

In July, the Churchwardens met a committee representing the city Clergy, when, after discussion, it was apparent that there was no prospect of coming at any settlement of the question in dispute; and it was understood that the special case should be prepared and submitted to the Churchwardens.

In October the Churchwardens, by request of the Rector, again met a committee representing the city Clergy, without effecting any settlement of the differences, and it was then again understood that the special case should be immediately submitted.

The draft of the special case was not however sent to the the Churchwardens till the end of November, when it was placed in the hands of Messrs. Gamble & Gamble, as the solicitors for the Rector and Vestry.

Concurrently with the submission of the case, notice was given of an intention to apply for legislation (which had been more than once threatened) upon the subject, and it was not thought advisable or necessary to incur any expense in connection with the special case until it could be seen whether the legislation applied for would affect the question.

Upon the proposed bill being introduced to the Legislature, it was found that the first clause of the proposed Act would give the city Clergy all they were contending for in the special case, and other sections were calculated to prejudice the claim of the Cathedral.

By the instructions of a special Vestry, the bill was opposed and amendments were obtained in the bill to prevent its affecting the lands in dispute; when the promoters of the bill withdrew it.

Upon the withdrawal of the bill the Churchwardens arranged a consultation with their counsel, and by their advice their solicitors made requisitions upon the solicitors of the city Clergy for documents and other evidence establishing statements contained in the draft of the special case which they were asked to admit, and as soon as the papers

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