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## Ecclesiastical Intelligence.

### DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

#### THE SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

The Right Reverend the Lord Bishop hereby gives notice that a meeting of the Synod of this Diocese will be held on Tuesday, the 12th of June, instead of September, as originally intended. The Executive Committee are requested to meet at the Church Society's Rooms, on Wednesday May 9th, at 11 A.M., for the consideration of important matters to be brought before the Synod. All members of the Synod having business to bring forward are requested to send it to the Church Society's Office, (post-paid,) by the 1st of May.

STEPHEN LETT, LL.D.,  
Clerical Sec.  
JAMES BOVELL,  
Lay Sec.

Toronto, April 11, 1860.

#### TRINITY COLLEGE.

We learn that at a meeting of the Corporation held on the 3rd inst., the Lord Bishop nominated the Rev. Dr. Lewis member of the College Council, for the eastern portion of the Diocese. The names of the lay and clerical members for other portions of the Diocese have not reached us.

#### TRINITY COLLEGE.

A statute to the following effect was passed by the Corporation of Trinity College at its meeting on the 3rd of April:—

That in consideration of the small opportunity which the members of the Church in the Province have hitherto possessed of availing themselves of a University education, Candidates be admitted to degrees in Arts by examination, without residence or attendance at lectures, for the space of five years, beginning from October 1860, under the following regulations:

I. All Candidates shall be members of the United Church of England and Ireland.

II. They shall produce testimonials both of good conduct and attainment, signed by at least one parochial Clergyman, and by two Laymen of respectability.

III. They shall satisfy the Corporation that professional duties preclude the possibility of their passing through a regular College course.

IV. No Candidate shall be less than twenty five years of age.

V. These regulations shall in no way affect the regulations already made respecting Divinity Students.

VI. Candidates shall pass the several University Examinations, that is to say, the Examination for Matriculation, the Previous Examination, and the Examination for the Degree of B.A., at the usual intervals.

N B — Under this statute Candidates possessing the requisite qualifications will be admitted to the annual Matriculation Examinations from October 1860, to October 1864, both inclusive; and may afterwards present themselves at the Previous Examination and at the Examination for B.A. in any year, provided that they do not in either case anticipate the ordinary time of passing those Examinations. The Previous Examination takes place at the end of the Lent Term of the year next but one following that in which the Matriculation Examination is passed, and the examination for B.A. takes place three years after Matriculation.

#### BIRTH.

At Drummondville, C. W., on Saturday, March 31st, the wife of the Rev. Chas. Lyecester Ingles, of a son.

#### COLLECTIONS UP TO APRIL 28TH, 1860.

Collections appointed to be taken up in the several churches, chapels and missionary stations in the Diocese of Toronto, in the month of January, in behalf of the Students' Fund of the Church Society.

Williamsburg .....	\$1.62
Morrisburg .....	2.46
Per Rev. E. J. Boswell.....	\$ 4.08
St. John's the Evangelist, Toronto, per Rev. T. S. Kennedy .....	18.46
St. John's, Stamford .....	3.88
All Saints', Drummondville .....	6.00
Per Rev. C. L. Ingles .....	9.38
St. John's, Murray, per Rev. H. E. Pless	1.50
St. Mark's, Carleton, per St. George Scarlett, Esq.....	2.00
Packenhams .....	1.00
Fitzroy Harbour .....	0.90
Per Rev. J. A. Morris .....	1.00
Puslinch, per Rev. E. M. Stewart .....	2.82
Seymour .....	4.30
Percy .....	3.30
School House .....	1.20
Per Rev. F. J. S. Groves.....	8.80
St. Phillip's, Weston, per Rev. W. A. Johnson .....	12.41
St. John's, Thorold.....	4.17
St. Paul's, Port Robinson .....	0.63
Per Rev. Dr. Fuller .....	4.80
Osnabruck, per Rev. R. Garrett.....	5.00
St. George, Kingston, per Rev. A. Stewart	8.00
St. Paul's, Newmarket .....	2.63
Christ's Church, Holland Landing 2.39	
Per Rev. S. F. Ramsey .....	5.02
Trinity Church, Hawkesbury .....	3.18
St. John's.....	0.92
Per Rev. J. G. Armstrong .....	4.10

Brampton, per Churchwardens .....	2.00
St. James's, Kemptville, per Rev. James Harris .....	5.00
St. Peter's, Barton .....	4.28
St. Paul's, Glanford .....	1.72
Per Rev. G. A. Bull .....	6.00
Stirling, per Rev. J. A. Preston.....	3.45
St. George, Georgina .....	1.53
Sutton .....	2.02
School House .....	0.62
Per Rev. W. Ritchie.....	4.17
St. Paul's, Caran .....	3.68
St. Thomas's, " .....	3.00
St. John's, " .....	2.00
Per Rev. T. W. Allen .....	8.68
38 Collections amounting to.....	\$128.17
GENERAL PURPOSE FUND.	
Previously announced ..	\$658.29
Nelson, per Rev. Dr. Greene .....	8.75
St. George's, Toronto, per Churchwardens	12.00
St. James's, Kingston, per Rev. R. V. Rogers.....	4.00
St. Mary Magdalene, per Churchwardens	4.00
St. Luke's, Camden, per Rev. G. W. White	1.50
St. John's, Murray, per Rev. H. E. Pless	2.00
St. James's, Carleton Place .....	3.00
St. John's, Lanark .....	2.85
St. George's, Ramsay.....	4.00
Per Rev. E. H. M. Baker .....	9.85
Packenhams .....	1.00
Fitzroy Harbour .....	1.80
Per Rev. J. A. Morris.....	2.80
Christ's Church, Omemeo, per Rev. T. Leech .....	1.20
St. Peter's, Brockville, per Rev. Dr. Lewis .....	20.00
Cartwright, per Churchwardens .....	2.00
Rocton, Town Hall.....	2.04
Church of Messiah, Sheffield.....	0.79
St. George's, Lowville .....	1.67
Per Rev. G. N. Higginson .....	4.50
Seymour, additional, per Rev. F. G. S. Groves .....	2.80
St. George's, Oshawa, per J. Fairbanks, Esq .....	4.00
Christ's Church, Scarborough .....	6.00
St. Paul's, " .....	4.00
St. Jude's, " .....	1.75
Per Rev. W. Belt .....	11.76
Trinity Church, Hawkesbury.....	8.25
St. John's, " .....	1.75
Per Rev. J. Armstrong.....	10.00
St. James', Komptville, per Rev. James Harris .....	6.75

