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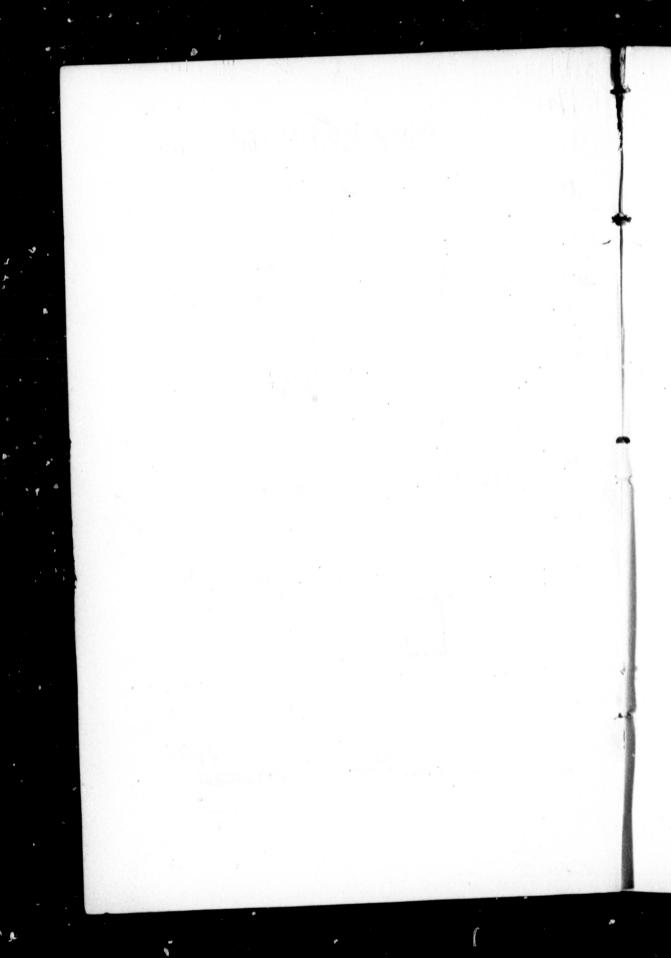
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Diocesan Synod of Montreal, Canada.

The Fourth Annual Meeting of the Diocesan Synod was held on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 17th and 18th June, 1862.

At 11 o'clock the delegates, lay, and clerical, attended Divine Service in the Cathedral. Rev. E. Wood intoned the service and Rev. Canon White read the lessons, the Dean of Montreal preaching an able and eloquent sermon from the 20th verse of the 1st chapter St. Paul's First Epistle to the Corinthians. Afterwards the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by the Lord Bishop of Montreal and Metropolitan, the Dean, and Rev. Canon White.

At two o'clock the delegates met in the Synodroom, when the Lord Bishop took the chair, and with prayer constituted the Synod. Rev. E. J. Rogers, Clerical Secretary, now read the names of the clerical and lay delegates.

The following are the names of the Delegates present.

| PARISH OR MISSION. ABBOTSFORD. | CLERGY. | LAY DELEGATES. |
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| ROUGEMONT, | CLERGY. Rev. F. Robinson, M.A | M. H. Sanborn. *Richard Bradford. Joseph Drake. J. M. Standish |
| HULL, | *Rev. J. Johnston, | { *R. A. Young. } *A. Driscoll. { Wm. McKay Wright |
| Bedford, | *Rev. W. Jones, | N. S. Brown. Galloway Freligh. |

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| PARISH OR MISSION. | | LAY DELEGATES. E. E. Shelton. John Bostwick. |
| | Don W A Merrick, M.A. | James Armstrong. *James S. Dixon. |
| BRANDON, | Rev. R. Lindsay, M.A | Hiram S. Foster. *Luke M. Knowlton. T. B. Anderson. Professor Howe. |
| BUCKINGHAM, | Rev. W. Morris, | ot- W Tahnsan Bart |
| CHAMBLY, | Rev. G. DeC. O'Grady, M.A | |
| CHRISTIEVILLE, | *Rev. J. A. McLeod, M. A | { Wm. McGinnis. *Wm. Bowman. |
| CLARENCEVILLE, ST. THOMAS, ST. GEORGE, HENRYVILLE, | Rev. Canon Townsend, M.A. | (*Norman H. Derrich. John Macfie. (Henry Martin. |
| CLARENDON, | Rev. F. Codd, | |
| COWANSVILLE, | | *G. B. Baker. *James Ruyter. *Geo. Shufelt. *Thos. Cotton. |
| COTEAU DU LAC, | Rev. T. A. Young, M. A. | Henry Roebuck. |
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| GRANBY, N. SHEFFORD, | · } Rev. W. Jones, | Wm. Luke West. Josiah Payne. **Dr. J. C. Whitcombe. John Lowe. |
| | • | *Edwin Pridham. *Thos. Owens. |
| GRENVILLE, | . Rev. F. S. Neve, | |
| HEMMINGFORD, | Rev. E. Du Vernet, M. A | F. D. Fulford. J. H. Smith. H. Figeby. J. H. Winu. |
| HUNTINGDON, HINCHINBROOKE, | / 1001. 1 | *John Booth. *James Hyde. *William Salter. Wm. Hicks. |
| KILDARE, | *Rev. Wm. M. Seaborn, | J. Dixon. Russell Woods. T. Simpson. *Mr. Reid. |
| LACHINE, | Rev. J. Flanagan, | |
| LACOLLE, | TIT-thorall | J. C. Bowman. Alonzo Smith. |
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| PARISH OR MISSION. | CLERGY. | LAY DELEGATES |
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| MASCOUCHE, | Rev. G. Heaton, M.A | { Hon. J. Pangman. *J. Patterson. *John Moody, jr. John McKenzie. *James Your g. {G. H. Monk. |
| | Rev. G. Slack, M.A | |
| $\left\{ egin{array}{ll} Cathedral, \dots \end{array} \right\} \left\{ egin{array}{ll} \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{I} \end{array} \right\}$ | Dean of Montreal, | Hon. Judge McCord. |
| St. George's, $\left\{ egin{array}{l} \mathbf{I} \end{array} \right.$ | Rev. Canon Leach, D.C.L., Rev. W. B. Bond, M.A., | J. Hutton. Geo. Moffatt, jr. |
| St. Stenhen's | Rev. J. Ellegood, M.A., | W. Wright, M.D. Alex. Henderson. |
| $\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{R} \end{array} \right\}$ | ev. Canon Bancroft, D.D., ev. W. B. Curran, B.A., | { Hugh Taylor. { *Henry Bancroft. |
| | cev. J. Irwin, M.A | S. Caldicott |
| Hochelaga, R | ev. R. R. Burrage, M.A | T. Senor. |
| St. John the Evang. R | ev. E. Wood, M.A., | Col. Lowry. |
| Chap. to the Forces, R | ev. E. J. Rogers, M.A. | (U. II. Isaacson. |
| | ov. A. D. Lockhart, | { John Quin, *Alex. Gowdie, (S. Bethune, *John Meldrum, *Thos. Burton, |
| ORMSTOWN, Re | ev. W Brothour | |
| Onslow, *H | Rev. F. G. C. Brathwaite. M.A. | { *C. De Lisle. Major Campbell, C.B. |
| POTTON, *R | | Geo. C. Robinson. *Levi A. Parkins. |
| RAWDON, Re | v. C. Rollit, | W. Scrogg. Thos. Pigott. |
| | v, J. Fulton, M.A | deter ronea. |
| SABREVOIS, {*Re | ev. B. P. Lewis, B.A., | *T. H. Ryan. |
| ST. ANDREW'S, Re | v. R. Lonsdell, M. A $\left\{ \right.$ | W. A. Phillips. D. McNaughten. |
| ST. ARMAND E., {*Ca | anon Reid, D.D | William M. Patterson. William S. Baker. |
| ST. ARMAND W | | |
| PIGEON HILL, | , H. Montgomery, | *Hon. T. P. Moore. *T. R. Roberts. *Capt. P. Yates. *J. M. Sagar. |
| ST. MARTIN, | | Chas. Smallwood, D.D. *Wm. Woodwark. |

| PARISH OR MISSION. | CLERGY. | LAY DELEGATES. |
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| ST. JOHNS, | ev. H. F. Darnell, M. A | Chas. Lindsay Isaac Coote. Benj. Shortley James Yorke. |
| STANBRIDGE EAST, * | Rev. J. Constantine, M. A | |
| SOREL, | Rev. W. Anderson, | W. H. A. Davies. Edward Carter. Capt. Maitland. Joel C. Baker. |
| SOUTH STUKELY, F | Rev. C. P. Abbott, | L. H. Knowlton. |
| WATERLOO, | Rev. A. T. Whitten, | Will. Dampier. *Wm. Parmelee. M. H. Sanborn. |
| | Rev. T. Mussen, B. A | |
| | *Rev. J. Pyke, | |
| ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, | Rev. J. Allan, | |
| PORTAGE DU FORT, | Rev. J. Gribble, | J. McLaughlin. |
| RETIRED, | Rev. R. Whitwell. Rev. Thos Johnson. Rev. J. McMasters. Rev. J. Braithwaite. | |
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The Lord Bishop then delivered the following address:-

Rev. Brethren and Brethren of the Laity,-I am sure that we must all feel convinced how good it is for ourselves, as well as useful in promoting the more effective working of that body corporate, to which as churchmen we belong, that we should, from time to time, meet together, as we do on this occasion, Clergy as well as Laity, to take counsel respecting the present discharge of our several duties, and the best means of still more widely and faithfully spreading abroad the gospel of Christ. The rapid and easy circulation of intelligence in these days, from one part of the world to another, keeps us everywhere well informed as to what is doing elsewhere; and amidst the many controversies, excited by the activity of the human intellect, or difficulties caused by the opposition of gainsayers, or by past and present carelessness and lukewarmness, we have undoubted evidence that the Church of the living God is every day bearing louder and truer witness in the world, and increasing the circle of its usefulness. And I hope we may believe that this is, in its proportion, true in respect to what is taking place among ourselves in this part of the vineyard of our Lord: and that not merely as it may be inferred from the general statistics of the Canadian Church,

