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JANUARY 27, 1858.

In pursuance of a circular from the Bishop, the first meeting of the Synod of the Diocese was held in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, C.W., on Wednesday, January 27, 1858, and was legally constituted by the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved,-That we, the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Huron, legally convened, adopt the act of the Provincial Parliament, entitled "An Act to Enable the Members of the United Church of England and Ireland in Canada to meet in Synod."-Carried.

A Committee was appointed to draft a constitution to be submitted at the next meeting of the Synod.

SEPTEMBER 21, 1858.

The next meeting of the Synod was held in St. Paul's Cathedral, London, C. W., on Tuesday, September 21, 1858, there being present Clergy, 24, Lay delegates, 23. An address from the Synod of the Diocese of Toronto on the formation of this diocese, and signed by the Lord Bishop and the Clerical and Lay Secretaries, was read, and a committee, appointed for the purpose, having reported a suitable answer, it was adopted, do ni and it was he de avetated annual date had betwieners

The following constitution of the Synod was adopted at this meeting of the Synod:

CONSTITUTION OF THE SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF HURON.

(Adopted; September 22nd, 1858.)

1. The Synod shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese, of the Clergy duly licensed therein and not under ecclesiastical censure, and of Lay representatives elected as hereinafter provided.

2. Clergymen who have been members of the Synod, but who have become superannuated, or invalided, with the Bishop's consent, shall

retain all their privileges as members of the Synod.

- 3. The Lay Representatives shall be communicants of at least one year's standing, and shall be elected annually, during Easter week, by each duly organized congregation, from among their own number, at a meeting legally convened: and it shall be the duty of the wardens of each congregation to provide a book in which each member of the congregation, of the full age of twenty-one years, shall subscribe his name as being a member of the United Church of England and Ireland, and as belonging to no other religious denomination; and such, and no others, shall be entitled to vote at the election of lay representatives.
- 4. The Incumbent, or his assistant, shall preside at the election; and, in their absence, a chairman elected by a majority of those present.
- 15. The number of the Representatives shall be as follows: For every congregation one; when the registered voters exceed fifty, two; and when they exceed one hundred and fifty, three; and at each meeting it shall be the duty of the Chairman to have the list read over, and the names of all those who have died, or who have become disqualified, shall be erased previous to the election.

6. Each Representative shall receive from the clergyman, or chairman of the meeting, the following certificate:

DIOCESE OF HURON.

Town, (or Township,) of Congregation of I hereby certify that at a meeting number of registered voters, of this congregation, held on day of was duly elected a representative to Synod for the current year.

And each representative shall continue in office until his successor is appointed. .

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7. If a vacancy occur by the death, removal, or resignation of any representative, the clergyman shall proceed to hold a new election within one month, due notice being giving by him during divine service on some Sunday preceding the meeting.

8. It shall be the duty of the chairman, within six days after every election of representatives to send to the Secretary of the Synod a duplicate of the certificate given by him to the party or parties elected.

9. The Synod shall meet annually; or oftener at the option of the Bishop.

10. Each clergyman within the Diocese shall send to the Bishop, through the Secretary, a list of his present congregations, entitled to send representatives to Synod, distinguishing each by a certain name, and describing its locality, in order that they may be recorded in a book, to be kept for that purpose. Any congregation hereafter established must furnish similar information, and make application to the Bishop to be admitted to the privilege of sending representatives to Synod.

11. When the Bishop is not present he shall appoint his deputy to preside in his place. A quorum of the Synod shall consist of the Bishop, or his deputy, and not less than one fourth of the whole number of both Clergy and Lay representatives, respectively; except in the case of the Synod assembling for the election of its Bishop, when the quorum shall consist of at least one half of the Clergy and Lay representatives, respectively.

12. A Clerical and Lay Secretary shall be chosen annually by the Synod from among the members thereof, who shall remain in office until the next annual meeting of the Synod. Their duty shall be to take minutes of the proceedings of the Synod, to preserve its journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of their successors all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Synod, which may be in their possession; and, in case of a vacancy in the See, to summon the Synod for the election of a Bishop.

13. The expenses incurred by the Synod shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Church Society, out of a special fund to be raised by the Church Society for that purpose, all accounts to be laid before the Synod, and, when passed, to be signed by the President and Secretaries.

14. No act or resolution shall become law without the concurrence of the Bishop, and a majority of the clergy and laity present, provided that, ordinarily, the votes of the whole Synod shall be taken collectively; but that at the desire of the Bishop, or at the request of five clergymen, or of five laymen, the votes of each of the above named orders shall be taken separately.

15. In case of a vacancy in the See, it shall be the duty of the Secretaries of the Synod to give notice of such vacancy to every clergyman and representative within ten days from their knowledge thereof; and at the same time, to summon a meeting of the Synod, to be held within six weeks, for the election of a Bishop, giving one month's notice; andat such meeting the senior dignitary present shall take the chair; and, in the case of the Secretaries failing to perform this duty, then it shall be the duty of the licensed clergymen within the city of London to summon the Synod for this purpose. In the election of a Bishop the clergy and laity shall vote separately by ballot; a majority of the votes of each order present shall determine the choice.

16. Every proposition for an alteration of the constitution or rules of the Synod must be sent to the Executive Committee, to be forwarded to the members of the Synod, and no alteration shall take place unless agreed to by majorities of two-thirds of the clergy and laity respectively.

17. Each congregation, through their clergyman and wardens, shall make an annual statistical report to the Bishop, according to a form to be supplied by the Secretary, under the Bishop's direction; which report shall be forwarded to the Bishop within one month after Easter.

II .- ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS.

1. Each Meeting of the Synod shall be preceded by public morning prayer; and on the first day, the Holy Communion shall be administered.

2. The business of every day shall be commenced by special prayer for the Divine guidance and blessing, according to a form authorized by the Bishop.

3. After prayer, the Clerical Secretary shall call over the Roll of the Clergy, as furnished by the Bishop, and mark the names of those in attendance; and the Lay Secretary shall then call over the names of the Representatives, and those present shall answer to their names. and ha Certifi

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and hand to the Secretary the Certificate of their appointment; which Certificate shall be examined by a Committee of two, in conjunction with the Secretaries.

4. The Secretaries shall then be elected by the Synod, and they shall continue in office until their successors are appointed.

5. The Order of Business on each day shall be as follows:-

(1) Calling the Rolls.

(2) Reading, correcting, and approving the Minutes of the previous meeting.

(3) Appointing Committees.

(4) Presenting, reading, and referring Memorials and Petitions.

(5) Presenting Reports of Committees.

(6) Giving notice of motions.

