


MC223 DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON RECORDS

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Proceedings of the Synod

OF THE

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

1869.

The second meeting of the Synod of the Diocese of Fredericton was held in the Madras School-Room in Fredericton on July 1, 1869, at half-past nine, A.M.,—the Holy Communion having been previously celebrated in the Cathedral at half-past seven o'clock.

The Lord Bishop of the Diocese presided, and opened the proceedings by special prayer for the Divine guidance and blessing according to a form authorized by him.

The Roll of the Clergy was then called over by the Secretary, when the following answered to their names:—

Rev. W. W. Walker,
Rev. G. S. Jarvis, D.D.,
Rev. S. D. Lee Street,
Rev. N. A. Coster,
Rev. John Black,
Rev. W. Elias Scovill,
Rev. James Hudson,
Rev. John S. Thomson,
Rev. W. Scovill,
Rev. James Neales,
Rev. W. Q. Ketchum, D.D.,
Rev. H. W. Tippet,
Rev. S. J. Hanford,
Rev. W. H. De Veber,
Rev. Charles G. Coster,
Rev. Charles Lee,
Rev. William Jaffrey,
Rev. J. S. Williams,

Rev. John Pearson,
Rev. David W. Pickett,
Rev. G. G. Roberts,
Rev. D. J. Wetmore,
Rev. Joseph Dinzey,
Rev. Edward S. Woodman,
Rev. W. H. Street,
Rev. R. E. Smith,
Rev. Charles S. Medley,
Rev. T. E. Dowling,
Rev. George Rogers,
Rev. B. Shaw,
Rev. William S. Neales,
Rev. William Walker,
Rev. Edward Hanington,
Rev. George Walker,
Rev. Thomas Hartin,
Rev. Thomas Neales.

The names of the following parishes entitled to send lay-representatives were then called over; viz., Chatham, Kingsclear, Norton, Stanley, St. Mary's, Greenwich, Wickham; St. Paul's, Portland; Queensbury, St. Andrews, Kingston, Simonds, Westfield, Springfield; St. George, Carleton; Fredericton, Studholm, Moncton, Ludlow, Newcastle, Hardwicke, Dorchester, St. George, Andover, Douglas, Burton, Maugerville, Prince William, Dumfries, Cambridge, Waterborough, Canning, Hampton, Campobello, St. David's, Canterbury, Upham, Maryland, Gagetown, Richmond, Grand Manan, St. Stephen, Studholm, Dundas, New Bandon.

The certificates of lay-representatives having been presented, the Rev. C. Lee and the Hon. Judge Allen were appointed a Committee, with the Secretary, to examine the said Certificates.

The Committee having examined the Certificates and reported them satisfactory, the names of the following lay-representatives were recorded; viz.,

Mr. W. Wilkinson,	Chatham,
Mr. John H. Lee,	Kingsclear,
Mr. John Burnett,	"
Mr. William Jack,	Saint Paul's, Portland,
Mr. W. M. Jarvis,	"
Mr. Jacob McKeen,	Douglas,
Mr. Edward Pidgeon,	"
Mr. Ralph Beardsley,	Richmond,
Mr. Patrick McIntyro,	"
Mr. R. Robinson,	Canterbury,
Hon. Judge Allen,	"
Mr. George J. Bliss,	Newcastle,
Mr. George Roberts,	Ludlow,
Mr. G. S. Smith,	Hardwicke,
Mr. John Lister,	Prince William,
Mr. Frederick Clements,	Dumfries,
Mr. J. Woodforde Smith,	Saint Mary's,
Mr. W. N. Belyea,	"
Mr. Thomas Seward,	Stanley,
Mr. Edward Spear,	"
Mr. G. D. Street,	Saint Andrews,
Mr. B. R. Stevenson,	"
Mr. W. Carman,	Fredericton,
Hon. Judge Allen,	"
Mr. W. J. Kilner,	Saint Stephen,
Mr. John Clowes,	Gagetown,
Mr. J. L. Wilmot,	Greenwich,
Mr. John Flewelling,	"
Mr. P. M. Raymond,	Springfield,
Mr. W. J. C. Northrup,	"
Hon. W. P. Flewelling,	Kingston,
Mr. S. Foster,	"
Mr. C. Scribner,	Cambridge,
Mr. Robert Orchard,	"
Mr. W. Carman,	Saint George,
Mr. J. Gillespie,	"
Hon. Judge Allen,	Saint David,
Mr. S. R. Miller,	"

