

CHURCH CHRONICLE

FOR THE

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

“Men speak not with the instruments of writing, neither write with the instruments of speech, and yet things recorded with the one and uttered with the other may be preached well enough with both.”

HOOKER, Bk. V. c. 21.

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DIOCESAN SYNOD.

The Constitution of the Synod has laid down the following rules for the election of Lay representatives, which are here extracted for convenient reference:—

“2. The Lay representatives shall be male communicants of at least one year's standing, of the full age of twenty-one years, and shall be elected annually at the Easter meetings, or at any Vestry meeting (specially called for such purpose by incumbents, after due notice on two Sundays) held by each Minister having a separate cure of souls; and all Laymen within the cure, of twenty-one years or upwards, entitled within such cure to vote at Vestry meetings, or who hold pews or sittings in the church, though not entitled so to vote, who shall have declared themselves in writing to be “Members of the United Church of England and Ireland, and to belong to no other religious denomination,” shall have the right of voting at the election; provided always, that the first election under this rule shall not take place until the Easter meetings in the several Parishes in the year 1861.”

“5. All Lay Delegates shall, each one before taking his seat in Synod, produce to and deposit with the Lay Secretary or other officer of the Synod, appointed to receive the same, a certificate of his election in the following form, to be signed by the Chairman of the meeting:—

“This is to certify that at a meeting, held this day for the purpose of electing delegates to represent this congregation or parish in Synod, being the parish or mission of _____, _____, a communicant of one year's standing, and of the full age of twenty-one years, was elected by the Laymen of this congregation, who have a right to vote at such election, by virtue of their having, in accordance with the 2nd clause of the Constitution of the Synod of this Diocese, declared themselves in writing in a book kept for that purpose to be members of the United Church of England and Ireland and to belong to no other deno-