

1. Moved by T. C. SNEY, Esq., seconded by Rev. W. McMURRAY, D.D., and resolved, that the Report now read be adopted and printed in the Ecclesiastical Gazette, and that 200 copies be ordered for distribution among the Parochial Associations.

2. Moved by COL. KINGSMILL, seconded by Rev. E. DENROCHE, M.A., and resolved that while this meeting cannot omit to render their humble and hearty thanks to Almighty God for any good this Society may have been made instrumental in effecting, it would deplore the lack of zeal displayed by the members of the Church generally in not contributing more largely to its funds, believing the Society to be deserving of our hearty support.

3. Moved by Rev. T. S. KENNEDY, Sec., seconded by Rev. J. FLOOD, and resolved that this meeting views with very great satisfaction the report rendered by the missionary, and pledges itself to do its utmost to further his views both by its countenance and support.

4. Moved by COL. KINGSMILL, and seconded by Rev. Dr. FULLER, and resolved that this meeting desires to express its sense of the loss the Society has sustained by the death of a very prominent member, G. Rykert, Esq., and to record its heartfelt sympathies with his family.

5. Moved by Rev. E. DENROCHE, M.A., seconded by Rev. T. B. FULLER, D.D., and resolved, that this Branch Association deeply sympathising with our Brethren in the East, and being desirous of presenting a tribute of respect and gratitude to S. P. G. F. P. for their long fostering care for our spiritual well-being, do adopt the following memorial to the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, praying for an opportunity of aiding that Society in extending its Indian Missions.

P. S.—The memorial has already appeared in the columns of the Gazette.

6. Moved by Rev. J. STANNAGE, seconded by Rev. J. J. S. MOUNTAIN, and resolved, that the Rev. T. B. Fuller, D.D., D.C.L., be treasurer and the Rev. C. L. Ingles, B.A., be secretary for the ensuing year.

CHAS. LEYCESTER INGLES, Secretary

NAME OF PARISH.	TOTAL RECEIVED.	FOR PARENT SOCIETY.	FOR TRAVELLING MISSION.	RETURNS TO PARISHES.	
Niagara .....	\$ 276 49½	\$ 75 87½	\$ 61 37½	\$162 75	
St. Catherine .....	240 20	75 05	65 05	110 10	
Chippawa .....	201 24	87 81	38 06	75 62	
Drummondville and Stamford .....	88 43	45 83	14 20	28 40	
Thorold .....	135 50	37 62½	32 62½	13 36	
South .....	33 25	15 30	4 32½	13 62½	
Fort Erie .....	37 60	9 37½	9 37½	18 75	
Dunville .....	46 00	15 00	10 00	20 00	
Merrittville .....	6 00	6 00			
	\$1001 01½	\$386 30½	\$215 98½	\$484 59½	

The Niagara District Branch of the Diocesan Church Society in account with T. B. Fuller, Treasurer, for the year ending 27th January, 1868.

## DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

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On S. Matthew's day, falling at the Ember Season, the Bishop of Quebec admitted to Deacon's Orders, Mr. Charles Hamilton, B.A., of University College, Oxford. The solemnity took place in S. Matthew's chapel, situated in the suburbs St. John, the Cathedral being still under repair. The Sermon, which was extemporaneous, was preached by the Bishop, and founded upon the whole portion of Scripture appointed for the Epistle of the day (Commencing with 2. Cor. iv. 1.), then which nothing can be more appropriate to the occasion of an Ordination. Mr. Hamilton is engaged at present as third curate in the Parish of Quebec, of which the Bishop is himself Rector: he is a thoroughly earnest labourer in the service of Christ, and his ministrations in the opening of his career, have met with encouraging acceptance.

