

The Bishop named the following Committee: Rev. J. S. Stone, Convener; Rev. A. French, Mr. Marling, Mr. Noyes, Mr. McCord, Rev. F. H. Clayton.

The Rev. Rural Dean Nye moved, seconded by the Very Rev. the Dean of Montreal, that this Synod highly appreciates the excellent work that has been done by the Montreal Theological College, and requests the Governors and Corporation of that Institution to take into their consideration the propriety of bringing it into closer relations with the Diocesan Synod.

This motion, and an amendment referring the question of University and Theological Education in this Province, in its relation to the Theological College in Montreal and the University at Lennoxville, to a Special Committee, were after some discussion withdrawn.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

On the motion of Rev. Rural Dean Rollit, seconded by Rev. W. B. Longhurst, it was resolved that in the apportionment of grants from the Mission Fund, length of service and position in the ministry shall be taken into account.

Dr. Davidson's motion—that Rule 27 of the Order of Proceedings of the Synod be amended (1) by the addition of the following words after the word "Synod" in the ninth line thereof:—"The printed journal of each session having been compared with the written minutes of notes of proceedings taken during the session, and certified by the signature of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese (or of the Chairman or presiding officer in his absence), to a statement attached to one or more copies of said journal, mentioning the number of pages therein and the number of words corrected, and countersigned by the Secretaries of the said meeting, shall be held to be the true and authentic record of the proceedings of such session; and two or more of such certified copies shall be kept on file by such secretaries." And (2) by insert before the word "copy," in the 10th line of said Rule 27, the word "certified"—was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The report of the Committee on Education was adopted.

The Bishop named the following Committee in accordance with report of official examiners of Church Schools:—Canon Norman, Archdeacon Evans, Rev. A. French, Dr. Davidson, Mr. Walter Drake and Mr. Alex. Gowdey.

The reports on Sunday Schools, Foreign Missions, Deaconesses and Works of Mercy were adopted.

The report of the Committee on French Work was referred back to that Committee for further consideration.

EVENING SESSION.

A motion by Archdeacon Lindsay, obliging all proposals for the building of churches or parsonages to be submitted to the Executive Committee, led to a long discussion. The motion was lost by a large majority.

Rev. Canon Norman moved, seconded by Rev. J. S. Stone, that the Synod of this Diocese, now assembled, desire to express their deep and hearty thanks to the Revisers of the Old Testament Scriptures for the diligent labor and mature learning which, for the space of fourteen years, they have devoted to the completion of their important work. The whole Bible, as revised, is now within the reach of English-speaking Christians; and, in the opinion of this Synod, will prove a most valuable assistance to the thoughtful student of Holy Scripture and to all who desire to possess a clear and accurate knowledge of the revealed Word of God. His Lordship the Bishop is here-with respectfully requested to transmit this resolution to His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury. Carried.

Moved by Rev. J. S. Stone, seconded by Rev. J. M. Dixon, that that portion of the Lord Bishop's charge of 1884 suggesting the question of a biennial conference alternating with the Synod, be referred to a Committee to consider and report to the next Synod. Carried.

A Special Committee, consisting of the Chancellor, Judge Armstrong, George Macrae, Q.C., Hon. W. W. Lynch, Q.C., Dr. Davidson and Butters, was appointed for the purpose of examining all Acts of the heretofore Province of Canada and the Province of Quebec, with reference to the constitution and incorporation of the Synod, and of the amalgamation therewith of the Church Society of the Diocese of Montreal, and of reporting to this body at its next Session what are the powers and rights of this Synod under said Acts and at Common Law relatively to property held by the said Synod, or held in trust for the uses of the Church of England in this Diocese, or for any particular parish or mission, whether under the Temporalities Act or otherwise, and also as to the legislative powers of the said Synod under said Acts, and the means of rendering the same effective and binding upon the parishes and congregations of this Diocese.

Several votes of thanks were passed, after which the Doxology was sung, the Benediction pronounced by the Bishop, and the session ended.

