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DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

The following particulars, serving to shew the degree of progress which the Church has been permitted to make, form the substance of a Summary of some Ecclesiastical Statistics which have been officially communicated to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, by the Bishop of Quebec.

They are connected with his Lordship's episcopal administration from Oct. 1836, when Bishop Stewart went to England, in broken health, never to return, to Oct. 1850, when the charge of the new Diocese of Montreal had been delivered over to Bishop Fulford.

UPPER CANADA OR CANADA WEST.

Upper Canada, now constituting the Diocese of Toronto, erected in 1839, having been for about three years preceding, together with Lower Canada, under the charge of the present Bishop of Quebec, contained clergymen, when he assumed that charge, to the number of..... 51

Ordained for Upper Canada during that time,..... 15

Introduced or adopted,..... 4

Increase in the three years,..... 19

(Besides 3 theological students taken upon the list who were afterwards ordained by the Bishop of Toronto.)

One Visitation performed throughout Upper Canada in 1838, and Confirmations there held in places,..... 51

Churches consecrated,..... 9

Miles travelled on this Visitation, from Quebec & back, ..2500

LOWER CANADA, OR CANADA EAST.

ORDINATIONS, &c.

Number of clergymen ordained by the present Bishop of Quebec, for the service of Lower Canada, since his assumption of the charge in 1836,..... 77

Number adopted or introduced,..... 10

(Total number ordained for Canada,..... 92

Total number adopted or introduced,..... 14

One ordained at the Red River in the Hudson's Bay Territory in 1844.*)

NUMBER OF CLERGY.

Number of Clergy in what is now the Diocese of Quebec, when the present Bishop assumed his charge in 1836,.... 17

Do. Montreal, do. 17

Total number in Lower Canada at that date... 34

No. in the Diocese of Quebec at this date, (increase 19) 36

No. in the Diocese of Montreal at this date, (increase 29) 48

Total in Lower Canada at this date,..... 84

(Total increase in Lower Canada, 50)

CHURCHES.

Number of Churches in what is now the Diocese of Quebec, when the present Bishop assumed his charge in 1836,.... 21

Do. Montreal, do. 21

Total in Lower Canada at that date,..... 42

* One Deacon and one Priest—but the gentleman ordained Priest had previously been ordained Deacon by the same hands in Lower Canada. The statement given above does not comprehend gentlemen admitted to P. Orders who had previously been ordained Deacons by Bishop Stewart—but it does comprehend two gentlemen who had received Deacon's Orders in England, and were ordained Priests here by the present Bishop, for service in Canada, one in the Upper Canada, and one in the Lower Canada list. Those whom he ordained both Deacon and Priest, himself, are, of course, reckoned only once.

Number of Churches at the present date in the Diocese of Quebec,..... 56

Do. Montreal, do. 60

Total now in Lower Canada, (increase 74)... 116

Number of Churches built to replace the original buildings in the Diocese of Quebec, since the present Bishop's assumption of his charge in 1836,..... 6

Do. Montreal, do. 3

Total number of new Churches built in Lower Canada within the period,..... 83

CONSECRATION OF CHURCHES.

Number of Churches consecrated in what is now the Diocese of Quebec, by the present Bishop since his assumption of his charge,..... 14

Do. Montreal, do. 24

Total consecrated by him in Lower Canada,.. 38

The great number of unconsecrated Churches is an evidence of the difficulties of the Church in the country, and the poverty, very generally, of her people. In some instances, the obstacle arises from debt: in a great many, from the incomplete state of the building, although it may have been used for years. Some few of the 116 Churches on the list, are not yet so far advanced as to be fit for use at all.

The list includes the *Chapels* of the cities—and many country Churches upon a very small scale and of exceedingly humble pretensions.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Number of places visited for holding Confirmations, in what is now the Diocese of Quebec, when the present Bishop assumed his charge... 17

Do. Montreal do. 17

Two places not visited upon first Circuit on account of then recent Confirmations by Bishop Stewart..... 2

Total in Lower Canada at that date..... 36

Number of places visited upon last Circuit before the division of Lower Canada into two Dioceses,

In the present Diocese of Quebec.... 47

Montreal 48

Total in Lower Canada at the present date (Increase 59) 95

MISCELLANEOUS MEMORANDA.

Number of places at which Confirmations were held at the Red River Colony, in 1844 (848 individuals there confirmed,) 4

Episcopal Charges delivered in Canada in 1838, 1842, 1845, 1848.

Charter of Bishop's College obtained in December, 1843.

Corner stone laid in September, 1844.

College opened in September, 1845.

Number of Theological Students who have been admitted, 34.

Number thus far ordained, 18.

Charter of Diocesan Church Society obtained in June 1844.

Extreme points within the range of Episcopal labour performed—Red River Colony in Hudson's Bay Territory, two thousand miles N. W. of Quebec,—and Magdalen Islands, between five and six hundred miles below it, in the Gulph.

Three Sees now established within the regular charge attached to the See of Quebec when the present Bishop entered upon the administration of it in 1836.

Four Sees within the range of his Episcopal labours performed since that date.

INCORPORATED CHURCH SOCIETY.

At a Special General Meeting of the Society, held at the National School, Montreal, on 10th October, 1850, at 2, p. m.,
The Lord Bishop of Quebec in the Chair,

The Meeting having been opened with the usual form of prayer, the Secretary stated the objects for which it had been called.

