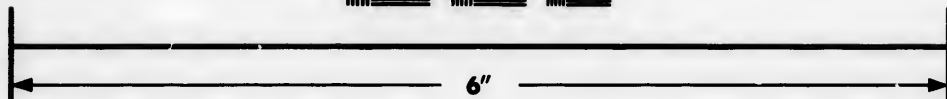
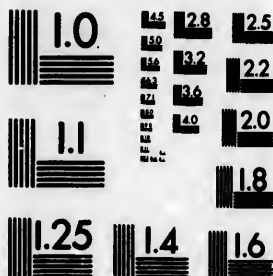


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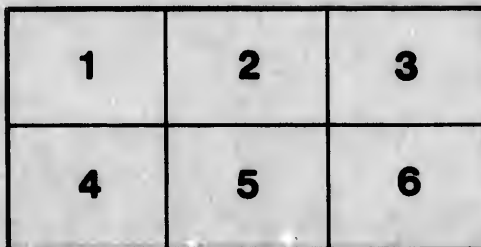
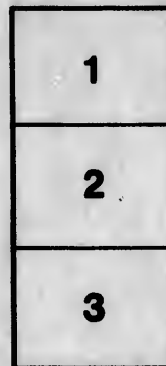
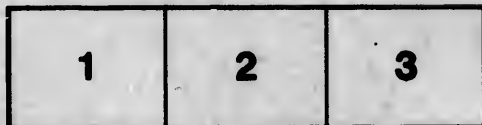
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THE
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

OF THE

Church Society of the Diocese of Quebec,

*Held in the National School House, Montreal, pursuant to notice duly given
in the Quebec and Montreal Papers.*

WEDNESDAY, 3RD JULY, 1844.

Rev. OFFICIAL MACKIE in the Chair.

The Meeting was opened by the appointed form of prayer
by Rev. OFFICIAL MACKIE, who having stated in a luminous
address the objects of the meeting, as that of the second General
Annual Meeting of the Church Society of the Diocese of Que-
bec;

Rev. W. DAWES, the Secretary, was called upon to read the
Report—whereupon it was:

Moved by Hon. A. W. COCHRAN, and seconded by Rev.
J. BETHUNE, D. D. and,

1st. Resolved unanimously,

That the Report now read be adopted by this meeting, and
that it be printed under the direction of the Central Board.

Moved by Rev. J. REID, and seconded by Rev. W. A. ADAMSON, and,

2d. Resolved,

That this Meeting desire thankfully to acknowledge the measure of success with which it has pleased God to bless the labours of the Society during the past year, and trust through the continuance of the Divine blessing upon its operations, that it may be instrumental in accomplishing all the Christian purposes of its Institution.

Moved by Rev. D. FALLOON, D. D. and seconded by Col. HOLLOWAY, and,

3d. Resolved,

That the Secretary having received a Communication from the Church Society of the Diocese of Nova Scotia, this Meeting do cordially reciprocate the feelings of good will which they expressed towards us.

Moved by Rev. M. WILLOUGHBY, seconded by Hon. GEO. MOFFATT, and,

4th. Resolved,

That while this Meeting regret the absence of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, and President of the Society, they cannot but feel a deep interest in the Apostolic object of his Mission to the Red River—and humbly trust that the Great Head of the Church will by His blessing crown his labours there with abundant success.

Moved by Mr. JESSOP, and seconded by Rev. J. JONES.

That the Vice-Presidents for the ensuing year shall consist of the following Gentlemen:—

(See Table of Officers and Members on Pages 3 and 4.)

Moved by the Hon. BARON DE LONGUEUIL, and seconded by
Rev. WM. THOMPSON, and,

5th. Resolved,

That the Central Board for the year 1844-5, shall consist
of the following Gentlemen:—

(See Table of Officers and Members on Pages 3 and 4.)

Moved by the Rev. J. DOOLITTLE, and seconded by Rev.
J. A. ALLEN, and,

6th. Resolved,

That the cordial thanks of this Meeting be given to the
Preacher of the day and to the Officers of the Society, for the
past year.

The Rev. OFFICIAL MACKIE having left the Chair, and the
Rev. J. BETHUNE, D. D. being called to it; On the Motion of
the BARON DE LONGUEUIL, and seconded by H. JESSOPP, Esq.,

8th. It was Resolved,

That the thanks of the Meeting be given to the Rev. OF-
FICIAL MACKIE for his conduct in the Chair.

The Meeting was closed with the usual Benediction.

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BY-LAWS
OF
THE CORPORATION
OF THE
CHURCH SOCIETY OF THE DIOCESE OF QUEBEC,
ADOPTED AT A GENERAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY,
DULY CONVENED AT QUEBEC, ON THE 22ND DAY OF OCTOBER, 1844.

At a Meeting of the Corporation of the Church Society of the Diocese of Quebec, duly called and holden at the National School House in the City of Quebec, on the twenty-second day of October, 1844, in pursuance of an Act passed by the Legislature of the Province of Canada, in the seventh year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled, "An Act to Incorporate the Church Societies of the United Church of England and Ireland in the Dioceses of Quebec and Toronto."

At which Meeting were present:

The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Montreal, President.	
Rev. J. Bethune, D. D.	Hon. Major Spencer,
" Official Mackie,	J. Leaycraft, Esq.
" C. L. F. Haensel,	R. Symes, Esq.
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Hon. A. W. Cochran,	J. Hallowell, Esq.
" W. Walker,	J. B. Forsyth, Esq.
" A. Sheppard,	

It is ordered and ordained by the said Corporation as follows:

Preliminary and Declaratory By-Laws.

First;—The proceedings had, and the appointments of the Vice Presidents and Central Board of the Church Society of the Diocese of Quebec, made, at the General Annual Meeting of the said Society, held at Montreal on the fifth day of July last, after the Act incorporating the said Society came into operation, are hereby recognized and declared to be and to have been good and valid, and the said appointments shall be and remain in force during the year now current, and ending at the anniversary period in July next.

Secondly;—The said Central Board, and the Officers of the Society then appointed as aforesaid, or before that time in office, shall continue in the discharge of their respective duties and functions under and according to the By-Laws of the Church Society passed before its Incorporation, until By-Laws shall be passed under the Act of Incorporation, making different provision in that respect.

GENERAL BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

THE objects of the Society shall be comprehended in the following distinct departments of Christian exertion, viz :

First—Missionary labour, including the creation of a fund towards the augmentation of the stipends of poor Clergymen—towards making a provision for those who may be incapacitated by age or infirmity, and for the widows and orphans of the Clergy.

Second—Education, Day and Sunday Schools.

Third—Assistance, where it may be necessary, to those who may be under preparation for the ministry of the Gospel.

Fourth—Circulation of the Holy Scriptures, the Book of Common Prayer, and such other Books and Tracts as shall be approved by the Central Board, hereinafter to be provided for.

Fifth—Aid towards the erection of Churches, &c., Parsonage Houses, and the management of all matters relating to the endowment of the same.

ARTICLE II.

His Excellency the Governor General, if a member of the Church of England, shall be requested to become the Patron of the Society.

ARTICLE III.

The President of the Society shall be the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, or Bishop administering the Diocese—and the Vice Presidents shall consist of the Chairmen of the different Dis-

strict Associations, hereinafter provided for, and such other persons as shall be nominated at the General Annual Meetings of the Society.

ARTICLE IV.

The Treasurer or Joint Treasurers, the Secretary, Auditors and other necessary Officers of the Society, shall be appointed by the Central Board. The Secretary shall be allowed a salary and travelling expenses, under the direction of the Central Board, and may appoint an Assistant Secretary, subject to the approval of the Central Board, provided that such appointment shall entail no additional burden upon the Society. The appointments of Treasurer and Secretary shall not be for any specified period, but they may be removed at the pleasure of the Central Board.

ARTICLE V.