Mr. Charles Moorhouse, . . . Queensbury,
 Mr. Charles Dixon, . . . Norton,
 Mr. J. B. S. Raymond, . . . "
 Mr. George Otty, . . . Hampton,
 Mr. John A. Wright, . . . "
 Hon. Judge Allen, . . . Campobello,
 Mr. R. F. Hazen, . . . Westfield,
 Mr. N. H. DeVeber, . . . "
 Mr. W. Hanington, . . . Dundas,
 Mr. J. S. Beek, . . . New Bandon,
 Mr. John Wilkinson, . . . "

The following lay-representatives were present; viz., Messrs. W. Wilkinson, John H. Lee, John Burnett, W. M. Jarvis, Edward Pidgeon, Hon. Judge Allen, George J. Bliss, George Roberts, G. S. Smith, John Lister, Frederick Clements, Thomas Seward, Edward Spear, G. D. Street, W. Carman, W. J. Kilner, J. L. Wilmot, Hon. W. P. Flewelling, S. Foster, Charles Moorhouse, Charles Dixon, George Otty, John A. Wright, R. F. Hazen, N. H. DeVeber, J. S. Beek, and John Wilkinson.

On motion of the Rev. C. Lee, seconded by the Rev. Dr. Ketchum, it was resolved, That the Rev. P. Merritt, of the Diocese of Ontario, and those clergy of this diocese who have not hitherto joined the Synod, and those laymen specially delegated to this meeting, be and hereby are invited to take a seat in this session of the Synod.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, and on motion of Mr. W. Wilkinson, seconded by the Rev. S. J. Hanford, it was resolved that the minutes as read be approved.

[The Secretary regrets that the following paragraph was omitted in the published "Proceedings of the Synod" of 1868:—

Moved by Mr. W. M. Jarvis, seconded by the Rev. W. Q. Ketchum, and resolved, That the seventh section of the Constitution be amended by the substitution of the word "diocese" for the word "parish" therein contained.]

The Bishop reported that in accordance with the resolution of the Synod he had prepared a form of prayer to be used on behalf of the Governor-General of Canada, which he desired the clergy to use during public worship.

The Bishop also reported that the Committee appointed last year to prepare the draft of a Bill relating to presentations to Rectories, and to take proceedings to secure its enactment by the Legislature, had attended to that duty, and that the Bill had been passed with certain amendments.

On motion of Mr. W. M. Jarvis, seconded by Mr. W. Wilkinson, it was resolved, That this Synod having heard of the Resolution of the Provincial Synod of Canada expressing the willingness of that Synod for a union of the Dioceses in the maritime provinces with the Provincial Synod, that a committee of this Synod be appointed to confer with the committee appointed by the Provincial Synod on the terms of such union, so far as they shall affect this diocese.

The following gentlemen were named as the committee: Mr. W. M. Jarvis, Rev. John Pearson, Rev. W. H. DeVeber, Rev. C. Lee, Mr. G. Sidney Smith, Mr. G. Otty, Hon. Judge Allen, Rev. Dr. Ketchum, Rev. T. E. Dowling, Rev. C. S. Medley, and the Rev. Dr. Jarvis.

*small amount of success -
Impossibility of Bishop visiting all parishes -
good working man wanted -
since we are suppressed*

PROCEEDINGS OF SYNOD.

