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## PASTORAL LETTER

TO THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

MY DEAR BRETHREN,

Among the proceedings of the Synod, held in October last, I find the following resolutions, upon which special action will be required, in order that they may be fully carried out throughout the Diocese.

1st. "That the Rev. T. B. Fuller, Rural Dean, the Rev. H. Patton, Rural Dean, John W. Gamble, Esq., and John Arnold, Esq., be a Deputation, representing this Synod, to present the following resolution to the Church in the United States, at the present moment in General Convocation assembled; and that the Deputation be furnished with two copies of the resolution, properly authenticated, to be presented one to the Bishops and the other to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

### RESOLUTION.

"Whereas, during the last year, the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, by and with the advice and concurrence of Trinity College, Toronto, was pleased to appeal to the churchmen of the United States in behalf of that institution, and to depute the Rev. William McMurray, D. D., Rector of Ancaster and Dundas, to present this appeal; and whereas that gentleman was cordially and affectionately received by the churchmen in all parts of the union which he was enabled to visit, and his application for aid answered by the most munificent donations, amounting, in money, lands and books, to the large sum of ten thousand dollars.

"Resolved unanimously, by this Synod, consisting of the Lord Bishop, the Clergy and Laity, representing the several parishes and missions of the United Church of England and Ireland in the Diocese of Toronto, that their warmest thanks are due and are hereby most cordially tendered to their brethren in the United States, for their fraternal, timely and munificent contribution, to that most important institution."

2nd. "That a Deputation be appointed by this Synod, to proceed to Quebec on the assembling of the Legislature, to watch the progress of any measure that may be introduced in reference to the Clergy Reserves; and in the event of their failing to prevent the passage of the same, to endeavour so to have its provisions modified as to render it as little as possible injurious to the Church."

3rd. "That it is expedient that an episcopal fund be forthwith commenced, and that the amount contributed for that purpose within the limits of the proposed Dioceses respectively, together with a moiety of whatever may be contributed by the then remaining Diocese of Toronto, be reserved for the maintenance of the Bishops of the new Sees respectively: that one of the four annual special collections be made for that purpose throughout the Diocese; and that the Lord Bishop of Toronto be requested, by pastoral letter or otherwise, to invite contributions from the members of the Church generally towards carrying out this important object."

The two first of these resolutions prove that Diocesan Synods cannot be held without incurring certain necessary expenses, permanent as well as contingent. Among the former, stationery, printing, &c., may be mentioned, because to some extent always required, though fluctuating in amount. Contingent expenses also must from time to time arise, and ought, for the credit of the Church, to be promptly met.

Thus the Deputation to New York cannot in fairness be expected to defray its own expenses, much less the proposed deputation to Quebec.

To make provision for all such matters, I would respectfully recommend that the Clergymen and Lay Deputies, or Church Wardens, of every parish, mission or station, request of their respective members a trifling donation, and forward the same, when collected, to the Rev. Thomas S. Kennedy, one of the Secretaries of the Synod.

I think the Church would prefer some such mode of providing for these unavoidable requirements, to a formal col-