On the 6th of October, the Bishop, accompanied by his son, the Rev. A. W. Mountain, as chaplain, set out upon a circuit to be made for holding confirmation and other objects of Episcopal visitation, in the mission of the Rev. W. King. The extent of this mission, of which the commencing point is thirty miles South of Quebec, is greater than that of many English Dioceses, and its character is itinerant,—not in the sense of exploring untried country or affording casual ministrations to unprovided settlements, but in that of supplying in rotation, a number of widely severed and for the most part, small and feeble flocks. The tract of country through which these labours are carried, consists in part, of the old French Parishes seated upon the river Claudière, but in the more important division of settlements of more recent formation, principally occupied by the race coming from the British Isles. There are five churches completed and neatly finished, although without any sort of architectural pretensions. They are all built of wood and two of them, located in backwood settlements, are very simple and diminutive structures. There is a sixth church built of stone, which has been standing unfinished for many years, the proportion of Protestant settlers having rather dwindled away than advanced since it was undertaken—and there is another projected, upon a site given by Mr. Poyer, Seigneur of *Aubert Galion de l'Isle*, being part of an endowment of 120 acres made by that gentleman. Two of these churches were consecrated in the present Episcopal circuit, and four burying grounds were in like manner solemnly set apart within the Mission. In other places within the Mission, the services of the Church are performed in private houses; and in two instances, Mr. King, in making his rounds puts up as he ascends the Claudière, at houses of which the occupants are respectively, the only Protestants in the entire Parish.\* In each of these cases, however, he holds a full week-day service with the family in the evening and again before his departure in the morning, giving also at one of the services a familiar sermon; and the families, in order not to lose sight of the decent exterior appointments of worship, keep in each case a surplice and a scarf for his use. In one of these houses the Bishop confirmed one person, in the other three. In one one of the rougher settlements, lying back West of the Claudière, every thing is yet in a very backward condition, and the Bishop in going from church to church among them, could only pass, with his clerical companions on horseback, the roads not being fit for any other vehicle than such as a strong country cart as carried the bag-

gage. The people cheerfully provided the horses and their rustic equipments. The number of places at which confirmation was held in the Mission was eight: the number of persons confirmed, fifty-seven; the largest number in any one place fifteen. The Bishop preached upon every occasion, incorporating with the sermon, according to his usual practice in the rural districts, his address to the recipients of the rite, and interweaving with it also, upon all occasions but two, an appeal on behalf of the *Mission Fund* of the *Diocesan Church Society*, such as is annually made in all the churches of the Diocese,—as well as in the instances where it was required, an appropriate reference to the ceremonies of consecration, whether of churches or burying-grounds.

On the 15th of November, the Bishop held an ordination in S. George's church, Lenoxville, for the purpose of admitting to the grade of Deacon, Mr. Matthews Monkhouse Fothergill, late student of S. Augustine's Missionary College at Canterbury, who had arrived from England, with all due testimonials (having been engaged for the charge of *Travelling Missionary* of the *Diocesan Church Society*), before the Ember weeks in September, but had not then attained the canonical age. In the meantime he had been employed under Episcopal authority and clerical direction, as an itinerant lay-reader and catechist, in the tract of country in which Lenoxville is situated. The ordination sermon was preached by the Bishop himself. Mr. Fothergill, some passing notice of whose labours will be found further on, has been ever since very actively and very faithfully at work. (The mention in this summary, of the wants or efficiency of clergymen is confined to the cases of those being three in number, whose ordination, taking place singly in each case, is recorded.)

It is always gratifying to the Church people of these colonies to receive a visit from an American Bishop; and this gratification was afforded in the course of the Autumn, to those of Quebec, by the appearance among them of the Bishop of Massachusetts, who preached on a Sunday morning, at Trinity chapel, for the Colonial Church and School Society. In the afternoon of the same day, he preached at the Lecture Hall, which at that time temporarily accommodated the Cathedral congregation.

The Fast on account of the calamities of India, was observed, by proclamation of the Governor General, on Friday the 27th of November. The sermon in the Lecture hall just mentioned was preached by the Bishop of Quebec, and afterwards published by desire. The collection made upon the occasion, towards the India Relief Fund, amounted to about \$187,—making, in conjunction with the evening collection, when a sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Percy, and with the contributions (all for the same object), in the different chapels of the Church in Quebec, the sum of \$400.

Two days after this, the Cathedral was reopened. The Bishop of Vermont came, by invitation of the Bishop of Quebec, who was his host during his stay, to preach the sermon upon the occasion. His effective preaching is well known. A collection was made after the sermon, for charitable objects, which amounted to about \$165. In this way, the Cathedral congregation alone (without counting the ordinary afternoon collection for common parochial purposes of charity, for which two collections are made regularly every Sunday) contributed in answer to the appeals from the pulpit on the Friday and the Sunday next following, more than \$400.

In the afternoon of the same day the Bishop of Vermont preached at S. Michael's chapel, Sillery,\* and again in the evening at S. Matthew's chapel,