The Treasurer or Joint Treasurers shall collect all subscriptions, donations, rents, issues, and profits, payable to the Society, for which purpose a paid Collector, or Collectors, may be employed. Such monies shall be deposited in the Bank of Quebec, and Bank of Montreal, and an account shall be opened in such Banks, in the name of the Society.

No money shall be paid without the authority of a resolution of the Central Board, certified by the Secretary, and upon checks signed by the Secretary, and countersigned by the Treasurer, expressing the name of the person to whom, and the purpose for which, the money is to be paid.

The Treasurer or Treasurers shall also have the custody of all deeds, bonds, and other property of the Society, and shall submit his or their accounts at the stated periodical meetings of the Central Board.

ARTICLE VI.

The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all the proceedings of the Society, as well as of the Central Board, and shall have the custody of, and be accountable for, the safe keeping of the same, and he shall be subject to the direction and control of the Central Board in all his duties and proceedings.

ARTICLE VII.

The Society shall meet annually on the first Wednesday in July, alternately at Montreal and Quebec, whereof not less than fifteen days notice shall be given by the Secretary, in at least one of the leading Newspapers in Quebec and Montreal. A Special Meeting of the Society may be called at any time by the President, or in his absence from the Diocese, by two of the Vice Presidents, and four other members of the Society, by a written order to the Secretary, who shall notify the same in the manner hereinbefore provided in respect of the Annual Meetings. Such Special Meetings shall be held at such places as the President shall fix, if called by his order; or otherwise at the place where the next stated meeting of the Central Board is to be held.

ARTICLE VIII.

Persons subscribing 25s. per annum, or giving a contribution once for all of £12 10s. shall be capable of being elected Members of the Corporation, (in the latter case for life,) at any meeting of the Society or of the Central Board:

Contributors may limit and direct any portion, not exceeding one half of their contributions, to be applied to special objects within the designs and purposes of the Society.

Lists of the persons so subscribing or contributing, shall be furnished by the Treasurers of the District Associations, or by the Treasurer or Treasurers of the Society where there shall be no

District Association, to the Secretary of the Society, to be laid before the next meeting of the Society or of the Central Board at which an election may take place.

ARTICLE IX.

Of the Central Board.

There shall be a Central Board for the management of the general business of the Society, consisting of the President, the Vice Presidents and the other officers of the Society, and a Committee of not less than twelve Clergymen, and not less than twelve Laymen, who shall be chosen annually at the General Meeting of the Society, from among the Members of the Corporation.

The Board shall meet four times a year, alternately at Quebec and Montreal, on the Wednesday nearest to the 21st January, 15th May, and 10th October; and on the Friday next after the Annual Meeting. The first meeting thereof shall be held on the 23d day of October, in the present year, at Quebec. Special Meetings may be called by the President, or in his absence from the Diocese, by two of the Vice Presidents, and four Members of the Board; and not less than seven members present at any meeting shall form a quorum. When a sufficient number of members to form a quorum shall not assemble on the regular day of meeting, the members present shall have power to adjourn to another day, and so on *toties quoties*, until a quorum shall be found; and business shall and may then be proceeded in.

At all meetings of the Central Board the Chairman, in case of an equality of votes shall have a double or casting vote.

The Central Board shall have authority to make such rules as may be deemed necessary for the Government of its own affairs, provided that none of them be contrary to, or inconsistent with, the spirit of the Constitution or By-Laws of the Society.

ARTICLE X.

Of District Associations.

In connection and correspondence with the Central Board, there shall be formed District Associations (except in the Cities of Quebec and Montreal, and the Banlieues thereof); to be composed of the Clergy, and all other Members of the Society resident within the bounds of such Districts,—a contribution of 5s. per annum, constituting membership of such District Associations. The District Associations (except as hereinbefore excepted) shall continue as heretofore settled by the Central Board of the Society, before its Incorporation, until otherwise hereafter determined by the Central Board. The senior Clergyman holding a Pastoral charge within such bounds shall be, *ex officio*, Chairman of such Association—they may have a Secretary and Treasurer, and shall meet at such places as they may themselves determine; at one of which meetings the officers shall be appointed and a report of the proceedings for the year read. The District Associations shall have authority to make rules for the government of their own affairs, provided such rules be not contrary to, or inconsistent with, the Constitution or By-Laws of the Society. They shall report annually to the Central Board, at least one month before the Annual General Meeting of the Society, (and at such other times as the Secretary, on behalf of the Board, shall require) a statement of their proceedings, and a detailed account of all the monies received and expended by them during the year.

It is nevertheless provided that the Chairmen of the District Associations of Quebec and Montreal, heretofore existing, shall continue to be Vice Presidents of the Society during the current year until the Annual Meeting in July next.

ARTICLE XI.

Of the Sub-Committees of the Society.

For the more effectually carrying out the designs of this Society, the Clergymen and Church Wardens in every Parish and Missionary Station, and the Ministers and Wardens of every Chapelry within the Diocese, shall be a Sub-Committee of the Society, in correspondence with the District Association, within whose bounds such Parish or Missionary Station is situated, or in the Cities of Quebec and Montreal, with the Central Board, through the Secretary of the Society. This Committee shall meet as often, and at such periods, as they themselves shall decide to be most convenient, inviting the co-operation of all the Parishioners, in their deliberations and designs. They shall collect subscriptions and donations from the members of the Church, in such manner as they shall deem most effective, and endeavour, by every means in their power, to augment the resources of the Society. One sermon at least shall be preached during the year within the limits of such Parish, Station, or Chapelry, on such Sunday as the Bishop shall appoint, in favour of some one or more of the objects of the Society; and a collection shall then be taken up in aid thereof, the proceeds of which shall forthwith be remitted to the Treasurer or Treasurers of the Society; any Parish, Station, or Chapelry in which such sermon shall not have been preached, shall not be considered entitled to any grant or benefit from the Society, until a sermon shall have been so preached.

All other monies raised by such Sub-Committees, shall be remitted to the Treasurer of the District Association; or to the Treasurer or Treasurers of the Society, where such monies shall have been raised within the Cities and Banlieues of Quebec or Montreal.

ARTICLE XII.

One-half of all monies paid into the hands of the Treasurers of the District Associations, respectively, and not specially appropriated by the contributors, shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of the Society, to be at the disposal of the Central Board, and the remaining half of all such collections shall when required, be expended within the Parish or District in which they have been made, for such objects only as are specified in the Constitution of the Society—the allotment to be made by the District Association. All monies remaining unappropriated at the General Annual Meeting of the District Association, shall be forthwith transmitted to the Treasurer or Treasurers of the Society to be at the disposal of the Central Board: it being understood that nothing contained in this Article shall interfere with any existing arrangement or agreement between any Clergyman and his flock.

ARTICLE XIII.

Of the Lay Committee of the Church Society.

This Committee shall consist of the twenty-five members appointed before the Incorporation of the Society, and shall be governed by the Constitution, Rules and Regulations, adopted and in force before that period, until the same shall be altered by the Committee or by the Society at the General Meeting.

The proceedings of the Lay Committee shall be subject to the sanction of the Bishop of the Diocese. The clerical and other members of the Central Board, may attend at any of the General Meetings of the Committee, and may propose and discuss matters therein, but shall have no vote; and the Committee shall report their proceedings to the Central Board at their stated meetings. The objects of this Committee shall be:

First—The placing the Clergymen, now resident and doing

duty in the Province, upon a just footing as regards the sufficiency and permanency of their incomes.

Secondly—The providing for the permanent and adequate support of an increased number of Clergymen, so that, with the least possible delay, the members of the Church in every portion of the Diocese, may have the means of access to a Church within a practicable distance.

Thirdly—The building in every place where it may be required a Church of stone or brick, upon a well considered plan, as to dimensions, external form, and internal arrangement, keeping in view the probability of its requiring enlargement.

Fourthly—The building, in a good situation, convenient to the Church, a comfortable Parsonage of brick or stone, upon a uniform plan, which should be carefully considered, with reference to size and internal arrangement, and should admit of additions being made, with the sanction of the Bishop.

