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DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

CHURCH SOCIETY, DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

Meeting of Committees in the month of July.
Wednesday 4th.—The Joint Committee of Synod and Church Society to consider the formation of Mission Board, &c., summoned for 11 o'clock.

The Standing Committee 3 p.m., same day.
Tuesday 10th.—The Committee to which was referred the question of the Widows and Orphans' Fund.

The Book and Tract Committee meet at 8 p.m. the same day.

Wednesday 11th.—The general meeting of Incorporate Members at 3 p.m.

THOMAS S. KENNEDY,
Secretary.

HOME DISTRICT CLERICAL ASSOCIATION.

REV. AND DEAR SIRS.—The next annual meeting of the above Association will be held on the 18th day of July, 1860, at the Rev. H. C. Cooper's, Etobicoke. Holy Communion at 8 a.m.

You are invited to attend, and to *notify* to him whether you will be able to do so or not, in order to make arrangements for your accommodation.

Chapters—Solomon's Song.
Subject—Revivalism.

H. B. OSLER,
Secretary.

The Rev. Johnstone Vicars requests that all letters and papers may be addressed to him at Ingersoll, instead of Port Dover as formerly.

BOOK NOTICE.

The Book and Tract Committee of the Church Society of the Diocese of Toronto propose sending home an order for books in the course of this month, an opportunity is thus afforded the clergy and laity, members of this Society, for ordering what publications of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, they may require, all orders must be accompanied by the cash.

THOMAS S. KENNEDY.

ADDRESS

TO THE REV. KAY KENDALL, M.A., Professor of Mathematics in the University of Trinity College:

REV. AND DEAR SIR.—We the undersigned Clergy of Toronto and its neighbourhood, having learned with *sincere regret* that you have resolved on returning to England, with the intention of making it your future home, avail ourselves of the present occasion to express the reluctance with which we regard your departure from amongst us.

The efficient manner in which you have discharged your official duties in Trinity College, the kindly regard entertained for you by the Students who have enjoyed the benefit of your instructions, and your constant readiness to assist your brethren of the Clergy who required your aid, have bound you to us by stronger than ordinary ties.

We pray that our Common Master—the Giver of all good gifts may abundantly prosper you in the steps which you are about to take, and we beg to assure you that news from "home" will always have a deeper and warmer interest for us all, if they bring us good tidings of your temporal and spiritual welfare.

We remain, Rev. and Dear Sir,
With sincere esteem,
Your affectionate brethren,
H. J. GRASSETT,
Rector of St. James's.
EDWARD BALDWIN,
Assistant.

S. J. BODDY, M.A.,
Second assistant.
H SCADDING, D.D., (Cantab.)
Incumbent of Holy Trinity, Toronto.
W. S. DARLING,
Assistant Minister, Church Holy Trinity.

W. E. COOPER,
Second assistant Minister, Church Holy Trinity.
S LETT, LL.D., (T. C. D.,)
Incumbent St. George's.
CHARLES P. EMERY,
Assistant.
THOMAS S. KENNEDY,
Incumbent, St. John's, Toronto, Sec. Ch. Society.

A. J. BROUGHALL, M.A.,
Assistant St. John's, Toronto.
J. H. McCOLLUM, A.M.,
Incumbent of St. Stephen's, Toronto.
JAMES BEAVEN, D.D.,
Incumbent of St. John's, Berkley.
SALTERN GIVINS,
Incumbent, St. Paul's, Toronto, R. D., Homo Dis.
ALEX. WILLIAMS, B.A.,
Assistant, St. Paul's.
ED. DENROCHE, A.M.,
(T. C. D.)

COLLECTIONS UP TO JUNE 28TH, 1860

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

Previously announced	\$55.67
Marshville	\$1.22
Port Colborne	1.83
Welland	1.34
Per Rev. J. Stannage	4.89
St. George's, Guelph, per Churchwardens	16 68
Christ Church, Hamilton, per Churchwardens	80.85

Mirrickville	3.00
Burrill's Rapids.....	1.00
Per Rev. T. A. Parnell	4.00
St. James's, Toronto, per Churchwardens	28.00
St. John's, Bowmanville, per Rev. Dr. MacNab	9.35

123 Collections amounting to	\$18.14
GENERAL PURPOSE FUND.	
Previously announced	\$779 80
St. James's, Toronto, per Churchwardens	48 00

158 Collections amounting to.....	827.80
PAROCHIAL BRANCHES.	
Louth, Parochial Branch $\frac{1}{2}$, per Rev. Dr. Fuller, including Rev. A. Dixon's subscription	15.00
Mirickville, per Rev. T. A. Parnell, $\frac{1}{2}$...	16.00
THOMAS S KENNEDY, <i>Secretary.</i>	

ABSTRACT OF REPLIES FROM CLERGY

To a circular of 23rd February, containing the following questions, viz:

1. How much is it understood that you are to receive annually from your people?
2. What proportion do you think this bears to their ability?
3. How much of the amount furnished has been paid?
4. In what manner has it been paid?

- 1.—Stipend £400, paid regularly, besides house rent £80. Would be glad to see a table of *Surplice Fees* established, he receives no burial fees.
- 2.—Stipend \$300. About $\frac{2}{3}$ of their ability. \$120 paid in 6 months. In cash, or its equivalent.

Suggests the necessity of a district association of ten or more clergy, to have the entire control of the financial matters of all the parishes.

- 3.—Stipend \$270. $\frac{1}{2}$ of their ability. Two thirds paid. In money.

Is of opinion that the insensibility of the people to their obligation of supporting their clergyman has been in a measure caused by their having had, in many cases, their ministrations for nothing.

- 4.—Stipend \$400. Not $\frac{1}{2}$ of their ability. Whole paid, but in inconveniently small sums. Suggests that all payments from parishes should be to the Church Society, a minimum being determined for each mission, and the clergyman to be paid by the Society.
- 5.—Stipend \$360. A fair proportion to ability, paid.

Anticipates increase of stipend when present repairs of churches completed. Recommends the free seat system, and offertory

- 6.—1. Stipend \$400, but \$100 deducted as being the annual value of the glebe, leaving \$300 to be paid by the people.
2. They might pay 50 per cent more.
3. Annual deficit of 88 per cent.

Suggests that no clergyman should be sent but on guarantee to the Bishop for payment of a fixed stipend, to be paid to Church Society.

- 1.—1. Stipend \$600, and house.
2. Infinitesimal proportion to their tithe.
3. Deficits, half-yearly ranging from \$92 to \$180 since 1856. Total due to him \$1460.
4. Paid in every imaginable way by which money payment may be avoided.

8.—1. Stipend \$300. 2. Half of their ability

3. Paid from \$100 to \$120 per annum.

4. Mostly in money.

Can suggest no remedy, deeming any improvement hopeless under a voluntary system.

9.—1. Stipend \$400. 2 Perhaps ½ of their ability.

3. & 4. Received in full by offertories and fees.

Recommends free seat system

10.—\$120 as rent till parsonage house be completed. Rectory, with glebe yielding a rent, on which grounds the people have not been required to make up a stipend.

Suggests that there should always be a third party between the clergyman and parishioners for collecting stipend.

11.—1. Stipend \$364.

2. A fair proportion to their ability.

3. Paid \$237.50. Deficit of 1860 being \$126 50

4. In cash \$160 } \$237.50
In kind 77.50 }

12.—1. Minimum stipend promised \$200

3. Paid \$300. 4. In cash, goods, and produce.

2. A fair proportion to their means, having other church demands, as "Eastern Episcopal Fund, Repairs, Parsonages, &c

Considers the present system suitable for country places where cash is not abundant.

Where it is, suggests payment to a central board or church society.

1 { Stipend £100 3. { Paid in 1859 £80

{ With house rent 3. { House rent paid.

2. They might pay more, but are building a church, to cost £600.

3. Stipend paid mostly in money, and in small sums, and partly in kind.

Thinks that the voluntary system only works favourably with the stimulus of a new clergyman, the people become "weary in well-doing" He would be sorry to remain long in one place dependent wholly on the system.

14.—1. Stipend subscribed and promised. \$185

2. Might be \$300.

3. Received \$100, does not expect \$50 for the present year.

4. Collected by Churchwardens and paid in cash.

The plan of paying the clergyman by subscription list will not succeed in this parish. Proposes taking the offertory collections. Recommends a voluntary association of parishes and a central fund. See the Report and Report of Synod of Diocese of Huron.

