

The Synod adopted the following (June 6, 1864) scale of charges for copies of Minutes of Synod :—

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CHAPTER VII—CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Synod enjoin Presbyteries, without (July 12, 1852) delay, to take such steps as may be considered necessary for securing the public property of the Church within their bounds.

The Synod appoint a Committee to enquire into the (May 31, 1855,) condition of the public property of the Church, to correspond with Presbyteries, with legal agents and others, and to take such action as may be expedient for the preservation of that part which may be in jeopardy, or recovering such as may be illegally in possession of others:—constitute (May 30, 1857,) the same a Standing Committee; enjoin Ministers who have not yet made returns of Church property, with which they are connected, to do so without delay.

The Synod appointed the Committee (June 6, 1864,) to prepare a draft Act of Incorporation for this Church.

Soliciting aid for building Churches.

The Synod instruct Presbyteries not (July 14, 1846,) to authorize Congregations to solicit aid in the erection of Churches till satisfactory deeds or legal bonds for satisfactory deeds of the sites shall have been obtained and laid on their tables; and generally to take care that property acquired by congregations be properly secured.

Act anent soliciting contributions for Church purposes. (June 9, 1863.)

Whereas, the soliciting of contributions from the public for ecclesiastical purposes by unauthorized individuals is a practice which is liable to abuse, and it is proper to subject the said practice, so far as this Church is concerned, to suitable regulations, it is hereby enacted:—

I. That no minister or member of any congregation under the jurisdiction of this Synod shall collect contributions, beyond the bounds of his congregation, for local ecclesiastical purposes, until he has first obtained from his Presbytery permission to that effect, and an attested subscription list to be used in collecting.

II. That it shall also be necessary to have the sanction of the Presbytery, within whose bounds it is intended to apply for contributions; and individuals proceeding to collect are required to follow the directions which such Presbytery may give as to time and mode of collecting.

III. That accounts of all moneys so collected, together with statements of their application, shall be laid before the Presbytery to which the collector belongs, for the purpose of being audited.

IV. It shall be the duty of the Committee of Synod on Presbytery Records to enquire what evidence is furnished, by said Records of the attention paid by Presbyteries to the requirements of this Act.

CHAPTER VIII—GRANTS FROM THE COLONIAL COMMITTEE.

1. The Synod ordained that grants (July 13, 1846) from the Colonial Committee may be applied to the building of Churches and the acquiring of fixed property, with the concurrence of the donors;—that all correspondence with the Colonial Committee in regard to such