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*A Prayer appointed by the Lord Bishop of Montreal to be used
in all Churches in the Diocese on two or more Sundays
previous to the meeting of the Diocesan Synod, and also
during the Session.*

ALMIGHTY and Everlasting God, who, by Thy Holy Spirit, didst preside in the Councils of the blessed Apostles, and hast promised, through Thy Son Jesus Christ, to be with Thy Church to the end of the world : we beseech Thee to be present with the Synod of this Diocese, *here* (or, *now about to be*) assembled in Thy name. Save us (or *them*) from all ignorance, error, pride, and prejudice; and of Thy great mercy, vouchsafe so to direct, govern, and sanctify *us* (or, *them*) in *our* (or, *their*) important work, by Thy Holy Spirit, that, through thy blessing on *our* (or, *their*) deliberations, the Gospel of Christ may be faithfully preached and obeyed, and the order and discipline of Thy Church maintained amongst us, to the overthrow of Satan's power, and the final establishment of Thy heavenly kingdom; through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Saviour. AMEN.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF
THE SYNOD
OF THE
DIOCESE OF MONTREAL, CANADA.

FIRST DAY.

The Sixth Annual Synod of this Diocese commenced with the celebration of Divine Service in the Cathedral Church at 11 A.M.

The Sermon was preached by the Rev. JOHN IRWIN, M.A., Minister of St. Luke's, Montreal.

The Holy Communion was administered to the Clergy, the Lay Delegates, and other Members of the Church present.

At 2 o'clock P.M., the Lord Bishop, the Clergy, and the Lay Delegates met in the Cathedral School Room for the transaction of business.

After Prayer, the names of the Clergy of the Diocese were read over.

DR. SMALLWOOD and STANLEY C. BAGG, ESQ., were appointed a Committee to examine the Certificates of the Lay Delegates, and report thereon.

It was ascertained that of the Clergy of the Diocese, the following whose names are distinguished by an asterisk were present, and that of the Lay Delegates the following were duly elected :

LIST OF CLERGY AND LAY DELEGATES.

PARISH OR MISSION.	CLERGY.	LAY DELEGATES.	
CATHEDRAL DISTRICT.			
Cathedral.....	*VeryRev. the Dean of Montreal	Hon. George Moffatt. Hon. Justice McCord.	
	*Rev. Canon Thompson, M.A.		
St. John the Evangelist.....	*Rev. Canon White	J. G. Falkiner. J. C. Spence.	
	*Rev. W. T. Leach, D.C.L., Hon. Canon.....		
	*Rev. E. Wood, M.A.		
	*Rev. W. M. Ogden, Assist. Min.		
DEANERY OF HOHELAGA.			
MONTREAL.	Trinity Church.....	*Rev. Canon Bancroft, D.D. { Hugh Taylor. W. A. Merry.	
	St. George's.....	{ *Rev. W. B. Bond, M.A. { George M. ffatt, Jun. Rev. E. Sullivan, B.A., Ast. Min { James Hutton.	
	St. Stephen's.....	*Rev. W. B. Curran, B.A. { Dr. Smallwood. John Empson.	
	St. Luke's.....	*Rev. J. Irwin, M.A. { James Nelson. J. E. Kirkpatrick.	
	St. James's.....	{ *Rev. J. Ellegood, M.A. { J. H. Winn. *Rev. W. Wright, M.D., Ast. Min { G. M. Millar.	
	Hochelaga.....	*Rev. H. Burgess, B.A.	
	Cote des Neiges.....	Rev. G. Heaton, M.A.	
	Chaplain to the Forces.....	*Rev. T. M. Bartlett, M.A.	
	City Missionary.....	*Rev. J. D. Borthwick *	
	BERTHIER.		
	Berthier.....	*Rev. W. C. Merrick, M.A. { E. E. Shelton. C. Forneret.	
	Brandon.....	{ James Armstrong. T. S. Dixon.	
COTEAU DU LAC.....	*Rev. T. A. Young, M.A. { Henry Roebuck. M. A. Bailey.		
LACHINE.....	*Rev. J. Flanagan..... { A. C. Newman. Col. Willgress.		
LAPRAIRIE.....			
Longueuil.....			
MASCOUCHE.			
Mascouche.....			
Terrebonne.....			
ST. TERESE.....			
NEW GLASGOW.			
New Glasgow.....	*Rev. W. H. Wray, B.A. { John Rafter. Christ. Campbell.		
Kilkenny.....			
RAWDON.....	*Rev. C. Rollit..... { William Turner. R. Mason.		
KILDARE.....	*Rev. W. M. Seaborn..... { Russell Woods. Richard Dixon.		
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.....	*Rev. J. Allan.		
SOREL.....	*Rev. W. Anderson..... { W. H. A. Davies. Edward Carter.		
DEANERY OF BEDFORD.			
ABBOTTSFORD.			
Abbottsford.....	*Rev. F. Robinson, M.A. { M. H. Sanborn. Arthur N. Bradford. John M. Standish.		
Rougemont.....			
Milton.....			
Walter Drake.			
BEDFORD.....	*Rev. G. Slack, M.A., Rural Dean..... { I. M. Watson. Charles Watson. Galloway Freligh.		

BROME.			
<i>Knowlton</i>	*Rev. R. Lindsay, M.A.....	{ H. S. Foster. L. M. Knowlton. C. Handyside. Stanley C. Bagg.	
<i>Brome Corners</i>			
BROME WOODS AND W.	} Rev. T. W. Fyles.		
BROME			
COWANVILLE.			
<i>Cowanville</i>	} *Rev. J. C. Davidson	Hiram Traver.	
<i>Churchville</i>			
DUNHAM	*Ven. Archdeacon Scott, D.D. . .	{ Dr. Gibson. W. S. Baker.	
GRANBY.	} *Rev. W. Jones.....	{ Dr. Gilman. E. B. Gilmour. J. C. Whitcomb, M.D. Rufus Kimpton.	
<i>Granby</i>			
<i>North Shefford</i>			
POTTON.			
<i>South Potton</i>	*Rev. J. Godden.....	{ S. E. Dawson. Reuben Taylor. Col. D. Westover. E. S. Reynolds.	
ST. ARMAND EAST	{ Rev. Canon Reid, D.D.		
ST. ARMAND WEST.	*Rev. J. B. Davidson, B.A.....		
<i>Philipsburg</i>	*Rev. H. Montgomery.....	{ D. T. R. Nye. S. Jamieson. S. W. Stone. W. S. Holsapple. George Henshaw. Thomas Baker. John Choulerton. Robert Dunlop. Luke H. Knowlton. Joel C. Baker. Dr. Seaton.	
<i>Pigeon Hill</i>			
ST. HYACINTHE	*Rev. A. O. Taylor		
STANBRIDGE EAST	*Rev. I. Constantine, M.A.....		
STUKELY	*Rev. C. P. Abbott		
SUTTON	*Rev. J. Smith.....		
WATERLOO.			
<i>Waterloo</i>	*Rev. D. Lindsay, M.A.....	{ R. A. Ellis. J. D. Parsonage. Charles Jones. John Williams.	
<i>Frost Village</i>	*Rev. G. Robinson, Asst. Min....		
<i>Ely</i>	*Rev. A. Fortin.....		
WEST SHEFFORD	*Rev. A. T. Whitten.....	W. H. Clark.	
WEST FARNHAM	*Rev. T. W. Mussen, B.A.	{ Brown Chamberlin. W. Pearson.	
DEANERY OF IBERVILLE.			
CHAMBLY	*Rev. H. J. Petry, B.A.....	{ Sir W. Johnson, Bart. Col. Thorndike. William McGinnis. Robert Mackay.	
CHRISTIEVILLE	*Rev. J. A. McLeod, M.A.....		
CLARENCEVILLE.			
<i>St. Thomas</i>	} *Rev. Canon Townsend, M.A.	Hobart Townsend.	
<i>St. George</i>		Rev. T. Godden, B.A. Asst. Min.	Norman H. Derrick. Henry Martin.
<i>Henryville</i>			
EDWARDSTOWN.			
<i>Edwardstown</i>	} *Rev. E. G. Sutton	{ R. Toynton. J. Dunn.	
<i>St. Remi</i>			
HEMMINGFORD.			
<i>Hemmingford Corners</i>	} *Rev. E. Duvernet, M.A.	{ John White. Alfred Law. F. D. Fulford.	
<i>St. Luke</i>			
<i>St. John Baptist</i>			
<i>Sherrington</i>			
HUNTINGDON.			
<i>Huntingdon</i>	} Rev. F. Burt.....	{ James Hyde. John Booth. W. H. Hicks. Dr. Brewster. Alonzo Smith. J. C. Bowman. John Cottingham. James McCarty.	
<i>Hinchinbrooke</i>			
LACOLLE	*Rev. A. D. Lockhart.....		
ORMSTOWN	*Rev. W. Brethour, M.A.....		

RUSSELTOWN.		
<i>Manningsville</i>	} *Rev. J. Fulton, M.A.	{ Thomas Allchin. Peter Polica. William Barrett. James McCord.
<i>Have'ock</i>		
SABREVOIS	{ Rev. N. V. Fenn, M.A.	{ Charles Roy, Jun.
ST. JOHNS.	{ *Rev. B. P. Lewis, B.A.	
<i>St. John</i>	} *Rev. H. F. Darnell,	{ Charles Lindsay. Isaac Coote. John Holder. Thomas Bean.
<i>Lacadie</i>		
DEANERY OF ST. ANDREWS.		
AYLMER.		
<i>Aylmer</i>	} Rev. John Johnston	{ R. A. Young. A. Driscoll. W. McKay Wright. J. G. Marston.
<i>Hull</i>		
BUCKINGHAM	{ *Rev. W. Morris. Rev. Jeremie Babin, B.A., Assist. Min.	
CLARENDON	*Rev. F. Codd	Alexander Smart.
GORE, NORTH	*Rev. J. Griffin.	
GRENVILLE	*Rev. F. S. Neve	{ Edwin Pridham. Thomas Owens. Hon. John Hamilton. G. W. Simpson. W. Henry.
NORTH WAKEFIELD, ...	*Rev. John Seaman	
<i>Aylwin</i>	} *Rev. Joseph Merrick.	
MORIN.		
<i>Morin</i>		
<i>Mille Isles</i>		
ONSLOV	*Rev. F. G. C. Brathwaite, M.A..	{ Walton Smith. Samuel Percival.
PORTAGE DU FORT	Rev. J. Gribble.	
ST. ANDREWS	*Rev. R. Lonsdell, M.A.	{ George Schneider. George Simpson. R. W. Shepherd. John Hodgson.
VAUDREUIL	*Rev. J. Pyke	
<i>Thorne</i>	Rev. C. H. Lancaster.	
RETIRED.—Rev. J. Braithwaite, M.A., Rev. R. R. Burrage, M.A., Rev. J. Johnston, Rev. J. McMasters, Rev. J. Jones.		

It was moved by the Rev. Canon THOMPSON, seconded by the Rev. Canon WHITE, and carried,

That Dr. Leach be appointed Clerical Secretary of the Synod.

It was moved by the Hon. Justice McCORD, seconded by Mr. C. LINDSAY, and carried,

That Mr. Sanborn be re-elected Lay Secretary.

It was moved by the Rev. W. BOND, seconded by the Hon. GEORGE MOFFATT, and carried,

That James Hutton, Esq., be re-elected Treasurer of the Synod.

It was moved by Dr. SMALLWOOD, seconded by the Rev. Canon BANCROFT, and carried,

That Robert Mackay, Esq., and W. H. A. Davies, Esq., be appointed Auditors.

The Lord Bishop then delivered the following address :

MY REV. BRETHREN AND BRETHREN OF THE LAITY :—

We are permitted, in the providence of God, to meet together once more in this, the sixth Synod of this Diocese. Since we were here assembled at the Synod of last year, several changes have taken place, and I hope some progress has been made with the work of the Church amongst us. At the time of the last Synod, there were sixty-five clergy officiating in this Diocese; of these, two have retired on account of age and infirmity, and one has left for the Diocese of Ontario. During the same period, ten fresh ones have been added to our number,—two from other Dioceses, and eight ordained by me, making an increase of seven within the year. There were forty-seven clergy officiating here at the formation of this Diocese in 1850, of whom twenty-eight are still in charge of cures, four have retired, twelve have left for other Dioceses, and three have died. Amongst these latter was the Rev. R. Whitwell, whose death occurred only a few weeks since. Mr. Whitwell had been obliged, through infirm health, to retire some years ago from all active labours as a minister of the Church, but his mind continued clear to the last, and he never ceased to evince his deep interest in the maintenance and progress of those truths, on which his own faith was built. He will long be remembered as one of those earlier pioneers of the Church in Canada, who did good service, when the task was far more difficult than it is now; and also as the friend and successor of the excellent Bishop Stewart, in the Rectory of St. Armand East, to which benefice he was appointed in 1826, and in which he continued to reside till his death. In addition to the ordained clergy, there are five licensed Catechists now employed in the Diocese; and I have ordained eight Deacons and three Priests during the past year. From what I have known of those so admitted to Holy orders, from my own personal intercourse, from the testimonials I have received respecting them, and from the satisfactory manner in which, both in my judgment and in that of my examining chaplain, they acquitted themselves in their respective examinations, I have a confident hope that they will prove a welcome addition to our number. Two of them, and those by no means the least approved, were French Canadians by birth, and received their training originally at the College at Sabrevois.

At our last Synod we received a Report respecting "the Disabilities of American clergymen;" and it was referred back that communications might be held with the other Dioceses, in order that some general action might be taken, if possible, for their removal. Since this occurred, circumstances have arisen, which have led to the introduction of a bill on this subject, during the present session of the Provincial Parliament. In consequence of some difficulties, in the Island.

of Barbadoes, respecting the acts of a clergyman, ordained by a Bishop of the American church, the legislature of that Island passed an Act to legalize his employment there. But as the disability was caused by an Imperial statute, it was found that they had exceeded their powers. To remedy this, however, as well as to prevent any future difficulties there, or elsewhere, the Duke of Newcastle, then Colonial Secretary, caused a bill to be introduced into the Imperial Parliament, which was passed into a Law, giving effect, not only to what had been done in Barbadoes, but also empowering any Colonial legislature to pass an Act, placing the clergy ordained by American Bishops, exactly in the same position, as those ordained by our own Bishops. We have long felt that this ought to be the case; and after communicating with Mr. Huntington, then Solicitor-General, and other members of the legislature, I had a bill drafted for that purpose, which Mr. Dunkin undertook charge of, and which has been read once; but whether, in the present state of public business, he will be able to get it passed this session seems uncertain. But I should think that there can be no objection made to it in any quarter.

There has been, as you are well aware, much discussion respecting the position of the Metropolitan of this Province; and considerable uncertainty respecting the powers conferred in the Royal Letters Patent. The Crown has been advised to issue no more Letters Patent for the consecration of new Bishops, but merely the Mandate. Some time since I received a copy of the following despatch from the Duke of Newcastle to His Excellency, Viscount Monck, in reference to this subject:—

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 constituted 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 Suffragans; but 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 provisions of the local Act of the Canadian Legislature, 19th and 20th Victoria, Cap. 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.

I forwarded copies of this despatch to all the other Bishops, in order that they might bring the matter under the consideration of their respective Synods; and stated in reply to the Duke of Newcastle: "That I should not be able to let His Grace 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 and Regulations, and Canons that the General Assembly from time to time made in respect thereof."

The state of my health for some months during last year prevented my undertaking much active labour in discharge of the duties of my office. Almost immediately after our last Synod, I attended at Quebec at the Consecration of Bishop Williams, who seems likely to prove no unworthy successor of the late beloved and respected Bishop Mountain; and I had the great satisfaction of meeting on that occasion our old friend and neighbour, Bishop Hopkins of Vermont, who has so often been with us in Montreal, and whose worth we all so highly appreciate—and who, I see, refers in his late address in his own Convention with much warmth of love and affection to his visit and participation in our services. And in the winter at the meetings of our Church Societies we were assisted by Bishop Odenheimer of New Jersey, who also took part in the services in the Cathedral; and who, by his talents as well as his warm and kindly manners, won the hearts of all who came in contact with him.

