

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SECOND MEETING

OF THE

SYNOD

OF THE

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL,

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The second meeting of the Diocesan Synod was held on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 19th and 20th of June. There was a good attendance both of the Clergy and of the Lay Representatives, forty-four of the former and sixty-two of the latter being present. Only three parishes were left unrepresented.

The proceedings commenced on the morning of Tuesday with the celebration of Divine Service in the Cathedral, at Montreal. The Sermon, which was distinguished both by fitness to the occasion, and by earnestness of manner and delivery, was preached by the Rev. J. Scott M. A., of Dunham, one of the Bishop's Chaplains. The Holy Communion was then administered. At two o'clock in the afternoon of the same day, the Clerical and Lay delegates, with the Bishop, met in the Lecture Room of the Mechanics' Hall. After the offering of prayer imploring the Divine blessing upon the Church at large, and especially upon that branch of it existing in this Diocese, and upon the Synod now assembled, the business of the day commenced with calling over the names of the delegates, when the following answered to their names:—

PARISH OR MISSION.	CLERGY.	LAY DELEGATES.
ABBOTTSFORD .....	Rev. F. Robinson, M. A.....	N. Colton Fisk.
ROUGEMONT .....		W. Drake.
		J. Standish.
		N. G. G. Chadsey.
		Joseph Drake.
AYLMER AND HULL .....		
BEDFORD .....		
BOLTON .....	Rev. F. Codd.....	
BERTHIER .....	Rev. W. C. Merrick, M. A.....	J. Armstrong.
		E. E. Shelton.
BROME .....	Rev. R. Lindsay, M. A.....	H. S. Foster.
		Thomas Chapman.
BUCKINGHAM .....	Rev. W. Morris.....	
CHAMBLY .....	Rev. J. P. White.....	J. Yule.
		T. Austin.
		M. J. Campbell, C.B., MPP

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CHRISTIEVILLE.....	Rev. J. A. McLeod, M. A.....	
CLARENCEVILLE.....		J. Hunter.
CLARENDON.....		H. T. Goslin.
COWANSVILLE.....	Rev. J. C. Davidson.....	G. B. Baker.
COTEAU DU LAC.....	Rev. T. A. Young, M. A.....	
DUNHAM.....	Rev. J. Scott, M.A.....	Stephens Baker. T. Selby J. C. Baker. G. Wheatley. W. Eldridge.
EDWARDSTOWN.....	Rev. E. G. Sutton.....	B. Chamberlin.
FARNHAM WEST.....	Rev. T. W. Mussen, M.A.....	L. H. Huntingdon.
FROST VILLAGE.....	Rev. J. Griffin.....	
GORE.....		
GRANBY.....	Rev. W. Jones.....	G. M. Abbott.
NORTH SHEFFORD.....		B. Savage.
GRENVILLE.....	Rev. F. S. Neve.....	Edwin Pridham.
HENRYVILLE.....		H. Martin.
HEMINGFORD.....	Rev. E. DuVernet, M.A.....	F. D. Fulford. W. B. Johnson. J. Morrison. J. S. Lewis. Col. Wilgress. W. Newman. Samuel Evans. W. Bowman.
HUNTINGDON.....		R. Taylor.
LACHINE.....	Rev. J. Flanagan.....	
LACOLLE.....	Rev. C. A. Wetherall, B.A.....	
LAPRAIRIE.....	Rev. R. R. Burrage, M.A.....	
MASCOUCHE.....	Rev. G. deC. O'Grady, B.A.....	Hon. J. Pangman.
TERREBONNE.....		Edward Ranson. C. Smallwood.
ST. MARTIN.....		G. H. Monk.
ST. THERESE.....		Stephen Chartier.
MILTON.....	Rev. G. Slack, M.A.....	Hon. George Moffatt.
	Dean of Montreal, D.D.....	Hon. Judge McCord.
	Archdeacon Gilson, M.A.....	T. B. Anderson.
	Rev. E. Wood, M.A.....	John Lovell.
	Rev. Canon Leach, D.C.L.....	R. D. Collis.
	Rev. W. B. Bond, M.A.....	James Hutton.
	Rev. J. Ellegood, M. A.....	C. Dorwin.
	Rev. J. Torrance.....	
		H. Bancroft.
		H. Taylor.
		T. Kirby.
		H. Ellis.
	Rev. Edward J. Rogers.....	
	Rev. A. D. Lockhart.....	
NEW GLASGOW.....	Rev. W. Brethour.....	
ORMSTOWN.....		
PORTAGE DU FORT.....	Rev. T. Bonsall, M. A.....	
POTTON.....	Rev. J. Godden.....	G. C. Robinson.
RAWDON & KILDARE.....		
RUSSELTOWN.....	Rev. J. Fulton, M.A.....	
ST. ANDREWS.....	Rev. R. Lonsdell, M.A.....	J. Wainwright. E. Jones, jr. Daniel Westover.
ST. ARMAND EAST.....		S. W. Stone.
ST. ARMAND WEST.....	Rev. H. Montgomery.....	T. R. Roberts. Isaac Coote. Charles Lindsay.
ST. JOHNS.....	Rev. J. Irwin, M.A.....	
SABREVOIS.....	Rev. B. P. Lewis M.A.....	
SOREL.....	Rev. W. Anderson.....	Edmund Fosbrooke.
SUTTON.....	Rev. J. S. Sykes.....	
ST. HYACINTHE.....	Rev. T. Machin.....	
WATERLOO.....	Rev. A. T. Whitten.....	R. A. Ellis.
WEST SHEFFORD.....		
VAUDREUIL.....	Rev. J. Pyke.....	R. W. Shepherd.

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Trinity.....

St. Luke's.....

Chap. to the Forces.....