Fifthly—The insuring such Churches or Parsonages against losses by fire.

Sixthly—The procuring an adequate and permanent support for all the Institutions, authorities, and functionaries, suitable and appertaining to the Establishment of the Church of England in this Diocese.

Seventhly—The investing all life subscriptions (unless so far as the application of these may be otherwise limited by the contributors) in a permanent and accumulating Fund, of which the interest only shall be applied to the general purposes of the Society.

Eighthly—The encouraging the formation of a local endowment Fund, at every station or place having a Church or Clergyman, by special contributions, or by setting apart a portion of the Pew rents, to form an accumulating fund until the net income shall in each case amount to £50 per annum; for the more ef-

fectual promotion of which object the Society will engage, whenever such fund shall be formed and shall amount to £100, invested in Bank stock, or other public securities, to add thereto a corresponding amount of £100; provided always that such investment shall stand in the name of the President of the Society.

ARTICLE XIV.

All Meetings of the Society and of the Committees shall be opened and closed with the Prayers used by the two Societies in England, adapted to our situation, under the direction of the Bishop.

No alteration or amendment in the Constitution or By-Laws of the Society shall be made, unless such alteration or amendment shall first be communicated to the Secretary, to be submitted for examination and consideration to a Special Meeting of the Society, at least one month before a General Annual Meeting, and adopted at such General Annual Meeting. Provided that the rejection or adoption of any such alteration or amendment, by such Special Meeting, shall in no wise bind or restrain the General Annual Meeting, in considering and disposing of the same.

ARTICLE XV.

Whereas some members of the Church, who are not unmindful of the great Spiritual wants of their own neighborhood, still feel constrained, in pious gratitude for the blessings they enjoy, to allot something, however small, from the means with which a Gracious Providence has blessed them, towards the spread of the Glorious Gospel among the nations which still sit in darkness;

the Society will gladly receive and forward to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, the Church Missionary Society, or the London Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews, whatever sums may be given for the conversion and instruction of the Heathen or the Jews.

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL BOARD

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The Church Society of the Diocese of Quebec.

IF we look on the face of our Church at home, may it not be truly said, that the age of Endowments has returned? There has arisen, of recent years, a spirit of enlarged Christian beneficence, admirably and gratefully harmonizing with the great necessities of the Church in England, the still greater wants of its Colonial dependencies, and the permanent claims of the Heathen World at large, upon that body whose standing commission is "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature!" We have beheld in a pleasing degree the recognition of the Bible principle, "The silver and the gold are the Lord's;" that the wealth of the world is His, whose we are, and whom we ought to serve; and that having divided of it "To every one severally as he wills," men are to use that portion allotted to them, "as good Stewards of the manifold grace of God," to His glory and the furtherance of his purposes of mercy to men. Many have acted on this high principle. Opulence and rank have bowed at the foot of the cross, and presented willing offerings to His great name. Queens are embodying the prophetic voice, and shewing themselves "nursing mothers of the Church;" and many nobles of the land, and merchants of the earth, are bringing their glory and honour into it, and uniting in one grand enterprise of Christian philanthropy; whereby nobility itself is ennobled, and wealth is sanctified by the holy purposes to which it is devoted. So enlarged has been the bounty—so great the

sums contributed in many instances, far exceeding what was known, or could have been anticipated but a few years since, as to justify the assertion—that this our day, is a day of Endowments.

It is also interesting to remark that the benefactions of the present day have not only been large, but general and diffusive; comprehending all objects that the piety of the Christian mind, and the charity of the Christian heart, will delight to relieve.

How many are the Churches which have been erected and endowed—how many new fields of labour have been opened at home, and missionaries sent forth, even to the uttermost parts of the earth,—how much has been done towards settling the Church, and enlarging its borders in the Colonies; how much for the education of the people upon Christian principles; how much to mitigate every trial, to relieve every want that flesh is heir to: and all by the spontaneous exertions of individuals, unaided by the Government. Witness only as a specimen the Metropolis Churches Fund, by means of which nearly Forty new Churches have within a short period, been erected and partially endowed in London;—the Colonial Bishop's Fund, which has already provided so many Bishops in the Colonies, and thus established the Church of England in its integrity in those distant parts:—and behold the gigantic effort, which is now making in England, by voluntary contributions to educate the great body of the people, in the principles of the Church. Witness also the almost innumerable Institutions and Asylums for the relief of the widow, the fatherless, and the stranger; the maimed, the lame, the blind, and the deaf; the diseased in mind or in body. And witness the many great Christian and benevolent Societies, which yearly call upon the bounty of a willing people, and never call in vain. Amongst them stand most prominently, the two “great Societies which have nourished the Church in the Colonies;” and by whose liberality, the far greater

part of the Clergy in this Diocese, are at the present time supported.

We cannot fail to mark the good Providence, and Grace of God, in these efficient exertions for the well-being of men. He has made "His people willing in the day of His power," and of His Church's need: and we must bless the Lord, for putting it into the hearts of so many thus to labour, and to be permitted to see the fruit of their labour. Of this extended bounty, we have been largely partakers: long has the Church in the Diocese been fostered and sustained from Home; our necessities have been great and urgent, and they have been met with a noble generosity.

But the time has come, when we are not to be partakers merely of the bounty of England, but to be in our measure, IMITATORS of her deeds of Christian benevolence. In the Church Society of this Diocese, whose second anniversary we this day celebrate, we have full scope for the free exercise of Christian bounty. The objects of the Society are numerous, and embrace the nearest interests of our Church and people.

In detailing the proceedings of the past year, it will be seen to what degree of favour and support the Society has attained: and in stating the many works connected with the Church at present in progress, or about to be commenced, it will be discerned, how urgent is the call for renewed exertion and increased support.

The Balance in hand at the last Annual Meeting,.....	£185	5	7	
Receipts on behalf of the Society for 1843-4, not including those for District Associations,.....	730	14	7	
				£916 0 2
Grants made by the Central Board in 1843-4,.....	£185	9	0	
Expenses,.....	69	15	10	
Balance in the hands of the Treasurer,.....	660	15	4	
				£916 0 2

Many names have been added to the Subscription Lists of the Society during the past year. In Montreal not so many have been added as could have been expected, owing principally to the continued depression of the Commercial and Trading interests. The gentlemen who kindly undertook to collect subscriptions, have not been inattentive to the duty which they voluntarily engaged to perform; and it is trusted that their anxious efforts for the advancement of the Society, will yet be crowned with abundant success. Additional collections have been made in England, by the continued exertions of the Son of our venerated President. Did other friends of the Canadian Church in England, equally interest themselves in the same good Work, which it is hoped, we may have the satisfaction of stating at the next Annual Meeting, doubtless similar success would attend their exertions: and collections made in England might thenceforth form an important Item in the Annual Report.

Mr. Armine Mountain has obtained the additional sum of £75 19s. 6d. Sterling.

In the District Associations very considerable additions have been made, during the past year. The Parochial Associations, have been generally formed throughout the Diocese, and the amounts raised in the several country Parishes and Missions, though not equal, in many instances, to what we *may hope* hereafter to witness, are yet sufficient to encourage the expectation of "better things to come." An interest in favour of the Society, has been obviously excited, through the Diocese, the duty of offering for the Lord's Service has been recognized, and with the bright example of the zealous and self-denying efforts of private Christians at home to diffuse Gospel-light, and provide for every want of suffering humanity, we may not doubt, but that, under the Divine blessing, the Church Society, will soon have a place in the affections of every Churchman in the Diocese, and in every locality take root downwards and bear fruit abundantly.

Since the last Annual General Meeting the Governor General has been solicited to become Patron of the Society. His Excellency has kindly acquiesced, and with his usual munificence, has sent a donation of £25 to the Society.

