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OF THE

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## A PRAYER

*Appointed by the Bishop to be used in all Churches in the Diocese of Huron before the Meeting of the Diocesan Synod, and also during the Sessions of the Synod.*

ALMIGHTY and Everlasting God, who hast promised, through Thy Son Jesus Christ, to be with Thy Church to the end of the World, we beseech Thee to be present with the Synod of this Diocese, *now (about to be) assembled in Thy name.* Vouchsafe of Thy great mercy so to direct, govern and sanctify them in their important work, by Thy Holy Spirit, that, through Thy blessing on their deliberations, the Gospel of Christ may be faithfully preached and obeyed, and the order and discipline of Thy Church maintained and handed down unimpaired to those who shall come after us. Grant this we beseech Thee, through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Saviour.—AMEN.

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	St. Paul's, Wisbeach .....	
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	Wallaceburg .....	
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{ Christ Church, St. Helen's  
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Moved by Ven. C. C  
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Resolved, that the  
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF HURON.  
EIGHTH SESSION.

The Synod met in London on Wednesday, June 28th, 1865.

Divine service was held in St. Paul's Cathedral at 10 A.M. Prayers were read by the Rev. E. Grasett, M.A., Rector of Woodhouse, and the Lessons by Rev. A. Townley, D.D., Incumbent of St. James', Paris. A Sermon was preached by the Rev. E. L. Elwood, A.M., Incumbent of St. George's, Goderich, and Rural Dean of Huron and Bruce, and the Holy Communion was administered to the Clergy and Lay Representatives.

The Synod met for business in St. Paul's School House at three o'clock P.M.

The Bishop of the Diocese in the Chair.

After prayer the rolls of the Clergy and Lay Representatives were called by the respective Secretaries, when 62 Clergymen and 59 Lay Representatives answered to their names.

COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE CERTIFICATES.

The Bishop appointed Rev. Dr. Caulfeild and M. Jackson, Esq., in conjunction with the Secretaries, to form the Committee to examine the certificates of the Lay Representatives.

ADMISSION TO SEAT IN SYNOD.

Moved by Ven. C. C. Brough, A. M., seconded by Rev. E. L. Elwood, A.M.:

Resolved, that the Rev. A. Palmer, M.A., Rector of Guelph and Rural Dean, of the Diocese of Toronto, be admitted to a seat in this Synod. Carried.



## ELECTION OF SECRETARIES.

Moved by Rev. M. S. Baldwin, B.A., seconded by E. L. Elwood,  
A.M.:

II. Resolved that Rev. J. W. Marsh, M.A., be Clerical Secretary for  
the ensuing year. *Carried.*

Moved by P. Roe, Esq., seconded by Dr. Bradley:

III. Resolved that Judge Hughes be Lay Secretary for the current  
year.

Moved in amendment by T. J. Cottle, Esq., seconded by A. Lefroy,  
Esq.:

Resolved, that Mr. Price be requested to continue to act as Lay  
Secretary for the current year. *Carried.*

Minutes of the Seventh Session were approved by the Synod and  
signed by the Bishop.

## COMMUNICATIONS.

The following letter from the Archbishop of Canterbury to the Bishop  
of the Diocese was read.

Addington Park, Croydon.  
September 1, 1864.

My Dear Lord,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of the impor-  
tant declaration of the Bishop and Clergy and Lay Representatives of  
the United Church of England and Ireland in the Diocese of Huron  
on the subject of the Plenary Inspiration of the Holy Scriptures and  
the Eternity of Punishment. And I must express my great satisfac-  
tion at the terms of the Declaration. I trust and firmly believe that  
the heart of the Church of England is quite sound, and that it will  
repudiate all the false doctrine which is unhappily current in some  
quarters at the present day.

I have to thank you much for your kind expressions toward myself  
on the subject of my recent Pastoral Letter.

Believe me, my dear Lord,

Very faithfully yours,

C. T. CANTUAR.

Letters were read from Dr. Mair, Secretary of Sabbath Reformati-  
on Society of Kingston, asking the Synod to petition the Legislature  
for the enactment of a law for closing the locks of the Canals on Sunday  
also from Rev. T. A. Parnell, Clerical Secretary of the Synod of

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Diocese of Ontario with reference to "Separate Schools," and asking what arrangements this Synod would make on the subject.

The Clerical Secretary stated that he had applied to the managers of the Great Western, Grand Trunk, and London and Port Stanley Railroads, for permission for the members of Synod to travel to and from London for one fare for the double journey, and that permission had been granted by the managers of the latter two roads, but that the manager of the Great Western Railroad required one and a-half fare for the two journees.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Report of the Committee on Church Temporalities Act, presented by S. Price, Esq.:

The Committee appointed at the last meeting of this Synod to confer with similar Committees of the Dioceses of Toronto and Ontario to consider the propriety of obtaining either a repeal of the Church Temporalities' Act, or such amendments thereof as may be deemed necessary, beg to report:

That your Committee met the Committees of the Dioceses of Toronto and Ontario on the 25th and 26th of April last, and that the Joint Committees unanimously agreed to the amendments contained in the draft of the bill herewith presented.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee,

(Signed,)

SAMUEL PRICE.

#### PROPOSED DRAFT OF AMENDED BILL.

##### PREAMBLE.

Whereas it is desired, on behalf of the United Church of England and Ireland, in Upper Canada, as at present constituted, that further provision should be made by law for the internal management, by the members of the said Church, of the temporalities thereof, and also for allowing the endowment thereof by individuals or otherwise, as already provided in the CHURCH TEMPORALITIES' ACT, passed in the 4th and 5th years of the reign of her Majesty, and it is just and expedient that such further provision should be made, be it therefore enacted, by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, as follows:—

##### CHURCH TEMPORALITIES' ACT AMENDED.

1. The various sections and clauses of the said recited Church Temporalities' Act shall be amended, so as to read as follows:—

##### TITLE TO SITE OF CHURCH AND BURIAL-GROUNDS—PROVISO.

2. From and after the passing of this Act, the soil and freehold of all churches of the communion of the said United Church of England and Ireland, now erected or hereafter to be erected in Upper Canada, and of the church-

yards and burying-grounds attached or belonging thereto respectively, shall be in the parson or other incumbent thereof, for the time being, but the possession thereof shall be in the incumbent for the time being and the churchwardens to be appointed as hereinafter mentioned, by whatever title the same may now be held, whether vested in trustees for the use of the church, or whether the legal estate remains in the crown, by reason of no patent having been issued, though set apart for the purposes of such church, church-yard or burying-ground: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall extend to affect the rights of any other church or body of Christians, to any landed property, or church now erected, but that the same shall remain as if this Act had not been passed.

#### WHO SHALL BE MEMBERS OF VESTRY.

3. All pew-holders in such churches, being members of the United Church of England and Ireland, and holding the said pew by virtue of an original purchase of them effected before the passing of this Act, or by lease, and all persons holding sittings therein by the same being let to them by the churchwardens, and who shall have certificates of the same, shall form a vestry, for the purposes set forth in this Act mentioned and declared: Provided always, that no person shall be allowed to vote at any vestry meeting who shall not have held a pew or sitting in the church thereof for six months previous to such meeting, or who shall not have paid all arrears of rent or dues on his pew or sitting.

