

the present Diocese of Toronto, should, on his consecration to the office of Bishop, resign any income which he may enjoy from any ecclesiastical source whatever, whether as an Incumbent or Rector of a parish, or Dignitary of the Church.

4. Rev. E. Denroche.—This Synod desires to express its most decided disapproval of the canvassing of clergy or laity, to ensure the election of any individual to the episcopate, by a committal to indiscreet or unguarded promise on the part of electors, lay or clerical.

5. Rev. W. S. Darling gives notice that, at the next meeting of Synod, he will move,—That in the great and manifest want of labourers in the ministry, this Synod do take into consideration the propriety of reviving the Diaconate in this Diocese as a permanently distinct order, or of suggesting such subordinate agency as the exigency of the circumstances may require.

6. Judge Armstrong gives notice that he will, on to-morrow, move a resolution, expressing the disapproval of this Synod of the practice of discussing the acts of our clergymen through the public newspapers.

7. Mr. Farrell gives the following notices,—That in Article No. 13 all after the words "be provided for" be expunged, and the following words be substituted, "by an annual collection, to be made in every parish and mission, under the direction of the minister and churchwardens."

8. That in Article No. 14 the following clause be added, "but in the event of the Bishop refusing his assent to any measure adopted by the clergy and laity, such motion may be brought forward at the next meeting of the Synod, and if again adopted by the clergy and laity, the power of the Bishop to veto it shall cease."

9. That in Article No. 4 the words "legally constituted congregation" be inserted in the place of "any cure."

10. That in Article No. 2 after the word "meetings," the following words be inserted, "or any vestry meeting specially called for that purpose."

11. Hon. Mr. DeBlaquiere,—Amendment to Article 8 of the Constitution

That an annual meeting of the Synod be held in each and every year in the month of June, at such time and place as the Lord Bishop shall appoint, which Synod shall continue in session until adjourned by a vote of the same

12. Hon. Mr. DeBlaquiere,—Notice of motion for the consideration and adoption of the Constitution and Rules of the Synod, for to-morrow, and the first on the orders of the day

CONSIDERATION OF NOTICES.

Rev. Dr. Beaven, seconded by J. W. Gamble, Esq., moves No. 2 of Notices of Motions of Wednesday. Carried.

Rev. Dr. Beaven, seconded by Rev. Henry Patton, moves No. 3 Notice of Motion.

13. Rev. Dr. Fuller moves in addition to the above, "That in cases where provision for the sustentation of the Bishop has been made and accepted by the Governor-General of the province, or person administering the government thereof, and when no such provision has been made, then so soon after such provision shall have been made and accepted." Carried unanimously.

14. The Rev. H. Patton gives notice that he will, to-morrow, move that in Article 9, all after the words "senior Archdeacon" shall be expunged, as being unnecessary after passing Dr. Beaven's Resolution.

15. Moved by Rev. Mr. Townley, seconded by Rev. Mr. Darling:

"That this Synod do now appoint a Committee of six of its members, to take into consideration the best method of advancing the general, continuous, and permanent moral and religious, in

connection with the secular, education of the youth of this Province; and that the said Committee do report to-morrow."

16. Moved by Dr. Bovell in amendment, seconded by Clarke Gamble, Esq.:

"That a Committee be appointed to collect information regarding the working of the Common School System; to report at the next meeting of the Synod." Carried.

17. Moved by the Rev. Mr. Townley, seconded by Mr. Thomas Bato:

"That seeing the entire failure of the voluntary system, as usually understood on this continent, in providing adequate religious instruction and a due administration of the ordinances of the Church of Christ, a Committee of six be now appointed to take into consideration the wisdom, necessity, and obligation of resuming the Scriptural and primitive practice of paying Ministerial Tithes, and the best method of receiving, ordering, and appropriating the same, and that the said Committee do report thereon before the closing of this Synod." Lost.

18. Rev. A. Townley gave Notice of Motion.—"That a Committee be appointed to take into consideration the best method of maintaining the ministrations of the Church of Christ, with especial reference to the Scriptural method of supplying the same, and that the said Committee do report at the next Synod."

The Synod adjourned for one hour, till half-past seven.

EVENING SESSION.

The Synod re-assembled at 7.30.

Rev. Dr. Lewis moved Motion No. 7, seconded by Justice Hagarty. Carried.

Rev. Dr. Lewis moved No. 8 Notice of Motion. Withdrawn.

Hon. Mr. Patton moved No. 10 Notice of Motion, seconded by Rev. Mr. Brough. Postponed his motion to next meeting of Synod.

