Dr. Jackson after a few words expressive of his deep feeling on this occasion, proposed a general expression of thanks to W.G.Brittan Esq. for his able and courteous management of the Colonists' meetings and his unvarying attention to their interests.

Mr. Simeon seconded the vote proposed which was carried unan.

Mr. Brittan expressed his sense of the sympathy of the assembly.

Capt. Simeon was then introduced to the meeting by his brother and other friends of the Assn.

The meeting then

Copy of memorandum read by Mr. Sewell and referred to above:-

"The minute of proceedings of the Colonists on the 8th of August. 1850 with reference to a mode of administering the Educational and Ecclesiastical Fund has received the deliberate attention of the Committee of the Canterbury Association.

The points incidentally raised by the minute in question have led the Committee to consider in all its bearings the future administration of the temporal concerns of the Church in the Colony so far as they necessarily come within the province of the Association. But the connection is inseparable between the temporal arrangements and the general organisation of an Ecclesiastical and Educational System.

The construction of a complete Ecclesiastical System would obviously exceed the proper functions of the Association. That work in its details must be left mainly to your future Bishop with such assistance as the Association may be enabled to afford and as he may require. His general views upon this subject agree with those of the Association. The Scheme of Ecclesiastical Polity which it is proposed to apply to the new Settlement will as nearly resemble that of the Church in this country as difference of circumstances will permit. Combining in due proportions the elements of Episcopal Control - the reasonable independence of the Clergy and the Co-operation of the laity to a right extent as an essential part of the Church.

The rules for the administration of the Ecclesiastical Funds will be so shaped as to give the fullest possible effect to such a scheme. The mode and spirit according to which these shall hereinafter be determined and regulated, will in the opinion of the Committee have a tendency to create for the descendants of the immediate Colonists a permanently healthy or a permanently vicious influence in the conduct of religious and educational affairs.