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Third Triennial Council.

In another column will be found an account of the opening services of this, the third and most interesting meeting of the missionaries and Bishop of Algoma.

The following is a summary of the subjects discussed and business done :

BUSINESS SESSION.

First business session was held in Turner's Hall at 3 o'clock, the Bishop in the chair. After prayers it was moved by Rev. J. Boydell, M.A., and resolved, that the order of business be suspended.

The Rev. Rural Dean Chowne, B.D., then read the following address from the clergy to the Bishop, which was illuminated, and, on their behalf, presented to him a robe case and dressing case :

1882.

1892.

To the Right Reverend Edward Sullivan, D.D., Lord Bishop of Algoma :

RIGHT REV. SIR,—This being the tenth anniversary of your consecration as Bishop of Algoma, we desire to mark the occasion by congratulations expressive of the progress made in this missionary diocese during your episcopate. Your clergy can appreciate, as none others can, the arduous work which your duties demand, as well as the heavy and serious responsibilities which you have at all times to bear.

As a slight evidence of the reverence and affection we cherish towards you, not only as our Bishop, but also as our friend, we ask your acceptance of the accompanying robe and dressing cases, which we pray the Head of the Church may long spare you to use.

Believing that in your going out and coming in among us you will in the future, as in the past, ever be watched over and guided by God the Holy Ghost, we are, in behalf of the clergy of Algoma,

THOMAS LLWYD, ALFRED W. H. CHOWNE,
JAMES BOYDELL, FRED. FROST, EUSTACE
A. VESEY, CHAS. PIERCY.

St. Peter's Day, 1892.

The Bishop replied in feeling terms.

Roll was then called, the following clergy answering to their names : Right Rev. the Bishop, Revs. Allman, Aylwin, Boydell, Burt, Chowne, Cobb, Evans, French, Frost, Gaviller, Gilmor, Kirby, Irvine, Lowe, Machin, McLeod, Piercy, Sims, Sinclair, Vesey, Young.

Lay delegates present : Messrs. Wm. Sharp, John Marks, and Dr. Reid.

Lay Credentials.—The Bishop then appointed the Rev. W. H. French and Rev. H. P. Lowe to examine the credentials of lay delegates.

Letters of apology were read from Lay Delegates Mr. W. B. Tyndall and F. H. Keefer, explaining the cause of absence.

The Rev. G. H. Gaviller was re-elected secretary.

The election of a lay secretary was deferred until there should be a larger number of the lay representatives present. The secretary appointed the Rev. A. J. Young as his assistant. The secretary then read the printed summary of the minutes of the previous council.

The Bishop then read his charge, giving a most interesting and encouraging report of the steady progress made by the Church within the Diocese of Algoma during the past ten years, but also pointing out much that yet remained to be done, after which the council adjourned for the day.

Evensong and Sermon.—A full choral service was held in St. Luke's Church at 8 p.m., conducted by Rev. H. P. Lowe, Rev. H. C. Kirby reading the lessons. The sermon was preached by the Rev. James Boydell, Incumbent of Bracebridge.

SECOND DAY—JUNE 30TH.

After morning prayer in St. Luke's Church, the Bishop in the chair, the minutes of the previous day were read, corrected, and confirmed. The Bishop read the closing portion of his charge, which, owing to press of time, he had omitted yesterday.

While the Bishop was speaking, Mr. G. S. Wilgress, lay delegate for Huntsville, entered and took his seat. The Rev. Canon

DuMoulin entered, and the Rev. C. J. Machin rose and asked permission to intercept the Bishop in order to move that the Rev. Canon DuMoulin be invited to take a seat on the platform beside the Bishop. Canon DuMoulin accepted the invitation.

Presenting Reports of Committees.—Under this head the Rev. Rural Dean Chowne presented and read the report of the committee on the Bishop's charge, as follows : "Your committee appointed to consider topics mentioned in the Bishop's charge, beg leave to report as follows : That the following be treated as notices of motion after printed order of business : Proposed consolidation of the Church in British North America ; recommendation of appointment of a committee to consider the status of students and lay readers ; Sunday-schools as per address, and unfinished business ; THE ALGOMA MISSIONARY NEWS, in connection with the editor's report ; and the Superannuation Fund."

Notices of Motions.—(1) By the Rev. G. H. Gaviller : "That the following be and is hereby appointed a committee to draft a constitution for the Diocesan Council : The Bishop of the diocese, Revs. J. C. Machin, James Boydell, Alfred W. H. Chowne, Thos. Llwyd, G. H. Gaviller ; Messrs. W. B. Trixdall, J. G. S. Wilgress, T. H. Kafer, Wm. Kirk."

(2) By the Rev. Rural Dean Chowne ; "That the resolution *re* election of rural deans be rescinded, and that the Bishop be respectfully requested to make his own appointment of these officers."

(3) By the Rev. Rural Dean Machin : "That it is of great importance to the future welfare of this diocese that the clergy and laity should unite in the effort to procure lands while they are held at low price for the purpose of endowment."

(4) By the Rev. Rural Dean Chowne : "That all motions and recommendations hitherto passed with reference to the dis-

tribution of the Widows and Orphans' Fund be and are hereby rescinded, and that a committee of five—three clergymen and two laymen—be appointed to draft a scheme for the equitable administration of the same; said committee to report from day to day until the business is disposed of."

(5) By the Rev. Rural Dean Chowne: "That seven clergymen be appointed a committee to devise a plan for the delivering of a series of lectures on Church history throughout the several deaneries of the diocese."

(6) By the Rev. Chas. Piercy: "That a committee composed of three clergymen and two laymen be appointed to draft amendments for submission to and adoption by this council containing recommendations to Provincial Synod to amend Canon 20 ('On representation of the missionary Diocese of Algoma' in the Provincial Synod of Canada), looking (1) to larger representation; (2) to a more satisfactory mode of election of delegates thereto; and (3) to the general revision of said canon."