I have recently commenced my fifth Triennial Course of Confirmations; beginning with those from all the City Churches at the Cathedral; when 365 candidates were presented—a considerable increase over those at the previous occasion. And I may mention that the communicants in the City on last Easter Day were 1254, exclusive of the Garrison Congregation; being an increase of 123 over those in the previous returns. I have also very recently visited and confirmed in some

of the Missions of the Upper Ottawa, and in every Church with increasing numbers. And I cannot but express my thankfulness and satisfaction at the work that is now going on in that section of the Diocese. It is a most important District, rapidly filling up, and has not, I fear, had that share of attention which ought to have been given it, in comparison with other parts of the Diocese; while the people are making efforts, and are prepared to contribute towards the support of their clergy, quite as much if not more, than is done in many of the old Missions, that have long been favoured with much help and the services of the Church. We have lately however been making a move in that quarter. In 1850 there were only two Clergymen and three Churches; within the last few years three others have been built, and there are five in course of erection; and seven Clergymen are officiating there. But I am urgently pressed to send more help—and very naturally; when one of these Clergymen has the charge of eight Townships, with fourteen regular stations, where he holds service—and has had forty-five baptisms in three months. With reference to the progress in the city in regard to the erection of Churches, those who only knew what was our position some ten or twelve years ago would be at a loss to recognize any one of them. They are all new ones or old ones enlarged. On Thursday next the corner stone of a Church at the east end of the City will be laid, while similar progress is visible at the west. I must however urge increased zeal and care upon all the members of the Church, and remind them, what a glorious prospect will be before us, when we can see all the City Churches free from debt. One very encouraging circumstance, in the past year, has been the effort made by thirteen of the Country Parishes to raise a fund for their partial endowment. About \$26,000 has been subscribed for this purpose, which has been most liberally assisted by the S. P. G. with a grant of £1000 stg. In consequence of the absence of all endowments hitherto in Lower Canada, and receiving as we did so very small a portion of the Clergy Reserve Commutation Fund, we have laboured under great disadvantages; I cannot but consider it as most creditable and encouraging, that we have nevertheless been able to keep up the number of our Clergy in full proportion with our brethren in the Upper Province. But in prospect of continual reduction in the amount still granted us in aid by the S. P. G., renewed efforts must be made; and due notice having been given us, we cannot complain that we are taken by surprise. But above all let us be careful to uphold the faith as it is in Jesus, and hand down to them that come after us that sacred deposit of truth which we have ourselves received. The controversies that are now exciting the public mind, and which involve high points of religious truth, while they give evidence of awakened interest and a wonderful change from the comparative listless apathy of a previous generation, have also been the cause of eliciting many full and powerful answers to the

attacks which have been made; and I am confident that here, no less than in England, the Clergy will be found ready to maintain in all their integrity those great principles, to which as Members of the Church of England they are pledged, and which are founded upon the word and promises of God.

The minutes of the last Diocesan Synod were then read and approved.

The Treasurer of the Synod presented his Report, which was received and approved. *Vide Appendix A.*

The Report of the Finance Committee was received and approved. *Vide Appendix B.*

The Report of the Insurance Committee was received and approved. *Vide Appendix C.*

The Report of the Joint Committee on Canons was submitted and received. *Vide Appendix D.*

The Report of the Deanery of the Cathedral was submitted and received. *Vide Appendix E.*

The Report of the Deanery of Bedford was submitted and received. *Vide Appendix F.*

The Report of the Deanery of St. Andrews was submitted and received. *Vide Appendix G.*

The Report of the Deanery of Iberville was submitted and received. *Vide Appendix H.*

The Report of the Deanery of Hochelaga was submitted and received. *Vide Appendix I.*

By the Rev. G. SLACK, notice was given of the following motion:

That a committee of five be named to investigate the titles upon which Church property in this diocese is held, and to take measures for vesting the same in the Church Society of this diocese, and to report to the next annual Synod; and that the following be members of that committee:—Messrs. R. Mackay, Hugh Taylor, I. J. Gibb, with two clergymen to be named by the Bishop.

By the Rev. Canon BANCROFT, notice was given that he will move

That the election of delegates to the Provincial Synod be the business first in order to-morrow morning.

By the Rev. W. ANDERSON, notice was given that he will to-morrow move

That the thanks of the clergy in Synod assembled be presented to the Richelieu Company, for their continued liberality to them when travelling by their boats.

A communication from the Kingston Sabbath Reformation Society having been submitted, the same was read by the Rev. Canon THOMPSON; and thereupon

By the Rev. J. C. DAVIDSON, notice was given that he will move
That the petition from Kingston respecting Sabbath desecration be taken up in due course.

It was moved by the Hon. Justice McCORD, seconded by the Rev. ROBERT LINDSAY, and carried,

That the part of the Report on Canons relating to discipline be taken into consideration to-morrow, after the election of delegates to the Provincial Synod.

It was moved by the Very Rev. the DEAN OF MONTREAL, seconded by the Hon. Justice McCORD, and carried,

That the consideration of the articles in the Report of the Committee on Canons, already adopted, be now proceeded with.

By the Rev. Canon THOMPSON, notice was given of motion, viz.:—

That the word "church" be inserted in the third line of the first paragraph of the Constitution, before "college or school."

By the Lord Bishop, notice was given of motion, viz.:—

That instead of the words "at least six weeks," in article 11th of the Constitution, the words "at least three weeks" be substituted.

It was moved by the Very Rev. the DEAN OF MONTREAL, seconded by the Hon. Justice McCORD, and carried,

That the Synod be adjourned to 10 o'clock, A.M., next day.

The meeting was accordingly adjourned till 10 o'clock, A.M., the 22d June, 1864.

SECOND DAY.

After Divine Service in the Cathedral, the members of the Synod met in the Cathedral Buildings for the transaction of business.

After prayer by the Lord Bishop, the minutes of yesterday's transactions were read and approved.

It was moved by the Rev. Canon BANCROFT, seconded by the Hon. GEORGE MOFFATT, and carried,

That this meeting proceed at once to the election of delegates to the Provincial Synod, and that the three next in number of votes to the eleven who shall be elected for each order shall be returned as substitutes in case of vacancy, to be taken in the order in which they occur.

Dr. Smallwood and James Armstrong, Esq., were appointed Scrutineers, to take the Lay votes for Delegates to the Provincial Synod, and the Rev. W. B. Curran and the Rev. J. B. Davidson to take the votes for the Clerical Delegates.

HENRY ROEBUCK, Esq., gave notice that he will move

That a memorial to the Legislature be at once drawn up, praying it to place the Church of England on the same footing as the Church of Rome is with regard to the issuing of marriage licenses, and that the funds arising from the same may be at our own disposal.

It was resolved that the motion of the Hon. Justice McCORD on the Canon of Discipline, of which previous notice had been given, be now taken up and be considered clause by clause.

It was moved by the Rev. JOHN IRWIN, seconded by the Rev. GEORGE SLACK, and carried,

That the word "habitual" be inserted before the word "infringement," in article 1 of Canon of Discipline, § 1, paragraph 1.

It was moved by the Rev. Canon THOMPSON, seconded by the Rev. JOHN IRWIN, and carried,

That instead of the word "all," in article 1st of the said Canon, § 1, the word "the" be substituted, before the word "exercise."

It was moved by EDWARD CARTEB, Esq., and seconded by the Rev. JOHN IRWIN,

That the following, in lines 1st and 2nd of § 2nd of article 1st of said canon be struck out, viz.:—"there is reason for supposing, from public rumour or otherwise, that a clergyman has," and that the following be substituted:—"any clergyman has committed, or on reasonable grounds is suspected to have"; also, that the word "reported," in line 4th of same section, be struck out, and the word "suspected" inserted instead; also, that the word "written" be inserted before the word "application," in the same line and section.

It was moved by the Rev. GEORGE SLACK, seconded by the Hon. GEORGE MOFFATT, and carried,

That this meeting adjourn till half-past two P.M.

The meeting of Synod was accordingly adjourned till half-past two P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

On its re-assembling at half-past two, P.M., the Synod resumed the consideration of the motion of Edward Carter, Esq.

The said motion was carried.

It was resolved that instead of the words "instituting for," in the last line of paragraph 4th, § 2nd, article 1st, the words "to justify" be substituted.

It was moved by the Rev. H. F. DARNELL, seconded by the Rev. DAVID LINDSAY, and carried,

That the blank space in paragraph 3rd, § 2nd of article 1st, be filled up with the words "shall be one."

The Scrutineers appointed to examine the votes by ballot, for the delegates to the Provincial Synod, reported the following members elected:

CLERICAL DELEGATES.

Rev. W. BOND,

" Archdeacon SCOTT,

" Canon BANCROFT,

" E. DUVERNET,

" GEORGE SLACK,

" R. LONSDALL,

Very Rev. DEAN OF MONTREAL,

Rev. Canon WHITE,

" W. ANDERSON,

" J. C. DAVIDSON,

" DAVID LINDSAY,

" Canon LEACH, *ex-officio*.

SUBSTITUTES.

Rev. J. ELLEGOOD,

Rev. H. F. DARNELL,

Rev. JOHN IRWIN.

LAY DELEGATES.

Hon. GEORGE MOFFATT,

" Justice MCCORD,

Dr. SMALLWOOD,

HUGH TAYLOR,

EDWARD CARTER,

W. H. A. DAVIES,

S. C. BAGG,

JAMES HUTTON,

H. S. FOSTER,

JAMES ARMSTRONG,

HENRY ROEBUCK,

M. H. SANBORN, *ex-officio*.

SUBSTITUTES.

F. D. FULFORD,

G. W. SIMPSON,

W. BARRETT.

Resolved,

That the term "priest or priests" be employed throughout in the Canons, instead of the term "presbyter or presbyters."—Carried.

It was moved by the Rev. J. B. DAVIDSON, seconded by the Rev. JOHN IRWIN, and carried,

That the words "and a deposit placed in the hands of the Lord Bishop, to his satisfaction, for the cost of proceedings, if the accusers be laymen; such deposit to be applied in payment of the expenses of the party accused and acquitted, and the balance, if any, to be repaid to the depositor," be inserted after the word "writing," article I, § 2nd, paragraph 4th.

By Mr. FALKINER, notice was given of motion, viz.:—

That in all future elections of Lay Delegates to the Provincial Synod, the Lay Secretary do furnish each delegate with a printed slip containing the names of all the delegates; and that, in voting the election the Clergy shall vote for both Clerical and Lay members.

It was moved by Mr. CARTER, seconded by Mr. ROEBUCK, and carried,

That after the words "the charge," in the first line of the third paragraph of article 2nd, the following words be added:—"when made by any other than the Bishop, *ex-officio*." And after the words "in writing," in the same line, the following be added:—"and upon oath, taken before the Bishop or Commissary."

It was moved by EDWARD CARTER, Esq., seconded by the Rev. R. LINDSAY, and carried,

That the following be added at the end of article II:—"In the event of a public rumor prevailing against a clergyman as having committed any of the ecclesiastical offences above enumerated, the clergyman may upon application, in writing, to the Bishop or Commissary complaining of such report, and asserting its falsity, obtain an enquiry, by Commission as hereinbefore provided, into the particulars of such report, and an opportunity be afforded to such clergyman of exculpating himself."

It was resolved that the word "or" be inserted before the words "by election," in the third paragraph of article III, and that the word "fifteen" be inserted in the blank space, in the fifth paragraph of the same article.

It was resolved that the words "or a majority of them," be inserted before the words "shall form," in the fifth paragraph of article III; and that the words "or three" in the seventh para-

graph, and that the words "or any three or more of them," in the first clause of the eighth paragraph of article III, be omitted.

It was moved by Mr. CARTER, seconded by the Rev. J. FLANAGAN, and carried,

"That the following words be added at the end of the seventh paragraph on page 12th, after the word "Board:" "but the Board of Triers may with reference to exceptions as to form, not affecting the substantial merits of the proceedings, order their Secretary to make such amendments as may be deemed necessary."

It was resolved that the words "or in his absence," in the 17th paragraph, article III, page 12, be omitted; and that the paragraph commencing with the words "when the court," page 13, be expunged.

It was resolved that instead of the paragraph commencing with the words "if the accused be resident," page 13, the following be substituted:—"all notices, services and citations shall be made on the accused personally, or at his usual domicile or residence, within the delays before mentioned.

It was resolved that at the end of the paragraph commencing with the words "the court having," page 13, the following words be added:—"and in event of the court being equally divided, the charge or charges shall be considered not proved."

It was resolved that the paragraphs between the end of that commencing "provided always," at the bottom of the 13th page, and that commencing with the words "when the penalty," page 14, be expunged, and that in the latter paragraph, the words "by the judgment of any Court or Board of Triers" be omitted.

It was resolved that the paragraph commencing with words "no degraded," page 14, be expunged, and that the preceding paragraph be connected with the last word of article III by the word "and."

It was moved by the Rev. J. IRWIN, seconded by the Rev. J. FULTON, and carried,

That Mr. Irwin's motion, on notice for consideration, be taken up at ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

It was moved by the Rev. Canon BANCROFT, seconded by the Rev. GEO. SLACK, and carried,

That the proposed Canon of Discipline be referred to the Committee, with four additional members, for further consideration, and that their Report be printed and circulated three months before the next Synod.

The Rev. J. IRWIN, by permission of the Synod, entered upon an exposition of his motion, of which previous notice was given

The Synod then adjourned to ten o'clock A.M. of the following day.

THIRD DAY.

After divine service in the Cathedral the members of the Synod met at the hour appointed for the transaction of business.

The Lord Bishop opened the meeting with prayer.

By Mr. DAVIES, notice was given that he will move at the next meeting of the Synod that the following alteration be made in the order of proceedings:—

That after the opening of the Synod by prayer, the next proceeding order of shall be the appointment of a Committee of Three, to be called the *Committee on Delegates*, for the purpose of ascertaining the right of the Delegates to sit in Synod, according to the present rules of the Synod; and that no business, except the Bishop's address and the reading the minutes, be proceeded with until the said Committee shall have reported, and their report be accepted by the Synod.

By the Ven. Archdeacon SCOTT the following notice was put on record:—

For as much as we cannot doubt that the Divine Author of our holy religion, in the establishment of outward services and the appointment of visible sacraments, has intended our spiritual instruction and the increase of our pious zeal and Christian consolation, I give notice that I intend (D.V.) to move, at the next meeting of this Synod, a resolution to the effect that we request his Lordship, the Metropolitan, to commend to the Clergy of this Diocese the practice of more frequent communion than has hitherto been the practice in this Diocese.

The Synod proceeded to the consideration of the motion of the Rev. J. IRWIN; which motion was seconded by the Rev. J. FULTON, viz.:—

That it is desirable that the different Incumbents in the Church of England Parish of the City of Montreal be placed in such a position, that pending future and permanent arrangement, no new Church can be erected within any of the present Districts without the consent of the Bishop, the Rector of Montreal, and a majority of said Incumbents.

It was moved, in amendment, by the Rev. W. BOND, and seconded by the Rev. Canon BANCROFT,

That this Synod request the Bishop and the Rector to consult the

Incumbents of this City, in endeavouring to settle all matters in reference to the building of new Churches, or the opening of other Churches in this City.

This amendment was carried.

The Report of Insurance Committee was now taken into consideration.

It was moved by GEORGE MOFFATT, Esq., and seconded by the Rev. W. LONSDALL, and carried,

That the words "The last tender of the Company be accepted," be left out, and the following substituted, viz. : "That a proposal on same basis, and at same rates as that to the Royal be made to each of the other Insurance Companies from whom tenders were received, commencing with that Company having the next lowest tender to that of the Royal; and if refused by them, then the whole to be again submitted to public competition, or the last tender of the Royal accepted, at the option of the Lord Bishop."

The Rev. Dr. EDSON, of the Diocese of Massachusetts, by invitation of the House, took a seat in the Synod.

It was moved by the Rev. W. BOND, seconded by the Rev. W. ANDERSON, and carried,

That a Committee be appointed to carry out, in conjunction with the Lord Bishop, the recommendations of the Insurance Committee.

It was moved by the Rev. D. LINDSAY, seconded by Dr. GIBSON, and carried,

That a Committee be appointed by the Lord Bishop to prepare a Canon defining the duties of an Archdeacon.

It was moved by the Rev. Canon THOMPSON, seconded by the Rev. E. ELLEGOOD, and carried,

That the following Canon be adopted, viz. :—

"OF THE JOURNAL OF SYNOD."

The Journal of Synod shall be printed under the direction of the Secretaries, immediately after the Annual Meeting. It shall contain all the acts and proceedings of the Synod, all Reports of Committees, unless otherwise ordered, the list of Clergy and Lay-Delegates entitled to sit in the Synod; the Committees appointed to sit during the recess, with the names of the respective members; the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese, with the Rules of order; the Reports of the Rural Deans, and such other matters as may be specially ordered by the Synod. A copy of each Journal shall be transmitted by the Secretaries to the

several Bishops of the Province, to the Secretaries of the Provincial Synod, and of the other Diocesan Synods; to the Diocesan Library, and to the Library of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, and to every Clergyman and Lay Delegate within the Diocese.