After prayers, the Lord Bishop delivered the opening address, in which he reminded those present of the great importance of the work for Christ and the Church, in which they were about to engage, and the spirit in which it should be undertaken and carried on. He stated, that, the Memorial respecting the appointment of a Metropolitan for the Church in Canada had been presented, but that as yet no decision had been received from the home authorities. In respect to the compilation of a hymn book for use in public worship, the Bishop said, that, he had had some correspondence with Dr. Beaven, the Chairman of the Committee appointed by the Toronto Synod on this matter; and that the suggestion which he (the Bishop) had made, that it was desirable to let the matter stand over, until it could receive the collective judgment of the whole Canadian Church in Provincial Synod, had received the approval of the Synod at Toronto. The Bishop then referred to the meetings of Convocation in England, and expressed his satisfaction at the manner in which they had been conducted, and at the prospect that there was of the province of York now following the example of that of Canterbury. He expressed his opinion that it was highly desirable that the laws and canons of the Church, many of which were now quite obsolete, should be adapted to the existing state and condition of the people. He went on to say, that while it was to be wished that some special services for days of thanksgiving or humiliation, and also for some other occasions, should be added to the Book of Common Prayer, yet he was decided in the conviction that it was very undesirable that the existing services should be altered or tampered with. His Lordship recommended the *Montreal Church Chronicle*, (a monthly paper now published in this Diocese) to the members of the Synod, as a publication which was likely, if extensively circulated, to be very useful. He then expressed his hope that the working of the Synod would materially advance the welfare of the Church, and would afford to many of her members enlarged opportunities of practical usefulness. He concluded by referring to the approaching census, and recommended the Clergy to remind the members of their congregations, that they must be careful to return themselves as belonging to the "Church of England." "Certain it is that under any circumstances, we shall be found but a small minority; but we know that numbers are no test of truth. I do believe, however, that our grain of mustard seed is growing and expanding, and if we be not faithless but believing, we may yet look for great and continual increase, while we bear witness for the faith once for all declared to the saints, and strive to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace and righteousness of life."

The Minutes of the last meeting were then confirmed and signed by the Lord Bishop.

The following report was presented by Hon. G. Moffatt, and read by the Secretary :

"The Executive Committee appointed in conformity with a resolution passed at the last meeting of the Synod, "to draw up rules for governing the order of proceedings and for the preservation of order at the future meetings of the Synod, and to devise a plan for arranging all the business, to be brought forward at the next meeting, and to make the necessary preparations for holding the same," beg leave to report;

That having considered the subjects referred to them, they now submit a series of Rules and Regulations, *Firstly*, to establish the order of proceedings at meetings of the Synod; *Secondly*, for the preservation of order in its deliberations, and *Thirdly*, regarding Committees.

With regard to the second subject of reference, the Committee have to state that on the 20th Jan'y last they addressed a circular to the clergyman of each parish or mission in the Diocese, to be by him communicated to the Lay Delegates thereof, inviting them to transmit to the Committee, on or before the first Tuesday in April, any proposals of business which they desired to have brought before the Synod at its next meeting,—up to that date only three proposals were received, and the time for receiving them, was, in consequence, extended to the 1st May, of which notice was given by circular as before.—The communications addressed to the Committee accompany this report, and a list of the subjects recommended to be brought under the consideration of the Synod is appended to it.

On the third and last subject in the order of reference, the Committee report that they engaged the Lecture Room of Bonaventure Hall for the present meeting of the Synod, but in consequence of its having been subsequently let for a theatre, of which the Committee was only apprized on Wednesday last, the engagement was cancelled, and arrangements made for the Room in which the Synod is now assembled, at the rate of three Dollars per day for the time it may be required. The Sessions of the Synod to be held in day light.

The Committee further report, that the Rules and Regulations and the list of subjects recommended to be brought under the consideration of the Synod have been printed for general convenience; and that on the 8th ult., a circular was addressed, under the directions of the Bishop, to the several Clergymen of the Diocese, with copies of the papers for the use of themselves and the Lay Delegates. All which is respectfully submitted.

G. MOFFATT,  
Chairman.

Montreal, 19th June, 1860.

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It was moved by the Hon. G. Moffatt that the Report be received.

#### ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS.

1. The first meeting of the Synod in each Session shall be preceded by public morning prayer and the holy communion, accompanied by a sermon; and the collection at the offertory shall be devoted to missionary or such other purposes as the Synod may direct.

2. The business of every day shall be preceded by special prayer for the divine guidance and blessing, according to a form authorised by the Bishop.

3. After this prayer, the clerical secretary shall call over the roll of the clergy, to be furnished by the Bishop, and mark the names of those in attendance; and the lay secretary shall call over the names of the several parishes, missions or cures, when the certificates of the representatives, having been presented, shall be examined by the secretary and a committee of two to be named by the chairman for that purpose; and, where found satisfactory, the names shall be recorded and read by the secretary.

4. The election of new secretaries shall then be made by the clergy and laity respectively, and a treasurer, and two auditors shall be appointed all of which officers shall hold their respective offices until their successors shall be appointed.

5. After this, on the first day, and on all other days, after prayers, the order of business shall be as follows:—

1st. Reading, correcting, and approving the minutes of the previous meeting.

2nd. Appointing Committees.

3rd. Presenting, reading and referring memorials and petitions.

4th. Presenting reports of Committees, and of the Treasurer and the Auditors.

5th. Giving notice of motions.

6th. Taking up unfinished business.

7th. Consideration of motions.

8th. Orders of the day.

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

#### FOR THE PRESERVATION OF ORDER.

1. The Synod shall meet the first day at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and afterwards at 10 o'clock each forenoon during its session, unless otherwise ordered by the Synod. And when it adjourns the members shall keep their seats until the chairman leaves the chair.

2. On the appearance of a quorum, fixed by the Constitution of the Synod at one-fourth of the whole number of the Clergy and Lay Representatives respectively, the chairman shall call the Synod to order; and

should there not be a quorum at the appointed hour the chairman is authorised to adjourn the meeting during pleasure.

3. Immediately after the chairman shall have taken the chair, the meeting shall be opened by prayer, according to a form authorised by the Bishop; and the minutes of the preceding meeting shall then be read to the end that any mistake therein may be corrected by the Synod.

4. The chairman shall preserve order and decorum, and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Synod, to be decided without debate. When called upon to explain a point of order he shall state the rule applicable to the case, without argument or comment.

5. Members of the Synod shall sit uncovered, every member before speaking shall rise from his seat and address himself to the chair. When two or more members rise at the same time the chairman shall name the member who is first to speak.

6. When the chairman is putting a question, no member shall walk out of or across the house; nor when a member is speaking shall any member hold discourse to interrupt him, except to order, nor pass between him and the chair, and every member present when a question is put shall be required to vote on the same. In voting, those who vote in the affirmative shall first rise, and then those who vote in the negative.

7. No member, save the mover of a motion who is entitled to reply, shall speak more than once on the same question without leave of the Synod, except in explanation of a material part of his speech, which may have been misunderstood, and then he is not to introduce new matter.

8. A member may, of right, require the motion in discussion to be read for his information, at any time during the debate, but not so as to interrupt a member speaking.