(7) By the Rev. Rural Dean Vesey: "That more branches of the Woman's Auxiliary be formed in the diocese."

(8) By the Rev. L. Sinclair: "That the present construction of deaneries in the Diocese of Algoma be considered previous to the motion concerning rural deans."

Sunday-School Government and Discipline.—Moved by the Rev. W. H. French, and resolved, That the consideration of Sunday-schools, being unfinished business remaining over from the last Triennial Council, be postponed until the subject for Sunday-schools referred to in the Bishop's charge comes up for discussion, as per report of special committee.—Carried.

Church of England Temperance Society.—Moved by Rev. Wm. Evans, and resolved, That the Revs. W. H. French, R. Sims, and J. H. McLeod be appointed a committee to further progress of the C.E.T.S. in the Diocesan Council.

Brotherhood of St. Andrew.—Moved by Rev. A. J. Young, and resolved, That it is expedient that a diocesan branch of the Brotherhood of Saint Andrew be established, and that the Rev. Canon DuMoulin be asked to address the council on the subject.—Carried.

The Rev. Canon delivered an address explaining the nature of the Brotherhood, the Bishop adding a few remarks.

Moved by the Rev. R. Sims, and resolved, That in the event of any member

of the committee on the C.E.T.S. work being unable to act he at once communicate with the Bishop, who is hereby empowered to appoint a substitute.—Carried.

The council adjourned at 12.15.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Afternoon session opened at 2.30 p.m., the Bishop in the chair.

Moved by the Rev. James Boydell, and seconded by the Rev. Alfred W. H. Chowne, That this council desires to express its sympathy with the Rev. Rural Dean Thomas Llwyd in his illness, and it regrets that his enforced absence through that cause has deprived it of his counsel and presence, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Rev. Rural Dean Llwyd by the secretary.—Carried.

Moved by the Rev. G. H. Gaviller, and resolved, That the following be and is hereby appointed a committee to draft a constitution for the Diocesan Council: The Rt. Rev. the Bishop, Revs. C. J. Machin, James Boydell, A. W. H. Chowne, Thomas Llwyd, G. H. Gaviller; Messrs. W. B. Indall, G. S. Wilgress, F. H. Keefer, Wm. Kirk.

Moved by Rev. Rural Dean Chowne, seconded by Rev. F. Frost, That the resolution *re* election of rural deans be rescinded, and that the Bishop be respectfully requested to make his own appointment of these offices.—Lost.

Moved by Rev. C. J. Machin, and resolved, That it is of great importance to the future welfare of this diocese that the clergy and laity should unite in the effort to procure lands while they are held at a low price for the purpose of endowment.

After a lengthy discussion on the subject, the motion was put and carried. The council then adjourned until 10.30 a.m., July 2nd.

In the evening a missionary meeting was held in the council chamber, which was addressed by the Bishop, Canon DuMoulin, and the Revs. H. P. Lowe, F. Frost, L. Sinclair, and W. H. French. A collection was taken up in aid of the Endowment Fund.

Morning prayer was held in St. Luke's Church on July 1st. Being a public holiday the council did not meet, the clergy taking the opportunity of seeing the sights. In the afternoon many of them took advantage of the Bishop's kind offer and enjoyed a sail down the river on board the *Evangeline*. In the evening a reception was given the clergy at Bishop-hurst.

THIRD DAY—JULY 2ND.

Morning prayer was held in St. Luke's Church, the Bishop in the chair. Moved by Mr. G. S. Wilgress, and resolved, That in view of the fact that the reports of the Rural Deans have not been presented, said reports be made a special order of the day for this afternoon at 4.30 o'clock.

Moved by Rev. W. H. French, and resolved, That the question of consolidation of the Church in British North America be special order of business immediately after the adjournment.

Notices of Motion.—The following notices of motion were given:

(1) Moved by Rev. J. Boydell: That great care should be exercised in the selection of lay readers; that before appointment they shall declare themselves willing to be governed by the incumbent in the selection of sermons, in the manner of conducting divine worship, and in all matters pertaining to the office which they hold; that their appointment shall be license from the Bishop of the diocese, and shall be renewed every year at Easter-tide, such license to set forth their duties and limitations.

(2) Moved by Rev. J. Boydell, seconded by Rev. A. W. H. Chowne: That the scheme for consolidation of the Church in British North America drawn up by the conference of delegates held in Winnipeg in the year 1890 be concurred in by this council, with the exception of clause (a), section 5, in which the words "doctrine and worship" be expunged.

(3) By Rev. G. H. Gaviller: That it is expedient, in the interest of the diocese that THE ALGOMA MISSIONARY NEWS be continued, and that the report of the editor and business manager be received for consideration.

(4) By Rev. W. H. French: That the Clergy Superannuation Fund is deserving of the highest consideration of the laity, and that the Bishop be respectfully requested to order that a special sermon be preached and an offertory devoted to the increase of the said fund, and that an early day be appointed for that purpose.

Moved by Rev. A. W. H. Chowne, and resolved, That all motions and recommendations hitherto passed with reference to the distribution of the Widows and Orphans' Fund be and are hereby rescinded, and that a committee of three clergymen and two laymen be appointed to draft a scheme for the equitable administration of the same; said committee to report from day to day until business is disposed of.

The Bishop named the following as the committee: The Revs. A. W. H. Chowne, James Boydell, W. H. French, Mr. Wm. Sharp, and Dr. Reid.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Scheme for the Consolidation of the Church in British North America.—Moved by Rev. James Boydell, and resolved, That the scheme for the consolidation of the Church in British North America drawn up by the conference of the delegates held in Winnipeg in the year 1890 be concurred in by this council, with the exception of clause (a), section 5, in which the words "doctrine and worship" be expunged.

A good deal of discussion followed. Rev. James Boydell then withdrew the words after council. Moved, in amendment, by Rev. C. J. Machin, seconded by Rev. M. C. Kirby, That the scheme for the consolidation of the Church in British North America shall be amended so that to the paragraph (a), section 5, be added the words, "Provided that the boundaries of the ecclesiastical provinces be first rearranged so that all dioceses in the civil Province of Ontario shall be included in the same Provincial Synod," and adopted. After a long discussion, Mr. Machin withdrew the motion. Moved by the Rev. C. J. Machin, and resolved, "That the consideration of the scheme for consolidation, etc., be referred to a committee to report on Tuesday next." The Bishop appointed the following as a committee: Revs. C. J. Machin, Jas. Boydell, and H. P. Lowe.

Rural Deans' Report.—Thunder Bay—Rev. Rural Dean Machin then read his report. Parry Sound and Nipissing—Rev. Rural Dean Chowne then read his report. Muskoka—Rev. Rural Dean Chowne then read Rev. Rural Dean Llwyd's report, Mr. Llwyd being absent through illness. Algoma—Rev. Rural Dean Vesey then read his report.

Being six o'clock, the council adjourned until Monday, July 4th, at 10.30.

SUNDAY—JULY 3RD.

There was an early celebration of the Holy Communion in St. Luke's Church at 8.30, at which the Rev. Jas. Boydell was celebrant, assisted by the Rev. Rural Dean Vesey. At 11 o'clock the usual morning prayer, conducted by Rev. W. H. French, the Bishop reading the lessons. Rev. C. J. Machin preached a very eloquent and patriotic sermon, taking for his text Gen. xxv. 32: "And what profit shall this birthright do to me?" At 3

o'clock there was a choral litany, conducted by Rev. H. P. Lowe, who addressed the Sunday-school. Rev. G. H. Gaviller also gave an address. In the evening the service was conducted by Rev. James Boydell, Rev. Rural Dean Chowne reading the lessons; sermon by the Bishop of the diocese, taking for his text, I. Sam. vii. 12, during which he gave a brief review of the progress of the diocese since its organization in 1873. The Rev. E. A. Vesey presided at the organ.

FOURTH DAY—JULY 4TH.

Morning prayer was read in St. Luke's Church at 9.30. The Bishop took the chair at 10.30. Rev. A. W. H. Chowne presented the report of Committee on Widows and Orphans' Fund. Notices of motions:

(1) By Rev. C. J. Machin: That when a mission of the diocese shall have become self-supporting, and shall have taken steps towards an endowment for its clergymen, either by deeding lands to its Bishop, or by beginning a fund for that purpose, in such manner as shall meet the Bishop's approval, such mission shall be declared a rectory, and the clergyman designated rector.

(2) By Rev. C. J. Machin: That no clergyman shall be deemed eligible for the office of rural dean in the diocese unless he shall have served as priest in this diocese for five years, except in the case of a priest of ten years' standing in this ecclesiastical province, provided always that the Bishop may suspend this rule whenever clerical changes in any deanery may, in his judgment, render it necessary.

(3) By Rev. W. H. French: That in view of there being no fund for the payment of expenses for printing and carrying on the office work of the diocese, each and every congregation be and is hereby requested to contribute such sum annually as may be decided upon not later than November 30th in each year.

(4) By Rev. A. W. H. Chowne: That the report of Committee on Widows and Orphans' Fund be adopted as read.

Motions.—Moved by Rev. J. Boydell, and resolved, That a committee be appointed to consider the best method of securing the regular and liberal contributions of the people of the Church.

The Bishop appointed the following as a committee: Rev. J. Boydell, W. H. French, and Chas. Piercy.

Moved by G. H. Gaviller, and resolved, That the Rural Deans' reports be adopted, with any addition that may be found necessary.

The Bishop appointed 5 p.m. as the hour for election of rural deans, and at the same time appointed Rev. C. J. Machin to the Rural Deanery of Thunder Bay.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Moved by Rev. A. J. Young, and resolved, That a committee be appointed to revise the form of making annual return to the rural deans.

The Bishop appointed the following as a committee: Revs. A. W. H. Chowne, C. Evans, and L. Sinclair.

Moved by Rev. Rural Dean Chowne, seconded by Rev. Gowan Gillmor, That three clergymen be appointed a committee to devise a plan for delivering a series of lectures on Church history throughout the several deaneries of the diocese.—Carried.

Committee: Revs. A. W. H. Chowne, W. H. French, Gowan Gillmor.

Moved by Rev. Chas. Piercy, seconded by Rev. G. H. Gaviller, That a committee composed of three clergymen and two laymen be appointed to draft amendments for submission to and adoption by this council, as recommendations to Provincial Synod to amend the canon (canon 20) on representation of the missionary Diocese of Algoma in the Provincial Synod of Canada, looking (1) to a larger representation; (2) to a more satisfactory mode of election of delegates thereto; and (3) to the general revision of said canon.—Carried.

The following is the committee: Revs. Chas. Piercy, F. Frost, M. C. Kirby; Mr. Wm. Sharp and Mr. G. S. Wilgress.

Rev. L. Sinclair withdrew his notice of motion with regard to the reconstruction of rural deaneries.

Moved by Rev. James Boydell, That great care be exercised in the selection of lay readers; that before appointment they shall declare themselves willing to be governed by the incumbent in the selection of sermons, in the manner of conducting divine worship, and in all matters pertaining to the office which they hold; that their appointment be by license from the Bishop of the diocese, and shall be renewed every year at Eastertide, such license to set forth their duties and limitations.

Moved, in amendment, by Rev. R. Sims, and carried, That a committee be appointed to consider duties of lay readers and students with special reference to points referred to in the Bishop's charge.

The Bishop appointed the following as committee: Revs. James Boydell and W. H. French, and Mr. Wilgress.

Moved by Rev. G. H. Gaviller, seconded by Rev. A. J. Young, That it is expedient in the interest of the diocese that THE ALGOMA MISSIONARY NEWS be continued, and that the report of editor and business manager be received and accepted.—Carried.

Moved by Rev. Charles Piercy, seconded by Rev. J. Boydell, That the Rev. G. H. Gaviller be re-elected editor of THE ALGOMA MISSIONARY NEWS.—Carried.