-which amongst other not worthy events in its history, has since we met together last year, held its first Provincial Synod, and received another addition to its Episcopate, making the fifth in that District, where a few years ago the Bishop of Quebec held the sole and undivided jurisdiction-but also amongst ourselves in this Diocese of Montreal, with which we are more specially connected. A few facts will place this more clearly before you, and convey information which may perhaps create some additional interest, as well as be suggestive of future modes of action. First, then, as to the clergy officiating here. In 1850, when this Diocese was first constituted, there were 49 clergymen and 1 catechist holding cures; of these two have died; (and I may mention, that they are the only two that have died of all who have been connected with this Diocese during the last twelve years,)-13 have left the Diocese, 4 have been allowed to retire on pensions, and 30 are still remained ing. We have now 60 clergymen and 7 catechists officiating; but what marks the progress made still more, than the mere increase of numbers, are the efforts made during this period to render the Church more selfsupporting here. In 1850 there were only 7 clergymen who were not receiving some assistance from funds raised in England; but of the sixty-seven clergymen and catechists now engaged, there are thirty wholly supported from within the Diocese,-either from the partial endowments we have been striving to raise, the annual contributions of their respective congregations, or the funds disbursed by our Diocesan Church Society. Then, again, with respect to Church edifices and parsonages. We have now 64 consecrated churches, 13 others in use, but for various reasons not yet consecrated, making 77-and five still in course of erection. Thirty of the above churches have been consecrated since September, 1850; and we have also 34 consecrated grave yards. There are 36 parsonage houses, of which 19 have been built or purchased since 1850; and two others are in course of erection. The general funds raised for all purposes within the Diocese during the year 1861, as given in the last Annual Report of the Church Society, amounted very nearly to \$60,000, being \$15,000 more than the previous year. By the census which was taken last year, the members of the Church of England, in the Diocese of Montreal, are returned as being 35,170, an increase over the former census of 9,621. But there are some particulars connected with these returns which I cannot understand. According to the former census, in 1851, the Church of England was returned in the City of Montreal at 3,393; in 1861 at 9,739—being an addition of 6,316. In 1851 there was not one Church of England person returned for the whole County of Huntingdon, (a great error, as we all knew,) in 1861 they are returned as 2,658. Now if these 2,658, the increase in Huntngdon, are added to the 6,346, the increase in the City of Montreal, they

will amount to 9,004; leaving only 617 as the increase for the whole of the rest of the Diocese. When we look at the number of new churches which have been built, and the additional clergymen employed, and increased activity manifested, I think we cannot be wrong in supposing that there must have been some miscalculation made. During the last twelve months, I have been holding confirmations in various parts of the Diocese, and expected to have nearly completed the triennial course by this time, but have been unable to carry through my programme as I had proposed. I may, however, state that, at the places already visited, I have confirmed up to the present time 1144; and if there is no increase in numbers over the last confirmations at the few places yet remaining, independent of some fresh congregations now formed which did not exist three years ago, the total will be 1491; giving at least an increase of 208 over the numbers at the last triengial course. The numbers at the four separate confirmations held by me since 1850, then will stand as follows:—1851-2, 1124; 1854-5, 1174; 1858-9, 1286; 1861-62, 1494. It is no doubt an encouragement to us to feel that we are making some progress in our endeavors to secure a permanence to our work in the Diocese, and that it is by God's help growing under our hands. But there is ample room and need for a much greater extension of the ministrations of our clergy, and much greater zeal in the prosecution of our work, when we see the rapid growth of the population in many portions of the diocese, and the small provision made for their spiritual oversight. How to meet the urgent necessities of the case, and make our little band do the duty of a full complement of Christian warriors, is the difficult problem we have to solve. And it is to consider and consult respecting it, that I so thankfully look to the members of the Synod to give their attention and their help. From the reports of the Rural Deaneries I expect we shall be able to derive much important and well digested information; and shall at least, in a short time, have the business of the diocese reduced to some more regular and systematic order, and see what is our present state, and what our wants-and set to work upon some matured plan of action, however un equal our success may be, as compared with what we propose to ourselves, as the end to be attained. will be our wisdom to try and enlist in the ranks of our spiritual laborers, as great a number as we can of those who shall be willing, and in any sufficient measure are prepared, in any capacity, to give themselves to the work; and to make use of every agency that can be brought wisely to co-operate with us in extending the ministrations of the Church and bringing her influence to bear upon those to whom It is with this end in view that many persons have recently been warmly advocating schemes respecting the work of the I have myself Diaconate, as a more distinct and permanent order.

considerable doubts how far it may be wise to lay down any such precise rules on this subject; but I am sure that we may make available to a much greater extent than has been done, the agency of catechists and lay readers, as assistants to the regular Ministry, and that opportunities will, from time to time, occur for selecting, from those who have been found faithful and efficient in these offices, some who may be wisely admitted to the office of Deacons, and so enabled to devote themselves more directly to the work of the Ministry; leaving, however, their future advancement to any higher order, for decision; as circumstances and the necessities of the Church may require. But even to increase this class of laborers, still more to keep up a supply of a well-trained and educated godly class of men, who shall devote themselves to the work of the Ministry in the Church of Christ, it will be necessary that we should be in a condition to promise the worthy laborer that he shall not be defrauded of his just recompense and reward. Knowing well how precarious will be the support of our clergy, when all external help shall be withdrawn, it is in some measure to assist in this, that I have pressed upon the Diocese to give attention to the providing gradually some local endowment funds, which I have been pleased to find has been taken up in so many places in so good a spirit. It will not, I now feel confident, be allowed to drop, without seeing some efficient result. I have, however, as yet, been able to obtain no final reply from the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, as to how far and on what terms they will be pleased to grant us any aid to encourage us. This is so important a measure that I cannot but hope the Society, which has spent so much in endeavouring to plant the Church in this Diocese, will see that a little help for this purpose will tend largely to secure its permanence. We owe them already deep gratitude for the past, and this emboldens me to ask what I certainly believe will be most effectual aid; and will set on foot, or at least add great effect to, the most beneficial movement made by the Church, to build an enduring edifice on the foundation already laid. Some few of our Missions, conscious of the deep obligations under which we lie to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, have during the last year or two, taken up collections, which have been remitted to London in aid of the general funds of the Society; and I have lately received a circular from the Secretary inviting this Diocese, amongst the rest with which they are connected, to co-operate in this way in sending the Gospel to the heathen. No doubt we may think we have plenty to do in providing for the spread of the Gospel amongst those who live near us and around us -but since we are not yet in a position to undertake the substantive work of a mission to the heathen, as our own proper office, might it not be a happy beginning, give us a greater interest in that vast enlargement of Christ's kingdom, now growing through the instrumentality of

the S. P. G., and stir up the Christian sympathy and love of our congregations, and so react again upon them for their own enlightenment, and growth of grace, if we were to make it a rule every year to send home some amount of contribution to the Society in London in aid of these missions to the heathen? And oh, I do feel every day, more and more, whether I try to read the secrets of my own heart, or look at the lives and conversation of congregations and individuals-pastors or their flocks-that we all want a larger out-pouring of the Spirit of Grace to direct and guide us, to sanctify and animate us in the discharge of our several duties. Surely everywhere, around and within, there is an abounding of iniquity, and the love of many waxes cold. How widely spread and how destructive is the absorbing love of this world-how deadly and debasing the indulgence in intemperate habits-how are God's Sabbaths profaned, and His Word still neglected! The Church of Christ, which we claim here to represent, should be as a light set upon a hill to to bear witness for God and His truth; and each and all of us are bound to aid and assist in making it seen far and wide, pure and undefiled, both by our co-operation in its general welfare and advancement, and by our personal submission to its rule, and confession of Christ before men. With these few observations, I earnestly commend you and the work of this Synod, to the Grace of God, and pray that our ways and purposes may be overruled for good; and that while we are allowed still to continue our work in this world, we may ever be found ready, both in body and soul, cheerfully to accomplish those things, which as faithful soldiers and servants of Jesus Christ, it will be our duty and privilege

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

It was moved by the Rev. F. Robinson, seconded by the Rev. J. C. Davidson, and resolved:—

That the Rev. Edward J. Rogers be re-elected Clerical Secretary.

It was moved by James Armstrong, Esq., seconded by H. Roebuck, Esq., and resolved:—

That H. M. Sanborn, Esq., be elected Lay Secretary.

It was moved by Rev. WILLIAM BOND, seconded by the Hon. Judge McCord, and resolved:—

That J. Hutton, Esq., be re-elected Treasurer.

It was moved by F. D. Fulford, Esq., seconded by Rev. J. Ellegood, and resolved:—

That H. Bancroft, Esq., and W. H. A. Davies, Esq., be re-elected Auditors.

The Treasurer then received the collections from the different parishes and missions amounting to \$234.04.

REPORTS.

Reports from the following Committees were read and ordered to be printed and placed in the hands of delegates, viz.

Report of the Joint Committee on Finance and Organization of Parishes. Report of the Committee on Rural Deans; Report of the Committee on Home and Foreign Missions.

Report of Committee to establish a society for building churches and parsonage houses, were also read and ordered to be considered to-morrow.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

REV. H. F. DARNELL gave notice that he would move to-day, that his Lordship be respectfully requested to issue a special form of thanksgiving to be used, after the in-gathering of harvest, on any Sunday, Holiday or Thanksgiving Day he may appoint.

From the Dean of Montreal:—That standing Committees from each Deanery, composed of one clerical and one lay member, be appointed for the purpose of taking measures for the erection of churches and parsonage houses within this diocese.

From Rev. G. SLACK:—That where it appears that any parish or mission shall not have made and transmitted to the Treasurer a collection to defray the expenses of the Synod, no delegate from that parish or mission shall be allowed to take his seat in this Synod next ensuing, until the deficiency is made good.

From Rev. G. De C. O'GRADY:—That his Lordship the Metropolitan Bishop be requested to appoint a committee to consider how long it is expedient that the family of any clergyman should be permitted to inhabit the parsonage after his decease.

The DEAN of MONTREAL then moved the 3 following motions of which notice had been given by the late Archdeacon Gilson.

1. "That the following words be added to clause 8 of 'Constitution of Synod,' "and at such special meeting no other business shall be transacted than that stated in calling the meeting."

The motion was seconded by Mr. MOFFATT and carried.

The DEAN moved, seconded by Hon. JUDGE McCord, that the following words be added to clause 11:

2. "And give notice to each Minister and Vestry of the time and place appointed for any stated or special meetings of the Synod, this notice to be given at least six weeks before such meeting."

