

powers, and to know what they are capable of doing, and they do not present themselves for Ordination as entire strangers whose qualification I must take on the word of other instructors. It has been evident to me that they have gained good, and have done good, by conducting occasional services during the week, and they have discharged this duty punctually and cheerfully. What I should desire is, not that such advantages should now be wholly relinquished, but that what has been done should be better done than I have been able to do it; that some one person should give himself entirely or chiefly to this work, as soon as each candidate has taken his degree in Arts, or even before the degree is obtained, if that could be allowed. I do not propose, nor do I think it would be an acceptable proposition, to establish a Theological chair in the New Brunswick University; this might lead to complications which we should all wish to avoid. But I see no reason why a Diocesan Theological Chair should not be founded for the benefit of our own Divinity Students, who might have the superintendence of an experienced clergyman, while they avail themselves of the secular learning which the University Professors are well able to impart. And if we evidently hold our own under the present system of University Education, which is not what we should have framed, surely we should not be less steadfast in the faith by additional assistance being granted to us.

The two principal difficulties which would have to be met, are the selection of a well qualified instructor, and the means of his support. Could we secure the necessary means, there might not be much difficulty in finding a suitable instructor. Our valued friend and brother, whose loss we all deplore, the Rev'd J. Frederic Carr, who took a very deep interest in this matter, suggested the following plan for securing the means of support. If the Theological Chair were connected with the Cathedral, the Bishop would guarantee \$300 for five years if his life were preserved. It was supposed that \$100 would be furnished from the parish of Fredericton. It was hoped that twenty persons would guarantee \$20 each for five years. It was expected that 60 parishes would on an average give \$5 a year for five years. And it was hoped that the D. C. S. would contribute from the Education Fund for the sons of the clergy. An appeal would also be made to the S. P. C. K., and an effort made to provide an endowment at the expiration of the five years. Whether this plan can be carried out is a matter of grave consideration, and I lay the whole matter before the Synod, as they may be desirous of knowing my opinion, and of thinking over the matter among themselves.

MAY 6th, 1878.

JOHN FREDERICTON.

The Chairman addressed the Synod.

Moved by Mr. E. B. Chandler, Jr., seconded by Rev. Canon Brigstocke,

Resolved, That the address from the Lord Bishop of the