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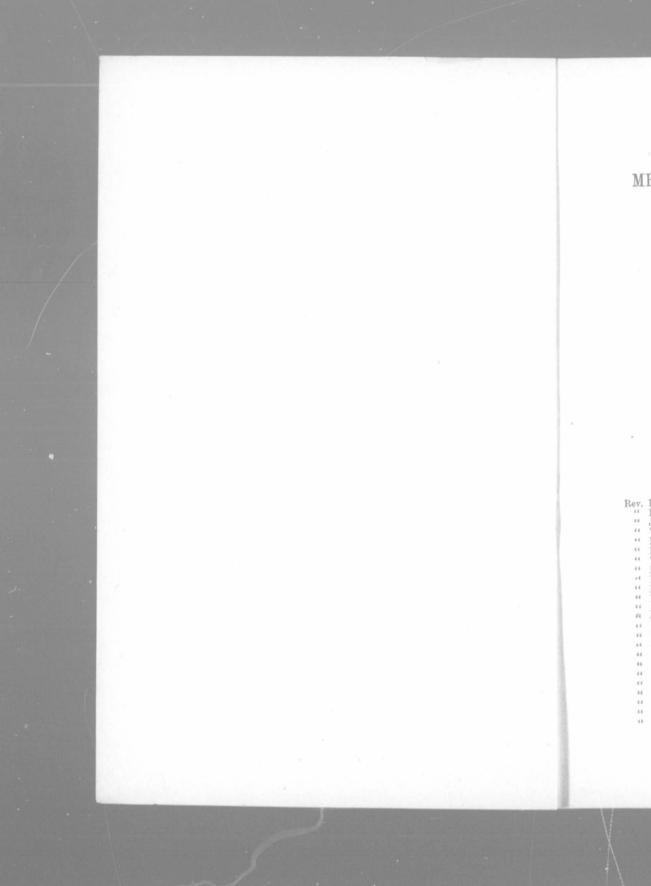
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DIOCESAN SYNOD OF N. S.

FIRST DAY.

WEDNESDAY, July 6th, 1887.

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THE SYNOD assembled for Divine Service in the Cathedral Church of St. Luke, on Wednesday, the 6th July, 1887. The Holy Communion was administered.

The business of the Synod was begun at 11.15. The Archdeacon, Chairman, reading the Canon of this Diocese for the election of a Bishop.

The Roll of the Clergy was called by the Clerical Secretary, when 88 Clergy answered to their names.

The Report of the Committee on Credentials was laid on the table by the Chairman.

The roll of the Lay Representatives was called by the Lay Secretary, when 93 answered to their names.

The following objections were handed in :---

COUNTRY HARBOUR, by Rural Dean Moore, as being only under a Lay-Reader.

TUSKET, by Hon. L. E. Baker.

SACKVILLE, spoken to by Rev. W. Ellis.

ST. PAUL'S, Londonderry, by Rev. J. R. S. Parkinson.

BADDECK, LUNENBURG, DIGBY, and PETITE RIVIERE, with others.

The Chairman read the following telegram from the Bishop of Newfoundland.

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VEN. ARCHDEACON GILPIN, HALIFAX :

Synod Newfoundland sympathise with Diocese and family of late Venerated Bishop in their sore trial. God be with them in the furnace, comforting, directing, blessing, delivering them. Resolution by post. BISHOP OF N. F.

The Clerical Secretary read the following resolution of condolence from the Diocese of Niagara :----

HAMILTON, JUNE 23, 1887.

I am directed to transmit to you the following resolution of condolence passed by this Synod at its recent session,

Resolved, That the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara desire to express their deep regret at the great loss to the church of the Right Rev. Hibbert Binney, late Bishop of Nova Scotia, and send their profound sympathy to the sister Diocese of Nova Scotia in her time of bereavement. Believe me, Yours faithfully, J. J. MASON, Sec.

The Clerical Secretary read the following letter and resolution from the Diocesan Synod of Montreal :----

THE REV. DR. PARTRIDGE, SEC'Y. DIOCESE OF NOVA SCOTIA:

HALIFAX.

Rev. and Dear Sir,-

Enclosed you will please find an address to the Diocese of Nova Scotia, which was unanimously adopted by the Synod of Montreal, at its recent session, and which I am instructed to forward to you with a request that you will see that it is presented.

I am, Rev. and dear Sir,

Yours truly, &c., J. EMPSON. Clerical Sec., Diocese of Montreal.

At the Twenty-Eighth Annual Synod of the Diocese of Montreal, held in June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, the following address was unanimously adopted, the members standing.

Address of sympathy and condolence from the President and Synod of the Diocese of Montreal, to the Synod of the Diocese of Nova Scotia, with reference to the recent sudden death of the late Right Rev. Hibbert Binney, D.D., Bishop of that See.

We, the Bishop, Clergy, and Lay Delegates of the Diocese of Montreal, in Synod assembled, hereby record our profound sense of the loss which has befallen the Church in this Ecclesiastical Province in general, and the widowed Diocese of Nova Scotia in particular, in the lamented death of the late Right Reverend Hibbert Binney, D.D., Lord Bishop of that Diocese.

This loss is all the more deeply felt in consequence of its sudden-ness, and of the cutting off in the midst of active labour, of a valuable life which apparently gave promise of many years of future useful-ness in the service of the Great Shepherd and Bishop of souls, thus solemnly reminding us of the uncertainty of human life, and of the imperative necessity of "redeeming the time while it is called to-day, and before that night cometh wherein no man can work."

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Rev. Sir,-

We hereby express our sympathy with our fellow churchmen in the Diocese of Nova Scotia, and unite with them in earnest prayer that the Great Head of the Church will soon grant them a Chief Pastor, full of zeal and the Holy Ghost, to replace him who has been lately summoned to his heavenly reward.

We desire also to assure the widow and family of the late Bishop of our deep sympathy with them in their irreparable loss, and of our prayers that the God of all grace will vouchsafe to them the consolations of His Holy Spirit in their profound sorrow.

W. B. MONTREAL, President, J. EMPSON, Clerical Secretary, ALEX. ROBERTSON, Lay Secretary.

The Synod of the Diocese of Montreal request that the purport of this address may be communicated to Mrs. Binney and her family, by the Synod of the Diocese of Nova Scotia in any way that they think fit.

The Chairman also read a letter from the venerable Dr. White, Rector of Shelburne.

A supplementary report was handed in from the Committee on Credentials. Other objections were made and referred to the following committee : Hon. Judge Ritchie, Hon. Judge Townshend, Mr. T. C. Shreve, and Mr. F. W. Bullock.

