

Bishop, or at the request of five clergymen, or of five laymen, the votes of each of the above named orders shall be taken separately.

15.—In case of a vacancy in the See, it shall be the duty of the Secretaries of the Synod to give notice of such vacancy to every clergyman and representative within ten days from their knowledge thereof; and at the same time, to summon a meeting of the Synod, to be held within six weeks, for the election of a bishop, giving one month's notice; and at such meeting the senior dignitary present shall take the chair; and, in the case of Secretaries failing to perform this duty, then it shall be the duty of the licensed clergymen within the city of London to summon the Synod for this purpose. In the election of a Bishop the clergy and laity shall vote separately by ballot, a majority of the votes of each order present shall determine the choice.

16.—Every proposition for an alteration of the constitution or rules of the Synod must be sent to the Executive Committee, to be forwarded to the members of the Synod, and no alteration shall take place unless agreed to by majorities of two-thirds of the clergy and laity respectively.

17.—Each congregation through their clergymen and wardens, shall make an annual statistical report to the Bishop, according to a form to be supplied by the Secretary, under the Bishop's direction; which report shall be forwarded to the Bishop within one month after Easter.

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## II.—ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS.

1. Each Meeting of the Synod shall be preceded by public morning prayer; and on the first day, the Holy Communion shall be administered.