#### ANNUAL ELECTION OF CHURCHWARDENS.

4. A meeting of each vestry shall be holden on Monday or Tuesday in Easter week, in each and every year, after due notice thereof, given at any time during Divine Service on Easter Sunday, for the purpose of appointing churchwardens for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of other business; and at such meeting one churchwarden shall be nominated by the incumbent of the rectory, parish, or mission to which the said church belongs, and the other shall be elected by a majority of those present, and entitled to vote at such vestry meeting, as aforesaid. In case of the incumbent declining or neglecting, at such vestry meeting, to nominate a churchwarden, then both of the churchwardens for the current year shall be elected by the members of the vestry present; and in case the members of such vestry shall neglect at such vestry meeting to elect a churchwarden, then both such churchwardens for the current year shall be nominated by the incumbent.

#### QUALIFICATION OF CHURCHWARDENS.

5. No person shall be eligible to the office of churchwarden except a member of the United Church of England and Ireland, of the full age of twenty-one years, being also a member of such vestry, and who shall have been a communicant during the preceding year.

#### FILLING UP VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF CHURCHWARDENS.

6. If from any cause a vestry meeting shall not have been held on Monday or Tuesday in Easter week, the nomination and election of churchwardens as aforesaid may take place at any subsequent vestry meeting, to be called in manner hereinafter provided; and in case of the death, resignation in writing to the incumbent, declining to accept office, or change of residence to seven or more miles from the church of which he was chosen churchwarden, of either of the said churchwardens, a vestry meeting shall be thereupon called, for the nomination by the incumbent, or for the election by the said vestry, as the case may be, of a new churchwarden, in place of the one deceased, or who may have resigned, or declined to act, or removed, as aforesaid.

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## CHURCHWARDEN'S PERIOD OF OFFICE.

7. The Churchwardens shall hold their office for one year from the time of their appointment, and until the nomination or election of their successors, except in case of a nomination or election to fill up the vacancy occasioned by death, resignation, declining to act, or removal as aforesaid, and in such case the person so nominated or elected shall hold the said office until the next annual vestry meeting, and until the appointment of his successor.

## CHURCHWARDENS TO BE A CORPORATION.

8. The Churchwardens, appointed as aforesaid, shall, during their term of office, be a corporation to represent the interests of such church, and of the members thereof, and shall and may sue and be sued, answer and be answered unto, in all manner of suits and actions whatsoever, and may prosecute indictments, presentments and other criminal proceedings, for and in respect of such churches and church-yards, and all matters and things appertaining thereto, and shall, in conjunction with the rector or incumbent, make and execute leases to pewholders at their charge, when by them requested; and such churchwardens shall grant certificates to those who shall have rented pews or sittings.

## VESTRIES AND CHURCHWARDENS OF FREE CHURCHES.

9. The vestries of all churches, in which the pews and sittings are free, shall be formed according to the canons, rules or regulations of the Synods of the respective dioceses in which such churches may be situated; and the churchwardens of such churches, appointed according to such canons, rules or regulations, shall be a corporation as aforesaid, and shall be invested with all the powers and be subject to all the obligations now conferred and imposed upon churchwardens by this Act.

## CHURCHWARDENS TO LEASE AND RENT PEWS AND SITTINGS.

10. It shall be the duty of the churchwardens from time to time to lease and rent pews and sittings, upon such terms as may be settled and appointed at vestry meetings, to be holden for that purpose, as hereinafter provided; and such pews and sittings shall be subject to such annual rent or other dues as may from time to time be rated and assessed in respect thereof at such vestry meetings.

## FORMER SALE OF PEWS CONFIRMED.

11. In case of the absolute purchase of a pew in any church, as aforesaid, before the passing of this Act, the same shall be construed as a freehold of inheritance, not subject to forfeiture by change of residence, or by discontinuing to frequent the same, and the same be bargained, sold and assigned to any purchaser thereof, being a member of the United Church of England and Ireland; and such purchaser, provided the same shall have been duly assigned and conveyed to him, shall hold the same with the same rights, and subject to the same duties and charges, as the original purchaser thereof.

## PEWHOLDERS SECURED IN QUIET POSSESSION.

12. Any pewholder, whether by virtue of an original purchase completed before the passing of this Act, or by lease, and any person renting a pew or sitting, shall, during their rightful possession of such pew or sitting, have a right of action against any person injuring the same, or disturbing him or his family in the possession thereof.

## CHURCHWARDENS SHALL ACCOUNT TO VESTRY—AUDITORS APPOINTED.

13. All churchwardens, appointed as aforesaid, shall yearly and every year,

at the annual vestry meeting, render in writing a just, true and perfect account, (fairly entered in a book or books, to be kept for that purpose, signed by the said churchwardens, which book or books shall be the property of the vestry,) of all sums of money by them received, and of all sums rated or assessed by the vestry and remaining unpaid, or otherwise due and not received, and also of all goods, chattels, and other property of such church or parish in their possession as such churchwardens, and of all moneys paid by such churchwardens so accounting, and of all other things concerning their said office; and said account, and book or books, shall be referred to two or more auditors, to be appointed at the annual vestry meeting; which auditors shall present their report at an adjourned meeting of the vestry, to be held fourteen days after the annual meeting. In case of the appointment of a new churchwarden or churchwardens, the churchwardens then retiring from office, shall pay and deliver over unto such succeeding churchwardens all sums of money, goods, chattels, and other things, which shall be in their possession; and the said book or books shall be carefully preserved by such churchwardens, and they shall and are hereby required to permit any member of such vestry, as aforesaid, to inspect the same at all reasonable times, paying 20 cents for such inspection. In case any retiring churchwarden or churchwardens shall make default in rendering to the Easter Vestry meeting a correct account as aforesaid, or in delivering over such money, goods or other things as aforesaid, it shall be in the power of the succeeding churchwardens, or any member of such vestry, to proceed summarily against him or them before a justice of the peace, who is hereby authorized and required, on proof of such default, to impose a fine or penalty of not less than TEN dollars nor more than FORTY dollars each on such churchwarden or churchwardens, which fine or penalty, with costs, shall be levied by distress and sale of the goods and chattels of the retiring churchwarden or churchwardens making such default.

SPECIAL VESTRY MEETINGS MAY BE CALLED.

14. It shall be in the power of the Incumbent of any such rectory, parish, or mission as aforesaid, or of the churchwardens thereof, to call a vestry meeting whenever he or they shall think proper so to do; and it shall be his or their duty so to do, upon application being made for that purpose in writing by at least six of the members of such vestry as aforesaid; and in case, upon such written application being made as aforesaid, such incumbent and churchwardens shall refuse or neglect to call such meeting, then one week after such demand made, it shall be in the power of any six of such members of the vestry to call the same by notice to be affixed on the outer church door (or church doors where more than one) at least one week previous to such intended meeting.

CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARY OF VESTRY MEETING.