By the Rev. Canon THOMPSON the following addition to the Canon on Schools was moved and referred to a Committee:—

All Church Schools within the Diocese, whether Day Schools or Sunday Schools, shall be subject to the inspection of the Archdeacon and Rural Dean, or of some Clergyman, specially deputed to that end by the Bishop; and it shall be the duty of the Inspector to report to the Synod, as to the efficiency of the School, its management, discipline, and number of Scholars, and to make such suggestions for its improvement as to him shall seem fit.

It was moved by the Ven. Archdeacon SCOTT, seconded by the Rev. R. LINDSAY, and carried,

That the Synod have learnt, with much pleasure, that a valuable legacy has been made to the Church by the late Thomas Molson, Esq., and hereby express their hope that his example may be followed by other members of the Church.

It was moved by the Rev. W. ANDERSON, seconded by the Rev. W. BOND, and carried,

That a vote of thanks be given, by the Clergy in Synod assembled, to such Companies as afford facilities to the Clergy, by a reduction in their favour of their customary rates of travel, and that the Secretary be respectfully requested to convey this resolution to the Presidents of the different companies.

It was moved by the Rev. J. C. DAVIDSON, seconded by the Rev. W. BOND, and carried,

That the Clerical Secretary be respectfully requested to draw up a Petition, to be, with the approval of the Lord Bishop, presented to the three branches of the Legislature, requesting that they will cause such laws to be enacted as shall ensure the better observance of the Lord's Day, by requiring the Canal locks to be closed on that day.

It was moved by the Rev. J. IRWIN, seconded by Mr. ROEBUCK, and carried,

That the Bishop of the Diocese and Metropolitan be requested to ascertain the result of the petition of the last Provincial Synod on the subject of Marriage Licenses, by conference with the Governor General or other Government authorities.

It was moved by the Rev. R. LINDSAY, seconded by the Rev. W. ANDERSON, and carried,

That a Committee be appointed by the Lord Bishop to inquire into and report upon the laws relating to Marriage, and to ascertain the requisite Forms for registration.

It was moved by Mr. FALKINER, seconded by the Rev. H. J. PETRY, and carried,

That in all future Elections of Delegates to the Provincial Synod, the Lay Secretary shall furnish each member of the Synod with a printed paper containing the names of all the Delegates, one day at least before such election.

It was moved by the Rev. Canon WHITE, seconded by the Rev. W. BOND, and carried,

That the thanks of this Synod be tendered to the Lord Bishop for his able, impartial and kind conduct in the Chair.

It was moved by the Rev. Canon WHITE, seconded by J. HUTTON, Esq., and carried,

That the thanks of this Synod are hereby given to the Rev. Canon Thompson for his services as Clerical Secretary during the past twelve months, and that this Synod hereby express their deep regret for the loss of his valuable services in consequence of his departure from the Province.

It was moved by Mr. FALKINER, seconded by Mr. ROEBUCK, and carried,

That the thanks of the Synod be given to the Clerical and the Lay Secretaries.

The "Gloria in Excelsis" was sung, and the Synod was concluded with the usual Benediction by the Lord Bishop.

APPENDIX.

COMMITTEES.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

REV. W. BOND, CONVENER.	W. MCGINNIS.
" R. LINDSAY.	W. H. A. DAVIES.
" J. FLANAGAN.	DR. SMALLWOOD.
" H. F. DARNELL.	JAMES HUTTON.

COMMITTEE ON CANONS:

VEN. ARCHDEACON SCOTT.	JUDGE McCORD, CONVENER.
REV. CANON LEACH.	E. CARTER.
" CANON BANCROFT.	HUGH TAYLOR.
W JONES.	B. CHAMBERLIN.
LINDSAY.	F. D. FULFORD.
CONSTANTINE.	JAMES ARMSTRONG.
C. BRATHWAITE.	

COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE:

REV. W. BOND, CONVENER.	HON. G. MOFFATT.
G. SLACK.	T. B. ANDERSON.
J. FLANAGAN.	JAMES HUTTON.
R. LONSDALL.	W. A. MERRY.

COMMITTEE ON DUTIES OF ARCHDEACONS:

REV. D. LINDSAY, CONVENER.	JUDGE McCORD.
" CANON LEACH.	STANLEY C. BAGG.
" E. DUVERNET.	J. C. BAKER.
" E. WOOD.	S. E. DAWSON.

COMMITTEE ON MARRIAGE LICENSES:

REV. W. ANDERSON, CONVENER.	H. ROEBUCK.
" J. IRWIN.	E. CARTER.
" R. LINDSAY.	E. E. SHELTON.
" H. J. PETRY.	R. MACKAY.

APPENDIX A.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer of the Diocesan Synod of Montreal begs to report the following statement :

Cash in hand at last meeting,.....	\$59 02
Since received,.....	120 82
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Disbursements,.....	179 84
	32 78
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Balance on hand,.....	\$147 06

Thirty-three collections have been handed in, but none have been received from

Abbotsford.
Rougemont.
Edwardstown.
St. Remi.

Hemmingford.
Mascouche.
St. John's.
New Glasgow.

Sutton.
Gore.
St. Luke's, Montreal.
St. Stephen's.

JAMES HUTTON,
Treasurer.

Montreal, June 20, 1864.

APPENDIX B.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE, 1864.

The Committee beg to Report:—

1. That there is an increasing necessity for action in the matter of the sustentation of the clergy, and direct the attention of the Synod to a former report of this Committee, (See Rep. iii., p. 27,) upon this subject, earnestly recommending that the suggestions then made should be carried into effect, in conjunction with the Board of Missions.
2. That the Treasurer's accounts will show that several Missions have neglected to pay their contributions towards the expenses of the Synod, and consequently are without lay representation in the Synod, and must remain so until the deficiency is made good.

3. That in accordance with the instruction Rep. iv., p. 22, the expense of sessional printing has been considered, and it is recommended that the printing be in type and form like the present journals, and that enquiry be made as to the terms upon which the whole of the printing required by the Synod can be performed.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. BOND,
Chairman.

APPENDIX C.

MONTREAL, DECEMBER, 1863.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE APPOINTED BY THE DIOCESAN SYNOD OF MONTREAL FOR THE YEAR 1863.

MY LORD,

The report of this Committee submitted to the Synod at its last session, stated "seeing it is highly desirable that all the property of the Church should be protected by Insurance with as little delay as possible, the Committee recommend that the Lord Bishop of Montreal be empowered by the Synod to carry into effect such plan as the committee may suggest."

This report having been adopted by the Synod, it becomes the duty of the Committee to lay before your Lordship the result of its deliberations.

The Committee met again on the 15th of August, when the letter of H. L. Routh, Esq., Agent of the "Royal," directed to the Lord Bishop of Montreal, originating and proposing a plan for insuring against loss by fire at low rates, under an indisputable policy the whole of the churches and church properties in this Diocese, was read, as well as the report submitted to Synod and resolution appointing the Committee.

Whereupon it was resolved that the tenders in the possession of the Chairman (which he was directed to obtain at the meeting of the Committee on the seventeenth of June,) be not now opened, but that a circular be sent to each Clergyman or Churchwarden of each Parish or Mission, requiring full information of the Church property to be insured, and the value in detail that they may desire to have covered.

This information having been obtained from a large number of the County Parishes or Missions, (40) it was found that property to the value of \$54,200 was insured, and that property to the value of \$59,200 was not insured, and that several of the Parishes or Missions had not made any return of the value of their property, or whether insured or not insured.

The tenders having now been opened, the following were noted, viz. :—

No.	North British & Mercantile	L'pool & London.	Phoenix.	Royal.
No. 1	risk (see sch.,*) 5s 6d			
" 2	5s 6d	5s 0d	6s 0d	5s 0d
" 3	8s 0d	5s 0d	6s 0d	5s 0d
" 4	12s 6d	6s 0d	6s 0d	5s 0d
" 5	15s 0d	8s 0d	6s 0d	7s 9d
" 6	17s 6d	9s 0d	9s 0d	8s 0d
" 7	20s 0d	11s 3d	8s 0d	8s 0d
" 8	8s 0d	15s 0d	10s 0d	8s 3d
" 9	12s 6d	6s 0d	15s 0d	11s 6d
" 10	15s 0d	8s 0d	6s 0d	5s 9d
" 11	17s 6d	9s 0d	9s 0d	7s 6d
" 12	17s 6d	11s 3d	8s 0d	8s 0d
" 13	17s 6d	12s 6d	10s 0d	9s 6d
" 14	19s 0d	12s 6d	10s 0d	10s 0d
" 15	20s 0d	15s 0d	10s 0d	11s 0d
" 16	12s 6d	10s 0d	13s 9d	12s 6d
" 17	15s 0d	10s 0d	8s 6d	8s 6d
	25s 0d	12s 6d	12s 6d	12s 6d
		20s 0d	17s 6d	15s 0d

Shewing that the tender of the "Royal" was considerably the lowest.

It was however resolved that the last three offices be invited to furnish the Committee with the rates of premium at which they would be willing to insure the Church property of the Diocese (irrespective of that in the city,) upon the same conditions as the former tenders, and which might be classed under four heads. The following is the result :—

No.	Description	L'pool & L'don.	Phoenix.	Royal.
No. 4	Churches, Stone or Brick and Wood, (described in Sch.)*	8s 0d	10s 0d	8s 0d
" 9	Parsonages	8s 0d	10s 0d	8s 0d
" 7	Churches, Wood.....	15s 0d	15s 0d	14s 9d
" 44	Parsonages "	15s 0d	15s 0d	14s 9d

* Description of Church Property in Montreal Diocese.

No.	Description	Rate per cent.
1	Built of Stone or Brick, and covered with either Iron, Tin, Slate, or Patent Roofing .....	.....
2	Built of Stone or Brick, and covered with either Iron, Tin, Slate, or Patent Roofing.....

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 or on isolated Lots
 in the Country.

On Stables and
 Coach Houses in
 connection with
 Parsonages in the
 Country.

- 3 Built of Stone or Brick, and covered with either Iron, Tin, Slate, or Patent Roofing,.....
- 4 Built of Stone or Brick, and covered with Wood,.....
- 5 Built of Wood encased with Brick, and covered with Iron, Tin, Slate, or Patent Roofing,.....
- 6 Built of Wood encased with Brick, and covered with Wood.
- 7 Built of Wood, and covered with Wood,.....
- 8 Built of Stone or Brick, and covered with either Iron, Tin, Slate, or Patent Roofing,.....
- 9 Built of Stone or Brick, and covered with Wood,.....
- 10 Built of Wood encased with Brick, and covered with Iron, Tin, Slate, or Patent Roofing,.....
- 11 Built of Wood encased with Brick, and covered with Wood,.....
- 12 Built of Wood, and Plastered inside and outside, covered with Iron, Tin, Slate, or Patent Roofing, ..
- 13 Built of Wood, and Plastered inside and outside, covered with Shingles laid in mortar,.....
- 14 Built of Wood, and Plastered inside and outside, covered with Shingles.....
- 15 Built of Stone or Brick, and covered with Iron, Tin, Slate, or Patent Roofing,.....
- 16 Built of Stone or Brick, and covered with Wood,.....
- 17 Built of Wood, and covered with Wood,.....

This revealed to the Committee that a serious loss would result to the Diocese at large, by separating for Insurance the city property from the country, as much as 3s 3d per cent. and 2s 2d per cent. on a large proportion of the worst risks, say \$22,600 ascertained value of former, and \$7,200 of latter, and 3d and 6d on the other risks.

Whereupon it was resolved, that it be recommended to the Lord Bishop that the proposal of the Royal Insurance Company to insure the whole Church property of the Diocese be accepted, provided that the Company will be satisfied to include so much of the city property only as may be brought within the arrangement, together with the property in the country, and if

the Company declines to accede to the above condition or proviso, then the last tender of the Company be accepted.

It may be well to add for your Lordship's information and guidance:

1st. That all the offices admitted the feasibility and safety of the plan, by distinctly stipulating for it in its integrity in their tenders, if they were successful.

2nd. That the information was elicited that some Church property is paying now to one of the competing offices 20s, which would be covered under the plan proposed for 7s 6d, while a very large amount in the city now paying 7s, at least would be covered for 5s, proving (it is thought) that when the whole Church property is insured by the scheme now proposed, the cost to the Church will not be more, if so much as that now paid, with more than one-half in the country uninsured.

3rd. It is believed, that when it is known that not only a large saving will thus be effected to individual parishes, but that the poorer missions in the country will be so greatly benefited, there will be no difficulty in obtaining the consent of the whole Diocese.

4th. It was found upon enquiry that the whole amount of any one risk was not such as to deter the Committee from recommending the plan proposed.

5th. The Weekly Collections in the country might be set apart for the payment of the Premium of Insurance if no other plan be in force.

WM. BOND,
Chairman of Committee.

APPENDIX D.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

DECLARATION.

WE, the Bishop, the Clergy, and the Laity of the United Church of England and Ireland, within the Diocese of Montreal, assembled in Synod, and intending under God's blessing and guidance, to consider and determine upon such matters as shall appear necessary for the welfare of the Church in this Diocese, desire, in the first place, for the avoiding of all misunderstanding, to make a declaration of the principles upon which we propose to proceed.

We desire that the Church in this Diocese shall continue as it has been, an integral portion of the United Church of England and Ireland; and we declare our firm and unanimous resolution, in dependence on Divine aid, to preserve those doctrines, and that form of Church government which are at present recognized by the Church of England and Ireland.

It is our earnest wish and determination to confine our deliberations and actions to matters of discipline, to the temporalities of the Church, and to such regulations of order as may tend to her efficiency and extension; and we desire no control or authority over any but those who are or shall be members of our own Church.

CONSTITUTION.

1. The Synod shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese, of the Clergy of the same licensed to the cure of souls therein, or holding office in any college or school under the jurisdiction of the Bishop (such Clergy not being under ecclesiastical censure), and of Lay representatives, to be elected as hereinafter provided.

2. 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 annually at the Easter meetings, or at any Vestry meeting (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 or upwards, entitled within such cure to vote at Vestry meetings, or who hold pews or sittings in the Church, though not entitled so to vote, who shall have declared themselves in writing 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.

3. 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 the majority of those present, taking precedence in the order in which they are here named.

4. Every separate cure served by a licensed Minister shall be entitled to elect two Lay representatives; but when there shall be two or more congregations, having a corre-

sponding number of church edifices, within one cure, then each of such congregations shall be entitled to elect two representatives.

5. All Lay delegates shall, each one before taking his seat in Synod, produce to and deposit with the Lay Secretary or other officer of the Synod appointed to receive the same, a Certificate of his election in the following form, to be signed by the Chairman of the meeting :

“ This is to certify that at a meeting held this day for the purpose of electing delegates to represent this congregation or parish in Synod, being the parish or mission of _____, a communicant of one year’s standing, and of the full age of twenty-one years, was elected by the Laymen of this congregation, who have a right to vote at such election, by virtue of their having, in accordance with the 2nd clause of the Constitution of the Synod of this Diocese, declared themselves in writing in a book kept for that purpose, to be members of the United Church of England and Ireland, and to belong to no other denomination, and being otherwise qualified under the provisions of said clause.

(Signed), _____

And such certificate shall be considered and taken a sufficient proof of the election : and such Lay delegate shall continue in office till his successor is appointed.

6. If a vacancy should occur in the number of representatives, 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.

7. Clergymen who have served in the Diocese and are resident in the same, but are now superannuated, may attend the meetings of the Synod, and vote at the same.

8. That the Synod shall meet on the third Tuesday of June every year, in the City of Montreal, or at any other such time or place as said Synod shall appoint at its last previous meeting ; provided also, that the Bishop may call a special meeting when he shall consider it necessary to do so ; or shall do so on the requisition of ten Clerical and thirty Lay members ; and at such special meeting no other business shall be transacted than that stated in calling the meeting.

9. When the Bishop is not present, his Commissary shall

preside in his place ; and when the See is vacant, the senior Dignitary of the Church, next in rank to the Bishop, in the Diocese, shall, within a fortnight of the occurrence of such vacancy, summon a Synod, to be held in not less than thirty days, to elect a successor to the See, at which he shall preside, and at such meeting no business except such election shall be proceeded with.

10. A quorum of the Synod shall consist of no less than one-fourth of the whole number of both Clergy and Lay representatives respectively.

11. There shall be two Secretaries, one from the Clergy, the other from the Laity, who shall keep regular minutes of all proceedings of the Synod, shall record them in a book provided for that purpose, 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 ; and give notice to each Minister and Vestry of the time and place appointed for any stated or special meetings of the Synod, this notice to be given at least six weeks before such meeting.

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

13. The vote of each order shall be taken separately, when so required by any three members, each vote being determined by the majority of the members present in each order.