The following Clergymen and gentlemen were duly elected members of the Corporation, viz:

The Lord Bishop of Montreal, the Hon. Mr. Justice Meredith, the Revs. H. G. Burrage, J. Butler, W. T. Leach, D. C. L., J. Abbott, G. M. Armstrong, and J. Macmaster, Col. Napier, and H. O. Andrews, Rd. Gerrard, J. D. Gibb, Benjamin Hall, J. N. Hall, Philip Holland, W. Fraser, M. L., Edward Maitland, J. H. Winn, W. A. Townsend, J. R. Chamberlain, George Moffatt, and G. W. Wicksteed, Esquires.

It was then moved by the Rev. A. W. Mountain, seconded by the Rev. J. Torrance, and Resolved, That the first of the amendments proposed by the Rev. A. W. Mountain at the last Meeting of the Society be adopted.

The Rev. A. W. Mountain moved, seconded by the Rev. Dr. Bethune, that the second of those amendments be also adopted.

E. L. Montizambert, Esq., moved in amendment, seconded by the Lord Bishop of Montreal.

That no Annual Subscribers, not being life Members, shall in future be eligible to any office at the Meetings of the Society, or capable of voting or using any other privilege as Members of the Corporation, until all arrears of subscription, accrued subsequently to the 1st July, 1850, shall have been paid in full.

Amendment carried.

It was moved by the Rev. Dr. Bethune, seconded by the Rev. J. Flanagan, and Resolved,

That, in consequence of the division of the Diocese of Quebec, it is expedient that a correspondent division of the Church Society of that Diocese be effected.

Moved by the Rev. A. W. Mountain, seconded by E. L. Montizambert, Esq., and Resolved,

That a Committee be now appointed to consider what steps are necessary to be taken for effecting such division, and to report thereon at a special Meeting, to be called for that purpose.

Moved by the Lord Bishop of Montreal, seconded by Rev. J. Torrance, and Resolved,

That the Rev. Official Mackie, (Chairman,) the Revs. Dr. Bethune, A. W. Mountain, and J. Irwin; the Hon. H. Black, Q. C., E. L. Montizambert, Esq., and the Treasurers and Secretary of the Society do form such Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Bethune gave notice that he would move, at the next Meeting of the Society, the following Resolutions:

I. That the division of the property and funds of the Society be effected in the following manner, 1. All lands given by persons resident within the Diocese of Quebec shall belong to the Church Society of that Diocese, and all lands given by persons resident within the Diocese of Montreal shall belong to the Church Society of that Diocese. 2. All lands given by persons not resident within either Diocese shall be equally divided between the two Church Societies of Quebec and Montreal. 3. That the funds raised within the limits of either Diocese shall respectively belong to that Diocese, after deducting the expenditure heretofore made therein.

II. That, whereas it cannot be expected that an Act of Incorporation can be obtained for a Society which does not exist, and whereas this Church Society cannot petition for an Act of Incorporation for another Society, it is expedient that the Members of this Society resident within the limits of the Diocese of Montreal withdraw from the Church Society of the Diocese of Quebec, and constitute themselves

a separate and independent Church Society for the Diocese of Montreal; and that this latter Society, in seeking for a Charter of Incorporation, shall have the cordial co-operation of the Church Society of the Diocese of Quebec, provided such Act of Incorporation shall contain nothing contrary to, or inconsistent with, the terms of the preceding Resolution.

The Rev. A. W. Mountain also gave notice that, at the next Meeting of the Society, he would propose the following alterations in the By-Laws:

1, In Art. III, for "Bishop of the Diocese," to substitute "Bishop of Quebec."

2, In Art. VII, for "alternately at Montreal and Quebec," to substitute "at Quebec"; to omit the words "and Montreal"; and to omit all the words after "Annual Meetings."

3, In Art. IX, for "alternately at Montreal and Quebec," to substitute "at Quebec"; and to omit from "in the event" to "at Quebec" inclusive.

4, In Art. X, for "Cities of Quebec and Montreal, and the Banlieues thereof," to substitute "City of Quebec, and the Banlieues thereof."

5, In Art. XI, for "Cities of Quebec and Montreal," to substitute "City of Quebec."

6, In Art. XIII, for "twenty-six" to substitute "thirteen"; to omit from "thirteen" to "respectively" inclusive; and to omit "of each branch."

The benediction was then pronounced, and the Meeting separated.

(Signed)

G. J. QUEBEC.

Montreal, 10th October, 1850.

The adjourned Meeting of the Central Board met at the same place as before, at 4, p. m.

The Rev. A. W. Mountain moved, seconded by the Rev. J. Torrance, and it was Resolved,

That from this date all grants made for the benefit of the Diocese of Montreal be paid by the Treasurer at Montreal, and all for the benefit of the Diocese of Quebec by the Treasurer at Quebec, from the funds in their hands respectively.

T. B. Anderson, Esq., (the Treasurer at Montreal,) drew the attention of the Board to the terms of the Deed of a donation of land in Wolfe Island, Upper Canada, made by the late Baron Grant, in accordance with which the proceeds of this land should have been devoted towards the support of the Incumbent of the Church at Longueuil. Mr. Anderson further stated that no portion of the proceeds had, up to this date, been so appropriated.

It was then moved by the Revd. C. Bancroft, seconded by the Rev. A. W. Mountain,

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Rev. R. Lonsdell the proceeds of the land that have accrued since the commencement of his Incumbency.

