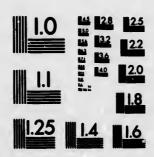
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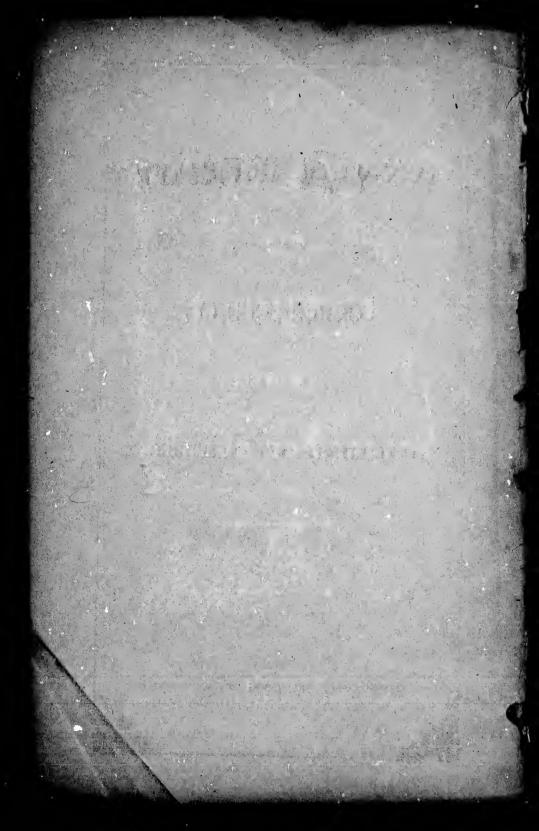
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The Hon. the Chief Justice,

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- " Mr. Justice Day,
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- " C. R. Ogden,
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- " Geo. Pemberton,

Colonel Knowlton,

Hon. W. Walker.

- " C. W. Cochran,
- " A. W. Cochran,
- " Geo. Moffatt,
- " Baron de Longueuil,
- " R. W. Harwood,
- " Edward Hale, Senr.
- " Edward Hale, Junr. " W. P. Christie,
- " S. Gerrard,
- Rev. Geo. Mackie.

The Central Board.

For the year 1843-4.

The President, the Vice Presidents, The Chairmen of the District Associations.

Rev. W. Chadderton,

" R. R. Burrage,

' E. Sewell,

" W. D. Sewell,

" F. J. Lundy,

" Geo. Cowell,

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" W. W. Wait,

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The Baron de Longueuil,

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Hon. A. W. Cochran, and F. Griffin, Esq. Becretary,

Rev. W. Dawes.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

OF THE

Church Society of the Miocese of Queber,

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

WEDNESDAY, 5TH JULY, 1843.

The LORD BISHOP OF MONTREAL in the Chair.

The Secretary, (Rev. W. Dawes,) having read the Report of the last year—it was:

1st. On the motion of the Hon. W. WALKER, seconded by the Rev. E. W. SEWELL,

Resolved unanimously,

That the Report just read be adopted, and that it be printed under the direction of the Central Board.

2d. On motion of the Rev. GEORGE MACKIE, seconded by the Rev. JOSEPH ABBOTT, and,

Resolved unanimously,

That this Meeting desires to express its sense of thankfulness to Almighty God for the formation of the "Church Society;" and for the measure of success with which that Institution has thus far been prospered.

3rd. On the motion of the Rev. MARK WILLOUGHBY, seconded by the Rev. W. Thompson, and,

Resolved unanimously,

That the funds of the Society be made available as speedily as possible for the employment of two or more Travelling Missionaries for the destitute settlements within the Diocese.

4th. On the motion of W. McTavish, Esq., seconded by the Rev. Mr. Knight, and,

Resolved unanimously,

That measures be taken for collecting Subscriptions in the Cities of Quebec and Montreal; and that communications be made to the several District Associations, to promote the same object within their respective limits.

5th. On the motion of the Rev. Dr. Bethune, seconded by the Hon. George Pemberton, and,

Resolved unanimously,

That His Excellency the Governor General be respectfully requested to become the Patron of the Society.

6th. On the motion of the Rev. W. CHADDERTON, seconded by the Rev. H. Burgess, and,

Resolved unanimously,

That the following gentlemen be Vice-Presidents for the ensuing year:—

(See Table of Officers and Members on page 3.)

7th. On the motion T. TRIGGE, Esq., seconded by the Rev. R. Anderson, and,

Resolved unanimously,

That the Central Board shall consist for the ensuing year (in addition to the Members ex-Officio) of the following gentlemen:—

(See Table of Officers and Members on page 4.)

8th. On the motion of the Hon. A. W. Cochran, seconded by the Rev. S. S. Wood, and,

Resolved unanimously.

That this Society desires to acknowledge and record, the incalculable debt of gratitude which is due, under God, from this as well as the other Colonies of the Empire, to the Incorporated Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, without whose exertions and support, the Colonial Church would scarcely have an existence, and to express the heartfelt satisfaction with which they have seen the Archbishops and Bishops of England and Ireland come forward at this juncture, to declare their confidence in this Society; and thus to afford to the faithful members of the Church the highest guarantees of the continuance of its efficient labors in the cause of Christ on earth.

9th. On the motion of J. G. IRVIN, Esq., seconded by J. Bonner, Esq., and,

Resolved unanimously,

That the thanks of this meeting be given to the Officers of the Society for their services during the past year; and to the Rev. R. R. Burrage of this City for his valuable help in making duplicate entries of the whole proceedings of the Society, in Books provided for that purpose.

The Lord Bishop having left the Chair, and the Hon. JOHN STEWART being called to it, 10th. On the motion of the Hon. W. SHEPPARD, seconded by W. CHAPMAN, Esq. and,

Resolved unanimously,

That the thanks of this Meeting be given to the Lord Bishop for his efficient conduct in the Chair.

The following contributions were made on the occasion:

Donation, £3:6:3, and 100 acres of land towards support of a Missionary in and around Yamaska.

Annual subscriptions, £21:15:0.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Church Society of the Miocese of Quebec.

Adopted at a General Meeting of the Society, duly convened at Montreal, on the 21st July, 1842.

ARTICLE L

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, and 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 IL

The Patrons of the Society shall be His Excellency the Governor General, provided he be a member of the Church of England, and the incorporated Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, and the Society for promoting Christian Knowledge.

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 District Associations, hereinafter provided for, and such other persons as shall be nominated at the General Annual Meeting 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 burthen 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 have the custody of all the monics, deeds, bonds, &c., and other property of the Society, and shall submit his or their accounts to the Quarterly Meetings of the Central Board, and shall pay no money without the authority of a resolution of the Central Board, certified by the Secretary.

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 by the President or two of the Vice Presidents at any time, by a written order to the Secretary, who shall notify the same as above.

