

application to Parliament for an act which can do no good and may do harm by giving rise to a variety of interpretations. In reference to this the committee beg leave to amend the interim report presented to the Synod of Ontario on the proposed incorporation of the Provincial Synod.

This was received and ordered to be printed with the minutes.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

No report

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

TRINITY COLLEGE, PORT HOPE.—"Speech Day" at Trinity College school, Port Hope, is one of those delightful events that are always looked forward to by every one interested in what may be termed the social phases of school life. This happened on the 11th of July, this year, the proceedings of the day began with the celebration of the Holy Communion in the Chapel at 7 a. m., at which the head master of the school, Rev. C. J. Bethune, officiated. At half-past ten choral services were conducted in the same place, Rev. G. H. Broughall singing the prayers. The lessons were read by Prof. Jones and Rev. Mr. Nichol. Rev. Mr. MacKenzie, of Brantford, preached the sermon for the occasion from I. Thessalonians, 5th chapter and part of the 23rd verse. In his opening words he said that it was not his object to say anything new to his hearers, but to remind them of some familiar truths. He then spoke of the relations existing between the body, the mind, and the spirit. The body is not a prison but a temple, for God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit have deigned to dwell in it. Calling the attention of his hearers to the necessity for observing the laws of the body, he addressed the boys and urged them to take part in field sports in order to keep their physical and mental health in harmony. Speaking of cricket in particular, he advised them to take part in it and to see that the grand British games were not degraded by gambling. He referred to the attention given to physical culture by the Ancient Greeks. He pointed out that the *spiritual* nature of man should not be neglected, but rather be attended to most strictly. The animal nature of man should be kept in subjection to the spiritual. A thorough system of education must recognize the *spiritual* part of man as well as the mental and physical. Mr. MacKenzie congratulated the boys on their past success on the cricket and football fields, and said that they had much to be thankful for in being able to attend a school where they had so many athletic, mental, social, and religious privileges as they had at Trinity College school.

The little chapel—so much admired by everyone who visits the school—was well filled, but not overcrowded, with the pupils and their friends. The choir, under the charge of Mr. K. Styles Houghton, sang in a manner that did great credit to both themselves and their instructor. They were robed in white surplices over black cassocks. The service closed with a processional hymn.

Shortly after the service, the doors of the speech-room were opened and the pupils took their seats at the back and sides of the hall. The centrepiece was filled by the visitors. On the platform sat Hon. G. W. Allan, Chancellor of Trinity University; Prof. Clark, Mr. Edward Martin, Dr. Geikie, Prof. Jones, Mr. William Ince, and Dr. Bethune.

Rev. Mr. Bethune, after making a few appropriate prefatory remarks, read a list of the names of the old boys of the school who had won University and other distinctions during the past year, amongst whom were W. M. Loucks, B. A., E. C. Cayley, B. A., A. C. M. Bedford-Jones, B. A., H. H. Bedford-Jones, W.

H. White, G. H. P. Grout, W. H. Smith, W. C. Dumble, W. F. McLaren.

The boys of the school then sang "See Our Oars with Feathered Spray," with excellent effect, and the distribution of prizes followed, Rev. Dr. Bethune calling out the names of the pupils and stating why they were awarded prizes, and Hon. M. Allan handing the rewards to the successful ones. The prizes were mostly books, bound to order in London, England. They were chiefly literary works of the choicest character.

After the distribution of the prizes and the reading of the honour list, Rev. Mr. Bethune called on Prof. Clark, of Trinity College and Dr. Geikie, of Trinity Medical School, to address those present, which each did most happily. The Hon. G. W. Allan also addressed a few words, and then Dr. Bethune closed the days proceedings, thanking those who were visiting the school for their presence, and particularly to thanking his dear old boys. He admitted he had something to be envied for when he was able to see how well the Trinity boys were turning out. Perhaps some of these old boys thought there was no affection felt for them at the old school, but he assured them that if they did they were very much mistaken. As he had already spoken his parting words to the boys at present in the school he dismissed the assembly by pronouncing the benediction.

Dinner was served to the pupils and their visitors in the dining hall, and altogether about 250 persons sat at the tables. After dinner a cricket match between the Trinity boys and the boys of St. Paul's school, Concord, was played on the Campus: the Trinity boys being defeated by six wickets.

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

No report

DIOCESE OF HURON.

