

CONSTITUTION OF SYNOD.

1. Periodical meetings shall be held, composed of the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of this Diocese; and their assembly, constituted as hereafter provided, shall be called "The Diocesan Synod of Nova Scotia."

2. Every Clergyman in the Diocese, duly licensed by the Bishop, shall have a seat in the Synod, Presbyters alone having the right of voting. The Laity shall appear by their Representatives.

3. An election of Representatives shall take place at the Easter meeting held in each Parish or Ecclesiastical District next before each ordinary meeting of the Synod, and on the same day in each District, which may be entitled to elect Representatives under Clause 9. Within 30 days after election the Chairman shall send the names of the Representatives to the Lay Secretary. The Parishes shall have the liberty of choosing their Representatives from any part of the Diocese.

The following Resolution was adopted at the Eighth Session:—

"That attention be directed to the difficulty which has arisen in some cases in consequence of the election of the same person by two or more Parishes, and that the Chairman of every meeting at which a non-resident may be elected should take care to communicate the election immediately to the person so elected, with a request that he will state without delay whether he can undertake to perform the duties of the office to which he has been appointed."

4. In any Parish or Mission where in consequence of a vacancy in the incumbency or the absence of the minister, no Easter meeting has been held, it shall be lawful for the Church Wardens, or three members of the Vestry, to summon a meeting, giving due notice of the same, for the purpose of electing Representatives for the next Session of the Diocesan Synod.

5. At the regular election of Synodical Representatives *provisional* Representatives may be elected.

6. The Representatives of the Laity must be at least twenty-one years of age, having been communicants for the twelve months preceding the election: and every adult male parishioner may vote for the Parish or District of which he