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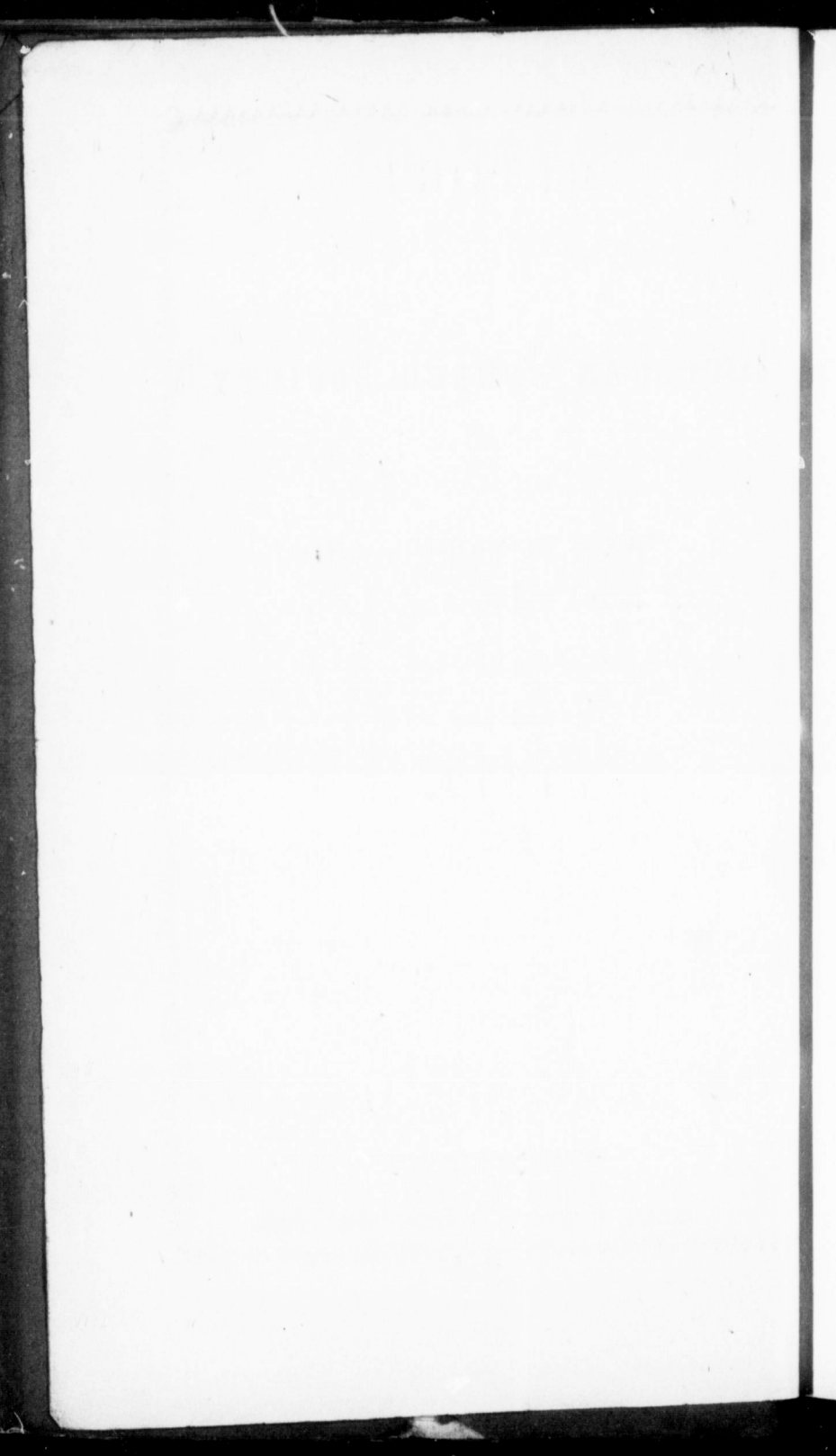
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The Annual Meeting of the Society will be held (D. V.) at Charlottetown, on the Third Tuesday in October, in each year.

