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PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

THE FORM OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING will be kept in type for a short time so as to enable parties requiring copies to procure them from the publisher. The price will be one dollar per hundred, and when required to be sent by mail, an additional 40 cents per hundred should be remitted, as the postage must be prepaid.

HENRY ROWSELL,
King Street, Toronto.

This number of the *Gazette* has been delayed until we were enabled to give a report of the proceedings of the Synod of Ontario, held at Ottawa, for which we are indebted to the *Churchman*, lent to us by a friend.

The *Gazette* will cease to be published after the 15th of December, unless some steps are promptly taken by the clergy and District Branches of the Church Society to guarantee the publisher against loss. The *Gazette* has only pretended to chronicle ecclesiastical intelligence deemed interesting to the members of our Canadian Church. The acknowledgments of the sums received for the various objects of the Church Society, in our opinion, ought to have called forth much larger support than we have received from the clergy and churchwardens of parishes, as they have thereby saved the postage which would have accrued had receipts been sent by mail. We have been induced to continue the publication thus long in consequence of promises made to us by some who thought it ought not to be discontinued that exertions would be made to sustain it; it can no longer exist on promises; but guarantees for the payment of the subscription of a few new subscribers in every parish sent in before the date above mentioned, or say before the 1st January, may avert what we know will be by many considered a loss; to us it will be a great relief, though for the good of the church we are ready to continue our labours.

Ecclesiastical Intelligence.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

TORONTO, Nov. 12, 1862.

His Excellency the Governor-General having appointed Thursday, the 4th of December next, as a day of general thanksgiving to Almighty God, for His great mercies in the continuance of peace in this province during the past year, and the abundant harvest with which we have been blessed.

As it is usual on such occasions to testify our thankfulness by the offerings of our substance as well as by the words of our lips, I have to request that you will call the attention of your congregations to this duty; and as the Mission Fund of this diocese is in urgent need of the aid that can be rendered to it, so as to enable the Board to meet its engagements to the missionaries assisted from that fund, I have further to request, at the instance of the Board communicated to me by resolution, that the collections on the day of thanksgiving be made for that object.

JOHN TORONTO

HOME DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY OF THE DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

A meeting of the Managing Committee will be held (D.V.) at the Society's Board Room, on Thursday, 27th Nov., at 11 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of arranging a course of parochial meetings during the approaching winter, and for the transaction of other business.

(Signed) S. GIVINS,
Rural Dean.
H. C. COOPER,
Secretary.

Toronto, Nov. 15, 1862.

COLLECTIONS UP TO 12TH NOVEMBER.

MISSION FUND.

Previously announced.....\$626.26
Gore's Landing, Rice Lake, per Rev. W. C. Clarke..... 3.00
St. John's Church, Tecumseth..... 1.40
Barrie, per Rev. E. Morgan..... 1.92

143 collections amounting to.....\$632.58

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Previously announced..... 118.50
Newmarket.....\$ 6.32
Holland Landing..... 2.20

Per Rev. S. F. Ramsay..... 8.52
St. Stephen's Toronto, per Rev. A. J. Broughall..... 19.68
Church of Ascension, Hamilton, per churchwarden..... 31.59
Barrie, per Rev. E. Morgan..... 6.05
Cayuga..... 14.70
Caledonia..... 4.00
York..... 4.30

Per Rev. B. C. Hill..... 23.00
Woodbridge..... 7.00
Vaughan..... 6.52

Per J. W. Gamble, Esq..... 13.52
St. George's, Etobicoke, per Rev. H. C. Cooper..... 4.70

Orillia..... 5.70
Oro..... 1.85
St. Luke's..... 1.60
Atherley..... 1.00
Per Rev. A. Stewart..... 10.16
St. Mary's, Tullamoro..... 6.40
St. John's, Gore of Toronto..... 2.40
Grahamsville..... 2.06
Per Rev. J. Carry..... 10.86
Cannington Brock..... 1.95
Brook, W. and E. Churches..... 1.10
Per Rev. R. H. Harris..... 3.05
St. George's, Guelph, per churchwarden..... 17.40
Trinity Church, Streetsville, per churchwardens..... 3.00
Trinity Church Chippawa, per Rev. W. Leeming..... 27.00
Richmond Hill, per churchwarden..... 7.00
Gore Landing, Rice Lake, per Rev. W. C. Clarke..... 4.00
St. James', Port Hope, per churchwarden..... 23.00
St. James', Penetanguishene, per churchwarden..... 5.00
Grace Church, Arthur..... 1.49
Trinity Church, N. Arthur..... 1.51
St. Paul's, Mount Forest..... 4.00

Per. Rev. S. Honston..... 7.00
All Saints', Collingwood, per c'warden... 5.00
St. John's, Cookstown..... 2.12
St. Peter's, Essa West..... 1.12
School house, Essa East..... 1.00
" Tecumseth..... 0.76

Per Rev. A. J. Fidler..... 5.00
St. George's, St. Catherines, per Rev. Dr. Atkinson..... 67.06
Trinity Church, Colborne..... 7.59
St. George's, Grafton..... 5.11

Per Rev. J. Wilson..... 13.00
St. John's, Peterboro', per churchwarden 18.00
All Saints', Drummondville..... 8.78
St. John's, Stamford..... 5.38

Per Rev. C. L. Ingles..... 14.16
St. John's, Tecumseth..... 2.61
Trinity Church..... 3.11

Per J. R. Williams, Esq..... 5.72
St. Mary Magdalen, Lloydtown... 4.28
Christ's Church..... 2.78
St. James'..... 2.94

Per Rev. H. B. Osler..... 10.00
Rockwood..... 1.00
Puslinch..... 1.27
Ascension Church..... 0.73

St. John's, Berkley, per P. Paterson, Esq 4.42
Christ's Church, Mimico, per George White, Esq..... 3.00

Grace Church, Waterdown..... 2.30
St. George's..... 1.20

Per Rev. G. N. Higginson..... 3.50

St. Peter's, Cobourg.....	20.12	
Church N. Stiles.....	2.68	
Bourne's School House.....	2.30	
Per Ven Archdeacon Bethune.....	31.00	
St. John's, Thorold.....	3.82	
St. Paul's, Port Robinson.....	3.68	
Per Rev. T. B. Read.....	7.50	
Barrio.....	12.80	
Shanty Bay.....	1.20	
Per Rev. S. B. Ardagh.....	14.00	

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T. S. KENNEDY, Secretary.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

TO THE CLERGY OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND AND IRELAND, IN THE DIOCESE OF HURON.

My Rev. Brethren,—His Excellency the Governor-General of British North America has issued a proclamation, calling upon Her Majesty's subjects in Canada to observe the 4th December as a day of thanksgiving for the blessings of peace which we have enjoyed during the past year, and for the abundant harvest with which it has pleased God to crown the labours of the husbandman. We have continually offered up this prayer to the Most High, "That it may please Thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them." When, therefore, the Lord has graciously heard and answered our prayer, it becomes us to render to him the grateful tribute of our praise and thanksgiving.

We, therefore, earnestly exhort all our clergy in this Diocese to use their best efforts to give effect to the pious purpose of Her Majesty's representative by assembling their several congregations on the above-named day, and by stirring them up to sincere thankfulness to Almighty God who has so graciously made "peace in our borders, and who filleth us with the flour of wheat."

It has heretofore been our custom, on the day of public thanksgiving, to make a collection at each service held in the Diocese. The collections on the 4th December will be devoted to the relief of the operatives in the cotton districts in Great Britain, who are suffering the extreme of want and destitution, because of the calamities from which we have been graciously preserved. An opportunity is now afforded us of evincing our devoted attachment to our brethren in England, not merely in words, but in deeds; of showing our sympathy with our suffering fellow-subjects; and of proving that we are grateful to them for the oft-repeated proofs which they have given of their good-will towards us. Let those who have much be exhorted to give plentifully, and those who have little gladly to give of that little. "Let every man do as he is disposed in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity, for God loveth a cheerful giver."

We are aware that the calls upon the scanty resources of your flocks are many—more, sometimes, than they are able to meet: and we would not urge you to make this additional appeal to them but under circumstances which warrant us in asking our fellow-Christians to make sacrifices, and, if necessary, to endure privations in order that they may minister to the relief of their brethren who are suffering, not through any fault of their own, but under the chastening hand of Him who does not afflict willingly, or grieve the children of men.

