

from the said United Church of England and Ireland, of which we have solemnly declared ourselves an integral part ; therefore be it resolved that this Synod accepts such interpretations of said Rubric as have been given by Her Majesty's highest Courts of Law ; and, whereas, the Court of Arches has determined that the elevation of the elements in the celebration of the Holy Communion, the use of incense during Divine Service, and the mixing with water of the sacramental wine, are illegal, it is resolved by this Synod that we accept such judicial decision, and that the above-mentioned practices are hereby forbidden in the Church of this Province ; and, whereas, the Rubric at the end of the Communion office enacts that the bread shall be " such as is usual to be eaten," the use of wafer bread is hereby forbidden.

And, whereas, the question of altar-lights is at this moment before the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, it is hereby resolved to await the decision of said Committee before legislating on the matter of altar lights ; and, whereas, the question of vestments is now a subject of Royal Commission and Enquiry, and a Bill has been introduced touching the same in the House of Lords, it is the opinion of this House that we should defer legislation until action be taken in the Mother Church and Parliament affecting such vestments ; but that pending such action, this Synod would express their disapprobation of the use of altar lights and vestments, and their determination to prevent, by every lawful means, their introduction into the Church in this Province.

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BENJ. HURON.

Rev. Canon Bancroft said, the usual practices in such cases had always been, when a message was received from the Upper House, to consider it after the question in which the house was at the time engaged, was decided.

Mr. Gamble begged to call the attention of the Synod to the 12th rule of order, which provided that it should be incumbent on the Lower House to take up and dispose of a message from the Upper House, in preference to any other business. He thought, therefore, that they should at once move a Committee of Reference.

Rev. Canon Bancroft said that might be the way, but their usual practice had been as he had already stated.

Mr. Huntingdon said he had every desire to pay respect to those in authority, but at the same time they were an entirely independ-