

ble Societies, and from many of her enlightened and philanthropic members, and recognize the obligation of repaying this debt, as we have the ability and opportunity, by aiding in such enterprises as the one now presented in the application of Trinity College.

Resolved 3—That every movement towards a mutual interchange of good offices between the Churches of England and America is regarded with the deepest interest by American Churchmen, and that we feel bound to promote such interchange by every means which Providence has placed in our hands.

Resolved 4—That the Rev. Drs. William Berrian, Stephen H. Tyng, Edward T. Higbee, Benjamin T. Haight, Samuel R. Johnson, Francis Vinton, William A. Muhlenberg, Samuel Seabury, Francis L. Hawks, and the Rev. Messrs. Samuel Cooke, G. T. Bedell, and L. H. Tuttle, the Hon. Luther Bradish, and Messrs. William H. Harrison, Anthony Barclay, British Consul William H. Hobart, W. D. Cyrus Curtis, George T. Strong, Anthony G. Bleecker, E. H. Gililan, and G. A. Sabine, M. D., be requested to act as an advisory committee to assist the Rev. Mr. McMurray in his application to the Churchmen of New York, and that they have power to add to their number before the adjournment of the meeting, the Chairman proposed that the address and resolutions should appear in both of the Church papers, and in as many of the secular papers as possible.

Having proceeded thus far satisfactorily, the next step was to devise some method for carrying the foregoing resolutions into effect. It was therefore deemed desirable to convene another meeting to be held in the Sunday School room of the Church of the Ascension, on Tuesday evening, the 8th of June at 8 o'clock.

After a good deal of deliberation at this meeting, as to the most efficient method to be pursued, the following resolutions were proposed and adopted:—

Resolved 1—That this committee advise the Rev. Mr. McMurray to commence his work by a direct personal application to the members of the several Episcopal congregations in this city and Brooklyn.

Resolved 2—That the Rectors and Clergy of the several congregations be respectfully requested to give their aid to the Rev. Mr. McMurray, by sanctioning and recommending to the attention of the Laity, his address, as the agent of Trinity College, Toronto.

Resolved 3—That the Rev. Mr. McMurray be advised to aim at the establishment by each congregation, of at least a scholarship in Trinity College, Canada West, and to keep distinct from each other the contributions of the several congregations.

Resolved 4—That this advisory committee request the Rev. Mr. McMurray to procure the appointing of a service in Trinity Church, on Tuesday next, the 15th of June, to celebrate the close of the Jubilee, in union with our brethren in the Church of England.

Resolved 5—That the Rector of Trinity Church be requested to invite the presence of the Clergy and Laity of New York and neighborhood, and to appropriate the offerings on that occasion to the objects of the Rev. Mr. McMurray's mission.

Resolved 6—That the proceedings of this meeting be signed by the Chairman and Secretary and be published.

In accordance with the fourth resolution, I waited upon the Rector of Trinity Church, and solicited from him the appointment of a service to be held in that noble edifice, on Tuesday, the 15th of June, to celebrate the close of the Jubilee in union with the Church in England. The Rector at once complied with the request, and issued the following circular to the Clergy and Laity of New York and its vicinity:—

"On Tuesday next, June 15th, the day on which the closing service of the Jubilee year of the Venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel will be held in Westminster Abbey; there will be morning prayer, a sermon, and the administration of the Holy Communion, in Trinity Church, at half-past ten o'clock. The alms collected at the offertory will be appropriated to Trinity College, Toronto, Canada West, in response to the application for aid which is now made through the Rev. William McMurray. The Clergy of the City and vicinity are respectfully invited to be present, and to assemble in the north vestry room at ten o'clock.

"The Rev. Mr. McMurray is invited to attend as one of the officiating Clergymen.

(Signed,) WILLIAM BERRIAN, Rector."

On Sunday, the 6th of June, I attended Divine service in Calvary Church, and assisted the Rector; and in the afternoon I preached in the Church of the Holy Communion.

On the 9th, proceeded, by invitation, to Bridgeport, to be present at the annual Convention of the Diocese of Connecticut, where I had the pleasure of being introduced to the Right Rev. Bishop Brownell, and to the assistant, the Right Rev. Bishop Williams, and likewise to many of the Clergy. As a mark of respect to the Church in Canada, the Senior Bishop invited me to take my seat within the rails of the chancel.

I gladly availed myself of every opportunity which presented itself of attending the Conventions of the Church, and the commencement of Colleges, as it afforded me a ready access to the Bishops and the Clergy, to whom I could make known the objects of my mission.

On Sunday, the 13th, I preached in St. George's Church, New York, in the morning, and in Calvary in the afternoon.

