

this Diocese, of whom two are supported by the New England Company, one partly by the same Company and partly by the Church Society of this Diocese, one by the Society for Propagating the Gospel and the Colonial Church and School Society, one from the Indian Funds, and three from the annual Parliamentary grant for the Indian Department; the catechist being supported entirely by the Diocesan Church Society. As it is not at all likely that the Parliamentary grant, from which three of these clergymen are at present supported, will be long available for that purpose, it is of the utmost consequence that some means be adopted for continuing the staff of missionaries in connexion with our Church, and, if possible, increasing their number. A missionary is much wanted for the Church Indians of the Indian Peninsula, numbering about 90 souls, who are about being located by the government at Colpoys Bay, more than 40 miles from the nearest Church clergyman. It would also be very desirable that an additional missionary should be placed on Walpole Island, where there are still a large number of heathen Indians scattered over the Island. It would also be very desirable that one or two stations should be occupied on Lake Superior, where other denominations are already planting missions. A resident missionary is also much required for the Oneida and Munsee Indians on the river Thames. There are day-schools in connexion with all the Indian missions, but your Committee is bound to report that in consequence of the peculiar habits of the Indian, very little benefit has arisen or can be expected to arise from educational efforts made in that form; for the efficient education of the rising generation, it is necessary that the entire charge should be taken of those to be educated, and that such education consist not merely of book teaching, but of instruction in those industrial arts by means of which they may be able to take their place in the battle of life beside the white man. There has been a school of this sort established for some time among the Six Nation Indians on the Grand River, supported by the New England Company, and one on a very small scale for Ojibwa females at Garden River, at first supported by a few friends in England, but now sustained from the annual grant made by the above-named Company for that mission. It is the opinion of your Committee that measures should be taken to obtain (for the establishment of a C of E Central Industrial School) our fair proportion of the aid that is now given by the Indian Department exclusively to two Methodist Industrial Schools, towards which aid the Indians professing our faith are now obliged to pay the fourth of their income. Your Committee would further recommend that means be adopted by this Synod to secure the periodical publication, at short intervals, of interesting facts connected with the operation of Indian missionaries, with a view to some special efforts being made to continue, and from time to time, extend them.

FREDERICK A. O'MEARA,
Chairman.

Rev. Mr. Patton presented a Report of the Committee on disputed Lay Delegates.

Rev. Jonathan Shortt gives notice that, at the next meeting of Synod, he will move for a Committee to consider the best subsidiary or auxiliary means of lessening the amount of drunkenness, and aiding in the reformation of the inebriate and his restoration to sobriety.

Rev Mr. Denroche purposes, at the next meeting of the Synod of this Diocese, to bring forward, after consultation with the President of the Synod, the Lord Bishop of Toronto, Notice of Motion No. 11, given by him relative to Archdeacons.

E. G. O'Brien proposed No. 1 Notice of Motion of afternoon Session:

Whereas, there are certain churches in this Diocese where the sittings are entirely free, and, in consequence of this, there may be doubts whether their congregations can form a vestry: Be it enacted, that the vestry in all such churches shall consist of those members who shall or may have enrolled their names for the purpose of electing Delegates to Synod, or in a similar manner where no Delegates are elected: Provided always that such vestry shall not have power to interfere with, alter, or infringe upon any rights, privileges, or regulations held, reserved or in force at the time of forming such vestry.

That for the purpose of preventing any doubt or difficulty as to such rights, privileges, or regulations, the same shall be delivered in writing by the Incumbent, and entered on the roll-book containing the names of the members of the congregation as aforesaid.

Referred to Executive Committee.

Mr. Justice Hagarty moves the re-appointment of the same Executive Committee, seconded by Clarke Gamble, Esq.

Rev. Mr. Townley moved Notice of Motion No. 15. Carried.

Judge Armstrong moved, seconded by Rev. H. Patton,—"That it be resolved that the thanks of the Synod be tendered to the Managers of the Grand Trunk Railway, for their generous offer of a free return passage over their road to the members attending this Synod." Carried.

Mr. Harman moved, seconded by Dr. Bovell, amendment No. 3 of proposed Rules for subdivision of Dioceses,—"Any clergyman elected a Bishop, and holding at the time of such election any preferment or benefice, shall resign such preferment or benefice prior to his consecration." Carried.

