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ENGLAND.

SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE.

67, Lincoln's Inn Fields.

Tuesday, Jan. 2nd, 1855.

The Rev. W. Short in the chair.

The undermentioned members of the society were proposed by the Standing Committee for election on the 6th of February, as the Committee of General Literature and Education for the year ensuing.

Very Rev. the Dean of Chichester.	Rev. George Currey.
John Leicester Adolphus, Esq.	Rev. Thomas Dale.
Ven. Archdeacon Allen.	Rev. T. G. Hall.
Thomas Bell, Esq.	Rev. Dr. Hesse.
Rev. R. W. Browne.	Rev. W. G. Humphry.
Rev. F. C. Cook	Rev. J. G. Lonsdale.
	John Dixon Powles, Esq.
	Dr. Thomas Watson.

The following statement, in the form of an appeal for additional subscriptions and benefactions in aid of the society's funds, was laid, by direction of the standing committee, before the meeting:

"30th December, 1854.

"The treasurers think it their duty to lay before the standing committee, for the information of the society at large, the present state of the finances of the society.

"The very great demands made on the resources of the society, by the increase of the home population and the progress of education, as well as by the extension, during the last twenty years, of the Colonial Church, have induced the society to make very liberal grants, which have greatly reduced the funds which had been placed at the disposal of the society by the bequests and donations of former benefactors. After providing for the grants already made, less than £2000 now remain available for this purpose.

"During the twenty years subsequent to the audit of 1834, when these funds amounted to £131,482, the society has expended the following sums:

"By loss on publications	£228,812
In building churches in the colonies.....	89,339
Ditto, colleges, ditto	40,220
In aid of founding colonial bishoprics.....	27,000
In educational purposes at home.....	31,980
In grants of books, chiefly for home purposes.....	62,231
	<u>£479,585</u>

"After expending the whole of the annual revenue from subscriptions, donations, and legacies, in the manner mentioned above, and in the increase of the number and value of the publications, the reserve fund has been reduced

"The loss on the publications of the society now amounting to about £10,000 per annum, arises almost entirely from the sale of Bibles and Prayer Books at members' prices. No loss accrues to the society from the publication of illustrated works or from the sale of books upon the Supplemental Catalogue."

to the sum of £17,302 7s. 6d., 3½ per cent. Stock, which is chargeable with liabilities amounting to nearly £16,000, leaving less than £2000 available for the purposes of the society. It is therefore manifest, that unless the resources of the society can be largely increased, a great diminution must be made in the grants annually voted by the board, and the usefulness of the society proportionally reduced.

"WILLIAM COTTON,
"EDWARD HAWKINS, } Treasurers."
"WILLIAM SHORT,
"EDWARD WIGRAM, }

"The standing committee beg leave to call the attention of the members of the society, and of all who are desirous of promoting the spiritual interests of our vast home population, of the heathen, and of the colonies, to the foregoing report of the treasurers, confidently hoping that, when the real state of the society's funds is made known, extensive and effectual aid will be forthcoming.

"The attention and the exertions of the society for many years past have been especially directed, not only to the dissemination of Bibles and Common Prayer Books in English and in foreign languages, and the publication of cheap religious books and tracts for parochial and educational purposes, but also to the giving of assistance towards the erection of churches, colleges, and schools, and the endowment of bishoprics in our extensive colonies.

"In the prosecution of these urgent and most important objects, the funds of the society have been, as it will be seen, nearly exhausted. An appeal is now earnestly made for increased assistance; and while it is not wished to diminish the contributions to other Church institutions, the standing committee would remind their friends, that the increased exertions of these institutions tend to multiply the demands made upon the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, the most ancient of all the societies in connexion with the Church.

"By direction of the committee,

"T. B. MURRAY,
"JOHN EVANS, } Secretaries."
"J. D. GLENNIE, }

It was moved by the Rev. S. Smith, "That the treasurers and finance committee be requested to take such steps as may seem to them most desirable for a systematic visitation of the district committees and depositories of this society, and for the organization of new district committees and parochial associations."

This was seconded by the Rev. H. Clissold, and carried unanimously.

The Lord Bishop of Cape Town, in a letter dated Bishop's Court, October 10, 1854, thanked the society for its grant towards the formation of a parish library, and also for the intimation that the society would contribute towards the expense of the publication of tracts in Dutch for use amongst the Hottentots.

The Bishop further expressed his obligation for the committee's assurance that the lapsed grants would be re-voted. "At present," the Bishop said, "I would apply for the renewal of the King William's Town and Uitenhage grants

(£100 each), and for that portion of my grant of 1847 which has been cancelled, amounting to £367 Gs. I am expecting to be drawn upon every day for the King William's Town grant, as the church is roofed in, and I have promised that they shall have it immediately. The Uitenhage Church will, I believe, be begun immediately, as the archdeacon has been appointed to reside there.

"The whole of the society's general grant to me has been pledged, but I have omitted to draw for it, because the conditions upon which I promised it have not been complied with. I think that not less than £200 of this will be called for during the next few months.

"The Bishop of Graham's Town arrived on the 29th of September, with a party of sixteen. They sailed for Port Elizabeth on Saturday, after spending a week with me. He is much better than when he left England, though still far from well. Most of his men are for the Kafir Mission. Constant anxiety and uncertainty about funds for the support of the work add greatly to the burden of his work."

It was agreed that the lapsed grants, amounting to £200, be renewed.

A letter was read from Archdeacon Abraham, dated St. John's College, Auckland, New Zealand, July 13, 1854, thanking the society for several grants of books which had been made on his application; and also for the society's liberal contribution towards the stone church at St. Matthew's, Auckland. The archdeacon said:

"I shall soon hope to forward you a small additional sum for the Maori Prayer Books, and with it the money for the 250 small English Prayer Books I ordered. I hope that it will appear on the society's accounts that the £100 I have sent for the Maori Prayer Books was actually received from the natives themselves. Most of the English Prayer Books that you kindly sent me will, as a grant, go to the half-castes and school-children that cannot afford to buy them. The sale of the rest will pay all expenses of freight, and enable us to sell the rest at the cost price."

The Lord Bishop of Victoria, in a letter dated Hongkong, September 8 1854, said:

"I add a few lines to explain the Chinese book sent to you by this mail. It is the Church 'Morning and Evening Prayer,' just published in connexion with, and with the funds, of our St. Paul's College Mission at Hong Kong. I am printing 5000 copies. Yesterday I despatched 100 copies to Lou-choo; and to-day I send a few hundred copies, probably 500, to Melbourne, at the bishop's request. I believe it is the best version into Chinese of our Liturgy ever printed; being the work of Dr. Medhurst, of Shanghai, the most eminent living Chinese scholar."

A letter was read from the Lord Bishop of Melbourne, dated Bishopscourt, Melbourne, September 28, 1854. The following are extracts:—

"Your society will have been anxious to hear the result of my proceedings in iron churches, but I have had nothing satisfactory to report upon them. Now, however, I am happy to say, the church and parsonage, for the purchase of

which the society granted a loan of £1300, have been erected at Williamstown; and I hope, if God permit, to consecrate the former in the course of a fortnight or three weeks. The delays which we have experienced, first from the manner in which the buildings were shipped, and the lengthened voyages of the vessels which conveyed them, and afterwards from the want of any plans by which to erect them, were, speaking according to man's judgment, most untoward; as confirming the prejudices of the people here against this kind of structure, and depriving me of the power of answering their objections by reference to a building actually in use. In consequence I have now three other churches and parsonages on hand, and without any immediate prospect of disposing of them. Although somewhat anxious, I am not, however, dispirited, but still hope that if (with God's blessing) those at Williamstown are found to answer, these will turn out to be very useful to us."

A memorial was read from the Rev. D Fidler, Island Curate of the parish of Westmoreland, Jamaica, stating that he, with the inhabitants, had succeeded in erecting five chapels. The fifth (St. Paul's Chapel), which was consecrated in the course of last year, is still unfinished, and requires £150 for its completion. Towards it is amount the memorialist requested a grant from the Board.

The Lord Bishop of Jamaica, who is now in England, forwarded the above memorial with his recommendation.

It was agreed that £15 be granted.

The secretaries reported that since the last general meeting several supplies of books, consisting of Bibles, New Testaments, Prayer Books and Tracts, had been forwarded to Scutari, and for the troops in the Crimea. In addition to gratuitous grants from the Society, some benevolent individuals had, on their own account, directed dispatches of books to be transmitted, for the use of wounded and sick soldiers, from the Society's Depository.

