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APPENDIX.

RULES OF THE WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

The following is the 11th object of the Diocesan Church Society :

"It shall also be one of the objects of the Society to provide for the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, but no part of the Society's funds shall be appropriated to this object except such as shall be specifically given and paid into the Society therefor."

1st. In accordance with the above, the Society will open a special account for the object to be called "The Widows' and Orphans' Fund." This fund shall be formed and consist of all subscriptions, donations, legacies, and other contributions, given and paid to the Society for this special object, and of all premiums received under these rules, and of all benefits arising therefrom; and this fund shall be held and applied to and for this particular object, and no other.

2nd. A standing sub-Committee of seven members shall be appointed, in whom, together with the Secretary of the Diocesan Church Society, (who shall be paid as Secretary of this sub-Committee,) shall be vested the whole management of this Fund.

3rd. The Diocesan Church Society undertakes to pay, out of this Widows' and Orphans' Fund, the pensions which become due under the following rules.

4th. Every Clergyman of the Church of England within the Diocese wishing to avail himself of the benefits of this fund, shall, within six months from the 10th October, 1855, or within one year from taking orders, or from his admission into the Diocese, apply to the Secretary for a certificate of pension, and shall pay the annual sum or premium therefor, as hereafter mentioned.

5th. Any applicant, after such period of time, shall only be permitted to receive such certificate at the option of the sub-Committee, and upon such terms as they shall direct.

6th. The following shall be the rate of the yearly sum or premium payable by every clergyman applying for a certificate, according to his age at the date of his first application; it being understood that any parish or congregation contributing to the fund more than £2, then the excess be counted toward payment of the premium of the minister or ministers for that year: