

in by prominent members of Synod, most of them objecting to any change. In the course of the discussion, some reference was made to party spirit and party matters, but this feeling was repudiated by the members speaking, one of them, the Rev. H. Carmichael, affirming that there was no danger of party spirit being introduced into the Synod; there was no party spirit now, and whenever it appeared it would be crushed out. Finally, after Mr. Sutherland had replied, the motion was put to the vote and lost by 27 to 36.

The committee appointed to draft an address of condolence to be presented to Mrs. Fuller in relation to the death of the late Bishop of Niagara, submitted the following address, which the members of the Synod heard standing:—

"Mrs. Fuller, Bishophurst—Dear Madam: The Synod of the Diocese of Niagara, now in session assembled, desire to express to you their sense of the loss you have sustained by the removal of the partner of so many years of your joys and sorrows, and express to you their deepest sympathy in this bereavement which, by the heavenly Master's call, has removed our late beloved Bishop from this sphere of his earthly labors.

"His venerable form we miss, particularly at this first meeting of the Synod since his departure, and many of us, we trust, will profit by his strict devotion to duty and the wise and practical lessons which fell from his lips. Long will he be missed by us: but the time had come when the laborer's work was done, and he was, by the fiat of the Divine will, called to rest from his labors, and his works do follow him. In conclusion, dear madam, allow us to express the hope and prayer that the Great Healer of all sorrows will bless, comfort and sustain you in this dispensation of an all-wise Providence."

Rev. R. G. Sutherland moved, seconded by Rev. G. C. Cook, "That this Synod pledges itself and the Church in this Diocese to provide for the widows and orphans of any clergy who may with the approval of the Bishop of Niagara, at any time during the next eight years, remove to the Diocese of Algoma and remain there, and conform during their service there with the requirements of the by-law of this Diocese—at the same rate as the widows' and orphans' fund provides for the widows and orphans of the clergy of the Diocese; that the recent resolution limits this provision to the next eight years, in the hope that the Diocese of Algoma may by that time be supplied with a widows' and orphans' fund of its own, sufficient to provide for the widows and orphans of its clergy at the rate prevailing in this Diocese." After some discussion the resolution was carried.

A resolution of Rural Dean Bull, endorsing the use of a book of scriptural selections in the public schools, was, on motion, laid on the table.

Rev. H. Carmichael moved the following resolution: "Inasmuch as at the last meeting of the Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, a memorial was presented purporting to represent the resolution concerning uniformity of worship, passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara on the 6th of June, 1883, and whereas, the said memorial so misrepresents the resolution as to mislead the Provincial Synod as to the true meaning of such resolution; be it resolved that at the next regular meeting of the Provincial Synod the clerical secretary shall, at the proper time, officially state that the said memorial does not represent the said resolution, and shall produce the said resolution in witness thereof."

Rev. Mr. Carmichael explained that the resolution which he claimed had been misreported to the Provincial Synod, had been moved in this Synod by Mr. E. Martin and seconded by him, in amendment to another somewhat similar resolution, on uniformity in public worship. The reason the amendment had been moved was that the original resolution had been considered too one-sided, and had contained offensive expressions such as "unseemly disputes" among the clergy. He was quite certain that the resolution was not reported as it had been passed. It contained offensive expressions which he was certain were not in the resolution as it was originally passed.

Mr. Mason said he took the responsibility of the report, as his name was appended to it. The question was to be regarded from two standpoints—from the standpoint of fact and the standpoint of opinion. Whether it was or was not right to prefix to the resolution the preamble in which "unseemly disputes" in this Diocese were referred to, was a matter of opinion; but that such unseemly disputes had occurred was a fact. As to the main body of the resolution itself, Mr. Mason declared that it was reported as it was carried by this Synod.

Mr. E. Martin regretted that this matter should have been unnecessarily dug up now. He was a member of the committee appointed to report the resolution to the Provincial Synod, and he was sorry to be aware that instead of being an instrument of peace, he had been an innocent instrument of mischief.

After some further discussion—

Rev. Thomas Geohegan moved, seconded by Rev. W. R. Clark, "That the Provincial Synod be prayed to abandon the consideration of the memorial presented to that honorable body from the Diocese of Niagara in the year 1883."

After considerable discussion, Rev. Mr. Carmichael withdrew his resolution in favor of Rev. Mr. Geohegan's amendment.

Several members urged the wisdom of allowing the whole matter to drop, and let the question remain in the hands of the Provincial Synod. But the motion of Mr. Geohegan was put and carried.

Mr. G. Elliott moved, seconded by Rev. H. Carmichael, "That the special trust committee report on the state of subscriptions past due and yet unpaid to the Episcopal endowment fund, showing what amount may be considered good and collectable, and make a recommendation as to the best method of realizing the same, and also to obtain the opinion of the chancellor respecting the validity of the bonds given for the payment of interest to said fund."—Carried.