A letter from the Rev. S Kolson Stothert, dated Camp, Balaklava, 11th December, 1851, said:—

I have been now appointed chaplain to the navy brigade on the heights of Sevastopol. There are now 2000 sailors under my charge; and thanks to your most useful society, we have a certain number of Bibles and Prayer Books for Divine Service.

Mr. Stothert requested a further supply of books for use and distribution, and in pursuance of his request, books to the amount of £15 have been selected and sent to Mr. Stothert.

It was agreed to grant books for soldiers in the East, and elsewhere, and for the militia, on the several applications of the Rev. G. Fitzroy Kelly, chaplain to the troops at Pembroke Dock; the Rev. Ernest Hawkins; Lieut-Col. Deverell, Barracks, near Deal; Schoolmaster-sergeant Irwin, Fort Hare, Cape of Good Hope; Rev. Marwood Tucker, Exeter; Rev. E Hobbhouse, Oxford.

A letter was read from the Lord Bishop of New Zealand, expressing his regret that an important engagement for this day prevented his attendance at the meeting, and added that he was about to leave England in a few days.

The Bishop recommended a request from the Rev. R. Cole, of Wellington, New Zealand, who informed the Society that there are in the town and district of Wellington five churches, in one only of which are proper books for the performance of Divine Service. He asked for books for the other churches.

It was agreed to grant four sets.

Several grants of books, &c., were then made. Books were granted for the performance of

Divine Service in three new Churches and Chapels, and for three Licensed School-rooms. Thirty-seven grants of Books and Tracts were made for Schools, for Lending Libraries, and for Distribution.

SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE GOSPEL IN FOREIGN PARTS.

79, Pall Mall, Jan. 5, 1855.

THE Society's accounts for the last year have not yet been audited; and it is impossible to pronounce at present whether or not the income has balanced the expenditure. But the Society takes this opportunity of reminding its members and friends that the experience of the last year warns them that without extraordinary personal exertions the income—the increase of which in 1853 was so encouraging—must suffer a reaction, and as a necessary consequence some of the many good works in which the missionaries of the Society are engaged must be abandoned. Timely and strenuous exertions may prevent that unhappy result. To all its clerical friends, without distinction, the Society earnestly appeals for a sermon and collection this year in their churches. Let a Sunday be at once fixed, before the pressure of other classes is felt. And in a time of so much difficulty the Society feels emboldened to solicit from its lay friends even a larger amount than usual of self-sacrifice, and of personal efforts in aid of the propagation of the Gospel. Only by such assistance can the Society continue and extend its present operations.

CANONICAL SYNODS.

The following important opinion affecting the question of the lawfulness of holding in the colonies ecclesiastical assemblies for conference has been forwarded to the Society:—

"We are of opinion that the Act of Submission, (25 Hen. VIII. c. 19) does not extend to prohibit, or render illegal, the holding of diocesan synods within the diocese of Adelaide.

"RICHARD BETHELL,

"FITZROY KELLY,

"JOSEPH NAPIER,

"A. J. STEPHENS

"Lincoln's Inn, Dec. 1st, 1851."

TORONTO.

The following extracts from reports recently sent by missionaries in the diocese of Toronto afford pleasing evidence of the care which is still bestowed by some of the Society's missionaries on the relics of the native Indian tribes. The Rev. R. Flood, of Delaware writes, on 23rd September, 1854:—

"During my residence in this country, I have, as for as in me lay, endeavoured to communicate both to the white settlers as well as the aborigines the unsearchable riches of Christ, and I bless God for the measure of success which attended my feeble efforts. I can also now in the decline of life take a retrospective view of the labour bestowed upon this moral wilderness, and rejoice that the seed of the divine word has not altogether fallen upon an unproductive soil.

"Twenty one years since the great majority of the inhabitants of the township of Caradoc were Indians, which circumstance induced me at the time to make a division of my ministrations in their behalf, seeing they were sunk in all the midnight darkness of Paganism; but they have, through grace from on high, with few exceptions, long since cast their idols to the moles and the bats, and embraced the gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. How pleasing and gratifying are the replies made in some of my late visits by the sick among the Muceys! One young woman, who was never known to absent herself from church, was lately seized with a naffee-

tion of the chest, accompanied with great billy suffering and debility. In addressing her in reference to those various ailments and afflictions to which every son and daughter of Adam is subject, and showing from the authority of God's word that they are not sent in vain, her remark was, that they were trials sent to test our faith and love to Him who first loved us by laying down His life, and that we must follow Him here, as we hope to be with Him for ever after death. Laughpahwans, an aged female, aunt to the young woman, who had been a great lover of idols formerly, was lately ill, and unable to walk from extreme feebleness; when spoken to in reference to the one thing needful, and the necessity of looking with the eye of faith to the blessed work of the atonement for pardon and acceptance with a sin-hating and sin-avenging God, she made the following reply; I was very foolish, like the rest of our people, when you preached to us the good word long ago, but now we never think of that way but with sorrow. My great doctor in heaven (meaning the Saviour Jesus Christ) can only help and save my soul, whether the body is in health or sickness, 'This tribe is far in advance of the Oneidas or Ojibways: they are temperate, and attentive to the means of grace. They are turned from darkness unto light, and from the power of Satan unto God,' can be illustrated more strikingly in the conversion of a pure Pagan than in that of a nominal Christian.

"The white population has increased twelve per cent, in the mission during my residence. I have overflowing congregations in both townships. Caradoc and Delaware, but feel quite unequal, of late years, to discharge the increasing duties which devolve upon me."

The Rev. A. Jamieson writes, on 30th September, 1851, from Walpole Island:—

"The mission, I am happy to say, is in a prosperous condition, and the Indians are being gradually reclaimed and added to the congregation of Christ's flock. We have two services regularly every Sunday, and also a service once a fortnight, in a school-house three miles and a half distant, for the benefit of the Pottowatomies, who are very regular in their attendance. We have likewise meetings at the houses of the Indians twice a week, for the purpose of teaching the Indians the prayers, the psalms, and the Gospels in Dr. O'Meara's translation. As the adult Indians are unable to read, the prayers, the Creed, and the ten Commandments, and hymns, have to be read again and again to them before they are able to commit them to memory. This mode of teaching the Prayer Book of course is very tedious, and much patience is necessary; but the teacher is cheered in his labours by seeing the progress of the pupils, and by hearing them on Sundays and at other times, making the responses audibly and correctly, piously and intelligently.

"As there is neither government agent nor medical man on the island, I find myself often doing work that does not properly devolve on me but which, nevertheless, I do willingly, as it increased my influence and usefulness amongst the Indians. I am at once the clergyman, the physician, and the superintendent of Indian affairs:—at one time preaching the gospel, at another dealing out medicine to the sick and infirm, at another overseeing their temporal affairs, aiding them in the distribution of their annuity, and composing differences of various kinds as they may arise amongst the Christians or the Pagans, and between the Indians and the white settlers on the mainland.

"Since my appointment to this mission, I have given my days and nights to the acquisition of the language, and much of my time is still devoted to it; nor do I regret it, as I now con-

verso easily with the natives, and in the absence of an interpreter preach to them in their own tongue.

"On the 16th of July last thirty-two Indians were confirmed by the Bishop of Toronto, who expressed himself much gratified with the quiet and orderly demeanour of the candidates. After confirmation, the Bishop delivered an excellent and appropriate address, urging upon the Indians the necessity of sober and industrious habits, of a regular attendance on the means of grace, and, especially the importance of a Christian and religious life."