15.—1. Stipend \$400. About half their ability. Received \$350.

Disapproves of the voluntary system, takes his stipend now through the offertory.

16. Stipend \$800, some giving in fair proportion to their means, others not. All paid, within a trifle, collected by churchwardens and sidesmen, guaranteed by responsible members. Thinks such guarantee should always be taken, and that the voluntary system works badly, where the people are rude and uneducated, perhaps better in cities.

A settled table of surplice fees required.

17.—Stipend promised \$600—received \$59.

No guarantee taken: it was thought that the offertory would have supplied the amount, but it has utterly failed to do so.

Thinks there would be no lack of candidates

for the ministry, if there were any assurance of their being kept from what is next to beggary when in orders.

18.—Stipend promised \$320 per annum. Arrears due \$800 from 3 congregations. Payment made in sums inconveniently small.

Suggests that the Lay Delegates to Synod when presenting their certificates should furnish a statement of amount paid to their clergyman.

19.—Stipend \$100, and \$80 for house rent. Paid half yearly and within a month of its falling due.

Approves of the voluntary system, if worked after the English mode to endow rural parishes.

Would apply the surplus of Commutation Fund for this purpose.

Large corporate bodies with large funds are objects of radical attack. The endowed parochial system, the strength of the church.

20.—1. Stipend promised \$400.

2. About half of their ability.

3. Received \$240.

4. Chiefly in money, but very irregularly.

Disapproves of clergyman being paid directly by his congregation; recommends a central fund.

21.—Stipend \$640 and a house, but of this \$100 derived from a glebe: house rent also paid from fund derived by sale of a lot given the Rev. W. Johnson.

Paid regularly hitherto, but fears a deficiency this year from removal of families.

22.—No certain stipend promised. Received last year \$150 chiefly in money, part in work.

23.—Promised in 1840 \$200. Paid at first, but diminished till arrears amounted to over \$1200. New arrangements, and promise of \$240 per annum from pew rents does not place much confidence in it.

Considers that sufficient for all the wants of the church will never be raised, till people lay by for God's service, if not a tenth, at least some stated portion.

24. Has received from the people during 17 year's labour £71 2s 6d.

Considers the present system one of false pretences, of which the clergyman is the victim; and that a clergyman should not be sent to a parish without a guarantee, on non fulfilment of which he should be removed. (See the detailed report.)

25.—1. £90 to £100 promised.

2. Barely ½ of their ability.

3. All guaranteed.

4. Paid irregularly, but well on the whole.

26.—1. £90 promised.

3. Paid in advance hitherto.

27.—1. £100 from congregation.

2. Small proportion to their ability.

28.—1. £75.

3. Paid £80.

4. Irregularly.

29.—1. £98.

2. Full proportion to their ability.

3. All paid.

4. Most irregularly.

30.—1. £210.

2. One third of their ability.

3. Two thirds paid.

4. Very irregularly.

31.—1. £150 and house.

3. For 15 months, \$270 out of \$750.

4. Irregularly—collected by himself.

32.—1. \$150 by offertory

33.—1. £116.

2. A full proportion to their means.

3. Five-sixths paid.

4. A legal guarantee, good in law and equity, signed by four or six. Paid well.

34.—1. £115.

2. One fifth of their ability.

3. Paid £70.

4. Most irregularly.

35.—1. £50

2. No proportion to ability.

3. All paid.

4. Most irregularly.

May 9th 1860.

LIST OF PERSONS ENGAGED IN MISSIONARY WORK.

	Nos.	Nos.	Nos.
	1853	1859	1860
Wesleyan Methodist (all Canada.)	230	412	460
(Free) Presbyterian church of Canada.....	100	133	158
Presbyterian in connexion with church of Scotland including the Lower Province.....	87	99	121
United do	61	65	67
C. W. Methodist New Connexion church	36	87	95
Methodist Episcopal.....	99	68	70
Congregational Denomination....	49	68	68
Primitive Methodists.....	28	30	45
Baptists	162	178	188
Bible Christians	15	26	27
Roman Catholic.....	88	192	95
English Church.....	166	"	"
Diocese of Huron.....	"	50	62
" " Toronto.	"	141	159

DIocese OF HURON

SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY OF THE DIocese OF HURON.

The Second Annual Meeting of the Church Society of the recently created Diocese of Huron, was held at the City Hall, on Thursday evening last. The spacious Hall was two-thirds filled with a highly respectable assembly, including many clergymen and influential laymen, who had come from a distance to attend the Synod of the Church.

Shortly before 8 o'clock, the Rev. Dr. Cronyn, Lord Bishop of Huron, took the chair, and previous to the commencement of the proceedings of the evening, offered up a suitable prayer.

The Bishop of Huron then made a few prefatory remarks on the occasion which had brought the meeting together, namely, the Second Annual Meeting of the Church Society. He was thankful that we were again permitted to assemble, to show our earnest desire for the promotion of their interests of the Church Society. We should presently hear the report of what has been done during the past year, which, he trusted, would be but a commencement of that yet to be accomplished. The great object of the Society was, the extension throughout the diocese, of the great Gospel truths of Christianity; the circulation of God's Holy Word, and to make known the glad tidings of a free and finished salvation to men. But he considered that a vast deal remained to be done; we were only now entering on our labours, but, by God's blessing, he hoped that the good work would be continued until the whole diocese was amply and adequately supplied. It becomes our duty to see that our fellow-countrymen may enjoy the same privileges and blessings that we partake of. This was the sole and simple object of the Church Society—to make known the salvation of Christ to our fellow-men. (Cheers.) The Bishop then called upon the Secretary of the Society to read the Annual Report.

The Rev. J. W. Marsh then came forward and read the following—

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY OF THE DIocese OF HURON.

In bringing their Second Annual Report before

the Society, the Committee feel that they are called upon in the first place to acknowledge the bounteous hand of our Heavenly Father, who has so eminently blessed the "small things" with which the Church Society of the Diocese of Huron had to commence its career; for already the Committee may congratulate the Society that the day of small things is passing away, and the income of the Society beginning to swell into proportions somewhat more commensurate with the important work which the Society has to fulfil.

Last year the income of the Society was \$3,540.88, which was the result of much exertion and of all the freshness of zeal and liberality which was naturally displayed in the circumstances under which our Society was established. This year the more creditable sum (\$6,387.63) is obtained, being an increase over last year of no less than \$2,846.75, wanting only \$694.13 of doubling last year's income; and this, it should be borne in mind, has been attained during a year of almost unprecedented commercial depression, and one marked by disappointments to the farmer, hardly ever experienced in former years.

Still, however, notwithstanding these gratifying results, much remains yet to be done, and there is room for further improvement during the coming year. The increased returns made to the Society have been obtained by an extended sphere of operation. Many parts of the Diocese have this year contributed to the Church Society which were never reached before, and there remain many places which have yet to connect themselves with the Church Society.

And here, before noticing the different funds of the Society, your Committee would desire briefly to notice two cases as samples to show the exertions which have been made for the Society during the past year.

First, they will take London, which stands, as indeed, it should do, at the head of the list. From the congregation of St. Paul's cathedral, and from the Parochial Association connected therewith, and from the Life and Incorporated Members who have subscribed to the same, no less a sum than \$1,000.38 has been poured into the treasury of the Church Society—a sum very nearly equal to one-third of the whole income of the Society last year,—and this is exclusive of large sums raised for local purposes and to aid in foreign objects, amounting to \$5,300.64.

As a second instance of increased liberality, they will take the congregation of Bayfield, on the shores of Lake Huron, a small and, in point of wealth, a poor congregation. Last year, the whole sum sent from this congregation was \$1.12. This year, from collections and Parochial Association, the liberal sum of \$58.38 has been contributed besides \$5.00 sent by the venerable incumbent, who has ministered there for years, and whose ill health caused the omission of three of the collections for the Society during the past year, otherwise the sum would have been greatly increased.

Looking at these cases, your Committee believe they are justified in calling upon the members of the Society to "Thank God, and take courage," for they believe that He who has thus prospered us in one part of our labours, will continue to vouchsafe His blessing if only we are found faithful to Him, and labour with a single eye to His glory.

