

Constitution, in accordance with the provisions of the Provincial Synod. The Synods of the three new Dioceses of Moosonee, Saskatchewan, and Athabasca, shall severally be called together by their respective Bishops as soon as possible, and each shall frame such a constitution for itself as the circumstances of the diocese may permit or require, regard being had to the general statement of the functions of Diocesan Synods laid down in this Constitution in Section No. 3. The Synod shall consist of the Bishop, such of the clergy of the diocese as may be within reach, and such representation of the laity as the Bishop and clergy find to be practicable.

VI.—APPOINTMENT OF BISHOPS.

In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate in either of the Dioceses of Rupert's Land or Saskatchewan, the selection of the new Bishop shall rest with the Archbishop of Canterbury, unless and until there shall be at least twelve clergymen in the diocese who are supported either by endowment or by their congregations, in which case the Bishop shall be elected by the Diocesan Synod, subject to the election being confirmed by the House of Bishops.

In the case of the Dioceses of Moosonee and Athabasca, as long as the Bishops are supported by the Church Missionary Society, the selection of the new Bishops shall rest with that Society.

VII.—APPOINTMENT OF THE METROPOLITAN.

The present Bishop of Rupert's Land is hereby appointed Metropolitan, and the Diocese of Rupert's Land is hereby constituted the Metropolitan See during the tenure of office of the present Bishop, and as long as the Bishops of Rupert's Land shall be appointed by the Archbishop of Canterbury, provided that the question of the appointment of the Metropolitan and Metropolitan See shall be subject to revision by the Provincial Synod, as soon as the Diocese of Rupert's Land obtains the right of electing its Bishop.

VIII.—CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS.

The consecration of the Bishops for this Ecclesiastical Province may take place in England, should His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury be pleased so to arrange. In the event of its being necessary to consecrate within the Province, it shall be allowable for the Metropolitan to call in, if necessary, as one of the three Consecrating Prelates, a Bishop of either the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, or of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.