9. A member called to order shall sit down, unless permitted to explain, and the Synod if appealed to shall decide the case, but without debate; if there be an appeal, the decision of the chair shall be submitted to.

10. No member shall speak disrespectfully of the Queen, or of any of the Royal Family, nor use improper language against the proceedings of the Synod, or against particular members thereof, nor speak beside the question in debate.

11. The chairman may at any time desire the Synod to be cleared of strangers, and may suspend the debate then in progress until the Synod be so cleared.

12. No motion shall be put or debated unless the same be in writing and seconded: nor shall any motion prefaced by preamble be received by the chair.

13. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, but such motions, as well as motions to lay on the table, shall be decided without debate.

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14. All questions shall be put to the Synod in the order in which they are moved.

15. After a motion has been read from the chair it shall be deemed to be in possession of the Synod, but it may be withdrawn at any time before decision or amendment, with the permission of the Synod.

16. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received by the chair unless to amend it, or postpone it to a certain day, or to lay it on the table, or for adjournment; and no more than one amendment to a proposed amendment of a motion shall be in order.

17. On a division the names of those who vote for, and those who vote against the question, shall be recorded in the minutes, if required by three members. And a question once determined shall not be brought up again the same session, without the unanimous consent of the Synod.

18. Petitions, memorials, and other papers addressed to the Synod shall be presented by a member in his place, who shall be answerable to the Synod that they do not contain improper or impertinent matter.

19. In order to expedite the business of the Synod, it is required, for the future that the clerks of the several vestries in this Diocese, or where there is no Vestry Clerk, the chairman of the meeting, shall send to the lay secretary of the Synod, within six days after their election, the names of the lay delegates elected at any meeting held for that purpose and the lay secretary of this Synod shall attend at the place where the Synod is to meet at 9 o'clock of the first day of meeting, to record the names of said lay delegates.

#### REGARDING COMMITTEES.

20. All special committees shall be named by the chair, unless otherwise ordered, and in such cases the election shall be by ballot. They shall appoint their own chairman, and a majority of the number named or elected shall be a quorum competent to proceed to business.

21. The reports of committees shall be in writing, signed by the chairman, who, 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.

22. Reports of committees shall be received in course, unless ordered to be recommitted, but further action thereon shall be by motion as in other business.

23. To facilitate the despatch of business, and insure a more effectual consideration of matters to be discussed in Synod, there shall be an executive committee to be presided over by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese and to consist of 12 members, one half thereof to be chosen from among the clergy and the other half from among the lay representatives of the Synod; the election to be as in the case of other commit.

tees, and for a period extending from the adjournment of one Synod to the meeting of the next.

24. It shall be the duty of the executive committee to prepare in due form all such matters as the Bishop, or any member of the Synod, clerical or lay,—the committee concurring,—may desire to have brought before the Synod, and to issue a circular, under the directions of the Bishop, stating the nature of the business for the ensuing Synod, and the order in which such business will be discussed. The circular to be forwarded to each clergyman and parish one month before the meeting of the Synod.

*Subjects recommended by the Executive Committee to be brought under the consideration of the Synod at its meeting.*

Your Committee would recommend that, after the consideration of motions (Election of Bishops, Standing Committee,) of which notices had been given at the last meeting of the Synod, the following subjects should be submitted to the Synod, viz :

**A.** Proposed by the Dean of Montreal.

1. The Propriety of Petitioning the Legislature for such modification of the act for registration of Marriages, Baptisms and Funerals as will make the signature of the Clergyman to each act, alone sufficient.

2. To take such measures as may be requisite for the issue of marriage licenses by the Bishop instead of the present mode of issuing them, and so put the Protestants on a similar footing with Roman Catholics in this respect.

**B.** Suggested by Thos. Russell Roberts, Esq., Philipsburg :

That the Vestry of every charge or parish represented in this body shall hereafter be required to furnish a suitable book or books in which shall be enregistered the names of all persons who are members of the Church in full communion, with the date of their first communion, and that this Register shall be in all cases kept by the Clergyman holding such charge or parish and shall be the property of the parish, and copies or extracts thereof, certified by the Incumbent or in his absence by the Churchwardens, shall be full evidence of the status of any person in such congregation at the date of such enregistration.

**C.** Recommended by the Rev. T. Burt.

The adoption of a rule to regulate the vacating of the parsonage house, lands, &c., of any mission or parish in the Diocese, on the resignation of the Incumbent thereof, so making provision for the incoming minister on his presentation.

**D.** Recommended by the Rev. G. De Courcy O'Grady.

That a Committee be appointed to take into consideration the maintenance and repairs of fences and buildings on Church properties in

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this Diocese, and to make rules and regulations concerning what portion of the repairs of parsonage houses, &c., shall be made by the incumbent and what part by the parish, and to devise means for the enlargement or renewal where necessary of buildings on Church lands, and for the protection of glebe lands.

(Signed,) G. MOFFATT,  
Chairman of Executive Committee.

Montreal, 8th May, 1860.

The above report was then considered clause by clause.

#### ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS.

1st. clause carried, with the insertion of "with a sermon," inserted after the word "prayer," in lieu of "accompanied by a sermon."

2, 3, carried.

4. With the addition of the words "be elected by ballot, if demanded and shall," after the word "shall."

5. Carried.

#### FOR THE PRESERVATION OF ORDER.

1, 2, 3, 4. Carried.

5. With the insertion of the words "the clerical members to be habited in gowns and bands," after the word "uncovered."

6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11. Carried.

12. With the insertion of the words "a written" after the word "by."

13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 carried.

#### REGARDING COMMITTEES.

20, 21, 22. Carried.

23. It was moved in amendment by the Hon. Judge McCord, that

Members desirous of submitting any measure for the consideration of the Synod shall send in to the clerical or lay secretary at least two months before the meeting of the Synod, a written notice of motion, to be communicated to the clergy and lay delegates and the notice of all other reports and matters to be brought forward Lost.

Amendment moved by Mr. Huntingdon, seconded by Rev. G. DeCourcy O'Grady, that the words "to be presided over by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese and," be expunged from the 23rd rule. Carried.

24th. Amendment moved by Archdeacon Gilson, seconded by Mr. Roberts, that the words "the committee concurring," and the words "under the directions of the Bishop," be omitted. Carried.

It was also resolved that the following words be inserted, "all notices of motions intended to be brought before the next Synod, shall be sent

in to the clerical secretary at least six weeks before the day of meeting, and it shall be, &c.