The Executive Committee meet Quarterly, *i. e.*, on the 1st Tuesday in January, April, July, and October. 2

OFFICERS
OF THE INCORPORATED
DIOCESAN CHURCH SOCIETY,
FOR 1853.

PATRONS.

His Excellency Sir Alexander Bannerman, Lieutenant Governor;
The Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge;
The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts.

PRESIDENT.

The Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia.

VICE PRESIDENTS.

Rev. C. Lloyd, Ecclesiastical Commissary;
Rev. L. C. Jenkins, D. C. L., Rector of Charlottetown;
The Hon. the Chief Justice.

TREASURER.

Hon. J. M. Holl.

SECRETARY.

Rev. D. Fitzgerald.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

Rev. H. B. Swabey.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

All the resident Clergy of the Established Church;
The Hon. the Chief Justice;
Hon. C. Hensley;
Hon. J. M. Holl;
William Cundall, Esq.;
Theophilus DesBrisay, Esq.;
G. W. DeBlois, Esq.;
T. H. Haviland, Esq.;
T. H. Haviland, Jun., Esq.;
H. Haszard, Esq.;
G. T. Haszard, Esq.;
Joseph Hensley, Esq.;
R. Hutchinson, Esq.;
John Longworth, Esq.;
Commander Orlebar, R. N.;
Thomas Owen, Esq.;
Edward Palmer, Esq.;
Charles Palmer, Esq.;
T. B. Tremain, Esq.

AUDITORS.

Hon. C. Hensley, and W. Cundall, Esq.



CONSTITUTION
OF THE
DIOCESAN CHURCH SOCIETY
OF
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

An Act to Incorporate the Diocesan Church Society of
Prince Edward Island.

(Passed April 3, 1852.)

BE it enacted, by the Lieutenant Governor, Council
and Assembly, as follows:

I. The persons hereinafter named, that is to say, the Bishop of the Diocese of *Nova Scotia*, for the time being, so long as he shall hold Episcopal Jurisdiction over this Island; the Reverend *Louis Charles Jenkins*, D. C. L., the Reverend *Charles Lloyd*, A. B., the Reverend *John Herbert Read*, the Reverend *William Henry Cooper*, A. B., the Reverend *David Fitzgerald* A. B., the Reverend *Henry Birchfield Swabey*, A. B., the Reverend *Robert T. Roach*, A. B.; the Honorables *Edward James Jarvis*, *John Myrie Holl*, *Charles Hensley*, *William Swabey*, *Robert Hodgson* and *Thomas Heath Haviland*; *Bentinck Harry Cumberland*, *John Orlebar*, *Henry Haszard*, *Theophilus Desbrisay*, *William Cundall* and *James Douglas Haszard*, Esquires, and all such other persons as now are Members of the Society called "*The Diocesan Church Society of Prince Edward Island*," and their successors, shall be a Body Corporate, by the name of the "*Diocesan Church Society of Prince Edward Island*" of which Corporation, the Bishop of *Nova Scotia* for the time being, so long as he shall hold Episcopal Jurisdiction over this Island, shall be the President.

II. The Corporation may hold Real Estate not exceeding, at any one time, the annual value of One thousand Pounds of Lawful Money of this Island, and the Rents and Profits arising from such Real Estate shall be applied for the uses and purposes of the Church or Churches, or of Religious or Educational Institutions connected with the Church of England in this Island.

III. The Corporation shall have power from time to time to sell and exchange such Real Estate, and to purchase other Real Estate, not to exceed the value hereinbefore mentioned.

IV. All persons, when admitted pursuant to the Bye-Laws of the Corporation, shall be Members of the Society.

V. The Society shall be governed, and its Affairs managed by a Committee of not less than Fifteen Persons, comprising a President, Vice Presidents, a Secretary, an Assistant Secretary and Treasurer—the Committee to be henceforth called the *Executive Committee*, and such other Officers as the Society may deem proper.

VI. The persons who now hold the Offices of Vice Presidents, Committee, Secretary, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer, shall continue to hold such Offices, until their successors shall be elected under this Act.

VII. All Donations to the Society shall be invested or disposed of, under the directions of the Executive Committee, for the benefit of the Society; and the Executive Committee shall be bound to account to the Society for all their acts, receipts and expenditures, and to make an annual Report to the Society, at its general Meeting, of the progress and state of the Society, and of its affairs generally.

