

formularies, or in the method of interpretation laid down in the Declaration prefixed to the Thirty-nine Articles, or in the Book of Common Prayer of the United Church of England and Ireland, or finally in the authorized version of the Holy Scriptures. With these exceptions, the Diocesan Synod may deliberate and decide by a majority of votes taken as specified in Rule 11, on all matters affecting the interests of the Church in this Diocese.

13th. There shall be two Secretaries, one chosen by the Clergy, the other by the Laity, who shall keep regular minutes of all proceedings of the Synod.

14th. The ordinary meetings of the Synod shall be biennial, but the Bishop (or in his absence the Archdeacon) shall have power to summon additional meetings at his discretion.

15th. Any proposition for an alteration of the constitutions, regulations, rules of order, or canons, shall be introduced in writing and considered at the meeting at which it is proposed, and if approved by a majority shall lie over to the next meeting of the Synod, and if then again approved by majorities consisting of not less than two-thirds of both Clergy and lay delegates, and by the Bishop, it shall be adopted.

16th. Members of the Church may be present at meetings of the Synod, on the understanding that they must be subject to the directions of the chairman; and they may be required by him to withdraw upon the application of any three members of the Synod.

17th. The Bishop is recommended by the Synod to adopt the following Declaration, suggested by the Lambeth Conference :

Declaration to be made (in addition to any declaration required by the rules of the province or Diocese as to doctrine and worship) by persons to be admitted to holy orders, and by clergymen to be admitted to the cure of souls, or to any other office or trust in the Church :—

"I, A. B., do declare that I consent to be bound by all the rules and regulations which have heretofore been made, or which may from time to time be made, by the Synod of the Diocese of _____, and the Provincial Synod of _____ or either of them, [and in consideration of being appointed _____, I hereby undertake immediately after final judgment to resign the said appointment, together with all the rights and emoluments appertaining thereto, if sen-

tence requiring such after due examination of the aforesaid person, saving all rights of

(The part in brackets to a cure of souls, &c.)

1st. The business of the Synod shall be the reading of the official prayer for the day, and the form of the

2nd. After the reading of the roll of the Synod, the Bishop and the Lay-Secretaries of the Districts entitled to be present, the Clergy and the respective Secretaries

3rd. Upon the reading of the roll, the Lay-representatives, secretaries and assistants, for the purpose, and who are entered in the register, shall be announced to the Synod, and shall then be made known to the Synod, which officers shall be appointed

NOTE.—At the first meeting of the permanent Lay Secretaries

4th. After the reading of the roll, the Reading, correct the minutes of the previous meeting.

Appointing Clergy

Presenting, receiving

Presenting receiving

Giving notice

Taking up business

Consideration

5th. All notices shall be given to the representative of the