

TANGIER RURAL DEANERY.

The third regular meeting of the members of this Deanery took place on Tuesday, the 29th September, at St. James' Church, Three Fathom Harbour. Divine service, including celebration of the Holy Communion, was held in the afternoon, and was very well attended, the day being fine. All the clergy present took part, and an excellent and appropriate sermon was preached by the Revd. R. Jamieson, R. D. Subsequently an adjournment was made to the parsonage, and the evening spent socially. Next morning the members assembled early, and after breakfasting together, devoted some time to reading and discussion, the materials being found in portions of the ordination services and the Epistle for the Sunday following the meeting.

Much gratification was expressed at the success attending the present meeting, and some of the members who had voted in the minority when the establishment of Rural Deaneries was decided upon by the Diocesan Synod in July, 1866, freely acknowledged their appreciation now of the manifest advantages flowing from such gatherings of clergy and people.

The next meeting is appointed to be held (D. V.) on 6th January, 1869, at the Parish Church, Sackville, at 11 a. m. Members will please accept this intimation, without further notice.

O. M. GRINDON, *Secretary*.

AMHERST RURAL DEANERY.

A meeting of the Chapter of this Deanery was held at Truro on Wednesday, Oct. 14. There were present the Revds. Geo. Townshend, Rural Dean, J. Forsythe, H. Williams, L. M. Wilkins, J. A. Richey, R. Haire, and J. A. Kaulbach.

There was Morning Service in the Parish Church, which was attended by a large congregation. After Morning Prayer was said, the Holy Communion was celebrated, the Rural Dean being the celebrant,—and about forty knelt at the table of their Lord to receive the pledges of His love. The sermon was preached by the Rural Dean, who from 2 Cor. v. 20. lucidly and forcibly set forth the sacredness and Apostolic character of the Christian Ministry, and earnestly impressed upon the laity their relative duties.

In the afternoon the Chapter assembled at the house of the Rector, and after reading in the original 1 Cor. iii., and discussing two or three points of interest connected therewith, they expressed their thoughts upon several matters of importance affecting the Church both in the mother country and in the Colonies, among which was the following, appointed by the Dean for discussion: "As to whether the threatened disestablishment of the Church in England would be beneficial to its spiritual interests or not."

Service was again held in the Parish Church in the evening, when the Revd. J. A. Kaulbach preached from 1 Cor. i. 23—"We preach Christ crucified," from which he impressed upon his Revd. brethren the necessity of the earnest and continual preaching of the Word, and that the Cross of Christ, the only ground of the sinner's hope, though not always the subject of, should yet be seen throughout every discourse.

All felt strengthened and refreshed by the meeting, and very much pleased with the kindly manner in which the Dean conducted it.