St. James', Perth .....	2 00
St. John's, Baldersons .....	1 35
St. Paul's, Lanark .....	0 95
Per Rev R. L. Stephenson.....	4 30
148 Collections amounting to .....	\$764.99
MISSION FUND.	
Previously announced .....	\$869.90
Consecon .....	2 40
Cunningham School House .....	2 30
Per Rev. H. E. Plees .....	4 70
166 Collections amounting to .....	864.60
WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' FUND.	
Previously announced.....	\$1074.36
St. John's, Murray, per Rev. H. E. Plees .....	1 30
Christ's Church, Scarborough.....	7 50
St. Paul's .....	4 25
St. Jude's .....	2 00
Per Rev W Belt .....	13 76
St. Jude's, Kemptville, per Rev James Harris .....	5 70
166 Collections amounting to .....	\$1095.11
ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS.	
Rev. W. B. Lauder, an. sub. 18th year .....	\$ 5 00
" G. W. White, " " .....	5 00
" W. Logan, " " .....	5 00
" H. E. Plees, " " .....	5 00
" J. A. Preston, " " .....	5 00
" R. G. Cox, " " .....	5 00
" S. F. Ramsey, " " .....	5 00
" G. Whitaker, General Pur. Fund .....	15 00
" " Book and Tract Fund.....	10 00
" R. Lewis, an. subscription 18th year .....	5 00
" Dr. MacNab, " " .....	5 00
" G. A. Anderson, " 17th & 18th yr. .....	10 00
" J. W. Marsh, an. sub. 18th year.....	5 00
" Dr. Beavon, " " .....	10 00
" H. Brent, " " .....	5 00
" James Harris, " " .....	5 00
" R. L. Stephenson, " " .....	5 00
" J. G. Armstrong, " " .....	5 00
" T. W. Allen, " " .....	5 00
John Hamilton, Esq., " " .....	5 00
Col. Beresford, " " .....	5 00
J. Parsons, Esq., " " .....	5 00
Gore and Wellington District, 16 Clergymen and 15 Lay Members, an. sube .....	155 00
PAROCHIAL BRANCHES.	
St. John's, Downmanville, per Rev. Dr. MacNab .....	\$ 13 00
Napanee, 1/2 .....	11 75
Camden, 1/2 additional .....	2 50
Cartwright, per Rev. W. Logan .....	15 00
Murray, 1/2, per Rev. H. E. Plees.....	9 50
Stirling, 1/2, per Rev. J. A. Preston.....	25 00
Grafton, 1/2 .....	\$27 00
Colborne, 1/2 .....	23 00
Per Rev. J. Wilson .....	50 00
Smith's Falls, per Rev. J. B. Worrell .....	13 50
St. Paul's, Perrytown .....	48 47
St. John's, Elizabethtown, including Rev. J. Hilton's annual sub. .....	25 95
Per Rev. J. Hilton.....	74 42
Newboro, 1/2 .....	10 00
Leeds, 1/2 .....	20 00
Newbovne, 1/2 .....	20 00
Per Rev. J. Davidson .....	50 00
Seymour, per Rev. J. S. Groves.....	18 40
Picton, 1/2, per Rev. W. Macaulay .....	22 00

Clarke, per Rev. H. Brent .....	21 00
Christ's Church, Scarborough, 1/2 .....	20 18
St. Paul's .....	18 55
St. Jude's .....	15 60
Per Rev. W. Belt .....	54 63
St. Catharines .....	94 50
Chippawa .....	80 50
Dunnville .....	14 00
Drummondville and Stamford.....	81 81
Niagara .....	56 15
Thorold .....	59 80
Welland .....	8 42
Fort Erie.....	11 68
Per Treasurer of Niagara District.....	356 36
Cooksville and Sydenham, 1/2, per Churchwardens .....	9 76
Perth, 1/2, per Rev. R. L. Stephenson.....	34 39
Georgina, including Rev. W. Ritchie's annual subscription .....	9 30
Trinity Church, Hawkesbury, 1/2 .....	17 30
St. John's .....	8 84
Per Rev. J. G. Armstrong .....	26 14
St. John's Cavan, 1/2 .....	28 00
St. Paul's .....	17 32
St. Thomas' .....	21 00
Per Rev. T. W. Allen .....	66 32
Proportion from Parishes Gore and Wellington District, per Treasurer .....	366 77

THE PROPOSED DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The following resolutions will be submitted for the consideration of the Synod:

Moved by JAMES BOVELL, seconded by W. S. DARLING,—That in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee recently appointed to revise the constitution and by-laws of the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto,—*Be it resolved*

That a Board of Missions be established for the said Diocese, to be called "the Diocesan Board of Missions," that the said Board shall be constituted in the manner following, and shall be governed by such rules and regulations as the Synod of the Diocese shall under the sanction of the Bishop, frame from time to time for the good government thereof.

That the Board of Missions shall consist of his lordship the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, who shall be *ex officio* President; the Archdeacons, the Rural Deans, three Presbyters to be elected by the body of the Clergy, and three Laymen to be elected by the Lay Delegates to the Diocesan Synod; three Clergymen and three Laymen to be elected by the Church Society, and three Clergymen and three Laymen to be named by the Bishop.

That the lord Bishop of the Diocese shall alone nominate and appoint, under his license and seal, such Clergyman, being a Priest in good canonical standing, as he may think fit, to the charge of any mission in this Diocese, and that no Clergyman shall be permitted to enter upon the cure of souls in any district or mission unless he shall previously have obtained the sanction of the Bishop so to officiate; and that any Priest or Deacon undertaking to minister in any parish or mission as missionary or curate of the same without the official license of his Diocesan, shall be held guilty of a grave ecclesiastical offence and shall be liable to suspension.

That every Clergyman coming into the Diocese of Toronto from any other Diocese with a view to the assumption of pastoral duty shall present himself either personally or by his official letters

demissory to the Secretary of the Board of Missions, who shall without delay introduce the said Clergyman, or forward his testimonials to the lord Bishop for his action on the same, and in the event of such Clergyman being approved, the Secretary shall obtain, as early as may be, letters of license under the Diocesan seal officially appointing the said Clergyman to his sphere of duty.

That the lord Bishop of the Diocese shall under his seal and signature issue a commission to the said Board, authorising them to receive on his behalf such contributions either in money or lands as christian men may feel disposed to give for the support and extension of the missionary work of the Church in this Diocese. And that all sums of money and contributions of land granted by any local or District Society for the promotion of the said work, or granted to, or held by any local Society or any District or Parochial Branch of the Church Society, for the same fund, shall be paid over to the Board of Missions for appropriation to the great object of the furtherance of which this Board shall be constituted.

