

PROCEEDINGS IN THE CATHEDRAL.

The Synod having been called to order at the hour appointed, the Clergy on the right of the Chair, and the Laity on the left, the Bishop will request that a few moments may be devoted to private prayer, and that during the Balloting there shall be no manifestations of feeling, but that all, by quiet and orderly demeanour, shall pay the deepest respect to the solemnity of the sacred duty in which they are engaged.

The Balloting will then commence, and be conducted according to the following regulations:—

I.—THE CLERICAL VOTE.

- (1.) The Scrutineers shall take their place at a table to be provided.
- (2.) The List of Clergy, handed in as aforesaid, shall be delivered to them, and no vote shall be received which is not on such list.
- (3.) A Ballot-box shall be provided with a lock and a slit or groove in the top, through which the Ballot shall be dropped into the box, which shall in no case be unlocked or opened until the Scrutineers have retired with the same.
- (4.) During the process of taking the Ballot *all parties shall keep their seats* until the name of a Clergyman be called by the Secretary, when he shall approach the Scrutineers' table and hand to the Scrutineers a folded paper containing the name of the Clergyman for whom he desires to vote, *and return to his seat*, which folded paper shall be dropped into the Ballot-box, and the Clergyman's name shall be marked off on the list as having voted; and the others shall be called in like manner until the list be exhausted.
- (5.) The Scrutineers shall see that the result of their scrutiny corresponds with the number of those voting, as ascertained from the list marked as aforesaid.
- (6.) The Registrar shall receive the Report of the Scrutineers, and proclaim the same to the Synod.

II.—THE LAY VOTE.

- (1.) The Scrutineers shall take their place at a table to be provided.
- (2.) The List of the Parishes or Missions entitled to vote handed in as aforesaid, shall be delivered to them; and no vote shall be received which is not on such list.
- (3.) A Ballot-box shall be provided with a lock and a slit or groove in the top, through which the Ballot shall be dropped into the box, which shall in no case be unlocked or opened until the Scrutineers have retired with the same.
- (4.) During the process of taking the Ballot *all parties shall keep their seats* until the name of the Parish or Mission is called by the Secretary, when the Representatives thereof shall approach the Scrutineers' table, and each Representative (if there be more than