15. At all vestry meetings the rector or incumbent of the church shall preside as chairman when present, and in his absence the curate or assistant minister, or in the absence of both the incumbent and the curate or assistant minister, such person as, the majority present at such meeting shall name; and the vestry clerk, when there is one, and present, or in case there be no vestry clerk or he be absent, then such person as the chairman shall name, shall be Secretary of such vestry meeting, and the proceedings of such vestry meeting shall be entered in a book to be kept for that purpose, and preserved in the custody of the churchwardens.

VESTRY TO REGULATE RENT-CHARGE AND PEW-RENTS.

16. The rent-charge to be paid upon pews holden in freehold, which shall have been acquired before the passing of this Act, and the rent to be paid for

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pews and sittings in pews leased or rented, shall be regulated from time to time by the majority of members present at any such lawful vestry meeting as aforesaid, and no alteration shall be made therein except at the usual annual Easter vestry meeting, (of which intended alteration notice shall have been publicly given, when calling such vestry meeting); or such alteration may be made at a special vestry meeting called for such purpose, and so expressed in the notice calling the same; and further, the charges to be made for leases, shall in like manner be regulated at such vestry meeting as aforesaid.

#### APPOINTMENT OF SUBORDINATES BY INCUMBENT AND CHURCHWARDENS.

17. The clerk of the church, the organist, the vestry clerk, the sexton, and other subordinates servants of the church, shall be nominated and appointed by the incumbent and the churchwardens for the time being, and their salary and wages shall be brought into the general account, to be rendered as aforesaid by such churchwardens.

#### CERTAIN FEES TO BE REGULATED BY SYNOD AND VESTRY.

18. The fees for the registration of baptisms, and fees on marriages, burials and other services of the church, shall be regulated by the respective diocesan synods; and the charges payable for burial plots, and on breaking the ground in cemeteries or church-yards, for the purpose of burying the dead, and all matters of like nature therewith connected, shall be regulated by the vestry of each church.

#### VESTRY MAY MAKE NECESSARY BY-LAWS.

19. It shall be in the power of the members of such vestry, at such vestry meetings as aforesaid, to make by-laws for the regulation of their proceedings, and for the management of the temporalities of the church, parish or mission, to which they belong, provided the same are not repugnant to this Act, nor contrary to the Canons of the said United Church of England and Ireland, or of the Synod of the Diocese, in which said church, parish or mission is situated.

#### CERTAIN ENDOWMENTS AND TRUSTS AUTHORIZED.

20. Any deed or conveyance of land, or of personalty, that may be made to any bishop of the said church, in Upper Canada, and to his successors, for the endowment of his see, or for the general uses of the said church, as such bishop may appoint, or otherwise, or for the use of any particular church then erected, or thereafter to be erected, or for the endowment of a parsonage, rectory, living, parish or living, or for other uses or purposes appurtenant to such church in general, or to any particular church, parish or mission, to be named in such deed, and any such deed or conveyance, to any parson, or rector, or incumbent, and his successors, for the endowment of such parsonage, rectory, living, parish or mission, or for other uses or purposes appurtenant thereto, shall be valid and effectual to the uses and purposes in such deed or conveyance to be mentioned and set forth, the acts of parliament, commonly called the Statutes of Mortmain, or other acts, laws, or usages, to the contrary thereof notwithstanding; provided always, that in order to the validity of such deeds and conveyances, the same shall be made and executed six months at least before the death of the person conveying the same, and shall be registered not later than six months after his decease.

#### ERECTION AND ENDOWMENT OF CHURCHES—LAY PRESENTATION.

21. In the event of any person or persons, body or bodies politic or corporate, desiring to erect and found a church or churches, and to endow the same with

a sufficiency for the maintenance of such church and of divine service therein, according to the rites of the said Church of England and Ireland, it shall and may be lawful for him or them to do so, upon procuring the license of the bishop, under his hand and seal, for that purpose; and thereupon, after the erection of a suitable church, and the appropriation by the founder thereof of such church so erected, and of lands and hereditaments, or other property, adequate to the maintenance thereof and of an incumbent, and adequate to the usual and ordinary charges attendant upon such church, such provision being made to the satisfaction of the bishop, such founder, his heir and assigns, being members of the said Church of England, or such body politic or corporate, as the case may be, shall have the right of presentation to such church, as an advowson in fee presentative, according to the rules and canons of the said United Church of England and Ireland, or of the canons of the Synod of the diocese in which such endowment may have been made.

SYNOD MAY FIX SYNOD DUES PAYABLE BY PARISHES.

22. The synod of each diocese in Upper Canada, as aforesaid, shall have authority to fix the Synod dues or apportionment which shall be paid by each parish or mission, within such diocese, towards defraying the expenses of such synod.

NO SPIRITUAL JURISDICTION OR RIGHTS CONFERRED BY THIS ACT.

23. Nothing in this act contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, in any manner, to confer any spiritual jurisdiction or ecclesiastical rights whatsoever upon any Bishop or Bishops, or other ecclesiastical person, of the said church, in Upper Canada.

Mr. Price gave notice that he would move the adoption of the above report, and for the appointment of a committee to confer with the committees of the Dioceses of Toronto and Ontario with full power to adopt the bill and apply to parliament for the passing of the same.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CERTIFICATES.

The committee appointed to examine the certificates of the Lay Representatives beg to report that they have examined the certificates of fifty-nine delegates. In some particulars some of these certificates are not strictly in accordance with the prescribed form. They would recommend that more care be taken for the future in making the certificates in the exact form laid down in the constitution, but that these certificates be now received.

London, June 28, 1865. (Signed,)

ST. GEORGE CAULFEILD.

Chairman.

The report was received and adopted.

CONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT ON CHURCH TEMPORALITIES ACT.

Moved by Rev. W. Bettridge, B.D., seconded by Rev. J. Gunne:

IV. Resolved, that the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Church Temporalities Act be taken up immediately after the adjournment this evening. *Carried.*

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The Bishop then read the following address to the Synod:—

In addressing you on this occasion, my Rev. Brethren and Brethren, I would in the first place, give expression to my feelings of devout thankfulness to our God and Father that He has been pleased to protect me in all my journeyings by land and by water during the months of my absence, and to restore me in health and safety to my home and to my diocese. But, while thus giving utterance to feelings of thankfulness for the protection which I have experienced and the personal mercies which have been vouchsafed to me, I am reminded of the death of one of the oldest and most faithful of our missionaries which took place during my absence. The Rev. Richard Flood, whom I had known and loved as a brother in Christ for nearly forty years, has been called from this lower scene of his ministrations, to take his place above amongst the redeemed host who stand before the throne, and who cast their crowns at the Redeemer's feet, and ascribe all glory, honor, power, might and salvation to Him who loved them and washed them from their sins in his own blood.— The loss of our dear brother will be seriously felt not only in the church, but by the community at large. He was not only instant in season and out of season as a faithful minister of Christ, but he was ever ready to employ his high scholastic attainments for the public good, and has been for many years an active and efficient promoter of education in this section of the province. I deeply feel the personal loss which I have experienced in the removal of a dear brother with whom for so long a period I have taken sweet counsel on the things of God, and to whom I have, in the early years of my Christian life, often opened up the secret workings of my inmost soul. But while I thus sorrow for our dear departed brother, I feel constrained to bless God that He has relieved from bodily suffering and taken to Himself one to whom he had so fully revealed the riches of His grace, and the certainty of His salvation. All who were acquainted with our dear brother know how entirely he trusted in the all-sufficient atonement and spotless righteousness of Christ, and how heartily and unreservedly he believed the Evangelical doctrines of our Church, as plainly set forth in her articles and formularies. Let us earnestly pray that the Lord will raise amongst us many men like-minded, to carry on His work in this extensive portion of His vineyard. We have also to deplore the death of two of our younger brethren, whom it has pleased God to remove early from amongst us. The Rev. R. A. Montgomery and the Rev. A. Potts were comparatively young in the ministry, but they had run so well that high expectations had been entertained of their usefulness in the church. These deaths, and the removal of the Rev. A. Fisher and the Rev. J. Vicars from the diocese, have reduced the number of our clergy to seventy-six.

