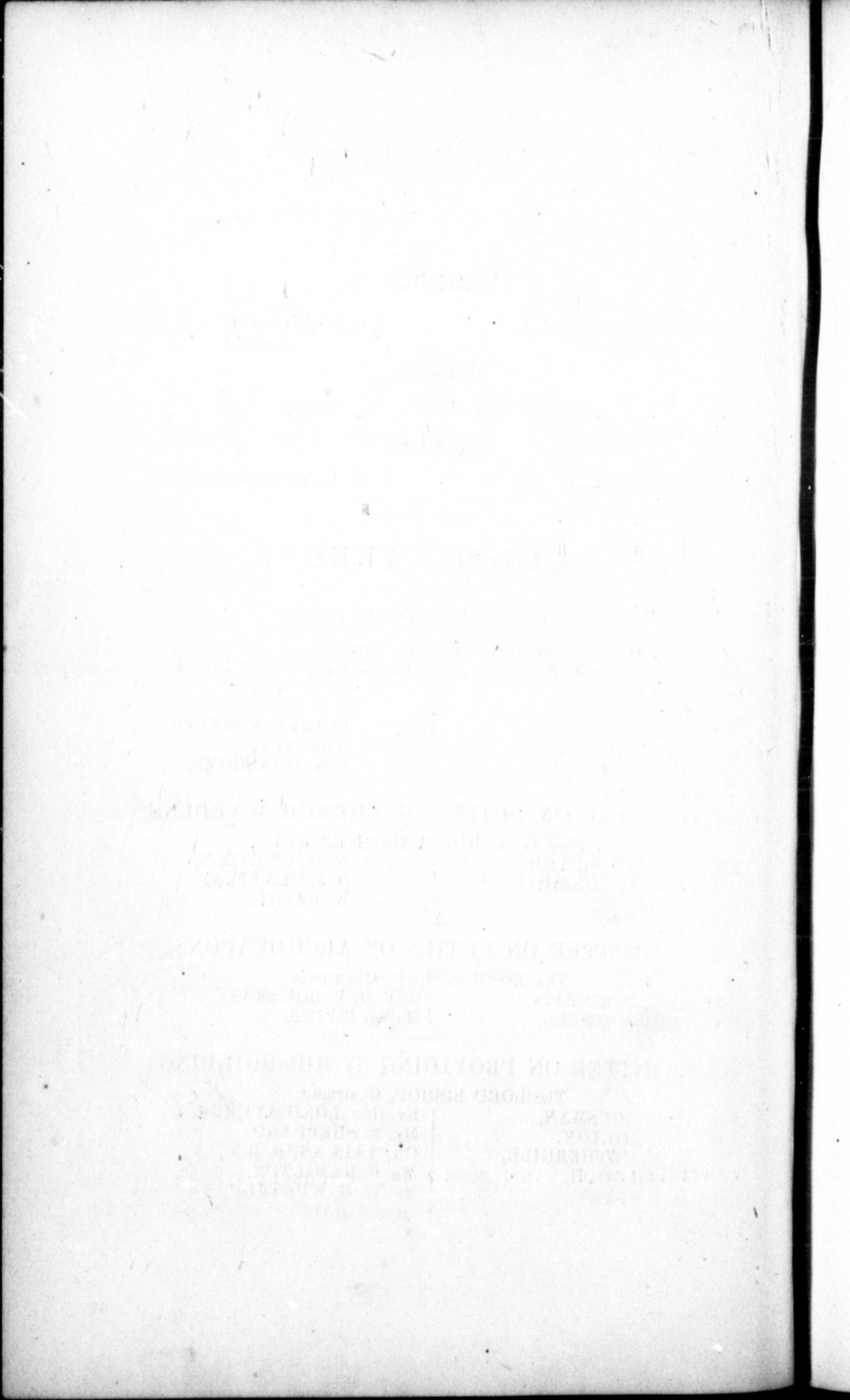


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PARISH OR MISSION.	CLERGYMEN.	LAY DELEGATES.
Actonvale.....	Rev. L. C. Wurtele, B.A...	S. T. Pearce. †
Bourg Louis.....	“ John G. MacCarthy.	W. S. Sewell.
Bury.....	“ T. Richardson.....	F. W. Andrews. †
St. John's.....	do	Hamilton Scott.
St. Thomas.....	do	John Martin. †
Robinson.....	do	Octavius Rooke. †
Lingwick.....	do	Henry Chepmell. †
Cape Cove.....	“ W. G. Lyster, B.A...	J. W. Dunscomb. †
Percé.....	do	W. R. Doak.
Compton.....	“ J. Kemp, B.D.....	James Thompson, R.N.
Coaticook.....	“ John Foster, B.A.....	A. O. Pritchard. †
Barford	do	Henry R. Hanning.
Danville.....	“ G. J. Magill, B.A.....	W. H. Tilstone.
Tingwick.....	do	E. J. Hemming.
Drummondville.....	“ F. J. B. Allnatt	No return.
Lower Durham.....	do	Joseph E. Forsyth.
Dudswell.....	“ T. Chapman, M.A...	H. J. Pratten.
Ham.....	do	Rd. Lyster.
Durham Upper.....	“ S. S. Wood, M.A.....	James Sealey. †
Eaton	“ E. C. Parkin.....	No return.
Cookshire.....	do	Wm. Henderson. †
Frampton East.....	“ J. H. Jenkins, B.A...	Henry Hodgson. †
Do West.....	do	Wm. Rhodes.
Standon	do	Jas. McClintick. †
Cranbourne	do	

OF THE DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

PARISH OR MISSION.	CLERGYMEN.	LAY DELEGATES.
Gaspé Basin.....		
St. Paul's.....	Rev. F. A. Smith.....	H. J. Noad. †
St. James'.....	do	P. Vibert.
Hatley.....	" H. G. Burrage, M.A.	C. Rawson. †
Waterville.....	do	M. Henery.
Hopetown.....	" P. Tocque.....	W. Petry.
Port Daniel.....	do	H. N. Jones.
Chigouac.....	do	James Stevenson. †
Inverness North and Upper Leads.....	(vacant)	
St. Stephens.....	do	C. King. †
Lambie's Mills.....	do	James Watkins.
Ireland Upper.....	" R. G. Ward.....	Thomas Wood.
Do Lower.....	do	Gabriel Kerr.
Kingsey.....	(vacant)	A. Wilcocks. †
Spooner's Pond.....	do	No return.
Labrador.....	" J. Wainwright.....	do
Lake Beauport.....	" R. Mitchell.	Geo. Hall.
Stoneham.....	do	R. Woods.
Leeds.....	" J. P. Richmond.....	Isaac Thompson.
Broughton.....	do	J. Reinhart. †
Harvey Mines.....	do	P. M. Rogan. †
Lennoxville.....	" A. C. Scarth, M.A....	B. T. Morris.
Magdalen Islands.....	" F. Boyle, M.A.....	No return.
Entry Island.....	do	do
House Harbour.....	do	do
Anherst.....	do	do
Malbaie.....	" J. de Moulpied.....	H. May. †
Montmorency.....	" R. Short.....	Maxfield Sheppard.
New Carlisle.....	" G. Milne, M.A.....	Charles Kelly. †
Paspebiac.....	do	G. O. Stuart.
Nicolet.....	" A. Balfour.....	C. Grant. †
Point Levi.....	" A. J. Woolryche.....	W. Simpson.
New Liverpool.....	do	R. H. Smith.
Portneuf.....	" J. Dalziel.....	Wm. Spragge.
Quebec Cathedral.....	" G. V. Housman, M.A.	H. S. Scott.
		W. G. Wurtele.
		James B. Forsyth.
Trinity Chapel.....	" E. W. Sewell, M.A....	E. D. Ashe, R.N.
	" E. Botwood.....	
St. Paul's.....	" R. G. Plees.....	James Kelly.
St. Peter's.....	" C. Hamilton, M.A....	F. A. Andrews.
	" M. M. Fothergill.....	
St. Matthew's.....	" H. Roe, B.A.	Geo. Irvine.
St. Michael's.....	" A. W. Mountain, M.A.	D. Godley.
	" H. J. Petry, B.A.....	
Richmond.....	" J. L. Gay.....	Right Hon. Lord Aylmer.
Melbourne.....	do	John Montgomery.
River du Loup (en bas)...	" E. G. W. Ross.....	No return.
River du Loup (en haut)...	" W. C. Merrick, M.A.	do

PARISH OR MISSION.	CLERGYMEN.	LAY DELEGATES.
Sandy Beach.....	Rev. M. Ker.....	Thos. Norris. †
Little Gaspé.....	do	E. B. Scott.
Sherbrooke.....	" C. P. Reid, M.A.....	Hon. E. Hale.
St. Sylvester.....	" W. King.....	Thos. Walker. †
St. Giles	do	James Lefebvre.
St. Patrick's.....	do	J. G. Vansittart.
St. Margaret's.....	do	Dr. King. †
St. George's.....	do	Henry Pozer. †
Cumberland Mills.....	do	R. Hamilton.
Stanstead.....	" A. A. Allen, B.A.....	C. A. Richardson. †
Georgeville.....	do	Major Johnson. †
Three Rivers.....	" S. S. Wood, M.A. ..	C. K. Ogden. †
	" John Torrance.....	
Valcartier.....	" A Von Iffland, B.A....	M. G. Mountain.
St. Catherines.....	do	No return.

Reverend J. H. Nicolls, D.D., Principal of Bishop's College, Lennoxville.

- Do G. C. Irving, M.A., Rector of Junior Department, and Dean of Bishop's College, Lennoxville.
- Do G. B. Dodwell, M.A., Harold Professor of Divinity do do.
- Do W. Agar Adamson, D.C.L., Chaplain to the Legislative Council.
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- Do J. S. Sykes, Chaplain to the Marine Hospital and Harbour of Quebec.
- Do Christopher Jackson, Hatley (superannuated).
- Do A. Balfour, Nicolet, do.
- Do F. J. Cookesley, on leave.
- Do W. Richmond, B.A., Grammar School, Lennoxville.
- Do E. Hatch, Rector, High School, Quebec.
- Do W. S. Vial, Teacher, and Assistant Chaplain to the Forces.

† Not in attendance.

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OF THE SIXTH SESSION OF THE

Synod of the Diocese of Quebec.

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FIRST DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Wednesday the 5th July, being appointed by the Lord Bishop for the meeting of the Diocesan Synod, Divine Service, including the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, was held in the Cathedral at 9 A.M.

The Rev. J. Kemp, B.D., and Rev. W. King said Morning Prayer. The lessons were read by Rev. G. V. Housman. The sermon was preached by Rev. J. L. Gay. The Lord Bishop read the Ante-Communion Office and Gospel. The Epistle was read by Rev. S. S. Wood.

The Lord Bishop consecrated, and was assisted in administering by Rev. S. S. Wood, Rev. G. V. Housman and Rev. W. King.

At 12 o'clock the members of the Synod assembled in the Lecture Hall, the Lord Bishop of the Diocese in the Chair.

ROLL CALL.

After prayers the Roll of the Clergy was called by the Clerical Secretary, when the following Clergy answered to their names :—

A. A. Allen, F. J. B. Allnatt, H. G. Burrage, A. Balfour, E. Botwood, G. B. Dodwell, M. M. Fothergill, J. Foster, J. L. Gay, G. V. Housman, C. Hamilton, J. H. Jenkins, G. C. Irving, J. Kemp, W. King, R. Mitchell, G. J. Magill, G. Milne, R. G. Plees, H. J. Petry, W. Richmond, J. P. Richmond, H. Roe, D. Robertson, A. C. Scarth, R. Short, E. W. Sewell, F. A. Smith, J. S. Sykes, J. Torrance, W. S. Vial, A. Von Iffland, S. S. Wood, R. G. Ward, A. J. Woolryche, L. C. Wurtele.—36.

The Roll of the Lay Delegates being then called, the following answered to their names :—

* F. A. Andrews, Rt. Hon. Lord Aylmer, Captain Ashe, W. R. Doak, Joseph B. Forsyth, Hon. E. Hale, Geo. Hall, R. Hamilton, Henry R. Hanning, Matthew Henery, E. J. Hemming, Geo. Irvine, James Kelly, Gabriel Kerr, Jas. Lefebvre, Richard Lyster, B. T. Morris, M. G. Mountain, H. J. Pratten, Wm. Rhodes, E. B. Scott, Hamilton Scott, H. S. Scott, Maxfield Sheppard, W. Simpson, R. H. Smith, William Spragge, G. O. Stuart, W. H. Tilstone, Capt. James Thompson, J. G. Vansittart, Thos. Wood, R. Woods, W. G. Wurtele.—34.

The Lay Delegates who were elected since the last Session, were then called upon to produce their certificates, which were referred by the Bishop, to the Rev. H. J. Petry, and Mr. B. T. Morris, who reported :—

The Scrutineers beg to report that the following certificates are in order :—

Hope Town	Mr. Wm. Petry.
Port Daniel	“ H. N. Jones.
Chigouac	“ James Stevenson.
Gaspé Basin, St. James' Church, }	“ Philip Vibert.

St. James', Leeds	Mr. Isaac Thompson.
St. Mark's, Lambie's Mills.....	" James Watkins.
St. John's, Melbourne.....	" John Montgomery.
St. Michael's Chapel, Quebec	" Denis Godley.

And they would further Report that that of Bourg Louis, of W. S. Sewell, is irregular.

And they would further Report that the certificates of

Valcartier Mr. M. G. Mountain.

St. Peter's Church, Paspebiac ... " G. Okill Stuart,

are correct.

B. T. MORRIS,
H. J. PETRY, B.A.,
Clerk.

The names of those whose certificates were reported correct were called over, and D. Godley, H. N. Jones, J. Montgomery, W. Petry, Isaac Thompson, P. Vibert, and J. Watkins, answered to their names.

It was then moved by Rev. H. Roe, seconded by Mr. George Irvine,

That inasmuch as there is sufficient evidence that Mr. Sheriff Sewell was duly elected Lay Delegate for the Mission of Bourg Louis; but that owing to the absence in England of the Chairman of the meeting at which he was elected, he holds no regular certificate, he do take his seat as Delegate for the said Mission.—Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS.

A notice from the Metropolitan, and signed by the Secretaries of the Provincial Synod, summoning the Delegates to the Provincial Synod to meet in Montreal on the 13th September next, was read.

The Secretaries then read letters from Rev. Messrs. E. G. W. Ross, J. Dalziel, Edwin Hatch, and Messrs. Charles Kelly and Jas. McClintick, explaining their absence from the Synod.

A letter was also read from Dr. John Mair, suggesting the pro-

priety of petitions being forwarded by the Synod to the Legislature on the subject of the better observance of the Lord's Day.

ELECTIONS.

It was then moved by the Rev. W. Richmond, seconded by Rev. G. Milne that the Rev. C. Hamilton be re-elected Clerical Secretary.—Carried.

It was also moved by Mr. H. S. Scott, seconded by Mr. Rhodes, that Mr. Maxfield Sheppard be re-elected Lay Secretary.—Carried.

It was moved by Mr. George Irvine, seconded by Rev. H. Roe, that Rev. Dr. Lundy, of Grimsby, be requested to take a seat on the floor of the House.—Carried unanimously.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS, ETC.

Ten Notices of Motions were then read and handed to the Secretaries.

It was then moved by Mr. B. T. Morris, seconded by Rev. H. G. Burrage,

That the Synod do now adjourn to meet again at 2 P. M.—Carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Synod reassembled at 2 P. M.

The Lord Bishop read his address :—

MY REVEREND BRETHREN, AND BRETHREN OF THE LAITY :

Two years having now elapsed since we last met in Synod, it may be expected that I should state my reasons for having departed from the usual custom of calling the Synod annually together.