Collections should be made at all the stations at which you can have Divine Service on the appointed day, and the amounts collected should be forwarded *without delay* to the Rev. J. W. Marsh, who has kindly undertaken to act as treasurer, and who will transmit them as the offering of the Church in this Diocese, towards the relief of our suffering brethren at home.

I remain, my reverend brethren,
Your affectionate brother in Christ,
BENJAMIN HURON.

London, C. W., Nov. 3rd, 1862.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

THE SYNOD.

The second Synod of the Diocese of Ontario was held in the city of Ottawa. The session lasted for three days, commencing on Wednesday the 6th instant.

Divine Service was held in Christ's Church, at 11 a.m. There was a full choral service.

The prayers were intoned by the Rev. E. Denroche, M.A., assistant minister of the cathedral, Kingston.

The Rev. R. L. Stephenson, M.A., rector of Perth, read the first lesson. The Rev. M. Baker, rector of Carleton Place, read the second lesson.

The litany was intoned by the Rev. T. B. Jones, M.A.

The anti-communion service and the gospel were read by the venerable H. Patton, D.C.L., Archdeacon of Ottawa.

The epistle and offertory sentences were read by the venerable W. B. Lauder, Archdeacon of Ontario.

The sermon was preached by the Rev. E. J. Boswell, D.C.L., of Prescott, from 1 Timothy, iv. chap. 16 v.

His Lordship, the Bishop, administered the Holy Communion, assisted in the distribution of the elements by his two archdeacons.

The offertory, amounting to \$31.95, was on behalf of the Diocesan Mission Board.

The Synod assembled at 3 p.m., in the new chapel, lower town. The session opened in the usual form, after which the names of the clergy and lay delegates were called by the secretaries, the Rev. T. H. M. Bartlett, and D. F. Jones, Esq. The various parishes, with a few exceptions, were represented.

His Lordship then delivered his charge, which will be read with much interest, as it contains an account of his mission to the mother country.

Rev. Brethren, and Brethren of the Laity:

"According to the intention expressed at the last Synod we have assembled together in consequence of the Act incorporating the Synod of this diocese having received the royal assent, that we may now fully organize and complete the details necessary for the carrying out, by the machinery of committees of synod the various objects hitherto devolving on the Church Society of Toronto. The best course for us to adopt, seems to me to be the appointing of a committee, to report during this present session a system of rules, by which parochial committees may be formed, consisting of the clergymen, lay delegates, and churchwardens, in communication with the executive committee of the Synod, and entrusted with the work of collecting subscriptions, preparing for annual parochial missionary meetings, and with power to associate with themselves such zealous parishioners as may wish to aid in this good cause.

"I recommend that there be, also, a committee of Synod, to be called the Mission Board of the diocese, and that it consist of twelve clergymen,

and twelve laymen, with the Bishop as chairman; and I shall endeavour to select the members as fairly as possible, so as to represent each former district of the Church Society; or, should it appear to the Synod as a wiser course, the clergy may elect eight members of such board, and the laity eight; while the Bishop nominates the remainder. On the efficiency of this board will the prosperity of the church, in a great degree, depend. We have at present fourteen missionaries who look to this committee for their annual grant of \$200; while several missionary stations are now vacant, which cannot be filled up till we are in a position to aid them with a similar grant.

"On the 7th of last May I sailed for England, in order to make application, in person, to the two great Church Societies which have hitherto fostered the colonial church, for such aid as they could afford to give the new Diocese of Ontario. On arriving in England I found that the period when the S.P.G. makes its annual grants had passed, so that my prospect of receiving assistance this year was at first very slight; but I remained in London, and on the next monthly meeting of the Standing Committee, I made my statement at some length. The committee finally recommended that a grant of £500 stg. be made to me for Missionary purposes for three years. At the following meeting of the society there was a strong wish expressed to raise the grant to £750 per annum, and it was referred back to the Standing Committee who, however, adhered to their original recommendation, but very kindly expressed their willingness to entertain any future application for further assistance.

"The S.P.C.K. received my application in a most generous spirit, and on the first day of July voted me £450 stg., £300 for general purposes, and £150 for building churches. A grant of £20 stg. worth of books for a diocesan library, and twelve full sets of service books for churches were also added, with a kind assurance of the willingness of the society to entertain favourably any future application for assistance.

"I had intended to have visited various parts of England and Ireland, and bring the cause of missions in this diocese before the church at home, but the great distress prevailing in the north of England compelled me to abandon my intention,—indeed, so much of my time was necessarily spent in London, while urging my applications on the two societies, that I could not have done much in the short time allowed me before returning to Canada for my confirmation tour, and the holding of the present Synod. While in London I employed myself on Sundays in advocating the cause of our diocesan missions in such churches as were offered me for this purpose; and although the time of year was that in which the various local charities of the city are usually advocated in sermons, and aided by collections, and thus inopportune for my object, yet I obtained donations sent in to me after a few sermons, amounting to about £250 stg., the various items of which will be presented in our report. Before leaving England, the S.P.G. recommended to me for the missionary work of the diocese four clergymen, (one of whom, the Rev. T. B. Jones, has arrived) and three candidates for holy orders, whom I hope to admit to the holy order of deacon, at my ordination, at the next Ember season.

"I have nothing to add, but to express my hope that you may give to the grave subjects which will occupy your time during this session your most earnest and undivided attention. On the machinery, and its honest working, which we shall establish, will greatly depend the success of our missions, and the advancement of true religion and virtue. We possess, by the favour of the legislature, what I believe to be the best

possible form of organization. It is true, that as yet, it is but a theory, still let us remember that the structure we are striving, as wise master-builders, to raise, will not fail to come to a successful completion if we only work with our understandings to make the best use we can of the act incorporating our Synod, and warm our hearts to feel that we are the church of the living God by representation, viz.: 'Members incorporate in the mystical body of His Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people.'

After the reading of the address, the Rev. W. Bleadell brought forward the following motion, of which he had given notice, seconded by the archdeacon of Ontario, "That the Lord Bishop of the diocese be respectfully requested to appoint a committee to decide and report forthwith to this Synod such measures as may be necessary, in order to meet the missionary and other purposes of the diocese, carried out formerly by the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto."

The motion being carried, the Lord Bishop named the following committee:

Venerable Archdeacon LAUDER, Venerable Archdeacon PATTON, Revs. C. Forest, R. L. Stephenson, Dr. Boswell, the Hon. G. Crawford, His Honor the Chancellor, T. Kirkpatrick, Esq., and P. P. Harris, Esq.

The following reports of committees appointed at the last session were read, and notice given of motions:

1. The report of the Committee on Canons, by the Chancellor, and

2. The report of the committee on the amelioration of the position of the clergy, by the Rev. C. Forest.

3. The report of the committee on the celebration of the bycentenary of the Book of Common Prayer, by the Rev. H. Mulkins.

In the absence of the treasurer, the clerical secretary read a statement of the present state of the funds in the treasurer's hands.

The following notices of motion were given:—

1. By the Rev. J. A. PRESTON—"That the members of the Synod respectfully request the Bishop to appoint collections in all the churches, chapels, and stations, throughout the diocese, on some Sunday before the end of the present year, in aid of the suffering operatives of Lancashire and other manufacturing districts of England."

2. By the CHANCELLOR—"That the Lord Bishop be requested to appoint the following committees:

"The Clergy Commutation Fund Committee, who, amongst other duties shall, in behalf of this Synod, receive and take from the Church Society of Toronto, or from the Lord Bishop of Toronto, or from any other person whomsoever, all property, real and personal, held by them, and of right belonging to this diocese, under the Act of incorporating the Synod

"The Episcopal and General Endowment Committee.

"The Widows' and Orphans Fund Committee.

"The committee for the management of the mission fund, and for increasing the number of divinity students.

"Book and Tract Committee, to whom shall be given the management of the Prayer Book Fund.

