

sume, may be shortened from "Selig Kirke," or "Holy Church," which does not seem offensive as the name of a diocese. Manitoba means, I suppose, "Spirit Narrows;" Athabasca, "Plenty of Narrows;" Saskatchewan, "Strong Current;" Moosonee, "Moose Deer Walk;" and Qu'Appelle "Who Calls?" and I hardly see why "Selkirk" should be deemed an inferior name to these "

#### NOVA SCOTIA.

THE Church Conference on Missions which was held in Truro on the 23rd and 24th of October was largely attended from all parts of the Diocese. It was held in the crypt of St. John's Church, the Bishop in the Chair and conducting the business with his well known tact, and economy of time. The subjects under discussion were the present financial condition of the Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign Missions which were found progressing favourably yet capable of further improvement, as was also the Women's Auxiliary. A review of what is being done by other religious Bodies, though not discouraging was stimulating. Altogether an excellent impression was made by the Conference, which with God's blessing must be productive of growing benefit to the Church.

#### U. STATES.

It is note-worthy that the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U. States is likely ere long to change

its name for a more correct and fully descriptive one, yet gaining in brevity. An almost successful attempt was also made at the last General Convention to exchange the term "Presiding Bishop" for "Primate," (vastly more ancient and significant.) American prejudice which objected to the change is thus hit off by the *Living Church* :—

"It has been suggested that the deputies who are so anxious that the Church shall be in touch with the American people might find a substitute for the word "Primate" in the peculiarly American term, "Boss." The Primate and his Primacy were conveniently deferred, as it now appears, until the next General Convention, which will meet in Washington, D. C. There and then it will be eminently proper to establish the Primacy and accept the Primate, in the capitol of the nation."

Some other Synods may profit by the following criticism on the business methods of the late General Convention :—

"The observant editor of *The Minneapolis Tribune* remarks that no matter what subject is in debate in the General Convention, its business is done in strict conformity with parliamentary usage. He is deeply impressed by the exactness with which the business of the House is conducted. The observant editor is right. The deputies are here for business purposes and they know how to do business better than any other deliberative body in this country. We know of no other