Rev. Canon Bancroft moved, in amendment, seconded by Archdeacon Scott:—

"That the clause remain as it is."—Carried.

The DEAN then moved, seconded by Rev. G. DeC. O'Grady:-

3. "That to clause 12, respecting the Treasurer's receiving and disbursing the monies of Synod, the words "and keep account thereof be added."—Carried.

The Rev. F. S. NEVE moved :-

"That this Synod in future be represented in the Provincial Synod by four clerical and four lay delegates for the city of Montreal, and two clerical and two lay delegates for each Deanery in the Diocese."

Rev. Mr. White moved in amendment, seconded by Rev. J. C. DAVIDSON:—

"That this Synod conceives that its representation in the Provincial Synod is a matter concerning the Diocese at large; and that such representatives be chosen as are best fitted for the office.

After some discussion, the amendment was carried, the main motion falling to the ground.

Rev. Mr. Jones moved:-

"That a Committee be named by the Synod for the purpose of defining the duties of Churchwardens."

Seconded by the Rev. Mr. Robinson and carried.

The following were the Clerical Delegates elected for the Provincial Synod:—

The DEAN OF MONTREAL,
REV. CANON LEACH, D.C.L.,
REV. R. LONSDELL, M.A.,
REV. G. DE C. O'GRADY, M.A.,
VEN. ARCHDEACON SCOTT, D.D.,
REV. E. DUVERNET, M.A.,

REV. W. BOND, M.A.,
REV. CANON BANCROFT, D.D.,
REV. D. LINDSAY, M.A.,
REV. W. ANDERSON,
REV. G. SLACK, M.A.,
REV. J. C. DAVIDSON.

LAY DELEGATES.—There being an equal number of votes in favor of three persons, one of whom is required to make up the number, the decision of the matter is postponed till to-morrow.

Adjourned at 6 P. M., to meet to-morrow at 10 A. M., after service at the Cathedral.

SECOND DAY.

On Wednesday at 10 A. M., the Synod reassembled.

After prayer by the Lord Bishop, His Lordship appointed the following Committee for defining the duties of Churchwardens:—viz:—

Clerical.

REV. CANON THOMPSON,

REV. H. F. DARNELL.

REV. W. JONES. Lay Delegates.

L. S. HUNTINGDON,

J. C. BAKER,

JAS. HUTTON.

Several notices of motions were then given.

The following Lay Delegates for the Provincial Synod were declared to be duly elected:—

Hon. George Moffatt, Hon. J. S. McCord, James Armstrong, L. S. Huntingdon, Wm. Barrett, Major Campbell,

HUGH TAYLOR,
R. A. YOUNG,
DR. SMALLWOOD,
EDWARD CARTER,
HIRAM FOSTER,
D. MCNAUGHTON.

The following Report was then read:-

Report of the Joint Committee on Finance and Organization of Parishes:

1.—That in order to carry out the recommendation of this Committee as adopted at the meeting of Synod in June, 1860, (see report p. 25,) on the organization of Parishes, the Lord Bishop of this Diocese was pleased to divide it into four Rural Deaneries, namely, Hochelaga, St. Andrew's,

Bedford and Iberville, whereupon it became the duty of the Clergymen and Churchwardens resident within each Rural Deanery to hold a conference or conferences for the purpose of arranging and defining, by mutual agreement, the boundaries of their respective Parishes or Cures, and report the same for the approval of the Lord Bishop.

2.—That it having been found impracticable in some Parishes to hold such conferences, this Committee respectfully suggest that the Lord Bishop be pleased to issue a commission, as provided by the 4th Sect. of the said Report, which said commission shall report their proceedings to

his Lordship on or before the day of next.

3.—That in order to facilitate the labours of such commission the reports made by the Rural Deans for the information of Synod be placed at

the disposal of the commissioners.

4.—That it be a special recommendation to the said commission to report, in addition to the above, the unoccupied ground (for Missionary purposes) in each Deanery, with such remarks and suggestions, with a view of establishing new Missions therein, as to them may appear advisable, together with a statement of the number, origin, and means of the inhabitants within such unoccupied territory.

b.—That it is expedient that a Registrar for this Diocese be appointed, whose duties it shall be to keep a record of all Church properties and monies in the different missions and parishes, and of all the changes that from time to time take place, and that a certified copy of every deed, and every acquisition of property be sent to him by the Churchwardens. That he shall be entitled, to receive a fee of for the registration of each document, and for every copy of the same.

6.-That the Lord Bishop be requested to direct the attention of all

Parishes and Missions to this rule.

7.—That the Treasurer's Account be herewith presented, showing a statement of receipts and expenditure made to defray the expense of Printing, &c., under the 6th Sect., of the Report of this Committee, adopted by Synod at the Session of 1861.

The whole respectfully submitted.

J. S. McCORD, Chairman.

L. S. Huntingdon, Esq., moved in amendment, seconded by Major Campbell, to add the following proviso to the clause on this subject:—

That no such Clergyman, Churchwarden or Commissioner shall consider any question of the metes and bounds of any existing Parishes or Missions till one month's notice shall have been given to the several congregations interested in the question, and until it shall have been brought before the vestry of the said Parish or Mission. Carried.

Mr. Justice McCord then amended the words of the Report so as to make it apply only to Deaneries which may request the appointment of a commission, and so as to make any Commission to be appointed consist of one lay and one clerical Commissioner, instead of two, as provided at the meeting of the Synod in 1860.

The third and fourth paragraphs were then withdrawn; and the first blank in 5th paragraph being filled up with \$1, and the second with 50 cents, and the words "Churchwardens," being changed to "Rural Deans;" the report was adopted.

See Appendix; Report as amended.

The following Report of the Committee on Rural Deans was then read.

"At a meeting of the Committee on Rural Deans held in the Cathedral School house on 22nd January, 1862, there were present the Rev. Messrs. Flanagan, Wetherall, O'Grady, Slack, Lonsdell, D. Linsday.

It was moved that the Rev. John Flanagan take the chair, and that the Rev. D. Lindsay act as Secretary.

The object of the Committee being to prepare instructions for the performance of the duties of Rural Deans, the following resolutions were adopted:—

- 1. The Rural Deans to consider themselves as officers of the Bishop, receiving their commission from him, and reporting the proceedings of their Deaneries to the Bishop, through the Archdeacon.
- 2. The duties of the Rural Deans in their several deaneries shall be to hold a ruri-decanal meeting once every year. Special meetings may be called by them at the desire of the Bishop.
- 3. Each Rural Dean at the annual meeting of his deanery, shall submit a report of such statistics connected with the different missions or parishes, as he shall have been able to collect from the clergymen and churchwardens in their several cures.
- 4. The Rural Deans shall collect such statistics as the Bishop may direct.
- 5. That such reports shall be presented at the ruri-decaral meeting previous to being forwarded to the Archdeacon.
- 6. That all matters relating to the boundaries of parishes or the erectica of new ones, be referred to a ruri-decanal meeting.
 - 7. That the Rural Deans shall have no power of interference on their

own mere part in matters of discipline in any parish or mission. That all such matters shall be referred to the Bishop to be dealt with as he shall think proper.

J. FLANAGAN, Chairman. DAVID LINDSAY, Secretary,

The following amendment was moved by Rev. G. SLACK, seconded by L. S. HUNTINGDON.

"Omitting the words 'in their several cures,' in section 3, and adding the words, "and that they on their part shall be held under obligation to facilitate the enquiries of the Rural Dean by answering to the sest of their ability, such questions as he may from time to time propose to them."

The report was then adopted.

The DEAN OF MONTREAL then read the following report:-

The Committee named at the last meeting of the Synod for the purpose of taking measures to establish a Society in connection with the Synod for the erection of Churches and Parsonage Houses, within the Diocese of Montreal, was summoned by the convener to meet on the day after the last general meeting of the Church Society, when the following members attended: The Very Rev. the Dean of Montreal, the Revds. W. Jones and H. F. Darnell, Colonel Wilgress and Wm. McGinnis, Esq.; and, although not a quorum, they resolved to recommend that instead of a Society, a Committee consisting of two members from each Deanery should be appointed, to carry out the objects of the resolution of the Synod.

JOHN BETHUNE, Chairman.

Montreal, 21st January, 1862.

It was then moved by THE DEAN, in accordance with a notice

given on the previous day, and adopted :-

That a standing Committee of 2 members (1 clerical and 1 lay,) from each Deanery, and from the City of Montreal, be appointed for the purpose of taking measures for assisting in the erection of Churches and Parsonages within this Diocese.

The Report of the Committee on Home and Foreign Missions was then read :-

The Committee appointed by Synod to report on the work of the Diocese in Home and Foreign Missions, and to offer any suggestions for the better carrying out of the same, beg to state that they have much pleasure in observing the general interest taken in the missions and work of the Church throughout the Diocese, and the liberality manifested. They feel that the great subject to which the attention of the Synod needs to be directed, is the consideration of existing missions. The Prepagation Society having commenced to reduce its grants, the Committee think it would be desirable that the Bishop should require from the different Rural Deaneries a reasonable deduction. Then, by recommendation of the Rural Deaneries to the Bishop, the details of the manner in which these deductions should be met, if approved by him, should be settled. The present plan of leaving missions with the full missionary allowance which they had when first established, till the death or removal of the incumbent, is not fair to the mission, for then it is called suddenly to pass from a position of entire dependence to one of almost entire independence, so that, in consequence, the oldest missions in the Diocese, instead of being the strongest, and prepared to carry on the work beyond them, find themselves placed in a difficult position.

The Committee would earnestly recommend to the Synod the establishing in every mission, parish or rectory a partial endowment fund, for their permanency, extension, and self-sustentation.

The Committee would recommend to Synod the important distinction drawn, in the Report of the Organization of Parishes Committee, between missions, parishes, and rectories; that the ministrations of a mission should extend as much as possible over an extent of country; that, as the different stations prosper and are able to increase their help, an assistant should be added, and then it should gradually be formed into a parish and a mission. In no mission should there be more than one Sunday service in one place. The more our missions cover the country, the more we shall keep together our own people, and grow with the country. It should be an object to our people to aim at making their missions to become parishes and rectories. Of course, this rule cannot apply to those missions situated in the midst of large Roman Catholic populations. There are at present 47 missions out of Montreal, and 2 synodical rectories, i. e., St. Johns and Christieville. There are some rectories appointed by letters patent, but, according to the rule of Synod, they are missions.

