CANON RAMSAY.

The Preliminary Investigation

Last Friday morning the Commissioners appointed by the Lord Bishop of Toronto to ge enter into a preliminary investigation into certain charges against the Rev. Canon Ram-say, of Newmarket, principally in relation to his alleged interference with the late election for North York, met at the St. James School-house. The following were the Commissioners:—Mr. Clarke Gamble, Q.C. President; Very Rev. Dean Grassect. Ven. Archdeacon Fuller, Rev. H. C. Cooper, and Rev. A. Stewart. Canon Ramasy was in attendance, accompanied by Mr. Morgan, who acced as his legal adviser.

The PRESIDENT read the commission from the Bishop constituting the court. He then the Bishop constituting the stated that it was provided all such preliminary proceed sent should be public, unless plication of the party accus-sioners should direct that the nart of it should.

That Canon Ramsay was not truthfu n his account of the motives that induced nim to go to Orillia just at the time the let-ers mentioned in charge No. 3 were written and prepared for publication.

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picted because it would be a sort of committee room, and ad better live at the hotel. Mr. sked him to communicate with his ide said he would with those at a house twice to Toronto for M

y election as in this; he sharge.
Mr. M. C. Cameron, Q.C., said he was instructed by Mr. McCarthy, who was actinstructed by Mr. McCarthy, who was act ing as counsel and solicitor for Mr. Dodgr to apper and explain to the Commission th reason for his not being here himself t watch these proceedings. As at present ac-vised, he did not understand whether th

for a postponement to give them an opportunity of being present.

The PRESIDENT said Mr. Dodge had not
been requested to attend by the Commissioners. The charges against Mr. Ramsay
had been made known throughout the length
and breadth of the land. Mr. Dodge or any
one else might appear and give evidence if
he plessed; but the Commission did not
instruct them to send for Mr. Dodge. It
was a public matter, and any one could give
evidence that chose.

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Cleveland. and air. D'Alton McCarthy stated that he had had a consultation with Mr. Dodge eand Mr. Cleve. Boultbee, and that Mr. Dodge edclined to appear, saying that if he (Canon Ramsay) hi dany grievance against him, the proper place to bring it up was a court of justice.

The PRESIDENT said Mr. McCarthy had stated on a former occasion, as Mr. Cameron had done now, that he was there to watch the proceedings: and that if arther the proceedings: and that if arther the proceedings:

Canon Ramsay said he would state what his man had asked him for leave to exercise his horses that morning, but he wouldn't shallow it, as he thought it would look like electionseering. He (Mr. Dodge) made an reference whatever to politics in the -conversation, that evening, but he said he felt aggrieved that a paper like the Globe should attack his moral and private character. He (Canon Ramasy) understood from him that that apaper had made charges of a most infamous nature. Mr. Dodge said he thought it would remove a stain from his private character if he could prove that the charges were not true. He mentioned the name of Dr. Clarke, his old friend; and regretted that he had not recollected in time to communicate with him. He said he did not think there was anything wrong in wint he proposed. He only wanted his moral character sustained, and he thought that as he had not time to do what he had said, he might write a letter in Dr. Clarke's name, staing

it. He said that he (Canon Ramaay) could then send the letter to the Globe for insertion. He (Canon Ramaay) said he would not like to do anything of a political tendency, and he thought be had better adopt a suggestion which his son had made, vir., that Mr. Dodge, who would not mind a few dollars in such a matter, should telegraph to Dr. Clarke, saying what he wanted, and get a reply by telegraph. For \$50 he would get quite a long letter. Mr. Dodge and he would consider the suggestion. He (Canon Ramaay) afterwards said to Mrs. Ramasy that he would not like to have any communication with the Globe on the matter, because it would appear to be something in been crowde Archdeacon FULLER understood Can

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Ramsay to say that he did not consider these letters forgeries.

Canon Ramsay said he did not think they were. Mr. Dedge had stated since that he had the original in his possession, and he (Canon Ramsay) did not know that Mr. Dodge had not received a letter by telegraph. That would be no forgery. If he stated in the telegram all he intended to state in the letter, it would not be a forgery. He did not series to the letter to the letter of the stated in the letter, it would not be a forgery. He did not series on the consideration of the stated in the letter, it would not be a forgery. He did not series to have to the letter of the stated in the letter, it would not be a forgery. He did not series to have the stated in the letter of the stated in the Archdeacon Fuller.—In a letter from you, dated March 21st, you say "to come now to the forgery."

Canon Ransay—It had been spoken of as a forgery.

The President said he had entered as to the second charge "that it was denied by Mr. Ramsay that he did on the Sunday confer with Mr. Dodge on the subject of the election, and on some of the means and methods to be taken to influence the minds of the electors; but that they merely spoke of an attack upon the moral and religious character of Mr. Dodge in the Globe newspaper, and the way in which he could set the spoke of an attack upon the moral and religious character of Mr. Dodge in the Globe newspaper, and the way in which he could set the spoke of th