It was moved by the Hon. G. Moffatt, seconded by Rev. C. Wetherall, and resolved,

That the report as amended be adopted. See Appendix.

The following report was presented by the Hon. Judge McCord, Chairman of the Finance Committee :

"The Finance Committee appointed to enquire into the subject of the better sustentation of the Church, the increase of existing endowments, the dilapidation of Church property, and the best means of providing for the expenses of the Diocesan Synod, beg leave to report as follows :—

1. That the minimum salary of the Clergy should be \$800.
2. That not less than one-half of the above amount shall be raised by the parishioners.
3. That the contributions of the parishioners shall be collected by the Church Wardens of such parish.
4. Such contributions to be for no shorter period than three years.
5. These contributions to be paid over by the Church Wardens to the Clergyman, who shall report the same to the Church Society or Synod.
6. That a Sustentation Fund be raised—1st, by an annual sermon, to be preached in each Parish and Mission, by the direction of the Lord Bishop; 2ndly, by voluntary contributions; and, in addition, each Mission is earnestly recommended to create a local endowment fund.
7. That the Synod do apply to the Legislature to repeal any Statute or Statutes which now prevent the payment of fees for marriage licenses to the Bishop of the Diocese; and that the right to receive the same be reinvested in the Bishop, and the proceeds thereof to form a portion of the Sustentation Fund.
8. That the expenses of the Synod, such as printing, &c., be defrayed by the ordinary collection made in each parish or mission on the Sunday preceding the meeting of Synod.
9. That all repairs and dilapidations of Church property shall be defrayed by each parish individually.

J. S. McCORD,  
Chairman F. C.

June 19, 1860.

It was resolved on the motion of the Rev. J. Scott, that the report be received, printed and circulated.

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The following report was read by the Venerable Archdeacon Gilson, Chairman of the Committee on the Organization of Parishes.

The Committee appointed at the first meeting of the Synod of the Diocese of Montreal to "inquire into the subject of the better organization of Parishes and Missions and the forming new Ecclesiastical districts, due regard being had to all the legal claims of existing Incumbents beg permission to report that they have directed their attention to the two subjects marked out for their consideration in the instructions which they received from the Synod.

The first of those subjects is the better organization of existing Parishes and Missions.

In respect to this the Committee suggest :

I. That in order to distinguish between Parishes and Missions it be enacted by the Synod, that no Ecclesiastical division be considered a parish unless it include within its limits a Church and Parsonage and provide within itself at least one-half of the stipend of the clergyman who is its Incumbent ; and further, that no such parish be considered a Rectory until the whole of the stipend of the Incumbent is raised within its limits. Provided always that it be understood that this resolution is not to be regarded as affecting parishes erected by Letters Patent from the Crown.

II. That in order to secure the better organization of Parishes and Missions now existing in the Diocese, it is in the opinion of the Committee desirable that the diocese should be divided into Rural Deaneries ; and that for this object the Lord Bishop be respectfully requested to take steps for the formation of such Deaneries.

III. That it be directed by the Synod that the Clergymen and Churchwardens resident within each rural deanery do, within six months of the adjournment of the Diocesan Synod, or as soon after as practicable, hold a conference or conferences for the purpose of arranging and defining by mutual agreement the boundaries of their respective Parishes or Cures, and report the same to the Lord Bishop for his consideration, and should his Lordship approve of the same, then the boundaries so arranged, approved and declared, shall be the boundaries of the Parishes or Cures aforesaid. And that the Bishop cause a report of the same to be laid before the Synod at the next ensuing meeting.

IV. That in cases where the boundaries cannot be arranged by such mutual agreement, then the Bishop be requested to issue a commission to two Clergymen and two Laymen, none of whom shall be locally connected with such Parishes or Cures, directing and authorising them to investigate the merits of the case and decide thereon, and to report their decision to the Lord Bishop for his consideration; and should his Lordship approve of the same, then the boundaries so arranged, approved and declared shall be the boundaries of the Parishes or Cures aforesaid.

The second object to which the Committee have directed their attention is the making provision for the division of existing parishes and for the erection of new missions.

In respect to this, the Committee beg to propose the adoption of the following regulations to be enacted as a Canon by the Synod of the Diocese :—

I. When any of the parishioners residing in any parish or in adjoining parishes shall desire to have a new and distinct parish erected; the said parishioners shall present a memorial to the Lord Bishop, stating fully the motives moving them thereto, also the proposed boundaries of the contemplated new parish, and whether the Incumbent or Incumbents of the parish or parishes aforesaid be a consenting party or parties; and when the Bishop of the Diocese shall be satisfied that the provisions of the XIX section of the Church Temporalities Act have been complied with, and that the means for the worship of God have been provided, and when further, he shall have referred the said memorial to the Clergy and Churchwardens of the Rural Deanery, within which the proposed new parish is situated, for their opinion respecting the same, his Lordship shall declare the said portion of the parish or parishes to be a new parish.

II. In cases where the incumbent or Incumbents, of the existing parish or parishes withhold his or their consent from the preliminary memorial, then he or they will be required to state his or their reasons, in writing to the Lord Bishop within one month, who is to decide on their validity.

III. That in any and every case where it is proposed to establish a new mission situate within any existing Rural Deanery, that the proposal for the erection of such new mission shall be submitted to the Clergy and Churchwardens of the said Rural Deanery for their counsel and advice.

IV. That the boundaries of every parish or mission erected under authority of this Canon, as well as of every existing parish or mission, be entered in a book, to be kept by the Secretaries of the Synod for that purpose, and that a copy thereof be furnished to any person applying for it, on the payment of a fee of one shilling.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

SAMUEL GILSON,  
Chairman.

Montreal, 19th June, 1860.

It was moved by the Dean, of Montreal seconded by the Rev. Canon Bancroft, and resolved.

That the report be received, printed, and circulated among the members of the Synod.

It was then moved by Mr. Shelton, seconded by the Rev. F. Robinson, and resolved,

That the Synod do now adjourn until to-morrow at 10 A. M., to meet in Trinity Church.

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## SECOND DAY.

On Wednesday at 10 a. m. the Synod re-assembled at Trinity Church which had been kindly offered by the Incumbent the REV. CANON BANCROFT.

The names of the Clergy and Lay Delegates were called, and a quorum being present, the Synod proceeded to business.

