

Resolutions passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Huron, June 19th and 20th, 1867.

Moved by J. Beard, Esq., seconded by A. Lefroy, Esq.,

Resolved, That this Synod, viewing with great concern and regret the rapid progress of Ritualism amongst many of the members of the Church of England in the Mother Country, and convinced that any attempt to introduce unlawful or to revive obsolete or unusual practices, even if they have, as it is claimed they have, the sanction of the law, cannot but have a prejudicial effect, desires to express its determination to use all its powers, either by strengthening the hands of the Bishop, or in any other way practicable, to oppose any attempt at innovations of this character in the Diocese, and to maintain in all its simplicity, the mode of conducting public worship which has been adopted for many generations.

Moved by Rev. H. Caulfield, seconded by Rev. J. Carmichael,

Resolved, That the following words be added to Mr. Beard's resolution: And that this Synod concurs in the memorial to the Provincial Synod adopted by the Synod of Toronto during the recent session.

To the Prolocutor, the Clerical and Lay delegates in Provincial Synod assembled:

The petition of the undersigned members of the United Church of England and Ireland in Canada (Montreal), respectfully sheweth:

That your Petitioners view with deep concern and alarm the rapid increase of Ritualism in the Church of England and Ireland in England: that they sincerely believe the tendency of the forms and ceremonies introduced there, is to lead those brought under their influence to embrace many of the errors of the Church of Rome,—in proof of which your Petitioners would point to the numerous perversions, both of the Clergy and Laity, from the Mother Church;—

That systematic and persevering exertions are being made in some Churches in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, to introduce like Romanizing forms and observances, and to teach doctrines which are repugnant to the Spirit of our Reformed Church, and the 39 Articles; that these efforts demand the immediate and earnest attention of all true Churchmen.