

The number confirmed on this occasion were two hundred and one, of whom about three-fourths were females. Notwithstanding the crowded state of the church, every thing was conducted without the least confusion. The department of the candidates was grave and becoming, and the whole of this deeply interesting ceremony was carried through with that "decency and order" recommended by Saint Paul to be done in all churches.—*Montreal Gazette.*

DIocese OF HURON.

MEETING OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY OF THE DIocese OF HURON.

September 21, 1858.

The Church Society met at 7 p.m.

The Lord Bishop took the chair and called upon the Secretary to read prayers.

The Bishop then addressed the meeting, calling attention to the various matters which would naturally engage the attention of the Society, and touching upon the matters of interest which had taken place since the last meeting. He then called upon the Secretary to read the Act incorporating the Church Society of the Diocese of Huron, and those parts of the Act incorporating the Church Societies of Quebec and Toronto, which seemed to bear more particularly upon the business about to be brought before the meeting.

The said Acts were then read.

It was then moved by the Rev. Sr GEORGE CAULFIELD, seconded by the Rev. M. BOONER, "That all duly licensed clergymen of the Diocese, who are not on the list of incorporated members and all the lay representatives present during the Session of the Synod now being held, and not included in the Act of Incorporation, and following gentlemen be hereby declared incorporate members of this Society:—

"Mr. Hurst, Mr. Hughes, Copt. Cronyn, Mr. Leister, Mr. Galbraith, Dr. Lee, Mr. Watson, Dr. Philips, Robert Gordon, Dr. Alfred Harper, James Stephenson, Samuel Morley, Thomas Ellis, Lionel Ridout, Dr. H. Going, and N. Cronyn of London, and Mr. Roe of St. Thomas."

The Bishop then called the attention of the meeting to the necessity of appointing a committee to receive the Episcopal Fund from the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto.

Whereupon it was moved by the Rev. C. C. BROUGH, seconded by the Rev. M. BOONER: "That the following gentlemen be appointed a committee to receive the Episcopal Endowment Fund from the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto, and to manage the same under the direction of this Society:—

"L. LAWRASON, John Wilson, Absalom Shade, Lionel Ridout, J. W. Ritchie, Townsend G. Vidal and P. J. Salter, of whom three shall form a quorum."

The Bishop then brought before the meeting the proposed amendment of the Hon. J. H. CAMERON, to the By-Law of the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto, to provide for the management of the Commutation Fund.

His Lordship informed the meeting that he had had communication with the Bishop of Toronto on the subject of the division of the various funds in which the Society is interested with the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto, and a proposition was made to leave the whole matter to be arbitrated upon by the two Chief Justices and the Chancellor, but it was stated by the Bishop of Toronto, that upon further considering the matter, he thought it would be impossible to obtain their services upon any matter which might affect

wards be brought before them for a judicial decision, since which he had heard nothing further upon the subject, until these resolutions proposed by the Hon. J. H. CAMERON were brought under his notice.

The Bishop then directed the Secretary to read to the meeting the amendments proposed by Mr. CAMERON.

(Amendment read as printed).

The Rev. St. GEORGE CAULFIELD moved, seconded by the Rev. J. PAFFIELD, "That this subject be postponed until to-morrow evening, in order that Mr. CAMERON's resolution may be printed for the information of the members."

The Rev. C. C. BROUGH brought up the report of the committee appointed to draft a constitution. The constitution was considered clause by clause, and clauses one to ten passed unanimously.

The Bishop then called upon the Secretary to read the appointed prayers, and the meeting adjourned at 9½ o'clock, until to-morrow evening at 7 p.m.

September 22 1858.

The Society met pursuant to adjournment.

His Lordship took the chair at 7 p.m.

The Bishop called upon the Secretary to read the progress.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary and signed by the President.

The consideration of the constitution was then resumed, and the remaining clauses, XI. XVI. passed.

Mr. CAMERON's proposed amendments to the by-law of the Church Society of Toronto were then taken up, and, after some discussion on the subject.

The Rev. J. W. MARSH moved, seconded by Rev. St. GEORGE CAULFIELD,

Whereas it is proposed by the Church Society of Toronto to alter and amend their by-law regulating the management of the Commutation Fund, and at the same time to propose a basis for the distribution of the surplus income, or capital, wherever it may accrue; and whereas this Society is largely interested in the management and future disposition of the Fund; therefore, be it resolved that the Church Society of Toronto be respectfully requested to delay all action in the premises until some arrangement shall be devised that may be agreed to by all parties concerned, and thus, as far as possible, prevent that dissatisfaction, which is sure to arise if any legislation takes place in this matter without consulting those who are largely interested. Resolved, therefore, further, that, in order to settle the future management and distribution of this Fund, and also for settling the division of all other funds and property in which this Society is interested, with the Church Society of Toronto, L. LAWRASON, James Wilson and Secher Brough, Esquires, be appointed a committee to confer with a similar committee, which the Church Society of Toronto be requested to appoint, in part by the members in the Toronto Diocese, and in part by those members living within what will be the future Diocese of Kingston, to settle the basis of the division of all funds and property in which the three Dioceses will be interested, and this joint committee to report to the Church Societies of Toronto and Huron for their approval.

PATRONAGE OF THE RECTORIES

The Revd. E. H. DEWAR moved, seconded by J. G. VIDAL, Esquire, "That the Patronage of the Rectories vested by Act of Parliament in this Society shall be exercised by the Bishop of the Diocese, and that this resolution be considered as a By-Law of the Society for this purpose."

M. LAWRASON then brought before the meeting the present state of the Rectory of St. Paul's, London,

whereupon the Rev. J. G. SALTER moved, seconded by A. SHADE, Esq., "That the Bishop be respectfully requested not to resign the Rectory of St. Paul's, London, in the present financial position of the Parish."

The Rev. A. TOWNSLEY moved, seconded by Mr. FARRELL, "That the Lord Bishop be respectfully requested to appoint a Standing Committee to be in office until the next annual meeting of the Church Society."

It was then moved by Mr. SHADE, seconded by the Rev. H. Holland, "That the Lord Bishop do now leave the Chair, and that the same be taken by the Rev. C. C. BROUGH."

Mr. SHADE then moved, seconded and carried by acclamation, "That the thanks of this meeting be presented to his Lordship, the President, for the kind, patient, and impartial manner in which he has presided at this meeting."

The Bishop, after a few kind and affectionate remarks in acknowledgment, closed the meeting by pronouncing the benediction.

The meeting separated at 11½ p.m.—*Echo.*

DIocese OF RUPERT'S LAND.

On Sunday, the 1st of August, the Bishop of Rupert's Land held an ordination in St. John's Church, Red River, when Joseph Phelps Gardiner, of the Church Missionary Society, and Henry Cochrane, of St. John's Collegiate School, were admitted to Deacon's Orders. The Bishop preached on the occasion from Ezekiel II., 4, "I do send thee unto them."

At a special ordination held in the same Church, on Sunday, August 8th. Mr. Gardiner was admitted to Priest's Orders, when the ordination sermon was preached by the Rev. W. H. Taylor, from I Peter V., 1-4.

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