14. No rule shall be binding on the members of the Church in this Diocese at large, which has not received the concurrent assent of the Bishop, the Clergy, and the Laity, and which has not been passed in the Synod.

15. 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 till the next meeting of the Synod, but shall not be finally adopted unless approved by majorities consisting of two-thirds of both Clergy and Laity then present.

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE SYNOD OF THE
DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS.

1. The first meeting of the Synod in each Session shall be preceded by public morning prayer, with a sermon and the Holy Communion; and the collection at the Offertory shall be devoted to missionary or such other purposes as the Synod may direct.
 2. The business of every day shall be preceded by special prayer for the Divine guidance and blessing, according to a form authorized by the Bishop.
 3. After this prayer, the Clerical Secretary shall call over the roll of the Clergy, to be furnished by the Bishop, and mark the names of those in attendance; and the Secretary shall call over the names of the several parishes, missions or cures, when the certificates of the representatives having been presented, shall be examined by the Secretary and a Committee of two to be named by the Chairman for that purpose; and where found satisfactory, the names shall be recorded and read by the Secretary.
 4. The election of new Secretaries shall then be made by the Clergy and Laity respectively, and a Treasurer, and two auditors shall be appointed, all of which officers shall be elected by ballot if demanded, and shall hold their respective offices until their successors shall be chosen.
 5. After this, on the first day, and on all other days, after prayers, the order of business shall be as follows:—
 - I. Reading, correcting, and approving the minutes of the previous meeting.
 - II. Appointing Committees.
 - III. Presenting, reading and referring memorials and petitions.
 - IV. Presenting reports of Committees, and of the Treasurer and the Auditors.
 - V. Giving notice of motion.
 - VI. Taking up unfinished business.
 - VII. Consideration of motions.
 - VIII. Orders of the day.
- An address from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

FOR THE PRESERVATION OF ORDER.

1. The Synod shall meet the first day at two o'clock in the afternoon, and afterwards at ten o'clock each forenoon during its session, unless otherwise ordered by the Synod. And when it adjourns, the members shall keep their seats until the Chairman leaves the chair.

2. On the appearance of a quorum, fixed by the Constitution of the Synod at one-fourth of the whole number of the Clergy and Lay Representatives respectively, the Chairman shall call the Synod to order; and should there not be a quorum at the appointed hour, the Chairman is authorized to adjourn the meeting during pleasure.

3. Immediately after the Chairman shall have taken the chair, the meeting shall be opened by prayer, according to a form authorized by the Bishop; and the minutes of the preceding meeting shall then be read to the end that any mistake therein may be corrected by the Synod.

4. The Chairman shall preserve order and decorum, and shall decide questions of order, subject to the Synod, to be decided without debate. When called upon to explain a point of order, he shall state the rule applicable to the case, without argument or comment.

5. Members of the Synod shall sit uncovered, the clerical members to be habited in bands and gowns, and every member before speaking shall rise from his seat and address himself to the chair. When two or more members rise at the same time the Chairman shall name the member who is first to speak.

6. When the Chairman is putting a question, no member shall walk out of or across the house; nor when a member is speaking shall any member hold discourse to interrupt him except to order, nor pass between him and the chair, and every member present when a question is put shall be required to vote on the same. In voting, those who vote in the affirmative shall first rise, and then those who vote in the negative.

7. No member, save the mover of a motion, who is entitled to reply, shall speak more than once on the same question without leave of the Synod, except in explanation of a material part of his speech which may have been misunderstood, and then he is not to introduce new matter.

8. A member may, of right, require the motion in discussion to be read for his information, at any time during the debate, but not so as to interrupt a member speaking.
9. A member called to order shall sit down, unless permitted to explain, and the Synod if appealed to shall decide the case, but without debate; if there be an appeal, the decision of the chair shall be submitted to.
10. No member shall speak disrespectfully of the Queen or of any of the Royal Family, nor use improper language against the proceedings of the Synod, or against particular members thereof, nor speak beside the question in debate.
11. The Chairman may at any time desire the Synod to be cleared of strangers, and may suspend the debate then in progress until the Synod be so cleared.
12. No motion shall be put or debated unless the same be in writing and seconded; nor shall any motion prefaced by a written preamble be received by the chair.
13. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, but such motions, as well as motions to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.
14. All questions shall be put to the Synod in the order in which they are moved.
15. After a motion has been read from the chair it shall be deemed to be in possession of the Synod, but it may be withdrawn at any time before decision or amendment with the permission of the Synod.
16. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received by the chair unless to amend it, or postpone it to a certain day, or to lay it on the table, or for adjournment; and no more than one amendment to a proposed amendment of a motion shall be in order.
17. On a division the names of those who vote for, and those who vote against the question, shall be recorded in the minutes, if required by three members. And a question once determined shall not be brought up again the same session without the unanimous consent of the Synod.
18. Petitions, memorials, and other papers addressed to the Synod, shall be presented by a member in his place, who shall be answerable to the Synod that they do not contain improper or impertinent matter.
19. In order to expedite the business of the Synod, it

is required for the future that the clerks of the several vestries in this Diocese, or where there is no Vestry Clerk, the Chairman of the meeting, shall send to the Clerical Secretary of the Synod, within six days after their election, the names of the Lay delegates elected at any meeting held for that purpose: and the Secretary of this Synod shall attend at the place where the Synod is to meet at 9 o'clock of the first day of meeting, to record the names of said Lay delegates.

REGARDING COMMITTEES.

20. All special committees shall be named by the chair, unless otherwise ordered, and in such cases the election shall be by ballot. They shall appoint their own chairman, and a majority of the number named or elected shall be a quorum competent to proceed to business.

21. The reports of Committees shall be in writing signed by the chairman, who, or some member deputed by him, shall explain to the Synod the bearing of any portion of the report if requested by any member of the Synod.

22. Reports of Committees shall be received in course, unless ordered to be re-committed, but further action thereon shall be by motion as in other business.

23. All notices of motion intended to be brought before the next Synod shall be sent into the Clerical Secretary at least six weeks before the day of meeting; and it shall be the duty of the Clerical Secretary to keep a record of such notices, and to issue a circular statement of the business for the ensuing Synod, with reports of Committees, and the order in which the same shall be brought up. The circular to be forwarded to each Clergyman and parish, one month before the meeting of the Synod.

24. That the expenses of the Synod, such as printing, &c., be defrayed by an ordinary collection made in each parish or mission on the Sunday preceding the meeting of Synod.

ELECTION OF BISHOP.

1. The House of Bishops shall present two or more persons to the Synod of Montreal, one of whom may be elected as the Bishop of Montreal; and in case no election shall take

place from the names so nominated, the House of Bishops shall again exercise the same right of nomination until a choice shall be made by the Synod: and no other persons shall be put in nomination for the office of Bishop except such as shall be nominated by the House of Bishops; provided a Resolution respecting the election of Bishops of the Diocese, passed at the meeting of the Synod on Wednesday, June 17th, 1863, be adopted by the Provincial Synod, respecting the election of future Bishops of Montreal, such Bishops continuing to fill permanently the Office of Metropolitan.

2. In such election by said Synod of Montreal, the Clergy and Laity shall vote separately by ballot—the Clergy by individuals and Laity by parishes or cures. A majority of votes in each order shall determine the choice, provided that two-thirds of the Clergy entitled to vote are present, and two-thirds of all the parishes or cures entitled to be represented; otherwise two-thirds of the votes of each order shall be necessary to determine the choice.

ARCHDEACON.

1. The Archdeacon, upon receiving the reports of the Rural Deans, shall inquire into the cause of the non-payment of such sums as may be due to the Clergy from their respective parishes or cures.

2. The Archdeacon shall also see that all Church property in the Diocese is kept in good repair.

RURAL DEANS.

1. The Rural Deans are officers of the Bishop, receiving their commissions from him, and are to report the proceedings of their Deaneries to the Bishop, through the Archdeacon.

2. The Rural Deans shall hold a Ruri-decanal meeting, in their several deaneries, once every year. Special meetings may be called by them at the desire of the Bishop.

3. Each Rural Dean, at the annual meeting of his deanery, shall submit a report of such statistics connected with the different missions or parishes, as he shall have been able to collect from the Clergymen and Churchwardens in their several cures: such reports shall be so presented at the Ruri-decanal meeting, previous to their being forwarded to the Archdeacon.

4. The Rural Deans shall collect such statistics as the Bishop may direct: and all matters relating to the boundaries of parishes, or the erection of new ones, shall be referred to a Ruri-decanal meeting.

5. The Rural Deans shall have no power of interference on their own mere motion, in matters of discipline, in any parish or mission. All such matters shall be referred to the Bishop, to be dealt with as he shall think proper.

STATUS OF PARISHES, &C.

1. A Mission is an ecclesiastical division supplied by a Clergyman, who receives the whole or the greatest part of his stipend from foreign aid.

2. A Parish is an ecclesiastical division including within its limits a Church and Parsonage, and providing within itself at least one-half of the stipend of the Clergyman who is its incumbent.

3. A Rectory is a Parish, raising within its limits the whole of the stipend of the Incumbent. Provided always that it be understood that nothing herein shall be regarded as affecting parishes erected by Letters Patent from the Crown.

4. The minimum salary of the Clergy shall be eight hundred dollars per annum.

BOUNDARIES OF PARISHES.

1. The boundaries of all Missions, Parishes, and Rectories shall be defined by a Ruri-decanal meeting.

2. That in cases where the boundaries cannot be arranged by such mutual agreement, then the Bishop be requested to issue a commission of two Clergymen and two Laymen, none of whom shall be locally connected with such Parishes or Cures, directing and authorizing them to investigate the merits of the case and decide thereon, and to report their decision to the Lord Bishop for his consideration; and should his Lordship approve of the same, then the boundaries so arranged, approved and declared, shall be the boundaries of the Parishes and Cures aforesaid. The expenses of such commission to be borne by the Parishes to be arranged.

3. That all repairs and dilapidations of Church property shall be defrayed by each Parish individually.

OCCUPANCY OF PARSONAGES AFTER DECEASE OF INCUMBENT.

1. At least three months from the time of decease shall be allowed to the widow, or children, or other relatives, of the late Incumbent, provided that they have been residing with him and forming part of his family up to the time of his decease, before they, or she, or he be called upon to leave the Parsonage.
2. If the Glebe or any other land be under cultivation, the crop thereof belongs, of course, to the lawful representatives of the deceased, unless his successor consent to refund the expense incurred in such cultivation, when the crop belongs to the incoming Incumbent.
3. In the case of meadow land the grass belongs to the successor; but if made into hay the same is the property of the representatives of the deceased.
4. The above rules apply to Clergymen on their being placed on the superannuated list.

REGISTRAR.

1. There shall be a Registrar for this Diocese, whose duties it shall be to keep a record of all Church properties and moneys in the different parishes, and of all the changes that from time to time take place, and a certified copy of every deed, and deeds of consecration, and boundaries of parishes, and every acquisition of property shall be sent to him by the Rural Deans. He shall be entitled to receive a fee of \$1 for the registration of each document, and 50 cents for every copy of the same.
2. The boundaries of every parish or mission erected under authority of the Canon, as well as of every existing parish or mission, shall be entered in a book, to be kept by the Secretaries of Synod for that purpose, and a copy thereof shall be furnished to any person applying for it on the payment of a fee of one shilling.

CHURCHWARDENS.

The Incumbent and Churchwardens of every church and chapel being a body corporate and politic, the administration of the temporalities of every church or chapel is by law vested in them; but for their more perfect and efficient administra-

tion, and with a view to leaving the Incumbent more complete leisure for the discharge of his sacred office, it is expedient that certain duties should be under the more immediate superintendence of the Churchwardens.

Wherefore it shall be the special duties of the Churchwardens of every church or chapel, within fourteen days after appointment or re-election in each year, to make a faithful inventory, in duplicate, of all the movable property of the Corporation, and to insure the same, and all the buildings thereof at their full estimated value with some English or Provincial Fire Insurance Company duly incorporated. And at each appointment or re-election of Churchwardens, the outgoing Churchwarden or Churchwardens shall present a true and faithful balance sheet of the accounts of the Corporation, to be filed with the above-mentioned inventories in the vestry of the Corporation, and also shall hand over to his or their successors any balance of moneys remaining on hand.

To provide for the due care and preservation of the said movable property, together with the administration of the real estate thereof, during their tenure of office.

Carefully to superintend and to enforce the execution of all contracts for the furnishing, repair, and preservation of the church, parsonage, burial ground and glebe, and to take the necessary steps to exact penalties in case of their non-fulfilment.

To secure the warmth, cleanliness, and ventilation of the church, and the supply of vestments, linen, books, and bread and wine for the celebration of the Holy Communion.

To provide such books and documents as the Synod may from time to time require to be kept.

To afford the Incumbent every assistance in their power in the supervision of the sexton, the organist, the clerk and the choir, and the inferior officers of the Corporation.

To provide strangers with seats during the celebration of Divine Worship, in so far as the capacity of the building will allow.

To maintain good order and quiet in and about the church or chapel, and in the adjoining roads and public places during Divine worship, and prosecute all offences against that good order and quiet. Vide Incorp. Statutes, c. XXII.

To collect, in accordance with the statute, pew-rents, sub-

scriptions, alms, and offerings of the congregation, and to keep a faithful account of the receipts and disbursements of the congregation.

To notify the Incumbent of any grievous sickness or destitution among the members of the congregation, and generally, and as far as in them lies, to promote the comfort and welfare of the clergyman and congregation.

A copy of these instructions shall be sent to the Incumbent and Churchwardens of every church and chapel, and shall be read aloud by the Chairman of the Vestry, at each annual election of the Churchwardens.

COMMUNICANTS.

The Vestry of every charge or parish represented in this body shall hereafter be required to furnish a suitable book or books in which shall be enregistered the names of all persons who are members of the church in full communion, with the date of their first communion, as nearly as can be ascertained; and this register shall be in all cases kept by the Clergyman holding such charge or parish, and shall be the property of the parish; and copies or extracts thereof, certified by the Incumbent, or, in his absence, by the Churchwardens, shall be full evidence of the status of any person in such congregation at the date of such enregistration.

CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY.

NOTICE OF ORDINATION.

The names of the candidates for Holy Orders on the Bishop's list shall be transmitted to each officiating clergyman to be published by him during service at each place where he officiates, at least one month before the day of Ordination.

SUSTENTATION OR ENDOWMENT FUND.

- a.*—An annual sermon shall be preached in each parish or mission throughout the Diocese, on behalf of this fund, and the whole of the proceeds of the same shall be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the Church Society.
- b.*—An annual meeting for this object, *v. e.*, connection with those of the missionary purposes of the Church

Society, shall be held in every parish or mission throughout the Diocese, and the amount of collections made at the same shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Church Society.

c.—Arrangements shall be made for bringing this plan, and the necessity for vigorously working the same, before the people in every parish or mission in the Diocese,—and with this object, a scheme for holding the requisite meetings, or preaching the requisite sermons, shall be drawn up, and the Bishop shall be requested to name a deputation or deputations for attending the same,— and, in addition, each parish and mission is earnestly recommended to create a *local endowment fund*.

SUPERANNUATED FUND.

A sermon shall be preached annually in every congregation throughout the Diocese, and collections made for a Superannuation Fund.

2. The clerical subscription shall be five dollars.
3. The management of the fund shall be placed in the hands of the Church Society.
4. Each case for participation in the benefits of the said Fund shall be determined upon its particular merits by the central Board.

REPRESENTATION TO PROVINCIAL SYNOD.

The number of Clerical and Lay Delegates to represent each Diocese in the Provincial Synod having been fixed by the Provincial Synod at twelve of each order, the Clerical and Lay Secretary at the preceding Diocesan Synod shall always be *ex-officio* amongst the number of delegates to represent this Diocese at any meeting of the Provincial Synod, with eleven others of each order to be elected by ballot at each annual meeting of the Synod.

SCHOOLS.

1. There shall be attached to every Mission and Parish, when practicable, a Day School and Sunday School; and also in every Rural Deanery there shall be established a Superior Church Day School.
2. The Master of such Day Schools shall be a member of the Church, and receive a license from the Bishop.

3. The religious instruction shall be exclusively under the direction of the Clergyman, and the general management shall be vested in the Minister and Churchwardens.

4. The Schools shall be maintained by school fees, and public grants, and by subscriptions and endowments. "And all the *fees* shall be collected by the schoolmaster, who shall account to the Churchwardens for the same."

5. The Sunday School shall be entirely under the direction of the clergyman of each Parish or Mission, whose duty it shall be to nominate the teachers, to select suitable books of instruction for the several classes, to train and instruct as practicable, the teachers themselves, "to catechise from time to time the children," and to see that nothing is taught inconsistent with the doctrine and discipline of the Church.

