

CHURCH CHRONICLE

FOR THE

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

“Men speak not with the instruments of writing, neither write with the instruments of speech, and yet things recorded with one and uttered with the other may be preached will enough for both.”

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SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

The second meeting of the Diocesan Synod was held on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 19th and 20th of June. There was a good attendance both of the Clergy and of the Lay Representatives, forty-four of the former and sixty-two of the latter being present. Only two parishes were left unrepresented.

The proceedings commenced on the morning of Tuesday with the celebration of Divine Service in the Cathedral, at Montreal. The Sermon, which was distinguished both by fitness to the occasion, and by earnestness of manner and delivery, was preached by the Rev. J. Scott M. A., of Dunham, one of the Bishop's Chaplains. The Holy Communion was then administered. At two o'clock in the afternoon of the same day, the Clerical and Lay delegates with the Bishop, met in the Lecture Room of the Mechanics' Hall. After the offering of prayer imploring the Divine blessing upon the Church at large, and especially upon that branch of it existing in this Diocese, and upon the Synod now assembled, the business of the day commenced with calling over the names of the delegates. The Bishop then delivered the opening address, in which he reminded those present of the great importance of the work for Christ and the Church, in which they were about to engage, and the spirit in which it should be undertaken and carried on. He stated, that, the Memorial respecting the appointment of a Metropolitan for the Church in Canada had been presented, but that as yet no decision had been received from the home authorities. In respect to the compilation of a hymn book for use in public worship, the Bishop said, that, he had had some correspondence with Dr. Beaven, the Chairman of the Committee appointed by the Toronto Synod on this matter; and that the suggestion which he (the Bishop) had made, that it was desirable to let