It was, as you are aware, the opinion of him, under whose auspices and by whose efforts the Synod was called into existence, that

annual Synods were, in this diocese, undesirable. I can hardly say that—however much I respected, as we all respected, the wishes, the feelings and the counsels of one whose words were ever to us as the words of a *Father*—I can hardly say that I shared that opinion. It did seem to me that manifest advantage accrued from our coming together—even had there been nothing for us to do. It was urged upon me however, by some, that in such a diocese as this, the clergy could not come every year from such great distances without great inconvenience; and as the Synod has now organized itself, and the routine of its business has been established, and as I see my way to the procuring of that mutual assistance of counsel and deliberation (of which I should so much regret the loss), for the clergy at least, in the biennial visitations which it is my purpose to hold, I have thought it well to act upon the advice which has been given me, and to summon the Synod every second year. I have no strong feeling, however, in the matter, and if this arrangement should not be satisfactory to the Synod, I shall make no objection to its meeting annually.

Since we last met, many changes in the various missions have been made. I have ordained five Priests and four Deacons; and seven laymen I have licensed to assist various clergymen, as readers, in their several missions. Two of these licenses, however, will probably expire before many weeks by the removal of the clergymen under whom the readers were appointed to serve, since I have been careful in every instance so to word the license as to make it void upon the removal of the incumbent. Unless this be done it seems to me that the system may prove, in some cases, a hindrance rather than a help to the work of the Church.

The Rev. T. Richardson has been placed in charge of the mission of Bury, vacant by the removal of the Rev. J. Kemp to Compton. The Rev. F. Allnatt has been appointed to the mission of Drummondville. The Rev. Silas Crosse has left the diocese, and the mission of Percé has been re-annexed to that of Cape Cove. The Rev. P. Tocque, from the diocese of Ontario, has been appointed to the mission of Hopetown. The Rev. E. C. Parkin has been removed

to Eaton, vacant by the removal of Mr. Dalziel to Portneuf, which was vacated by the Rev. A. Von Iffland, who has taken Mr. Parkin's place at Valcartier. The Synod was informed at its last session that the missions of Gaspé and Sandy Beach were united and placed under the charge of the Rev. M. Ker. This arrangement not being satisfactory, the missions were again separated, and the Rev. F. A. Smith was appointed to that of Gaspé Basin. The Rev. F. J. Cookesley has resigned the mission of Bourg Louis, and returned to England in ill-health. I have however left his name on the list of our Clergy as it is his purpose to return to us immediately upon the restoration of his health, a consummation devoutly to be wished, not more for his sake than for ours, since a servant more devoted to, and as far as human eyes can see, more efficient in, his Master's work, it would be hard to find. The Mission of Bourg Louis is at present held by the Rev. John G. Maccarther, who has been ordained a deacon, he intending to remain in that order.

The Rev. A. Balfour has retired upon his pension: not however being willing wholly to relinquish his ministerial duties, he offered himself for the mission of Nicolet, a mission suitable to one no longer possessing the activity and endurance of youth. To this mission he was appointed. The mission of Kingsey, which Mr. Balfour vacated, has been for the present annexed to that of Danville.

The Rev. J. Wainwright has gone as a missionary to the coast of Labrador. The mission of Inverness, vacant by the resignation of the Rev. W. S. Vial, is yet unfilled. The Rev. C. M. Fox has left the diocese, his place at Trinity Chapel being supplied by the Rev. E. Botwood from the diocese of Newfoundland. The Rev. H. J. Petry has returned to the diocese, and is now acting as assistant at St. Michael's Chapel. The Rev. M. M. Fothergill has been licensed as Curate of St. Peter's.

I have confirmed throughout the whole diocese; the Gulf district, whither I purpose immediately to proceed, being excepted. At present 1048 persons have been confirmed.

I have consecrated three churches, and one burial-ground. The

Church at Sherbrooke, after being greatly enlarged and improved, was re-opened in the early part of last winter, an ordination being held therein on the following Sunday.

As all the Clergy, or nearly all the Clergy of the neighbourhood were then assembled at Sherbrooke, I judged it expedient to consult them regarding the re-organisation of the Rural Deanery of St. Francis. A scheme was agreed upon, of which the main provisions were that the Rural Dean should be designated by the Clergy, and appointed by the Bishop for three years: that the Rural Dean should summon a chapter, consisting of all the Clergy of the Deanery, at least twice in the year, for communion in worship and for deliberation upon matters pertaining to their spiritual functions: that he should summon once in every year a Board, consisting of the Clergy of the Deanery, together with the lay delegates and Church wardens, before whom he should lay a report upon the state of each mission (the result of his personal inspection during the year), and containing recommendations (if needed) for the alteration of the bounds of missions, for the approval of plans and sites for Churches and parsonages—the said report, as amended and adopted by the Board, to be forwarded to the Bishop. It was also provided that missionary meetings should be held in every mission throughout the Deanery, the Rural Dean with a deputation attending at each meeting. The Rev. G. Dodwell, Professor of Theology in Bishop's College, was then designated by the Clergy and appointed by the Bishop to be Rural Dean of St. Francis. Deputations were also named by the Bishop; and meetings were subsequently held through the Deanery with great and gratifying success.

I am aware that the question of Rural Deaneries is before the Synod. Our arrangements are no usurpation of the Synod's functions; they are temporary, and will give way at once to the regulations of the Synod.

The Diocesan Board has now been in operation for three years, and although it has not been in all respects so great a success as some hoped it would prove; yet, I think, it is an efficient adminis-

trative body, and I trust that its efficiency will increase. The one hindrance to its efficiency is the remissness of the missions in the payment of their contributions.

It will now become the duty of the Board to re-assess the missions; and in future the punctual payment of the assessments will be imperatively provided for. It will be, I have reason to believe, a condition of the Propagation Society's grant, that no portion of it shall be paid to those missions which do not fulfil their engagements to the Diocesan Board.

Fearing, from what fell from some of the leading supporters of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, that there might be such a reduction of the Society's grant as could be nothing less than disastrous to the Church in this diocese, I went to England in the latter end of January last to obviate this difficulty. Upon my arrival two courses were open to me. I might (1) have opened subscription lists, and made a special appeal for this diocese; or, (2) I might throw myself into the cause of the Propagation Society, and whilst endeavouring to convince the Committee of our need, might advocate her cause before the public by the exhibition of our case.

I chose the latter course, and for these reasons:—In the first place because the permanent organization,—the great and rising strength of that Society—must be so much more effectual than could be any isolated effort of mine; and, secondly, because I was unwilling, except upon compulsion of the direst necessity, to place myself in an attitude of antagonism to that Society, of which the Church in this colony is the child. I delivered, therefore, some twenty-five sermons, or speeches, in aid of the Society; and every where I found the full statement of our past history, present position and probable future, in this diocese, to be a most effectual plea on the Society's behalf. I was not able to remain till our case was finally disposed of; but I have reason to believe that not only will there be no such fatal reduction as was feared, but that the rule requiring that the grant be diminished at least £100, after the year 1865, will be

rescinded, and that our grant will be made, for the next three years, less £50 only. For more than three years the Society will not pledge itself. It is but right that I should mention that there is one cause which has operated very much against the diocese, in the minds of the Committee, and that is the unsatisfactoriness of the missionaries' reports. It is complained that the annual statistics are not seldom wanting; that the quarterly reports never come at all; and that consequently the best friends of the diocese are unable to answer those who would divert the Society's funds to fields where, as is alleged, they can be spent to better purpose. What is wanted is more of human interest,—more information as to the country, and the incidents of the missionary's life; and it should be remembered that what is very familiar and common-place to us, is very fresh and interesting in England; and that information of this kind is the lever by which alone the Society can raise the money for which we ask. It is the intention of the Committee to make the collection of the missionaries' reports by the Diocesan Board, in each case, I believe, a condition of the distribution of their grant.

I have to lay before you a letter from the Lord Bishop of Montreal, inclosing a despatch from the Secretary of State, relating to his patent as Metropolitan; and as the Provincial Synod is about to meet, it seems to me that we should do well to take this matter into consideration, so as to know each other's minds upon the subject.

The letter is as follows:—

SEE HOUSE, MONTREAL,
March 9th, 1864.

MY DEAR LORD BISHOP.—I herewith send your Lordship a copy of a despatch from the Duke of Newcastle to Viscount Monck, which reached me this day, having been forwarded to me by his Grace's desire; and which you will probably think it right to lay before your Diocesan Synod, at its next meeting.

I have stated in reply, for the information of his Grace, that I should not be able to let him know whether it would be the wish of the Canadian Church "to apply for fresh and amended Letters Patent," until there had been an opportunity to bring the matter before a meeting of the Provincial Synod, which would not ordinarily take place until September, 1865. But in the meantime, I believed,

it was well understood that by an amendment introduced into the Letters Patent as issued on the 12th February, 1862, the authority and jurisdiction of the Metropolitan were expressly made, "subject to the rules, regulations and canons, that the General Assembly may, from time to time, make in respect thereof."

I remain, My dear Lord Bishop,
Yours, very faithfully,
F. MONTREAL.

The Lord Bishop of Quebec.

(Copy.)

DOWNING STREET,
10th February, 1864.

MY LORD,—A correspondence which arose out of the recent case of Long v. the Bishop of Cape Town, has led me to submit for the opinion of the Law Officers of the Crown, the question, whether any, and if so, what Metropolitan pre-eminence or jurisdiction was conveyed by the Letters Patent, bearing date the 12th February, 1862, which constitutes the Bishop of Montreal, Metropolitan Bishop in the Province of Canada.

The following is the answer which I have received:—"We think that it was competent to the Crown to constitute his Lordship a Metropolitan, and thereby to give him pre-eminence and precedence over his Suffragan: but that as to the coercive jurisdiction which the Metropolitan may exercise, and the manner in which it is to be exercised, these are matters which must be settled by the Bishops, Clergy and Laity of the Church, in a General Assembly of the Province, according to the provision of the local Act of the Canadian Legislature 19th and 20th Victoria, chapter 121."

You will be good enough to communicate a copy of this opinion to the Bishop of Montreal, adding that it will be for his Lordship, in concert with the other authorities of the Canadian Church, to determine for themselves whether they would prefer to apply for fresh and amended Letters Patent, or to allow the existing instrument to remain in force, with the knowledge that, so far as it assumes to invest the Metropolitan with coercive jurisdiction, it is of no effect.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) NEWCASTLE.

Governor, the Viscount Monck,
&c., &c., &c.

In consequence of the doubts thrown upon the status of some Colonial Bishops by the recent judgment of the Privy Council, the whole case is under the consideration of the Law Officers of the

Crown ; but I am told that we in Canada are untouched by that judgment ; that the Queen has undoubted right to give style, title, dignity and precedence in all parts of her dominions ; that the Provincial Synod being authorized by Act of Parliament to assemble, and having so assembled, it is now legally constituted. That, I believe, is the opinion of the Queen's Advocate, to whom the case was submitted.

In regard to the conduct of business in our own Synod, I think that we might make some improvement. It has long since struck me that matters referred to a Committee, to be reported upon at the next meeting of Synod, are in danger of being practically shelved. I am as much in fault in this respect as any one, for I believe that I am chairman of two Committees that have done nothing.

There will be some matters, of course, which cannot be decided at once ; but if we were to devote a morning's or an evening's sitting to the work of Committees, or to devise any other plan by which, as a general rule, the reports of Committees could be received during the session of the Synod, I am persuaded that much of our business could be disposed of in a manner more satisfactory than it now is.

I have nothing further to add save my heartfelt prayer that God the Holy Spirit may be with us in our deliberation, and pour out upon us the manifold gifts of His grace, the spirit of wisdom and understanding—the spirit of counsel and of ghostly strength—the spirit of knowledge and of true godliness.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Ways and Means was called upon for its report. None was presented.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMOIR, ETC., OF LATE BISHOP.

The Rev. G. V. Housman presented and read the Report of Committee on Memoir, &c., of late Bishop.

The Committee appointed to convey to the Rev. Armine Mountain the unanimous request of the Synod, that he should prepare a memoir of our late beloved Bishop, and also publish two or more

volumes of his sermons, beg to report that having complied with the wishes of the Synod, they received the following reply:—

ST. MICHAEL'S PARSONAGE,
14th November, 1863.

REVEREND AND DEAR SIR,

I beg to acknowledge the letter signed by yourself and the other members of the Committee charged with carrying out the resolution of the Synod with reference to the publication of a memoir and sermons of my beloved father.

I had many months ago conceived the design of such a publication, for which my friends on both sides of the Atlantic had also expressed a strong desire, and some arrangements were in progress for its accomplishment, which were interrupted by my visit to Newfoundland. I trust to enjoy sufficient leisure during the present winter to make such a selection from the materials which are at my command, as may meet the kind wishes of the Synod, as well as be satisfactory to my other friends and the Church at large.

I beg you will convey to the Synod my best thanks for the kind feeling which suggested and adopted the resolution which you have communicated to me, while I believe it to be better, after consultation with other members of my family, not to impose on the Committee the task of soliciting subscriptions for the work. We are very sensible, notwithstanding, of the considerate intention which the members of the Committee have so willingly expressed their readiness to carry out.

I remain, Reverend and Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully,

ARMINE W. MOUNTAIN.

All which is respectfully submitted.

• GEORGE V. HOUSMAN,
Chairman.

Moved by Rev. G. Milne, seconded by Rev. R. Short,

That the Report of Committee on memoir, &c., be received and adopted.

The Committee on duties of Archdeacons and Rural Deans was called upon for its report. None was presented.

There was no report from Committee on duties of Church wardens, nor from Committee on Sunday schools.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE.

Mr. W. G. Wurtele presented and read the report of the Committee on Insurance.

The Committee appointed to devise some general plan for the insurance of all Churches and parsonages in the diocese, and also, if possible, the lives of the Clergy, beg leave to report:—

That no Fire Insurance Company would undertake one general risk on Church property, throughout the diocese, unless the Synod or some other responsible body guaranteed the punctual payment of the premium. As there is no means of collecting from each congregation its share of the premium with any certainty, your Committee cannot recommend the Synod to assume such a responsibility.

The new By-law, adopted by the Church Society, under which that body secures a fixed amount for the widows and orphans of the Clergy, on terms much more favorable than any Life Assurance Company could afford, is considered by your Committee, to accomplish as much as the limited means of the Clergy can effect towards the insurance of their lives.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. G. WURTELE,

Chairman.

Quebec, 30th June, 1865.

Moved by Mr. W. G. Wurtele, seconded by Rev. C. Hamilton,

That the Report be taken into consideration to-morrow morning before the motions, of which notice has been given.—Carried.

No Report was presented by the Committee for revision of statutes.

PROPOSED CANON OF DISCIPLINE.

Mr. Geo. Irvine presented and read the Report of the Committee appointed to frame a Canon of Discipline.

I.—OF THE DISCIPLINE OF THE CLERGY.

SECTION I.—*Of Amenability.*

1. Every priest and deacon duly licensed by the Bishop, or holding any charge under the jurisdiction of the Bishop in this diocese, shall be amenable for offences committed by him, to the Bishop, in

the manner and according to the provisions set forth in this Canon of Discipline.

SECTION II.—*Of Offences for which the Clergy may be tried.*

1. Every clergyman shall be liable to trial for any crime or gross immorality; for drunkenness, profane swearing, falsehood, or for any scandalous or disorderly conduct; for teaching or maintaining heretical doctrines, contrary to the doctrines of the Liturgy and Articles of the Church, such teaching or maintaining being by way of writing, or printing, or preaching, or public teaching, or circulating books containing unsound doctrines; for the habitual infringement of the rubric; for schism or separating himself from the communion of the Church; for discontinuing the exercise of the ministry without lawful cause; for exercising any lay profession or occupation inconsistent with his sacred calling; for living in the habitual disuse of public worship, or of the Holy Eucharist; or for violation of the constitution or canons of the Church in Canada or of this diocese.

2. Provided always that no proceeding shall be instituted under this canon unless the same be commenced within two years after the alleged commission of the offence in question. Nevertheless when proceedings are brought in respect of an offence, for which a conviction has been obtained in a civil or criminal tribunal, the suit in the Ecclesiastical Court may be commenced against the clergyman so convicted, within two years from the date of such conviction.

