

THE REFORMED CHURCH OF SOUTH AFRICA.

II. THE REFORMED (FREE) CHURCH.

As in the Presbyterian Churches of Scotland and Holland, so there were at the Cape those who considered the use of hymns in public worship (introduced some fifty years ago from Holland) as unscriptural. In addition to this grievance there were others; the defection from the use of the exact language of the old Confession, and the too great liberty allowed to natives in the Churches. In 1860, a minister from the separate Church of Holland came out, and set up "The Reformed Church of South Africa." A Theological Seminary was speedily established, which has already provided it with the ministers it now has. The congregations of this Church are in the Cape Colony, Orange Free State, and Transvaal. The congregations and stations are about thirty in number.

III. THE DUTCH REFORMED CHURCH OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN REPUBLIC.

This Church owes its existence to the withdrawal, under the influence of ministers from Holland, in 1858, from the Cape Church, of some of its members in the Transvaal, owing to the wish to be free from anything like British influence, and to be more closely connected with the Church in Holland.

OTHER COLONIAL CHURCHES.

In connection with the Church of Scotland, there are—

In Canada	24 congregations	23 ministers.
In South America ..	14 "	13 "
In West Indies	4 "	4 "
In Ceylon	9 "	8 "

In connection with the Free Church of Scotland, there are—

In South Africa	5 congregations	3 ministers.
In Natal	4 "	3 "
In other places	10 "	9 "