

Priests and Deacons of the same, duly licensed by the Bishop, and of lay representatives, to be elected as hereinafter provided :

It was moved in amendment thereto by the Rev. G. M. Armstrong, and seconded by the Rev. J. J. Hill, that the words "Presbyters" be inserted after the word Priests. On the question being taken on the amendment, it was decided in the negative. The first article, as proposed and read, was then passed.

The following articles of the proposed Constitution, having been considered by the Synod, were then agreed to :

2. The lay representatives shall be male communicants of at least one year's standing, and of the age of twenty-one years, and residents in the Parish for which they are elected, or stated attendants at some Church or Chapel-of-ease within the same. They shall present to the Secretary of the Synod a certificate of their election, signed by the Chairman of the meeting at which they were appointed, according to the following form : " Parish of _____. I hereby certify that at a meeting of the members of the Church in this Parish, held on _____, Mr. _____ was duly elected a representative in Synod, (or, if two representatives are elected, " were duly elected representatives in Synod, and that the said Parish is entitled to elect two representatives.)

" Dated _____ day of _____ A. D. _____ Chairman."

3. The lay representatives shall be elected every year at a meeting to be summoned by the Incumbent, or in case the Parish is vacant, or the Incumbent is absent, or unable to summon such meeting, then by the Church Wardens, or either of them ; and shall be held in each Parish, civil or ecclesiastical, upon Easter Monday, or within thirty days thereafter ; and they shall continue in office until other representatives are appointed.

4. In the case of a vacancy occurring in the representation of any Parish, by death, resignation, refusal to act, or otherwise, such vacancy may be filled at a special meeting called for that purpose by the Incumbent, or Church Wardens, as provided in the next preceding article.

5. The Rector or Incumbent shall preside at every such meeting ; but if he shall be unable to attend, or if there be no Rector or Incumbent, the persons qualified to vote may appoint a Chairman and proceed to the election.

6. Public notice of every such meeting, whether ordinary or special, shall be given at the next previous Sunday Service, and also by a notice, written or printed, affixed to the door of each Church or Chapel-of-ease in such Parish, at least ten days before the day of such meeting, specifying the time and place of such meeting.

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