VIII. A general Meeting of the Society shall be held once in each year, and as much oftener as may be directed by any Rule or Bye-Law of the Society; and every such general Meeting shall have power to make Rules and Bye-Laws for the due government and management of the affairs of the Society, and from time to time to cancel, alter, change and vary the same.

IX. The Executive Committee shall be summoned to meet as often as the President or two of the Vice Presidents may deem it necessary, or as often as may hereafter be directed by any Rule or Bye-Law of the Society.

X. Nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to require the assent of the President for the time being to any act or acts of the Executive Committee, in their management of the affairs of the Society, or in the sale or purchase of Real Estate.

XI. Nothing in this Act contained shall affect, or be construed to affect, in any way or manner, the rights of Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, or of any person or persons, or of any Body Corporate or Politic—such only as are herein mentioned.

BYE-LAWS,

*Passed at the Ninth Annual Meeting of the Society, in
Charlottetown, December 28th, 1852.*

1st. His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor for the time being, if a member of the United Church of England and Ireland, shall be respectfully requested to be joint Patron of this Society, as now Incorporated by Act of Colonial Parliament, with the Societies for the Propagation of the Gospel and for Promoting Christian Knowledge.

2d. The Bishop of the Diocese shall be President of the Society; and his approval shall be necessary for the confirmation, revocation and alteration of any of the Bye-Laws, and for making any addition to them.

3d. All members of the Church are invited to unite with this Society as Subscribers. Any sum, however small, paid in advance, shall qualify a person to be a member for a year; and Ten Pounds at one payment, shall entitle one to be a member for life.

4th. The Annual General Meeting of the Society shall take place in Charlottetown, on the 3d Tuesday in October, when a Report of the proceedings of the past year, and the Treasurer's Account shall be presented, and all Officers chosen. A Special General Meeting may be called at any time, when the President,—or in his absence, two or more Vice Presidents,—or the Executive Committee, shall consider it desirable. |

5th. The Committee Meetings shall be held Quarterly, i.e. on the first Tuesdays in January, April, July and October,—Seven Members to constitute a Quorum; and Special Meetings of the Committee on such other days, as the President, or one of the Vice Presidents, and five members of the Committee may deem advisable; and all applications for Money Grants shall be in writing, and sent to the Secretary a month previous to any Quarterly Meeting.

6th. The Quarterly Meeting held in October, shall be open to the attendance of Two Committee members of each Country Association; at which Meeting, all Resolutions will be framed, and all notices of motions, about to be brought forward at the General Meeting, sent in.

7th. All Meetings of the Society, or its Committees, shall be opened with the form of prayer at present used by the D. C. S. of Nova Scotia.

8th. There shall be two or more Vice Presidents, of whom the Ecclesiastical Commissary of the Island, for the time being, shall be the First; and the others, with such Officers as may be required, for the proper working of the Society, shall be nominated by the Executive Committee,—such nomination to be subject to the approval of the Annual General Meeting.

9th. That where District Committees are formed in Country parts of the Island, the Clergymen of those districts be requested to furnish to the Secretary of this Society, one month previous to the Quarterly Meeting in October, all such matters as they may think advisable to be embodied in the Annual Report,—a draft of which shall be laid before the Committee for its approval.

10th. The Accounts of the Society shall be closed on the 1st of October, and be audited previous to the Annual Meeting.

11th. No change in the Bye-Laws of this Society shall be proposed at a General Meeting, unless the proposed alteration shall have been previously fully canvassed (at least) at two Quarterly Meetings of the Committee.

12th. The principal objects which shall engage the attention of the Society, shall be as follows:

1. The employment of Missionary Clergymen in the Island.

2. Assistance to the Endowment of Parishes.
3. Assistance to the Erection or Enlargement of Churches or Chapels, or Parsonage Houses belonging to the United Church of England and Ireland.
4. Aid to Sunday, and other Schools, in which due attention is paid to instruction in the principles of the Established Church.
5. Aid to the widows and orphans of deceased Clergymen, such aid being afforded by persons contributing to that especial object.

