

SOCIAL SERVICE WORK DEALT WITH BY SYNOD

Canon Vernon Praises the Work Done by Miss Mary Going.

Canon C. W. Vernon, general secretary of the social service council, was introduced to the Ontario Synod, on Wednesday afternoon, and spoke on the splendid work this council is doing.

Canon Vernon said the council was making satisfactory development. This development had been carried along gradually, and this he considered was well.

Canon Vernon spoke at some length, dealing with the various branches of the social service work undertaken by the council, including literature and publicity, welcome and welfare, family life and social hygiene, Christianity and industrial life.

The speaker told of the steps the council was taking in looking after the welfare of newcomers from the old land, and also among the naval and military units.

Tribute to Miss Going. Canon Vernon paid a warm tribute to Miss Mary Going.

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to the work which is being carried on in Kingston by Miss Mary Going, and made it plain to his hearers that Miss Going was in Kingston to be of service, and pointed out that one of her best pieces of work since taking over office, was that of the organization of an Anglican Social Service Club at Queen's University.

"Our work is progressing in every direction," said Canon Vernon, "and we want every man and woman to be interested in it. Social service is no new thing, but we wish to arouse enthusiasm."

The speaker made reference to the marriage of divorced persons, stating that there was beginning to be a wide spread movement to remind members of the Church of England about the re-marriage of those divorced. There was an appeal to the people not to hasten hastily, but to think seriously.

Reference was made by the speaker to the wonderful progress made by the social service council in children's welfare. There were now 4,000 orphans being cared for.

The motto of the council was "not for self, but service to community." The church must be a brotherhood. Some held that the business of the church was to preach the gospel. Social service did not mean less of the gospel, but more.

If called for the carrying of the gospel in business, industry, politics, social circles, in the city council, boards of education—it means the making of the gospel something real and vital, not merely something for Sunday and in the home life, but something to take with us into the workshop, office, social or political gathering.

Canon Vernon's address was listened to with intense interest, and at the close, Bishop Bidwell expressed his gratitude to Canon Vernon, for his brilliant and eloquent address and at the same time assured him of the warm support of this diocese in his work.

Canon on "Social Service." Bishop Bidwell announced that a canon would be introduced in "Social Service." The canon moved by Dean Starr and Canon Woodcock, was then put to the synod, and adopted. The canon reads as follows:

"That a diocesan council for social service shall be elected annually by Synod, to consist of five clerical and five lay representatives, and five women.

"That it shall be the duty of the council to support suitable measures in promoting the moral well-being of every parish and mission in the diocese and to consider all social problems, including legislative measures which may be deemed advisable, and which affect the moral and social good of the community.

"The council may seek to influence public opinion in support of social service, but shall not assume to speak for the diocese, except in such measures as may be formally adopted by the synod.

"It shall be the duty of the council to present an annual statement of work done, or of work proposed to be done and the synod may refer to the council for consideration any matter affecting the social and moral wellbeing of the diocese."

On Liquor Question. At this stage, Rev. Thomas Leech introduced the following resolution, which was adopted without discussion:

"Whereas the province of Ontario by popular vote decided to abolish the sale of liquor for beverage purposes, and

"Whereas no one has a right to disregard prohibitions enacted by lawful authority.

"The synod while pledging itself to assist to the utmost in the enforcement of these measures, believes that the clergy can best further this end, not by seeking appointment of themselves, as civil officers in the last extremity, but by creating an atmosphere favorable to law enforcement and the selection of godly, conscientious and capable men of integ-

rity as civil officers, and through them make the law effective."

Social Service Council. Archdeacon Dobbs read to the synod a report of the social service council, which gave a splendid account of the development of the work in this department. The report had an interesting reference to the unemployment question, the council making an appeal to have men laid off work only in cases where it is absolutely necessary; that an effort be made to have men employed part time; that men be retained who have dependents, with special care for men who had other service.

The report also urges the governments to do all that it is possible to do for the unemployed; that as much public work as possible, be undertaken as soon as possible; that the federal government extend vocational training for the benefit of those who were injured or ill.

Rev. Mr. Leech seconded the report submitted by Archdeacon Dobbs, and in doing so stated that the synod had good cause for rejoicing over the splendid work which is being carried on.

Result of Elections. The balloting for election of delegates to general synod, and representatives on the executive committee took place at noon, on Wednesday, and resulted as follows:

The following were elected as clerical delegates to the general synod: Dean Starr, Rural Dean Swayne, Canon W. F. FitzGerald, Rev. J. H. Coleman, Archdeacon Dobbs, Archdeacon Beamish.

