

any quarry or quarries of stone, more than may be absolutely required for the use and improvement of the same, the surplus may be sold by the Incumbent and Churchwardens, and the proceeds thereof be applied to the repairs, additions or improvement of the Parsonage and outhouses.

H. PATTON, *Chairman.*

Dr. PATTON gives notice that he will move that the Report be printed and taken into consideration next session.

The ARCHDEACON of YORK brought up the report of the Committee on the

ADDRESS TO THE BISHOP OF HURON.

The Committee appointed at the last session of the Synod to draw up an address to the Lord Bishop, Clergy, and Laity of the Diocese of Huron on the occasion of their being separated from us by being constituted a new Diocese, beg to report, that they forwarded to the Lord Bishop of Huron the following address:

TO THE RIGHT REVEREND, THE LORD BISHOP OF HURON.

May it please your Lordship,

We, the Bishop, Clergy, and Lay representatives of the Diocese of Toronto in Synod assembled, cannot separate without offering to your Lordship, to your Clergy, and to the members of the Church in your Diocese in general, the expression of our fraternal sympathy and cordial friendship.

The Christian household which composed this Diocese had become too large for the effective and profitable supervision of a single head, and a portion of it has been delegated to the oversight of your Lordship. Yet, although, by this division, we are separated by artificial limits, there is no parting of our spiritual affinity. The current of Christian feeling cannot be restrained by such barriers; its course is as free as ever through the whole brotherhood of the faith.

We trust that we may be found united in our counsels and deliberations for the welfare of God's Church: that we may ever be one in adherence to the Apostle's doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

That your Lordship's oversight of the Diocese of Huron may be eminently conducive to the building up of believers in Evangelical truth and Apostolic order, is our most earnest prayer; while it is our firmest supplication to the Throne of Grace that we may all, in our allotted station, labour to "come in the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ," and finally, through His merits, to His everlasting Kingdom of Glory.

STEPHEN LETT, *Clerical Secretary.*

(Seal) JAMES BOVELL, *Lay Secretary.*

JOUR: TORONTO.

To which his Lordship returned the following reply:—

TO THE RIGHT REVEREND, THE LORD BISHOP OF TORONTO.

My Lord,

I have received with feelings of the most lively satisfaction, the address voted by the assembled Synod of your Lordship's Diocese, to me, to my Clergy, and to the members of the Church in the Diocese of Huron. And I beg, for myself, to reciprocate the expression of fraternal sympathy and cordial fellowship which the address contains.

I shall avail myself of the earliest opportunity of laying the address before the Synod of this Diocese, and I feel assured that the Clergy and Laity will unite with me in expressing the most earnest desire that though we are severed from the Diocese of Toronto by artificial lines and

boundaries; we may ever be bound together by the three-fold cord of "faith, hope, and charity," and with one heart labour for the diffusion of the gospel in the land, and for the increase of the kingdom of Christ our Lord.

That your Lordship may be long spared over your Diocese to administer its affairs with the zeal and vigour which have always characterised your proceedings, and that when your allotted time here is spent, you may, through the all-sufficient merits of Christ our Saviour, be received into His kingdom, and made a partaker of His glory, is the earnest prayer of, my Lord

Your Lordship's faithful Brother in Christ,

BENJAMIN HERON.

London, C. W., September 13th, 1858.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

The auditors to whom were referred the late Treasurer's accounts, beg leave respectively to report that they have examined the same up to the period of his retirement, viz., June, 1848. The receipts amounted to the sum of £171 17s. 3d., the whole of which was expended, and there remained an unsettled account due to Mr. Rowsell amounting to £26, which they learn has since been paid by the present Treasurer. The auditors annex abstracts from the Treasurer's accounts, shewing the various items of expenditure from the time the books were opened in 1853, and to which they request the attention of the Synod.

All respectfully submitted,

C. J. CAMPBELL,
W. M. WESTMACOTT,

Toronto, September 11, 1858.

Auditors.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

The Rev. Wm BLEASDELL.—That the Lord Bishop of the Diocese be respectfully requested to appoint a Committee to enquire into the nature of the authority by which the Clergy of the united Church of England and Ireland officiate in the performance of the marriage ceremony in this Province: and also whether the Provincial Legislature has any right to compel the unremunerated services of such Clergy in making annual returns of such marriages to their appointed officers, and also to impose a fee upon them additional to the trouble of filling up such return, as it claims to do in the 20th Victoria, chap. 66.