Moved by Hon. A. G. Jones, seconded by Rev. Canon Brock, that the Synod adjourn until 2 P.M. Carried.

The Synod accordingly adjourned.

WEDNESDAY-Afternoon Session.

Synod re-assembled at 2 P.M.

The Lay Secretary read the Report of the Special Committee on Credentials.

Moved by the Committee, seconded by Rev. T. W. Johnston, that it be adopted.

The Clerical Secretary reported the number of clergy qualified to vote as 96. Of this number 88 were present this morning.

The Lay Secretary reported 138 Laymen qualified to vote, of whom 98 were present to-day, other representatives coming in after the roll was called increased the number to 104.

This being a special session the minutes of the last session were not read.

The Archdeacon of N. S., Chairman, then read his opening address.

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HALIFAX, N. S. S. Luke's Cathedral Church. July 6th, 1887.

My Brethren of the Clergy :---

My Brethren of the Laity :---

Permit me as briefly as possible to bring before you the cause for our present assemblage, the steps which have been taken for calling you together, and the special object which will demand your consideration.

It has pleased God in his unsearchable wisdom to remove from us our Chief Pastor and Ruler in matters Ecclesiastical. With reference to him I may be allowed to remind you that he was sent to preside over the church in Nova Scotia during a most critical period of her history, a period surrounded with many troubles and difficulties.

From the kindly nursing care of the venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, the church here was passing into the more kealthy and vigorous condition of self-support and selfgovernment.

Our late Bishop was one well qualified by his extensive knowledge and clear foresight to guide us during this transitive state.

The successful establishment of an Endowment Fund for the partial support of the Clergy, and the formation of this Synod for deliberation and union, are proofs of his administrative ability, and shew that the Head of the Church sent us in time of need one who was well fitted to meet the emergency.

Of his real kindness and tenderness of heart those best know who have had him near them in times of sorrow and trouble, while many can testify that affliction and want always met with sympathy and help from heart and hand.

Some of his clergy will readily acknowledge the material assistance which he has extended in times of perplexity. We all know that in every work for the church among us he was a very generous helper.

Few can know the amount of labor, anxiety, worry, and disappointment which came upon him daily from the care of all the churches, and which no doubt hastened the time of his release from toil and his admission to the Paradise of God.

He was fearless in word and action, knowing that his cause was right, and in himself exemplified that sentiment which we have heard him doing what be populat He wa

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heard him express, "that no man who went straight forward in doing what he thought to be his duty, could, during his life time, be popular."

He was ever ready to forget and forgive any injuries or hard words done or spoken against himself.

His sense of justice was a prominent trait in his character, and he did not fail in its administration. Even in the final disposal of that wealth which was entrusted to his care we find the same sentiment prevailing.

Such an one the Great Head of the Church has called to his rest,"and has left to us the responsible duty of choosing his successor. May the Supreme Ruler make all things work together for good. May the sweet influence of the Holy Spirit fill our hearts and shew forth its power in our words and our actions.

As soon as possible after the death of the Right Rev. Hibbert Binney the fact was formally reported to the Metropolitan of this Province. From him I have received most kind words of sympathy with the Diocese, and of advice for myself.

In accordance with the directions of this Synod, within the appointed time a summons was issued for this meeting and a copy thereof was sent to every clergyman working in the Diocese and to every representative of the parishes so far as I was able to ascertain who they were.

A copy of the summons is presented to you herewith. The appointed committee has presented to you a list of those who in accordance with the rules of the Synod, are, in their judgment, entitled to seats in this Synod.

As soon as the Assembly is duly organized the Report of the Executive Committee will be submitted, containing several matters for your consideration connected with the election of a Bishop.

You are of course aware that no business which is not necessarily connected with the special object of the meeting can be considered.

In conclusion, I would only state that as your appointed Chairman I rely on that support and love of order which you have ever shewn to our late Bishop in this assembly.

The Clerical Secretary read the Report of the Executive Committee.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee met in the Diocesan Rooms on Tuesday, May 10th, on Tuesday, May 17th, on Tuesday, June 28th, and on Tuesday, July 5th, 1887.

The Ven. the Archdeacon presided, and there was a good attendance at each meeting.

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As the result of their labours, the Committee presents to the Synod the following report :-

I. The Synod is determined to be summoned on Wednesday, 6th July.

II. Income of the See.

There is payable yearly from the Society for Propagation of the Gospel:-

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Nova Scotia Bishopric Fund	384 -0-0

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Mortgage in Halifax	835	
Halifax Bonds	46	00
New York Central Railway Bonds	50	00
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To this is to be added the interest on Tennessee bonds of the value of \$1182.44, which fluctuate in value.

There is also the hope of obtaining eventually some grant or grants from the S. P. G., and S. P. C. K.

III. In the opinion of the Committee, the subject of devising means to raise the necessary salary for the Bishop comes within the business to which the meeting of the Synod is restricted under Canon II.

IV. This Committee are of opinion that the Synod cannot claim any assessment as a qualification for voting at this meeting beyond that made for the session of 1886.

V. This Committee recommend that in addition to the \$4000 already available for the income of the See, an effort be made to raise \$2000 more, and that a committee be appointed by the Synod for that purpose.

VI. The committee recommend that the usual re-imbursement to lay representatives be provided out of the Funds of the Synod.

VII. The Executive Committee beg leave to propose for the adoption of the Synod the following rules for the election of a Bishop:

1. That, the Synod having been duly organized, the nominations and election of a Bishop shall be conducted as follows :

2. The nomination of Candidates shall be an open nomination without any expression of opinion.

3. When the nominations cease, the Synod shall adjourn for not less than half an hour, and on again assembling new nominations may be made until the nominations shall be closed by the Chairman. The nominations being closed a ballot shall be taken, each member of the Synod writing upon his ballot the name of the Candidate for whom he votes.

4. The ballots shall be collected by the Clerical and Lay Secre-

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taries, each assisted by a Clerical and Lay delegate to be appointed by the Chairman, who shall examine separately the respective Clerical and Lay votes, and shall report thereon through the Secretary, by reading aloud the names and numbers of votes, Clerical and Lay, for each.

5. Should no election result upon the first ballot further nominations, if offered, shall be received, and upon the Chairman declaring the nominations again closed a new ballot shall be taken upon all the nominations.

6. Should no election result from this ballot nominations if offered shall be again received, and upon the Chairman declaring the nominations again closed a ballot shall be taken upon any new nomination together with all names on the previous ballot which shall have received not less than 10 votes; it being understood that any name previously or thereby to be omitted for want of the prescribed number of votes shall be elegible for re-nomination.

7. Whenever the ballot results in an election the chairman shall ask for a confirmation of such election by a standing vote of the whole Synod.

