

cease, and the erection of the present See of Montreal, in the sanguine expectation that it might lead to more frequent intercourse with our Diocesan; and we trust that the present is but the earnest of many similar visits, to be often in future repeated, with equal pleasure (we would hope) to your Lordship, and advantage to ourselves.

To which the Bishop replied as follows:—

GENTLEMEN,—I beg to thank you for the Address you have now presented to me, and for the kind welcome with which I have been received, on this occasion of my visit to Sorel. The position which the Church occupies in this Mission, notwithstanding recent changes, which have caused the removal of many, who used to form part of the Congregation here, is very satisfactory; and it will be an encouragement to you, separated as you are in this place from all immediate intercourse with any of our Missions, to learn that I have found the Church steadily gaining ground, and increasing in strength, throughout a large portion of the Diocese, which I have been lately visiting on this side of the St. Lawrence. I shall hope, if it pleases God to spare my life, to have many opportunities of becoming better acquainted with Sorel, and the members of the Church who reside here; and, notwithstanding the many difficulties which we have to encounter in this country, and the discouragements which we must be prepared often to meet, I trust that we may look with good hope to the future, in humble confidence that God will own and bless our labours; and that we shall be allowed to see the cause of truth, and the salvation of men continually advancing throughout this great and growing country.

On the evening of the same day, a number of ladies and gentlemen of Sorel and its vicinity, met and spent the evening with the Bishop at the Rectory; and the following morning his Lordship, accompanied by the Rev. Messrs. Anderson and Guerout, crossed over to Berthier, on the north shore of the St. Lawrence, at which place a small but commodious Church is in course of erection. The Bishop preached on Tuesday to the little flock at Berthier, and returned to Montreal on Wednesday morning, leaving every where the most pleasing impression of his visit behind him.

ST. HYACINTHE.—A meeting of the protestant inhabitants of St. Hyacinthe and its vicinity, was held at the Court House, on the 21st day of July last, for the purpose of taking into consideration the best means of availing themselves of the generous donation of land made by the proprietors of the Seigniori of St. Hyacinthe, by erecting thereon a Church for public worship—the Lord Bishop of Montreal in the Chair. A list of contributions from various sources, towards the erection of a Church, amounting in all to the sum of £310, having been submitted to the meeting, it was, therefore,

On motion of the Rev. Thos. Johnson, of Abbotsford, seconded by G. F. Barnes, Esq.:

Resolved—That every exertion be forthwith used to increase the amount subscribed, to the sum of £500, and upwards if possible, and for that purpose that the following gentlemen be requested to act as a Committee of Ways and Means, with power to add to their number, for the purpose of collecting subscriptions, either payable in ready money or by instalments:—Rev. Thomas Machin, Chairman; Mr. Justice McCord, H. G. Forsyth, S. C. Monk, D. Ramsay, G. F. Barnes, A. Gemmill, J. Woodhouse, P. Sutherland, J. W. Jenkinson, P. W. Farquhar, J. H. Savage, J. McGill, and W. R. Scott, Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Cliff, seconded by Mr. Jenkinson:

Resolved—That the sums received by the several collectors, be placed in the hands of the Chairman, to be by him deposited, from time to time, in one of the chartered Banks in the District of Montreal, to the credit of the "Building Fund of the Episcopal Church of St. Hyacinthe."

On motion of Mr. Sutherland, seconded by Mr. Scott:

Resolved—That so soon as £500 currency shall be subscribed, it will be the duty of the Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means to call a meeting of the subscribers, to appoint, subject to the sanction of the Lord Bishop, a Building Committee, to carry out the object in view.

On motion of the Rev. Thos. Machin, of St. Hyacinthe, seconded by D. S. Ramsay, Esq., and supported by Mr. Woodhouse:

Resolved unanimously—That the thanks of the present meeting be given to the Lord Bishop of Montreal, for the honor conferred by his present visit, and for the great interest his Lordship has manifested for the spiritual welfare of this section of his diocese.

His Lordship, in reply to the last resolution, made reference to the exertions of the members of the Church in various parts of the diocese of Montreal, with which his Lordship was pleased to express himself well satisfied. His Lordship pointed out the necessity for, and the privilege of, combined effort for the spread of Christian truth in the enlargement of the Church in this diocese, and congratulated the friends of the Church in St. Hyacinthe and its vicinity, on the vigorous commencement of their labours in so holy an enterprise.

His Lordship having pronounced the Benediction, the meeting was brought to a close.—*Montreal Herald*.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO. CHURCH SOCIETY.

The annual general meeting of the Church Society of this Diocese took place in the City Hall, Toronto, on the 18th June. The meeting had been postponed to that day, in order that it might be held simultaneously with the celebration in London of the third Jubilee of the Venerable the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts.

Previous to the meeting, evening service was celebrated in the Church of the Holy Trinity.—Prayers were said by the Rev. H. B. Osler, and the lessons were read by the Rev. C. L. Ingles.

At the conclusion of divine worship, the congregation adjourned to the City-Hall, when the chair was taken, and the meeting opened with prayer, by the Lord Bishop, shortly after two o'clock, P. M.

The Secretary having been called upon by the Lord Bishop, read the annual report, and it was then

Moved by the Rev. E. Denroche, and seconded by Dr. Bovell.

Resolution 1.—That the Report just read be adopted, and that it be printed under the direction of the Standing Committee of the Society in such number and form as to them may seem expedient.

Moved by the Rev. T. S. Kennedy, and seconded by the Rev. A. Dixon.

Resolution 2.—That this meeting desires to record its thankfulness to Almighty God for the success which He has been pleased to vouchsafe to the Society during the past year.

Moved by the Hon. the Chief Justice, and seconded by the Rev. Dr. Litt.

Resolution 3.—That we commemorate with unfeigned rejoicing and thanksgiving to Almighty God, the third Jubilee of the Venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts; and that it be recommended by the authority of his Lordship, the Bishop of Toronto, as a suitable acknowledgment of our indebtedness to that eminently useful Society, that sermons be preached and collections made in behalf of the Society throughout the various Parishes and Missions of this Diocese, on any Sunday prior to the 31st July next; the proceeds of such collections to be devoted, at the suggestion of his Lordship, to either of these two objects, which are amongst the four specified by this Society, viz:—The extension of the Episcopate abroad, and the General Purposes' Fund.

Moved by E. G. O'Brien, Esq., and seconded by the Rev. R. J. MacGeorge.

Resolution 4.—That we feel it a duty to unite with our brethren at home in recording our earnest protest against the recent aggression of the Bishop of Rome, upon the supremacy of our Most Gracious Sovereign, and the independent rights of our national and Apostolic Church.

Moved by the Rev. H. Scadding, and seconded by George Rykert, Esq.

Resolution 5.—That this Society rejoices to hear of the establishment of a Church Society for the Diocese of Montreal, and of