6. A Standing Committee of Synod shall be appointed to select suitable books for Sunday and Day Schools.

PROPOSED CANON OF DISCIPLINE.

ARTICLE I.

Who shall be amenable.

Every priest and deacon, duly licensed by the Bishop, is amenable for offences committed by him, to the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese in which he resides, in the manner and under the provisions set forth in the Canon of Discipline herein-after enacted.

What shall be punishable offences.

§ 1.

For any crime, or immorality, for drunkenness, profane swearing, disorderly conduct, frequenting places most liable to be abused to licentiousness; for a violation of the Constitution or the Canons of the Church, or of the Diocese to which he belongs; for the discontinuing all exercise of the ministerial office, without lawful cause; or exercising any lay profession, or occupation inconsistent with his sacred calling; for the habitual disuse of public worship, or of the Holy Eucharist, according to the offices of the Church; for the infringement of the rubric, or for schism or the separating himself from the communion of the Church.

And also for heresy, or teaching, or maintaining heretical doctrines; or for teaching or inculcating doctrines, contrary to those 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.

§ 2.

If there is reason for supposing, from public rumour or otherwise, that a clergyman has been guilty of any of the foregoing ecclesiastical offences, the Bishop of the Diocese, within which the offence is alleged or reported to have been committed, on the application of any party complaining thereof, or of his own mere motion, may summon the party to appear before him, in private, and, upon confession of the offence alleged, may pronounce such sentence as may be proper.

If the Bishop should consider the matter to be of such a character or magnitude as to require it to be placed on record, in such case the accusation shall be reduced to a definite form: there shall be added the confession signed by the party, and the same, with the sentence pronounced, shall be recorded in like manner as other sentences are hereinafter directed to be recorded.

If the accused party shall not admit or confess the offence alleged, and the Bishop be of opinion that there are grounds for further inquiry, the Bishop may issue a commission under his hand and seal to *five* presbyters, of whom the archdeacon,

shall form three, who shall make inquiry into the truth of the accusations, and report the facts, as well as the evidence taken, and whether, in their opinion, there be sufficient *primâ facie* evidence instituting for further proceedings.

In such case, the accusation shall be reduced to form in writing, and notice of the time when, and place where, every such meeting of the commission shall be holden, shall be given in writing, to the party accused, at least twenty days before the first meeting; and it shall be lawful for the party accused, or his agent, to attend the proceedings of the commission, and to examine or cross-examine any witnesses; and such preliminary proceedings shall be in private, unless the party accused shall desire otherwise.

Should the party accused neglect or refuse to appear before the said commission, his default, after good and sufficient service, shall be placed on record, and the commissioners shall proceed with their inquiry *ex parte*.

Upon the receipt of the report of the commissioners, the Bishop shall take such further proceedings therein, as the case may, in his judgment, require.

ARTICLE II.

Presentment or charge, and form of.

A charge may be preferred against any clergyman for any of the ecclesiastical offences above enumerated, in the manner and under the provisions following.

It may be made by the Bishop of the Diocese, *ex officio*, by any two presbyters, by the churchwardens, or any three communicants, of any parish or mission, wherein the offence is alleged to have been committed.

The charge shall be in writing, signed by the parties making it, and shall specify the offence or offences with reasonable certainty, as to time, place, and circumstances.

There shall be annexed to it the names and residences of the material witnesses, and a copy of any documentary evidence relied on.

It may be in the following form:

"The subscribers, (titles and additions,) allege and charge,
 "that the Rev. A. B., a minister of this Church, of the order of
 "parish of _____ of the church or
 "ecclesiastical offences, for which he is guilty of certain
 "censure; viz, of _____ has been guilty of certain
 and _____ subject to trial and

"To establish which allegations and charge, we refer to the
 "accompanying affidavits, certificates, documents, and to the wit-
 "nesses whose names and places of residence are hereunto annexed.
 "Which charge (or charges) we know to be true in substance,
 "(or) which charges, on information satisfactory to us, we believe
 "to be true."

Whenever a charge or charges against any priest or deacon shall have been reduced to writing and delivered to the Bishop, or, in his absence or incapacity, to his commissary, it shall then be the duty of such Bishop or commissary to transmit to the accused a certified copy thereof, together with notices of the time and place of trial, both of which the Bishop or commissary shall prescribe or fix.

The charges and notice shall be delivered to the accused, or left at his place of abode, at least *thirty* days before the time appointed for the trial.

ARTICLE III.

Board, or Court of Triers.

There shall be an Ecclesiastical Court, or Board of Triers, for the Diocese of Montreal to try such charges as may be preferred against any priest or deacon of the said diocese.

It shall be composed of fifteen priests, who shall be annually elected by a majority of the clerical order of the Diocesan Synod at its annual meeting, and who shall continue in office until others shall have been chosen in their places.

The Bishop shall have power to fill all vacancies which may occur by removal from the diocese, by death, by election to the episcopate, until the next meeting of Synod.

The Court of Triers shall name from among their body a secretary, whose duty it shall be to keep a record of all the proceedings had before the Court.

The Church Advocate (as hereinafter appointed), shall give notice in writing at least _____ days before the day fixed for the trial, to the party accused, to attend before the Clerical Secretary of the Synod, time and place being mentioned in the notice, when and where the party accused, shall strike from the list of triers, elected as aforesaid, one of the names, and the Church Advocate shall strike off another, and so alternately until the number shall be reduced to *five*, which five shall form the Court for the trial.

If the accused shall neglect to attend in person, or by an agent, the clerical secretary of the Synod shall strike the list with the Church Advocate, in place of the accused so absent.

The accused and Church Advocate may, by a written consent, filed with the Clerical Secretary of the Synod, agree upon any five or three of the Board of Triers, to form the Court.

The Bishop shall issue a precept, addressed to the members of the Court of Triers, so struck or agreed upon, requiring them, or any *three* or more of them, to proceed to the trial of the accused at the appointed time and place; which precept, together with a certified copy of the charges, shall be transmitted by the Bishop to the president of the Court (to be named by him), whose duty it shall be, on receipt thereof, to cause all the members of the Court, or Board of Triers, to be summoned to meet at the prescribed time and place, any *three* or more of whom, who shall attend in pursuance of such summons, shall constitute the Court.

The Bishop shall, at the annual meeting of Synod, nominate a Church Advocate to conduct all prosecutions; he shall be

a priest belonging to the Diocese, or a layman who has been a member of some church within the diocese, at least *two* years before such nomination.

If on the day fixed for the trial, the accused shall appear, he shall, before proceeding to trial, be called upon by the Court to say whether he is guilty or not of the offence or offences charged against him; and on his neglect or refusal, the plea of not guilty shall be entered for him, and his trial shall proceed.

Exceptions to the form or substance, or any part thereof, or legal sufficiency of the charge or presentment, or any part thereof, of the allegations or specifications therein, or to the jurisdiction of the Board of Triers or any member thereof may be taken by the accusers, and shall be determined by the Board.

Such exceptions shall be made in writing, at the time of pleading.

If no such exceptions are taken, or having been taken, are overruled, the accused shall be called upon to plead guilty or not guilty, as aforesaid, and the trial shall proceed.

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, or, in his absence, 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 this sentence may be revoked if, within three calendar months, he shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and take his trial on the presentment; 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.

No proceeding shall be instituted against any priest or deacon, unless the same be commenced within *two* years after the commission of the offence in question.

But 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.

The accused party may have the privilege of appearing by counsel if he shall see fit.

All evidence shall be taken in writing.

When the Court proceeds to trial, some officer authorised by law

to administer oaths in this Province of Lower Canada, shall be requested to administer the required oath to the witnesses called on to testify to the truth in the matters at issue before the Court.

If the accused be resident within the Diocese, at the time of presentment made against him, all notices, service and citations, shall be made on him personally, or at his usual domicile or residence, within the delays before mentioned.

If on, or during any trial, the accused shall confess the truth of the charges contained in the presentment, the Board of Triers may dispense with hearing further evidence, and will proceed at once to report the same to the Bishop, whose duty it shall then be to proceed and pass sentence.

The proceedings upon a trial shall be private, unless the accused party shall request the same to be public, or unless public decency would be likely to be outraged by such publicity, in which latter case the Court may direct it to be private.

No charge shall be considered as substantiated or proven by the testimony of less than two witnesses.

If any member of the Church shall be summoned to attend as a witness before any Board of Triers, Board of Inquiry, Court, Commissioners, constituted under any provision of this Canon, or being present before either of the same, shall refuse to testify, or to be sworn or affirm, such persons may be declared guilty of contumacy, and punished accordingly.

A certificate or record of such contumacy shall be signed by the president of the Board, Court, or Commissioners, as the case may be, and transmitted to the Bishop or his Commissary.

Whereupon the Bishop, or Commissary, shall cause reasonable notice to be given to the party of the proceedings intended against him, and after due citation, and the hearing of the party in defence or extenuation, or in default of his appearing to answer, the Bishop or Commissary, may proceed, if the party be a layman, to admonish or suspend him from communion with the Church, and if a priest or deacon, to admonish or suspend him from his office, until such contumacy be purged.

The Court, having deliberately considered the evidence, shall declare in writing, signed by the members thereof, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, whether in their opinion the accused is guilty or not guilty on each particular charge.

If the accused, after trial, shall be found guilty, the finding of the Court together with all their proceedings, including the evidence taken in the case, shall be transmitted to the Bishop, or in his absence or incapacity to act, to his Commissary, before its transmittal to the accused, or in any way made public, and should

he concur in opinion with the Court, he, or his Commissary, may proceed to pass such sentence, as in his judgment may deserve, not repugnant to the provision of the 19 and 20 Vict. c. 121. s. 2.

A copy of the sentence shall be sent to the accused, and another to the vestry, or vestries of the parish, or parishes, or congregation, or congregations, with which he may be canonically connected; and such other publicity may be given to it as the Bishop or Commissary shall think expedient.

Provided always, that at any time before the sentence shall be pronounced by the Bishop, or Commissary, it shall be lawful for the party convicted, to apply for a re-hearing before the Board of Triers, founded upon any affidavit showing that the party accused since his trial and conviction, has discovered new evidence, (and setting forth in full such new evidence) and which he was ignorant of at the time of his trial; and in such case the Board of Triers may grant or refuse a new trial, as in their judgment may seem just and reasonable.

Whereas, the 2nd section of Prov. Stat., 19 and 20 Vict. c. 121, declares the following sentences, or punishments to be those only that may be legally imposed upon clergymen within this Diocese, being found guilty of an infraction of the ecclesiastical laws, viz :

1. "Suspension."
2. "Removal from an office in the said Church."
3. "Exclusion from the meetings of the Diocesan, or General Synods."

It is nevertheless hereby declared to be within the power of the Bishop, *ex-officio*, and not inconsistent with, or contrary to the above enactments, to *admonish* offending clergymen; which admonition of a minister for any ecclesiastical offence, not made a subject for judicial inquiry, or presentment, shall be made in private; upon a second offence it shall be public or private, at the discretion of the Bishop, or Commissary, and made in such manner as to the said Bishop or Commissary may seem proper.

Admonition when recommended or declared to be the proper sentence by the Court, or Board of Triers, may be public or private, as such Court shall determine.

When the penalty of suspension shall be inflicted by the judgment of any Court, or Board of Triers, such sentence shall specify the terms thereof and the period of its duration.

During his suspension he shall not exercise the functions of the ministry either in his own congregation or elsewhere within this Diocese.

Removal from an office in the said Church shall be considered to include and mean deposition and degradation.

No degraded minister shall be restored to the ministry.

Upon such sentence being pronounced, the connection between the minister and his parish, or congregation, shall be *ipso facto* severed; and all other 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.

ARTICLE IV.

Discipline applicable to the Laity.

The Rubric, prefixed to the order of the Holy Communion, in the Book of Common Prayer prescribes the manner of proceeding by the minister of any parish toward any layman guilty of any of the offences therein mentioned, and provides for the reporting the same to the Bishop.

If the party thus repelled shall think proper to make a complaint (in writing) to the Bishop, against the conduct of his minister, in such case it shall be the duty of the Bishop, (unless he think proper to restore him, from the insufficiency of the cause assigned by the minister) to institute an inquiry into the merits of the case.

If the Bishop should not think proper of his own authority to restore the layman complaining, as above, he or his Commissary shall appoint two disinterested clergymen, and two disinterested laymen, who are communicants, to inquire into and try the case.

If they report to the Bishop that the repelled person ought to be restored, the Bishop shall so direct, and no minister of the diocese shall deny him the Holy Communion.

If they report otherwise, or make no report within three months from their appointment, the repulsion shall continue in force. If this Board of Inquiry be equally divided, they may elect an umpire, clerical or lay, and a majority may report whether the party has been rightfully repelled or not, according to the Rubric.

If the judgment direct a continuance of the repulsion, it shall still be subject to the conditions and provisions of the Rubric.

The judgment of the Board of Inquiry shall be final, unless the Bishop shall grant a re-hearing.

APPENDIX E.

CATHEDRAL.

MONTREAL, June 15, 1864.

MY LORD,

The Dean and Canons of Christ Church Cathedral, and the Curate of the Chapel of St. John the Evangelist, in connection with the Cathedral, beg respectfully to make the following statistical returns to be presented to the Synod:—

CATHEDRAL.

Baptisms (from June, 1863, to June, 1864.).....	67
Confirmed	102
Marriages.....	18
Interments	30
Communicants.....	590

SUNDAY SCHOOL, UNDER THE SUPERINTENDENCE OF THE ASSISTANT MINISTERS.

Teachers.....	28
Scholars.....	240

CELEBRATION OF DIVINE SERVICE.

Sundays at 11 a. m., 3.30 p. m., and 7 p. m. At the latter the seats are free, and the service seems to be well appreciated, as it is largely attended.

Daily Morning Prayer at 11.30.

" Evening " at 5.

HOLY COMMUNION.

Twice per month and on the Festivals of Christmas, Easter, Whitsunday and Trinity Sunday.

INCOME OF CATHEDRAL.

Amount of Offertory.....	\$3320
" Pew Rents.....	6899

We much regret to be obliged to say that the Cathedral is still encumbered with a heavy debt, but we trust that some general and united effort will soon be made towards the liquidation thereof.

JOHN BETHUNE, *Dean.*

J. HENRY THOMPSON, M.A., *Senior Canon.*

J. P. WHITE, *Junior Canon.*

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The following table shows the number of persons in the United States in 1900, according to race, sex, and age. The total population was 76,212,342.

Race	Sex	Age	Number
White	Male	Under 15	15,000,000
		15 to 64	35,000,000
		65 and over	5,000,000
	Female	Under 15	15,000,000
		15 to 64	35,000,000
		65 and over	5,000,000
Negro	Male	Under 15	2,000,000
		15 to 64	5,000,000
		65 and over	1,000,000
	Female	Under 15	2,000,000
		15 to 64	5,000,000
		65 and over	1,000,000
Chinese	Male	Under 15	100,000
		15 to 64	500,000
		65 and over	100,000
	Female	Under 15	100,000
		15 to 64	500,000
		65 and over	100,000
Japanese	Male	Under 15	100,000
		15 to 64	500,000
		65 and over	100,000
	Female	Under 15	100,000
		15 to 64	500,000
		65 and over	100,000
Other	Male	Under 15	100,000
		15 to 64	500,000
		65 and over	100,000
	Female	Under 15	100,000
		15 to 64	500,000
		65 and over	100,000

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1900.

SCHEDULE OF REPORT TO SYNOD FOR THE YEAR 1864. DEANERY OF BEDFORD.

