

garded by us with greater dread, than the disturbance or weakening of that oneness of interest and feeling which has always existed, and does exist unimpaired, between us and the people over whom the Lord hath made us overseers.

3. That as this Conference has no interest in voluntary grants made by Government to religious bodies—none having been made to or received by it—and there being great diversity of opinion amongst our people on the subject—this Conference does not deem it a duty to pronounce any judgment on the matter—believing that it is one of those questions respecting which difference of opinion may exist without any impeachment of Christian character, or interruption of Christian fellowship.

CIRCUIT EXPENSES—ELECTION OF STEWARDS.

Ques. XIX. What can be done to reduce the current expences of the Circuits, and to promote the efficiency of the office of Stewards?

Ans. 1. The Conference earnestly recommends to the several Quarterly Meetings the erection of Parsonages on those Circuits where there are none; and that on every Circuit, where it is practicable, the furniture for the Preacher's house be procured.

2. In accordance with the requests of several Quarterly Meetings, and of the Stewards of several Circuits at the District Meetings, the Conference directs that the election of Stewards be annual; and that their election take place at the last Quarterly Meeting in the civil year.

COMMITTEE FOR GUARDING OUR RELIGIOUS PRIVILEGES.

Ques. XX. What shall be done to guard the rights, and privileges, and property of the Connexion?

Ans. A Committee shall be appointed for this purpose, during the ensuing year, consisting of the President and Secretary of the Conference; Wm. Case, Ex-President of the Conference; Chairmen of Districts, Superinten-

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