The Rev. A. D. Campbell, seconded by H. N. Patton Esq., moved in amendment,

That the claims of the Rev. Mr. Lonsdell, with regard to arrears of the proceeds of the land in question, be referred to the Honorary Counsel at Montreal, for his opinion thereon.

Amendment lost. The original Resolution was then put and carried.

The Meeting closed with the benediction.

(Signed)

G. J. QUEBEC.

REPORT of the Sub-Committee on the Insurance of the Lives of the Clergy—with Demonstration. (See minutes of Central Board in last number, p. 46.)

Your Committee beg leave to report that, having taken the subject of Life Assurance of the Clergy of the Diocese into consideration, and having carefully examined the different plans submitted to them for effecting the same, they are unanimously of opinion that it would not be advisable to enter into engagements with any of the existing Insurance

Companies: but that whatever is done should be done by and among themselves.

The following plan, embracing the objects of annuities only, which your committee consider perfectly practicable, is respectfully submitted:—

To increase the Widows and Orphans' Fund on the principle that none shall partake of its benefits but the Widows and Orphans of those who shall have contributed to the fund in the following way:

1st. By an entrance fee of £5 currency.

2nd. By an annual subscription of £2 10s. currency, each. The entrance fees to be invested in stock, bearing interest in the same way as the sum already invested for that purpose.

3rdly. That the annual collections constitute a portion of the annual fund.

4thly. That no Widow receive less than £50 currency annually: and in cases where there is no widow, but children, the orphans to receive the same amount while any remain minors, provided always, that when a widow remarries, she shall cease to have any claim on this fund.

5thly. Any Clergyman leaving the Diocese who may have been a member of this Insurance Society for five years, having regularly paid his fee and his subscription during that period, may continue a member of it by paying his annual subscription, to whatever Diocese he may remove, provided always, that he remain a Clergyman without expulsion or degradation by his ordinary.

Under the two first heads your Committee embrace what may be called the membership of the Insurance body. The remainder is only a part of the system necessary to carry out the whole plan.

In conclusion, your Committee are prepared to demonstrate, from data before them, that the funds raised according to the plan above proposed will be sufficient to pay two per cent. widows or orphans annually until the whole number shall amount to 19 per cent. of widows or orphans in the Diocese, which your Committee consider the maximum of widows per cent.

All nevertheless respectfully submitted.

JOHN BETHUNE,
Chairman.

Montreal, 17th September, 1850.
J. FLANAGAN, Secty.

DEMONSTRATION.

Widows' and Orphans' Fund at present,.....	£1250	
Entrance Fees for 70 clergymen at £5 each,.....	350	
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Interest, in round numbers, say £100.....	1600	
Income 1st year. Interest on stock,.....£100	1650	1st year, widows,.. 300
Annual Subscriptions of 70 clergymen, at £2 10 each, 175	1350	
Annual Collections,..... 250	525	
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	525	1875
1st year, 2 p. cent widows,.. 75	525	5th year, widows,..... 375
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	450	1500
	525	525
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	975	2025
2nd year, widows..... 150	525	6th year, widows,..... 450
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	825	1575
	525	525
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	1350	2100
3rd year, widows,..... 225	525	7th year, widows,..... 525
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	1125	1575
	525	525

2100	13th year, widows,.....	675
600	8th year, widows,.....	750
1500		525
525		1275
2025	14th year, widows,.....	675
675	[sum stationary.]	600
1350		525
525		1125
1875	15th year, widows,.....	675
675		450
1200		525
525		975
1725	16th year, widows,.....	675
675		300
1050		525
525		825
1575	17th year, widows,.....	675
675		150
900		525
525	18th year, ...	675
1425	Same amount in hand as } the claim,.....	675

At the end of the 7th year the sum begins to diminish. There is no account taken of an increase in the collections, although it would be reasonable to suppose that, as the country increases in wealth and population, the collections would increase. Neither is there any account taken of Legacies that might be left to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund.

We have been requested by a member of the Central Board to publish the following amendment which he proposes to move to the foregoing Report:

That £30 per annum, in lieu of £50, be paid to the Widow of each Clergyman for the first ten years, and afterwards a fixed sum which experience shall shew to be practicable.

That the subscriptions of the Clergy to the Church Society be taken, when desired, as part payment of their subscription to the Incorporated Church Society.

PAYMENTS made to the Treasurer in November, 1850.

GENERAL FUND.

Arrears of Subscription of ELM.....	£5 0 0
Annual Subscription of Mr. R. Owen.....	0 5 1
Subscriptions and Donations received by Miss F. Tremain...	1 5 11
Addition to Quinquagesima Collection, Paspébiac.....	0 5 0
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	£6 16 0

Fund for the Widows and Orphans of the Clergy.

Donation from Mr. J. Hummel.....	0 10 0
Do. Hon. J. Stewart.....	1 5 0
Collection at Nicolet, 13s. 1d. do. at Bury, 10s.....	1 3 1
Do. at Riviere du Loup (en haut).....	0 5 0
Second collection at Riviere du Loup (en bas).....	0 5 0
Donation received by the hands of Miss F. Tremain.....	0 2 6
Collections after Sermons in Mission of New Carlisle, per Rev. G. Milne.....	5 0 11
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	8 11 6

Nicolet Endowment Fund.

Contribution of Nicolet Vestry.....	£12 10 0
Interest on Debentures.....	1 1 0
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	£13 11 0

Quebec, 10th Decr. 1850.

