

THE ADVENT CRY.

WATCHMAN, what of the night?
 Say, does the morning dawn?
 Is there a streak of light?
 Or does the night go on
 Further and further stretching down
 Into the midnight's blackest frown?

Watchman, what of the night?
 What of the coming day?
 Is there a struggling light
 Casting a doubtful ray?
 Is there a gleam of hope, oh say,
 Is there a glimmer of coming day?

Watchman, what of the night?
 We are in valleys low;
 You, on the mountain height,
 Can catch the first faint glow,
 Signal us, when the longed-for light
 Flashes its way through the waiting night.

Watchman, what of the night?
 O sign o'er the far off hills?
 No faintest rim of light
 The dark horizon fills?
 No hint of dawn from the cruel heaven?
 No sunlit peak, no twilight, even?

Watchman, what of the night?
 In my heart the shadows fall,
 Sweet hope has taken flight,
 The heavens are her pall,
 Smothering Despair has folded wing
 And broods o'er ev'ry earthly thing.

Watchman, what of the night?
 A light, a light you say?
 'Tis but the moon's pale light,
 'Tis but a star's faint ray,
 'Tis but a mock of the long delay,
 'Tis—O watchman, is it the day?

Watchman, what of the day?
 Does it glint the night-cold hills?
 Has't come? I pray you say,
 O shout till the echo thrills.
 'Tis come, at last I hear you say,
 My soul lies wrapt in endless day.

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The Church at Home.

DIocese of MONTREAL.

APPOINTMENTS:—Rev. E. Archibald, to the Mission of Brome Corner; Rev. R. W. B. Webster, to the Rectory of Bedford; Rev. John Scully, to the Mission of New Glasgow and Kilkenny; Rev. K. L. Richardson, M. A., to be Officiating Minister at Chambly.

VACANT CURES:—Rectory of St. Armand West, (Phillipsburg &c.), Mission of Mille Isles, Mission of North Gore, Mission of Bristol.

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The members of the Executive Committee for the Diocese of Montreal, met Nov. 8th in the Synod Hall. Present:—His Lordship the Metropolitan, presiding, the Very Rev. the Dean of Montreal, the Ven. Archdeacon Lonsdell, Revs. Canons Ellegood, Baldwin and Evans, Revs. Messrs. Norman, David Lindsay, Carmichael, Rollit, Henderson, Empson, Lobleby.

And Messrs. Brydges, Bethune, Thos. White, Jr., M. H. Sauborn, L. H. Davidson, Charles Garth, John Crawford, Thomas Simpson, Dutton, W. B. Simpson.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer then submitted a statement of the condition of the accounts at date as follows:—

Widows and Orphans Fund.

Paid grants to widows.....	\$380 00
Amount invested in mortgage.....	2,000 00
Balance.....	834 70
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	\$3,214 70

By balance August 8th.....	\$2,039 69
Collections and subscriptions.....	66 93
Interest on investments.....	1,108 08

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Superannuated Fund.

By balance.....	\$184 06
By collections and subscriptions.....	137 63
By interest on investments.....	37 50

\$359 19

Sustentation Fund.

Paid mortgage.....	\$2,000 00
Collector's Commission.....	23 00
Balance.....	2,024 58

By balance.....	\$1,047 58
By subscription.....	\$1536 58
Loan from C. T. Fund.....	1400 00

\$4047 58

Mission Fund.

To grant to Clergymen.....	\$5022 68
Clergy Trust Grant.....	614 42
Expenses, printing accounts etc.....	849 71
Subscriptions wrongly credited, transferred to other funds.....	26 13
Interest paid on endowments.....	341 60

\$6854 54

By balance.....	760 28
Subscriptions from city.....	349 40
“ “ country.....	452 68

Sustentation Fund—

Interest on investments.....	\$1289 57
Clergy Trust.....	773 50
Rent of Synod Hall.....	15 00
Interest on deposit.....	10 36
S. P. G. grant for quarter ended 1st October..	1927 95
Rev. D. Lindsay, C. T. grant.....	91 25
Balance	1184 55

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By this statement the Mission Fund is found to be some \$500 better than at the corresponding period of last year.

The report of the Lay Committee on Missions was received, declining to recommend the additional grant of \$100 to the Mission of Iron Hill.

Some question arose about the Committee having acted, not on the memorial which had been agreed to and recommended by the Deanery of Bedford, but on a letter from Mr. Nye.

Moved by Rev. J. Rollit, seconded by Rev. Mr. Lobleby,—

That the report of the Lay Committee be not received, inasmuch as it is not made upon the document or application referred to them, but that the application from the Deanery of Bedford be referred to the Lay Committee, to report upon it at the next meeting of the Executive Committee. Carried.