

to fill it; the precise obstacles, and how to overcome them. He knows that he will receive encouragement from the noble hearts that will rally round him, and he will be able to appraise at their true value any weary traditions that may seek to array themselves against him. In all times of public exigency, God raises up men and fits them to do His work; and surely the 'Master that has been taken away from your head to-day' was the man needed for the higher work to which he has been translated. God grant that the mantle which has fallen to his successor may be accompanied by a 'double portion' of the spirit that is in himself."

The Service terminated with the Processional Hymn 165. The whole that had been appointed to take place in the Church being now ended, a large gathering assembled in the Parish Room, to bid farewell to the late beloved Rector, the Rev. Lennox Williams. An address was first read by Mr. R. Campbell, and by him handed to Mr. Williams, after which a cabinet of silver plate was presented by Mr. George White. Mr. Williams then addressed the company in feeling and well-chosen words. He dwelt upon their long connection with each other, now being severed; and, as he trusted, for the good of all, and the glory of Almighty God. He commended his successor to the people in strong and affectionate words, to which the Rev. F. G. Scott replied in an appropriate manner.

The whole proceedings, which had been admirably arranged, passed off most happily. The congregation in the Church was very large.

OUR DIOCESAN SYNOD.

Once again, after the usual two years' interval, our Diocesan Synod is about to meet and discuss important matters, both temporal and spiritual, in connection with the work of the Church. Our Clergy and Lay Delegates will already have received

the printed letter of the Secretaries of Synod with the Order of Proceedings, and in addition to this the Bishop, who is most anxious that the greatest spiritual good shall arise from this occasion, has sent out a letter on the subject to all the Clergy, asking them to communicate its contents to their Delegates.

All are earnestly requested to meet first at the Cathedral on Tuesday, June 6th, for Evening Service, at 8 o'clock, when the Very Rev. the Dean of Quebec will preach the Synod sermon, but more important still is it that all members of Synod, Lay as well as Clerical, shall rise betimes on Wednesday morning and present themselves before God, as one body, in His own appointed Service—the Holy Communion,—at half-past seven in the Cathedral, there to seek His abundant blessing upon our consultations. The Bishop says in his letter:—"It is only by thus joining earnestly together in these Services, that we show we really recognize that all blessing upon our proceedings at Synod is in the Hands of the Holy Spirit of Grace. To think that we can arrive at any time, leaving it to others to take part in these solemn devotions, suggests that we are looking to our own gifts and powers, instead of putting our whole trust in God. A Synod is intended to be something more than a mere perfecting of the legal machinery, it is to be also a solemn consultation, with executive power, with regard to those things which may be most needful for our Spiritual growth."

After Mattins, at 9.30 a.m., the Synod will assemble in the Cathedral Church Hall, and in the course of the morning it is expected that the Bishop will deliver his Charge, which is usually a setting forth of the events and of the progress of the previous two years.

Then there will follow the accustomed routine of appointing Committees, electing Delegates to the General and Pro-