

tive Committee. The speaker showed that from the first foundation of our religion it had always been a recognized principle that Christianity must first support and then reproduce itself, and he appealed to the missionary exertions of the Church in all ages and countries in proof of this; he thought it was high time that Churchmen in this province should support the ministrations of religion among themselves, and by means of the organization offered by the Church Society extend the same blessings on all sides.

The Hon. R. D. Wilnot seconded the resolution, and by way of following up the previous speaker's arguments, spoke of what had been done in one parish at least, where the deficiency caused by the gradual withdrawal of the Society's grant had been readily made up by the parishioners, and this in addition to an expenditure of a large sum in the erection of two new churches.

The Honorable the Master of the Rolls then moved a resolution, which out of respect to the memory of those mentioned, was passed in silence, expressive of the regret of the Society at the death of the Rev. Dr. Thomson, and the Rev. J. Armstrong; also at the sudden death of the Hon. J. A. Street, and William Wright, Esq., all of whom for a long time had been tried friends of the Society, and the latter two of whom had been most active executive officers. His Honor in very feeling terms spoke of these gentlemen whom he had known for many years, expressing his earnest wish that all, according to their means and abilities, might follow their good example in promoting the interests of true religion.

The Rev. H. Pollard, rector of Maudgerville, seconded the resolution, and having been Dr. Thomson's curate, he was able to bear ample testimony to that departed clergyman's kindness of heart and devotion to his duty. He spoke also of the counsel and advice which he had received from Mr. Armstrong, whose loss he deeply deplored.

Captain Raymond, of the Woodstock militia, then moved the usual vote of thanks to the officers of the Society for their services during the past year, and in doing so made a warm-hearted speech in favour of the Society, whose interests he has much at heart. He showed how very important it was that the laity should everywhere assist the clergy in putting the claims of the Society before the members of the Church, and that the Church Society ought not to be regarded as a clergyman's matter alone, but as closely affecting the best interests of the laity, both for time and eternity. Mr. Raymond's excellent speech was followed by a few words from Mr. Keane, of St. John, seconding the motion, which was carried with much applause.

The Rev. Canon Coster was then called to the chair, and the thanks of the meeting given by acclamation to His Excellency the Lieut. Governor for his kindness in presiding, and conducting the business of the meeting,—a compliment which was gracefully acknowledged.

On the whole, the meetings passed very satisfactorily, and with every feeling of kindness. We cannot refrain, however, from expressing our regret that the anniversary meeting was so thinly attended. But it may be hoped that on another occasion earlier notice will be given of the time and place of meeting, and that more members of the Church may attend to show by their presence the interest which they feel in the temporal welfare and extension of their religion.

It gives us very great pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of No. 1 of the "Nova Scotia Church Chronicle," a monthly magazine of the size of our own. It is published at Windsor, N.S., under the editorial care of the Rev. Canon Hensley, and the Rev. G. W. Hodgson. As it

aims at disseminating information relative to the Church generally and the diocese of Nova Scotia in particular, together with a discussion in a liberal and kind manner of matters interesting to Churchmen, we cordially wish it every success. It will give us sincere pleasure from time to time, to extract any articles of interest, like that on "The Condition of the Church in Nova Scotia," if we are permitted to do so. We trust that the "Church Chronicle" may be firmly established, and be productive of great good.

A MEETING of the clergy of the deanery of Woodstock was held in that town on Wednesday June 21 at which all the members were present; morning prayers were offered at St. Luke's Church at 11 a. m. after which the Rev. C. F. Street preached, and the Holy Communion was administered; several of the laity remained to communicate with the Clergy. The musical parts of the service were merely led by a small but excellent choir under the direction of the Rev. R. Nelson, the curate of Woodstock, Mr. Bourne presiding at the organ. The Clergy after service adjourned to the hospitable residence of the Rev. S. D. L. Street, the rural dean, and after partaking of an excellent dinner, and disposing of some routine business, listened to an interesting and instructive paper on Church music prepared by the Rev. R. C. Nelson.

The meeting was both agreeable and profitable, and it was proposed to hold the next at some convenient time in the autumn in the mission of Andover.—Communicated.

THE Annual Synod of the Diocese of Montreal assembled on Tuesday, June 20, at 1 o'clock, in Christ Church Cathedral, where full morning service was celebrated. The prayers were intoned by the Rev. Mr. Wood, the lessons were read by the Rev. Canon Bancroft, D.D., the Ante-Communion service by the Most Rev. the Metropolitan, the Gospel by the Very Rev. the Dean, and the Epistle by His Lordship. The sermon was by the Rev. Canon Anderson, of Sorel. The Holy sacrament was afterwards administered.

The members of the Synod assembled in the school-room in the rear of the cathedral, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for the transaction of business. The Lord Bishop and Metropolitan, who presided, opened the meeting with prayer, and afterwards addressed the Synod upon various topics of interest, dwelling especially upon the late decision of the Privy Council, showing that it does not in the least affect the Canadian Church, in consequence of the Colonial Act under which the Synods have been held, and in consequence also of the Act of Incorporation, which has recognized the Letters Patent under which the Bishop of Montreal acts. His Lordship then went on to speak of the Provincial Synod to be held in September, which he considered of great importance, and hoped that in any changes which it might at any time be necessary to make in the canons or the services of the Church, such alterations would originate from the provincial Synod, and not from the local Synods of the province.

The Synod was then occupied in hearing an able advocacy of a scheme for the establishment of a school for the education of clergy men's daughters. Afterwards a committee was appointed to confer with the Bishop upon the subject.

The Rev. Canon Loosemore moved, seconded by the Very Rev. the Dean,—That whereas it is known to the whole Church that the Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Cape Town, Metropolitan of the Church in South Africa, has made a noble stand against the open attacks of heresy and error made by the late Bishop of Natal, for the maintenance of the Catholic