In furtherance of a resolution adopted at the last Annual Meeting, the Central Board, at its following sitting, placed at the disposal of the Lord Bishop, the annual sum of £200, to enable him to engage two Travelling Missionaries in connexion with the Society. Accordingly his Lordship appointed the Rev. Mr. White, in November last, as Travelling Missionary, in the District of Quebec. On his health failing under the arduous nature of the duties, he resigned in February last. The Rev. W. Rollett, ordained in May, has been appointed to succeed him. The Rev. J. A. Devine, has been nominated by the Bishop, for the District of Montreal, and has proceeded to the Ottawa, to visit destitute settlements, and to report. The Missionaries are instructed to keep Journals; extracts from which will from time to time be published.

During the past year, several grants of money have been made, chiefly for the purpose of assisting in the erection or completion of Churches and Parsonage houses. The applications for the assistance thus afforded were accompanied with statements, which shew the necessity of this Society; and the very great help which it can yield to Ministers scattered through the wilds of this extensive Diocese. When a Church is needed in a poor Mission, or a suitable residence for the Minister, or a Sunday School to be established with a Circulating Library, or a Parochial Lending Library to be procured, or other good works to be engaged in, happy for the Minister and the poor settlers, that they have relief at hand; that there is a Society to which they can lay open their wants and wishes with an assurance of sympathy and support. One Missionary writes on applying for aid:—"First as to the Church it is finished except the inside work, which with the means

now in our power, might be fitted up for worship with about £25 or £30; and in regard to the Parsonage, I beg merely to say that it is without plaister; the upper rooms are unpartitioned, and a frame kitchen is unfloored, without clapboards, and without windows, and still I am living in it. Unless, however, it can be rendered comfortable before winter, I must retreat elsewhere." The sum of £25 was granted on this application.

On another application of a similar character, the Church having been erected, by the efforts of the settlers, aided by a grant from "the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts," they were unable to furnish it suitably for Divine Service. The sum of £15 was allowed.

Many other cases might be added.

It may be mentioned, for the general information of members of the Society, that the mode of proceeding adopted by the Central Board, respecting all applications for aid, is to refer the case to a standing Finance Committee, of which there are some members resident in Quebec and others in Montreal; and upon the report of this Committee, the Central Board usually act.

Since the last Annual General Meeting, measures have been taken to obtain for the Society an Act of Incorporation to facilitate its operations, and to place it upon a more solid and permanent foundation. A Bill was introduced during the last Session of the Provincial Legislature, to this end, which passed both Houses, and was reserved by the Governor General for the sanction of the Sovereign.

We have the satisfaction of stating, that the Bill has received the Royal Assent, which interesting fact was announced in the Canada Gazette of 29th June.* We may therefore regard our Society henceforth as a Corporate body.

Another interesting feature of the Society has not been over-

* For the Act, vide appendix.

looked during the past year, viz: the establishment on a permanent basis, of one or more Depositories of books and tracts, within the Diocese. A plan has been agreed upon and will be shortly carried out, for having in the two Cities, Quebec and Montreal, Depositories, at which Bibles, Prayer books, Tracts, Sunday-School books, and other valuable and interesting religious publications may be procured at a moderate charge. Due notice will be given through the District Secretaries, to the Clergy generally, when the arrangement is completed.

At the period of the last anniversary, there were three District Associations unformed, viz: those of Gaspé, South Quebec District, and the Ottawa District. They have since been organized.

The Gaspé District Association was formed on the 29th September, 1843, at a public meeting held at Percé, at which the Lord Bishop presided, as he had previously done at the formation of all the other Associations in the Diocese, greatly aiding and encouraging by his countenance and advice. The resolutions were similar to those adopted in other Districts, in accordance with the suggestion of the Central Board.

REV. R. SHORT, of Percé, *Chairman.*

REV. W. ARNOLD, of Gaspé Basin, *Secretary.*

JOHN HARDLEY, Esquire, *Treasurer.*

The sum of £21 15s. annual, was subscribed at the Meeting, chiefly appropriated to local purposes.

The Gaspé Basin Parochial Association was formed on 28th December last.

Annual Subscription,..... £25 0 0

Sermon on Quinquagesima Sunday,..... 4 0 1

The latter amount has been remitted to the Treasurer of the Society.

No Report respecting other Parochial Associations in the District.

The South Quebec District Association was organized on the 9th February, 1844, when a public meeting was held at Leeds, at which the Lord Bishop presided. The Meeting was summoned for the School house, but owing to the large attendance it was held in the Church. The usual resolutions were adopted :

Rev. R. ANDERSON, *Chairman.*

Rev. R. KNIGHT, *Secretary.*

Rev. P. J. MANING, *Treasurer.*

The Meeting was addressed with effect by several gentlemen present, who had come from Quebec, and others from Frampton, to attend it. A subscription list was commenced.

Annual Subscription,..... £25 0 0

Donation of Land,..... 250 acres.

Three Parochial Associations have been formed within the District.

The first at Leeds, on Easter Monday last.

Annual Subscription,..... £10 2 6

The second in the Mission of New Ireland, in which are three Churches.

Upper Ireland Church Settlement, Annual, £5 7 6

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The Mission at St. Sylvestre has also its Association, but no Report has been received respecting its proceedings.

At Point Levi and New Liverpool, although Associations have not yet been regularly formed, the sum of fifty pounds has been raised in the mission during the past year, for the purpose of procuring an organ for each of the two Churches.

Sums collected on Quinquagesima Sunday, after sermons in the Churches of the District :

Leeds,.....	£1	0	0
New Ireland,.....	0	15	0
Frampton,.....	3	12	8
Point Levi,.....	2	0	0
New Liverpool,.....	1	5	0
			—————£8 12 8

In stating the works in progress, and the wants of the District, it may be observed, there are two new Churches in the Mission of the Rev. P. J. Maning, in the course of completion. There are three other Churches yet unfinished. A new Church at Point Levi is proposed. The Secretary writes, "a resident Minister is needed for the Township of Inverness, whose labors would extend into the Townships of Nelson and Somerset."

The Ottawa District Association was formed on the 24th July last.

Rev. J. ABBOTT, *Chairman*.

Rev. W. ABBOTT, *Secretary*.

FRANK FARISH, Esquire, *Treasurer*.

The Secretary writes, "that owing to the very small attendance, in consequence of bad weather, nothing more was done at that time than the appointment of officers."

The Parochial Association of St. Andrews, in this District, was formed on the 17th June, 1844.

Annual Subscriptions, £6.

Donation from Rev. W. Abbott of a village lot, with a barn upon it, value about £30, for St. Andrews Church.

No Report respecting any other Parochial Association.

Collected on Quinquagesima Sunday, after sermons in the Churches of the District.

St. Andrews Church,.....	£2	12	6
Gore Church,.....	1	12	6
Aylmer Church,.....	2	0	0
			—————£6 5 0

In this extensive District, which is fast rising in population, there are but five Clergymen resident. It will be remembered that the Travelling Missionary of the Society has been directed to that District, with instructions to labour there for a short time. Extracts from the Journal of that gentleman, will be found in the Appendix.

Montreal (proper) District Association.

This Association was not formally organized until December, 1843. At a meeting on the 7th of that month, a Committee was appointed, of which quarterly meetings are to be held.

The Association has incorporated with it the "City Temporal and Pastoral Aid Societies," which had existed since 1838, and with it received a balance of £27 6 6. This Society supported the Missionary at Griffintown.

Grants were made from January 1844, to the Missionary in Griffintown, per annum,.....	£150	0	0
Donations to the Minister in Quebec Suburbs,	75	0	0
Various,.....	37	10	0

Total, £262 10 0

There is a balance in the hands of the Treasurer, to the credit of the Association, of £166 7 10.

The Montreal City Association, in immediate connection with the Parish Church,—Annual subscriptions, £74. In addition to this amount, it is provided that four sermons be preached in Christ Church during the year, on behalf of the Association.

No Associations are yet formed in connexion with any of the Chapels of Ease in the Parish, nor any regular, systematic collections made for the purposes of the Society.

