

fund. Contrary to the fears of many, most of the parties who had given their notes to this fund, have met their payments with punctuality, and we trust that the same spirit may continue to be manifested until the full amount subscribed has been received.

The venerable Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge still continues to aid in the erection of churches in the Diocese, and though the grants which they make are necessarily small, yet they are a great encouragement to poor and scattered congregations (many of them emigrants) to exert themselves to obtain the necessary means for the erection of churches in which they may enjoy the same privileges of Divine worship as they possessed in their native land.

The subjects now to be brought before the Synod will demand the serious and candid consideration of all. Let us, then, lift up our hearts to Him who has promised to be ever present with His people, that He may put into our minds good desires, and enable us to bring the same to good effect through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Rolls of the Clergy and Lay Representatives were then called, when 65 Clergy and 72 Lay Representatives answered to their names.

Judge Hughes and John Beard were named by the Chair in conjunction with the Secretaries to examine the Certificates of the Lay Representatives.

ELECTION OF SECRETARIES.

Moved by Rev. Rural Dean Armstrong, seconded by Rev. Rural Dean Boomer, L.L.D.,

That the Rev. J.W. Marsh be Clerical Secretary of Synod for the current year. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Lefroy, seconded by Mr. Paxton,

That Mr. Peter Roe be Lay Secretary for the current year. Carried.

READING THE MINUTES OF LAST SESSION.

Moved by Dean Hellmuth, seconded by Rural Dean Armstrong,

That the reading of the minutes be dispensed with, as they have been printed and circulated among the members of the Synod. Carried.

The minutes of last session were signed by the Bishop.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Reports of the Rural Deans of Grey, Kent and Essex and Elgin were handed in.

The following paper was brought before the Synod by the Executive Committee: