

I must not, my brethren of the Synod, further occupy your time ; but conclude with urging a calm and patient discussion of the questions that may come before you. Let not earnestness and zeal allow you to be betrayed into intemperate warmth, or into expressions that would be inconsistent with the gravity of the occasion that calls us together.

"*Semel emissum volat irrevocabile verbum;*" some honestly uttered, but mischief-bearing words may affect him that hastily utters them with a lasting sorrow and humiliation ; but they are borne away, far and near, never to be recalled.

In the discussions which may evoke differences of opinion, exercise towards one another a Christian forbearance. Have a due consideration for those varieties of thought and predilection which are inseparable from the constitution of our human nature ; and in the conclusions you form, and the decisions you arrive at, have a single mind to the good of the Church and the glory of its Divine Head.

ELECTION OF HONORARY CLERICAL SECRETARY.

It was moved by the Ven. Archdeacon of Toronto, seconded by the Rev. J. Wilson, R. D.,

That the Rev. C. J. S. Bethune, M. A., be re-appointed Honorary Clerical Secretary.—*Carried.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CERTIFICATES OF LAY DELEGATES.

The Rev. A. J. Broughall and Mr. F. J. Joseph, the Committee appointed by the Executive Committee to receive and examine the certificates of the Lay Representatives, presented the following Report, which was read by the Rev. A. J. Broughall, as follows :—

The Committee appointed to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates beg leave to report that the annexed list is a correct return, subject to the following remarks :—

1. We have no return for the Parishes of Brighton, Fergus, Keswick, Minto, Mount Forest and Arthur, Seymour and Percy, and Thorold.