There are six Parochial Associations formed in the District.

1st. That of Christ Church, Montreal,...	£ 74	0	0
2d. St. Martins, Isle Jesus, Annual subscription,.....	5	5	0
3d. Mission of Rawdon, Subscriptions for Parsonage,	42	10	0
Subscriptions for Kildare Church,	9	7	0
Collected also for Kildare Church,	47	19	0
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	£179	1	0
4th. Vaudreuil, donation,.....	2	7	6
Annual subscription,.....	4	0	0
Collected after sermon 2d July, 1843,.....	3	13	9
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	£10	1	3
5th. Ormstown, Subscription,.....	2	3	0
6th. Mascouche, Annual subscriptions specially appropriated,.....	44	15	0
Annual subscriptions, general pur- poses,	2	12	6
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	£49	10	6
Collected after sermons in the Churches of the District on Quinquagesima Sunday last:			
Christ Church, Montreal,.....	£49	8	1
St. Thomas, Montreal,.....	6	0	9
Ormstown,.....	3	5	0
Rawdon,.....	1	5	0
Vaudreuil,.....	1	6	7
Lachine,.....	7	1	4
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	£68	6	9

Mascouche, sermon in July, 1843,	2	10	6
Lachine, sermon in July, 1843,...	4	6	3½

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In the City of Montreal, a new Church is in the course of erection at Griffintown.

At Vaudreuil, the Church recently built is not yet completed internally.

Some progress has been made in the erection of a much needed Parsonage at Rawdon ; but further assistance will be required to complete it.

Richelieu District Association.

The Annual General Meeting was held at St. Johns in February, after Divine Service, when the Rev. M. Townsend preached, and a collection was made on behalf of the Association.

There are eight Parochial Associations formed, comprising the whole of the Parishes and Missions within the District.

1st. St. Johns, Annual subscription, £39 5 0

Ladies' collections,.....	7	9	2½
			£46 14 2½

There is also a weekly collection in the Sunday school, from the children, for a prescribed object ; one of the many contemplated by the Society. A different object is named every year.

By this three-fold method of collecting, all in the Parish are united from the least to the greatest, in contributing according to their means, toward the great and benevolent purposes of the Society. The sum of £45 has also recently been subscribed in the Parish, for the special purpose of erecting side galleries in the Church, which are now completed, and for making other desirable alterations. There is also a small annual subscription for the education of poor children.

2d. Chambly, Annual Subscription, £16 17 11½	
Sermons in July, 1843,.....	3 2 1
Donations, (special),.....	32 0 4
	<hr/> £52 0 4½

In the last item, there is a bequest of £25.—the first which has passed into the funds of the Society. When it is recollected that the large bequests made to Societies in England, constitute their stock fund,—a chief source of their settled wealth, and power of usefulness—we cannot fail to take occasion, from this bequest, to present to the Christian mind a mode of offering to this Society, of which, it is trusted, many will avail themselves. A legal form of bequest will be found in the Appendix to the Report.

3d. Clarenceville, Annual Subscription, £4 17 6	
Sermons in July, 1843,.....	2 13 7
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4th. Lacolle, Annual Subscription,.....	2 10 0
Sermons in July, 1843,.....	7 10 0
Donations for special purpose, completion of Lacolle Church,	39 0 0
	<hr/> £49 0 0

In reference to the last item, the donations of £39, it may be remarked that that sum was raised on the District Association granting £15, being one quarter of the estimated cost of completing the Church, on the *condition*, and to be *paid only* when the other three-fourths were raised in the Mission.

The Rev. C. Morice writes in acknowledgment of this grant, and in reference to the way it was made: "I think the best way of granting money, is to give a certain sum on condition that a like or greater sum be advanced by the people, according to circumstances."

5th. Sherrington, Annual Subscription,..	£1 0 0
Sermons in July, 1843,.....	0 10 0
Donations, (special),.....	7 2 0
	<hr/> £8 12 0

6th. St. Remi, Annual Subscription,.....	£12	17	6
Sermons in July, 1843,.....	1	6	3
Donations, (special),.....	1	12	6
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	£15	16	3
7th. Christievile, Annual Subscription,	3	10	0
Sermons in July, 1843,.....	4	0	0
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	£7	10	0

A penny subscription has been set on foot in this Mission, in which the settlers are generally poor. Thirty-six families contribute weekly one penny. This is an example, that it is conceived may be successfully followed in places where other modes of collecting could not so readily obtain. Some obvious advantages it possesses; it tends to keep up an interest in the Society amongst such as could not otherwise contribute. It is not felt; and it often realizes more to the funds of a Society than is raised in a different way, in more favoured places. In many instances, it has been most successfully practised in England—very large amounts having been thus raised for different objects.

8th. Laprairie, Donations, (special) for rent of the Minister's house,.....	£25	0	0
Donations, (74th Regiment) for finishing the Church,.....	12	0	3
Sermon in July, 1843,.....	0	18	9
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	£37	19	0

Amounts collected after sermons on Quinquagesima Sunday last, in the Churches of the District:

St. Johns,.....	£9	12	8½
Christievile,.....	3	13	6
Sherrington,.....	0	5	0
Chambly,.....	3	5	1½
Clarenceville,.....	1	10	0
Lacolle,.....	2	10	0
St. Remi,.....	0	12	1½
Laprairie,.....	2	5	8
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	£23	14	1½

In the Richelieu District:—

There are three new Churches in progress. With respect to two of these, the one at Henryville, and that at Hemmingford, operations are suspended for want of funds; yet they are both very much needed.

A chapel school-house is proposed to be erected six miles from St. Johns, where Divine Service is performed every alternate Sunday in a private house.

Missisqui District Association.

The Anniversary was celebrated at Durham on 17th January last: the Secretary of the Society attended.

There are six Parochial Associations in this District.

1st. Shefford, Annual Subscriptions,	£23	7	9	
2d. St. Armand East, do	17	8	9	
3d. Phillipsburg, do	13	1	3	
4th. Stanbridge, do	6	0	0	
5th. Granby, Donations,	3	0	0	
Annual Subscriptions,	3	15	0	
		6	15	0
6th. Milton, Annual Subscriptions,	5	10	0	
7th. Abbotsford, do	7	17	6	
		£80	0	3

No report from Durham or Broome.

The amounts collected on Quinquagesima Sunday, after sermons preached in the Churches of the District, were:

Shefford,	£2	10	9½	
St. Armand East,	2	1	3	
Phillipsburg,	2	1	8	
Stanbridge,	1	0	0	
Durham,	1	5	4½	
Abbotsford,	2	10	0	
		£11	9	1

No report from Granby, Milton, and Broome.

In this District a new Church is in the course of erection at Phillipsburg.

At St. Armand East, extensive repairs are required in the Church, for which the Rector is wisely husbanding resources, before commencing operations. He has, however, sent one-fourth of his parochial annual subscriptions, and the whole amount collected after sermons, to the Treasurer of the Society.

At Waterloo a new Church has just been erected, at a cost thus far, of £250. The further sum of £200 is required to finish the building. Repairs are much needed in the Parsonage house.

The Church at West Shefford, the Clergyman writes, is in immediate need of extensive repairs. He adds :

“ It is intended, to apply such of the funds of this Association as are contributed in that section, to the above purpose, and further aid is greatly needed.”

There are two other new Churches in progress; one at Granby, another at Milton; and it is in contemplation to erect a Church in the Township of Durham, where a Missionary is said to be much needed.

The Secretary writes :—“ That the Church Society in this District is at present in its infancy, and we labor under great difficulties; but a popular and pious attachment to the Church is on the increase among us, and we have good reason to hope, that the seed of truth, which has been sown, will ere long produce a copious harvest both of ‘ piety’ and ‘ benevolence !’ ”

The St. Francis District Association held its Anniversary at Sherbrooke on 23d January, 1844, when a very favorable report of their proceedings was presented.