(7) Taking up unfinished business.

(8) Consideration of motions.

6. An address from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

7. The Synod shall meet each day immediately after divine service, and adjourn at one o'clock, p. m., meet again at three, p. m., and adjourn at seven, p. m., unless otherwise ordered by the Bishop; and every member attending the Synod shall be in his place, and remain during each session of the Synod, and shall not leave until the final adjournment, except by permission of the Bishop or Chairman.

III .- RULES FOR THE PRESERVATION OF ORDER.

1. When the Bishop, or other person presiding, has taken the chair, no member shall continue standing.

2. When any member is about to speak for the information of the Synod, he shall rise and address the Chair.

3: No motion or amendment shall be considered as before the Synod, (excepting such as may be proposed by the Bishop or committees) unless seconded and reduced to writing; and no motion, except in course, shall be considered till the succeeding day of meeting.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without the permission of the Chair.

5. When a question is under consideration, no other motion shall be received, unless to adjourn, to lay it on the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide on it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order here named.

6. Motions to adjourn, or to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.

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- 7. When a motion has been read to the Synod by the Secretary, it cannot be withdrawn by the mover without the consent of the Chair.
- 8. Each member shall have the right to require at any period of the debate, that a question in discussion be read for his information.
- 9. A member called to order while speaking shall sit down, unless permitted to explain.
 - 10. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chair.
- 11. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made; but no after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order; yet a substitute to the whole matter may be proposed and received, provided it deals directly with the subject in hand.
- 12. All amendments to any question or amendment shall be decided on before the question or motion on which they rise is proposed for decision.
- 13. Whilst any question is being put from the Chair, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse; and when a motion is so put, no member shall retire until such motion is disposed of.
- 14. In voting, those who vote in the affirmative shall first rise, and then those who vote in the negative, and if required the Yeas and Nays shall be recorded.
- 15. A question being once determined, shall not again be drawn into discussion in the same session, without the special sanction of the Chair.
- 16. When the Synod is about to adjourn, every member shall keep his seat until the Bishop, or other person presiding, has left the Chair.

IV .- RULES REGARDING COMMITTEES.

- 1. All Committees shall be appointed by the Chair, unless named by the Synod, and the names shall be publicly announced while the Synod is in session.
- 2. The reports of the Committees shall be in writing, signed by their Chairman, and shall be received in course, unless a motion be made for their recommittal.
 - 3. The Chairman of the Committee, or some member deputed by

him, shall explain to the Synod the bearing of any portion of the report, if requested by any member of the Synod.

4. All Reports of Committees recommending any action or expression of opinion, shall be accompanied by a resolution for the action

of the Synod thereon.

5. To facilitate the despatch of business, and to insure a more effectual consideration of all matters to be discussed at the meeting of Synod, there shall be an Executive Committee, nominated and presided over by the Bishop, consisting of twelve members, six chosen from among the Clergy, and six from among the Lay Representatives.

6. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to prepare in due form all such matters as the Bishop may desire to have brought before the Synod, and also such other matters as may be forwarded to them, through the Secretaries, by any member of the Synod previous to the first day of May in each year; and a circular containing a statement of such business to be submitted to the Synod shall be forwarded to each Clergyman and Representative two weeks before the meeting of the Synod; which business shall stand first in the order of the day.

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JUNE 23, 1859.

The Synod met in St. Paul's Cathedral, on June 23, 1859. The following Report of the Indian Mission Committee was read, and was subsequently adopted:—

The Committee appointed at the last annual meeting of the Synod,

on the subject of Indian Missions, beg leave to report:

That as the conversion and civilization of the Gentiles were a subject of primary consideration with the Christian Church from the first, so should the long neglected aborigines of this land be regarded by our Reformed Church with a like solicitude and care for their evangelization and enlightenment.

It is only within the last twenty-five years that the Government of this Province has extended any assistance towards so desirable an object as the Christian education of some of the Indian tribes, and it is with regret that your Committee have learned that the Missionaries employed by the Government were notified from the Indian Department that, at the close of the current year, they were to expect no further aid from that source.

Under these circumstances, your Committee are encouraged to hope that by a timely representation to some of our Church Societies at home of the peculiar position in which some of the Indian Missions are about to be placed, they may be induced to take them up, and so secure the ministrations of the Church enjoyed by them for some years.

The Committee are happy to state, that some of these Missions have, from an early period, been favored with the fostering care and generous support of a company in England, which renders them comparatively independent of any Government support.

Your Committee desire to notice, seriatim, the Indian tribes at present under the charge of Missionaries of your Society, as well as the source whence these have been hitherto maintained.

1. The Six Nations Indians on the Grand River are under the paternal care of the New England Company, which not only provides salaries for Missionaries, but also defrays the expenses of an Industrial School, where children are taught—in addition to the branches of a

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common English education—the boys, agricultural and useful arts, and the girls, spinning, knitting, and different descriptions of needle work.

Though a large majority of these Indians have embraced Christianity, and become members of the Church of England, yet a considerable proportion, chiefly of the Cayuga tribes, have, for many years, rejected the Gospel. The labors of the Company's Missionaries among them have not, however, been altogether in vain; from time to time it pleases God to open the hearts of some of them to attend to His Word, and they have lately expressed a wish to have a school established amongst them. A greater number of Schoolmasters, and two additional Missionaries are much needed among the Six Nations. The Mohawk tribe, having surrendered their lands in the vicinity of Brantford to the Government for sale, have removed to a new settlement on the South side of the Grand River, and can no longer, without travelling far too great a distance, assemble for the worship of God in their old Church at the Mohawk village. Little, if anything, can, for the present, be expected from the New England Company towards the erection of a new church-they, however willing to afford assistance, having been lately at much expense in putting up new buildings for the accommodation of a great number of children at the Mohawk Institution. Your Committee hope, that at no very distant period, our Church Society will be enabled to contribute to this desirable work.

2. The Muncey and Oneida Indians on the Thames have been under Christian instruction for a number of years. The Missionary who has been laboring among the former tribe for a quarter of a century, found them pagans upon his first visit, since which it has pleased Almighty God to call them from darkness to the acknowledgment of saving truth as it is in the finished work of redeeming love in a crucified Saviour. Many of the latter tribes, who came into this Province about eighteen years ago from the United States, have attached themselves to the Church of England. The Catechist and Schoolmaster of the Munceys has been in receipt of a salary of £50 per annum from the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto for the past few years. The Catechist and Schoolmaster of the Oneidas has been paid a salary of £50 sterling by the Colonial Church and School Society since his appointment. A small salary to interpreters for the

above tribes has been granted also by the Church Society of Toronto, at the rate of £12 10s currency each, for the last few years.