In compliance with the resolution passed by the Church Society in September last, I proceeded to England to lay before the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts the wants of the diocese, and to induce them to reconsider the resolution which they had passed reducing their grant to this diocese from £1,200 per annum to £1,000. I found the Society, as I have ever

found them, most kindly disposed to aid us, and, after full explanation of our state and necessities, I succeeded in obtaining a renewal of the original grant of £1,200 per annum, and £100 for the Indian Mission of Walpole Island, for three years from the 1st of January, 1866. All the grants made by the Society to the Colonial Church in every part of the world had to be examined and re-arranged at the beginning of this year. This necessarily caused much delay, and I found myself under the necessity of deferring my return from time to time, in order that I might not leave unfinished the business which I had undertaken. It was only on Thursday, the 1st of this month, that I was able to effect this, at the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, which closed its proceedings at five p.m. I immediately left London by the train that night, arrived in Cork on Saturday, the 3rd, and went on board the Scotia at Queenstown on Sunday the 4th, and by the good providence of our God, I now take my place among my brethren to enter, I trust, with renewed zeal upon the work which lies before us.

The Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, though from the state of their funds, and the many demands upon them, they are not able to place a block sum at my disposal, as formerly, have evinced their desire to aid in the work of church-building in the diocese, and have freely granted assistance to all cases which I brought before them. I feel assured that this Society will do all in its power to aid us, both with funds and with grants of books. The Colonial and Continental Church Society has also exhibited an earnest desire to promote the cause of true religion in the diocese, and though they have not been in a position to increase their grant, I feel assured that such is their good will towards us, that whenever their funds will allow, they will be prepared to assist us to the full extent of their powers.

The appeal which I, in conjunction with Archdeacon Hellmuth, made to our christian friends in England and Ireland, in behalf of Huron College, was liberally responded to, and the sum of \$15,000 has been the present result. We hope that the interest which has been aroused in favor of the institution will result in obtaining all that we desire for its permanent establishment. The amount which has been already received will enable us to place it on a sure basis in its present state, and we trust that ere long we shall be enabled to enlarge it sufficiently to meet the wants of the diocese. I have obtained a large grant of Bibles, Testaments, and religious books and tracts, from the British and Foreign Bible Society, the Religious Tract Society, and the Dublin Tract Depository.

I regret to find that the funds of the Church Society of the diocese are not in the same prosperous state in which they were last year. Though this may, in some degree be accounted for by the distress felt in every part of the country because of the badness of last year's harvest, and the difficulties produced by the war which raged in the neighbouring States, still I feel assured that much might have been done to avert the evil had the clergy, in their several missions, exerted themselves to promote the interests of the Society. I have

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frequently urged this upon the clergy, and I would now repeat with additional emphasis, what I have said on former occasions, "that it is the imperative duty of the clergy, second only to the great duty of preaching the everlasting Gospel, to see that the Church Society of the diocese, upon which, under God, our success as a Christian community depends, should receive all the care and attention which they can bestow upon it; and that it should be systematically and energetically worked in all its departments in every parish and mission in the diocese. We cannot consistently apply to voluntary societies in England to aid us in the support of our clergy, if the clergy themselves do not perform what is so obviously their duty towards their own Church Society. The eyes of the societies at home are upon us, and if they see that we are remiss and and supine in working our own society, they will withdraw that aid which they have so freely and liberally bestowed upon us, and expend their funds upon other sections of the Church which are appealing to them for help. The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts had rightly come to the resolution "to help those only who evince a becoming desire and earnestness to help themselves." It expects to find the conditions upon which their grants are given faithfully complied with by those missions and missionaries who are aided from their funds; and one important condition is, that in every mission assisted by them for the space of three years, a church or parsonage shall be erected, or an endowment provided equal in value to the grant made by the Society. I desire to call the attention of the missionaries in part supported by that Society to these conditions, and also that quarterly reports are expected from the missionaries, which should be carefully prepared and sent to me in good time to be by me forwarded to the Society.

I deemed it a great privilege to be able to attend the religious meetings held both in Dublin and London. Such meetings are eminently calculated to stir up in the minds of the clergy and people a zeal to promote the glory of God and to forward His work in the world. And it is indeed cheering to find that the incomes of these societies for the past year have materially increased, notwithstanding the great pressure which has been felt by the commercial interest throughout the country. It is indeed a pleasing sight to behold thousands of people from all parts of the country assembled for many days to evince their interest in missionary and benevolent works, both at home and abroad; and the true Catholic spirit of our religion is manifested in those devotional assemblies in which prayer is made for God's blessing upon the labors and efforts of societies and missionaries in all nations and among all the kindreds and tribes of the whole earth. There is one feeling which evidently prevades all persons deeply interested in these societies, that, however liberally the funds of these societies may be supported, and however devotedly and energetically the work assigned them may be carried on, still the divine blessing must be sought earnestly and continually; that without this they would labour in vain, and spend their strength for nought. The prayer-meetings which are held for this purpose are numerous attended, and admirably conducted, and the services in our churches are remarkable for the solemnity

and devotion exhibited by the large number of worshippers who attend. I trust this same spirit will be found amongst us, and that our clergy and laity will show, by attendance upon our services, that they are sensible of the need of Divine teaching and influence, and of the Divine blessing upon all the work of their hands.

The subjects which will engage the attention of the Synod, are of the most important character, and a right judgment upon them is necessary to secure the peace and prosperity of the church for the time to come. The judgment of the Court of Appeal in the case of Colenso against the Bishop of Capetown has opened to us a different view of the position of the Colonial Church from that previously entertained, and it becomes necessary for us now to shape all our own proceedings in accordance with our real position. As far as I am aware, but one authoritative interpretation of that judgment has been published. It is contained in the replies given by Her Majesty's Attorney General to certain questions put by Mr. Dunlop in the House of Commons, on the 27th March. I will read the questions and answers for the information of those who may not have seen them in the report of the proceedings of Parliament.

