

to the Lord's table, to those who eat and drink worthily, and to those who eat and drink unworthily, the body and blood of Christ are given; and that by all who come to the Lord's table, by those who eat and drink worthily, and by those who eat and drink unworthily, the body and blood of Christ are received." His Grace has decided that the doctrine in this and some similar passages is contrary to the Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth Articles of Religion, and allows the Archdeacon time to revoke his error. If this be not done, sentence will be pronounced on the 21st of October, when the Archdeacon will appeal, and the cause will ultimately be heard before the Privy Council. The point in dispute is precisely one of those respecting which Luther, Zwingli, and Bucer were at issue three hundred and twenty years ago. Luther held the doctrine asserted by Archdeacon Denison; the Zwinglians, on the contrary, maintained the body and blood of Christ to be present to the believer only, "in the contemplation of faith;" and Bucer endeavoured to reconcile these opinions, and for a time succeeded, by representing that unworthy persons might yet be believers; that to a Judas therefore the elements would be the body and blood of Christ, while to an infidel they would be mere bread and wine. May we not say with the pious and judicious Hooker, "Oh that men would more give themselves to meditate with silence what we have by the Sacraments, and less to dispute of the manner how."

A committee of thirteen churchwardens of Manchester have convened a meeting on the subject of the Offertory, from which the happiest results will follow, if it leads churchmen generally to act up to the spirit of the Apostolic injunction, setting aside weekly in store as God has prospered them, and thus keeping alive the practice of devoting a stated portion of their substance to God's service.

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE.—Dr. Armstrong, the devoted and exemplary Bishop of Grahamstown, has been taken from a most laborious yet most hopeful missionary work. His decease is felt to be a public calamity, and not churchmen only, but members of other religious communities unite in deploring his too early death. We add a few extracts from letters, which will enable our readers to judge of the really severe

loss which the Church in that interesting colony has suffered:

From the Rev. John Hardie, the late bishop's chaplain: "To us, who have watched the course, short, yet already fruitful, of his apostolic labours in South Africa, the loss seems irreparable; but our sight is too short to reach the issues of God's counsels. Faith teaches us that His work has not been begun by His servant in vain, but that other labourers will be raised up in succession to carry it on. May they be as gentle, and pure, and wise, as he who has been thus early called to his reward; and may they walk in *his* footsteps, who himself strove humbly to follow his blessed Lord's."

From the Bishop of Capetown: "His many gifts, his deep and fervent piety, were producing a great impression around him. Over-work and over-anxiety have, I believe, been the chief causes of his death."

From the Governor, Sir George Grey: "The deceased prelate had, in the short time during which he filled the see of Grahamstown, rendered the most important and valuable services to this country. His labours were incessant,—his self-devotion most exemplary. Personally I cannot do otherwise than deplore in his death the loss of a wise and zealous friend." We regret to add that the deceased bishop has left his bereaved widow and family with but a very slender provision for their support. But the churchmen of England will not suffer want to be added to their heavy affliction.

UNITED STATES.—The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church will meet in Philadelphia on this, the first day of October. The action of the Convention is of the deepest interest to Canadian churchmen, inasmuch as it cannot but exercise a considerable influence upon our own Synod. We shall watch the proceedings and comment upon them hereafter.

We notice that the editor of the New York "Church Journal" offers to supply that very valuable paper to Canadian subscribers at a very low price, in order to supply the place of the "Church." We heartily wish that he may obtain a large number of subscribers among us. It is edited by the Rev. J. H. Hopkins, son of the Bishop of Vermont, and is certainly one of the ablest as well as soundest publications issuing from the press of the United States.