*Provided always*, that any District Branch of the Church Society shall be considered to have a claim on the funds contributed by it on their showing that a travelling missionary is wanted in their District, and further that while the appointment of the said missionary shall rest absolutely with the Bishop, the sphere in which he shall exercise his ministry shall be previously indicated to the Bishop by the Managing Committee of the District Association, and be approved by him.

That all collections made in the several churches and stations in the Diocese, on behalf of missions, and all donations given for the promotion of the same object shall be forwarded to the Treasurer of the District Associations, and by him transmitted quarterly to the Treasurer of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

That the said Board of Missions so constituted and provided with funds shall assume the payment to the missionaries of their stipends or such proportion thereof as may be awarded by the said Board.

That for the transaction of the business necessarily entailed by the fulfillment of these duties, the said Board shall meet quarterly at such times and place as may hereafter be agreed upon.

That inasmuch as the voluntary principle has many evils which are already beginning to be felt among us, the Clergy and Churchwardens of settled parishes be invited to take advantage of the facilities afforded by the Board of Missions, by paying into the hands of the Treasurer of the said Board such sum as may appear to the Bishop proportioned to the ability of the parish which they represent, and that on the said sum being secured to the Board by reasonable guarantee from the parish, then the Clergyman of the said parish shall draw his stipend directly from the Board and be regarded as one of its missionaries.

That the Churchwardens and Synodsmen of each parish and mission, together with the Incumbent of the same, shall be a local Committee, whose duty it shall be to receive subscriptions, and to canvass the parish generally, in aid of the objects of the Diocesan Board of Missions.

That it shall moreover be the duty of such local Committee to use their best exertions to secure the *speedy and regular* remittance to the Treasurer of the Board, of all sums of money, whether donations or subscriptions, promised by the members of the Church within their parish.

[It is particularly requested that the Clergy and Lay Members of the Synod, will endeavour to ascertain the amount which may be raised in

their respective missions for their support of the missionary and furnish the Secretaries with their opinions in writing.]

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY.

The Committee appointed by the Lord Bishop at a meeting of the Church Society, held on Wednesday, December 14, 1859, "to report upon the Constitution, By-Laws, and General Management of the Society," beg leave to state—

That, deeply impressed with the magnitude of the interests, to the well-being and extension of the Church in this Diocese, upon which they have been required to offer the result of their deliberation and judgment, they entered upon their duties with as little delay as possible; held several successive meetings, each of several hours duration; and gave to the various subjects brought under their notice all the consideration which their great importance demanded.

They have now the honour to submit the following Report, adverting to the several Articles of the Constitution, which, in their judgment, requires a partial or complete revision, in the order in which those Articles are numbered; and they are permitted the high gratification of stating that the Report has been adopted with the unanimous concurrence of the several members of the committee.

#### Article VIII.—On the Salary of Secretary, &c., and General Expenses of Management.

The first Article of the Constitution to which they found it necessary to direct their attention, is the *Eighth*, on the appointment and remuneration of the Secretary and other officers of the Society; which suggested, at the same time, a consideration of the general expenses of the Society for management and incidental purposes.

Your committee, in feeling themselves constrained to a revision of this Article, must not deny that they are deeply affected by the complaint which prevails far and wide throughout the Diocese, that the expenses of management in the Church Society are not only out of all proportion to its resources, but absorb an amount of funds which it is painful to contemplate side by side with the meagre outlay for missionary purposes, and grants for books and in aid of churches in poor and remote settlements. While it is true that the organised machinery of the Church Society, and the expenses incident to it, are adequate to the management of an income tenfold greater than the Society as yet possesses, and that a universal energy and liberality in its cause on the part of the members of the Church in this Diocese, would soon create an amount of receipts which would render its present incidental expenses by no means disproportionate, your committee are bound to deal with facts as they exist, and to suggest, if possible, some remedy for the general complaint.

At the time when this expensive machinery was adopted, the Society was, as to its financial prospects, comparatively in a flourishing condition; and it was deemed wise so to provide for its chief working officer, the Secretary, that his undivided time and energies might be given to the business of the Society. This promise of steadily augmenting funds has not been realized, and the country has for years been passing through a pecuniary crisis, which has necessarily much diminished the contributions in aid of the Society. It should also be borne in mind that, during perhaps the greatest severity of the crisis, one-third of its territory was taken from the Diocese of Toronto, by the formation of the Diocese of Huron; and a corresponding annual amount subtracted from the funds of the Church Society.

And with this combination of causes for lessening its income, the expenses of management have continued the same.

#### Appointment of Secretary.

Your committee are of opinion that a large reduction of these incidental expenses could be effected without detriment to the interests of the Society. In the first place they would recommend the rescinding of the rule that the Secretary should be uncharged with parochial cure. The experience of other kindred societies proves that a parochial charge is not by any means inconsistent with a zealous and efficient discharge of the duties of their secretary; while the income derived from other employment would make it less necessary to look for extensive remuneration from this. And it might be well, in case some qualified lay gentleman should be found, who would discharge the duties of secretary for a small recompense, to rescind also the rule by which this officer is required to be in holy orders. They would recommend, too, the withdrawal from the secretary of the power vested in him by Article VIII., to select a subordinate officer, who shall be paid by the Society; as, in the judgment of the committee, such officer will be unnecessary. They believe that, from the diminution of the labours of the secretary which it will be in the power of the Society to effect, and the simple character of its book-keeping, this latter duty could be discharged by the secretary himself, without additional cost to the Society.

#### Salary of Secretary.

Your committee, then, are of opinion that a gentleman, either clerical or lay, who would be permitted to hold other employment, could without difficulty be found who would discharge the duties, as thus proposed, of Secretary to the Church Society, and Secretary also to the Trust Committee—officers in their judgment very wisely and appropriately conjoined—for the aggregate stipend of £250 per annum. Taking the proportion of this amount already borne by the Trust Committee as fair and equitable, the salary of the secretary payable by the Church Society proper would be about £160 per annum. At present this charge is £300 per annum, besides £100 a-year to a book-keeper; so that the proposed reduction of expense in these two cases alone would be £250 per annum.

#### Retrenchment in Messenger, Office Rent, &c.

Your committee also think that it will be apparent to the Society that a special servant as messenger will be unnecessary, believing that arrangements can be made by which, at a cost of perhaps two dollars per month, all the requisite duties in this department can be secured. This would create an additional saving of about £25 per annum. And if the Trust Committee should concur in the opinion of your committee, that a share of the rent of office, fuel, and attendance should equitably be borne by them, then, assuming that these expenses amount to £100 per annum, and that the proportion of charge to the Society and to the Trust Committee should be as three to two, £40 per annum more could be added to the savings of the Society. The whole amount of retrenchment, as thus far suggested, would be £315 per annum.

