

"The great God, he is God (To). The arch of this world may be called King, and that is all. The great God (Shang To), our heavenly Father and Supreme Lord, is omnipotent, omnipresent, and omnipresent, the Supreme over all. There is not an individual who is not produced and cherished by him. He is Shang [Supremo], He is To [Potentate]. Besides the great God [Shang To], our heavenly Father and Supreme Lord, there is no one who can be called Shang, and no one who can be called To. Therefore, from henceforth all you soldiers and officers may designate us your Lord, and that is all; you must not call me Supremo, lest you should encroach upon the designation of our heavenly Father. Our heavenly Father is our holy Father, and our celestial elder Brother is our holy Lord the Saviour of the world. He is our heavenly Father and our celestial elder Brother alone are holy; and from henceforth all you soldiers and officers may designate us your Lord, and that is all; but you must not call me holy, lest you encroach upon the designation of our heavenly Father and celestial elder Brother."

"In the plenitude of imperial pride, the 'Son of Heaven' has from ancient times claimed alone, as the high priest of the nation, the honour of making special offerings to the one Supreme Being, and sacrificing at the winter solstice at the round hillock. The chief of the rival dynasty restores to the sons of Han their just right, and gives to all the children of men equality in the sight of God:—

"Those whose minds have been deluded by the devil object and say, that the great God is only to be worshipped by sovereign princes. But we wish you to know that the great God [Shang To] is the universal Father of all men throughout the world. Sovereigns are those of his children whom he clothes with power, but the good are those of his children who most resemble him."

"The national exclusiveness and pride of China has hitherto delarded her from intercommunication with foreign countries. On this point, again, we may perceive the inculcation of sentiments which, if prevailing generally among this people, would speedily throw down the barriers which have so long isolated them from Christendom, and bring them into the great brotherhood of Christian nations. Instead of terming foreigners 'barbarian,' the pretender to the imperial throne enjoins his followers to recognize them 'brethren' under the protection of the same true God:—

"The great God is the universal Father of all men throughout the world. China, which is near to us, is governed and regulated by the same God: foreign nations, which are far away, are under the same rule."

"Again:—

"Foreign nations, though far removed, are protected and cared for by the one great God; and China, which is so near, is under the same gracious care. There are many men in the world, but they are all our brethren; there are many women in the world, but they are all our sisters."

Conclusion next week.

Diocesan Church Society.

D. C. S.

The Annual Meeting of the Diocesan Church Society of Nova Scotia, was held in the National School Room on Thursday the 9th inst.

Present—The Right Reverend the President, in the Chair: the Venble. the Archdeacon, several of the Clergy from the country, Major Myers, delegate from Windsor; H. A. Gladwin, Esq., and many other members of the Society.

After Prayers the President drew the attention of the Society to the expediency of postponing the public meeting, on account of the inclemency of the weather, and the dangerous state of the streets. It was agreed to postpone the Public Meeting until Wednesday evening next the 15th inst. at 7 p. m.

The Right Rev. the President mentioned to the Society the efforts which he (while in England) had made for King's College, Windsor, and warmly recommended the subject to the Society.

He then informed the Committee that several persons in England had presented him with valuable Books towards the formation of a Diocesan Library in Nova Scotia, and also that he had received some useful architectural plans. It was moved by the Archdeacon, seconded by Rev. J. Shrove, D.D. and

Resolved, That the grateful thanks of the Society be offered to all those contributors.

The Secretary read the 16th Annual Report of the Executive Committee, showing a large increase in the Society's income during the past year, and stating that

many more applications for aid had been made than the Committee were able to entertain.

It was moved by the Rev. H. L. Owen, seconded by the Rev. J. Shrove, and

Resolved, That the Report now read be adopted and printed and circulated under the direction of the General Committee.

Upon a suggestion from the Endowment Sub-Committee, it was

Resolved, That a standing Sub-Committee on general investments be appointed, with full powers to invest to the best of their judgment the Monies intrusted to them.