Name of Parish or Mission, and when first established.	Extent and boundaries when defined.	Number of Churches.	Of what material.	Probable Value. \$ cts.	If insured, and in what office.	Number of Parsonage Houses.	Of what material.	Probable Value. \$ cts.	If insured, and in what office.	GLEBES.		OTHER CHURCH PROPERTY.		Amount raised in Mission towards support of Clergyman. \$ cts.	No. of families who identify themselves with the Church.	No. of Communicants.	No. of Baptisms.		No. of Schools under control of the Church.		No. of Children in attendance.		How often is D. S. performed.		How often is the H. C. administered.		
										Extent. Acres.	Value. \$ cts.	Real Estate \$ cts.	Money Funded. \$ cts.				Infant.	Adult.	Sunday.	Day.	Sunday.	Day.	Sunday.	Day.		Sunday.	Day.
Abbottsfond, 1824, Rougemont, 1848, and Milton, 1843,	The parishes of St. Paul d'Abbottsfond, Rougemont, and the Township of Milton	Three.	Wood. Brick.	1500.00 1000.00 800.00	Abbottsfond, S. S. & S. Mutual. Milton, S. S. & S. Mutual. One Wood. 500.00 S. S. & S. Mutual.	1 1/2 50	125.00 2000.00	Abbottsfond Fund Endowment	2275.00 160.00 100.00	140.00	65	50 24 24	11	One	15	Twice every Sunday	The usual Festivals	Six times per annum in each Church.		
Bedford, 1830	The Township of Stanbridge, west of the line between 5th and 6th Ranges.	One	Brick.	2500.00	Not insured	One	Brick.	1500.00	Not insured	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	55	31	15	2	One	.....	48	.....	Once at Bedford, and the same at a Station each Sun.	.....	Monthly.
Brome	Township of Brome except Lots 26, 27, 28, in all Ranges.	Two.	Wood. Brick.	.....	S. S. & S. Mutual.	One	Brick.	2200.00	S. S. & S. Mutual	15	400.00	400 Acres of land in Sutton.	3000.00	420.00, (of this \$50 pd. to assist Minister.) Excess over \$700 to Brome Woods Mis.	55	73 7 add. 6 left.	15	1	Four	.....	120	.....	Twice every Sunday	.....	Knowlton monthly. Brome Corner bi-monthly.
West Brome, and Brome Woods, 1863 ..	72 square miles, N. W. Shefford, E. Brome, S. Dunham, W. Farnham ..	One	Wood. build'g.	1500.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	21	3	Two	One	89	30	Twice	Three times	.....	
Cowansville, and Sweetsburgh	About 120 square miles, including N. Dunham and E. Farnham	Two.	Brick.	2200.00 2200.00	Trin. Ch., Miss. & Rou. Co. Not insured	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	150.00	Missisquoi High School.	.....	262.23	40	45	3	.....	One	One	30	39	Twice at Trinity Church. Once at Xts. Church. Twice & Thrice on alternate Sundays.	.....	Monthly.
Dunham, 1808	Township of Dunham less 3/4ths	One	Stone.	4000.00	Not insured	One	Wood.	1600.00	Not insured	10	.....	.....	.....	250.00	100	75	15	3	One	.....	75	.....	Twice & Thrice on alternate Sundays.	.....	Monthly.
Ely, 1863	15 miles square, Township of Ely and N. Stukely	Chapel. School-House.	Wood.	394.00	Not insured	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40.00	21	15	4	.....	One	.....	15	.....	Thrice	Once	.....	
West Farnham, 1847 ..	15 x 8 miles, E. by Farnham Centre, S. by Stanbridge, W. by St. Brigide ..	One	Wood.	1200.00	In London and Liverpool Insurance Company ..	One	Wood.	500.00	In London and Liverpool Insurance Company ..	60	700.00	Endowment Fund	2240.00	94.07	44	37	9	.....	One	.....	55	.....	Twice	.....	Monthly.
Frelighsburgh	
Granby, and N. Shefford, 1843 ..	Township of Granby with parts of Shefford and S. Roxton	Two.	Wood. Stone.	1600.00 1600.00	S. S. & S. Mutual Do. do.	One	Stone.	2000.00	S. S. & S. Mutual	10	1500.00	.....	.....	100.00	110	120	25	5	One	.....	30	.....	Three or Four every Sunday	.....	Quarterly.
Potton, and Bolton, 1856	The Township of Potton and South Bolton	Two.	Brick. Wood.	1300.00 1200.00	Do. do. Do. do.	One	Wood.	800.00	S. S. & S. Mutual	.....	.....	.....	.....	105.00	32	29	26	8	Two	One	37	.....	Three times	All Holy Days	Monthly.
Philipsburgh, and Pigeon Hill, 1801	32 square miles, N. by Stanbridge, W. by Clarenceville, S. Province Line, E. St. Armand E.	Two.	Brick.	2400.00 2000.00	Not insured	One	Wood.	800.00	Missisquoi & Rouville Co.	100	1500.00	.....	.....	110.50 52.00 Rent 90.00	60 30	63 35	15	3	Two	.....	30	.....	Twice	.....	Monthly.
Stanbridge East, 1851 ..	The first five Ranges of the Township of Stanbridge	One	Brick.	3000.00	Not insured	One	Stone.	2000.00	Not insured	.....	.....	.....	.....	40.87	.....	.....	4	6	One	.....	40	.....	Twice	On Holy Days	.....	
Stukeley, 1825	Ten miles square, first 5 Ranges in S. Stukeley, 3 Stations in Bolton	One	Stone.	3000.00	S. S. & S. Mutual	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 1/2	150.00	.....	.....	64.00	75	38	15	2	One	.....	15	.....	Twice	Fortnightly	Bi-monthly.
Sutton, 1844	Ten miles square	One	Stone.	2000.00	Missisquoi & Rouville Co.	One	Wood.	1000.00	Missisquoi & Rouville Co.	5	500.00	.....	80.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	One	.....	35	.....	Twice	.....	.....
Waterloo, and Frost Village, 1821 ..	Lots 1 to 14 6th Range of Shefford, Part of Brome	Two.	Wood. Stone.	1800.00 2000.00	S. S. & S. Mutual Do. do.	One	Brick. Wood.	1800.00 1000.00	S. S. & S. Mutual Do. do.	17 17	500.00 500.00	.....	4700.00	431.00	125	117	27	4	Four	One	115	.....	Four by Self and Asst. Minister.	.....	Monthly.
W. Shefford, 1821	Forty square miles, inclu. part of Granby	One	Wood.	1000.00	Not insured	One	Brick.	1500.00	Not insured	6	450.00	40.00	40	35	24	One	20	Once. Twice in Summer every other Sunday at Granby, South Ridge.		

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ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST (FREE SEAT) CHAPEL.

Baptisms (from January, 1863, to 1864).....	39
Confirmed	30
Marriages	13
Interments	16
Communicants (at Easter)	205

SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Teachers	15
Scholars	150

CELEBRATION OF DIVINE SERVICE ON SUNDAYS.

Communion at 8 a. m. ; Morning Prayer at 11 a. m. ; Litany, 4 p. m.
Evening Prayer, 7 p. m.

Daily Morning Prayer at 7 a. m. ; Evening Prayer with Sermon every
Wednesday throughout the year.

EDMUND WOOD, M.A., *Curate.*

APPENDIX F.

BEDFORD.

In presenting the Annual Report for the past Ecclesiastical year, the Rural Dean is gratified to be able to note some encouraging circumstances which shew that the work of the Church is steadily progressing in the Deanery.

This is evidenced, amongst other things, by the fact that *two new missions*, in Ely and West Brome and Brome Woods, have been opened during the past year. That in Ely was recommended by the Deanery meeting of last year, and the following account received by the Rural Dean from the Rev. A. L. Fortin, who has been labouring there as a catechist, and has been recently admitted to Holy Orders, shows the nature and extent of the work in which he is engaged. Mr. Fortin says "Although I have answered the questions, I would like to say a few words more about the mission in Ely and North Stukely. This mission was first established by the instrumentality of the Rev. David Lindsay, incumbent of Waterloo, who, having had different opportunities of going in that vicinity for the purpose of holding Divine Service and administering the Sacraments, thought it was most urgent and necessary to do something for the spiritual welfare of the increasing population. Without any more delay he applied to the Sabrevois Mission College to know whether they could not send one of their young men to take the field of labour. The Rev. B. P. Lewis of Sabrevois was then deputed

“ to examine the mission. After giving in his report, the Committee decided to send one on the mission, if money could be collected to make up the salary. Mr. Lindsay, with an untiring zeal, undertook this work, which he accomplished. He got \$50 from Mr. Coffin; \$50 from Boston's heirs; from the people \$40; Church Society \$50, and \$20 from private individuals, making \$210 in all; the rest is made up by the Sabrevois Mission. I have four regular stations in my care; Boscobel as being the centre and my place of residence for the present. Congregation from 20 to 25. Macfarlane's settlement, N. Stukely—congregation 30 to 35. Clarke's settlement, 10 to 15. Davidson's settlement in Ely 25 to 30. I have also a small Sunday school in Boscobel, number of scholars 10 to 15.” Notwithstanding however the opening of these two new missions, the total number of parishes and missions in the Deanery is only *seventeen* against *sixteen*, as mentioned in last year's report. This is caused by the consolidation of Milton and South Roxton into the neighbouring missions of Abbotsford and Granby, so that more ground is covered without increasing the number of the clergy. In the present state of the finances of the church this would seem to be desirable, as it is impossible that small and weak missions, unless under some very peculiar circumstances, should continue to receive the services of a clergyman when so much ground remains to be occupied.

From these *seventeen* missions, *sixteen* reports have been received.

Some particulars in the statistics of these reports deserve more special notice.

For instance it appears somewhat singular in looking over the tabular statement which accompanies this report, that the number of families returned as “ identifying themselves with the Church ” should be less this year than last, although it is evident that the Church has made considerable progress in that time. The number last year was 923—this year 861—being a difference of 62 families. This however is accounted for by the fact that no returns have been made from St. Hyacinthe, Upton, and Sutton under this head. These three localities would have returned at least 130 families, which would have made the number *greater* this year than last. This is undoubtedly an important item in our Church statistics, and the returns under this head should be made with the greatest possible care.

It is gratifying to observe an increase of 80 communicants over the returns of last year, and this notwithstanding the absence of any return under this head from three missions in the Deanery.

The number of baptisms, especially of adults, was greater in the returns of last year than this, the number being 257 infants and 64 adults in 1863, against 231 infants and 37 adults in 1864.

The insurance of church property is a subject which should receive the attention of the parochial officers of our missions. A large proportion of churches and parsonage houses are still returned as "not insured." When we consider how great a charge the rebuilding of a church or parsonage would be to the strongest of our missions, and the very small sum required to pay the premium of insurance, it seems strange that so obvious and necessary a duty continues to be so frequently neglected.

Nothing having been done as yet to regulate the boundaries of missions and parishes where they are not sufficiently defined, and it being desirable in accordance with the rule of the Synod, that this matter should be attended to at the present meeting, arrangements were entered into to define the boundaries between Bedford and Stanbridge East, and West Shefford and Brome Woods, which object will be doubtless accomplished before this Report is presented to Synod.

The subject of local endowments appears in many places to have taken hold upon the minds of our people, and very vigorous and praiseworthy efforts to that effect have been made even by small missions, by no means abounding in pecuniary resources, as is the case with some of our older and wealthier parishes. It is to be hoped that this example will stimulate others to like diligence to perpetuate the blessings of their regular church institutions, and hand them down to their children unimpaired. And it is pleasing to observe instances in which this duty is duly remembered by members of the Church, when, on the bed of death, they make disposition of their worldly effects. The late Mrs. Reynolds, of Frelighsburg, furnishes an example of this care on the part of a dying Christian to aid in perpetuating, for the benefit of succeeding generations, those spiritual privileges and means of grace which she had found precious to her own soul.

Nor while we are thus chronicling the memory of the departed, who have died in the Lord, should we omit to mention that venerable servant of Christ, one of the oldest of our missionaries, the Rev. R. Whitwell, M.A., who has been recently removed by the hand of death, and called to his reward. Identified, for the larger portion of his ministerial life, with the affairs of this Deanery, his memory will long be cherished by his brother clergymen and the lay members of the church.

In conclusion, the Rural Dean begs to congratulate the members of the Ruri-decanal Chapter upon the generally vigorous and healthy character of the Church's work in this Deanery.

All which is nevertheless respectfully submitted.

GEO. SLACK,
Incumbent of Bedford, Rural Dean.

APPENDIX G.

ST. ANDREWS.

St. ANDREWS, May 30, 1864.

MY LORD,—Since the last meeting of Synod two Ruri-decanal meetings have been held—the one for the Lower Ottawa District at St. Andrews, that for the Upper Ottawa country at Aylmer: the attendance at both places was good, and the answers to my questions, in general very satisfactory.

There are now ministering in this Deanery twelve clergy, nine of whom are in priest's orders and three deacons: there is also one catechist.

The mission of Morin and Mille Isle is succeeding satisfactorily. The new church at the latter place is now insufficient to accommodate the congregation, so that it is in contemplation to build a larger one, and convert the present building into a school room. The people have come forward with the determination to secure a parsonage and glebe for their minister. At first it was intended that the parsonage should be erected at Morin, but as the congregation at Mille Isle is much the larger, and the people have expressed such a willingness to do their part, it seems to be only right that they be permitted to carry out their intentions.

At our meeting at Aylmer I spoke to the churchwardens of the desirableness of having that village with a certain portion of the adjoining township of Eardley formed into a separate mission. My proposal was most readily acceded to, and the congregation now awaits the appointment of a clergyman.

With regard to Hull itself which by this arrangement forms but a very small cure, we must hope that the mission will extend in another direction towards the rear of the Township and Chelsea. In the schedule of statistics for last year we have the mission of Hull and Aylmer set down at ten square miles, while, for this year the return gives the extent at one hundred and forty-four: this latter return must, I conceive, be taken as the area of the mission when first established.

The church at Hull notwithstanding the great expense incurred in its erection, is very cold and uncomfortable. Mr. Johnston thinks it advisable to dispose of it and build a new church at the front of the village. He objects to the present site because the approach is through a narrow street occupied by French Canadians, and the difficulty of making a road in another direction. The matter requires much consideration. The church itself can be made comfortable by a small outlay in the manner suggested:

SCHEDULE OF REPORT TO SYNOD FOR THE YEAR 1864, DEANERY OF ST. ANDREWS.

