

iary position of our Clergy. Meantime, we make the following suggestions :—

1. That Rural Deans having been appointed, their office may be utilized in the way of making them centres of collecting organizations within their respective Deaneries, and that as such they Report to the Synod.

2. Another valuable source of aid to certain Clergy and Missionaries would arise from the setting free for their assistance the sums now contributed by the Church Endowment Fund to older and more highly favoured Parishes.

Your Committee cannot but think that in the case of some of the more wealthy Parishes, the Incumbents should at an early day, under the improved circumstances of the country, be rendered unable to make the declaration required by the Committee of the Church Endowment Fund, that the income of said Incumbents does not amount to \$1000.

3. The block sum, in consequence of the great reduction of S. P. G. grant, can no longer be dealt with by us as a means of increasing the incomes of the Clergy in general.

4. Your Committee would suggest, with reference to the subject given into their charge, the same system of division of Parishes into sections for collecting purposes which has already been recommended by the Committee of which Canon Townsend was Chairman.

5. Your Committee would earnestly recommend the adoption of the envelope system of offertory where not already in use, having been found very effective where it has been tried.

6. Some few bequests have lately been made to the Church Endowment Fund and Board of Home Missions, and your Committee are thus led to suggest to the Clergy that when called upon to visit the sick they should so perform the duty laid upon them in the Visitation Service of the Church, with regard to guiding the sick parishioner in the disposal of his earthly property, that Church objects may not be overlooked.

7. The Church Womans' Missionary Association of Halifax is one source from which part of the incomes of some of the Clergy is derived, your Committee would suggest that branches of this excellent Society should be established in other Parishes, and that the Clergy should order their surplices, stoles, &c., from