Moved by the Committee, seconded by Dr. J. J. Hunt,

That the Report be received for consideration.

Moved by Judge Ritchie, seconded by Rev. T. W. Johnston,

That the report of the Executive Committee be considered clause by Carried.

Moved by Rev. T. W. Johnston, seconded by Rev. F. H. Almon,

That the length of speeches be limited to 10 minutes.

Moved in amendment by Mr. P. Lynch, seconded by Hon L. E. Baker,

That speeches be limited to 5 minutes.

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Carried.

The resolution was then put and carried. Moved by Hon. Judge Ritchie, seconded by Mr. H. J Cundall,

That the clause III. be affirmed by the Synod.

Clause IV. was passed.

Moved by the Committee, seconded by Rev. J. J. Ritchie,

That clause V. be adopted.

Carried.

Moved by Hon. A. G. Jones, seconded by Rev. J. J. Ritchie,

That until an endowment producing \$2000 per annum in addition to the present income can be raised in support of the Bishop's salary, this Synod earnestly recommend that an assessment or subscription be made by the

several parishes of the Diocese, and that a committee of five clergy and five laymen be now appointed to prepare a scheme to be submitted for the approval of this Synod, before any election is made.

Moved in amendment by Rev. Dr. Nichols, seconded by Capt. Tuzo,

That a committee be appointed to consider the question as to the income of the Bishop, and report to the Executive Committee, and that the Synod proceed with the business for which it has been summoned.

Moved in amendment by Rev. Dr. Hole, seconded by Mr. W. C. Silver,

That the Synod affirm the principle of assessment as the proper method for raising the \$2000 per annum required to make the Bishop's income \$6000, and commissions the Executive Committee to arrange the proportion on which each parish is to be assessed.

The clauses of the Rules for conducting the Election of a Bishop were then taken up and discussed.

Clause 2 was moved by the Committee, seconded by Rev. J. S. Edwardes.

Moved in amendment by Hon. Judge Ritchie, seconded by Dr. Hunt,

That on the nomination of a Candidate, the mover and seconder shall have the right to advocate the merits of the person he proposes.

The amendment was put and lost.

The resolution was then put and carried.

Clause 3 was passed.

Clauses 4, 5 and 6 were carried unanimously.

Moved by Rev. Rural Dean Moore, seconded by Rev. Canon Brock,

That the names of the members of Synod be called out by the Secretaries, and that the delegates come up to the table and deposit their ballots.

Moved in amendment by Hon. A. G. Jones, seconded by Rev. F. R. Murray,

That the idea of clause four be adhered to.

Clause 7 was moved by the Committee and discussed.

Moved by Rev. C. E. McKenzie, seconded by Rev. P. H. Brown as a substitute for 7.

"Ballots shall continue to be taken as above provided, until an election is made."

Clause 7 then becomes clause 8 and is discussed.

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That the words after the words "shall ask" be stricken out, and these words substituted : "That such election be made unanimous by a standing vote of the whole Synod. Carried.

Moved by Mr. C. Palmer, seconded by Mr. C. S. Harrington,

That the scheme as amended be now adopted as a whole. Carried.

The Chair appointed Rev. Dr. Bowman and Hon. Judge Townshend as assistants to the Clerical Secretary, and Rev. Dr. Nichols, and Mr. H. T. Cundall as assistants to the Lay Secretary.

The Rev. J. C. Edgehill, D.D., Chaplain General of H. M. Forces, was nominated by Rev. Dr. Nichols, and seconded by Rev. Rural Dean Moore.

The Right Reverend Edward Sullivan, D.D., Lord Bishop of Algoma, was nominated by Rev. J. J. Ritchie, and seconded by Mr. W. C. Silver.

The Synod then on motion adjourned until 8 P. M.

WEDNESDAY-Evening Session.

The Synod re-assembled after recess.

The Chairman read the following telegram from the Metropolitan representing the Synod of the Diocese of Fredericton :---

FREDERICTON, N. B.

TO ARCHDEACON GILPIN, HALIFAX :

To the Synod of Nova Scotia, the Synod of the Diocese of Fredericton now in session desire to convey the expression of their heartfelt sympathy with them in the heavy loss they have sustained by the death of their Chief Pastor, and to assure them that the Prayers of this Synod have been offered for their guidance in the choice of his successor to the apostolic office.

JOHN FREDERICTON.

Moved by Rev. F. R. Murray, seconded by Rev. C. W. McCully,

That the Rev. W. Hibbert Binney, of the Diocese of Chester, England, and Rev. F. Archbold, of the Church of Ireland be invited to take seats on the floor of this Synod.[#]

The Chairman called for further nominations which any member might desire to make for the office of Bishop of Nova Scotia. None having been made, the Chairman declared the nominations closed.

The houses then proceeded to ballot with the following result :

No. of Votes	cast	Clerical	Lay. 104
Necessary to	a choice	46	53
For Rev. Dr.	Edgehill		56
For Rt. Rev.	Bishop Sullivan	20	48

The Rev. Dr. Edgehill was therefore declared to be duly elected Bishop of Nova Scotia.

The Chairman then asked that the election be made unanimous by a standing yote, which was accordingly done.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Hole and duly seconded,

That the Chairman be requested to send a telegram to Dr. Edgehill asking for an immediate reply.

The Synod adjourned until Thursday, at 10 A.M.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, JULY 7TH, 1887.

The Synod assembled at 10 A.M., pursuant to adjournment. Prayers were said by the Chairman.

The roll of the clergy was called by the Clerical Secretary.

The roll of the Laity was called by the Lay Secretary.

The minutes of the preceding day's session were read, amended, and approved.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Hole, seconded by Rev. J. J. Ritchie,

That the Chairman be authorized to acknowledge the telegrams and letters of condolence.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Hole, seconded by Rev. V. E. Harris,

That the Synod adjourn until 2 P.M.

Carried.

THURSDAY-Evening Session.

The Synod re-assembled at 2 P.M.

The Chairman read a telegram from Rev. Dr. Edgehill.

SCHLUCHSEE, JULY 7th, 1887.

Rev. Gilpin, Halifax, N. S. :

Deeply moved by Synod's confidence. Greatly perplexed. Could Synod give week for final answer, if not must with heartielt gratitude and thankfulness decline. Am in Germany, hence delay, not able to take advice. Elect another if waiting is inconvenient, for I am uncertain.

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Mcved by Mr. F. W. Bullock, seconded by Rev. F. R. Murray,

That this Synod adjourn awaiting the answer of Dr. Edgehill in respect to his election to the See of Nova Scotia, until Wednesday, August 10th, at 10 A.M.