#### Auditors and Securities.

The importance of the office of Auditors, and the character of the duties they have to perform, induce your committee to recommend that the amount assigned annually to them should be continued; nor do they suggest any change in regard to securities as stated in Article viii.

#### Printing Reports, &c.,

Your committee would deem it an unwise econ-

omy, so to restrict the expenses of printing, as not to allow the fullest publication, and the most extensive diffusion of the annual operations of the Society. It is through such means, in no small degree, that we may calculate on large accessions to the number of supporters, and an increased interest in its work. They would, therefore, recommend that Reports should be furnished to every incorporated and every associated member of the Society, free of cost; but that, where any number beyond these is required, the expense should be borne by the Parochial or District Associations which order them.

Your committee particularly recommend the insertion, as heretofore, of a condensed account of the proceedings of the District Associations, as furnishing perhaps the best features of interest to the Reports; but they would advise the suppression of the names of contributors in the several localities, as adding very materially to the expenses of printing, and being likely to increase every year. The District Branches could, at a comparatively small cost, supply these through the medium of the Ecclesiastical Gazette, or otherwise, if required. They would, moreover, recommend the printing of the Constitution and By-Laws, and the names of the life and incorporated members in a separate pamphlet, matching with the Report, and capable of being bound up with it. This would serve for many years, and might be furnished at the outset, free of cost, to every life, incorporated, and associated member of the Society.—The adoption of these suggestions would effect, it is estimated, a reduction of about £40 per annum in the cost of printing; making thus far a total retrenchment of £355 per annum.

#### Transfer of the Management of Glebe lands to Parishes

With a view to diminish the labour now required by the secretary, as well as to transfer from the society a considerable amount of annual expenditure, your committee recommend that, in future, the management of all lands held in trust by the Church Society, for the benefit of any organized parish or mission, be vested in the Rector or Incumbent, and the churchwardens of such parish or mission; who shall, jointly, have the power to make agreements for leasing the said property, collecting the rents thereof, or taking measures to render such property as permanently productive as possible. On referring to the Summary of Accounts in the Report for 1859, page 57, it will be seen that a large sum was paid during the previous year for law expenses on Endowments, the benefits of which were directly received by regularly constituted parishes or missions. Should one-fourth of the amount thus charged to the society be annually saved, through the arrangement proposed, the whole amount of retrenchment would reach £400 per annum.

#### The case of the present Secretary.

This, your committee believe, will be deemed a very satisfactory amount of reduction in the annual expenses of the Society; but in carrying out the most important of the items of retrenchment, reference must necessarily be made to the Reverend gentleman who has, for eight years, filled the office of secretary. Your committee could not in justice refrain from expressing their very high estimation of the zeal and ability he has manifested in the service of the Society,—an opinion which, they believe, will be shared in universally throughout the Diocese. Yet if the welfare of the Society appears imperatively to demand a great reduction of its expenditure for management, and would require a large abatement of the well-earned remuneration the secretary himself has received for his services, he will not, they feel assured, be amongst the last to recognize this necessity, and cheerfully to submit to the sacrifice it requires.

Your committee do not desire that the changes they propose should take effect until after the General Annual Meeting in June, or until the 1st July next. After this period the salary of your esteemed Secretary, according to the intended new arrangements, would be £160 per annum less than the stipend he had hitherto enjoyed; and it is strongly recommended by your committee that to diminish the hardship of his position and to relieve him as far as possible from the serious inconvenience to which in consequence of this reduction, he would be exposed, there be allowed, in his special case, the sum of £75 per annum additional,—or one half the amount of his annual loss,—during the time in which he may hold the office of secretary.

*Article XI.—Quarterly instead of Monthly General Meetings.*

From a belief that a more general attendance, especially of country members, would be secured at general meetings of the Society, if such meetings were of less frequent occurrence, your committee recommend that, in future, these should be held quarterly instead of Monthly; and that the second Wednesdays in February, May, August, and November be the times fixed for such general meetings. This alteration, however, is not meant to affect the time of holding the Public Annual meeting in June, as heretofore.

*Article XIV.—Standing Committee.*

Your committee recommend that the following should be substituted for Article XIV. of the constitution: "That there shall be a standing committee (five of whom shall be a quorum) to prepare the business for the quarterly meetings of the Society.

"That the President, Archdeacons, Rural Deans and Secretary be *ex officio* members of the standing committee; and that the committee shall further consist of ten members, to be elected by the society at its annual meeting from its incorporated members; and also of a clerical and lay member from each of the several district associations in connexion with the Parent Society, to be elected annually by each of such district associations.

"That the standing committee shall meet at 11 o'clock on the days immediately preceding the quarterly or special meetings of the society, and at such other times as the said committee may deem expedient."

In suggesting this alteration, your committee have had in view first, the hope that the standing committee would thus be rendered a more compact and therefore a more interested body, and secondly that better opportunity would be given for the services of country members in its behalf. It would, they think, be wisely left to the discretion of the society to make their selection from the whole body of incorporated members, and not restrict their choice to the neighbourhood of this city. This, with the existing provision that the district associations may annually elect two members, would be calculated to throw a fitting share of its administrative work into the hands of the supporters of the society at large.

To include the whole of the Vice-Presidents as members of the standing committee, would be, they thought, to render it too cumbersome, or to assign as matter of compliment what should only be delegated in expectation of actual discharge of the required duties.

The change from monthly to quarterly meetings, is likely to ensure a larger attendance of members; and the appointing the meetings of the standing committee for the days just previous to the quarterly general meetings, would be to afford a double inducement for the attendance of members at those periods.

*Article XVII.—Preparing Annual Report.*

Your committee recommend a slight change in

Article XVII of the constitution; suggesting that after the words in the second and third lines, "prepare the annual report of the Society, the following be added, "in connexion with the standing committee." This is designed to ensure the co-operation and sanction of this body in so important a document as the annual report, and not leave the whole responsibility to the secretary.—They also suggest the omission of all that follows in this article,—as the appointment of deputations is a contingency which would be better left in the hands of the president, and not embodied in a special rule; while the detail of duties devolving on the secretary might better emanate from time to time, as circumstances should dictate, from the president and standing committee.

*Article XVIII.—District Associations.*

Much discussion was had upon that portion of the 18th article of the constitution of the Society, which refers to the expenditure of three fourths of the funds, raised in parishes or districts, to local objects within the same. Your committee are of opinion that it would be unwise to make any alteration in this rule, which would have the effect of compelling district associations to transmit the whole of their collections to the funds of the parent society. While such an enactment would, in all probability, materially diminish the annual amount of local contributions, it might be found to destroy the opportunity of carrying out many objects in strict connexion with the purposes of the society which the parent institution itself might be unable to reach. It would be well, they conceive, to leave to district associations the incentive to local missionary exertions, and other objects in connexion with the general interests of the church, which the privilege of using their own funds for such purpose would be so likely to create.

