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SYNOD REPORTS.

The reports of the various sessions of Synod of the Diocese of Toronto, from 1851 to September 1858, inclusive, together with the proceedings of the Conference of North American Bishops, at Quebec, held in 1851, bound up in one volume. To be had at the depository office of the Church Society, price \$2.00. As only a few sets could be completed, parties desiring this volume should apply for it without delay.

CANADIAN CHURCHMAN'S ALMANAC.

It is proposed to publish early in December a "Churchman's Almanac," for 1859, on a plan similar to that published by the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge; containing the lessons for every day, the list of the Canadian Clergy, officers of Church Society, and professors of Trinity College, &c. Clergymen and others willing to encourage the publication, are requested to communicate to the Publisher, Henry Rowsell, the number of copies they will require. The price will not exceed twelve and a half cents each.

The Rev. W. B. Rally, of the Diocese of Huron, requests all letters and papers intended for him to be directed to Mitchell, C. W.

Ecclesiastical Intelligence.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

ORDINATION.

On Sunday morning the Lord Bishop held his Annual Ordination in the Parish Church of St. James', Toronto, when the following gentlemen were admitted to the Orders of Deacons and Priests:—

DEACONS.

- Cooper—William England, M.A., Trinity College, Toronto.
- Phillips—Thomas Dowell, M.A., Trinity College, Toronto; Head Master of the Grammar School, St Catharines.
- Higginson—George Noel, B.A., Trinity College, Toronto; appointed to the Curacy of Dundas.
- Dogert—James John, B.A., Trinity College, Toronto.

PRIESTS.

- Kendall—Rev. Edward Kay, B.A., St. John's College, Cambridge; Professor of Mathematics in the University of Trinity College.
- Broughall—Rev. Abraham James, B.A., Trinity College, Toronto; Assistant Minister of St. John's Church, and Classical Lecturer in the University of Trinity College.
- Viner—Rev. George Barber Peregrine, B.A., Trinity College, Toronto; Travelling Missionary of the Home District, in the Township of Pickering.

White—Rev. George William, B.A., Trinity College, Toronto; Travelling Missionary in the Townships of Camden and Sheffield.

Beaven—Rev. Edward William, M.A., Trinity College, Toronto; Assistant Minister of Prescott.

Stewart—Rev. Henry William, B.A., Trinity College, Dublin; Assistant Minister of Guelph.
 Davies—Rev. Henry William, B.A., Trinity College, Toronto; Assistant Minister, and Head Master of Grammar School, Cornwall.

Parnell—Rev. Thomas Alexander, Minister of Mirickville.

The Sermon was preached by the Rev. Provost Whitaker, and the Lord Bishop was assisted in the laying-on of hands by Archdeacon Bethune, Rev. Provost Whitaker, Rev. James Beaven, D.D., and the Rev. H. J. Grasset, B.D., Rector

UNIVERSITY OF TRINITY COLLEGE.

The Annual Meeting of the Convocation of the University of Trinity College, for the purpose of conferring degrees, will be held in the College Hall, on Thursday, November 11th, at 3 P.M.

CONSECRATION AND CONFIRMATION.

On Sunday 19th ult, the Bishop consecrated and dedicated to the service of God, St. James' Church, Fenelon Falls, and confirmed 43 persons.

His Lordship having robed in the vestry, met the Incumbent, Churchwardens, and Vestrymen at the west door, when the petition for consecration was read by James Wallis, Esq., one of the Churchwardens, and the principal contributor towards the erection of the Church. His Lordship having expressed his cordial assent to the prayer of the petition, proceeded up the aisle to the Holy Table, they repeated alternately the 24th Psalm, the Bishop beginning. The Bishop then proceeded with the consecration service; that being ended, the Incumbent commenced the daily morning service; after the Nicene Creed the Bishop proceeded to the pulpit and preached an eloquent and most appropriate sermon from the text, "Pilate saith unto Him, what is truth?" which was attentively listened to by a very large and earnest congregation. After the sermon the offertory was made—after the "Prayer for the whole state of Christ's Church," the Bishop commenced the confirmation service and confirmed 23 males and 20 females. His Lordship addressed them in his usual earnest and affectionate manner. The address was most appropriate to the particular state, and we have reason to believe has had a most beneficial effect, upon the Parish. The dimensions of the Church are, Chancel 15 x 16, and Nave 56 x 52.

The roof is of open timber, stained, and varnished, and the whole design is of a very correct character, and proportions.

COLLECTIONS UP TO 12th OCTOBER, 1858.

Collections appointed to be taken up in the several churches, chapels, and missionary sta-

tions in the Diocese of Toronto, in the month of October, in behalf of the Widow and Orphans' Fund of the Church Society.

St. Philip's, Weston, per Rev. W. A. Johnson \$ 8 43

GENERAL PURPOSE FUND, XVI YEAR.

Seymour 2.72
 Percy 1.96
 School-house, St. East 55

Per Rev. F. J. S. Groves... 5.23

STUDENTS' FUND, XVI YEAR.

Collingwood, per Rev. J. Langtry 1.00

MISSION FUND.

Previously announced 762.44
 Hurontario, per Rev. J. Magee 6.31
 St. John's, Thorold 5 00
 St. Paul's, Port Robinson 4 50

Per Rev. Dr. Fuller 9 50

Beechboro', per Rev. W. Johnson 2.00

Trinity Church, Streetsville, per Churchwardens 7.00

St. J. h's, Bowmanville, per Rev. Dr. MacNab 12.00

Mirrsville 2.40

Port Colborne 2 20

Per Rev. J. Stannage 4.60

Collingwood, per Rev. J. Langtry 1.75

St. Paul's, Lunark 2.30

St. John's, Balderson's Corners ... 1.00

Per Rev. R. Stephenson 3 30

Camden, per Rev. G. White 4 50

St. Peter's, Brockville, per Rev. Dr. Lewis 50.00

131 Collections, amounting to.....\$863.40

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Jas. Williams, Esq., 10th year 5.00

Rev. J. W. Marsh, do. 6.00

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE EASTERN EPISCOPAL ENDOWMENT FUND.

(Continued)

FRANKTOWN.

Rev. E. Morris	£10 0 0	Note 3 y'rs.
Wm. Nesbitt	2 10 0	" "
Thos. Griffith	2 10 0	" "
Henry Saunders	2 10 0	" "
Jas. McCarthy	2 10 0	" "
John Edwards	2 10 0	" "
Peter Jones	2 10 0	" "
Geo. Willoughby	2 10 0	" "
Thos. Mason	2 10 0	" "
Phineas Low	2 10 0	" "
John May	2 10 0	" "
John Nesbitt	2 10 9	" "
Robert Davis	1 4 4}	Cash.
Wm. Earl	2 10 0	" "
John Cavanoy	1 0 0	" "

CARLETON PLACE.

Rev. R. G. Cox	5 0 0	Note 3 y'rs.
James Rosamond	50 0 0	Cash £10
		Note £40.

of the amount thus raised should be transmitted to the Parent Society.

