

experience for which he may hope to derive strength and judgment in due time. Let no one be discouraged, but making a right use of opportunities of study, both of men and books, let the present precious moments always be valued even by those missionaries cut off for a while from congenial society. So shall strong habits of thought and reflection be formed, and no minister feel solitary in any time or circumstance.

On the subject of Church Consolidation I have little to add to what I said at the June meeting of this Synod.

The report of the Committee appointed to consider the matter expresses in few and clear words what seems to me the right attitude for the Synod of Montreal to assume. We are willing and even desirous that all the Dioceses in British North America should be formed into one Province, but we are not willing to weaken our ecclesiastical system by the introduction of a so-called "General Synod," which offers nothing that we do not already possess in the combined action of our Diocesan and Provincial Synods.

By the will of a wealthy lady, lately deceased, the late Mrs. Charles Phillips, the "Sustentation Fund" has been further endowed with \$10,000. The Montreal Diocesan Theological College and the Church of St. James the Apostle each with a like amount, and Trinity Church with \$5,000. These gifts are very timely, and we receive them with gratitude, as an expression of Mrs. Phillips' affection for the Church of England. Through a long life passed in this city, she manifested from time to time (by the exercise of liberality towards it) her deep affection for the Church in which she worshipped on earth, and we trust, by the grace of Almighty God, she is comforted now in the everlasting presence of her Lord and Saviour.

Another of our missionaries on the Montreal list of pensioners of the Venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel has passed away, leaving only four to represent the work of that great missionary association which was the nursing mother of the Church in Canada. The Rev. T. A. Young, of Coteau du Lac, was a man of retiring habits, little known outside of the quiet village in which he ministered, but in the scene of his life's work his gentle presence will be greatly missed.

I have also to record the death of the Rev. A. T. Whitten, who for many years has been superannuated. He resided, of late years, in the United States, and will scarcely be remembered by many of the present day. He did good work while his health lasted in places which demanded much toil and self-devotion.

Since the meeting of Synod in June last, I have visited 87 Parishes and Missions, and confirmed 286 persons. I have admitted four to the Diaconate. I have consecrated the Bishop Stewart Memorial Church of Holy Trinity, Frelighsburg, and a new portion of a burying ground at Buckingham. The corner-stone has been laid of St. Mary's, Hochelaga, by Mr. A. F. Gault; of Grace Church, Point St. Charles, by Mr. Wm. McWood; of St. Paul's, Knowlton, by

myself; and of extra churches but had become. They are beautiful time ago, and

I cannot close

Death has been down like early is called upon by his position world. All the pathy with the with sorrow, and the bereaved p stricken through help those afflicted in its deep and Queen and her of parents and loss of a deserved and love felt by palaces of England tell our afflicted loyally our heavenly soul has drawn by distance of them. He who He who has st and we can reach and we will. Give unspeakable God grant it.

In closing, God in blessing joy to see the and the laity un carefully prepared God in confirmation, not only Ghost, living a Gracious Father Synod, in all name.