The Members of the Society already appointed to invest the Bishopric Endowment Fund, were formed into a standing Sub-Committee on general investments.

The Report of the Sub-Committee upon providing assistance to the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen was read; and was referred to the Clergy now in Halifax, to consider and report to an adjourned meeting of this Society.

A. M. Uniacke, Esq. proposed an alteration in the 7th Bye-Law, (notice of which alteration had been given at the last Annual Meeting,) which passed unanimously.

Under the altered Bye Law the first five on the list of Executive Committee went out of office, and the following Members of the Society were elected to fill the vacancy: The Honble. M. B. Almon, Mr. W. Marvin, Dr. Almon, B. Collins, Esq. and H. Hartshorne, Esq.

The Rev. E. Gilpin, Jr. A. M. was appointed Secretary; H. Pryor, Esq. A. M., Asst. Secretary, and L. Hartshorne, Esq. Treasurer, for the ensuing year.

A vote of thanks was passed to those Officers of the Society, for their services during the past year.

The usual grants, under the usual conditions, were made for one year, for the assistance of Missionaries at the following places:—Stowlaeke, Musquodoboit, Wilmot, Albion Mines, Chester, Liverpool, Westport, Annapolis, Pugwash, Newport. Also for a Travelling Missionary on the Western Coast, and to the Rev. J. Breeding, Beaver Harbor.

The Right Revd. the President proposed, that the day of Annual Meeting be changed from the second Tuesday in February, to the Thursday after the second Sunday in February.

On the motion of Revd. H. L. Owen, seconded by N. Clarke, Esq., the name of the Secretary was added to the list of Life Members.

A. M. Uniacke, Esq. proposed, and the Revd. E. B. Nichols seconded the following change in the 9th Bye Law:—"That the Rural Local Committee of any Parish shall have power to appoint any Member of this Society as its representative in the Executive Committee in Halifax."

It was moved in amendment by N. Clarke, Esq., seconded by H. Pryor, Esq., "That the choice of representatives be limited to Members of the Executive Committee."

The Meeting adjourned until 9 p. m. on Saturday next.

EDWIN GILPIN, Jr.
Secy.

Condensed from the Cape Breton News' Report of the Meeting of the St. George's C. B. Branch of the Diocesan Church Society.

The last speaker was the Rev. Mr. Porter, whose address was an able and admirably arranged Missionary appeal. None could help feeling gratified with this Missionary tone of the address, and the Christian liberality of sentiment of the speaker. For our own part, long accustomed to look upon the zeal and untiring efforts of this clergyman in the work, not alone of his Ministry, but likewise of the excellent Society whose claims he has advocated) as worthy of praise and imitation, we felt great pleasure in finding the Missionary objects of the Society thus again spoken of and enforced by one of the earliest Office-bearers of the St. George's Branch thereof, and to whose courage under difficulties, and fidelity to its interests, the Branch Society owes much of its present prosperity.—Com.

FOR THE LARGEN TIMES.

The Hubbard's Cove Branch of the D. C. S. held its Annual Meeting in the Church School House on the evening of Monday the 5th inst. The weather being fine, attendance was unusually large. In the absence of the Rector, which according to letter previously received, was unavoidable, and which was much regretted by all, the chair was taken by the Assistant Missionary who opened the Meeting with the "appointed prayers" and delivered a brief address, in which the leading objects of the D. C. S. and the relative duty of Clergymen, were prominently set forth.

The 1st Resolution was then moved by Mr. Neil McLean, Junr., and seconded by Mr. Wm. Duce.

Resolved, That we feel deeply thankful to Almighty God that we are once more permitted to meet together as Members of this Society.

The 2d Resolution was moved by Mr. John L. Shallock, and seconded by Mr. N. McLean, Esq.

Resolved, That it is the duty, and the ardent wish of every true-hearted Churchman, to make use of every proper means in his power to spread the Gospel and extend the Church of the Redeemer, throughout the world.