The income of the past year is made up as follows:

Life and Incorporated members' subscriptions	\$ 867 00
Parochial Associations' collections.....	2284 60
Widows and Orphans' collections, &c....	660 18
Received for General Purpose Fund ...	88 06
For Mission Fund, three collections,	

and collections at Church Society meetings.....	2100 66
For Depository Fund	387 13
Total	\$6387 63

This is the amount of income proper, but considerably more than twice that sum has passed through the accounts of the Society during the last year, as may be seen by the balance sheet in the appendix.

WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' FUND.

Besides the annual collection made during the month of January, and other donations, \$776 has been carried to the credit of this fund for Incorporated Members' subscriptions paid during the year, as per regulation of the Society, from which, when the expenditure for investments already made in the Building Society, &c., is deducted, there yet remains to the credit of this fund a balance of \$839 58, most of which may be immediately invested.

MISSION FUND.

The total amount received from this fund during the year in collections and donations has been \$2100 66, added to which \$120 has been repaid for advances to missionaries the previous year. No regular system of salaries from this fund has yet been adopted by the Society, but the Bishop, under the sanction of the Society's resolution, has made grants from this fund to various missionaries and students during the past year, amounting to \$1217, besides a special grant voted to the Rev. Mr. Carey of \$100, and \$376 paid to Indian interpreters and school masters. This fund has been largely increased by the custom of making collections at the Church Society meetings throughout the diocese, which is now followed almost every where, and your committee would urge its adoption in all cases; from this source alone, nearly \$600 have been received, which is more than equal to an extra collection for this fund. There is a balance of \$1,521 31 to the credit of this fund.

DEPOSITORY FUND.

This is a new fund which was commenced by collections being made on the day appointed in the month of November last as a day of thanksgiving to Almighty God for mercies received. The response to this call, including donations, was \$387 13, which has been expended in the purchase of prayer books and hymn books, a large supply of which are on hand to supply the wants of the diocese.

PAROCHIAL ASSOCIATIONS.

The meetings for this society have been held in almost every congregation in this diocese, during the past year, and liberal contributions have been sent from almost all the Parochial Associations; and the interest excited in the Society's work throughout the Diocese, by the visits of the deputation sent out, makes it desirable to continue this plan for future years.

The sum received on this account this year was \$2284 60, which, with the balance on hand last year, has been carried to general purposes fund, making a balance at present to the credit of that fund of \$1865 42, out of which the expenses of the Society must be taken, and then the balance can be carried to the credit of the Mission Fund, which is the chief branch of the Society's operations.

EPISCOPAL FUND.

This fund is in the hands of a Committee to arrange and report upon. A full statement of the fund will be given in the appendix. Since the 1st of January last, \$100 has been received by the Secretary towards the capital of this fund,

which has been invested in the usual way, and \$368 60 of interest, which had been paid towards the episcopal income.

During the past year, the division of the funds and property of the late Diocese of Toronto has been completed according to the award agreed to by the two Bishops and the late Sir J. B. Macaulay. A statement of the funds received will be found in the appendix.

COMMUTATION FUND.

The amount received from Toronto, on behalf of this fund, was \$261,409 00 in Debentures, and \$4795 00 in cash, this has been reinvested, by which a large addition has been made to the capital of this fund, and as several thousand dollars of debentures mature during the coming year, this fund will be greatly increased. Before the next annual statement is made. The annual interest accruing to the fund is now more than sufficient to meet the salaries at present chargeable on it; but, owing to the salaries becoming due in advance of the periods at which much of the interest is payable, a large sum will have to be borrowed quarterly for short periods from the bank, on which interest will have to be paid. This has been done for the quarter ending April the 1st, as the accounts will show.

Such is a brief view of the chief funds of the Society; the full details of all the accounts will be found in the appendix.

Your Committee cannot conclude this report without acknowledging the valuable assistance which is given to this diocese by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, and the Colonial Church and School Society, as well as by many friends beyond the bounds of the diocese, and in the Mother Country, who have taken a deep interest in the work of the diocese, and in many cases contributed liberally to assist the Bishop in the arduous and important work of supplying the destitution which still prevails in the diocese. Among these friends, your Committee would desire to take special notice of the liberal donation of the Lord Bishop of Cashel, who had promised the Bishop £1000 sterling towards supplying a mission in the county of Grey, nor would they omit to record the munificent donation of two young men in Toronto, barristers on the threshold of the profession, to one of whom we are indebted this year for \$100, and to the other for \$50. Your Committee notice these examples of liberality in the hope that others may be induced to do likewise.

To the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts, this Diocese has been indebted from the beginning for assistance towards the support of Missionaries in the northern counties, and your Committee learn, with the liveliest emotions of gratitude, that an additional grant has lately been made by this society, for missionary work in the diocese. To the Society for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge the diocese has been largely indebted for assistance towards building churches, and seeing that large portions of this diocese are entirely without churches, and that others are wanted in all parts of the diocese, your committee would fain hope that this benevolent society will be induced to continue this assistance for many years to come.

To the Colonial Church and School Society also, this diocese is largely indebted for assistance towards the support of missionaries in various parts; and many additions have been made to the clergy by the liberality of this society, and thus parts of the diocese have been supplied with the ministrations of religion, which, had it not been for their assistance, must have remained destitute up to this time.

In conclusion, your Committee would desire to

remind the members of the society that the work is only just commenced, and earnestly point out the duty of all to assist in this great work to the utmost of their ability; and when they look around at the many blessings which we are all continually receiving at the hands of our Heavenly Father, and hear of the liberal assistance given by others beyond the bounds of this diocese, surely they may say, in the words of the Lord himself, to those who are enjoying all these blessings, "Freely you have received, freely give."

The reading of the report elicited considerable cheering from the meeting.

Moved by the Hon. G. J. Goodhue, and seconded by the Rev. J. Carmichael,—"That the report now read be adopted, and that it be printed for distribution among the members of the Society and throughout the diocese, and that the following clergymen and gentlemen do constitute the officers for the ensuing year:

PRESIDENT.—The Right Rev. Lord Bishop of Huron.

VICAR PRESIDENTS.—Revs. C. C. Brough, A.M.; R. Flood, A.M.; the Hon. G. J. Goodhue, L. Lawson, Esq., Absalom Shade, Esq., Admiral Vidal, T. Talford, Esq.

STANDING COMMITTEE.—Revs. M. Boomer, LL.D., St. George Caulfield, LL.D., J. Smyth, E. Patterson, E. E. Elwood, M.A., J. G. R. Salter, M.A., F. W. Sandys, D.D., A. Nelles, J. Padfield, J. McClean, M.A.; and Messrs. H. C. R. Becher, C. Monsarrat, J. Hamilton, Dr. Phillips, Dr. H. J. Going, W. Watson, G. Ryland, Peter Roe, J. Howard, H. Crothy.

TREASURER.—The Gore Bank.

AUDITORS.—Messrs. T. H. Buckley and A. G. Smyth.

SECRETARY.—Rev. J. W. Marsh, M.A.

Foreign Ecclesiastical Intelligence.

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE.

67, LINCOLN'S INN FIELDS,

Tuesday, April 10th, 1860.

A letter was read from the Lord Bishop of Cape Town, dated Bishop's Court, February 19, 1860. The following are extracts:—

"Our various Mission Stations are most important for books, both in Dutch and English, chiefly for reading in the schools. We have at least thirty mission schools in the Diocese, and all of them look to me for help. We have a very fair supply still of Dutch. I have therefore had a list of our wants in English prepared, and send it to you, being assured that you will help us. If you should make us a grant, perhaps you would send them out according to these proportions. Our Dutch Prayer Books are now entirely exhausted. I do not know whether you would be disposed to make a grant for the mission congregations. We do not want them with the English.

"Our people throughout the Diocese are making great efforts, in consequence of an appeal to them from me in a Pastoral, to increase the incomes of the Clergy, which, in consequence of the great rise in the necessaries of life, have become far too narrow for their maintenance. I have been very much pleased with the way in which the matter has been taken up."

The Board granted books to the value of £20, including ten pounds' worth of Dutch Prayer Books.

It appeared by communications received from Turin, that, in the present excitement of the public mind on religious subjects in Piedmont, many persons, especially amongst the upper

classes of society, were anxious to be supplied with copies of the English Prayer Book in the Italian language. The Rev. Dr. J. A. Hessey applied for a grant of these books.