ARTICLE VIII.

The sanction of the Lord Bishop of the Diocese shall be necessary for the completion of all important acts of the Society, and especially for the revocation or alteration of the standing rules, and for making any addition to them.

ARTICLE IX.

A subscription of 25s. per annum, shall constitute a member of the Society, and a contribution of £12 10 0 a life member. Contributors may state the special objects to which they wish their contributions to be applied.

ARTICLE X.

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 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; they shall be permitted to have a Secretary and Assistant Secretary (if required,) and a Treasurer or Joint Treasurers; the Board shall meet once a quarter, alternately at Quebec and Montreal; Special Meetings may be called by the President, or in his absence, by two of the Vice Presidents;—and not less than eleven members present at any meeting shall form a quorum. The Central Board shall have authority to make such By-Laws as may be deemed necessary for the regulation of its own affairs, provided that none of them be contrary to, or inconsistent with, the spirit of the Constitution of the Society.

ARTICLE XI.

Of District Associations.

In connection and correspondence with the Central Board, there shall be formed so many District Associations as shall be determined upon at the first meeting of that Board; 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 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 Association; shall have authority to make By-Laws for the regulation of their own affairs, provided such By-Laws be not contrary to, or inconsistent with, the Constitution of this Society. They shall report annually to the Central Board, at least one month before the Annual General Meeting of the Society, a statement of their proceedings, and a detailed account of all the monies received and expended by them during the year.

ARTICLE ZII.

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, 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. 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, in favour of the objects of the Institution, on the Sunday next succeeding the Annual Public Meeting of such Parochial Association. All monies raised by them shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of the District Association.

ARTICLE XIII.

One-fourth of all monies paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the District Associations, respectively, shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of the General Society, to be at the disposal of the Central Board, and the remaining three-fourths 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 at the Quarterly Meetings of the District Branch Association. All monies not required to be expended for local purposes, and remaining unappropriated at the General Annual Meeting of the District Association, shall be forthwith transmitted to the Central Board: it being understood that nothing contained in this article shall interfere with any existing arrangement personally between any Clergyman and his people.

ARTICLE XIV.

Of the Lay Committee of the Church Society.

This Committee shall consist of such Members as the Central Board shall appoint at their first meeting, and the Committee so chosen shall elect a Chairman. The first meeting of the Committee shall be on a day named by the Central Board, and the Committee shall then take measures for framing, and submitting to the Society, for their consideration, and approval, a Constitution regulating the future composition, members, appointment, and proceedings of the Committee; -which Constitution, with such modifications as the Society may then or afterwards determine upon, shall govern the Committee in future. 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 procuring an adequate and permanent support for the future Bishop or Bishops within the limits of the Diocese, and a fund for the endowment of a Cathedral or Cathedrals—

and such institutions as the Bishop or Bishops may consider it necessary for the good of the Church to attach to it.

Second—A permanent and adequate support for such number of Arch Deacons as the Civil and Ecclesiastical authorities may consider expedient.

Third—The placing the Clergymen, now resident and doing duty in the Province, upon a just footing as regards the suffi-

ciency and permanency of their incomes.

Fourth—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.

Fifth—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.

Sixth—The building in a good situation, convenient to the Church, a comfortable Parsonage of brick or stone, upon an 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.

Seventh-The insuring such Churches or Parsonages against

losses by fire.

ARTICLE XV.

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

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No alteration or amendment in the Constitution of the Society shall be made, unless such alteration or amendment shall first be communicated to the Secretary, to be submitted to a Special Meeting of the Society, at least one month before a General Annual Meeting, and adopted at such General Annual Meeting, and provided further that such alterations or amendments be sanctioned by the Lord Bishop, as provided in article 8th of this Constitution.

ARTICLE XVI.

Whereas, some members of the Church, who are not unmindful of the great spiritual wants of their own neighbourhood, 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 So-

ciety, or the London Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews, whatever sums may be given for the conversion and instruction of the Heathen, to which object such sums will be strictly confined by the East India Committee of that Society.

Prayer to be used at all Meetings of the Society,

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, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

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 name of 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 king dom 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.

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL BOARD

OF

The Church Society of the Miocese of Quebec.

Being assembled in the good providence of God, to celebrate the first Anniversary of the Church Society of this Diocese, the Central Board would congratulate the members generally, on the measure of success which has been realized; and would call upon all, to bless the Gracious Hand of Him, which has hitherto led us, and to seek by renewed activity and energy, that the great objects contemplated may, under the Divine blessing, be fully attained.

The Society was organized in July of last year, when a public meeting was held in the City of Montreal, on the 7th of that month—presided over by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese. The Clergy were present to the number of fifty-one. Resolutions were proposed and adopted, and a sub-Committee appointed to draft a Constitution in conformity with the Resolutions.

The Constitution thus proposed and adopted at a Special Ceneral Meeting of the Society, was printed and extensively circulated. The Society comprehends the entire Diocese; and by means of its District Associations, and Parochial Committees, and by lowering the amount, subscribed annually, to constitute membership, in each respectively, it designs, and is adapted to gather all the Members of the Church, rich and poor, within it; and thus afford to all, in their several spheres, a grand object for the free and full exercise of enlarged Christian beneficence; and very many have already enrolled themselves. The clergy have, without any exception, it is believed, connected themselves with the Society. Many of the most influential of the laity, have in a substantial manner, declared their adhesion. And in our more rural Parishes and Missions the good work of ingathering members has commenced; though we cannot say it has more than

commenced; but the interest excited, and success attained, augurs well for the future prosperity of the Society among our poorer members. It is also pleasing to remark, that a few friends in England have manifested a peculiar interest in our proceedings, and have allied themselves with us, in "this work and labour of love."

The contributions have in many instances been liberal and encouraging, as a reference to our accompanying list will abundantly testify. Amongst others, we would particularize that of the Right Rev. the President, of £25 per annum, with a parcel of land, about 500 acres, appropriated towards the endowment of Lennoxville College; also of that munificent friend of the Church Major Christie, who, having already erected two Churches, at his sole expense, now presents us with £25 annually—and a donation of 1.200 acres of land; the Baron de Longueuil, 500 acres and 2 village lots, for the Parish Church at St. Johns: Miss Grant, 100 acres; the Hon. Geo. Moffatt, 200 acres, with a donation of £25. Mrs. Geddes, 50 acres; the Hon. S. Gerrard, a donation of £50—£25 to the Montreal District Association. J. B. Forsyth, Esq., 200 acres; Major Gen. Heriot, C. B., 400 acres; Mrs. Salter Mountain, 800 acres; Miss Purcell and Miss Scott, each 400 acres; Rev. G. K. Mountain, Rector of Havants, Hants, 200 acres; Miss Mountain, 200 acres.

