

\$378. The committee strongly recommended a special Jubilee offertory on June 20th, to augment the capital of the fund. The report was adopted unanimously.

To hold a conference—Rev. G. J. Lowe presented the report on Sunday schools. It stated that on May 18th the committee passed a resolution, stating that it was found impossible to hold the conference on Sunday schools last year, and recommending that an evening be devoted to this important subject during the meeting of the Synod. The report was adopted. Rev. Mr. Bogert presented the report of the Clergy Trust Fund Committee. It showed that the present nominal capital of the fund is \$125,073. The question of withholding payment from the last annuitant on the list (Rev. T. Garrett), until the deficiency was made up, had been considered, and it was decided to allow the payment, believing that the fund would recoup itself in time, to the amount necessary for the whole of the annuitants. Rev. Mr. Bonsfield moved an amendment to the report that the committee conform with the canons in not encroaching on the capital in order to pay the last annuitant on the list. Several of the members thought this action would mean a law suit. On division the amendment was defeated, and the motion was carried almost unanimously. Archdeacon Lauder made some remarks on the matter of the arbitration in the matter of the funds of the dioceses, and the Synod afterwards adjourned. Wednesday morning's session of the Synod was taken up with discussion on the question of repealing certain canons, principally those concerning incomes. It was argued whether \$300 or \$400, should, when the clergy trust fund permitted, be given the senior clergyman of the diocese, next in order, to the regular annuitants. On a division the \$400 was decided upon, the vote being 49 to 37. Chancellor Lewis, Mr. W. H. Rowley and Mr. C. A. Eliot entertained the Bishop, the officials of the Synod, the newly-appointed chapter, the archdeacon, and the rural deans to luncheon at the Rideau Club.

At the afternoon session delegates were appointed to the General Synod, Provincial Synod and Mission Board. Those elected to the General Synod were: Clerical—Dean Lauder, Ven. Archdeacon Bogert, Canon Lowe; substitutes, Canons Pollard, Muckleston and Nesbitt. Lay—Judge Senkler, Col. Matheson, W. H. Rowley; substitutes, J. F. Lewis, J. P. Whitney and F. W. Avery. The delegates selected for the Provincial Synod are:

Clerical delegates—Dean Lauder, Archdeacon Bogert, Canon Lowe, Pollard, Nesbitt, Elliott, Muckleston, Hanington, Rural Deans Houston, Reed, Bliss, Rev. R. W. Samwell; substitutes, Revs. A. W. Mackay, A. Phillips, A. H. Coleman, C. Saddington, T. Bayley, W. Stiles.

Lay delegates—Judge Senkler, Col. Matheson, W. H. Rowley, J. F. Orde, W. L. Marler, C. Macnab, J. T. Lewis, J. P. Whitney, T. McFarlane, F. W. Avery, A. Code, E. A. Johnson, Dr. R. W. Powell; substitutes, Mr. Hall, Col. Anderson, C. A. Elliott; J. Bishop, J. G. Higginson.

Clerical delegates to the Mission Board are:—Revs. E. Elliott, W. A. Read, R. L. Houston, C. V. F. Bliss, R. W. Samwell, W. J. Muckleston, C. Saddington and A. Phillips.

The lay delegates are:—W. H. Rowley, Lt.-Col. Matheson, Judge Senkler, F. C. Avery, C. Macnab, A. Code, L. W. Howard, T. MacFarlane.

Rural Dean Bliss presented the report of the Board of Rural Deans, which reviewed the work done during the year in the different deaneries. It has not infrequently happened, stated the report, that the board has come in for some very sharp criticism at the hands of the Synod, but this year they ask for your forbearance, as, having been bereft of one half their number by the resignation of the rural deans of Carleton, Lanark and Prescott and Russell, they come before you in mourning. The remnant that remaineth of the old board, the rural deans of Renfrew, Stormont and Pembroke, deem it their duty, as a tribute of justice, no less than an act of courtesy, to place on record an expression, not alone of regret at the severance of old ties, but also of the board's appreciation of the ser-

vices rendered to the Church, more especially in the country missions, by Rev. J. J. Bogert, Rev. A. C. Nesbitt and Rev. H. Pollard. To the new rural deans who have just been appointed to the vacancies thus created, the board extends the assurance of a very ready welcome, and expresses the hope that the infusion, all at one time, of so large a quantity of new blood into an old body, may not result in so great a shock to the system as to produce a state of collapse.

Ven. Archdeacon Bogert, of Carleton, reported generally a steady improvement throughout that deanery. Two new parishes were created during the year, making the total number twenty. Special reference was made to the progress of the parish at Manotick, whose stipend to the clergyman increased from \$470 in 1890 to \$900 in 1896, while at the same time the parish had been building and paid for a parsonage.

The report of Lanark was submitted by Rev. A. C. Nesbitt, rural dean. A new mission had been started there, and, in his opinion, a great opening was at hand in the diocese for so re-arranging parishes and missions as to increase the staff of clergy, and thereby render possible an attempt to reclaim many who in times past, when clergy were few, strayed away from the ecclesiastical home of their ancestors. He anticipated great results from the labours of the new rural dean, Rev. Archibald Elliott.

Rural Dean Read reported that the rector's stipend in Pembroke deanery had been increased, contributions had been sent to the diocesan funds, \$200 paid to the church-building, and a new organ bought. Stafford was shown to be strongest in the deanery, having 125 families.