Election of Rural Deans.—It being 5 p.m., the hour appointed for the election of rural deans, the Bishop appointed the following: For Muskoka, Revs. Charles Piercy and A. J. Young; for Parry Sound and Nipissing, Revs. A. J. Burt and J. Boydell; for Algoma, Revs. W. H. French and H. P. Lowe. The Rev. Thomas Llwyd declared for Muskoka; Rev. A. W. H. Chowne, Parry Sound and Nipissing; and Rev. E. A. Vesey, Algoma.

The Rev. A. W. H. Chowne presented and read the report of the diocesan librarian, Rev. Thomas Llwyd, as follows:

Diocesan Library.—Report from August, 1889, to June, 1892:

My Lord and Brethren,—At the council of 1889, it was decided to form a library for the use of the clergy and catechists of the diocese. A committee was named, rules drawn up and approved by the council, and the librarian appointed, the choice falling upon Huntsville. As soon as possible after my return from the council the books were got to Huntsville, six portable cupboards filled with shelves were provided, several donations of books were obtained, and a special donation of \$100 for the purchasing of new books was received. As far as could be, the books were assorted and catalogues printed and mailed to all clergy, catechists, and lay readers as far as I could get the addresses of the latter, special attention being drawn to Rule 1. The financial statement appended to this brief report presents an analysis of the receipts and expenditures. Subscriptions are due January 1st each year; fifteen subscriptions were received the first year, eleven the second, and twelve the present year.

Moved by Rev. W. Evans, and resolved, That the librarian's report be adopted, with the best thanks of the council for his trouble.

FIFTH DAY—JULY 5TH.

Morning prayer in St. Luke's at 9.30. The Bishop took the chair at 10.30. Moved by Rev. C. Piercy, and resolved,

That the committee on constitution be discharged, and that the Bishop be asked to appoint a committee to deal with the question, said committee to report to the council.

The Bishop appointed Revs. Messrs. Machin, Boydell, Llwyd, and Chowne, and Messrs. Wilgress and Sharp. The report of the committee appointed to consider the question of establishing a Church of England Temperance Society was then read and adopted. The committee appointed on the consolidation of the Church in British North America was then read.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The report of the committee on the consolidation of the Church in British North America was then considered, and after considerable discussion it was moved by Rev. G. H. Gaviller, and resolved, That the report of the committee be referred back to the committee of revision.

Moved by Rev. A. J. Young, and seconded by Rev. W. H. French, That in future the harvest offerings throughout the diocese be devoted to the Clergy Superannuation Fund, and that the sum of \$5 be contributed annually by each clergyman to the fund and be deducted by the treasurer from his stipend on the first day of January in each year.

Resolution of Sympathy.—Rules of order, were suspended to allow of the following motion being moved: Moved by Rev. J. Boydell, seconded by Rev. W. H. French, That the Bishop, clergy, and laity of the Diocese of Algoma, in council assembled, desire to express their sorrow in the loss the Church in the Dominion has sustained by the decease of the late reverend Bishop of Quebec, and also to give utterance hereby to their respectful and sincere sympathy with Mrs. Williams and her family, earnestly desiring for them sustaining grace in their affliction, and commending them to the care of their heavenly Father, their God and ours.—Carried by a standing vote.

The W.A.—Moved by Rural Dean Vesey, seconded by Rural Dean Chowne, That more branches of the Woman's Auxiliary be formed in the diocese.—Carried.

Vote of Congratulation to the Bishop of British Guiana.—Moved by Rev. W. H. French, seconded by Rev. J. Boydell, That the Bishop, clergy, and laity of the Diocese of Algoma, in council assembled, beg most respectfully to congratulate the Bishop of British Guiana upon the unprecedented event which will transpire on the coming 24th

of August, viz., the attaining of his lordship to the jubilee of his episcopate, and earnestly hope and pray that he may be spared for years of usefulness in the Church of the living.—Carried by a standing vote.

Moved by Rev. A. W. H. Chowne, and resolved, That the secretary be requested to place on record the fact that there are thirteen women's working societies in the diocese, of which seven are in connection with the Woman's Auxiliary.

The council adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

SIXTH DAY—JULY 6TH.

After prayer in Turner's Hall, the Bishop took the chair. The following were appointed a standing committee for furthering the Church of England Temperance Society: Revs. Messrs. French, Boydell, and Allman.

Reports of Committees Presented.—Report on systematic giving, by Rev. J. Boydell; consolidation of Church in British North America, Rev. C. J. Machin; provincial return, Rev. A. W. H. Chowne; lay reader, Rev. J. Boydell; representation to Provincial Synod, Rev. Chas. Piercy; lectures on Church history, Rev. A. W. H. Chowne.

Parry Sound Mission.

The Incumbent was surprised and delighted to find, on his return from the Triennial Council at Sault Ste. Marie, that the congregation of Trinity Church had subscribed a sufficient sum of money to have the pews painted and grained in oak finish and the woodwork of the church beautified by a coat of varnish, and that all this had been actually accomplished, so that the little church looks fresher and cleaner than ever. Such thoughtful acts on the part of a congregation are well calculated to bind their clergyman more closely to them.

Royal Society of Literature.

At a council held on June 22nd, the Reverend the Master of St. John's College, Cambridge, D.D., vice-president, in the chair, the Rev. H. N. Burden, of Holy Trinity vicarage, Shoreditch (late of Uffington, Algoma), was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature.

Lost.

The editor regrets to say that during his four days' journey home from the Triennial Council he lost items of news from Burk's Falls, Gravenhurst, and Sudbury, but hopes that the writers of the same will pardon him, as this is the first offence of the kind.

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Editorial Notes.

Now that the Triennial Council is over and the clergy have returned to their own homes, perhaps the many friends of the diocese will be pleased and gratified to learn something of what was done at the third council of the missionary Diocese of Algoma? Hence the appearance of the condensed record of the minutes of the business sessions, which, however, does not include a number of resolutions passed at the evening session on the closing day.

THE Bishop's charge contained a great deal of information well calculated to gladden the hearts of the missionaries of this diocese. First, the happy increase in the endowment funds of the diocese. The episcopal endowment, which began only ten years ago, by the donation of \$1000 by an unknown friend, has now reached the goodly sum of \$45,000; the Widows and Orphans' Fund has also grown to something over \$15,000. True, neither of these funds will yield sufficient at present for the respective purposes for which they have been raised; but nevertheless they form a solid nucleus upon which our many kind and generous friends can build. The Superannuation Fund, of which it was impossible to speak at our last council in 1889, now actually has an existence,

though of such an infantile character that one almost fears to mention it; nevertheless, it exists, and we believe will, in the good providence of God, continue to exist, and grow to goodly proportions before the next Triennial Council.

ONE of the most pleasing events during the council was the presentation, on the opening day, of an address from the clergy to the Bishop. The text will be found in the report of the minutes of the first day's business session. We say pleasing event, because it was a voluntary act on the part of the clergy, conceived in love for their Bishop, and entirely the outcome of personal attachment on the part of the clergy. Besides the address, there were also presented to the Bishop a dressing case and a robe case.

FRIDAY, the first day of July, being the anniversary of the birth of our Dominion, no business was done by the council; but during the afternoon the diocesan missionary yacht, the *Evangeline*, took as many of the clergy as desired to go across to the American side of the Sault, the Bishop being at the wheel. The clergy and those of their wives who were present were astonished to find such grand locks connecting Lakes Superior and Huron. The water in the locks is thirty-eight feet deep, and during the months of navigation on the great lakes the number of vessels passing through the great canal gates is no less than an average of sixty per day, and the total tonnage during the season is greater than that which passes through the Suez canal during the whole year. A second canal is now being constructed by the United States Government close to the present one, while the Canadian Government is building one on our own side of the river. No doubt, in the near future Sault Ste. Marie will be a great centre of commerce. After viewing the locks and witnessing the passage of some large vessels through them, the party again boarded the *Evangeline* and steamed down the river, passing the Shingwauk Home, which, with its various outbuildings, forms a very picturesque group. A shower of rain overtook the party, but did not in the least dampen the spirits of those on board.

ONE of the most interesting debates during the whole council was that caused by the Rev. C. J. Machin's resolution, by which he proposed to draw the attention of the Provincial Synod to the question of boundaries of dioceses and of ecclesiastical provinces.

The resolution embodied a memorial, but was afterwards withdrawn to be replaced by another. It served the good purpose of drawing attention to the fact that the old Diocese of Rupert's Land, forming now the ecclesiastical province of the same name, having its metropolitan seat in the city of Winnipeg, claims the territory of the civil Province of Ontario to a distance of about three hundred miles from the western boundary of Ontario, so that the Metropolitan of Rupert's Land, living in the city of Winnipeg, and being actual Bishop of the civil Province of Manitoba, is also Bishop of a portion of Ontario.

BUT another and more delicate question is that of the mission of Chapleau, lying in the northern part of Algoma or, rather, what has always until recently been considered as Algoma, but which now proves to be actually within the Diocese of Moosonee. To understand this statement the reader must examine a good map of British North America, and also read something of the history of the famous dispute concerning the northern boundary of the Province of Ontario. The circumstances of the case appear to be thus: When the territory now known as the Diocese of Algoma was separated from that of Toronto, its northern boundary was to be the height of land between Hudson's Bay on the north, and Lakes Superior and Huron on the south. This scientific boundary was not at that time exactly known, and recent surveys have shown that the height of land is not a straight ridge of hills, but a winding and very irregular imaginary line between the headwaters of those streams which run northward to Hudson's Bay, and those which flow eventually into the great lakes. In the meantime, the Canadian Pacific Railway was built, and villages and towns sprang into existence, supposed to be south of the height of land, and Chapleau was one of these. The Bishop of Algoma, with his usual zeal and energy, anxiously seized upon this as a centre or base of Church work. Meantime the Bishop of Moosonee was residing hundreds of miles to the north on the shores of Hudson's Bay, no doubt almost wholly ignorant of the vast strides that colonization was making in the southern part of the territory once owned by the great Hudson Bay Company. But now a surveyor's plan has been prepared, and was shown at our recent council, by which it is made evident that the town of Chapleau is actually on the northern side

of the height of land, and consequently in the Diocese of Moosonee.

Here another difficulty arises, for not only has Algoma's money been expended in Chapleau, and the time and labours of Algoma missionaries, but, supposing Chapleau were ceded to the Bishop of Moosonee, how is he to visit that corner of his vast diocese? There is no road or railway, and hundreds of miles of forest intervene; but the Diocese of Moosonee belongs to the ecclesiastical province of Rupert's Land, and Algoma belongs to that of Canada, so that the boundary can only be adjusted by consent of both ecclesiastical provinces. A confederation of the Church in British North America, whereby there would be established one General Synod over the whole Dominion, to which these questions could be referred, is "much to be desired."

Extract from a Letter to Members of the Algoma Association and other Friends in England.

It is strongly felt, considering the needs of Algoma, that the time has come for the formation of more branches. The watchword of any association with prayer and work for its object must necessarily be *progress*. Suggestions, therefore, or offers of help towards this end will be most acceptable.

This year the Bishop commemorates the tenth anniversary of his consecration. Ten years they have been of ceaseless work and continual anxiety, and we are sure that those who realize the heavy burden involved by the care of a poor and unendowed diocese, dependent on fluctuating voluntary contributions, will be glad to do anything in their power to help. Such help can best be rendered by annual subscriptions, which, if steadily and widely contributed, would eventually prove the mainstay of the diocese. However small the subscription (be it only 5/- or 2/6 a year), it is worth having. These small sums, put together, would largely augment the amount collected annually by the association, and would be an assistance that could be *relied* upon; for when one subscriber was removed by death or other causes, a fresh one might be found to take his place. We may never despise small gifts, since the woman who gave "of her want" gave *more* in the eyes of Him whose is the cause than those who gave "of their superfluity." Let us, then, make a special effort this year to

increase the number of subscribers, and let us ask that the Spirit of God may stir up the hearts of His faithful people to give as God has prospered them.