It appeared from other communications from the same quarter, that the English language was now very generally studied in Piedmont, and that there was a great and growing demand for information on the subject of the English Church. Dr. Hessey therefore also asked for some Prayer Books in English, and copies of "Jewel's Apology" in French and Italian, for distribution in that country.

The Board agreed to grant books for the purpose above mentioned to the value of £20.

The following is extracted from the Rev. G. A. Bull's letter, dated Barton, near Hamilton, Canada West, February 6th, 1860:—

"I have sincere pleasure in acknowledging through you the kind and valuable donation of books of various kinds lately made to this mission by the Society. The box reached me a few days before Christmas. All were in a good condition. Please to mention to the Society that we most gratefully regard its liberality. I have delayed this acknowledgment that I might be the more able to state for the Society's own satisfaction and mine, the great benefits which our people are deriving. The tracts in particular are freely distributed, and prove most acceptable and useful. A desire is generally felt among us to collect a sum of money annually to procure a further supply of tracts and other useful publications of the Society, and thus form a lending library. Such is the deep interest felt by many in this profitable reading, that I cannot but trust in God it may continue, and am sure that He will bless it to their edification and comfort. 'The Widow's Lamp,' 'The Old Soldier,' 'Stop,' 'Keep thy Foot'—indeed, all the tracts have had their peculiar application, instruction, and, I trust, benefit; for such as these form very frequently the subject of conversation in my daily visits. Sometimes I am asked to read one of them for some aged, weak, or infirm person, so that there is a mutual benefit to us, besides the blessing of holy prayer, which we do not forget to offer in such a case. I might mention several interesting scenes arising in my visits; but I am sure such are frequent in every parish, and therefore may omit them here. The Bibles and Prayer Books are very acceptable; about half of them I have given to persons who are poor, and who needed them. The Sunday School books are excellent and useful; those for a Day School I shall not require for some time yet."

A letter dated Norfolk Island, October 20th, 1859, from the Rev. G. H. Nobbs, was laid before the meeting. The following are extracts:—

"On the 2nd of last December, two families, those of Maybew Young, and Moses Young, left this place for Pitcairn's, in a schooner of eighty tons, called the 'Mary Anne.' Of these persons, sixteen in number, the parents were the only persons over the age of fifteen years. We have heard nothing of them since their departure; and you can easily imagine how great our anxiety is concerning them. During the four or five months subsequent to their departure, nothing of note transpired beyond the arrival of H.M.S. 'Cordelia,' bringing despatches from the Governor-General, and a letter from yourself, informing me that you had forwarded a box containing the articles I mentioned. The next letter I received was by Mr. Rossiter, on the 23rd of June, dated January 1st, 1859, and with it a package of excellent books from your Benevolent Society. For the books furnished by the Society, I beg leave to offer my grateful, my unqualified thanks. The catechisms are the helps I have long needed; that is to say, a sufficient quantity of them to

form classes; and now that I have so much more time to attend to this particular branch of school instruction, I think you may well expect me to say, 'I am grateful.' The Bishop remained with us on this occasion three days, and held a confirmation of three persons, there being no more of sufficient age. His lordship then made sail for the isles of darkness in this vicinity, and we are expecting his return in a week or two on his way to Auckland. He is as kind as ever, and we are the recipients of many, very many favours at his hands. There is no one here but loves his lordship truly.

"Our people succeeded in taking a hundred and twenty barrels of oil last year, one hundred of which was sent to Sydney, and realized two hundred and forty pounds. This money has just been remitted to us, but will not more than cover the expenses of the fitting out of last season, and the cost of new boats, lines, and casks. &c., for an establishment on a larger scale this year. We have now four boats well equipped; they require twenty-four men to work them. The whaling season is now almost over, but not more than thirty barrels of oil have yet been secured, owing to the scarcity and shyness of the whales; but this is nothing strange in the whaling lottery; another year may be altogether as plentiful. Two weeks since they killed three large cow whales, but they sank immediately (a common case;) one was afterwards recovered, but the sharks had so preyed upon it, that not more than fifteen barrels of oil were obtained. In the *melee* at that time we had one boat smashed, but the boat's crew would not run from the whale. With a hole in the forepart of the boat, big enough for a man to go through, they all removed to the afterpart, and in spite of the kicking and fighting of the whale, held on till the other boats came to their assistance, which was scarcely done, when the broken boat, being full of water, rolled over, bottom up. In that boat I had three sons and two sons-in-law. On their return I remonstrated with them for their rashness, but they seemed to think there was no great danger.

"The season has been very favourable for our crops, and we have plenty of Indian corn and sweet potatoes, with fish, milk, and butter. Irish potatoes will not thrive; would they do so whale ships would supply us with almost every thing we need. Flour we must also import. There has been very little sickness among the community; the most are becoming contented, and consequently comfortable. Mr. Rossiter is, I think, just such a man as was needed—industrious in school and out, and very unassuming.

"Her Majesty's ship 'Niger' was here a short time since, bringing a large quantity of articles, purchased by Sir William Denison, for opening a store under the direction of Mr. Rossiter. The only expensive thing is flour, which at the present time is dear at Sydney. Sir William Denison has taken the control of the sheep into his own hands. The wool is to be sent to Sydney, and the proceeds therefrom will be placed in bank for the benefit of the community, but can only be drawn with the consent of the Governor, whose signature must be affixed to the drafts.

"As respects other matters we are going on very well. There have been fifty births since our arrival; and it would appear that baptisms and churchings will be of weekly occurrence ere long. But Norfolk Island contains 8607 acres, which will give a fifty acre lot to 172 families (there are now forty;) so that there is plenty of room for increase; though I am not at all anxious there should be any influx of strangers beyond those we have at present, save a person and a doctor, when I am invalided or buried, as it may be providentially ordered by Him who doeth all things well. There have been no marriages

this year, and but two deaths—infants of a few days old. In short, since our arrival, now more than three years, the deaths which have occurred are those of a young woman, aged fifteen, from consumption; a child of five years, from concussion of the brain, the result of an accident, and four infants: total, six. Asthma and rheumatism are the principal complaints, and they are less severe than at Pitcairn's. The last year and the present have been very productive, from the frequency of showers during the summer months, but I perceive from a meteorological journal, kept here formerly, these are exceptional occurrences, and that long-continued droughts between October and February are frequently fatal to the corn and sweet potato crops. But Moses' injunction and promise are equally in force now, as in ancient days, 'Ye shall scree the Lord your God, and he shall bless thy bread and thy water.'

"The number of persons belonging to the community is 221: 112 males, and 109 females. This is exclusive of the sixteen returned to Pitcairn's, and the families recently arrived, now numbering ten persons. Communicants ninety-seven. Children in the public school, sixty-three, all of whom attend the Sunday School, which is composed of eight classes. The teachers are Thomas Rossiter, Jemima Young, Jane Nobbs, Francis Nobbs, Johnstone Nobbs, Edwin Nobbs, Macey Quantal, and myself. I take the younger ones, and as they are organised, appoint a permanent teacher for them, and collect another class from the literally 'little ones.' Not being able to attend every Sunday, as I have frequently patients to visit after the public services are concluded, my absence is not so much felt by a young class as it would be by those more advanced: besides, I am frequently a visitor to all the classes.

"Once more, to your venerable Society, myself and the whole community acknowledge the deepest obligation for its frequently repeated benevolence."

THE BISHOP OF CALCUTTA'S VISITATION.

(From the "Anglo-Indian" for January.)

"The Bishop of Calcutta has just reached Agra, which may be reckoned as the end of the first stage in the progress of his visitation.

On St. Thomas's Day, December 21st, he held his second general ordination, at which five candidates received Holy Orders. The Rev. H. W. Shackell and Rev. E. Champion, Missionaries of the Church Missionary Society, were ordained Priests. Mr. Shackell has charge of St John's College, Agra, during the absence of Mr. French, and Mr. Champion is at present superintending Joy-Narain's College, at Benares, during the absence of Mr. Cobb. Mr. J. R. Lewin, Mr. C. T. Toussaint, and Mr. W. Wright, were ordained Deacons. Mr. Lewin is master of a school at Landour; Mr. Toussaint is about to be engaged as a minister under the Additional Clergy Society; and Mr. Wright has for five years been a schoolmaster under the Church Missionary Society at Agra. The Bishop has preached (sometimes twice on Sunday) at every place except Rampore Beaulah, where he was disabled by illness, and Buxar, Mynpoorie, and Chunar, which were visited on week days, when no opportunity was afforded for a special service. His usual practice has been to give two addresses at every confirmation, before and after the laying-on of hands. At nearly every military station where there have been a number of men in hospitals, he has visited one or more of them, and held a short service, with an extempore address on a passage of Scripture. In the military station where a cemetery has been consecrated, there has been generally a considerable number of soldiers present to

listen to his Lordship's address on the lessons which should be learnt from a consecration service.

