

News from the Home Field.

SYNOD OF NOVA SCOTIA.

THIRD DAY.—(Continued.)

The following amendment of Resolution 5 page 49, relative to assessments was moved by the Ven. Archdeacon Gilpin, and seconded by the Hon. A. M. Cochran.

That the following words be added to said resolution:—

"And that previous to each regular session of the Synod, the assessment be paid to the Treasurer of the Synod, and also that no representative shall be allowed to take his seat until all dues, including any arrears, be paid." Carried.

The following Petition, proposed by His Lordship the Bishop, was, on motion of Rev. John Ambrose, unanimously adopted:—

To His Honor the Lieut. Governor.

The Petition of the Diocesan Synod— That for many years Grants of public money have been made in aid of the Collegiate Institutions of the several religious denominations in the Province of Nova Scotia, and that King's College at Windsor, the College of the Church of England has received a share of those Grants. That in the year 1876 an Act was passed, renewing those Grants for the limited period of five years, which period will terminate next year, so that the College will be deprived of so much of its income, that it will be left in a crippled condition, and that the Governors will be unable to maintain the present efficient staff of Professors.

Your Petitioners respectfully submit that inasmuch as no provision can be made for the religious instruction of the young men of the Province, except through the agency of the several religious Bodies, it is of great importance for the welfare of the country that public aid should be afforded in this way.

They therefore humbly pray that Your Honor will be pleased to cause application to be made to the Legislature at its next Session for the continuance of the present Grants.

The Hon. N. W. White gave notice of motion for the next meeting of Synod:— "Whereas the Diocesan Synod is the governing Body of the Church, and King's College, Windsor, is one of our most important Institutions, and its success is of vital interest,

Therefore Resolved, That in the opinion of this Synod it is desirable that a full and explicit statement of the affairs of the College, showing its Endowments, Investments, and revenue from every source, and a detailed account of all expenditures and payments be laid before this Synod, and that a Committee of five be appointed to obtain such information and report to this Synod."

The Committee appointed to prepare a resolution relative to the death of the late Dr. McCawley, reported as follows:

"That this Synod wish to express their sincere regret for the memory of the late Dr. McCawley, whose labours for many years in the cause of education have been a benefit to the Church and to the Province at large, and to proffer to his widow and family their most respectful sympathy."

On motion of Rev. G. W. Hodgson, seconded by Rev. John Ambrose, the resolution was adopted.

The Committee appointed to prepare a resolution relative to the death of the late Rev. John Stannage, reported as follows:—

"That this Synod having heard of the death of the Rev. John Stannage, take this opportunity of recording their sense of the high estimation in which his character is held in this Diocese, as a faithful, indefatigable and successful missionary, and beg to assure his family that his memory will long live in the affections of his brethren in the Ministry, and, as they have reason to believe, in the hearts of his old parishioners of St. Margaret's Bay."

On motion of Rev. Canon Maynard, seconded by W. Gossip, Esq., the resolution was adopted.

The Committee appointed to prepare a report on a Seminary for the education of Females, reported through the Rev. John Ambrose as follows:—

"That having heard explanations from the Rev. J. Padfield in reference to the success that has so far attended his efforts, and having had submitted to them plans of a suitable building for continuing his school on a more enlarged scale, and believing that the same is practicable, would recommend that a sufficient number of

shares of \$25 each, and not to exceed \$20,000 in the whole, be issued, and that a Committee of three be appointed to perfect the scheme for carrying the same into effect, it being understood that the said school shall, so far as practicable, be conducted on the lines of the scheme for the proposed Victoria College, published in the Journal, page 75 of 12th Session."

The report was adopted. Moved by Rev. Canon Dart, and seconded by Rev. Dr. Nichols (notice of motion having previously been given),

"That in the judgment of this Synod it is advisable to limit the number of representatives to the Provincial Synod to eight of each order, and that the Executive Committee prepare a petition to the Provincial Synod to this effect." Carried.

The Report of the B. H. M. was read, and after discussion on the following recommendation made in it—"Your Committee would recommend that no Grant be made or continued to any Parish or Mission in which the Church property is not insured," it was moved by Rev. J. D. H. Browne, and seconded by Rev. John Ambrose that the report be adopted. Carried.