Whilst it is with much satisfaction we report these munificent contributions for the important purposes contemplated by the Society, it must be confessed, that, arising chiefly from the extraordinary depression of the Commercial interests, the whole amount contributed hitherto has fallen short of what might have been expected. In the cities of Quebec and Montreal, it has been considered desirable, because of the prevailing embarrassments, to postpone for a season, active operations in collecting subscriptions; and but comparatively little has been therefore attempted in those places. Similar distress pervading the country generally, will account for the small progress yet made, compared with what we trust soon to witness. However, under the heavy difficulties with which the Society has had to contend during this first year of its establishment, more especially the distressed condition of the Commercial and Agricultural interests, the Central

Board have satisfaction in presenting the gross amount of contributions :--

Life Members, 16,	£200	0	0
Donations,	429	15	0
Annual Subscriptions,	330	8	9
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In offering this statement, it is to be remarked that no report has been received from the Missisquoi District Association, of the amount collected; and also that there are three District Associations yet unformed.

By the Report from the Treasurer of the Society, we find he has a balance in hand of £223 0 $8\frac{1}{2}$ —there is also the sum of £50 in the Quebec Bank, to be transmitted to the Treasurers. Many other contributions are ready to be paid, on being applied

A grant was made at the last meeting of the Central Board, on the application of Rev. N. Guerout, of £20 Currency, in order to release the Church land of Rivière du Loup (en haut) from the claims of the Seignior.

The Officers of the Society consist of the Lord Bishop of Montreal, the original founder of the Institution, and who is ex-officio President, and to whom the Society is under special obligation for the interest he has uniformly manifested in its proceedings, and the effective assistance he rendered in the formation of the respective District Associations.

The Vice Presidents appointed at the original meeting were: Hon. Chief Justice.

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- Justice Bowen,
- Justice Pyke,
- " Justice Gale, " Justice Day,
- Justice Fletcher,
- C. R. Ogden,
- A. W. Cochran,
- J. Stewart, Geo. Moffatt,

- Hon. Baron de Longueuil,
 - J. Pangman, W. Sheppard,
 - Geo. Pemberton,
 - Col. Knowlton, William Smith,
 - Edward Hale, Senr., 66
 - Edward Hale, Junr., W. P. Christie,
- " S. Gerrard,
- Rev. Geo. Mackie,

The Central Board consists of, besides the President, Vice Presidents, and Chairmen of the several District Associations, the following gentlemen:—

The Lord Bishop of Montreal, Rev. F. Broome. " W. Bond, The Vice Presidents. Rev. W. Chadderton, J. Bonner, Esq., " R. R. Burrage, M. Freer, Esq., " E. Sewell, Hon. W. Walker, " H. D. Sewell, J. Leaycraft, J. F. Lundy, H. Gowen, " Geo. Cowell, J. B. Forsyth. " C. L. F. Haensel, W. McTavish, " W. W. Wait, T. Trigge, " D. Robertson, C. Geddes. " J. Ramsay, W. Badgley, " M. Willoughby, F. Griffin, " W. Thompson, J. H. Maitland, " D. B. Parnther, J. Jones. " Jos. Braithwaite, Dr. Holmes. " William Dawes, G. J. McTavish. " J. Torrance,

The Lap Committee.

Reference to be made to the list of Officers of the Society.

The Office of Secretary has hitherto been fulfilled by the Rev. W. Dawes who acted in that capacity, on the day of the original meeting, when the Society was constituted. Efforts were made, in our earlier proceedings, to procure a well qualified gentleman to take the office with a salary, confining his attention exclusively to the business of the Society; but it was afterwards considered desirable to postpone the appointment of a paid Secretary until the funds should be sufficiently increased to sustain the expenditure.

Charles Geddes, Esq. kindly undertook the office of Treasurer.

The Honorable A. W. Cochran, of Quebec, and Frederick Griffin, Esq. of Montreal, have consented to the appointment of Honorary Counsel of the Society. In accordance with a Resclution passed at the Public Meeting on 7th July last, the Lord Bishop issued an Episcopal Address* to the Members of the Church in this Diocese, earnestly and affectionately inviting them to a zealous co-operation with the designs of the Society. This address was printed, and has been extensively distributed. It is a gratifying circumstance connected with this valuable document, that it: effects are to be traced beyond the limits of this Diocese. It was reprinted in England by his Lordship's sons, and assisted them in their laudable endeavours to promote the objects of the Society in procuring contributions—they have transmitted the sum of £74 0 0 as the fruit of their labours.

In conformity with the XI. Article of the Constitution, the Central Board, at their first regular quarterly meeting, which took place on 21st July, 1842, proceeded to the apportioning of the Diocese into nine Districts; in each of which, a District Association, in connection with the Society, was to be formed. The arrangements then determined on having proved inconvenient in some particulars, an alteration was made at the suggestion of the President, at a Meeting of the Central Board, on the 21st April last.

The Districts are thus arranged:

I. That part of the District of Montreal which lies westward of Vaudreuil, He Jésus and Terrebonne, including also Yamaska and the County of Beauharnois.

II. The remainder of the District on the north side of the River St. Lawrence.

III. That portion of the District, which is included between the Rivers St. Lawrence and Richelieu, and bounded on the South by the line 45, to include also Christieville and Christie Manor—County Beauharnois excluded.

IV. To be coincident with the present Municipal District of Missisquoi.

V. The District of St. Francis.

Vlde Appendix A.

VI. The District of Three Rivers, to include Sorel.

VII. The District of Quebec, north of the St. Lawrence.

VIII. The District of Quebec south of the St. Lawrence.

IX. The District of Gaspé.

During the winter, the Lord Bishop, in making his usual Triennial Visitation of the Parishes and Missionary Stations through a large section of the Diocese, embraced the occasion to assist in the formation of the District Associations. His Lordship presided at the organization of all the District Associations, which are as yet formed.

It should also be mentioned, that at an early meeting of the Central Board, a sub-Committee was appointed to prepare rules and regulations, to assist in the formation and proceeding of the respective Associations of the Society. Copies* of these rules were sent to the appointed Chairman of each District Association, which were used in framing the Resolutions submitted at the Meetings, at which the respective Associations were formed.

Montreal (proper) District Association.

Formed July 19, 1843.

The LORD BISHOP, presiding,

Attended by the Clergy of the city and neighbourhood.

Rev. J. Bethune, D. D., Chairman ex-officio.

Rev. F. J. LUNDY, Secretary.

CHARLES GEDDES, Esq., Treasurer.

Collectors were appointed, and on the same occasion several contributions were announced.

Life Members' Subscriptions,	£37	10	0
Annual Subscription,	17	10	.0
Donations,			

£167 10 0

Donation of Land,.....300 acres.

^{*}Vide Appendix B.