DARLINGTON.—A very interesting meeting was held at Bowmanville, in the month of January. The attendance was better than on former occasions, and the speeches more than usually effective. The result was perceptible in the very lively interest excited, and a considerable improvement in the amount of contributions, notwithstanding the drawback of the times. The sum of £20 has been collected, of which one-fourth will be transmitted to the Parent Society.

In concluding their Report, the Managing Committee are painfully conscious that the cause of Church extension within this District has not increased in proportion to the wants of our brethren, during the past year. It will be perceived that no Report has been received from Port Hope, as nothing has been done there for the Church Society for the last two or three years. This is a subject of deep regret to the Committee, that so large and important a parish should feel itself excused from co-operating in the work of maintaining the Church, and spreading her influence, through the means of the Church Society, must cause the most painful reflections in the minds of all right-thinking Christians. The cause of the Church Society is the cause of the whole Church—it belongs to no section or school of theology within the Church, but is based simply upon the wants of our people, and the necessity of doing all we can to spread and extend the blessings of the Gospel, upon the principles laid down and maintained in the Book of Common Prayer. And we do not see how poorer parishes are to be assisted, or new missions opened, unless the wealthier parishes will all unite in this work of Church extension, by upholding our institutions, and freely contributing the means required for that purpose.

Since our last Annual Meeting, the immense Diocese of Toronto has been divided, and our aged and venerable Diocesan thereby relieved from a portion of his labours, by the election and consecration of a Bishop for the west. Let us hope that this increase to the Canadian Episcopate will tend, by God's grace and blessing, to the further increase and efficiency of the Church in that portion of the Lord's vineyard. And your Committee further express the hope, that the requisite funds may speedily be raised, for the further sub-division of the Diocese, by the appointment of a Bishop of Kingston.

Several clerical changes have taken place in the District, within the past year. The Committee have to regret the loss of the Rev. J. W. Beck, who has lately been appointed to the vacant Rectory of Peterboro'. Mr. Beck is a young clergyman of great promise, a sound and zealous Churchman, and desirous of seeing the Church every where maintained in her efficiency. We wish him God-speed in his future labours, and hope that he may be made an instrument of much good to the people whom he has been appointed to serve.

RICE LAKE and other neighbouring settlements are now served by the Rev. Charles Brown, resident in Cobourg, who will report the result of his labours to the Venerable the Archdeacon, as Chairman of the District.

The Rev. Charles Thompson, appointed to the mission of Elora, has been succeeded by the Rev. Henry Wm. Davies, as Assistant Minister at Cobourg. The Rev. F. J. S. Groves has been appointed to the vacant mission of Seymour and Percy.

It thus appears that there are eleven clergymen at present labouring within the bounds of the Newcastle District, and only seven parishes or missions which have Parochial Associations in connexion with the Church Society.

The Committee trust, however, that the appointments recently made to vacant places will have the effect of stirring up our people to the necessity of greater and more combined exertion in supporting the various objects of the Society. And that the appropriation of one tenth, which this District Branch has determined to set apart for the maintenance of a Travelling Mission Fund, will enable the Society, before a great while, to employ one or more additional missionaries in the destitute settlements of this populous and flourishing District.

Allusion has already been made in this Report to the very scanty and inadequate support of the clergy, and the consequent difficulty of obtaining an adequate supply of missionaries. As a remedy for this growing evil, the Committee would beg respectfully to urge the immediate formation of a general fund throughout the Diocese, as proposed some time since by his Lordship the Bishop—as a Sustentation Fund—from which the clergy in new missions and back settlements should be assisted, and for some time partly supported. And in order to promote and carry out this great and good work, they would beg to submit to their brethren of the laity, whether they are not in duty bound to set apart one-tenth of their income for the support of religion; and whether, if they do not, they shall be held accountable hereafter, and be accused by their Lord, as having wasted His goods.

The past year has not been without its lessons of warning and instruction to us all. Here amongst ourselves, as well as in the neighbouring States, and some of the countries of Europe, great commercial depression, and pecuniary embarrassment have prevailed. The consequence in many cases, we cannot doubt, of reckless speculation, and wanton extravagance. A covetous, worldly, and ambitious spirit every where abounds; men have neglected and slighted the most sacred obligations. God is angry, and his people are punished.

Again in India, we have heard of atrocities which make the blood run cold in the breast of every Christian, a terrible revolt has taken place, our missionaries have been murdered, and some of the missions totally destroyed. A timid and worldly policy, we fear, has marked our dealings with India, we shewed the natives that we were ashamed of our religion. A few thousand pounds were annually spent in keeping alive the few and scattered missions and now millions have to be spent in suppressing this terrible outbreak, and in restoring peace to India. But the blood of these martyred men is the seed of the Church; and we trust that when the present clouds and darkness have passed away. The bright beams of Gospel light will shine in all their lustre upon that benighted and heathen country. That the idols of superstition will be broken to pieces, that Christian Churches will take the place of heathen temples, and the One Living and true God, be every where worshipped.

A noble opportunity is now afforded us to proclaim the purity of our Holy Religion. Let us not neglect it. The enormous See of Calcutta has just become vacant, by the death of the Metropolitan; may God put it into the heart of our Queen, and of those who govern the nation, to divide it into three or four Dioceses, and so increase the number of Christian Bishops in India, and with them the number of faithful and self-denying missionaries. If this is done, the result will be glorious. The brightest jewel in Britain's crown is her national Church. Preserve it, and England must prosper. But woe to England, if that day should ever arrive, (which God in his mercy forbid) that of England's Church it could be said—that "her place shall know her know more."

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ADJOURNED SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

(Held in the city of Kingston.)

FIRST DAY'S SESSION.

Tuesday, September 14, 1858.

Divine Service was celebrated in St. George's Church at 10 o'clock, A. M. Prayers were said by the Rev. Henry Patton, D.C.L., Rector of Cornwall. The lessons were read by the Rev. Henry Brent, Rector of Clarke. The sermon was preached by the Rev. R. V. Rogers, A. M., Rector of St. James', Kingston, and the Holy Communion was afterwards administered to the Clergy and Lay Delegates. The Lord Bishop then mentioned that the Synod would meet for business at half-past two o'clock, P. M., in the new Court House, and at half-past two o'clock, accordingly, the Synod did assemble in the Court House. The Lord Bishop in the chair.

The names of the Clergy were called over by the Clerical Secretary, and the names of the Lay Delegates by the Lay Secretary.

Prayers were then said by the Rev. H. J. Grassett, B.D., Rector of St. James's, Toronto.