The General Mission Fund, out of which the stipends of the clergy are paid quarterly, has been largely overdrawn, and the next payments will shortly be due; but any curtailment of those very small stipends must mean serious difficulties to many in regard even to the necessities of life. It was to just such necessities that the Saviour alluded when He said, "Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat . . . naked, and ye clothed me"; for, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye did it unto me."

M. M. STUBBS,

Secretary of Association for Prayer and Work in union with Algoma.

St. Michael's Rectory, Tyndall's Park,
Bristol, June, 1892.

Lake Temiscamingue.

Mr. W. C. Shaw writes under date July 6th:

It is with feelings of gratitude that I am able to report that the work is progressing as well as could be expected under the circumstances. I labour under a great many difficulties; the field is so large, the residents are scattered, and the mode of travel is slow. There are no churches, but I substitute the houses of the people for that purpose.

Since coming here, I have been able to hold two services every Sunday, with one exception. Difficult as the circumstances are I expect, by God's help, to remedy them ere long. I need Prayer Books, hymn books, and papers, which I hope to be able to secure soon. I am constant in visiting and reading the Bible to the people; in fact, this is about all I can do, with the exception of our little services held in the houses. I have great hope in this place, and, as God has blessed the work in the past, I am sure He will do so in the future.

Opening Services of the Third Triennial Council.

The opening services connected with the third Triennial Council of the Diocese of Algoma were held in St. Luke's Church (pro-cathedral), Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., on St. Peter's Day, June 29th, being the tenth anniversary of the Bishop's consecration.

Morning prayer having been said 9.30 a.m., the service proper for ordination commenced with a hymn at 10 o'clock, followed by a sermon by the Rev. Canon DuMoulin, D.C.L., Rector of St. James' Cathedral, Toronto. The text of the Canon's sermon was Acts ix. 15. In its elucidation, the preacher dwelt first on the peculiar social, civil, and religious aspects of the period referred to, showing how three distinct civilizations exercised their several influences, and consequently how essential it was that any great leader of religious thought who might be raised up for the purpose of establishing a new faith must have something in common with all three. St. Paul had this essential qualification, being an "Hebrew of the Hebrews," born in the Greek city of Tarsus, in Cilicia, and hence also a freeborn Roman citizen, so wonderfully does God's providence fit and prepare the instrument for His purposes. Localizing his remarks the preacher went on to refer to modern missionary work, alluding more especially to the circumstances connected with the formation of the Diocese of Algoma and election of the present Bishop, closing with a strong and eloquent appeal to both clergy and laity for more of devotion to the Master's work in His Church.

After the sermon, the candidates were presented by the Examining Chaplain, Rev. Jas. Boydell, M.A., the Rev. W. A. Burt (Trinity College) for the priesthood, and Mr. H. C. Aylwin (Wycliffe College) for the diaconate. The Litany was said, and also the Veni Creator sung by the Bishop, according to the rubric, while the presbyters within the chancel rail, Rev. Canon DuMoulin and Rev. Rural Deans Chowne and Machin (with the chaplain), united with the Bishop in the laying on of hands. The Gospel was read by the newly-ordained deacon. Other clergy present were the Revs. Young (North Bay), Cobb (Broadbent), French (Gravenhurst), Allman (Uffington), Lowe (Aspdin), Sims (Cook's Mills), Frost (Sheguiandah), McLeod (Gore Bay), Irvine (Garden River), Piercy (Burk's Falls), Sinclair (Sudbury). The Rev. M. C. Kirby arrived from Fort William during the day, also Rev. G. H. Gaviller (secretary) from Parry Sound, and Rev. W. Evans from Schreiber. The Holy Communion was administered, the Bishop being celebrant. The offertories for the day were appropriated, by the Bishop's direction, to the Superannuation Fund. The music for all the services during the ses-

son was under the charge of Rev. Rural Dean Vesey, Incumbent of St. Luke's, and was admirably rendered by a large and well-trained choir. The evening sermon was preached by the Rev. James Boydell, M.A., Incumbent of Bracebridge and Examining Chaplain, from II. Tim. ii. 2, and was a strong appeal in support of the clerical office as that of a priest of God and a witness to "the faith once delivered to the saints."

"The Algoma Missionary News."

It will be gratifying to our many kind friends and subscribers to be told that the position of this little sheet is much more satisfactory than formerly. The total issue required per month to supply our readers is 1,394. The liabilities of the publication are about \$500, but our subscribers were owing on the 15th of June (to which date the accounts were made) no less a sum than \$370.23; so that there are two ways in which our friends can help: first, by paying up all arrears, and, secondly, by obtaining new subscribers. Have you, dear reader, no friend that you can induce to become a subscriber? Have you no relative to whom you would like to send the paper *gratis*?

Then our little silent messenger is not to be valued only by the answer to the question as to how the printers' bill stands, for in many ways it has been found of great service to the Church. Our needs are many, and friends like to hear as to how these wants have been or may be supplied. Our most pressing wants are:

(1) The mission fund, to supplement the various amounts locally contributed by the parishioners towards the missionaries' stipends.

(2) The endowment of the diocese for the support of the episcopate, now provided by the assessment on the older and organized dioceses of this ecclesiastical province by the Provincial Synod.

(3) The erection of churches and parsonages, costing each an average of \$800, six of the former and eight of the latter, are urgently needed.

(4) A superannuation fund, to provide at least a partial maintenance for those of the clergy who may from time to time be unfitted for active service by advancing years or any accident. At present there is no provision made of this sort; only the merest nucleus of such a fund has been obtained. In the meantime, many

of the missionaries are drawn away to other fields of labour by instincts of self-preservation. And who can blame them? The better places must be occupied by some one, and why not by those who have laboured in the outstations of the vineyard, and for whose declining years the Church has made no provision?