Quebec District Association.

Formed December, 1842.

The LORD BISHOP, presiding.

The LORD BISHOP, Chairman ex-officio.
W. H. A. DAVIES, Esq., Secretary.

Treasurer.

The following contributions were anno	unced:	:	
Life Members' Subscriptions,	£137	10	0
Annual Subscriptions,	25	2	6
Donations,	10	0	0
	£172		6
Donation of Land,		acr	es.

The Richelien District Association.

Formed at St. Johns, February 6, 1843.

The Lord Bishop, presiding.

The Clergy of the District were present, and several of the most respectable inhabitants, who assisted at the Meeting.

Rev. J. Braithwaite, Chairman ex-officio, but owing to an alteration in the limits of the District, the senior Clergyman, holding a pastoral charge, will be the Chairman; which duty accordingly devolves on

Rev. W. Townsend, Chairman ex-officio.

Rev. F. Broome, Secretary.

John Yule, Esq., of Chambly, Treasurer.

A Committee of 12 laymen, in addition to the Clergy of the District, were appointed to conduct the affairs of the Association.

The contributions were:

Annual Subscriptions,			
Donations,	. 35	0	0
•	£78	0	0

The District Committee has arranged preliminaries respecting the formation of the Parochial Associations, and they will be constituted forthwith.

The Missisquoi District Association.

Formed at Granby, February 6, 1843.

The LORD BISHOP, presiding,

Attended by the Clergy and many of the leading members of the District.

Rev. John Reid, Chairman ex-officio.

Rev. J. Jones, Secretary.

W. Blake, Esq., of Durham, Treasurer.

No report yet received of amount of contributions.

In this District the Parochial Associations are about to be formed. The Rev. J. Reid held a meeting in his Parish on the 22d June: he thus writes: "We succeeded beyond my expectations—our subscription on the spot made £14 17 6. More will yet come in."

St. Francis District Association.

Formed at Sherbrooke, February 23, 1843.

The LORD BISHOP, presiding.

The whole of the Clergy of the District, with but one exception, being present, with a good representation of the Laity from the several missions.

Rev. C. JACKSON, Chairman ex-officio.

Rev. L. Doolittle, Secretary.

Colonel Morris, Treasurer.

Subscriptions,.....£30 0 0

Rev. C.P. Reid, the Acting Secretary, thus writes: "I regret to say that owing to the "hard times" the prospects of the Society in this District are not very encouraging. I, however, entertain no doubt, but that before the end of the year, Committees will be formed in every mission."

The Three Rivers District Association.

Formed at Three Rivers on March 9, 1843.

The LORD BISHOP, presiding.

Rev. S. S. Wood, Chairman ex-officio.

Rev. H. Burgess, Secretary.

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C. N. MONTIZAMBERT, Esq., Treasurer.

The Clergy of the District, with several of the most influential of the Laity, were present. Resolutions similar to those adopted at the formation of the other Associations were passed and collections made.

Annual Subscriptions,	tzz	13	9
Donations,	35	0	0
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Donations in land,......400 acres.

£57 13 9

The Secretary writes: "The Parochial Association will be formed in Nicolet shortly, when several Donations will be received. He adds what is painful, but necessary to state, in order to account for the small progress hitherto made in the District: "The distressed state of Trade of all sorts, must lead us to expect but small contributions at the present time."

The Lay Committee, as appointed in Article XIV. of the Constitution, held their first meeting on 1st November last at Quebec.

The Hon. A. W. Cochran, Chairman of the Committee.

The Sub-Committee of the Central Board has been appointed to report upon the feasibility of adding to the Society a Tract Department.

The LORD BISHOP was pleased to require the Clergy of the Diocese to recommend from the Pulpit, the Society, to the support of their people, on Sunday 2d July, and to receive the offerings made in aid of the funds. The result of this appeal we are unable to state but in a few instances:

Such in brief, are the proceedings of the Society, since its establishment in July last. And while, we trust, there is, in our statement, nothing to discourage the most ardent friends of this good cause—there is, we believe, much to animate the hopes of all interested in its success, to renewed activity and energy. It is indeed a great work, in which the Society is engaged, whether we regard the present wants of the Church, or what may be its future great necessities. May all mark the claims it has upon them. Onward then let us go, in faith and in the spirit of prayer; it is a holy enterprise—it is the Lord's work, and he will crown it with His blessing.

LIST OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

CHURCH SOCIETY.

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NAMES.	£	8.	d.	LAND. acres.	ANNUAL	SUBSC	TIONS.	ОВЈЕСТЅ.
The Lord Bishop of Montreal,				500	25	0	0	For Lennoxville College.
Anderson, Rev. R					1	5	0	
Badgley, W Bourne, C. S	12 1	10 0	0		1	5	0	
Christle, W. P Chapman, W Coffin, Miss.	12 12 25 25	10 0	ò	1,200 	1 25 1	5	000	Stipend for poor Ministers, and endowment for Churches. Towards building a Parsonage House at Nicolet.
Davidson, D		ļ			2	0	0	For Trinity Church, Montreal.
Eden, Lieut. Col England, Col. 71st	1	5	00					
Fletcher, Hon. Judge Forsyth, J. B. Friend, A, by Rev. F. J. Lundy, Friend,	-	10		200 250				
Gale, Mr. Justice	12 50 12	0 10	ò	50	2			For Trinity Church, Montreal.

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NAMES.	£ 8. d		LAND, acres.	ANNUAL SUBSCRIE- TIONS.		OBJECTS.
Hall, J. (Coll. Cust.)	12 10 12 10		400		10 0	For Trinity Church, Montréal.
Jackson, Sir R Jessopp, H	10 0 12 10	0	•••	1	50	
LeMesurier, H Longueuil, Baron de Logan, D., M. D Lundy, Rev. F. J.	12 10	0	500	1 1 5	5.0	
Mackle, Rev. Geo	6 5 5 0 1 5	0 0	200 200 800 200 	1	00 00 5 0	For Trinity Church, Montreal. For a Stone Church in Drum- mondville. For Christ Church, Montreal.
Pangman, Hon. J	12 10 2 10 5 0 	00000	 400	10 1 1 1 1 1	0 0 5 0 5 0 5 0 5 0 5 0	To a Clergyman at Mascouche, For Trinity Church, Montreal.
Reid, Rev. Charles			Land 	1 2 1	5 0 10 0 5 0	Church at Drummondville, until finished.
Sewell, Rev. E. W			400	1 5	000	Trinity Church, Montreal.

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COLLECTIONS MADE IN ENGLAND, BY A. MOUNTAIN, ESQ.