SECTION III.—*Preliminary Inquiry and Presentment.*

1. Whenever from public rumour or otherwise the Bishop shall have reason to believe that any Clergyman is under the imputation of having been guilty of an offence, for which he is liable to be tried, and that the interest of the Church requires an investigation, it shall be his duty to summon the party before him in private, and upon confession of the alleged offence, to pronounce such sentence as he may judge proper; which confession and sentence may, at the discretion of the Bishop, be reduced to writing, signed by the guilty

person, and recorded in the manner hereinafter provided for other sentences which shall be fixed by the Bishop.

SECTION IV.

1. If the accused person shall not admit or confess his guilt, and the Bishop, on enquiry into the circumstances of the charge, shall be of opinion that there is sufficient evidence to justify further enquiry, he shall cause the charge to be reduced to writing, specifying the circumstances with reasonable clearness, and cause a copy of it to be served on the accused, together with notice of the time and place of trial, both of which shall be fixed by the Bishop. If the Bishop shall be of opinion that there is not sufficient ground for proceeding to trial, he may, with the concurrence of _____ reject the charge, and no further proceedings shall be had thereupon. Provided that when the charge shall be for teaching or maintaining heretical doctrines, and the Bishop shall be of opinion not to entertain the same, an appeal shall lie from his decision to the Court of Appeal.

2. The Bishop shall, when he is of opinion that there is sufficient ground for proceeding to the trial of the accused party, nominate twelve priests of this diocese, not being related by consanguinity or affinity to the accused, and, at the same time with the notice fixing the day of trial, cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, who shall within thirty days after such service select five of them, and notify their names in writing to the Bishop, and if he shall not give such notification to the Bishop within the said thirty days, the Bishop shall select five, and the clergymen so selected shall form a Board of Triers for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at the time appointed by the Bishop, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and from place to place (but always within this diocese) as they shall think necessary.

3. Provided that at all meetings of the said Board of Triers at which they shall proceed to business, the Chancellor of the diocese shall be present and shall act as Assessor.

4. If the clergyman accused neglect or refuse to appear according to his summons, due notice having been served upon him as aforesaid, except for some sufficient or reasonable cause, the Court shall certify such default to the Bishop, whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce him to be in contumacy; and sentence of suspension from the ministry, shall be forthwith pronounced against him for such contumacy by the Bishop: but the sentence may be revoked if within three calendar months, he shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear to take his trial; but if the clergyman accused shall not so tender himself before the expiration of the said three months, the sentence of deposition from the ministry shall be pronounced against him by the Bishop; and the Bishop shall cause such sentence to be publicly read to the several congregations of the diocese by the respective ministers thereof.

5. If at the time appointed for the first meeting of the Board of Triers, the whole number of five shall not attend, then those who do attend may adjourn from time to time; and if after one adjournment or more, it shall appear to them improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, then those who do attend being not less than three, shall constitute the Board and proceed to the trial, and a majority of them shall decide all questions. They shall select one of their number to preside. They shall also appoint a Secretary, who may be one of their own number, whose duty it shall be to keep a record of all the proceedings had before the Court.

SECTION V.—*Suspension PENDENTE LITE.*

1. In every case in which, from the nature of the offence charged, it shall appear to the Bishop that great scandal is likely to arise, from the clergyman accused continuing to perform the services of the Church, while such charge is under investigation, the Bishop shall cause a notice to be served on the accused at the same time with the service of the copy of the charge, or at any time pending the proceeding, inhibiting the accused from performing any services of

the Church, until the matter shall have been finally decided. And if the accused is the incumbent of a benefice, he may within fourteen days of the service of such inhibition nominate to the Bishop, a fit person or persons to perform all such services of the Church during the period in which he is inhibited, but if he shall neglect to do so, the Bishop may make provision for the service of the Church, at the cost and charge of the clergyman so inhibited.

2. The Bishop shall at each biennial meeting of Synod, nominate a Church Advocate to conduct all prosecutions; he shall be a Priest belonging to the diocese, or a layman who is a member of the Church. The accused may appear by counsel if he shall see fit, which counsel shall in all cases be a member of the Church.

3. If on the day fixed for trial the accused shall appear, he shall be called upon to plead guilty or not guilty, and if he shall refuse or neglect to plead, the plea of *not guilty* shall be entered for him and the trial shall proceed.

4. The Board shall hear such evidence as shall be adduced, which evidence shall be reduced to writing, and signed by the witnesses respectively, and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths, may at the desire of either party, administer an oath to the witnesses.

5. Upon the application of either party to the Bishop, and it being made satisfactorily to appear to him that any material witness cannot be produced upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness. Such commissioner may be either a clergyman or a layman; and the party so applying shall give to the other at least six days' notice of the time and place of taking the testimony, provided the distance be not above forty miles, and an additional day's notice for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness, and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing, and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the board and shall be received by them as evidence. A witness

examined before such commissioner may be sworn in the manner aforesaid.

6. The proceedings upon a trial shall be public, unless in the unanimous opinion of the Court, the circumstances of the case require that the trial should be private.

7. The board having considered the evidence, shall declare in writing signed by them, or the majority of them, their decision on the charge, distinctly stating whether the accused is guilty or not guilty of the charge, and also the sentence which in their opinion should be pronounced. The finding of the Court, together with all the proceedings including the evidence taken in the case, shall be transmitted to the Bishop, before the decision is made public, and if the accused be found guilty, the Bishop shall pronounce such canonical sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same shall not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the board.

8. Provided always that the Bishop may grant a new trial on application of either of the parties, on its being made to appear to him that new evidence, having an important bearing on the case, has been discovered since the trial, in which case a new Board of Triers shall be appointed, and the proceedings before them shall be conducted in the manner hereinbefore provided.

SECTION VI.—Of Sentences.

1. The following sentences may be pronounced, and punishments imposed upon offending clergymen, viz. :—

Admonition ;

Suspension from the exercise of his office ;

Deprivation or removal from his office in the church, otherwise called deposition or degradation.

2. *Admonition* may be either public or private.

3. When the penalty of *suspension* is inflicted, the sentence shall specify on what terms or at what time the suspension shall cease. During his suspension, the clergyman shall not exercise the functions of his ministry, in his own congregation or elsewhere, on pain of de-

privation and deposition; and during such suspension the Bishop may appoint another clergyman to supply the place of the suspended clergyman, and may apply a part or the whole of the emoluments or income of the parish, mission or cure to the payment of such substitute.

4. When the sentence of *deprivation or removal from his office* is pronounced, the connection between the minister so deposed and his parish or congregation shall be *ipso facto* severed; and all offices, rents, issues, profits and emoluments which he may have held by virtue of such office or ministry from which he has been removed, shall wholly cease and determine.

5. Whenever a clergyman is so deposed or degraded from the holy ministry, the Bishop who pronounces the sentence shall without delay give notice thereof, to every clergyman and vestry in the diocese, and also to all the Bishops of this Province.

SECTION VII.

1. All the proceedings of the Court as well as the sentence in each case shall be recorded and kept of record in the office of the Registrar of the Diocese,

SECTION VIII.

1. Every notice, citation, and requisition to be given or made under the provisions of this canon, shall be served upon the person or persons to whom the same respectively relates, either personally, or by leaving a copy of the same at his usual or last known place of residence; or, if he have departed from the province, by publishing a copy of such notice or citation to appear for his trial, twice in some English newspaper printed in Quebec, six months before the said day of appearance.

II.—DISCIPLINE OF THE LAITY.

1. The 2nd & 3rd Rubrics prefixed to the Office for the administration of the Holy Communion, in the Book of Common Prayer, prescribe the manner of proceeding by the minister of any parish, toward any layman guilty of any of the offences therein mentioned, and provide for the reporting the same to the Bishop.

2. If the person thus repelled shall think proper to make a complaint in writing to the Bishop against his clergyman for such repulsion, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless he thinks fit to restore him, from the insufficiency of the cause assigned by the minister, to institute an inquiry into the merits of the case.

3. Such inquiry shall be conducted by a Board, consisting of two disinterested clergymen and three disinterested laymen, who are communicants; and according to their report the Bishop shall either restore the person repelled, to the Holy Communion, or confirm the act of repulsion.

4. The continuance of the repulsion shall be subject to the conditions and provisions of the rubric.

Moved by Mr. George Irvine, seconded by Rev. H. Roe,

That the Report be printed at once, and taken into consideration to-morrow morning, immediately after the consideration of the report of the Committee on Insurance.—Carried.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Committee on proposed division of the diocese presented no report.

Mr. Hale presented and read Report of Committee on proportion of delegates.

The Committee to which was referred the resolution of Wm. Spragge, Esq., at the meeting of the Synod, held on the 30th July, 1863, proposing that the Fourth Article of the Constitution, regulating the proportion of delegates, be amended, and instructing the Committee to report upon the whole subject, has the honor to present the following Report:—

The Committee has given its best attention to the important matter referred to it, and is humbly of opinion that the system now

in force is objectionable and partial, and it strongly recommends that it be amended.

The compilation of reports of the clergy, made in tabular form, in 1862, although unfortunately incomplete in some essential particulars, furnishes the best information that can be readily obtained; while the computation made by it of the number of Church families, in each mission, seems to be the safest basis upon which to proceed.

According to this compilation, it appears that the number of families pertaining to the Cathedral of Quebec, was, in 1862, 360, thus allowing one lay delegate for every 120 families.

St. Matthew's	has its one delegate for every.....	300	families.
St. Peter's	one delegate "	200	"
St. Paul's	one delegate "	85	"
St. Michael's	one delegate "	56	"
Trinity Chapel	one delegate "	100	"
Sherbrooke Church	one delegate "	150	"
Lennoxville Church	one delegate "	79	"

On the other hand the missions shewing the greatest disproportion, are those in the country, embracing several stations for Church service in each, and controlling in some measure the Synod.

They are

Bury	with 4 delegates to 60 Church families, or 1 delegate to 15	"
Dudswell	with 2 delegates to 30 or 1 delegate to 15	"
Frampton	with 4 delegates to 136 or 1 delegate to 34	"
Leeds	with 3 delegates to 44 or 1 delegate to 15	"
Hopetown	with 3 delegates to 68 or 1 delegate to 23	"
St. Sylvester	with 6 delegates to 103 or 1 delegate to 17	"

Thus making 22 delegates to represent 441 families, or nearly seven times the proportion of the 3 delegates representing the 360 families of the important congregation of the Cathedral.

It would be difficult in the opinion of this Committee to adduce any sound argument in support of so partial a system, more particularly when the preponderance of power and influence is with the remote, scattered, less cultivated and most dependent cures, relying to a great extent upon extraneous aid yet controlling the more populous sister cures which afford that aid.

Your Committee is further of opinion that the present is a propi-

tious moment for making any change, when no exciting topic exists to stir up opposing views, and when good feeling and harmony prevail in the diocese.

Your Committee therefore begs leave to recommend that Article 4 of the Constitution be repealed, and the following Article substituted in its place.

Article 4.—Every separate cure, served by a licensed minister, shall be entitled to elect one representative: and when there is more than one congregation within a cure, then each such congregation having not less than 50 adult members shall be entitled to elect one representative. Provided that no cure shall in any case have more than three representatives, to be elected by the most numerous congregations in the cure: and provided also that the congregation of the Cathedral Church of the diocese shall be entitled to elect three representatives.

EDW. HALE,
Chairman.

Moved by Mr. Hale, seconded by Mr. Spragge,

That the report be taken into consideration to-morrow morning, after the discussion of the canon of discipline.

The Treasurer presented and read his Report:—

The Treasurer of the Synod in presenting his account of the fund for defraying the necessary expenses, begs to call attention to the remarks made thereon by the Auditors.

The amount hitherto collected in any year and paid into this account has not been sufficiently large to meet the outlay, the deficiency being caused principally by the neglect of congregations represented in the Synod, to send in any contribution to the fund.

In order to remedy this, the Treasurer respectfully submits the following resolution for adoption:

That in Canon 8, after the words "to be made," be added the word "annually," so as to make the paragraph read as follows:

It shall be the duty of every clergyman in the diocese to cause a collection, for defraying the expenses of the Synod, to be made annually in each congregation within his charge which is entitled to elect a lay delegate.

The whole respectfully submitted.

ROBERT H. SMITH,
Treasurer.

Quebec, 5th July, 1865.

Moved by Mr. W. G. Wurtele, seconded by Rev. A. Balfour,

That Rev. H. Roe, and Rev. W. King, and Messrs. W. G. Wur-

tele, R. H: Smith and B. T. Morris, be a Committee to report a resolution, to-morrow, on Ways and Means.—Carried.

Moved by Rev. H: Roe, seconded by Rev. W. King,

That Rev. A. J. Broughall, of the diocese of Toronto, be requested to take a seat on the floor of the house.—Carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Unfinished business was then taken up:—

The following resolutions amending Articles of the Constitution, approved last session, were confirmed:—

That Article 6 of the Constitution be amended by expunging the words "and shall continue in office until his successor be appointed."

That Article 11 of the Constitution be amended by omitting the words "shall record them in a book provided for that purpose," and substituting the following, "shall adopt the mode of authenticating two printed copies of the journal, by which parochial registers are authenticated in the Prothonotary's office, and that the two copies so authenticated be regarded and accepted as the true and authentic record of all proceedings."

The following Resolution, passed last session, was confirmed:—

"That the resolution adopted by the second session of this Synod, requiring the Secretaries to publish a list of the delegates in one of the Quebec papers one month before the meeting of Synod, be repealed."

The amendment of Canon IX., see page 52 last Journal, was, with the permission of the Synod, withdrawn.

The following addition to Rules of Order, approved last Session, was confirmed:—

The reports of all committees shall be in writing, and shall be received of course, and without motion for acceptance unless recommended by vote of the Synod. All reports recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the Synod, shall be accompanied by a resolution for the action of the House thereon.

The Rev. G. J. Magill, obtained permission to postpone the consideration of his resolution, with reference to Lay co-operation, until to-morrow.

MOTIONS.

The motions, of which notice had been given in the morning, were then taken up:—

Moved by Rev. H. Roe, seconded by Rev. A. A. Allen,

That until other provision shall have been made by the Provincial Synod, _____ shall be observed as a day of annual thanksgiving, after harvest, throughout this diocese, except in the event of a day being appointed by the Governor General previous to that day.

That on that day Divine Service, including administration of the Holy Communion, shall be celebrated at the usual hour of morning service in all the churches and chapels in the diocese where practicable, and a collection made in aid of _____.—Carried.

Moved by Rev. A. C. Scarth, seconded by Mr. B. T. Morris,

That the appointment of a day of annual thanksgiving after harvest, the office to be used and the object of the collection to be made on that day, be left to the Bishop.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. H. S. Scott, seconded by Rev. A. Balfour,

That a Committee, composed of Rev. H. Roe, Rev. G. V. Housman and the mover, do prepare a memorial to the Provincial Synod requesting that it will present an address to the Governor General, praying that he will be pleased to order, annually, a day of general thanksgiving.—Carried.

Moved by Rev. H. Roe, seconded by Rev. A. J. Woolryche,

That in Article 2 of the Constitution, the words "such as shall bring them under the jurisdiction of the Bishop" be inserted, instead of the words "with the sanction of the Bishop."—Carried.

It was then, at six P. M., moved and carried that the Synod do now adjourn.

 SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

The Synod assembled at 10 A. M.

After prayers, the minutes of the preceding day were read and approved.

Six Notices of Motion were then handed in to the Secretaries.

ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO PROVINCIAL SYNOD, AND OF
DIOCESAN BOARD.

By unanimous consent of the Synod, the rules of order were suspended, to permit the Rev. H. Roe to move, seconded by Mr. B. T. Morris,

That the election of delegates to the Provincial Synod, and also of members of the Diocesan Board, take place at 12 o'clock to-day.—Carried.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

Moved by Rev. A. J. Woolryche, seconded by Rev. H. Roe,

That the committees on duties of Archdeacons and Rural Deans and Churchwardens be named by the Bishop.