3. By the Hon. G. CRAWFORD—"Whereas the late Dean of Ontario, and three other gentlemen, did lease the property known by the name of the Alwington House, as a residence for the Lord Bishop of the diocese, under the impression that the members of the church throughout the diocese would meet the rent; be it therefore resolved that this Synod (being incorporated) do now assume the said lease, and that the Executive Committee be instructed to make arrangements to pay the rent of the said building."

4. By the Rev. C. FOREST—"That a committee to be styled the Ontario Church Building Committee, be appointed to watch over and regulate the expenditure of public moneys in the erection of church edifices within this diocese."

"That it shall be the duty of any parish intending to build, to submit to the said committee their proposed plans, together with a statement of the extent of the parish ability to proceed with the work, their church population, and prospects. If there be an intention on the part of said parish to solicit aid beyond their own limits, this intention shall be expressed to the committee, who, on approval of the plan shall certify their approval by recommending them to the bishop, for letters commendatory to the diocese; and without such letters no begging for church building will be held authorized.

"It shall further be the duty of the parish thus obtaining aid from without to make an annual certified return to the committee of all means actually received and expended, and of the state of the building up to the date of their report."

5. By Archdeacon PATTON—"Whereas it frequently happens that persons from various parts of the diocese, and from other dioceses, make application for assistance in building churches, parsonages, &c., to the clergy and laity throughout the diocese, without any recognized authority and proof of the facts of the case for which application is made. Resolved, therefore, 'That the bishop be respectfully requested to establish as a rule in the diocese, that no clergyman or layman be permitted to collect money for any church purpose beyond the bounds of his own mission, or to proceed to any other diocese for the same purpose, without the sanction and approval of the bishop, given as a heading to his subscription lists, and that it be the duty of such collector to communicate with each clergyman before he makes a collection in his parish or mission, and that on his return from his collecting tour, every person collecting shall present his subscription list to the bishop, and account for all moneys received.

"And further, that no person from any other diocese shall make collections within this diocese without first obtaining the sanction of its bishop under his hand and seal"

6. By the CHANCELLOR—"That the Lord Bishop be respectfully requested to issue a table of fees in accordance with the 14th section of the Church Temporalities Act."

7. By Archdeacon PATTON—"That the Canon on the Building, Repairs and Dilapidations of Parsonages, adopted by the Synod of this diocese on the 11th of April, 1862, be now confirmed."

8. By Archdeacon PATTON—"That the Canon on Parochial Endowments, adopted by the Synod of this diocese on April 11, 1862, be now confirmed."

9. By the Rev. J. A. MORRIS—"That a committee be appointed to report on the incomes derivable from the several rectories of this diocese, with a view to a more equitable expenditure of said incomes in accordance with the conditions of their endowment by the government."

10. By the Rev. T. B. JONES—"That the Lord Bishop be requested to appoint a committee to draw up a complete digest of the Canons and Rules of Order now in force in this diocese."

11. By the Rev. T. B. JONES—"That the Secretary draw up after each meeting of Synod a supplementary summary of all Rules and Laws then passed, to be added to the above digest."

12. By the Rev. E. DESROCHE—"That the thanks of this Synod are due to Mr. Bell and the Directors of the Ottawa and Prescott Railway

for their kind and liberal consideration in putting a special train on their road for the accommodation of the Synod, and also for conveying the members of the same at half price."

The following motions, of which notice had been given, were then brought forward:

1. By the Rev. C. P. EMBRY, seconded by the Rev. R. L. STREHNSON—"That the bishop be respectfully requested to appoint an architect for the diocese, to whom all plans for the erection or alteration of or addition to churches, shall be submitted."

To which the following amendments were proposed:—

[a] By the Rev. J. A. MORRIS, seconded by the Rev. C. FOREST—"That the Synod do nominate an architect for the diocese, to whom persons intending to erect churches may apply for plans for the erection or alteration of the same."

[b] By the Rev. J. A. PRESTON, seconded by W. B. SIMPSON, Esquire—"That no plans or designs for churches in the Diocese of Ontario be carried into effect, unless said plans or designs be approved of by his Lordship the Bishop, to whom all said plans and designs shall be submitted by the clergymen and churchwardens of the parish in which churches are proposed to be erected."

Which last amendment was carried.

2. By the Rev. C. P. EMBRY was withdrawn

3. By D. FORD JONES, Esquire, seconded by the Rev. T. H. M. BAURLETT—in amendment of title III. section 18, of the Rules, Constitutions, etc., of this diocese, viz:—To add the words 'and when required by three of either clergy or lay delegates, the names of the clergy and parishes voting on both sides of the question shall also be recorded' after the word "proceedings."—carried.

Mr. JONES gave notice that he should move the confirmation of this alteration next session.

4. By the Rev. T. BOUSFIELD, leave was given to postpone his motion to some subsequent time of the session.

5. By the Rev. C. FOREST—For amendments and additions to the constitutions, rules of order, etc., was by vote of the Synod referred to committee above appointed by the bishop.

6. By the Rev. W. BLEASDELL leave was asked to postpone his motion (7) till to-morrow morning, which was negatived on a division. He therefore proceeded to move, seconded by the Rev. E. DESROCHE: "That during the life or incumbency of the Right Reverend J. T. Lewis, Lord Bishop of Ontario, the appointment to all rectories within his diocese be vested in the aforesaid Right Rev. J. T. Lewis, and that such appointments to all rectories within his diocese, since the session of this Synod in April last, be hereby confirmed"

To which the following amendment was moved by the CHANCELLOR, seconded by the Hon. G. CRAWFORD: "That during the life or incumbency of the Right Rev. J. T. Lewis, Lord Bishop of Ontario, the appointment to all rectories within this diocese be vested in the aforesaid Right Rev. J. T. Lewis, as such Lord Bishop, his Lordship consulting the churchwardens and lay delegates of the vacant rectory; and that such appointments to rectories as have been made in this diocese since the Synod in April last, be hereby confirmed"

The hour appointed for Evensong having arrived during the discussion on this motion, the Synod adjourned

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, Nov. 6th, 1862.

The Synod assembled for Mattins at 9 a. m.

The minutes of the previous day's proceedings were read and confirmed.

The discussion on the resolution of the Rev. W. BLEASDELL, and amended by the CHANCELLOR, was then proceeded with.

(b) An amendment was moved by the Rev. J. A. MORRIS, seconded by the Rev. R. LEWIS, but was ruled to be out of order.

(c) The following amendment was moved by Mr. W. PERCIVAL, seconded by Mr. J. SHANNON,—"That all rectories becoming vacant the appointment shall be made in the following way:—A vestry meeting being called, three clergymen of the diocese being named by a two-thirds vote at said meeting,—that the bishop shall then choose one from the three recommended."

After a considerable discussion both amendments were withdrawn.

An amendment was then read by M. O. LOUGHLIN, but was ruled out of order and the original motion was carried on the following division: Clergy—Ayes 48; Noes 4. Laity—Ayes 20; Noes 10.

The CHANCELLOR then moved, seconded by W. B. SIMPSON, Esq., the following by-law:

"Whereas this Synod has, by a resolution passed at this Synod, agreed to vest the patronage of the rectories in the Lord Bishop; and whereas it is necessary that a by-law should be passed affirming such resolution,

"Be it enacted,—That during the life or incumbency of the Right Rev. J. T. Lewis, Lord Bishop of Ontario, such appointments to rectories as have been made in this diocese since the session of this Synod in April last be hereby confirmed."—Carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Synod re-assembled at 3 p.m.

A petition from certain inhabitants of the township of Kingston was read by Mr. J. Shannon. The Bishop referred the petition to the following committee: Mr. Shannon, the Chancellor, and the Rev. Dr. Boswell.

The Bishop then announced the following committees:

CLERGY TRUST COMMITTEE.

Archdeacon Lauder, Archdeacon Patton, Revs. Dr. Boswell, R. L. Stephenson, J. Harris, J. G. Armstrong, Messrs. Simpson, Steele, Kirkpatrick, E. J. Sisson, the Chancellor, Hon. J. Hamilton.

EPISCOPAL FUND COMMITTEE.

Archdeacons Lauder and Patton, Revs. Mr. Mulock, J. S. Lauder, Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Steele, A. H. Campbell, the Chancellor, Hon. Geo. Crawford.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND COMMITTEE.