Rev. E. Denroche withdrew No. 11.

Rev. E. Denroche moved, seconded by Frederick Ball, Esq., No. 12 Notice of Motion,—"That the thanks of this Synod are hereby tendered to the members of the Choir of St. James' Cathedral, for the efficient manner in which the musical services of the church were performed, on the occasion of its present assembling here." Carried.

Rev. E. Denroche moved No. 13 Notice of Motion, seconded by Mr. Simpson,—"That, whereas, it is highly desirable that every branch of Divine Service should be conducted with as much ecclesiastical propriety and devotional reality as possible, and, whereas, there is room for improvement generally throughout the congregations of this Diocese, in celebrating the praises of Almighty God and of his Christ. A Committee of the Synod be appointed, (who shall report at its next Annual Meeting,) to take into consideration and to suggest improvements in choral, congregational and ritual singing, to the exclusion of all light and unseemly music from the sanctuary, and to the more general adoption of the singing of God's own word, as set forth in the Psalter or Songs of David, as appointed to be used 'daily' throughout the month." Carried.

Rev. Mr. Fletcher moved No. 14 Notice of Motion, seconded by Mr. Arthur. Carried.

Rev. Dr. Lett moved No. 15 Notice of Motion. 1, 2 and 3 withdrawn, with the understanding that they should be brought up at the next Synod. Mr. Farrell withdrew his Notices of Motion, 7, 8, 9, and 10, respecting the Constitution, expressing his intention of bringing them forward on the first day of the next Synod.

Mr. Simpson moved, seconded by C. J. Campbell, No. 17 Notice of Motion,—"That the thanks of this Synod be given to the Rev. Mr. Geddes, for the very able and excellent sermon given by him

on Wednesday morning last, and that the said sermon be printed for the use of the members of this Synod." Carried.

Rev. Mr. Rogers moved Notice No. 2 of second day, seconded by Dr. Cronyn. Carried.

Dr. O'Meara presented the following Report on Indian Missions. Ordered to be laid on the table:—

Report of the Committee of the Synod on Indian Missions.

At a time when a Commission, appointed by the highest authority in the Province, is endeavouring, with the assistance of the two Houses of Legislature, to devise means for the promotion of the temporal interests of the aboriginal inhabitants of our land, and when we are assembled together for the first time as a Synod, legally constituted, cannot but be an auspicious time for us as a Church to see that measures be taken for placing on a permanent basis, those efforts for the benefit of that interesting people that are now in course of being made, and to provide for the extension of our missionary efforts to the regions beyond those which have hitherto been reached by them. Indeed it appears to your committee as of the very essence of a Christian Church that it shall comprehend an efficient organization for the extension of the knowledge of the gospel to the dark places of the earth, inasmuch as the promised presence of the Redeemer, without which it would be as a body without a soul, is closely and unseparably connected with his parting injunctions, go preach the Gospel to every creature.

At a very early period in the history of our church in this province, efforts were made for the spiritual benefit of the Indians, and Dr. Stuart, father of the present Venerable Archdeacon of Kingston, embalmed his memory in the hearts of the Mohawks of the bay of Quinte, by his kind and fatherly attentions to that interesting tribe, and the fruits of his missionary labours are still among us in the Mohawk mission of Tyendinaga. Subsequently the New England Company of London, England, established a mission among those of the same tribes settled on the Grand River, who had previously enjoyed only such occasional religious privileges as could be rendered by a neighbouring and travelling missionary, where they still continue to support two missionaries. About the year 1834, the Rector of Caradoc finding a considerable number of heathen Indians in the neighbourhood of his mission, turned his attention to their conversion with such a measure of success, that many, both of the Munsees and Oneidas, were baptized into the Christian faith who now form two congregations, under the charge of the clergymen by whose means they were brought out of heathenism. About 25 years ago the Society established in this Diocese for christianizing and civilizing the Indians, commenced a mission at the Sault Ste. Marie for the Indians of Lake Huron and Superior, speaking the Ojibwa and kindred dialects, which has been so successful that nearly all the Indians of that region have been baptised into the church, and are now reclaimed from their former wandering habits and settled in the village of Garden River. Not many years after the government formed an establishment on the Manitoulin Island, Lake Huron, for the civilization of the Indians on that Lake, and a missionary of our church was attached to that establishment, which has resulted in a considerable number of Indians being added to the Church. About fourteen years ago another mission was formed at Walpole Island, on which about 900 Indians resided, of whom a large number have been received into the Church by the present missionary of that place. There are at present eight clergymen and one catechist labouring wholly or in part among the Indians of