

House. A message from the House of Bishops was received, asking for a joint committee of conference to report on the great loss sustained by the death of the Bishop of Algoma. Rev. Dr. Sullivan and Chancellor Henderson were appointed from the Lower House.

Mr. C. J. Brydges sent a written resignation of his office of Treasurer owing to removal to Winnipeg. Mr. Jas. Hutton, of Montreal, was appointed in his place. Two members were appointed to draw up a resolution expressive of regret at the loss of Mr. Brydges' services. While waiting for the message from the Upper House, considerable desultory discussion arose respecting what could be done. Some members held that no question could be taken up save the election of a Bishop; others held that any matter pertaining to the Diocese of Algoma could properly be discussed. At about half-past five, Rev. John Pearson, Secretary of the House, arrived with the following message:

*Resolved*, That this House do not think it expedient to proceed to an election of a Missionary Bishop of Algoma at this session of the Provincial Synod; but that, instead, the election be postponed till the regular meeting next year, for the following reasons:—

1. That this House is not satisfied that the spirit of the requirements of the Canon of Missionary Bishops has been complied with, as they are not satisfied that adequate provision has been made for the support of a Missionary Bishop of Algoma.

2. That when the late Bishop was elected the several dioceses had guaranteed his stipend for a term of five years, while on the present occasion no diocese is, so far as is known to this House, pledged to contribute to the Bishop's stipend.

3. That it is expedient to await such action of the several dioceses at the ensuing sessions in June or July next, as will secure an adequate stipend for the Missionary Bishop.

4. That an opportunity is now offered of applying to the S. P. C. K. and S. P. G. for grants towards the endowment of the See of Algoma, and that some organization be adopted at this session to follow up this work of endowment either wholly or in part.

5. That the Diocese of Algoma need not be left without Episcopal ministrations during the ensuing year, as arrangements can be made by the Bishops of the neighbouring dioceses whereby Confirmation and other Episcopal services may be supplied.

The message took many of the members by surprise, having the effect as some expressed it of a shower bath, and there were very general expressions of dissent from its conclusions. It was on motion of Mr. L. H. Davidson, Q. C., resolved, that the resolutions be printed and discussed on the next morning.

#### MISSIONARY MEETING.

In the evening, with the approval of the Synod, a Missionary meeting was held, over which the Bishop of Montreal presided. It was much to be regretted that the Bishop of Quebec was the only other Bishop present, and that many of the delegates were absent.

The Very Rev. Doan Grisdale of Winnipeg in a very clear manner answered some of the objections to giving money to the North-West. Rev. E. F. Wilson made a powerful appeal on behalf of Algoma, and the Rev. W. Crompton, travelling missionary, carried all hearts with him as he recounted some most touching experiences. Clergymen and laymen rose all over the Hall and expressed their gladness at being present, and their determination not to go back from their own missionary child of the Canadian Church. The meeting was one of great unanimity and enthusiasm, but as Bishop Bond reminded them they must not let it die out, as to some extent had been the case since the enthusiasm evoked eight years ago at the setting apart of Algoma.

#### SECOND DAY.

The Synod met and resumed business on Friday at 9.30. After much animated discussion, an universal feeling being manifested that the work of Algoma had been wonderfully successful, and that it would be a disgrace which could never in the future be effaced if the Church of Canada now refused to continue it as a Diocese, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—

"That this House regret that they cannot concur in the election of the House of Bishops on the subject of the election of a Bishop to the missionary diocese of Algoma, as this House are of opinion that it is the duty of the Synod to proceed to the election of the Bishop during the present session, which has been specially convened for that purpose, and that this House respectfully request a conference with the Bishops."

As the above discussion was proceeding, the

Prolocutor announced the receipt of another message from the Metropolitan and the House of Bishops, informing them that the following resolution had been passed:—

"That a conference with a deputation from the Lower House is requested in reference to the resolution sent to the Lower House yesterday respecting the vacant Bishopric of Algoma."

Mr. L. H. Davidson moved, seconded by Dr. Sullivan—

"That this House reciprocates the desire of the Upper House for a conference, but respectfully asks that such conference be of both Houses rather than by committee." (Hear, hear.)

Some discussion ensued on the motion.