"Mr. Dunlop asked the Attorney-General to what extent and effects, if any, patents erecting episcopal sees in colonies having representative Legislatures, or in which the Church of England had not been previously by law established, and purporting to confer ecclesiastical jurisdiction, were valid and operative; and also enquired under what statutory or other authority the Queen, as sovereign of the United Kingdom, issued patents for the erection of episcopal sees, in accordance with the religious system established by law in only one part of the United Kingdom—England—in colonies which never were at any time colonies of England, but had been from their origin British colonies.

"The Attorney-General said that it was very much more easy, after the late decisions, to say what was not than what was the effect of letters patent. He would, however, endeavour to give the best answer he could to the question now asked. According to the best interpretation he could place on those decisions, he understood it to be determined—first, that no legal dioceses were created by these letters patent in the colonies to which the question had reference; secondly that the letters patent created no legal identity between the episcopal churches presided over by the nominated bishops and the United Church of England and Ireland; thirdly, that the letters patent did not introduce into those colonies any part of the ecclesiastical law of England; and, fourthly, they conferred on the bishops no legal jurisdiction or power whatever, and added nothing to any authority which the bishops might have by law acquired, or by the voluntary principle, without any letters patent or Royal sanction at all. There remained, therefore, nothing which letters patent could do, unless to incorporate the bishops and their successors with the ordinary incidents of a legal corporation. But he saw it stated in the recent judgment that these letters patent were not valid for the purpose of creating ecclesiastical corporations, whose status, rights and authority the colonies should be required to recognise."

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From this opinion of the highest law officer of the Crown, it is apparent that patents issued by Her Majesty, purporting to create sees or provinces, or to confer ecclesiastical offices upon persons in colonies having representative Legislatures, are null and void—that no legal dioceses were created, by these patents; that no part of the ecclesiastical law of England was introduced into this colony by these patents; that the church here is no longer identified with the United Church of England and Ireland; that no legal jurisdiction or power was conferred upon any person by these patents; and that no ecclesiastical corporation whose status, rights and authority the colonies should be required to recognise now exists among us by virtue of these patents. By this authoritative interpretation of the judgment we must abide until another, from a higher and more trustworthy source, is made public. I perceive, by a letter lately published in the "Echo," that an opinion upon this subject has been obtained from a high authority in England. It would be most desirable that such opinion should be published. Were it now in our hands it would be most useful in informing us upon the subject we shall be called to discuss. I feel assured that the good sense of all well wishers of the church amongst us will induce a spirit of caution and prudence in all our deliberations and decisions, and if we have in time past, while ignorant of our real position, adopted any measure inconsistent with our legal status, and which may hereafter be called in question, that we shall be ready at once to retrace our steps, and to be careful that all our proceedings are of such a character as shall render them unassailable by law. This is manifestly our duty, and the only wise and prudent course for us in the present unsettled state of our church policy in this country. If we adopt any measure of a doubtful character, or which may at any future time be objected to as illegal, we shall incur the fearful responsibility of handing down to those who shall come after us materials for strife and contention. Whereas, by carefully keeping within the known limits of law, and basing everything we do upon a foundation which cannot be questioned, we shall secure the peace and good order of the church in this country in all time to come. I trust my rev. brethren and brethren, that the spirit of God, whose presence and influence we have invoked, will be with us to enlighten, guide and direct us; to subdue every unruly will and affection of our corrupt nature, and to lead us to the adoption of such measures as shall be in accordance with the Divine will.

Moved by Ven. Archdeacon Brough, A.M., seconded by Rev. E. L. Elwood, A.M.:

V. Resolved,—That this Synod desires to acknowledge the good Providence under which our esteemed Diocesan has been restored in safety to his home and Diocese; and they would further express their grateful sense of the perseverance and labors through which, under God, his Lordship has brought his arduous mission to a successful issue. This Synod would no less gratefully offer their most respectful thanks to the great Religious Societies of the mother country, and the many christian friends who, in their individual capacity, respond-



ed to the appeals of our Bishop, and evinced their sympathy with the spiritual necessities of the Diocese. Carried.

VOTE OF THANKS TO ARCHDEACON BROUGH.

Moved by the Rev. W. Bettridge, B. D., seconded by Rev. Dr. Sandys,

VI. Resolved,—That the thanks of this Synod be presented to the Ven. the Archdeacon Brough, for the efficient and courteous manner in which he has discharged the duties of Commissary to the Bishop of this Diocese during his lordship's absence in Europe. Carried.

The following paper was arranged by the Executive Committee, and sent to the members according to the rule of the Synod:—

UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM 7TH SESSION.

1. Ven. C. C. Brough,—Adoption of the Report of the Committee on the Notice to be given by a Rector or Curate.

2. Rev. H. Caulfeild,—(Notice 2, page 107, minutes 7th session,) Archdeacons and Rural Deans.

3. Rev. H. Caulfeild,—On the Vestries of Churches, (page 107, minutes 7th session.)

4. Rev. Dr. Caulfeild,—Certain alteration in the prayers for Governor General and Parliament, (page 107, minutes 7th session).

5. D. J. Hughes, Esq.—On the subject of Appeals under the Synod Act, (page 108, minutes 7th session).

6. D. J. Hughes, Esq.—On the Incorporation of the Synod, (page 108, minutes 7th session.)

7. Rev. W. Bettridge,—On the duties of Rural Deans, page 110, minutes 7th session).

8. Rev. D. Armstrong,—On Statistical Reports, (page 110, minutes 7th session).

9. P. Roe, Esq.—On the time of Meeting of the Synod, (page 110, minutes 7th session).

10. H. F. Martin, Esq.—Synod to appoint place of next Meeting, (page 116, minutes 7th session).

BUSINESS ARRANGED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—NOTICES SENT TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

1. Report of the Committee on proposed alterations in Church Temporalities Act.

2. J. Beard, Esq.—That No. 11 of the Rules for the preservation of order be expunged.

3. D. J. Hughes, Esq.—1st. That a Standing Committee of this Synod be annually appointed to receive and consider the Report of the Sunday School Association of the Diocese of Huron, and that the Officers of that Association be not appointed until the Committee shall have made their Report to the Synod.

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2nd. That uniformity in Sabbath School instruction and management throughout the Diocese is desirable for the promotion of the ends sought after by the formation of Sunday Schools.

3rd. That it is expedient to appoint a General Superintendent of Sabbath Schools for this Diocese, who shall annually visit the Schools, and report to the Synod.

4th. That religious instruction in our Common Schools, under the care and training of religious teachers, is an indispensable necessity for the youth of our country; and paramount in importance to all other instruction, and considerations respecting them.

5th. That the recent decision of the Honorable the Privy Council in the matter of the appeal of the Bishop of Natal against the decision of, and deposition by the Bishop of Capetown, points out the necessity for action being taken by the Church in Canada, in order to make regulations for enforcing discipline under the first section of the Synod Act; and to constitute a tribunal and jurisdiction which Colonial Bishops, appointed by the Crown, are held not to possess under their Letters Patent.

6th. That in order to fully carry out the provisions of the Synod Act of this Province, it is expedient that a General Assembly of the Church should be constituted under the said Act.

7th. That this Synod is of opinion and holds that a General Assembly, under the second section of the Synod Act, has not been legally constituted.