Moved in amendment by Mr. A. B. Smith, seconded by Mr. John Smith,

That Sept. 1st be substituted for August 10th.

Moved by Rev. F. R. Murray, and duly seconded,

That the Rev. Edward Binney, of England, be admitted to a seat on the floor of the Synod. Carried.

On motion, the Rev. F. R. Murray took the Chair, when a cordial vote of thanks was passed to the Venerable the Archdeacon of Nova Scotia, Administrator of the Diocese and Chairman of the Synod, for his able, courteous, and impartial discharge of the duties of the Chair. *Carried unanimously.*

The Synod adjourned after the benediction and doxology.

THIRD DAY.

WEDNESDAY, Aug. 10th, 1887.

The Synod met, pursuant to adjournment, on Wednesday, August 10th, 1887, at 10 A. M.

The business of the Synod was presided over by the Venerable the Archdeacon of Nova Scotia, administrator of the Diocese, Chairman, who opened the Synod with the prescribed prayers.

The report of the Committee on Credentials was laid on the table by the Chairman.

THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The Committee on Credentials hand in a revised printed list of Representatives. Also, a supplementary statement of additions and charges since its preparation.

Guysboro,—has paid its assessment. Its representatives are qualified.

Halfway Cove,-has paid assessment, and its representatives qualified.

Shelburne,—has paid assessment, and returns E. J. Lordly and A. P. Silver, provisional Representatives, (1884), and are qualified.

Seaforth,—has paid assessment, and Representatives are qualified. Yarmouth,—(paid), Return John Brignell and Edward M. Veits. as provisional Representatives, elected in 1886, and are qualified.

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Charlottetown,—Amended returns with certified copy from minutes of parish meeting, that in 1886, T. H. Haviland and E. J. Hodgson, were elected Representatives, and L. W. Watson and F. Brecken provisional Representatives. Messrs. Hodgson and Watson are qualified.

Cherry Valley,—paid assessment. Messrs. J. H. Rourke and Thos. Crane are returned as Representatives, elected in 1886 and are qualified to sit. Messrs. Cotton and DesBrisay having been elected as provisional Representatives at a previous election, their names have been removed from the list.

St. Eleanor's, Summerside,—paid. Returns Messrs. D. Rodgers and W. C. DesBrisay as Representatives, and L. R. Davis, and F. Brecken, as provisional Representatives, and they are entitled to seats on producing certificates of communion. Mr. Brecken has produced his.

EDWIN GILPIN,

- Chairman of Committee

Mr. Charles Palmer stated that two provisional representatives from Alberton, whose names do not appear in the report, are present in place of the regular representatives. On motion of Mr. Palmer and Hon. A. G. Jones, the matter was referred to the Committee on Credentials.

The roll of the Clergy was called by Rev. David Neish, the acting Clerical Secretary, when 79 answered to their names.

The roll of Lay Representatives was called by the Lay Secretary, when 118 answered to their names.

The Right Rev. the Bishop of Quebec and the Right Rev. the Bishop of Springfield, Illinois, United States, (Bishop Seymour), were introduced and received by the Synod standing, and conducted to seats on the right and left of the Chair.

The Lay Secretary stated that Mr. H. S. Poole, representative of Albion Mines, is not present, but that Messrs. C. F. Fraser and C. J. Spike, provisional representatives, are both present and claim the seat.

On motion of Hon A. G. Jones and Rev. Rural Dean Moore, the matter was referred to the Special Committee on Credentials.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Rev. David Neish, and approved.

The Report of the Executive Committee was submitted, recommending the temporary appointment of Rev. D. Neish as Clerical Secretary, in the absence of Rev. Dr. Partridge, Secretary, in England, and reporting a Scheme of Assessment for the additional \$2000 to the Bishop's income.

The recommendation for the appointment of Rev. D. Neish as temporary Clerical Secretary, was seconded by Rev. Canon Brock, and adopted.

The Rev. F. H. Almon gave the following notice of motion :--

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Whereas, free expression of opinion is secured to the members of this Synod by the Declaration of Principles, the Order of Proceedings, and the Rules of Order.

And whereas, a rule has been passed at this Synod declaring that the nomination of candidates (for the Bishopric) shall be an open nomination without any expression of opinion,

And whereas, such rule was illegally passed, inasmuch as the 16th Clause of the Constitution of the Synod was not complied with,

And whereas, it is deemed advisable to rescind such rule.

Resolved, That such rule be and is hereby rescinded and declared null and void.

On motion, the Synod adjourned for a few minutes, to resume on the call of the Chairman, to enable the Credential Committee to consider and report on the cases of Albion Mines and Alberton.

On resuming, the Archdeacon reported verbally on behalf of the Credential Committee, that Mr. C. J. Spike not having been elected in accordance with the rules, Mr. Fraser is entitled to the seat for Albion Mines; also that the two provisional representatives for Alberton, not having been elected in accordance with the rules, are not entitled to their seat. The report was accepted.

A resolution of sympathy from the Synod of Newfoundland was read by the Archdeacon; also, Mrs. Binney's reply to the Synod's address of condolence.

The Rev. F. H. Almon's notice of motion was now taken up, seconded by Rural Dean Filleul, and discussed. A point of order having been raised, the Chairman ruled the motion out of order, under No. 17 of the Rules of Order.

The Synor now proceeded with the election of a Bishop.

The Rev. Dr. Nichols nominated the Venerable the Archdeacon of Nova Scotia, as Bishop.

The Rev. J. J. Ritchie nominated the Right Rev. Dr. Sullivan, Bishop of Algoma, as Bishop.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Hole, seconded by Rev. F. R. Murray, that the Synod adjourn for half an hour.

On returning, before proceeding with the ballot, the Synod, on motion of Rev. Dr. Hole and Mr. Chas. Palmer, knelt for a short time in silent prayer.

The ballot was then taken.

The Clerical Secretary reported the result of the ballot by the Clergy :--

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No election having resulted, new nominations were called for. The Rev. Rural Dean Snyder then nominated Right Rev. Dr. Perry, Bishop of Iowa, as Bishop.

The Rev. C. O'Meara nominated the Rev. Canon Brigstocke, of St. John N. B.

The Chairman declared the nominations closed. The Synod adjourned till 3 P.M.

FRIDAY-Afternoon Session.

The Synod met pursuant to adjournment, at 3 P.M.

The second ballot having been taken, the Clerical Secretary reported the result of the voting by the Clergy :---

BALLOT NO. 2.

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No election having resulted, new nominations were called for. None being made the nominations were declared closed by the Chairman and a new ballot taken.