3. The Ojibwas of Walpole Island have been in charge of a Missionary for a number of years, whose salary was paid partly by the Indian Department, and partly by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. He has also received notice that his salary is to be discontinued after the present year. The Schoolmaster stationed in this Mission has also been allowed a salary from the funds of the Church Society of Toronto. There are two Sunday services, and also one week-day service, regularly: the congregation at each very good. There is also an excellent Sunday School. The day school is well attended, the number of scholars on the list being sixtyfive, and the average daily in attendance throughout the year being thirty-five. Many of the pupils are able to read in the New Testament, some to write very well, others can work sums expertly in the elementary rules of arithmetic, and two or three are acquainted with the general outlines of geography; and most of them, by means of instruction through the week and on Sundays, are more or less acquainted with the elementary truths of Christianity.

t . The Ojibwas of Owen Sound have been in the enjoyment of Christian instruction for some time, through one of your Missionaries, who is not in receipt of any remuneration whatever for his Indian services. The only assistance afforded this band of Indians is a small allowance by the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto to their Schoolmaster and Interpreter: this, we learn, will be discontinued.

In addition to the above bands of Indians, there are other tribes within the bounds of the Diocese, to whom the ministrations of our Church have never been extended.

The Committee would respectfully submit the following suggestions, with the view of sustaining and extending the ministrations of the Church among the Indians of Muncey, Oneida, Walpole, and Owen Sound, which Missions are now about to be deprived of all Government aid:

That seeing there is no prospect of obtaining any adequate relief in this Province towards the sustentation and efficiency of these Missions, your Committee are of opinion that if a representation of the peculiar position in which these interesting missions are about to be placed were made by his Lordship the Bishop to some of our Church

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All which is respectfully submitted.

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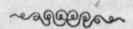
Chairman.

The Clerical Secretary having read a letter from the Bisop of Toronto, respecting the appointment of a Metropolitan, after several motions had been before the meeting it was

Resolved,-That the Lord Bishop having submitted to the Synod a letter received from the Lord Bishop of Toronto, on the subjecting of petitioning the Queen for the appointment of a Metropolitan, it is the opinion of this Synod that the time has not yet arrived for acting upon the subject contained in that letter; and that his Lordship be respectfully requested to convey this opinion to the Lord Bishop of Toronto.-Carried.

Resolved,-That the Chairman of every meeting, convened for the purpose of electing a Lay Representative, shall, previous to the election, read rule No. 7, in "the order of proceedings," and advise the meeting that a strict observance of the said rule will be enforced; and further, that the Clerical Secretary shall, at each session of the Synod, read the said rule (No. 7 in the order of proceedings) previous to the commencement of business.—Carried.

Resolved,-That the Lord Bishop be requested to exercise the prerogative conferred on him by his patent, relative to the appointment of a court for the trying of offenders.-Carried.



JUNE 19, 1860.

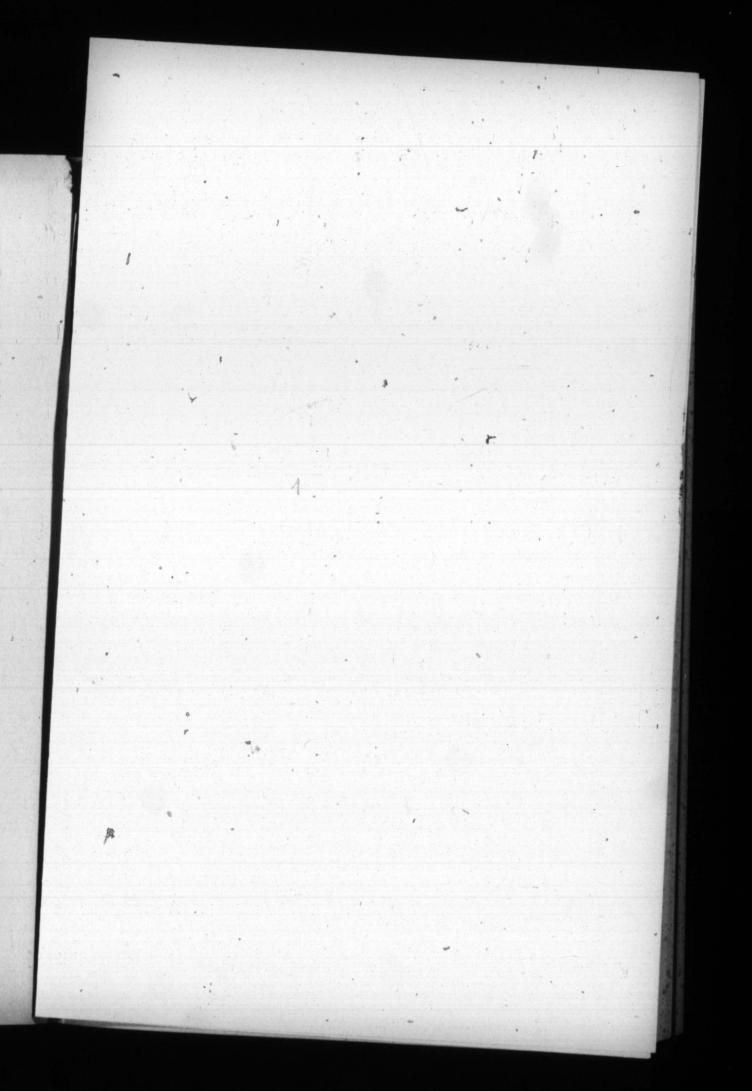
The Synod met in St. Paul's Cathedral, on June 19, 1860. Clergy present, 46; Lay representatives, 48. The Lord Bishop addressed the Synod as follows:—

My Rev. Brethren and Brethren,—We have much cause, my Rev. Brethren, for devout thankfulness to Almighty God that it has pleased Him in His goodness and long suffering to bring us in safety to the close of another year, and that no inroad has been made by death upon our number since we assembled in Synod last June.

In our Sister Diocese of Toronto it has pleased God, in His incrutable providence, to furnish another most impressive illustration of the uncertainty of all earthly things, by the sudden removal of one known and beloved by many of us and most highly esteemed by all. Most fully do we concur in the affectionate and touching expressions of regret with which this sad event was noticed by the venerable Bishop of Toronto, in his charge delivered to the Clergy of his Diocese last week. May the God of all grace make this solemn warning profitable to us all; and may He stir us up by the influence of His Holy Spirit to more zeal, more earnestness and more entire devotedness to His holy cause, in which we are engaged.