The amount of Annual Subscriptions in

the District was	£100	7	0
Donations,	34	0	0
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	£134	7	0

Donations towards Lennoxville College amount to £470. This sum was not collected during the past year.

Seven Parochial Associations have been organized in this District.

1st. Sherbrooke, Annual Subscriptions,	£20	13	9
2d. Lennoxville, do do	44	12	6
3d. Hatley, do do	17	10	0
4th. Melbourne, do do	27	5	0
5th. Kingsey, do do	4	2	6
6th. Bury, do do	6	19	3
7th. Eaton, do do	1	15	0
8th. Tingwick, Shipton, and part of Kingsey, Annual Subscriptions,	9	7	5
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No Report from Compton.

Collected after Sermons in the several Churches of the District, on Quinquagesima Sunday last:—

Compton,	£1	5	0
Melbourne,	1	0	0
Sherbrooke and Lennoxville,	2	3	6
Tingwick,	0	6	0
Bury	0	5	6
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No Report from Hatley, Kingsey and Eaton.

The Secretary writes, in reply to a part of the General Secretary's Circular, "Of Public Works begun or contemplated, I have no formal information, but I am aware that one Church is in progress at Bury. It is proposed to lay the foundation of one this summer at Lennoxville. Preparations are making to erect a Church at Waterville; one in Compton; one at Wurtele's Mills in Windsor, and one in the Western part of Melbourne."

The Three Rivers District Association had its Annual Meeting last month at Three Rivers, at which the Assistant Secretary of the Association attended and assisted.

Annual Subscription for General Purposes, £33 1 3
Subscriptions and Donations for Special do.

A New Church and Parsonage have been lately completed at Sorel. The contributions of the Parish and neighbourhood, for that special object, amounted to the sum of £357 10.

A Parochial Association has been formed at Rivière du Loup, but no Report has been received.

Collected after Sermon in the Churches of the District, on Quinquagesima Sunday last :

Nicolet,.....	£2 0 0
Sorel,.....	3 15 0
Drummondville,.....	2 13 0
Rivière du Loup,.,.....	2 10 0
Port-Neuf,.....	1 0 0
	—————£11 18 0

The Secretary writes, "There were several objects proposed as desirable to be provided for in the District;" but he could not furnish any detailed statement.

The Grand Total Income of the Society, and District and Parochial Associations, for the year past, is then about £2044.

It will be seen by the statement just offered, that in all parts of the Diocese, the Society is becoming favourably known and supported. The richest and the poorest of our people have combined to make up the comparatively large amounts received. It is surely a subject of gratulation that so much has been done—of humble thankfulness to Almighty God, that so large a sum should have been contributed to further the great purposes of the Church in the Diocese.

But we should not fail also to remark the great and pressing wants, in every part of the Diocese, which have been detailed. With so many Churches in progress, and several others in expectation of being ere long raised, we cannot fail to mark a

disproportion between our great necessities and the resources wherewith to meet them.

Not further to detain you, let the brief reviews with which we commenced, of the labours of private Christians at home, of the happy correspondency to be marked between their greater wants, and the full liberality with which they have been sought to be supplied—encourage in all of us greater earnestness in the good cause of this *Christian Church Society*. Let but a spirit of unity and godly love prevail in its councils, enabling all to regard it at once as the fruit and the work of Christian Faith; and under the prayers put up whenever we meet on behalf of the Society, we may never doubt but “the Lord *will* prosper the work of our hands upon us, that He *will* prosper our handy work.”

Prayer to be used at all Meetings of the Society,

AND ITS SEVERAL ASSOCIATIONS.

Prevent us, O Lord, in all our doings, with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help ; that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy Holy Name, and finally, by Thy mercy, obtain everlasting life ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O merciful God, who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that Thou hast made, nor would'st the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live ; Have mercy upon all Jews, Turks, Infidels, and Heretics, and take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of Thy Word ; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to thy flock, that they may be saved among the remnant of the true Israelites, and be made one fold under one Shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord : Prosper, O Lord, the labors of those Societies of the Church in the land of our Fathers, which Thou hast deigned to use in the promotion of this object, and which have nourished the Church, in the Colonies ; and bless in like manner with Thy Holy Spirit and providential succour, the Society in whose cause we are now met, and the undertakings which we have now in hand "Prosper Thou the work of our hands upon us. O, prosper thou our handy work," for the sake, and through the merits of the same Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Our Father, which art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And Forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation : But deliver us from evil : For thine is the kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. *Amen.*

ACT OF INCORPORATION
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7^o VICTORIAE, CAP. LXVIII.

An Act to Incorporate the Church Societies of the United Church of England and Ireland, in the Dioceses of Quebec and Toronto.

WHEREAS it has been represented to the Legislature of this Province, that certain persons hereinafter named, and divers others, inhabitants of Lower Canada, and also certain other persons hereinafter named, and divers others inhabitants of Upper Canada, have respectively established themselves together under a Constitution, Rules and Regulations, and have contributed, or engaged to contribute, considerable sums of money, and have given or granted, or promised to give or grant, lands or real estate, for the following objects, that is to say:—

First, for the encouragement and support of Missionaries and Clergymen of the United Church of England and Ireland, severally within the Dioceses of Quebec and Toronto, and for creating a fund towards the augmentation of the Stipends of poor Clergymen, and towards making a provision for those who may be incapacitated by age or infirmity, and for the widows and orphans of the Clergy of the said Church, respectively in the said Dioceses; Secondly, for the encouragement of education and the support of Day Schools and Sunday Schools in the said Dioceses, respectively, in conformity with the principles of the said Church; Thirdly, for granting assistance, where it may be necessary, to those who may be preparing for the Ministry of the Gospel in the said

Preamble, recognizing the existence of voluntary Church Societies in Lower and Upper Canada, respectively, under a Constitution, Rules, &c., and the objects of the Societies, viz.:

1st. Support of Clergy, and provision for infirm Clergymen and Widows, &c.;

2nd. Education and Schools;

3rd. Assisting Students for the Ministry;

4th. Circulation of the Bible, Book of Common Prayer, &c. and Church within the said Dioceses, respectively; Fourthly for circulating in the said Dioceses, respectively, the Holy Scriptures, the Book of Common Prayer of the said Church, and such other Books and tracts as shall be approved by the several Central Boards or Managing Committees of the said Associations; Fifthly, for

5th. Erection and maintenance of Churches, Parsonages, and Burial Grounds. obtaining and granting aid towards the erection, endowment and maintenance of Churches according to the establishment, of the said Church in the said Dioceses, respectively, the creation and maintenance of Parsonage Houses, the setting apart of Burial Grounds and Church Yards, the endowment and support of Parsonages and Rectories according to the said establishment, and the management of all matters relating to such endowments;

By incorporating the Societies, their purposes will be promoted; And whereas it would tend greatly to facilitate and promote the purposes of the said Associations that they should severally be incorporated and empowered to hold property in mortmain without letters of licence, and to manage, administer, alienate or dispose of the same, for the uses and purposes aforesaid, and to make and enforce Rules and Regulations, respectively, for the government of the said Associations, severally, and for better attain-

Therefore—ing the purposes aforesaid; Be it therefore enacted, by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain and Ireland, intituled, *An Act to reunite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that the Lord Bishop of the said Diocese of

Existing Members of the Church Society of the Diocese of Quebec incorporated. Quebec, the Lord Bishop of Montreal, or the Bishop administering the said Diocese for the time being, and William Smith, Andrew W. Cochran, Henry Jessopp, Henry J. Noad, John Racey, James H. Kerr, David Burnet, W. H. Leaycraft, John M. Fraser, the Reverend C. L. F. Haensel, George Hall, James Bolton, the Rev.