At the same time, to restrict as closely as possible the application of such funds to purposes specially designated by the society in its constitution, they would recommend the strictest adherence to the rule of the society, that all parochial collections should be paid into the hands of the district treasurer, and that no allotment of them for any purpose should be made, except at a regular meeting of the central board of the district association. The further to exclude the possibility of any wrong or inconsistent appropriation of parochial funds, it is recommended that the words "within the parish or," in the 6th line of the fourth clause be struck out. Though this would not exclude the employment of a portion of such reserved funds in individual parishes, it would shew that the appropriation was for a more general purpose, and at all events could not be made by any authorities within the parish.

*Article XIX.—The Four Annual Collections in Churches.*

As some misunderstanding appears to exist in regard to the term "stations" in this Article, and there is consequently a possibility that Clergymen may expose themselves to the penalty expressed in Article xx., in undesignedly failing to comply with all the provisions and requirements of the Society, your Committee would recommend that the words "in the several Churches, Chapels, and Stations" be struck out, and the following substituted,—"in every Church, Chapel or Station, in which an established Sunday Service is performed; provided that, in the case of Stations where Sunday Service cannot be performed more than once in a month, it shall be discretionary with the Clergyman serving such stations to omit the said collections if he shall think proper.

*The Mission Fund.*

In regard to the four collections to be made annually in aid of the funds of the Society, your Committee recommend that the collections now

applied to the General Purpose's Fund, be appropriated as was formerly the case, to the *Mission Fund*: thus causing two of the Annual Collections to be employed for this most important branch of the operations of the Society. It would still be discretionary with the Lord Bishop, to propose any further collection when a special need should arise in connexion with the interests of the Church generally, or of the Society in particular.

*Board of Missions.*

It is to assure to the Society the strongest sympathy and the most liberal support of Churchmen generally, that your Committee are desirous of investing it as much as possible with a missionary aspect. Unless it be observed that the propagation of the Gospel and the ordinances of the Church, on some marked and extensive scale, is the attainment as well as the aim of the Society, it is to be feared that it will rapidly lose favour in the public eye. To behold it as the holder simply of a few trusts, which individuals might be found to manage at little or no cost, is not the position into which the friends of the Society, nor the lovers of the Church, should allow it to sink. To give, therefore, the greatest possible expansion to their department of its work,—to embrace all interests and all energies within the Church in its behalf, to concentrate the resources and the efforts of all Church action in the Diocese upon the missionary cause; your committee venture to recommend the establishment of a special board, to be called the board of missions, for this purpose,—this board to be composed of six clergymen and six laymen; one half of each to be chosen by the church society at their annual meeting in June, and the other half to be appointed annually, or for a longer period if they may desire it, by the Synod. Your committee, in making this proposition, have had a special reference to the fact that already the Synod have undertaken a separate, and it may be termed an independent action in respect to missionary work. They have inaugurated a sustentation fund, which is strictly missionary in its purposes; and the administration of this fund is separate from any control or participation of the society. It would, in the judgment of your committee, be prudent and advantageous, if the synod and the society could unite in their action in advancing the missionary cause, and not risk the collisions or the jealousies as well as the practical inconveniences and injuries of a divided labour; and to effect this good purpose, they have proposed a means by which the widest action is left open to the members of the church, and yet the concentration of this action under one administration. If it has been thought expedient to establish a land committee, for a special work of the church society, there will be nothing at variance with the organization or purposes of the society in the proposition for the establishment of a board of missions, to be composed in the manner suggested, for the administration of all funds for missionary purposes received under the authority of the society and of the synod.

*Exhibitions in Trinity College.*

Your committee strongly recommend the addition of the following By-Law to the article of the constitution referring to the four annual collections:

"That the funds annually raised in aid of Theological students be converted into Exhibitions for the same in the University of Trinity College: that it shall be permitted to the several district associations of the church society, through their central board, to nominate annually, or at such intervals as they may be able, one or more persons to be holders of such exhibitions: Provided that they remit annually to the society, during the prescribed college course, a sum which, including the amount of collections in churches, chapels, and stations for this object within the said

district, shall cover the cost of the exhibition, or exhibitions, so conferred; and provided that the persons so nominated shall be qualified to pass the matriculation examination at Trinity College, and be approved by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese.

Your committee have a strong confidence that, through this arrangement, the number of candidates for holy orders would soon be largely increased; and they are free to hail its adoption as an auspicious event for this diocese.

**Article XIX.**

Your committee upon the subject of the annual collections, would only further recommend that these should be made, as far as practicable, at the periods designated. Delay is often productive of inconvenience to the objects for which the collections are made; and the labour of the secretary is not immaterially increased by irregularity in their transmission. They would venture to recommend that the following periods be fixed upon for the several collections, with the understanding that if circumstances should not allow of their being made on the days specified, they should take place not later than two Sundays subsequently.

- 1.—Missions.—First Sunday after the Epiphany.
- 2.—Widows and Orphans.—Fourth Sunday in Lent.
- 3.—Missions.—Trinity Sunday.
- 4.—Students in Theology.—Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity.

It has been usual to have the collection for widows and orphans in the month of October, and that for students of divinity in April. But the proposed change is suggested because divinity students would be entering upon their University course in the month of October; and under the new arrangement in regard to scholarships, it would be desirable to have the collections on their behalf made antecedently to their matriculation. In naming the 16th Sunday after Trinity, regard has been had to its singular appropriateness as shewn in the Collect and first Morning Lesson for that day.—The same remark, your committee think, will apply to the periods fixed for the collections on behalf of the mission fund; and in their judgment no time could be selected for an appeal in aid of so important a charity as the widows and orphans fund, better than the middle of the season of Lent. It is presumed, too, that in view of the special appropriateness of the days above designated for the collections assigned to them, the clergy generally would be unwilling to postpone or change them.