The Bishop named—Rev. Messrs. Housman (chairman), Woolryche and Fothergill and Messrs. Wurtele, Pratten and Petry for the Committee on duties of churchwardens, and Rev. Messrs. Mountain, Dodwell and Housman and Mr. George Irvine, with the Bishop as chairman, for the Committee on duties of Archdeacons.

The Executive Committee was reappointed, with the substitution of Rev. M. M. Fothergill for Rev. C. M. Fox.

LETTERS.

The Secretaries read a letter from Rev. T. S. Chapman explaining that his absence from the Synod was caused by parochial duty which could not be postponed.

REPORT OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD.

The Rev. A. J. Woolryche presented the Report of the Diocesan Board.

The Diocesan Board regret their inability to speak of the future in the same hopeful tone as characterized their last report to the Central Board. It was confidently expected that during the year just past, both the clergy and laity would in their respective spheres do all that in them lay, to enable the Board to discharge their engagements. This reasonable expectation remains to be fulfilled. It is needless to inform the Central Board,—though from the num-

ber of applications received for increase of stipend, as well as from the apathy which appears to prevail, it would seem necessary to keep prominently before the diocese,—that whilst, on the one hand, the Board are pledged to pay the entire salaries of all their missionaries, so on the other, as they have no funds of their own, their ability to meet their engagements must necessarily depend on the available means at their disposal. Little, if any, addition has been made to the General Sustentation Fund: the object of which is to anticipate, as far as our present exigencies will allow, the time when the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel shall put into execution its formally declared intention, of still further reducing its grant to this diocese. The Board would therefore repeat the anxious hope, to which they have already given utterance, that those who have inherited wealth, or have been successful in their callings will, either in their lifetime or by bequest, become liberal benefactors of this important branch of the Board's operations. It now becomes their duty to direct the attention of the Central Board to the condition and prospects of the Revenue Account, or Mission Fund, as it is more generally, but improperly called. And here it may be proper to suggest that it might probably tend to distinguish, what are now frequently confounded, local assessments, from voluntary contributions, if the term were applied exclusively to the Mission Fund of the Church Society, in aid of which sermons are preached, and contributions annually solicited. The Revenue Account—the only fund at the disposal of the Board for the maintenance of the clergy—consists (1) of the annual grant of the S. P. G., (2) of local assessments; and (3) of annual subscriptions in behalf of the Mission Fund of the Church Society. The annual grant of the S. P. G. to December 31st, 1865, will be, according to the existing arrangement, at the rate of £1,957 10s. sterling per annum, besides a further sum of £200 sterling, for Labrador, and the Rev. R. G. Ward. From and after the above mentioned date, it will be necessary for the Society, and the Bishop and the Synod to enter into a new arrangement. At the request of the Bishop, the Board have been recently engaged in drawing up a plain statement of the condition, resources, and prospects of the diocese, and in rendering answers to certain questions submitted by the S. P. G., with a view to enable it to apportion its grants with due regard to the claims and merits of the several Colonial dioceses of the British Empire. We trust from this representation, supported as it probably will be, by the presence and advocacy of the Bishop, that the Society may be induced to refrain from any further immediate reduction of its annual grant to this diocese.

The Board have to complain that the assessments are much in arrear. By assessments are meant the annual amounts which

missions in connection with the Board undertook to pay towards the general maintenance of the clergy, instead of, as heretofore, directly towards the support of their respective pastors. For the four quarters ending December 31st, 1863, the assessments amounted to \$4,143 ; the actual receipts were only \$2,981. It is unnecessary to comment on the fact that missions, which avail themselves of the ministrations of the Church, and fail to fulfil their engagements must be continually increasing the deficiency, and consequently the embarrassments, imperilling indeed the existence of the Board. It is time that it should be generally known that as the Board have no option, so they will be compelled, however reluctant they may feel, to carry out the provisions of the By-law ; one of which is that no assistance shall be given to any congregation, parish or mission unwilling to do its part towards the maintenance of the Church. Next year it will again be the duty of the Board to confer with the local authorities of each mission, as to the amount to be contributed by them for the three years following. If it should then be deemed necessary to close any mission, and remove its clergyman to another and more productive field of labour, it is well that it should be clearly understood beforehand that such a mission will have been closed, not on account of its inability, but for its bad faith, and unwillingness to contribute what it could—whether much or little—towards the maintenance of the Church : its unwillingness to obey the ordinance of the Great Head of the Church—that they who preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel. The Board are of opinion that this want of good faith in the observance of engagements, is attributable in some measure to the want in rural districts of information about Church matters, and the absence of all system in the collection of Church dues, and in many instances to the inactivity of Church-wardens. As this is a case in which the honor of the laity is specially concerned, so it is to be hoped that some plan will speedily be devised to remove a reproach—to rectify an evil, which, if suffered to continue, must bring about either the dissolution of the Board, or the abandonment of many missions, now in the enjoyment of the regular services of the Church, and the advantages of a resident clergyman. The Board are happy to be enabled to state that many missions, as will appear from the Treasurer's accounts, have duly fulfilled their engagements. The subscriptions to the Mission Fund of the Church Society, so far as the Board are able to judge from the returns at present received, will be considerably less this year than even they were last. On these voluntary contributions the Board rely to make up the salaries of the clergy, which exceed the S. P. G. grant, and the amounts received from the various missions on account of local assessments, by about \$1,600. For

this falling off, the Board are of opinion that both clergy and laity are equally blameworthy. From the Cathedral District Association \$1,107 30 have been received; from St. Michael's the amount placed to their credit in the tabular statement. The Board trust that similar associations will be formed next year in all the chapelries of the parish. It was confidently expected, and not without reason, that the rural clergy, no longer dependent on their own people for the direct payment of their stipends, would, as they might, have rendered valuable assistance, by explaining from house to house the nature and constitution of the Board, and by establishing associations in connection with the Society in their respective limits. In both of these expectations the Board have been disappointed. On this point, however, as it may be supposed hardly to come within their province, the Board content themselves with the following extract from a circular, which the Bishop recently addressed to his clergy:—"I would recommend the clergy to urge upon their people the necessity of prompt and punctual payment of the assessed contributions of the missions. I am one of those who procured the insertion of the clause in the canon, which makes the Board responsible for the entire salary of the clergyman. It was thought that the clergy would have less delicacy in reminding the people of their obligations to a general fund than in asking for contributions for their own support. I still think that the moral, as well as the material position of the clergyman, is very much improved under the new system; but I cannot disguise from myself the fact that the experiment seems very likely to prove a failure, and that the clergy will be again thrown into personal relation with their flocks, in regard to that part of their salary which does not come from the grant of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. The punctual payment of the contributions to the Board, and the strenuous support of the Church Society—either its Mission or its General Fund—may avert this; but I see nothing else that will."

It is not perhaps as generally known as it ought to be, that the Mission Fund is under the sole control and management of the Diocesan Board.

The assessment promised by each mission, as well as the amount in which any mission may be in arrear, will be found in a tabular statement appended to this report.

The difficulties of the Board have been further increased by that clause of the by-law which instructs the Board, that no clergyman, being in priest's orders, shall be appointed with their concurrence, to a sole charge, whose clerical income is less than £150 currency per annum. For whilst it has had the effect of raising the salaries of all

clergymen, on their removal to another mission—without regard either to their personal claims, or to the financial condition of the Board, it has not unfrequently happened that clergymen of long standing in the ministry, or in charge of extensive missions, have seen their juniors appointed to smaller charges, at a higher rate of stipend than their own. To counteract this apparent injustice, as far as possible, the Board resolved on apportioning the special grant made by the Central Board in February last, of \$450, increased by a subsequent donation from the Bishop to \$550, amongst the thirteen clergymen whose clerical stipends were under £150 currency, on the 31st of December, 1863. This apportionment, however, did no more than raise the stipends of these thirteen clergymen to the uniform amount of \$549.82. A gratuity of \$50 was also given to a deacon who has spent a long life in the service of the Church, and whose salary is only \$243.32 per annum. The Board would suggest, as the result of their experience, that it would be desirable to amend the by-law by making five instead of seven the number required for a quorum: and also that the clauses which require them to give £150 per annum to every priest on his appointment to a mission, and to guarantee the entire salary of their missionaries, be so far modified as to leave it optional on the part of the Board to do either the one or the other. The Treasurer has furnished the Board with the following abstract statement of the receipts and expenditure of the Board during the past two years:—

1863 and 1864.	
Amount paid to Clergy during two years.....	\$27,881 15
Do for general expenses	152 60
Balance in hand to meet the payments now due.....	3,053 97
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	\$31,087 72
Amounts received from missions during two years. (The missions ought to have paid \$8,425.47).....	
	\$ 6,648 34
Amounts received from S. P. G.....	20,969 72
Do do Mission Fund, Church Society, including special grant \$450, and donation of the Lord Bishop \$100.	3,469 66
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	\$31,087 72

It only remains for the Board to express their deliberate opinion that, unless for the future greater regularity be exercised in the payment of local assessments, and increased liberality be manifested throughout the diocese, they see no prospect of raising the salaries of all the clergy to £150 per annum, or of opening new missions, however urgent the cry, or encouraging the prospect.

The Board have concurred in the following appointments during the past year :—

The Rev. J. Richardson, to the mission of Bury.

" F. J. B. Allnatt,	do	of Drummondville.
" F. A. Smith,	do	of Gaspé Basin.
" M. Ker,	do	of Sandy Beach.
" A. Balfour,	do	of Nicolet.
" W. G. Lyster,	do	of Cape Cove and Percé.
" E. C. Parkin,	do	of Cookshire.
" J. Dalziel,	do	of Portneuf.
" A. Von Iffland,	do	of Valcartier.

It was omitted to mention in last year's report that the labours of the Rev. L. C. Wurtele, are now confined to the congregation of Actonvale.

INSURANCE.

The Report of Committee on Insurance was then taken into consideration.

Moved by Mr. H. S. Scott, seconded by Mr. Spragge,

That the Report on Insurance be referred back to the same Committee, with the addition of the mover, with instruction to report tomorrow morning.

ELECTION OF DELEGATES.

Twelve o'clock having arrived, the Synod proceeded to the election of delegates to the Provincial Synod, and of members of the Diocesan Board.

Moved by Rev. A. A. Allen, seconded by Rev. W. S. Vial,

That the Rev. H. Roe and Mr. H. S. Scott, be appointed scrutineers of the votes for delegates to the Provincial Synod.—Carried.

The Rev. J. Kemp and Captain Thompson, were appointed scrutineers of the votes for the members of the Diocesan Board.

At one o'clock the House adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 P.M., the Synod reassembled.

REPORT OF ELECTION OF DELEGATES.

We, the undersigned scrutineers, do hereby report the following names as elected to serve in the Provincial Synod :—

CLERGY.

Rev. Dr. Nicolls,

“ C. Hamilton,

“ H. Roe,

refused — “ A. W. Mountain,

“ Professor Dodwell,

“ A. J. Woolryche,

Rev. G. V. Housman,

“ G. C. Irving,

“ C. P. Reid,

“ S. S. Wood, *refused* —

“ H. G. Burrage,

“ A. C. Scarth.

Substitutes.

refused
d^o Rev. E. W. Sewell,

“ W. Richmond,

“ E. C. Parkin,

Rev. J. Torrance,

“ M. M. Fothergill.

LAITY.

H. S. Scott,

Hon. E. Hale,

Right Hon. Lord Aylmer,

George Irvine,

B. T. Morris,

Thomas Wood,

W. R. Doak,

George Hall,

R. Hamilton,

Wm. Petry,

Joseph Forsyth,

E. J. Hemming.

Substitutes.

H. R. Hanning,

James B. Forsyth,

W. G. Wurtele,

W. Spragge,

H. N. Jones.

Quebec, July 6th, 1865.

HENRY ROE,
HENRY S. SCOTT.

The election of clerical and lay delegates was mutually confirmed by the lay delegates and clergy.

REPORT OF ELECTION OF DIOCESAN BOARD.

The scrutineers beg to report the following as the result of the ballots for members of the Diocesan Board :—

CLERICAL MEMBERS.

Rev. A. W. Mountain,

“ M. M. Fothergill,

Rev. H. J. Petry.

LAY MEMBERS.

H. S. Scott,
M. Sheppard,

W. G. Wurtele,

JOHN KEMP,
JAMES THOMPSON.

Mr. H. S. Scott declined to act upon the Diocesan Board. Mr. H. N. Jones having the next largest number of votes, was declared elected.

CONSIDERATION OF CANON OF DISCIPLINE.

The proposed Canon of Discipline was then taken up.

Moved by Rev. A. C. Scarth, seconded by Rev. A. Balfour,

That the consideration of the canon be postponed until next session.—Lost.

Moved by Mr. George Irvine, seconded by Rev. H. Roe,

That the canon be now considered clause by clause.—Carried.

The first section was agreed to.

In the second section the words “for drunkenness, profane swearing, falsehood,” were omitted.

Mr. W. G. Wurtele’s motion to introduce the words “for the introduction of innovations and novelties in the performance of Divine Service,” after the word “rubric” in the second section, was lost upon the following division :—

YEAS :

Rev. Messrs. Burrage, Botwood, Dodwell, Gay, Housman, Milne, Pless, Short, Sewell, Smith, and Torrance.—11.

NAYS :

Rev. Messrs. Allen, Balfour, Fothergill, Foster, Hamilton, Irving, Kemp, King, Magill, Petry, Richmond W., Richmond J. P., Roe, Scarth, Sykes, Vial, Von Iffland, Ward, Woolryche, and Wood.—20.

YEAS :

Lord Aylmer, Messrs. Ashe, Doak, Hale, Hanning, Henery, Hemming, Kelly J., Scott E. B., Scott H. S., Sheppard, Spragge, Sewell, Thompson Isaac, Vibert, Watkins, and Wurtele.—17.

NAYS:

Messrs. Forsyth Joseph, Hall, Hamilton, Irvine, Kerr, Lyster, Morris, Montgomery, Petry, Pratten, Rhodes, Scott H., Tilstone, Thompson Captain, Walker, Wood, and Woods.—17.

In the second line of the second paragraph of clause two, the word "one" was substituted for the word "two."

In the same paragraph, for the last eight words, the following were substituted: "three months of the period, when the knowledge of such conviction shall have reached the Bishop."

Section III. was adopted after the words "from public rumor or otherwise" had been expunged.

In section IV., the words "with the concurrence of" were omitted; and also the last sentence of the first paragraph in the same section was expunged.

It was then moved, That the further consideration of the Canon be postponed until to-morrow morning, and be the first order of the day.—Carried.

REPRESENTATION.

The Report of Committee on Representation was then taken up, and it was

Moved by Rev. H. Roe, seconded by Rev. A. Balfour,

That Hon. E. Hale and Mr. Irvine, be a Committee to prepare an amendment to Article IV. of the constitution, and to report to-morrow morning.—Carried.

The hour of seven having arrived the Synod adjourned.

THIRD DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

After prayers the minutes of preceding day were read and approved.

ADDRESS TO THE BISHOP.

The Order of Proceedings was suspended by unanimous consent in order to permit Rev. G. Milne, seconded by Mr. P. Vibert, to move,

That Rev. G. C. Irving and Mr. H. S. Scott, with the mover and seconder, be a Committee to draft an address to the Lord Bishop on his return from England, to report at 12.45 P.M.—Carried.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Two Notices of Motion were then handed to the Secretaries.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

Moved by Rev. E. Botwood, seconded by Rev. H. J. Petry,

That a Committee be appointed to consider the best means of providing a proper edifice, either within the cathedral enclosure or elsewhere, for the purposes of the Synod and other Church business, and to report at the next session: the Committee to consist of the Lord Bishop (chairman), Rev. Messrs. Housman, Hamilton and Fothergill; the Right Hon. Lord Aylmer, Mr. Sheppard, Capt. Ashe, Messrs. R. Hamilton, W. G. Wurtele and Hon. E. Hale with the mover and seconder.—Carried.

