

between said Bishops, in the event of their being an equal number, in the exercise of any of the powers duly conferred upon them, the opinion of the Bishop who is senior by priority of appointment shall prevail, and his decision shall be final.

PAYMENTS MADE TO THE TREASURER OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY.

GENERAL FUND.

	£	s.	d.
Life Subscriptions—John Lovell.....	12	10	0
William Poston.....	12	10	0
Annual Subscription of Hon. J. M. Fraser.....	1	5	0
Arrears of Subscriptions at Sherbrooke, for 1851.....	1	1	11
Collection at St. Catherine's.....	1	12	6
Donation from Mrs. W. Spragge, for Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews.....	1	5	0
	£30	4	5

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Collection at St. Peter's Chapel, Quebec.....	6	18	6
Collection at the Parliament House, Quebec.....	10	18	6
Collection at Drummondville.....	1	11	0
Collection at West Frumpton.....	0	9	9
Collection at Three Rivers.....	4	10	0
Collection at Bang Louis.....	0	17	6
Collection at Sherbrooke.....	6	5	2
Collection at Hatley.....	0	17	6
Collection at Staunton.....	1	2	6
	£33	10	5

R. SYMES,
Treasurer C. S.

Quebec, 29th November, 1852.

The Treasurer has also to acknowledge the receipt of twenty-five pounds from the Rev. T. Johnson, by the hands of the Rev. E. W. Sewell, as a "special deposit," and awaits instructions as to its disposal.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

CHURCH SOCIETY.

At a Meeting of the Central Board of the Church Society, held on the 2nd November, in accordance with the Constitution, there were present:—

The LORD BISHOP (in the Chair), Revds. Dr. Bethune, E. J. Rogers, W. Bond, J. P. White, J. Fulton, Hon. Judge McCord, Dr. Holmes, Col. Wilgress, W. C. Evans, Esq., J. S. Roles.

After prayers, the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

A letter from S. BETHUNE, Esq., accepting the office of Honorary Counsel of the Church Society, was laid before the Board.

The Treasurer's account having been presented, it was moved by Hon. JUDGE McCORD, seconded by Rev. Dr. BETHUNE, and Resolved,

That the Assistant Secretary be requested to call upon the Subscribers for their subscriptions to the Church Society, subject to such remuneration for his services as may be agreed on by the Treasurer.

A letter from the Rev. G. SLACK was then read, on the subject of Clergymen, who are not Members of the Society, voting at the Central Board. Accounts were passed to the amount of £14 ls. 8d., and the Treasurer requested to pay the same as soon as he shall have funds in hand.

Moved by Rev. W. BOND, seconded by Rev. J. P. WHITE, and Resolved,

That the Report of the Lay Committee be received and considered clause by clause, viz:—

"That several applications for aid have been submitted to them, some of which have been approved and recommended, and others rejected; and they deem it a duty they owe alike to themselves and those applying, to state, before entering upon the merits of the several claims, the principles which have guided their decisions.

"In the distribution of the funds of the Church Society, they

consider it their first duty to afford aid towards the foundation of new Missions—their next, to the erection of Churches where none exist, and afterwards the building of Parsonage Houses; and their recommendations to this Central Board are based upon the above scale or graduation, reference being had to their pecuniary means.

"With regard to the repairs of Churches and Parsonage Houses in missions where duties are performed, they are of opinion that it is the imperative duty of the parishioners to keep these buildings in repair, and, until otherwise instructed by the Central Board, such will be the course followed by the Lay Committee.

"A petition for aid towards the construction of a Church at Ormstown, was considered, and it was resolved, that so soon as the petitioners shall have, by their own exertions, reduced the amount requisite to complete the Church (without debt) to such a sum as the means of the Society will justify them in awarding, this Committee will be prepared to recommend the granting of the same.

"A petition for aid towards the completion of the Church at Edwardstown was considered, and Resolved, That inasmuch as the petitioners have, by their own exertions, brought this building to a state nearly fit for Divine Service (though much yet remains to be done in other respects), this Committee do recommend that, so soon as the building shall be finished to the satisfaction of this Committee, and Divine Service shall have been performed therein, a sum of twenty-five pounds be granted them.

"A memorial from the Rev. JAMES RAID, Rector of St. Armand East, praying for aid towards the repairing of the Parsonage House and Buildings within that Rectory, was considered, and this Committee, whilst duly appreciating the merits and exertions of the Reverend memorialist, and his own large contributions for the service of the Church, regret that, for the reasons set forth in the preamble of this Report, they cannot recommend the grant asked for.

"An application from the Mission of Granby, praying aid towards the erection of a Parsonage House there was next considered; and although the means at present at the command of the Society will not now justify a grant towards that desirable object, the Building Committee are recommended to persevere in their exertions, trusting that at an early period next year the funds of the Society may be able to afford them assistance.

"The Chairman of this Committee and the Treasurer of the Church Society were authorized to invest forthwith the amount in the hands of the latter belonging to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund."

Moved by Rev. W. BOND, seconded by Rev. J. BETHUNE, D. D., and Resolved,

That a grant of £50 be made to the building fund of the Church at Ormstown, when it has been satisfactorily ascertained by the Lay Committee that it will relieve the Church of all debt incurred for its construction.

The Report was then adopted, and

The meeting was closed with prayer.

CONSTITUTION OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY OF THE DIOCESE OF MONTREAL, INCORPORATED BY THE STATUTE OF CANADA, 14 AND 15 VICTORIA, CAP. 171, FOR PROMOTING THE FOLLOWING OBJECTS, VIZ:

1st.—The encouragement and support of Missionaries and Clergymen of the United Church of England and Ireland, within the Diocese of Montreal, including the creation of funds towards the augmentation of the Stipends of poor Clergymen, and towards making a provision for those who may be incapacitated by age or infirmity, and for Widows and Orphans of the Clergy of the said Church in the said Diocese.

2nd.—The encouragement of Education, and the support of Day and Sunday Schools in the said Diocese, in conformity with the principles of the said Church.

3rd.—Granting assistance, where it may be necessary, to those who may be preparing for the Ministry of the Gospel in the said Church within the said Diocese.

4th.—Circulating in the said Diocese the Holy Scriptures, and such publi-