His Lordship the Bishop then read the following

ADDRESS:

My Brethren of the Clergy and Laity—

Since the adjournment of the Synod in June last, I have been engaged in holding confirmations in what is usually called the Home District, and easterly from Toronto to Kingston. The general result is as follows: Confirmations have been held at one hundred and six places; and nearly three thousand persons have become full members of the Church, by partaking in that holy ordinance. Sixty-seven days were spent in the discharge of this duty, and the miles travelled were about four hundred. The stations visited are scattered over a vast area, and could only be reached, and the appointments kept, by using the ordinary conveyance of carriages drawn by horses, for railroads and steamers were at no time available. I was much gratified to find that the congregations were in general larger than formerly; the parents and friends seemed to take a greater interest in behalf of their children coming forward to confess Christ crucified and enrol themselves in His mighty army. It was also pleasant to remark the material improvements every where visible in the roads, and the more improved, skilful and profitable style of farming that is beginning to be introduced throughout the country, and in the substantial as well as neat and commodious farm houses which have been erected since I visited the same locality three or four years ago.

As the position of the other Dioceses of the Province of Canada are not yet so far advanced as might have been desired, the probability of an early meeting of the Provincial Synod, which will become, I trust, our safety-valve, and protection against hasty legislation on the part of the diocesan Synod, is still at some distance, it would seem therefore, to be our wisdom to advance with great caution in our further proceedings, till our sister Dioceses have made greater progress in their organization, so as to give promise at no distant period of the assembly of the higher or Provincial Synod. In this view of matters I would respectfully suggest that we confine ourselves to the adoption of such canons as may be deemed absolutely necessary: perhaps a canon on discipline, and some preparation towards the establishment of a Consistorial Court for the trial of all offences against the ecclesiastical laws of the diocese, and for preserving order and regularity in things essential. This measured or rather pru-

dential course of proceeding appears the more necessary when we consider the difficulties which have already occurred in impeding our progress.

After procuring the Royal assent to the Act of the 19th and 20th of her Majesty's reign, intitled, "An Act to enable the members of the United Church of England and Ireland to meet in Synod," we considered that all obstacles in the way of the free action of the Church were removed, and we proceeded in the diocese of Toronto with organizing our Synod, and taking such steps as would enable the Church to become more efficient, and to wait without any serious damage till the Provincial Synod was duly constituted; because to that regulating body we look forward to give uniformity to the proceedings of the Diocesan Synod, so that the Canadian branch of the Church may act with harmony as an united body, though embracing several Diocesan Synods.

The slight interruption to the following up of the course which occurred in the Diocese of Quebec has been happily removed by an explanatory act, which, though perhaps scarcely required, it was thought more expedient to procure than to leave anything in the form of an objection which might hereafter stand in the way of future accordance in the proceedings of the Diocesan Synod; and indeed this interruption has been, by a wise Providence, so far overruled for good that it would be ungracious now to complain. It could hardly be expected that the revival in the colonies of the inherent powers of the Church, which even in the mother country have been long in abeyance, could be attempted without some opposition, and many fears and anxieties. We have great reason therefore to be thankful to God, that they have been so easily appensed and done so little harm, and that all obstructions being now cleared away, the different dioceses may proceed with diligence in completing their own constitutions in such a way as to prepare for the efficient establishment of the Provincial Synod, which will be able, from its more grave composition and superintending powers, virtually to mould the Diocesan Synods into one harmonious whole.

It is with much pleasure that I have to announce that an act was passed during the late session of the Provincial Parliament, establishing a Church Society for the diocese of Huron, which I believe to be identical in its provisions with that which has been long so beneficially in operation in this diocese: it was cordially and energetically supported by the friends of the Church in both dioceses, and exhibited a concord of feeling and purpose most encouraging to all concerned.

The position of the Episcopal Fund for the proposed Diocese of Kingston is, perhaps, in a state as forward as could have been expected from the severe pressure of the times. The amount as certified by the Rev. Mr. Stewart, the Secretary, falls short of £7000, but as this does not include the £600 voted, though not paid over, by the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, and several other items that are on hand or forthcoming, we assume the true amount at £8000 currency; and were this all so available as to be invested at eight per cent, it would accumulate soon to the minimum of £10,000; so that in this view it would only be a matter of two or three years, were no further efforts to be made. But I trust that now and urgent exertions will be adopted to complete the required amount in a much shorter period. First, collections might be made throughout the proposed diocese from house to house, and the smallest donations thankfully received. Donations might also be solicited within the bounds of the dioceses of Toronto and Huron; it is for the same church and for promoting the glory of God. Although the sum so collected might not be large, it would still be a help and

step towards the completion of the endowment. Second, this being done, let the first subscribers be called upon to advance an addition of ten or twenty per cent. on their original subscriptions: many would doubtless do so willingly, and according to their ability to make up the deficiency; or let one hundred or more members within and without the diocese volunteer to make up what is wanting of the sum required. Such things are frequently done, and no one will repent making the effort. Third, in the meantime, let a few of our business men step forward and consolidate the notes of hand which constitute the bulk of the fund, which cannot, in their present state, be considered good security, and give a bond with mortgage for their amount. This was done in the diocese of Huron with the most happy effects, and so prevented a great and harassing delay. These steps or such of them as are deemed necessary may be taken, and, if judiciously and diligently followed up, need not occasion any great delay: indeed, if our hearts be in the right place this might be accomplished within one year from this time—a far shorter period than the naturally sanguine anticipated some months ago.

In regard to the Sustentation Fund, which I suggested and hoped long since to have made available, I have been dissuaded from carrying it out, because it was urged that it would materially interfere with the Episcopal endowment collections, but I now consider this objection in a great degree removed, and I feel that the cause of the Church and her extension will brook no further delay. It is therefore my intention to publish, soon after my return home, a pastoral letter on the subject, and to solicit action, as far as the Church may be able, on its suggestions. I am much encouraged in this by the deeper sense of its necessity which now pervades the whole of our people. They begin to be convinced that if they really love the Church they must contribute to her support, and they are daily becoming more alive to the actual discharge of this important duty.

It only remains to notice the amount of business likely to come before the Synod; and looking at the schedule of items, I must admit that it appears rather formidable; but there is nothing very pressing, except, perhaps, a measure of discipline; and if we content ourselves with this, or even a draft involving the general principles, to be matured at our next meeting, we might leave the reports, after due consideration (rejecting such as are evidently inexpedient), to be inserted in our minutes, that they may remain for a season before the Church for severe scrutiny and examination before they are taken up for discussion with a view of adopting them as rules of guidance. Our danger, at present, seems more likely to arise from doing too much than too little. The discussions which many of the subjects must undergo will put them in a better shape, and cause them to be more thoroughly understood. Moreover, some will be found premature, or exposed to difficulties which it might be imprudent for the present to encounter. On the whole, such a course of proceeding, as I have ventured to propose, would materially shorten the session, and yet do all that appears desirable to be accomplished at this time.

Permit me, in conclusion, to express my confident hope that while our discussions are allowed to proceed with ample freedom, they will at the same time be guided by that courtesy, deference, and mutual respect which have hitherto distinguished the meetings of this Synod.

ADMISSION TO SEATS IN THE SYNOD.

The Rev. Dr. PATTON moved and the Rev. Dr. ADAMSON seconded.

That the Rev. Messrs. Forrest, Flanigan, and

Ellegood, of the Diocese of Montreal, and the Rev. Mr. Burrage, of the Diocese of Quebec, being present, be requested to receive the courtesy of the Synod.—*Carried.*

The Rev. Mr. STEWART moved, and the Rev. Dr. FULLER seconded.