8th. That this Synod holds, that the only proper and just mode for constituting a General Assembly under the Synod Act, and the only practicable mode for expediting business thereat, is for the Bishops, Clergy and Laity of the Province to assemble and deliberate on the affairs of the Church in one chamber, and not in two, or more, or different, or separate chambers, or houses, or orders; that they should vote by orders in the same chamber; and that before any motion or act of such General Assembly should pass or be legally binding, it should receive the sanction of a majority of each order.

9th. That this Synod hold that the proper times and places for holding a General Assembly under the Synod Act should be settled by the Constitution; but that the said Assembly should be held in each Diocese of the Province by rotation.

10th. That this Synod holds that it is inexpedient and unnecessary to appoint, or elect, or have, as ruling over or superintending the affairs of the Church in this Province, a Provincial Metropolitan or Archbishop, in Canada; that each session of the General Assembly should be presided over by the Bishop of the Diocese in which the Assembly meets, or, in his absence, by the senior Bishop present, who, for the time being, should be Primus Bishop.

11th. That the Lord Bishop of this Diocese be requested by this Synod to take steps, conjointly with the other Bishops of Canada, for the calling together the Bishops, Clergy and Laity, and members of the United Church of England and Ireland in this Province, in order

that they may form a *Provisional* General Assembly, and propose the basis of a Constitution for the formation of a General Assembly under the Provincial Synod Act; but that such Constitution should not be finally passed until it has been first submitted to, and approved by the several Synods of the Province, at special meetings to be called for the purpose, by the same majorities as are essential to the alteration or change of their own respective Constitutions.

12. That this Synod do now proceed to designate by ballot the delegates who shall represent this Synod at such *Provisional* General Assembly as may be called, in pursuance to the foregoing resolution, during the present year, viz.:—12 Clergymen as delegates from the Clergy, and 6 substitutes; and 12 laymen, and 6 substitutes, from the Laity, to represent each order in the Synod; and that the 12 gentlemen in each order, receiving the highest number of votes be delegates, and the 6 persons in each order receiving the next highest number of votes be the substitutes.

13th. That this Synod will not elect or choose delegates to represent this Diocese in any General Assembly or General Synod, or acknowledge the acts of any such Assembly or Synod as binding upon this Diocese, until the terms and basis upon which such General Assembly or Synod is to meet, and the Constitution thereof be settled, and afterwards approved by a two-thirds majority of this Synod, nor unless the same be settled in harmony with the views expressed by the present resolutions.

14th. That this Synod holds it to be an indispensable provision of any Constitution to be settled at such *Provisional* General Assembly, that no change shall at any time be made therein without first submitting the same to each Diocesan Synod of the Province, and obtaining a vote of a majority of the several orders constituting the same, and failing the observance thereof at any time, this Diocesan Synod shall be at liberty, at any time thereafter, to disconnect itself from the acts, jurisdiction and proceedings of such General Assembly—and the same shall be null and void, in so far as this Diocesan Synod is concerned.

15th. This Synod holds that before any such General Assembly shall be finally constituted, the Constitution thereof, and the regulations for the general management and good government of the Church in the Province, and particularly concerning alterations in the Book of Common Prayer and Forms of Prayer, and concerning the suspension, deprivation or removal from office of any Dignitary, Minister, or other person holding office in the Church, or concerning the exclusion of any one from the meetings or proceedings of the Diocesan or General Assemblies or Synods—shall be first submitted to, and approved of by the several Bishops, and also by a two-thirds majority of the Clergy and Laity in each Diocese in their several Synods assembled.

16th. That this Synod holds it to be an indispensable provision of the Constitution for the General Assembly, that, in order to constitute a quorum for the dispatch of business at such General Assembly, there should be a majority of the Bishops, and also a majority of the Clerical and Lay Delegates representing a majority of the several Dioceses of the Province present; and that if any Diocese should not be repre-

sented by a majority of the members of the meeting of the said Diocese shall not vote. Resolutions shall not be forwarded, at the next meeting of the said Diocese, unless they or any of them be approved as substantive.

17th. I also give notice of the following Resolutions as amended, to be forwarded, at the next meeting of the said Diocese, unless they or any of them be approved as substantive.

### 1. Notice of motion

That the appointment of delegates to represent this Diocese in any General Assembly or General Synod, or acknowledge the acts of any such Assembly or Synod as binding upon this Diocese, until the terms and basis upon which such General Assembly or Synod is to meet, and the Constitution thereof be settled, and afterwards approved by a two-thirds majority of this Synod, nor unless the same be settled in harmony with the views expressed by the present resolutions.

This by-law not to be altered.

### 2. Moved by Rev. J. G. ...

Whereas, the Church of the Lord's Supper, of Christ's natural flesh and bloody of our Saviour, and also, in her articles of the mass, the words of the invocation of saints, the Catholic doctrine of the Father and the Son; and deprecates all attempts to persist in unscriptural

### 3. Moved by Rev. G. ...

That this Synod, having Kingston, Secretary of the Synod of this Diocese, through press of business, the importance of the Sabbotary clergyman of the objects of the Society



propose the assembly under should not be approved by the called for the alteration or

presented by a majority of its Clerical and Lay Delegates present at any meeting of the said General Assembly, the minority of such Diocese present shall not vote, or act, or take part in such proceedings, and such Diocese shall be held to be not represented thereat.

17th. I also give notice that I shall move all or any of the foregoing Resolutions as amendments to any Resolution which may be brought forward, at the next meeting of the Synod, upon the subjects to which they or any of them relate, in case I may not be able to bring them forward as substantive or independent Resolutions.

## NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. Notice of motion by Rev. J. Smythe, M. A. :

That the appointment of all incumbents and missionaries to vacant parishes and missions, and to new missions, be vested in the Bishop, provided that in all cases where the people contribute not less than one-half the clergyman's salary, they may, in a vestry meeting which shall be called, of which notice shall be given, and which shall be formed in accordance with the provisions of the "Temporalities Act," consider the appointment of a clergyman to their parish or mission, and reject it by a majority of votes, when the Bishop shall make another appointment, which may be considered and rejected in like manner, in which case the Bishop shall appoint another clergyman, and continue to do so (if he shall think it advisable) as long as there shall appear to be against such appointment, a majority of votes at a vestry meeting which shall be called, of which notice shall be given, and which shall be formed as aforesaid—provided always that a vestry meeting for the said purpose must be held within one month from the time the congregation shall receive formal notice of the appointment of the clergyman.

This by-law not to apply to presentation to rectories.

2. Moved by Rev. H. Caulfeild, seconded by Rev. J. Carmichael,—

Whereas, the Church of England, in the office for the administration of the Lord's Supper, denies that there is therein any corporal presence of Christ's natural flesh and blood, and declares that the natural body and bloody of our Saviour, Christ, are in heaven, and not here; and also, in her articles of religion, condemns the doctrines of the sacrifices of the mass, the worshipping and adoration of images and relics, and the invocation of saints; and further, in her creeds and articles maintains the Catholic doctrine that the Holy Ghost proceedeth from both the Father and the Son; be it therefore resolved, that this Synod earnestly deprecates all attempts to hold intercommunion with churches which persist in unscriptural and uncatholic errors on any of these points.