Tuesday, the 15th, being the day appointed for the Jubilee Service in Trinity Church, I attended by special invitation, and took a part in the Service. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Higbee, and was most eloquent and appropriate. The collection at the offertory

amounted to \$1121.60, one thousand dollars of which were contributed in gold, as the noble and generous offering of the Corporation of Trinity Church to Trinity College.

On the morning after the imposing services in Trinity Church I received a letter from the Rev. Dr. Higbee, enclosing me one which had been sent to him with a donation from a gentleman of well known liberality in Troy—a copy of which I here insert to shew the deep interest which was felt in behalf of our College by those at a distance:—

"Ida Cottage, June 12th, 1852.

"Rev. and dear Sir,—I am very much obliged to you for your kind invitation, and should like nothing better than to be present at the concluding services in Trinity Church. I am afraid, however, that I shall not be able to go down. I have heard it has been proposed to make a collection in your church on Tuesday next for Trinity College, Toronto. If this should be done, please endorse the enclosed Draft, and add it to the collection for me. I told the Rev. Mr. T. to say to the Agent of Trinity College that if he would come to Troy, I for one would give him \$25. I think now, however, it would be better to send my offering to you. In case there should be no collection in your church, for the purpose, please give the Draft to the Rev. Mr. McMurray with my best wishes, and say, we should be happy to see him, if he should come this way. I hope you will make a great collection for the College on Tuesday. The whole Church, on both sides of the Atlantic would feel the good effects, and it would be a glorious termination of the Jubilee."

On Sunday, June 20th, I preached in Christ Church and in St. Anne's, Brooklyn. From the 7th to the 29th of June the whole of my time was occupied in soliciting contributions from the leading members of St. George's Church and Calvary, agreeably to the recommendation of my advisory committee, which was neither an enviable nor a light undertaking, but which I resolved to carry out to the letter, in order to give the plan proposed by them a fair trial. From St. George's congregation I received \$365, and from Calvary, \$155. It was soon discovered that the recommendation contained in the 3rd Resolution of the last Meeting, with regard to a scholarship from each congregation, could not be carried into effect, and it was therefore determined to leave the contributions entirely at the disposal of the Council of Trinity College. On the 29th I left New York for Riverside, near Burlington, the beautiful residence of the Right Rev. the Bishop of New Jersey, by whom I was kindly received and hospitably entertained. The Bishop entered most heartily into the object of my mission, and gave me the following commendatory letter to the Clergy and Laity of his Diocese:—

"To all who love the Church of England, and desire her good,—This will commend the Rev. Wm. McMurray, A. M., a Presbyter of the Diocese of Toronto, enjoying the confidence of his Bishop, and honoured as his representative to solicit contributions in aid of Trinity College, in that Diocese. There is no Bishop in the communion through whom we have received the Apostleship whose labours have been more abundant, and now, at an advanced age, his duty to the Church has called him to an enterprise of the greatest difficulty and responsibility, but of still greater value and necessity. I have sympathized with him most deeply in his great effort, and I am glad that the members of the sister (once the daughter) Church, are now to have an opportunity to aid in its promotion. To all to whom these presents may come I recommend it earnestly; and humbly supplicate God's blessing on the enterprise, and all who are engaged in it."

(Signed) G. W. DOANE,

Bishop of New Jersey.

On taking my leave of the Bishop, he put into my hand a volume for Trinity College, in which I found written:—

To Trinity College, Toronto,
From the Rev. CHARLES FORSTER,
By the hands of the BISHOP of NEW JERSEY,
and in remembrance of the
Rev. W. McMURRAY's most pleasing visit
at Riverside, 30th June, 1852.

"For my Brethren and companions' sake I will wish thee prosperity."

I reached Washington on the 2nd of July, and on Sunday, the 4th, I assisted the Rector in St. John's Church, and preached in Trinity in the evening.

On Sunday, the 11th, I preached in St. John's Church. A collection for the College was made after the sermon, which amounted to \$200. I observed the President of the United States and some of the heads of the Departments present on that occasion. In the evening I preached in the Church of the Epiphany.

On the 14th of July I visited Alexandria, to attend the commencement of the Theological Seminary, and to ascertain from the Right Rev. Bishop Meade, whether his Diocese would be able to do anything for us. The Bishop regretted that he could not hold out much encouragement to me, in consequence of the depressed state of their own Institutions.

On Sunday, the 18th, I preached both in the morning and afternoon in St. Paul's Church, Alexandria. The Assistant-Bishop of Virginia, the Right Rev. Dr. Johns, was present in the afternoon, to whom I had been introduced, and who gave me a very kind invitation to visit him at Williamsburgh, Virginia, the seat of William and Mary's College, of which he is the President. Having accomplished the object of my visit to Washington, as far as it was at that time in my power, I left the Capitol on the 19th, and arrived safely in New York the same evening. On my arrival I found a donation of Medical books from the author, Dr. Martyn

Payne, and also a donation from the Rev. Prof. Hackley, of his works on Mathematics.

