

In pursuance of this notice Mr. Symes proposed his resolution at the General Meeting in July last, which was seconded by H. S. Scott, Esq., and adopted without a dissentient voice having been raised against it, and in consequence notices were printed on the covers of the Annual Report that the meeting would be held this day, coupled with a request that the Reports of District Associations, the Accounts of District Treasurers, and Lists of the Subscribers in the several Missions for the half year preceding this meeting should be transmitted to the Secretary on or before the 10th day of December last. Subsequently a circular to the same effect was addressed to each Clergyman in the Diocese by the Secretary, and the Lord Bishop who was in England upon business connected with the welfare of the Church during the time that these changes were proposed, has since, as President of the Society, given his formal sanction to them.

Slight inconveniences, as were to be expected, have occurred in some of the Districts in consequence of these alterations, and prevented the subscriptions for the last six months from being collected. In others and especially in the city and neighbourhood of Quebec, and at Point Levi, little or no difficulty has been experienced, the subscribers having cheerfully paid in their contributions with the view of relieving the Society from an irregular and complicated system of accounts. It is not anticipated that there will eventually be any pecuniary loss to the Society by these alterations, for even in the Districts where the difficulties in collecting the last half year's subscriptions have been greatest, very confident hopes have been expressed that the arrears will be easily obtained, together with the subscriptions for the year upon which we have just been privileged to enter, but even should some small deficiency accrue in any District, it will be amply compensated for by the more regular income, and a more simple mode of keeping the accounts of the parent Society.

Advantages, on the other hand, it is hoped will result to the Society from the alteration of the time for holding the annual meeting from summer, when the mercantile and agricultural portions of our population are so fully occupied, to winter, when they have more leisure from worldly concerns, and may be reasonably expected to give more attention to its meetings and its operations.

Without dwelling upon the near approach to completion of the Richmond Railroad, the winter snow track being in general more easily travelled over than the rough and broken roads of summer, will enable the clergy and laity in the rural Districts more conveniently to attend, and to take part in the consultations and discussions of the Society.

In reviewing the operations of the Central Board during the last six months, it will be found that though no new object has been developed, and though it has been found impossible to carry out as fully as could be wished, important measures in which the clergy and laity feel a deep and mutual interest, yet the Society is in a healthy and satisfactory state, proceeding gradually and tranquilly, but it is believed, steadily and securely in public favor, and in its legitimate course of usefulness.

MISSIONARY LABOR.

During three months of the last half year, two clergymen have been employed as Missionaries, one at the Quarantine station, the other in the District of St. Francis.

The Rev. Mr. Allen vacated his office of Missionary on being appointed to a fixed charge, and the Rev. Mr. Stewart, who discharged the duties at Grosse Isle, has been nominated to the Curacy of Sherbrooke.