

In the afternoon greetings were read from the Diocese of Niagara.

No action was taken on the resolutions from the Synods of Toronto and Huron respecting the formation of Provincial Synods coterminous with the civil provinces.

A great deal of time was taken up in discussing the manner in which the funds should be divided in case two dioceses are made out of the Diocese of Ontario, viz., the Diocese of Ottawa and the Diocese of Ontario. The question was not settled when Synod adjourned.

**Thursday.**—A great deal of time was taken up this morning in the discussion on the question of dividing the funds in the case of the formation of two dioceses. It was agreed that the Diocese of Ottawa would bear one-third of the cost of the See House and the Diocese of Ontario would assume two-thirds. After a great deal of discussion it was decided that the details of the division of the funds be arranged by a committee to be appointed by the Archbishop; that the Watkins bequest remain in the Diocese of Ontario, and that when the Synod rose it be adjourned, at the call of His Grace the Archbishop. The old committee was re-appointed, with the addition of Dr. Smythe and Mr. Whiting. Rev. J. K. McMorine presented the report on the state of the Church. Returns were received from all parishes and missions excepting Combermere, Gananoque and Stirling. The Church population is in excess of last year's returns by 1,631, and this increase is distributed over every rural deanery in the diocese. The baptisms were 2,045. Six Sunday-schools were added, with 153 pupils. The male teachers exceed those of last year by four; females by twelve. The contributions exceeded those of 1894 by \$7,000. The report was adopted.

In the afternoon Rev. S. Tighe's notice of motion was the main feature of the proceedings. It was: "Whereas, the principle of Separate Schools has been admitted in the Province of Ontario, and the right to have Separate Schools has been granted to the Church of Rome, this Synod claims that the same rights should be allowed to the Church of England, and such other religious bodies as may so desire to establish such schools, wherever they may wish, within the Province of Ontario." In introducing the motion Rev. S. Tighe made a lengthy speech, in which he stated he favoured Separate Schools, and affirmed that the Public Schools were hot-beds of immorality and indecency, and that he had proved to the Minister of Education that what he said was true. He claimed the religious education in the schools was poor, and he said the Roman Catholics acted wisely in asserting their rights to Separate Schools.

Chancellor R. T. Walkem, Q.C., said he was opposed to the system of Separate Schools because it divided the children of different denominations and prevented them from growing up in learning with one another.

The motion was withdrawn, and another motion adopted, introduced by Archdeacon Jones, and passed by the Synod of Toronto, recommending that the Provincial Government be asked to set apart a half-hour daily for religious instruction in the Public Schools. The following were appointed a committee to co-operate in the matter with a committee from the Toronto Synod: Archdeacon of Kingston, Dean of Ontario, Rev. F. W. Armstrong, Canon Spencer, Prof. Worrell, Judge McDonald, Dr. Walkem, Dr. Smythe, Col. Matheson, M.P.P., and Mr. Whitney, M.P.P.

After the discussion of some other matters the Synod adjourned.

**PRESCOTT.**—The following address was read at a meeting of the parishioners:

To the Rev. Wm. Lewin, B.A.:

REV. AND DEAR SIR,—To-night we have a pleasant and yet a sad duty to perform. It is a pleasure to say, on behalf of the congregation, that during your twenty-one years of pastoral charge and care over the parishioners of St. John's Church, Prescott, you have endeared yourself to us all by your many acts of unselfishness and by the faithful discharge of your duties both in the pulpit and out of it, but it is a grief to us to have to part with you after all these long years in which you have been our spiritual guide. Let whatever shortcomings you may have found in us in regard to yourself be overlooked. It may not be out of place here to say how much we sympathize with you in Mrs. Lewin's illness, and our hope is that she may soon be restored to health and strength: she has ever been ready to aid in all Church work in the parish, and her many acts of kindness to the poor and sick can never be forgotten. We also wish to express our deep regret in losing Miss Lewin; he was ever willing to help in all good work in the various societies connected with the church, and has also given valuable aid in the Sunday-school and Junior Guild. As a small token of the congregation's love and respect to you, sir, be pleased to accept this purse. May God bless you and yours in your new

home, is the heartfelt wish of your congregation. Signed on behalf of the congregation, G. T. La Balt, E. C. Feilde, J. S. Miller and A. Press, Committee. A purse of \$201 was then handed to Mr. Lewin, who returned thanks to the meeting in an appropriate reply. The ladies of St. John's Guild presented a handsome and comfortable arm chair to Mrs. Lewin, and a writing desk to Miss Lewin. It is pleasant to have to record these instances of harmonious relations between a parish priest and his congregation after so long a connection as twenty-one years.