The assemblage of a large body of men for purposes of deliberation upon grave subjects, must always be regarded as an interesting event, and the solemnity and depth of feeling of the individuals who are to take part in those deliberations should be in proportion to the importance of the subjects which are to engage their attention. We, my Reverend Brethren and Brethren of the Laity, have come together to deliberate upon the most grave and important subjects which can occupy the attention of men. We meet as the Council of the Church in this large Diocese, and the Lay Members of this Synod represent the thousands of our brethren of the United Church of England and Ireland, who are scattered abroad through the large territory comprised within the limits of the Diocese of Huron.

I trust that we all enter upon the business of this Synod under a solemn sense of our responsibility, and in the spirit of earnest prayer to Almighty God for His presence and blessing upon our deliberations,



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and that we are prepared to consider every question which shall be brought before us with that calmness and freedom from preconceived prejudice which becomes those who desire to be guided in their decisions, not by passion but by reason; and should differences of opinion arise, I trust each of us will be found ready to yield up or to modify his own private views when the weight of sound reasoning and of scriptural argument shall be found to be against him, and above all, I most earnestly desire that brotherly love will continue to prevail in all our meetings and proceedings as heretofore. I am deeply thankful to Almighty God that, in time past, our meetings have been remarkable for that exhibition of courtesy and brotherly feeling which should ever characterize the deliberations of Christian gentlemen. In the course of the past year some changes have taken place amongst the Clergy of the Diocese; eleven have been added to the number, while one has removed to another sphere of labor.

At the last meeting of Synod there were fifty-seven clergymen, including the Bishop, within the Diocese-there are now sixty-nine. This shows an addition of twenty-eight, since the division of the Diocese of Toronto, to the number of the Clergy in this part of the Diocese. I have been able to effect this increase mainly by the assistance afforded me by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, and by the Colonial Church and School Society. I am happy to be enabled to inform you that an application which I made last March to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts has been favorably received, and £400 sterling per annum granted for the support of Missionaries in "the outlying parts of the Diocese." This grant has been made for two years, and on the condition that an equal amount at least be provided from local sources. Thus this venerable Society now contributes £800 sterling towards the support of Missionaries in the Diocese. This will enable me to employ several additional Clergymen in the more remote parts of the country. The Colonial Church and School Society has also increased its assistance to us. The Diocese now receives from this source £340 sterling per annum, in addition to £600 sterling expended in the Diocese on the Mission to the Fugitive Slaves, so that I fully expect if we are spared to meet again next year, I shall be in the position to report a large addition to the number of the Missionaries employed in the new and poorer parts of the Diocese. In the course of the

months of January and February, I visited the counties of Huron, Grey, Bruce and Perth. In every part of these new counties I found the Missionaries who have been lately appointed diligently and successfully employed. But ten Missionaries, however faithful and laborious, can effect but little in nearly sixty townships. We still require at least thirty Missionaries to supply the spiritual wants of this part of the Diocese.

From the 25th January to the 31st March, I preached in these counties twenty-two sermons, presided at eighteen Church Society Meetings, and addressed twelve classes of candidates for Confirmation. In the course of the past year I ordained eleven Deacons and seven Priests, and consecrated two Churches.

There are now thirteen churches in various stages of progress within the Diocese, and many in contemplation, which, I expect, will be commenced in the course of the present season. By the liberality of the old and well tried friend of the Church in Canada—the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge—I have been enabled to afford assistance to these churches, and have expended £600 sterling (the amount of two grants made by this Society for church building purposes); and as the work of church building has only commenced amongst us, I look forward to the continued liberality of this noble Society to enable me to stimulate to exertion and to assist the members of our communion to erect churches in many places where now only school houses and private dwellings can be found to accommodate large congregations which assemble for Divine Worship.

Subjects involving questions of great importance will come before the Synod; I trust they will receive that calm and prayerful consideration to which they are entitled. The paper containing all the notices of motions which have been communicated to the Executive Committee has been placed in the hands of every member of the Synod, Lay and Clerical, so that all have had time and opportunity to make up their minds as to the wisest course to be adopted by the Synod upon each question. I will not, therefore, anticipate or seek in any wise to interfere with the free discussion of these topics.

There is one question, however, upon which I desire to make a few remarks—I allude to the subject of "Liturgical Revision," as an integral part of the United Church of England and Ireland. We, in common with our brethren at home, feel a lively interest in this ques-

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fion, and we are as jealous of any changes in our Manual of Devotion as they can be. But we have the fullest confidence in the wisdom of his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, our Revered Metropolitan, and in the Most Rev. and Rt. Reverend Prelates who occupy the Episcopal Bench in England and Ireland, and are, therefore, willing to leave the matter in their hands, feeling assured that should it seem to them necessary or expedient to recommend changes and alterations in the Book of Common Prayer, "to suit the exigencies of times and occasions," these changes and alterations will be effected in such a way as that "the main body and essentials of it (as well in the chief materials as in the frame and order thereof) may still be continued to us," and that we may be able to bequeath it to our posterity as sound and as scriptural in all its parts as we have received it from our fore-fathers.

I shall not any longer detain you from the business of the Synod. I will only give utterance to the deep and earnest desire of my soul that "the wisdom that is from above, and is first pure, then peaceable, gentle and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy," may be imparted to us in large measure, so that all our deliberations may redound to the glory of God and the good of His Church.

The Committee appointed to examine the certificates of the Lay Representatives brought up the following report:

The Committee appointed to examine the certificates of the Lay-Representatives beg to report that they have examined the certificates and find them to be correct.

There are, however, several points on which your Committee would beg to call the attention of the Synod, as they are cases of noncompliance with the Constitution of the Synod.

1. There are some cases where two Representatives are sent from one Congregation without mentioning the number of voters in such Congregation.

2. Several of the certificates are not according to the form appointed by the Constitution. It should be remembered that this endangers the seats of the Lay-Representatives. Your Committee passed them on this occasion because they felt that perhaps some of the Clergy were not fully acquainted with the constitution; but they

would suggest that in future strict compliance with the Constitution be enforced.

3. There are also several cases in which no duplicates of the certificates were sent to the Secretary as the Constitution directs; the omission of this also causes great confusion and increased trouble, and places the Representatives in an unfavorable position, because the printed list of Motions, etc., prepared by the Executive Committee cannot be sent to such Representatives.

(Signed)

CHAS. C. BROUGH,

Chairman.

