3rd. Upon the first day of each Session the certificates of the Lay-Representatives shall be examined by one of the secretaries and a committee of two, to be appointed for that purpose, and when found correct the names shall be recorded in the register, and the result of the investigation shall be announced to the Synod. The election of new secretaries shall then be made by the Clergy and Laity respectively, which officers shall hold their offices until their successors shall be appointed.

Note.—At the fifth session of the Synod it was resolved to appoint a permanent Lay Secretary, who need not be a member of the Synod.

4th. After this the order of business shall be as follows:

Reading, correcting and approving the minutes of the previous meeting.

Appointing Committees.

Presenting, reading, and referring memorials and petitions.

Presenting reports on Committees.

Giving notices of motions.

Taking up unfinished business.

Considerations of motions.

5th. All notices of motion giving by a Presbyter, or a Representative of the laity, for proceeding at a subsequent meeting, shall be read over at such meeting, and may be taken up by any member present at such meeting, in the same manner as if he had himself given the notice.

6th. Before the final adjournment of the session, the minutes of the last day shall be read and approved.

RULES FOR THE PRESERVATION OF ORDER.

1st. When the Bishop or other person presiding has taken the chair, no member shall continue standing.

2nd. When any member is about to speak for the information of the Synod, he shall rise and address himself to the Chair.

3rd. No motion or amendment shall be considered as before the Synod (excepting such as may be proposed by the Bishop or committees) unless seconded and reduced to writing. time anno seconded.

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