

in connection with the same matter, and now asked that they might forward the same through the Synod. Upon the motion of Bishop Sullivan and Rev. Prof. Clark, the Synod address, together with the resolution of the Auxiliary, was adopted, ordered to be engrossed, signed by the Bishop, and the honorary secretaries, and forwarded to the Queen. The resolution passed by the Women's Auxiliary on May 7 last, and referred to above, reads as follows:—

Moved by Mrs. Sweatman, seconded by Mrs. Renaud, resolved.

"That the women of the Toronto Diocesan Auxiliary to Missions, in connection with the General Board of Missions of the ecclesiastical Province of Canada, desire to unite in devout thanksgiving to Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, that He has so richly crowned the sixty years of our noble Queen's memorable reign with His gracious favour and abundant blessings. Our Queen has no more loyal and loving subjects than the women of this auxiliary, and they rejoice to know that she for whom this loving devotion is shown is their beloved Sovereign, so noted for her queenly dignity, her untiring zeal in the discharge of the duties of her august position, and the remarkable and never-failing sympathy for every form of sorrow and distress that may happen to her subjects everywhere. We unite, therefore, in offering to her Majesty the benediction of our loving hearts on the auspicious completion of the sixty years of a reign distinguished in the annals of our nation as the most memorable and glorious in the history of the British Empire." Carried by a standing vote.

The audit report declared that the committee had examined the properties and securities belonging to the Synod as far as possible, and found that all the properties reported last year, with one exception, were in a more unsatisfactory state now than they were then. The accumulated interest, and expenditure over income, exceeded last year's figures by \$8,117.13. This criticism applied to properties of the aggregate value of over \$200,000, or about a quarter of the total investments of the diocese. Discussion waged fiercely around this statement, and the condition of affairs it called attention to, and at one o'clock, when the house took recess, the matter was still under consideration. Immediately prior to adjournment, however, Ven. Archdeacon Boddy moved, and Mr. N. W. Hoyles seconded a warm resolution of esteem and regard to the Bishop upon the eve of his departure for England to attend the Lambeth Conference, wishing him Godspeed and a safe and happy return. The resolution was enthusiastically adopted by a standing vote, and the Bishop appropriately and feelingly acknowledged the kindly action of the Synod, at the same time thanking the house for another and very practical expression of good feeling, which had been manifested a short time before when a representative clergyman and a representative layman had waited upon him and handed him a purse of money to assist in defraying the expenses of his trip. He again thanked them for the encouraging and gratifying testimony of their confidence and regard, and prayed that every blessing might rest upon them in his absence. His Lordship then pronounced the benediction, and the house adjourned for lunch. It is understood that the purse, which was made up in a very brief period on the floor of the Synod, contained \$260.

Afternoon.—When the session reopened after luncheon, Ven. Archdeacon Boddy took the chair, and announced that with the consent of the Bishop he had asked Ven. Archdeacon Allen to preside for the balance of the meeting of Synod, and the Archdeacon of Peterborough was accordingly placed in charge forthwith.

Standing Committees.—The house then proceeded to appoint the standing committees of the Synod which, as finally revised, are as follows:

Clergy Commutation Trust Fund Committee—Clerical—Revs. T. W. Paterson, L. H. Kirkby, E. H. Mussen, W. E. Cooper, W. F. Swallow, J. Pitt Lewis, W. C. Allen, A. B. Chafee. Lay—A. H. Campbell, William Ince, J. A. Worrell, Q.C., G. F. Harman, C. E. Ryerson, Colonel Boulton, Columbus P. Greene, T. Millman, M.D.

See Endowment and Lands Committee—Clerical—Revs. Canon Osler, Canon Tremayne, Canon Spragge, A. Hart, John Gillespie, B. Bryan. Lay—H. W. M. Murray, Beverley Jones, H. T. Beck, R. M. Dennistoun, J. J. Cook, F. W. Summerhayes.

