

intimation after Divine Service, on the two Sabbaths immediately preceding the day of meeting. The names of the persons chosen shall be laid before the Presbytery of the bounds at next ordinary meeting, and if no objections are offered, measures shall be taken in the usual form, for their admission to the office of the Eldership.

XVI. If any addition to the number of Elders shall be judged necessary, the existing members of Session shall propose fit and proper persons for the office, who, if not disapproved of by the Congregation, at a meeting called for the purpose, or by the Presbytery, shall be set apart in the usual form.

XVII. A collection shall be made, at least once on every Sabbath and preaching day, which shall be applied to defraying the incidental expenses of the Church, according to the accounts allowed and ordered to be paid by the annual meeting; and any surplus that may remain shall be at the disposal of the Session, to be applied to such pious or charitable uses as they may think fit.

XVIII. In regard to all things not specified herein, the laws, customs, and usages of the Church of Scotland shall be followed, except where these have been modified by enactments of Synod;—and if any difference of opinion arise, as to the meaning or interpretation of any part of this Constitution, it shall be referred to the Presbytery for advice and decision thereon, subject to appeal to the Synod, whose deliverance shall be final.