It was intended at first that the other military stations of Oudh should be visited on the way up the country; but this was found impracticable, owing to the delay caused by the Bishop's illness at starting, as he hopes to reach Peshawar and return to Simla by the end of April.

At Mynpoorie, Monghr, and Bhagulpore, efforts are being made for obtaining a resident minister under the Additional Clergy Society.

At Ghazepore the Church is undergoing repairs, and an improvement is to be made in the arrangement of the seats.

At Benares the Church is about to be enlarged for the better accommodation of the troops.

At Allahabad the Church has been restored after the mutiny, but it is still in want of a pulpit.

At Banda the little Church has been nearly rebuilt in a very tasteful and pleasing style. Memorial windows are on their way from England, and the interior fittings are being provided with great care. It was consecrated by the Bishop on 25th November. The cemetery also is very neatly arranged.

At Caynpore, Christ Church is still in course of restoration, after its second destruction by the mutinous Gwallior Contingent. A subscription has been set on foot, and plans are under consideration for a Memorial Church on the site of General Wheeler's entrenchments, for the use of the military; the barracks being close at hand. A suitable monument will be erected at the expense of Government over the slaughter-house well, and this, with two other small enclosures, which have been used for interment, will be surrounded by a garden.

At Lucknow, the new Church in the civil lines wants only the roof to complete it, and promises to be a substantial and handsome building, sufficiently large for the civil lines. In the new cantonment the foundations of a new semi-permanent church-building are just begun, which is to hold a thousand troops. The only church accommodation at present consists of two small mud-walled chapels, built by the soldiers themselves,—one connected with the lines occupied by H. M. 23rd Regiment, the other made use of by the 2nd Battalion of the Rifle Brigade. In these the men meet for reading and prayer, and services are regularly performed by the chaplain. The Bishop preached in one of them to a crowded congregation on Sunday evening.

At Futehgarh, the Church is still in ruins, but is about to be rebuilt immediately, probably on a new site.

At Mynpoorie, the little Church has been restored, with the exception of the internal fittings.

At Agra, St. Paul's Church only wants the completion of the spire, to make it one of the handsomest churches in the Diocese.

In every place the work of restoring the havoc made by the mutiny, and providing for the increased wants of the European soldiers and the general population, is going on actively. May God's blessing rest on all these outward means."—*Ch. Chronicle.*

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

FIRST DAY'S SESSION.

TUESDAY, June 12th, 1860.

Divine Service was celebrated in St. James's Cathedral at ten o'clock, a. m. Prayers were said by the Rev. Saltern Givens, Rector of St.

Paul's, Yorkville, the Lessons were read by the Rev. F. A. O'Meara, LL.D., the Sermon was preached by the Rev. J. Shortt, D.D., Rector of Port Hope, the Holy Communion was afterwards administered to the clergy and lay delegates, after which the Synod met for the despatch of business in the school house of St. George's Church; the Rev. Dr. Fuller and the Rev. J. Wilson were named a committee, by the Lord Bishop, with the Secretaries, to examine the certificates of the lay delegates, and report thereon.

At three o'clock, p. m., the Synod assembled for business in the school-house of St. George's Church, the Lord Bishop in the chair.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. H. J. Grasett, B.D., Chaplain to the Lord Bishop.

The names of the clergy were called over by the Clerical Secretary.

The following clergymen answered to their names:—

Revs. F. L. Osler, M.A.; S. Houston, B.A.; S. B. Ardagh, A.M.; E. Morgan; E. C. Bower; G. A. Bull; W. F. S. Harper; John Grier, A.M.; James Beaven, D.D.; A. McNab, D.D.; J. T. Lewis, LL.D.; F. R. Tano; G. W. White, B.A.; H. E. Ples; E. H. Massey Baker; Henry Brent; Ven. A. N. Bethune, D.C.L.; Revs. E. Birch; T. P. Hodge; J. Langtry, M.A.; Wm. Leeming; C. L. Ingles, B.A.; Henry Patton, D.C.L.; J. Flood; Percy S. Warren, B.A.; C. E. Thompson, M.A.; H. C. Cooper, B.A.; N. Disbrow; Henry Holland, B.A.; E. Morris; H. Harding; William Ritchie; J. Wilson; A. Palmer, M.A.; J. G. Geddes, M.A.; John Hebdon; T. J. M. W. Blackman, D.C.L.; N. V. Fenn; Ven. G. O.K. Stuart, D.C.L.; Revs. A. Stuart, M.A.; R. V. Rogers, M.A.; J. A. Mulock; Jas. Harris; F. Tremayne; Thomas S. Campbell; John Vicars, A.B.; H. B. Osler; Alexander Dixon, B.A.; J. Butler, M.A.; F. A. O'Meara, LL.D.; P. Jacobs; E. W. Beaven, M.A.; Thomas Stanton, A.B.; C. Forest, M.A.; F. Tremayne, Jr.; T. A. Parnell; E. J. Boswell, D.C.L.; J. Vanlinge; John Davidson, M.A.; Wm. B. Lauder, LL.D.; W. McMurray, D.C.L.; R. Shanklin; Thos B. Read; H. W. Stewart, B.A.; Mark Burnham, A.B.; J. S. Lauder, B.A.; E. Loucks; George Hallen, B.A.; John Hilton; R. L. Stephenson, M.A.; J. W. R. Beck, M.A.; G. B. P. Viner, B.A.; Jonathan Shortt, D.D.; F. W. Dobbs; R. Lewis, M.A.; J. J. Bogert, M.A.; T. Taylor, A.M.; G. N. Higginson, M.A.; C. H. Drinkwater, B.A.; W. Fleming; J. L. Alexander; W. Belt, M.A.; J. B. Worrell; R. Arnold, A.B.; J. A. Preston, M.A.; H. J. Grasett, B.D.; E. Baldwin, M.A.; S. J. Boddy, M.A.; Stephen Lett, LL.D.; C. P. Emery; W. S. Darling; W. E. Cooper, M.A.; A. Sanson; T. S. Kennedy; A. J. Broughall, M.A.; J. H. McCollum, M.A.; Saltern Givens; A. Williams; S. S. Strong, D.D.; Edward H. Dewar, M.A.; T. B. Fuller, D.C.L.; S. Briggs, M.A.; W. A. Johnson; T. Green, LL.D.; J. G. Armstrong, B.A.; J. Pentland, A.B.; Henry Sharp; J. Carry, B.D.; Geo. Whitaker, M.A.; E. K. Kendall, M.A.; Edwin Hatch, B.A.; R. Leeming; E. Denroche, A.M.; J. G. D. McKenzie, M.A.; T. D. Philipps, M.A.

Being more than one-fourth of the clerical members of the Synod.

The names of the lay delegates were then called over by the Lay Secretary, when the following delegates answered to their names:

Wm. Cooley, William Kern, Hor. James Paton, M.L.C., D'Alton McCarthy, Edward G. O'Brien, Geo. Green, T. Ashton, M.D., H. Boyle, Edmund J. Sisson, G. Frankland, J. Playter, George H. Lov, M.D., Raynes, W. Farmer, D. B. O. Ford, R. F. Steel, Hon. R. C. Wilkins, T.