The Clerical Secretary reported the result of the ballot by the Clergy as follows:

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The Clerical Secretary reported the vote of the Clergy as follows:

BALLOT NO. 4.

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The Lay Secretary reported the vote of the Laity as follows :----

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No election resulted.

Moved by Mr. J. W. H. Rowley, seconded by Rev. F. H. Almon,

Lost. That the Synod adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Moved by Rev. F. R. Murray, seconded by Rev. John Ambrose,

That a conference of ten elergymen and ten laymen be held to consider the present situation relative to the election of a Bishop.

After discussion the motion was withdrawn, and the Synod adjourned till 9 o'clock this evening, it being understood that an informal conference would be held in the meantime.

The Synod met pursuant to adjournment, at 9 P.M. On motion of Rev. F. R. Murray, seconded by the Hon. W. B. Vail, the Synod adjourned till ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

FOURTH DAY.

THURSDAY, AUG. 11TH, 1887.

The Synod met, pursuant to adjournment, at 10 A. M. The Ven. the Archdeacon in the Chair.

Prayers were said by the Chairman.

The roll of the clergy was called by the Clerical Secretary, when 76 answered to their names.

The roll of the Laity was called by the Lay Secretary, when 109 answered to their names.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read by the Clerical Secretary, and, after being slightly amended, approved.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Nichols, seconded by Hon. N. W. White.

That the Synod adjo urn for 15 minutes.

Carried.

The Synod resumed business.

Under the mutual understanding at the informal meeting, the Rev. J. J. Ritchie and Mr. W. C. Silver asked leave to withdraw the nomination of the Bishop of Algoma; and the Rev. Dr. Nichols, and Rev. Rural Dean Moore asked leave to withdraw the nomination of Archdeacon Gilpin.

Moved by Rev. F. R. Murray, seconded by Rev. Dr. Hole,

That the proposers of the Archdeacon of Nova Scotia and the Bishop of Algoma have permission to withdraw their nominations. Carried.

The nominations of the Archdeacon of Nova Scotia and the Bishop of Algoma were then formally withdrawn.

The Right Reverend Dr. Kingdon, Coadjutor-Bishop of Fredericton, and the Right Reverend Dr. Hamilton, Bishop of Niagara, were introduced, received by the Synod standing, and conducted to seats on the right of the Chairman.

Ballot No. V. was now taken on the nomination of the Right Rev. Dr. Perry, Bishop of Iowa, said nomination having been agreed to at the informal meeting.

The Clerical Secretary reported the result of Ballot No. V., by the Clergy, as follows :----

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The Chairman declared the Right Reverend William Stevens Perry, D.D., LL.D., D. C. L., Bishop of Iowa, U. S. A., elected. The election was confirmed by a standing vote of the whole

Synod, and the doxology was sung.

Moved by Rev. F. R. Murray, seconded by Rev. Dr. Hole,

That in the event of the Bishop of Iowa declining the nomination to the Bishopric of Nova Scotia, the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, and the Bishop of London, be asked to recommend a person for said Bishopric.

Moved by Hon. A. G. Jones, seconded by Mr. Chas. Palmer,

That in the event of the Bishop of Iowa declining the Bishopric, the Ven. the Archdeacon, Rev. Dr. Nichols, Rev. Dr. Hole, and the Rev. F. R. Murray, be a committee to confer with the Archbishops of Canterbury and York and the Bishop of London and York and the Bishop of London.

Moved by the Rev. F. R. Murray, seconded by Rev. Dr. Hole,

That a Committee of 20 be nominated by the Chairman to meet the Bishop elect on his arrival.

The Chairman nominated the following Committee :---

Hon. A. G. Jones, "W. B. Vail, The Archdeacon, Dr. Hole, Judge Ritchie, W. H. Owen, Rev. F. R. Murray, Canon Brock, " Col. Stewart, Canon Maynard, Measrs. W. C. Silver, Dr. Nichols, Dr. Uniacke, C. Palmer, F. W. Bullock, H. J. Cundall, Rural Dean Snyder, Filleul, " E. J. Hodgson. Rev. J. J. Ritchie,

The Synod was addressed by the Bishop of Niagara, and the Coadjutor-Bishop of Fredericton.

The Chairman announced that the corner stone of All Saints' Cathedral will be laid at 4.30, P.M., to-morrow.

Moved by the Executive Committee, seconded by Mr. W. C-Silver,

That the report on Assessment be considered.

Carried.

Moved by Mr. H. J. Cundall, seconded by Hon. W. H. Owen,

That the Report of the Executive Committee on Assessment be printed and taken up for consideration at 3.30, p.m.

The Synod adjourned till 3.30, P.M.

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The Synod met, pursuant to adjournment, at 3.30, P.M., and took up the Report of the Executive Committee in the matter of

Moved by Rev. Rural Dean Moore, seconded by Rev. Rural Dean Smith, that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Rev. Dr. Bowman, seconded by Col. Stewart,

That the Assessment be adopted for one year, subject thereafter to alteration in accordance with the revision by the Finance Committee previous to the next session of the Diocesan Synod.

Moved by Rev. Rural Dean Moore, seconded by Rev. A. C. Macdonald,

That the manner of collecting the amount of the Assessment be referred to the Executive Committee to take action thereon. Carried.

Rev. Rural Dean Moore, seconded by Rev. V. E. Harris, moved the thanks of this Synod,

To the Rector and Church-wardens of St. Luke's for the use of the Church for the meetings of this Synod.

To the Church people of Halifax for kind and generous hospitality to the Clergy.

To the Clerical and Lay Secretaries for the courteous discharge of their duties. To the Press for the careful reports of the proceedings.

To the President and Council of the Church of England Institute for the free use of the rooms during the session.

To such R. R. and S. S. Companies as have granted privileges to the delegates. Carried.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Hole, seconded by Col. Stewart,

That the Synod adjourn until 2.30, P.M., to-morrow.

Carried.

FIFTH DAY.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12TH, 1887.

The Synod met, pursuant to adjournment, at 2.30, P.M. The Ven. the Archdeacon in the Chair.

Prayers were said by the Chairman.

The roll of the Clergy was called by the Clerical Secretary, when 35 answered to their names.

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The roll of the Laity was called by the Lay Secretary, when 19 answered to their names.

The Synod will meet after service this evening.

The Synod met. Bishop Seymour took leave of the Synod. Moved by Rev. Dr. Nichols, seconded by Hon. W. B. Vail,

That the Executive Committee be recommended to pay to the Ven. the Archdeacon, out of the accumulated interest of the Funds from which the income of the Bishop is derived, such sums as may be necessary to compensate him for his services while acting as Administrator of the Diocese, and this Synod pledges itself to confirm the same at its next regular session.

