

portion of its expenditure for the two Dioceses. It was first transferred by the Government to the hands of the Society and made available for Church purposes, under the Society's direction, in 1847. At that time, the fund consisted of a block sum in hand of £7000 currency, with an annual income of about £1200 currency, which has since increased to about £2000. According to the last published Report, the expenditure of the Society, from its *own home-raised funds*, for the maintenance of Missions and other kindred objects in Lower Canada, is very close upon £9300 currency, for the year, (besides the standing benefit derived, in different instances, from its purchase of endowments in land and acquisition in the same way, of Parsonage-houses.) And instead of taking advantage of the revenue placed at its disposal within the Province, to relieve itself, *pro tanto*, of its expenditure provided for by the bounty of Churchmen in England, the Society has gone on increasing that very expenditure,—so that the mere *augmentation* of the annual charge upon its *entire* funds, for Lower Canada, since the date of its having the *Clergy Reserves fund* at command,* much exceeds the revenue derived from that fund. Nor is this all: for the Society has procured to be raised at home, the endowment of the See at Montreal, and is itself the guarantee for the payment of the episcopal salary in that See,—leaving to accumulate, at the same time, the sum set apart, as above mentioned, for the maintenance of the See of Quebec, for which there is no other provision when a vacancy occurs.

Our interests, therefore, have been well cared for in the Society's hands, and we may fervently bless God for the wisdom and watchfulness as well as the bountifulness which it has manifested in our behalf. We may take our own lesson from it as we advance towards the independent administration of our own affairs.

It is my intention, if it please God, to call together, from time to time, the Clergy and Church-Wardens of certain Districts, as I make my different circuits in the Diocese, and to address and confer with them upon all matters falling within their joint or separate authority. The times and places for their thus meeting me will, of course, be made the subject of due notification.

I am,
Rev. Sir and Gentlemen,
Your faithful and affectionate
Servant in the Gospel,
G. J. QUEBEC.

CLERICAL APPOINTMENTS, &c.

The Rev. F. A. Smith, of Malbaie, Gaspé, has been appointed to the Mission of Portneuf, vacant by the removal of the Rev. R. Lewis to the Diocese of Toronto. The Reverend gentleman will not, however, vacate his present charge until next year, and

* The items of new expenditure undertaken by the Society, since the date here indicated, are as follows:

Eight new Missions,.....	£224	13	4	cy.
Allowance in aid of four Chapelries in Quebec and Montreal,.....	365	0	0	
Pensions to four Clergymen,.....	486	13	4	
Allowance to Bishop's College at Lennoxville,...	300	0	0	
Allowance from the Emigrants' Spiritual Aid Fund to the Chaplain of the Marine and Emigrant Hospital at Quebec,.....	60	16	8	

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And this statement does not include the charge which has fallen upon the Society in the Diocese of Montreal, to help out the additional appointments in that Diocese, since its erection in 1850 exceeding £500, &c.

The Society also gave in the present year, from its *Jubilee Fund*, upwards of £1200 Currency, (£1,000 Sterling,) to Bishop's College at Lennoxville.

To set against all this, the Society has received from the Clergy-Reserves Fund, during the same period of six years, an average which may be inferred from its having commenced with £1200 Currency, a year, from that source, which, by gradual advancement has reached about £2000. It is true that some portions of the Society's new expenditure do not cover the whole period: but this deduction is not such as in any degree to invalidate the foregoing statement.

his place at Portneuf is temporarily filled by the Rev. R. S. Birch.

The Rev. W. V. Lloyd, lately Curate of Lennoxville, has received the appointment of Chaplain to the Quebec and Richmond Railway, the salary being provided by the Messrs. Jackson & Co. The Rev. A. A. Allen is laboring as Travelling Missionary of the Church Society, in the St. Francis District.

PARISH OF QUEBEC.—At a meeting of the Pewholders of the Cathedral, held on the 8th November, it was resolved unanimously, on motion of W. H. A. DAVIES, Esquire, seconded by H. S. SCOTT, Esquire,

That the 6th By-law be so altered as to establish the salary of the Organist, at £100 currency per annum, instead of the present rate of £50.

It was then ordered, That the expense of bringing out an Organist to replace the late Mr. Codman, be defrayed by the Church-wardens—that such expense shall not exceed £25 sterling—that the engagement with the Organist shall terminate at any time upon 12 months notice being given by either party.

It was then moved by H. GOWEN, Esquire, seconded by ARCH. CAMPBELL, Esquire and unanimously resolved, That in consideration of the long and efficient services of the late Stephen Codman, Esquire, as Organist of the Cathedral, during a period of 36 years, and of the respect and esteem in which he was held by the Congregation, a Mural Tablet be erected to his memory in the Cathedral—that the expense of its erection be defrayed from the Cathedral Funds, and the Rector and Church-wardens be a committee for effecting the object in view.

PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT.

Among the grants borne on the estimates for the present year, are the following:

	£	s.	d.
Bishop's College, Lennoxville,.....	300	0	0
McGill College, Montreal,.....	1000	0	0
National School, Quebec,.....	111	2	2
National School, Montreal,.....	111	2	2
Female Orphan Asylum, Quebec,.....	100	0	0
Male Orphan Asylum, Quebec,.....	100	0	0

The following Act was assented to in Her Majesty's name, by His Excellency the Governor General, on the 10th November:

An Act to amend the Act incorporating Bishop's College. WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Act passed in the seventh year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "*An Act to incorporate Bishop's College, in the Diocese of Quebec,*" to confer upon the Bishop of Montreal co-ordinate powers with the Bishop of Quebec, in the Corporation of Bishop's College:

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, intituled, "*An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada,*" and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that the Bishop of Montreal, as well as any other Bishop or Bishops, who may be appointed for any Diocese of the United Church of England and Ireland, which may hereafter be constituted in Lower Canada, together with the Bishop of Quebec, shall hereafter constitute the first branch of the Corporation of Bishop's College; and said Bishops shall have and possess equal and co-ordinate powers in the appointment of the Trustees and of the College Council, and shall have and exercise jointly, all and every the powers and privileges heretofore possessed, exercised and enjoyed by the Bishop of Quebec, in the management of the affairs of the said Corporation: Provided that in case of a difference of opinion