

good as may be; with some insurance set aside through the hands of Mr. Treasurer, and pains taken for their well placing when they leave the Choir. Let them be taught music well and without severity. The explanation of the Psalms to have ever a place in their teaching. The two elder to follow the Canon in course in the procession, and two by turns to put books in order and to find the places for the Canons, Vicars and singers in the music books before service, so that they all may read the Lessons and pray the prayers without distraction. All to have Bibles in their places and read therein; one or two to go before preachers to the pulpit, if bidden.

2. The Precentor and Succentor to order all for their goodness and advance.

#### XXIII. OF THE VERGERS.

Vergers are to be engaged from year to year, every first of May to give up their verges and receive them again if found worthy to be reinstated. For misconduct they may be dismissed at any time by the Chapter. They are to be in daily attendance at all services, and the Church not to be left without one of them. They are to do none of their duty by deputy except in case of sickness, and then by a deputy to be approved by the Chapter. They are to ring the bells with needful help, and to keep the whole Church upward and downward clean, sweet and bright; to light it and attend to the heating; to keep vessels and vestments in perfect order. They take their orders from Mr. Treasurer. Any other servants had for ringing, organ blowing, or any lowly duty are to be under the head vergers.

#### XXIV. OF THE FABRIC.

1. A fund for the maintenance of the fabric of the Cathedral ought, without loss of time, to be formed as a first duty, and kept apart from any divisible funds. The Dean, or the Treasurer as his deputy, with one Canon to be named annually by the residentiaries, shall, as "masters of the fabric," frequently survey, secure from fire, and repair the fabric, and annually to the Chapter make report of its condition. And the Chapter shall have a surveyor.

2. All questions that concern monuments and structural decorations shall be determined by the Dean and Chapter. They shall make a list from time to time of things required in behalf of the fabric, and shall lay down beforehand such matters as subjects for storied windows and sculptures, and not suffer their order and place to be departed from out of favour to any. Also a book shall be made and duly kept of founders and benefactors to whole or part of the Cathedral Church and Sec, and a great copy of the same be in Church where under care it may be seen and read of any.

3. Be it observed that no faculty of the Chancellor of the Diocese or of any officer shall be required for anything to be done in the Cathedral Church, but all shall be done after the manner of Cathedrals by the authority of the Dean and Chapter, with assent of the Bishop himself.

4. And for the raising of devotions and offerings to the Mother Church all Canons in their own benefices and others, preaching from place to place, shall move the people to forwardness in this excellent work and to the praise of God.