

accepting an appointment be guaranteed that sum in the case of an entirely new Mission for two or three years."

Moved by the Lay Secretary, seconded by Dr. Hanington,
—That the amendment be confirmed.

After some discussion, the motion was *withdrawn* with the leave of the Synod ; and it was

Moved by Hon. Mr. Justice Drake, seconded by Judge Harrison,—That hereafter every Clergyman appointed to a Parish or Mission shall be guaranteed his stipend for a period of two years by the Synod.—*Carried.*

SUSPENSION OF RULES OF ORDER.

On motion, duly carried, the Rules of Order were suspended to enable the Reports of Committees to be considered at this sitting of the Synod.

CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee present the following Report to the First Session of the Sixth Synod of the Diocese :

1. Since the last Report was presented, the resignation of the First Bishop of Columbia, Right Rev. Geo. Hills, D.D., has been accepted by the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the See remained vacant for a period of five months.

The Committee feel bound to place on record their grateful recognition of the value to the Church in this Diocese of His Lordships 33 years of unwearied labours, and their earnest hope that he may be spared to enjoy for many years the rest which those labours have earned for him.

2. The Resignation of Bishop Hills took effect on Nov. 15, 1892, and on the 22nd of that month a Special Synod was held in Victoria for the purpose of electing a successor in the See.

By a unanimous vote of the Clergy and a two-third vote of the Laity, it was decided to delegate the choice of a Bishop to the Archbishop of Canterbury. His Grace accepted the responsibility and appointed Rev. W. W. Perrin, M.A., Oxon, Vicar of St. Luke's, Southampton, who to-day was enthroned in the Cathedral Church as the Second Bishop of British Columbia.