Revs. C. Forest, J. S. Lauder, Worrell, Grier, W. Bleasdel, Judge Jarvis, Messrs. Baker, W. Ellis, Hope, W. Shannon.

His Lordship further announced that the secretaries are *ex-officio* members of all committees.

The following resolution was then moved by ARCHDEACON PATTON, seconded by T. KIRKPATRICK, Esq.,—"That the Episcopal Trust Fund Committee be instructed to make application, at the request of this Synod, to the 'Colonial Bishop's Fund' for such assistance to the Ontario Episcopal Endowment Fund as they may be kindly disposed to grant."—Carried.

Moved by ARCHDEACON PATTON, seconded by W. B. SIMPSON, Esq.,—"That two members of the Episcopal Trust Fund Committee, one clerical and one lay, be appointed to attend the quarterly meeting of the Trust Fund Committee in Toronto next week, to apprise the members of

the committee belonging to the Diocese of Toronto of the desire of this Synod to obtain our share of the commutation and other funds, and that the said members should meet an equal number from the Diocese of Toronto, to investigate the present actual state of the commutation and other funds, in order to an equitable division."—Carried.

The Bishop appointed Archdeacon Patton and the Chancellor as the committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

1. On a See House—presented by Mr. Ellis and adopted.

2. On Canons—by the Chancellor.

3. The Chancellor presented the report of the committee appointed on the motion of the Rev. W. Bleasdel to decide on the necessary measures for carrying on the missionary and other purposes of the diocese.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. By the Chancellor:—"That he will to-morrow move the adoption of the report of the committee on canons.

2. By the Chancellor:—"That he will to-morrow move the adoption of the report of the committee on the Episcopal Trust Fund.

3. By Archdeacon Lauder:—"That to-morrow he will move the adoption of the report of the committee appointed to decide and report such measures as may be necessary, in order to meet the missionary and other purposes of the diocese formerly carried out by the Church Society of the diocese of Toronto.

4. By the Chancellor:—"That he will to-morrow move the following resolution; "That the sum of sixty dollars (\$60) be offered to the Rev. E. W. Beaven, with the thanks of the Synod, for his valuable services at the first, and at the present session. And that the executive committee be hereby authorized to make such payments from time to time on the representation of the Clerical Secretary as they shall find to be absolutely necessary for providing him with assistance in the performance of his duties."

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Rev. W. BLEASDELL, moved, seconded by Mr. James Shannon. "That in consideration of the interest of the parish of St. George, Kingston, and of this diocese, the Lord Bishop of Ontario be requested to present himself to the Rectory of St. George's, Kingston, aforesaid; that his Lordship be further requested to apply the rectorial income to the maintenance of assistant ministers or other clergymen in the Cathedral Church and parish of St. George, and so far as may be possible, to the assistance of the churches of St. Paul and St. James, Kingston, and any other churches which have or may hereafter be erected in the township of Kingston."

At the request of the Bishop this motion was withdrawn.

A motion of Mr. JAMES SHANNON with regard to the lands of the parish of St. George's Kingston, was withdrawn.

The Rev. E. W. BEAVEN brought up the following resolution, of which notice had been given:—"That, with the consent of the Bishop, the Synod do authorize the Incumbent and Churchwardens of St. Paul's Church, Edwardsburg, to sell and transfer to the Department of Public Works, the title to the possession of a certain piece of land which has been appropriated to public use in the construction of the St. Lawrence Canals, and to receive for use in the parish according to the intention of the donor as expressed in the deed, the amount paid by the department in compensation for the same," and moved, seconded by the Rev. T. H. M. Bartlett,—

"That the resolution be referred to a committee."—Carried.

The Rev. J. A. MULOCK moved, seconded by the Rev. J. A. PRESTON,—"That His Lordship the Bishop be requested to provide the diocese with some appropriate collection of psalms and hymns, for use in public worship."—Carried.

The Bishop announced that he joined with the Bishop of Toronto, in authorizing and recommending for use in this diocese, the collection of hymns lately authorized in the diocese of Toronto.

The Chancellor brought up the report of the committee on canons, and moved the adoption of the following canon, and alterations in the rules of the Synod of the diocese:—

1. "That in section 1, of the rules, constitutions and by-laws of the Synod, 'or holding office in any College or School, under the jurisdiction of the Bishop, and not under ecclesiastical censure, be struck out, so as to correspond with section 2, of the Act Incorporating the Synod of Ontario."—Carried

2. A canon for the registration and custody of deeds.—Carried.

3. A canon for the organization of free churches.—carried.

4. A canon for the erection and division of parishes.—carried.

5. A canon on the building and repairs of parsonages.—carried.

SHERIFF CORNERT here obtained leave to bring in the following resolution, without notice, seconded by the Rev. W. BLEASDELL:—

"That the Synod at its first meeting after the death of the late Very Reverend George O'Kill Stuart, Dean of Ontario, do hereby express their deep sense of his amiable disposition and valuable services to the church of this province, from the commencement of our early ecclesiastical history, to the day of his death; and feel bound to express on this, their first meeting, their sense of the loss which this diocese has sustained by his decease."—Carried unanimously.

The Chancellor then proceeded with the report of the committee on canons:—

6. A canon on enforcing discipline and administration of the bishop's court.

7. A canon for the endowment of parishes.

8. A canon for the election of delegates to the Provincial Synod.

All of which report was adopted unanimously.

The Rev. A. J. PRESTON, moved, seconded by the Rev. J. BUTLER, a resolution requesting the Lord Bishop to order collections to be made throughout the diocese before the end of the present year in aid of the Lancashire operatives, which resolution was not put to the vote, the mover accepting the Bishop's assurance that he would take the matter into consideration, and deal with it in what manner and at what time he thought best.

The Synod adjourned at 6.45, p.m. for the evening.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, NOV. 7, 1862.

The Synod assembled at 9 a.m. The Litany was read by the Rev. H. W. DAVIES, after which the Synod was called to order by the Bishop.

The minutes of the previous day's proceedings were read, amended, and confirmed.

No reports being ready, the business standing unfinished was brought up.

Archdeacon PATTON moved, seconded by Judge JARVIS:—"Whereas it frequently happens that persons from various parts of the diocese, and from other dioceses, make application for assistance in building churches, parsonages, etc., to the clergy and laity of the church throughout the

diocese, without any recognized authority and proof of the facts of the case for which application is made. Resolved, that the bishop be respectfully requested to establish as a rule in the diocese that no clergyman or layman be permitted to collect money for any church purpose beyond the bounds of his own mission, or to proceed to any other diocese for the same purpose without the sanction and approval of the bishop, given on a heading to his subscription list, and that it be the duty of such collector to communicate with each clergyman before he makes a collection in his parish or mission, and that on his return from his collecting tour, every person collecting shall present his subscription list to the bishop and account for all moneys received; and further that no person from any other diocese shall make collections within this diocese without first obtaining the sanction of its bishop under his hand and seal.—Carried.

The CHANCELLOR moved, seconded, by the Rev. J. A. MORRIS,—“That the Lord Bishop be respectfully requested to issue a table of fees, in accordance with the 14th section of the Church Temporalities Act.”—Carried.

His Honour JUDGE JARVIS moved, seconded by Mr. J. HORE, notice of the motion having been given by the Hon. G. Crawford,—“Whereas the late Dean of Ontario and three other gentlemen did lease the property known by the name Alvington House, as a residence for the Lord Bishop of the diocese, under the impression that the members of the church throughout the diocese would meet the rent, he it resolved that this Synod (being incorporated) do now assume the said lease, and that the Executive Committee be instructed to make arrangements to pay the rent of the said building.”

In amendment it was moved by Mr. A. J. O'LOUGHLIN, seconded by the CHANCELLOR,—“That the discharge of the rent of the temporary See house be referred for immediate settlement to a committee consisting of the lay delegates from the city of Kingston, St. John's, Portsmouth, and Barriefield.”—Which amendment was carried.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Rev. H. MULKINS, seconded by the CLERICAL SECRETARY, moved the adoption of the report of the Bicentenary Committee.

W. ELLIS, Esq., seconded by the LAY SECRETARY, moved the adoption of the report of the committee on the erection of a See house.