3. Moved by Rev. G. M. Innis, seconded by

That this Synod, having received a communication from Dr. Mair, of Kingston, Secretary of the Sabbath Reformation Society, and which, through press of business, was not noticed at the last meeting of the Synod of this Diocese, does now desire to express a deep sense of the importance of the Sabbath movement, and the solemn obligations of every clergyman of the church to promote, by every means in his power, the objects of the Society.

4. Moved by Rev. M. S. Baldwin, B.A., seconded by Rev. Dr. Caulfeild,—

That a committee be appointed to express the heartfelt and cordial sympathy of the Diocese of Huron with the Right Rev. Dr. Gray, Bishop of Capetown, for his noble and consistent conduct in endeavouring to maintain the integrity of God's Word, and the discipline of the church of Christ.

5. Moved by Rev. S. Tighe, A.B., seconded by Rev. J. Carmichael,—

That the Bishop be respectfully requested to appoint a committee to prepare a form of prayer, to be used in all churches throughout the diocese on the days that may be appointed for a general thanksgiving after harvest.

6. Notice of motion by D. J. Hughes, Esq.,—

For the appointment of a committee to consider and report a set of canons and regulations for enforcing discipline in the church in this Diocese, for the appointment deposition, deprivation or removal of any person bearing office in the church, and to prepare forms of procedure and practice under the same canons and regulation—it being found that no ecclesiastical law is now in force in this Province for the government of the church.

7. Notice of motion by the Rev. Dr. Townley.

For the adoption of a petition in accordance with the action in the Diocese of Ontario, praying the Legislature to give the right of distinctive religious teaching during school hours to all denominations asking it.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Notice No. 1 on Executive Committee paper:

Moved by Ven. C. C. Brough, A.M., seconded by F. S. MacGachen, Esq.,—

VII. Resolved,—That the report of the Committee on notice to be given by a Rector or Curate and Inumbent be adopted; and that the following be the rule of this Diocese:—That whenever a Rector discontinues the services of his Curate or Assistant, he shall give three months notice to such Curate or Assistant, and also to the Bishop of the Diocese.

That whenever a Curate or Assistant desires to resign his position in relation to his rector, he shall give the same notice to his Rector, and to the Bishop of the Diocese.

That whenever a Clergyman desires to resign his charge, he shall give three months notice to the Bishop of the Diocese, and also to his Vestry; provided always that the above rules shall not necessarily interfere with any arrangement approved by the Bishop, and which the above parties may agree upon for a more speedy separation. Carried.

No. 2 on Executive Paper.

Moved by the Rev. H. Caulfeild, seconded by Rev. G. M. Innes,—

VIII. Resolved of Archdeacons appointment of Synod, in virtue of all persons bearing hereby vests the of the Diocese.

No. 3, Rev. H.

No. 4, Rev. Dr.

The Synod adjourned.

The Synod resumed.

It was agreed that on "Church Temporal" precedence of all Provincial Synod.

No. 5. Moved by M.A.,—

IX. Resolved,—That report to the Synod in cases of appeal.

Moved in amendment Esq.,—

Resolved,—That same committee do subsequent notices of Hughes, and that discussed upon the report to-morrow.

The amendment withdrawn.

The original resolution.

No. 6. Moved by D.

B.A.,—

X. Resolved,—That committee to consider and procure an Act of purposes of the Church Act or for consolidation work of the Synod.

No. 7, Rev. W. Be.

No. 8, Rev. D. Arr.

No. 9, P. Roe, Esq.

VIII. Resolved,—That inasmuch as from the nature of the functions of Archdeacons and Rural Deans, and the custom of the Church, the appointment of such officer properly belongs to the Episcopal Office, the Synod, in virtue of the power to make regulations for the appointment of all persons bearing office in the Church, conferred by the Synod Act, hereby vests the power of making such appointments in the Bishop of the Diocese. Carried.

No. 3, Rev. H. Caulfeild, on Executive Committee paper withdrawn

No. 4, Rev. Dr. Caulfeild, on Executive Committee paper withdrawn.

The Synod adjourned at 6 o'clock to meet again at 7.30 p.m.

The Synod resumed at 7.30 p.m.—The Bishop in the chair.

It was agreed that the consideration of the report of the Committee on "Church Temporalities Act," be postponed until to-morrow, to take precedence of all business except the election of delegates to the Provincial Synod.

No. 5. Moved by D. J. Hughes, Esq., seconded by Rev. J. Smythe, M.A.,—

IX. Resolved,—That a committee be now appointed to enquire and report to the Synod what would be the practical effect of the Synod Act in cases of appeal.

Moved in amendment by Rev. D. Armstrong, seconded by S. Price, Esq.,—

Resolved,—That as an addition to the resolution now proposed, the same committee do take into consideration the subject of the 5th and subsequent notices of motion sent to Executive Committee by Judge Hughes, and that the whole of the subjects contained in them be discussed upon the report of that committee. Said report to be presented to-morrow.

The amendment was put and lost.

The original resolution was then put and lost; yeas 36; nays 37.

No. 6. Moved by D. J. Hughes, Esq., seconded by Rev. M.S. Baldwin, B.A.,—

X. Resolved,—That the Lord Bishop be requested to appoint a committee to consider and report to the next Synod on the advisability of procuring an Act of Parliament, incorporating the Synod for all purposes of the Church Society, and for repealing the Church Society Act or for consolidating the operations of the Church Society with the work of the Synod. Carried.

No. 7, Rev. W. Bettridge, B.D., withdrawn.

No. 8, Rev. D. Armstrong, postponed.

No. 9, P. Roe, Esq., withdrawn.



No. 10, H. F. Martin, Esq. Mr. Martin absent ; passed over.

CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS.

No. 2. Moved by J. Beard, Esq., seconded by F. S. MacGachen, Esq.,—

XI. Resolved,—That No. 11 of the rules for the preservation of order be expunged.

Moved in amendment by S. Price, Esq., seconded by Rev. J. McLean, M.A.,—

Resolved, that rule No. 11 shall read as follows:—When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made, but no further amendment to such second amendment shall be in order until the second amendment shall have been disposed of. Carried.

No. 3, D. J. Hughes, Esq., on executive committee paper.

Nos. 1, 2 and 3 withdrawn.

No. 4. Moved by D. J. Hughes, Esq., seconded by Rev. A. Townley, D.D.,—

XII. Resolved,—That religious instruction in our Common Schools, under the care and training of religious teachers, is an indispensable necessity for the youth of our country; and paramount in importance to all other instruction, and considerations respecting them.

Moved in amendment by Rev. H. Caulfeild, seconded by F. W. Thomas, Esq.,—

Resolved,—That this Synod do petition the Legislature on the subject of Separate Schools, for the same privileges as those which are enjoyed by our Roman Catholic fellow subjects.

Second amendment moved by Colonel Wilson, seconded by Rev. J. McLean, M.A.,—

Resolved,—That whereas the Church in this Province has already expressed its views upon the subject of Separate Schools, any further action by this Synod is inexpedient and unnecessary.

