

The Minutes of last session as printed in the "Fourteenth Journal of Synod" were, upon resolution, considered as read, and approved.

The Bishop named eleven o'clock to-morrow for the election of the Executive Committee and twelve o'clock for the election of Delegates to the Provincial Synod.

It was resolved that the offertory at this morning's service in the Cathedral should be given to the Mission Fund.

The Bishop then named the members of the several standing committees of the Synod. (See pages 479—80)

His Lordship then delivered the following

ADDRESS.

My Reverend Brethren and Brethren of the Laity,—As the time of our annual gathering year by year comes round, I do not feel that the sense of my responsibility grows less. Rather I would say that my anxiety increases, that this Synod may be the blessed means under God of advancing His glory and the well-being of His Church. I am more and more impressed with its value and importance; for if conducted in a wise and Christian spirit, it may be productive of much good; but should that spirit be wanting our meeting together will be not merely useless, but positively hurtful.

May God by His Holy Spirit, fit us all for the work now before us; and may a great spur be thus given to the growth of the Church in this Diocese.

I have to record the removal from among us of two devoted and valued members of our Synod, Stanley Bagg, Esq., and Dr. Smallwood, both ever ready to aid the Church in its works of faith and labours of love.

STATE OF OUR MISSIONS.

The prominent subject which engages our attention, and calls out our anxiety, at the present time, is the state of our Missions. I have no hesitation in saying that the work is prospering. Several parishes are gradually emerging from a state of pupillage and dependence to one of manhood and self-reliance. Two, namely Waterloo and Bedford, have in the past year declared themselves independent of all extraneous aid, and have risen to the higher and more honorable status of *Rectories*. Some also of the most needy missions have shown a laudable determination to raise the stipends of their pastors, so that now in the majority of cases the clergyman is receiving \$800 per annum, or something close upon that sum. I hope that ere long there will not be one in full orders, whose salary is short of that amount. We have at the present time 10 city churches; and 2 churches and 3 temporary Missions, in the immediate neighborhood of the city. We have also 59 Country Missions, all supplied, and one Mission among the Germans. Further there are 8 Projected Missions, which would at once be occupied, if the

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