The devoted Bishop of New Zealand, it will scarce be believed, is soon to proceed to his distant diocese in a vessel of about 100 tons burden, about the size of one of our river schooners. *The Guardian* says:

At three o'clock, P. M., on Thursday last, the *Southern Cross*, the little vessel which is to bear the Bishop of New Zealand back to his diocese, and the glad tidings of the gospel of peace to the countless islands of the Pacific, was floated out of dock and towed down the river to her temporary mooring place below Blackwall. It was an interesting sight to see her committed to the waves under the personal superintendence of the Bishop, and in the presence of his friends and relations, some of whom will see his face no more; presenting, as it did, a striking contrast to a neighbouring vessel, which started at the same time, with a crew of navvies, on a less peaceful expedition to the Crimen. The *Southern Cross* is a little schooner of scarce 100 tons burden, built by Messrs. Wigan & Co., of Blackwall, and costing from £1,300 to £2,000. The stern forms a roomy and comfortable cabin for the Bishop and Mrs. Selwyn, whilst the centre of the vessel is intended to serve as a school and home for the native boys whom the Bishop may select from the islands of his diocese, to train as future ministers and schoolmasters amongst their heathen countrymen. She is commanded by Captain Hector Nelson, and is intended to sail from Southampton on the 10th inst. The Bishop of New Zealand and Mrs. Selwyn, A. B. Hope, Esq., the Rev. E. Coleridge, W. Richardson, Esq., and a numerous circle of friends were present on the occasion; and we understand that the *Southern Cross* left Blackwall the same night, with the Bishop on board, upon an experimental trip to Southampton. We will only add our heartiest wishes and warmest prayers for a blessing on her voyage, and on the noble object for which she has been built.—*The Banner and the Cross*.

MISSIONARIES.—A speaker at one of the late London anniversaries stated as his belief, after careful examination, that the number of missionaries labouring throughout the world is about 3,612. These, if equally distributed, would allow but one Missionary for about 167,000 souls. *The Banner of the Cross*.

The Bishop of Lincoln delivered, on Thursday night, at St. Mary's Church, the first of a course of eight lectures, addressed particularly to the working classes. The succeeding lectures of the course are to be preached in the same church on each successive Thursday evening until the whole are concluded.

Some three years since the Bishop of St. David's expressed to his clergy his intention of appropriating £3000 of his surplus income to the improvement of the poorer benefices in his diocese. His Lordship has very recently assembled his clergy, and addressed them in the following terms:—"When you did me the honor of presenting me with my portrait, the Ven. Archdeacon Venables observed to you, in his

flattering speech on that occasion, that I had 'appropriated all my surplus revenue to the improvement of my diocese.' This, however, I am bound to confess, is not quite correct, for my surplus revenue now amounts to £14,000, my fixed stipend on my appointment to the see, fourteen years ago, being £5000; and I have annually been in the receipt of £5500, £1000 a year above the stipulated sum. I now propose to give the whole £14,000 to build parsonage-houses, and augment the poorer livings. It was stated in the newspapers, ten years ago, that the rich Church in England derived annually between £14,000 and £15,000 from the poor Church in Wales (and this parish, Abergwilly, does actually pay £600 a year to the Chapter of Windsor), whereas the poor Welsh Church did not derive one shilling in return from the rich English Church. Now, as I am bound in honor and honesty, either to transmit this £14,000, the surplus amount of my revenue, to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, or appropriate it to the improvement of my diocese, I think I am doing but an act of justice in devoting it to the above purposes, and withhold it from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners; for if it is once placed in their hands, the poor Church in this diocese, and the poorest in this kingdom, will probably derive little or no benefit from it. I propose, first, to build parsonage-houses where they are wanted, and to augment the poorer benefices under £100 a year, to at least, if the funds will admit, that amount and upwards; and I invite my clergy to transmit to me a written statement of the net and gross value of their respective livings under £150, and to aid me with their counsel and co-operation with that view. You are aware, likewise, that I am treasurer of Brecon College. I hope to have it in my power, at a future day, to add something very considerable to the above amount for the same pious purposes." The *Cambrian* states: "We have great pleasure in informing our readers that the Rev. Chancellor Melvill likewise has intimated his intention of contributing one-third of the income of his two chancellorships, dating it from the commencement, in aid of the same pious purposes, partly out of gratitude to his patron the bishop, and partly to express his sense of the benefits he has derived from the diocese so soon after his arrival. For it may be proper to observe, that the Bishop brought Mr. Melvill along with him to the diocese as his companion, and, after having lodged him in his palace for about four years, presented him to the two chancellorships of the diocese and of the church, a thing unusual and unprecedented; value, £1000 per annum."—*Clerical Journal*.

DIOCESE OF NEWFOUNDLAND.

TO MY FLOCK AND FRIENDS, AND ALL FRIENDS OF THE POOR IN NEWFOUNDLAND.

Dear Brethren and Friends,

Having good reason to hope and believe that the fatal scourge of Cholera is, by God's mercy, fast disappearing from among us, I feel it a duty and privilege to invite those of my own flock and friends who have been mercifully spared, to unite with me in some expression of devout and grateful acknowledgment.

How heavily the scourge has fallen upon the poor and destitute, and how mercifully those in better circumstances have been dealt with none of you, I think, can have failed to notice. All the purposes of this difference—of this greater favour, as it appears, to the rich than the poor—is not necessary at present, even if it were possible, to declare. One purpose, however, is very certain, and ought to be very obvious, though it seems too little regarded in practice,

which is that the rich may have more occasion and opportunity to minister to their poorer brethren; and in them, to their very Lord and Saviour; "Inasmuch," (they are His own gracious words) "as you did it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye did it unto Me."

In what way then, it will be asked, may we best express and exhibit our sense of these special favours and mercies to which, in God's good providence, we owe our preservation? and at the same time extend most reasonable relief to the many left fatherless and widows in this visitation? I believe I shall only express a very generally entertained opinion when I reply—by building and supporting an Asylum in which these widows and fatherless children, and others hereafter in like circumstances of destitution, may be taken in, fed, clothed, and cared for as they may require.

The want of such an Asylum has been long felt by the Clergy, and by others who personally minister to the necessities, temporal or spiritual, of persons thrown by poverty or sickness on public charity. It has been however made more apparent and painful by the late visitation, and we feel that the time has come when this want ought to be supplied. It is in my power to furnish a very convenient site for a building, close to the Rectory and Cathedral, and I will gladly and thankfully assist in erecting and supporting it. I should esteem it an honour and privilege to build and maintain it at my own cost; but I neither have the means, nor if I had, should I think it right to deprive others of a share in a work, which I hope and believe will be "twice-blessed."

A two-fold benefit, as I have already hinted, would be gained by such an Asylum for our poor, in the better provision for both their bodily and spiritual necessities. For the former, by a clean and comfortable dwelling, with proper food, clothing, and attendance: for the latter, by bringing it and its inmates under the immediate supervision of the Clergy. There are now belonging to our Communion, in a state more or less destitute, seventeen or eighteen widows with between fifty and sixty children, several orphans without friends, and a few aged and infirm of both sexes. It is not, of course, to be expected or desired that half, or even one quarter, of these would be permanently inmates of the Asylum; but, with those who might be received from other congregations, the number would occasionally be considerable; and there would be no necessity I conceive, and certainly no wish on my part, to exclude any, who, being otherwise proper objects, would submit to the Rules.

Assistance towards their support might, it is presumed, be obtained from the Government, at least equal to what they at present receive; but it would be much more gratifying to make the necessary provision by private charity; through gifts and bequests either occasional, or for permanent endowment.

Details, however, will be better considered at a conference with those who may be disposed to assist or advise. I would only suggest to those whose best interests I desire to serve, that such an opportunity should not be allowed to pass of making an investment which cannot but be safe and profitable; for so saith the Scriptures,—"He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord; and look, what he layeth out, it shall be paid him again;" and, "Blessed be the man that provideth for the sick and needy, the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble."

I cannot conclude this address without congratulating the congregations of both our Churches, with the Clergy and myself, on the peace and, I trust I may add, contentment that now so happily prevail in both. The very handsome testimonial recently presented to the Arch-

deacon, abundantly proves the continued and undiminished esteem in which his continued and undiminished labours are so deservedly held; and the increasing number of worshippers and communicants at St. Thomas's Church no less plainly evinces increasing confidence in and regard for their faithful Minister. If only the two congregations would unite generally, as I am thankful to know some individuals have always done, in works of charity and piety (as for example, in that which is now proposed and submitted to both), my wishes and expectations in this behalf would be fully realized.

"And now, Brethren," (if I may humbly, and with the fullest sense of unworthiness, adopt as much as applies of an Apostle's words) "I commend you to God, and to the Word of His Grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified. I have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel; yea, ye yourselves know, . . . at these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me. I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, It is more blessed to give than to receive."—(Acts xx, 32-35.)

I am, friends and brethren,
Your servant for Jesus' sake,
EDWARD NEWFOUNDLAND.
St. John's, Christmas, 1851.

LICENSED CLERGY OF NEWFOUNDLAND.
THE RIGHT REV EDWARD FIELD, D.D., BISHOP.
DEANERY OF AVAION.