POINT ST. CHARLES.—Grace Church.—On Monday evening last (July 20th), Miss Jeannie Belcher, the youngest daughter of the Rector of Grace Church (Canon Belcher), was presented by a number of the members of the congregation with the following articles in silver-ware:—A tray, pickle castor, water pitcher, butter dish and fruit dish, all of a most handsome and serviceable design. Miss Belcher is about to be married to a gentleman from Southern California, and the members of the congregation, recognizing her many amiable qualities and her faithful service in the work of the parish, availed themselves of the opportunity of thus marking their esteem and gratitude. Miss Belcher will be much missed, not alone by her family, but by the parishioners, and bears with her the best wishes of all for a happy future.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

PEMBROKE.—On Thursday, the 9th inst., the ladies of Holy Trinity, Pembroke, held their annual Strawberry Festival and Apron Sale in aid of the Church and Parsonage Improvement Fund. Notwithstanding the unpromising morning the day proved fine, and the programme of the Ladies' Committee was fully carried out. "Delicious strawberries, nice cake, plenty of fun," not omitting the "Old Lady in the Shoe (personated by Miss Louks), surrounded with her numerous family of dolls to be offered for sale," and all which was greatly enhanced by the ample room for promenading afforded by the beautifully laid out grounds of W. B. MacAlister, Esq., which that gentleman, with his usual courtesy and generosity, placed at the disposal of the ladies.

The demand for that useful and ornamental article of dress—the apron—was greatly in excess of the supply, all on hand having been sold by Mrs. Forsythe, amounting with the sale of dolls and flowers to \$40.61.

The proceeds of this delightful garden-party, though a little less than last year, were most satisfactory, amounting in the gross, to about \$236. Much gratitude is felt by the Rector, Rev. Mr. Forsythe, to the Committee and other members of his congregation, who, by their contributions and work on the grounds, did their part so well in bringing about this desirable result.

W. Hunter, Jr., Esq., honorary organist of Holy Trinity Church in this town, was the recipient of the following complimentary letter on the 21st inst.:—

Dear Mr. Hunter:

We, the Rector, Churchwardens, members of the Choir, and others of the congregation of Holy Trinity Church, having heard that you

were about to take a brief holiday, avail ourselves of this opportunity to express our appreciation of your kind and efficient services as our organist, and to ask your acceptance of the accompanying purse of gold, praying that the Lord of all power and might, the Author and Giver of all good things, will bring you safely back to your many friends in Pembroke.

J. W. FORSYTHE, M.A., Rector;
W. P. SWEATMAN, } Ch. Wardens.
W. HUNTER, }

and others.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

PERSONAL.—Rev. Provost Body, of Trinity College, is to deliver an address before the Ontario Teachers' Association at Toronto on the 11th instant. His subject is: "Education in Relation to Character."

Rev. John Faircomb preached the anniversary sermons on the occasion of the recent special services at St. Luke's, Ashburnham, July the 19th.

Canon Brent took duty at Lakesfield for the Rev. John Faircomb on the 26th ult. The latter is enjoying a brief holiday at Newcastle.

We are pleased to hear that the Rev. J. F. Sweeney, of St. Philip's Church, Toronto, is recovering, after a very long and severe illness. His congregation thoughtfully presented him with a purse of \$100, and he is now enjoying complete rest at Sault St. Marie.

The Rev. Professor Clark, of Trinity College, will assist the Rector of the Church of the Incarnation during the proposed Advent Mission in New York city.

ORDINATION.—The usual summer ordination took place on Sunday last. We will supply full particulars in our next.

ENGLISH GENEROSITY.—The Church Extension Association, conducted by the Kilburn Sisters, London, England, gave the following grants to Parishes and Missions in this Diocese during last year:—

Toronto.—Books for Sunday School to value of £2 5s. No parish specified.

Toronto, St. Stephen's.—A grant of two sets of altar linen, value £5.

Bolton, Albion.—Altar linen, value £4.

Penetanguishene.—A pocket communion service for the Missionary and Altar Union. Value £5.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FESTIVALS.—During this season every effort is made to give pleasure to the children, and many a long happy day is spent by our scholars on excursions and at picnics, the memory of which brings joy and gladness to the young people. The custom is one worthy of commendation; it is particularly pleasing and agreeable to dwellers in towns.

On the 7th ult. the Church of the Ascension Sunday School, Toronto, held an excursion and picnic at Riverside Park. Five hundred children attended, and in the afternoon nearly as many more came out by boat and train. The children spent a delightful day in games and amusements of all sorts.

On the 8th St. John's Sunday School, Peterborough, held an excursion to Norwood. The day was exceedingly favorable, and all returned home delighted with their outing.

On the 9th St. Luke's Sunday School, Ashburnham, held their annual summer picnic at Hastings. They were joined there by the Church Sunday School of that place. A pleasant day was spent in Johnston's Grove. Fourteen events on a programme of games filled up the most of the afternoon, and the children were overjoyed with the day's proceedings—the picnic and excursion being considered "the best yet."