The principal residents of the city having left for their summer retreats, the Clergy advised me not to remain any longer just then, but to return in the Fall, when they would have great pleasure in furthering, (as far as they could,) the application of Trinity College. I accordingly left New York for Hartford on the 24th to attend the opening of Trinity College, and on my arrival I was kindly welcomed by the President of that Institution. I had the pleasure of meeting at the President's, as his guest, the Right Rev. Bishop Polk, of Louisiana, who seemed deeply interested in the cause I was advocating, and gave me \$20.

During my short sojourn at Hartford, I visited Trinity College, and was pleased to learn that it was rapidly rising in public estimation and confidence. In going through the Library of the College, the mitre worn by the late Right Rev. Bishop Seabury, the first Bishop of the Episcopal Church in the United States, was shown to me amongst other objects of interest. It is a plain mitre-shaped cap, of purple velvet, with a simple cross wrought upon its front; an account of which is given by that talented author, the Rev. Arthur Cleveland Cox, in his beautiful Christian Ballads, a part of which I cannot resist the insertion here:—

This mitre, with its crown of thorn;
Its cross upon the front;
Not for a proud adorning worn,
But for the battle's brunt;
This helmet,—with salvation's sign,
Of one whose shield was faith;
This crown, of him, for right divine,
Who battled unto death.

Oh! keep it, till the moth shall wear
Its comeliness to dust;
Type of a crown that's laid up where
There is no rust nor rust;
Type of the Lord's commission given
To this, our Western shore;
The rod of Christ, the keys of heaven,
Through one, to thousands more.

And keep it for this mighty West,
Till Truth shall glorious be,
And good old Samuel's is confest
Columbia's prima See.
'Tis better than a diadem,
The crown that Bishop wore,
Whose hand the rod of David's stern
The farthest Westward bore.

On the 28th, just at the commencement of Columbia College, the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon your Agent.

I left Hartford for Dundas on the 29th, which I reached safely and in good health, after an absence of nearly three months, during which period I received for Trinity College from Churches and individuals \$1981.69 cents.

From the foregoing narration of my first visit to the United States, it will be perceived, my Lord, that little was attempted beyond visiting the City of New York, where I found it all important for the future success of my mission, to leave behind me as favourable an impression as possible. Nor in this was I disappointed, for the proceedings in New York were constantly appealed to in every part of the country which I visited;—so that if I had accomplished nothing beyond making the injustice we had received at home and the pressing necessities of our position known, my time would not have been mis-spent.

I remained in my Parish until the 8th of October, on which day I left again to fulfil the many engagements I had made. During my journey to New York I visited Buffalo, Rochester, Geneva, Syracuse, Utica, Rome, Troy, and Albany, in nearly all of which cities I preached in the principal Churches, and obtained collections for our College. The collections were as follows: Buffalo contributed \$143 80; Rochester, \$58 37; Syracuse, \$39 17; Utica, \$173, and Troy \$146. This occupied an entire month, so that I did not reach New York until the 9th of November, and just in time to be present at the Consecration of the Provisional Bishop for that Diocese, which took place in Trinity Church on Wednesday the 10th. There were 10 Bishops present and about 150 of the Clergy. This Consecration is said to have been the most imposing religious ceremony of the Church ever held in New York.

On Sunday the 14th, I accompanied the Lord Bishop of Montreal to St. John's Church, Trinity and St. Paul's, in each of which his Lordship preached. In St. John's and Trinity I was requested to take part in the service.

On the 18th I was applied to by H. M.'s Vice-Consul for New York to attend Calvary Church at 7 o'clock, as one of the officiating clergymen; and to take part in the obsequies which were held in honour of the late Duke of Wellington. The Rector assigned to me the whole of the evening service, and the oration was delivered by the Rev. Dr. Vinton, of Brooklyn. The church was filled to overflowing, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, and the whole of the services were of the most imposing character. The Consuls of the different nations attended in their uniforms, and likewise many of the military of the city and its vicinity. There was also a large attendance of ladies, most of whom were dressed in mourning. From the 9th of November, and up to the time of my departure on the 17th of December, I was constantly engaged in furthering the cause which had been intrusted to my care.

Before taking my second departure from New York, I received additional from Trinity Parish \$237, making in all \$1358. From the Church of the Holy Communion \$162. From the Ascension \$315, and from St. Bartholemew's \$30. On the 18th of December I visited Lousburg, near Troy, at the request of the Rector of Trinity Church, and obtained through him the handsome sum of \$50 from a member of his Parish, who formerly resided in Toronto.

On Sunday the 16th I preached in St. Peter's Church, Albany, in the evening, after which a collection was made, which amounted to \$85.65. In the afternoon I preached for the Rector of St.

