

held at Regina or at some point west of Winnipeg.

Rev. Geo. Rogers, that a committee be appointed to look into the matter of young people's societies.

Rev. Canon O'Meara, that the Metropolitan be asked to name a committee of both Houses which shall be known as the Education Committee, the duties of such committee to be: (a) to inform themselves fully of the bearing of any legislative action, whether Dominion or local, upon the religious aspects of education; (b) to bring such influences to bear as may in their opinion be best fitted to make education what it ought to be, the handmaid of the Gospel of Christ.

Messages were received from the Upper House stating that the Bishops affirmed the changes made in the constitution at the last meeting of Synod. These were concurred in on the understanding that amendments made at the present Synod will become law at the next meeting.

The following message was also received from the Upper House:

"The Bishop of Rupert's Land is Metropolitan and the diocese of Rupert's Land is the Metropolitan see; and on the vacancy of the see it shall be filled as follows: Two names shall be chosen by the Synod of the diocese of Rupert's Land, of whom the House of Bishops shall select one who shall be Bishop of Rupert's Land and Metropolitan, but subject to the provisions of the section for filling a vacancy of any see of this ecclesiastical province except the Metropolitan see of Rupert's Land."

This gave rise to considerable discussion, but was finally concurred in by the necessary two-thirds vote.

Messages from the Upper House regarding the settlement of boundaries between provinces and some other matters of detail were concurred in.

The Upper House also sent down a message that they had agreed to the following clause of the constitution to substitute for the word "primate" the words "Archbishop of Canterbury." "If any Diocesan Synod dispute the decision of the Provincial Synod as interfering with what falls within its proper sphere, the matter shall be referred to the primate, whose decision shall be final."

This failed to meet with the approval of the Lower House. Rev. Canon Pentreath and Rev. J. P. Sargent contended that the appeal should be to the primate of the General Synod, and if his diocese should be one of those in the dispute, then to the senior Bishop in the General Synod; and, on motion of Canon Pentreath, seconded by Rev. Mr. Dobie, the message was not concurred in.

The clause in the constitution which prevented a diocese from electing its own bishops until it had at least twelve self-sustaining clergymen, was discussed at length. Rev. J. P. Sargent favored a reduction in the number of self-supporting clergymen to five, while Canon O'Meara and others thought it should be twenty licensed clergymen irrespective of how supported. The matter was settled by the following message from the Upper House, which was concurred in, "that in the case of a vacancy in any diocese, not wholly supported by any missionary society, a bishop shall be elected by the Synod of the diocese, subject to the election being confirmed by the Metropolitan and two other bishops of the province, if there are at the time of the vacancy at least six clergymen in the diocese in priest's orders, who are supported either by endowment or by their congregations."

F. H. Mathewson presented the treasurer's report, showing a small balance in hand from last meeting.

The finance committee was reappointed as follows: Canon Matheson, convener; H. S.

Crotty, T. W. Taylor, F. H. Matheson, A. F. Eden.

A message from the House of Bishops regarding the assessments of the different dioceses to meet the Synod expenses was concurred in.

The following insertion in the constitution was unanimously concurred in:

THE GENERAL SYNOD.

IV. (1) The General Synod shall consist of the Bishops of the Church of England in the Dominion of Canada and the Diocese of Newfoundland, and of delegates chosen from the clergy and the Laity.

The delegates shall be chosen by the several Diocesan Synods according to such rules as they may adopt, or, in a diocese which has no Synodical organization, may be appointed by the Bishop.

In the first General Synod the representation shall be as follows: Dioceses having fewer than twenty-five licensed clergymen, one delegate from each order; dioceses having twenty-five and fewer than fifty licensed clergymen, two of each order; dioceses having fifty and fewer than 100, three of each order; dioceses having 100 licensed clergymen and upwards, four of each order.

But the number and proportion of the representatives of dioceses may be changed from time to time by the General Synod; provided that every diocese legally formed shall always have representation.

(2) The first General Synod shall be convened by the Metropolitan or Acting Metropolitan Senior by consecration.

(3) The Synod shall consist of two Houses; the Bishops constituting the Upper, and the clergy and laity together the Lower House. The Houses shall sit separately, excepting at any time by the unanimous consent of both Houses.

The Primate shall be chosen from the Metropolitans or from Bishops within an unorganized part of the Dominion.

The house adjourned until the morning.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

The first business taken up at the meeting of the Synod Thursday morning was a number of changes in the part of the constitution submitted for affirmation.