Carried unanimously.

Moved by Dr. Nichols, seconded by Hon. W. B. Vail,

That this Synod now adjourn until the second Wednesday in November. Carried.

The Ven. the Archdeacon, Chairman, dismissed the Synod with the benediction.

SIXTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 9TH, 1887.

The Synod of Nova Scotia met on this day, pursuant to adjournment, at 10, A.M.

The Ven. Archdeacon Gilpin, D. D., Administrator of the Diocese in the Chair; who opened the Synod with prayers.

The roll of the Clergy was called by the Clerical Secretary, when 30 clergy answered to their names.

The roll of the Lay Representatives was called by the Lay Secretary, when 54 answered to their names.

The minutes of the fourth and fifth days of the Session were read and approved.

The Chairman made a statement relative to the action taken by him since the last session, and the present position of affairs, as follows :—

ARCHDEACON'S STATEMENT.

1. By order of the Synod a telegram was sent to the Bishop of Iowa, notifying him of his election on August 11th.

The answer received from him was as follows :- August 15th-

Telegram received. Cannot give encouragement, but await particulars Iowa, August 17th, 1887.

2. By next mail I wrote to him giving him particulars.

HALIFAX, N. S., AUGUST 17TH, 1887.

My dear Lord Bishop,-

In your telegram you ask for particulars. I suppose relative to election and endowment of the See. Let me then briefly state :

At our first election Dr. Edgehill and the Bishop of Algoma were proposed. Dr. Edgehill was unanimously elected. Dr. Edgehill having declined to accept, our Synod met again on the loth. Archdeacon Gilpin and the Bishop of Algoma were before the Synod. The Clergy supported the former by large majorities on each hallot. The Lay Representatives did the same for the Bishop of Algoma. There was consequently what is called a "dead lock."

In consequence of information received from the Bishop of Springfield, the Bishop of Iowa, Dr. Perry, was proposed and unanimously accepted by all and elected Bishop of the Diocese of Nova Scotia. The Synod was adjourned to the first Wednesday in November.

These are the principal features of the election. With reference to the Endowment let me say :

There is not a house belonging to the See.

Please give Synod definite answer.

The income from funds held in trust of S. P. G., appears to be $\pounds 600$ sterling, and from investments made here, $\pounds 200$.

To this the Synod of N. S. agreed to add by Assessment on Parishes, \$2000, making the whole \$6000.

The Society for Propagation of the Gospel will not supplement the above.

The S. P. C. K. will probably aid an effort for permanent endowment by adding a ninth to the sum raised.

I do not know that there are any other particulars to give you relative to this matter. I may be allowed to state that from what has been done and the general expression of opinion, your acceptance will be gladly received and will be productive of great benefit to our Church.

I remain, respectfully,

EDWIN GILPIN,

Archdeacon.

3. By next mail I sent duplicate of above, adding Judge Ritchie's opinion relative to naturalization.

4. I received a letter from Bishop of Iowa, dated London, August 11th, 1887, containing nothing connected with the matter

5. Learning from the above that the Bishop of Iowa would be in London by the last of September, I telegraphed to him :

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Meantime I had seen his letter in the U.S. Papers, on which I could not act.

7. I received on Sept. 29th, a courteous letter from the Bishop of Iowa.

London, England, Sept. 29th, 1887.

My dear Archdeacon,—

I have just reached London from the Continent and find your very kind letter, and those from other friends in Halifax, which, by a misunderstanding of the mailing clerk at my bankers, had not been forwarded to me with my other mail while on the Continent. Will you convey to the Synod and accept for yourself, my dear Archdeacon, the assurance of my grateful appreciation of the honor which my brethren of the Clergy and Laity in Nova Scotia have so kindly conferred upon me, and my full sense of the proof afforded by their action of the substantial identity of the two churches. But with every feeling of affection and regard, I am confident that my life should be spent in my own native land, and in the service of the beloved church which has been assigned to my care. I am sure that were the canonical difficulties attending a translation from an American to a Canadian See which confessedly exist were removed, that I should still be bound by ties, too strong to be sundered, to the land of my birth and the church to which I have given my life's best years. I can only add to my grateful thanks for the honor so generously tendered me, my earnest prayer that God may send to the vacant See of Nova Scotia a man after His own heart who shall be to you indeed a Prince and a Leader in Israel.

I am, my dear Archdeacon,

Ever faithfully and truly yours,

WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY,

Bishop of Iowa.

THE VEN. ARCHDEACON OF HALIFAX.

8. I at once wrote to the Archbishop of Canterbury as follows:---

HALIFAX, N. S., OCT. 4TH, 1887.

TO HIS GRACE THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY :

May it please your Grace,—

As Chairman of the Synod of Nova Scotia, and as one of a Committee appointed for the purpose, permit me, in the absence of the other members of the Committee, to communicate to your Grace, immediately upon receipt of the definite reply of the Bishop of Iowa to accept this Bishopric, the following copies of resolutions passed by the Synod of N. S., in August last. Further particulars shall be sent when the other members of the Committee return to the city.

I remain, yours truly,

With very much respect, EDWIN GILPIN.

A letter was sent from the Committee nominated by the 9. Synod to communicate with the English prelates.

May it please your Grace,-

Immediately upon the definite refusal of the Right Reverend Bishop Perry, of Iowa, to accept the Bishopric of Nova Scotia, a letter, of which a copy is annexed, was sent, informing your Grace of the fact, and convey-ing the request of the Synod of N. S. to the Archbishops of Canterbury and York and the Bishop of London.

The Committee appointed to confer with your Grace, have now the honor of sending to your Grace, certified extracts from the Records of Synodical action in July and August last, containing the request that your Lordships will recommend a person as Bishop of this Diocese

The Committee would state that in accordance with the Constitution of our Synod the Bishop must be elected here by ballot in order that his appointment may be legal.

The Committee would further state that the income of the See from investments is about Four Thousand Dollars per annum; in addition to which the Synod has voted, and will take measures to raise Two Thousand Dollars for the same purpose.

In connection with this subject the Committee would respectfully request attention to the last resolution, under which it appears that the whole of the accumulated interest of the Endowment Fund since the vacancy, will not be at the disposal of the Bishop elected.

The Committee have the honor of sending herewith a copy of the Records of our Synod containing the Constitution and Rules of that Body.

10. I received a letter from the Archbishop's Secretary acknowledging the receipt of my letter of Oct. 4.

Addington Park, Croydon, Oct. 20th, 1887.

Venerable Sir._

I am directed by the Archbishop of Canterbury to acknowledge with his thanks the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant, enclosing copies of two Resolutions passed by the Synod of Nova Scotia in August last.

