

part of Section 12 in the same Block.

"(2.) To sell Sections 31 and 32, Tiniroto Village, in exchange for Section 25 in the said Village and the sum of £10.

"(3.) To sell Section 227a of Block 16, Patangata District, at Waipukurau, and the proceeds of such sale to be invested by the said Board, and the income thereof to be for the benefit of the Parish of Waipukurau.

"(4.) To sell Sub-division 70 of Section 2, Township of Opotiki, the present Vicarage site, and expend the proceeds thereof towards the purchase of another site for the Vicarage.

"(5.) To exchange certain Suburban lands in the District of Tauranga.

"(6.) To exchange with Mr. W. T. Williams (a) 25 acres of the College land and (b) 313 acres of the College land for (c) 5 acres 3 roods and 31 perches, being part of Rotoatara Block and (d) 322 acres 1 rood and 30 perches, being part of Patangata No. 2 Block.

"(7.) To sell Lots Nos. 3 and 4, part of Section No. 121 of the Ormondville Special Settlement, on the public map of the Takapau Survey District, with an area of 2 roods 22 perches."

Provincial Board of Missions.

The Bishop of Waiapu moved the second reading of a Bill for constituting a Provincial Board of Missions. He emphasised the fact that the whole Church is a missionary society. He stated the greater part of the Bill had been taken from the canons existing in the United States of America and Canada. The Synod of each Diocese would be a Diocesan Board of Missions, with the Standing Committee as the Executive. The Diocesan Committee would present a full report of its work to each session of the Diocesan Synod, also to the Executive of the Provincial Board of Missions. It was proposed in the Bill that the third day of every ordinary meeting of the General Synod should be devoted to the work of Missions; and in the evening of that day he suggested a monster missionary meeting might be held. He stated he would be prepared to accept amendments, or additions, but he would stand to the principle that the whole Church was a missionary society.

The Bishop of Christchurch seconded the motion.

The Bill passed the second reading, when the mover expressed his wish not to proceed further this Synod, but to have it passed on to the Diocesan Synods for discussion, and brought up at the next General Synod, which will be held in Christchurch in May, 1916.

Church of England Men's Society.

The Conference at Nelson.

The yearly Conference of the C.E.M.S. was held at Nelson on Wednesday, Jan. 15th. It was feared that a large number of brethren would be unable to arrive in Nelson in time for the Conference, owing to the fact that the Union Company's steamer did not, because of the strike of firemen, leave Wellington on the day advertised. There was a steamer belonging to another shipping firm which was due to start, and a number of brethren were able to take a passage. This boat arrived early on Wednesday, but unhappily many of the brethren could not be accommodated on the ship, and were therefore unable to be present on the day of the opening of the Conference. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion at 7.30 a.m., and after breakfast the brethren assembled in the Cathedral for Morning Prayer, at which the Primate gave an address. The Conference assembled under the presidency of the Primate, and the subjects set down upon the Agenda Paper were considered. The steamer on the next day brought others to attend the Conference, which was marked by the utmost earnestness and paternal feeling.

The question of the appointment of a Travelling Secretary was referred first to a Committee, who reported favourably upon the proposal, and eventually it was resolved to leave the selection of a suitable man for the post to the Archbishop of York and the Revs. Woolcombe and Ditchfield.

The Conference was addressed by Canon Garland on the Bible in State Schools movement, and a resolution was carried urging the members of the C.E.M.S. to vigorously support the Bible in State Schools League. Work among boys was discussed at some length, and a resolution was carried "That the work and purpose

of the S. Oswald's Guild be recommended to the attention of all branches of the Society."

The resolution concerning industrial problems led to interesting discussion and helpful addresses from the Bishops of Christchurch and Wellington. The study of social problems was strongly recommended.

It was generally agreed that evangelistic work should be a prominent feature in the life of the different branches.

The proposed Constitution for the C.E.M.S. received careful and prolonged consideration. Copies of this will necessarily be forwarded to members.

An Executive was appointed to act when the Conference is not sitting.

It was found necessary for the Conference to meet on the Friday morning in order to complete the business.

The Conference expressed its grateful appreciation of the work of the General Secretary, who was re-elected, the conditions under which he was prepared to act being readily agreed to.

A most helpful Conference was then brought to an end by the members standing to say the Creed, and to give expression in Thanksgiving to Almighty God by singing the Doxology.

Induction of the new Vicar of Tauranga.

Septuagesima Sunday, 10th January, 1913, was a memorable day in the history of the Parochial District of Tauranga. After occupying the incumbency of this Parish for the long space of forty years, the late Vicar, the Rev. Canon Jordan, passed to his rest on October 5th, 1911, and the cure fell vacant. The Bishop appointed in Canon Jordan's stead, the Rev. Eric Dudley Rice, who arrived in Tauranga the previous Friday. As the Bishop had to be present at the meeting of the General Synod in Nelson, it was impossible for him to institute Mr. Rice himself, and in his absence the Ven. Archdeacon Tisdall, Archdeacon of Tauranga, inducted Mr. Rice on Sunday at 11 a.m., in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Tauranga. The day began with a celebration of the Holy Communion at 8 a.m. The Vicar designate was the celebrant, and was assisted by