**KINGSTON.**—A grand military church parade of all the forces in camp was held on Sunday, 23rd inst., St. George's Cathedral being filled to overflowing. The Very Rev. Dean Smith preached from the text, "Overcome evil with good." On the same day the bicyclists of Kingston and Napanee wheeled to Odessa, where they attended Divine Service in the Church of St. Alban the Martyr. The Rev. F. T. Dibb took Prov. xx. 29 as his text and advocated the acquisition of a sound body as a means of gaining a sound mind and pure spirit. He also warned the wheelmen against allowing their pastime to interfere with the duties of Sunday. Forty cyclists attended the service, of whom twenty-five were Kingstonians. An open air service was held on June 26th by the Rev. Robt. W. Rayson, of All Saints'. About 50 adults gathered round and listened attentively to a sermon on repentance and baptism as the first steps of the Christian life. It is to be repeated next week.

**BARRIEFIELD.**—A confirmation is to be held by the Archbishop on Sunday, July 7th, in St. Mark's Church.

#### TORONTO.

ARTHUR SWEATMAN, D.D., BISHOP, TORONTO.

**St. Bartholomew's.**—On Sunday, 16th June, there was a Children's Flower Service in this church. The altar and chancel were tastefully decorated with a profusion of flowers from woodland and greenhouse. Hymns suitable to the service were heartily sung, and the Rector, Rev. G. J. Taylor, M.A., preached an eloquent sermon on flowers. Afterwards they were given to the Isolation Hospital, where they were thankfully received.

**Bishop Strachan School.**—The closing service (Evensong) was held in the school chapel on Sunday, the 23rd instant. The preacher was the Rev. Professor Clark, of Trinity College. In words that showed his thorough understanding of human nature he spoke warningly and helpfully to the girls who, at the end of their school life, were about to encounter the trials and temptations of the world; and also to those who were returning to school after the holidays. The reverend gentleman was listened to with marked attention not only by the pupils, but by the many friends who showed by their presence their interest in the school, which is now completing its twenty-eighth year. The organ was beautifully played by Mr. Charles Mockridge, and hymns appropriate to the occasion were sung by the full choir of girls, whose fresh young voices were very sweet and touching. The distribution of prizes took place on Wednesday evening, the 26th instant, after which the school was closed until the first Wednesday in September.

Miss Lizzie A. Dixon acknowledges with thanks the receipt of twenty-five dollars from the Church of the Ascension S. S., Toronto, for Rev. H. Robinson, Peace River Mission, Athabasca.

**St. Alban's Cathedral.**—A meeting of the Residential Chapter was held in the Synod Office, when the Rev. A. U. De Pencier was appointed Chapter clerk, and Mr. I. H. Plummer, treasurer. It was also decided that the canon missionary should at once commence his duties, by endeavouring to organize the several city parishes, so as to give effect to the actions of the Bishop three years and a half ago. It will be remembered that a considerable sum was subscribed by several of the parishes, but owing to the stringency of the times, some were unable to do so. It is now hoped that all true Churchmen will unite in a vigorous effort to place the Cathedral Church of the diocese in a position which will be an honour to the Diocese of Toronto. Five thousand subscribers at ten dollars each would do this. We heartily commend the subject to the members of the Church. Any amount subscribed may be made payable by instalments if preferred. The parish organizations might secure this being done by weekly or monthly payments.