The 3d Resolution was moved by Mr. Robert Fox, and seconded by Mr. Joseph Conrod.

Resolved, That while we rejoice that the two Venerable Societies of the Church in England will speed on their mighty work, we feel that to have also cause for encouragement and thankfulness in the increasing usefulness, though in a humble sphere, of "our own Society" in this Diocese.

The 4th Resolution was moved by Mr. John Deshayes and seconded by Mr. Thom. Trueman.

Resolved, That the Members of the Church in this District, feel deeply indebted to the U. C. S. for the continuance and partial support of an Assistant Missionary amongst them.

The 5th Resolution was moved by Mr. Alex. Keir, and seconded by Mr. Gasper Conrod.

Resolved, That we deeply deplore the loss by death since our last annual meeting, of our late Secretary, Mr. Chas. P. Wood, who for his kind offices and zeal in the Society, will not soon be forgotten by its surviving members.

Speeches, usual at such meetings, were indeed scarce, but each of the foregoing Resolutions was received with that unfeigned good will and genuine sympathy, not easy to be mistaken, and which spoke a purer eloquence than words could do. There is a saying that "silence gives consent," but for the most part on this occasion, silence gave more than mere consent. The Resolution relating to the death of Mr. Wood was received with evident emotion. He had been engaged in the capacity of Schoolmaster at Hubbard's Cove for more than 10 years, and in the course of that time had become by his uniform modest and amiability endeared to every heart in that community. Some time previous to the meeting, collectors were furnished with properly anthologized Subscription Lists, each inscribed with a verse of Scripture (2 Cor. ix. 7) as motto. Several of these lists respectfully filled, were handed in in the course of the proceedings. To the collectors and praise is due for their unwearied exertions in the cause of our Society. After the transaction of some business relative to the new Church and Burial Ground, the meeting closed, having been characterised throughout with good order and right feeling.

Newspaper Department.

From Papers by R. M. E; Arabia, to Jan 11
ENGLAND.

The Resignation of Sir Robert H. Inglis comes upon the public with surprise; and honest men of all parties lament that ill health is the cause of such resignation. In the mean time, the Gladstonites, have acceded Sir W. Heathcote as a candidate for the University. The true Church of England men have applied to Lord Robert Cecil; but they have not yet been favoured with an answer. Sir John Pakington, too, has spoken of; but on this side all is uncertainty, with a damaging lack of promptitude.—Church & State Gazette.

The following is a copy of the letter of Sir R. H. Inglis, tendering his resignation:—

"My dear Mr. Vice Chancellor:—It is my painful duty to request your permission to retire from the service of the University in the House of Commons—a service which I have found to be alike burdensome and delightful; and in which I should have rejoiced to have been enabled to continue longer; but owing to the state of my health, since my return from the Continent in October last, compulsion, as it were, to the judgment of my medical adviser, formally delivered to me a few days ago, to withdraw from the labour of the post in which the favour of Government has placed me nine successive Parliaments.

"I still enjoy, thank God, that measure of strength which may be equal to other duties in other stations I have even well considered, before making this formal communication, whether I might not have been as one of your burgesses in my place. Parliament withdrawing from every other work there except that which was directly connected with my duties in the representation of the University. But the distinction is often so fine between the obligations which might devolve upon me in that character, and the obligations which must belong to me as one of the general body of the House, that, having undertaken the whole, I cannot now deceive myself into the belief that I could consistently retain the one position systematically neglect the other.

"Though a vacancy cannot literally be kept in the House of Commons shall be re-assembled, I do not to be my duty to intimate thus early my resignation and intentions.

"I will not affect to deny that I abandon the House of Commons with considerable reluctance. I have received a very large share of kindness on all sides; but, I hope, any sacrifice of my own opinions, I may feel that I owe to the Government of my country in connection with the University. While I live, I hope