- Rev. †Bridge, Ven. F. H. } St. Johns and (M.A.) } Quidi Vidi.
- " Fleet, Benjamin } Fox Trap.
- " Hamilton, H. H. (B.A.) } Ferryland.
- " Johnson, George M. } Portugal Cove.
- " Bayly, Augustus E. C. } Absent.
- " Wood, Thomas M. } St. Thomas in St. Johns
- " Freer, John B. } St. Johns.
- " Phelps, Joseph F. }
- " Mountain, George J. } Petty Harbor & (M.A.) } Torbay

DEANERY OF CONCEPTION BAY.

- " †Blackmore, Martin. } Bay Roberts.
- " Harvey, James C. } Port de Grave.
- " Hoyles, William J. } Carbonear.
- " Jones, Bertram. } Harbor Grace.
- " Rouse, Oliver. } Bay DeVerd and Grates Cove.
- " Shannon, William. } Brigus.
- " Walsh, Charles. } Bishop's and Island Cove.

DEANERY OF TRINITY BAY.

- " Crouch, William G. } English Harbor, &c.
- " Lund, Henry. } Heart's Content.
- " Moreton, Julian. } Greenspond.
- " Dyer, Robert. }
- " Moreton, John. } King's Cove.
- " Nettan, William. } Catalina.
- " Sall, Ernest A. } Bonavista.
- " †Smith, Benjamin. } Trinity.

DEANERY OF NOTRE DAME BAY.

- " †Boone, Thomas. } Twillingate.
- " Cross, Silas. }
- " Elder, William A. } Fogo.
- " Kingswell, John. } Moreton's Harbor.
- " Darrell, Josiah. } Herring Neck.

DEANERY OF PLACENTIA BAY.

- " Gathercole, John C. A. } Burin.
- " Rozier, William. } Lamihne.
- " Meek, William F. } Harbor Buffet.

DEANERY OF FORTUNE BAY.

- " Appleby, Thomas. } La Poële.
- " Boland, Thomas. } St. George's Bay.

- " Colley, Edward. } Hermitage Bay.
- " DuVal, Joshua. } Channel.
- " Cunningham, John. } Burgeo.
- " White, William K. } Harbor Briton.
- " Marshall, Thomas. } Belloram.

LABRADOR.

- " Gifford, Algernon. } Forteau.
- " Hutchinson, G. (B.A.) } Battle Harbor

BERMUDA.

- " †Tucker, R. T. (D.D.) } St. George's. Commissary, &c. }
- " Murray, J. G. } St. David's.
- " Roberts, J. J. F. (M.A.) } Smith's & Hamilton.
- " Lightbourne, Jos. F. } Pembroke and (B. A.) } Devon.
- " Frith, M. K. S. (M.A.) } Pagets & Warrick.
- " Hoare, Robert (B.A.) } Sandys and South-ampton.
- " Coombe, Charles P. K. }
- " Roe, Frederic (B.A.) } Convict Establishm't.

Rural Deans marked thus †.

DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

MARRIAGE OF THE LORD BISHOP OF NOVA SCOTIA

From the Church Times.

The Marriage of the Right Rev. HIBBERT BINNEY, D.D., Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia, with MARY, second daughter of the Hon. Mr. Justice BLISS, Senior Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of this Province, was solemnized in St. Paul's Cathedral, on Thursday last, the 4th inst., by the Right Rev. EDWARD FIELD, D.D., Lord Bishop of Newfoundland, assisted by the Ven. ROBERT WILLIS, D.D., Archdeacon of Nova Scotia. The spacious Church was densely crowded in every part by a respectable congregation, who evinced the most intense interest in the entire proceedings. Shortly after 10 o'clock, the North door of St. Paul's was thrown open to the public, while the South doors were kept closed for the reception of the guests, for whose accommodation the pews on each side of the middle aisle were reserved. The interior of the Church was suitably decorated with the Banners of St. George's Society, waving around the Chancel, together with appropriate devices, representing the Arms of the two families of Binney and Bliss, while the Porch of the Church was tastefully fitted up, and ornamented with various Flags, which were displayed with imposing effect. St. Luke's Chapel of Ease was also gaily decorated for the occasion, with its flags and banners streaming from the Tower of the Church.

At the appointed hour, a quarter before 12, both parties arrived at the Church at the same moment—the Bride attended by four young ladies, and the Bridegroom by four young gentlemen—all of whom took their places outside the Chancel rails, in front of the holy Table—when the Bishop of Newfoundland commenced with the "Form of Solemnization of Matrimony," and proceeded through the whole Service without any omission—the 67th Psalm being chanted in its proper place by the Choir, and the concluding Exhortation being read by the Archdeacon. The Chancel was also occupied by the Rev. E. A. C. Bayley, Chaplain of the Bishop of Newfoundland, and the Rev. W. Bullock and the Rev. E. Maturin, attired in their Surplices. At the conclusion of the Service, the joy-bells rang a merry peal—and carriages of all descriptions were seen rolling incessantly along the streets from the Church to the stately mansion of Judge Bliss, where a sumptuous entertainment was provided for the wedding guests, who numbered about one hundred and eighty persons, including sixteen Clergymen, and a fair representation of the Laity, and especially of the Ladies of Nova Scotia.

At an early stage of the proceedings of the Banquet, the health of the Right Rev. Bridegroom and his beautiful Bride was proposed by His Excellency Sir Gaspard LeMercier—to which His Lordship replied in appropriate terms, in the course of which he referred to a recent precedent for the marriage of a Bishop, in the case of the late Bishop of Salisbury, who entered into the "holy estate of matrimony" after his consecration to the Episcopal office. The Hon. the Chief Justice proposed the health of the Bishop of Newfoundland, with a warm recommendation to his Lordship to imitate the example of our worthy Bishop on this occasion. His Lordship stated in reply, that he was not insensible to the charms of connubial bliss, or to the attractions of the fair sex by whom he was surrounded, but at the same time he explained the difference in the situation of himself and his Diocese from that of his brother Bishop of Nova Scotia, and vindicated his motives in preferring a life of single blessedness for himself. The toast of "the Bridesmaids," was responded to in an eloquent and humorous speech by the Rev. R. H. Bullock, and that of "the Groomsman" was acknowledged in a very feeling and satisfactory address, by Edward Binney, Esq., the senior member of that body. Several other toasts were also given and replied to when the convivial party left the table, and at half past 2 o'clock the happy pair left town for Sackville, on their way to Windsor, where they intend to remain for a few days.

We trust we may be permitted to congratulate the Diocese on this new relation of life, on which our respected Bishop has entered, and especially on the happy selection which he has made among the fair daughters of Nova Scotia, in the choice of a consort who is possessed of every qualification to promote the happiness and usefulness of his public and private life, and whose amiable qualities and Christian virtues have endeared her to the affections of all who have the pleasure of her acquaintance. We think it may be properly regarded as a favourable token, that our Bishop's choice has met with such universal approbation among the members of the Church in this city, not only on account of the family connexions, but especially the personal character of the accomplished lady, and while it is true that "there is an awe in mortals' joy, a deep mysterious fear," which seems to be inseparably connected with the highest state of happiness in human life, we would earnestly entreat the prayers of all our Christian friends at this time, for our chief Pastor and his beloved Bride, that it may please God to grant them all the spiritual benedictions which were invoked upon them in the solemn Service of our Prayer Book, and to pour out the richest blessings of His grace upon them both, that as "heirs together of the grace of life," they may "adorn the doctrine of God their Saviour in all things"—and may fulfil all the duties of their high position in the Church, to the glory of our Divine Redeemer, and to the advancement of true religion in this Diocese.

NOTICE

The undersigned, who with the sanction of the Lord Bishop, and of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Church Society, undertook the management of the *Church Times*, in July 1852, having been notified by Mr. Gossip, the Proprietor, that he no longer desires the continuance of that arrangement, he takes this opportunity of offering a parting word to the readers of that paper. While under his partial control, it has been his humble endeavour to make it useful to the interests of the Church, and to the still higher interests of sound and vital religion; studying, at the same time, to avoid the extremes of party, and thus preserve peace within our borders.

low far he has succeeded, he must leave it for others to say. He has been cheered by the approbation of many, and he has had the misfortune to fall under the displeasure of a few. Perhaps these last have not duly weighed the difficulty of steering a middle course amid the conflicting opinions of the times, nor made sufficient allowance for the numerous and embarrassing trials which surround the editorial chair. Of this he can truly assure the supporters of the *Church Times*, that notwithstanding the confessed imperfections of the paper, it has cost him, from week to week, no small amount of anxiety and labour. An humble hope of being useful, has, however, never failed to animate him in the wearisome task, and a largely increased subscription list has encouraged him in the belief that he has not worked in vain. And now that he is not permitted any longer to visit in this way the dwellings of his fellow Churchmen, throughout the land, it only remains for him to thank them for the reception they have given to his editorial labours, and to express the hope, that they may never cease to love their Church, and above all, to adorn the doctrine of God their Saviour in all things.