Moved by Rev. J. L. Gay, seconded by Rev. A. A. Allen,

That a Committee of three clergymen and three laymen be appointed by the Bishop to confer with his lordship upon the scheme proposed by Mr. Gay for a young ladies' school and to take such steps as they shall deem necessary in the matter.—Carried.

The Bishop named Rev. Messrs. Housman, Mountain, Scarth and Gay, and Hon. E. Hale and Messrs. E. J. Hemming and Rhodes.

Moved by Rev. G. J. Magill, seconded by Rev. A. C. Scarth,

That the Bishop be requested to name a Committee on lay co-operation.—Carried.

The Bishop named Rev. Messrs. Scarth, Roe and Hamilton, and Messrs. Irvine and Scott, and Hon. E. Hale.

Moved by Rev. A. Balfour, seconded by Rev. A. C. Scarth,

That a Committee be appointed to report on the subject of a diocesan or metropolitan press, or the creation of some channel of general intelligence, and that the Committee consist of Mr. H. S. Scott, Mr. M. Sheppard, and W. G. Wurtele.—Lost.

Moved by Mr. Sheppard, seconded by Rev. H. Roe,

That the Secretaries, with Mr. Wurtele as chairman, be a Committee on Statistics.—Carried.

Hon. E. Hale (chairman), Rev. G. C. Irving, Professor Dodwell,

and Dr. Nicolls, were appointed a Committee on the Revision of Constitution and Canons.

LETTERS.

The Secretaries informed the Synod that letters had been received from Rev. E. C. Parkin, and Rev. T. Richardson, explaining their absence from the Synod.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE LATE JEFFERY HALE, ESQ.

The Bishop laid before the Synod the correspondence which in accordance with the request of the Synod, in its last Session, he had carried on with Mr. Jeffery Hale.

QUEBEC, Sept. 22, 1863.

MY DEAR SIR,

I took yesterday the first opportunity I have had to call and speak with you concerning your very handsome offer of Church endowment.

Mr. Housman, quite inadvertently, and not unnaturally, preoccupied in a time of unwonted excitement, forgot to bring your letter before the Synod at the proper time, whilst the separation and endowment of St. Matthew's was under consideration. He asked me some time after what he should do, when I told him that if he would give me the letter, I would communicate it to the Synod myself, which accordingly I did; whereupon I was requested to confer with you upon its contents. I do not suppose that the result would have been other than it was, had your letter been produced at the proper time. Still I have thought it right to explain how it came before the Synod in the manner in which it did come. This is my account of the past. In regard to the future it will conduce, perhaps, to a right understanding, if I state frankly and briefly what I take to be the real wishes of the parties concerned, and therefore the proper basis of negotiation.

I assume then (1) that it is your wish to provide for the permanency of what is called evangelical preaching by endowing a church, and retaining the patronage in the hands of trustees. The accomplishment of this desire I will do my best to facilitate; but (2) I am unwilling, indeed it would be useless to attempt to disturb the arrangement made for St. Matthew's.

I suppose, however, that it will not be impossible to secure the object you have in view.

St. Paul's has, I believe, been a failure, as a "Mariner's Chapel." Would this suit your purpose? There is much to be done there,

and I have no doubt that the Rector would consent to surrender the chapel, and that the Synod could be induced to unite in the act. If in this, or any other manner that may occur to you, the Church can be made the recipient of your munificent donation, I shall rejoice at the provision made for the support of the means of grace in the city; and shall rejoice that I have been enabled to co-operate with you in so good a work.

Believe me to be,
My Dear Sir,
Faithfully yours,
J. W. QUEBEC.

QUEBEC, Sept. 23, 1863.

MY LORD BISHOP.

I beg to acknowledge with many thanks, the kindness of Your Lordship's explanations and suggestions, relative to the proposal submitted by me some time ago, to the Rev. Mr. Housman, for communication to the proper authorities.

Your Lordship describes frankly, but not fully, the wish which resulting in the above proposal, had its origin in considerations connected with the future usefulness of my school-property near St. John's gate. This explained part, however, of the object I had in view, would be obviously unattainable, by attaching that property to the remote Chapel of St. Paul.

Although, therefore, should any other mode occur to me of forwarding the interests of the Church, I shall feel permitted to address Your Lordship thereupon, I am afraid that my late endeavours to promote the means of grace in Quebec, cannot be otherwise regarded than as having "fallen through," notwithstanding Your Lordship's favorable disposition towards it; and notwithstanding that I should have sincerely rejoiced, if it had been permitted to me to witness its accomplishment, under the gratifying encouragement of Your Lordship's approval.

I beg to remain,
My Lord Bishop,
Your faithful servant,
JEFFERY HALE.

Moved by Rev. G. Milne, seconded by Rev. C. Hamilton,

That in the case of erection of a church or parsonage, the incumbent, wardens, or other persons charged with such erection, shall furnish to the Synod, on the completion of the building, a full account of receipts and expenditure, accompanied by vouchers, and it shall be competent to the Synod at any time, to require the produc-

tion of such accounts, during the course of the erection of the building.—Carried.

FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF CANON OF DISCIPLINE.

The further consideration of the Canon of discipline, was then proceeded with.

The second paragraph in Section IV. was adopted with the substitution of the word "parties" for the word "accused" in the third line.

The third paragraph in Section IV. was adopted with the substitution of the words, "an advocate appointed by the Bishop" for the words, "The Chancellor of the Diocese."

In the fourth paragraph the word "six" was substituted for the word "three" wherever that word appears in the paragraph, and the words "after due service of such sentence upon him" were introduced after the words "calendar months" in the seventh line; and all the words to the end of the paragraph beginning, "and the Bishop shall cause such sentence," etc., etc., were struck out.

In the fifth paragraph the words "provided that if all five of the Triers be present, not less than four shall agree in the conviction, and that if less than five be present they shall be unanimous," were introduced after the word "questions" at the end of the first sentence.

ADDRESS TO THE BISHOP.

The Committee appointed to draft an address to the Bishop from the Synod, presented and read the following:—

MY LORD,—We, the Clergy and Lay Delegates of the Diocese of Quebec, in Synod assembled, beg to offer to your Lordship our hearty congratulations on your safe return, and sincerely to welcome you again amongst us.

We desire to express our thankfulness to Almighty God for having protected you in your travels by land and by water, and for the measure of success which He has granted you in your efforts in behalf of this diocese.

We pray that He will be pleased to direct and support you by His Holy Spirit in your going out and coming in, till He bring you to His everlasting kingdom.

To the Right Reverend Father in God,
JAMES, LORD BISHOP OF QUEBEC.

MY REV. BRETHREN, AND BRETHREN OF THE LAITY,—

I thank you most sincerely for your kind congratulations. The sympathy of the Synod is my strong support. I feel with you that the measure of success which has been granted to me in my efforts in behalf of the diocese, in England, is matter for thankfulness; and I pray most heartily that God's Holy Spirit may so direct and support me that success may attend my labours here.

The Synod then adjourned at one o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Synod reassembled at 2.30 P.M.

FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF CANON OF DISCIPLINE.

The first paragraph of Section V. was adopted with the addition of the following words at the end, "provided that the amount to be applied to the maintenance of such person or persons shall not exceed one-half of the income of the benefice during the period of suspension."

The second paragraph of Section V. was adopted after the words "at each biennial meeting of Synod" had been expunged.

The third paragraph of Section V. was adopted.

The fourth paragraph was also adopted.

The fifth paragraph was also adopted.

In the sixth paragraph the words "open to members of the Church" were substituted for the word "public."

In the seventh paragraph the word "required" was introduced before the word "majority" in the second line.

In the eighth paragraph the words "the accused" were substituted for the words "either of the parties"; and the following words were introduced after the word "appointed," "or if the accused, within eight days of the receipt by him of notice of a new trial being allowed, shall require the Bishop so to do, the original board shall be re-appointed."

In the last paragraph of Section VI. the words "give notice thereof to every clergyman and vestry in the diocese and also" were

expunged and the following substituted, "cause such sentence to be publicly read to the several congregations of the diocese by the respective ministers thereof, and shall also give notice."

Section VII. was adopted.

In Section VIII. all the words after "residence" were expunged.

Paragraphs one and two of the Discipline of the Laity were adopted.

In the third paragraph the following words were introduced after the word "communicant," "all of whom shall be appointed by the Bishop, and who shall report the facts of the case to him"; and for the words "according to" the word "upon" was substituted; and the following words were added at the end "as he shall deem right."

The fourth paragraph was expunged and the following was substituted:—

"The continuance of the repulsion shall be subject to the conditions and provisions of the rubric, and in case the clergyman of the parish shall, on application being made to him to restore the repelled person on profession of repentance, refuse so to do (on the ground that no sufficient evidence of such repentance has been given), such repelled person may again make a complaint in writing to the Bishop, who shall deal with it in the manner prescribed in the two last preceding paragraphs."

Moved by Rev. A. J. Woolryche, seconded by Rev. G. C. Irving,

That the proposed canon of discipline as amended be received and adopted.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Sheppard, seconded by Rev. H. Roe,

That the proposed canon of discipline be not finally adopted until it shall have been again considered next session and further amended if necessary.—Carried.

The main motion was therefore lost.

The House then adjourned to meet again at 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The Synod reassembled at 7 P. M.

REPRESENTATION.

Hon. E. Hale presented and read the following report:—

The Committee to which was referred the question of an amendment to Article 4 of the Constitution, to be appended to the report of the Committee on the proportion of delegates, begs to report the following draft of an article for the purpose in question.

Article 4.—Every separate cure, served by a licensed minister, shall be entitled to elect one representative, and when there is more than one congregation within a cure, then each such congregation shall be entitled to elect one representative.

Provided that in voting each cure shall have but one vote.

Provided also that the congregation of the Cathedral Church of the diocese used as the parish church for the parish of Quebec, shall be entitled to elect three representatives, and shall have three votes.

EDW. HALE,
Chairman.

Quebec, July, 1865.

Moved by Hon. E. Hale, seconded by Rev. J. L. Gay,

That the article drafted by the Committee be substituted for the existing article of the Constitution, No. 4.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Geo. Hall, seconded by Mr. Thos. Wood,

That the consideration of the report now before the Chair be deferred until the next meeting of the Synod, then to be taken up in the proper order of proceedings.—Carried.

The main motion was therefore lost.

SUNDRY RESOLUTIONS.

Moved by Rev. C. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Wurtele,

That the Synod do order a collection towards the expenses of the Synod to be made in every congregation before the end of September and transmitted to the Treasurer.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Sheppard, seconded by Rev. C. Hamilton,

That Canon VIII. be amended by adding the word "annually" after the words "to be made."—Carried.

The Committee on Insurance was, by request of the chairman, reappointed.

By unanimous consent of the Synod all the notices of motion referring to changes of the Articles of the Constitution or Canons were referred to the Committee on revision of the Articles of the Constitution and Canons. The Secretaries were instructed to keep copies of the originals.

Moved by Rev. H. Roe, seconded by Rev. W. King,

That the question of Mr. W. G. Wurtele be not recorded.—Carried on the following division :

YEAS :

Rev. Messrs. Burrage, Botwood, Fothergill, Foster, Gay, Hamilton, Irving, King, Milne, Ples, Petry, Richmond, Roe, Scarth, Wood, Ward, Woolryche.—17.

NAYS :

Rev. Messrs. Housman, Kemp.—2.

YEAS :

Messrs. Forsyth Joseph, Hale, Hall, Hanning, Henery, Hemming, Kerr, Morris, Montgomery, Petry, Pratten, Scott Hamilton, Spragge, Vansittart, Walker, Wood.—16.

NAYS :

Messrs. Ashe, Doak, Lefebvre, Mountain, Scott, E. B., Scott, H.S., Sheppard, Simpson, Vibert, Wurtele.—10.

Moved by Mr. Sheppard, seconded by Rev. C. Hamilton,

That the following be an addition to the Rules of Order :

Whenever a Committee shall be appointed, a chairman shall be named, and in case of no such nomination the first person on the list shall be chairman.—Carried.

Moved by Rev. S. S. Wood, seconded by Rev. M. M. Fothergill,

That whereas it is known to the whole Church that the Most Rev. the Lord Bishop of Cape Town, Metropolitan of the Church of South Africa, has taken a noble stand for the maintenance of the Catholic Faith in its integrity as ever taught by the United Church of England and Ireland, against the open attacks of heresy and error made by Dr. Colenso :

The Right Rev. the Lord Bishop and the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Quebec, in Synod assembled, do most cordially

offer their united thanks to the Most Rev. the Lord Bishop of Cape Town, as well as their most cordial sympathy for him in his present painful and trying position, and they pray that in God's providence his Lordship may have many years of health and strength given him to preside over the Church in South Africa, until the present anomalies affecting the Colonial Church are clearly adjusted and she is placed in a position to which, as a faithful branch of the United Church of England and Ireland, she is fully entitled.—Carried unanimously.

Moved by Rev. E. Botwood, seconded by Rev. W. King,

That whenever the Bishop shall consider it right he may dispense altogether with the day of thanksgiving after harvest, or substitute for it a day of public humiliation, prayer and fasting.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. B. T. Morris, seconded by Rev. A. C. Scarth,

That the thanks of the Synod be given to the directors of the Grand Trunk Railway, for their kindness in giving return tickets to the delegates.—Carried.

The minutes of the day were then read and confirmed.

Moved by Hon. E. Hale, seconded Rev. S. S. Wood,

That the thanks of the Synod be offered to the Lord Bishop, for his efficient services and arduous duties in the chair.—Carried unanimously.

The Bishop then pronounced the Benediction, and the Session closed.

CHAS. HAMILTON,
Cler. Sec.

MAXFIELD SHEPPARD,
Lay Sec.

APPENDIX.

ACT OF THE PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

19-20 Vict., Chap. 21.

An Act to enable Members of the United Church of England and Ireland in Canada to meet in Synod.

PROCLAIMED, MAY 28TH, 1857.

WHEREAS doubts exists whether the members of the United Church of England and Ireland in this Province have the power of regulating the affairs of their Church, in matters relating to discipline, and necessary to order and good government, and it is just that such doubts should be removed, in order that they may be permitted to exercise the same rights of self-government that are enjoyed by other religious communities: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:—

I: The Bishops, Clergy, and Laity, members of the United Church of England and Ireland in this Province, may meet in their several dioceses, which are now, or may be hereafter constituted in this Province, and in such manner and by such proceedings as they shall adopt, frame constitutions and make regulations for enforcing discipline in the Church, for the appointment, deposition, deprivation, or removal, of any person bearing office therein, of whatever order or degree, any rights of the Crown to the contrary notwithstanding, and for the convenient and orderly management of the property, affairs, and interests of the Church in matters relating to and affecting only the said Church, and the officers and members thereof, and not in any manner interfering with the rights, privileges, or interests of other religious communities, or of any person or persons not being a

member or members of the said United Church of England and Ireland; Provided always, that such constitutions and regulations shall apply only to the diocese or dioceses adopting the same.

II. The Bishops, Clergy, and Laity, members of the United Church of England and Ireland in this Province, may meet in General Assembly within this Province, by such representatives as shall be determined and declared by them in their several dioceses; and in such General Assembly frame a constitution and regulations for the general management and good government of the said Church in this Province; provided always, that nothing in this act contained shall authorize the imposition of any rate or tax upon any person or persons whomsoever, whether belonging to the said Church or not, or the infliction of any punishment, fine, or penalty upon any person, other than his suspension or removal from an office in the said Church, or exclusion from the meetings or proceedings of the Diocesan or General Synods; and provided also, that nothing in the said constitutions or regulations, or any of them, shall be contrary to any law or statute now or hereafter in force in this Province.

CONSTITUTION OF THE SYNOD.

Article 1.—The Synod shall consist of the Bishop of the diocese, the Clergy of the same, and of Lay Representatives to be elected as hereinafter provided; and no act or resolution of the Synod shall be valid unless it shall receive the concurrence of the Bishop and of the majority of the clergy and laity present and voting at the meeting.