W. BENNETT,
Treas. In. Ch. Society.

PARISH OF QUEBEC—St. Matthew's Chapel in this Parish has been opened for a week day evening service, to be continued until Easter.

MISSION OF POINTE LEVI.

A public meeting numerously attended by the members of the Church of England at Pointe Levi and New Liverpool was held at the former place, on Wednesday, the 27th Novr., to petition the Queen and Parliament of England to continue to them their share of the Clergy Reserves in this Province, and to express their opinion upon the Address passed during the last session of the Legislature in reference to that subject. But one opinion prevailed, as will appear by the Resolutions unanimously passed. The Rev. J. Torrance presided upon the occasion, and after explaining the object of their being assembled, and the necessity of immediate action in the matter, read the petition prepared for signature.

It was then moved by Mr. T. Amiraux, seconded by Mr. Joseph Sample, and Resolved,

1st. That whereas an Address to her Majesty the Queen has been passed during the last Session of the Legislative Assembly of this Province, praying that the lands therein appropriated for the maintenance of religion should be alienated from that object, and applied to secular purposes, it is the duty of all sincere Christians to protest against the sacrilegious spoliation contemplated in that measure.

Moved by Mr. H. N. Patton, seconded by Mr. Wm. Jenkins, and Resolved,

2d. That whereas by the Act 3 and 4, Victoria, Chap. 78, a definite settlement of the question touching the lands called Clergy Reserves was made, according to which the Church of England was secured in a limited share of the Revenue derivable from those lands, it is the bounden and solemn duty of Churchmen to resist, by every constitutional means, the breach of faith, the gross injustice, and the great moral injury they would sustain by the success of any measure that would overturn that enactment.

Moved by Mr. Robt. Sample, seconded by Mr. John Ritchie, and Resolved,

3d. That the endowments of Reserves secured by the Imperial Act to the Church of England, are wholly insufficient for her becoming maintenance in this Province, and that the effect of this intended measure of spoliation, should it be successful, will be to deprive the more remote and poorer settlements of the regular ministrations of the Church, and that every form of religious error and even infidelity in its worst shape must at no distant period be the consequence.

Moved by Mr. G. Chapman, seconded by Mr. Joseph Johnston, and Resolved,

4th. That this meeting views with indignation as well as regret the unwarrantable interference of those members of the Legislative Assembly who voted for this aggression upon the property and rights of our holy and Apostolic Church, and lament the religious animosity and other evil consequences of which this ill advised interference must ultimately be the result.

Moved by Mr. P. C. Charlton, seconded by Mr. John Tilley, and Resolved,

5th. That it is the bounden duty of Churchmen in this Province to petition the Queen, and the House of Lords and Commons with as little delay as possible, and to express in the strongest terms their reprobation of this contemplated measure of spoliation, and to pray that the late decision of the Provincial Assembly upon the Clergy Reserves be disallowed by the Crown.

Moved by Mr. Henry Walker, seconded by Mr. Wm. Jenkins, and Resolved,

6th. That the petition prepared by the Lord Bishop of Quebec, and circulated among his Clergy throughout the Diocese, is highly approved of. And that the following gentlemen be named as a Committee to obtain signatures thereto in the joint Missions of Pointe Levi and New Liverpool, viz: Messrs. Roberts, Amiraux, Chapman, Patton, R. Sample, and Johnston, and that the proceedings of this meeting be published.

Moved by Mr. Thos. Walker, seconded by Mr. Sisson, and Resolved,

7th. That the Rev. J. Torrance do vacate the Chair, and that Mr. Beswick do take his place.

Moved by Mr. T. Amiraux, seconded by Mr. H. N. Patton, and Resolved,

8th. That the thanks of this meeting be offered to the Rev. J. Torrance as Chairman, for his kind assistance and able conduct in the Chair.

H. N. PATTON,
Secretary.

A sermon was preached in the Church of Pointe Levi on Sunday, the 8th inst., by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, in aid of the Sunday School Fund.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

MISSION OF HEMMINGFORD.—A meeting of the members of the Church of England was held in this place, after Divine Service, on the 28th September, for the purpose of adopting a congratulatory address to the Lord Bishop of Montreal on his arrival in the Diocese. The address was presented by the Minister and Church Wardens on the 17th October, and his Lordship made an appropriate answer. We regret that we have not room for the Address.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

Ceremony of Laying the chief Corner Stone of the Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Toronto.

On November the 20th, the Corner Stone of St. James's Cathedral was laid by the Hon. and Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Toronto.

There was Divine Service at the Church of the Holy Trinity, at one o'clock, when for the Psalms and Lessons for the day, the following were used:

PSALMS LXXX, cii.

FIRST LESSON.....MALACHI iii.

Instead of the *Magnificat*, PSALM cxxxii. was sung.

SECOND LESSON..St. MATTHEW xxvi. v. 6 to 14.

Instead of the *Nunc Dimittis*, PSALM xlviii. was sung.

A Sermon from 2 Samuel, chapter vi. verse 12, was preached by the Bishop; and a collection made on behalf of the Building Fund.

After Service, the procession was formed at the North side of the Church, and proceeded thence down Yonge-street and along King-street to the site of the new Cathedral in the following order, G. T. Devison, Esq., kindly acting as Marshal:—

Church Beadies (Two and Two)

Sexton and Head Beadle.

Sunday-School Children.

Deacons,

(In Surplices and Hoods.)

Priests,

(In Surplices, Scarfs, and Hoods.)