The Committee would recommend that an annual meeting should be held in each church in each deanery, to be arranged by the rural dean to set forth the great work which the Church in the Diocese has before it, and the need of increased exertions.

The Committee would urge upon Synod the great interests connected with the French Canadian mission at Sabrevois, and the importance of enabling it, by the agency of travelling missionaries, to occupy the field opening for its work; and also the necessity of requiring that the

study of French should be made prominent in the preparation of students for the ministry.

As regards Foreign Missions, some subscriptions have been sent to the home societies; but, whilst conscious of our duty never to lose sight of this greater sphere of action, the Committee feel that, at present, its efforts must be specially directed to the duty of supporting our own missions.

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The Committee would suggest to the Synod to recommend to the Church Society the importance of an occasional paper, setting forth an abstract of the work of the great Church societies, and any information of special interest in the great mission-field of the world.

All which is respectfully submitted,

CHAS. BANCROFT, Chairman.
R. LINDSAY, Secretary.
R. TAYLOR.
GERALD DECOURCY O'GRADY.
CHARLES SMALLWOOD, M. D.

It was resolved that the words "reasonable reduction" be omitted in the first clause, and the following inserted instead thereof: "subscriptions to meet the deduction made from time to time by the Society."

It was also resolved that the words "deduction" and "met," in the first clause, be struck out, and the words "subscriptions" and "made" inserted instead thereof.

The following words were inserted after "established": "whatever their present condition may be." The words "not fair to the" were struck out, and the words "very detrimental to any" inserted in lieu thereof; and the following sentence was inserted:

"At present, during the lives of many existing missions, some of the older missions receive such an amount of external aid, that they have not been obliged to make any matured exertions for the support of their clergymen. This is often very detrimental to such missions, as upon the death or removal of such incumbents, they will be called, perhaps, suddenly to pass" &c.

It was moved by Rev. H. F. DARNELL, seconded by Rev. T. Mussen, and resolved:—

That after the words "a mission," in the 3rd clause, the succeeding entence be struck out, and the following inserted instead thereof:—"All missionaries should feel it their duty to distribute their services as much as possible, subservient to the best interests of the Church in their respective localities."

It was resolved on the motion of the Rev. D. LINDSAY, seconded by Rev. J. FLANAGAN, that the words "to be arranged by the Rural Dean" be struck out.

It was moved by the Rev. J. Flanagan, seconded by the Rev. J. Fulton, that the 5th clause be omitted.

It was moved in amendment by Major CAMPBELL, seconded by L. S. HUNTINGDON, Esq., that the words in the original paragraph after "Sabrevois" to the word "and" in the fourth line, be expunged.—Carried.

On motion of the Rev. R. LINDSAY, it was resolved:-

That the Lord Bishop be requested, through the rural deans, to require that all Church Property be insured, and to make it one of the annual questions of the Rural Deans in their deaneries, to enquire if it is so done.

A motion of the same Rev. gentleman was carried for

A Committee on Education to bring before the Synod an account of the work which is being done in the Diocese in Sunday Schools, and to endeavor to ascertain from the clergy if, with assistance offered, the work of Sunday School teaching could not be extended, to bring before Synod Church Education in day schools, and to consider if, in each rural deanery, a superior school could not be established which should offer facilities for the education of the children of the clergy.

It was moved by the Rev. G. DEC. O'GRADY, seconded by W. H. A. DAVIES, Esq., and resolved:—

That a report respecting the terms upon which a bonus might be expected in aid of local endowments, brought forward at this Synod by W. H. A. Davies, Esq., be referred to the several Rural Deaneries and that their opinion be obtained upon it, with a view to action in the matter at the next meeting of the Synod.

Proposed by the Rev. GERALD DECOURCY O'GRADY, seconded by the Rev. W. Anderson:—

That the Bishop be respectfully requested to appoint a committee to consider how long it is expedient that the family of any clergyman should be permitted to inhabit the Parsonage or Rectory after the incumqent's decease, and also at what period after the decease of any incumbent, his stipend shall cease.

The Rev. J. GODDEN moved:-

That the Diocesan Synod would respectfully pray the Provincial Synod to take into consideration the disabilities which exist, and by which our brethren of the Episcopal Church of the United States are prevented from holding incumbencies or officiating in the United Church of England and Ireland in Canada, with the view of removing all such disabilities.

It was moved by the Rev. D. LINDSAY, seconded by L. S. HUNTINGDON, Esq., and resolved, that the subject be referred to a Committee.

It was moved by the Rev. H. F. DARNELL, seconded by Capt. MAITLAND, and resolved:—

That the Lord Bishop be respectfully requested to issue a special form of thanksgiving to be used, after the ingathering of harvest, in al-Churches and Chapels throughout this diocese, on any Sunday, holiday, or thanksgiving day, which His Lordship may think fit to appoint.

Proposed by Rev. Gerald de Courcy O'Grady, seconded by Hon. Judge McCord:—

That an extra number of the Report of Proceedings of Synod be printed and a price placed upon them at which they may be obtained for circulation throughout the Diocese. Carried.

It was moved by Rev. G. SLACK, seconded by Rev. R. LONSDELL, and resolved:—

That where it appears that any Parish or Mission shall not have made or transmitted to the Treasurer a collection to defray the expenses of the Synod—no delegate from that Parish or Mission shall be allowed to take his seat in the Synod next ensuing, until the deficiency is made good.

It was resolved on the motion of Rev. H. MONTGOMERE:

That the names of the superannuated Clergy in the Diocese be inserted in the lists of the Clergy, as found in the Minutes of Synod and Reports. of the Church Society.

Moved by MAJOR CAMPBELL, and seconded by Rev. W. Bond, and resolved :--

That the thanks of the Synod be given to the Very Rev. the Dean of Montreal, for his excellent sermon delivered in the Cathedral on Tuesday morning.

Resolved on the motion of Rev. G. DE C. O'GRADY, seconded by Rev. G. SLACK:-

That the thanks of this Synod be tendered to G. T. Railway, the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railway, and the Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Railway, and the steamboat Companies on the Ottawa, for their kindness and liberality in permitting the Clergy of the Church of England in this Diocese to travel at half fares.

Moved by Hon. J. McCord, seconded by Rev. J. C. DAVIDSON:

That the Reports of the Rural Deans of this Session be referred to a committee, to prepare a condensed report thereupon for publication with the

The following resolution was submitted by Ven. Arch. Scott:-

Whereas it is manifestly for the interest of the Church that the Clerical incumbencies in the Diocese should be filled by men only up to such a period of life, as they are enabled to discharge the physical and intellectual requirements of their positions to a fair and reasonable degree of

And as it would involve the highest injustice that men should be cast upon the charity of the world, after they have spent their active lives in the work of the Church, having been debarred from the nature of their calling and from the small amount of their stipends, taking away all opportunity of saving a competence for their support through old age.

So it is the duty of this Synod to endeavour to secure such an endow ment as may suffice for the support of such Clergymen, as the Lord Bishop of the Diocese may judge to be entitled to be placed upon a retiring pension, in accordance with the interest of the Church, and with the dictates of justice to individuals.

Therefore, it is resolved by this Synod that it be recommended to his Lordship the Bishop, that he should appoint a collection to be taken up upon each Christmas and Easter day, in every congregation, the proceeds of which shall be devoted to that object, as also that the pious and the charitable be solicited to give to the same purpose, and the funds resulting from all these collections shall be invested as speedily as possible, at compound interest.

It is further resolved by this Synod, that a Committee consisting of seven shall be appointed by his Lordship the Bishop, to which the details relating to the collection of such a fund shall be referred, and the Committee shall determine upon what conditions the recipients of this benefit

shall be entitled to any claim.

Referred to a Committee.

Moved by Rev. J. C. DAVIDSON, seconded by Rev. E. Du VERNET, and resolved.

That his Lordship the Bishop be most respectfully recommended to so modify his instructions to the Rural Deans that they may be required and empowered to summon to Ruri-decanal meetings, both Church Wardens and Delegates to Synod in all parishes within their Deanery, and none others.

Moved by H. S. Huntingdon, Esq., seconded by Hon. Judge McCord.

That it be an instruction to the Finance Committee to report at the next meeting of the Synod the best means of securing economy in the sessional printing.

The following notices of motion were given by the DEAN OF MONTREAL.

"That the number of clerical and lay delegates to represent each Diocese in the Provincial Synod, having been fixed by the Provincial Synod at 12 of each order; the clerical and lay Secretary at the preceding Diocesan Synod, shall always be officers amongst the number of delegates to represent this Diocese at any meeting of the Provincial Synod, with eleven others of each order to be elected by ballot at each annual meeting of this Synod."

By the Hon. G. MOFFAFT;

"That the 23rd and 24th sections of the rules and regulations of the Synod be rescinded, and the following adopted in lieu thereof.

'To facilitate the despatch of business, and insure more effectual consideration of matters to be discussed in Synod, all notices of motions intended to be brought before the next Synod shall be sent in to the Clerical Secretary at least six weeks before the day of meeting: and it shall be the duty of the Clerical Secretary to keep a record of such notices; and to issue a circular stating the business for the ensuing Synod, and the order in which the same will be brought up. The circular to be forwarded to each Clergyman and parish, one month before the meeting of the Synod."

By the Rev. R. LONSDELL:-

"That no clergyman or layman be permitted to make a collection for endowment fund, or other church purposes, in the parish or mission of another clergyman, without permission being given in writing by the clergyman in whose parish or mission the collection is to be taken up.

The thanks of the meeting were given to the Lord Bishop for the kind manner in which he had presided over the present meeting.

The Bishop having given the Apostolic Benediction, the meeting of the Synod was closed.

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APPENDIX.

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The Rural Deans shall collect such statistics as the Bishop may direct.

That such reports shall be presented at the Ruri-decanal meeting, previous to being forwarded to the Archdeacon.

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES.

(As amended.)

That in order to carry out the recommendation of this Committee as adopted at the meeting of Synod in June, 1860, (See report p. 25,) on the organization of Parishes, the Lord Bishop of this Diocese was pleased to divide it into four Rural Deaneries, namely, Hochelaga, St. Andrews, Bedford, and Iberville, whereupon it became the duty of the Clergymen and Churchwardens resident within each Rural Deanery to hold a conference or conferences for the purpose of arranging and defining, by mutual agreement, the boundaries of their respective Parishes or Cures, and report the same for the approval of the Lord Bishop.