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Committee Room, June 19, 1860.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Townley, seconded by Mr. T. Ryall,

Resolved,—That seeing it is greatly to be desired that the Canadian Church should unite in the upholding of one University, thereby ensuring for it a high literary character and extensive religious and church influence, this Synod respectfully requests the Lord Bishop to adopt such means as in his wisdom he may see good, as shall tend to secure the hearty co-operation of all churchmen in support of Trinity College, Toronto, which, through the energy of the Lord Bishop of Toronto, and the liberality of Churchmen here and at home, has been for some years in successful operation, and with the high honor of possessing a Royal Charter.

After the mover's speech, a Lay-Representative rose and requested the Bishop to give the Synod his opinion upon the subject, which his Lordship did, and afterwards put the resolution to the meeting, when it was negatived.



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SEPTEMBER 13, 1860.

The Synod met, pursuant to notice from the Bishop, in St. Paul's Cathedral, on September 13, 1860.

The Synod adopted the following Address to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and then proceeded in a body to his levee and presented it:—

To His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, &c., &c., &c.

May it please your Royal Highness:

. We, the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Huron, in Synod assembled, approach your Royal Highness to offer to you the homage of our unfeigned respect, and to evince our devoted loyalty to the Crown and Sceptre of Great Britain.

Attached by principle and by strong affection to the British Throne, we rejoice to welcome amongst us the Son and Representative of our beloved Queen, whose many virtues have shed a lustre upon the high position which, in the providence of God, she has been called to fill.

Though separated from Great Britain by thousands of miles, we rejoice to feel that we are the subjects of the British Crown, and an integral part of the United Church of England and Ireland. We earnestly desire that the Supremacy of the Sovereign of Great Britain over us, as a portion of the Church of England and Ireland, may be ever maintained, and that we and our posterity to the latest generations may enjoy the high privilege of being united to that pure and Reformed Church, which, under God, has conferred the highest blessings upon our Fatherland.

We are thankful that God in His Providence has watched over your Royal Highness, and protected you in your travels by land and by water, and we earnestly pray that the same protecting power may be extended over you throughout your gracious visit to this remote portion of the British Empire.

We shall ever continue earnestly to entreat "our heavenly Father, the King of kings, and Lord of lords, the only Ruler of princes, to endue you with His holy Spirit, to enrich you with His heavenly grace, to prosper you with all happiness, and to bring you to His everlasting Kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord."

His Royal Highness was pleased to return the following gracious answer:—

"GENTLEMEN,

"The formation of this new Diocese, of the Province of Canada, appears to show the vitality of the Church of our Fathers in this distant land.

"It is clear that the ministry of her Clergy, and the paternal care of her Bishops, are sought for and appreciated.

"I thank you very sincerely for the warm expressions of your loyalty and affection for the Queen, my Mother, and I feel the value of those prayers which you will continue to offer on Her behalf, and on my own.

"It is true that I shall not have heard within the walls of your Cathedral the preaching of the Word of God, but I shall bear away with me from this city, a lively recollection of the welcome which has been given me by the clergy and the members of that church to which I belong."

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MEMBERS OF THE SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF HURON.

THE LORD BISHOP: THE RIGHT REVEREND BENJAMIN CRONYN, D. D.

CLERGY AND LAY REPRESENTATIVES.

CONGREGATIONS.	CLERGYMEN.	LAYREPRESENTATIVE
London—The Cathedral { "Township—St. John's { "Trinity { Delaware—Christ Church	Ven.C. C. Brough, A.M Rev.R. Flood, A.M " E. Sullivan, A.B	G. Ryland; W. Shoebottom. G. Ryland; W. Franks. H. Jell; R. Price.* G. Robson; Jeremiah Robson W. Wright: R. Wangh
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^{*} Absent from the Meeting of Synod.

Windsor-All Saints'			Dr. Dewson.
Sandwich-St. John's	*Re	v. J. Hurst	Louis J. Fluett.
Kingsville	- 66	R Fletcher	Joseph Golden.
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Biddulph-St. James'	- 60	S. Tighe, A.B.	Christopher Lewis.*
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JUNE 19, 1861.

The Synod met pursuant to notice from the Bishop. Divine Service was held in the Cathedral, and the Holy Communion administered at 10 a. m.

The Synod assembled in St. Paul's School House at 1 past 12.

The Lord Bishop took the chair and opened the business with prayer. The Clerical Secretary then called the roll of the Clergy, when 45 answered to their names. The Lay-Secretary then called over the roll of the Lay-Representatives, when 58 answered to their names and handed in their certificates.

Moved by Rev. J. Kennedy, seconded by Rev. St. G. Caulfeild, Resolved,—"That the Rev. H. Roe, of the Diocese of Quebec, being present, be admitted to a seat in this Synod."—Carried.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. F. D. Fauquier and Rev. J. Mc-Lean, with the Secretaries, to examine and report on the certificates of the Lay-Representatives.

Moved by Rev. E. L. Elwood, seconded by Rev. F. W. Sandys, Resolved,—"That the Rev. J. W. Marsh be appointed Clerical Secretary for the current year."—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Ryland, seconded by Sheriff Smith,

Resolved,—"That L. Lawrason, Esq., be appointed Lay-Secretary for the current year."—Carried.

The minutes of the last two meetings of the Synod were read by the Clerical Secretary and signed by the Bishop.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS.

- 1. Rev. R. Flood-Respecting the boundaries of parishes.
- 2. Rev. R. Flood-For an appointment of a Committee to draw up rules and canons.
 - 3. Mr. Kains-To print the Minutes of the Synod.
 - 4. Rev. W. Brookman-Respecting the debt on the Cathedral.
 - 5. Mr. Shade—Respecting the Christmas Offertory Collection.
 - 6. Rev. St. G. CAULFEILD-For a form of prayer for the Synod.

The notices of motion sent in to the Executive Committee were then read by the Clerical Secretary. 1. Communication of the Lord Bishop of Montreal te the Bishop of the Diocese, concerning the meeting of the Provincial Synod.

2. Rev. J. SMYTHE—A resolution on the subject of the Metropolitan Sec.

3. A Resolution with reference to Trinity College.

4. By T. S. Shortt—To Repeal Article 11 of the Constitution of the Synod, and substitute the following as Article 11 of the Constitution:—

"When the Bishop is not present, he shall appoint the Deputy to preside in his place. A quorum of the Synod shall consist of the Bishop or his Deputy, and not less than one-fifth of the whole number of both Clergy and Lay representatives respectively."

5. By Rev. J. SMYTHE—A Resolution on the subject of Sunday Schools.

6. I. S. FARREL-A Resolution on the subject of Total Abstinence.

7. Rev. E. R. Stimson—A Resolution relative to the appointment of Rural Deans.

8. Rev. C. C. Brough—A Resolution respecting the performance of the Burial Service in the case of persons dying in Drunkenness.