Hon. Justice Macdonald, Brockville, suggested that various members be nominated to express the views of the Synod to the Upper House.

Mr. Hemming moved in amendment, seconded by Rev. Dr. Roe—

"That this house do now concur in the message sent down from the Upper House."

The amendment, after some further discussion, was carried.

The following deputation to represent the Synod was then named by the Prolocutor and agreed to by the house:—

Rev. Dr. Sullivan, Mr. J. J. Mason, Rev. Dr. Roe, Mr. H. S. Scott, Mr. S. Bethune, Mr. S. H. Davidson, Rev. John Langtry, Mr. A. H. Campbell, Rev. J. H. Brigstocke, Mr. W. F. Campbell, Mr. Wm. Grey, Rev. Dr. Wilson, Ven. Archdeacon Jones, Mr. James Henderson, Rev. Canon Carmichael, Dr. Hemming and Mr. Verschoyle Cronyn.

At six o'clock, the House adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock. On re-assembling at 8 o'clock, it was found that the Deputation to the Upper House had not returned, and on motion the House adjourned until 9 o'clock on Saturday.

Our correspondence ceases here, but a telegram from our associate editor in attendance on the Synod conveys the pleasing intelligence that the Rev. Dr. Sullivan, Rector of St. George's Church, Montreal, had been nominated by the Upper House, and elected Bishop of Algoma. The vote stood:— Clerical votes cast, 68; necessary to a choice, 34; for, 52 against 14. Lay votes cast, 37 unanimous. On motion, Clerical vote was also made unanimous. Salary, \$4,000. Motion to increase salary declined by the Bishop elect.

#### DIocese OF NOVA SCOTIA.

ROSETTE.—The services during Lent and Holy Week in our chapel were very largely attended, and we trust they have left a lasting impression for good. On Good Friday we had two services, which were very well attended, especially in the evening, when we meditated upon the Seven Last Sayings of Christ upon the Cross. The few moments of silent prayer which followed each meditation were most impressive and calculated to fill the most frivolous person with awe and reverence. The services at the parish church at Annapolis have been well attended during the Holy Season, and Easter Sunday brought together the largest congregation and the largest number of communicants known for many years. The floral decoration upon the Holy Table at the parish church and chapel at Rosette were very beautiful and very tastefully arranged; at the parish church the flowers were particularly beautiful. The design in the centre of the Holy Table created much admiration. It consisted of a large crown very tastefully arranged with flowers, in the centre of which was a cross of red geraniums, which had a very pretty effect. The Easter meetings passed off very satisfactorily, showing the church to be in a flourishing state. The S. P. G. grant, which has been withdrawn, is to be made up by the parish, so that the services of the assistant minister, we are glad to say, will be retained without any pecuniary loss to himself.

NEW GLASGOW.—St. George's Chapel will be opened (D. V.) on Tuesday, May 9th—services at 11 and 7. There will be no great gathering of clergy (though any who come will be welcome). When the chapel is paid for it will be made over to God by act and deed of consecration in proper Episcopal offices. Preachers on the 9th—Rev. J. A. Kaulbach and Rev. D. C. Moore.

BAYFIELD.—Holy Trinity Parish.—In view of the possible resignation of our Rector at an early day, it may not be amiss to refer to his complete identification with the spiritual as well as the temporal welfare of the people under his charge. The frame of St. Mary's Church was raised on 5th October, 1876, just eleven months after his taking charge. The building was first occupied on October 14th, 1877, and consecrated on 3rd August, 1880, being then finished and furnished throughout, at a cost of \$2,000, contributed almost wholly within the bounds of the village of Bayfield. The outstation, Antigonish, on his arrival contained less than a dozen parishioners; now it numbers forty. Instead of being contented with two services