Jas. C. COCHRAN.

Halifax, Jan'y 1st, 1855.

DIOCESE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

The first Annual Meeting of the Church of England Young Men's Society of this City, was held at the Mechanics' Institute last Tuesday evening. Although the weather was unfavorable, there was a large attendance, and the meeting passed off in the most encouraging and satisfactory manner.

The chair was taken by his Honor Mr. Justice Parker, at 8 o'clock, and the proceedings were commenced by singing the first psalm—the audience joining most heartily in it—and by prayer, offered up by the Rev. John Armstrong. The Chairman then briefly stated the objects of the meeting, and expressed in some very appropriate remarks, the pleasure he felt in promoting them: after which the Rev. Dr. Grey delivered an address, pointing out some of the tendencies of the age, the origin of similar Societies in the sixteenth century, the advantages of them to young men, their parents, employers, and society at large; the duty of all to support and encourage them; and pointing out especially the one now formed amongst us, and the claims it possesses.

The following resolutions, after being ably supported, were then unanimously agreed to:—

Moved by Dr. LeBaron Botsford; secondly by Mr. J. W. Lawrence—

1. *Resolved*, That the Church of England Young Men's Society of Saint John, is in the opinion of this meeting entitled to the encouragement and support of Churchmen in this City, as calculated to be highly conducive both to the moral and spiritual improvement of the young men themselves, and to the advancement of the interests of the Church in this Province.

Moved by the Rev. John Armstrong; and on being seconded—

2. *Resolved*, That the remarkable extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom in the world at the present time through the instrumentality of the Church Missionary and other Societies, calls for the adoring gratitude of all Christians, and that this meeting learns with pleasure that it is one of the objects of the Church of England Young Men's Society to obtain and circulate more general information as to the Missionary efforts of the Church, as also to contribute thereto.

A hymn was then sung with cheerful effect by the whole audience, and after a blessing had been pronounced by the Rev. Dr. Gray, the

meeting separated. A collection, amounting to £9 10s., was taken up near the close of the proceedings.—*Church Witness*.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY OF THE DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

The thirteenth anniversary of this Society was celebrated by a general meeting held on Wednesday, 10th January, in the National School-house, Quebec, at seven o'clock, divine service having been previously held at All Saints Chapel.

The Lord Bishop took the chair, when, after the usual prayers had been said, and some introductory remarks had been delivered by his Lordship, the acting secretary, the Rev. A. W. Mountain, was called upon to read the report for the past year, which having been done,

1. It was moved by the Hon. John Ross, Speaker of the Legislative Council, seconded by the Rev. official Mackie, D.D., and

Resolved, that the report now read be adopted, and printed under the direction of the Central Board.

2. It was moved by the Rev. Gilbert Percy, seconded by W. G. Wurtele, Esq., and

Resolved, that this meeting thankfully acknowledges the mercy of Almighty God in the measure of success which has attended the labors of the Society during the past year.

3. It was moved by the Hon. William Walker, seconded by the Rev. Dr. Robertson, and

Resolved, that this meeting would impress upon every Churchman the great and growing necessity which exists for increased exertion to enable it to carry on its important objects, and the particular manner in which this necessity is heightened by the recent act of the Legislature in the secularization of the Clergy Reserves.

4. It was moved by James A. Sewell, Esq., M. D., seconded by the Rev. Principal Nicolls, and

Resolved, that this meeting desires to convey to the sister societies in British North America the assurance of its undiminished interest in their labors of love.

5. It was moved by James Bell Forsyth, Esq., seconded by Fennings Taylor, Esq., and

Resolved, that the thanks of the Society are now due and are hereby tendered to the officers of the Society, for their services during the past year.

6. It was moved by Horatio Nelson Jones, Esq., seconded by the Rev. R. G. Pless, and

Resolved, that the following gentlemen be elected Vice-Presidents of the Society:—Lieut. General Rowan, the Hon. Mr. Chief Justice Bowen, Mr. Justice Meredith, Mr. Black, Q.C. D.C.L., J. M. Fraser, G. Hall, Geo. Pemberton, J. Stewart, Wm. Walker, Rev. Official Mackie, D. D., S. S. Wood, M. A., J. H. Nicolls, M. A., and such chairmen of district associations as are members of the corporation; also, that the following gentlemen do compose the Central Board in addition to the ex-officio members: The Revs. A. W. Mountain, D. Robertson, H. Roe, R. A. Carden; Archibald Campbell, Thomas Cary, J. Bell Forsyth, R. Hamilton, Wm. Spragge, Fennings Taylor, N. Goddard, Maxfield Sheppard, H. N. Jones, Henry LeMesurier, Jas. Maclaren, C. N. Montizambert, J. R. Eckart, Lieut. Ashe, R. N., Wm. Peiry, Henry S. Scott, Jas. Sealey, Jas. A. Sewell, M.D., and J. Von Exeter, Esqs.; and also that the following gentlemen who have complied with the conditions mentioned in the fifth article of the Society's by-laws be elected members of the corporation.

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Wm. Spragge, Esq., then brought forward the resolution of which he had given notice at

the last annual meeting, which was seconded by H. Scott, Esq.

After some discussion, it was resolved that the subject be referred to the Central Board.

The Doxology was then sung, and the meeting was closed with the benediction pronounced by his Lordship the President.

Quebec, 11th January, 1855.

The stated meeting of the Central Board was held at the National School-house, Quebec, this day at three o'clock P. M.

Present—The Lord Bishop in the chair; the Revs. E. W. Sewell, Principal Nicholls, A. W. Mountain, R. G. Pless, Official Mackie, D. D., R. A. Carden, W. Binet, and G. Percy; Hon. W. Walker, Lieut. Ashe, R. N., H. S. Scott, Fennings Taylor, W. Spragge, W. G. Wurtele, J. B. Forsyth, M. Sheppard, C. N. Montizambert, Esquires.

After prayers, the resolution of the annual meeting, appointing the Central Board, was read.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Board were then read.

The report of the Finance Committee was then read, and it was resolved that it be received and considered clause by clause.

It was resolved that the recommendation of the committee, that £12 10s. be paid to Rev. S. Jones, be concurred in.

Resolved, that £25 be granted towards the completion of the parsonage at Portneuf.

An application from Rev. H. D. Reynolds to be included in the list of missionaries receiving the gratuity of £12 10s. was read. It was then resolved that £5 5s. be granted for the half year commencing 1st July last. It was then moved by W. Spragge, Esq., seconded by J. B. Forsyth, Esq.—That the sum of _____ be granted for the current year to every clergyman in the diocese whose income is under £125, provided that a corresponding amount be contributed, in money or otherwise, in each case, by the congregation.

Resolved, that the subject be referred to the Finance Committee.

The treasurer and Fennings Taylor, Esq., were appointed a committee to act with the secretary in taking measures for publishing the annual report, with an instruction to publish with it the list of members of the corporation prepared by the treasurer, and the by-laws.—Ordered that 1250 copies be printed.

The motion of Mr. Spragge, referred to the Central Board at the annual meeting of the Society, was then taken into consideration.—The motion was lost.

The meeting then adjourned till half past two o'clock p. m. to-morrow, Mr. Scott having given notice that it was his intention to bring forward a motion on the subject of education.

12th January, 1855.

The Central Board met this day pursuant to adjournment.

Present—The Lord Bishop in the chair; the Revs. E. W. Sewell, R. G. Pless, A. W. Mountain, Official Mackie, D.D., D. Robertson, R. A. Carden, W. Binet, Principal Nicolls, G. Percy; Hon. W. Walker, James A. Sewell, M.D., Lieut. Ashe, W. G. Wurtele, M. Sheppard, W. Spragge, J. Bell Forsyth, J. Sealy, C. N. Montizambert, Fennings Taylor, Esqs.