Article 2.—All clergymen instituted or licensed to any cure within the diocese, or holding any office therein by the appointment or with the sanction of the Bishop, and not being under ecclesiastical censure, shall be entitled to sit and vote in the Synod; and any such clergymen who having become superannuated shall continue to reside in the diocese, may attend its meetings and vote at the same.

Article 3.—The lay representatives shall be male communicants of at least one year's standing, of the full age of twenty-one years, and shall be elected triennially at the Easter meetings, or at any vestry meetings, specially called for such purpose by incumbents, after due notice on two Sundays, held by each minister having a separate cure of souls; and all laymen within the cure, of twenty-one years of age, and upwards, entitled, either by the laws now in force, or by any canon of this Synod to be hereafter made, to vote at such vestry meeting, who shall have declared themselves in writing at such meeting to be "members of the United Church of England and Ireland, and to belong to no other religious denomination," shall have the right of voting at the election.

Article 4.—Every separate cure, served by a licensed minister, shall be entitled to elect one representative, and when there is more than one congregation within a cure, then each such congregation shall be entitled to elect one representative; provided that the congregation of the Cathedral Church of the diocese, used as the parish church for the parish of Quebec, shall be entitled to elect three representatives.

Article 5.—The minister himself, if present, shall preside at the election, and in his absence the curate or assistant minister, or the senior churchwarden, or a chairman elected by a majority of the meeting, taking precedence in the order in which they are here named.

Article 6.—Each representative shall receive from the chairman of the meeting a certificate of his election in the subjoined form:—

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

Mission of..... Congregation of..... I hereby certify that at a meeting of the vestry of this church held on the..... day of..... 18..... was duly elected a delegate to the Synod of the diocese for the current year.

Article 7.—If a vacancy should occur in the number of represen-

tatives, by death, resignation, or any other cause, the minister shall proceed to hold a new election, with as little delay as possible, after due notice.

Article 8.—The Bishop shall appoint the time and place of meeting, and adjourn, or prorogue the Synod as may appear to him most for the welfare of the diocese; provided that a meeting of the Synod be called for the transaction of business at least once in every two years.

Article 9.—When the Bishop is not present he shall appoint his deputy, being a clergyman of the diocese of not less than fifteen years' standing in priest's orders, to preside in his place; and when the See shall become vacant, *the assistant minister of the Cathedral, or, if that office be vacant, or the assistant minister be absent from the diocese,* the clergyman actually at the time a resident of Quebec, of longest standing in priest's orders, shall, within one fortnight from the occurrence of such vacancy, summon a special meeting of the Synod, to be held in not less than forty nor more than sixty days from the date of such summons, for the purpose of electing a successor to the See. The clergyman summoning the meeting, *if present, or in his absence the senior clergyman present, shall call the Synod to order and act as president pro tempore, until the Synod shall be organized, and shall have elected a president,* and no election shall take place unless three-fourths of all the clergy and lay representatives, respectively, of the diocese, shall be present to form a quorum; a majority consisting of not less than two-thirds of each order present, being necessary for a choice. If a quorum should not assemble at such special meeting, the members present shall adjourn to any day within one week, and so on from time to time until a quorum shall be formed, when the election shall be proceeded with.

Article 10.—A quorum of the Synod at its ordinary meetings shall consist of not less than one-fourth of the clergy and lay representatives respectively.

Article 11.—There shall be two Secretaries, one from the clergy and the other from the laity, who shall keep regular minutes of all

proceedings of the Synod; shall adopt the mode of authenticating two printed copies of the journal, by which parochial registers are authenticated in the Prothonotary's office, and the two copies so authenticated shall be regarded and accepted as the true and authentic record of all proceedings; shall preserve all papers, memorials and other documents; shall certify the public acts of the Synod, and shall deliver all records and documents to their successors.

Article 12.—There shall be a Treasurer of the Synod, who shall receive and disburse all moneys collected and paid under its authority; and two Auditors, who shall annually inspect and report on the condition of the accounts.

Article 13.—At all meetings of the Synod, when a division takes place, the votes of each order shall be taken separately.

Article 14.—Any proposition for an alteration of the constitution, regulations, rules of order, or canons, shall be introduced in writing and considered at the meeting at which it is introduced; and, if approved by a majority of each order, shall lie over to the next meeting of the Synod, but shall not be finally adopted unless approved by the Bishop and by majorities, consisting of two-thirds of both clergy and laity then present.

CANONS.

CANON I.

Of the list of clergy entitled to vote in Synod, and of congregations entitled to send delegates.

On or before the first day of each session of the Synod, the Bishop shall furnish the Secretaries with a list of the clergy entitled to sit and vote in Synod, annexing the names of their respective cures or of the office which they hold. And the Bishop shall also at the same time furnish to the Secretaries a list of the congregations entitled to send delegates, with a description of the places at which such congregations meet. These lists shall be laid before the Synod on the

first day of each session ; and the right of any clergyman to a seat in the Synod, or of any congregation to be represented, shall be determined by such lists.

CANON II.

Names of delegates to be transmitted to Secretaries.

It shall be the duty of the chairman of the vestry meetings at which lay delegates are elected, to transmit to the Secretaries of the Synod, immediately after such election, the names of the delegates chosen, informing them at the same time whether such delegates require accommodation in Quebec during the session of Synod ; and it shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to make arrangements for their accommodation, and to communicate with the delegates as may be necessary on the subject. The Secretaries shall publish in one of the Quebec newspapers, at least one month before the meeting of the Synod, a list of the delegates, with the names of the places which they represent.

CANON III.

Of the mode of securing an accurate view of the state of the Church.

Every clergyman of this diocese, having the cure of souls, shall present or cause to be delivered, as soon as possible after Easter in each year, to the Bishop, a full report of the state and progress of the church in his cure, according to a printed form approved by the Bishop. This report shall contain a statement of the number of congregations within each cure ; the number of communicants, and of attendants on public worship ; the number of public religious services performed at each church or station within the year ; the number of pastoral visits made ; of baptisms, marriages, and burials ; and of persons confirmed within the same period ; also the state and condition of the Sunday schools within the cure, the amount of Holy Communion alms, and other offertory collections ; the amount of the contributions for the support of the resident clergyman, to the Church Society, or for other purposes of Church

extension, and any other matter which may serve to throw light on the state and progress of the Church.

The church and chapel wardens of each cure in the diocese, shall report annually to the Bishop, at the same time as the clergy, a statement of all moneys passing through their hands, showing from what sources they have been raised and how applied; also the ways and means by which the salary of the clergyman is provided; the method in practice for keeping the church or chapel in repair; and such other financial information relating to their church or chapel as may be of interest to the Synod. A condensed report and tabular view of the state of the Church in the diocese, shall be made, comprising a summary of the statistics, from the parochial returns, and published in the printed journals; the parochial reports being kept of record by the Secretaries.

CANON IV.

Of the Journal of Synod.

The journal of the Synod shall be printed under the direction of the Secretaries. The printed journal shall contain all the votes and proceedings of the Synod; all reports of committees of Synod, except it shall be in any particular instance otherwise ordered; the list of clergy entitled to sit in Synod, and of congregations entitled to be represented in the same, as furnished to the Synod by the Bishop; a digest of the returns made by the clergy, of the state and progress of their several cures; a list of the committees to sit during the recess of Synod; the constitution and canons of the diocese with the rules of order; the Treasurer's accounts and such other matter as may be specially ordered to be printed by the Synod. The Secretaries shall transmit annually to each Bishop of the Canadian Church, and to the Secretaries of the two houses of Provincial Synod, and to the Secretary of each Diocesan Synod of this Province, a copy of the journal, requesting copies of their several journals in exchange. They shall also transmit a copy to each clergyman of the diocese, and to each lay delegate, and to each churchwarden.

CANON V.

Of Delegates to the Provincial Synod.

The Synod shall, at each regular annual meeting, elect by the concurrent ballot of the clergy and lay delegates, twelve clergymen and twelve laymen from among the members of the Synod to act as delegates from this diocese to the Provincial Synod. The Synod shall also elect in the same manner *five* provisional delegates of each order, to serve as delegates in the event of any delegate or delegates declining or being unable to act. The clerical and lay Secretaries shall notify the clerical and lay delegates respectively of their election.

CANON VI.

Of the Committee for the Despatch of Business.

To facilitate the despatch of business, and to insure a more effectual consideration of matters to be discussed in Synod, there shall be a committee, to be presided over by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, consisting of twelve members, elected by the Synod, one half from among the clergy, and the other half from among the lay delegates.

It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to prepare in due form all such matter as the Bishop or any member of the Synod, clerical or lay, may desire to have brought before the Synod; they shall issue a circular stating the time and place of meeting, the business so far as known for the ensuing Synod, and the order in which such business will be discussed; and shall forward the circular to each clergyman and delegate one month before the meeting of the Synod. The business mentioned in the circular shall have precedence of all other business. Any vacancy occurring in the committee, shall be filled up by the committee, and five members shall form a quorum.

CANON VII.

Of Vestries in Free Churches.

In all churches and congregations in this diocese, where by

reason of the seats being free, no vestry can be formed, the members of the congregation of each such church shall have power and authority to constitute and form a vestry, and such vestry shall consist of the members of such congregation, being of the full age of twenty-one years, who habitually attend worship at such church—and being so formed and constituted, such vestry shall have the same power and authority to do and perform such matters and things as are possessed and done by vestries formed of holders of pews and sittings in other churches.

And in order to remove all doubts as to the persons who shall be considered as habitual attendants in such churches, for the purposes of this canon, be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the minister and churchwardens of every such free church, where there are churchwardens in office, or the incumbent alone when there are no churchwardens, shall prepare a list of all persons who habitually attend Divine worship in such church, and shall affix the said list on the church door on the first Sunday in Lent in each year, and the minister shall on the said Sunday give notice that, at such time and place as shall be mentioned in the notice, the minister and churchwardens, or the minister alone when there are no churchwardens, will attend, when he or they shall finally determine all objections to the said list, either by persons who claim to have their names inserted thereon, or by members of the congregation who desire to have their names erased therefrom; and the persons whose names shall remain on the said list after it shall be so amended, and no others, shall form the Vestry of such church.

CANON VIII.

Of the Treasurer and of the Synod Fund.

The Treasurer and Auditors shall be chosen at each annual Synod. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse the Synod Fund, his accounts shall be rendered annually to the Synod, having been previously examined by the Auditors, and with their report upon the same annexed.

There shall be a Synod Fund to provide for the necessary expenses of the Synod. This fund shall be raised as follows :

It shall be the duty of every clergyman in the diocese to cause a collection for defraying the expenses of the Synod, to be made in each congregation within his charge, which is entitled to elect a lay delegate. This collection he shall bring with him, or send, if he does not come himself, to the annual meeting, and pay it into the hands of the Treasurer.

The fund so raised may be disbursed, where not otherwise ordered by the Synod, under the directions of the committee.

CANON IX.

Mission Fund, Sustentation Fund, Diocesan Board.

The annual grant of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, and the Mission Fund of the Church Society, shall be intrusted to the management of a Diocesan Board on the following terms:—

A.—The conditions attached to its grant by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, shall be strictly observed.

B.—In order to anticipate, as far as possible, the contemplated reduction of the annual grant of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, the capital of the Mission Fund shall form a Sustentation Fund, which capital shall be progressively increased by the following means:—

1. The addition of the annual interest arising thereon.
2. The addition of any surplus from the Revenue account.
3. The addition of special subscriptions, donations and legacies.

C.—The revenue account of the said fund shall consist of the annual grant of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, of the proceeds of sermons, and of annual subscriptions for missionary purposes, and of grants to be made from time to time by the Central Board of the Church Society ; and shall be augmented by incorporating with it the fund already commenced as the Clergy Stipend Fund ; and shall be available for the general purposes of the Diocesan Board, among which prominence shall be given to the object of

raising the stipends of all the clergy of the diocese to a minimum of £150 currency per annum.

D.—The Diocesan Board shall be composed of the Lord Bishop of the diocese as president, the Treasurer of the Church Society, the Secretary of the Church Society, who shall also fill the same office at the Board if so required by the Board, of the Clerical Secretary of the Synod, of the Treasurer of the Synod, who shall also fill the same office at the Board, and of six clergymen and of six laymen; all the members of the Board being also members of the Corporation of the Church Society, one half of whom, in each order, shall be elected by the Church Society, and the other half by the Synod of the diocese: the members of the Board to hold office for a period of three years, and until their successors be respectively chosen. Any vacancies arising from death, resignation or removal from the diocese, shall be provisionally filled up by the Lord Bishop, and the persons so appointed shall continue in office till the next meeting of the Diocesan Synod, or of the Church Society, when the vacancies aforementioned shall be respectively supplied. Seven members of the Board shall form a quorum for the transaction of business. The Board shall have authority to make rules and regulations for the management of their affairs; provided that none of them be contrary to, or inconsistent with, the by-laws of the Church Society, or the canons of the Diocesan Synod. The Board shall report their proceedings to the Central Board of the Church Society and to the Synod of the diocese, and shall annually prepare for the Synod and the Church Society a general statement of the condition and prospects of their missionary stations. The proceedings of the Board shall be subject to the sanction of the Lord Bishop. All moneys intrusted to the Board shall be applied exclusively towards the support of the clergy of the diocese. All appointment to any cure or charge in connection with the Board, shall be made by the Lord Bishop, acting in concert with the Board. On the occurrence of a vacancy, in any parish or mission, or at the request of the churchwardens of any parish or mission, or at the desire of the Lord Bishop,

and at the expiration of every three years, it shall be the duty of the Board to confer and arrange with the local authorities, as to the amount to be contributed therein towards the maintenance of a resident clergyman ; it being an instruction to the Board that no clergyman, being in Priest's Orders, shall hereafter be appointed, with their concurrence or by their assistance, to a sole charge, whose clerical income shall be less than £150 currency per annum, and that no aid shall be given to any congregation, parish, or mission, which shall be considered by the Board unwilling to do its part toward the support of a pastor. All moneys collected by the churchwardens for the support of the clergyman shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of the Board, and the entire salary of the clergyman shall be paid out of the general fund so formed. In every instance where a congregation, parish or mission, shall be found to have failed in contributing the amount promised, it shall be the duty of the Board to make immediate inquiries of the local authorities as to the cause of the non-fulfilment, and to take such action as they shall see fit.

CANON X.

Of the Parish and Chapelries of Quebec.

I.—All the members of the Church of England, wheresoever resident within the whole limits of the parish of Quebec, being parishioners of the said parish ; they may, at their own option, attend the services of the Cathedral, used also as the parish church ; and may have recourse, if mutually so desired, to the ministrations of the Rector or others officiating for him ; and such ministrations, if they are of a nature to require registration, are to be entered in the register kept by the Rector, who shall also in that case receive the fees for the same.

II.—The Chapel of the Holy Trinity, situate in St. Stanislas street, in the Upper Town of Quebec, the patronage whereof is vested in the Rev. E. W. Sewell, the minister at present serving the same and his heirs and assigns, has no district attached to it,—the congregation whose residences are intermixed in point of limits with

those of other congregations within the parish, constituting the cure of the said minister. This chapel shall, in all respects, remain subject to the conditions under which it was originally established.

III.—The Chapel in St. Valier street, in the suburb of St. Roch, known by the name of St. Peter's Chapel, shall continue to have the district attached to it under the name of the Chapelry of St. Peter, which was attached to the original St. Peter's Chapel, in another part of the said suburb of St. Roch, and which is declared in the regulations, set forth by authority of the late Lord Bishop of Quebec, to coincide with the limits of the Roman Catholic parish of St. Roch as the same stood defined in the year of our Lord 1834.

