

The subject of the acceptance of a Block sum from the S. P. G. for 1872 was brought forward by the Bishop. He stated that it was necessary to decide this question at once, since the S. P. G. required an answer.

It was *Resolved*, that the great and increasing responsibilities entailed by the terms required by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in their proposal of a Block sum render it out of the power of the D. C. S. to fulfil the conditions, and they are therefore compelled with much reluctance to decline the offer so friendly made. They desire to express their gratitude for the past favours granted by the Venerable Society and earnestly to request their consideration for those missionaries who have depended upon this grant for their maintenance.

The Secretary submitted a statement shewing that there was a deficiency in the Block sum of \$887.08 for the half year ending June 30th 1871, also of \$1218.02 for the half year ending Decr. 31st, 1871. It was directed that the deficit be made up, so far as possible, from the funds of the D. C. S. and that the remainder be taken from the Reserved Fund.

It was recommended to the Executive Committee to arrange when practicable to hold the annual general meeting on a Wednesday, or, during the session of the Synod, in the evening.

Notice of motion was given by W. C. Silver, Esq. to rescind that part of the 9th Rule which allows local committees to reserve one-fourth of their contributions for books or local Endowment.

The Executive Committee was recommended to appoint a sub-committee to ascertain the resources and ability of every parish or mission asking any aid from the D. C. S. in support of a missionary.

Notice of motion was given by the Rev. C. Shreve for an amendment of the Rules of the W. & O. Fund, in order to allow some benefit to those who, by force of circumstances, would be prevented from receiving any advantage under the present Rules.

It was resolved that the Clergy be requested to give due notice to their congregations of the time and place for the annual general meeting, and also of any important business which is to be brought forward at that meeting.