**Article XXI.—Widows' and Orphans' Fund.**

Your committee have had under their consideration the effect which certain of the provisions of this article may have upon the widows and orphans of the clergy in particular cases. They are willing to assume that the non-compliance with the several requirements of the Society, entitling their widows and orphans to a share in its benefits, may in some instances have arisen from misapprehension, and scruples created by erroneous representations; and that a calm and impartial review of the Constitution and working of the Society, would produce a different impression and action. In the hope, therefore, that the amendments in the Constitution and by laws of the Society proposed by your committee, will have the effect of removing objections which have been hitherto entertained, and of conciliating a general support to its cause and objects, your committee unanimously recommend the exercise of the utmost indulgence to past deficiencies; with the understanding, however, that no indemnity can be expected for similar neglects taking place hereafter. They would therefore propose, in the hope of its cordial adoption

by the Society, that all omissions to comply with the requirements of the Society hitherto, should be passed over, and that every clergyman who shall faithfully and punctually observe the said requirements in time to come, shall be regarded as establishing a valid claim to the participation of his widow and orphans in all the benefits of the Widows and Orphans' Fund; but that in future no clergyman, whose name shall not have been returned by the Secretary at the annual meeting as having faithfully complied with all the rules and regulations of the Society, shall be considered as having a claim to any participation on the part of his widow and orphans in the benefits of the said fund; and unless he shall show cause to the satisfaction of the standing committee, within three months after being notified by the Secretary of his default, why he has not complied with the said rules and regulations, such claim shall be considered as forfeited.

**Article XL.—Of By-law touching Widows and Orphans' Fund.**

While engaged in the consideration of this Rule, the attention of your committee has been directed to Article XI. of the By-law, intitled, "A By-law for the due administering and improving the Widows and Orphans' Fund of the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto;" and they recommend that all after the word "memorial" in the eighth line should be struck out, and the following inserted,—"Shall be taken into consideration by the Standing Committee at their next meeting after the receipt of said memorial; and if it shall appear to them that the deceased clergyman has complied with all the provisions, and requirements of this by-law, and that the widows and children of such clergyman are not in the receipt of an income from other sources exceeding one hundred and fifty pounds per annum, they shall forthwith report to the Society that the widows and orphans of the said Clergyman are entitled to the annuity hereinbefore mentioned. There are other points in connexion with this fund, and certain important suggestions from various quarters, to which your committee have not yet been able to give full consideration. With the permission of the Society, they would resume the consideration of this subject, and report thereupon at the earliest opportunity. \*"

The following would have been the position (a) of the several funds on the 30th of April, 1859, supposing that the collections had been all taken up during the years 1853 to 1859, and also the rents paid, versus the actual state (b.) of the several funds on the 30th April, 1859.

	A.	B.
Gen. Pur. Fund...	\$2554.52	\$2214.42
Students' " ...	1260.05	835.35
Mission " ...	376.18	328.02
Widow & Orphans	3930.11	3045.33

By the above it will appear that, had the collections been taken up in all the stations in the Diocese as ordered, the General Purpose Fund in place of as at present owing \$2214.42, would have in hand the sum of \$2554.52, and the Mission Fund instead of owing \$328.02, would have in hand the sum of \$376.18, the Students' Fund would also have \$924.70 more in hand and the Widows and Orphans' Fund \$884.80.

There are other points in connexion with this fund, and certain important suggestions from various quarters, which your committee have not as yet had the opportunity of fully considering, they would undertake to do so, and to submit their report thereupon, with the permission of the Society, at a future time.

**Conclusion.**

Your Committee have now, to the best of their ability, discharged the duty allotted to them. They have proposed no changes or amendments without due consideration; without the belief that their adoption will benefit the Society, and bring

good to the Church at large. In the desire to conciliate in favour of the Society the good-will and hearty co-operation of every churchman in the Diocese, they have suggested scope for the widest and most comprehensive action. They have abstained from any recommendation that might repress a hearty and healthful local action; but have left to District Associations the fullest opening for local work, and for an honourable emulation in the cause of the Church at large.

They will venture to hope that hence forward there will be a revival of confidence, unity and energy in the service of this valuable handmaid of the Church. It is a great instrument for good; and with the exercise of a general sympathy in its objects, and combined zeal in its behalf, it would soon become the glory of our Diocese, and the praise of all the churches.

A. N. BETHUNE Chairman.

**CONDITION OF THE GENERAL PURPOSE FUND.**

The following statements were laid before the Committee.

Tables shewing what the results would have been had the subscriptions of the Clergy been just carried to the General Purpose Fund.

Years.	Receipts during the different years with 21st Clergymen's sub.		Expenses of management for 1850 Printing, &c.		Grants of Books.		Grants to Chs. average per year.		Tax payments average per year up to 1859.		Law expenses Paid over to W & O Fund as ordered by By-law to credit. up to 1859.		Balances at the end of each year. Balance against By-law.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.
1853	1109	9 9	684	12 6	50	7 0	86	6 8	56	11 10	187	10 0	23	17 7
1854	1556	16 0	840	2 10	84	9 0	86	6 8	55	11 10	187	10 0	331	11 6
1855	1552	2 8	937	9 7	65	2 3	86	6 8	55	11 10	187	10 0	178	17 9
1856	1654	10 6	864	19 2	103	1 6	86	6 8	55	11 10	187	10 0	835	17 3
1857	1609	4 2	944	12 0	109	3 4	86	6 8	55	11 10	187	10 0	204	16 2
1858	1298	14 8	958	2 6	91	6 11	86	6 8	55	11 10	187	10 0	101	6 4
1859	1039	6 7	782	7 0	113	12 8	86	6 8	70	0 0	187	10 0	143	3 3

\* For "State of the Widows and Orphans' Fund," see last page.

It will be seen by the above statement that at no time during the last seven years, has the General Purpose Fund been in a position to pay over to the Widows and Orphans' Fund the £1 6s. for each clergyman, for instance if we take the year ending April, 1866, the total receipts for that year including £187 10s. for the £1 6s. for each clergyman amounts to £1664 10s. 6d., for the same year the amount paid for management, printing, &c., amounted to £804 19s. 2d., that for land taxes (average) £66 11s. 10d., and for law expenses (average) £20 4s. 2d., (these last items being of course necessary expenditure) deducting the sum of these payments £941 18s. 2d. from the total receipts, leaves a balance of £712 16s. 4d. Now it must be remembered that this balance would appear at the end of the Church Society's financial year, April, and inasmuch as at that date all money that may be expected in behalf of the General Purpose Fund will have been received, this sum shows the amount in hand for the purpose of paying all the expenses of the Society for the ensuing nine months up to the following January, when the collection for the General Purpose Fund comes round again.