That inasmuch as the minutes of the last session have been printed and circulated among the clergy and the laity of the Diocese, the reading of the minutes be dispensed with.—*Carried.*

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

The Lord Bishop appointed Robert B. Denison one of the Executive Committee, a vacancy being found therein.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Venerable Archdeacon of York brought up the following recommendation of the Executive Committee:—

The Executive Committee recommend that the Synod do adjourn on its first day of meeting, at seven o'clock in the evening, and that, on the second day of meeting, and on each succeeding day there be Divine Service at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and that the Synod do meet for business at ten o'clock, and adjourn at half-past one o'clock in the afternoon, re-assemble at three o'clock, and adjourn at six o'clock in the afternoon; and that no evening session be held unless specially required and decided upon by the Synod.

The Ven. the ARCHDEACON of York proposed, and the Hon. J. H. CAMERON seconded.

That the recommendation of the Executive Committee now read, be adopted and acted on.—*Carried.*

The Rev. Dr. FULLER having obtained leave, brought up the report of the Committee on

EXPENSES OF SYNOD AND PROVISION THEREFOR. The Committee on Expenses of Synod and assessment therefor, beg leave respectfully to report

That, having examined the Treasurer's accounts that of the sum of £113 8s. 9d. assessed upon the parishes of the Diocese, before its late division, by resolution of Synod, the sum of £225 6s. 3d. only had been paid, previous to the 28th of last month; leaving a balance then due of £ 88 2s 6d; of which sum £127 7s. 6d. was due by parishes in this Diocese; and £65 15s. within the Diocese of Huron.

That the expenditure of Synod up to the close of the treasurer's books has been £209 19s. 9d. leaving a balance in his hand of £15 6s. 6d., whilst the Synod owes H. Rowsell, Esq., the respected bookseller and printer, the sum of £68 10s 7d., and to other parties £5 15s.

The Committee feel that it is due to those parishes, which have promptly met the assessment laid upon them, that every proper step should be taken to induce the parishes still in arrears, to meet their assessment.

With regard to the diocese of Huron, the Committee would recommend that, when its parishes shall have paid up the assessment, laid upon them by a resolution of the Synod, when they were represented therein, an estimate should be made of the excess of their payments over and above their fair proportion of the expenses incurred by the Synod, before their separation from us; and that the amount of such excess should be paid by our treasurer to the treasurer of their Synod.

The Committee trust, that on a full and fair representation to the parishes in arrears of their indebtedness, none will be found to repudiate their obligations; but that all will readily forward to our Treasurer the amounts laid upon them by a resolution of this Synod, in which all concurred. The Committee would, therefore, recommend that a circular should be addressed once more to the parishes of this Diocese, still in arrears, remind-

ing them also, that a resolution has been approved by the majority of the Synod, refusing to receive delegates from those parishes continuing in arrears; and that a list should be sent by our Synod to the Synod of Huron, soon to be convened, of the parishes therein which are in arrears, accompanied by a resolution of this Synod expressive of the principles laid down in this report; and soliciting the assistance of that Synod towards the collecting the arrears from its several parishes.

According to the scale of assessment established by order of this Synod, there are in this Diocese 36 parishes assessed at. 10s. per annum, £18 0

27	"	"	£1 0	"	27 0
2	"	"	1 10	"	3 0
2	"	"	2 0	"	4 0
13	"	"	3 0	"	39 0
1	"	"	3 10	"	3 10
3	"	"	5 0	"	15 0

Giving a total annual income of £109 10

As two sessions of the Synod are held this year, and consequently a considerable amount of printing required, the Committee do not recommend any reduction of the assessment at present; but trust that after this year a reduction of one-half can safely be made in the rate; as several heavy items of expenditure, such as the rent of room for the meeting of Synod, the printing of the Sermons at the opening, and of copies of its constitution can be, and should be dispensed with in future years.

The committee feel bound to recommend the appointment of a committee to revise the assessment list of the parishes of this Diocese, as several inequalities exist in the present list.

The Committee also recommend to the Synod the adoption of a by-law directing that the expenditure of the Synod should be under the control and on the responsibility of its two Secretaries and its Treasurer.

All of which is respectfully submitted

T. B. FULLER.
J. TRAVERS LEWIS.
S. W. GAMBLE.

Kingston, 14th September, 1858.

The Rev. Dr. FULLER gives notice, that he will move that the report now read be adopted and acted upon.

The Hon J. H. CAMERON mentioned that the Committee on Division of Endowments had not their report ready, and he gives notice that he will move that the Committee be re-appointed.

The Rev. Dr. SHORTT brought up the report of the Committee on Lessening the amount of Drunkenness.

Mr. ROGERS gives notice that he will move that said report be adopted.

The Ven. the ARCHDEACON of YORK brought up the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the

SUSTENTATION REPORT.

1. That in the present condition of the Church in this Diocese, thrown, as we now are, upon our own resources, it has become necessary to make a systematic provision for the supply of the Parishes or Cures becoming vacant, and to keep pace, as far as possible, with the increasing population of the Province by opening new missions.

2. That it is not, as a rule, expedient or desirable to allow the support of the Clergy to be wholly dependent upon the voluntary contributions of the congregations to whom they minister, because this system has a tendency to fetter independency of action in the Clergy, and from the insufficiency as well as very precarious character of the support thus generally rendered, young men are already found to be deterred from offering themselves as candidates for the Ministry.

3. That although in process of time material aid in furtherance of this object may be expected from the surplus revenue of the Commutation Fund, yet in all probability a considerable time must elapse before it can be available for this purpose in an extensive degree.

4. That in order to secure such provision with as little delay as possible, it is desirable to raise in this Diocese a fund to be called the Diocesan Sustentation Fund—the same to be raised by special appeal, from time to time renewed, as the circumstances of the Diocese may require, and not through any fixed or permanent organization which might conflict with the action of societies already established.

5. That the Sustentation Fund shall be divided as follows:—1st. All moneys specially given for investment, of which the interest alone shall be used; secondly—all moneys arising from collections for the fund and the interest of investments.

6. That the Trust Committee of the Church Society be the Treasurers and Managers of all moneys or property given for this purpose.

7. That a Committee of three Clergymen and three Laymen, being members of the Synod, to be appointed annually by the Lord Bishop, do form a Central Board, under the direction of the Bishop, for apportioning all moneys thus raised.

8. That in no case shall more than £100 currency per annum be paid to any Incumbent or Missionary from this fund, and that no stipend whatever shall be paid from this fund except upon the condition that at least an equal sum shall be supplied annually by the congregation or congregations to which such Clergyman shall be appointed to minister.

9. That the Lord Bishop of the Diocese be respectfully requested to issue a Pastoral Letter, setting forth to the Clergy and Laity the importance and necessity of such Sustentation Fund, and recommending the time and the manner in which it should be raised.