Rev. C. FOREST, seconded by Rural Dean WORRELL, moved the adoption of the report of the committee on the amelioration of the position of the clergy.

Mr. JAMES SHANNON moved the adoption of the report of the committee on the petition of certain inhabitants of the township of Kingston.

The CHANCELLOR, seconded by the Rev. C. FOREST, moved the adoption of a further report from the Committee on Canons.

Rev. E. W. BEAVEN, seconded by the CLERICAL SECRETARY, moved the adoption of the report of the committee on the request of the incumbent and churchwardens of St. Paul's Church, Edwardsbrough, for power to sell certain portions of church land in that parish, asking leave to sit again.

Rev. C. FOREST, seconded by the Rev. H. MULKINS, moved the adoption of the report of the committee on the Widows' and Orphans' fund.

Archdeacon LAUDER, seconded by W. B. SIMPSON, Esq., moved the adoption of the report of the Clergy Trust Committee recommending the passing of the following by-laws: Whereas it is expedient to form a Commutation Fund—be it enacted that such committee shall be appointed annually by the Lord Bishop, consisting of six clerical and six lay representatives of this

Synod, who shall make a full report at the annual meeting of the Synod. Should any vacancies happen in the said committee the same shall be supplied by the Lord Bishop.

That the duties of the said committee shall be to receive from the Commutation Trust Fund committee of the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto, such sums of money and interest, and real and personal securities for money, belonging to and forming part of the Commutation Fund, as shall, upon a division of the same, fall to the share of this Diocese.

That they shall administer and dispose of all such moneys, and real and personal securities so received by them, and shall invest, take up, and re-invest in Government or County Municipal Debentures and real securities all money coming into their hands, and all surplus interest and dividends.

That the said committee shall meet on the first Wednesday in the months of December, March, June and September, and at such other times as the Chairman shall deem necessary.

The said committee shall have power to appoint all such officers from its own body as it shall deem necessary for the efficient management of the said funds.

That out of the proceeds of the said fund, the committee shall pay the several quarterly stipends of such of this diocese as are connected with the Provincial Synod.

That the said committee shall have power to form such rules and regulations as may be requisite to carry out the provisions of the above canon.

9. Archdeacon LAUDER brought in the report of the Mission Fund Committee, with a resolution asking leave to sit again, which was granted.

The orders of the day were here interrupted at the request of the Rev. E. Desroche, to allow the following resolutions to be brought forward:

Moved by the Rev. Dr. BOSWELL, seconded by the Rev. E. DESROCHE,—“That this Synod being impressed with the conviction that it is most desirable that the memory of the late Very Rev. George O'Kill Stuart should be preserved in this diocese in some way that it is presumed would have been a source of Godly gratification to the Very Rev. Dean in his lifetime, does hereby resolve that a subscription be opened in this diocese, and extended throughout the province, for the purpose of attaching, with the consent of the rector and vestry of St. George's Church, a Stuart memorial to said church, in which the revered deceased had so long and faithfully ministered, and that the said memorial shall be the erection of a chancel suitable for, and to, the Cathedral Church of this diocese, whereof he was Dean at the time of his death.”—Carried.

It was resolved also by W. ELLIS, Esq., seconded by T. KIRKPATRICK, Esq.,—“That it be an instruction to the committee on the see house at once to collect voluntary subscriptions; also, to prepare an equitable assessment on the several parishes of this diocese, and to submit the same to this Synod at its next session, and that in the meantime the interest of the fund already procured, or that may hereafter be procured, shall be appropriated toward the payment of the rent of a temporary residence until a see house be purchased or erected.”—Carried.

The Rev. J. A. MORRIS,—“That a committee be appointed to report on the incomes derivable from the several rectories in this diocese, with a view to more equitable expenditure of said incomes in accordance with the conditions of their endowments by the government, which was postponed, and directed to be placed on the list in the first order of next Synod.”

On motion of the CHANCELLOR, seconded by the

CLERICAL SECRETARY, it was resolved,—That the sum of \$100 be offered to the Rev. E. W. Beaven, Assistant Secretary, with the thanks of the Synod for his valuable services at the first and at the present session, and that the Executive Committee be authorized to make such payments from time to time, on the representation of the Clerical Secretary, for providing him with assistance in the performance of his duties.

10. The CHANCELLOR, seconded by Archdeacon LAUDER, moved the adoption of the report of the Episcopal Endowment Fund committee.—Carried.

On motion of Rev. E. DESROCHE, seconded by Sheriff CONNERT, it was resolved,—“That the thanks of this Synod are due to Mr. Bell and the directors of the Ottawa and Prescott Railway for their kind and liberal consideration in putting a special train on the road for the accommodation of the Synod, and also for carrying members of the same at half price.”—Carried.

On motion of Rev. H. MULKINS, seconded by the CLERICAL SECRETARY, it was resolved,—

“That the thanks of this Synod are due and are hereby given to the Rev. J. S. LAUDER, Rector of this parish, to the churchwardens, and the lay delegates, acting for the congregation, for their generous hospitality provided for the clergy during the present session of the Synod.”—Carried.

The Archdeacon PATTON, seconded by the Rev. Dr. BOSWELL, moved the adoption of the following canon:—

“That in order to ascertain from year to year the exact status of the Church of this diocese, and to be enabled to compare its present with its past position, and thus to judge of its growth and increase, it is hereby ordained as a canon of this Synod, that every clergyman having a separate cure of souls within a parish or mission, shall annually submit, after a form to be prepared by the executive committee, a correct statement of the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages and burials within the same during the year; of the number of actual communicants within the said year; of the number of times the holy communion has been publicly celebrated during the said year; of the number of Churches within the said parish or mission; the number of public services performed within the same; the number of Sunday and Parochial Schools, with the number of children and teachers attending the same respectively; the amounts collected at the general offertory, the offertory on communion Sundays, and at the special collections; also the amount expended on parochial objects, as for the church, parsonage, &c., all sums contributed for church objects, external or beyond the parish, and generally any items of unusual interest; and which shall be as briefly condensed as possible, and inserted as an appendix to the journals of this Synod.”—Carried.

The Chancellor gave notice that he will, this afternoon move the adoption of the following amendment to section 10 of the constitution, &c., of the Synod: “That the Clerical and Lay Secretaries be *ex officio* members of all standing committees.”

The Synod adjourned at 1 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Synod re-assembled at 3 p. m.

The Chancellor brought in his amendment to Sec. 10 of the Constitution, &c., which was carried.

On motion of W. B. SIMPSON, Esq., seconded by the Chancellor, it was resolved,—“That the thanks of the Synod be presented to the Rev. Dr. Boswell, for his very excellent sermon delivered on the first day of this Session.”

The Rev. C. FOREST read the Supplementary Report of the Mission Board, which on the motion

of Archdeacon Lauder, seconded by the Chancellor was adopted.

It was directed, with the approval of the Bishop, that the Minutes of the Proceedings of the last day of each Session, should be read and confirmed before the close of the Session.

The Bishop appointed the following as the Book and Tract Committee:—Archdeacon Lauder, Archdeacon Patton, the Clerical Secretary, Rev. W. Bleasdel, and Rev. J. W. Loosmore.

The notice of motion of the Rev. C. Forest was postponed till the next Session of Synod.

The election of members of the Mission Board by the Clergy and Lay Delegates was then proceeded with by ballot.

The following were chosen by the clergy: Revs. Messrs. Forest, Worrell, Boswell, Baker, Denroche, Stephenson, Bleasdel, Armstrong; and the following by the Laity: Judge Jarvis; Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Ellis, Simpson, Percival, Shaw, Baker, Campbell, and Rubidge.

It was moved by Archdeacon Patton, seconded by H. D. Shaw, Esq., "That the Chancellor and the two Secretaries be a committee to prepare a corporate seal for this Synod, which if approved by his Lordship the Bishop, shall be the seal of this Incorporated Synod."

The Bishop nominated the Rev. Dr. Boswell as a delegate to the Provincial Synod in the room of the late Very Rev. the Dean of Ontario.

The minutes were read and confirmed, after which the Lord Bishop dismissed the Synod with the apostolic benediction.

Divine service was held in Christ's Church on Friday evening, as a fitting conclusion to the Synod.