To these purposes generally, the contributions will be applied; while those, who desire it, may have their subscriptions appropriated to any one or more of these objects, as they think fit.

PRAYERS

"Appointed" to be used at "all Meetings of the Society, and of the Committees," before they commence business.

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 God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all works of piety and charity do proceed, we beseech Thee to visit with Thy favour our Sovereign Lady, QUEEN VICTORIA; and so rule her heart, that she may in all things seek thy honour and glory. Prosper with Thy blessings the designs of this Society. Comfort with Thy grace those benefactors who contribute to its support. Bless the ministry of Thy servants, the Clergy; the endeavours of all who are engaged in promoting the knowledge of true religion in the parent Kingdom, and the labours of those Missionaries who are spreading the same in the Colonies of the Empire. And may Thy Holy

Spirit direct all our consultations to the advancement of Thy Glory and the good of Thy Church, through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

O MERCIFUL GOD, who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that Thou hast made, nor wouldest the death of a sinner, but 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.

ALMIGHTY GOD, Father of all mercies, we, Thine unworthy servants, do give Thee most humble and hearty thanks for all Thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men: more particularly, for the providential support by which this Society hath been hitherto sustained. But above all, for Thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world, by Thy Blessed Son, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory, which Thou hast given us in the same our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ; to Whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. AMEN.

OUR FATHER, which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on 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.

WHEN THE BUSINESS IS ENDED.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all, evermore. AMEN.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Ninth Annual Meeting of the Diocesan Church Society of Prince Edward Island, [and First, since its Incorporation], was held at the Infant School House, on Tuesday Evening, the 28th of December, 1852. His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor Sir ALEXANDER BANNERMAN, Patron of the Society, in the Chair. After Prayers by the Rev. Dr. JENKINS, the Chairman opened the Meeting with some very appropriate remarks on the nature and objects of the Society, stating that the principal business which claimed their attention was the adoption of a Code of Bye-Laws for the future governance of the Society and the appointment of an Executive Committee and Officers for the ensuing year. His Excellency then called on the Rev. D. Fitz Gerald, Secretary, to read the Annual Report.

The Report having been read, the Accounts of the Treasurer, the Hon. J. M. Holl, were passed; after which it was moved by the Hon. the Chief Justice, and seconded by the Hon. C. Hensley.

1. *Resolved*, That the Report now read, be adopted and printed under the direction of the Committee.

The Bye-Laws which had been previously prepared by the Committee, and had received the sanction of the Bishop of the Diocese, were then proposed one by one for the consideration of the Meeting, and passed, and the following Resolutions were then proposed and adopted.

Moved by the Rev. C. Lloyd, Ecclesiastical Commissary, and seconded by the Hon. J. M. Holl.

2d. *Resolved*, That this Meeting desires to render thanks to Almighty God, for the goodness and mercy which he has extended to this portion of his vineyard, and the blessing he has vouchsafed to the Church at large in her various operations and labours of love.

Moved by the Rev. J. H. Read, and seconded by the Solicitor General.

3d. *Resolved*, that this meeting gratefully acknowledges the continued liberality of the S. P. G. to this Island, and desires to unite with it in ascribing praise

to God, for the gracious favour he has vouchsafed it for upwards of a century and a half.

Moved by Captain Orlebar, and seconded by the Rev. W. Stewart.

4th. *Resolved*, That this Society feels it due to the Colonial Church and School Society, to thank it for its liberal and timely assistance in sending one of its Missionaries to labor in this Island.

Moved by Charles Palmer, Esq., and seconded by the Rev. R. Roach.

5th. *Resolved*, That the Society being gratefully impressed with the valuable and continued aid which this Colony has received from the Societies at home, feels called upon to strongly urge upon all members of the Church, the necessity of increased exertion for its support; and recommends, that a Committee be appointed to wait upon all the male members of the Church and solicit their individual contributions.

Moved by the Rev. W. H. Cooper, and seconded by John Longworth, Esq.

6th. *Resolved*, That the following gentlemen be appointed as the Executive Committee and Officers of the Society for the ensuing year.