Substitutes—Canon Woodcock, Rev. R. W. Spencer, Rev. J. Lyons, Canon Patton, Canon Jones, Rev. A. H. Creggan, Rural Dean A. L. McTeer.

The following were elected as lay delegates to the general synod: Francis King, R. J. Carson, W. B. Carroll, Judge Reynolds, John Elliott, F. F. Miller.

Substitutes—J. R. Dargavel, Col. A. W. Gray, Dr. Preston, J. B. Walkem, R. G. Wright, O. H. Scott, (equal) one to be chosen.

The following were elected as the clerical members of the executive: Rev. J. H. H. Coleman, Rev. John Lyons, Canon FitzGerald, Canon Armstrong, Rev. A. F. C. Whalley, Rev. W. G. Swayne, Canon Woodcock, Rev. T. W. Savary, Rev. B. F. Byers, and Dean Starr.

The following laymen were elected to the executive committee: W. B. Carroll, Judge Reynolds, John Elliott, Dr. Preston, J. R. Dargavel, F. F. Miller, J. H. Dawson, R. G. Wright, O. H. Scott, G. F. Rutan.

Chancellor J. B. Walkem spoke in warm appreciation of the very interesting and instructive charge, delivered by Bishop Bidwell, on Tuesday evening, and extended the thanks of the synod to his lordship.

On motion of Canon Woodcock, seconded by Dean Starr, the Bishop will appoint a committee to report on any matters dealt with by the Bishop in his charge which call for special action.

Belleville Rectory Canon. Bishop Bidwell called upon Francis King to present the canon on the surplus income of the Belleville rectory, and it was afterwards moved by Mr. King, seconded by Dean Starr, and carried. The canon reads as follows:

"The surplus of the yearly income of the rectory of Belleville, (arising from the investment of the proceeds of the sales of the lands of the rectory as well as from the rents, issues and profits of the unsold lands belonging thereto, after the payment—firstly, of all annual charges for the insurance and repairs of all the properties on the said lands, and the expenses incurred in the collecting, management and distribution of the said yearly income; secondly, of the sum of two thousand dollars per annum to be paid to the rector of the said rectory)—shall be paid to the incumbent of Christ Church, Belleville, or in case any other church or churches of the Church of England in Canada, in the city of Belleville or in the township of Thurlow, be declared by the supreme court of Ontario entitled to share in such surplus, shall be divided between the incumbent of Christ Church, Belleville, and the incumbent of such other church or churches in such proportions as the Synod shall determine in pursuance of the power conferred upon it by statute. Provided that if Christ's Church, Belleville, and any other of the said churches or churches are at any time united and placed under one rector or incumbent, such rector or incumbent shall be entitled to only one share in the said surplus.

"If a vacancy occurs in the incumbency of any of the churches mentioned or referred to in the first section of this canon its share of the said surplus accruing during the vacancy shall be first applied towards providing, with the sanction of the bishop, for divine service in the church during the vacancy, and the remainder, if any, shall be divided among the incumbents of the other churches in the city of Belleville, or in the township of Thurlow in such proportion as the synod may order and direct.

"The property real and personal of the said rectory shall be managed and controlled by the executive committee of synod.

"The said committee shall have the right to appoint an agent on such terms and at such rate of remuneration from the income of the said property as the committee may determine.

"Such agent, if appointed, shall submit a report in writing in each meeting of the executive committee and shall pay to the synod quarterly on or before the twenty-fifth day of March, June, September and Decem-

ber respectively, the net earnings then standing at the credit of income.

"The Executive Committee may make such additional rules and regulations as it may deem proper to provide for the efficient performance of the provisions of this canon.

"Forthwith upon the passing of this canon the income now in hand or at the credit of the Belleville rectory and the Belleville rectory committee shall be paid over to the synod, and a full and complete accounting shall also be made to the said executive committee of the income of the said rectory and of the said rectory committee, and also of the assets thereof, and all the rights, powers and privileges of and the said Belleville rectory committee shall pass to and be vested in the said executive committee."

Canon Gould, secretary of the M.S.C.C., and Rev. G. E. Simmons, who addressed the synod missionary meeting at St. James' church parish hall on Wednesday evening were welcomed to the Wednesday afternoon session of the synod.

The synod adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

New Agency Proposed to Export Farm Products

Washington, June 2.—Creation of a \$100,000,000 federal farmers' export financing corporation to buy farm products abroad is proposed in a bill introduced by Senator Norris of Nebraska, chairman of the agriculture committee.

The corporation would be composed of the secretary of agriculture and four others to be appointed by the president with the consent of the senate with annual salaries of \$7,500 and be authorized to issue bonds up to 10 times its paid in capital.

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