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NOTICE

There is an error, as to the deputations in the Home District, published in last number. The Rev. G. C. Williams and the Rev. G. Viner will attend the meetings West of Yonge Street, and the Rev. J. Carry and Rev. H. Osler will attend those on the East.

H. C. COOPER,

Etobicoke, Dec 9th, 1861. Secretary H. D.

We earnestly call the attention of our subscribers to the circular enclosed in this number.

NOTICE

As many of the churchwardens in the Diocese will probably require for distribution among the parishioners, copies of the Lord Bishop's Circular, in reference to the Christmas collection, our publisher has kept the type up, ready to print off such number of copies as may be ordered. Orders should be sent immediately, addressed to Henry Rowsell, Toronto, with remittance at the rate of 50 cents per hundred; when required to be sent by mail, an additional ten cents.

We would call attention to the advertisement of books contained in this number. The books are the property of a widow, who, for the purpose of selling them all together, would take at the rate of \$1 a volume; time would be given for the payment, on approved security, and interest at 8 per cent per annum.

TRINITY COLLEGE.

We are requested to inform our readers that the annual meeting of the Convocation of the University of Trinity College, for conferring Degrees, will be held in the College Hall, on Thursday, December 19th, at 1 o'clock, p. m.

Ecclesiastical Intelligence.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

(CIRCULAR.)

Toronto, November, 1861.

To the Churchwardens and Lay Delegates of the several Congregations in the Diocese of Toronto

GENTLEMEN,—

I feel that I must no longer delay bringing again under your notice the Resolution of Synod passed in the month of June 1860, recommending—

That the entire sum collected at the Offering on Christmas Day in each year, in all churches, chapels, and stations in the Diocese, shall be given directly to the incumbent of the church as a free-will offering, and a token of love and res-

pect for their pastor, irrespective of, and in addition to, his ordinary salary or stipend."

I have been exceedingly gratified by the result of the appeal made at this period of the preceding year, in correspondence with the above resolution. The very considerable sum that was so freely given, and the seasonable relief afforded by it to a large body of deserving men, is very satisfactory; while the pleasure is even greater of seeing attested in this manner the kindly feeling of parishioners towards their clergymen. Where there is this mutual love and confidence, the church must prosper, and true religion be advanced.

I have, therefore, to express my earnest desire that you will bring this subject again before the congregations which you respectively represent, so that they may be prepared to contribute this appropriate gift on the approaching Christmas Day, and I trust the result will be fully as gratifying as it was at our last celebration of this holy festival.

I have the honour to remain,

Gentlemen,

Yours very faithfully,

JOHN TORONTO.

CHURCH SOCIETY.

The Quarterly Meeting of the Church Society was held in the Board Room, Wednesday, the 13th November, 1861. Rev. S. Givins in the Chair. Present:—Rev. Dr. Fuller; Revs. F. L. Osler, J. S. Carry, H. Brent, W. Belt, E. H. Dewar, H. E. Pless, A. J. Broughall, W. S. Darling, H. C. Cooper, Dr. Patton, Dr. McMurray; Rural Dean Palmer and Messrs. C. J. Campbell, R. B. Denison, H. Mortimer, J. V. Brent, S. B. Harman, T. C. Street, Esquires, and the Secretary.

The usual Prayers were read. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, also, a statement of various accounts and balances.

The following communications were read from the Rev. E. Beaven, dated Feb. 7, 1860—application for books for Sunday-School, St. John's Church, Matilda. Resolved.—That a grant of \$5 of books be allowed.

From Amos Wright—Report on Valuation of West-half lot 2, 2nd Con., Markham. Resolved.—That if the mortgage be altered, security be given on property of equal value.

From Rev. Dr. Read, stating that he was unavoidably prevented attending the meeting, and requesting that the consideration of his amendment to the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Palmer be allowed to lie over until next meeting. Whereupon it was resolved.—That the consideration of the Rev. Dr. Read's amendment to Rev. A. Palmer's amendment of the consideration of the Church Society and bye law on Mission Board, be deferred till next Quarterly Meeting of the Society, and that the Rev. Secretary be requested to notify Rev. Dr. Read that the matter cannot be deferred beyond the next meeting of the Society.

Two applications, backed by Rev. Dr. Read,

were made for assistance to defray the expense of erection of churches—the one from Mr. Charles of Coldwater, and the other from Atherly, County Ontario. Resolved.—That these places be put upon the list to receive in their turn a grant of \$25 each, provided the sites of the churches are decided to the Society.

From the Rev. H. C. Cooper, asking for assistance towards building a church at Rooktown, township of Beverley, also, for a grant of books and tracts for distribution by the Rev. H. D. Cooper, the Missionary. Resolved.—That \$5 worth of books and tracts be granted; but, that the application for aid for building church be not now entertained.

The following letter, from the Rev. P. Jacobs, was read:—

"MANITOWANING, August 1st, 1861

"REV. & DEAR SIR,—I write to ask if the Church Society would assist me in a work that I have been lately engaged in. I ask them to give \$60 towards paying the expenses of the printing of 500 copies of an Indian hymn book, which I prepared for the press. There are 96 hymns in the book, 52 were translated by the Rev. Dr. O'Meara, and the rest were translated by myself. We have had hitherto only 58 hymns, which are at the end of our Ojibwa Prayer-Book. As these required some alterations, I revised them carefully, and made the necessary corrections, and I also added to them 35 new hymns, which were very much needed. There is now a great variety of subjects in the new collection. Messrs. Lovell & Gibson printed the hymns. We now use them in this mission. The Rev. Mr. Chance, Missionary at Garden River, also uses them.

I turn to the Society for aid as I know that they are willing to do all they can for the Indians. I send you a copy of the hymns, in order that you may see what English hymns have been translated. Should the Society grant the sum that I ask for, will you be kind enough to give it to the printers. I would only further say that I gave a great deal of my time and attention to the work I have been engaged in."

"Hoping to get a favourable reply from you soon,

I remain, Rev. & Dear Sir,

Your humble & obedient servant,

PETER JACOBS."

The Rev. T. S. KENNEDY,
S. C. S. D. T.

Resolved.—That the sum of \$60 applied for be granted.

A letter from the Rev. J. Chance, enquiring what was required of him, as an Indian Missionary, in order to entitle his wife and children to the benefit of the Widow and Orphans' Fund? Resolved.—That the same conditions cannot be required of Indian Missionaries, as the by-law of the Widow and Orphans' Fund requires from others, the annual subscription to be paid, and the Missionaries should advocate the cause of the Society as often as they find opportunity, that there is no need to pass an exceptional clause to the by-law, with respect to them, inasmuch as