Rev. Canon O'Meara thought it would be well to have a conference with the Upper House in regard to the matter of referring disputes between Provincial and Diocesan Synods to the Archbishop of Canterbury instead of the Primate of Canada. And on motion the Prolocutor appointed the following committee to wait upon the Upper House: Canon O'Meara, convener; Canon Pentreath, Rev. J. P. Sargent, Rev. Dr. Cooper, Mr. J. O'Reilly, Mr. Cavanagh.

The following message from the Upper House was concurred in on a standing vote on motion of Archdeacon Mackay, seconded by Mr. Brown: This Synod desires to put on record its sense of the long and faithful labors of their loved and honored fellow laborer John Horden, late Bishop of Moosonee, and of the valuable services he rendered the Church in extending Christ's kingdom throughout the large diocese committed to his care. For forty-two years he labored with unwearied zeal, firstly as a lay missionary, then as ordained by the first Bishop of Rupert's Land, and finally from 1892 as chief pastor and Bishop. His able and well directed efforts in almost every branch of missionary work, itinerating, preaching, teaching, translating and printing—in all of which he was assisted by the faithful and efficient co-operation of his missionary clergy and lay helpers, resulted in the almost entire eradication of heathenism. On the eve of retiring to a well-earned and much needed rest from the anxieties and toils of his missionary Episcopate he was called by the Master whom he so long and faithfully served

to a higher rest and rich reward. The Synod take this their first opportunity of conveying to Mrs. Horden and the members of the family the expression of their deep and heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement. It is their earnest prayer that the successor to his office and ministry may be endued with all needed grace and strength for the discharge of the duties and responsibilities which now devolve upon him.

(To be Continued.)

Notes on the Provincial Synod.

The noticeable features in connection with the Synod were: The Grand Festal Evensong in Christ Church on Tuesday night. Canon Pentreath received the Bishops and clergy in the Schoolhouse, where they robed, and headed by the surpliced choir, proceeded to the Church. The Bishops present were the Metropolitan, the Bishops of Athabasca, Moosonee, Saskatchewan, Qu'Appelle and North Dakota. Each was followed by two chaplains. Six instruments accompanied the organ. The Hymns, "Round the Sacred City Gather," "Glorious things of Thee are spoken," and "Our Mother Church of England," were set to stirring tunes and sung heartily by the large congregation present. The anthems were: "The Heavens are telling," and "Thine, O Lord, the greatness." The first part of the service was intoned by the Rector, and the second part by Rev. H. J. Bartlett, of Regina; he lessons being read by Ven. Archdeacon Mackay, of Prince Albert, and Rev. Dr. Cooper, of Calgary. The Bishop of N. Dakota, preached a most eloquent sermon.

On Wednesday evening a Missionary meeting was held in Trinity schoolhouse, which was filled. Addresses were given by the Bishops of Qu'Appelle and N. Dakota, and Archdeacon Vincent of Moosonee.

On Thursday morning at 7.30 a.m. there was an early celebration at Christ Church, taken by the Bishop of Qu'Appelle, and breakfast for the clergy at the Rectory. On Thursday night Evensong at All Saints, with sermon by Rev. H. J. Bartlett. After the service a reception was held in the schoolhouse.

Diocese of New Westminster.

Grateful acknowledgments have been received from the S. P. G. and the S. P. C. K. of the contributions forwarded by the diocese, amounting to \$150.10 for the former, and \$118.15 to the latter.

The twelfth meeting of the Synod of the diocese was held at New Westminster on the 13th July last; being preceded by celebration of Holy Communion in the cathedral at 10 a.m. Twelve of the clergy were present and twenty of the lay delegates. The Ven. Archdeacon Woods was prevented from attending by illness, and the Synod passed a resolution of regret and sympathy. The Bishop was authorized to assent unconditionally in behalf of the diocese to the Act incorporating the Synod. The Ven. Archdeacon Woods and Mr. W. Myers Gray were elected as clerical and lay delegates to the proposed General Synod in Toronto, and Rev. G. H. Fiennes-Clinton and Mr. Lacey R. Johnson as substitutes. The Synod adopted the following resolution as to such delegates: "That the delegates to Toronto be instructed that any resolution passed by the Toronto Conference on subjects outside those which have been already discussed and conclusions arrived at thereon by this Synod, or which might seriously conflict with any articles of the constitution or canons of this Synod be referred by them to this Synod for confirmation."

During the session the following resolution was unanimously adopted by a standing vote of