The Synod then adjourned at \(\frac{1}{4} \) past \(\frac{2}{2} \) to \(\frac{1}{2} \) past 3.

The Synod reassembled at ½ past 3. The Lord Bishop in the Chair.

The Bishop appointed Rev. J. Gunne, J. Keefer and W. Bray, a Committee to draw up a petition to the Legislature on Common Schools, in accordance with the amendment to resolution No. 5, passed by this Synod on June 20, 1860.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CERTIFICATES.

The Committee appointed to examine the Certificates of the Lay Representatives, beg to report that they have examined the said Certificates, and find that they are all correct.

The Committee would recommend that two gentlemen now present, viz., Mr. Jonas Copp, the duplicate of whose Certificate has been duly forwarded to the Secretary, although he failed to present the Certificate required by the Constitution, and Mr. George Hawkins, who is without any Certificate, but of whose election the Rural Dean

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All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

FRED. D. FAUQUIER,

Chairman.

June 19, 1861.

The Clerical Secretary read two letters from the Bishop of Montreal, Metropolitan, to the Bishop of the Diocese, about the Metropolitan Synod, stating that he had appointed the 10th of September for the Synod to meet in Montreal.

Moved by Rev. F. D. Fauquier, seconded by Rev. E. L. Elwood, Resolved,—That rule No. 3 be suspended in order that George Hawkins and Jonas Copp be permitted to take their seats in the Synod as Delegates upon the condition that their certificates be forwarded to the Secretary immediately on their return home.—Carried.

Moved by Rev. F. D. Fauquier, seconded by Rev. G. J. R. Salter, Resolved,—That the Committee appointed by the Lord Bishop, to prepare a petition on the School Law, do forward such petition to his Lordship when duly prepared, and that on its receiving the approval of the Bishop, he be requested to forward the same for due presentation.—Carried.

The Bishop then made the following address to the Synod:

My Rev. Brethren and Brethren,—By the good hand of our God upon us we are again permitted to meet in Synod.

When thus coming together at our annual gathering, it becomes us to call to mind the way in which our God has led us for the past year, and to consider the changes which have been produced in the country, so far as these changes affect our church and the spiritual interests of the people over whom we are placed.

And first I would mention the result of the census which has lately been completed, so far as these results have been made known. The religious census had not been published, therefore it is not in my power yet to state the increase which has taken place in the number of churchmen in the Diocese. But we know from private sources that the increase of the members of our church in the Diocese is as great in proportion as that of the entire population which has been announced. When the census was taken in 1852, there were in the 13 counties which constitute the Diocese of Huron, 267,637 inhab-

itants of all denominations of Christians, of whom 54,481 were members of the United Church of England and Ireland. Now there are in the same Counties 473,292 inhabitants; and if the increase of Church Members is in the same proportion as we believe it is, there will be found in the Diocese, at the present time, about 100,000 who profess to be Members of our Communion. The publication of the census, which will soon take place, will enable us to obtain accurate knowledge in this particular.

In the year 1860, from the first of January to the close of the year, there were 11 Clergymen admitted to the sacred Ministry, making the number of Clergymen in the Diocese at present 72. It pleased God, within the past year, to remove by death one from amongst us, the Rev. R. F. Campbell. Four others have withdrawn themselves from the Diocese, and are employed in other sections of the Church. Were it not for these losses our number should now have been 77. When we compare the extent of territory over which the Diocese extends, about 20,000square miles, and the vast increase of the population, with the small number of Clergy now engaged in Missionary and Pastoral labors amongst us, we are made to feel that nothing has been, as yet, done in comparison to the work which still remains undone. We should earnestly and constantly pray the Lord of the harvest that He would be graciously pleased to send forth more laborers into His vineyard.

Under the circumstances which I have stated, the Clergy will see that a great responsibility rests upon them, to devote themselves exclusively and unceasingly to the work of the Ministry to which they have been called; to seek with all care and diligence for Christ's sheep that are dispersed abroad, and for His children who are in the midst of this naughty world, that they may be saved through Christ forever. The Clergy should be careful not to absent themselves from the sphere of labor which had been assigned to them, except on occasions of imperative necessity, and never without having made provision for their pulpit and parochial duties during their absence. Under the circumstances of this country, every day, nay, every hour, withdrawn by any Clergyman from the sacred duties of his charge, and devoted to secular and personal objects, deprives the church of a portion of the time and service which properly belong to it, and must prove most injurious when the supply of Ministerial labor is so entirely inadequate to the demand.

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In order to increase the number of our Clergy, it behoves us to give our utmost attention to promote the interests of the Church Society of the Diocese. This must mainly be our dependence for the extension of our church in the country. The Societies at home, which have hitherto assisted us, and which will, we believe, continue to assist so long as Emigrants from the parent state flock to our shores, and settle amongst us, cannot adequately supply our wants. The great increase of our population yearly demands a larger number of additional Clergymen to minister in the new settlements in the Diocese than we can hope to obtain from these Societies. It will rest, therefore, with the Members of the Church not only to supply their own spiritual wants, but also, as far as the Lord has enabled them to provide, for the religious instruction of poor Emigrants who come amongst us from England, Ireland and Scotland, often deplorably ignorant of the first principles of religion. I would therefore strongly urge upon the Clergy the necessity of earnestly pressing upon the people the claims of the Church Society to their liberal support. I feel assured that when the subject is brought before the people with earnestness and in a right spirit, a liberal response will be made to every appeal. At all events it is the duty of the Clergy with zeal to perform their parts-the measure of success which shall attend their efforts is with the Lord. Measures should also be adopted for securing punctuality and promptness in the transmission of collections and subscriptions to the Secretary, as much inconvenience has been experienced by the contrary practice.

While speaking of the Church Society, I would mention that the Act of Parliament for which the Society petitioned has been obtained, and confers important powers on that body, which, it is hoped, will prove of great advantage, and will much facilitate the operations of the Society.

METROPOLITAN.