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G. Pelham Barfoot, Esq., Scuthampton,	- 1	1	0	
D. P. Chase, Esq., Orlel Coll. Oxon.	1	0	0	
J. Clements, Esq	0	10	0	
J. Clements, Esq	0	5	0	
H. S. Dishowes, Esq	1	0	0	
L. M. Evans, Esq	ō	10	Õ	
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A. Gray, Esq., Univ. Coll. Oxon	ô	10	ŏ	
S. T. Henry Jervois, Esq., B. U. C. Oxon	×			
S. T. Henry Jervois, Esq., B. U. C. Oxon	0	5	0	
Thos. Meyrick, Esq., C. C. C. Oxon,	z	0	0	
Miss C. A. W. Mountain, Hamel Hamsted,	1	0	0	
Lieut. Col. Mountain, C. B., 26th Regt	5	0	0	
J. G. Mountain, Esq., 26th Regt., (per annum),	1	10	0	
A. R. Mountain, Esq., Univ. Coll. Oxon., (per annum),	1	10	0	
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L. H. Plumpter, Esq., Univ. Coll. Oxon	õ	10	6	
Rev. J. C. Robertson, Chaddington Rectory,	ĭ	10	ŏ	
Rev. J. C. Robertson, Chaudington Rectory,	-		ŏ	
Mrs. and the Misses Shaw, Havant,	z	0		
Miss S. J. Simcoe, Wolford Lodge, Devon	ij	0	0	
F. Stocock, Esq., Majd. Hall, Oxon. (per annum),	- 1	1	0	
Penrose Stocock, Esq., Reading,	1	1	0	
Miss Thompson, Southampton,	1	0	0	
Lady Wale, Shelford, Cambridge,	1	0	0	
G. W. Winter, Esq., Univ. Coll. Oxon	0	10	0	
J. C. Andrew, Esq., Univ. Coll. Oxon	0	10	0	
Thos. Arnold		10	0	
Miss Brenton, Elford House, Lichfield,	ŏ	10	ŏ	
Mrs. Brooke, The Heath, Hemel Hamsted,	ŏ	10	ŏ	
Lady Croke, Studley Priory, Oxon	ĭ	ŏ	ŏ	
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Misses Croke, do. Miss Greene, Whittington Hall, Lancashire,	0	10	0	
Rev. W. G	1	0	0	
J. O'B		5	0	
C. R	0	10	0	
C. J. Stuart, Esq., Univ. Coll. Oxon	0	10	0	
Rev. P. Yard, Red Hill, Hants,	1	0	0	
Mrs. P. Yard. do.	0	10	0	
P. Wilbraham, Esq., Rode Hill, Cheshire,	10	0	0	
Mrs. Brooke	10	Õ	0	
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QUEBEC DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

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NAMES.		LAND.	ANNUAL SUBSCRIP- TIONS.	OBJECTS.
Anderson, Rev. R			1 50	
Bourne, C. S	1 00		1 50	
Campbell, ArchCarey, Thomas,		:::	2 10 0 2 10 0	
Davies, H. A Davies, Mrs		:::	1 5 0 1 5 0	
Fraser, J. MFreer, Noah,	2 10 0		1 5 0 1 5 0	
Haensel, C. L. F			1 50	
Irvine, J. G			0 12 6	
Jeffers, W. H			1 50	
Loundes, Jas. J			1 50	
Mackaw, A. J Mimee, Fred		:::	0 12 6 0 10 0	
Noad, J. H	2 10 0		1 50	
Patterson, Peter, Pemberton, H Poole, Jas	2 10 0		1 5 0 0 10 0	
Sheppard, Hon. W	1 50	100	1 50 1 50 1 50	Towards the support of a Mission in Yamaska and adjacent Parishes.
Wilson, J. J			0 12 6 1 5 0 0 5 0	

COLLECTIONS.

In the	Cathedral, July 2,£23	15	2
66	Free Chapel, 2	0	ō
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66	St. Peter's Chapel	-0	ŏ
66		12	ŏ
To Class	má Dagin Chunch		ň

£5 for the Poor Fund being deducted from the collection made at the Cathedral, according to a standing rule.

MONTREAL (PROPER) DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

	DONA	RIP.					
NAMES.	£ s. d.	LAND.	ANNUAL	SUBSCRIP	TIONS	OBJECTS.	
Abbott, John			0	5	0	,	
Bagg, Stanley C	12 10 0		1 5 1	5 5 5	11		
Castle, Chas. H		:::	1	5	0		
Dease, Peter			1	5	0		
Easton, Robert	2 10 0		1 0	5	11		
Footner, Wm			11	10 5 10 5	lo:		
Geddes, Chas	10 0 0 25 0 0		0	5	0	• `	
Hall, Geo			1 0 1 1 1 0	5	0000000		

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ajor, Jas. E	25 5	000	0		1 0 2	5 5 10	000			
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eady, Mrs	10			:::	1 0 10 0 1	5	00 0000			
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homas, Capthomas, L. Hubby, Jas		:::		 	0 1 0	5	000			
ebster, Josephilliams, Mileshite, Thos				:::	1 1 0	5 5 10	0			

COLLECTIONS.

In Christ Church, on the 2d July,	-000		•
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" St. George's Chapel,	18	17	6
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THREE RIVERS DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

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NAMES.	£ 8. d	LAND		озјеста.
Bell, Hon. M			1 00	
Blackburn, Wm	::: :::	• •••	0 10 0	
Brock, Mrs Brock, Jas	l	: ::	0 10 0	
Browne, Dep. A. C. G			0 10 0	
Carter, Mrs			1 00	
Friend, A Fearon, Henry G		: ::	6 0 0 0 10 0	
Gilmour, Dr			0 76	
Hughes, H. F			1 00	
Hughes, Mrs			0 10 0	
Hughes, Miss M			0 50	
Manners, Grace			0 10 0 0 10 0 1 5 0	
Ogden, Sheriff Ogden, J. D		:	2 10 0 1 0 0	Support of Missionaries. Do. do.
Reckably, Thos			1 00	
Ricter, J. URollo, Mrs			1 10 0 0 5 0	
Smith, Jacob			0100	
Taylor, Miss Tollestie,			1 5 0 0 5 0	
Wallace, Mrs Whiteford, Mr			0 5 0 0 10 0	
Wood, Rev. S. S			1 50	
Wood, Mrs Woodward, S. W			1 0 0	
Wood, Mr. and S. C. G. M	11		0 63	

COLLECTIONS.
At Nicolet, after Sermon, 8th August, 1843,.....£2 16 0

RICHELIEU DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

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Allen, Rev. J. A	10 00	:::	ï	50	7
Bessett, Jas		•••	1 0 1 1 0	5 0 5 0 5 0 5 0	
Coote, Isaac			1	50	
Dawes, Rev. Wm			5	00	
Esinhart, G	1 1 1		0	50	
Grant, Miss Gough, Alfred		100	1	50	
Leggett, Wm		2 lots	1 1 1 1	0 0 5 0 5 0	
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Taylor, Lieut. Col	II I L		1 1	5 0 5 0 5 0	
Vaughan, M. B Vaughan, Mrs. A		:::	1	5 O	
Walton, Joseph			1 1 1 1 1 0	5 0 5 0 1 0 1 0 1 0	

OBJECTS.