**Trinity Convocation.**—There was a large gathering on Thursday afternoon at Trinity to witness the ceremony. The body of the Hall was almost entirely occupied by ladies. Among those on the platform were the Chancellor, Hon. Senator Allan; Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education; President London, of

Toronto University; Prof. Mevor; Prof. Clark of Trinity; Rev. Dr. Jones, acting Provost of Trinity; Mr. Justice Osler, Dr. Ryrson M.P.P., and a large number of clergy. The Chancellor in his address referred to the several changes in the staff, also to the death of the Rev. Dr. Davis, Rev. Canon Brent, and Mr. Robt. Bethune. He highly commended St. Hilda's College to the liberality of the friends of the University. In reference to Trinity, he said, that since June, 1892, thirty-three students had been ordained, and that this year there had been twenty-one students in the divinity class, and there were twenty-three men taking a whole, or a partial course in arts, preparatory to entering the divinity class. In closing his remarks, the Chancellor said that he looked forward to the future of Trinity not only with hope, but with the fullest confidence. The institution was attracting more and more every year the confidence and support of the great body of the members of the Church of England throughout the country, and it had the respect of those who did not belong to the Church of England communion. He hoped that the response this year would be as generous as it had been on other occasions, and that they would not only be enabled to meet the special wants of the University, but to add largely to the permanent endowment fund of the college. The candidates to be admitted to degrees in the various courses were then called to the platform by Rev. Dean Rigby, presented to the Chancellor by Rev. Dr. Jones and awarded their diplomas.

**Law.**—S. Price, gold medallist; P. E. Ritchie, silver medallist.

**Arts.**—Third Year—J. G. Browne, jubilee scholarship for honours in classics; C. P. Sparling, Governor-General's medal for honours in science.

**Special Prize.**—Miss E. Ridley, Governor-General's medal for general proficiency at St. Hilda's College.

#### NIAGARA.

CHARLES HAMILTON, D.D., BISHOP, HAMILTON.

**DUNNVILLE.**—The Bishop of Niagara ministered the rite of confirmation to 21 persons in St. Paul's Church, on the 18th ult. There was a large congregation present who appreciated the address delivered by His Lordship, and were much impressed with the solemn service. During the year past the whole interior of the church has been decorated. The style of the architecture of the church is gothic, and the decoration is in the same style. The nave, from the wainscoting to the spring of the window arches, is done in neutral green, with ornamental blocking. The windows are trimmed in imitation stone. The divider surrounding the nave at the height of the spring of the window arches is a greenish yellow, on which is gothic foliage in alternate colours of light and dull red. From the divider to the frieze the colour is terra cotta. The windows are blocked in light terra cotta with crockets and finials. The frieze is two feet in width of cream colour, the ornamentation thereon being gothic. The label of the main arch is done in dark terra cotta. Surrounding the arch is the text, "O worship the Lord in the beauty of Holiness." At either end are the monograms, Alpha and Omega and I. H. S. The chancel to the height of the windows is a neutral green; diapered above this is a border of gothic figures on a blue ground. From the divider to the frieze the colour is a light terra cotta; on this are fleur de lis and maltese crosses in gold alternating. The ceiling is a robin's egg blue, on which are gold stars and discs. The work was done by W. H. S. London, of Toronto. A rich crimson curtain at the organ chamber and another of the same material at the door of the vestry add to the appearance. The committee, on decorations who gave so much time and consideration to the work necessary to bring to such a successful completion the interior decorations of the church, have the sincere thanks of the congregation who assisted them in providing the funds necessary to put them in the position to pay cash for the work when finished. The following memorials were presented since last Xmas: A handsome window representing the resurrection of Christ, in memory of the late Mr. Ramsay and wife, by their children. A very pretty oak prayer desk, by Mrs. John Moblo, in memory of her little son. Two polished brass altar vases, by Mrs. Dougher, in memory of her little son. The church, standing in a large and nicely-kept lawn surrounded by trees, adds much to the beauty of our village. May those who enter it worship God in the beauty of holiness, as reminded by the text around the chancel arch. *Laus Deo.*

#### HURON.

MAURICE S. BALDWIN, D.D., BISHOP, LONDON.

**LONDON.**—June 18th.—The thirty-eighth annual Synod of the Diocese of Huron was held in Cronyn Hall a little before three o'clock, with Bishop Baldwin presiding, supported on his right by Acting Chancellor R. Bayly, Q.C., and on his left by the