Prayers were read by the Rev. J. Muloch; the Rev. J. J. Bogert read the lessons.

His Lordship preached with his usual earnestness, from 2 Tim. iii. 7. The sermon, which was delivered extempore, was listened to with deep attention by the immense congregation.

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DIOCESE OF EDINBURGH.

(From the Scottish Ecclesiastical Journal.)

MEETING OF SYNOD.

A special meeting of the Diocesan Synod of Edinburgh was held on the 17th inst. in the Scottish Episcopal Church Society's Chambers, 16, Dundas Street.

Divine service had been performed in St. John's Church at eleven A. M. The Synod was constituted at twelve o'clock in the Church Society's Chambers.

In the absence of Bishop Terrot, the Very Rev. the Dean of Edinburgh presided.

The Rev. Mr. White, Leith, the Synod Clerk, read the minutes of the synodical meeting, held in St. Paul's Church on the 30th April last.

It was agreed that the election of a coadjutor bishop should be the first business.

The Clerk then read the Synod roll, from which it appeared that all the instituted clergy of the diocese were present except Mr. Coventry, of St. Peter's, who was prevented by illness, and sent a medical certificate.

The Dean then read the mandate of the Primus, and the following letter from the Bishop of Edinburgh:—

"Rev. and dear Brethren,—Before you take up either of the important subjects, for the consideration of which you have been summoned to meet this day, I wish to lay before you a short statement of the steps I have been obliged to take affecting the due exercise of episcopal functions in this diocese. During the sitting of our General

Synod in July last, I felt that, from bodily nervous weakness, I was disabled from taking that share in the business of the Upper Chamber which properly fell to me as Bishop of Edinburgh; and that the little exertion I did make was sensibly injurious to my health and comfort. Immediately, then, after the adjournment of the Synod, I made application to my brethren of the Episcopal College for a mandate to empower you to proceed to the election of a bishop coadjutor. This application was not complied with till, in consequence of my urgent and repeated applications, the mandate was at length issued near the end of August. Before that issue I had fixed on the 17th of this month as a suitable day for your meeting to consider the proposed Code of Canons; and as I thought few of you would wish to be summoned twice to a synodical meeting in the same month, I directed our Synod Clerk to announce that at the same time you would have to elect a coadjutor bishop. Of course I saw, as you must see, that very little time is thus left for the various forms necessary before the object of your choice can, by consecration, be empowered to sit and vote in Synod. On this subject I consulted the Primus as soon as the mandate was issued, and found, to my regret, that he considered the consecration at any time previous to the 30th of this month—on which day the Synod reassembles—as inexpedient and improper. Others of the Episcopal College were of a different opinion, and have promised to be in Edinburgh during the whole of the last week of September, in order to be ready for any course of action which may ultimately be approved of.

"My objects in applying for a coadjutor were, that I should be relieved from all obligation to attempt attending the Synod, and that the Diocese of Edinburgh should be effectively represented in both Chambers. I have done all in my power to secure both of these objects. Should you, brethren, consider that your interests and those of the diocese are involved, it will be for you, so soon as you have made your election, to communicate the result to the Primus and to the Clerk of the College of Bishops with a clear expression of your judgment as to the equity and expediency of delay or of immediate action. Should you consider immediate consecration inadvisable, I shall feel myself relieved from all responsibility as to the results of the Synod, and shall be prepared to obey such canons as may finally be adopted.

"I see that my brethren in the episcopate have generally taken part in the Diocesan Synods held for the consideration of the proposed canons. I am sorry to say that in such discussion I feel myself unable. The points which appear likely to provoke much serious conflicts of opinion are the representation of the laity and the use of the Scotch Communion Office. With respect to the representation of the laity, I have long been convinced that it is their right—a right founded both upon equity and on the practice of the primitive Church, as recorded both in the Acts of the Apostles and in the Epistles of St. Cyprian. But rights are in all cases associated with duties; and when rights have been long in abeyance and unclaimed, I doubt whether it is prudent to restore them before any attempt has been made to prepare the minds of those about to be enfranchised, for an intelligent and conscientious exercise of these rights and duties.

"With regard to the Scotch Eucharistic Office, I am not disposed to say more than that I am contented with Canons 26, 27, as they stand in the proposed code, approved by both Chambers in the last sitting of the General Synod; and that I particularly disapprove of any attempt to remove objections, or disarm animosity, by any verbal alterations in the Scotch Office.

"In Canons 41, 42, I think there ought to be a limitation as to the period within which an accusation can be brought, whether relative to heresy or immorality.

"And now, brethren, I earnestly pray that at this important crisis you may be guided and strengthened to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. That with a zealous watch over your own feelings and expressions, and a charitable construction of the opinions and expressions of one another, you may be led to the passing of such laws as are most accordant with Scripture, and most conducive to the peace, order, and efficiency of the Church; and that you may be directed to elect a bishop as desirous as I have been, and more able than I am, to execute those laws in a firm and kindly spirit—I am, rev. brethren, your faithful friend and brother in Christ,

"C. H. TERROR, Bishop."

The DEAN having called upon any member of Synod to propose a brother for the office of coadjutor bishop,

Mr. HENDERSON, Stirling, said—In rising to propose a coadjutor bishop for this diocese, I am sure that I express the feeling of every one here, when I say that it is with a feeling of deep regret that it should be necessary for Bishop Terrot that one should be appointed, and that we should lose the advantage of his experience, his age, and his clear head at our meetings. (Applause.) I trust, however, that Providence may spare him for some years to give us the benefit of his countenance and advice as he has done in years past; and in proposing that a coadjutor should be appointed to the Bishop according to his wish, I beg to mention a name which I believe and hope will meet with warm acceptance at your hands—a name long and well known to the Church for the eminent services which he has rendered to it. It is very difficult, indeed, in the presence of Mr. Ramsay—(cheers)—to speak of all that he has done for the advantage of our Church, but of those services every one who hears me is well aware—(applause)—and in proposing Mr. Ramsay, I shall say no more than that I sincerely wish that he may be induced to accept the office, and that Divine Providence may long spare him to continue his valuable services to the Church. (Applause.) The expressions in the mandate of the Primus, and in the letter of Bishop Terrot, describe well the qualifications required in a bishop; and I am very sure, from all I know of Mr. Ramsay, that he possesses all those qualifications in a very eminent degree. I shall not say more, but shall conclude by reading an address to the Very Rev. Dean, signed by me instituted clergy, and seven of the non-instituted clergy of the diocese—

Mr. FAITHFULL was not sure that it was in order for Mr. Henderson to read this letter or address.

After some discussion it was agreed to hear the address, which was as follows:—

TO THE VERY REV. DEAN RAMSAY.

"Dear Mr. Dean,—We, the undersigned instituted clergy of the Diocese of Edinburgh, having learned that our rev. diocesan has made application for a coadjutor, beg leave most respectfully to assure you that it would afford us the greatest possible satisfaction to see you appointed to that office. Knowing as we do the deep and fatherly interest you have for so many years taken in all that concerns the well being of our Church, we feel it to be our duty to show, in the most solemn and public way that lies in our power, the sense we entertain of your great services to this diocese and to the whole Church—services which, as they have placed you in a position of the highest dig-

nity and trust in connection with all the important events and business of the Church, have at the same time established a claim and given you a fitness for the episcopal office which rarely fall to the lot of any individual.

"We beg further to express our firm conviction that it would be in your power, as bishop, to confer great and lasting benefits upon this diocese and the Church; and we are thankful to know that, notwithstanding your advanced age, you are still able to endure more labour than many much younger men, not only in the discharge of ministerial functions, but in the councils and business transactions of the Church. In our opinion, your ripe age forms in itself a qualification for the position in which we desire to see you placed, being in part the source of an unusual extent of personal influence and experience. We feel assured that the laity of this diocese, and of the whole Church, will unite with us in our conscientious conviction of your pre-eminent fitness, and will view your election to the episcopate of your native Church with no ordinary warmth and concurrence of opinion. That the Chief Shepherd and Bishop of Souls may long spare you to us and His Church, as a father and guide, is our earnest hope and prayer.

"Edinburgh, August, 1862.