The Rev. Dr. O'MEARA.—That the expense incurred by the Rev. D. E. Blake, in printing his circular, containing valuable information with reference to the Canons now before the Synod, be repaid from the funds of this Synod.

(To be continued.)

DIocese of MONTREAL.

On Sunday two deeply interesting services took place in our city, the one an Ordination at St. John's Chapel, the other a Confirmation at St. George's Chapel. As might be expected on such occasions, both places of worship were crowded to overflowing. The services at the former commenced at half-past 10; the Litany was omitted in the Ordinary, as it forms part of the Ordination office. The candidates were presented by the Archdeacon, the Rev. S. Gilson. The Rev. J. P. White, Rector of Chambly, preached the Ordination Sermon from the following text: 1st Cor. iv. 1, 2. The first candidate presented was Mr. Frederick Burt, the indefatigable City Missionary, who was admitted to the order of Deacon. The Rev. Archibald Campbell Scarth, theological student, Lennoxville, Missionary at West Farnham, and the Rev. Thomas Bousall, A.M., of Kenyon College, Missionary at Clarendon, were severally advanced to the office of Priest. The Very Rev. the Dean, the Archdeacon, and the

Rev. Mr. White, assisted the Bishop in the laying of hands on the candidates.

Shortly after the termination of this solemn office, the young people of the respective Episcopal churches were to be seen wending their way from all directions, with their parents and friends, towards St. George's Chapel. Three was the hour appointed for the Confirmation Service, but long before that hour every available sitting and space was occupied. The pews at either side of the centre aisle had been set apart for the candidates, the males at one and females at the other. Most of the latter were dressed in white, with a short white veil on the top of the head. A few minutes after three the Bishops and Clergy entered the chancel from the vestry. Amongst those present we noticed the Dean and Archdeacon of the Cathedral Church; the Rev. Dr. Leach and W. Bowl, of St. George's; the Rev. A. Digby Campbell, of Trinity; the Rev. J. Ellegood, of St. Stephen's; the Rev. Mr. Tate, of St. Luke's; the Rev. E. J. Rogers, Garrison (chaplain); the Rev. J. P. White, Chambly; and the Rev. Wm Burt. The *coup d'œil* of the church at this moment was interesting and imposing. The centre aisle was left vacant for the free passage of the candidates to the chancel. From the front of the extensive galleries back to the walls on either side, row after row of anxious spectators and hearers in gradual proportion arose, while the pews and side aisles in the body presented one living mass.

After the afternoon service had been read by the Rev. Mr. Bond, the Lord Bishop delivered a long and impressive address. His Lordship, in the first place, remarked the suitability of the lessons and other portions of Scripture read in the morning and afternoon services, to the special ones in which they were engaged now and had been in the morning. This was *undesigned*, as those selections were the ordinary ones appointed by the church in the regular revolutions of her services. The Bishop's address was extemporaneous, and embraced a large range of Ecclesiastical matter bearing on the constitution of the Anglican Church, and enforcing on the members of her own communion the duty of having their children instructed at an early age in the peculiarities of the system generally, and more immediately of this particular rite, which can be performed by the Bishop alone, from whom, as a centre of unity, each in his own Diocese, the link extends to the various other Dioceses of the Church in all lands, thus binding together the members of the Church throughout the world. He then drew the attention of the Candidates to the solemnity and responsibility of the occasion, and in doing so, dwelt on the texts of Scripture, which surround the card, certifying their confirmation, a copy of which would be given to each by their respective Ministers. The first of these was,—“O Lord, thy vows are upon me,” exhibiting its solemn and binding character. Another,—“Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.”

Here the necessity of *perseverance* in the course on which they were that day entering, was enforced with earnestness and simplicity, while the *encouragement*, viz., the *bright eternal crown* was contrasted in glowing colours with the *fading, perishable baubles* which the richest and most powerful earthly dominion can present. The last text quoted and enlarged on was, “Ye are not your own, but are bought with a price.” In this the *motive to glorify God, one of reasonable service and of grateful love*, was enforced with equal warmth and power.

After the address, the Confirmation service was proceeded with. The short closing prayers were then offered up, and the vast congregation returned to their homes.