Paul's, who gave me \$50 as his own generous donation.

On Monday the 20th I called upon J. B. Plumb, Esq., who gave me as the handsome donation of Mrs. Plumb, 200 acres of land, valued in cash at \$300, and also \$50 as the donation of his infant son.

I left Albany on the 21st, and reached Dundas on the morning of the 23rd, at 3 o'clock, after a cold and most fatiguing journey by stage from the Falls to Hamilton. This, my Lord, completed my second visit, during which I received in money \$2126, including many donations privately given, and in land in cash value \$800, making together \$2926; and the sum total to this period \$4907 69 cents, besides several donations in books.

After the constant excitement and the fatigue consequent upon the duties of my mission, I found it necessary to take a little time for relaxation before setting out on my third expedition.

I remained at home until the 13th of January, and on that day I left again to visit those cities where I was sure a statement of our situation would not be heard in vain.

I was obliged to remain a day or two at Albany to procure the publications of the State of New York, and I am happy to say that my application for them was successful. On the 20th I again reached New York, where I found ample employment for three or four weeks.

On Sunday, the 23rd, I preached in Grace Church, Brooklyn, in the morning, and in the Church of the Holy Trinity in the evening. The collection in the forenoon was \$58 and in the latter \$55.

On Sunday, the 30th, I preached twice in Grace Church, New York. There was no collection made at the time, but with the sanction of the Rector, I called during the week, upon several of the most wealthy members of the congregation who cheerfully contributed. The amount received from Grace Church was \$740. I next proceeded to Newark, in New Jersey, where I preached on Sunday, the 6th of February, in three of the churches of that city. The collection in the House of Prayer was \$77, in Grace \$50, and from a member of Trinity \$5.

I returned to New York, and on Sunday, the 13th, I preached in the Church of the Annunciation, the collection was \$122 44c. In the evening I went to St. Stephen's Church, where I preached again on the subject of the College; and the response to the appeal was \$100.

I received a letter from the Right Rev. the Bishop of Maryland, enclosing me the following circular, which he had sent to the Clergy of Baltimore:—

BALTIMORE, Feb. 14, 1853,

Rev. and dear Sir,—You are respectfully invited to attend a meeting of the Clergy of Baltimore, at the Sunday School room of St. Paul's Church, on Friday evening, the 18th inst., at half-past 7 P. M., to hear statements and communications of important interest, by the Rev. Dr. McMurray of Upper Canada.

Very truly and faithfully,

Your friend and brother,

Signed, W. M. WHITTINGHAM.

I left N. York accordingly on the 16th, in order to meet the engagements which the Bishop had kindly made for me, and on the evening of the 18th I attended the meeting at the place named by the Bishop, where I found many of the Clergy of the city, with two or three of the Laity, present. I regretted very much the absence of the Bishop, who was obliged to leave a day or two before I arrived, to embark for the South of Europe, in consequence of the precarious state of his health. After laying a brief statement of the object of my visit to the United States, before the meeting, arrangements were made for me to preach in the principal Churches by their respective Rectors.

On the 19th, I left for Washington, to prepare if possible, the books that had been promised me during my former visit, for the College. Whilst there I received the third volume of Mr. Schoolcroft's valuable and elaborate work, David Dale Owen's Geological Survey of Iowa, Wisconsin, and Minnesota, all the publications of the Smithsonian Institution, together with several volumes from the office of the Topographical Engineers.

On Sunday the 20th, I preached twice for the Rector of St. John's Church.

On the 27th, I preached in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, in Mount Calvary Church and in St. Peter's. The contributions of the three Churches amounted to \$211 66c.

On the 28th, I proceeded to Philadelphia to arrange for my future services there, with the consent of the Right Rev. the Bishop of Pennsylvania, which was most willingly granted. Having made the necessary arrangements for my duty in Philadelphia, I returned on the 2nd of March to Baltimore, and on Sunday the 6th, I preached in Grace Church in the morning, and Christ's Church in the evening. The contributions from both were \$115 58c.

On the 8th, I left for Philadelphia to keep my engagements, which I found would occupy my time for a month. During my stay there, I preached fourteen times in the largest Churches of the city, from which I received the following sums for Trinity College: St. Mark's, \$157.50c; Ascension, \$163; St. Andrew's, \$153; St. James's, \$70; Trinity, \$91 17c; St. Peter's, \$31; Grace Church, \$22 50c; Epiphany, \$5; Gloria Dei, \$20; and St. Stephen's, \$67. Some of the Churches have not yet contributed, but from letters which I have recently received from Philadelphia, I have been informed that something additional, although not large, may be expected.

On the 2nd of April, I received \$26 from the Right Rev. the Bishop of New Jersey, being the amount of the Easter offertory in St. Mary's Church, Burlington, of which he is the Rector. On the 4th, I received a handsome donation of