The Venerable Archdeacon of P. E. Island gave notice of the following motion:—

"I propose to bring before the Synod the Status of P. E. Island, and how the stipends of the clergy are to be paid when the S. P. G. Grant be withdrawn, if P. E. I. be separated from the Diocese of Nova Scotia, as it is on the list of proposed new Bishopsrics."

The report of the Committee appointed to consider and report as to the payment of assessments of the different Parishes was read as follows:—

"The Committee appointed to consider and report as to the payment of the assessment of the different Parishes, beg to suggest the following resolution on the subject for the consideration of the Synod."

Resolved, That immediately after the opening of the Synod a Committee of three Lay Delegates shall be appointed who, with the Treasurer and Lay Secretary, shall constitute the "Committee on Credentials." It shall be the duty of such Committee to examine all the certificates of the Lay Delegates and ascertain what Parishes, if any, have not paid the assessments for which they are respectively liable, and report thereon in writing to the Synod within two hours. No delegate shall be allowed to take his seat or vote in the Synod unless the certificate of his election and qualification, as required by the Constitution, have been filed with the Secretary on or before the opening of the Synod, and unless the assessment for which the Parish he represents is liable has been fully paid up to that date.

Signed. N. W. WHITE, J. N. RITCHIE, CHAS. J. TOWNSEND.

The report was adopted. On motion of Col. Poyntz, and by a unanimous standing vote, the following resolution was adopted:

"That the thanks of this Synod be given to His Lordship the Bishop, for his very able and impartial conduct in the chair at this Fifteenth Session."

Thanks to the people of Halifax and Dartmouth, Church of England Institute, the Press, Railway and other companies were unanimously given, and the Synod adjourned.

FOURTH DAY.

Friday morning, 8th July.

Synod opened at 10 a. m. The roll being called, 36 Clergy and 14 Lay Delegates were found present.

Minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

The following notice of motion was given by Rev. Canon Dart:

"Resolved, That in the opinion of this Synod attention should be directed to the existing safeguards against the admission of unfit persons into the Ministry, and that it is desirable that the subject of these safeguards be introduced into the Provincial Synod with a view to the adoption of more stringent regulations."

The Rev. Dr. Nichols gave notice of motion as follows:

"That Candidates for Holy Orders be prepared with testimonials as to their morals and religious character before being accepted as such, and that their names appear in the list of students at King's College as Candidates for Holy Orders and in the Journal of the Diocesan Synod."

Moved by Rev. Canon Dart, and seconded by Hon. N. W. White:

"Whereas, By the establishment of the

CHURCH GUARDIAN a great and long felt want has been supplied to the Church in the Maritime Provinces;

And whereas, This paper has been and is judiciously conducted by the enterprise of two clergymen at great pecuniary risk to themselves, and is issued at the lowest possible rate of subscription;

It is therefore resolved, That in the opinion of this Synod the CHURCH GUARDIAN is deserving of encouragement and support, and that the thanks of the Church are due to the said clergymen, the Rev. J. D. H. Browne, and the Rev. E. S. W. Pontreath, who are the editors of the same."

Moved by W. C. Silves, Esq., seconded by Rev. J. J. Ritchie:

"That the Committee on Education be requested to look after the interests of the contemplated Seminary of Females, and report at next regular session." Carried.

After a few general remarks from His Lordship the Bishop, the Episcopal Benediction was pronounced, and the Synod adjourned sine die.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

NEW GLASGOW.—The little band of Church people in this town—now worshipping in "an upper room"—have the nucleus of a fund for building a Church, and hope to add considerably to it on August the 18th, for which day they have advertised a "Picnic," with English and Scotch national games. We scarcely need to say that any help will be thankfully received, and we cannot but feel that the zeal and energy of this handful of the faithful *deserves*, and will, we doubt not, *ensure* success, with the blessing of the Great Head of the Church.

CUMBERLAND MINES.—Mr. Ball is beginning to see the fruit of his labors in this extensive Mission. The people are taking a more active interest in all Church work. At Spring Hill, the new Church will soon be ready for occupation. The Missionary has issued the first number of *Church Work* localized, which, with covers of his own design, representing very accurately the Church at Maccan on the first page, looks extremely well. From the July number we clip the following:—

The B. H. M.—At the annual general meeting of the Board of Home Missions it was stated that the grants to some Parishes have lately been reduced 50 per cent, and others 25 per cent. Our own has been cut down 12½ per cent, so that we only receive \$175 per year, instead of as usual, \$200. As a condition of receiving this \$175, the people have to make up \$275. Towards this sum, Spring Hill promises \$150, and Maccan \$75, so that Jiggins and Athol will be required to make up the remaining \$50.

