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REV. AND DEAR SIR,—

It is with mingled feelings of anxiety and hopefulness that I ask the earnest attention of yourself and congregations to the resolution which follows, transmitted to me by the Mission Board of the Church Society, and passed by them on the 8th of October last.

I cannot be without much anxiety to find that the resources of the Society have proved so inadequate to meet the demands upon them, and that so large a sum has to be provided in order to keep faith with the missionaries employed. But I am full of hope that the appeal I am requested to make will be generously responded to. Our people, I trust, will feel that the Society are in earnest, in advancing, as they have done, the Missionary work of the Diocese; and I have a confidence that their contributions will be proportionate. They will not, I am persuaded, allow the Missionary efforts of the Society to be slackened, much less permit so great a calamity to ensue, as to compel the Society to withdraw or diminish the present allowance to the missionaries employed, and who, at best, are so inadequately paid.

"Whereas, on the 1st January, 1862, the sum of \$2,485 will be required to meet the stipends of clergymen assisted by this Board, and there is a deficiency at the close of the last quarter of \$1,058—making a sum of \$3,543, to be made up at the commencement of the ensuing year

"Be it Resolved—

"That the Lord Bishop be respectfully requested to appoint a special collection in all the churches and stations of the diocese, to be made on the day of the general thanksgiving, expected to be ordered; or if no day of thanksgiving should be appointed, the said collection to be made on any Sunday during the present year, not later than the First Sunday in Advent.

"That his Lordship be solicited, in announcing such collection, to state the circumstances in which the Mission fund is placed, and to urge the congregations of the diocese to make a general and vigorous effort to supply the amount required to meet the engagements of the Board."

In accordance with the above, I appoint Sunday, the 1st December next, being Advent Sunday, for a collection for this important purpose, in all the churches and stations in this diocese, and I beg that you will bring the subject before your congregations with all the care and earnestness it deserves.

I shall merely add that if, in the interval, a day of general thanksgiving should be proclaimed by the government, I leave it discretionary with the

clergy to adopt that day for the collection for Missions, or to adhere to the First Sunday in Advent, as above directed.

I remain, Rev and dear Sir,
Yours truly,
JOHN TORONTO.

By some mistake there were fewer numbers of the last Gazette published than usual, in consequence many applications for extra numbers by those interested in the early planting of the church in this Diocese could not be complied with, we have, therefore, determined to re-publish the articles commencing the series in our last. We only hope that clergymen in other Dioceses, as well as in this, will follow the admirable suggestions of the Rev. Rural Dean Givins, and the example of those who have taken the initiative. We know that several persons have their volumes of the Gazette bound, so that an authentic history of the planting and struggles of the church in this Province, may be preserved and handed down to posterity, but if our efforts are not at once backed by those who can give information, no such opportunity may again occur. Those who send communications should state if they require any extra numbers of the papers to be sent to them in order to avoid disappointment afterwards.

THE CHANT AND TUNE BOOK

The Chant and Tune Book prepared by the Synod Committee, is now ready for delivery. It contains 75 psalm and hymn tunes, comprising many long, common, short, and peculiar metres, some having been added to the original selections adapted to the new hymn book, solely published under the sanction of the Lord Bishop, by Mr. Russell. It also contains 54 single and double chants, with the whole of the canticles pointed for chanting, in addition to several responses and glorias, also a preface with special hints on chanting, and eight pages of valuable instructions, rendering it a complete manual of church music. The arrangements are particularly adapted to congregational singing.

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.

OPENING OF A NEW CHURCH AT COLDWATER.

A new church edifice has been completed in the village of Coldwater, county of Simcoe. The many kind friends who contributed to the good work will be gratified to learn that it was opened

on Sunday, September 16th, when an appropriate address was delivered by the Rev. W. M. Ross, M.A., Missionary of the Diocesan Church Society. The occasion was felt to be one of great joy, and not the least so by the good lady through whose untiring exertions the undertaking was commenced and perfected.—Communicated.

AN APPOINTMENT.

(From the Bowmanville Statesman.)

As we always regard it a duty to record instances of the success of native talent, we have pleasure in transferring to our columns the subjoined article from the *Belleville Intelligencer*, containing notice of a recent imperial appointment. The young Canadian referred to is, we understand, a near relative of the Rev. Dr. MacNab, rector of this parish.

"We learn from a source on which we can rely, that an honourable and lucrative office has been recently conferred by His Grace the Duke of Newcastle, Her Majesty's principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, upon Alexander MacNab, Esq., Civil Engineer, Great Western Railway, Hamilton. The appointment in question is that of 'Surveyor of Public Works' in the Island of Grenada, and its Dependencies, West Indies.

"This young gentleman being a native of this town, we are pleased to hear, by his superior ability, untiring zeal, and unblemished character, has reached a higher position in his profession. On retiring from the company's service, his testimonials from the leading officials, with whom he had been connected for the last eight or ten years, are, we understand, of the most flattering character. Mr. MacNab is the second son of the late Captain James MacNab, who fell whilst on duty in this town, during the memorable rebellion of 1837, and has thus received in his own person a fitting recognition, on the part of the Imperial Government, of the patriotic services of his lamented father."

COUNTY OF SIMCOE.

In compliance with an invitation from the Rev. T. B. Read, D.D., Rector of Orillia, a number of the clergymen of the above county met at his residence, on Wednesday, October 30th, for the purpose of taking into consideration the propriety of establishing a Clerical association in the county. After full deliberation upon the objects and advantages of such an association, it was decided that it is exceedingly desirable for clergymen to meet together for mutual edification and improvement, and in order that the clergy of the County of Simcoe may be enabled to effect this object that an association shall be now formed which shall meet once in three months, and consider such subjects as are best calculated to render the services of clergymen profitable to the people committed to their charge, and make themselves workmen that need not be ashamed,