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Devon, May 1st, 1924.

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BISHOP OF FREDERICTON

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has been prepared, and notice of the same given in the convening circular, providing for full reciprocity in the matter of beneficiary funds, and will come before you in due order for consideration.

The Synod Journal.

I have been considering with the Secretary of Synod the possibility of effecting a saving in our heavy printing bill by making certain changes in the Journal. It seems to me that the cost of the Journal is far greater than it ought to be. The question might be deferred to a small committee of practical men to consider, and report during the present session.

Summer School.

A summer school under the joint auspices of the M. S. C. C., the G. B. R. E., and the S. C. C., of the General Synod, is to be held in King's College, Halifax, between June 30th and July 5th of this summer, and the co-operation of this Diocese is much desired.

"Faith and Order Movement."

It will be remembered that a year ago, this Diocese was asked by the Bishop of Huron, Chairman of the Canadian Committee, to make a contribution of \$35.00 towards the expenses of the "Faith and Order Movement", and this was done. I am now in receipt of another application from the Bishop to the same effect.

King's College

I have left to the last a subject that is of great importance, and one that has been giving me much anxiety. It is the question of King's College in relation to this Diocese. The position of the Diocese in that respect is at present very dubious. You will remember that at the last session of Synod in St. John a deputation from the Board of Governors appeared before us, and outlined the plan under which it was expected that King's College would federate with Dalhousie University. It was intimated to us that the Carnegie Corporation would in all likelihood make a grant to King's College of not less than half a million dollars, which sum was intended to cover the cost of erecting buildings in Halifax. The degree conferring powers of King's (in the Faculty of Arts, that is to say) would be suspended, but in all essentials the autonomy and dignity of the College would be preserved. It was to be a federation on practically equal terms. That is my clear recollection of the statement of the case as presented by the deputation, and on the strength of that statement the Synod passed a resolution in approval of the proposal to federate King's College with Dalhousie, provided that arrangements satisfactory to the Board of Governors could be made.

Radical Departure.

When, however, the terms of agreement between the two Universities were made public, it became evident at once that there had been a very radical departure from the plan as presented to this Synod. The term "federation" had entirely disappeared and the word "association" substituted therefor. Instead of a grant for half a million for building purposes, the Carnegie Corporation made a grant of \$600,000.00 for endowment of the Arts Faculty. Now it may seem at first sight that the change in that respect is an improvement on the original plan, in that the grant is larger than had been expected. It appears, however, that the grant of \$600,000.00 is conditional upon King's undertaking to raise within a period of two years the sum of \$400,000.00 to be expended in buildings. In the event of that condition not being fulfilled, the \$600,000.00 becomes at once the sole property of Dalhousie University. More than that. It is laid down in the covenant between the two Universities that, if at any time King's College should cease to function continuously according to the proposed terms of association the said \$600,000.00 becomes the absolute property of Dalhousie University. Later on in the covenant, it is stated that the terms of association may be altered at any time by mutual consent. I cannot conceive of any possibility of Dalhousie ever desiring to alter the particular term relating to the \$600,000.00 endowment, and it seems to me therefore, that for all practical purposes, this amount is really an additional endowment to Dalhousie University. If King's should fail to raise the \$400,000.00 required by the agreement, the entire amount reverts to Dalhousie, whilst if it should succeed, inasmuch as the income from that sum is to be expended on the Faculty of Arts for the two institutions Dalhousie profits by it equally with King's. This is all very different from the proposed provision of the original scheme of federation,

under which the Carnegie Corporation was to meet the cost of new buildings for King's, leaving King's to raise such additional endowment as might be required, which would be for all time under its own control. That all seems to me very unsatisfactory.

Question of Autonomy.

There remains the question of autonomy. Under the original federation plan, as outlined to the Synod, King's College and Dalhousie University were to be brought together as independent units in what was to be practically a new University. King's College was to remain, and Dalhousie University was to remain, and over them, as it were, there was to be a sort of super-university, to which the two colleges were to be equally related. In all essentials, King's was to retain its independence. It autonomy was to remain unimpaired. But as one studies the terms of association, it becomes clear that the autonomy is only an autonomy in name. Thus Dalhousie agrees to make two vacancies on the Board of Governors of Dalhousie University, and to nominate to the Governor-in-Council persons to fill such vacancies after consultation and agreement with a committee of three appointed for such purpose by the Governing Board of King's. Notice the significance of that provision. It means that, to all intents and purposes, the appointment of the King's representatives upon the Dalhousie Board is made by the Dalhousie University. It is the weight of a University against the weight of a committee of three. It is in the power of Dalhousie University to veto any suggested nomination by King's, and in the event of King's not being satisfied, the only alternative lies in the repudiation of the terms of association, and then the forfeiture of the terms of association and then the forfeiture clause comes into effect. The endowment of \$600,000.00 is lost.

Takes Strongest Exception.

There are other points in the terms of association to which I take the strongest exception, but I need not speak of them now. I have said enough to show you how radically the agreement which has been accepted, differs from the proposed federation plan, which the Synod endorsed a year ago. It is nothing more nor less than an entirely new plan, and the resolution passed by the Synod a year ago is, in my judgment, null and void. At the request of His Grace, the Archbishop of Nova Scotia last October, the Executive Committee of the Synod, in order to facilitate progress of the agreement into which that Diocese had entered, consented to the appointment of representatives from this Diocese on the King's College Board, but only upon the understanding that such appointment would be without prejudice to this Diocese's freedom of action. When the Board met in Halifax to consider the terms of association between King's College and Dalhousie University, almost every one of the representatives from the Diocese of Fredericton refused to support the plan. They did so, not simply because they disapproved of it, but because they recognized at once that it differed so profoundly in principle from the plan which had been presented to the Synod in the previous spring. They felt that it was an entirely new plan, which the Synod had never had an opportunity to consider. It is necessary, therefore, in my judgment, for the Synod of this Diocese to consider carefully its position in relation to the terms of association into which King's College has taken the only step that was open to it under all the extremely difficult circumstances. Driven to the wall by adverse fates, it found itself in a position in which it was practically compelled to accept terms of association that seem to me to have been almost dictated by Dalhousie, or go out of existence as an Arts institution. The question for this Synod to consider and decide is, whether, under all the circumstances, the Diocese is prepared to accept responsibility for the status that has been established under the terms of association, to which I have referred. It is a very grave question, and we are bound to approach it with the utmost care, and with deep sense of our responsibility.

PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. Justice LeBlanc of Campbellton who is presiding at the York Circuit Court is a guest at the Queen. Harry R. Prescott of Houlton, Me., was a visitor to the city yesterday. He returned home this morning.

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