10. That until adequate funds shall have been realized for the Sustentation Fund in the manner before mentioned, the Lord Bishop be respectfully requested to recommend a general collection to be made in the several Churches and stations of the Diocese on some Sunday in the year, in order to meet present exigencies and supply immediate wants, commencing with some Sunday before the close of the present year.

The Ven. the ARCHDEACON gives notice that he will move that the recommendation of the Executive Committee on the Sustentation Reports, be adopted by this Synod and acted upon.

The Rev. Dr. BEAVEN brought up the Report of the Committee on

CHURCH MUSIC.

The Committee on Church Music beg to report that they have not thought it expedient to take any steps towards the formation of a collection of music, until the labours of the Committee on Hymns and Psalms should be so far advanced as to enable them to judge what metres would be required for psalm and hymn tunes, and in what proportions.

That they now understand that the labours of the Hymn and Psalm Committee are sufficiently advanced to enable them to begin, which they accordingly propose to do, after communication with that Committee.

That they desire to be allowed to add to their number any person whom they may discover to have made Church Music their study, and in particular some scientific and practical musician, even though he may not be a member of this body.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES BEAVEN, Chairman.

Dr. BEAVEN gives notice that he will move that the recommendation of the Committee be carried out.

The Rev. Dr. BEAVEN brought up the Report of the Committee on

HYMNS AND PSALMS.

The Committee on Hymns and Psalms desire to report:

1. That they have prepared a copious collection of hymns, from upwards of twenty collections of all schools, and have arranged the larger portion of them under the various Sundays and Holy-days of the ecclesiastical year, and the remainder under special subjects.

2. They have likewise prepared a table of contents, and indexes of first lines and subjects.

3. They have prepared a supplement to the new version of psalms, consisting of such portions as appeared desirable to be retained from the old version, together with a selection from other versions.

4. They have in course of preparation a table, in which the portion of the new version, most suitable for public worship, will be pointed out, and, together with the supplementary versions, will be arranged with reference to the ecclesiastical year.

5. Having so far advanced the work, they are desirous that the results of their labours should be referred to a more numerous Committee, in order that they may be able to report it as completed and approved to the next session of the Synod.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES BEAVEN, Chairman.

Dr. BEAVEN gives notice that he will move that the recommendations of said Report be carried out.

The Rev. Dr. O'MEARA requested that the Committee on India Missions be allowed to defer their report till next Session.—Granted

The Rev. Dr. PATTON brought up the report of the Committee on

BUILDING PARSONAGES.

The Committee on building parsonages, repairs and delapidation of same, beg leave to report,

That your Committee would earnestly press upon the attention of every Parish or Mission in the Diocese, where no suitable Parsonage at present exists, the propriety of immediately taking steps for the commencement and prosecution of so laudable an object, as that of providing a suitable residence for their Clergyman. They regard it as one of the first duties of a Parish towards its Clergyman to provide for him a decent and comfortable home. The recognition of this duty becomes the more needful, since, in consequence of the alienation of the Clergy Reserves, the incomes of the clergy are rendered more precarious, and in many cases are smaller than they otherwise would be had this act of spoliation not been perpetrated.

As it will frequently happen, especially in the rural parishes, that the parishioners will seek for aid in the erection of their parsonages, and it will doubtless sometimes be found that such parishioners are not themselves best qualified to judge of the size and accommodation required for a suitable Parsonage, your Committee would recommend that in all cases where aid is required from any public funds of the Church, that the plans of the proposed building and out-houses should be examined by the Bishop of the Diocese, or by a committee of disinterested persons named by his Lordship, and if approved of, should be sanctioned by him or them, as the case may be, in order that upon such approval, aid may with propriety be afforded to such parishioners. When the Par-

sonage, with suitable out houses, is once erected, and the same are placed in the possession of the Incumbent in good repair, he may be reasonably expected to keep them in the same condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted. But should any additions be found necessary, any new fences be required to secure the premises, or any thing new be found expedient to the preservation of the building, as new roofing, painting &c., the cost of all these and all similar improvements should be borne by the Parish.

It may, moreover, sometimes happen that when a parsonage house is erected, the incumbent may be desirous of making alterations, additions or improvements in order to render the premises more comfortable and convenient, but which the parishioners may not deem absolutely necessary, or which they may not be able, from the peculiar circumstances of the Parish, to accomplish, while they would be prepared to admit that the proposed alterations would be desirable, if they could be effected, and it may so happen that the incumbent could advance, or procure, on his own responsibility, the means for effecting the same, your committee would suggest that in all cases the Incumbent may, in conjunction with the churchwardens, employ a suitable architect or mechanic, and endeavour to ascertain the probable amount of such alterations, improvements or additions, and if approved of by the Churchwardens, they may sanction such expenditure, the amount of which, certified by the bills of the contractors, shall be regarded as a debt due by the Parish to the Incumbent in case of his removal, or to his family in the event of his death, only that ten per cent. of such outlay shall be deducted annually from such debt, for every year that the benefits of the improvements may have been enjoyed by such Incumbent or his family; to whom also, in the event of the Incumbent's death, the balance of the outlay shall be paid by the parishioners, in annual payments, of not less than twenty per cent. of the sum originally so borrowed or advanced, until the whole of the balance be repaid. If, however, the parish shall possess an endowment, yielding to the Incumbent not less than £200 per annum, besides the salary assigned by the parishioners, the committee would in such case recommend that when the addition or improvement as aforesaid does not exceed one year's proceeds of such endowment, the expenditure shall be borne by the Incumbent himself; but if the expenses shall exceed the amount of one year's proceeds of such endowment, then the expenditure above that sum shall become a debt, due by the successor of the Incumbent, if it be not liquidated as aforesaid by the annual deduction of ten per cent. for every year's enjoyment of the same; and the balance to be paid by the successor or successors to his predecessor, or to the family of the same, in the same manner as by the churchwardens in the former case.

Moreover, as your Committee believe that no Incumbent should be allowed to sell the timber or quarries of stone upon any glebe land, and appropriate the proceeds of the same to his own private benefit, but, that the proceeds should be expended for the benefit of the Incumbent and his successors; and whereas by the law of England the timber on the glebe lands may be sold, and the proceeds thereof be applied towards the purchasing of a house, out buildings, yard, garden, or lands to become the parsonage house, and glebe land of the Parish, your Committee would recommend a similar course in this Diocese, extending its action however to the repairs, improvements and additions of or to parsonage houses, and out-houses, as may be judged needful by the Incumbent and churchwardens, acting for the

Your Committee have ventured to suggest, for the consideration of Synod, certain rules and regulations embodying the foregoing views, but they would also suggest, that any further action in the premises should be taken in connexion with the Diocesan Church Society, as the erection and maintenance of Parsonages forms one of the important objects of that Society; from its funds aid will no doubt be generally sought; and as being an incorporated body, it, and not the Synod, is competent to hold deeds of the sites of parsonage houses.

All which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY PATTON, *Chairman.*

RULES AND REGULATIONS PROPOSED BY THE COMMITTEE ON BUILDING OF PARSONAGES, REPAIRS AND DILAPIDATIONS OF SAME.

