

ing, especially when the Committee were hoping to raise the minimum salaries to \$800.

With reference to the special objects of the Society, your Committee state:—firstly, that the income of the “Widows’ and Orphan’s” Fund is still sufficient to meet the pensions at the present rate of payment; but, that the demands upon the fund have so far increased that they are now nearly equal to the income.

The Superannuation Fund has had no further charge upon its income, and is therefore slowly increasing. Your Committee think that probably the time is not far distant when there will be many more calls upon the fund than its income will be able to meet.

Since the reservation of the one-fourth of its contributions by any parish has been disallowed by the Society, the funds of the Endowment Committee have increased only by interest, and by money conveyed to them in TRUST. These amounts are held and disbursed according to the rules of the Society.

The most important matter before the Society at present is the proposal to transfer all its funds under certain conditions, and its responsibilities also, to the Diocesan Synod. It has been thought that greater centralization of Church Government would be of advantage to the Diocese. The Synod has agreed to accept the trust, provided conditions mutually approved can be agreed upon. The basis of this agreement has been proposed by the Executive Committee of D. C. S., and accepted by the Committee of the Synod. Care has been taken to preserve the special funds intact, and to provide that the general objects of the Society shall, as far as possible, be carried out. The final consent of both parties will probably be given at their next meetings. After which there will be necessity for some Legislative action before the union can be completed. Your Committee trust that the interest which Churchmen have hitherto felt in the D. C. S., will in no way be diminished when the control of its funds is transferred to the general governing body of the whole Diocese. Certainly this good result must follow the change, that no party feeling can any longer be urged as an

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