After prayers,

It was moved by the DEAN of MONTREAL, seconded by the Hon. JUDGE McCORD and Resolved,

That the thanks of the Synod be given to the Rev. Mr. Scott, of Dunham for his excellent sermon yesterday morning.

It was moved by the Rev. J. SCOTT, seconded by the Rev. J. C. DAVIDSON, and Resolved,

That the provisional resolution to provide for the election of a bishop, adopted at the last meeting of Synod, be now made permanent, viz :

"In the Election of a Bishop to a vacancy in the See, the Clergy and Laity shall vote separately by ballot—the Clergy by individuals and the Laity by parishes or cures. A majority of votes in each order shall determine the choice, provided that two-thirds of the Clergy entitled to vote are present, and two-thirds of all the parishes or cures entitled to be represented ; otherwise two-thirds of the votes of each order shall be necessary to determine the choice."

Moved by F. D. FULFORD, Esq., seconded by the Rev. F. ROBINSON and Resolved,

That the thanks of the Synod be given to the proprietors of the "Herald," for a number of copies of their paper of this day, containing an account of the proceedings of the Synod yesterday.

It was moved by the Rev. G. SLACK, in accordance with a notice given at the last meeting, and seconded by T. R. ROBERTS, Esq.

That a Committee of three Clergymen and three Laymen, being members of the Synod, be elected annually by the Synod, to be entitled the Standing Committee of the diocese of Montreal.

Amendment moved by H. BANCROFT, Esq., seconded by the Rev. E. DU VERNET,

That the consideration of the Standing Committee be referred to a Special Committee to report at the next meeting of the Synod. Lost.



It was moved in amendment by the Rev. J. C. DAVIDSON, seconded by the Rev. J. IRWIN,

That after the word "That" the words following be omitted, and these words be substituted. "The names of the candidates for Holy Orders on the Bishop's list shall be transmitted to each officiating Clergyman to be published by him during service, at each place where he officiates, at least one month before the day of ordination. Carried.

It was moved by the Hon. JUDGE McCORD, seconded by E. E. SHELTON, Esq., and Resolved,

That the following address be presented to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales on his arrival in this city.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS,

We, the Bishop, Clergy, and Laity of the United Church of England and Ireland in the Diocese of Montreal, in Synod assembled, beg respectfully to assure your Royal Highness of our sincere attachment to the person, respect for the character, and devotion to the crown and authority of your Royal Mother, our beloved Sovereign. As Her Majesty's representative and heir apparent to the Throne we feel it a high privilege to welcome your arrival amongst us. But at the same time we wish to testify our respect for your Royal Highness' own character and person, and to express our confidence, that the anxious care of your Royal Highness' parents, in preparing you for that exalted station, which you yourself hereafter, we trust at some very distant day, may expect to be called to fill, has not been without the most satisfactory results. And in that course of preparation to have seen with your own eyes these magnificent trans-Atlantic possessions of the Crown of England, and to have become personally acquainted, in their own countries, with many of their inhabitants, will have been no unimportant events. For ourselves, as a Church, we neither occupy the same position, as our brethren at home, in relation to the State, nor can we be named in comparison with them for our numbers or our wealth; but we still feel that we are members of the same body. We teach the same truths. We offer up the same petitions on behalf of the Queen and all that are in authority under her; and ever pray for your Royal Highness, that Almighty God will be pleased to endue you with his Heavenly grace; prosper you with all happiness, and bring you to His Heavenly Kingdom for Jesus Christ's sake.

Moved by the Rev. F. ROBINSON, seconded by L. S. HUNTINGDON, Esq., and Resolved,

That the Lord Bishop be requested to call a special meeting of the Synod, for the purpose of accompanying his Lordship on the presentation of the address.

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It was moved by the DEAN OF MONTREAL, seconded by the Rev. J. C. DAVIDSON,

That application be made to the Provincial Parliament, at its next Session, for such an alteration of the existing law for the enregistration of Baptisms, Marriages and Funerals, in Lower Canada, as shall make the signature of the officiating clergyman, as in Upper Canada, alone sufficient for the verification of all such acts as shall be enregistered by him, dispensing with the signatures of parties contracting marriage, and of witnesses, sponsors, and parents, as at present required.

It was moved in amendment by the Rev. J. FLANAGAN, seconded by the Rev. J. PYKE,

That this motion be postponed for further consideration at the next meeting of the Synod. Lost.

Moved by ARCHDEACON GILSON, seconded by HUGH TAYLOR, Esq.,

That all the words after the word "shall" in the third line be left out, and that the following words be added "tend to simplify the same."

It was moved by MAJOR CAMPBELL, seconded by Dr. SMALLWOOD and resolved: That the following Committee be appointed to carry into effect the above resolution:—

Dean of Montreal, Ven. Arch. Gilson, Rev. J. Flanagan, Rev. G. Slack, and Messrs. H. Taylor, B. Chamberlin, J. Armstrong.

The following subject, of which notice had been given, was withdrawn by the Dean, viz:

To take such measures as may be requisite for the issue of marriage licenses by the Bishop instead of the present mode of issuing them, and so put the Protestants on a similar footing with Roman Catholics in this respect.

Moved by T. R. ROBERTS, Esq., seconded by Rev. H. MONTGOMERY, and resolved,

That the Vestry of every charge or parish represented in this body shall hereafter be required to furnish a suitable book or books in which shall be enregistered the names of all persons who are members of the Church in full communion, with the date of their first communion as nearly as can be ascertained, and that this Register shall be in all cases kept by the Clergyman holding such charge or parish and shall be the property of the parish, and copies or extracts thereof certified by the Incumbent or in his absence by the Churchwardens, shall be full evidence of the status of any person in such congregation at the date of such enregistration.

Moved by the VEN. ARCH. GILSON, seconded by the HON. JUDGE McCORD and resolved,

That the following subject of which notice had been given by Rev. T. Burt be referred to the Finance Committee, viz:—

That a Committee be appointed to frame a canon to be submitted to the Synod at its next meeting for the purpose of regulating the terms on which the incoming Incumbent shall enter upon the possession of the parsonage house, glebe and crops attached to the mission or parish to which he has been appointed.

Moved by the Rev. G. DE C. O'GRADY, seconded by DR. SMALLWOOD,

That a Committee consisting of the following members: the Archdeacon, Rev. J. Flanagan, Rev. G. Slack, L. S. Huntingdon, Esq., Capt. Shepherd, Capt. Wainwright and the mover be appointed to take into consideration the maintenance and repairs of fences and buildings on Church properties in this Diocese, and to make rules and regulations concerning what portion of the repairs of parsonage houses, &c., shall be made by the incumbent and what part by the parish and to devise means for the enlargement or renewal where necessary of buildings on Church lands and for the protection of glebe lands and to report to the Synod at its next annual session.