1. That it shall be the recognised duty of every Parish or Mission, where no Parsonage at present exists, to erect, as soon as possible, a suitable parsonage, with out-houses, for the accommodation of the Clergyman; and that until such buildings are erected, it shall be the duty of the Parish or Mission to rent a suitable residence, that the Clergyman may enjoy the same, free of charge, and independent of any sum that may be assigned for his salary.

2. That in the event of the Parish seeking aid from the Church Society towards the erection of their Parsonage, such aid shall not be granted until the Society is satisfied that the proposed new Parsonage will be one suited to the position of the Parish: that therefore the plans of the proposed building shall be previously submitted to the inspection of the Bishop of the Diocese, or of a disinterested committee appointed by his Lordship, consisting of the Archdeacon or Rural Dean, and of one or two neighbouring clergymen and laymen, to be named by the Bishop; and the approbation of the Bishop or of said committee, as the case may be, shall be a sufficient guarantee to the Society, that aid may with propriety be extended to said Parish.

3. That when the Parsonage and out-houses are erected and finished, or when, in the event of a change of incumbency, they are put in the possession of the clergyman in a state of good repair, it shall then be the duty of the clergyman to keep and maintain the same in as good repair and condition, ordinary wear and tear of the same excepted. And if the Incumbent shall, by wilful negligence, by any act of commission or omission, suffer the said buildings to go out of repair, so that they are in danger of being seriously damaged thereby, he shall be held responsible for the same; and it shall therefore be the duty of the Churchwardens to point out such dilapidations to the Incumbent, and request him to provide a remedy for the same, and shall he decline or neglect to repair the same, the churchwardens may after a reasonable space, employ a suitable mechanic or mechanics to execute the necessary repairs, and the certified expense thereof may deduct from the Clergyman's annual salary.

4. Should however any extensive improvements or repairs become necessary from the lapse of time, such as new roofings, external painting, of new fences to protect the premises, the expense of these, and all similar improvements or repairs, shall be borne by the Parish. And it shall be the duty of the Clergyman when such repairs are required, to lay a detailed statement of the same, with an approximate estimate of the expense, before the usual Easter meeting of vestry, or before a vestry meeting specially convened for the purpose; and should the members of vestry sanction the same, the churchwardens shall forthwith proceed to effect the necessary repairs, providing for the expense thereof, from the funds of the church by parochial subscriptions or by any other mode

determined upon by the vestry. But should the vestry decline to sanction the necessary repairs and the expense of the same, or should the churchwardens neglect to accomplish the required repairs (when sanctioned) within a reasonable period, the clergyman may then appeal to the Bishop, who may appoint a disinterested Committee as aforesaid (Rule 2) to inspect the premises and report upon the necessity of the proposed alterations or repairs; and, as far as sanctioned by their report, the Incumbent shall have authority to accomplish the same by means of money borrowed for the purpose, the amount of which shall be a debt due by the Parish, and which, together with the interest on the same, shall be discharged within a limited time named by the committee aforesaid; and in default of payment being made at the time specified, the Incumbent shall notify the same to the Bishop, who shall call upon the Parish to make good the deficiency within a specified period.

5. Should an Incumbent, as may sometimes happen, desire to make additions, alterations, or improvements, which neither he nor the Churchwardens may regard as absolute necessities, but which nevertheless the vestry (after being consulted) may not object to, provided the Incumbent will in the mean time procure the means for effecting the same, it shall and may in all such cases be lawful for the Incumbent in conjunction with the Churchwardens, to employ a suitable architect or mechanic to estimate the expense of such improvements or additions; and the Churchwardens may, if they approve of the same, sanction such expenditures, the amount of which, certified by the bills and receipts of the contractors, shall be regarded as a debt due by the Parish to the Incumbent, in the event of his removal, or to his family in the event of his death; provided that ten per cent. of such outlay, together with the interest of the money borrowed, shall be deducted from such debt for every year that the benefit of the said improvements shall have been enjoyed by such incumbent, or by his family, to whom the balance of the outlay shall be paid by the Parish, in annual payments of not less than twenty per cent. of the sum originally so borrowed or advanced, together with the interest due on such balance; and no part of such debt shall become a burden upon the successor of the incumbent who so advanced or borrowed the money as aforesaid. If however the Parish should have an endowment of not less than £200 per annum, independent of the salary assigned by the Parish; and should the expense of the aforesaid additions or improvements not exceed one year's proceeds of such endowment, the expenditure shall then be borne by the Incumbent desiring to make the same; but should the expenditure sanctioned as above exceed the full amount of one year's income from the endowment, then the expenditure above that sum shall become a debt due by the successor of the Incumbent, and to be paid in the same manner as the former case, if not liquidated as aforesaid by the annual deduction of ten per cent. for every year's enjoyment of the same.

6. If a Clergyman shall subscribe liberally towards the erection of a Parsonage and out-houses, or towards the cost of additions thereto, and yet should not live to occupy or enjoy the benefits of the same for at least the space of one year, such subscriptions, less ten per cent., shall be returned to his family by the Parish.

7. The Parsonage being the property of the Parish, the loss of it by fire would prove a serious calamity to the parishioners; it shall therefore be the duty of the Churchwardens to keep the buildings constantly insured in some respectable insurance office.

8. If there be pine, elm, cedar, or other marketable timber upon any glebe or glebes, or

any quarry or quarries of stone, more than may be absolutely required for the use and improvement of the same, the surplus may be sold by the Incumbent and Churchwardens, and the proceeds thereof be applied to the repairs, additions or improvement of the Parsonage and outhouses.

H. PATTON, *Chairman.*

Dr. PATTON gives notice that he will move that the Report be printed and taken into consideration next session.

The ARCHDEACON of YORK brought up the report of the Committee on the

ADDRESS TO THE BISHOP OF HURON.

The Committee appointed at the last session of the Synod to draw up an address to the Lord Bishop, Clergy, and Laity of the Diocese of Huron on the occasion of their being separated from us by being constituted a new Diocese, beg to report, that they forwarded to the Lord Bishop of Huron the following address:

TO THE RIGHT REVEREND, THE LORD BISHOP OF HURON.

May it please your Lordship,

We, the Bishop, Clergy, and Lay representatives of the Diocese of Toronto in Synod assembled, cannot separate without offering to your Lordship, to your Clergy, and to the members of the Church in your Diocese in general, the expression of our fraternal sympathy and cordial friendship.

The Christian household which composed this Diocese had become too large for the effective and profitable supervision of a single head, and a portion of it has been delegated to the oversight of your Lordship. Yet, although, by this division, we are separated by artificial limits, there is no parting of our spiritual affinity. The current of Christian feeling cannot be restrained by such barriers; its course is as free as ever through the whole brotherhood of the faith.