Toronto Rectory Endowment Committee—Clerical—Revs. John Langtry, John Gillespie, J. McL. Ballard, J. Scott Howard. Lay—Henry Pellatt, sen., Frank E. Hodgins, G. F. Harman, Ald. Jas. Scott.

Mission Board—Clerical—The Bishop of Toronto, Ven. Archdeacon of York, Ven. Archdeacon of Peterborough, Revs. Canon Sweeney, E. H. Mussen, W. F. Swallow, J. A. Hanna, Geo. M. Kingston, W. E. Carroll, W. C. Allen, W. E. Cooper, Canon Harding, John Langtry, Canon Farncomb, Joseph Fletcher, A. H. Baldwin, C. H. Marsh, John Gibson, A. J. Broughall, G. H. Webb. Lay—Stapleton Caldecott, N. F. Davidson, John Cowan, Jas. Johnston, George Raikes, W. B. Sanders, Hon. Geo. W. Allan, E. E. McGaffey, Col. Boulton, Geo. Bemister, Henry Pellatt, sen., R. M. Dennistoun, Capt. Whish, Thos. Morphy, J. C. Morgan, Frank E. Hodgins, A. M. Dymond, James Scott, T. R. Clougher, Principal Parkin.

Widows' and Orphans' Fund and Theological Students' Fund Committee—Clerical—Revs. A. H. Baldwin, J. C. Davidson, Canon Greene, Dr. John Pearson, Provost Welch, T. R. O'Meara. Lay—W. C. Hall, W. D. Gwynne, Jas. Haywood, Hon. S. H. Blake, Q.C., L. H. Baldwin, J. T. Jones.

Church Extension, General Purposes, Statistics and Assessment Committee—Clerical—Revs. C. L. Ingles, G. B. Morley, W. Hoyle Clarke, A. C. Watt, Herbert Symonds, John Gibson. Lay—A. McLean Howard, F. G. Snider, George McKenzie, A. R. Boswell, Q.C., F. Barlow Cumberland, J. Herbert Mason.

Sunday School and Book and Tract Committee—Clerical—Revs. Canon Cayley, James H. Talbot, C. L. Ingles, Bernard Bryan, Canon Sweeney, A. Hart, Canon Farncomb. Lay—George B. Kirkpatrick, S. G. Wood, C. R. W. Biggar, Q.C., A. M. Dymond, J. S. Barber, Grant Helliwell, J. C. Morgan.

Audit Committee—Clerical—Revs. J. Pitt Lewis, George I. Taylor, W. H. Clarke. Lay—Frank E. Hodgins, B. W. Murray, N. F. Davidson.

Superannuation Committee—Clerical—Revs. Septimus Jones, C. H. Marsh, J. S. Broughall, A. H. Baldwin, T. C. Street Macklem, Canon Mockridge. Lay—Captain Whish, G. B. Kirkpatrick, L. H. Baldwin, T. Millman, Wm. Wedd, E. W. Trent.

Investment Committee—Clerical—Revs. John Gillespie, J. McLean Ballard. Lay—A. H. Campbell, William Ince, J. A. Worrell, Q.C., H. T. Beck, R. H. Tomlinson, Harry Paterson.

Proposed New Diocese.—Much interest was evinced in the report of the Special Committee on the Extension of the Episcopate, which was presented by Rev. Dr. Pearson in a lucid address. The report included a couple of resolutions, one passed at the annual meeting of the Archdeaconry of Peterborough last November, and another by the rural deanery of East York, both of which very strongly endorsed the proposal to divide the present Diocese of Toronto, taking the Counties of Ontario, Northumberland, Durham, Peterborough, Victoria and Haliburton, and forming the new diocese of Peterborough. In view of these expressions of opinion, the committee had "no hesitation in recommending that steps be at once taken to carry into effect the resolution of the Synod of 1873, provided that a sufficient sum of money can be raised to ensure an income of \$2,000 for the Bishop of the new diocese."