#### NIAGARA DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY

At a meeting of the above Association held in St. George's Church, St. Catharines, on Tuesday, March 6th, 1860, the following report was read and adopted:—

In presenting this their eighteenth annual report, your committee would desire to express their humble thanks to Almighty God, for the blessings vouchsafed to His Church within the bounds of this District Branch Association

In consequence of his lordship the Bishop not deeming it advisable to appoint a deputation from the Parent Society, to the various Parochial Branches without further consultation, our Parochial meetings were deferred until the beginning of the year. In the absence of a deputation, (which, it is hoped may be appointed to visit the several parishes during the coming Autumn,) meetings have been held in Port Dalhousie, Port Robinson, Thorold, Drummondville, Fort Erie and Welland, at which several of the Clergy of the District attended and advocated in forcible language the claims of the Society. At these meetings much interest was created by the intelligence that the missionary spirit of the Church in the mother country was never more evident than at present. It was shown that, while they were making great exertions to send the glad tidings of salvation to every corner of our widely extended Colonial Empire, as well as to the heathen parts of Africa and Japan, they were not unmindful of those, who in the bye-ways and hedges of their own land were living as without God in the world, being desirous to obey the injunction of our Lord to "compel them to come in."

Your Committee have much satisfaction in announcing that, although "the field already white to the harvest," has not yet been so amply supplied with labourers as it demands, a great and good work is by God's blessing going on, and that portion of our Lord's vineyard, which your committee have placed under the pastoral supervision of your Travelling Missionary, is being tilled in the most efficient manner. Your Missionary is not doing his work superficially, but to use his own impressive language, is "planting christianity deep in that soil, and watering it at regular intervals," trusting that God in His own time will be pleased to grant "the increase."

Again is it a cause of regret that the remaining portion of the former travelling mission still lies

vacant; this is the more lamentable, when it is considered that the entire District, comprising the destitute portions of Lincoln, Welland and Haldimand calls upon us for aid, and demands that the same privileges which have been extended to one portion should be granted to the rest; that the scattered lambs of Christ's fold should be protected from the ravages of the "wolves," which during the absence of the regular Pastor, enter in and "devour the sheep." Until your committee can have the happiness of reporting the exertions of a second, (which is so loudly called for) they thankfully present the report of the labours of your present Missionary in his own words:—"As the annual meeting of the Society is at hand it is my duty to give you a report of my labours for the past year as the Missionary of that Society. I am unfeignedly thankful to be able to say that through the goodness of God in disposing the hearts of a few friends in England and this country, we have at last a really pretty little Church erected which we can call our own. One acre of land was purchased, and conveyed to the Church Society of Toronto as a burial ground and site for a Church, and upon this ground, within the incorporated village of Welland, and about half a mile from the court house and jail our Church is built. It was opened for public worship on the 17th July, and has been well filled on Sundays ever since. It is free, and as all the money received towards it was paid with that understanding, I trust it will remain so, and that I shall no longer hear people say they cannot come to church for they are too poor to pay pew-rent. The whole cost of the land, building, harmonium and fencing, comes to about \$1000, and it can accommodate about 130 persons. Whenever the people here require a larger place of worship, I consider that this will do very well for week day services or a parochial school room. I am encouraged by the number attending this Church, many coming a distance of four or five miles. The number of communicants is also increasing, which leads me to hope that the ministrations of the Church in this place are not altogether in vain, and that the work of God's good Spirit is progressing inwardly. At Marshville we continue to worship in the wretched and dilapidated school house, which is so uncomfortable that it is more likely to frighten people away than to draw them to the service, and yet it is crowded with a very attentive congregation. I am especially delighted with the number of children who come to the catechising which I have after the second lesson. Indeed many of the parents have expressed themselves more thankful for this part of the service than for the sermon. They are in great want of a Church; I would set about begging for one were it not that an application is now before the Government, respecting the glebes of Wainfleet upon which the Church was to have been erected by the Rev. James Clarke, if death had not interfered, and we may be obliged to build upon the same lands to secure them. It is truly sad to think that land so solemnly conveyed to the Church by act of Council for ever, and so long in the hands of the tenants of my predecessor, should be kept promised, or that the tenants of any party whatever should be encouraged to expect the right of purchasing the inheritance of their landlord! And this more especially where a church is greatly needed. At Port Colborne the small congregation continues to assemble in the stone school house, but here, I regret to say, since the opening of the meeting house for all denominations, in which some wished me to officiate and to which both a party in that place and the Bishop objected, the attendance has been smaller, about forty attend, a few seem to be in earnest, one has lately offered me a site

for a church in a central position worth \$400 and \$200 in cash, if the building could be proceeded with, but he is almost the only one who can easily give any thing towards this object. A small class is here also catechised after the second lesson, for which the parents seem very thankful—happily the roads have been so much better this year, than the two former ones, that I have not missed more than one or two Sundays in keeping my appointments. I have also been, this winter, at night, visiting large families, too far from the Sunday School and Church for the purpose of catechising, and a good many hours have, I trust, been well employed in that way. I hope soon to begin lecturing on confirmation as a preparation for the Bishop's triennial tour, when I hope a large number will present themselves. Among the few removed from us by death, I may mention one, whose life and last end were so exemplary and edifying that they appear to be a precious legacy to the Church. For many years a communicant at Port Robinson, she had married and removed into this mission about twelve months previous to her death; and when she found that God was calling her hence, and that she had to leave a fond husband, a precious babe, and many earthly comforts, she was enabled by a faith such as we seldom witness to resign all into her Heavenly Father's hands: there was no regret, no pain, no grief at parting with the earth, on the contrary, her departure seemed like a triumphal entry into Paradise. She trusted in the sole merits of Christ, and that was enough; she often expressed a desire to see the minister of the Church, but I never went to see her without feeling that she was more an example for me than I could be to her—her heart appeared to be full with her treasure which was in Heaven, and with a most beautiful smile, she could say with St. Paul, "O Death where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?" Thanks be to God which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." While writing this the death of one of my neighbours whom I have been visiting for many months, was announced; she too has been graciously blessed with faith and hope in her Saviour's merits, and though at the commencement of her illness she found the struggle hard and severe, she was enabled to overcome the love of this present life and to rejoice in the brighter prospect before her.