His Grace will defer taking any action in the matter until he receives the further particulars which you promise.

Yours very truly,

M. FOWLER,

Chaplain,

HALIFAX, OCT. 19TH, 1887.

THE VEN. ARCHDEACON GILPIN.

This is the present state of affairs.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Hole, seconded by Rev. F. R. Murray,

That a cablegram be sent to the Archbishop of Canterbury as follows :

The Synod in session respectfully asks advice as to the length of its adjournment 'ere it meets to receive the name of the gentleman selected.

And that this Synod adjourn until 2 o'clock, p.m., to-morrow to receive the reply.

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That this Synod adjourn until the second Wednesday in February, 1888.

The amendment was put and *lost*. The original motion was then put and *carried*. The Synod accordingly adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY.

THURSDAY, NOV. 10TH, 1887.

The Synod met, pursuant to adjournment, at 2 P.M. The Ven. the Archdeacon in the Chair.

Prayers were said by the Chairman.

The roll of the Clergy was called by the Clerical Secretary, when 46 answered to their names.

The roll of the Laity was called by the Lay Secretary, when 34 answered to their names.

The minutes of the preceding day were read and approved.

The Archdeacon, Chairman, announced the receipt of the following telegram :

EDWIN GILPIN, DIOCESAN ROOMS, HALIFAX.

Documents imperfect. Will write.

ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY,

Moved by Rev. F. R. Murray, and duly seconded,

That the correspondence with the Archbishop be re-read. Carried.

The Chairman read the correspondence.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Hole, seconded by Rev. F. R. Murray,

That the telegram of the Archbishop of Canterbury be now taken into consideration. Carried.

Moved by Rev. F. R. Murray, seconded by Rev. F. H. Almon,

That the names of Hon. Judge Ritchie, Hon. Judge Townshend, and Hon. W. B. Vail be added to the Committee of Conference with the Archbishops of Canterbury and York and the Bishop of London. Lost.

Moved by Rev. George F. Maynard, seconded by Rev. F. J. H. Axford,

That the Synod pledge itself to accept the nominee of the Archbishops and the Bishop of Lordon.

After considerable discussion this resolution was ruled out of order by the Chair, on the ground raised by Mr. Justice Ritchie, that the Constitution requires election to the Bishopric by ballot, whereas this would virtually be by resolution.

Moved by Rev. George F. Maynard, seconded by Rev. F. J. H.

That it is the opinion of this Synod that it will ratify the nomination of the Archbishop and the Bishop of London.

Moved, in amendment, by Rev. Rural Dean Moore, seconded by Rev. Dr. Bowman,

That it be an instruction to the Committee that any question as to the pledging of this Synod from the English prelates be answered in the sense of the following :--

That although the Constitution of the Synod of Nova Scotia obliges it to elect its Bishop by ballot, and thus it cannot legally pledge itself to accept the selection of the English prelates, yet it regards itself morally bound to accept their recommendation.

After much discussion both the amendment and the resolution were withdrawn.

Moved by Hon. A. G. Jones, seconded by Rev. F. R. Murray,

That this Synod do adjourn until the first Wednesday in February, 1888, at 10 A.M.

The benediction was given and the Synod adjourned.

EIGHTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 1st, 1888.

The Synod met at 10 A.M., in St. Luke's Cathedral. The Ven. the Archdeacon of N. S. in the Chair.

Prayers were said by the Chairman.

The roll of the Clergy was called by the Clerical Secretary, when 44 were found to be present.

The roll of Lay Representatives was called by the Lay Secretary, when 56 answered to their names.

A telegram was read from the members of the Clerical Association of Prince Edward Island as follows :--- Ven. Ar Nor deeply n closed cl insurmo and peop

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Ven. Archdeacon Gilpin, Halifax,-

JAN. 31ST, 1888.

Non-attending members Clerical Association, Prince Edward Island, deeply regret enforced absence from Synod. arrival in time necessitating closed churches here last Sunday. Other difficulties and obstacles almost insurmountable make attendance impossible. Earnest prayers of ourselves and people for Divine illumination in your deliberations.

C. F. LOWE,

Secretary.

The minutes of the preceding day were read and approved.

The Chairman made the following statement of the present condition of affairs, presenting and reading, also, the various letters connected therewith.

1. At the Synod meeting in November, last, a telegram was read from the Archbishop of Canterbury stating that our resolutions were defective.

I wrote to the Archbishop on Dec. 9th. A copy of the letter is subjoined.

HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, DEC. 9TH, 1887.

May it please your Grace,-

Permit me respectfully to request your attention to the position of this

At the last meeting of our Synod, in November, we received a telegram from your Grace, stating that our communications were imperfect, and promising that you would write.

Since that time we have not heard anything from your Grace. We do not know what is deficient in the papers which have been sent, and have been anxiously looking for instructions. Our Synod is to meet again (for the fourth time on this subject, viz : the election of a Bishop) in the first week in February, next.

The time is but short for your Grace to inform us what is wanting in our communication, for us to amend it, and for your Grace to recommend a person for election as our Bishop.

Your Grace may easily suppose how much we are suffering from the want of a ruler, and how eagerly we are looking for response from those whom we have asked to help us in our need.

I hope that this may be regarded as sufficient apology for my again ad-dressing your Grace on this subject.

I remain your obed't servant,

EDWIN GILPIN,

Archdeacon and Administrator of the Diocese.

3. The next thing in the sequence of events is a telegram from the Archbishop.

Archdeacon Gilpin, Halifax,-

LONDON, Dec. 16, 1887.

Assurance wanted that nominee will be accepted, otherwise adequate persons will not consent, also send certificate that action of Synod has been according to rules and within legal powers. 1 write.

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4. A certificate was immediately sent from the Chancellor that all things were in order, with the following letter, and a telegram informing him that the documents were forwarded.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 16, 1887.

May it please your Grace,-

Your telegram was received to-day and promptly answered.

If our Synod were to pass a resolution that the person recommended by your Grace must be accepted, the action would not be in accordance with the Constitution of the Synod, and the legal position of a Bishop thus appointed might be questioned.

Under these circumstances we do all that is in our power; i. e. we, the Committee appointed to confer with your Grace relative to a recommendation, give you our assurance, based upon the positive expression of sentiment purposely elicited at our last meeting of Synod, that we are morally bound to accept the person recommended by your Grace, his Grace of York, and the Bishop of London.

It is necessary that the person so recommended be nominated at the meeting of our Synod, proposed by a member, seconded, and elected by ballot.

This is all that we can do under the circumstances of our present condition.

