

Church Society.

CENTRAL BOARD.

A stated meeting of the Central Board was held in the Cathedral Hall, 17th January, the Lord Bishop in the chair. A resolution was passed re balance of "Wilberforce Diocesan Missioner Fund," and a Committee appointed to report upon its standing. A letter was received gratefully acknowledging the Board's resolution of sympathy on the death of Mr. R. H. Smith. Letters were received from the Rev. C. B. Washer re Subscription Lists, from Rev. W. G. Faulconer re teacher for Lower Ireland, and from a clergyman re grant in aid of the education of his son, and action taken on each. A letter was also received from the authorities of the Church Hall in reference to renewal and terms of lease. The conditions were accepted with a proviso. The Treasurer submitted his report. He was instructed to keep in a separate account, to be styled the "Robert Hamilton Bequest," the sum received from the Executors of the Hamilton estate for the Mission Fund. A Committee was appointed to confer with the Committee of Synod in preparing a deed concerning the See House. Chancellor Dunbar presented the report of the Committee on "Record of Church Property," and action taken in accordance therewith. The meeting adjourned to January 23rd, when the Secretary, the Rev. A. J. Balfour, submitted the Annual Report for the past year, which, after being considered clause by clause, was adopted and ordered to be presented at the Annual Meeting. Mr. Pope, the Treasurer, also submitted his report, which was in like manner adopted and ordered to be presented at the Annual Meeting. The Secretary was instructed to print in the Annual Report a list of the Parishes and Missions of the Diocese, showing what special offerings were made in aid of the Society's Funds, and where none was made.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Church Society was held in the Cathedral Church Hall on Wednesday, 1st February, at three o'clock, under the Presidency of the Lord Bishop. The

several reports presented were all of an encouraging nature and gave evidence of good work being done throughout the Diocese. Gradually but steadily is the Church lengthening her cords and strengthening her stakes. A few years ago the prospect of the withdrawal of the S. P. G. grant (\$4,500) by the end of the current year, coupled with a marked decline in revenue from invested capital, seemed quite alarming; but thanks to the generous gifts and noble bequests of some members of the Church her Mission work will not be curtailed or allowed to suffer. His Lordship communicated to the Society the pleasing intelligence that His Excellency the Governor-General, like his predecessors in office, members of the Church of England, had been graciously pleased to become Patron of the Society, and a Life Member thereof. Three others were elected Life Members, and several ordinary members, of the Corporation. The Vice-Presidents and general working staff were re-elected and the officers thanked for their services.

ANNIVERSARY MEETING.

The Public Meeting which it is usual to hold in the interests of the Church Society during the holy season of Lent, but which was omitted last year for lack of speakers, will D.V., take place at the Tara Hall on Monday evening, March 6th. At this meeting addresses will be delivered by the Right Rev. Dr. Dumoulin, Lord Bishop of Niagara, and by the Hon. H. T. Duffy, Minister of Public Works.

The doors will be open at half-past seven and the chair will be taken by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese at eight o'clock.

Much that is interesting has occurred during the last two years. It is earnestly hoped that all members of the Church of England in and around Quebec City, as well as others who may be interested in the progress of Christian work will endeavor to be present.

The Robert Hamilton Memorial.

Among other pleasing incidents arising under the above head, the Bishop has received the following from an old and respected Quebec