It was moved by F. D. FULFORD, Esq., seconded by Rev. J. P. WHITE, That the report of the Finance Committee be considered in detail.

No. 1, passed.

No. 2, amended. That in all parishes not less than one-half of the above amount should be raised by members of the church within the same.

No. 3, amended. That such contributions shall be collected by the Church Wardens in every parish or mission.

No. 4, expunged.

No. 5 and 6, carried.

No. 7, consideration postponed.

No. 8 and 9, carried.

Moved by DR. SMALLWOOD, seconded by MAJOR CAMPBELL and resolved, That the Report as amended be adopted. See Appendix.

Moved by the Rev. R. LINDSAY seconded by the HON. JUDGE McCORD, That the Report of the Committee on the Organization of Parishes be considered clause by clause.

1st object.

No. 1 and 2, carried,

No. 3, amended by the addition of the words "or as soon after as practicable" after the word Synod.

No. 4, carried with the addition of the words "the expenses of such commission to be borne by the parishes to be arranged."

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## 2nd object.

No. 1, carried.

No. 2, amended as follows: "That the Bishop on receipt of such memorial shall refer the same to the incumbent or incumbents of the existing parish or parishes, and if he or they shall withhold his or their consent from such memorial, then he or they will be required to state his or their reasons, in writing, to the Lord Bishop, within one month, who is to decide on their validity.

No. 3 and 4, carried.

Moved by the Rev. F. ROBINSON, seconded by W. LINDSAY, Esq., and resolved,

That the report as amended be adopted. See Appendix.

Moved by the Hon. Judge McCORD, seconded by the Ven. ARCHDEACON GILSON, and resolved,

That the Reports of the Finance Committee and the Committee on the Organization of Parishes, as amended, be referred to a joint Committee to report to this Synod at the next annual meeting, the means of carrying out the recommendations contained in the said Reports.

The following Committee was then named:

Arch. Gilson, Revd. Canon Bancroft, Revds. R. Lindsay, G. Slack, J. Flanagan, J. P. White: Hon. Judge McCord, Capt. Wainwright, and Messrs. J. Baker, B. Chamberlin, T. R. Roberts, F. D. Fulford.

Moved by the DEAN OF MONTREAL, seconded by B. CHAMBERLIN, Esq. and resolved,

That the former Delegates to the Provincial Synod be re-elected with the substitution of the name of Mr. Huntingdon in the place of Mr. Roebuck, who has sent in his resignation.

Moved by ARCH. GILSON, seconded by Rev. G. DE C. O'GRADY.

That the Secretaries be ex-officio Delegates to the Provincial Synod.

Moved by Mr. ROBERTS, seconded by ARCH. GILSON, and resolved.

That the Executive Committee be re-appointed. See Appendix.

Moved by Hon. JUDGE McCORD, seconded by the Rev. J. C. DAVIDSON, and resolved.

That the Committee on the Organization of Parishes be re-appointed.

It was resolved that the Treasurer be re-elected. See Appendix.

Notice of Motions.

The Rev. R. LINDSAY gave notice that he would move the following motion at the next meeting, viz:

That a Registrar for the Diocese be appointed to keep an account of all the properties of the different missions and parishes; that every mission or parish report to the said registrar when property is obtained or disposed of, or of endowments in money.

Moved by VEN. ARCH. GILSON, and unanimously resolved.

That the thanks of the meeting be given to the Incumbent and Churchwardens for the use of Trinity Church this day.]

Moved by Rev. G. SLACK, seconded by E. E. SHELTON, Esq.,  
That the Lord Bishop do now leave the Chair, and that the Dean do  
take the same.

Moved by Rev. G. SLACK, seconded by JUDGE McCORD, and resolved,  
That the thanks of this meeting be tendered to the Lord Bishop for  
his able, impartial, dignified, and kind conduct in the chair.

The Lord Bishop then closed the session and pronounced the Bene-  
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## APPENDIX.

### CANONS.

#### ELECTION OF BISHOPS.

"In the election of a Bishop to a vacancy in the See, the Clergy and Laity shall vote separately by ballot—the Clergy by individuals and Laity by parishes or cures. A majority of votes in each order shall determine the choice, provided that two-thirds of the Clergy entitled to vote are present, and two-thirds of all the parishes or cures entitled to be represented; otherwise two-thirds of the votes of each order shall be necessary to determine the choice."

#### ENREGISTRATION OF COMMUNICANTS.

That the Vestry of every charge or parish represented in this body shall hereafter be required to furnish a suitable book or books in which shall be enregistered the names of all persons who are members of the Church in full communion, with the date of their first communion, as nearly as can be ascertained, and that this Register shall be in all cases kept by the Clergyman holding such charge or parish and shall be the property of the parish, and copies or extracts thereof certified by the Incumbent or in his absence by the Churchwardens, shall be full evidence of the status of any person in such congregation at the date of such enregistration.

#### NOTICE OF ORDINATION.

That the names of the Candidates for Holy Orders on the Bishop's list shall be transmitted to each officiating Clergyman to be published by him during service at each place where he officiates, at least one month before the day of Ordination.

### RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

#### ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS.

1. The first meeting of the Synod in each Session shall be preceded by public morning prayer, with a sermon and the holy communion; and the collection at the offertory shall be devoted to missionary or such other purposes as the Synod may direct.

2. The business of every day shall be preceded by special prayer for



the divine guidance and blessing, according to a form authorized by the Bishop.

3. After this prayer, the clerical secretary shall call over the roll of the clergy, to be furnished by the Bishop, and mark the names of those in attendance; and the secretary shall call over the names of the several parishes, missions or cures, when the certificates of the representatives, having being presented, shall be examined by the secretary and a committee of two to be named by the chairman for that purpose; and, where found satisfactory, the names shall be recorded and read by the secretary.

4. The election of new secretaries shall then be made by the clergy and laity respectively, and a treasurer, and two auditors shall be appointed, all of which officers shall be elected by ballot if demanded, and shall hold their respective offices until their successors shall be chosen.

5. After this, on the first day, and on all other days, after prayers, the order of business shall be as follows :—

1st. Reading, correcting, and approving the minutes of the previous meeting.

2nd. Appointing Committees.