President, The Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia. *Vice Presidents*—Rev. C. Lloyd, Ecclesiastical Commissary; Rev. L. C. Jenkins D. C. L. Rector of Charlottetown; the Hon. the Chief Justice. *Treasurer*—Hon J. M. Holl. *Secretary*—Rev. D. Fitz Gerald. *Assistant Secretary*—Rev. H. B. Swabey. *Executive Committee*—All the resident Clergy of the Established Church; Hons. the Chief Justice, C. Hensley, and J. M. Holl; Wm. Cundall, Theophilus Desbrisay, G. W. Deblois, T. H. Haviland, T. H. Haviland, Jun., H. Haszard, G. T. Haszard, Joseph Hensley, R. Hutchinson, John Longworth, Commander Orlebar, Thomas Owen, Edward Palmer, Charles Palmer, and T. B. Tremain, Esqrs. *Auditors*—Hon. C. Hensley, W. Cundall, Esq.

Moved by the Rev. W. Swabey, and seconded by the Rev. D. Fitz Gerald.

7th. *Resolved*, That the Society feels much pleasure in acknowledging the praiseworthy and energetic efforts of the Ladies' Association; and recommend, that similar Associations, wherever practicable, be formed throughout the Island.

Moved by the Rev. Dr. Jenkins, and seconded by Theophilus Desbrisay, Esq.

8th. *Resolved*, That His Excellency the Lieut. Governor do leave the Chair, and that the Rev. C. Lloyd, Ecclesiastical Commissary, be called thereto.

A vote of thanks was then given by the Meeting to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, for the countenance he had given to the Society, by his presence; and for his able conduct in the Chair.

The Doxology was then sung, and the Meeting dismissed with the accustomed benediction.

REPORT.

Some years have now elapsed, since your Committee have had a favourable opportunity of submitting any formal Report of their proceedings, or of publishing any statement of the labors and prospects of your Society; not that they have ceased to feel an interest in its operations, for they have met on several occasions to discuss matters affecting the well-being of that Church to which, in the good providence of God, it is their privilege to belong, and which it is the avowed object of your Society to uphold and strengthen; but not having accomplished the object they had in view and which met the approbation of your Society at its last Annual Meeting, in August 1848, viz., the securing the services of a travelling Missionary for the destitute settlements of the Island, they did not wish either to lessen the funds which were all set apart for that purpose, by printing an annual Report, or to call you together, when they had nothing material to lay before you.

Your Committee refer with pleasure to the readiness with which the Colonial Church and School Society met their wishes, when it was the intention of your Society to have a properly qualified Missionary for the Island, in placing at your disposal the services of one who has been for several years a resident in the Colonies, and a faithful laborer in his Master's vineyard, and in agreeing to defray the greater part of his salary. Your Committee have, however, to state, that since the arrival of the intended Missionary, unforeseen circumstances have arisen which have prevented your Society from carrying out your original purpose, and have, to a great extent, altered the whole plan of your operations, so that you have now no travelling Missionary.

Your Committee, fully alive to the importance of placing that branch of the Reformed Church established in this Island, which has within herself every requisite for the salvation of its members, in such a position as that when called away from their labors they may depart with the pleasing reflection of having secured to their children the blessings of a Gospel ministry, and the privileges of a

Christian church; have procured for your Society an Act of Incorporation, by which it will be enabled to hold Real Estate to such an amount as would adequately provide for the support of our ministers, and thus be the means under God, of supplying the spiritual wants of our brethren; and therefore appeal to every member of the Church to come forward and aid your Society by every means in their power to carry out so desirable and beneficial an object.

Your Committee would direct your attention to the effort which has been already made by individual members of our church towards raising an Endowment Fund, for the support of the Episcopate in this Diocese and would suggest, that a meeting of the Subscribers should be called to consider the propriety of having the sum now raised or hereafter to be raised, funded in this Island, for the benefit of the present Bishop and his successors.

Your Committee desire with feelings of gratitude to God to notice the increased efforts that are making, both at home and abroad, in our beloved Zion, for the furtherance of the Gospel of Christ, and the making the Redeemer's name a praise in the earth, as well as the continued success which the Giver of all Good has been pleased to vouchsafe to her various missionary and Religious Societies; foremost amongst which, your Committee would name with much affection and respect, the venerable Society for propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts which has for nearly the last 20 years without any assistance from the government, supplied the spiritual wants of those who, having left their native country for these shores, found themselves, on their arrival, without the ministrations of their National and attached Church or the means of procuring them.

