

AUTHORIZATION AND INSTRUCTIONS.

The following resolution was passed at the General Synod, 12th Sept., 1905.

Moved by Mr. Jas. Edmund Jones, seconded by Ven. Archdeacon Fortin:

1. That it is in the best interests of the Church of England in Canada that there be only one Hymnal in common use in the public services of the Church.
2. That the General Synod do authorize and direct the compilation and publication of such hymnal, provided that in the contract with the publisher the Synod is not to become responsible for the cost of the publication of the Hymnal.
3. That, the Upper House concurring, a Joint Committee be appointed to consider and deal with this matter, and such Committee shall be charged with the active and executive duties arising out of such compilation and publication, with power to appoint an executive committee to transact the business thereof.
4. That such Joint General Committee do appoint a 'Compilation Committee' whose duty it shall be to prepare a draft Hymnal for submission to the members of the Joint Committee.
5. That in the appointment of members of the Compilation Committee, the General Committee be not restricted to the members of this Synod.
6. That the Compilation Committee do submit the draft Hymnal for suggestions and criticism to such diocesan committees as may be authorized to act in this matter.
7. That the copyright in the Hymnal be vested in the General Synod, and that the royalties or profits arising from any agreement that may be made be paid to the Treasurer of this Synod, to be administered as this Synod may hereafter direct, the expenses of the General and Compilation Committees to be a first charge upon such fund, and that in computing the expenses of this Synod there be provided the sum of \$500.00, to be advanced from time to time to the Convener of the Committee towards the necessary outlay in connection with the compilation of the Hymnal, the same to be repaid to the General Synod from the royalties received from the sale of the book, or otherwise as may be arranged.
8. That the Compilation Committee shall, as far as possible, secure the advice and co-operation of the members of the General Committee during the prosecution of the work, and shall submit to them the final draft, and the draft as finally settled shall be submitted to the next session of this Synod, a copy of the draft being sent to each member of this synod at least one month before the meeting of the Synod.

At the first meeting of the General Hymnal Committee, on 14th Sept., 1905, the following series of resolutions were moved by Mr. Jas. Edmund Jones and seconded by Ven. Archdeacon Fortin, and passed:

1. That Mr. Ernest G. Henderson be temporary secretary of the committee and that the permanent secretary be appointed by the Compilation Committee.
2. (a) That the Compilation Committee shall consist of eighteen members, six of whom shall be members of the Upper House. (b) That committee shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur from time to time. (c) That from the Lower House seven members of the committee shall be appointed by a Nominating Committee, consisting of the Lord Bishop of Quebec, Canon Crawford, the mover and seconder. (d) That such seven members, together with the members appointed by the Upper House, shall appoint five others, who may or may not be members of the Synod, to complete the membership of the committee.
3. That the Executive Committee consist of three members, who shall be appointed by the Compilation Committee.
4. That to each member of the Upper House and to every clergyman of the Church of England in Canada in active work a list be sent of the hymns contained in the hymnal in use in his parish, and that he be requested to indicate thereon: (1) The hymns generally used by him; (2) The hymns never, or practically never, used; (3) The hymns considered indispensable; and that a similar list be sent to the president of each branch of the Woman's Auxilliary.
5. (a) That the Compilation Committee make a special effort to enrich the collection of hymns for Missions, for Children, and for Lent. (b) That wherever practicable or advisable, tunes occurring more than once be printed in different keys, with cross references. (c) That when a hymn is suitable for general use, and also for special seasons or occasions, it be included, if possible, in 'General Hymns,' with references under the special headings. (d) That alternative tunes be provided wherever deemed advisable, especially for hymns with which more than one tune has become associated in Canada. (e) That in the Hymnal be included a collection of Ar. can chants