

submitted by the Treasurer, of the Parishes and Congregations which have not yet paid up their assessment, and they beg leave most respectfully to say that, with three exceptions noted on that list which they do not desire to particularise further, but the circumstances of which warrant a remission, they cannot in justice to those Congregations which have paid, recommend that any should be excused from the payment of that which has been assessed under a formal resolution, and which is so justly due; but on the contrary, that they should be called upon to pay up the several amounts that are due without further delay, by a circular framed on the terms of the Report.

Your Committee would further recommend that the list of arrears of those Parishes and Congregations now forming part of the Diocese of Huron, be forwarded, together with copies of the Treasurer's, and of this Report, to the Lord Bishop of that Diocese.

W. B. SIMPSON,
HERBERT MORTIMER,
SAMUEL B. HARMAN.

The Synod then adjourned at six p. m

EVENING SESSION.

FRIDAY, June 11, 1858.

The Venerable the Archdeacon of York, having obtained leave, brought up the report of the Committee, on

THE MAINTENANCE OF THE CLERGY.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the best means of raising a Sustentation Fund for this Diocese, having given to this subject the fullest deliberation the time would allow, beg leave to offer the following preliminary remarks:—

1. That it is not expedient or desirable that Clergymen should be appointed to Parishes or Missions with such support only as may be obtained from the direct and voluntary contributions of the congregations to whom they minister.

2. That this system of direct voluntary support would operate, as a rule, most injuriously to the present interests of the Church; as having a tendency to fetter and cramp independency of action on the part of the clergy so employed, and in most cases to leave them without an adequate maintenance

3. That the prevalence of such a system would be detrimental, prospectively, to the best interests of the Church; as being calculated to deter the youth of the country from offering themselves as candidates for the Ministry.

4. That inasmuch as no surplus revenue from the Commutation Fund can be expected to be available for the support of new missions, to any extent, at least for a considerable time to come, it becomes necessary that means should be adopted without delay for supplying a fund for this purpose.

Your Committee would, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

1. That it is expedient to raise in this Diocese, in all Parishes and Missions within the same, a fund, year by year, for the purpose of furnishing stipends to the Clergy at present unprovided with a fixed salary, from funds irrespective of direct voluntary contributions, and to extend missionary operations within the same.

2. That the Trust Committee of the Church Society be the Treasurer and Manager of all funds raised for this purpose.

3. That a committee of three Clergymen and three Laymen to be appointed annually by the Lord Bishop to form a Central Board under the direction of the Bishop, for apportioning all moneys thus raised.

4. That the Incumbent of each Parish, together with the Churchwardens and Lay Delegates of the same for the time being, be a Local or Parochial Board for raising funds for this object within the same; and that the amount so raised be transmitted to the Bank of _____ at the credit of the Trust Committee, on or before the 31st day of December, in each year.

5. That the Central Board do appropriate annually not less than three-fourths of the amount raised within the bounds of any Rural Deanery, to the support of the Incumbents or Missionaries within the said Rural Deaneries respectively, and that the Archdeacons, or in their absence the Rural Deans respectively, shall represent to the Bishop of the Diocese the special case or cases in which such appropriation is required.

6. That in no case shall more than one hundred pounds currency per annum be paid to any Clergyman from this Fund; and that no stipend be paid from this Fund, except upon the condition that the sum of not less than one hundred pounds currency per annum be supplied by the congregation or congregations to which such Clergymen shall be appointed to minister.

7. That the Lord Bishop of the Diocese be respectfully requested to issue a Pastoral Letter, at his convenience, setting forth the importance and necessity of the Fund thus required to be raised, and urging upon both Clergy and Laity the duty of an immediate and hearty co-operation in the endeavour to secure it.

8. That in order to provide relief with as little delay as possible, to the cases of hardship and distress which already exist from the want of a fixed stipend by several of the Clergy of the Diocese, the Lord Bishop be respectfully requested to appoint a collection in the several Churches and stations of this Diocese, on some Sunday intervening between the next missionary collection and that for Widows and Orphans, to be applied to this special object by the Central Board, under direction of the Lord Bishop.

NOTIONS.