When it shall be found impracticable or inconvenient in some Deaneries, Missions, or Parishes, to hold such conferences, this Committee

respectfully suggest, that on the application of any deanery, parish or mission, the Lord Bishop be pleased to issue a commission, consisting of one clergyman and one layman, as provided by the4th Sect. of the said Report, which said commission shall report their proceedings to His Lordship, as soon as possible, for his final settlement.

That it is expedient that a Registrar for this Diocese be appointed, whose duties it shall be to keep a record of all Church properties and monies in the different missions and parishes, and of all the changes that from time to time take place, and that a certified copy of every deed, and every acquisition of property be sent to him by the Rural Deans. That he shall be entitled to receive a fee of \$1 for the registration of each document, and 50 cents for every copy or the same.

That the Lord Bishop be requested to direct the attention of all Parishes and Missions to this rule.

That the Treasurer's Account be herewith presented, showing a statement of receipts and expenditure made to defray the expenses of Printing, &c., under the 6th Sect. of the Report of this Committee, adopted by Synod at the Session of 1861.

COMMITTEE ON RURAL DEANS' REPORT.

Hon. JUDGE McCORD, Convener.

VEN. ARCHDEACON SCOTT, REV. H. F. DARNELL,

W. H. A. DAVIES, JAMES ARMSTRONG,

And the four RURAL DEANS.

A COMMITTEE FOR DEFINING THE DUTIES OF CHURCH-WARDENS.

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L. S. HUNTINGDON.

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COMMITTEE ON THE BEST MEANS OF PROMOTING THE EREC-TION OF CHURCHES AND PARSONAGE-HOUSES.

The Very Rev. THE DEAN, Convener.

Rev. R. LONSDELL.

" W. JONES.

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" D. LINDSAY.

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W. H. A. DAVIES.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Rev. Canon Thompson, Convener.

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W N. V. FENN. " J. C. DAVIDSON. E. CARTER.

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WM. HICKS.

G. MOFFATT, Jr.

COMMITTEE RESPECTING THE TIME OF OCCUPANCY OF PAR-SONAGES AFTER DECEASE OF INCUMBENT.

Rev. W. Bond. Convener.

" F. ROBINSON.

" C. ROLLET.

" H. MONTGOMERY.

Capt. MAITLAND.

J. H. WINN.

W. McGinnis.

M. H. SANBORN.

COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION OF AGED AND DISABLED CLERGYMEN.

Ven. Arch. Scott, Convener.

Rev. Canon LEACH.

" G. SLACK.

" J. FLANAGAN.

W. H. A. DAVIES.

E. E. SHELTON.

F. D. FULFORD.

Dr. SMALLWOOD.

COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE WHETHER THERE ARE ANY AND WHAT LEGAL DIFFICULTIES THERE MAY BE TO PRE-VENT THE APPOINTMENT OF CLERGY OF THE AMERICAN EPISCOPAL CHURCH TO CURES IN CANADA.

Rev. Canon Bancroft, D.D., Convener. S. Bethune.

" J. GODDEN,

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LIST OF CHURCHES AND GRAVEYARDS, PARSONAGES AND GLEBES, WITH THE NAMES OF THE CLERGY SERVING, JULY 1862.

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| Gore, North, | Rev. J. Griffin, | Church | Graveyard, | Church Bp. Fulford, | Sept. 3, 1860, *Parsonage, Sept. 13, 1855, *Parsonage, | *Parsonage, | *Glebe. |
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| Huntingdon, | | Church | Graveyard, | Church Graveyard, Bp. Fulford, Oct. | Oct. 11, 1858, | | : |
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| Sherrington, | | | | Down G. I Mountain, May 30, 1843. Parsonage, | May 30, 1843 | | | |
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| Sabravois | | South Stukeley | St. John's (Rectory,) | L'Acadie, | Vaudreuil, | Waterloo,) | Frost Village, | West Shefford, |

* This mark indicates that the property has been acquired since the formation of the Diocese of Montreal in 1850.

DEANERY OF BEDFORD.

My Lord,-The condition of the Church in these townships precludes the possibility of such a degree of advancement or change in the arrangement and circumstances of our missions, as to furnish matter for an extended annual report from each Deanery. If we can maintain the ground already occupied, and from these points of vantage extend the influence of the Church, by the active zealous exertions of our existing clergy, to such communities and settlements as they can reach by occasional services and pastoral visitations, it is all that we can reasonably hope and expect to do.

The Deanery of Bedford forms no exception to this rule. A glance at the necessarily imperfect and hastily constructed diagram of the townships, composing this Deanery, which accompanies this report, will shew that the ground is tolerably well occupied, twenty-two churches being scattered over the twelve townships and two seigniories comprised within the Deanery. These are all served by sixteen clergymen in

priest's orders.

The mission of Sutton is at present vacant, owing to the removal of the Rev. J.S.Sykes to a sphere of duty in the diocese and city of Quebec.

The only other change which has taken place in the Deanery, has been the removal of the Rev. A. T. Whitten from Waterloo to the charge of the newly constituted mission of West Shefford, where a parsonage is in the course of erection, and the uniting Frost village and Waterloo

in one charge under the Rev. D. Lindsay.

The annual meeting of the clergy and churchwardens of the Deanery was held at Dunham, on Tuesday, 20th May, at 2 P. M., and continued by adjournment until noon of the following day. At this meeting 14 of the clergy and sixteen churchwardens were present. The report of a committee appointed at the last annual meeting to take into consideration the re-organization of certain missions in the Deanery was recived, and,

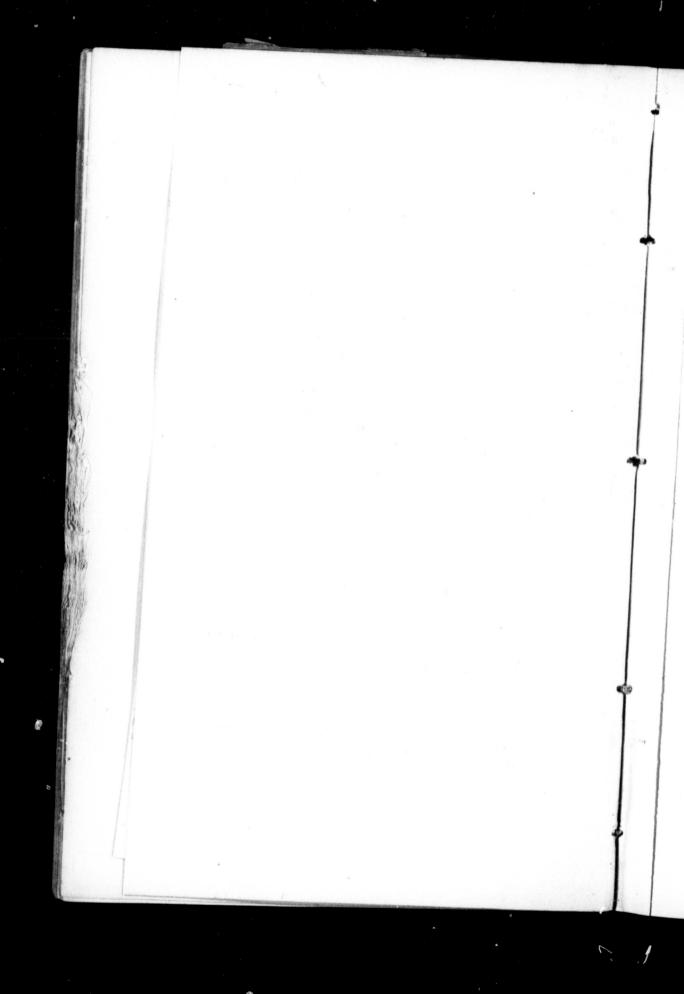
discussion of its recommendations, and receiving some amendment, was adopted and committed to the care of the Rural Dean to forward to your Lordship, which he has done. A committee was appointed to take into consideration the best means to render the school between Cowansville and Sweetsburgh, known as the Missisquei High School, more efficient as a boarding school, under the auspices of the Church. A considerable amount of church funds has been expended upon this school, which has not attained the position, in which we should desire to see it placed. It is undoubtedly a very desirable thing to have a school of a superior character, under the control of the church, for the educational purposes of this portion of the diocese.

TABULAR STATEMENT OF MISSIONS, CHURCH PROPERTY, &c., DEANERY OF BEDFORD, 1862.