George Mackie, the Reverend Edward Cusack, Robert Symes, the Reverend Edmund W. Sewell, William Price, Noah Freer, Edward Bowen, John G. Irvine, Hammond Gowen, Sir James Stuart, Baronet, Matthew Bell, William Phillips, Henry LeMesurier, Junior, Edward L. Montizambert, Thomas Trigge, Peter Patterson, George B. Hall, James Turnbull, William Stevenson, James B. Forsyth, Alexander D. Bell, James Dyke, William Bowes, R. M. Harrison, H. S. Dalkin, Edward Boxer, Archibald Campbell, Charles Secretan, James McKenzie, E. P. Woodrich, George H. Parke, Samuel McCaulay, James J. Loundes, G. Newton, Charles Secretan, Thomas Glover, Robert Duikers, H. W. Welsh, and such other persons as are now Members of the said Association of the Diocese of Quebec, according to the existing Constitution, Rules and Regulations thereof, and their successors, to be elected in the manner hereinafter provided, and such other persons as shall from time to time hereafter be elected to be Members of the said Association in the manner hereinafter provided, shall be and are hereby declared to be a *Body Corporate and Politic*, in name and in deed, by the name of "THE CHURCH SOCIETY OF THE DIOCESE OF QUEBEC," and that the Lord Bishop of Toronto, the Venerable George Okill Stuart, Robert Simpson Jameson, Levius Peter Sherwood, James B. Macaulay, Jonas Jones, Christopher Alexander Hagerman, Peter Boyle De Blaquiere, William Henry Draper, John Simcoe Macaulay, James Gordon, John Boulton, John Solomon Cartwright, D'Arcy Boulton, Mahlon Burwell, John B. Askin, Thomas Mereer Jones, Frederiek Widder, William B. Jarvis, Henry Ruttan, Joseph Wells, Walter Boswell, Zacheus Burnham, T. A. Stewart, William Dickson, James Kerby, William Allan, George Crookshank, R. C. Wilkins, Philip Vankoughnet, Gerrard Lloyd, John Macaulay, Sir Allan Napier Macnab, Guy C. Wood, George Salomon, Henry Sherwood, and such other persons as are now Members of the said Associa-

Corporate name.

Existing Members of the Diocese of Toronto incorporated.

tion of the Diocese of Toronto, according to the existing Constitutions, Rules and Regulations thereof, and their successors, to be elected in the manner hereinafter provided, and such other persons as shall from time to time hereafter be elected to be Members of the said Association in the manner hereinafter provided, shall be and are hereby declared to be a Body Corporate and Politic

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petual succession and a Common Seal, with power to
change, alter, break, or make new the same, as often as
they shall judge expedient, and that they and their
successors by the same names, respectively, may sue
and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be
answered unto, in any Court of Record, or other place
of Judicature within this Province; and that they and
their successors by the names aforesaid, shall be able
and capable in law, respectively, to purchase, take, have,
hold, receive, enjoy, possess, and retain, without licence,
in mortmain or *Lettres d'Amortissement*, all messuages,
lands, tenements, and immoveable property, money,
goods, chattels, and moveable property, which have been
or hereafter shall be paid, given, granted, purchased,
appropriated, devised or bequeathed, in any manner or
way whatsoever, to, for, and in favour of the said
Church Societies, respectively, to and for the uses and
purposes aforesaid, or any of them, and to do, perform
and execute all and every lawful act and thing useful
and necessary for the purposes aforesaid, in as full and
ample a manner, to all intents, constructions and pur-
poses, as any other Body Politic or Corporate by law
may or ought to do.

Present and
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II. And be it enacted, that all lands, messuages,
tenements, hereditaments, or immoveable property, and
all rents, sum and sums of money, charged upon and
issuing or payable out of any lands, messuages, tenements
hereditaments, or immoveable property, as aforesaid, and

all sums of money, goods, chattels, effects, or moveable property, which have been or shall hereafter be paid, given, granted, purchased, appropriated, devised, or bequeathed, in any manner or way whatsoever, to, for, or in favor of the said Corporations, respectively, to and for the uses and purposes aforesaid, shall be and the same are hereby vested in the said Corporations, respectively, to and for the uses and purposes aforesaid, in such manner and form, and subject to such by-laws, rules and regulations, as may be made and passed by the said Corporations, respectively, concerning the same, in the manner hereinafter provided: And that the said Corporations or the Central Boards thereof, or such other Executive and Managing Committees thereof as shall from time to time be appointed and authorised for this purpose by the by-laws, rules and regulations, which may be made and passed in the manner hereinafter mentioned, for the government of the said Corporations, shall, respectively, have power and authority to alienate or exchange; and to demise, let and lease for any terms of years, such messuages, lands, tenements, hereditaments and immoveable property as shall be so as aforesaid given, granted, purchased, appropriated, devised, or bequeathed to the said Corporations, respectively, for all or any of the purposes aforesaid, and to have, receive, and take the purchase money, consideration or price, rents, issues, or profits thereof: Provided always, that the said Corporations or Central Boards thereof, or such other Executive or Managing Committees, as aforesaid, shall respectively, have, receive, take and hold such purchase money, consideration, or price, rents, issues or profits, for the uses and purposes hereinbefore mentioned and set forth, or some or one of them, and for none other.

III. And be it enacted, that the said Corporations, and their successors, shall and may respectively, from time to time, hold assemblies and meetings of the said Corporations, which shall be called together in such

The Corporations, or the Central Boards, or Executive, or Managing Committees thereof, respectively, may alienate or exchange property, grant leases, receive purchase moneys, rents, &c.

Proviso:—that same be received for the purposes aforesaid of the Corporation.

Power to hold Meetings and elect Members; six to form a Quorum. Major.

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manner and at such times and places as shall be directed and appointed by the by-laws, rules and regulations of the same, to transact the business of the said Corporations, and shall and may at any such meetings elect such persons to be Members of the said Corporations, respectively, as they or the major part of them then present shall think fit: Provided always, that no act done in any such assembly or meeting of the said Corporations shall be valid or effectual, unless six persons of such Corporations at the least, shall be present, and the major part of them consenting thereto.

Majority of
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IV. And be it enacted, that the said Corporations, or the major part of those who shall be present at any of the meetings of the said Corporations to be held in manner aforesaid, shall and may, respectively, make and ordain any constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations, whatsoever, which to them or the major part of them then present, not being fewer in number than six, as aforesaid, shall seem meet, reasonable or requisite, touching and concerning the well ordering and governing of the affairs and business of the said Corporations, and the due administering and improving the property thereof, and the more effectually promoting the purposes thereof, as aforesaid, and such constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations in like manner from time to time to abrogate, repeal, change or alter, as may be found expedient, which constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations, shall be binding upon and shall be observed, performed and kept by the Members of the said Corpo-

Proviso—
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rations, respectively: Provided always that the same shall not be repugnant or contrary to the aforesaid purposes of such Corporations, or to the laws in force in this Province.

V. Provided always nevertheless, and be it enacted, that no such constitution, by-law, rule or regulation, of the said Church Societies of the Dioceses of Quebec and Toronto, nor any abrogation, repeal, change or alteration of the same, shall be of any force or effect

until it shall have sanctioned and confirmed by the Bishop of or administering such Diocese for the time being, by writing under His Hand.

VI. And be it enacted, that nothing herein contained shall affect or be construed to affect in any manner or way the rights of Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, or of any person or persons, or of any Body Politic or Corporate, such only excepted as are hereinbefore mentioned and provided for.

Rights of Her Majesty, and of other persons and Corporations not to be affected.

VII. And be it enacted, that this Act shall be deemed a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken notice of as such by all Judges, Justices of the Peace, and other persons whatsoever, without being specially pleaded.

A Public Act.

CONSTITUTION, RULES AND REGULATIONS

OF THE

Lay Committee of the Church Society.

1. The Lay Committee shall consist for the present of twenty-five Members, and all vacancies in the existing number of Members shall be filled up, and all additional appointments, if any shall hereafter be required, shall be made by the Central Board at any of their Stated or Special Meetings.

2. The Officers of the Committee shall be a Chairman and Secretary, to be chosen by the Committee at any Ordinary or Special Meeting.