Moved by the Rev. John Pearson, seconded by the Rev. J. Dinzey, That a committee be appointed to prepare such a digest of the Canons of the Church of England as in their opinion will be applicable to the state of the Church in this diocese; and also to prepare such new Canons as will conduce to the order and good government of the said diocese, and to report to the next Synod: and that the Rev. W. H. DeVeber, the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, the Rev. J. S. Williams, the Rev. W. Scovil, and W. M. Jarvis, Esq., do compose such committee; and the question being taken, it was decided in the negative.

The Hon. Judge Allen presented a report from the committee appointed last year to prepare business for the next meeting of the Synod, and on the motion of Mr. W. Wilkinson, seconded by the Rev. S. D. Lee Street, ordered That the said report be received.

The Rev. W. Scovil presented a report from the committee appointed to confer with the clergymen and the representatives of those parishes which have not already joined the Synod; and on motion of the Rev. B. Shaw, seconded by Mr. John A. Wright, it was resolved That the said report be received and taken up for consideration at the proper time.

Mr. G. S. Smith gave notice that he would move that the order of proceedings be amended so that the item "appointing committees" rank next after "consideration of motions," instead of in its present place.

The Hon. Judge Allen gave notice that he would move the passing of a Canon for the appointment of a Coadjutor Bishop.

On motion of Mr. W. M. Jarvis, seconded by the Rev. Dr. Ketchum, it was resolved That the word "parish" in the declaration at the end of the seventh section of the Constitution be altered to "diocese."

On motion of the Rev. W. Scovil, seconded by the Rev. S. D. Lee Street, it was resolved That the alterations in the Constitution and Bye-Laws, as reported by the committee appointed to confer with those clergy and the lay-representatives of those parishes which have not already joined the Synod, shall now be considered.

On motion of the Hon. Judge Allen, seconded by Mr. George Roberts, it was resolved That the clergy and lay-representatives who conferred with the committee appointed on the 3rd of July last, relative to the proposed alteration in the Constitution, be heard before the Synod, if they desire it.

The Rev. W. Scovil read the following "declaration" in the report of the committee appointed to confer with those clergy and parishes that have not joined the Synod: "We declare that the Church in this diocese shall continue to be, as it has been, in full communion with the United Church of England and Ireland. We believe the Canon of Holy Scripture, as received by that Church, to be the Word of God. We believe the Book of Common Prayer, together with the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion, to be a true and faithful declaration of the doctrine contained in Holy Scripture; and we solemnly pledge ourselves, in dependence on Divine aid, to preserve those doctrines, and to transmit them unimpaired to our posterity. We also solemnly pledge ourselves to the maintenance of the doctrine, discipline, worship, and government of the Church, as established by law." Whereupon it was moved by the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, and seconded by the Rev. C. Lee, That the said declaration be adopted, with the addition of the word "said" before "church" in the last sentence, and the omission of the words "as established by law."

After considerable discussion, on the motion of the Rev. C. Lee, seconded by the Rev. J. Pearson, Dr. Jarvis was permitted to withdraw his proposition.

It was then moved by Mr. G. D. Street, and seconded by the Rev. Dr. Ketchum, to strike out the words "as established by law," and add, at the end of the clause, the words "so far as the same is not inconsistent with the Canons and Regulations of this Synod."

After discussion, it was proposed by the Rev. W. Scovil, and seconded by Mr. G. S. Smith, that Mr. Street be permitted to withdraw his proposition, and to this the Synod assented.

Moved by Mr. W. M. Jarvis, and seconded by the Rev. Edward Hanington, to strike out the word "discipline," and make the concluding clause read as follows: "We also solemnly pledge ourselves to the maintenance of the doctrine, worship, and government of the said Church;" and that the declaration as proposed, and with this alteration, be approved. And upon the question being put, it passed in the affirmative; the clergy voting unanimously in its favor, and the laity by a large majority.

