

making on this and the succeeding evening the following appropriations, viz:—

For Missionary purposes—Grant to 14 Missionaries, £670 } Placed at the disposal of the Lord Bishop, £50 }	£720 0 0
For aid to a Sunday School. (Rev. W. Jeffrey,)	6 10 0
For Churches at St. Martins, Harvey, New Ireland, London- derry, and Black River,	81 0 0
For Books to Local Committee, Waterborough,	2 0 0
For Travelling expenses of Rev. J. Hudson,	36 0 0
For Contingent expenses for the current year,	40 0 0

From the Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

Grant to Widow of Rev. J. M. Stirling, £25. Widow of Rev. J. Dunn, £12 10s. Widow of Rev. H. N. Arnold, £12 10s.

An addition of £60 was voted to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, and Books to the amount of £150 (from the Depositories of St. John and Fredericton) were placed at the disposal of the Executive Committee for Parochial Lending Libraries.

At the Annual Meeting, which was held on the following evening, besides the Clergy and Lay Deputies who met on the preceding day, there was a large assembly of the principal members of the Society in St. John and its vicinity.

The Lord Bishop briefly addressed the meeting, congratulating the Society upon its present state of prosperity, alluding to the satisfactory manner in which the business of the general committee had been performed, and urging upon the meeting the propriety of proceeding in the spirit of charity and forbearance in the business for which they were met together.

The Secretary having read an abstract of the Report, it was resolved, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Justice Street, that the Report be received and printed under the direction of the Executive Committee.

The officers for the ensuing year were then unanimously elected.

On motion of the Hon. the Master of the Rolls, the thanks of the Society were given to the Treasurer, Secretary, and Auditors for their valuable and zealous services during the past year.

Moved by W. Wright, Esq., seconded by the Hon. the Master of the Rolls,

Resolved unanimously, That the prosperity of this Society and of similar Institutions in Canada, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland, affords cause of gratitude to Almighty God; and that the efforts thus made by the Church in the Colonies are the best return for bounty so liberally bestowed by our fellow churchmen in the mother country.

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Justice Parker, seconded by the Rev. Skeffington Thomson, LL. D.,

Resolved unanimously, That this Society desires to record an expression of deep sorrow for the loss which the neighbouring Diocese and the Church in general has sustained by the death of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia, under whose auspices this Society was first established, and,

Further Resolved, That the Lord Bishop be requested to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the family of the late Bishop.

The thanks of the Society were given to the Rector and Church-wardens of St. John, for the use of the Sunday School room.

After some notices of slight alteration in the constitution were given, it was, on motion of Rev. I. D. W. Gray, D. D., seconded by H. Bowyer Smith, Esq.,

Resolved unanimously, That the thanks of this meeting be tendered to the Lord Bishop for his kind attention in the chair to the duties of this and of the preceding evening.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee on Friday, the principal business was the appointment of Book Depository Committees for St. John and Fredericton.

The grant of £150 for Books was equally divided amongst 48 local committees, at £3 to each, leaving £6 at the disposal of the Lord Bishop.

NEW CHURCH.—On the 12th Jan: being the first Sunday after the Epiphany, the Church, lately erected in New Ireland, a set-

tlement in the Parish of Harvey, and Connty of Albert, was opened for Divine Service, by the Missionary. This is the first church ever erected in that county, and for it the inhabitants are in a great measure indebted to the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge. None but those who have been long deprived of the privilege of worshipping after the manner of their Fathers, can appreciate the feelings of the distant and humble settlers, when again permitted to join in the solemn services of the beautiful Liturgy of England's Church. The building is small, roof equilateral, with Gothic windows. The inside is ceiled, and the sittings free.

Through the indefatigable exertions of the Rev. C. P. Bliss, aided by the Building Committee, it is expected that a church of similar architecture, but of much larger dimensions, will be completed for Divine Service about Midsummer of the present year, in the Parish of Harvey, Albert County. The sittings in that are also to be free.—*Church Times.*

DIOCESE OF CALCUTTA.

Native Confirmation in the Cathedral.—A Native Confirmation was held on Oct. 18. The total number of the confirmed was 141; of whom ninety-one were from Tallygunge, presented by the Rev. D. Jones; six from Howrah, by the Rev. A. W. Street; four from Calcutta, by the Rev. W. O'B. Smith. The remainder were presented by the Rev. T. Sandys, of Mirzapore.

Baptism at St Saviour's.—On the same day, Purna Chundra Mittra, a young Hindu of respectable family, and his wife, Khettra Mahanee Dasse, were publicly received into the pale of the Christian Church. They had been for some time under very serious impressions; and having given satisfactory evidence of repentance and faith, were admitted to holy baptism and added to the congregation of St. Saviour's Church.

The Rev. Professor Street read Morning Prayers. The Rev. K. M. Banerjee delivered an impressive sermon from 2 Cor. v. 17, "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature," &c.

The Rev. W. O'B. Smith, of the Calcutta Mission, administered the Sacrament. A large number of native and other Christians were present. The scene was well calculated to excite feelings of devout thankfulness to Him, Who, we trust, was the Author of the faith of these converts.

Departure of the Bishop.—The Bishop left in a pilot brig for his long and trying visitation to the Malayan Peninsula and Borneo, on Nov. 11th, 1850. He was accompanied by Archdeacon Pratt and his lady. The Bishop takes along with him a student of Bishop's College, C. J. Fox, to remain in Borneo as Catechist. The Rev. F. T. McDougall, the laborious Missionary of Sarawak, writes (September 10th, 1850), in reference to this appointment: "I do not think him too young at nineteen. It will take him two years from the time of his coming here, to know Malay sufficiently well to enable him to make a good beginning of his Missionary work among the Dyaks; and then he will have to learn the dialects of the tribes he may be placed with. (The head men of these tribes all speak Malay, but the rest know only the Dyak of their district.) In the meanwhile, if he would devote his attention to Arabic, it will prove of great use to him in learning Malay, and assist him in getting on with the Malays, who have a great esteem for any one who understands the language of the Koran."—*From the Calcutta Missionary.*

DIOCESE OF CAPE TOWN.

Visit of the Bishop to the Kaffir Chief, Umhala.—We extract from the *South African Church Magazine*, No. X., an account of this incident, which took place at Umhala's Kraal, on the Gnoubie, near Fort Waterloo, on the 1st of last August:—"The Bishop, after a trying and perilous journey overland from Natal, of twenty-two days, (during which his cart and horses were twice overturned, and the former broken to pieces,) arrived, by the providence of God, safe at King William's Town, where his Lordship's presence gave universal joy.

His Lordship officiated twice on the ensuing Sunday in the