Another interesting case, I must mention, it is that of a family in Moulton some fourteen miles in the marsh, which I visited last summer with the view of seeing a few other families in that quarter. After spending the evening in catechising the children, seven in number, I was informed that the mother, who was very ill in another room, and who had heard all I had said to the children, was very anxious to be baptised. She was better prepared than I at first supposed, and being really very ill she was baptised. The whole family appeared most thankful that I had been sent to them just in time. The next morning I baptised three of the younger children, and others of the neighbourhood; the mother recovered for a while, and was forthcoming to the Lord's supper, when she was rather suddenly summoned, I hope to a better table even than that in Abraham's bosom. I was called upon to go and bury her. I preached to a large assemblage of people, many of whom, I was told, had scarcely ever heard a Church Clergyman, and the good woman was buried in the unfenced and unconsecrated sand on the shore of Lake Erie, this being the only graveyard in this vicinity! You will, I am sure, be pleased to know that among the seven children of this bereaved family was a youth of eighteen, whose intelligent enquiries and earnest piety, led me to notice more particularly, and after proper investigation on my part, and receiving a good



the body is made up of many members, and none can work without the other, so the Body of Christ made up of individual members should be found striving as one body in the great work of saving souls. By heartily engaging in such a work we give proof of the vitality of our faith and the sincerity of our love for Him who so loved us that He gave His only begotten Son into the world to redeem us from eternal misery. By His blood shedding that blessed Son purchased us for Himself "to be a peculiar people zealous of good works," and if we are not so zealous can we hope to receive from our Blessed Lord that sentence, "Well done thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of the Lord?" All which is respectfully submitted.

CHAS. LEYCESTER INGLES,  
*Secretary.*

St. Catharines, March, 1860.

The total amount of the Parochial Branches of the Niagara District for the past year is \$950.51, of which \$302.36 have been remitted to Parent Society.

RESOLUTIONS.

Moved by H. MITTLEBERGER, Esq., seconded by Rev. the RURAL DEAN,—That the report now read be adopted and printed in the Ecclesiastical Gazette, and that 250 copies be ordered for distribution in the various parishes.

Moved by Rev. H. TOLLAND, seconded by Rev. T. T. ROBERTS,—That the Church of Christ being essentially a missionary body, and the objects contemplated by the constitution of the Church Society of this Diocese being such as are all, either directly or indirectly of a missionary character, must commend the Society to the hearty support of every member of the Church.

Moved by Rev. J. STANAGE, seconded by Rev. R. SHANKLIN, of Oakville,—That this meeting recognising the principle that the missionary operations of the Society claim peculiar support in a country, where there are so many spiritually destitute places, would hope that the time may not be far distant when the Society shall be enabled to send forth another herald of the cross.

Moved by Rev. A. DIXON, seconded by Rev. J. FLOOD,—That the thanks of this meeting are tendered to the office bearers for their services during the past year, and that the Rev. C. L. Ingles, B.A., be Secretary, and the Rev. the Rural Dean, Treasurer, for the ensuing year.

STATE OF THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' FUND.

The committee have given the very greatest care to the subject referred to in the above resolutions, and feel great satisfaction in being able to remove the impression which had gone to the country, that any wrong appropriation of the Widows and Orphans' Fund had taken place. The committee and that the by-law regulating the Widows and Orphans' Fund, so seriously clashes with the constitution, that both could not be fully carried out; had the parishes all made the collections there would have been no difficulty in carrying out the by-law as will be seen by reference to the herewith annexed table, and as it is confidently hoped that in future there will be no neglect in this behalf, the committee taking into consideration that other grants have hitherto taken precedence founded on the constitution, that in future the Widows and Orphans' by-law shall be complied with in paying first from the funds of the Society an amount corresponding to £1 5s. from each clergyman, and that the amount which would have been carried to the fund had it been sufficiently productive shall be secured from the vested property of the Society.

Resolved,—That in the opinion of this committee it would greatly conduce to the efficient adminis-

tration of the Widows and Orphans' Fund that the pensions to be paid in future to the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, shall be in conformity with some such tables as the following:

PROPOSITION NO. 1.

Table 1.

Income of widow £50, or under	
Pension to herself.....	£30 0 0
Children £10 each, but not to exceed	
in all .....	80 0 0
To class 1. ....	£60 0 0

Table 2.

Income of widow £50 to £100.	
Pension to herself.....	£26 0 0
Children under 18 years of age, (each	
£7 10s., not to exceed.....	26 0 0
	£60 0 0

Table 3.

Income of widow £100 to £125.	
Pension to herself .....	£20 0 0
Children under 18 years, each £6, not	
to exceed .....	20 0 0
	£40 0 0

PROPOSITION NO. 2.

Or the following scale may be taken although it requires increased means to carry it out.

Every widow with an income of \$200 a year, and under, an annuity for herself \$20; and for each child under 18 years \$10.

Every widow with an income of over \$200 to \$400, for herself \$100, and for each child under 18 years \$20.

Every widow with an income of over \$400 to \$600, an annuity of \$40 for each child under 18 years.

Every widow with an income of over \$500 to \$600, an annuity of \$20 for each child under 18 years.

Now see how this will work both in the highest and lowest scale, with say four children as an average. Take the lowest scale of income.

1. Widow's income nil.		
annuity for herself.....	\$240.00	} from C. S.
4 children at \$10 each ...	160.00	
	\$400.00	

2. Widow's income .....	\$201.00	
Annuity for herself.....	160.00	} from C. S.
4 children at \$20 each ...	80.00	
	\$441.00	

3. Widow's income.....	\$201.00	
Annuity for herself.....	0.00	} from C. S.
4 children at \$10 each ...	160.00	
	\$561.00	

4. Widows income .....	\$601.00	
Annuity herself .....	0.00	} from C. S.
4 children at \$20 each ...	80.00	
	\$681.00	

Mark how nearly their incomes are the same and in the aggregate according to this scale, which perhaps is below the average number of children, it is little more for the Church Society than under the present system, but I think you will agree a much fairer disposition of our funds.

At present four widows with incomes under \$600 each irrespective of children which receive from the Society \$800 a year according to the above.

No. 1 widow receives .....	\$400.00
" 2 " " .....	240.00
" 3 " " .....	160.00
" 4 " " .....	80.00
	\$880.00

And it would be found to be in favour of the proposed plan, because although many would have more children than four, yet few would be left utterly penniless, and according to this plan, credit is given for income when over \$200, which is ignored under the present system.

(The above is from a friend from the Diocese of Huron.)

DIocese OF HURON.

The Clergy and Lay representatives are informed that the Bishop of the Diocese has directed that the Synod be convened for June, 13th next. Service in the Cathedral at 11 a.m. The Synod to meet in St. Paul's Cathedral, at 2 p.m.

J. WALKER MARSH,  
*Clerical Secretary.*

L. LAWRASON,  
*Lay Secretary.*

London, April 27, 1860.

CHURCH SOCIETY.

The Bishop has appointed the annual meeting of the Church Society to be held on Thursday, the 21st of June next, at 7 p.m. The usual quarterly meeting will be held in St. Paul's School House, on the same day, at 10 o'clock a.m. The Standing Committee to meet on Monday, the 18th, at 7 p.m.

J. WALKER MARSH,  
*Sec. Ch. S. D. of H.*

London, April 27, 1860.

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