Parish or Parishes, and if he or they withhold his or their consent from such memorial, then he or they will be required to state his or their reasons, in writing, to the Lord Bishop within one month, who is to decide on their validity.

3. When the Bishop of the Diocese shall be satisfied that the provisions of the XIXth section of the Church Temporalities Act have been complied with, and that the means for the worship of God have been provided, and when, further, he shall have referred the said memorial to the Clergy and Church-wardens of the Rural Deanery within which the proposed new Parish is situated, for their opinion respecting the same, his Lordship may declare the said portion of the Parish or Parishes to be a new Parish.

4. That in any and every case where it is proposed to establish a new Mission, situate within any existing Rural Deanery, the proposal for the erection of such new Mission shall be submitted to the Clergy and Church-wardens of the said Rural Deanery for their counsel and advice.

5. That the boundaries of every Parish or Mission erected under authority of this Canon, as well as of every existing Parish or Mission, be entered in a book, to be kept by the Secretaries of the Synod for that purpose; and that a copy thereof be furnished to any person applying for it, on the payment of a fee of one shilling.

6. That all repairs and dilapidations of Church property shall be defrayed by each Parish individually.

## DIVISION OF PARISHES (UNDER ROYAL LETTERS PATENT.)

1. Any Parish now constituted under Royal Letters Patent may, with the consent of the Rector during his life time, or after his demise, be divided into two or more Parishes by the Bishop of this Diocese by decree signed by him and registered by the Secretary of Synod in a register to be kept for that purpose; and in such decree the limits of each Parish so newly constituted shall be designated.

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