Parish Clerk.

Lewis Moffatt, Esq.
Churchwarden,
Bearing the Bottle.

T. D. Harris, Esq.
Churchwarden,
Bearing the Brass Plate,

Choir.

Organist.

Rector of St. James's Church.

Bishop's Chaplains.

Verger.

Lord Bishop.

Fred. Cumberland, Esq.,
Architect,
with the Trowel.

J. P. Ridout, Esq.,
Architect,
with the Plans.

Building Committee.

Mr. Metcalf,
Contractor,
With the Plumb.

Mr. Forbes,
Contractor,
With the Mallet.

Lecturers and Officers of the Church University.
Officers and Members of the Church Society.
Congregation, on Foot.
Carriages.

On the arrival at the Stone the gentlemen forming the procession, arranged themselves on the platform, when the Service was commenced, the Ven. Archdeacon of York reading the appointed versicles and prayers.

At the laying of the Stone, Lewis Moffatt, Esq., handed to the Bishop the bottle which had been hermetically sealed by Mr. Hooper, which his Lordship inserted in the place prepared for it. The space not occupied by the bottle having been filled with pulverized charcoal, T. D. Harris, Esq., handed the plate which had been taken from the Corner Stone of the burnt Church, to his Lordship, who laid it over the cavity.

The inscription on the new plate was then read by Thos. Champion, Esq., Acting Registrar, and the plate handed to the Bishop, who laid it on the stone, after which it was cemented into its place. The Trowel was then handed by F. Cumberland, Esq., and after spreading the mortar the Stone was lowered to its place. Thos. Ridout, Esq., then gave the Mallet and Plumb to the Bishop, who having tried the Stone pronounced the following words,

This Corner Stone of the Foundation we lay in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; and may God Almighty grant that the building thus begun in His Name may be happily carried on to its complete termination, without injury or accident, let or hindrance; and that when completed it may be consecrated and set apart for Him and His service, to the honour of His name, and the salvation of the souls of men, from generation to generation through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

"Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is JESUS CHRIST," Who is "God over all, blessed for evermore;" and "in Whom we have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of our sins." Amen

The Choir, under the leading of J. P. Clarke, Esq., then sang an Anthem composed for the occasion.

The concluding prayers were said by the Rector.

A Hymn was then sung which was generally joined in by the crowd present.

After which his Lordship the Bishop blessed the people.

ORDINATION.

The Lord Bishop of Toronto held his Annual General Ordination in the Church of the Holy Trinity on Sunday the 17th Novr, when the following gentlemen were admitted to the Holy Orders of Deacons and Priests:—

DEACONS.

Mr William Belt, appointed to be Assistant Minister at Dunas and Ancaster.

Mr. Thomas Bousfield, appointed to the Curacy of Picton, Prince Edward District.

Mr. Archibald Lampman, appointed Travelling Missionary in the London and Huron Districts.

Mr. William Logan, appointed to the present charge of the Townships of Cartwright and Manvers, Newcastle District.

All of the Diocesan Theological College, Cobourg.

Mr. John Edge, A. B., Trinity College, Dublin, and late of the Diocesan Theological College, Cobourg; appointed to be Missionary at Bentinck and parts adjacent, Wellington District.

PRIESTS.

Reverend Ephraim Patterson, Missionary at Portsmouth and Wolfe Island, Midland District.

Reverend Arthur Hill, A. B., Missionary at West Gwillimbury and parts adjacent.

Reverend John Reynolds Tooke, Missionary at Marysburg, Prince Edward District.

Reverend Joseph Henry Ede, Assistant Minister at Hamilton, Gore District.

Reverend Edmund Baldwin, M. A., Assistant Minister of St. James's Cathedral, Toronto.

Reverend Henry Bate Jessopp, M. A., Assistant Minister at Cobourg.

Reverend John Walker Marsh, B. A., Missionary at Elora, Wellington District.

Reverend Robert Merritt, B. A., Travelling Missionary in the Gore District.

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Reverend Henry Edward Plees, Travelling Missionary in the Eastern District.

Reverend Arthur Hill Ringland Mulholland, Missionary at Owen's Sound.

Reverend Edward Charles Bower, Missionary at Seymour and parts adjacent.

The Examinations were conducted during the previous week by the Ven. Archdeacon Bethune, D. D. and the Rev. H. J. Grasett, M. A., Examining Chaplain to the Lord Bishop of Toronto. The candidates were presented by the Archdeacon of York, and the usual oaths administered by the Rev. H. J. Grasett. In the laying on of hands upon those to be admitted to the order of Priests, the Lord Bishop was assisted by the Archdeacon of York, the Rev. H. J. Grasett, the Rev. H. Scadding, Chaplain to the Lord Bishop, the Rev. Thos. Green, the Rev. V. P. Mayerhoffer, and the Rev. W. Stennett. His Lordship preached an impressive and appropriate sermon, stating in an emphatic manner the duties of ministers, from Colossians i. 28; and at the conclusion, as is usual, the Holy Communion was administered to the Clergy present.—Church.

DIVISION OF THE DIOCESE.

To the Most Reverend and Right Reverend the ARCHBISHOP and BISHOPS forming the Council appointed to arrange measures, in concert with Her Majesty's Government, for the Erection and Endowment of additional Bishoprics in the Colonies and Dependencies of Great Britain.

