

the partial examination given they have been gratified to find that not fewer than 350 hymns contained in it are identical with hymns in our Draft Hymnal. Many of the remaining hymns are of great excellence ; but there are some, the omission of which the Committee would for various reasons recommend. The Committee regret the absence from the Draft Common Hymnal of the comparatively large number of selected paraphrases and evangelistic hymns found in our Draft Hymnal. They trust, however, that it may yet be possible to have a large number of these included in the Common Hymnal.

The Committee, therefore, recommend :

1. Record and convey to the Joint Hymnal Committee of the Scottish Presbyterian Churches their appreciation of the cordial reception given to the representatives of this Church at their recent meetings, and their thanks for the generous donation of copies of the Draft Hymnal.
2. Reaffirm the desirability of securing, if at all possible, a Common Hymnal for the Presbyterian Churches of the British Empire, and express their great gratification at the progress already made in this direction.
3. Postpone in the meantime further action