We trust that we may be found united in our counsels and deliberations for the welfare of God's Church: that we may ever be one in adherence to the Apostle's doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

That your Lordship's oversight of the Diocese of Huron may be eminently conducive to the building up of believers in Evangelical truth and Apostolic order, is our most earnest prayer; while it is our firmest supplication to the Throne of Grace that we may all, in our allotted station, labour to "come in the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ," and finally, through His merits, to His everlasting Kingdom of Glory.

STEPHEN LETT, *Clerical Secretary.*

(Seal) JAMES BOVELL, *Lay Secretary.*

JUNE: TORONTO.

To which his Lordship returned the following reply:—

TO THE RIGHT REVEREND, THE LORD BISHOP OF TORONTO.

My Lord,

I have received with feelings of the most lively satisfaction, the address voted by the assembled Synod of your Lordship's Diocese, to me, to my Clergy, and to the members of the Church in the Diocese of Huron. And I beg, for myself, to reciprocate the expression of fraternal sympathy and cordial fellowship which the address contains.

I shall avail myself of the earliest opportunity of laying the address before the Synod of this Diocese, and I feel assured that the Clergy and Laity will unite with me in expressing the most earnest desire that though we are severed from the Diocese of Toronto by artificial lines and

boundaries; we may ever be bound together by the three-fold cord of "faith, hope, and charity," and with one heart labour for the diffusion of the gospel in the land, and for the increase of the kingdom of Christ our Lord.

That your Lordship may be long spared over your Diocese to administer its affairs with the zeal and vigour which have always characterised your proceedings, and that when your allotted time here is spent, you may, through the all-sufficient merits of Christ our Saviour, be received into His kingdom, and made a partaker of His glory, is the earnest prayer of, my Lord

Your Lordship's faithful Brother in Christ.

BENJAMIN HERON.

London, C. W., September 13th, 1858.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

The auditors to whom were referred the late Treasurer's accounts, beg leave respectively to report that they have examined the same up to the period of his retirement, viz., June, 1848. The receipts amounted to the sum of £171 17s. 3d., the whole of which was expended, and there remained an unsettled account due to Mr. Rowsell amounting to £26, which they learn has since been paid by the present Treasurer. The auditors annex abstracts from the Treasurer's accounts, shewing the various items of expenditure from the time the books were opened in 1853, and to which they request the attention of the Synod.

All respectfully submitted,

C. J. CAMPBELL,
W. M. WESTMACOTT,

Toronto, September 11, 1858.

Auditors.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

The Rev. Wm BLEASDELL.—That the Lord Bishop of the Diocese be respectfully requested to appoint a Committee to enquire into the nature of the authority by which the Clergy of the united Church of England and Ireland officiate in the performance of the marriage ceremony in this Province: and also whether the Provincial Legislature has any right to compel the unremunerated services of such Clergy in making annual returns of such marriages to their appointed officers, and also to impose a fee upon them additional to the trouble of filling up such return, as it claims to do in the 20th Victoria, chap. 66.

The Rev. Dr. O'MEARA.—That the expense incurred by the Rev. D. E. Blake, in printing his circular, containing valuable information with reference to the Canons now before the Synod, be repaid from the funds of this Synod.

(To be continued.)

DIocese of MONTREAL.

On Sunday two deeply interesting services took place in our city, the one an Ordination at St. John's Chapel, the other a Confirmation at St. George's Chapel. As might be expected on such occasions, both places of worship were crowded to overflowing. The services at the former commenced at half-past 10; the Litany was omitted in the Ordinary, as it forms part of the Ordination office. The candidates were presented by the Archdeacon, the Rev. S. Gilson. The Rev. J. P. White, Rector of Chambly, preached the Ordination Sermon from the following text: 1st Cor. iv. 1, 2. The first candidate presented was Mr. Frederick Burt, the indefatigable City Missionary, who was admitted to the order of Deacon. The Rev. Archibald Campbell Scarth, theological student, Lennoxville, Missionary at West Farnham, and the Rev. Thomas Bousall, A.M., of Kenyon College, Missionary at Clarendon, were severally advanced to the office of Priest. The Very Rev. the Dean, the Archdeacon, and the

Rev. Mr. White, assisted the Bishop in the laying of hands on the candidates.

Shortly after the termination of this solemn office, the young people of the respective Episcopal churches were to be seen wending their way from all directions, with their parents and friends, towards St. George's Chapel. Three was the hour appointed for the Confirmation Service, but long before that hour every available sitting and space was occupied. The pews at either side of the centre aisle had been set apart for the candidates, the males at one and females at the other. Most of the latter were dressed in white, with a short white veil on the top of the head. A few minutes after three the Bishops and Clergy entered the chancel from the vestry. Amongst those present we noticed the Dean and Archdeacon of the Cathedral Church; the Rev. Dr. Leach and W. Bowl, of St. George's; the Rev. A. Digby Campbell, of Trinity; the Rev. J. Ellegood, of St. Stephen's; the Rev. Mr. Tate, of St. Luke's; the Rev. E. J. Rogers, Garrison (chaplain); the Rev. J. P. White, Chambly; and the Rev. Wm Burt. The *coup d'œil* of the church at this moment was interesting and imposing. The centre aisle was left vacant for the free passage of the candidates to the chancel. From the front of the extensive galleries back to the walls on either side, row after row of anxious spectators and hearers in gradual proportion arose, while the pews and side aisles in the body presented one living mass.

After the afternoon service had been read by the Rev. Mr. Bond, the Lord Bishop delivered a long and impressive address. His Lordship, in the first place, remarked the suitability of the lessons and other portions of Scripture read in the morning and afternoon services, to the special ones in which they were engaged now and had been in the morning. This was *undesigned*, as those selections were the ordinary ones appointed by the church in the regular revolutions of her services. The Bishop's address was extemporaneous, and embraced a large range of Ecclesiastical matter bearing on the constitution of the Anglican Church, and enforcing on the members of her own communion the duty of having their children instructed at an early age in the peculiarities of the system generally, and more immediately of this particular rite, which can be performed by the Bishop alone, from whom, as a centre of unity, each in his own Diocese, the link extends to the various other Dioceses of the Church in all lands, thus binding together the members of the Church throughout the world. He then drew the attention of the Candidates to the solemnity and responsibility of the occasion, and in doing so, dwelt on the texts of Scripture, which surround the card, certifying their confirmation, a copy of which would be given to each by their respective Ministers. The first of these was,—“O Lord, thy vows are upon me,” exhibiting its solemn and binding character. Another,—“Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.”

Here the necessity of *perseverance* in the course on which they were that day entering, was enforced with earnestness and simplicity, while the *encouragement*, viz., the *bright eternal crown* was contrasted in glowing colours with the *fading, perishable baubles* which the richest and most powerful earthly dominion can present. The last text quoted and enlarged on was, “Ye are not your own, but are bought with a price.” In this the *motive to glorify God, one of reasonable service and of grateful love*, was enforced with equal warmth and power.

After the address, the Confirmation service was proceeded with. The short closing prayers were then offered up, and the vast congregation returned to their homes.