Name of Parish or Mission, and when first established.	Extent and boundaries when defined.	Number of Churches.	Of what material.	Probable value.	If Insured, and in what office.	Number of Parsonage Houses.	Of what material.	Probable value.	If Insured, and in what office.	GLEBES.		OTHER CHURCH PROPERTY.		Amount raised in Mission towards support of Clergyman.	No. of families who identify themselves with the Church.	No. of Communicants.	No. of Baptisms.		No. of Schools under control of the Church.		No. of Children in attendance.		How often is D. S. performed.		How often is the H. C. administered.
										Extent. Acres.	Value.	Real Estate.	Money Funded.				Infant.	Adult.	Sunday.	Day.	Sunday.	Day.	Sunday.	Day.	
Mission of Vaudreuil, Established A. D. 1841,.....	{ 225 square miles, bounded on East by Cascades; W. by Rigaud; S. by a line running through Cedars and Newton; North by Ottawa River, boundary defined in 1863..... }	One.	{ Built of } Brick.	\$3200	Not Insured.	None.	No Glebe	{ \$400 } towards Endowment.	{ From } 100 to 120 realized from pew rents. }	About 60.	86	4	{ 2 Sunday } Schools.	{ 25 to 30 } in each School.	{ 2 Services in Sum- } mer, 2 each, alter- nate Sundays, in Winter, Services on chief festivals. }	{ Monthly, Christ- } mas, Easter, Whit-Sunday.
Mission of Morin and Mille Isle, Established A. D. 1861,.....	{ About 100 square miles } Boundaries not yet de- fined,..... }	Two.	Wood.	{ 600 } each.	Not Insured.	{ The } material is being collected. }	{ To be } built of Wood. }	{ A lot of land } has been purchased, \$40 paid. }	\$200	{ \$100 } per annum.	{ About 25; others } not yet discov'ed in the wilderness }	18	12	{ 2 Sunday } Schools.	{ Average } 25 in each. }	2 Services each Sun.	{ One in a dis- } tant School House in the week. }	{ Once a quarter } at present.
North Gore, West Gore and part of Wentworth, Established A. D. 1837,.....	{ 170 square miles, bounded } W. by Chatham; N. by Morin and Mille Isle; E. by Thomas Gore; and S. by Upper Lachute Road. }	Two.	{ 1 of Wood. } { 1 of Stone. }	{ 600 } 2800 }	Not Insured.	One.	Wood.	\$600	Not Insured.	Five Acres,.....	200	.....	{ \$10 } in kind.	{ The Church po- } pulation being so intermixed with dissenters by marriage, and several having left the Gore, the number cannot be determined. }	102	38	.....	{ 6 during } Summer. }	1	25	25	130	.....	{ Four times in } the year, also at Christmas and Easter.
Parish of St. Andrews, Estab- lished A. D. 1822,.....	{ 130 square miles, bounded } E. by Seigniorial line ; W. by side line at Cush- ings; N. by North River and Wentworth; S. by River De Grace, and a line thence to Diocese of Ontario,..... }	One.	Brick.	1600	"Mutual."	One.	Wood.	1000	"Mutual."	Forty-five,.....	1200	{ \$20 the } commencement of Endowment Fund. }	{ \$496.40 } last year. }	70	100	20	1	40	104	56	{ Monthly and on } chief festivals.
Mission of Portage du Fort and Havelock, Established A. D. 1856,.....	{ 300 square miles, bounded } on S. by Ottawa River, E. by Clarendon; being the last mission on the river it has no bounds on North and West; it extends over Litchfield, Mansfield, and Calumet Island. Defined A. D. 1863. }	Two.	{ 1 of Stone. } { 1 of Wood. }	{ 3500 } 400 }	In the Liverpool } and London. }	One.	Wood.	1000	{ "Liverpool } and London" } Office. }	None,.....	.....	.....	{ \$225 } last year. }	68	57	21	.....	1	.....	60	.....	156	78	{ Monthly and } chief festivals.
Mission of Clarendon with Thorne and Leslie, Estab- lished A. D. 1842,.....	{ 250 square miles, bounded } E. by Bristol, not defined, W. by Litchfield; S. by Ottawa River; N. by Clapham and Cawood, . }	One and } 1 being } built.	Wood.	800	Not Insured.	One.	Wood.	600	"The Unity."	Seven,.....	400	.....	\$200	{ 165 wholly and } 20 partially. }	74	57	.....	1	.....	45	.....	130	Occasionally	{ Every alternate } month and on chief festivals.
Mission of Onslow, &c., &c., Estab- lished A. D. 1857,.....	{ 200 square miles, bounded } N. by Aldfield & Thorne; S. by the Ottawa; E. by part of Eardley; W. by Clarendon,..... }	One.	Wood.	1600	{ Waiting for } report on gen- eral Insur. of Ch. property. }	One.	Wood.	800	.....	Half acre,.....	60	.....	\$200	79	95	33	3	4	4	47	.....	{ 3 times each Sun. } except on the sixth Sun. there are only two daily, morn'g and even'g prayers, and three services on Christmas day, Ash Wednesday, & Good Friday. }	.....	{ Monthly and } on chief festi- vals, also, once in five weeks at Out Stations.
Mission of Grenville, &c., &c., Estab- lished A. D. 1832,.....	{ 200 square miles, bounded } on E. by side line at Cushings; S. by the Ot- tawa; W. by Lochaber; and N. by second range of Townships. Defined A. D. 1862,..... }	Four.	{ 1 of Stone. } { 3 of Sided } Logs.	{ 2000 } 400 70 80 }	{ Grenville Ch. } Insured in "Mutual," the other three not Insured. }	One.	Stone.	1600	"Mutual."	Fifty acres,.....	400	.....	\$148.97	Cannot say.	65	23	.....	None.	.....	.....	.....	104	{ On the chief } festivals and occasionally on other week days. }	{ Monthly at } Grenville, quar- terly at the other Churches.
Mission of Buckingham with Lochaber and Templeton, Estab- lished A. D. 1850,.....	{ 300 square miles, bounda- } ries not defined,..... }	1	Wood.	800	Not Insured.	One.	Wood.	1200	Not Insured.	Three acres,.....	400	.....	\$160	55	49	42	.....	1	.....	20	.....	106	.....	Quarterly.
Mission of Aylmer and Hull, Estab- lished A. D. 1842,.....	{ 144 square miles,..... }	2	Stone.	{ 4000 } 2400 }	{ Church at Ayl- } mer insured in "Royal." }	None.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	{ \$2400 } at Interest. }	\$120	.....	40	30	.....	1	.....	30	.....	150	.....	{ Seven times a } year.
Mission of Wakefield and Ayl- win, &c., &c., Established A. D. 1864,.....	{ 150 square miles, bounded } S. by Flint and on the N. by River Desert,..... }	{ One not } finished. }	Wood.	500	3 1/2 acres,.....	100	159	38	3	1	26	4 each week.....	{ The Missionary } is only in Deacon's orders.	

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this the people are well able to do, as also to erect a parsonage. Here I may remark that the people, in what will constitute the new mission of Aylmer, have already proposed to erect a parsonage of stone adjoining the church.

It was my intention to have proceeded up the Gatineau, but the roads were so inundated that it was not prudent to make the attempt, especially, as all the bridges had been swept away. It was owing to this that our missionary at Wakefield could not attend the Decanal meeting. From all I could learn, every thing in Mr. Seaman's mission is going on well: the state, however of this long neglected district requires that a presbyter be appointed to take part in the present work which is far too great for any one man how zealous and faithful soever. The present missionary is labouring in *eight* townships, and goes up as far as the Desert river, but if left thus to himself for any length of time without help or counsel, he must be overwhelmed. There is another reason why a presbyter should be sent, because the present missionary is in deacon's orders, and in all probability may remain so, consequently there is not one to administer the Holy Communion to our people throughout that extensive district.

In a letter just now received from Mr. Seaman, he begs of me to use my endeavours to have the spiritual destitution by which he is surrounded in some degree mitigated by further assistance. His case would have been brought forward in a formal manner and would have received a unanimous vote had he (Mr. S.) been able to attend the Ruri-decanal meeting. In my former report I begged for three missionaries for the Gatineau country: one was sent; may we hope that another be sent immediately.

The present mission of Onslow is far too extended, and unless something be done Mr. Braithwaite's health must suffer. My attention was directed to this by a gentleman residing in that mission. Indeed, a mere glance at the report sent in last year to the Church Society must convince us of this fact. I trust that according to my suggestions Mr. Braithwaite may shortly be relieved of a portion of the township of Eardley, by the clergyman who may be appointed to Aylmer.

Mr. Codd again urges the necessity of dividing the mission of Clarendon. He says, the reasons of his returning only one hundred and sixty-five Church families, is owing to his inability to attend all who require his services. Over two hundred families may be reckoned as belonging to the Church, if it were possible for one man to minister to them, scattered as they are over three Townships. It has just come to this, that if the Church does not look after her children this mission must suffer materially. As the people are now better disposed to do something for the maintenance

of religion amongst them, I would suggest that a new mission be formed of all that part of Clarendon which lies north of the eighth concession together with the townships of Thorne and Leslie: this division would have about one hundred and fifty families in the old part of the mission and fifty in the new, which, there is every reason to expect, would contribute one hundred dollars per annum with the prospect of an increase: the south portion would contribute two hundred dollars, or two hundred and fifty if it could have that attention which the proposed division would ensure. Before long there must be a new arrangement of the boundaries of these contiguous missions; independent of any other cause the division of the old mission of Hull and Aylmer will render it necessary.

The church at Portage du Fort, owing to the suspension of the works at the mills, has not filled up so rapidly as was expected. Mr. Gribble holds morning service at the Portage church, and then walks to Havelock, a distance of ten miles, and after service there returns to the Portage in time for evening worship. The church at Havelock is by this time finished, and will be opened on the day appointed for the confirmation. Some idea may be formed of the extent of Mr. Gribble's labours, when it is known that after the duties of Sunday, he returns to Havelock every alternate Monday, leaving home at *four a. m.*, during winter and summer, crosses over to Calumet Island, holds service there—thence to the Colonge for similar duties, and then proceeds as far as the settlement on the Black River; so that by the time he reaches home he has *walked* ninety-five miles. It is owing to such zeal and earnestness that the Church's mission in this Diocese now extends to nearly one hundred miles above the city of Ottawa. It is very desirable that a catechist be located either at the Colonge or Black River, who would partially relieve Mr. Gribble of much anxiety and labour.

On my way home it was my intention to have visited the German settlement in Derry, but as the country was so flooded, and anything in the shape of a road lies over a rocky surface and through tangled forests, I had to give up the attempt. I hope, however, during the summer to succeed. There are two locations, one in Derry, the other in Bowman, sixteen miles apart, with no road between, so that the traveller has to be guided by the marks cut on the trees. Our catechist resides in Derry, and visits the other settlement as often as possible;—in each place there are about twenty families. From all that could be ascertained I beg to say that this mission should be kept up, as it would be a sad thing to leave such a number of people in that wilderness destitute of any religious instruction.

With respect to Arundel, to which reference was made in my last report, it was the opinion of the Ruri-decanal Chapter that some

provision should be made for supplying the spiritual wants of the people scattered through that and the neighbouring townships, and that a missionary residing at La Chute, where there are several Church families, could extend his visits to all the neighbouring settlements. In this undertaking I could not promise that much may be expected from the people at first. There are many English families scattered up and down, and as a proof of the anxiety that still exists amongst them for the Church's ministrations, I may state that having had occasion to visit a sick person living far back in the country, an old Englishman came six miles for the sole purpose of conversing with me. A large portion of the country now referred to, formerly had the advantage of the labours of a travelling missionary. Instead of retrograding we must go forward in the way of duty.

Mr. Bellingham has given a lot of land in Arundel for Church purposes.

Missionary meetings after evening prayer, have been held in several of the missions; the largest attendance was at North Gore; from three to four hundred people attended and appeared very attentive. The only place where a collection was taken up was at Aylmer, where five dollars were handed in for missionary purposes. All this was attempted on my own responsibility, still it may afford grounds for hoping that something may be effected in this way, should it meet with your Lordship's approbation, for raising funds, as well as giving our people an opportunity of knowing something of the Church's work throughout the empire of Britain. It is a well known fact that in very many places the people labour under the mistaken idea that the Church does nothing whatever in the work of missions or evangelization of the heathen.

All our meetings and deliberations have been characterised by having brotherly kindness and charity.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

I am, my Lord,

Your obedient, faithful servant,

R. LONSDALL,

Rural Dean.

The most Reverend

The Metropolitan.

See House,

MONTREAL.

APPENDIX H.

IBERVILLE.

THE PARSONAGE, HEMMINGFORD, June 15, 1864.

MY LORD,—I have the honour to report that our third Ruridecanal meeting was held in the Parsonage at Lacolle on the third Wednesday of March, and was attended by seven clergymen and two churchwardens. After reading such statistical information as had been received from the different parishes and missions, and considering some of the most urgent wants of the same, I directed the attention of the meeting to the New Mission Board, and the importance of giving it our hearty co-operation; and, I may here say, that two very successful meetings have already been held for the promotion of its objects.

John H. Winn, Esq., who had been nominated by me as a member of the Board, was re-appointed by the meeting.

As the better arrangement of existing missions, as well as the opening of new ones, are some of the subjects which came under our deliberations, it is now submitted that the vacant missions of Sherrington and Napierville, together with that portion of the missions of Lacolle and Hemmingford, known as Henrysburgh, be formed into a new mission, and that Douglas' Corners, which, since the opening of the new road, is equi-distant from Sherrington and Henrysburgh, be made the head-quarters of the missionary. There are still tolerably good congregations at both these places, and I am confident there would be no difficulty in their contributing \$100 *per annum* towards the support of a missionary. At Napierville there is a valuable glebe, which, at the lowest estimate, is worth \$4000, and which at present rents for the small sum of \$120 *per annum*. Could this be sold, and invested at the ordinary rate of interest, the stipend of the Incumbent of Lacolle need suffer no diminution, and there would be \$120 *per annum* for the new mission. With respect to the matter of local endowments only two parishes, Chambly and Lacolle, have as yet made any active move in this direction. The meeting, after giving the subject a careful and prolonged consideration, finally agreed that a deputation, consisting of the Rural Dean and three other clergymen, should visit the different parishes and missions for the purpose of promoting this important work.

It will be seen from the tabular statement accompanying this report, that out of the twenty churches and nine parsonages in this Deanery, only four churches and the same number of parsonages are insured. Many of the country churches are so com-

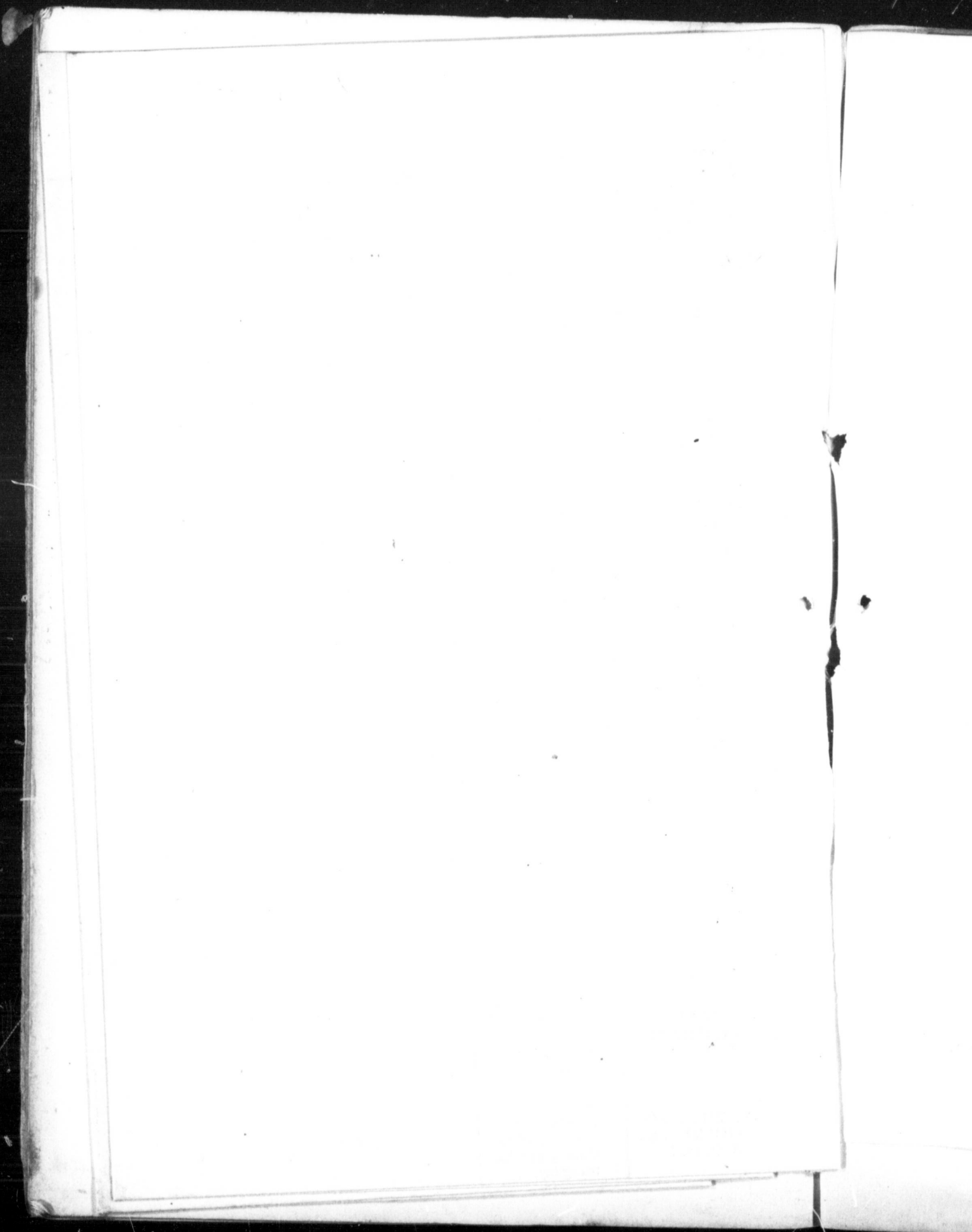
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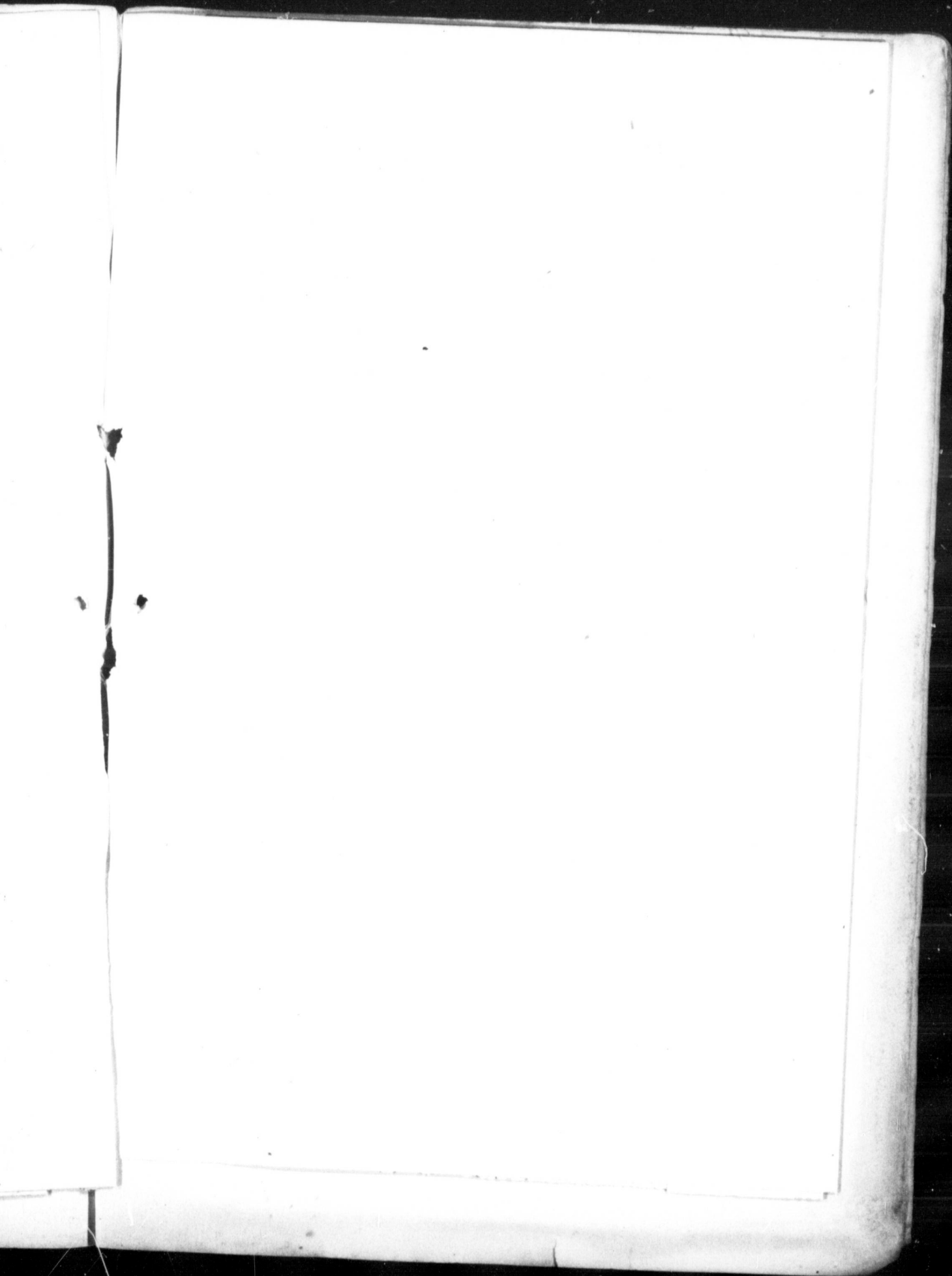
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\$ 1000	promises on and once ; Lent.	} Four times a year in each Church.