Towards fitting up the interior of Longueuil Church.

MISSISQUOI DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

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Chadsey, N. G	:::				0 0 1	5 5				
Freligh, Mrs. Rebecca,				•••	0	5				
Huribut, Mrs. Mary, Huribut, Miss Maria,		` 		•••	0	5	0			
Kemp, A Kemp, Mrs. A Kemp, Mrs. Patience, Kemp, Capt. O. J Kemp, Miss Maria, Kemp, G. L	:::	:::			000100	55555	0000			
Lagrange, JacobLagrange, OmieLagrange, Mrs. PLee, James					0000	5	0			
Powers, HenryPickering, John					00	5	o o			
Reid, Rev. James. Reid, Mrs. Reid, James S. Reid, James Reid, Mary. Reid, Mary. Reynolds, Thomas. Reynolds, Stewart.					100000000000000000000000000000000000000	55555	000000			
Stickney, Jonathan Stamland, Miss E				:::	o		0			
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aldson, Chas		ŀ٠	***	0000	5555	0		
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GRANBY PAROCHIAL ASSOCIATION.

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Cunningham, WmCox, Michael.				:::	0	5 5	0			
Fiffe, Prescott					0	5				
M'Farlane, RichardMiller, HughMiller, Mary				***	000	5 5 5	0			
Neil, Richard Neil, Jas Neil, John	ш.				000	5 5	0			
Ray, E		-			o	5	0	·		
Slack, Rev. Geo					1	0	0			
Weatherbee, John					000	0 10	0000			
Yarnold, Moses						0	5 0			

SHEFFORD DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

Waterloo Village,	£0	17	10	
Stukely,	1	4	114	
Frost Village,	0	8	6	
North Settlement	1	1	0	
West Church,	0	9	71	

SAINT FRANCIS DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

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NAMES.	£	4. (*.	LAND.	MNA	SUBSC	TIO	OBJECTS.
Bell, Wm]	ŀ			5 10		
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Chapman, E					1	0 5	0	
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Cox, Ed Crisp, Lieut. J. W., R N					0	10	0	For extending Missions.
Doolittle, Rev. L Doolittle, Mrs			ļ.		2	10 10	0	
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Ebbs, NEdgar, Jas	•••				0	10 5	0	
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Fletcher, Mr. Justice Felton, J		ļ			2	0 5	0	
Felton, W. L				:::	î	5	ŏ	
Hale, Edward	1	ı	1		2	10	0	
Jackson, C Johnson, Jas. B., M. D				:::	2	0 5	0	
Loyd, Wm		ļ			1	5	0	
Manly, Chas					1	0	0	
Martin, Fras					1 0	10	0	
Martin, Jas		••••	1.		0	10	0	
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Moss, Wm					Ò	10	Ŏ	
Parker, Lient. R. N Pardey, Geo					10	0 10	00	
Richardson, C. A Reid, Rev. C. P		0	0		2	0		For widows and orphans of de
Taylor, Esra		١			0	10	0	ceased Clergymen.
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NAMES.	£	8.	đ.	ac	ND.	ANNUAL			OBJECTS.
Abbott, Moses			1-	١.		0	7	6	General purposes. do. Erection of Church at Melbourne on lot No. 8, in 6th range. do. do.
Adams, Job	···	١	H	١٠		0	0	0	do.
Allen, Tristram		١	11	١.	••	9	Ĭδ	Ņ	er let No 8 in 6th range
Armstrong, Chas				١.	**	1 %	in	X	do.
Abbott, Moses					•••	Ŏ	iš	ŏ	do.
Barnard, Miss F						0	510	00	General purposes. do.
Cleveland, C. B					•••	0		000	do. do.
Clishing, J. P.	١١			H		ŏ	5	ŏ	do.
Cromlin, John	ľ	ľ			•••	0	10	0	do.
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APPENDIX,

A.

EPISCOPAL ADDRESS

TO THE

Members of the Church of England,

IN THE DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

BRETHREN BELOVED IN THE LORD,

Ir having pleased the Chief Shepherd to set me in that office, within the limits of the jurisdiction assigned to me, which was established in the primitive days of Christianity, for the government of the Churches and the administration of their affairs, I have been requested by yor fellow-churchmen assembled recently at Montreal for the formation of the CHURCH-SOCIETY in this Diocese, to address you in behalf of that Institution. The call which I have to make upon you, in pursuance of this request, has reference to the condition of the Church in this country and the duty which lies upon you, as springing from that condition.

Suffer me, then, to bespeak your kind acceptance of my appeal, while I use the liberty of setting before you, according to the measure of wisdom youchsafed to me, as well your duty as Christians, to contribute towards the support of the Gospel, as your duty in the capacity of Churchmen, to maintain your proper relations with your own particular church.

The Clergy Reserves which had been allotted for the endowment of the

The Clergy Reserves which had been allotted for the endowment of the Church, having been, in great part, diverted from that purpose by a concession of which I shall not here question the wisdom, to the demands of persons unfriendly to her interests, or naturally desirous of advancing their own, and the revenue arising from that portion of her patrimony which is left to her, being more than absorbed by the payments which, under the existing arrangements, are charged upon it,—our main dependence for meeting all the farther wants of the Church, is the munificence of the Society for the Propagation of the Course for the Propagation of the Course for the Society for the Propagation of the Empire in all their prodigious extent, supports several hundred Missionaries in different quarters of the world, and no less than fifty-one at this moment in the Diocese of Quebec. It is, under God, upon that Society, in conjunction and co-operation with the grand Sister Institution in the Church, the Society for Promoting Christian Know.

Ledge, which has also exerted and is exerting a noble munificence in our behalf, that the Church in the Colonies depends for the means of planting and propagating the blessings of the Gospel of Christ. Ungrateful indeed must be the Churchman among us, who does not bless God for the bounty of these Societies, and appreciate the fruits of their labours.

which points to heaven in the wilderness, is a monument as well as an emblem of their zeal; many an echo has been returned from the depth of the forest, of good tidings proclaimed by the messengers whom they have sent forth: many a help to Christian prayer and praise, and many a lesson of the wisdom which is from above, many a gift of the blessed Word of God, has been dispensed from their treasuries to settlements, whether ruder or more advanced, from Lake Huron at one extremity of Canada, to the Gulph of St. Lawrence at the other,—to say nothing of aid rendered in the training of youth for the holy Ministry, and of lands purchased as endowment in order to the perpetuation of religious privileges among the people,—with other works of piety and love.—There may have been instances, no doubt, of fault as well as of failure, the fruits of human imperfection, in the proceedings conducted in the colony, under the auspices of these venerable bodies, and a time may be remembered when all the efforts of religious zeal ware comparatively languid and ineffectual—but we may look back to the beginning of this century and see then, devoted, and in the truest sense, Evangelical Missionaries of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, in this country—foremost among them, him who rose afterwards to the Episcopate of Quebec, whose praise is in all the Churches, and who being dead yet speaketh.

