- 4. No Act or Resolution of the Synod shall become valid without the concurrence of the Bishop, and of a majority of the Clergy and lay Representatives present; provided that ordinarily, the votes of the whole Synod shall be taken collectively; but that, at the desire of the Bishop, or at the request of any three other members of the Synod, the votes of both orders shall be taken separately and in this case a majority of each shall concur.
- 5. The Synod shall meet upon the Wednesday before the first Thursday in July in each year, at Fredericton and Saint John alternately, unless the time or place for any such annual meeting shall, by resolution of the Synod, be otherwise arranged.
- 6. The Bishop, or the Bishop Coadjutor, or, in the case of the absence of the Bishop and Bishop Coadjutor, or of a vacancy in the See, the Archdeacon, or if there be no Archdeacon, then the Bishop's Commissary at the time such absence or vacancy shall occur, or the Standing Committee, or a majority thereof at a special Meeting of the Committee summoned for the purpose, shall have power to call a Special Meeting of the Synod on any occasion when he or they may deem it necessary for the welfare of the Diocese, at such time and place as he or they in summoning such meeting shall direct, at which meeting only the subjects mentioned in the notice thereof shall be dealt with.
- 7. The Bishop, or in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the See, then such Bishop Coadjutor, Archdeacon, Commissary or Standing Committee as aforesaid, shall summon a Special Meeting of the Synod at such time and place as he or they shall, in summoning such Meeting, direct, on a requisition in writing signed by ten of the Clerical and a like number of lay members of the Synod, specifying the object of the Meeting, at which Meeting only the subjects mentioned in the notice thereof shall be dealt with; provided that no such Meeting shall be held until at least six months after the last preceding Meeting.
- 8. Notice of all Special Meetings of the Synod shall be given by advertisement in the *Royal Gazette* for at least one month before such Meeting; which notice shall specify the object of the Meeting as well as the time and place for holding the same.
- 9. When the Bishop is present he shall preside at all Meetings of the Synod; when the Bishop is not present the Bishop Coadjutor, the Archdeacon, or if there be no Archdeacon, the Bishop's Commissary shall preside; and in case of the absence of the Bishop Coadjutor, the Archdeacon and the Bishop's Commissary, the Clergy and lay Representatives present may elect a Chairman, who shall preside at the meeting.
- 10. A Secretary shall be chosen at any meeting of the Synod, and shall remain in office during the pleasure of the Synod. It shall be his

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