It will be remembered that at the last meeting of Synod the question of the appointment by the Crown of a Metropolitan in this province was discussed, and we came to the conclusion that, for several reasons, it was inexpedient to petition the Queen to make such an appointment. These reasons were set forth in a memorandum placed in the hands of the Governor General: It was considered contrary to the spirit and even to the letter of the Synod Law, that

such an appointment should be made after the power had been conferred upon the church to appoint "all its officers of every degree." Therefore this Synod did not concur in the petition sent home by the Diocese of Quebec, Montreal and Toronto. It is true, we did not petition against the measure, but I communicated to His Excellency the views of the Synod with regard to it. Notwithstanding this, Her Majesty has been advised to appoint a Metropolitan without our concurrence, and the Bishop of Montreal has been selected to fill that office. The question will be brought up at our present meeting, and it will be the duty of the Synod to discuss it in all its bearings. I shall not anticipate the action of Synod by giving expression to the views which I entertain upon the subject. The Bishop of Montreal visited London in April last, and met several of the Clergy, and they will be able to explain his Lordship's views and wishes to the meeting. I perceive by the report of the proceedings of the Synod of the Diocese of Quebec, that the subject of the appointment of the Metropolitan, and of the large powers conferred upon him, engaged the attention of the Synod, and that a resolution expressive of their views was unanimously passed.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The other Dioceses in the Province have repeatedly expressed their desire that a General Assembly should be called together, but, as this Synod could not see any necessity for such a body, and as the inconvenience and expense of attending its meetings would necessarily be great, we have heretofore declined appointing delegates to attend the meeting of the General Assembly. We believe that we possess all necessary power in our Diocesan Synods, to carry on the affairs of the Church, and as no higher powers are conferred by the Synod law on the General Assembly, we have heretofore regarded it as not only unnecessary but likely to interfere with the action of the Diocesan Synod, and thus to become injurious. This matter will also come up for discussion at this time, as the day has been named for the meeting of the General Assembly, and you will be called upon to elect Delegates to attend its meeting at Montreal.

The subject of Trinity College, which was brought before the Synod at its last meeting, has engaged my attention very much since that time, and I lately appointed five gentlemen to represent this Diocese in the corporation of that institution, and attended the meet-

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"Whereas, two letters have been recently published by the Provost of Trinity College, avowedly with the approval and under the authority of this corporation; And whereas these letters contain many things which appear to a large number of the Members of the Church throughout the country to be highly objectionable; And whereas the approval and authority of this corporation thus claimed for these letters are calculated to alienate the minds of the people from this University, and to destroy all confidence in it as a sound and safe institution for the education of the youth of our Church in the Protestant principles of the Church of England; Be it resolved, therefore, that this corporation regrets that these letters should have been published, as by its authority, and desires distinctly to record that it does not hold itself in any wise responsible for the opinions maintained in these letters."

The following are the gentlemen whom I have appointed as representatives of this Diocese in the corporation of Trinity College, and who have taken their places in that body:

The Venerable Archdeacon Brough, Dr. Sandys, Dr. Boomer, Dr. Caulfeild, and the Rev. J. W. Marsh. These gentlemen, I feel assured, are as sincerely anxious as I am that such changes may be effected in Trinity College as may enable us to avail ourselves of it as a school for the education of Candidates for the Ministry in this Diocese.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PARSONAGES.

The Rev. J. W. Marsh and Rev. F. D. Fauquier, having been appointed on the Committee on Parsonages, which was asked for by the Rev. H. B. Jessop, in June, 1859, both stated that they never received any notice from Mr. Jessop on the matter, and had no report to make, and therefore prayed to be discharged. Committee discharged.

On Temperance, to petition the Legislature.

No petition prepared by the Committee.

Moved by Rev. J. W. Marsh, seconded by Rev. St. G. Caulfeild, Resolved,—That said Committee be discharged.—Carried.

CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS.

Moved by Rev. J. Smythe, seconded by Rev. St. G. Caulfeild,

Resolved,—That this Synod has learned with regret that the Patent by which the Lord Bishop of Montreal has been appointed Metropolitan of Canada, provides that his successors in the See of Montreal shall be Metropolitans, since in consequence of the right conceded to the Church in Canada on the next vacancy in the See of Montreal, the Clergy and Laity of that Diocese will have the power to elect their Bishop, and therefore a Metropolitan of Canada. This Synod carnestly hopes that means will be employed, without unnecessary delay, to prevent this, which it justly regards as an undue preeminence conferred on the Diocese of Montreal, and likely to cause general dissatisfaction to the Church in Canada.—Carried.

Moved by Rev. G. J. R. Salter, seconded by Rev. W. Bettridge,

Resolved,—That the Lord Bishop be requested to take such steps as he may deem necessary, with the Bishops of the Dioceses of Quebec, Montreal and Toronto, to secure the alteration of the Patent of the Metropolitan, so as to prevent any interference with the patents at present held by the Bishops, and to secure the harmony of the Church.—Carried.

Moved by Rev. St. G. Caulfeild, seconded by Mr. Sheriff Smith, Resolved,—That inasmuch as we do not consider the formation of a General Assembly to be either necessary or expedient, this Synod do not proceed to the election of Delegates to that which is commonly called the Provincial Synod.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Kains, seconded by Rev. F. D. Fauquier,

Resolved,—That this Synod proceed forthwith to elect Delegates to the Provincial Synod.

Synod adjourned at 6½ p. m., to Friday morning, to meet immediately after service in the Cathedral.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 1861.

Divine Service was held in St. Paul's Cathedral at 10 a. m.

The Synod assembled in St. Paul's School House immediately after Service.

The roll of the Clergy and Laity was called,

Present-42 Clergymen and 46 Lay Representatives.

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The Rev. W. Bettridge-Respecting the business of the Synod on the first day of the Session.

The debate on Resolution No. 9, with the amendment proposed to it, was continued during the morning.

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The Synod then adjourned at 1 o'clock to 1 past 2.

The Synod re-assembled at ½ past 2.

The Lord Bishop in the chair.

Moved by Rev. J. W. Marsh, seconded by A. Hill, Esq.,

Resolved,-That this Synod do now proceed to elect Representatives to the General Assembly, appointed by the Metropolitan to meet in Montreal on September 10, 1861, viz: 12 Clergymen and 12 Laymen, to be elected by ballot; and that the gentlemen elected to represent this Diocese be instructed to take care that the rights conceded to our own Bishop be respected; and that, if it be found that the patent of the Metropolitan interferes with the patent of our Bishop, means be taken to produce harmony between them; and further, that our Representatives be directed to watch over the rights of this Diocesan Synod as secured by Act of Parliament, and also the constitution adopted for our guidance, and should a constitution be adopted by the General Assembly which in any way interferes with our own local action, that our Representatives be directed to enter their protest against the same, and withdraw from the General Assembly until further action can be taken by our Diocesan Synod on the same .- Carried.

The Bishop then named as Scrutineers, Rev. M. Boomer, Rev. G. J. R. Salter, for the Clergy.

"A Shade, Esq., J. Johnson, Esq., for the Laity.