3rd. Presenting, reading and referring memorials and petitions.

4th. Presenting reports of Committees, and of the Treasurer and the Auditors.

5th. Giving notice of motions.

6th. Taking up unfinished business.

7th. Consideration of motions.

8th. Orders of the day.

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

#### FOR THE PRESERVATION OF ORDER.

1. The Synod shall meet the first day at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and afterwards at 10 o'clock each forenoon during its session, unless otherwise ordered by the Synod. And when it adjourns the members shall keep their seats until the Chairman leaves the chair.

2. On the appearance of a quorum, fixed by the Constitution of the Synod at one-fourth of the whole number of the Clergy and Lay Representatives respectively, the Chairman shall call the Synod to order; and should there not be a quorum at the appointed hour the chairman is authorised to adjourn the meeting during pleasure.

3. Immediately after the chairman shall have taken the chair, the meeting shall be opened by prayer, according to a form authorized by the Bishop; and the minutes of the preceding meeting shall then be read to the end that any mistake therein may be corrected by the Synod.

4. The chairman shall preserve order and decorum, and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Synod, to be decided

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without debate. When called upon to explain a point of order he shall state the rule applicable to the case, without argument or comment.

5. Members of the Synod shall sit uncovered, the clerical members to be habited in bands and gowns, and every member before speaking shall rise from his seat and address himself to the chair. When two or more members rise at the same time the chairman shall name the member who is first to speak.

6. When the chairman is putting a question, no member shall walk out of or across the house; nor when a member is speaking shall any member hold discourse to interrupt him, except to order, nor pass between him and the chair, and every member present when a question is put shall be required to vote on the same. In voting, those who vote in the affirmative shall first rise, and then those who vote in the negative.

7. No member, save the mover of a motion who is entitled to reply, shall speak more than once on the same question without leave of the Synod, except in explanation of a material part of his speech which may have been misunderstood, and then he is not to introduce new matter.

8. A member may, of right, require the motion in discussion to be read for his information, at any time during the debate, but not so as to interrupt a member speaking.

9. A member called to order shall sit down, unless permitted to explain, and the Synod if appealed to shall decide the case but without debate; if there be an appeal, the decision of the chair shall be submitted to.

10. No member shall speak disrespectfully of the Queen or of any of the Royal Family, nor use improper language against the proceedings of the Synod, or against particular members thereof, nor speak beside the question in debate.

11. The chairman may at any time desire the Synod to be cleared of strangers, and may suspend the debate then in progress until the Synod be so cleared.

12. No motion shall be put or debated unless the same be in writing and seconded: nor shall any motion prefaced by a written preamble be received by the chair.

13. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, but such motions, as well as motions to lay on the table, shall be decided without debate.

14. All questions shall be put to the Synod in the order in which they are moved.

15. After a motion has been read from the chair it shall be deemed to be in possession of the Synod, but it may be withdrawn at any time before decision or amendment with the permission of the Synod.

16. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received by the chair unless to amend it, or postpone it to a certain day, or to lay it on the table, or for adjournment; and no more than one amendment to a proposed amendment of a motion shall be in order.

17. On a division the names of those who vote for, and those who vote against the question, shall be recorded in the minutes, if required by three members. And a question once determined shall not be brought up again the same session without the unanimous consent of the Synod.

18. Petitions, memorials, and other papers addressed to the Synod, shall be presented by a member in his place, who shall be answerable to the Synod that they do not contain improper or impertinent matter.

19. In order to expedite the business of the Synod, it is required for the future that the clerks of the several vestries in this Diocese or where there is no Vestry Clerk, the chairman of the meeting, shall send to the clerical secretary of the Synod, within six days after their election, the names of the lay delegates elected at any meeting held for that purpose; and the secretary of this Synod shall attend at the place where the Synod is to meet at 9 o'clock of the first day of meeting, to record the names of said lay delegates.

#### REGARDING COMMITTEES.

20. All special committees shall be named by the chair, unless otherwise ordered, and in such cases the election shall be by ballot. They shall appoint their own chairman, and a majority of the number named or elected shall be a quorum competent to proceed to business.

21. The reports of committees shall be in writing, signed by the chairman, who 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.

22. Reports of committees shall be received in course, unless ordered to be recommitted, but further action thereon shall be by motion as in other business.

23. To facilitate the despatch of business, and insure a more effectual consideration of matters to be discussed in Synod, there shall be an Executive Committee to consist of twelve members, one half thereof to be chosen from among the clergy and the other half from among the lay representatives of the Synod; the election to be as in the case of other committees, and for the period extending from the adjournment of one Synod to the meeting of the next.

24. All notices of such motions intended to be brought before the next Synod shall be sent in to the clerical secretary at least six weeks before the day of meeting, and it shall be the duty of the executive committee to prepare in due form all such matters as the Bishop, or any member of the Synod, clerical or lay, may desire to have brought before the Synod, and to issue a circular stating the nature of the business for the ensuing Synod, and the order in which such business will be discussed. The circular to be forwarded to each clergyman and parish one month before the meeting of the Synod.

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REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE TO THE SYNOD OF  
THE DIOCESE OF MONTREAL, (AS AMENDED.)

1. That the minimum salary of the Clergy should be \$800.
2. That in all parishes, not less than one-half of the above amount should be raised by members of the Church within the same.
3. That such contributions shall be collected by the Churchwardens in every parish or mission.
4. These contributions to be paid over by the Churchwardens to the Clergyman, who shall report the same to the Church Society and Synod.
5. That a Sustentation Fund be raised—1st, by an annual sermon, to be preached in each Parish and Mission, by the direction of the Lord Bishop; 2ndly, by voluntary contributions; and, in addition, each Mission is earnestly recommended to create a local endowment fund.
6. That the expenses of the Synod, such as printing, &c., be defrayed by an ordinary collection made in each Parish or Mission on the Sunday preceding the meeting of Synod.
7. That all repairs and dilapidations of Church property shall be defrayed by each parish individually.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ORGANIZATION OF  
PARISHES, (AS AMENDED).

FIRST OBJECT.

I. That in order to distinguish between Parishes and Missions it be enacted by the Synod, that no Ecclesiastical Division be considered a parish unless it include within its limits a Church and Parsonage, and provide within itself at least one-half of the stipend of the Clergyman who is its incumbent; and further that no such parish be considered a Rectory until the whole of the stipend of the Incumbent is raised within its limits. Provided always that it be understood that this resolution is not to be regarded as affecting parishes erected by Letters Patent from the Crown.

