

Whereas, free expression of opinion is secured to the members of this Synod by the Declaration of Principles, the Order of Proceedings, and the Rules of Order.

And whereas, a rule has been passed at this Synod declaring that the nomination of candidates (for the Bishopric) shall be an open nomination without any expression of opinion,

And whereas, such rule was illegally passed, inasmuch as the 16th Clause of the Constitution of the Synod was not complied with,

And whereas, it is deemed advisable to rescind such rule.

Resolved, That such rule be and is hereby rescinded and declared null and void.

On motion, the Synod adjourned for a few minutes, to resume on the call of the Chairman, to enable the Credential Committee to consider and report on the cases of Albion Mines and Alberton.

On resuming, the Archdeacon reported verbally on behalf of the Credential Committee, that Mr. C. J. Spike not having been elected in accordance with the rules, Mr. Fraser is entitled to the seat for Albion Mines; also that the two provisional representatives for Alberton, not having been elected in accordance with the rules, are not entitled to their seat. The report was accepted.

A resolution of sympathy from the Synod of Newfoundland was read by the Archdeacon; also, Mrs. Binney's reply to the Synod's address of condolence.

The Rev. F. H. Almon's notice of motion was now taken up, seconded by Rural Dean Filleul, and discussed. A point of order having been raised, the Chairman ruled the motion out of order, under No. 17 of the Rules of Order.

The Synod now proceeded with the election of a Bishop.

The Rev. Dr. Nichols nominated the Venerable the Archdeacon of Nova Scotia, as Bishop.

The Rev. J. J. Ritchie nominated the Right Rev. Dr. Sullivan, Bishop of Algoma, as Bishop.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Hole, seconded by Rev. F. R. Murray, that the Synod adjourn for half an hour.

On returning, before proceeding with the ballot, the Synod, on motion of Rev. Dr. Hole and Mr. Chas. Palmer, knelt for a short time in silent prayer.

The ballot was then taken.

The Clerical Secretary reported the result of the ballot by the Clergy:—

No. of votes cast.....	76
Necessary to a choice	39
For Archdeacon Gilpin	53
For Bishop Sullivan.....	23

The Lay Secretary reported the result of the ballot by the Laity as follows:—