The standing committees for the year were appointed as follows:—*Lay Committee*: Hon. H. Black, Hon. W. Walker, H. S. Scott, W. G. Wurtele, W. Poston, J. Sealy, J. Maclaren, M. Sheppard, J. Von Exeter, H. J. Nond, Lieut. Ashe, C. N. Montizambert, J. Maclaren, H. N. Jones, Esqs. *Finance Committee*: reappointed. *Depository Committee*: reappointed. *Auditors*: M. Sheppard and W. G. Wurtele, Esqs.

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Ordered that the account of James Haslett for candles used at the annual meeting, be paid.

An application from the Rev. W. Binet for indemnification for travelling expenses... read. It was resolved that the sum of 30s. be paid if it be not provided for from any other source.

The case of the River David having been brought forward, in connection with a proposal from the Rev. Mr. Williams of Sorel to pay a monthly visit to that place, it was resolved that £15 be granted on that understanding for one year.

Mr. Scott inquired whether any communication had been received from the Rev. R. S. Birch with regard to the resolution of the Board of October last.

The acting secretary, the Rev. A. W. Mountain, stated his belief that no reply had been received.

Mr. Scott then moved, seconded by Mr. Forryth—That it is extremely desirable that additional aid should be enlisted in the cause of the education of the young; and that this Board would had with satisfaction the removal of any difficulties that may prevent the operations of the Colonial Church and School Society in this diocese.

It was then moved in amendment by the Rev. Official Mackie, D.D., seconded by C. N. Montzambert, Esq.—That all the words after "education of the young" be struck out, and the following substituted: that this Board recommend to the Finance Committee to consider whether a sum of per annum might not be granted to the Colonial Church and School Society, so soon as the Bishop of Quebec shall have notified to the Church Society that that Society has included this diocese within the sphere of its operations.—Lost.

It was then moved by the Rev. Principal Nicolls, seconded by the Rev. R. G. Pless—That whereas the subject of the resolution submitted by H. S. Scott, Esq., largely affects the Clergy of the country missions, and is of the utmost importance, it is desirable that action upon it should be suspended until the next meeting of this Board, that the opportunity may have been given to them of communicating their opinions on the subject.—Lost.

The original motion was then carried.

It was agreed that the resolution of Mr. Scott be communicated to the secretary of the Colonial Church School Society.

The meeting then adjourned.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

THE CHURCH SOCIETY.

From *The Montreal Transcript*.

The annual meeting of this society was held in the Union Sales' Room on Tuesday evening, the Lord Bishop of Montreal (Dr. Fulford) in the chair. The room was densely crowded, and many had to go away who could not get admission. The proceedings were opened with the usual prayers, after which the Bishop congratulated the members of the society on being again spared to assemble at the usual commemoration, as well as on the increased interest taken in its affairs, as exhibited in the amount of subscriptions and other receipts. When they heard with pain the occurrences that were taking place on the other side of the Atlantic, it must be with sincere pleasure they would take part in the present proceedings, which had the welfare and best interests of their fellow men in view, not for time only, but also for eternity. He had heard representations made that the Church Society was failing in its work, and was not, therefore, worth contributing to. The best answer to this would be found in the report about to be read. He had the most perfect

confidence in the good will of the people, and believed that increased exertion was all that was requisite to show a still more flattering state of affairs before next year, and enable them to effect a much greater amount of good.

The Rev. E. Rogers read the report, by which it appeared that there had been received during the past year, in annual subscriptions, £273; from the country, £231; and for missionary purposes, £142; making, with some other items, the total amount received £721. The expenditure amounted to £682. On behalf of the widows' and orphans' fund, the amount collected was £118, including a donation of \$14, which, with interest on the invested capital, made the total investment £1,757. The increase in the amount of subscriptions during the present year was, in Montreal £126, and in the country £48. In the collections there had been also an increase of £48; placing at the disposal of the society, from ordinary sources, £243 more than on the previous year. The report also referred to the exertions of the Rev. Mr. Bond, who had gratuitously travelled throughout a great portion of the diocese, holding meetings, and inciting the members of the Church to increased and systematic exertion. His services, in this respect, had already been acknowledged by a vote of thanks from the Central Board.

In the absence of Major Campbell, who was expected but had not arrived, the Bishop called on the Rev. Mr. Scott, one of his chaplains, to move the first resolution. In doing so, the Rev. gentleman alluded to the gratifying facts exhibited by the report, showing a more generous feeling and interest, on the part of the laity, to increase the funds and promote the objects of society had in view. In this he was not disappointed. When the laity came to feel that the burden of supporting the Church would rest on themselves, that they may put their own shoulders to the wheel, and no longer depend on foreign aid, they must go on.

Archdeacon Lower seconded the resolution, remarking that times like the present—of great commercial distress and embarrassment—were not, in his opinion, the worst times to plead the cause of God and His Church; and surely no society had more claims on its hearers than the Church Society. Even if it did nothing else but circulate the Holy Scriptures—though he was no particular enthusiast for the wide circulation of the Scriptures apart from the living voice of God's ministers—but even were this all its objects, it well entitled it to their support. But its other designs were equally important. It engaged to assist young men in their preparation for the ministry, and if the members of the Church were wise, there could be no object dearer to them. For, if there was any thing likely to prove a curse to the people—if there was an affliction in store for them, it would arise from an uneducated, ignorant priesthood. The society also sent out missionaries; helped to build churches; and to make up the salaries which their poorer brethren derived from other sources. Very lately the Church had lost her Reserves. He was not very familiar with the policies of Canada, and if he were it was not for him to reopen a question which he supposed had been finally settled and set at rest. But he could not shut his eyes to the fact that property had been taken from the Church; that what she had before, she had not now. It was difficult to look on that act with submission, far less with patience. (Cheers). Property set apart for the support of God's ministers had been undoubtedly taken away, and he could not believe that the blessing of God would follow if they connived or consented to this. They were bound to declare that a great wrong had

been committed—nay, if he said a most iniquitous sacrilege had been consummated, he would not be speaking too strongly. The venerable Archdeacon concluded a long and eloquent address by urging the members of the Church to increased exertion, and commending the society to their interest and their prayers.

The Right Rev. Horatio Potter, D.D., Provisional Bishop of New York, moved the second resolution, expressing the thankfulness of the meeting at the unity existing between the two Churches, and its hopes that the union would be yet more closely knit. The Right Rev. prelate said he had great pleasure in moving that resolution, though he did not come to Canada to make a speech, but to warm himself by their fires. He came to thank their own Bishop for the honour he had done himself and the American Church, in coming, upon a late occasion, to take a part in that solemn consecration service which had raised the speaker to the dignity, and placed upon him the responsibilities, of a Bishop in the Church of God. When yesterday morning, a little after the peep of day, he had come out of his own house and turned his face to the North, in the teeth of a driving snow-storm, he considered he was doing a very heroic deed,—something like attempting the North-west passage. But he did it to express the sympathy which he felt in the Church's prosperity, his respect for the brethren here, and especially for him who so nobly and well presided over the affairs of this diocese. And, after all, he had found the pleasure greater than the suffering. (Cheers). It was something to set foot on the soil of Her Gracious Majesty the Queen. (Cheers). God bless her! He had prayed for her on the land and on the sea, and hoped to do so again. She had his sympathy, his deep sympathy, in the noble efforts she was making at the present time to subdue a barbarous power who had attempted to crush a feeble nation, and overwhelm Europe. Much had been said about American feeling and American sentiment in regard to the war. But he would tell his lordship that, if the people of Canada wished to understand the public sentiment of the country, they must not search for it in the newspapers. (Loud cheers). They must go to the educated men, to the clergy of the Church, to those that studied Shakespeare, and Milton, and Hooker, and they would find that they were heart and soul with England in the struggle, and daily offered up their prayers for her success. (Cheers). The Bishop concluded by exhorting the members of the Church to redouble their efforts to contribute towards the maintenance of this society. Money thus spent and assistance so afforded was the only work that would give them pleasure on their death-beds, and to which they could in that awful hour look back upon with joy. Resolutions were afterwards moved and seconded by the Rev. Canon Gilson, — Taylor, Esq., (of Quebec); J. C. Baker, Esq.; Rev. Canon Bancroft; Judge McCord, and the Rev. Mr. Pyke. The Bishop acknowledged a vote of thanks passed to him, in fitting terms; and the meeting, which was a most interesting one, ended with the benediction.

RUPERT'S-LAND.

ORDINATION.