The New Church at Spring Hill.—Contributions towards completing Fund from January to July 10th:—Spring Hill—W. Hiro, \$0.45; Jas. Facey, 50c; H. Ridgeway, 50c; Richard Brundige, 50c; Geo. Wallace, 50; Ruf. Brundige, 50c; J. E. Parker, \$10.00; Jas. Biggin, 25c; J. Scullie, \$1.25; W. Evott, 50c; H. S. Boss, \$1.00; Jno. Foster, \$1.00; A. Faulds, 75c; J. E. Taylor, 50c; Geo. Porter, 50c; Rev. E. H. Ball, \$6.25; Jos. Porter, 50c; W. Hall, Esq., \$4.00; Miss M. Marshall, \$4.00.

Rev. Canon Townsend, \$10.00; Mrs. W. L. Black, keg lath nails, 60 lbs. board nails; Benj. Young, Esq., 12 M laths.

Carpenters are now at work preparing the building for plastering.

WINDSOR.—King's College is about to have another valuable collection added to the Museum of the College. Dr. J. W. Spencer, Professor of Chemistry and Geology, visiting his friends in Hamilton, purposes bringing away with him the Geological collection from the Collegiate Institute. "The removal of this collection," says the *Times*, "will certainly be a loss to the Province, and we congratulate Nova Scotia on acquiring it."

WOLFVILLE.—An elegant copy of Thomas a Kempis' "De Imitatione Christi" was presented to Miss Maie Pineo, on Sunday week, by the members of the Sunday School in connection with St. John's Church, Wolfville, on the resignation of her duties as a teacher preparatory to leaving the parish. Miss Pineo was deeply affected on receiving this beautiful and thoughtful gift.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

CHARLOTTETOWN.—St. Paul's.—The Sunday School Picnic was to have been held at Shaw's Wharf, West River, Wednesday, August 4th.

MILTON PARISH.—Sunday, July 18th, 1886.—Morning Prayer and sermon at Milton Church 11 a. m., by Ven. Archdeacon Read. 4 p. m., North Milton Hall, Evening Prayer and sermon by Ernest M. Welsh, Lay Reader.

Wiltshire.—4 p. m., Evening Prayer and sermon. The Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion were also administered by Ven. Archdeacon Read.

The Sunday School at Milton Church is well attended. The children appear very attentive, and take a warm interest in their lessons.

At a meeting of the Milton Church congregation, held recently, the sum of one hundred dollars was subscribed to repair the Parsonage.

The thanks of the Milton congregation are due to Miss H. Holroyd for her services as organist, and also for her kind assistance in the Sunday School.

HUNTER RIVER (MISSION STATION).—The Archdeacon recently baptized sixteen persons at this Mission Station.

NEW LONDON.—This important Parish still continues to improve under the care of Rev. T. B. Reagh.

The ladies of the French River congregation intend holding a tea meeting August 18th.

Services are held every Sunday at French River, Irish Town, and Kensington Churches.

ALBERTON.—The ladies of St. Peter's Church, Alberton, intend holding a tea meeting in aid of the Church next month.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

PERSONAL.—Rev. L. N. Tucker, of Sabrevois, P. Q., was in Moncton, July 21st, on his way home, having collected about \$600 for the French Schools there.

"L." is informed that the Berlin Work realized \$4.00

Will the person who sent us a "Catechism on Confirmation" kindly send us his name, which is always required of contributors, though not necessarily for publication.

GRAND FALLS.—Rev. James Mulcahey, D. D., an assistant Minister of Trinity Church, New York, has been visiting Grand Falls. He preached in St. Ansgar's Church, New Denmark, and at Grand Falls, July 24th.

SHEDIAC.—St. Andrew's Church.—Rev. Herbert H. Barber preached here last Sunday.

ST. JOHN.—Picnics are now the order of the day. St. Paul's Church had an enjoyable one at Rothesay on the 22nd. Rothesay and Partridge Island seem to be the favourite places.