Your Committee are pleased to observe, in their own Isle, a growing spirit of unanimity and kind feeling manifested between congregations and their Pastors, and to perceive an increasing desire among various members of the Church to give, as God has prospered them, of their temporal means, in the furtherance of His cause, and for the extension of His church, and desire to record, as an instance of christian liberality which has come under their own notice, that a sum varying from £400 to £500 has

been for some years past annually given by the members of St. Paul's Church towards various local, charitable, religious, and missionary objects, independent of what is contributed to the support of an assistant minister. This one fact not only proves, that when the minds of a congregation are enlightened by the divine word and their hearts warmed with love to God and man, there is never wanting the means of accomplishing a good work, but gives your Committee cause to thank God and take courage, yea with confidence, commit the working of your Society, as now Incorporated and about to be remodelled under a new code of Laws, to the management and support of those who have the cause of God at heart, and have shown themselves ready to help forward, both by their means and by their prayers, the interests of a Church which has for ages been a light to surrounding nations and been foremost amongst Christian churches in missionary enterprise and various religious operations.

The New Bye-Laws which have been prepared by your Committee and have received the sanction of the Bishop of the Diocese will now be submitted for your approval that they may become those Statutes, by which the future proceedings of your Society will be regulated and governed. The Treasurer's receipts and expenditure since your last annual meeting up to the present time will also be laid before you.

In conclusion, your Committee resign into your hands the pleasing, though at times onerous and difficult duties you have intrusted to their care, with the prayer, that the guidance of God may be vouchsafed to their successors in office, and that His blessing may rest on your present and future deliberations.

Dr. P. E. Island Diocesan Church Society in Account with J. M. Holl, Treasurer. Cr.

1851.		1848.	
To paid J. J. Pippy, for Printing, &c.,	£2 10 10	Aug. 10—By Balance in hand,	£66 7 7½
“ Stationery, &c., paid by Rev. David Fitz Gerald,	1 10 3	1849.	
Bal. transferred to Account of Rev. D. Fitz Gerald, Hon. J. M. Holl, and Theoph. DesBrisay, Com. for Building Parsonage Houses, &c.,	94 18 1	May 6	“ Subscription from Hon. C. Hensley,
			“ Collection at Milton Ch., after sermon by Rev. C. Lloyd,
		23	“ Do. at Rustico, after do.,
		“	“ Rev. Mr. Lloyd's Sub.,
		“	“ Mr. Holl's do.,
		“	“ Col., being amount of Subscriptions,
		1851.	
		July	“ Interest on Warrants,
			“ Sub. Capt. Orlebar,
			“ Interest to date,
	£98 19 2		£98 19 2
			Balance,
			£94 18 1

JOHN M. HOLL, Treasurer.
CHARLES HENSLEY.

Charlottetown, December, 1852.

Dr. The Incorporated Diocesan Church Society, in Account with J. M. Holl, Treasurer. Cr.
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

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1852. Dec. 2.—By amount received from Rev. Mr. Lloyd, col. at Milton Ch., £1 17s 9d.	
Amt. as above, col. at Rustico Church, £1 3s.,	3 0 9
Amt. received from Rev. Mr. Read, col. at St. Eleanor's and New London,	3 17 0
Amt. from Rev. Mr. Roach, col. at Westmoreland and Springfield,	1 4 3
Amt. from Wardens of St. Paul's Ch., being col. after sermon therein,	5 19 7½
John Barrow, Esq., Subscription,	1 3 4
Amt. from Rev. H. B. Swabey, being col. at Cherry Valley,	2 0 0
Amt. from Rev. W. Stewart, being col. at Georgetown,	4 4 0
Amt. received from Rev. W. H. Cooper, Port Hill, 4s. 6½d.,	1 10 5
By col. after Sermon by Rev. C. Lloyd, £1 5s. 10½d.,	
	<u>£32 19 4½</u>