Canon Read moved, seconded by Rev. Dr. Mockridge, that the Synod supports the recommendation made by the Bishop in reference to the supplemental endowment fund of Trinity College as at present constituted, and recommends the clergy to take the action indicated by the Bishop.—Carried.

Archdeacon Dixon moved, seconded by Rev. E. Johnson, that the mission board and the executive committee be requested to take steps to increase the divinity student's fund to such an extent as to enable the Bishop, with these committees, to aid two or three young men annually through their divinity course of two years.—Carried.

Rural Dean Spencer moved, seconded by Rev. Canon Houston, that the Synod recommends the clergy to avail themselves of the publications of the Society of the Treasury of God, with the view of helping the people to recognize the duty and conform to the practice of devoting a tenth of their annual earnings or income to the service of God.—Carried.

Mr. J. J. Mason moved, seconded by Archdeacon Dixon, that the Bishop be authorized and requested to take such steps as may be necessary to secure the bequests of the late Bishop Fuller.—Carried.

It was decided, on motion, not to subscribe, as a Synod, to the publications of the Church Congress about to be held in Montreal, but that it was sufficient for individual members of the Synod to subscribe.

A resolution of thanks to the people of Hamilton, and especially to the Ladies' Aid Society of Christ Church Cathedral, for the kindness manifested to the members of the Synod, was carried amid applause.

The Bishop having left the chair, and Archdeacon Dixon taken it, a vote of thanks to the Bishop for the kindness and courtesy displayed by him during the session was unanimously and enthusiastically carried, the whole Synod rising and applauding loudly.

The Synod then adjourned *sine die*.

DIocese of Huron.

The Rev. R. Hicks has accepted the position of assistant minister of St. Paul's Church, London. It is expected he will enter upon his duties about the 1st of July.

The Rev. Mr. Taylor of Bayfield, has been offered the position of rector of a city church in Texas, U. S., and \$2,000 per annum.

The Bishop and Mrs. Baldwin received invitations to be present at the opening of the Stewart Memorial Cathedral in Long Island. The services were to be continued for several days, but his Lordship's duties in the Diocese prevented his being present at the Cathedral services.

Invitations to the clergy and their wives, the lay delegates attending the Synod, and their wives and friends, have been sent out by his Lordship the Bishop and Mrs. Baldwin, for Wednesday evening, June the 17th. Doubtless a very large number will accept the kind hospitality, for all who attended last year enjoyed themselves very much.

SARNIA.—The young ladies of St. George's Church held an Apron Fair and Supper on May 29th, in aid of church funds. As usual, they were successful, having taken \$155.

The Rev. J. Bearfoot, of Point Edward, is appointed to Lucknow and Teaswater, and the Rev. Mr. Saunders to the rectory of Ingersoll.

THE CHAPTER.—The conversazione and sale of fancy work, by the ladies of the Chapter House Guild, held on Tuesday, June 9th, was largely attended, and proved exceedingly enjoyable. A handsome sum was realized.

LONDON SOUTH.—St. James'.—The Sunday-School teachers and friends are preparing to hold a garden party in the grounds of Mr. John Beattie, on June 23rd, the object being to raise funds to assist in paying for the addition which it is found necessary to put to the school-house.

His Lordship the Bishop of Huron has consented to deliver a lecture in the interest of the Irish Benevolent Society during the approaching autumn.

Christ Church.—The Confirmation services at Christ Church on Sunday evening, June 7th, were largely attended. Fifteen young persons took the vows. His Lordship delivered a very impressive address to the candidates, and after the service preached an eloquent sermon, using as an illustration the story of David and Goliath. The Revs. G. B. Sage, Evans Davis, and the rector, Canon Smith, assisted in the service.

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RAPID CITY.—The Rev. L. Shepherd, incumbent, has resigned the mission and returned to England.

WINNIPEG.—His Lordship the Bishop held an ordination in the Cathedral on Trinity Sunday, when five deacons were ordained to the priesthood. Their names are: Rev. T. C. Coggs, B.D., incumbent of Plum Creek; Rev. A. W. Goulding, B.D., incumbent of High Bluff; Rev. Ivan Fortin, B.A., French Master at the College; Rev. C. N. Jeffrey, B.A., incumbent of Clearwater; and Rev. W. H. Lowry, B.A., curate at Rowand. All the above are graduates of St. John's College, except Mr. Lowry, who is from Dublin.

Holy Trinity.—A handsome stone font is being carved by Mr. Hooper, and will be placed in the church this month. It is the gift of former friends of the church, not resident in Winnipeg. The