

subject, "The great necessity in these days of peril, &c., for those who profess to be members of Christ's Church to be united." He took for his text, Psalm cxxxiii., and made us all feel, indeed "How good and joyful a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

The offertory collections at each service, were for the D. C. S.

The association cannot do otherwise than express their thanks to the Choir for their help at the different services,—and to the following persons who so kindly proffered their hospitalities to the distant clergy:—The Rector, Miss Tongue, Thomas Whitford, Esq., Mr. D. Whitford, C. Lordly, Esq., and Mrs. M. B. Mitchell.

The next meeting will be held (D.V.) at New Ross, on Tuesday, June 26.

Yours, very truly,

THE SECRETARY, PRO. TEM.

NEW CANONS.

A subscriber having asked us to publish the changes lately made by the convocations of Canterbury and York in the Canons, we give such information as we can obtain. The Synod will be called on to consider at its next meeting how far we shall be affected by the changes.

The new Canons have not yet been received in this province, with the exception of the 29th. The change omits the prohibition in the first clause, and begins "No Godfather or Godmother shall be suffered, &c., &c."

The title is also altered in harmony with the change. The effect being solely to admit parents to be sponsors for their children.

36th.—The "three Articles" are repealed and the following declaration substituted for them:

"I, A. B., do solemnly make the following declaration: I assent to the 39 Articles of Religion, and to the Book of Common Prayer, and to the Ordering of Bishops, Priests and Deacons; I believe the doctrine of the United Church of England and Ireland, as therein set forth, to be agreeable to the Word of God: and in Public Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments, I will use the form in the said Book prescribed and none other, except so far as shall be ordered by lawful authority."

37th and 38th.—Are merely altered verbally, so as to harmonize with the change in the 36th.

40th.—The alteration is:

"I have not made, by myself or by any other person on my behalf, any payment, contract or promise which, to the best of my knowledge or belief, is Simonical touching the obtaining, &c."

Instead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy, a new oath was substituted by an Act of 1858, which is to be administered *before* ordination or granting a license; there is to be no oath at the ordination.

SUMMARY OF CHURCH NEWS.

SIR George Gray has introduced a bill to substitute a simple oath of allegiance for the Parliamentary oaths now required. The proposed form omits all pledges relating to the Church, which perhaps in the present constitution of Parliament is not to be regretted.

The Prime Minister, in a published communication, informs Lord Ebury that the Government has determined on not advising the issue of a commission for the revision of the Liturgy. The obvious reason is assigned, the Government desires peace, and Lord Ebury's proposal leads direct to discord.