The east window for Trinity Church is on its ways. The stone pulpit is erected.

ST. ANDREW'S.—Rev. Joshua Kimber, Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the American Church, has been stopping in St. Andrew's, and preached in All Saints Church.

ST. MARY'S.—Rev. G. M. Armstrong, of St. John, has been officiating, with much acceptance, at St. Mary's.

ST. JOHN.—If there are any "Plymouth Brethren" in St. John their fond hopes were doomed to disappointment. It was stated in the papers that Admiral McClintock belonged to that sect, but it soon came out that so far from that being the case, His Excellency is a staunch and devoted member of the Church of England.

GREENWICH.—The clergy of the Deanery of Kingston will hold their next meeting at Oak Point, in the Parish of Greenwich, on August 11th and 12th, in connection with which the following services will be held in St. Paul's Church:—Evening Service, with addresses, on Wednesday, 11th, at 7.30 p. m.; Morning Service, with Holy Communion, on Thursday, 12th, at 10 a. m.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

A BEREAVEMENT.—The Rev. Charles Hamilton, M. A., the highly esteemed Rector of St. Matthews, Quebec, has sustained a sad loss in the death of his fourth daughter, a promising child of five years.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

MONTREAL.—The cresting on nave and transept of the new St. Stephen's Church was placed on Saturday, July 17, adding much to the beauty of this ecclesiastical edifice; it was the generous gift of H. R. Ives, Esq.

STANBRIDGE EAST.—A centenary gathering of Sunday schools was held on St. Peter's day. Sunday schools and choirs from the parishes of Dunham, Frelighsburg, Bedford, and Stanbridge East were present. The proceedings commenced with choral evensong, in St. James' Church, the four choirs taking part, accompanied by Miss Constantine on the organ and members of the Stanbridge cornet band. The music was very fine and reflected great credit on the performers. The Rev. H. W. Nye, M.A., Rector of Bedford, preached an appropriate sermon from Psalm 148: 12. A procession formed of the choirs, schools, clergy and others was formed after the service and marched through the village to Mr. Cornell's grove, where a sumptuous repast was partaken of. The following gentlemen then delivered addresses:—Revs. Canon Henderson, M.A., J. B. Davidson, M.A. The Rev. G. A. Fournet, M.A., Rector of Dunham, was also present, and took part in the service. The whole celebration was very successful.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

RAMA.—The Rev. H. W. Robinson holds Divine service at Longford and Sebright, on alternate Sundays, at 10.30 a. m., and 6 p. m., respectively.

WEYBRIDGE.—The Bishop of Toronto has nominated the Rev. O. G. Dobbs, M. A., to the newly organized mission of Waverly, Weybridge, Elmvale and Allenwood.

SUNDERLAND.—The Rev. B. Ryan has been appointed by the Bishop, to the mission of Sunderland and West Brock.

BISHOP STRAUBAN SCHOOL.—The annual concert and distribution of prizes in connection with this school brought together a large and fashionable gathering in the parlors of Wakeham Hall, on the 28th of June. The affair passed off with much success, and afforded no small amount of profit and pleasure to the audience. The entertainment consisted of instrumental pieces on the piano organ, songs, choruses and recitations in English and French. The young ladies acquitted themselves remarkably well, and were loudly applauded. During intermission, the prizes were presented by Bishop Sweatman and Archdeacon Whitaker, both of whom expressed themselves well pleased with the work done at the school, and commended it to the confidence of the Christian public. The examiners, who are all university graduates, spoke in high terms of the young ladies' papers, and one of the gentlemen said that the paper which took the prize in English would be considered a good honor paper in the first year at University College. This admirable school for young ladies is worthy the patronage of the Church public. Its advertisement will be found in another column.

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

THE Church of the Ascension, Hamilton, has had a new gallery put in, so as to meet the demand for seats.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

LONDON.—The Right Rev. Bishop Alford preached in the Memorial Church on Sunday last, at morning service. A large congregation was present and listened with much interest to the Bishop's excellent sermon.

SHELBOURNE.—The Right Rev. Bishop Alford, Commissary of the Bishop of Huron, has appointed Rev. W. Bevan, of Leamington, to be Incumbent of Shelbourne Church, vacant since the death of Rev. J. Smyth.