SYNOD NOTES.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL Committee reported that there in the diocese 267 congregations; of these, as far as can be ascertained, about forty have no Sunday schools, leaving 227 schools to be accounted for only, but reports were received from only 164 schools. These report 346 officers and teachers; 377 male and 1,120 female teachers; 6,587 male and 8,308 female scholars. Total officers and teachers 1,843, and 14,895 scholars. To which may be added from the School Journal 41 schools, with 272 officers and teachers, and 2,200 scholars. Total, 2,110 officers and teachers, and 17,095 scholars. Forty-five schools are superintended by the clergy, and ladies (who compose over three-fourths of our teachers) are superintendents to the number of eight. Twenty-five schools are open for only a portion of the year, ranging from four to nine months. Thirty-three schools have weekly teachers' meeting for the study of the lesson; 38 schools hold from 1 to 12 business meetings annually, and 84 report no teachers' meetings.

Only three schools report no Prayer Book lesson, 13 not giving any returns, 122 schools memorize Scripture to the extent of one to six verses, one going as high as 15; 33 schools give no answer.

In hymn books and liturgies the greatest diversity prevails, the Hymnal Companion and the Diocesan Liturgy being the most general in use, while in many schools the Prayer Book is used in preference to any liturgy.

Seventy-five schools are supported entirely by the S. S. offertory; in 47 the offertory is supplemented by subscriptions or grants; 31 schools have apparently no offertory, and are supported by the congregation of which they form a part.

Several schools (probably six) give their entire collection to missions or outside work. The expenses of 122 schools amounted to \$6,411.55. Forty-four schools contributed for missions, etc., \$1,161.59.

Twenty-four schools have separate buildings; 10 meet in basement of the church.

One hundred and thirteen schools have libraries containing 22,573 volumes; 32 schools say they have no library; 18 make no return, and one school has discarded books for illustrated papers.

A sum not exceeding one thousand dollars was appropriated by the Synod for the purpose of establishing in the Synod office a permanent depository to supply the Sunday schools of the Diocese at the lowest possible prices with library and prize books, maps, prayer and hymn books.

An annual S. S. Convention is to be held in each Rural Deanery for the purpose of awaking deeper interest in Sunday school work, and the clergy were urged to devote one Sunday service in each year to the same object.

A resolution was adopted ordering that the Prayerbook and Hymnal of the Church be recommended for use in the opening and closing of the Sunday school; and another that teachers meetings for the study of the lesson be held when possible, and that an offertory be made at every Sunday school session, a certain portion of which be devoted to missionary purposes. Carried.

ANTI-JESUIT RESOLUTIONS.—That in the opinion of this Synod the Jesuit Order is by its principles and constitution, and historically has been proved to be, dangerous to civil liberty and a menace to the rights of all classes of her Majesty's subjects, and that it is therefore most desirable that the legality of the incorporation of the Jesuit Order and of the act of the Quebec Legislature in the matter of the Jesuit Estates be tested in the highest courts of the Dominion and the Empire, and that the members of Synod will support every effort to obtain such testing of the said Act and will use all constitutional means towards obtaining the repeal of the same.

DELEGATES TO PROVINCIAL SYNOD.—Clerical—Revs. Principal Fowell, Canon Davis, Canon Hill, Dean Innes, Canon Hicks, Archdeacon Marsh, Canon Richardson, Archdeacon Mulholland, Canon Smith, J. H. Moorhouse, J. C. Mackenzie, W. A. Young. Substitutes—Revs. A. Craig, C. R. Matthews, Alfred Brown and Wm. Davis.

Lay representatives—Messrs. V. Cronyn, Richard Bayly, William Gray, Matthew Wilson, R. S. Gurd, James Woods, W. H. Eakins, A. O. Clark, Charles Jenkins, Jasper Golden, Robert Fox, C. O. Ermatinger. Substitutes—Judge Woods, Messrs. A. H. Dymond, J. E. Brooke, E. B. Reed.

The following resolution as to the public schools of Ontario was carried by a large majority.

Resolved—That in the opinion of this Synod the educational affairs of this Province of Ontario have not been, and are not being, administered with that regard to the rights and interests of the majority of its people, which should prevail; that we have observed with concern that in a considerable number of the schools of this Province the English language is treated as virtually a foreign tongue, while the encroachments of the Papal hierarchy on our school laws is most marked in relation to the assessment of property and the rating of public and separate school supporters.

A Christian is a man who is restoring God's likeness to his character.—Robertson.