IV.—The Chapel of St. Michael, situate opposite to Mount Hermon Cemetery, within the parish of Quebec, upon the line of the high road leading to Cap Rouge, in the Roman Catholic parish of St. Columba, shall in like manner have a district assigned to it, constituting the Chapelry of St. Michael, which shall comprehend all that portion of the parish of Quebec, lying to the west of a line to be drawn immediately east of a road known as the Belvidere road, so as to include both sides of that road, and continued towards the north till it reaches the limits of the Chapelry of St. Peter, and towards the south till it reaches the crest of the bank of the river. The incumbent of the Chapelry of St. Michael shall also have the charge of such families and persons belonging to the Church of England (not being pew-holders in any church or chapel in the city of Quebec) who shall reside within the Roman Catholic parish of St. Foy, as the same was found to stand in the year of our Lord 1835.

V. The congregation of St. Matthew's Chapel having raised an endowment fund, the proceeds of which, together with the share assignable to the chapel out of the Quebec Chapelry Endowment fund, and the contributions of the congregation, are sufficient for the maintenance of a minister; the charge of the minister serving the said chapel is hereby, according to the provisions of the aforesaid instrument constituted a chapelry to be called the Chapelry of St. Matthew, the district attaching to it to comprise the St. Lewis, and St.

John's suburbs of the city of Quebec, together with that portion of the Banlieue lying east of the limits of the Chapelry of St. Michael, and extending from the limits of the Chapelry of St. Peter on the north to the crest of Cape Diamond on the south.

VI.—The Chapel and Chapelry of St. Paul are hereby re-annexed to the charge of the Rector of Quebec; it being understood that the present incumbent be not disturbed in the charge.

VII.—All members of the Church of England, wheresoever resident within the limits of the parish of Quebec, shall be held and taken to constitute respectively part of the congregation of the church or chapel in which they enjoy accommodation under lease in any of the appropriated pews, or of which they are duly registered as habitual attendants, according to the provisions of the seventh canon of this diocese; and the fees for duties performed for such persons shall be assigned to the incumbent of the church or chapel to which such persons belong.

VIII.—The chapels of the parish which from and after the passing of this canon shall enjoy the privilege each of a separate register, are the Chapels of the Holy Trinity, St. Peter's, St. Michael's and St. Matthew's.

IX.—The places of public burial in use for the members of the Church of England in the parish of Quebec, being common to the whole parish; the circumstance which will determine in each case which may arise, to what minister the duty of performing the interment is assignable, is not the situation of the burying ground, but the congregation to which the deceased, at the time of his decease, belonged; or in the case of his being a stranger, the part of the parish in which he was then resident. The interment of persons brought for interment from without the limits of the parish, or from without the limits also of the original Roman Catholic parish of St. Foy, is assignable to the rector; and the same rule applies also to the marriages and baptisms of such persons, being not resident within the limits of any other parish or mission, as may resort to Quebec for those offices. Nevertheless, if persons residing in the Roman Catho-

lic country parishes contiguous to the Districts of St. Peter and St. Michael, shall desire for their own convenience, to have recourse to the services of the ministers of those chapels respectively, there shall be no hindrance to their doing so, and the services so performed shall be entered in the registers of such ministers, who shall also receive the emoluments to the same appertaining or attaching.

X.—That the right to appoint the Minister or Incumbent of the Chapels of St. Matthew, St. Michael and St. Peter, shall vest in, and be exercised by the Lord Bishop and his successors.

RULES OF ORDER.

- 1 When the Bishop or other person presiding has taken the chair, the meeting shall be called to order, and no person shall continue standing.
2. Immediately after the chairman has taken the chair, the meeting shall be opened with prayer, and the minutes of the proceedings at the preceding meeting shall be confirmed.
3. No motion shall be considered as before the Synod (excepting such as may be proposed by the Bishop or Committees) unless it be seconded and reduced to writing.
4. No member shall speak more than once on the same subject, unless in explanation, except the mover of any resolution, who may reply; and any member who in addressing the Synod shall introduce into the discussion matter foreign to the subject, shall be called to order.
5. When a question is under consideration no other motion shall be received except an amendment; unless it be to postpone the consideration of the question under discussion or to adjourn.
6. Motions to adjourn or to postpone the consideration of the question shall be decided without debate.
7. When a motion has been read to the Synod from the chair, it cannot be withdrawn by the mover without the consent of the meeting.

8. When an amendment has been proposed and is under consideration, no new amendment shall be received until the former has been disposed of.

9. All amendments shall be decided before the original motion is put to the Synod.

10. Any member shall have the right to require at any period of the debate that the motion or other matter under discussion be read for his information.

11. Any member called to order when speaking shall immediately resume his seat, and shall not again rise until the question of order be determined.

12. All questions of order shall be decided by the chair.

13. Whilst any question is being put from the chair the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse; and when a motion is put no member shall retire until such motion is disposed of.

14. In voting, those who vote in the affirmative shall first rise, and then those who vote in the negative; the vote of the clergy being first taken unless it be otherwise ordered by the Chair. Notice of all business to be brought before the Synod which has not been submitted to the executive committee, must be given on the first day of meeting.

15. A question having been once determined shall not again be discussed in the same session.

16. No protest or dissent shall be entered on the minutes of the proceeding; but, when required by any three members, the number of affirmative and negative votes, and the names shall be recorded.

17. No manifestation of feeling such as applause or dissatisfaction shall be allowed.

18. Accommodation shall be provided for persons not belonging to the Synod; provided that the chairman may at any time require all strangers to withdraw, and suspend the proceedings until they do so.

19. When the Synod is about to rise, every member shall keep

his seat until the Bishop or other person presiding has left the chair.

20. The reports of all committees shall be in writing, and shall be received of course, and without motion for acceptance unless recommended by vote of the Synod. All reports recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the Synod, shall be accompanied by a resolution for the action of the House thereon.

21. Whenever a committee shall be appointed, a chairman shall be named; and in case of no such nomination the first person on the list shall be chairman.

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETINGS OF SYNOD.

SECTION 1.—The first meeting of Synod in each session shall be preceded by public prayer and sermon, (the preachers to be designated by the Bishop,) together with celebration of the Holy Communion. The collection at the Offertory on this occasion shall be devoted to—————

SECTION 2.—The Synod shall be opened by the Bishop or his deputy taking the chair and calling the meeting to order.

SECTION 3.—Prayer being said, the Clerical Secretary of the preceding Synod shall call over the names of the clergy entitled to seats, and shall enter in the journal the names of those who are present. Notice shall then be given to the lay delegates to place their certificates on the table, which shall be examined by the Scrutineers, and a committee of two members appointed by the chair. Any irregular or defective certificates shall be reserved until a quorum appear. The names of the lay delegates duly appointed shall then be called by the Lay Secretary, and the names of those who are present shall be entered in the journal. The irregular and defective certificates shall be reported to the Synod as soon as it is duly organized, and the Synod shall decide on the admission of the delegates named in them.

SECTION 4.—The election of Secretaries shall then be made.

SECTION 5.—After this the business of the Synod shall be called up and disposed of, on this and each day of the session, in the following order:—

1. Reading, correcting, and approving minutes of the previous meeting.
2. Giving notice of motions.
3. Appointing committees.
4. Presenting, reading, and referring memorials, petitions and correspondence.
5. Presenting reports of committees, and of the Treasurer and Auditors.
6. Taking up unfinished business.
7. Consideration of motions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

PROPOSED CANON OF DISCIPLINE.

I.—OF THE DISCIPLINE OF THE CLERGY.

SECTION I.—*Of Amenability.*

1. Every priest and deacon duly licensed by the Bishop, or holding any charge under the jurisdiction of the Bishop in this diocese, shall be amenable for offences committed by him, to the Bishop, in the manner and according to the provisions set forth in this Canon of Discipline.

SECTION II.—*Of Offences for which the Clergy may be tried.*

1. Every clergyman shall be liable to trial for any crime or **gross** immorality; or for any scandalous or disorderly conduct; for teaching or maintaining heretical doctrines, contrary to the doctrines of the Liturgy and Articles of the Church, such teaching or maintaining being by way of writing, or printing, or preaching, or public teaching, or circulating books containing un-

sound doctrines ; for the habitual infringement of the rubric ; for schism or separating himself from the communion of the Church ; for discontinuing the exercise of the ministry without lawful cause ; for exercising any lay profession or occupation inconsistent with his sacred calling ; for living in the habitual disuse of public worship, or of the Holy Eucharist ; or for violation of the constitution or the canons of the Church in Canada or of this diocese.

2. Provided always that no proceeding shall be instituted under this canon unless the same be commenced within one year after the alleged commission of the offence in question. Nevertheless when proceedings are brought in respect of an offence, for which a conviction has been obtained in a civil or criminal tribunal, the suit in the Ecclesiastical Court may be commenced against the clergyman so convicted, within three months of the period when the knowledge of such conviction shall have reached the Bishop.

SECTION III.—*Preliminary Inquiry and Presentment.*

1. Whenever the Bishop shall have reason to believe that any Clergyman is under the imputation of having been guilty of an offence, for which he is liable to be tried, and that the interest of the Church requires an investigation, it shall be his duty to summon the party before him in private, and upon confession of the alleged offence, to pronounce such sentence as he may judge proper ; which confession and sentence may, at the discretion of the Bishop, be reduced to writing, signed by the guilty person, and recorded in the manner hereinafter provided for other sentences which shall be fixed by the Bishop.

2. If the accused person shall not admit or confess his guilt, and the Bishop, on inquiry into the circumstances of the charge, shall be of opinion that there is sufficient evidence to justify further inquiry, he shall cause the charge to be reduced to writing, specifying the circumstances with reasonable clearness, and cause a copy of it to be served on the accused, together with notice of the time and place of trial, both of which shall be fixed by the Bishop. If the Bishop

shall be of opinion that there is not sufficient ground for proceeding to trial, he may reject the charge, and no further proceedings shall be had thereupon.

SECTION IV.—*Board of Triers.*

1. The Bishop shall, when he is of opinion that there is sufficient ground for proceeding to the trial of the accused party, nominate twelve priests of this diocese, not being related by consanguinity or affinity to the parties, and, at the same time with the notice fixing the day of trial, cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, who shall within thirty days after such service select five of them, and notify their names in writing to the Bishop, and if he shall not give such notification to the Bishop within the said thirty days, the Bishop shall select five, and the clergymen so selected shall form a Board of Triers for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at the time appointed by the Bishop, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time, and from place to place (but always within this diocese) as they shall think necessary.

2. Provided that at all meetings of the said Board of Triers at which they shall proceed to business, an advocate appointed by the Bishop shall be present and shall act as Assessor.

3. If at the time appointed for the first meeting of the Board of Triers, the whole number of five shall not attend, then those who do attend may adjourn from time to time; and if after one adjournment or more, it shall appear to them improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, then those who do attend being not less than three, shall constitute the Board and proceed to the trial, and a majority of them shall decide all questions. Provided that if all five of the Triers be present not less than four shall agree in the conviction, and that if less than five be present they shall be unanimous. They shall select one of their number to preside. They shall also appoint a Secretary, who may be one of their own number, whose duty it shall be to keep a record of all the proceedings had before the Court.

SECTION V.—*Of Contumacy.*

1. If the clergyman accused neglect or refuse to appear according to his summons, due notice having been served upon him as aforesaid, except for some sufficient or reasonable cause, the Court shall certify such default to the Bishop, whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce him to be in contumacy; and sentence of suspension from the ministry, shall be forthwith pronounced against him for such contumacy by the Bishop: but the sentence may be revoked if within six calendar months after due service of such sentence upon him, he shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear to take his trial; but if the clergyman accused shall not so tender himself before the expiration of the said six months, the sentence of deposition from the ministry shall be pronounced against him by the Bishop.

SECTION VI.—*Suspension PENDENTE LITE.*

1. In every case in which, from the nature of the offence charged, it shall appear to the Bishop that great scandal is likely to arise, from the clergyman accused continuing to perform the services of the Church, while such charge is under investigation, the Bishop shall cause a notice to be served on the accused at the same time with the service of the copy of the charge, or at any time pending the proceeding, inhibiting the accused from performing any services of the Church, until the matter shall have been finally decided. And if the accused is the incumbent of a benefice, he may within fourteen days of the service of such inhibition nominate to the Bishop, a fit person or persons to perform all such services of the Church during the period in which he is inhibited, but if he shall neglect to do so, the Bishop may make provision for the service of the Church, at the cost and charge of the clergyman so inhibited. Provided that the amount to be applied to the maintenance of such person or persons shall not exceed one-half of the income of the benefice during the period of suspension.

SECTION VII.—*Church Advocate.*

1. The Bishop shall nominate a Church Advocate to conduct all

prosecutions ; he shall be a Priest belonging to the diocese, or a layman who is a member of the Church. The accused may appear by counsel if he shall see fit, which counsel shall in all cases be a member of the Church.

SECTION VIII.—*The Trial.*

1. If on the day fixed for trial the accused shall appear, he shall be called upon to plead guilty or not guilty, and if he shall refuse or neglect to plead, the plea of *not guilty* shall be entered for him and the trial shall proceed.

2. The Board shall hear such evidence as shall be adduced; which evidence shall be reduced to writing, and signed by the witnesses respectively ; and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths, may at the desire of either party, administer an oath to the witnesses.

3. Upon the application of either party to the Bishop, and it being made satisfactorily to appear to him that any material witness cannot be produced upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness. Such commissioner may be either a clergyman or a layman ; and the party so applying shall give to the other at least six days' notice of the time and place of taking the testimony, provided the distance be not above forty miles, and an additional day's notice for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness, and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing, and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the Board and shall be received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such commissioner may be sworn in the manner aforesaid.

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COMPILATION OF REPORTS OF THE CLERGY TO SYNOD, 1865.

Table with columns: NAME OF CLERGYMAN, Parish, Mission, or Cure, Baptized, Communicants, Services on week days, Pastoral visits, etc. Lists clergy members and their respective church statistics for 1865.

* Morning service at Gaol. † Since 13 Dec. ‡ 1 in winter and afternoon in summer by Rev. J. S. Sykes. § Few through illness. ¶ In six months. ¶ 65 boys and 65 girls.

MEMORANDA.