| Name of Parish or Mission, and when first | Extent and Boundaries where defined. | | If insured and in what | nage | If insured and in what | le value | Glebes. | | | Church erty. | Income of Clergymen | | ı. | Endow- ment | er of fami- no identify elves with nurch. | Remarks. |
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| established. | | | office. | Parsonage Houses. | office. | Probable | Extent | Value. | Real Estate. | Money funded. | Raised in Mission. | From other sources. | Total. | runa. | Number of far lies who ident themselves w the Church. | |
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| Abbotsford, 1824 Rougemont, 1848 | Municipality of St. Paul d'Abbotsford,. Settlement at Rougemont, and Protes- | 1 | Not insured, | | | | 11 | 125 00 | | | 81 27 | Clergy Reserves, 389 33 | 470 60 | | 18 | |
| Bedford, 1824 | tants of St. Cesaire, | 1 | Not insured, | 1 | Not insured, | 1440 00 | 40 | 840 00 | | | | S. P. G., 450 00 | | | 100 | |
| 220110, 1012 | 28 in all Ranges, | 2 | Insured in S.S. & S. Mutual | . 1 | Insured in S.S. & S. Mutual,. | 2200 00 | 15 | 400 00 | | 1394 00 | 125 00 | S. P. G., 484 00 | 659 00 | 3342 00 | 45 | |
| Cowansville, and Sweetsburgh, 1854 | 120 Square miles comprising North Dunham, and East Farnham, | 1 | Insured in M. & R. Mutual Not insured, | | | | 1 | 100 00 | Missisqu School, | oi High valued at | 269 00 | S. P. G. and C. Society, 400 00 | 669 00 | | 40 | |
| Dunham, 1808 West Farnham, 1847 | 15 x 8 miles, East by Farnham centre, South Stanbridge, West St. Brigide,. | 1 | Insured in Unity Office, | 1 | Insured in Unity Office | 500 00 | 60 | 700 00 | \$2600 00. | | 39 00 | S. P. G., 300 00 } Endowt., 145 00 } | 484 00 | 2440 00 | 44 | No return. |
| | From Frost Village to 23rd Lot, 5th Range of Brome, | 1 | Insured in S.S. & S. Mutual. | 1 | Insured in S.S. & S. Mutual,. | 1100 00 | 15 | 600 00 | | | 164 00 | Clergy Reserves, 364 00 Ch. Socy. 100 00 | 624 00 | | 60 | |
| N. Shefford, | Shefford, | 1 | Insured in S.S. & S. Mutual. Insured in S.S. & S. Mutual. | 1 | Insured in S.S. & S. Mutual,. | 1600 00 | 10 | 1500 " | | | 289 75 41 00 | 0 D 0 400 00 | 810 75 | | 77 | |
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| Philipsburgh, and | 32 square miles, East by St. Armand E, West St. George de Clarenceville, South Province Line, North Stan- bridge, | 1 | Insured in Misissquoi and Rouville Mutual | 1 | Insured in Missisquoi and Rouville Mutual | 1200 00 | 100 | 1500 " | | | 118 37 | | | | | |
| Pigeon Hill, 1801 | | 1 | | | | | | | | | 68 99 Glebe | S. P. G., 243 00 | 515 36 | | 90 | |
| Potton, and | Potton and S. Bolton, | 1 | Insured in S.S. & S. Mutual. Do. | 1 | Do. | 800 00 | | | | | 85 00 J 96 87 13 00 | C. Socy., 240 00 } S. P. G., 243 32 } | 593 19 | | 37 | |
| | Five Ranges of Lots in S. Stukely, 3 | 1 | Insured in S.S. & S. Mutual. | | | | | | 2 | 100 00 | 110 80 | S. P. G., 460 00 | 570 80 | In pro- | 66 | No return. |
| 1 | Ten miles square, | 1 | Insured in Missisquoi and Rouville Mutual | 1 | Do. | 300 00 | 5 | 500 " | | | | S. P. G., 345 00 | | gress, not | 100 | No return. |
| Waterloo, 1822 W. Shefford, 1822 | Not defined, | 1 | Not insured, | 1 Build. | | To cost 1000 00 | 5 | 200 " | | | 160 00 | S. P. G., 460 00 | 620 00 | | 43 | No return. |

GEORGE SLACK,

Rural Dean.



I need say no more, as the report of that committee is in your Lord-ship's hands.

The subject of insurance against losses by fire of churches and parsonage houses, occupied the attention of the annual meeting. According to the returns, which have been received by the Rural Dean from the churchwardens, it appears that twelve churches and eight parsonagehouses are insured in different offices. It is evident that the practice of insurance is not so general with respect to church property as it ought to be. The small sum necessary to pay the annual premium or assessment would not be felt by the poorest mission, whilst the loss of church property by fire uninsured, might inflict a blow upon its interests, from which it would take long to recover. The Rural Dean would therefore respectfully suggest that the insurance of church property should be made obligatory upon all parishes or missions receiving assistance from public church funds. And as the principle of the mutual insurance societies can hardly be said to work fairly in the ease of church buildings which cannot be insured to their full value in those offices, it is proposed to institute some enquiry amongst the different insurance companies, in order to ascertain whether some office would not be willing to insure the whole of our church property upon more libral conditions.

In the Deanery of Bedford it is very evident that some re-arrangement of the missions is much needed in order to equalize the spheres of duty, and produce a greater result by the exertion of a more widely extended influence in the employment of the present amount of external aid.

In the township of Ely, for example, we have no services of the church whatever, whilst to the township of Shefford, the services of three, and, it might be said, indeed of four clergymen are extended. In some parts of the township of Brome, not at present reached by the ministrations of our clergy, the services of the church would be acceptable, and doubtless useful. It is to be hoped, that the opening of the mission of West Stafford as a separate charge, may have the effect of supplying these destitute portions of the Deanery, which lie contiguous to that mission. Some parts of Sutton also, not far distant from the village of Dunham Flat, are represented as containing a considerable number of professed members of the Church, who are not at present reached by any existing ministrations.

In connection with this it may not be out of place to point out the great importance of having a travelling missionary whose services could be available for these places.

To accomplish effectually, however, the above mentioned object of equalizing the spheres of duty, and producing the greatest effect with our present means, the Rural Dean desires to express his conviction, that it would be necessary that your Lordship should as far as practicable, distinctly apportion to the clergy, the churches, and other stations at which it was expected they should officiate regularly. For otherwise, ground that might be profitably worked, is in danger of being neglected, and much time and means spent upon fields of labour, which are comparatively insignificant and barren. In no other way can that uniform system prevail, so essential to the efficient working of the church.

The Rural Dean has here to express his sense of the kind and active co-operation which he has experienced from his brethren of the clergy, in his endeavours to carry out the intentions and objects for which the office, which he has the honor to hold, was created.

And the churchwardens of the Deanery, upon whose efficiency and active performance of their duties, the advancement and prosperity of the church so much, under God, depends, are also entitled to his thanks for the generally punctual and careful manner in which their answers to the printed questions he has circulated among them, have been given.

At the same time it is a circumstance which appears in the tabular statement attached to this report, and which should not pass unnoticed, that from three of the oldest and most able missions in the Deanery, no returns have been received. And it is the more necessary to notice this here, because without these returns carefully made, it is impossible that he can collect or report to your Lordship and the Synod, the statistical information, which it is one important object of the office of Rural Dean to gather.

All which is respectfully submitted to be laid before the Synod as your Lordship may deem fit.

Your obedient servant,

GEORGE SLACK, Rural Dean.

The Right Rev. The Bishop of Montreal.

DEANERY OF HOCHELAGA.

MASCOUCHE, May 26th, 1862.

My Lord,—In accordance with instructions received from your Lordship in your letter to me of the 7th inst., I beg to forward a report, as to the "extent of subdivisions, parishes, and missions" in the Deanery of Hochelaga. It is, in part, compiled from the answers which I received to the questions forwarded to the Clergy of the Deanery, previous to the meeting of the Diocesan Synod in 1861.

The Deanery of Hochelaga includes one parish and nine missions. Seven on the North Shore of the St. Lawrence, two on the South Shore, and one on the Island of Montreal, served at present by eight clergymen (there is also the chaplain to the reformatory prison at St. Vincent de Paul), and extends from Coteau du Lac to Berthier, a distance of about one hundred miles.

The first mission in the Deanery, descending the river, is that of Coteau du Lac, situated on the North Shore of the St. Lawrence; it was founded in the year 1829 and comprises the County of Soulanges, the boundary of which meets that of the mission of Vaudreuil, in the Deanery of St. Andrews, on one side, and a portion of the Diocese of Ontario on another.

Next comes the mission of St. Thérèse and St. Martin established in the year 1842, also on the North Shore. There is at present no clergyman resident in the mission, and in answer to my enquiry with respect to boundary forwarded to the Churchwardens last year, I was informed that it was nnknown, as the Protestant inhabitants of St. Eustache have always come to Ste. Therese for the ministrations of the Ch. rch, I have included in the mission in the map which accompanies this Eeport, that portion of the county of Two Mountains which contains that village, with that part of the County of Terrebonne in which Ste. Therese is situated, and the parishes of St. Martin and Ste. Rose in Isle Jesus.

The mission of Ste. Therese and St. Martin is joined by those of Mascouche and Terrebonne, established in the year 1839, and New Glasgow and Kilkenny established in the year 1840. The former is situated partly in the County of Terrebonne, partly in L'Assomption, and comprises the Roman Catholic parishes of Lachenaie, Mascouche, and Terrebonne, about 12 miles by 10. The latter, joining Mascouche to the North, comprises the parish of St. Lin, New Glasgow, and Paisley, and the township of Kilkenny. Adjoining this is the mission of Rawdon, established in the year 1820: comprising the townships of Rawdon and Chertsey, each 10 miles square. Next to Rawdon is the mission of Kildare, cut off from Rawdon, and erected into a separate mission last year. It comprises the townships of Kildare and Cathcart, with De Ramsay and Industry in the seigniories. Adjoining this is the mission of Berthier and Brandon, established in the year 1849, comprising the greater part of the county of Berthier, and bounded on the North East by the diocese of Quebec.

All these missions are on the North Shore. Crossing the river St. Lawrence we find the parish of Sorel, established as a mission in 1784, and by letters patent as a rectory in 1821. The parish boundaries are those of the Roman Catholic parish of Sorel; the mission extends to wherever the rector's services may be required, till he meets the diocese of Quebec in one direction, the missions in the Deanery of Bedford in

another, and the rectory of Chambly in the Deanery of Iberville, which here comes in between Sorel and the mission of Longueuil and Laprairie, established 1831, 5 miles East and West, and 8 South. In this mission there is at present no clergyman. These are all on the South Shore, and on the Island of Montreal there is the mission of Lachine, about 18

miles long by 5 wide.

Above are, as close as I can give them, the extent and boundaries of the parishes and missions in the Deanery, and I cannot help stating again, as I did in my last report, that I consider it of the utmost importance that the boundaries should be defined and fixed by authority as soon as possible; not only because it involves the extent of the Deanery, but also because as the time is fast approaching when each place will itself have to provide for the maintenance of its clergyman and the ministrations of the Gospel within it. It may occasion confusion and perhaps a species of disunion, if it cannot be ascertained with certainty to which parish or mission the several Church of England families belong.

In order satisfactorily to define the boundaries, I think it would be necessary to call meetings to be attended by accredited delegates from the different parishes, who, having decided among themselves where the boundary lines should run, should submit their decision to your Lordship for your approval, and that a map should be made of the Deanery with these lines accurately laid down in it. Of course where parishes in the other Deaneries of this Diocese join those in the Deanery of Hochelaga, it would be necessary to request the attendance of delegates from these also. Two or three meetings would be sufficient for the whole

Deanery.

In the Deanery of Hochelaga, there are at present two parishes vacant. Laprairie and Longueuil, and St. Thérèse and St. Martin, each possessing two Churches built of stone, and in the former one of the best parsonage houses in the diocese. In these missions the ministrations of the Church have been enjoyed up to a not very distant period. It is true the number of Church people in each is small, but they have been a long time established with every convenience for the celebration of Divine Service; they are on the confines of Montreal, and it seems to me a matter for grave consideration, whether, not only an effort, but a vigorous effort, should not be made to assist the people in these respective places in the endeavours, which I have been assured, they are anxious and willing to make that the ground which has been gained, however small, may not be given up, and that working in faith, and in the hope that the increase which under God's blessing has taken place in the numbers belonging to our Church in Montreal will extend, there may be in these places, if nothing else, a nucleus, and that we may not have to begin de novo.