Coulter, Samuel Wilmot, Hon. Geo. S. Boulton, M.L.C., J. B. Harris, J. McGrath, G. Moberly, S. Wilmot, T. C. Street, J. Mowburn, M.D., T. Drimsdall, William Hay, Francis J. Joseph, S. Y. Chesley, Kiras Tully, C. J. Vizard, S. Strickland, J. B. Robinson, M.P.P., Edwin C. Fisher, Thomas Beaty, M.D., James Stanton, George Nesbitt, D. Ford Jones, J. W. Sims, James O'Brien Bourchier, Wm. Bouchier, J. G. Rogers, J. M. Grover, Wm. Vale, D. C. Gunn, Robert Land, T. Kirkpatrick, B. Simpson, James Reynolds, Joshua Fidler, M.D., Arthur Armstrong, J. W. O. Clark, Wm. M. Westmacott, Zophar Skinner, J. Spencer, M. D., John Holgate, John Cowan, James Holden, George Irwin, Francis V. Caroy, M.D., W. H. Beresford, N. Allan Gamble, John Parsons, J. Baxter, Justus Williams, John Langtreay, Martin MacLeod, R. D. Stupert, R.N., W. H. Baker, G. P. Baker, Edgar Hallen, W. Marshall Matheson, Thomas Brooke, Chas. Bubidge, James Peters, C. Brent, John Patton, John Taber, Paul Sheppard, Robert Boyd, John Ballinger, Robert Ramsay, Henry Mittleberger, Hon. H. J. Boulton, Hon. G. W. Allan, M.L.C., E. H. Rutherford, Hon. J. H. Cameron, D.C.L., James Bovell, M.D., Samuel B. Harman, B.C.L., C. J. Campbell, J. W. Brent, Wm. Ince, W. A. Joseph, John Carter, R. E. Denison, S. H. Blako, H. A. Joseph, Beverley R. Morris, M.D., George Kingston, Hon. P. B. DeBlaquiere, M.L.C., Daniel Wilson, LL.D., Frederick Wm. Jarvis, Alex. Gaviller, C. E. Lawrence, Geo. Pexton, William Cook, William Shea, J. W. G. Witney, W. Holley, Andrew M. Christholm, J. Hamilton, John W. Gamble, John Corbett, John Bland, T. Cowry, M.D., Wm. Marshall.

Being at least one delegate for more than one-fourth of the congregations within the Diocese.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

Dr. BOVELL brought up the following report from the committee appointed by his Lordship to examine the certificates of the lay delegates:

The committee appointed by the lord Bishop to examine the certificates, beg to report that in five instances there seems to be an irregularity, viz.—St. George's, Kingston, Portsmouth, Lansdowne Rear, the Credit, and Marysburg.

With regard to the three first-named parishes, Thomas Kirkpatrick and W. B. Simpson are returned as lay delegates for St. George's Church, Kingston, having been previously named on other returns, viz.—Mr. Kirkpatrick, for Portsmouth, and Mr. Simpson for Lansdowne Rear. The Credit Parish and Marysburg return the names of four delegates.

It is therefore suggested that Messrs Kirkpatrick and Simpson be required to declare for which congregation or parish they elect to sit.

That the Credit and Marysburg cases be referred to a committee to adjudicate thereupon.

T. B. FULLER.

Dr. BOVELL moved, that the said report be recommitted to the same committee, augmented by the names of the Hon. J. H. Cameron and John W. Gamble.—*Carried.*

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Rev. Dr. PATTON moved, and the Rev. Dr. O'MEARA seconded,—That the Rev. Stephen Lett, LL.D., be elected as the Clerical Secretary of the Synod.—*Carried.*

CAPTAIN RIBBIDGE moved, and the Hon. H. J. BOULTON seconded,—That Dr. Bovell be appointed Lay Secretary of the Synod.—*Carried.*

The Rev. Dr. PATTON moved, and the Rev. F. L. OSLER seconded,—That J. W. Brent be appointed Treasurer, and that the Auditors of last year, viz. W. M. Westmacott and C. J. Campbell, be appointed auditors for this year.—*Carried.*

READING THE MINUTES.

The Rev. Dr. PATTON moved, and the Rev.

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

The minutes were then signed by the Lord Bishop.

ADMISSION TO SEATS IN SYNOD.

The Rev. J. A. MULOOK moved, and the Rev. Dr. FULLER seconded,—That the Rev. Isaac Helmut, D.D., of the Diocese of Quebec; the Rev. —Do Quetteville, Fellow of Pembroke College, Oxford; the Rev. St. George Caulfield, LL.D., and the Rev. C. C. Brough, A.M., of the Diocese of Huron, be admitted to seats in the Synod.—*Carried.*

CORRESPONDENCE.

Dr. BOVELL read the following letter from the Rev. E. Hawkins, Secretary to the Society for Propagating the Gospel:

Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts,

79, Pall Mall, London, S.W.

February 24th, 1860.

Sir,—May I request that you will convey to the Bishop of Toronto, and those Clergymen and others who have assisted in raising the collections, the Society's best thanks for their offerings to the Society's India Mission Fund.

I am, yours faithfully,

EARNEST HAWKINS.

J. W. BRENT, Esq.,
60, 008. No. 79, Pall Mall, London, S.W.

Received, 23rd February, 1860, on account of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, from J. W. Brent, Esq., the sum of ninety pounds five shillings and six-pence, for India.

For the Rev. John Russel, D.D., the Right Hon. John R. Mowbray, and Philip Cazenove, Esq.,
Treasurers.

W. H. WEAVER.

Diocese of Toronto.

Bill 90 d.s. £90 5s. 6d.

Dr. BOVELL moved, and Dr. LETT seconded,—That the letter now read be inserted on the minutes.—*Carried.*

REPORT OF ELECTION COMMITTEE

The Hon. Mr. CAMERON brought up the following report from the election committee:

The committee to whom was referred the question of the election of the lay representatives from Kingston, Portsmouth, Lansdowne Rear, Credit, and Marysburg, beg leave to report.

That there is nothing in the constitution of the Synod to prevent the election of the same delegate for two parishes; but the committee are of opinion that the delegate should declare, upon his certificate being reported correct by the committee, for which parish he elects to sit and vote. And your committee suggest that in order to prevent any such question arising for the future, that the second section of the constitution of the Synod be altered, so as to render it necessary that the representatives shall reside within the limits of the parish by which they were elected.

The committee report that Messrs Harris, McGrath and Anderson be recognised as the representatives for the Credit and that the name of J. W. Walker be struck off the list of the representatives from Marysburg, he having been the last of the representatives elected out of the four whose certificates have been sent up.

J. HILLYARD CAMERON,

Chairman.

Mr. CAMERON moved, and Mr. GAMBLE seconded,—That the report now read be adopted.—*Carried.*

Mr. Kirkpatrick elected to represent St. George's, Kingston.

Mr. Simpson elected to represent St. George's, Kingston.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

His Lordship named the following committees:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—The Ven. the Archdeacons of Kingston and of York, the Revs. James Beaven, D.D., T. B. Fuller, D.C.L., S. Givens, H. J. Grasett, B.D., Henry Patton, D.C.L., Jonathan Shortt, D.D., Stephen Lett, LL.D., J. T. Lewis, LL.D., W. McMurray, D.C.L., F. L. Osler, M.A., B. C. Hill, A.M.; The Hon. P. B. DeBlaquiere, J. H. Cameron, J. Patton, George W. Allan; Messrs. John W. Gamble, Thos. Kirkpatrick, W. B. Simpson, S. B. Harman, James Bovell, M.D., Robert B. Denison, Miles O'Reilly, Col. Kingsmill, Dr. Mowburn.

CENTRAL BOARD.—The Ven. the Archdeacon of York, the Revs. Henry Patton, D.C.L., T. B. Fuller, D.C.L.; Messrs. T. C. Street, John W. Gamble, S. B. Harman.

COMMITTEE ON RE-ASSESSMENT OF PARISHES.—The Revs. Dr. Lewis, Dr. Patton, Dr. Lett; Messrs. S. B. Harman, James Bovell, J. W. Brent.

MEMORIALS.

A memorial from the Clergymen and Churchwardens of St. Paul's, Kingston, read.
Referred to the assessment committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

The Ven. ARCHDEACON OF YORK brought up the following report from the Executive Committee appointed to revise the by-laws.

The Executive Committee recommend the following as

THE RULES, CONSTITUTION, AND BY-LAWS OF THE SYNOD.

TITLE I.

CONSTITUTION OF THE SYNOD.

1. The Synod shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese; of the Clergy of the same licensed to the cure of souls, or holding office in any college or school under the jurisdiction of the Bishop and not 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 full age of twenty-one years. They shall be elected annually at the Easter meetings, held by each minister having a separate cure of souls, or at any meeting specially called by him for that purpose; and all laymen within the cure, of twenty-one years of age or upwards, who shall have declared themselves in writing, in a book provided for such purpose by the parish, 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 in case neither the minister nor his assistant be present, a chairman elected by a majority of those present.

