

arrangements between Her Majesty's Government and that of France with respect to the independence of the New Hebrides, had been duly laid before the Queen, and that Her Majesty was pleased to receive it very graciously. There was submitted further a Dispatch from Captain Streatfeild, by order of His Excellency the Governor-General, acknowledging the Address of the General Assembly, and conveying His Excellency's cordial acknowledgments of the sentiments so highly expressed towards Lady Lansdowne and himself.

BEQUEST—MR. ANDREW MORRISON.

Dr. Smith further stated, in reference to a bequest to the Home and Foreign Mission Funds by the late Mr. Andrew Morrison, of Melbourne Township, in the Province of Quebec, in connection with which he was empowered to take all necessary steps to the completion of the matter, that he had given a power of attorney to the Rev. J. R. MacLeod, of the Presbytery of Quebec, to act in the case, and that through his diligence the matter had been brought to an issue satisfactory to all parties concerned, and that the sum of seven hundred and fifteen dollars and eighty-four cents (\$715.84) accruing from the estate had been placed in the hands of the Treasurer of the Church, to be equally divided between the Home and Foreign Mission Funds of the Church.

LETTER TO REFORMED CHURCH.

Dr. Smith also reported that he had carried out the instructions of last Assembly, in replying to a Letter from the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America.

ADDRESS ON AUGMENTATION.

Also, that in accordance with the instructions of last General Assembly, he had prepared an Address to the members of the Church in reference to the Augmentation Fund.

CERTIFICATE TO DR. JUNOR.

Also that, as instructed by last Assembly, he had sent to the Rev. K. F. Junor, M.D., late Missionary at Tamsui, Formosa, the certificate for which he had asked.

PROVINCIAL SYNOD, CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The retiring Moderator further presented the following resolutions from the House of Bishops and the Lower House of the Provincial Synod of the Church of England in Canada :—

" House of Bishops.

" Resolved,—That a committee of this House be appointed to confer with any similar committee appointed to represent other Christian bodies, for the purpose of ascertaining whether there is any possibility of honourable union with such bodies, and that the Lower House of this Synod be invited to appoint a committee to act jointly with a committee of this House.

" Lower House.

" 1. Resolved,—That this House do concur with the message from the Upper House on the subject of Christian union. Carried unanimously.

" 2. Resolved,—That the Prolocutor be instructed to convey the resolution on Union, unanimously adopted yesterday, to the Moderator of the Presbyterian General Assembly and to the presiding officers of other Protestant bodies."

The report of the retiring Moderator on all the matters foregoing was received, and thanks recorded for his diligence.

VOTE OF THANKS.

It was then moved by Dr. Cochrane, seconded by Mr. Burson,—That the cordial thanks of this Assembly be tendered to Dr. Smith for the efficient manner in which he has