Rev. Dr. Fuller read a letter from Rev. Mr. Van Rensselaer, stating that the Convention of Western New York would assemble at Oswego in the month of August, and inviting the clergy.

Rev. Mr. Van Rensselaer was called upon to express the same verbally, which he did.

Thomas Bate, Christ Church, Grantham, gave Notice of Motion for next Synod, "Whether the seats should be sold, leased, or declared free, in the church recently erected at Grantham."

Rev. Dr. Cronyn moved,—"That the thanks of this Synod be respectfully tendered to the Lord Bishop, for his patient, able, and impartial conduct in presiding on this occasion." Carried by acclamation.

The Bishop briefly addressed the meeting, expressing his high gratification at all the proceedings, and then, after pronouncing the Benediction, adjourned the Synod sine die.

ADDRESS TO THE QUEEN.

To the Queen's most Excellent Majesty.

May it please Your Majesty:—

We, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese of Toronto, in Canada, in Synod assembled, beg leave to approach your Majesty with the assurance of our devoted and loyal attachment to your Majesty's royal person and authority.

We beg to express to your Majesty our humble and dutiful thanks, that your Majesty has been pleased to give your gracious assent to the law which provides for our relief from the disability under which it was supposed that we laboured, in regard to assembling in Synod, and making rules for our local ecclesiastical government.

We beg most humbly to assure your Majesty, that it shall be our endeavour so to employ the powers thus graciously entrusted to us, that they may prove a means of cementing the union by

which we hope to continue to be an integral portion of the United Church of England and Ireland as well as of more firmly establishing and perpetuating the loyal duty and attachment which we owe to your Majesty's person and throne.

That Almighty God May be pleased to retain your Majesty in His gracious keeping, and long preserve your Majesty to be a nursing mother to our beloved National Church, is our earnest and continual prayer.

CANONS OF THE SYNOD, AS AMENDED.

I.—Constitution of the Synod.

1. The Synod shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese; of the Clergy of the same licensed to the cure of souls, or holding office in any College or School under the jurisdiction of the Bishop, and not under ecclesiastical censure; and of Lay Representatives to be elected as hereinafter provided.

2. The Lay Representatives shall be male communicants of at least one year's standing, of the full age of 21 years, and shall be elected annually at the Easter Meetings, held by each minister having a separate cure of souls; and all laymen within the cure of 21 years of age or upwards, who shall have declared themselves, in writing, in a book, to be provided for such purpose by the Parish to be "Members of the United Church of England and Ireland, and to belong to no other religious denomination," shall have the right of voting at the election.

3. The minister himself, if present, shall preside at the election; and in his absence, the Curate or assistant Minister, or chairman elected by a majority of those present.

4. The number of representatives to be elected within any cure shall be one or more, not exceeding three in number.

5. Each representative shall receive from the Minister or Chairman of the meeting a certificate of his election, signed by the person presiding at the election; and shall continue in office until his successor is appointed.

6. If a vacancy should occur in the number of representatives, the Minister shall proceed to hold a new election with as little delay as possible, after due notice.

7. Clergymen who have been members of the Synod, but have become superannuated in consequence of age or infirmity, may continue to attend the meetings of the Synod, and vote thereat.

8. The Bishop shall appoint the time and place of meeting, and, adjourn, prorogue, or dissolve the Synod, as may appear most for the welfare of the Diocese.

9. When the Bishop is not present, he shall appoint his deputy, being a dignitary or senior clergyman of the Diocese, to preside in his place; and upon a vacancy in the See, the senior Archdeacon, or in his absence the Archdeacon next in order of seniority, or in the absence of an Archdeacon, the senior Rural Dean, shall within one week from the occurrence of such vacancy, summon a meeting of the clergy and lay representatives, to be held at the expiration of twenty days from the date at which such meeting shall be summoned, to elect a successor to the See, in cases where provision for the sustentation of the Bishop has been made and accepted by the Governor-General of the province, or person administering the government thereof; and when no such provision has been made, then so soon after such provision shall have been made and accepted.

10. A quorum of the Synod shall consist of not less than one-fourth of the whole number of both clergy and lay representatives respectively.

11. There shall be two Secretaries, one from the clergy, the other from the laity, who shall keep regular minutes of all proceedings of the