Moved by Rev. J. McLean, seconded by Mr. Keefer,

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Resolved,—That the expenses of the Clerical and Lay Delegates to the General Assembly of the Church be met by special collections, and that the Lord Bishop be respectfully requested to call upon the Clergy to preach one or more Sermons, if necessary, for the expenses of attending each meeting of the General Assembly.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Stephenson, seconded by Mr. H. J. Miller,

Resolved,—That the respective parishes which the Clergymen and Laymen elected represent, should pay the expenses of the Delegates to the General Assembly.

The amendment was put and lost, and the original resolution was carried.

The Clerical Scrutineers presented the following report: We beg to report that the following Clergymen received the greater number of votes, viz:

Revs. M. Boomer, C. C. Brough, E. L. Elwood, R. Flood, W. Bettridge, J. Smythe, F. W. Sandys, J. W. Marsh, St. G. Caulfeild, A. Nellis, J. Padfield, J. C. Usher.

(Signed)

GEO. J. R. SALTER, M. BOOMER.

The Bishop having submitted the above names, they were approved of unanimously by the Synod.

Moved by Dr. Caulfeild, seconded by Mr. Colquhoun,

Whereas, at our last annual meeting, the matter of Trinity College was brought before this Synod, and Representatives from this Diocese have been appointed by his Lordship, the Bishop, to take their seats in the College Council, Resolved, therefore, that while we deeply sympathize with his Lordship in the difficult position in which he has been placed, and desire to thank him for the stand which he has taken on this subject, we carnestly hope that such steps will now be taken by the College as shall make it an institution in which the Church at large can place its confidence, and thus become the source to which the Canadian Church in future years will chiefly look for the supply of its Ministers.—Carried.

REPORT OF THE LAY SCRUTINEERS.

We beg to report the following gentlemen elected as Lay Delegates to the Provincial Synod, viz:

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(Signed)

JAMES JOHNSON, ABSOLOM SHADE,

Scrutineers.

The Bishop submitted the above names to the Synod as the Lay-Representatives from this Diocese, and they were unanimously approved.

· Moved by Rev. J. Smythe, seconded by Rev. J. Gunne,

Resolved,-That the 11th Article of the Constitution be repealed, and that the following be substituted: "When the Bishop is not pre sent he shall appoint his Deputy to preside in his place. A quorum of the Synod shall consist of the Bishop or his Deputy, and not less than one fifth of the whole number of both Clergy and Lay-Representatives, respectively."

Moved in amendment by Rev. J. W. Marsh, seconded by Rev. G. J. R. Salter,

Resolved,-That the 11th Article of the Constitution be amended by substituting "one fourth" instead of "one third," and by adding the following words to said article, "except in the case of the Synod assembling for the election of its Bishop, when the quorum shall consist of at least one HALF of the Clergy and Lay-Representatives; respectively."-Carried.

The Synod adjourned at 1 past six, to meet in St. Paul's School House to-morrow at 9 a. m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 1861.

The Synod assembled pursuant to adjournment, at 9 a. m. The Bishop read portions of the "Morning Prayer."

Moved by Rev. J. Smythe, seconded by Rev. A. Mortimer,

Resolved,-That the Bishop be respectfully requested to issue an address to the Laity of the Diocese on the subject of Sunday Schools, and the necessity that exists for their hearty co-operation with the Clergy in this important part of the Church's work .- Carried.

Mr. Farrell withdrew his motion of which he gave notice. Mr. Stimson withdrew his resolution, founded on his notice of motion. Moved by Rev. C. C. Brough, seconded by Rev. J. McLean,

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Resolved,—That whereas the Clergy of the Church of England are placed in the painful position of being called upon to perform the Barial Service in the case of persons whom they have known to have died inebriate, or under the influence of the disease commonly called "delerium tremens," and to whom they cannot conscientiously apply the language of that service, it appears to this Synod that such persons are among those contemplated in the first Rubrick preceding the Burial Service.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Kains, seconded by Rev. F. D. Fauquier,

Resolved,—That in order to expedite the business of the Synod, the minutes of the proceedings of each Synod be printed for the benefit of the members of the Synod who are unavoidably prevented from attending, and also for the benefit of others.

Moved in amendment by Rev. Dr. Caulfeild, seconded by Rev. G. J. R. Salter,

Resolved,—That a Committee be appointed to extract such resolutions from the minutes' book as they may deem necessary to be made known to the Diocese at large; that such extracts be submitted to his Lordship, the Bishop, for his approval, and on receiving such approval, be published in cheap form, together with the address of the Bishop, and circulated throughout the Diocese.—Carried.

The Bishop named the Rev. G. J. R. Salter, Rev. Dr. Caulfeild, and the Clerical Secretary as the Committee for this purpose.

Rev. R. Flood withdrew notices of motions No. 1 and No. 2.

Rev. W. Brookman withdrew his notice of motion.

Moved by A. Shade, Esq., seconded by H. Johnson, Esq.,

Resolved,—That the Bishop be respectfully asked to address a pastoral letter to the several Parishes and Missions in the Diocese, requesting that the Offertory Collection at Christmas be presented to their Clergymen.—Carried.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Caulfeild, seconded by Rev. R. Flood,

Resolved,—That the Bishop be respectfully requested to issue a suitable form of prayer for the Divine blessing on the labors of this Synod and Diocese, and that the Bishop be requested to direct its use at the proper times.—Carried.

Moved by Rev. W. Bettridge, seconded by Rev. R. Flood,

Resolved,—That the Lord Bishop be respectfully requested to authorize the continuance of the afternoon Session of the Synod on the fi and s the fo Mo

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Moved in amendment by Rev. Dr. Caulfeild, seconded by A. Shade, Esq.,

Resolved,—That Articles 1 and 7 of the Order of Proceedings, be and are hereby suspended for the next meeting of the Synod, to enable the Executive Committee to make such arrangements as to the hours of the several sittings of the Synod, as will afford more time for business.—Carried.

Rev. Dr. Caulfeild gave notice of a change in Articles 1 and 7, in the Order of Proceedings.

Mr. J. Johnson gave notice of a change in Article 3 of the Constitution.

The Bishop subsequently named the following Clergymen and Laymen as the Executive Committee for the current year:

Ven. C. C. Brough, A. M.; Rev. M. Boomer, LL. D.; Rev. St. G. Caulfeild, LL. D.; Rev. F. W. Sandys, D. D.; Rev. J. C. Usher, Rev. J. W. Marsh, M.A.; L. Lawrason, Esq.; A. Shade, Esq.; W. Watson, Esq.; G. Ryland, Esq.; D. Canfield, Esq., and G. T. Claris, Esq.

The Bishop then pronounced the benediction and adjourned the Synod.

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