The rural dean of Prescott and Russell reported that it was in contemplation to erect a new church in Navan. The communicants had increased from 594 to 719. Rural Dean Bliss reported the Deanery of Renfrew to be prosperous and with a promising future. The Rev. R. M. L. Houston reported on behalf of Stormont deanery. There were 133 communicants. The committee called the attention of the Synod to the small stipend paid missionary clergy and the urgent necessity for some regulations to secure them a living income. The report was adopted. The Synod passed a resolution of congratulation on her Majesty having attained her sixtieth year on the throne. Dean Lauder presented the report of the Clergy Trust Fund Committee, and, after a short discussion, the Synod adjourned.

Thursday morning—During the morning session a discussion took place on the clause in the Mission Board's report recommending the establishment of an Anglican mission near the St. Andrew's Glebe property, and that a grant of \$400 be made for that purpose. Rev. Mr. Mackay supported the suggestion, stating that there were 40 or 50 Church of England families living in the district of the Glebe, who required a place of worship. Mr. Macnab opposed the granting of a sum for that purpose, as the district was in the city, and could not be regarded as a mission. It was finally decided to strike the clause out of the report, as it was the opinion of the Synod that the people there now could attend the nearest English churches in the city without much difficulty. In the afternoon their Excellencies Lord and Lady Aberdeen visited the Synod. His Lordship the Bishop, in pleasing terms, extended a cordial welcome to their Excellencies on behalf of the Diocese of Ottawa and Church of England. He said the Synod felt highly honoured in having them, the representatives of her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, attend the Synod. He spoke of the bright and noble example his Excellency had set to the people of Canada in every way, particularly in the cause and promotion of Christianity.

His Excellency, in reply, said it was with no small amount of gratitude he received such a hearty and grateful expression of welcome greeting. He thanked his Lordship for the kindly words of praise to himself and Lady Aberdeen, stating that he had only acted as he thought proper, being the representative of her Majesty, in doing all in his power to assist the Church in its work. Anyone occupy-

ing such an office as he did, should be a force for good. His Excellency expressed his hearty good wishes for the Synod and the Church they represented—the great and national Apostolic Church of England. Alluding to the Victorian Order of Nurses, he thanked those clergymen and lay representatives in the Synod who had so nobly responded in assisting the realization of the scheme. It was a good memorial of her Majesty's Jubilee, inasmuch as it gave help to those who required it. The scheme was supported by earnest and able men throughout all parts of the country, and as time went on and its objects were better understood, it would be valued still more. In conclusion, his Excellency regretted that he was unable to be present at the benediction service in Christ Church cathedral, owing to a previous engagement. Their Excellencies remained at the session for a short time, and on leaving the Synod arose and sang the National Anthem.

Rev. E. A. W. Hanington resigned from the office of the Domestic and Foreign Mission Board, and Mr. Maynard was elected as his successor.

Canon Pollard afterwards presented the details of the Quebec scheme for the payment of missionaries, which was recommended for adoption in the Ottawa Diocese by a special committee appointed to consider it. After a lengthy discussion on the scheme it was adopted as a whole. According to the scheme missionaries will be paid through the secretary of the Mission Board instead of by the parishes directly, as heretofore.

His Lordship afterwards extended a formal invitation to Archdeacon Bogert to a seat on the platform. As the new archdeacon walked forward there was loud and enthusiastic applause. Being called upon for a speech, Archdeacon Bogert expressed his pleasure at having an opportunity to thank his Lordship for appointing him to his new and important position. He realized the responsibilities of the office, knowing that in addition to the honour it carried there was a good share of work also to be performed. During the fifteen and a half years that he was rural dean of Carleton he had come in contact with all the clergy and lay members of the Church in that deanery, and had found them loyal and warm friends of the Church. He had received great kindness and universal hospitality at their hands.

The grants recommended to missions were as follows: Archville, Fitzroy Harbor, Janeville, Osgoode and Russell, \$100 each; Franktown, Lanark, Navan and Vankleek Hill, \$150 each; Chrysler, Gloucester, Mountain and Nepean, \$200 each; Beachburg, Newington, Renfrew and Winchester, \$250 each; Plantagenet and Tennyson, \$300 each; Douglas, Grattan, Mattawa and Petawawa, \$350 each; Combermere, \$400. The Synod after some discussion, made the following changes in the grants: Vankleek Hill was taken from the \$150 list and put down for \$200. Bearbrook was recommended for \$150. Cobden was struck off the \$250 list and added to the \$300 list.

The Primate received.—The Primate of Canada, the Most Reverend the Archbishop of Rupert's Land, afterwards entered the hall, and was accorded a hearty welcome. The Primate addressed the members, congratulating them on the formation of their new diocese, and on their efforts during the year. Mr. L. M. Fortier presented the report of the Committee on Parish Boundaries, and the Synod then adjourned.

Ottawa.—Christ Church Cathedral.—The installation of the first dean and chapter took place on Thursday evening, June 3rd, and was one of the most impressive services in the history of the Church in Ottawa. The cathedral was crowded to the doors.

After the processional hymn, the Bishop, attended by the Chancellor and the rector of the church, read the following, with the congregation standing: Brethren beloved in the Lord: Two solemn acts, full of benefit and blessing to the Church in this diocese, as we humbly hope, are before us this evening. First, we are about to constitute this parish church the cathedral of this diocese, and to implore the blessing of Almighty God upon its