3. Ordinary Meetings of the Committee shall be held quarterly, on the 14th day of the months of January, April, July and October, not being a Sunday; such Meetings to be summoned by a notice to be inserted in one of the leading Newspapers of Quebec and Montreal, four times during fifteen days before the period of such Meeting. Special Meetings to be called by the Chairman, as occasion may require, or upon the request of any three of the Committee, and two days notice of such Meeting, and of the objects thereof, to be given by the Secretary in writing to such of the Members as it may be practicable to summon to the place of meeting.

4. No act shall be valid or effectual at such Meetings unless at least five Members be present; in the absence of the Chairman of the Committee the Members present shall name a Chairman of the Meeting.

5. All questions shall be determined by a majority of votes of those present, and in case of an equality, the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote.

6. It shall be the duty of the Chairman to preserve order at the Meetings and in the proceedings of the Committee; and of the Secretary to take minutes of all proceedings, votes and or-

ders, to preserve and record the same in a book to be kept for the purpose, to carry into effect the General Rules or Special votes of the Committee, so far as depends on his office, to carry on the correspondence of the Committee, under the direction of the Chairman, and to have charge of all letters, papers and documents whatsoever, belonging to the Committee, or concerning its affairs.

The Secretary, if a member of the Committee, shall be entitled to a vote at all meetings.

The Minutes of the proceedings of the Committee, at each meeting, shall be read over, and signed by the Chairman, before adjournment.

(TRUE COPY)

(Signed,)

A. W. COCHRAN,

Chairman.



Dr.

THE CHURCH SOCIETY IN ACCOUNT WITH THE BANK OF MONTREAL.

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1844. Jan. 24. To paid the following sums as authorized by the Central board:—		£	s.	d.
C. Cast's balance due to the Montreal District Association,		112	17	0
Rev. Mr. Lundy, towards Church at St. Martins,		10	0	0
Secretary, incidental expenses,		10	0	0
Rev. Mr. Morris, towards Parsonage at Huntington,		20	0	0
March 4. To Rev. A. W. B. Storer, Col. Mountain's Subscription for				
" Rev. W. M. Storer, do.		18	10	0
" Rev. J. Butler, Kingsley, do.		15	0	0
" Rev. J. Pike, to St. John's Church at New Glasgow,		25	0	0
" Rev. K. G. Pless, per order of Central Board,		12	10	0
" Rev. J. A. Devins, as Travelling Missionary,		25	0	0
" Balance in hands of the Treasurer,		172	15	9
July.				
		£	400	13 6

Date	Description	£	s.	d.
1843. Dec. 4.	By Received from Charles Geddes, late Treasurer,	200	19	0
" 30.	Hon. G. Moffatt's Subscription,	12	10	0
1844. Jan. 12.	" Rev. D. B. Parshar's Subscription,	2	10	0
" 29.	" Mr. Justice Gale's do.	12	10	0
Feb'y. 7.	" a Donation from a Friend,	17	10	0
" 14.	" Dr. Holmes' Donation,	12	10	0
March 2.	Remittance, Rev. Mr. Flanagan, proceeds Quinquagesima Sunday Sermon,	1	0	0
" 4.	" Remittance, Rev. R. G. Fees, proceeds Quinquagesima	0	12	6
" 8.	" Mr. Justice Pike's Subscription,	12	10	0
" 18.	" Remittance, Rev. W. Leach, Quinquagesima Sunday	3	16	4
" 19.	" Remittance, Rev. W. Davies, Quinquagesima Sunday	21	11	6
" 28.	" Sermons from different places, and Rev. C. Reaf's	11	0	0
" April 6.	" Subscription for Mr. Yale, Treasurer Richellen Dis. As	0	15	0
" 9.	" Remittance, Rev. Mr. Flanagan, Quinquagesima Sun	3	13	6
" 9.	" day Sermon,	2	6	0
" 9.	" Remittance, Rev. J. Allen, Christeville,	1	0	0
" 9.	" Mrs. Fisher's Annual Subscription,	1	0	0
" 9.	" Mr. Robert McKay's do.	1	0	0
" 9.	" Received from Dr. R. E. Whitwell, on quarter's sub	5	7	0
" 9.	" scription, St. Armand West, and Quinquagesima	19	16	11
" 9.	" Sunday Sermons in different places,	0	15	0
" 9.	" Received Rev. Mr. Morris' balance St. Francis District	1	0	0
" 9.	" Association Subscription,	7	15	5
" 9.	" Do. Rev. R. Knight, Frasqueton, Quinquagesima	2	11	3
" 9.	" Sunday Sermon,	4	6	1
" 9.	" Remittance, Rev. W. Arnold, Gaspé Basin Quinquagesima	7	15	5
" 9.	" Festiva Sunday Sermon,	2	11	3
" 9.	" Remittance, Mr. Montclair, Three Rivers District	2	11	3
" 9.	" Association,	2	11	3
" 9.	" Received per Rev. D. B. Parshar,	4	59	13 6

T. B. ANDERSON, Treasurer.

£50 13 6

Received per Rev. D. B. Farnham
T. B. ANDERSON, Treasurer.

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Dr. THE CHURCH SOCIETY IN ACCOUNT WITH THE QUEBEC BANK. **Cr.**

1843, Sep. 2, To paid T. Cary & Co.....	7	4	0	By Cash, Rev. Mr. Wait.....	5	4	4
1844, Feb. 2, " Rev. E. Sewell.....	12	10	0	Rev. E. W. Sewell.....	25	0	0
July, 1, " Rev. E. R. Burrage.....	5	10	0	Rev. E. R. Burrage.....	4	12	0
Aug, 1, " Rev. J. White.....	5	10	0	Lord Bishop.....	2	10	0
" 20, " Do.....	12	10	0	T. C. Bishop.....	5	10	0
To Balance.....	457	19	7	Lord Bishop.....	11	2	0
				Do.....	11	2	0
				Rev. Official Mackie.....	17	12	0
				Rev. E. Sewell.....	57	19	2
				Lord Bishop.....	12	10	0
				Do.....	25	0	0
				Rev. H. D. Sewell.....	12	10	0
				St. Peter's Chapel.....	12	10	0
				Lord Bishop.....	4	3	1
				Trinity Chapel.....	20	9	0
				H. S. Scott.....	6	7	0
				Do.....	23	2	7
				H. Jessopp.....	103	10	0
				Do.....	103	10	0
				St. Paul Chapel.....	26	3	0
				Rev. E. R. Burrage.....	3	3	0
				Do.....	1	1	0
				C. King.....	1	1	0
					£548	2	7

H. JESSOPP, Treasurer.

LIST OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

Church Society.

LIFE MEMBERS.

NAMES.	DONATIONS.		ANNUAL SUBSCRIP- TIONS.	OBJECTS.
	£ s. d.	LAND ACRES.		
The Lord Bishop of Montreal.....	25 00	
Badgley, W.....	12 10 0			
Bonner, J.....	12 10 0			
Bowen, Hon. Mr. Justice.....	12 10 0			
Caldwell, Sir H.....	12 10 0			
Chapman, W.....	12 10 0			
Chief Justice, Hon., (C. E.).....	12 10 0			
Chandler, R. C.....	25 00			Towards a Parsonage House at Nicolet Stipend for poor Ministers, and endowment of Churches.
Cochran, Hon. A. W.....	12 10 0			
Christie, Hon. W. P.....	25 00	
Fletcher, Hon. Mr. Justice.....	12 10 0			
Gale, Hon. Mr. Justice.....	12 10 0			For Trinity Church, Montreal.
Gerrard, Hon. S.....	50 00			
Griffin, F.....	12 10 0			
Gray, F. D.....	12 10 0			
Holmes, A. F., M. D.....	12 10 0			For Trinity Church, Montreal.
Hunt, James.....	12 10 0			
Jessopp, H.....	12 10 0			
LeMesurier, H.....	12 10 0			

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