

beckes' notation. To Englishmen, whose reminiscences of the glorious services of the Church in their native land the Choral Services of St. Luke's Cathedral would in some degree revive, and also to such of ourselves as have overcome our prejudices in favour of the preaching of the prayers, this mode of praying and singing praises with one mind and one mouth, was indeed a gratification for which our thanks are due to the authorities of the Cathedral. The wonderful fulness and heartiness of even a semi-choral service was also very perceptible at the Garrison Chapel on Sunday, where the deep voices of a great body of men were heard speaking the people's part of the service exactly together, with one sound and with one accord.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE DIOCESAN CHURCH SOCIETY.

The annual general meeting of the Diocesan Church Society was held on Monday the 29th June, 1868, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

There were present a large number of the clergy, and several representatives of the laity, together with other members of the society.

After prayers and reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting, the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop addressed the meeting, stating the business to be considered, and the present position of this society with reference to the grant from the S.P.G., which society is compelled to reduce the amount £150 stg. for the year 1869.

He then presented to the society a copy of the Thirtieth Annual Report of the Executive Committee.

The usual appointment of officers was made, and vacancies in the executive committee were filled up.

It was unanimously resolved that a salary at the rate of \$200 per annum be paid to the treasurer.

The chairman of the Church Endowment Committee presented the following report, which was received and ordered to be recorded:—

The committee of the Church Endowment Fund take this opportunity of reporting to the D. C. S. the present condition of this fund by laying before the society the accompanying statement of account of the treasurer to 20th instant, from which it will be seen that there stands at credit of the fund at date,—

Mortgages.....	\$33,800
Provincial Debentures.....	20,500
Deposit Receipts.....	18,000
10 Shares Pictou Gas Co....	200
2 " Electric Tel. Co....	40
Balance in bank.....	486.78—\$72,876.78.

Referring to the secretary's report published in the Thirtieth Report of the Executive Committee of the D. C. S., the committee must earnestly call upon the country parishes especially to fulfil their obligations, so that their accounts with this fund may shew a more satisfactory result, before the close of the current year.

M. B. ALMON, *Chairman*.

20th June, 1868.

The Church Endowment Committee were requested to direct their Secretary to furnish to each parish a statement of the amount subscribed and paid by the several parishes.

A report was presented by the W. and O. Committee, declining to recommend at present a scheme for further extending the benefits of the fund to orphans, or to recommend a change in Rules 2 and 5 of W. and O. fund.