

XII. The annual meeting of the congregation shall be held on —. It shall be notified by public intimation, after Divine service on the preceding Sabbath, and shall consist of all male persons above Twenty-one years of age, who shall be supporters of the ordinances of religion therein. The meeting shall appoint a Chairman and Secretary, from among their own number, and the proceedings shall be recorded in the Minute Book of the Managers.

XIII. At the annual meeting, the proceedings of the Managers for the past year shall be submitted for inspection, and approved of or disallowed, as shall seem proper; the accounts of revenue and expenditure by the Managers shall be laid before them; two new Managers shall be elected; and all business requisite for the welfare of the congregation shall be transacted,—provided that nothing be done repugnant to this Constitution, or to the Laws of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connection with the Church of Scotland.

XIV. The Precentor shall be appointed by the Kirk Session, and the Church Officer by the Managers.

XV. In regard to all things not specified herein, the Laws, customs and usages of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connection with the Church of Scotland, shall be followed;—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 of the bounds for advice and decision thereon, subject to appeal to the Synod, or other Supreme Court, whose deliverance shall be final.

On the motion of Mr. Urquhart, it was agreed that the above Model Constitution be submitted to Legal Counsel as to its serving legally the purposes for which it is intended.

The Act incorporating the Managers of the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund was laid upon the Table. The Synod having maturely considered the provisions of the Act, and the proper means of carrying them into effect, agreed to the following deliverance:—

That Whereas, to the working of the Act incorporating the Managers of the Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund, it is required that monies be raised, it is hereby enacted that each Minister shall pay annually the sum of Three Pounds, for the securing of the payment of which each Presbytery shall cause Bonds for said payment to be signed in duplicate by each Minister within the bounds, authorizing the Synod's Clergy Reserve Commissioners to retain in their hands said annual payment of Three Pounds in half-yearly instalments out of the payments rendered him by said Commissioners, one copy of which Bond shall be forwarded to the Board of Commissioners and the Duplicate kept by the Clerk of the Presbytery. The Bond to be as follows:—

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I, —, Minister of —, and member of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connection with the Church of Scotland, hereby authorise the Board of Commissioners of Clergy Reserves to retain the yearly sum of Three Pounds, Halifax Currency, in half-yearly instalments, out of the annual payments that may be rendered to me as a Minister of said Church and Synod, during the period of my incumbency, and remaining within the bounds of this Church, which annual sum of