SCHEDULE OF REPORT TO SYNOD FOR THE YEAR 1864.—DEANERY OF IBERVILLE.

Name of Parish or Mission, and when first established.	Extent and boundaries, when defined.	Number of Churches.	Of what material.	Probable value.	If insured, and in what office.	Numl of Parsonage Houses.	Of what material.	Probable value.	If insured, and in what office.	GLASSES.		OTHER CHURCH PROPERTY.		Amount raised towards support of Clergyman.	No. of families who identify themselves with the Church.	No. of Communicants.	No. of Baptisms.		No. of Schools under control of the Church.		No. of Children attending.		How often Divine Service performed.		How often is the Holy Communion administered.	
										Extent.	Value.	Real Estate.	Money funded.				Infant.	Adult.	Sund'y	Day.	Sunday.	Day.	Sunday.	Day.		
CHAMBLY in A. D. 1800.	12 miles long and nearly 12 miles broad.	1	Stone.....	\$ 4000	{ Insured in London and Liverpool, I. O.	1	Wood & Brick	\$ 2000	{ Insured in the London and Liverpool I. O.....	{ A 4 acre field.....		{ Endowment fund between \$2000 & \$3000.....	{ \$560, Promised..	About 50	40	10	.....	1	.....	30	.....	{ In summer 3 full services on Sundays.	{ Morning prayer daily at 7 1/2 A. M., and all Festivals.....	{ Once a month.	
CHRISTIEVILLE in A. D. 1841.	90 square miles, N. by Sy. Chamblay; E. by St. Alexander; S. by Sy. Sabrevois; W. by the Richelieu.	1	Stone.....	2500	{ Insured in London and Liverpool I. O.	1	Stone.....	2200	{ Insured in the London and Liverpool I. O.....	{ None.....		{ Endowed by Major Christie, \$600.00..	{ None.	25	27	.....	1	1	35	35	{ Mostly the same children.	{ A lecture every Wednesday evening.	{ Once a month.		
CLARENCEVILLE Mission in 1815. Parishes of ST. GEORGE, and ST. THOMAS, erected in A. D. 1833.	76 square miles, boundaries those of the Seignories of Noyan and Foucault.	3	St. George, St. Thomas and Henryville, Brick.....	{ About \$3000 each	{ Henryville church in the Philipburgh Mutual I. O. The other two not insured.	1	At Henryville. Brick.....	{ About \$800.	{ Not insured.....	{ 60 Arp'ts at Henryville..	\$ 1000	None.	{ Collections made for endowment fund and placed at interest.....	{ Nothing for the present Incumbent. \$149 93c. 6 p. c., per. security. \$224 c. 8 p. c., per. security. \$132 32c. 12 p. c., mortgage secur. raised for endowment.....	100	{ 34 Average per An. since 1840.	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	{ All the most prominent Holidays on week days, and once a week during Lent.	{ Four times a year in each Church.		
EDWARDSTOWN ST. REMI, and HAVELOCK, A. D. 1848.		2	{ Edw'dstown, Brick. { St. Remi, Stone.	{ \$1200 and 800	{ Not insured.....	None.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	None.	.....	\$ 75	.....	36	{ 6 in 1862.	.....	3	.....	{ Edwards-town, 36 St. Remi, 10 Havelock, 13	{ Two and three times.	{ Once and twice on week days.....	{ Edwards-town 4 tim. St. Remi 3 " Havelock 2 "	
HUNTINGDON, A. D. 1830.	450 square miles, N. by the St. Lawrence; E. by the Seigniori Line; S. by the Province Line; W. by Dundee.	2	{ One Stone..... { One Wooden frame.	{ \$1200 and 600	{ Not insured.....	1	{ A large frame wooden building.	600	{ Not insured.....	5 Acres.	240	.....	.....	.....	165	161	87	29	.....	3	.....	{ 45 { 25 { 30 { 100	{ Two and three times.	{ Two and three times.	{ Every 7th Sunday and the great Festivals.
HEMMINGFORD, A. D. 1849.	220 square miles.	3	{ Two of Stone..... { One of Brick.....	{ St. Luke, \$1800 { St. Pauls, \$1000 { St. Jno. Bapt. \$1200	{ St. Luke in North British.	1	{ Wood lined with Brick.	1400	{ Insured in the North British I. O.	50 Acres	1300	{ 14 Acres attached to St. Paul's Church	200	50	15	2	1	{ 25 { 20 { 45	{ 20	{ Three times....	{ Twice on Christmas and Good Friday...	{ Four times a year in each Church.
LACOLLE and NAPIERVILLE, A. D. 1837.	16 by 4 miles N. St. Johns, E. Richelieu, S. the Province Line, W. undefined.	1	Stone.....	1400	{ Not insured.....	1	Brick.....	1200	{ Not insured.....	{ 50 Acres { 112 Acr.	2000 4000	.....	.....	350 per An.	50	50	15	2	1	.....	30	.....	{ Twice on each Sunday and three times every alternate Sunday.	.....	{ Six times and the Chief Festivals.
ORMSTOWN, (DURHAM) A. D. 1857.	The County of Beauharnois and part of the County of Chateaugay.	1	Stone.....	1400	{ Not insured.....	1	Brick.....	400	{ Insured in the Royal I. O., Montreal.....	50 Arp'ts	.....	.....	None.	80	About 60	50	19	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	{ Once.....	8 times in the year.
RUSSELTOWN, A. D. 1848.	The Townships of Franklin and Havelock.	2	{ One Stone..... { One Brick.....	{ About \$1200 each	{ Not insured.....	.....	Brick.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	23	1	2	.....	{ 50 { 40 { 90	{ Once in each Church.	.....	{ Once a month and Christmas day.	
SABREVOIS, A. D. 1847.	Seigniori of Sabrevois and Vicinity.	1	Stone.....	1200	{ Insured in the.....	1	Brick.....	1000	{ Insured in the.....	{ 4 Acres includ'g Cemetery	{ 1 Acre with Mission School thereon.....	None.	20	25	6	2	2	3	{ 30 { 15 { 45	{ 20 { 12 { 4 { 36	{ Two.....	{ Three.....	{ Not regularly.
ST. JOHNS and LACADIE in A. D. 1816, and erected a Rectory A. D. 1822.	Co-extensive with the Barony of Longueuil.	2	{ One in St. Johns' Brick { One in Lacadie, Wood.	{ \$600 and 500	{ Insured in the British America for \$1800; and in London and Liverpool I. O. for \$3200.	1	{ Brick, the out build'g wood	2400	{ Insured in London and Liverpool for \$800.....	1 1/2 Acres.	{ Value owing to its position \$400.....	High School building and site with yard & outbuildings.	{ Value \$4000, with debt of \$1600, insured for \$3200, sheds insured for \$100.....	600	{ 100 { 32 { 132	145 { 20 { 165	33 { in 1863	2	1	{ 130 { 25 { 155	{ 50	{ Three times....	{ Once a week.....	{ Monthly and on Festivals.
SHERRINGTON.....		1	Stone.....	1200	{ Not insured.....	30	20	15	2	{ Every 4th Sunday.	{ Twice a year.	
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* Napierville and Isle aux Noix, being under the charge of the Incumbent of Lacolle, are put down as forming one mission.





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pletely isolated, and so many precautions taken against fire, that the wardens are disposed to regard the insuring of them as a needless expenditure of money.

With respect to Sunday Schools it is gratifying to state that in every parish and mission there is such a school—in five, two; and in two, three.

As regards Day Schools there are only as yet six strictly speaking under the control of the church.

I may state in conclusion that having acquainted the meeting with my resignation of the office of Rural Dean, previous to my departure for England, and your Lordship's acceptance of the same, with the wish that I would continue to act in this capacity until a successor could be appointed, the members of the Deanery present were unanimous in the desire that I would continue in office as long as my health would permit, and a resolution to that effect was passed. I would only add that should my health improve, and my missionary labours be somewhat lightened, as they would be by the formation of the mission just proposed, I shall be most ready and willing to do all in my power for the promotion of those important objects which your Lordship had in view by the division of the Diocese into Rural Deaneries and the appointment of Rural Deans.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your faithful and obedient servant,

EDWARD DUVERNET,

Rural Dean of Iberville.

The Most Rev.
The Lord Bishop of Montreal.

APPENDIX I.

HOCHELAGA.

MY LORD,—On Monday evening, June 20th, the Ruri-decanal meeting for the present year, of this Deanery, was held in the school room of St. George's church, and followed by Divine service, at which the Rev. J. Irwin preached before the Deanery. At that meeting this report was presented in accordance with the Canon.

The Rural Dean visited during last summer most of the parishes and missions of the Deanery, and in several places advocated certain special subjects suggested by the clergymen of the charge. There are now within the Deanery, one parish, eleven missions and six incumbencies; served by seventeen clergymen and four licensed catechists.

CHANGES.—1. The incumbency of the Church of St. James the Apostle, within the parish of Montreal, has been formed since the last report—involving an alteration of the district of St. George—as stated below. The Rev. J. Ellegood is the incumbent of St. James, and the Rev. W. B. Curran has been appointed his successor at St. Stephens. 2. The Rev. J. Merrick, T. Fyles, and T. Goddin, have left the limits of the Deanery, and the Rev. H. B. Wray and J. D. Borthwick, have joined it—the former appointed to New Glasgow, the latter as city missionary in Montreal, with charge of the Hospital. The Rev. G. Henton has resigned the mission of Mascouche and Terrebonne, and officiates at Côte des Neiges; and Mr. Read, a licensed catechist, has charge of the Mission of Mascouche with Terrebonne for the present. Mr. J. Rollit, a licensed catechist and missionary schoolmaster, has taken the post of the Rev. J. Merrick, at Berthier; and the Rev. R. R. Burrage has resigned the charge of Hochelaga—the Sunday services there are now performed by Rev. H. Burgess. 3. A head French lay reader (Mr. O. Fortin) has been licensed. His post is near Sorel, with charge of the Indians at St. Francis.

VACANCIES.—It is my painful duty to report two missions vacant: Laprairie with Longueuil, and St. Thérèse with St. Martin—the former with thirty-two families, two churches and a parsonage house; the latter with ten families and two churches. Longueuil, during the summer months, when many families from Montreal reside in the neighbourhood, has the services of the Rev. E. Wood and his assistant. The cause of these vacancies is the difficulty of supporting clergymen, in missions, where the Church of England members are so few in number, scattered widely amongst the French and Roman Catholic population; this, however, seems to be a strong reason for endeavouring to supply them with the ministrations of our Church.

BOUNDARIES OF PARISHES AND MISSIONS.—There was an error in the last report. It was there stated, that the districts within the Parish of Montreal extended to the city limits—their limits are those of the Parish of Montreal. At a meeting of the Incumbents of the city, at which were present the Most Rev. the Metropolitan, the Dean of Montreal Rector of the Parish, and the Incumbents residing in the city, a new district was formed for the new Church of St. James, bounded on the north-east by Mountain

street, from St. Bonaventure street north-west and the line thereof to the city boundary on the south-east, by the north-west boundary of St. George's district from the line of Mountain street, at its intersection with St. Bonaventure street south-west; on the north-west by the city boundary from its intersection with the line of Mountain street south-west to the intersection of said boundary of Sherbrooke street, and thence by the continuation of said street to the Parish boundary. The district of St. George was re-formed as follows: On the north-east by McGill street and Radegonde street to Dorchester street; on the south-east by William street to the Lachine canal, and thence by the Canal to the Parish boundary; on the north-west by Dorchester street to Mountain street, thence south-east by Mountain street to St. Bonaventure street; and thence on the north-west by St. Bonaventure street and the line thereof to the Upper Lachine road, and thence by said road to the parish boundary. The other districts were more closely defined, and are as follows, viz.: as marked on a map of the city in the possession of the Rural Dean. There has been no changes during the past year in the boundaries of the Country Missions or parishes, but it is desirable that the uncertainty which now exists should not be permitted to continue.

NEW MISSIONS.—The appointment of Mr. Fortin to the work in the neighbourhood of Sorel, under the direction of the Rev. W. Anderson, Rector, promises to open an interesting mission amongst the Indians; but there has been no step taken towards extending the work of the Church in the rear of Kilkenny, Rawdon and Kildare—a wide and populous field—far beyond the strength of the missionaries attempting the work.

SUPPORT OF THE CLERGY.—There seems to be a sad want of system in obtaining contributions towards the support of the clergy. In some of the missions promises are made, but seldom fulfilled in their integrity; and it does not seem well that the clergyman of the mission should incur the odium of asserting his right with his people; it is, therefore respectfully submitted that where desirable an understanding should be had between the Church of the Diocese, through a representative and the mission, agreeing upon the amount of contributions to be paid by the people, and the date or dates of payment, and that such representative should present a certificate at the close of the year, setting forth the performance or non-performance of the agreement. A step in this direction has been taken by the formation of a Board of Missions, and it is hoped that the suggestions contained in the report of last year may be soon carried into effect.

ENDOWMENTS.—The time for closing the claims upon the offer of assistance by the S. P. G. having expired, the result may now

be stated. Sorel has invested, \$; Berthier, ; Kildaro, \$2,706; Lachine, \$500; encouraged by the generosity of the S. P. G.

It is respectfully suggested that carefully prepared rules should be formed and circulated, regulating as far as possible the investment of all moneys available for church endowments.

INSURANCE.—This important subject has again been adverted to, but is not further noticed in this report, as it will form the subject of legislation in the approaching Synod of the Diocese—a large amount of church property is still uninsured.

REPAIRS OF CHURCHES AND PARSONAGE HOUSES.—It appears from the Report of the Committee on Canons, that there has been some legislation upon this subject, but it is submitted that there should be authorized and regular inspection, when requested by the clergyman in charge, and power given to take such measures as shall tend to place the necessary repairs in accordance with existing rules.

DEPUTATIONS.—The parochial and missionary clergy have a large amount of responsibility thrown upon them, in making collections for missionary purposes, &c. They might in a great degree be relieved in this matter, and aided, so that the work would be done more satisfactorily, if deputations regularly appointed, when requested by the clergyman in charge, were to visit the different Missions and Parishes, hold meetings, and give to the clergy such other assistance as might be deemed advisable by the missionaries or incumbents.

GRANTS.—By a rule of the Board of Missions, it is necessary that all new grants be recommended by the Deanery in which the grant is to be appropriated. It is, therefore, respectfully recommended that a grant of £25 per annum be made to the Rev. G-Heaton, for services to be rendered at Côte des Neiges.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM BOND,
Rural Dean of Hochelaga.