II. That in order to secure the better organization of parishes and missions now existing in the Diocese, it is in the opinion of the Committee desirable that the diocese should be divided into Rural Deaneries; and that for this object the Lord Bishop be respectfully requested to take steps for the formation of such Deaneries.

III. That it be directed by the Synod that the Clergymen and Churchwardens resident within each rural deanery, do within six months of the adjournment of the Diocesan Synod, or as soon after as practicable, hold a conference or conferences for the purpose of arranging and defining by mutual agreement the boundaries of their respective Parishes or

Cures and report the same to the Lord Bishop for his consideration, and should his Lordship approve of the same, then the boundaries so arranged, approved and declared, shall be the boundaries of the Parishes or Cures aforesaid. And that the Bishop cause a report of the same to be laid before the Synod at the next ensuing meeting.

IV. That in cases where the boundaries cannot be arranged by such mutual agreement, then the Bishop be requested to issue a commission to two Clergymen and two Laymen, none of whom shall be locally connected with such Parishes or Cures, directing and authorising them to investigate the merits of the case and decide thereon, and to report their decision to the Lord Bishop for his consideration; and should his Lordship approve of the same, then the boundaries so arranged, approved and declared shall be the boundaries of the Parishes or Cures aforesaid. The expenses of such commission to be borne by the Parishes to be arranged.

#### SECOND OBJECT.

I. When any of the parishioners residing in any parish or in any adjoining parishes shall desire to have a new and distinct parish erected, the said parishioners shall present a memorial to the Lord Bishop, stating fully the reasons moving them thereto, also the proposed boundaries of the contemplated new parish, and whether the Incumbent or Incumbents of the parish or parishes aforesaid be a consenting party or parties; and when the Bishop of the Diocese shall be satisfied that the provisions of the XIX section of the Church Temporalities Act have been complied with, and that the means for the worship of God have been provided, and when further, he shall have referred the said memorial to the Clergy and Churchwardens of the Rural Deanery, within which the proposed new parish is situated, for their opinion respecting the same, his Lordship shall declare the said portion of the parish or parishes to be a new parish.

II. That the Bishop on receipt of such memorial shall refer the same to the Incumbent or Incumbents of the existing parish or parishes, and if he or they withhold his or their consent from such memorial, then he or they will be required to state his or their reasons, in writing to the Lord Bishop within one month, who is to decide on their validity.

III. That in any and every case where it is proposed to establish a new mission, situate within any existing Rural Deanery, the proposal for the erection of such new mission, shall be submitted to the Clergy and Churchwardens of the said Rural Deanery for their counsel and advice.

IV. That the boundaries of every parish or mission erected under authority of this Canon, as well as of every existing parish or mission, be entered in a book, to be kept by the Secretaries of the Synod for that purpose, and that a copy thereof be furnished to any person applying for it, on the payment of a fee of one shilling.

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# **FINANCE COMMITTEE,**

To inquire into the subject of the better sustentation of the Church,—the increase of existing endowments,—the dilapidation of Church property,—and the best means of providing for the expenses of the Diocesan Synod.

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# **COMMITTEE ON THE ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES,**

To inquire into the subject of the better organization of parishes and missions, and the forming new ecclesiastical districts, due regard being had to all the legal claims of existing incumbents.

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R. TAYLOR, *Laprairie.*

G. C. ROBINSON, *Potton.*



**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,**

To draw up rules for governing the order of proceedings and for the preservation of order at the future meetings of the Synod, and to devise a plan for arranging all the business to be brought forward at the next meeting, and to take the necessary preparations for holding the same.

The DEAN, <i>Cathedral.</i>	Hon. GEORGE MOFFATT, <i>Cathedral.</i>
Rev. W. B. BOND, <i>St. George's.</i>	J. ARMSTRONG, <i>Berthier.</i>
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Rev. E. J. ROGERS, <i>Chaplain to the Forces.</i>	C. LINDSAY, <i>St. Johns.</i>

**COMMITTEE.**

To apply to the Provincial Parliament for an alteration in the existing law for the enregistration of Baptisms, Marriages, and Funerals.

Dean of MONTREAL.	H. TAYLOR, Esq.
Ven. Archdeacon GILSON.	B. CHAMBERLIN, Esq.
Rev. J. FLANAGAN.	J. ARMSTRONG, Esq.
Rev. G. SLACK.	

**COMMITTEE**

To which was referred the reports of the Finance Committee and the Committee on the organization of Parishes.

Ven. Archdeacon GILSON.	Hon. Judge McCORD.
Rev. Canon BANCROFT.	Capt. WAINWRIGHT.
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## PRAYER.

The following prayer has been appointed by the Lord Bishop to be used on the two Sundays previous to the Election of Delegates, and two Sundays previous to the Meeting of the Synod :—

**A**LMIGHTY GOD Our Heavenly Father, whose most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ did purchase unto Himself an universal Church, to which He promised to give His Holy Spirit, to teach and to guide, to sanctify and edify it until His coming again ; mercifully look upon the same, and at this time, we beseech Thee, to regard with Thy special favour that branch of it to which we belong in this country. Stir up, O Lord, our wills and hearts that we may recognise the high responsibility to which Thou hast called us, of bearing witness to Thee before men. From all apathy and indifference, from all prejudice and party spirit, good Lord, deliver us : and grant that, as there is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, so we may all with one heart and mind strive together, that the name of the Lord Jesus may be magnified.

And as we humbly beseech Thee for this Church in general, so especially for the Synod of the Bishop, the Clergy, and people [at this time or which will shortly be] assembled. Thou, Lord, who knowest the hearts of men, and fashionest them after Thine own pleasure, be pleased to cause that those who [have been or shall be] selected in this and every parish to advise upon the affairs of the Church may be not only chosen of men, but separated and sent by the Holy Ghost, and largely endued by Him with gifts and grace for their important work. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to direct and prosper all their consultations to the advancement of Thy glory, and the good of Thy people. Let nothing be done through strife or vain glory, through fear of men or carnal policy ; but give to each member of the Synod the spirit of counsel and might, of love and of a sound mind, of meekness and patience, of purity and godly fear ; that all things may be so ordered and settled by their endeavours upon the best and surest foundations, that pure religion and piety may be established among us. These and all other mercies for them, for us, and Thy whole Church, we humbly beg in the name and through the mediation of Jesus Christ, our only Lord and Saviour. Amen.