

Moved by Mr. A. G. Wolley-Dod, seconded by the Rev. R. Hilton:—"That this Synod express a hearty vote of thanks to the Ladies' Guild and others who so kindly provided entertainment for the members of the Synod last night." *Carried.*

Moved by the Rev. W. F. Webb, seconded by Mr. W. Pearce:—"That Rule I be suspended, and that the Synod do now adjourn, to meet at 2 o'clock p. m." *Carried.*

The Synod adjourned at 12 noon.

The FIFTH SESSION of the Synod was opened at 2.30 p. m.

The minutes of the fourth session were read and approved.

Moved by the Rev. R. Hilton, seconded by Mr. A. G. Wolley-Dod:—"That the Rules of Order be suspended, in order to receive the report of the Committee *re* election of Bishops." *Carried.*

The Rev. H. P. Lowe presented the report of the Committee, as follows:—

"The Committee appointed to consider the matter of election of Bishops in this Ecclesiastical Province beg to submit the following:—

'Whereas to this Synod the election of Bishops to Sees in the Province of Rupert's Land other than those provided for under clauses 1 and 2 of section vii of the Constitution of the Provincial Synod does not appear to be the best in the interests of the Church, because the interest of the Diocese involved is not sufficiently represented in the election of its Bishop, it is resolved that this Synod strongly recommends the procedure of election in such cases to be as follows:—

No. 3. In all other cases the selection of the Bishops shall be as follows:—The Synod of a vacant Diocese shall by a majority of the votes of each Order voting separately, decide upon the names of three persons to be submitted to the Metropolitan and two other Bishops of the Province, one of whom they shall be requested to elect Bishop of the vacant See. Notice of such election shall be sent by the Metropolitan to the Bishops of the Province. Any Bishop objecting to such election shall send his objection in writing to the Metropolitan. Such objections shall be on some one or more of the following grounds:—

- (a) That the person elected is not fully thirty years of age.
- (b) That he is not a Priest in Holy Orders of the Church of England or of some branch of the Church in full communion therewith.
- (c) That he has either directly or indirectly secured or attempted to secure the office by any improper means.
- (d) That he is guilty of any other crime or immorality.

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