The report continues: "With this object in view the committee respectfully submit the following scheme, which they think to be quite practicable, provided that all members of the Church in the present diocese will give it their hearty co-operation:

"(1) That as a preliminary to the setting apart of the new diocese a sum of at least \$10,000 should be raised.

"(2) That, on the inception of the new diocese, a further sum of \$10,000 be asked for, payable within

five years, with interest in the meantime at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum.

"(3) It is also estimated that \$10,000 may be expected from the English societies, the S.P.C.K., the S.P.G. and the Colonial Bishops' Fund.

The committee also recommend that no part of the Episcopal fund of the present Diocese of Toronto be asked for, but that a share of the Clergy Commutation Trust fund (less the amount set apart for the Bishop of Toronto), in proportion to the number of parishes and missions therein contained, be given for the new diocese.

If the fund can be secured, your committee would recommend that the necessary steps for the establishment of the new see should be taken as soon as possible, and so relieve our respected diocese of the responsibility of such a large number of parishes and clergy as that of the present diocese, and in order to establish a new centre for the ever-increasing work of the Church of Christ. This would be in accord with the universal practice of Christendom, and would no doubt be at once followed by a wider extension of the kingdom of God amongst us."

This was followed by a detailed statement of the present position and prospects of the proposed new diocese, and showed, among other interesting particulars, that the invested capital of the rectories and parishes was \$119,708.17, the estimated income available for clerical work, \$7,880; the estimated amount required for clerical work, \$6,650, leaving a surplus of \$1,230, which, with interest on \$10,000, \$500, and \$204 raised by yearly assessment, would make the \$2,000 needed. The number of clergy taken from the present total of 188 would be 46 in the new diocese.

Rev. Dr. Pearson presented the report in an earnest address, in which he emphasized the facts therein set forth, and declared that after nearly a quarter of a century's deliberation the time for action had now manifestly arrived. The discussion which followed was animated and most interesting, and was, moreover, remarkable for the great unanimity and good feeling shown by all speakers. That ample time might be given to the consideration of so important a matter a night session was held. Resuming the discussion after supper, Chancellor Worrell took exception to the figures and estimates, declaring that they had been made to appear more favourable to the new diocese than the facts warranted. Mr. J. Herbert Mason asked if Bishop Sweatman had ever expressed the opinion that his diocese was too large, and the Archdeacon replied that he had no knowledge of any such expression on his Lordship's part. Mr. N. W. Hoyles, while largely in sympathy with the scheme, did not think it should be disposed of in the Bishop's absence, and moved that it be laid over a year. The Chancellor seconded this. Rev. Herbert Symonds, Ashburnham, objected to this amendment to the proposal to adopt the report forthwith, declaring that too much time had been wasted now and that the Bishop was well aware of what was going on. Rev. Edwin Daniel, of Port Hope, asserted that the people had not been sufficiently consulted, and asked for delay in settling the question. Mr. Grace, Lindsay, spoke strongly in favour of the report, and Dr. J. George Hodgins followed in the same line, urging that the people most concerned being practically unanimous, it would not be seemly in the western part of the diocese to stand in the way. All were agreed as to the expediency of the proposal, and if those who had to make it workable were prepared to put it through there ought to be no further delay. Rev. C. B. Kenrick, Port Hope, declared that better Episcopal supervision was needed, the work being altogether too much for the bishops to do single-handed.

Rev. Dr. Langtry thought it was time to wake up the Church; they had lost the country because they had been afraid to go in and possess it; but it was not irretrievably lost, for with efficient and sufficient men the land might be conquered yet for the Church. As to the absence of the bishop, they all knew that his Lordship was strongly opposed to the scheme, and would not help it if he were present; this was only human and natural. It would not, in the speaker's opinion, be wise to defer action longer. Rev. Arthur H. Baldwin, Rev. J. Pitt