(5) An adequate widows and orphans' fund, for the maintenance of those widows and children of the clergy who may be left in this diocese from time to time to the tender mercies of the Church. Surely those godly women who have been, or may be in the future, willing to link their fortunes to those of the messengers of God's Word are deserving of practical evidence of sympathy on the part of Christian friends. Already a good foundation has been laid, and the fund is increasing, but has not yet reached those dimensions that the friend of the orphan and the widow must desire.

(5) An educational fund, to assist in the education of the children of those of the missionaries whose stipends are insufficient to meet the necessary outlay.

THE ALGOMA MISSIONARY NEWS gives all the latest information as to these different departments of our missionary work; also as to many other matters of interest, such as episcopal visits, consecrations of churches and graveyards, and Sunday-school work. The paper has, in the past, fully proved its usefulness by the greater amount of interest aroused and the practical support to the diocese obtained by these simple, unadorned facts.

The Wants of Algoma.

To Editor of The Algoma Missionary News:

Perhaps nothing will so clearly disclose our true position in Algoma as a missionary diocese as to disclose our wants. With this end in view, together with the *bonâ fide* wish to obtain the help actually needed, I ask you kindly to insert the following:

Wanted, for the Diocese of Algoma, Mission of Bracebridge, station of Baysville, lay help, either by student with a view to holy orders, or by earnest layman of sound Church principles and satisfactory ability. His duties will be as follows: Residing in Baysville, as centre, he will take charge of stations on the Lake of Bays, about twelve miles by water from Baysville. He will hold divine service in Baysville, morning or evening, every Sunday, and then proceed by boat (rowing) to this station when possible, returning to

Baysville for evening prayer, or catechizing the children at this station alternately with Baysville. On alternate Sundays he will take Stoneleigh, with similar duties. Stoneleigh is eight miles by land, to which he would require (ordinarily) to walk. In the week he would be required to visit the scattered families along the coast of the Lake of Bays, including a coast line of about four hundred miles, instructing the youth at suitable centres, inducing parents to bring their children to baptism, etc., and finding out the sick. For these duties we are at present only able to offer a nominal salary, provided by a lay member of the Church, and amounting to \$200 per annum. The various congregations would be able to defray the expense of board and lodging; and this is all in our power to offer.

It may be asked, Why does not the Incumbent of Bracebridge perform these duties? In reply, he would say that to the best of his ability he attempts to do so. But let it be remembered that in addition to those which I have mentioned, he has to minister morning and evening to an important centre at Bracebridge; that he has also another important outstation demanding a daily service in the afternoon of every Sunday; also a very important Sunday-school in Bracebridge itself crying out for his active supervision.

Even if he succeeds in getting the man, it is hardly necessary to add that the administration of the Holy Communion in these other outstations would still devolve upon him.

In a word, we are yet painfully short-handed in ministers, and consequently our efforts lack concentration. How much could be done if only there was a willing mind? Who will help with *man* or means? "Come over and help us" is still the cry of our Church here.

JAMES BOYDELL,

Bracebridge.

Parry Sound to Sault Ste. Marie.

BY THE EDITOR.

There is always a certain amount of excitement about starting upon a long journey, especially when part of it lies through a region that one has never seen, and such was the case in my recent journey to the Sault Ste. Marie to attend the Diocesan Council. My nearest clerical neighbour, the Rev. A. J. Cobb, having reached Parry Sound during the afternoon of Monday, the 27th ult, we decided to go by water (across the Georgian Bay and Lake Huron) to Sault Ste. Marie; but having

ascertained that we could not reach our destination until the afternoon of Thursday, the 30th, and knowing that the council was to open at 9 a.m. on the 29th, we concluded that some other route would have to be taken. A two-horse democrat wagon and driver were procured, and at 10 p.m. we started for Rosseau, a distance of twenty-four miles. The evening was warm and very dark, the darkness being increased by the downpour of rain that soon set in. One feature of this midnight journey (which terminated by 3.15 a.m.) was the amazing number of fireflies and the long duration of their illuminations. I have read or heard somewhere that they appear at times in such vast numbers as to actually lighten up the traveller's path; but, although a native of Canada, I had never actually known such to be the case until upon this occasion, when, in every valley, their combined illumination did actually serve as a light to the driver.

At seven o'clock on Tuesday morning, we boarded the lake steamer *Kenozah* and made the trip to Bracebridge by 11.30, and, having purchased our tickets for the Sault, went on board the Grand Trunk Railway for North Bay. Here I may just remind the reader that ten years ago, when Dr. Sullivan accepted the see of Algoma, there was not one mile of railroad within the borders of the diocese. Many persons seem to imagine that the country in Algoma is all rock and swamp, but such is not the case. The observant traveller will be pleased to notice that about Huntsville, Sundridge, Burk's Falls, and South River there are vast tracts of fertile soil, only waiting for good settlers; and while it is true that there are great and lonely swamps, which, to the eye of the native of old England, may look very dismal and worthless, yet they are not without their present and future value. For the present, they are yielding a rich harvest of spruce timber for the manufacture of paper, and black ash for the manufacture of household furniture, besides other kinds of timber; and for the future they will afford rich pasture and meadow lands when they have been cleared and drained.

Arriving at North Bay about 9 p.m., we had tea and looked about. Here is a rising town; the hotel at which we had our evening meal is a substantial brick building, three flats high, large and roomy, and well kept. It seemed almost incredible that only a few years ago this

was considered the very end of civilization, and now it is a station on the main line of the great Canadian Pacific Railway, where it crosses the Grand Trunk Railway.

About 3 a.m. Wednesday we boarded the C.P.R. train for the Sault, and rolled along towards the west. The country from North Bay to the Sault Ste. Marie is broken by rock in many places, but, after passing Sudbury, it is cheering to notice the many thousands of acres of land which, although wild forest or swamp now, may yet become cultivated fields. We arrived at the Sault by twelve noon of the same day.