The late happy subdivision of the Diocese of Quebec into two Sees, Quebec and Montreal, encourages me to submit for your consideration some reasons in favour of the division of the Diocese of Toronto, into two or more Bishoprics, at no distant period.

This important subject has been postponed till now, on several grounds. First, there was a feeling of delicacy on the part of the present Incumbent. The diocese of Toronto having been established so recently as 1839, he thought it might appear too soon to urge such division, and that he had scarcely served long enough to be entitled to any diminution of his labours. It was indeed but reasonable that he should continue to discharge them, while it was possible to do so with advantage. But the bounds of the various settlements have been so much extended since 1839, and the Parishes and Stations so multiplied, as to make it next to impossible to visit them within any reasonable time. Secondly. Another consideration suggested delay. Many of the other Colonies required Bishops before Upper Canada had any fair claim to a second; but now that the more important Dependencies of the Crown have been supplied—and in some cases, as Lower Canada, and New Zealand, two are allowed,—the undersigned feels that he may without offence mention the following facts as sufficient to establish some claim for relief.

The Diocese of Toronto extends along the St. Lawrence and the great Lakes of Canada, nearly six hundred miles, and if Lakes Huron and Superior be included, more than twelve hundred miles. It contains 800,000 inhabitants, of whom 200,000 are members of the Church of England; and from the rapid increase of population (for it doubles in less than ten years), the Province will soon contain many millions, and become the stronghold and principal seat of the Church in British North America.

The Diocese of Toronto, or Province of Upper Canada, is at present divided, by the local Government, into twenty-one Districts, and these might with some slight modifications be conveniently arranged into three Dioceses, allowing to each seven Districts. Such division would give to each Diocese a front on the River and Lakes of nearly two hundred miles, running back the

whole breadth of the Province, which may average from eighty to one hundred miles; and each Diocese would thus contain an area of from sixteen to twenty thousand square miles.*

1st. The seven Eastern Districts, which at present contain about one hundred townships, and about forty clergymen, might constitute the Diocese of Kingston.

2nd. The second Diocese, retaining the name Toronto, might comprise the seven middle Districts; containing one hundred and twenty-nine townships and about seventy clergymen.

3rd. The third Diocese might be called the Diocese of London; or, if that name be inconvenient, some other town within its bounds—Woodstock, Sandwich, or Chatham. It would comprise the seven Western Districts, with their one hundred and thirteen townships, and about thirty-six clergymen.

4th. The North-Western, or Diocese of St. Mary.

Ultimately, a See will be required for the North-West portion of Upper Canada, comprising the Settlements and many establishments on the banks of Lakes Huron and Superior, and on the various Islands within the same. Already, an Indian Mission has been established at St. Mary, the Strait which joins Lake Superior with Lake Huron.

Some idea of the rapid increase of the present Bishop's labours may be attained from the following Table:—

Visitation.	Parishes or Stations.	Clergy.	Confirmed.
1840.....	96	71	1791
1843.....	102	103	3699
1846.....	197	118	4358
1849.....	230	142	5213

This Table conveys but a very imperfect idea of the labours of the Missionaries and of the Bishop. Each township (of which three hundred and forty-two are already organized, and in process of settlement,) contains about one hundred square miles, or about sixty-four thousand acres, and may be equal on an average to eight or ten English parishes.

But the Province will ultimately contain more than six hundred such townships; and, looking forward to their division into four instead of eight or ten parishes, we shall in time—making allowance for rising towns and villages—have more than eight hundred parishes for each of the three Dioceses.

In regard to the North-Western District (or projected Diocese of St. Mary), it may for the present remain attached to the Diocese of Toronto, till the Settlements increase; but the period is not distant when it will require more immediate Episcopal attendance. The Islands in Lakes Huron and Superior are some of them large and fertile: besides, the Mining Companies at different localities on the mainland will require resident clergymen.

But as it is not likely that the division of Toronto into three Dioceses can be made at once, I would respectfully suggest that the Eastern, or Diocese of Kingston, be first established, having a prior claim, as comprising the older Settlements, and because the Western Division is less distant from Toronto, and more easy of access.

All which is most respectfully submitted.

(Signed) JOHN TORONTO.

London, Burlington Hotel,
October 5th, 1850.

* The American Church considers an area of eight thousand square miles sufficient to constitute a Bishopric.

DIocese OF NOVA SCOTIA.

It is with much regret that we announce the death of the Bishop of this Diocese which took place in London on the 27th Oct. His Lordship had gone to England, (as stated in our last number) at the suggestion of his medical advisers, who feared the effects of the North American winter upon his broken health. Hopes were entertained after his arrival in England that he would rally:

but they were not to be realized—for he only survived ten days after landing at Liverpool. His remains were interred in the Church-yard at Battersea, on the 2nd Novr.

DIocese OF FREDERICTON.

On Wednesday the 22nd September the Lord Bishop of this Diocese left Fredericton, attended by the Rev. C. Lee, on his way to the Grand Falls, which he reached on Friday, held Divine Service there in the room usually devoted to that purpose, and preached. After service the Sheriff and other members of the Church assisted his Lordship in the consideration of the best means for completing the Church which has been begun. A new Committee was organized, and it was agreed to collect the subscriptions due without delay. The village at the Falls now begins to make a most respectable appearance. The entrance has been greatly improved, many new houses added, and contracts are entered into for the County Court House, and other Buildings, which will make it a place of importance. The Church now begun is placed on (perhaps) the most beautiful site in the Province, on a commanding eminence, almost in sight of the Fall, with the basin of the St. John at its feet. It is a very pleasing and commodious little building, chiefly from a design given by the Bishop. William M'Lauchlan, Esq. has been one of the persons most assiduous in its erection.

