

## RULES OF THE SOCIETY.

### "SOCIETY FOR PROPAGATING THE GOSPEL AMONG THE DESTITUTE SETTLERS AND INDIANS IN LOWER CANADA."

I.—This Society shall be called "The Society for Propagating the Gospel among the Destitute Settlers and Indians in Lower Canada."

II.—The Officers of the Society shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary or Secretaries, and a Managing Committee, to be composed of not less than twelve members, five of whom shall constitute a quorum.

III.—The President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, and Secretary or Secretaries, with the resident Clergy, shall be *ex officio* members of the Committee.

IV.—It shall be the duty of the Committee to make enquiry for, and select, well qualified candidates for employment in the service of the Society, who shall be presented to the Bishop for licence or ordination as the case may require; such nomination to be made with the consent of two-thirds of the members present. It shall also be the duty of the Committee to assign the sphere of duty to the persons employed by the Society, and to furnish them with the necessary instructions, subject to the approval of the Bishop.

V.—The Managing Committee, in their enquiries for well qualified candidates for employment by the Society, shall consider the following requisitions as indispensable:—

1. Decided piety;
2. Competent knowledge;
3. Aptness to teach;
4. Such a measure of general health and strength of constitution as shall enable them, by the grace of God, to bear hardness as good soldiers of Jesus Christ.

And the Society earnestly trust that all recommendations of candidates will be given solely from a sincere regard to the service and glory of Almighty God; and that no worldly motive or consideration shall be permitted to weigh against the good of souls and the furtherance of Christ's holy Gospel.

VI.—In order to procure candidates for employment by the Society, and subscriptions from the Mother Country, the Society shall solicit the co-operation of any Societies formed, or to be formed, in Great Britain or Ireland, in connexion with the Church of England, for sending Missionary Clergymen, or Catechists, to the Colonies; and also of any other Societies or individuals, which may be brought from time to time, to the knowledge of the Committee,—the sanction of the Bishop being first obtained for such application.

VII.—The Committee shall endeavour to procure the co-operation of Branch Societies, and of zealous individuals throughout the Province, with a view to the increase of the funds and the furtherance of the general objects of the Society.

VIII.—An Annual General Meeting of the Society shall be held as near to the commencement of each year as the Committee may deem advisable, when the Report of the Committee shall be presented, and Officers appointed for the ensuing year.

IX.—Special General Meetings may be called by the Committee, or by any twelve Subscribers, who shall specify, in writing, to the Secretary, the purpose of the meeting. One week's public notice shall be given of such meeting.

X.—The Committee shall meet during the first week of March, June, September and December, respectively, and oftener if necessary.

XI.—All meetings shall be opened and closed with prayer.

XII.—No Rule of the Society shall be repealed or altered, nor any new one established, except at a general meeting. At least ten days' previous notice of the proposed alteration shall be given to the Secretary, and by him published for the information of the Subscribers.