

AND WHEREAS the highest legal authorities are agreed that the area covered by such Charter embraces the whole of the North Eastern and North Western portions of the present Dominion of Canada extending from the Western watershed of Labrador to the Eastern watershed of the Rocky Mountains and from the Northernly watershed of the American Continent to the Arctic Ocean.

AND WHEREAS the Colony of Ruperts Land was on the 21st of May, 1849, by Royal Letters Patent erected into the Diocese of Ruperts Land and a Bishop appointed and consecrated therefor, the Diocese being coterminous with the original Colony of Ruperts Land as defined in the aforesaid Charter.

AND WHEREAS the Diocesan Synod of Ruperts Land was constituted to represent the members of the Church of England within the aforesaid Diocese of Ruperts Land.

AND WHEREAS on the 8th of January, 1873, the Diocesan Synod of Ruperts Land agreed to the division of the original Diocese into four, one of which was to be the Diocese of Athabasca.

AND WHEREAS by the Canon passed by the Diocesan Synod of Ruperts Land erecting the Diocese of Athabasca, it was declared that the Diocese of Athabasca should comprise the District of Athabasca and Mackenzie River, being the whole of the North West Territories beyond the Long Portage.

BE IT RESOLVED that this Diocesan Synod hereby affirms and maintains that the Western boundary of the Diocese is the Easterly watershed of the Rocky Mountains, the original Western Boundary of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ruperts Land and that this Diocesan Synod strongly deprecate any attempt to change such boundary.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Bishop of the Diocese be requested to take charge of the Arbitration now pending between the Diocese and the Diocese of Caledonia before the Court of Assessors of the General Synod and that he be and is hereby empowered to obtain such legal or other assistance as he may require.

41. Moved by Archd. Scott, seconded by Rev. F. V. Abbott, that the synod authorize the bishop of the diocese to select and appoint lay delegates to the General Synod and to the Provincial Synod—Carried.

42. Moved by Rev. W. G. White, seconded by Rev. J. W. McDonald, that Rev. H. Speke be clerical representative at Provincial Synod—Carried.

43. Moved by Rev. C. R. Weaver, seconded by Archd. Scott, that Archd. White be a clerical representative at the Provincial Synod—Carried.

Mr. Foreman reported on the work of the Church Camp Mission. Rev. J. W. McDonald and Rev. F. V. Abbott and Mr. Kent also reported on their spheres.

44. Moved by Rev. F. V. Abbott, seconded by Mr. C. D. White, that the Missionaries in consultation be empowered to alter or to confirm the rules and regulations re Indian Missions—Carried.

The Rev. H. Speke reported on his work in Grande Prairie.

45. Moved by Archd. White, seconded by Rev. W. G. White, that the next synod be held in three years from now, but the Bishop be left free to call synod at any earlier date if he deem it advisable—Carried.

The Rev. H. Speke offered the closing prayer, and the Bishop gave the blessing.