On Saturday the Bishop returned with the Missionary, the Rev. S. Hanford, and the Rev. C. Lee to Tobique, where on Sunday the usual Service was held, and the Bishop preached. In the afternoon, Service was held at the Church of the Holy Trinity, at River des Chutes, and nine young persons were confirmed. On Monday the Bishop and Mr. Lee proceeded to Woodstock, where Divine Service was held in the Church in that village, with a Sermon by the Bishop. The congregation was good, and the singing excellent. On Wednesday his Lordship reached Fredericton.—*N. B. Churchman.*

DIocese OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

VISITATION OF THE BISHOP, &c.

(Concluded from the last No.)

At a quarter past three o'clock the Clergy again met in the Crypt, and went in procession to Church, and after Divine Service his Lordship delivered to them his Charge. Before the Charge, the Registrar, by the Bishop's direction, read a document by which his Lordship founded and constituted an Archdeaconry in the Diocese, by the name and title of the Archdeaconry of Newfoundland and Labrador, and coiled thereto the Rev. T. F. H. BRIDGE, Rector of St. John's and Rural Dean of Avalon, to be first Archdeacon of Newfoundland and Labrador.

On the following (Sunday) morning Prayers were said in the Cathedral at nine o'clock. At eleven o'clock the Ordination service commenced with a Sermon by the Rev. H. TUCKWELL, "declaring the duty and office of such as come to be admitted Priests, how necessary that order is in the Church, and also how the people ought to esteem them in their office."

Five Deacons (the Rev. Messrs. O. ROUSE, W. K. WHITE, E. A. C. BAYLY, A. GIFFORD, and J. MORETON) were advanced to the Order of Priesthood; and two Schoolmasters (Messrs. CROSS and BAGGS) were ordained Deacons.

The solemn character of the Ordination service was much heightened by the presence of so many Clergy on the platform, and the striking suitableness of the noble Cathedral with all its furniture and ornaments. The Rural Deans assisted the Bishop in the imposition of hands. All the Candidates were presented by the Archdeacon. The only novelty or variety in the service which we noticed on this occasion was the use of the second and longer hymn, *Veni Creator Spiritus*, the Bishop singing the two first lines of each verse, and the Clergy and others answering as directed in the Rubric. The tune used is that composed for this hymn by our great Cathedralist, T. Tallis; of which one of the best of modern composers (the Rev. W. H. Havergal) has remarked,—“A child may sing the tune, while manly genius may admire it.”

Many of the congregation remained to partake of the Holy Sacrament with the Clergy, and a collection was made at the Offertory for the Church Society, which amounted to nearly £40. In the afternoon service the Bishop baptized, after the Second Lesson, four children; the first presented and the first baptized in the Cathedral was the son of the Rector. His Lordship then instructed and examined the children of the Sunday School in the first part of the Church Catechism. There was no sermon at this service. In the evening the Archdeacon preached. Both in the morning and evening, notices were read of the Services to be used and celebrated in the Cathedral as follows:—(1) The Order of Morning and Evening Prayer to be said daily at eight A. M. and at five P. M. (2) The Litany on Wednesdays and Fridays at eleven o'clock. (3) The Holy Communion on the first Sunday in every month, as usual, at the eleven o'clock service; and on every other Sunday at eight o'clock.

The weather on this, as on the previous day, was exceedingly favourable:—bright, warm, and without wind. The Church was crowded at the morning and evening Services; indeed many persons in the morning could not gain admission. All persons who attended the Services seemed delighted, and many, we trust, lifted up their hearts with their voices to God in grateful acknowledgment of His great mercy in providing such a noble House of Prayer for them and their children.

The annual meeting of the Newfoundland Church Society was held, pursuant to notice, in the upper room of the St. John's Central School-house, on the evening of Wednesday, October 2. The chair was taken by the Bishop of the Diocese, as President of the Society.

The Bishop addressed the meeting, and gave an interesting account of two short Missionary tours performed by his Lordship during the summer—the one to New Harbour, in Trinity Bay, to hold a Confirmation—the other in the Church-ship to Burin, to consecrate the handsome Church recently finished in that settlement, and to administer Confirmation. His Lordship alluded also to the great work which has lately occupied much of his time and thoughts,—the completion of the nave of the magnificent Cathedral of this Diocese.

At the close of the Bishop's address, the report of the committee for the past year was read.

The adoption of the report was moved in the usual way, and, with other resolutions submitted in the course of the evening, received the unanimous approval of the meeting.

The Rev. Messrs. Disney and Gifford, the first two clergymen who have been stationed on the Labrador, gave some interesting statements of their labours on that distant and heretofore destitute coast.—*Halifax Church Times.*

DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

CONSECRATION.—The new church, at Cumberland Station, on the River Saskatchewan, built by the Church Missionary Society, with a grant towards the church and school from the Christian Knowledge Society, was consecrated by the Bishop of Rupert's Land, on Wednesday, July 3rd. The Bishop was assisted on the occasion by the Rev. Robert Hunt, his Lordship's Chaplain, and the Rev. James Hunter, the minister of the church. The necessary deeds and sentence of consecration were read in Indian by Mr. Henry Budd, native Catechist. The Bishop preached from Gen. xxviii. 17, and then proceeded to consecrate the burial-ground around Christ Church.