There is also a portion of the Deanery where for several years an immense amount of work has been done with very inadequate means, and in that part I trust we shall be able to extend our stakes. But it cannot be concealed that it must for a long time be a purely missionary work, wholly, if at all, supported by help from outside. The settlers in the new townships are poor and scattered, beginning the world in the bush, and for many a year will not be in a position to do much, if any thing, for themselves. For a very long period the missionary at Rawdon has been doing a work, one would suppose almost too much for the physical power of any one man. Up to the year, 1861, the mission of Rawdon included the townships of Rawdon and Kildare with Chertsey and Cathcart, also De Ramsay and Industry, each 18 miles distant from the parsonage in Rawdon and each other, and containing a large Church congregation. On one occasion in Rawdon Church your Lordship saw over eighty communicants, and I have been informed that this was not an uncommon occurrence. Last year this large mission was divided by the establishment of Kildare into a separate charge which has been an immense advantage to both places, but there are still the townships of Chertsey, Cathcart and Wexford, which are daily filling, and which if the Church would be sustained as it should be, must shortly receive help.

The mission of Berthier is also a very large and onerous one. In addition to the village of Berthier, the missionary has to serve Brandon, over eighteen miles distant, and he also has charge of Rivière du Loup (en haut) in the diocese of Quebec, at a distance of twenty miles in another direction. Viewing the paucity of labourers and the work that has been done, we cannot but feel that the hand of God has been over us and with us, and we have renewed reason to put our hands more earnestly to the plough that we may enjoy the privilege of helping on the good work.

It would be . nmense advantage to the Church, and a relief to the missionaries at 1 dare and Berthier, if a new mission could be soon formed, comprising Brandon and De Ramsay, and I feel convinced that before long it would under God's blessing produce good fruit to His honor and glory.

Trusting that in these remarks I have not gone beyond what your Lordship requires, I have the honour to be.

My Lord, your obdt. Servant,

GERALD DE COURCY O'GRADY, Rural Dean of Hochelaga

The Rural Dean in addition to the above report had forwarded to the Lord Bishop a detailed statement of his visitation of the different parishes in his Deanery during the past winter, attending meetings in order to bring the subject of local endowments before the people. The efforts made were more or less successful, but in the mission of Berthier and Lachine only has any decided movement been made. In the former mission a subscription was immediately set on foot, which has since resulted in the securing \$1000.00 for local endowment. At Lachine \$500.00 have been promised, which will be secured if required by mortgage on property in the village of Lachine. These efforts have been made in faith that the proposition of the S. P. G. to grant one fifth of all sums raised for local endowment will be carried out.

It is worthy of remark that the contribution at Berthier for the above purpose will amount to about \$14.00 per head for that congregation.

DEANERY OF IBERVILLE.

HEMMINGFORD, May 19th, 1862.

My Lord,—I have transmitted, as your Lordship directed, the statistics of the several parishes and missions of this Deanery, to the Chairman of the "Joint Committee on Finance and Organization of Parishes."

The answers received to the Questions circulated among the clergy during the month of January, and embodied in the Tabular Statement, have in some instances been not quite so full and satisfactory, as I could desire, and I regret to say, that two have only very lately reached me, affording me but little time to make out my annual Report.

The Deanery of Iberville contains 14 Incumbencies, 4 of which are Parishes erected by Letters Patent, and according to the statements of their respective Rectors, established during the year 1815 and 1819. I may here remark that there is a discrepancy between these statements and the report of the government on parochial subdivisions which gives a later date for their erection, viz., 1822-23.

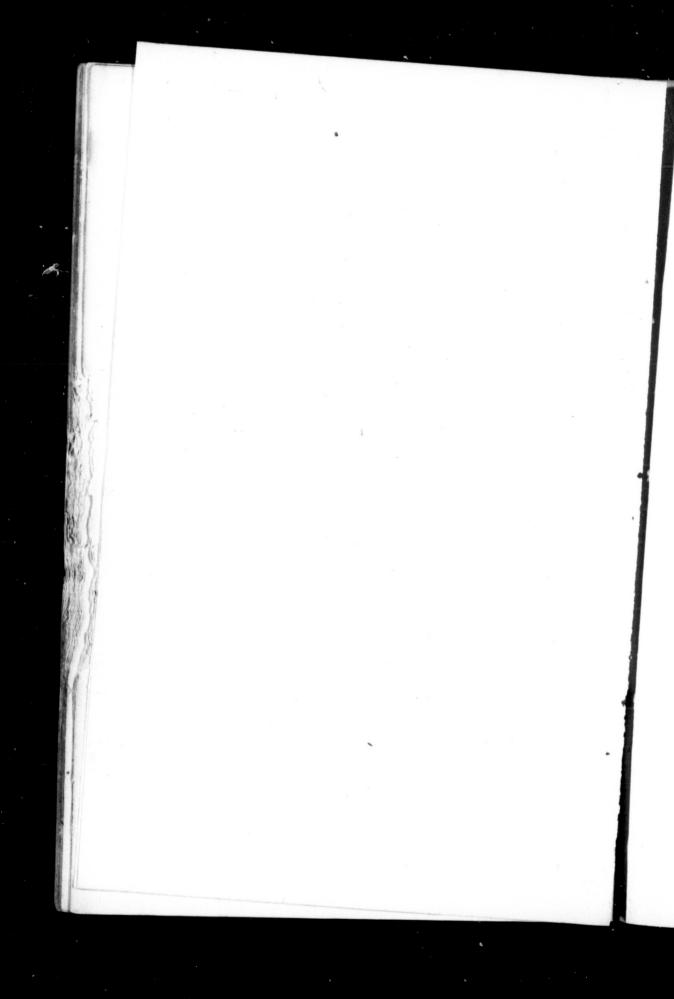
The other incumbencies are missions, 4 of which, as regards their extent of territory and boundaries, are quite undefined, and the clergy and churchwardens have not, as yet, to my knowledge, had any conferences for arranging and defining the boundaries of their respective missions.

I cannot but think that unless some action be shortly taken in this matter, it will be necessary for your Lordship to issue a commission according to the provisions of the Canon for the division and formation of parishes and missions. The undefined state of some of these missions is already beginning to produce some inconveniences, and in the course of time unpleasant complications may arise, and in order to prevent these it is highly important that each clergyman should have a fixed area in which to work and restrict his official acts within its limits.

DEANERY OF IBERVILLE.

Report of the Missions, Church Property, and Population, &c., &c.

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| | WI | - | South Laprairie, north Lon- | | | Accom | Value | Extent. | Value. | Real Estate. | Money Funded. | Rec'v'd in Mission. | From other Sources. | Total. | with the Church. | | ment best suited |
| Chambly, | 1819 | 100 square miles. | gueuil, west Montreal, east Ste. Marie, &c., &c. | 1 | 50 x 30 | Person 300 | \$ 4000 | Acres 2 | \$ 18 | \$ Rectory. | \$1440 | \$ 280 | \$ c. 320.00 | \$ 600 | 32 | 45 | General. |
| Christieville, | 1841 | 90 square miles | West R.Richelieu, east village St. Alexander, &c., south and north undefined. | 1 | 60 x 30 | Sittings 160 | 2500 | none. | none. | Parsonage. Value, 2200 | | | Endowed by late Major Christie. | 600 | 25 | 27 | Local. |
| Clarenceville, | 1815 | 76 square miles | South Pr. Line, west River Richelieu, north Seig. Noyan, east Mlssisquoi Bay. | 3 | 40 x 50 36 x 50 36 x 50 | | 9500 | 60 | 1000 | 4 acres and Parsonage. Value, 1000 | | | S.P.G., 400 Comt., 400 | | | 127 | Parochial. |
| Edwardstown, and St. Remi, | 1848 | | Not defined. | 2 | 50 x 27 40 x 28 | 300 | 2800 | | | | | 100 | S.P.G., 292 Ch. S., 200 | | 35 | 40 | General or Local |
| Huntingdon, | 1830 | 30 by 15 miles, | North St. Lawrence, south Province Line, east Seignior- ial Line, west Dundee, &c. | 2 | | 350 | 1800 | 5 | 240 | Parsonage. | | 180 | S.P.G., 240 | | 160 | 85 | General. |
| Hemmingford, | 1849 | 220 square miles,. | North Sherrington, south Pr. Line, east undefined, west English River. | 3 | 50 x 27 46 x 32 45 x 27 | 390 | 4400 | 7 50 | 150 1000 | Parsonage. | | 250 | S.P.G., 400 | | 60 | 45 | A Local Endow- ment best suited |
| Isle aux Noix, | | | | | 45121 | | | | | | | | Ch. S., 120 | | - | | here. |
| Lacolle, | 1837 | 16 by 4 miles, | East Richelieu, south Province Line, north St. Johns, west undefined. | 1 | 60 by 29 | 200 | 1400 | 50 | 1800 | | | 420 | Church Society, 240 | | | | |
| Napierville, | | | | | | | | 112 | 4000 | | | | Glebe 60 | 720 | 50 | 40 | General. |
| Ormstown, (Durham), | 1837 | Co. of Beauharnois and part of Co. of Chateauguay, | | 1 | 60 by 29 | 300 | 5600 | 50 | 1000 | | | 80 | S.P.G., 400 Seigniory, | 560 | 60 | 50 | General. |
| Russeltown, | 1848 | Franklin Co., | W. English River, Hinchin- brook to P. Line. | 2 | 54 x 27½ 54 x 32 | 132 154 | 3600 | | | | | | 80 | | Not ascer- | 67 | General. |
| Sabrevois, | 1847 | Seigniory of Sab- revois and vicin- ity. | North Bleury, east Stanbridge, south Noyan, west Richelieu. | 1 | | 100 | 2000 | | | 5 acres and Parsonage. | | | C. & C.C.S. | 600 | tainable. | 20 | General and |
| St. Johns and L'Acadie, | 1822 | Seigniory of Lon- | | 2 | 100 x 45 30 x 18 | 500 | 6000 | 1 | 200 H | P'rs'nage & HighSchool | | 664 | 600 | 664 | 127 | 140 | Local. |
| Sherrington, | | | | 1 | | | 1200 | - | | Value, 6800 | | - | | | | | Local. |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | | -] | | | | 20 | 24 | Local, |



Our second Ruri-decanal meeting was held at Clarenceville on the 2nd Wednesday of February, and was attended by six clergymen and three churchwardens. After the returns from some of the parishes and missions were read, the proposal of the S. P. G. for the formation of permanent endowments was carefully discussed, and it was unanimously agreed, that the safest and most satisfactory way of meeting the Society's proposal, was for each parish and mission to take up a subscription at once, and that some addition be annually attempted.

