

Christian can conscientiously give is a tenth of his income. With regard to the Mission Fund he proposed that the clergy should educate the people in the true principal of Christian liberality, and that grants should not be given to a number of parishes in perpetuity. In respect of Rural Deaneries he proposed to change the present ruri-decanal plan by allowing not only the clergy to attend the meetings, but the church wardens and delegates of the various parishes as well; also by holding two meetings during the year in each district, namely, January and June. The object before the Chapters will be the growth and expansion of the Church in their own individual section of the country; to advise the Standing Committee as to their respective wants; to gather statistics, and generally to consult together as to the prosecution of their interests. He suggested that the canon on patronage be referred to a Committee for careful consideration and amendment. In respect of Confirmation, he recommended the Clergy to keep accurate registers of their names and places and abode; to give them some work to do in connection with the church and to visit them incessantly. He commended Rev. Pierre De Lom as a regular and commissioned evangelist to the diocese. Concerning the liturgy, he thought they all ought to remember that the Prayer Book was the property, not of the clergy only, but of the people, and that to deprive them of its prayers was to inflict upon them an amount of pain and disappointment, of which no one would be willingly guilty. In concluding his charge, the Bishop pointed out some of the changes that taken place in their clerical staff, some having fallen asleep in Jesus and are now with Him in Whose presence there is fulness of joy. He referred to the late Ven. Archdeacon Nelles, who had occupied the post of missionary to the Sioux Indians for the period of 56 years; to Rev. W. B. Evans, late rector of Woodhouse, whose loving and amiable qualities were well known; Rev. M. M. Dillon, a laborious worker and remarkable for the fidelity with which in old age, he kept all his appointments and to Rev. Samuel Harris, who was at one time incumbent at Waterford. The Very Rev. Dean Boomer has felt himself compelled to resign his position as Principal of Huron College and Rector of the Chapter House. The Synod desire to put on record its appreciation of his services in the past, and will offer up its prayers that the God of All Mercy and Love may abundantly sustain him in his present trial. During the year four clergymen have removed, two come in from other dioceses, eight deacons ordained priests, ten candidates have been ordained deacons, and Rev. R. Ashton, of the Mohawk Institute, has been appointed to the permanent diaconate. Thus we gained seven men since the last meeting of Synod. Since the commencement of his (the Bishop's) Episcopate he had held 184 confirmation services and confirmed 3,902 candidates, had consecrated 10 churches and 3 cemeteries, and had, with some few exceptions, visited all parts of the diocese.

The Secretary read a report of the Committee on Allowance, showing the number of delegates present to be:—Clerical, 68; lay representatives, 85.

Moved by Mr. E. Baynes Reed, seconded by Rev. J. Downie, that the report be adopted, and that the representatives from those places where the assessment has not been paid be allowed to take their seats on an engagement to pay the amount due.—Carried.

#### DIOCESE OF ALGOMA.

PORT SYDNEY, MUSKOKA.—The Rev. R. W. Plant gratefully acknowledges the gift of a pocket communion service and a beautiful set of altar linen from the Rev. Wm. Crompton. Also five dollars (\$5) from Mrs. Lett, and one dollar (\$1) from Miss Campbell, of Collingwood, for mission purposes. Also a large donation of S. S. papers and books from the children of St. Timothy's Church Sunday-school, Collingwood, per Miss McMasters, and from All Saints' Sunday-School, Collingwood, per Miss Jennie Hamilton.

#### Province of Rupert's Land. INCLUDING THE DIOCESES OF RUPERT'S LAND, SASKATCHEWAN, MOOSONEE, MCKENZIE RIVER, QU'APPELLE AND ATHABASCA.

#### DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

WINNIPEG.—The Executive Committee has held its quarterly meeting, at which a large amount of business was transacted. Present: The Most Rev. the Bishop (in the chair), Dean Grisdale (Hon. Secretary), Revs. O. Fortin, Archdeacon Cowley, E. S. W. Pentreath, S. Mills, M. Jukes, T. N. Wilson, and Messrs. C. J. Brydges (Treas.), A. H. Whitchee, W. J. James and H. M. Howell, Q.C.

The Treasurer reported the Mission Fund overdrawn \$399. The Church in Eastern Canada having failed to redeem its promises, on the strength of which new work was undertaken, has seriously embarrassed the Diocese. While the Presbyterians in Canada spent last year in Mission work and Collegiate work in Manitoba about \$30,000, the Church of England in the East did not give \$2,000 for the same field. This year, already half gone, promises to be even worse than last. The Board of Domestic Missions does not seem to consider that the Diocese of Rupert's Land has over fifty clergy, a number equal to those of the other five dioceses combined, and that two-thirds of these are receiving aid from the Mission funds. The S. P. G. has also announced that it is compelled this year to reduce its appropriation £200. A larger appropriation instead of a less is needed. Several reports were read, and consent given to several items of financial business in various parishes requiring approval. Grants were made from the block sum from the S. P. C. K., for building churches, to Rat Portage, Manitou, Pembina Crossing, and a conditional grant to Morden.

All Saints.—The Rev. H. H. Barber is expected to take charge the first Sunday in July.