in the month, as formerly, it now demands, at least, a weekly service, with a resident assistant minister, for whose support the people are willing to contribute a large proportion. At the same time the outstation, Tracadie, through emigration to the United States, has decreased in numbers and declined in influence. With reference to Mr. Macdonald's connection with our temporal welfare, he has aided in securing for expenditure upon the Bayfield breakwater \$5,000, after an unsuccessful agitation in the same direction continued over twenty years. Improvements in other public works, including roads, always received his hearty co-operation. He employed the most energetic measures for establishing the steamship line, making this place a port of call, at one time strongly opposed by our local representative and others. He has been enthusiastic in the encouragement of our agriculturists—prominent in promoting our exhibitions for that purpose. A railway station on the H. & C. B. line at a point convenient to Bayfield, which was strongly opposed through unworthy motives, was obtained with his assistance, while exertions made by him tended in a large degree to the recent establishment of our daily mail. But not projects and measures of a local nature alone were secured and advocated by him; those of a more general character, such as railway construction and management, the furtherance of interprovincial traffic, educational questions, scientific subjects, sanitary measures, by a persistent and voluminous correspondence in the religious and secular press, received from him much aid and encouragement. Reports of lectures, public meetings, etc., some telegraphed, appeared frequently from his pen, and when the importance or nature of the subject, in his estimation, demanded it, over his signature, but generally over a *nom de plume*. Now this attention bestowed on public and secular affairs conferred unquestionable privileges upon the Church and community generally, and are duly appreciated.

NEW ROSS.—Through storm and sunshine, on ordinary or special occasions, the people of this mission appear to enjoy flocking together from every quarter to the parish church for worship; but on last Palm Sunday, now a memorable day here, they assembled with more than usual eagerness and curiosity, for their eyes were to be gladdened by a sight long and anxiously desired—the rough boarding above the altar gone and a lovely window shedding its varicoloured, gentle light within the chancel. A "long farewell" to storms beating in upon the head of the celebrant and to a "darkness which might be felt" at midday as a serious inconvenience. The window, besides three spaces in its upper tracery, has three mitre-headed spaces below devoted at memorials—to the middle to Mrs. Mary Ross (widow of the late Capt. Wm. Ross, of the 16th regiment), the right side to Mr. Michael Keddy (for some time senior Warden of this mission), and the left to young Mr. John M. Prat. It was executed by J. C. Spence, Esq., of Montreal, at a cost of \$200, and was fully paid for as soon as we received it, there being still a good balance from the window fund left for other church purposes. It proved to be a much finer piece of work than we had expected for the price, and reflects great credit on Mr. Spence's taste and skill. Besides the central subject—the Crucifixion—above and below which runs the legend, "We preach Christ and Him crucified," the window contains emblems of the *Four Evangelists*, the *Agnus Dei* and *Pelican* (to symbolize the name "Christ Church"), and in its upper tracery *Faith, Hope and Charity*. The window was placed in position on the 29th ult., and presented to view on Palm Sunday. In connection with the celebration, instead of a sermon addresses were made in turn by the missionary and Rev. H. W. Atwater, setting forth the teaching of the window, and a list of over 170 contributors read. The intimate connection between the Gospel for the day and that of the window itself, by a happy coincidence, rendered the occasion memorably interesting to all present. The sincere thanks of the missionary and parishioners are hereby tendered to many kind friends, both in the Province and in the United States, for generous and acceptable contributions towards this object.

BRIDGEWATER.—All who attended the service at Trinity Church on Easter Sunday must have been impressed with the fine manner in which the anthems and hymns were rendered by the choir, and pleased with the efficiency of the young lady who so gracefully presided at the organ. The church itself was made beautiful with appropriate mottoes for the day, and with exquisite flowers, chief among which were the majestic calla lilies. All this prepared the attention for the eloquent sermon—delivered by the earnest rector of this parish.

PARRSBORO'.—To the Parishioners of Parrsboro'.—My Dear Friends.—It affords me much pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your unmerited favour conferred upon me during the past week. On looking back over the two years of my ministry amongst you, I can recall nothing but kindness and favours received at your hands. Having your sympathy and co-operation, my labours, which at times might have been "hard work," were turned into pleasure by the evident appreciation with which they were received. And I can truly say that in moving from Parrsboro' I felt more regret and sorrow than from any move of my former life, and particularly now when I see such a tangible proof of your lasting good-will. During my stay amongst you I received upwards of \$150 in various gifts and presents, one of which I will mention and tender publicly my thanks for, viz., the purse so kindly presented me by my Bible Class at Port Greville, from the members of which I had to part so suddenly; and now to the long list of favours I add, with much gratitude and deep feeling, your handsome gift of \$50. Please accept my thanks for this and all your past kindnesses to me, and