Mr. J. W. GAMBLE moved, and Dr. O'MEARA seconded,

That the report from the Sustentation Committee just read, together with the report of the Committee of the Church Society upon the same subject be printed and furnished to each member of the Synod, and that both reports be referred to a select committee to take the same into consideration, and report thereon to the executive committee, in order that their opinion and recommendation may be printed before the next meeting of Synod.—*Carried.*

The Lord Bishop then named the following Select Committee:

Archdeacon of York, Rev. Dr. Beaven, Rev. H. J. Grasset, J. W. Gamble, Esq., T. C. Street, Esq., S. B. Harman, Esq.

The Hon. J. H. CAMERON moved, and C. J. CAMPBELL seconded,

That the election of representatives to the Provincial Synod be now proceeded with, in the separate orders of the Clergy and Laity, and that a committee of three clergymen and three laymen be appointed to declare the result of each election.

Carried.

The Lord Bishop then named the following on the Committee:

For the Clergy.

Rev. Dr. Lett,

" " Patton,

" " Lewis,

For the Laity.

S. B. Harman,

J. Bovell,

C. J. Campbell.

The committee for the clergy reported the election of the Venerable the Archdeacon of York, Rev. Dr. Patton, Rev. Dr. Beaven, Rev. J. G.

Geddes, Rev. Dr. Lett, Rev. Dr. McMurray, Rev. G. Whitaker, Rev. Dr. Lewis, Rev. Mr. Givins, Rev. Mr. Osler, Rev. Mr. Kennedy, and Rev. Dr. Fuller.

The committee for the Laity reported the election of Hon. Mr. Cameron, J. W. Gamble, Dr. Bovell, Col. O'Brien, Mr. Simpson, Col. Kingsmill, Clarke Gamble, Hon. Mr. Patton, Mr. Harman, Mr. Street, Hon. Mr. DeBlacquire, and that two gentlemen had an equal number of votes, viz., J. C. Campbell and Hon. Geo. Boulton.

Mr. Campbell having announced his wish to retire in favour of Mr. Boulton, the latter was declared a Delegate.

CANONS.

The Rev. Dr. BEAVEN moved, and the Hon. J. H. CAMERON seconded,

That the "Canon on the Queen's supremacy" be adopted, and that the report be printed and distributed with as little delay as possible, and brought up again at the Autumn Session.—*Carried.*

CONSTITUTION OF SYNOD.

Hon J. H. CAMERON moved, and J. W. GAMBLE seconded,

That the constitution and Rules of the Synod be now adopted, as brought before the Synod at the last meeting.—*Carried unanimously.*

CHURCH MUSIC.

The Rev. E. DENROCHE moved, and the Rev. Dr. O'MEARA seconded,

That the Rev. Dr. Beaven, Rev. Robt. Shanklin, Rev. Henry Brent, Judge Boswell, Wm. B. Simpson, together with such Rev. Professors of the University of Trinity College, Toronto, as are versed in ecclesiastical music, be a Committee of Synod on Church Music; and that this committee shall have power to add to their number not only any brother Synodmen they may deem advisable; but also such honorary members of committee as they may consider qualified to forward the work.—*Carried.*

W. B. SIMPSON moved, and Dr. BOVELL seconded, That the Report of the Committee on Church Music be printed and sent to every Congregation in this Diocese.

Carried.

Dr. BEAVEN moved, and Rev. J. FLETCHER seconded,

That the Committee on the Provision of a book of Hymns and Psalms for this Diocese be re-appointed, with power to add to the number of the Committee at their discretion.

Carried.

ELECTION OF LAY DELEGATES.

Col. O'BRIEN moved, and Dr. BOVELL seconded, That whereas it is desirable that all due care and caution should be taken to insure the due election of the Lay Delegates, by properly constituted Parishes or Congregations,

Be it enacted.—That all Lay Delegates shall, each one, before taking his seat in Synod, produce to, and deposit with, the Lay Secretary, or some other Officer of the Synod, appointed to receive the same, a certificate of his election, in the following:

FORM,

To be signed by the Chairman of the Meeting.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that at a meeting held this day for the purpose of electing Delegates to represent this Cure or Parish in Synod, being the Parish of _____

being a Communicant of above one year's standing, and of the full age of twenty-one years, was elected by the Laymen within this Cure, who have the right to vote at such election by virtue of their having, in accord-