Whatever may have been witnessed in the earlier life of those who are growing grey among us, no torpor is now seen spread over the Church of the Empire:—our God has awakened a spirit in England which manifest itself in efforts redoubled from year to year, for the multiplication of Churches, the augmentation of the number of Ministers, the circulation of the word of life, the extension, at home and abroad, to them that are far off and to them that are nigh, of all means and resources for educating the poor, enlightening the ignorant, and reclaiming the depraved;—efforts which are stamped with what alone can make them efficacious, faith in the saving name of Christ and reliance upon the power of the Divine Spirit. And in Ireland, under the pressure of adverse or even afflicting circumstances, the Church has risen to new energy and life, and the Clergy have manifested a devotedness which would prepare them to shine as Martyrs, if called to

suffer in the cause.

It is also a remarkable feature, which happily characterizes these great operations, that the principles of Ecclesiastical Unity and order are far more clearly understood, more generally recognized, and more regularly followed out in practice, than was seen, even within a short period, in the conduct of the same or similar designs; and, as might be shewn by recent examples, these principles are still gaining ground from day to day.

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Churchmen of Eastern Canada, it is time for you also to recognise the principles and practically to own the claims of your Church: Scattered though you are in many instances, among those of other persuasions in Religion, and incorporated, in the civil relations of life, with that Communion, flourishing in numbers and in ample resources, which pre-occupied the soil,—these surely are far from being reasons why you should suffer yourselves to be backward in zeal for your Church or faint in the proper assertion of her claims. Breathing the spirit of love towards all around you, you must trust that those who do not agree with you, will never quarrel with you for being attached to your own principles; and, even if they would, you must remember that you have a cause to support, a faith for which to contend, a sacred and treasured system of Religion to transmit to the generations to come; that your posterity may know it and the children which are yet unborn, to the intent that when they come up, they may teach their children the same. The day has arrived in which the growing wants of the Church can no longer be supplied exclusively by drawing from sources which lie at a distance: the supply must well forth, and that freely, from the scil, or

much of the rising growth will wither, once for all, at the root. The number of our clergy, inadequate as it is to the demands of the people, has fully doubled since the care of the Churches came, less than six years ago, upon my shoulders-and this has been almost wholly provided for from home: but it is impossible to suppose that we can go on for ever, in this dependent condition, adding burthen to burthen, year after year, without limit, to those already undertaken by our generous friends on the otherside of the Atlantic. In fact it is now distinctly expected from us in that quarter, that we should make some vigorous efforts for ourselves, and this begins, very justly, to be attached as a condition to reiterated acts of bounty. Look then, and with an unshrinking eye, at your position: consider the responsibilities which devolve upon you: assume your task with hope and gladness of mind: confide it to God in the name of His blessed Son: remember with thankfulness to Him, how dear your Church ought to be to your hearts, and how imperative is her claim upon your undivided allegiance and support: A Church, who, when she freed herself from the usurped and super-induced power under which she had ground with the other Churches of the West, recovered her independence without breaking the Apostolic line of her Ministry, or losing the integrity of her Constitution, as originally established in all Churches of the Saints: A Church, who, preserving these blessings, by the signal mercy of God, in all the changes and convulsions of the world, dispenses to you the word and sacraments by a title which nothing but ignorance or wilfulness can call in question, received down from the beginning and acknowledged, nay, maintained, as so existing within her bosom, by learned writers who have sifted her claim in this point, among the Romanists themselves: A Church, who, building her faith upon the pure word of God, challenges comparison, at the same time, of her whole system in doctrine, government and worship, with the writings of the earliest fathers, the records of the earliest councils, and the liturgical offices of the earliest times, to show her accordance with all these venerable authorities: A Church, who, while, on the one hand, she is behind no body of believers in the restoration of scriptural theology, the proclamation of Christ crucified as the sole hope of sinners, and the high and strenuous assertion, in all points, of the truth as it is in Jesus, supplies you, on the other, with her prepared solemnities for public devotion, stamps it with all spiritual fervour, clothes it with all chastened seemliness and reverence, and embodies it in forms which, whatever may be the failings of individual Ministers, or the fluctuations of sentiment in the world, serve as a guarantee for the dignity of worship, and a guard upon the soundness of Faith: A Church whose annals and memorials are seen to beam with the reflected glories of Heaven; whose list of holy Martyrs, whose continuous array of learned divines fill up the perspective of the past, and "mitted fathers in long order go," benefactors of their people, champions of the truth, burning and shining lights, in the Christian world: A Church in our own day extending herself far and wide over the world, to follow the limits of the empire which in the Providence of God is ordained to open the way for her labours; carrying the lamp of the Gospel into the darkened abodes of Heathens and of Jews, and now planting See after See in distant and different regions of the earth; spreading also with an almost unparalleled rapidity in that branch which subsists in a neighbouring republic: Brethren although I do glory in the Church, I would not speak in the way of borsting, and God forbid that I should promote a hollow reliance upon external privileges alone, or a supercilious disdain of other Christian men: I do not say that the Church has no imperfections, or that her light has never, in any degree, waxed dull; and as for ourselves, her Ministers and her Members, we have faults and sins enough among us to keep the lessons of humility and fear before our eyes: What I speak of, is our duty to our