It cannot be concealed that there is much reluctance on the part of many of our people to come forward in support of the Church by raising an endowment Fund for its maintenance. Several meetings have been held on the subject, and much said in its favour, yet up to this time nothing of any consequence has been done in this Deanery.

It was the general opinion of the meeting, that an appeal from your Lordship in the shape of a pastoral letter addressed to the members of the Church in the Diocese, and directed to be read on a certain Sunday in the various churches, could not fail to have a wholesome effect, and would be more likely than anything else to arouse the thoughtful attention of our congregations and induce a serious and practical inquiry on the part of each member, whether he was doing his duty as a churchman towards the pastor, whom God in his providence had placed over his spiritual interests.

It is to be fervently hoped that the general Sustentation Fund which your Lordship has set on foot will meet with the success it deserves. The localities even in this Deanery are not a few, where the question of church or no church, must depend in a great measure on extraneous aid

In some missions the congregations are feeble, and there is no prospect of increase for some time.

The question then, which presents itself to the church at large, is simply this; whether she will take pains to provide for a needy portion of the spiritual household, or whether she will abandon them to their own feebleness, or leave them to be swallowed up by other religious bodies and the light of our pure church extinguished in those quarters.

Since I last reported, the Rev. C. A. Wetheral has discontinued his services at Sherrington, his duties as chaplain at the Isle au Noix rendering it impossible for him to continue his Sunday services at the former place. I have given an [occasional service since Mr. W. resigned, and will (D. V.) continue to do so until some other arrangements are made by your lordship.

I may here mention that the station can never be regularly served by any clergyman residing at Lacolle; the distance is too great, and the roads in Spring and Autumn almost impossible.

Should I have omitted in my Tabular Statement, any particulars which your Lordship may wish to have, you will be pleased to point them out to me, and I will make it my duty to communicate them to your Lordship with the least delay possible.

I have the honor to be, my Lord,
Your faithful and obedient servant,
EDWARD DU VERNET.

The Right Rev., The Lord Bishop of Montreal.

DEANERY OF ST. ANDREWS, 1862.

My Lord—During the year I have been enabled to make a visit to each of the Missions within this Deanery. There are now ten Clergymen and one Catechist labouring in this field, extending from the mouth of the Ottawa to Calumet Island a distance of about 200 miles and reaching back in the opposite direction as far as the new Mission of Morin and Mille Isle, with new settlements rapidly increasing and which require additional clerical supervision if they are not to be lost to the Church. This remark will apply particularly to the extensive country at the rear of Onslow and Portage du Fort. The Mission of Clarendon, which, with the adjoining Townships of Thorne and Leslie, form the care of one Missionary, require the assistance of another clergyman to take part of the duty with the present overworked Incumbent, or the Mission should be divided so as to add the Township of Bristol which, as far as I know, is now without a Church service, altho' certainly with a large and thriving population.

It is hoped that under the management of the present zealous Missionary at the Quio, a new church will be built at the large settlement in rear of the Township of Onslow.

The mission of Aylmer and Hull may admit of being divided, the town of Aylmer with the adjoining Township of Eardly forming a new Parish, the village of Hull at the other end of the Mission, and in which there is a large Church, being set off as the nucleus for a new mission extending to the rear.

Had my parochial duties permitted a longer absence it was my intention to have proceeded up the Gautineau where I understand a large number of church people are scattered without any ministers of religion. Should I be permitted to visit again the upper part of the Deanery it is my intention to try and provide for my own congregation so that there may be time to examine that section of country so as to be able to give a detailed report. Since writing my former report, which it seems was

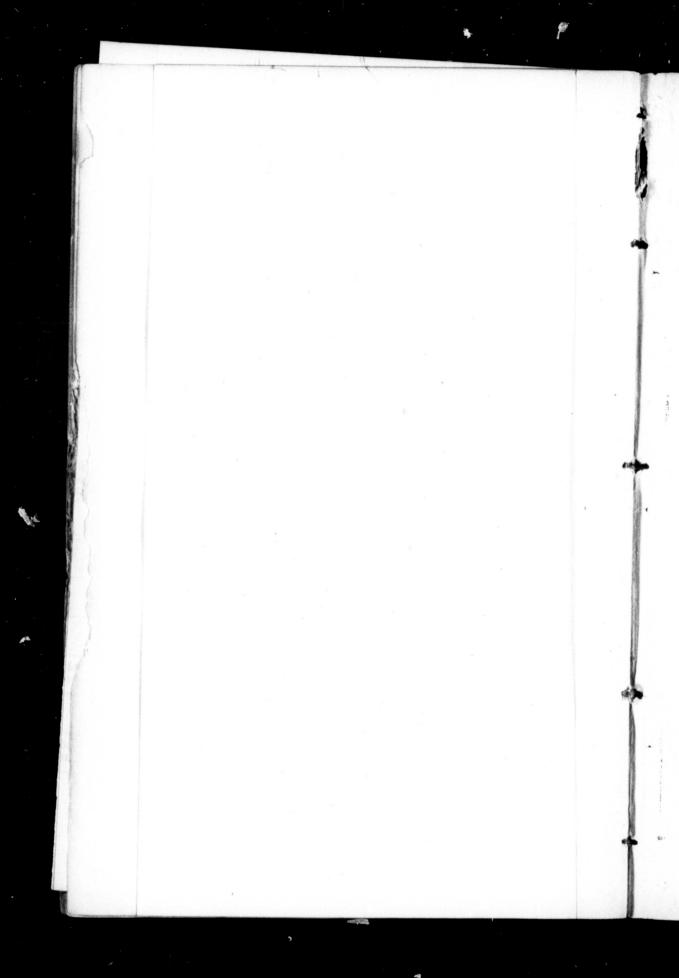
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| Name of Parish or Mission. | How many Churches in your Mission? | hat material s | What is their estimated cost? | Are they insured? | Have the sites been secured by deeds? | Is there a parsonage in your Mission? | What is its estimated value? | Is it insured? | Has the parsonage been deeded to the Church? | Is there a glebe? | What is its estimated value? | How many children under Catechetical instruction? | How often is the Holy Communion administered? | How often is Divine Service performed? | How many families identify themselves with the Church? | raised for Endow- ment Fund? |
| Vaudreuil, | 1 | Stone. | £800 | No. | Yes. | No. | | | | No. | | 30 | Monthly and Festivals. | 104 times in the year. | 70 | £85·10 |
| St. Andrews | 1 | Brick. | 400 | Yes. | Yes. | Yes. | £250 | Yes. | Yes. | Yes. | £300 | 40 | Monthly and Festivals. | 166 times in the year. | 75 | 18.15 |
| Buckingham, &c. | 1 | Wood. | | No. | Yes. | Yes. | 300 | No. | Yes. | Yes. | 100 | 80 | Quarterly. | 104 times in the year. | 50 | |
| Aylmer & Hull | 2 | Stone. | 800 & 1000 | Yes ch. at Aylm'r | Yes. | No. | | | | Yes. | 600 | 30 | 6 times in the year. | 110 times in the year. | no re- turn. | |
| Onslow & Bristol. | 1 | Wood. | 400 | No. | Yes. | ‡ No. | | | | Yes. | 50 | 23 | Monthly and Festivals. | 132 times in the year. | 65 | |
| Clarendon, Thorne and Leslie, | *1 | Wood. | 200 | No. | Yes. | Yes. | 150 | No. | Yes. | Yes. | 195 | 140 | Ten times in the year. | 260 times in the year. | 218 | |
| Portage du Fort and Havelock | 1 | Stone. | 750 | Yes. | Yes. | Yes. | 350 | Yes. | Yes. | No. | | 40 | Eighteen times yearly. | 150 times in the year. | 46 | |
| North Gore and Wentworth | †1 | Stone. | 700 | No. | Yes. | Yes. | 200 | Yes. | Yes. | Yes. | 50 | 180 | Quarterly & at Xmas and Easter. | 175 times in the year. | 200 | |
| Morin & Mille Isle. | 2 | Wood. | not finish'd | No. | No Reply. | No. | | | | No. | | 60 | Quarterly. | 104 times in the year. | no re- turn. | |
| Grenville, &c.,&c. | 4 | 1 Stone. 3 Wood. | 748 | No. | Yes. | Yes. | 500 | Yes. | Yes. | Yes. | 60 | 50 | Monthly. | 120 times in the year. | 40 | |

^{*} One in course of erection in Thorne.

[†] One in course of erection in Wentworth.

[‡]One is being prepared.



mislaid in Montreal, I have learned that a large settlement is being formed about sixty miles north of Lachute, where the landed proprietor, who spends some time there, is most anxious to have a church erected and promises to contribute should there be any prospect of obtaining the services of a Clergyman. It appears there is a prospect of a large influx of settlers to whom the quality of the land holds out many inducements. The proprietor begged of me to visit the place and see the state of things so as to be able to report to your Lordship.

The important matter of church endowments has been brought under the notice of each Clergyman and Congregation. In some places nothing can be at present expected while in two places only has any money been raised for this purpose. There is no doubt that had this subject been brought forward at an earlier period and when the people were not called on to raise means for the support of their clergy, much more might have been effected.

Throughout the Deanery there is increasing attention paid to that very important duty—the training of the young in the principles of the Christian religion. During the year six hundred and seventy-three children have been under catechetical instruction. Divine service has been regularly held, amounting in the whole to one thousand four hundred and twenty-five while additional services, in new stations, have since been added and the Holy Communion has been administered statedly, one hundred and nine times in all the mission.

I cannot conclude without expressing my grateful acknowledgments to my brethren for their kindness and anxious endeavours to afford me their assistance and coöperation. Hoping we may again be permitted to meet together and assist each other in endeavoring to carry on the work of Christ that His way may be better known upon earth His saving health among all nations.

I have the honor to be my Lord,

Your Obedient Servant,

R. LONSDELL,

Rector of St. Andrews and Rural Dean.