North Side of the St. Lawrence, from River du Loup (en haut), to County of Saguenay, included, is served by 14 Clergy.
South Side of the St. Lawrence, including the whole of that portion not in the District of St. Francis and down to County of Temiscouata. 8
Gaspé, Bonaventure, and Magdalen Islands. 8
District of St. Francis. 14

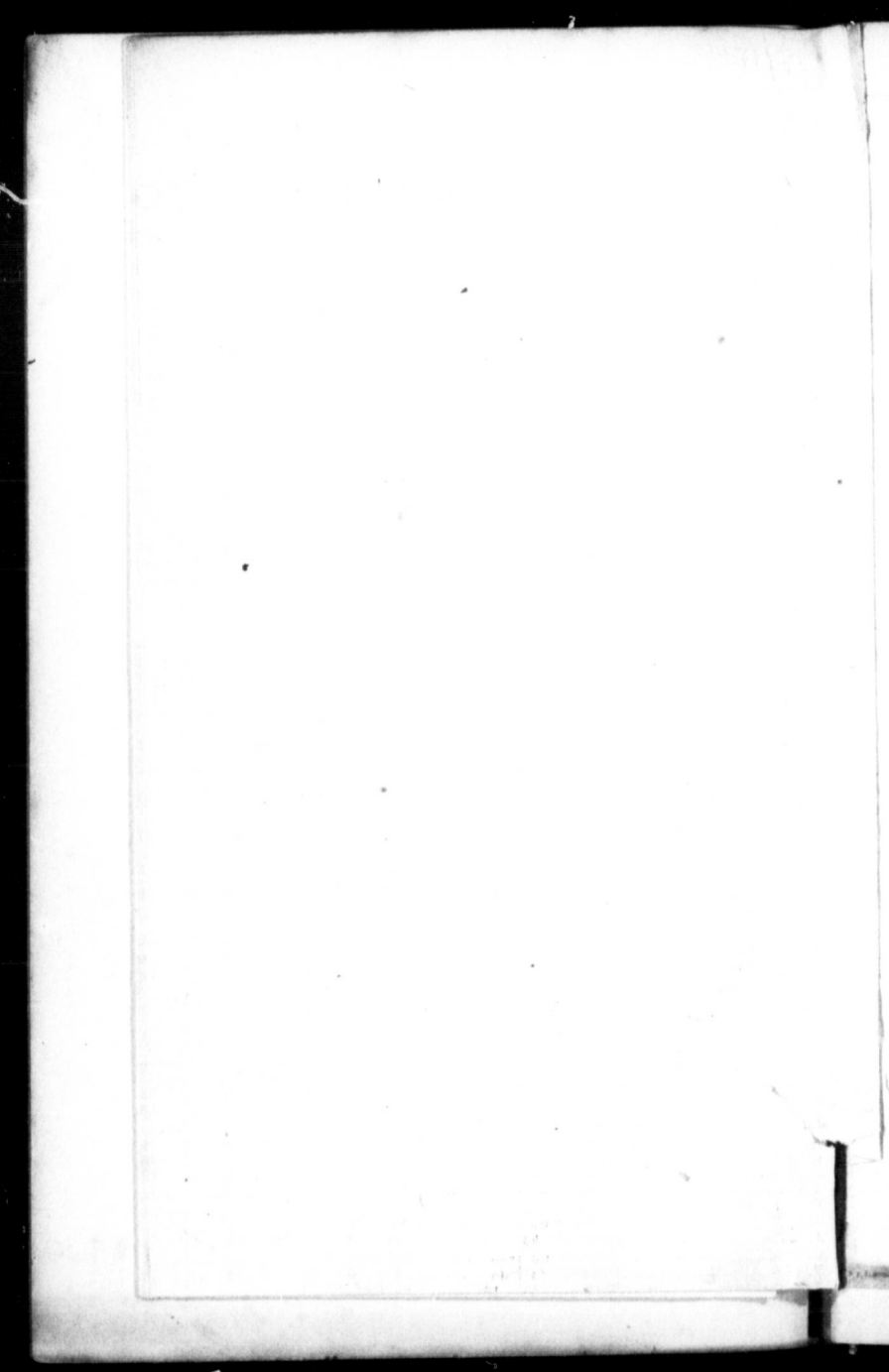
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W.M. G. WURTELE, Chairman of Committee on Statistics.

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COMPILATION OF CHURCHWARDENS' REPORTS TO SYNOD, 1865.

Table with columns: NAME OF CLERGYMAN, Name of Parish, Mission or Cure, CHURCH (Of what Material, Value, Amount Insured, Amount of Debt, State of Repairs, If no Church, sort of building in which service is held), COLLECTIONS (Amount of Sunday, How applied, Amount of Special, For what purpose), PEWS (No. Rented, Amount of Rent, No. of Free Seating, Amount of Endowment), CLERGYMAN'S SALARY (Amount paid by Mission, How raised), REPAIRS OF CHURCH (How provided for), REPAIRS OF PARSONAGE (How provided for), GENERAL EXPENDITURE (Amount, How provided for), PARSONAGE (Of what Material, Value, Amount Insured, State of Repairs).

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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS.

List of Missions and Stations, sending Delegates to Synod, which have not contributed towards defraying the expenses of Synod in accordance with the Eighth Canon.

Danville and Tingwick.	Magdalen Islands—4 stations.
Lower Durham.	Pointe Levi, New Liverpool.
Dudswell and Ham.	Trinity Chapel, Quebec.
Cranbourne.	St. Paul's.
Hereford.	St. Patrick's, St. Margaret's, St.
Hopetown, Port Daniel, Chigouac.	George's and Cumberland Mills,
Spooner's Pond.	all in Mission St. Sylvester.
Broughton.	Stanstead.
Lambie's Mills, St. Stephens.	Valcartier and St. Catharines.
Malbaie.	

The following only have sent in Donations for 1864.

Harvey Hill, Kingsey, Cape Cove.	Upper Durham, Quebec Cathedral and St. Michael's.
Riviere du Loup (en haut), Bury,	
Compton, Actonvale, Portneuf,	

W. G. WURTELE,
C. N. MONTIZAMBERT, } Auditors.

Quebec, 3rd July 1865.

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6. Provided always that the Bishop may grant a new trial on application of the accused, on its being made to appear to him that new evidence, having an important bearing on the case, has been discovered since the trial; in which case a new Board of Triers shall be appointed, or if the accused within eight days of the receipt by him of notice of a new trial being allowed shall require the Bishop so to do, the original Board shall be reappointed, and the proceedings before them shall be conducted in the manner hereinbefore provided.

SECTION IX.—*Of Sentences.*

1. The following sentences may be pronounced, and punishments imposed upon offending clergymen, viz. :—

Admonition;

Suspension from the exercise of his office;

Deprivation or removal from his office in the Church, otherwise called deposition or degradation.

2. *Admonition* may be either public or private.

3. When the penalty of *suspension* is inflicted, the sentence shall specify on what terms or at what time the suspension shall cease. During his suspension, the clergyman shall not exercise the functions of his ministry, in his own congregation or elsewhere, on pain of deprivation and deposition: and during such suspension the Bishop may appoint another clergyman to supply the place of the suspended clergyman, and may apply a part or the whole of the emoluments

or income of the parish, mission or cure to the payment of such substitute.

4. When the sentence of *deprivation or removal from his office* is pronounced, the connection between the minister so deposed and his parish or congregation shall be *ipso facto* severed; and all offices, rents, issues, profits and emoluments, which he may have held by virtue of such office or ministry from which he has been removed, shall wholly cease and determine.

5. Whenever a clergyman is so deposed or degraded from the holy ministry, the Bishop who pronounces the sentence shall without delay cause such sentence to be publicly read to the several congregations of the diocese by the respective ministers thereof, and shall also give notice to all the Bishops of this province.

SECTION X.—*Registration of Sentences and Proceedings.*

1. All the proceedings of the Court as well as the sentence in each case shall be recorded and kept of record in the office of the Registrar of the Diocese,

SECTION XI.—*Notices and Citations.*

1. Every notice, citation, and requisition to be given or made under the provisions of this canon, shall be served upon the person or persons to whom the same respectively relates, either personally, or by leaving a copy of the same at his usual or last known place of residence.

II.—OF THE DISCIPLINE OF THE LAITY.

1. The 2nd & 3rd Rubrics, prefixed to the Office for the administration of the Holy Communion, in the Book of Common Prayer, prescribe the manner of proceeding by the minister of any parish, toward any layman guilty of any of the offences therein mentioned, and provide for the reporting the same to the Bishop.

2. If the person thus repelled shall think proper to make a complaint

in writing to the Bishop against his clergyman for such repulsion, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless he thinks fit to restore him from the insufficiency of the cause assigned by the minister, to institute an inquiry into the merits of the case,

3. Such inquiry shall be conducted by a Board, consisting of two disinterested clergymen and three disinterested laymen, who are communicants; all of whom shall be appointed by the Bishop, and who shall report the facts of the case to him; and upon their report the Bishop shall either restore the person repelled, to the Holy Communion, or confirm the act of repulsion as he shall deem right.

4. The continuance of the repulsion shall be subject to the conditions and provisions of the rubric; and in case the clergyman of the parish shall, on application being made to him to restore the repelled person on profession of repentance, refuse so to do, on the ground that no sufficient evidence of such repentance has been given, such repelled person may again make a complaint in writing to the Bishop, who shall deal with it in the manner prescribed in the two last preceding paragraphs.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolutions referred to the Committee on the Revision of Constitution and Canons, with instructions to report thereon next session.

Moved by Mr. G. Irvine,

That Article 14 of the constitution be repealed and the following substituted:—

No proposition for the alteration of the constitution, rules of order or canons, or for the introduction of a new canon, shall be entertained, unless notice thereof be given by the mover to the Executive Committee, at least one month before the meeting of the Synod, and be included by the Committee in the circular given by them in virtue of Canon VI.

Moved by Mr. W. G. Wurtele,

That the 14th Article of the constitution be altered by leaving

out the words "regulations and rules of order." That the following be added after the word "alteration," "amendment and addition."

Moved by Mr. M. Sheppard,

That Article 14 of the constitution be amended by striking out the following words, "regulations, rules of order or canons," and substituting the following, "or canons, or for the introduction of a new canon."

Moved by Rev. G. J. Magill,

That Article 7 of the constitution be amended by adding to it the words "and the delegate so elected shall remain in office for the unexpired period."

Moved by Rev. A. J. Woolryche,

That in Article 9 of the constitution the words "Archdeacon or in his absence the Rector of Quebec" be substituted for the words "assistant minister, &c."

Moved by Rev. A. J. Woolryche,

That Canon IX. be altered so as to make it optional with the board to give every priest \$600 per annum.

Moved by Rev. A. J. Woolryche,

That there be no sermon on the first day of session.

Moved by Mr. W. G. Wurtele,

That the following be added to the canons:—

The Executive Committee shall at the end of every three years issue a notice, at least one month before Easter, calling on the clergy and churchwardens of the respective congregations or missions in the diocese to elect duly qualified representatives to the Synod, to serve for the next ensuing three years; such notice to be signed by the chairman and Secretaries. In the case of a representative being elected at any time to fill a vacancy, he shall be held to serve for the unexpired period only.

On the formation of any new congregation or mission, and they being entitled to send a representative to Synod, the Bishop shall inform the Executive Committee of the fact. They shall at once notify the clergyman, requesting him to call on his congregation or mission to elect a delegate to serve for the unexpired period of three years.

All representatives re-elected, and having previously held office, or being on committees, shall continue in office until the next meeting of Synod.

Moved by Rev. G. J. Magill, seconded by Mr. E. J. Hemming,

That Article 6 of the constitution be amended by adding after the words "subjoined form," "the representatives shall be elected every three years (except in the case provided for in Article 7,) the first election to take place during the year 1866;" and that the words "for the current year" in the form of certificate be struck out.

Moved by Mr. E. J. Hemming, seconded by Rev. W. King,

That Canon V. be amended as follows, that is to say, that all the words after the words "The Synod" in the first line be struck out and the following substituted therefor, "shall at the first meeting after the triennial election of delegates, elect by the concurrent ballot of the clergy and lay delegates, twelve clergymen and twelve laymen from among the members of the Synod to act as delegates from this diocese to the Provincial Synod, and the five of each order next in number of votes shall be returned as provisional delegates of such order, to serve as delegates in the event of any delegate or delegates declining or being unable to act, which delegates and provisional delegates shall hold their respective offices until their successors are appointed, and shall be delegates and provisional delegates for any Provincial Synod that may be held during their continuance in office. The Clerical and Lay Secretaries shall notify the clerical and lay delegates respectively of their election.

Further consideration of Report of Committee on proportion of delegates.—See page 48.

Amendment of Canon VIII, by adding the word "annually" after the words "to be made."—See page 48.

Addition to rules of order.—See page 49.

SIXTH SESSION OF THE SYNOD

Dr. THE SYNOD FUND for defraying the necessary expenses, in account with R. H. SMITH, Treasurer. Cr.

1863		\$	cts.		1863	\$	cts.		\$	cts.
July 29	To cash received of St. Michael's, per Rev. M. Fothergill.....	10	25		Aug. 1	By balance brought forward due Treasurer			1	43
	" St. Peter's, per Rev. C. Ham- ilton.....	8	00			Paid Rev. Chas. Hamilton, Clerical Secy. stationery, postages, etc., for 1861, 1862 and 1863		16	00	
	" Kingsey, per Rev. A. Bal- four	2	25			" rent of Lecture Hall, special session, March 1863.....		20	00	
" 30	" Montmorency, per Mr. M. Sheppard	2	35			" rent of Lecture Hall, 5th session.....		24	00	
	" Lennoxville, per Mr. B. T. Morris	5	00			" Treasurer for postages, re- ceipt books, '61, '62 and '63		4	00	
	" Drummondville, per Mr. Hemming.....	3	20		Sept. 6	" G. T. Cary, on acc. printing Journal, &c.....		25	00	
	" St. Giles and St. Sylvester, per Rev. W. King.....	1	30		Nov. 10	" " " " " " " " " "		35	00	
	" Compton, per Rev. W. Rich- mond	2	00		1864	" " " " " " " " " "		36	00	
	" Sherbrooke, per Rev. C. P. Reid	5	00		Aug. 17	" " " " " " " " " "				
Aug. 13	" Cookshire, per Rev. J. Dalziel	3	60		1865	" " " " " " " " " "		12	36	
	" Quebec Cathedral.....	9	60		June 27	" " " " " " " " " "				
" 17	" Riv. du Loup (en bas) per Rev. E. G. W. Ross.	2	00							
" 19	" Hatley, per Rev. H. Bur- rage \$1.50	2	50							
" 20	" Waterville, do 1.00	0	85							
" 22	" Portneuf, per Rev. A. Von Iffland	2	00							
	" Riv. du Loup (en haut), per C. E. Dunn.....	16	95							
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"		New Carlisle, per Rev. G. Milne.....	1 75	
"		Paspébiac do do	3 00	
"		Gaspé, per Rev. M. Kerr.....	2 00	
"	25	Sandy Beach do	1 60	12 70
"		Upper Durham, per Rev. S. S. Wood.....		
"		Robinson, per Rev. J. Kemp	1 13½	
"	27	Lingwick, do	0 99	
"		St. John, do	0 21	
"		St. Thomas do	0 19	
"		Coaticook and Barford, per Rev. J. Foster.....	5 00	
"		Leeds, per Rev. J. P. Richmond.....	1 50	
"		Harvey Hill Mines, do	2 00	
"		Acton Vale, per Rev. L. C. Wurtele.....	1 30	
"		South Durham do do	0 15	
"		Ely, do do	0 22½	12 69
"		Cape Cove, per Rev. W. G. Lyster.....	1 00	
"		Lake Beauport, per Rev. R. Mitchell	1 20	
"		Stoneham do do	0 55	
"		Three Rivers, per Rev. J. Torrance	3 00	
"	21	St. Matthew's Chapel, per H. Pratten.....	17 28	
"	Oct. 1	E. & W. Frampton and Standon, per Rev. J. H. Jenkins.....	4 33	27 66

SIXTH SESSION OF THE SYNOD

Dr. THE SYNOD FUND for defraying the necessary exp. in acc. with R. H. SMITH, Treas.—Continued. Cr.

1863	Oct. 6	To cash received of Richmond, per Rev. J. L. Gay.....	7 12½			
	" 14	" " Melbourne, do	2 12½			
	" 23	" " New Ireland, per Rev. R. G. Ward	1 80			
1864	" 23	" " South Inverness do	1 06			
	May 20	" " Bourg Louis.....	0 57			
	" 27	" " Harvey Hill.....	0 47	13 15		
June 6	" 27	" " Kingsey.....	2 00			
" 16	" 6	" " Cape Cove, per Rev. W. G. Lyster.....	1 00			
" 22	" 16	" " Riv. du Loup (en haut).....	1 00			
	" 22	" " Robinson... } Bury.....	1 11			
		" " St. Johns... }	0 99			
		" " St. Thomas }	0 90			
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" 21	" 21	" " Actonvale.....	2 01			
Aug. 15	" 15	" " Quebec Cathedral.....	21 87½			
Oct. 4	" 4	" " Portneuf.....	1 10			
" 19	" 19	" " St. Michael's, Quebec.....	8 25			
1865	Jan. 4	" " Upper Durham.....	2 00			
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		Total.....		0 96		
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We have examined the foregoing accounts with the vouchers produced, and have found the whole correct. We have attached a list of defaulters for 1863 and also a list of those which have contributed in 1864.
 Wm. G. WURTELE,
 C. N. MONTIZAMBERT, } Auditors.

Quebec, 3rd July, 1865.

Total..... \$173 79
 By Balance due Treasurer..... 0 96

E. & O. Ex.
 ROBERT H. SMITH, Treasurer.

Quebec, 30th June, 1865.