The Indians.

Not very long since, as stated in these columns, the Bishop licensed one of our Indian chiefs at Sheguiandah, Manitoulin Island, as a catechist among his own people, the recommendation having been made by one of our most faithful workers and correspondents, the Rev. F. Frost, who had already found the chief most consistent in his daily life, and most helpful in keeping up the services in the little Indian church during the clergyman's frequent and unavoidable absences. The Bishop has recently received an acknowledgment of the license from the chief, which, we are sure, will possess no little interest for our readers. As translated, it reads as follows:

GREAT BLACK COAT.—I will try to teach and help my people, acting on the authority that you give to me in the license, if the Saviour helps me. It is in His strength that we are strong. Also, it was for no small reason that I asked from you your seal. It was seriously for the sake of the Truth. I would like to ask you to intercede for me with the Lord, that I may be strengthened for this work. I am not such a good scholar as some preachers and evangelists are, yet I trust that I know the Truth in my heart. I send my greetings in the Lord Jesus. I am your obedient servant,

ARTHUR MANITOWAHUNG.

We are sure that this poor Indian chief will have many to "intercede" for him that he may be made strong and kept faithful in his work.

Acknowledgments.

Receipts at Synod office, Toronto, for Algoma Diocese for the month ending 30th of June.

FOR GENERAL FUND.

Fort Erie, \$10; Mrs. Sargent, \$1; "A.F.," \$20; "A Well-wisher," \$2; per Miss Eyre, treasurer Sussex Branch Algoma Mission Fund, Miss G. Rolleston, £1; Miss S. Tatton (for 1891), £2 6s.; Mrs. Henry Taylor, 10s.; Mrs. Huxtable, 21s.; Mrs. Perkins, 5s.; Miss Archer Honblow, 10s.; Miss Hornby, £1; Mrs. Frewen, 10s.; Miss Homan, 10s.; Mrs. Francis Eyre, £2; Miss Sophy Eyre, £1; Secretary Sussex Branch for Algoma, £2 10s.; Miss Peache, £15; Miss Payne Smith, 3s. 6d.; "E.D.," 10s.; Miss Hicks, 2s. 6d.; Miss Ashwin, 5s.; Mrs. Jones, 1s. 6d.; Dr. Tivy, 10s.; General Youngusband, £2; Miss May, 5s.; Miss Dunn, 1s.; Mrs. F. Eyre, £2 10s.; Miss Hamlyn, 5s.; "A.L.S.," 4d.; Franklyn offertry (per Rev. O. M. Fielden), 5s.; Mrs. J. H. Weaver, 10s.; per Mrs. Jane C. L. Gurney: Miss E. Payne Smith, £1 1s.; Miss Williamson, 10s.; Mrs. Powel, £1 1s.; Miss Bottle, 4s.; Misses Vinter, 10s.; Mrs. Bean, 2s. 6d.; Mrs. and Miss Smith T. Wells, £1 6s.; "B.K.," 2s.; Rev. and Mrs. Tritton Gurney, £2 13s. 6d.; F. W. Kingston, Esq., for Port Carling Mission, \$25; Special for Rev. F. Frost "A. F.," \$5; do. for Rev. W. B. Magnan, \$5; do., Anon., \$5.

FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Ascension Collections.—Fort William, St. Luke's, \$12.10; Port Carling, St. James, \$1.60; Christ Church, 75c.; St. John's, 60c.; Emsdale, St. Mark's, \$1.74; Burk's Falls, \$3.06; Sundridge, \$3.30; Broadbent, \$2.12; Port Arthur, \$10.50; Sault Ste. Marie, St. Luke's, \$20; Aspdin, \$1.57; Lancelot, 32c.; Allansville, 84c.; Stanleydale, \$1.78; Gore Bay, \$5; Port Sydney, 62c.; Brunel, 86c.; Parry Sound, Trinity, \$1.50; Gravenhurst, St. James, \$7.84; Chapeau, \$10.75; Schreiber, \$8.85; Sheguiandah, \$3.50; Northwood, \$4.13; Sudbury, Epiphany, \$4.75; Uffington, \$2.50; Vankoughnet, \$1.08; Purbrook, 72c.; South River, \$1.75; Powassan, \$2.15.

For Shingwauk and Wawanosh.—Lakefield, per Rev. R. D. Irwin, \$7.59.

FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES FUND.

For Callendar Church Building Fund.—S.P.G. grant, £20.

For Evangeline Fund.—From W.A., per Miss Grindlay, Toronto, St. Matthew's, \$1; Mrs. Baldwin, \$1; a Friend, \$1; "A Passenger," per Miss Alice C. Day, £3.

For Huntsville Church Building Fund.—Miss Newton, 9s.; Miss Kinder, 2s. 6d.; Rev. R. Walker (Blocks), 10s.; Mrs. Weaver (Blocks), 15s. 6d.; Miss Tucker (Blocks), 10s. 6d.

For Rev. A. J. Young.—Miss C. Taylor, £3 3s.

FOR CHURCH PARSONAGE FUND.

Special grant S.P.G., £1 10s.

FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

London Society for Conversion of Jews.—Novar, Good Friday collection, \$1.

FOR SUPERANNUATION FUND.

E. C. Eager, \$10; F. Gaviller, \$10; "H. J. E." and "C. B. E.," per Mrs. R. Lindsay, \$1 each.

FOR EPISCOPAL ENDOWMENT FUND.

Miss Peache, £10; Miss C. Taylor, £5; Rev. J. Irving, £1 1s.; Mrs. Irving, 10s. 6d.; Miss Talbot, 2s. 6d.; Mrs. Pennant Cooke, 10s.; Dr. Tivy, 10s.; Miss Blandy, 10s.; Miss May, 5s.; Mrs. Taylor, £1; Miss F. Taylor, £2; Miss E. A. Taylor, £1; Mrs. Hiern, 5s.; Miss F. Eyre, £2 10s.

D. KEMP, Sec.-Treas.