On Friday, July 5th, the Bishop held a Confirmation in Christ Church, when 110 were admitted to that holy rite.

On Sunday, July 7th, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered, when fifty-four joined in commemorating their Saviour's dying love.

The congregation of Christ Church, Cumberland, may be said to be entirely Indian, and the services are throughout in the Cree language. This was the first time that a Bishop had visited the spot, and much interest was excited in consequence.

On Monday, July 8th, the Bishop quitted Cumberland Station,

on his way home, and reached the Red River, which is 600 miles distant, in health and safety, on Monday, the 22nd.

The Bishop purposes to hold his second Ordination, at St. Andrew's Church, Red River, on Sunday, Dec. 22nd.

DIOCESE OF CAPETOWN.

STATE OF THE DIOCESE.—Our readers will peruse with much pleasure the following testimony from a lay member of the Church to the improvement effected under Bishop Gray. It occurs in a letter dated Graham's Town, May 28, 1850:—

"You may judge of the improvement that has already taken place by the following statistics. Throughout the Diocese we now have twenty-two Parsons in the West Province, and sixteen in the East Province, besides several Catechists; and three Parsons at Natal, and four at St. Helena; nearly three times as many as there were throughout the whole Diocese before the appointment of the Bishop. In this town we have daily Service, and a weekly Offertory which produces £300 a-year on an average. We have a Collegiate Institution set going in Capetown and a neat little *Church Magazine*, published monthly. We have a good school building here; but sadly want a staff of masters permanently attached to it. The moral tone of this town is particularly improved; open and heinous sin heretofore so common, is not now, at all events, so notorious. We are fairly started now, but our hands want strengthening very much, even yet. Our staff is not sufficiently strong; there are many outlying places to which Clergy should be appointed, independently of the Orange River Sovereignty and the heathen in all parts. The Bishop has already written for one Clergyman for Bloem Fontein the capital of the Orange River Sovereignty. But what will on man be in a large territory equal to Ireland, with its population scattered in all directions? Opposition of Nonconformists getting vigorous; and they are not only trying to hinder and annoy every possible means, but they are doing their utmost to pre-occupy vacant posts. Emigration appears to keep on steadily here. We want a great many handicrafts yet,—carpenter blacksmiths, wheelwrights, labourers, shepherds, servants."

The Zoolus.—A letter from the Bishop, dated Pietermaritzberg, June 28th, states that there are within the District of Natal not less than 115,000 heathens, who have fled from the persecution and tyranny of the Chief Panda, king of the Zoolus, and placed themselves under British rule and protection. "They confer," says the Bishop, "as interesting and important and promising a field for a Church Mission as any part of the world that I am acquainted with. In a few short years, if nothing is done, the case will be greatly altered: we shall have allowed the season to pass, and it may be of their, probation to pass by unheeded—have shewn ourselves unfaithful to our trust—and lose for ourselves, verily believe, the favour and blessing of God." The Bishop has already taken the first steps for organizing a Mission, and we hope that the details of an extensive plan will be soon laid before the public.—*Colonial Church Chronicle.*

SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE GOSPEL IN FOREIGN PARTS.

79, Pall Mall, Oct. 5, 1850.

THE Society's 149th Annual Report has just been published and is now in course of distribution amongst members and subscribers. The progress which it exhibits may be favourably compared with that of any previous year. It contains a record of correspondence with no less than *twenty-two* bishops in the various colonies and dependencies in which the British Church is now bearing witness to the Truth. In last year's Report the receipts (including a Queen's letter collection) amounted to £95,158; in this year (without that addition) they have reached £91,874: the total number of missionaries maintained in whole or in part by the Society last year amounted to 355; it is this year 389. The increasing favour which the Society receives from the Church at large is evident from the fact, that 209 additional parochial associations have been formed this year; and that the

receipts under this head have been proportionably enlarged.

Members and friends of the Society, whilst viewing this state of affairs with gratitude to Him from whom alone "all good counsels and just works" proceed, must also bear in mind that it is only in answer to our own prayers and exertions that a continuance of God's blessing can be looked for. The greater activity, which, since the extension of the episcopate, has prevailed in our colonial churches, has served to bring to light an accumulation of neglect and spiritual destitution, the existence of which was unknown before. At no time during the past years of the Society's existence, was there a more rigid economy in the administration of its funds; at no time were the calls upon it so numerous, so various, and so urgent. And at no time has God opened the hearts of His people to afford to it so liberal a support as at the present. "Let us not be weary in well doing." For that which has been accomplished is, indeed, but a portion of that which it is our duty to do to our own neglected countrymen and to the heathen whom God has placed under our influence.

ERRATUM.—In the last No. p. 49, line 48, for "natural" read "mutual."

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BIRTHS.

At Brantford, on Monday the 11th Novr., the lady of the Rev. James Mockridge, Rector, Warwick, of a son.
 At Sydenham, Lohorough, on Saturday the 9th Nov., the lady of the Rev. T. W. Allen, of a son.

MARRIED.

On Tuesday, the 19th Nov., in St. Paul's Church, Mohawk Village, Grand River, by the Rev. A. Nelles, the Rev. John Kennedy, to Sarah Eliza, second daughter of Enos Burnell, Esquire.

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A L S O .

A few copies of His LORDSHIP'S JOURNAL of his visit to that Territory.
 December, 1850.

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FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE.

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By order,

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