4. The number of representatives to be elected within the cure shall not exceed three: but when there are two congregations having churches, that which has the largest number of registered voters shall elect two, and the other one. Where there are three congregations having churches, each shall elect one; and when more than three, those having the smallest number of registered voters shall unite for the election of one representative with the congregation of the church nearest to them; and in all cases the church to which the minister is specially licensed or ap-

pointed shall be entitled to at least one representative.

5. Within seven days after such election the chairman of the meeting shall send to the treasurer the amount assessed on his parish or cure, as hereinafter provided, together with a certificate of such election according to the following form:

This is to certify that, at a meeting held this day for the purpose of electing representatives in Synod for this cure or parish, being that of * * * * * A.B., C.D., and E.F., being communicants of at least one year's standing, of the full age of twenty-one years, and who have communicated at least three times during the previous year, were elected by the laymen within this cure, who have a right to vote at such election by virtue of their having declared themselves in writing in the book prepared for that purpose to be members of the United Church of England and Ireland, and to belong to no other denomination.

_____ Chairman.

(Date.)

I also forward herewith the assessment of the parish being \$

And on such certificate shall be endorsed as follows:

Toronto, _____

To the Secretaries of Synod.

GENTLEMEN,—I have received the Synod dues on this parish or cure; you can therefore enter the names of the lay delegates on the Synod list, Your obedient servant,

_____ Treasurer.

Which certificate, so endorsed by the Treasurer of the Synod, shall by him be forwarded to the Secretaries, who shall enter the names of the lay delegates on the Synod list to be printed and sent to each member of the Synod one month before the meeting thereof.

The chairman of the meeting shall likewise furnish each representative with a similar certificate and such certificate shall be taken as sufficient proof of the election, but without it any person presenting himself as a representative shall be required, before taking his seat, to afford sufficient proof that the requirements of the Synod have been complied with in his election; and representatives shall continue in office until their successors are appointed.

6. If a vacancy should occur in the number of representatives, the minister shall proceed within one month to hold a new election where such vacancy occurs; due notice having been given at the Sunday service next preceding.

7. Clergymen who have been members of the Synod, from whom the Bishop has not withdrawn his license, and who have become superannuated in consequence of age or infirmity, may continue to attend the meetings of the Synod, and vote thereat.

8. The Synod shall meet annually; the time and place of meeting being appointed by the Bishop, who shall adjourn, prorogue, or dissolve the Synod, as may appear most for the welfare of the Diocese.

9. During one month previous to the meeting of the Synod, each minister shall, at morning and evening service, use the following form of prayer, for the Divine blessing on the proceedings of the Synod.—

Almighty Father, who in the beginning of the gospel didst cause the Apostles and Elders to meet together under the guidance of thy holy Spirit; and hast promised, through thy Son Jesus Christ, to be with thy Church to the end of the world. Vouchsafe, we pray thee, to be present with the Synod of this diocese now about to assemble [or now assembled;] give unto them

the spirit of wisdom, patience, love, and of a sound mind; and so direct, sanctify and govern them, that they may seek truth and peace; and that through them the saving gospel of Christ may be more effectually preached and ministered, thy dispersed sheep gathered into the fold, and thy holy Church established, strengthened, settled, united and sanctified: through the merits and intercession of the same Jesus Christ, thy Son our Lord.

10. When the Bishop is not present, he shall appoint a deputy, being a dignitary or senior clergyman of the diocese, to preside in his place.

11. A quorum of the Synod shall consist of not less than one-fourth of the whole number of the clergy, and one-fourth of the congregations within the diocese, represented by at least one delegate; and no business shall be transacted without a quorum.

12. There shall be two secretaries, one from the clergy, the other from the laity, who shall be elected annually on the first day of the Synod, with power to appoint an assistant-secretary; and whose duty it shall be to keep regular minutes of all proceedings of the Synod, to record them in a book provided for that purpose; to preserve all papers, memorials, and other documents; to conduct the correspondence, and to attest the public acts of the Synod; and who shall deliver all records and documents to their successors.

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

14. A Finance Committee shall be appointed annually, to fix the assessment to be levied from each parish for the ensuing year. The current expenses of the Synod shall be defrayed under the joint authority of the secretaries and the treasurer.

15. There shall be an Executive Committee, to be nominated and presided over by the Lord Bishop, and to consist of twenty members, ten chosen from the clergy, and ten from the lay representatives; of whom seven shall be a quorum, and whose office shall continue till their successors are appointed. In the absence of the Bishop, the committee shall elect a chairman. It shall be the duty of the executive committee to prepare in due form all such matters as the Bishop, or any other members of the Synod may desire to bring forward; to receive reports of all other committees; and to print such reports or such parts of them as they may deem expedient, and to issue a circular, under the Bishop's direction, stating the time and place of meeting, the business for the ensuing Synod, and the order in which it will be discussed: which circular shall be forwarded to each clergyman and lay representative, one month before the meeting of the Synod.

16. The business to be submitted to the Synod, and all reports of committees shall be sent to the executive committee six weeks before the meeting of Synod.

17. No act or resolution of the Synod shall be valid, without the concurrence of the Bishop, and of the majority of the clergy and of the laity present, and if a difference should be found to subsist between the orders, after a vote is taken, then the subject under consideration shall stand over to the ensuing Synod. This rule not to refer to the election of a Bishop.

18. Any proposition for an alteration of the constitution, rules of order, or canons, shall be sent to the executive committee, and by them laid before the Synod, to be considered at the ensuing meeting; and, if approved by a majority, shall lie over to the next meeting of the Synod;

and if again approved by a majority, consisting of two-thirds of both clergy and laity, it shall be adopted.

TITLE II.—ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS.

1. The first meeting of the Synod in each session shall be preceded by public morning prayer, and a sermon, together with the holy Communion, and the collection at the offertory shall be devoted to missionary or other purposes, on the recommendation of the executive committee.

2. After divine service on the first day of meeting, the Lay Secretary shall attend at the place of meeting of the Synod, to receive the certificates of the lay representatives, which shall be examined by the secretary and a committee of two to be appointed for that purpose. No representative shall be permitted to act as such until the assessment upon his parish is paid.

3. The Clerical Secretary shall then call over the roll of the clergy, to be furnished by the Bishop, and mark the names of those in attendance; and the Lay Secretary shall call over the names of the several parishes and their representatives.

4. The election of 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 hold their respective offices until their successors shall be appointed.

5. After this, on the first day, and on all other days after morning prayers, the order of business shall be as follows:—

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

6. An address from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

TITLE III.—RULES FOR THE PRESERVATION OF ORDER.

1. When the Bishop, or other person presiding has taken the chair, no member shall continue standing.

2. When any member is about to speak for the information of the Synod, he shall rise and address himself to the chair.

3. No motion or amendment shall be considered as before the Synod (excepting such as may be proposed by the Bishop, or committees,) unless seconded and reduced to writing. To prevent surprise, no motion, except motions in course, shall be considered till the succeeding day of meeting.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without asking and receiving permission from the chair.

5. When a question is under consideration, no other motion shall be received, unless to adjourn, to lay it on the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide it, and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order here named.

6. Motions to adjourn or to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.

7. When a motion has been read to the Synod by the Secretary, it cannot be withdrawn by the mover, without the consent of the chair.

8. Each member shall have the power to require, at any period of the debate, that the motion in discussion be read for his information.

9. A member called to order while speaking shall sit down, unless permitted to explain.

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

11. All amendments to a motion shall be considered in the order in which they are moved.

12. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made; but no after amendment to such amendment shall be in order; yet a substitute to the whole matter may be proposed and received, provided it deals directly with the subject in hand.

13. All amendments to any question or amendment shall be decided on, before the question or motion on which they arise is proposed for decision.

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

15. When a division takes place, the votes of the clergy and laity shall be taken separately, if required by the Bishop or four members of each of the respective orders; and the lay representatives shall in all such cases vote by parishes, and when so voted, the majority shall be considered as the vote of the parish.

16. In voting, those who vote in the affirmative shall first rise, and then those who vote in the negative.

17. A question, being once determined, shall not again be drawn into discussion in the same session, without the special sanction of the Bishop.

