

That the thanks of this Meeting be tendered to the Lord Bishop, for the valuable and important information afforded by him in reference to the objects for which it was convened, and also for his lordship's excellent charge delivered yesterday, to the clergy of this archdeaconry.

The Bishop spoke of the S. P. C. K. Hymnal as one which might generally be adopted for the use of the Church in Prince Edward Island. After referring to some other matters connected with ecclesiastical affairs,

His Lordship closed the Meeting with the Benediction.

SUMMARY OF CHURCH NEWS.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Dr. Graves, Bishop of Limerick, was consecrated on 6th July, at Dublin, by the Archbishop and the Bishops of Kilkaloe and Down and Connor.

With reference to the following questions—

1. By the Bishop of Capetown—Whether the Church of England holds communion with Dr. Colenso and the heretical Church which he is seeking to establish in Natal, or whether it is in communion with the orthodox Bishops who in Synod declared him to be *ipso facto* excommunicated?

2.—By the Dean of Maritzburgh—Whether the acceptance of a new Bishop on our part, whilst Bishop Colenso still retains the Letters Patent of the Crown, would in any way sever us from the mother Church of England?

3. By the Dean of Maritzburgh—Supposing the reply to the last question to be that they would not be in any way severed, what are the proper steps for us to take to obtain a new Bishop?

—both Houses of Convocation passed the following resolutions:

“That in the opinion of this house the Church of England holds communion with the Bishop of Capetown and those Bishops who lately with him in Synod declared Dr. Colenso to be *ipso facto* excommunicated.”

“That as it has been decided on appeal to the highest judicial court in this kingdom on the one hand that the Church in the province of Natal, in Communion with the United Church of England and Ireland, is in the eyes of the law a mere voluntary association; and, on the other hand, as the letters patent do not profess to confer spiritual power, and have been declared by the court to convey no Episcopal jurisdiction, it is the judgment of this house that the acceptance of a new Bishop does not impair the connection or alter the relations existing between the members of the Church in the province of Natal and the Church of England, provided—1. That the Bishop be canonically consecrated according to the use of the Church of England; 2. That there be no invasion of the title of the Bishop of Natal conveyed by her Majesty's letters patent.”

“1. That an instrument should be prepared declaratory of the doctrine and discipline of the Church of South Africa, which every Priest and Deacon appointed to any office should be required to subscribe. 2. That a godly and well-learned man should be chosen, with the consent of the communicants of the Church, to be the Bishop. 3. That the person so selected should be presented for consecration either to the Archbishop of Canterbury or to the Bishops of the Church in South Africa, as might be hereafter deemed most advisable.”

“In memorial of Keble, the sweet singer of the “English Church,” it is proposed to establish a College in which young men now debarred from University education may be trained in simple and religious habits, and in strict fidelity to the Church of England, with the hope that, among other advantages, it will tend to promote the supply of candidates for holy orders.”