On Sunday, Dec. 24th, the Bishop held an Ordination in St. John's Church, Red River, when the Rev. William Stagg of Fairford, Manitoba, of the Church Missionary Society, was ordained Priest; and Mr. W. West Kirkby, of the same society and formerly of the Metropolitan Training Institute, Highbury, was admitted to Deacon's orders.

DIocese OF TORONTO.

THE CHURCH SOCIETY OF THE DIocese OF TORONTO.

COLLECTIONS MADE IN THE SEVERAL CHURCHES, CHAPELS AND MISSIONARY STATIONS ON BEHALF OF THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' FUND APPOINTED TO BE TAKEN UP IN OCTOBER, 1854.

Previously announced	£402	5	6
Brock, per Rev. R. Garrett,	0	17	6
Hillier	£0	16	0
Wellington	0	5	0
Per Rev. R. J. Cox	1	0	0
Ancaster (additional), per Rev. J. Butler	0	15	0
Enniskillen Church (additional), per Rev. Dr. McNab,	1	3	3
St. Peter's, Thorold,	£2	19	4
St. Paul's, Port Robinson,	1	8	9
Per Rev. J. B. Fuller,	4	8	1
St. James', Perth,	£3	6	3
St. Paul's, Lunenburg,	0	10	0
St. John's, Baldersons, ...	0	10	0
Per Rev. Alex. Pyne,	4	6	3
175 collections, amounting to	£414	16	7

COLLECTIONS MADE IN THE SEVERAL CHURCHES, CHAPELS, AND MISSIONARY STATIONS IN THE DIocese, TOWARDS THE AUGMENTATION OF THE GENERAL PURPOSES FUND OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY, APPOINTED TO BE TAKEN UP IN JANUARY, 1855.

Elizabethtown, per Rev. W. C. Clarke	2	13	10
St. John's, Berkeley, per Rev. Dr. Heaven,	1	11	9
St. Paul's, New Market,	£1	1	10
Christ's Church, St. Albans,	0	14	2
Trinity Church, Aurora,	9	13	2
per Rev. S. F. Ramsay,	2	9	2
St. John's Peterboro', per Churchwarden	3	15	0
St. John's Portsmouth, per Churchwarden	1	5	0
St. Phillip's, Weston, per Rev. T. S. Kennedy,	2	4	3
Etobicoke	£0	11	6
Christ Church, Mimico,	0	6	0
Per Rev. H. Cooper	0	17	6
Franktown, per Rev. R. Lewis,	1	0	7
St. Peter's Church, Osnabruck, per Rev. Matt. Ker	1	5	0
St. Paul's, Adolphustown,	0	10	0
St. Paul's, Fredericksburg,	0	10	0
Per Rev. J. A. Muloch	1	0	0
St. Mary Magdalen's, Picton, per Churchwarden	1	12	6
St. George's, Drumville,	2	1	3
St. John's, Stamford,	0	15	5
Per Rev. C. L. Ingles	2	16	8
Lloydtown,	1	2	7
Bolton	0	10	3
Sandhill	0	5	8
English Wilson,	0	6	6
Per Rev. H. B. Osler	2	6	0
Amherstburg, per Rev. F. Mack,	0	15	0
Trinity Church, Thornhill,	£1	0	0
Oakridge's,	0	9	7
St. Stephen's, Vaughan,	0	12	7
per Rev. D. E. Blake	2	2	2
St. Mary's, Warwick,	0	11	5
Brooke,	0	6	1
per Rev. J. Smyth,	0	17	6
St. George's, Kingston, per Rev. Wm. David	5	0	0
Additional, Etobicoke,	0	0	7
Do, Mimico,	0	2	6
per Rev. H. C. Cooper	0	3	1
St. George's, Toronto, per Churchwarden	7	12	6
Trinity Church, Chippawa, per Rev. W. Leeming,	4	10	3

St. Mark's, Niagara, per Churchwarden	3	17	6
31 collections, amounting to	£40	14	2

MISSION FUND.

South Cayuga, per Rev. A. Townley	£1	5	0
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ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Henry DeBlaquiere, Esq.	1	5	0
Rev. R. Garret,	1	5	0
Rev. R. V. Rogers, XIII year,	1	5	0
Sir John B. Robinson, XIII year,	12	10	0
Lewis B. Marsh, Esq., donation to W. O. Fund,	5	0	0
Lewis R. Marsh, Esq., donation to Mission Fund,	5	0	0
Rev. J. B. Worrell	£1	5	0
Rev. J. A. Muloch	1	5	0

From the Port Hope Ensign.

PRESENTATION.

We are informed that a handsome and costly Silk Gown and Scarf have been presented to the Revd. Jonathan Shortt, Rector of St. John's Church in this town, by a number of his Parishioners, as a Christmas Gift; together with several other liberal and seasonable donations — The following is a copy of the numerous signed Address which was presented on the occasion, and the Reply of the Rector:

ADDRESS.

Reverend and Dear Sir:

The undersigned members of your congregation, beg your acceptance of the accompanying trilling mark of their esteem and affection.

To one who, while he labors to set before the flock committed to his charge, in all the prominence which our Great Head allotted to them, the essential saving truths of our Holy Religion, desires to see all things done "decently and in order;" and who, giving no undue importance to the external observances of public worship, yields a willing conformity to usages sanctioned by age, admired for their solemnity, yet never misdirecting devotion, nor lowering its tone: the gift of the Gown presented herewith will appear, as it is intended, the mere performance of a prescribed duty.

And yet we cannot forbear seizing the occasion to express the ardent hope, that this mark of our desire to provide suitable accompaniments to the due administration of God's Holy Word and Sacraments, will often remind you of the less exalted home sympathies which exist between you and us; the bonds of mutual domestic pleasures, hopes, and anxieties, and the personal reciprocation of good offices, which the tie between Pastor and People so emphatically represents.

That you may be long spared to continue faithfully to admonish your flock of duty, fearlessly to reprove sin, patiently and lovingly to encourage the weak, and win the wayward; and that closer and more endearing relationships may spring up between us—each in our own little sphere of trouble or of joy—and that your labors may be abundantly blessed of Him who alone can inspire right motives, and command success, is the fervent prayer of your affectionate people.

Port Hope, Dec. 25th, 1854.

REPLY.

My Dear Friends:

Accept my warmest, most affectionate and most grateful thanks for the very handsome and costly silk Gown and Scarf which you have given me; and for the kind and encouraging Address which you have presented with it.

I trust that, in wearing these beautiful Robes

of office, I shall ever be reminded, not only of the duty of preaching the Gospel fully, "as the truth is in Jesus," and faithfully declaring "the whole counsel of God;" but also (as you so well express it) "of the sympathies which exist between us, the bonds of mutual domestic pleasures, hopes, and anxieties, and the personal reciprocation of good offices, which the tie between Pastor and people so emphatically represents."

These words, and the circumstance which occasions them, recall to me the years gone by, when the well-worn but valued Gown, which your gift replaces, was made and presented to me by dear friends; some of whose names are appended to the present Address, but many of whom have been called away from this world, to realize the hope in Christ which sustained them in their earthly pilgrimage. As perpetually reminding me of those dear friends, and the pleasure and profit which I derived from their society, I shall ever value the Gown which I have worn so many years. And I trust that the new Gown, which replaces it, will be, for years to come, a token and a pledge of similar affectionate and profitable intercourse.

Gratefully do I thank my kind Parishioners, not only for this Christmas Gift but also for several other liberal and considerate donations by which they have marked this season of rejoicing.

Without the prayers of his people, no Minister can expect to succeed. The assurance which you give me of yours is encouragement, to make greater efforts for your welfare. And while I thank you for them accordingly, I trust that mine will ever be offered on your behalf, that the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, may rest upon you and yours for ever.

JONATHAN SHORTT.

Christmas, 1854.

To the Editor of The Church.

REV. SIR,—Knowing the deep and lively interest you take in all matters connected with the progress and welfare of the Church in the Diocese, and particularly in every indication of awakening zeal and interest on the part of the Laity:—is with feelings of unmingled pleasure and satisfaction that I now give you a most gratifying instance of our brightening prospects in this parish.

The ladies of my congregation have just presented me with a very handsome and most acceptable *New Year's Gift*—the fruit of their zealous efforts among the parishioners generally—namely, a *Paruse*; the contents of which, together with other donations, amounted in all to about eighteen pounds.

This token of care and regard on the part of my people is rendered doubly valuable as well as most gratifying to my feelings, from the fact of its being most unanymous and also a perfectly *free-will* offering.