Church: our duty arising from our privileges; the calls upon us in proportion to our blessings; and truly I fear it must abase rather than exalt us in our own sight, if we ask whether we fully respond to these calls. This Church of which I have been speaking is here planted among us: and we are made a portion of the Church-establishment at home: this country in which we live is comprehended by formal and solemn acts of the Crown, in the Province of Canterbury—shall we keep and shall we cherish our religious inheritance, and seek to pass it down to our children, or shall we suffer it to languish and decay? These are questions which must be an swered by our deeds as well as by our professions; and, God be thanked, we have made a beginning: we are prepared now with an organized plan to set before you—a plan exhibiting, together with that variety in the different departments of Christian exertion which affords free choice to individuals to appropriate and to confine their bounty to such objects as they may pre-fer, that unity of principle and concentration of means which, under God, will form the best elements of successful operation; and the resources which His Providence has placed at the disposal of Churchmen, being brought to act in one united current of power, will do more, perhaps, than we think ourselves capable of effecting.—Here, then, let me call upon you we think ourselves capable of effecting.—Here, then, let me call upon you as Christians and as Churchmen,—admitting no thought of failure in my appeal,—let me call upon you in every quarter of the Diocese, nigh or far off, to come forward and do your part. Remembering the command laid upon you to honor the Lord with your substance and with the first fruits of all your increase:—let me call upon you as Christians, as Churchmen, as persons owing a debt of gratitude to the Church in the mother-country, stimulated by her example and under obligation to do for your Church what a gracious Providence enables you, if you would look for continued help from God or from man,—let me call upon you, beloved brethren, to manifest your liberality and zeal in the cause. In the name of Christ let me appeal to you to remember the duty which you owe to that Church which he bought with His blood—to remember the charge which came from his own lips: "Freely ye have received, freely give;" to remember how superior are the motives which constrain you as Christians, to those which prompted the free and abundant offerings of the Israelites for the tabernacle or for the temple; to remember the question of the Apostle, "If we have sown unto you spiritual things, is it a great matter if we shall reap your worldly things?" Let me call upon you to consider the general example of activity and bounty in religious undertakings which characterizes the mother-country at this day; where, from those who wear the crown of royalty, through all gradations of nobility and prelacy, gentry and clergy, to the yeoman who volun-teers the use of his team to draw the materials of the house of God, we see a stream of bounty, still flowing with augmented fulness over the land; and in particular the munificence which I have pointed out of the great Church Institutions in England towards the Colony in which we live could cite to you also some stirring examples among the members of the Church within the Colony itself: I could instance the erection of Churches in different places, at the sole expense of individuals, and the gift of valuable lands for purposes connected with the glory of God and the good of man, a kind of benefaction often the most easy to be given and yet prospectively the most advantageous to the party benefitted. The impulse has been given at the centre: it has agitated the sleeping waters: it is spreading, circle after circle: you will not, you cannot, remain still and unmoved. Let me charge you, then, in the name of our common Master, according to your opportunity and ability, to "go and do likewise;"—and let me be eech you, breth-ren, to look at the field which is before you: the utter spiritual destitution, after all that has been done from home, of many tracts of country, and the imperfectly supplied condition of almost all; the frightful consequences to be

anticipated from the continuance of such a fumine of the Word of the Lord, and the responsibility contracted by all who can contribute to relieve it; the sadly necessitous condition of a large proportion of our Clergy, and the multiplied evils resulting from the insufficiency of provision for their maintenance; the absence of all provision of a permanent kind, for training a respectable and learned body of Clergy in the country, or supporting, prospectively, any thing approaching to an adequate Church Establishment; the discouragements and difficulties attaching to the profession which withhold many parents from turning the attention of their children to the blessed office of the Ministry,—the picture, altogether is one which should surely move you, according as God hath enrichedyou, to lay by in store for the exigencies of his Church, and to be ready to give and glad to distribute for

such an object.

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Brethren beloved in the Lord,—(I address you all thus—for after the example of the Church in her public addresses, I assume you all to be sincere believers in the Son of God,)—our plan is put before you for the alleviation of these evils, and the gradual attainment of better things.— In the Diocese of Toronto the example has been given before we gave movement to our operations here. We who now occupy the Protestant Episcopate of Canada, are appointed, each within the limits now separately assigned to him, to follow up the work of the first Bishop of Quebec, who may be said to have kid the foundation of our Ecclesiastical Establishment, and of his successor who enlarged it: the memory of both is consecrated in the hearts of Churchmen: we trust, (I may venture to say for my brother of Toronto as well as for myself,) we trust, although in all humility and, looking at ourselves alone, in much weakness and fear, that, long after we shall have been gathered to our fathers, the labours which they left to us, and which we shall soon pass on to other hands, will manifest their fruit to the glory of God, the credit of the Church, and the spiritual benefit of her children. Stand forward, then, beloved brethren, and second me in my endeavours within this Diocese:—the season is precious which is now open for laying the foundation of an important future in the moral and religious character of our population:-the aspect of our local affairs is encouraging, with reference to our unity of action in religious matters, for, up to this day we enjoy a happy exemption from all public agitation of controversies among ourselves—the signs of the times abroad, are striking and stirring in their character, and appear to indicate an approaching crisis in the history of the Church of God, calling upon every believer to stand prepared, and to be found at his post, doing the work of the Lord.

Brethren, the time is short, it remaineth that, in comparison with the con-

cern felt for these high and holy objects, both they that have wives be as though they had none; and they that weep as though they wept not; and they that rejoice, as though they rejoiced not; and they that buy as though they possessed not; and they that use this world as not abusing it, for the fashion

of this world passeth away.

Beloved Brethren. Your affectionate servant in the Gospel.

G. J. MONTREAL

RULES AND REGULATIONS PREPARED BY THE CENTRAL BOARD TO ASSIST IN THE FORMATION OF THE DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS AND GENERALLY ADOPTED BY THEM.

I. That in order to forward the objects of the Church Society of the Diocese of Quebec, it is expedient to proceed to the formation of a Branch Association for the District of

II. That it be denominated the

III. That a permanent Secretary be nominated, and that Mr.

be requested to accept the office.

IV. That a Committee of twelve members be snmuslly elected to conduct the business of the Association, in confunction with the whole of the Clergy of the District, who shall be permanent Members thereof-and that five do constitute a Quorum.

V. That a Quarterly Meeting of the Committee be held, the time and

place of Meeting to be determined by the Committee.

VI. That an Annual Meeting of the Association do take place on the

VII. That a Treasurer be appointed, who shall render an Annual statement of the accounts of the Association, and that Mr.

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surer.
VIII. That auditors of accounts be annually chosen, and that Messrs.

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be requested to act for the present year.

IX. That all Meetings of the Society be opened and closed by Prayer, such prayers only to be used as are now adopted at the Meetings of the general Diocesan Society.

X. That a Special Meeting of the Association may be called by the Pre-

sident, on the requisition of any twelve Members of the Association, also special Meetings of the Committee may be convened by the Secretary on the requisition of any two Members of the Committee.

XI. That no alteration or amendment shall be made in the fundamental Rules and Regulations of the Association, except such alteration or amendment be first communicated to the Secretary—to be submitted to a Special Meeting of the Committee, at least one month before the General Annual Meeting, and adopted at such General Annual Meeting.

C.

FORM OF A BEQUEST TO THE CHURCH SOCIETY.

I give and bequeath unto the Treasurers or Treasurer, for the time being, of the Association of Members of the Church of England, in the Diocese of Quebec, called and known as "The Church Society in the Diocese of Quebec," and to and for the uses and purposes of the said Society, the sum of pounds currency, (or shares of stock in the), and for which the receipt of such Treasurers or Treasurer shall be a sufficient discharge.

