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Proposals for the Winnipeg Centenary

The movement for the celebration of Centenary of our Church in the Province of Rupert's Land began with the passing of a resolution by the Synod in 1916, determining that the date be fittingly observed, and appointing a committee to confer with His Grace.

In the same year similar action was taken by the Provincial Synod at its meeting in Edmonton. Canon Heeney is chairman of the committee which is to arrange the proceedings, and Canon Murray is chairman of the one which is to raise the money for the beneficiary funds. Canon Heeney was requested by the Archbishop and the Programme Committee to visit the Ecclesiastical Province. The Synods addressed were those of Qu'Appelle, Calgary, and Saskatchewan. Everywhere the reception was most cordial, and resolutions to co-operate were passed. Canon Matheson, of Battleford, is a perfect storehouse of information on the Church's past throughout the west. At the last General Synod it was decided that the next meeting of that great body should be in Winnipeg in 1920, in connection with the centennial festivities. As to the nature and manner of the celebration itself, it may serve as a basis for thought and discussion to mention a few of the suggestions which have so far been offered. Our dominating objective must be spiritual. It should be an event memorable in the history of our Church for its spiritual power. This will require great concentration of thought on the part of every one of us, and the united and harmonious

effort of us all throughout the intervening two years. Our next aim should be historical. All the past must be gathered up, and given such expression as will accurately conserve its records, and at the same time make attractive reading for churchmen, young and old. We must not only conserve, we must distribute, if we are to reach our objective, that of inspiring to higher ideals and nobler efforts the entire Church public of this country. To this end at least three volumes should be prepared and put forth. One portraying the leading personalities who have served the Church in this western field during the past hundred years, and have now passed to their rest. A second, dealing with the general Church history of this region and period. Both of these, while striving for historical accuracy, should be written for the laity of the Church rather than the clergy. And a third volume, a much smaller book, and of a different character, is projected, having the title, "The Shrines of the Red River Valley." This will aim at stimulating interest in the beauty and sacredness of the four principal centres of Church life along the banks of the Red River. It would seem desirable, and possible also without much expense, to have oil paintings or water-colour drawings made of these very creditable and substantial churches, which, thank God, still endure and are not only beautiful and imposing in themselves, but come to us out of the past with more of its stimulating memories about them than any other

objects which this young land inherits. But it is greatly to be hoped that something more may be done—that these shrines of the Red River Valley may be preserved not only on printed page and coloured canvass, but that they themselves may be put in such state of repair by the Churchmen of Winnipeg, as may keep them standing to bear their silent witness across at least another century of this young nation's life.

Another item of importance is that of gathering in the records of the older churches of the province, with a view to forming permanent ecclesiastical archives. This will include parish registers now out of use, discarded service books, manuscripts of translations, first editions of the Bible and the Prayer Book in native tongues, and the libraries of missionaries; in fact, historical data of every imaginable description which throws light on things and persons now passed away. In the order of proceedings, first among the events must stand the centenary services. Speaking of those which would be held locally, they might be of different characters, each bringing out some special feature of the festival. There would be those designed to promote the distinctly spiritual aspect of personal life, to which reference has already been made. One should place the emphasis on the commemorative phase of the celebration. And it has been suggested that this might be held at St. Andrew's. Certainly such a service would form a very pleasant feature of the proceedings were it made the occasion of a motor trip down the historic Red River for this purpose. A third class of service—the type to be held in all the churches, would sound the note, perhaps, of thanksgiving. And a fourth might be arranged for the Industrial Bureau, to be held possibly on Sunday afternoon, during which the Church of England's message to the nation would form the determining feature—the ablest speakers being secured for this purpose.

Care will be required to fit in the events peculiar to the centenary with those which have to do with the General Synod and the W.A., so as to make an harmonious whole, not too great and cumbersome, and yet not too cramped and inadequate.

There are a few other items which are worthy of consideration. One is that we should take what steps are necessary to definitely link up to this hundredth anniversary of our Church in Rupert's Land, the movement inaugurated at the recent General Synod, for the putting of new life and power into the working of our Indian schools and missions. October, 1920, has been suggested as the date against which the money might be raised, and that its presentation should form a feature of the services to be held in connection with the centennial festivities. And surely nothing could be more appropriate, inasmuch as it was the Indian work which gave birth to the Church in this west, and is to-day largely within the bounds of the ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land.

There is so much more that this unique occasion might be made to stimulate; but I think we should limit our attempts by some consideration for our capacity to give them realization. Can we not, however, secure the setting aside of **one week this autumn, and one next autumn** in every parish throughout the whole Province for the promotion of two ends: First, the spiritual life of those who come; and next, their instruction in the achievements of our Church since the Rev. John West arrived—the forerunner of a long line of noble-spirited men whose lives have influenced this nation beyond what we can imagine?

And can we not do a second thing of general interest. The chief danger which I see before our Church to-day

is the lack of young men for the ministry. Look upon the General Synod as it is to-day and recall its personnel of a few years ago. Many of the mighty men have disappeared; on us has fallen the mantle of their responsibility. We, too, must make provision for the time which is coming on so rapidly when we shall no longer man Christ's Church on earth. The only hope of securing an adequate supply of candidates, is to implant in the minds of our boys of eight to fifteen the thought of entering the Officers Training Corps of Christ's Church. Let us set aside one Sunday for the sowing of this idea in the minds of our lads, and it will produce an abundant harvest.

Let us make this event an occasion for doing something for those returned soldiers who may be fit for the work of the ministry. Are they to be re-educated for every secular calling imaginable, but not for this sacred duty? Our laymen, surely, would provide a goodly fund for the care and re-education of those who have proven their worth by the offering of their lives for the democracies born of Christ's spirit and ideals.

From Canon Heeney's Report to the Programme Committee.

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The 20th annual convention of the Anglican Sunday School Association of the Deanery of Wentworth was held at St. John's Church, Winona (Rev. S. Clowes Noxon, Rector), on November 21st. The Rev. C. A. Seager, D.D., of Toronto, gave an inspiring address on "The Vision of the Future." He spoke of the great work that lies before the Church in the opening up of the undeveloped lands of Northern Canada. The future civilization lies with the Church. The Church must be united; must make sacrifices. The greater part of the funds needed must be raised in the province of Ontario. We must have knowledge, unity, service and money to realize the great vision of the future. Dr. Seager also spoke on How to influence young boys to enter the ministry. The Rev. Dyson Hague, M.A., of Toronto, gave an address on "The plan of the Bible." Canon Hague also gave an address on "The Message of the Bible." Miss Wade, a missionary on furlough from China, gave an account of her work among the Chinese. She once gave a lantern lecture on "Scenes from the life of Christ," in a heathen temple. Mr. Sanders, of Hamilton, read a paper on "Some Sunday School Questions Answered." The officers for the ensuing year are: President, Mr. W. Denne, Stoney Creek; secretary, Miss H. K. Noble, Bartonville; treasurer, Miss S. Freed, Dundas; delegate to S.S. Conference, Miss Woodhouse, Dundas.

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