18. No protest or dissent shall be entered on the minutes of the proceedings, but, when required by any one member, the number of affirmative and negative votes shall be recorded.

19. When the Synod is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the Bishop, or other person presiding, has left the chair.

TITLE IV — RULES REGARDING COMMITTEES.

1. All committees shall be named by the chair, unless otherwise ordered.

2. The reports of committees shall be in writing, signed by the chairman, and shall be received in course, unless a motion be made for their recomittal.

3. The chairman of the committee, 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.

4. All reports of committees recommending any action or expression of opinion, shall be accompanied by a resolution for the action of the Synod thereon.

TITLE V — ELECTION OF BISHOP.

1. In the election of a Bishop to a vacant See, or to a new see, the clergy and laity shall vote separately by ballot, the clergy by individuals, and the laity by parishes. A majority of votes in each order shall determine the choice; provided that two-thirds of the clergy entitled to vote be present, and two-thirds of all the parties entitled to vote be represented, otherwise two-thirds of the votes of each order shall be necessary to determine the choice.

2. On a vacancy in the See, the senior Archdeacon, or in his absence the Archdeacon next in order of seniority, or in the absence of an Archdeacon, the senior Rural Dean, shall, within one week from the occurrence of such vacancy, summon a meeting of the clergy and lay representatives, to be held at the expiration of twenty days from the date at which such meeting shall be summoned, to elect a successor to the See, in cases where provision for the sustentation of the Bishop has been made and accepted by the Governor-General of the Province, or person administering the government thereof; and when no such

provision has been made, then so soon after such provision shall have been made and accepted.

TITLE VI.—SUBDIVISION OF A DIOCESE.

1. In the event of the subdivision of the diocese, the portion intended to form the new diocese, shall be bound in all their public proceedings by the constitution of the diocese of which they formed a part, until the said new diocese shall be fully organized by the election and consecration of the Bishop.

2. Any clergyman elected a Bishop, and holding at the time of such election any preferment or benefice, shall resign such preferment or benefice prior to his consecration.

The Ven. ARCHDEACON OF YORK notified, that he would be ready with the report of the Central Board on Thursday.

Rev. Dr. BEAVEN notified that he would be ready to report from the Music Committee on Thursday.

Rev. Dr. PATTON notified that he would be ready to report from the Committee on the Building of Parsonages, on Thursday.

Rev. Dr. BEAVEN brought the following report from the Committee on

CANONS.

The Committee on Canons beg to report that, in view of the probability of the meeting of a Provincial Synod of Canada, they deem it advisable not to bring forward for discussion, on the present occasion, any portion of the collection of Canons made by them, but to await the action of that body.

JAMES BEAVEN, D.D.,

Chairman.

The Hon. J. H. CAMERON brought up the following report from the Committee on Petition respecting

COMMON SCHOOLS.

The committee on Common Schools beg leave to report that, in accordance with the resolution passed at the last meeting of Synod, a petition was prepared and presented to the different branches of the Legislature, during the session that has just passed, praying for the alterations in the Common School Act recommended by the Synod, but no action was taken upon the petition. The committee also acknowledged the communication received from the Chief Superintendent of Education.

J. HILLIARD CAMERON,

Chairman.

PSALMS AND HYMNS.

The committee on Psalms and Hymns beg to report that, in pursuance of the resolution of the last Synod, inquiries were made with the view of ascertaining whether the book prepared by the committee could be published by subscription, for the inspection of the members of the Synod, but as there appeared no probability that this could be done, the book was copied and submitted to the several bishops of Canada. Whereupon the Lord Bishop of Huron communicated to the chairman that he had adopted a collection of Psalms and Hymns published in England; and the other bishops united in the opinion that the whole matter should be reserved for the consideration of the Provincial Synod, which they hope will meet at no distant period.

JAMES BEAVEN,

Chairman.

Rev. Dr. LATT brought up the following report from the committee on the

ASSESSMENT OF PARISHES.

The committee on the Assessment of Parishes recommend the following rates for the next year: Amherst Island, \$4; Arthur, 3; Ancaster and Dundas, 10; Barrie, 8; Barriefield, 3; Bath, 4; Barton, 3; Bellefleur, 15; Berkeley and Chester, 3; Brockville, 12; Brampton, 3; Bowmanville

and Darlington, 10; Brock, 3; Cavan, 3; Cobourg, 20; Carleton Place, 3; Credit, 6; Collingwood, 3; Charleton, 3; Chippawa, 3; Cartwright, 3; Clarke, 6; Cornwall, 7; Carrying Place, 3; Camden, 3; Douro, 3; Dunnville, 3; Etobicoke, 6; Elora, 3; Emily, 3; Franktown, 3; Fitzroy, 3; Fredricksburg, 4; Fenelon, 3; Fort Erie, 3; Georgina, 3; Goulbourn, 3; Gananoque, 3; Garden River, 1; Grimsby, 6; Georgetown, 3; Glenallan, 3; Grantham, 3; Guolph, 17; Grafton and Colborne, 6; Hamilton, Christ's Church, 15; Hamilton, Ascension, 10; Hamilton, St. Thomas', 6; Kingston, St. George's, 20; Kingston, St. James', 5; Kingston, St. Paul's, 6; Kemptonville, 5; Louth, 6; Lloydtown, 3; Lindsay, 3; Lamb's Pond, 4; Lansdowne, Rear, 3; Monro, 3; Mirickville, 3; Matilda and Edwardsburg, 2; Manotouahing, 1; Markham, 5; Marysburg, 2; Minto, 3; Mountain, 2; March, 3; Motcalf, 3; Milton and Hornby, 4; Morrisburg, 3; Newboro' and Leeds, 3; Napanea, 4; Niagara, 10; Newmarket and Landing, .; Ottawa, 15; Oakville, 5; Orillia, 4; Osnabruck, 8; Otonabee, 3; Oak Ridges, 3; Perrytown, 3; Pembroke, 2; Peterborough, 8; Picton, 6; Pickering, 2; Prescott, 17; Penetanguishene, 3; Perth, 6; Port Hope, 12; Portsmouth, 4; Richmond, 3; Rockton, 3; Roslin, 2; Rockwood, 3; Rice Lake, 3; Reach, 3; Saltfleet, 3; St. Catharines, 16; Scarborough, 4; Sophiasburg, 2; Shanty Bay, 2; Sydenham, 3; Stirling, 3; Seymour, 3; Smith's Falls, 3; Stricetsville, 4; Stewartown, 3; Trenton, 4; Toronto, St. James', 40; Toronto, St. George's, 20; Toronto, Holy Trinity, 10; Toronto, Trinity, 14; Toronto, St. John's, 5; Toronto, St. Stephen's, 4; Toronto, St. Paul's, 12; Thornhill, 8; Thorold, 10; Tecumseth, 4; Tyendena, 2; Weston, 4; Welland, 3; Walpole, 2; Wellington Square, 6; Woodbridge, 5; Watertown, 3; West Gwillimbury, 3; Whitby, 4; Wellington, 3; West Hawkesbury, 4; Wolfe Island, 3; York, 3; York Mills, 8.

STEPHEN LETT, *Chairman.*

H. PATTON.

J. TRAYERS LEWIS.

Rev. GEO. WHITAKER brought up the following report from the committee on the Alteration of Canon relating to the

ELECTION OF BISHOPS.

The committee on the alteration of the Canon relating to the Election of Bishops, beg leave to report,—That, in consideration of the acknowledged and serious evils, in their opinion, inseparably connected with the present mode of electing bishops, and also with a desire to conform our practice in this respect more closely to primitive usage: they recommend to the Synod that, in the event of the vacancy of the See, or the erection of a new See within the limits of the present Diocese of Toronto, the bishops of the province of Canada be requested to present the names of three clergymen to the Synod of the Diocese in question, of whom the clergy and laity in Synod assembled shall be called upon to elect one as bishop of the said Diocese.

That this recommendation be not understood necessarily to apply to the case of the first election of a bishop in the new diocese to be formed in the eastern part of the present Diocese of Toronto.

That if after — ballots no election shall have taken place, the bishops shall be requested to present a second time the same number of names.

That the Canon of the Synod (section 1, paragraph 9) be amended in such way as to bring it into conformity with the change proposed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE WHITAKER, *Chairman.*

(To be continued.)