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The Bishop of Minnesota, on the Eighth Day, reported for the Committee on Canons that there was nothing in the Canons which would invalidate the resolution of the Bishop of Salina, reading as follows:

WHEREAS, We believe that the time has come when the Church in China should have the right to choose and consecrate its Bishops, even in Dioceses aided by this Church;

Therefore Be It Resolved, That we recommend that the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America surrender to the Chinese Church all rights hitherto exercised by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in the election and consecration of Bishops for China.

We Recommend Further, That any American hereafter elected as a Bishop in China should have a seat but no vote in this House of Bishops.

Chinese Exclusion Act

On motion of Bishop Oldham, on the Sixth Day, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, Our Immigration and Naturalization Laws affecting Orientals are based upon discrimination on account of race; and

WHEREAS, Such racial discrimination does violence to the Christian view of one humanity under God and is contrary to the democratic principles upon which this country was founded and to proved scientific facts;

Therefore Be It Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, that the General Convention express the hope that the Congress of the United States will take into account these principles and take immediate steps to modify these laws to allow natives of all friendly countries otherwise admissible to enter this country under the existing quota system and become citizens on the same terms as immigrants from non-Oriental countries, and

Be It Further Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Chairmen of the Committees on Immigration and Naturalization of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States, with especial reference to the Chinese exclusion Act.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 97.]

The above was referred to the Joint Committee on National, International, and Social Problems.

Mr. Cunningham, on the Tenth Day, reported for the above Committee, recommending that the House concur in Message No. 97 of the House of Bishops.

The House concurred.

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Other resolutions were presented on the same subject as follows, all being referred to the Joint Committee on National,