

The time between the services, and the evening, was spent in discussing various matters of interest to the Church—some with special reference to the approaching Synod—amongst which may be particularized a proposed "Church Institution," which should partake of the double nature of "A Benefit Society," in temporal affairs, and lay association for the assistance of the clergy and for mutual improvement.

On Wednesday, after morning prayer in Church, five of the Clergy present left for Windsor, to attend the Encenia of King's College.

The congregations during the meeting and the number of the recipients of the Holy Eucharist were most gratifying, and it is the hope as it is the sincere belief of the missionary that an impetus has been given to his work—the final results of which will not be known on earth.

The Clergy are indebted to the Laity for their kindly proffered hospitalities.

THE SECRETARY. (w)

EXTRACTS FROM THE COLONIAL BISHOPS BILL.

A Bill to remove doubts as to the effect of letters patent granted to certain Colonial Bishops; and to amend the law with respect to Bishops and clergy in the colonies:—

Whereas, doubts have arisen as to the effect of letters patent granted by her Majesty and her royal predecessors, by or under which Bishops have been appointed to exercise Episcopal functions for the benefit of clergy, congregations, and persons professing the religion of the United Church of England and Ireland in divers colonies and foreign possessions of this realm, within which legal jurisdiction could not be conferred upon such Bishops by such letters patent; and it is expedient that such doubts, so far as relates to the several matters hereinafter mentioned, should be removed; and it is further expedient that the laws relating to clergy ordained by Bishops not holding sees in the United Church of England and Ireland should be amended:—Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Persons ordained by Foreign or Colonial Bishops not to hold Preferment in England or Ireland without consent of Diocesan.

3. No person admitted into the holy orders of Priest or Deacon by any Bishop not being a Bishop of a diocese in England or Ireland shall be entitled to be admitted or instituted to any benefice or other ecclesiastical preferment in England or Ireland without the consent and approbation of the Bishop of the diocese in which such benefice or other ecclesiastical preferment may be situated; and any such Bishop shall be entitled to refuse such consent and approbation without assigning reason for such refusal, any law or practice to the contrary notwithstanding; and every such person seeking to be admitted, or instituted to such benefice or other ecclesiastical preferment, or to be licensed to any curacy, shall, before being admitted, instituted, or licensed, make and subscribe before such Bishop every such declaration and subscription as he would by law have been required to make and subscribe at his ordination if he had been ordained by a Bishop of the United Church of England or Ireland: provided always, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to any such person who shall hold or shall have held any benefice or ecclesiastical preferment in England or Ireland.

Episcopal Acts valid if such as might have been founded on voluntary consent.

8. All Episcopal acts which might lawfully have been done within any district or place by any Bishop lawfully chosen and consecrated by the free and voluntary consent of any clergy, congregations, and persons voluntarily accepting him as their