We send to your Grace a certificate from the Chancellor of our Diocese that the convening of the Synod, all its actions and proceedings were in accordance with our rules, and that there is nothing in the Constitution of the Synod to prevent us from asking any one to recommend us a person for election as our Bishop.

We beg leave respectfully to remind your Grace that our Synod meets again about the 10th of February next, and that it will be a great disappointment and a great loss to our Diocese if we have not a man formally recommended to put before the Synod for election.

(Signed)

EDWIN GILPIN, F. R. MURRAY, C. HOLE.

DR. NICHOLS, away.

5. A letter arrived from the Archbishop.

Addington Park, Croydon, Dec. 16th, 1887.

My dear Mr. Archdeacon, -

I have telegraphed to you on a very important point. It seems that your Episcopal election must be by ballot in order that the appointment may be legal.

The person suitable to such a position and sufficiently highly regarded in England to convey to the position the honor that it deserves, will not accept a nomination from the delegated prelates in England to be Bishop of Nova Scotia, if that nomination is liable to be overthrown by a ballot or in any other way when it is communicated to the Diocese.

In Australia and elsewhere means have been found to overcome similar difficulties by undertaking given beforehand that the nominee will be accepted.

Are you able to give this assurance? I hope that by the time this letter arrives the telegram will have enabled you to ascertain what can be done.

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There is also required a certificate from yourself as Chairman that the Rules of Synod have been duly observed, and that all that has been done is within the legal power of the Synod.

Is the consecration intended to take place in England? If so, a certi ficate by the Chairman must be sent that this course is provided for in the Rules, together with a request to the Archbishop of Canterbury to consecrate which I may lay before the Crown.

I am, dear Mr. Archdeacon,

Yours most truly,

EDW. CANTUAR.

6. To this I replied :

Diocese of Nova Scotia, Halifax, N. S., Dec. 30th, 1887.

May it please your Grace,—

Your letter of 16th has been received to-day. In reply to your telegram, I answered by telegram and also formally in conjunction with the appointed Committee, stating that only a moral assurance could be given that one recommended by your Grace would be elected. An undertaking given beforehand that the person recommended would be elected might vitiate the legality of the election.

I have had the honour to send to your Grace a formal document from the Chancellor of the Diocese that all things have been conducted in due form and order, and that we are not *ultru vires* in asking any one to recommend. It is not for me to say where the consecration shall be. My duty will be to report an election to our Metropolitan, and our House of Bishops will decide further proceedings. I will only venture to say that as far as I know and foresee, the consecration is expected to be in this Province, (ccclesiastical of Canada.)

Our Synod meets again in February, and it is a matter of great importance to have definite information from your Grace to place before that meeting.

I remain, with much respect,

Your obed't servant,

EDWIN GILPIN,

Administrator.

7. I wrote the next letter on January 2nd.

HALIFAX, JANUARY 2ND, 1888.

May it please your Grace,-

Since writing to your Grace on Saturday, last, it has occurred to me, that although I have sent a certificate from our Chancellor, yet it would be best for me to send another signed by myself, in accordance with the words of your letter.

With reference to the question of place for consecration, I have sent a copy of your letter to our Metropolitan who will probably communicate with your Grace. I would only say that the Canon of our Provincial Synod of Canada. XV., appears to consider only consecration taking place within the Ecclesiastical Province.

It might be, however, that our House of Bisheps should see fit to recommend and the Metropolitan to request the consecration to take place in England,

I remain, your most obed't servant,

EDWIN GILPIN,

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8. The only remaining document I have to lay before you is the following telegram :

LONDON, Jan. 18, 1888.

Archdeacon Gilpin, Halifax, Nova Scotia,-

Nominators have met failing guarantee that nomination will be accepted the difficulties are too great. Letter by post,

ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY.

Moved by Rev. F. R. Murray, seconded by Rev. Dr. Hole,

That the resolution asking the English prelates to recommend a clergyman be rescinded. *Carried unanimously.*

Moved by Hon. Justice Townshend, seconded by Rev. F. R. Murray,

That Rev. Frederick Courtney, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Boston, be elected Bishop of this Diocese.

In accordance with the rules, the Synod adjourned for half an hour.

The Synod met, pursuant to adjournment.

The Chairman asked for other nominations. None being made, the Chairman declared the nominations closed.

The ballot was then taken on the name of Rev. Dr. Courtney.

The Chairman asked that the election be confirmed by a standing vote, which was accordingly done.

The Chairman declared Rev. Dr. Courtney, Rector of St-Paul's Church, Boston, U. S., duly elected Bishop of Nova Scotia.

The Doxology was sung.

Moved by Rev. F. R. Murray, seconded by Rev. Dr. Hole,

That the Archdeacon telegraph the news of his election to Rev. Dr. ourtney.

On motion the Synod adjourned till 8 this evening.

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The Synod, re-assembled at 8 P.M.

The Ven. Archdeacon Gilpin,-

The Chairman read the following telegram from Dr. Courtney:

BOSTON, FEB. 1ST, 1888.

Please convey to Synod my deep appreciation of the honor conferred upon me by my election as Bishop of Nova Scotia and of their confidence in my character shewn in their unanimity. With diffidence and selfdistrust but relying upon the help of God and the hearty co-operation of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese, I accept the trust committed to me. F. COURTNEY.

The Chairman read the letter which he proposed to send to the Metropolitan.

Rev. Canon Brock, by permission, read a letter which he had just received from the assistant minister of St. Paul's Church, Boston, relative to Dr. Courtney, which was heard by the Synod with much satisfaction.

Various members of the Synod addressed the Synod.

Moved by Rev. Rural Dean Moore, seconded by Hon. A. G. Jones,

That the Archdeacon do leave the Chair, and that Rev. Canon Maynard take the same.

The members above named then moved,

That the most hearty thanks of this Synod be tendered to the Ven. Archdeacon Gilpin, for all that he has done and endured during the Session. *Carried unanimously by a standing vote.*

Moved by Mr. F. W. Bullock, seconded by Rev. W. J. Ancient,

That the Metropolitan be requested by the Administrator to hold the consecration in St. Luke's Cathedral, Halifax. Carried,

The usual votes of thanks were passed.

The minutes of this day's session were read and approved. Moved by Mr. P. Lynch, seconded by Rev. Dr. Hole,

That the Synod adjourn until the second Wednesday before Easter, March 20th, 1888. Carried.

The TE DEUM was sung. The benediction was given and the Synod adjourned.

> FRANCIS PARTRIDGE, *Clerical Secretary*.

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EDWIN GILPIN,

Honorary Treasurer.

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Examined and found correct, W. C. SILVER, JNO. T. WYLDE. } Auditors,

February 6, 1888.