Considering, moreover, that my people generally have hitherto been not very prompt in matters of this nature—indeed, have contributed little or nothing to my income—it argues favorably and encouragingly of their growing improvement.

With regard to my own feelings on the occasion, I know not how to give them adequate expression; but one thing I do feel, that it seems to bid me—and that emphatically—to emulate the example of St. Paul and his companions in travel, "to thank God and take courage."

However, I have not called your attention to this subject merely for the purpose of publicly expressing my grateful thanks to those who

have so kindly crined their care and regard toward me; but more especially that it may be set forth as an example for other congregations "to go and do likewise."

Believe me to remain,

Dear Sir,
Yours very faithfully,
W. F. S. HARPER,
Rector of Bath.

We are glad to learn that the ladies of St. Luke's Church, Wellington Square, presented a few days since, a handsome set of robes to their respected pastor, the Rev. Thomas Greene, enclosing the following note.

REV. SIR.—I feel very great pleasure in presenting to you, on behalf of the ladies of St. Luke's Church, a set of robes, and which they respectfully request you to accept as a slight token of their esteem and regard for the very kind and efficient manner in which you have discharged your pastoral duties during your residence among them.

I remain, Reverend Sir,
Yours with esteem,
HANNAH P. SMITH.

REV. T. GREENE.

My dear Mrs. SMITH,—I have just received the handsome suit of robes, which you, Mrs. Chisholm and other ladies of the congregation of St. Luke's Church, Wellington Square, have so kindly and considerately presented me with, and desire to thank the donors for their affectionate remembrance of me, and entreat them always to bear me on their hearts before the "Throne of Grace," seeking for me the Holy Spirit of God, to enable me faithfully to discharge my solemn duties towards the flock committed to my care. I would also assure them of my earnest prayer, that they may be clothed in the spotless robes of Christ's righteousness, and kept in peace, and against the great day, when pastor and people shall stand in the presence of the good shepherd to receive the crown purchased for them by his most precious blood.

I remain, dear Mrs. SMITH,
Your affectionate and obliged pastor,
THOMAS GREENE.

Mrs. H. SMITH.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY AT DELAWARE, HELD ON 23RD ULT. IN CHRIST CHURCH, DELAWARE.

From the London Times, C W

We have much pleasure in calling the attention to the following items of religious intelligence. The Report and statement of the proceedings cannot fail to awaken a deep interest in every person who is friendly to the cause of our holy religion. There was a very numerous and respectable concourse of people present at the meeting where the following resolutions were adopted, and the greatest interest in the proceedings was evinced by all, although there were but few public speakers present. The venerable missionary—the Rev. R. Flood, A.M.—must be cheered in his arduous duties by his additional testimony, that his people are rooted and grounded in the faith, and are feeling alive to the necessity of increased exertions for the support of their church.

The committee of the Delaware and Caradoc Church Association, in presenting their brief report to the members of this association, would remark, that although the subscriptions and quarterly collections have not been much less than those of the preceding year, yet they have every reason to believe from past experience that

steady advances will be made in proportion to the growth and prosperity of this settlement.

Hitherto contributions have been made to this association, with few exceptions, by the stated members of the congregation attending this church, who also have been contributing towards their minister's salary by pew rent.

Now, your committee are of opinion that since the majority of the population of this province have decided by their suffrages at the hustings during the past year that endowments from the Crown for the support and advancement of the Christian faith is injurious to the cause of divine truth, and that the voluntary system is better calculated to effect that end, your committee, therefore, entertain the most sanguine hope that assistance will be afforded henceforth by the people at large, who will place the churches and ministers in a better position than hitherto, since the allowance from the Clergy Reserve Fund never gave the clergy, at least of this church, an half support.

The inhabitants of the country will now have the opportunity of redeeming the pledge they have made when they assented to the secularization of the Clergy Reserves, that the voluntary system is more excellent than any state endowment for promoting vital godliness and true Christianity.

How many countries are now presented unto us, in the most interesting point of view, which are desirous to benefit both in time and in eternity from the wide-spread circulation of the Holy Scriptures?

The populous empire of China is at this present period desirous of the bread of life, and Christian missionaries can have free access to the interior of that country, which they dared not attempt to do a few years since without the sacrifice of their lives.

The Irish Church Society is also accomplishing great things in Ireland. The Roman Catholics of that country have been till very lately debarred from reading the holy Scriptures, but now a brighter sun dawns upon that long benighted land, where the Scriptures of God have free course, and are glorified in the conversion of thousands from superstition and priestcraft to serve the living and true God.

In conclusion, the committee are happy to add that the sum raised by this association during the past year, and which was remitted to the Parent Society without any deductions, amounted to, in subscriptions, £13 10s; quarterly collections, made at Christ Church, Delaware, and the Caradoc Academy, £11 8s 2½d; total, £24 18s 2½d.

The following resolutions were passed at the meeting:

"That the report now read be received and adopted."

"That this association has cause for thanksgiving to Almighty God for the measure of success that has attended its operations during the past year."

"That the members of this association rejoice at the spread of the glorious Gospel throughout the world by missionaries of our church, especially in the East, now the theatre of the fiercest warfare, and in Ireland, long enthralled in the darkness of the Roman apostasy."

"That the following gentlemen be the officers of the association for the current year.

COMMITTEE.

Horatio Jell	Richard Webb
Henry Johnston	Rothwell Gnrret
Braek Burwell	Richard Prico
William Livingston	

"Treasurer—John Johnston. Lecturers—Rev. R. Flood and Dr. Francis."

UNITED STATES.

PENNSYLVANIA.

During his recent visitations the Bishop of the diocese has performed the following services:

Ordinations.—Dec. 30th, at the Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia, admitted Mr. Geo. L. Crooko to Deacon's orders. Dec. 3rd, at St. James's Church, Philadelphia, admitted Rev. J. T. Huntingdon and the Rev. H. A. Coit (Deacons) to the Priesthood.

Consecrations.—Dec. 7th, consecrated St. James's Church, Kingessing, (Philadelphia co.) Dec. 10th, laid the corner stone of St. Peter's Church, Trevorton, (Northumberland co.)

Confirmations.—Philadelphia, at Christ Church confirmed eighteen; Church of the Redemption, thirteen; St. Andrew's, West Philadelphia, one; at Church of the Ascension, ten; at St. Mark's, one; at Church of the Advent, nineteen; at the Church of the Epiphany, thirty-two; at Chapel of St. Mathews, two; at Northumberland, three; Sunbury, two; Trevorton, six; Danville, five; Muncy, nine; Williamsport, four; Scranton (Lucerne co.), four; Springville (Susquehanna co.), one; Montrose, three; New Milford, one; Erie, four.

He also visited and officiated by preaching and otherwise at Coudersport (Potter co.), Great Bend (Susquehanna co.), Milton (Northumberland co.), Bloomsburg (Columbia co.), Jerseytown and Derry (Montour co.), at the Church Hospital, St. Philip's Church, &c. &c. (Philadelphia co.)

CONNECTICUT.

Correspondence of The Banner

The church in Stamford having been recently enlarged, was re-opened on St. Paul's Day, the 25th ult., by the Rt. Rev. the Assistant Bishop. The increasing size of the village caused a demand for pews greater than could be supplied, and has led to the enlargement of the church. The building being of wood, the Vestry decided to move the chancel back, and to add some forty feet to the former nave. As the building now stands, there is a nave of 30 by 40, and a chancel of ten feet. The addition has been finished in the same style as the old church, outside wood, inside imitation of blocks of stone, and the interior wood-work grained to resemble black walnut. The general effect, however, is solemn and impressive.

The day was clear and bright, and a large number of the clergy were present.

In consequence of Dr. Addam's opinion upon certain points connected with the subject of the pews of Buckingham Church, the following injunctions have been forwarded to the churchwardens by the Bishop of Oxford:—"1. To allow of no money payment for pews or sittings in Buckingham parish church. 2. To seat no one as being of right entitled to any pew. 3. But to the utmost of your powers, without fear or affection, to endeavor to seat the parishioners according to their quality, disturbing existing arrangements as little as you can whilst you maintain these principles."

MARRIED.

At St. Andrew's Church, Red River, Dec. 13th, by his Bishop of Rupert's Land the Rev. Charles Hlyer, of the Church Missionary Society, Examining Chaplain to the Bishop, to Maria, youngest daughter of the Ven. Archdeacon Cochran, Minister of St. Andrew's Church.

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