John P. Cooke, Esq., \$1; per Rev. Thomas W. Johnston.....	\$16.00

W. GOSSIP, Treasurer.

GENERAL FUND, B. H. M.

River John, per Rev. J. L. Downing,	\$23.51;
Ship Harbour, per Rev. Mr. Jamieson,	\$45.80;
Spring Hill, per Rev. E. H. Ball,	\$10.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Liverpool, per Rev. Dr. Nichols,	\$16.57;
Ship Harbour, per Rev. Mr. Jamieson,	\$6.75;
Mrs. J. M. Campbell, Portland, N. B., \$5; Prof. Lawson, Sackville, N. S., \$1; Miss Lawson, do., do., \$1.	

JNO. D. H. BROWNE,
Clerical Secretary.

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

Annual Meeting.—The Annual Meeting of the Board of Home Missions of the Diocese of Nova Scotia was held in Argyle Hall on Friday evening, July 1st, 1881, at 8 o'clock. Present: His Lordship the Bishop, the Venerable the Archdeacon, and a number of Clerical and Lay members.

After Prayers and the reading of minutes of last annual meeting, the Bishop read a letter from the Secretary S. P. G., announcing a reduction of £600, or \$3000, in Grant to Diocese, and calling attention to certain requirements of Society (notably an annual collection in every Parish receiving aid from its funds) if grants are to be continued.

Attention was called by several present to the fact that the S. P. G. had made a grant of £1400, or \$7000, for the year 1882, while the Missionaries of the Society, whose yearly grants the Diocese was requested by S. P. G. to continue, receive fully \$8000. It was felt that to assume the liabilities of the S. P. G. under such circumstances would be most unfair and injurious to the Board, and that it would be better to give up the whole amount of block sum and allow S. P. G. to pay its own Missionaries. The Bishop was, on motion, asked to bring the matter to the notice of the Society in Delahay St.

A letter was read from Rev. Dr. Sullivan, Chairman Central Board of Missions, with reference to the Diocesan Corresponding Committee and the need of the North-West and Algoma Mission Fields. The Bishop referred the matter until meeting of Synod to the Board of Foreign Missions.

The Secretary announced that the Bishop's generous offer of \$250 towards deficiency of \$4,000 in funds B. H. M., provided \$750 in addition was subscribed, had resulted in a reduction of the debt to the amount of about \$1,030, that sum having been paid into the hands of the Treasurer.

An amended Quebec Scheme, which had been adopted by the Board at its monthly meetings was presented, and on motion of W. C. Silver, Esq.,