The proposed amendment in the 10th Article of the Constitution was then read, as follows:

"No act or resolution of the Synod shall become valid without the concurrence of a majority of the clergy and laity present, provided that, ordinarily, the votes of the whole Synod shall be taken collectively; but that at the desire of the Bishop, or at the request of any other three members of the Synod, the votes of both orders shall be taken separately, and, in that case, a majority of each shall concur; provided, also, that the Bishop shall have power to suspend the operation of any vote of the Synod until the next meeting thereof. But if at the next meeting the same matter be again brought before the Synod, it shall become valid if approved by a vote of two-thirds of the members present."

Whereupon it was moved by the Rev. W. Scovil, and seconded by the Rev. James Neales, that the said proposed amendment be approved for consideration at the next meeting of the Synod.

To which it was moved, in amendment, by Mr. W. Wilkinson, and seconded by the Rev. J. S. Williams, That the 10th Article of the present Constitution do remain unaltered.

Mr. W. M. Jarvis moved, in amendment, and the Rev. E. S. Woodman seconded, that the following alteration be made in the proposed substitute for Article 10 of the present Constitution; viz., the concluding words altered so as to read thus, "two-thirds of the clergy and a like number of the laity present;" and that, with such alteration, the substituted clause be approved.

The question was taken on Mr. Jarvis's amendment, and it was decided in the negative.

The amendment proposed by Mr. W. Wilkinson was then put, and it was passed in the affirmative.

Adjourned until to-morrow, at 10 o'clock in the morning.

FRIDAY, July 2nd, 1869.

After Divine Service in the Cathedral, the Synod met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayers were said by the Bishop.

The roll of the clergy and lay-representatives was then called over, and it was found that a sufficient number of each order was present to proceed to business.

The minutes of the meeting of yesterday were read, and on motion of Mr. G. S. Smith, seconded by the Rev. Dr. Jarvis, the same were approved.

The Rev. W. Scovil gave notice that it will be moved at the next meeting of the Synod that a canon be framed to the following effect: That no clergyman seeking admission into the diocese, or who may henceforth be ordained by the Bishop, shall receive from His Lordship a license to officiate unless he first become a member of the Synod.

Rev. J. S. Williams gave notice that he would move that His Lordship the Bishop be requested by the Synod to sanction the alternative use of "Hymns Ancient and Modern" in any church in the diocese.

Rev. E. S. Woodman gave notice that he would move that the following words be added to Article 3 of the Constitution: "Such representative not to represent more than one parish in the Synod."

The Rev. W. Scovil gave notice that he would not proceed with the remaining part of the report of the committee appointed to confer with those who have not yet joined the Synod.

On motion of Mr. G. S. Smith, seconded by Mr. W. Wilkinson, it was resolved, in section 3 of the Order of Proceedings to insert the word "standing" after "appointing," so that the section will read "appointing standing committees;" and that the words "and appointing special committees" be added at the end of No. 8 in the Order of Proceedings.

The Rev. J. S. Williams moved, and the Rev. Dr. Jarvis seconded, that His Lordship the Bishop be requested by the Synod to sanction the optional use of "Hymns Ancient and Modern" in any church in the diocese, and on the question being taken it was decided in the negative.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Ketchum, seconded by Mr. G. S. Smith, it was resolved that no member of this Synod shall leave the place in which its meetings are held, during the time of its meetings, without permission from the Chairman.

The Rev. E. S. Woodman proposed, and the Rev. G. G. Roberts seconded, that the words "such representative not to represent more than one parish in the Synod" be added to Article 3 in the Constitution, and on the question being taken it was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. W. M. Jarvis the Bishop left the Chair, which was taken by the Rev. C. Lee, when a vote of thanks to His Lordship was unanimously passed, to which the Bishop replied.

The Bishop then dismissed the Synod with his blessing.

Rec. J. Dowling,
paid Douglas.