

Synod, shall record them in a book provided for that purpose, shall preserve all papers, memorials and other documents, shall attest the public acts of the Synod, and shall deliver all records and documents to their successors; the same to have power to appoint an Assistant Secretary.

12. There shall be a Treasurer of the Synod, who shall receive and disburse all moneys collected and paid under its authority; and two Auditors, who shall annually inspect and report on the condition of the accounts.

13. The expenses of the Synod shall be provided for by assessment upon the different parishes, by a Committee appointed for the purpose.

14. No act or resolution of the Synod shall be valid without the concurrence of the Bishop, and of the majority both of the clergy and of the laity present and voting at the meeting: but when such act or resolution shall be objected to by either of the three estates, a vote shall be taken thereon by separate chambers; and if difference still subsists when such vote is so taken, then the subject under consideration shall stand over for further consideration to the ensuing Synod.

15. Any proposition for an alteration of the constitution, regulations, rules of order or canons, shall be introduced in writing, and considered at the meeting at which it is introduced; and if approved by a majority, shall lie over to the next meeting of the Synod, and if again approved by majorities, consisting of two-thirds of both clergy and laity, it shall be adopted.

II.—Order of Proceedings.

1. The first meeting of the Synod in each Session shall be preceded by public morning prayer and the Holy Communion accompanied by a sermon; and the collection at the offertory shall be devoted to missionary or other purposes, at the direction of the Synod. Public morning and evening prayer shall likewise be held on every day of the Synod.

2. The business of every day shall be preceded by special prayer for the divine guidance and blessing, according to a form authorised by the Bishop.

3. After this prayer, the Clerical Secretary shall call over the roll to the clergy, to be furnished by the Bishop, and mark the names of those in attendance; and the Lay Secretary shall call over the names of the several parishes; when the certificates of the representatives, having been presented, shall be examined by the Secretary and a committee of two to be appointed for that purpose; and, where found satisfactory, the names shall be recorded and read by the Secretary.

4. The election of new Secretaries shall then be made by the clergy and laity respectively, and a Treasurer and two Auditors shall be appointed; all of which officers shall hold their respective offices until their successors shall be appointed.

5. After this on the first day, and on all other days after prayers, the order of business shall be as follows:

- (1.) Reading, correcting, and approving the minutes of the previous meeting.
- (2.) Appointing Committees.
- (3.) Presenting, reading, and referring memorials and petitions.
- (4.) Presenting reports of Committees, and of the Treasurer and Auditors.
- (5.) Giving notice of motions.
- (6.) Taking up unfinished business.
- (7.) Consideration of motions.
6. An address from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

III.—Rules for the Preservation of Order.

1. When the Bishop or other person presiding has taken the chair, no member shall continue standing.

2. When any member is about to speak for the information of the Synod, he shall rise and address himself to the chair.

3. No motion or amendment shall be considered as before the Synod (excepting such as may be proposed by the Bishop or committees) unless seconded, and (when required) reduced to writing. To prevent surprise, no motion, except in course, shall be considered till the succeeding day of meeting.

4. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without asking and receiving permission from the chair.

5. When a question is under consideration, no other motion shall be received, unless to adjourn, to lay it on the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide on it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order here named.

6. Motions to adjourn or to lay on the table shall be decided without debate.

7. When a motion has been read to the Synod by the Secretary, it cannot be withdrawn by the mover without the consent of the chair.

8. Each member shall have the right to require at any period of the debate, that a question in discussion be read for his information.

9. A member called to order while speaking shall sit down, unless permitted to explain.

10. All questions of order shall be decided by the chair.

11. All amendments to a motion shall be considered in the order in which they are moved.

12. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made; but no after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order: yet a substitute to the whole matter may be proposed and received, provided it deals directly with the subject in hand.

13. All amendments to any question or amendment shall be decided on before the question or motion on which they arise is proposed for decision.

14. Whilst any question is being put from the chair, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse; and when a motion is so put, no member shall retire until such motion is disposed of.

15. When a division takes place, the votes of the clergy and laity shall be taken separately if required by the Bishop, or four members of each of the respective orders; and the lay representatives shall in all such cases vote by parishes.

16. In voting, those who vote in the affirmative shall first rise, and then those who vote in the negative.

17. A question being once determined, shall not again be drawn into discussion in the same session, without the special sanction of the Bishop.

18. No protest or dissent shall be entered on the minutes of the proceedings; but, when required by any one member, the number of affirmative and negative votes shall be recorded.

19. When the Synod is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the Bishop, or other person presiding, has left the chair.

IV.—Rules regarding Committees.

1. All committees shall be named by the chair, unless otherwise ordered.

2. The reports of committees shall be in writing, signed by the chairman, and shall be received in course, unless a motion be made for their recomittal.

3. The chairman of the committee, or some member deputed by him, shall explain to the Synod the bearing of any portion of the report, if requested by any member of the Synod.

4. All reports of committees recommending

any action or expression of opinion, shall be accompanied by a resolution for the action of the Synod thereon.

6. That inasmuch as it would facilitate the despatch of business, and ensure a more effectual consideration of all matters to be discussed at the meeting of Synod, there shall be an Executive Committee, to be nominated and presided over by the Right Rev. the Bishop, and to consist of twenty-six members, thirteen chosen from among the clergy, and thirteen from among the lay representatives of the Synod; the election to be, as in the case of other committees, for a period extending from one Synod to the opening of the next.

6. That it shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to prepare in due form all such matters as the Bishop, or any member or members of the Synod, clerical or lay, may desire to have brought before the Synod, and to issue a circular under the Bishop's direction, stating the nature of the business for the ensuing Synod, and the order in which such business will be discussed.

7. That the business to be submitted to the Synod be sent to the Executive Committee two months before the meeting of Synod; and a circular, containing a statement of the business to be submitted, be forwarded to each clergyman and parish, one month before the meeting of Synod.

8. That, in order to expediate the business of the Synod, it is required for the future that the clerks of the several vestries in this Diocese send to the Lay Secretary of the Synod, within six days after their election, the names of the Lay Delegates elected at the vestry meetings during Easter week; and that the Lay Secretary of this Synod do attend at the place where the Synod is to meet at 9 o'clock of the first day of meeting, to record the certificates of said Lay Delegates.

V.—Election of Bishop.

That in the election of a Bishop to a vacant See, or to a new See, the clergy and laity shall vote separately by ballot; the clergy by individuals, and the laity by parishes. A majority of votes in each order shall determine the choice, provided that two-thirds of the clergy entitled to vote be present, and two-thirds of all the parishes entitled to vote be represented; otherwise two-thirds of the votes of each order shall be necessary to determine the choice.

VI.—Subdivision of a Diocese.

In the event of the subdivision of any Diocese, the portion intended to form the new Diocese shall be bound in all their public proceedings by the constitution of the Diocese of which they formed a part, until the said new Diocese shall be fully organised by the election and consecration of the Bishop.

Any clergyman elected a Bishop, and holding at the time of such election any preferment or benefice, shall resign such preferment or benefice upon his consecration.

The following is a List of the Clergy and Lay Delegates present.

CLERGY.

Lord Bishop of Toronto—The Honourable and Right Reverend JOHN STRACHAN, D.D.; LL.B.
Archdeacon of York—Ven. A. N. Bethune, D.D., D.C.L.

Archdeacon of Kingston—Ven. George O'Kill Stuart, D.D., LL.D.

Bishop's Chaplains—H. J. Grasott, B.D., W. H. Herchmer, M.A.

Rev. Ambrey, John, M.A., Prof. Trinity College—Toronto.

“Anderson, G. A.—Shannonville.