Christ Church.—The Rev. E. S. W. Pentreath and family expect to leave for New Brunswick next week. Mr. Pentreath will be absent four Sundays. He hopes to be present at the Synod of Fredericton, June 30th.

UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA.—The Annual Convocation of the University was held last week. The Lord Bishop of Rupert's Land, Chancellor of the University, presided and delivered an address. Addresses were also made by Hon. J. Norquay, the Lieut.-Governor, and Rev. Principal King, D.D., of Manitoba College. Four students from St. John's College received the B.A. degree, and several took high honors.

#### DIOCESE OF QU'APPELLE.

The second Annual Meeting of this diocese was held at Regina, on Wednesday, June 3rd. The following clergy and lay delegates were present:

The Bishop, Rev. J. P. Sargent, Moose Jaw; Rev. D. Lewis, Qu'Appelle Fort; Rev. W. W. Bolton, Moosomin; Rev. J. W. Gregory, Grenfell; Rev. H. Tudor, Medicine Hat; Rev. J. Pelly, Qu'Appelle Station; Rev. H. H. Smith, Regina; Rev. S. L. Agassiz, Fort Pelly; Rev. Paul Lyon, Qu'Appelle Station; Rev. Brown, Regina; Rev. A. W. Cooper, Montreal Colony; Mr. Stephenson, Mr. Caley, Hamilton delegates, Regina; Mr. E. Brown, delegate, Wapella; Mr. Stratton and Mr. W. W. Young, delegates, Moosomin.

The following are the regulations observed and the office used at the Synod meetings in this Diocese:—

#### OFFICE AT THE OPENING OF THE SYNOD.

After the celebration of the Holy Communion, those members of the congregation who are not to take part in the Synod shall leave the Church.

The Bishop shall then be seated in front of the altar.

The clergy shall be placed (vested in cassock) according to their seniority by ordination on one side of the Church, the lay delegates on the other side.

Then the President standing and facing the altar shall say:

In the name, &c.

V.—The Lord be with you.

R.—And with thy spirit.

V.—Let us pray.

Collect for Whitsun Day.

Then shall be said, all kneeling, "Come Holy Ghost our souls inspire" (as in office of ordination of priests).

Then, all rising, the senior clergyman shall read the Gospel, St. Luke, ix, 8.

R.—Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

The Bishop, turning to the altar, shall then say a special prayer for the work of the Synod.

Lord have mercy upon us.

Christ have mercy, &c.

Our Father, &c.

V. Give peace in our time, O Lord.

R. Because there is none other that fighteth for us but only Thou O God.

V. Peace be within Thy walls,

R. And plenteousness within Thy palaces.

V. We have sinned with our fathers.

R. We have done amiss and dealt wickedly.

V. O Lord deal not with us after our sins,

R. Neither reward us after our iniquities.

V. O Lord save the Queen,

R. And mercifully hear us when we call upon Thee.

V. O Lord save Thy servants and Thy handmaidens,

R. Which put their trust in Thee.

V. O Lord save Thy people,

R. And bless Thine inheritance.

V. Let Thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us.

R. As we do put our trust in Thee.

V. Let Thy priests be clothed with righteousness.

R. And let Thy saints sing with joyfulness.

V. O Lord hear our prayer.

R. And let our cry come unto Thee.

V. Let us pray.

Prevent us, O Lord, &c.

Blessed Lord, who hast promised in the sacred teaching of Thy word, that whenever two or three are gathered together in Thy name there Thou wouldst be in the midst of them. Graciously be present with this assembly of Thy Church, and mercifully enlighten our hearts that in all our words and acts we may do that which is acceptable in Thy sight for the welfare of Thy people and the glory of Thy holy name, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Spirit ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Then silence shall be kept for a space, during which the members of the Synod shall betake themselves to private prayer, all kneeling.

After the business of the day is over, the Bishop shall say:

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with Thy Spirit.

V. Let us pray.

Collect.

Benediction.

Tuesday, June 2nd, being the day appointed as "A Quiet Day," found all the clergy, without exception, present.

There was an early celebration in St. Paul's Church at 8 a.m., with address by the Bishop at 10.30 a.m. Matins were said, followed by an address by Rev. D. Lewis. At 11.30 a.m. there was a service of intercession; at 1.30 a conference on "The best means of working in this Diocese, so as to reach the greatest number of souls," and opened with a paper read by Rev. J. P. Sargent. At 2.30 p.m. there was a conference on "The best means of raising money locally in this Diocese," opened by Rev. D. Lewis; followed by a conference on "The Church's position with regard to schools and burial grounds," opened by Rev. J. H. Pelly. At 7 p.m. there was evensong with sermon by Rev. W. W. Bolton.

The Synod was held on the following day, a full account of which will be given next week.

ORDINATION.—TRINITY SUNDAY.—On Trinity Sunday, the Bishop of Qu'Appelle held an ordination at St. Paul's Church, Regina, when Mr. Shafto, L. Agassiz and Mr. Paul Lyon, who have been working as lay readers under the Bishop's license for the past year, and Mr. Brown, lately arrived from England, were ordained Deacons. The Rev. J. W. Pelly, Bishop's chaplain, presented the candidates. The sermon was preached by the Rev. W. W. Bolton, of Moosomin.