"THOMAS LANGHORNE, Incumbent of Musselburgh; ROBERT HENDERSEN, Incumbent, Episcopal Church, Stirling; JAMES M'LACHLAN, Incumbent of St. Paul's C.C.; J. A. WHITE, Leith; A. E. CROWDER, Dunse; JAMES SWAINE, Dalmahoy; T. N. WANNOP, Incumbent of Trinity Church, Haddington; A. W. HALLEN, M. A., St. John's, Alloa; A. H. CAVE BROWN, M. A., Incumbent of St. Andrew's, Dunmore.

"We, the undersigned non-instituted clergy, cordially concur in the above address.

"W. B. BUSHBY, Dalkeith; DANIEL F. SANDFORD, St. John's Edinburgh; ROBERT COLE, M.A., Oxon, Greenlaw Barracks; HUDSON TRAPE, B. A., Diocesan Chaplain; WALTER M. GOALEN, A.M., Incumbent of Christ's Church, Trinity; J. H. CARR, St. John's, Edinburgh; E. SEMICHRIST-ROUSSY."

DR. LANGHORNE, Musselburgh, seconded the motion which had been made. (Applause.)

The Rev. VALENTINE G. FAITHFULL said that before making any remarks upon this subject, he wished to read the following remarks in a letter from Mr. Coventry, who was unable to be present in consequence of indisposition:—"You are at perfect liberty to state from me that if my health had permitted me to be present at the election of a coadjutor bishop, I should have proposed Mr. Orde for that office, as the individual in the diocese best fitted in my opinion for it. As my vote is tendered to the meeting in the shape of a proxy to you, and not addressed to the Dean or any other chairman of the meeting, it is quite unnecessary for me to give any reasons whatever for my preference of Mr. Orde; and Mr. Orde deprecates, as well as myself, any reasons for voting against the Dean. I have no wish to hurt his feelings in any way, and only act, as I ought to do, under a great and onerous responsibility. Although I have my fears that the harmony of the diocese may not continue undisturbed, I shall do nothing which shall tend to that effect. Strife and wrangling I detest, and rather than engage in it I shall creep into my own shell and remain passive." He went on to say:—"In the absence of the Rev. Mr. Coventry, who was most anxious to take upon himself to do what has now devolved upon me, I have the honour to propose that the Rev. Leonard Shafto Orde be elected coadjutor bishop of this diocese. In making this proposition, I beg my brethren to bear with me a few

moments whilst I make a short statement as to the reasons which have induced me to take this step.

Mr. Faithfull here entered into an explanation of the circumstances which had led him to propose Mr. Orde as a candidate. This explanation brought on a very long and desultory discussion, for which, under a press of so many matters of more importance, we are sorry that we cannot find space. We regret this the less, however, because we presume that the objects of the parties chiefly interested have been sufficiently served by the publication of the discussion at great length in one of the Edinburgh newspapers. The ground on which Mr. Faithfull justified his nomination of Mr. Orde as a candidate, was the allegation that, in a private interview which he had had with Dean Ramsay, the Dean "had declined to allow himself to be nominated, or even to accept the Bishopric, if offered to him." The Dean (and others) met this allegation by saying, that what was said at a private interview ought not to be brought forward in a discussion relating to a public matter, insisting that he had never pledged himself either to accept or refuse—that Mr. Faithfull himself admitted that this was the case, at all events, at their last interview, and that that interview should cover all former occasions.

Mr. FAITHFULL, in concluding, said—Why proceed further with this painful contest? Why not allow the Dean to be almost unanimously elected? My answer is simply this—A scheme concerning the future of this diocese was in contemplation. That scheme must be resisted at all hazards. I respectfully invited the Dean to come forward so as to enable us to resist that scheme. He peremptorily declined. Mr. Orde was then earnestly pressed to stand in the gap. He yielded to our earnest exhortations; and we accordingly pledged ourselves to give him our best support. To abandon Mr. Orde would, under such circumstances, be to place ourselves in a false position—unworthy of ourselves and of our office, unjust and ungenerous towards Mr. Orde, and unbecoming towards the Church. Our position, therefore, however painful it may be to some of us individually, and to none more than myself, cannot be said to be of our own choosing. The Dean could have prevented this contest from arising; he could have kept together those who are agreed on the most important subjects, and who have hitherto acted cordially together, but he has not done so. But without any further trespass on your time, I shall address myself directly to the proposal which I have made. It affords me the greatest pleasure to propose Mr. Orde as coadjutor bishop in Edinburgh. I believe him to be eminently qualified for this high and sacred office. I believe he possesses qualifications for the episcopate rarely met with in a single individual. His ripe and chastened judgment, his courtesy and his firmness, his straightforwardness, his disinterested and strenuous efforts on behalf of those suffering either from unmerited reproach or poverty, his ready and heartfelt sympathy with those in sorrow, and his unvaried kindness towards all who know him intimately, combined with his great and varied experience as a parochial clergyman, eminently qualify him, in my humble judgment, for the position in which we propose to place him. And they are qualifications which must and will have their due weight with you, my reverend brethren, in giving your votes this day. And with an humble prayer that the Great Head of the Church may be with us, and guide us to a right judgment on this solemn occasion, I leave the proposal I have made in your hands.

After some farther discussion. Mr. ORDE said—It is because I considered the

field to be free and open, by the reiterated refusal of the Dean to tread upon the ground, that I now am placed before you as a nominee for this office. Not one eulogistic sentiment which may be expressed by this meeting in favour of the Dean personally and professionally—will come up to what I feel of his merits and his worth. (Hear, hear.) I can most solemnly say to the Dean that, as a friend and as a brother clergyman, he occupies in my heart the first of places, and that in conjunction with our reverend diocesan, I love him dearly. As I said at the early part of this meeting, I would sooner have cut my right hand off than have at any solicitation of friends put myself in competition with the Dean for the office. Gentlemen, I acknowledge that I have no claim to it compared with his. I acknowledge that in whatsoever view I regard him in reference to his past life and services for the Church, I could not hold a farthing rushlight to him. It was simply because I thought he was withdrawn from the contest—nay, I will go further, it was because I had reason to believe that he himself personally was in my favour for an office similar to this (for I believe the Dean has expressed himself as such to friends of mine)—that I allowed myself to be put in nomination. Had I not felt, first of all, that the ground was not preoccupied; and, secondly, that my coming forward would have been in unison with the personal and professional feelings the Dean entertains towards me, I never would have come forward. But it is due to my friends, and it is due to myself—I will not say it is due to the Church, because it will be in as good a not in better hands in the Dean's than in mine—but it is due to myself and due to my friends that I should persevere in the course I have now taken.

The vote was then taken, when there voted for the Dean—Dr. Langhorne, Musselburgh; Mr. Henderson, Stirling; Mr. White, Leith; Mr. M'Lachlan, St. Paul's, Carrubber's Close; Mr. Crowder, Dunse; Mr. Wannop, Haddington; Mr. Swaine, Dalmahoy; Mr. Cave Brown, Dunmore; and Mr. Hallen, Alloa—9. For Mr. Orde—Dr. Alexander, St. Columba's, Castle Terrace; Mr. Faithfull, Trinity Chapel, Dean; Mr. Watson, St. George's; Mr. C. R. TAYLOR, St. Andrews; Mr. Jenkins, Portobello; and Mr. Rowbottom, St. James', Broughton Place—6. Mr. Orde declined to vote.

The Dean was therefore elected by a majority of three. The announcement of the result of the vote was received with cheers by the Dean's supporters.