The number confirmed on this occasion were two hundred and one, of whom about three-fourths were females. Notwithstanding the crowded state of the church, every thing was conducted without the least confusion. The department of the candidates was grave and becoming, and the whole of this deeply interesting ceremony was carried through with that "decency and order" recommended by Saint Paul to be done in all churches.—*Montreal Gazette.*

DIocese OF HURON.

MEETING OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY OF THE DIocese OF HURON.

September 21, 1858.

The Church Society met at 7 p.m.

The Lord Bishop took the chair and called upon the Secretary to read prayers.

The Bishop then addressed the meeting, calling attention to the various matters which would naturally engage the attention of the Society, and touching upon the matters of interest which had taken place since the last meeting. He then called upon the Secretary to read the Act incorporating the Church Society of the Diocese of Huron, and those parts of the Act incorporating the Church Societies of Quebec and Toronto, which seemed to bear more particularly upon the business about to be brought before the meeting.

The said Acts were then read.

It was then moved by the Rev. Sr GEORGE CAULFIELD, seconded by the Rev. M. BOONER, "That all duly licensed clergymen of the Diocese, who are not on the list of incorporated members and all the lay representatives present during the Session of the Synod now being held, and not included in the Act of Incorporation, and following gentlemen be hereby declared incorporate members of this Society:—

"Mr. Hurst, Mr. Hughes, Copt. Cronyn, Mr. Leister, Mr. Galbraith, Dr. Lee, Mr. Watson, Dr. Philips, Robert Gordon, Dr. Alfred Harper, James Stephenson, Samuel Morley, Thomas Ellis, Lionel Ridout, Dr. H. Going, and N. Cronyn of London, and Mr. Roe of St. Thomas."

The Bishop then called the attention of the meeting to the necessity of appointing a committee to receive the Episcopal Fund from the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto.

Whereupon it was moved by the Rev. C. C. BROUGH, seconded by the Rev. M. BOONER: "That the following gentlemen be appointed a committee to receive the Episcopal Endowment Fund from the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto, and to manage the same under the direction of this Society:—

"L. LAWRASON, John Wilson, Absalom Shade, Lionel Ridout, J. W. Ritchie, Townsend G. Vidal and P. J. Salter, of whom three shall form a quorum."

The Bishop then brought before the meeting the proposed amendment of the Hon. J. H. CAMERON, to the Bye-Law of the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto, to provide for the management of the Commutation Fund.

His Lordship informed the meeting that he had had communication with the Bishop of Toronto on the subject of the division of the various funds in which the Society is interested with the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto, and a proposition was made to leave the whole matter to be arbitrated upon by the two Chief Justices and the Chancellor, but it was stated by the Bishop of Toronto, that upon further considering the matter, he thought it would be impossible to obtain their services upon any matter which might affect

wards be brought before them for a judicial decision, since which he had heard nothing further upon the subject, until these resolutions proposed by the Hon. J. H. CAMERON were brought under his notice.

The Bishop then directed the Secretary to read to the meeting the amendments proposed by Mr. CAMERON.

(Amendment read as printed).

The Rev. St. GEORGE CAULFIELD moved, seconded by the Rev. J. PAFFIELD, "That this subject be postponed until to-morrow evening, in order that Mr. CAMERON's resolution may be printed for the information of the members."

The Rev. C. C. BROUGH brought up the report of the committee appointed to draft a constitution. The constitution was considered clause by clause, and clauses one to ten passed unanimously.

The Bishop then called upon the Secretary to read the appointed prayers, and the meeting adjourned at 9½ o'clock, until to-morrow evening at 7 p.m.

September 22 1858.

The Society met pursuant to adjournment.

His Lordship took the chair at 7 p.m.

The Bishop called upon the Secretary to read the progress.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary and signed by the President.

The consideration of the constitution was then resumed, and the remaining clauses, XI. XVI. passed.

Mr. CAMERON's proposed amendments to the by-law of the Church Society of Toronto were then taken up, and, after some discussion on the subject.

The Rev. J. W. MARSH moved, seconded by Rev. St. GEORGE CAULFIELD,

Whereas it is proposed by the Church Society of Toronto to alter and amend their by-law regulating the management of the Commutation Fund, and at the same time to propose a basis for the distribution of the surplus income, or capital, wherever it may accrue; and whereas this Society is largely interested in the management and future disposition of the Fund; therefore, be it resolved that the Church Society of Toronto be respectfully requested to delay all action in the premises until some arrangement shall be devised that may be agreed to by all parties concerned, and thus, as far as possible, prevent that dissatisfaction, which is sure to arise if any legislation takes place in this matter without consulting those who are largely interested. Resolved, therefore, further, that, in order to settle the future management and distribution of this Fund, and also for settling the division of all other funds and property in which this Society is interested, with the Church Society of Toronto, L. LAWRASON, James Wilson and Secher Brough, Esquires, be appointed a committee to confer with a similar committee, which the Church Society of Toronto be requested to appoint, in part by the members in the Toronto Diocese, and in part by those members living within what will be the future Diocese of Kingston, to settle the basis of the division of all funds and property in which the three Dioceses will be interested, and this joint committee to report to the Church Societies of Toronto and Huron for their approval.

PATRONAGE OF THE RECTORIES

The Revd. E. H. DEWAR moved, seconded by J. G. VIDAL, Esquire, "That the Patronage of the Rectories vested by Act of Parliament in this Society shall be exercised by the Bishop of the Diocese, and that this resolution be considered as a Bye Law of the Society for this purpose."

M. LAWRASON then brought before the meeting the present state of the Rectory of St. Paul's, London,

whereupon the Rev. J. G. SALTER moved, seconded by A. SHADE, Esq., "That the Bishop be respectfully requested not to resign the Rectory of St. Paul's, London, in the present financial position of the Parish."

The Rev. A. TOWNSLEY moved, seconded by Mr. FARRELL, "That the Lord Bishop be respectfully requested to appoint a Standing Committee to be in office until the next annual meeting of the Church Society."

It was then moved by Mr. SHADE, seconded by the Rev. H. Holland, "That the Lord Bishop do now leave the Chair, and that the same be taken by the Rev. C. C. BROUGH."

Mr. SHADE then moved, seconded and carried by acclamation, "That the thanks of this meeting be presented to his Lordship, the President, for the kind, patient, and impartial manner in which he has presided at this meeting."

The Bishop, after a few kind and affectionate remarks in acknowledgment, closed the meeting by pronouncing the benediction.

The meeting separated at 11½ p.m.—*Echo.*

DIocese OF RUPERT'S LAND.

On Sunday, the 1st of August, the Bishop of Rupert's Land held an ordination in St. John's Church, Red River, when Joseph Phelps Gardiner, of the Church Missionary Society, and Henry Cochrane, of St. John's Collegiate School, were admitted to Deacon's Orders. The Bishop preached on the occasion from Ezekiel II., 4, "I do send thee unto them."

At a special ordination held in the same Church, on Sunday, August 8th. Mr. Gardiner was admitted to Priest's Orders, when the ordination sermon was preached by the Rev. W. H. Taylor, from I Peter V., 1-4.

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