Dean RAMSAY then rose and said—Reverend brethren and dear friends—I have already said, and I wish to repeat it, that whatever remarks I might have made in private conversation, not expecting these remarks to be treasured up and repeated, or my being held answerable for them in this place, I saw the importance of the crisis, and two months ago I adopted the policy which I have acted upon up to the present moment. I think that I was right in taking up that policy; and if I have been wrong, I hope you will forgive me. (Applause.) That policy was this—I gave no pledge or promise whatever to any one; I neither said that I would accept, nor have I said that I would refuse. (Applause.) I think all these private conversations—all these movements among friends, however kindly intended, are injurious and unsuitable to church order, and I wish that no such movements had taken place at all. I therefore come at this moment to speak to you, acting according to the same policy which I have followed for two months—that is to say, that I have given no pledge or promise as to whether I should accept or whether I should refuse the office. The only communication I have had has

been with Mr. Faithfull. I never spoke to Mr. Orde on the subject, nor, I think, to any other person, so that it could not be a very public matter; but let me, at the risk of being tedious, say that I consider that the policy that I adopted two months ago covers my whole conduct in reference to this matter. I will not waste your time by assuring you of the very great gratification it has been to me to hear the language which has been used both by those who have voted for me and by those who have voted against me. I do not reiterate these assurances because I believe you are convinced of, and feel, them. What could be more gratifying to one whose term of mortal existence is fast coming to a close—what testimony could be more cheering to one who for thirty-five years has been trying to do something for the good of the Church? (Applause.) There are times in human existence which compensate a man for much privation, distress, and anxiety—times in which he may be inclined to say *sat est virasse*. It is enough to have lived to this time; and certainly it is enough for me to live to hear the words which have this day been spoken of me. But to come to the point before us. After the long experience I have had in the affairs of this Church, and in all the movements which have taken place within the Church for many years—the movement regarding Trinity College, the movement regarding the Hymnal, the movement regarding the Church Society—it would seem something like affectation of me to disclaim all fitness for the office to which you have by a majority of three preferred me. I may mention, however, that, whether from the high opinion I entertain of the episcopal office, or whether from the feeling I have of my own insufficiency, not having certain qualifications which are required in all who would aspire to the office of a bishop, I shrink from accepting that office. I shrink from it when in the colonial Church I was offered the diocese of New Brunswick. I shrink from it when I had in our own Church not the offer merely but the election to the diocese of Glasgow; and now I beg leave to decline being coadjutor Bishop for the diocese of Edinburgh. The reasons for my declining will be obvious to many of you. Considering age, considering many things, I feel called upon to decline the office. The reasons for my declining do not form any question as between you and me. I am not to explain to you or answer to you why I respectfully decline the offer you have made me. These reasons lie between my conscience and my judgment. The decision of my conduct in this matter is between my God and my own conscience. I consider that it is to God and my own conscience only that that question should be referred, and I hope that to God and my own conscience that question has been referred. As I said before, I did not consider myself called upon, in order to put myself in a right position before you, to make any declaration one way or other till now. I resolved that until we were assembled in Synod, by the authority of the Episcopal College, I should not give that decision; and now that we have been assembled by a mandate from the Primus, you have offered me, by this majority, the office of coadjutor Bishop, and I kindly, respectfully, affectionately, and with deep humility, decline it.

After a pause, Mr. M'LACHLAN, St. Paul's, Carruber's Close, said—To whom do you decline this appointment? It seems to me that you can only decline it to the College of Bishops. The deed has been done by the Synod, and it cannot be undone.

The DEAN—Strictly speaking you do not make the election, but simply fill up the return which has been prepared.

Mr. BUSHBY—We must present you to the Col-

lege in accordance with our vote. It is for the bishop to confirm or not the election of the Synod, and you to take any ulterior steps you may think proper afterwards. No sheriff could refuse to make a return of the election of a knight of the shire because the gentleman elected declined to serve after the election was over.

Mr. WATSON said the Dean distinctly declined the appointment, and the question now was, whether they were to proceed with another election or not. If they were not, he believed that Mr. Orde was the coadjutor bishop. ("Hear," and laughter.)

After some further discussion on the course to be pursued by the Synod.

Mr. CROWDER moved—"That the return to the mandate now signed by the majority of the electors be presented to the Primus, and that the remaining business be now proceeded with."

Mr. CAVE BROWN seconded the motion.

Mr. FAITHFULL moved as an amendment—"That as the Dean declined the appointment previous to the signing of the return by the parties who voted for him, the return is invalid, and that this Synod now proceed to the election of a coadjutor bishop."

Mr. WATSON seconded the amendment.

The Synod then divided, when Dr. Langhorne, Messrs. White, M'Lachlan, Crowder, Wannop, St. Aine, Cave Brown, and Hallen voted for the motion; and Mr. Henderson, Dr. Alexander, Messrs. Faithfull, Watson, C. R. Teape, Jenkins, and Rowbottom, voted for the amendment. Mr. Orde declined to vote.

The DEAN thereupon declared Mr. Crowder's motion carried by 8 to 7.

Votes of thanks were passed, on the motion of Mr. BUSHBY, to Dean Ramsay for presiding; and, on the motion of Mr. WANNOP, to Mr. Rollo, W. S., for the efficient arrangements which he had made for the convenience and comfort of the Synod at its present meeting.

The Synod then adjourned.

SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE.

76, Lincoln's Inn Fields.

Tuesday, October 7th, 1862.

The Ven. Archdeacon Sinclair in the Chair.

In announcing formally to the Board the decease of its lamented President, the late Archbishop of Canterbury, who died at Addington on the morning of Saturday, September 6th, the Secretaries stated that they had received on August 19, through the Rev. J. Thomas, a cheque for £100, which his Grace had directed to be paid to the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge.

The Standing Committee proposed the following resolution for the adoption of the Society:—

"The Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge at this its first meeting after the decease of its President, desires to place on record its sense of the great loss, which not only the Society itself, but the Church at large has sustained.

"On this solemn occasion we gratefully call to mind the deep interest which the late Archbishop always evinced in the welfare of this Society, an interest, which, as appears from his recent liberal contribution to its funds, continued undiminished to the last. In the life and character of an individual who acquired distinction in his early college days, who during twenty years was bishop of an important diocese, and during fourteen years Primate of all England, there are many circumstances deserving of commemoration.

"We cannot but advert to the energy and suc-

cess with which he laboured in the cause of Church Extension, and to the 300 churches and chapels which he had the privilege of consecrating:—to his numerous and valuable writings in support of Christian truth, to the meekness and gentleness which, in the administration of his high office, marked his whole deportment;—to the bright example which he uniformly gave of the domestic and social virtues, an example rendered more attractive by its unaffected simplicity;—and to the wise moderation with which, at a critical period, he was enabled by Providence to conduct the affairs of our National Church.

"While placing upon record this affectionate but imperfect tribute to the memory of our lamented President, we desire also to communicate to the members of his bereaved family the expression of our cordial sympathy, under the loss they have sustained. We trust that they will be supported by those Christian consolations, which the deceased Primate so richly inculcated, and by which, under the various trials and bereavements incident to all conditions of life, he was himself sustained."

On motion of WM. COTTON, Esq., seconded by the Rev. R. G. BAKER, it was agreed unanimously to adopt this resolution, and to forward a copy of it to the family of the late Archbishop, including the Lord Bishop of Winchester.

The Secretaries reported that, in accordance with the direction of the Board at the last General meeting on Tuesday, July 1st, £150 had been paid during the vacation to the Bishop of Ontario, —viz., £300 for general purposes, and £150 for building churches in his diocese.

In regard to the reference made by the Board at the same General Meeting—"That it be referred to the Standing Committee to reconsider the grant of £600 to the Bishop of Ontario, with a view to increasing it by £400, to be paid next year for permanent works,"—the Standing Committee made the following report:

"The Standing Committee have taken into consideration the reference made to them by the Board at the July Meeting, to reconsider the grant of £600 to the Bishop of Ontario, with a view to increasing it by £400, to be paid next year for permanent works.

"The Standing Committee find, that in other cases it has been the practice of the Society, in making grants to any dioceses for the purposes of church-building, to vote sums of money from time to time, as they may have been needed, after receiving accounts of the manner in which previous grants have been expended.

"Circumstances stated by the Bishop of Ontario induced the Standing Committee to recommend, that in his case a larger sum than usual be at once granted, and they cannot recommend the Board, at the present time, to add to the grant of £600 originally proposed. At the same time they feel sure that the Board will be ready to attend to any application which may hereafter be forwarded by the Bishop of Ontario, so soon as the sum already granted shall have been expended, in a manner satisfactory to the Board.

"The Standing Committee recommend that £150 be now granted to the Bishop of Ontario for church-building, which, in addition to the £150 granted in July, will make up £300.

This grant was accordingly voted by the Board. —*Ecclesiastical Gazette.*

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