Moved by Ven. C. C. Brough, seconded by Rev. J. McLean, M.A.,—

XIII. Resolved,—That the Synod do now adjourn. Carried.

The Bishop pronounced the benediction, and the Synod adjourned at 11.30 P.M.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY, JUNE 29TH, 1865.

After Divine Service in the Cathedral, the Synod met in St. Paul's School House.

The Bishop took the chair at 10 A.M.

After prayer the rolls of the Clergy and Lay Representatives were called by the respective Secretaries.

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51 Clergymen and 46 Lay Representatives answered to their names.  
The minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

## NOTICES OF MOTION.

1. Moved by the Rev. G. M. Innes, seconded by the Rev. J. Carmichael,—

That the following alteration be made in the clause under the head of "Library," in the report of Sunday School Committee:—"The Secretary of the Synod," substituted for the Secretary of the Church Society; and that the words "to be submitted to the Synod at its meetings," be added after the word report, and, further, that the words "if deemed expedient," be struck out.

2. Moved by F. W. Thomas, Esq., seconded by the Rev. M. S. Baldwin,—

That the grateful thanks of this Synod are due and are hereby tendered to the Ven. Archdeacon Hellmuth, for the constant and unwavering activity displayed by him in his relations towards the Diocese, more particularly as evinced in his late mission to England.

## ORDER OF THE DAY.

Canon for the appointment of delegates to the Provincial Synod.

Moved by Rev. Dr. Townley; seconded by P. Roe, Esq.,—

XIV. Resolved,—That the Synod do now proceed with the order of the day.

Moved in amendment by Rev. H. Caulfeild, seconded by Rev. S. Tighe, A.B.,—

Whereas this Synod is of opinion that the Provincial Synod or General Assembly of the Church in Canada has not yet been legally constituted, resolved, therefore, that we do earnestly request the Bishops of the Church in Canada to meet together, and issue such a call to the several Dioceses as may result in the Synod being legally constituted in accordance with the Synod Act; and that we do now proceed to elect delegates according to the canon, who shall represent this Diocese in such Provincial Synod when it shall be so constituted; and that a copy of this resolution be sent immediately to each of the Bishops.

Second amendment moved by Rev. Dr. Caulfeild, seconded by S. Price, Esq.,—

That delegates be appointed to attend the meeting proposed to be held at Montreal in September next, to remain and take part in any proceedings which may be necessary to constitute a general assembly in accordance with the following points; otherwise to withdraw, in which case we shall not be considered to have given our adhesion to the general assembly:

1. That the assembly shall elect the presiding Bishop.
2. That any act or decree of the general assembly affecting the worship, discipline or doctrine of the Church before it becomes law in

any Diocese, must be submitted to and receive the sanction of its Synod.

Vote by orders was asked for by five Clergymen :

Yea—Clergy, 29; Laity, 18.

Nay—Clergy, 25; Laity, 29. Lost.

Further amendment moved by F. W. Thomas, Esq., seconded by Rev. E. L. Elwood, A.M.,—

That delegates be appointed under the canon, and that they be instructed to give their suffrages in favour of the election of Dr. Fulford as premier Bishop, but that they oppose the vesting of the Metropolitan See in the Diocese of Montreal in future, and that beyond these restrictions the delegates go free and untrammelled. Lost.

Vote by orders was asked for by five Clergymen :

Yeas—Clergy, 21; Laity, 23.

Nays—Clergy, 28; Laity, 24.

Further amendment moved by A. Walsh, Esq., seconded by Colonel Wilson,—

That the delegates be now appointed under the canon to proceed to Montreal to assist in the formation of a general assembly in accordance with the Synod Act. Carried.

The Synod adjourned at 6.30 P.M., to meet again at a quarter to 8 P.M.

The Synod resumed at a quarter to 8 P.M.—The Bishop in the chair. The Bishop appointed Revs. F. D. Fauquier and J. McLean, and Messrs. J. Beard and G. F. Ryland, to act as Scrutineers, in conjunction with the Secretaries, in the ballot for delegates to the Provincial Synod.

The ballot for delegates was then proceeded with in accordance with the canon regulating the same.

Moved by S. Price, Esq., seconded by Rev. Dr. Sands,—

XV. Resolved,—That the report of the committee on Church Temporalities act be now received and considered. Carried.

The report of the committee on proposed amendments to Church Temporalities Act was taken up section by section, and the first five sections, with a few amendments, were adopted.

The Synod adjourned at 10.30 P.M.

The Bishop pronounced the benediction.

### THIRD DAY—FRIDAY, JUNE 30TH, 1865.

After prayer in the Cathedral, the Synod assembled at 10 A.M.

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The rolls of the Clergy and Lay Representatives were called by the respective Secretaries, when 43 Clergyman, and 34 Lay Representatives answered to their names.

Minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Bishop named the following as the Executive Committee :

CLERGY.	LAITY.
Ven. C. C. Brough, A.M.,	G. F. Ryland, Esq.,
Rev. W. Bettridge, B.D.,	P. Roe, Esq.,
“ St.G.Caulfeild, LL.D.,	S. Price, Esq.,
“ J. W. Marsh, M.A.,	J. Beard, Esq.,
“ J. Smythe, M.A.,	E. T. Ledyard, Esq.,
“ G. M. Innes.	T. J. Cottle, Esq.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

Moved by J. Dyas, Esq., seconded by F. S. MacGachen, Esq.,—

XVI. Resolved,—That the same officers and committee of the Sunday School Association continue in office for the current year. Carried.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Scrutiners of the Clerical Ballot for delegates to Provincial Synod.

The committee appointed to examine the votes for Clerical Representatives to the general assembly beg to report the following Clergymen as having received the highest number of votes :

DELEGATES.

Rev. J. W. Marsh M.A. . . . 53	Rev. G. M. Innes . . . . . 42
“ E. L. Elwood, A.M. 50	“ M. Boomer, LL.D. . . 40
Ven. C. C. Brough, A.M. 48	“ J. McLean, M.A. . . . 38
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FRED. D. FAUQUIER,  
J. WALKER MARSH,  
J. BEARD.

The report was put to the Synod by the chair and adopted

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The Committee appointed to examine the votes for Lay Representatives to the general assembly, beg to report the following gentlemen as having received the highest number of votes :

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A. Walsh, Esq. .... 38	F. W. Thomas, Esq. .... 29
J. Beard, Esq. .... 36	Judge Robinson ..... 25
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F. S. MacGachen, Esq. ... 22	T. S. Short, Esq. .... 20
George Ryland, Esq. .... 21	J. A. Penton, Esq. .... 20

(Signed,)

JOHN McLEAN,  
SAMUEL PRICE,  
GEORGE F. RYLAND.

The report was put to the Synod from the chair and adopted.  
The discussion on the report of Church Temporalities Act continued.  
Sections from 5 to 17, with amendments, adopted.  
Synod adjourned at 1 P.M. to half-past 2.

The Synod resumed at half-past 2 o'clock P.M.—The Bishop in the chair.

The rest of the sections in the report of Church Temporalities Act considered and adopted.

## SECTIONS AMENDED.

The report was then adopted with the following amendments:

To Section 3 the following words were added, "Or who shall not be a member of the United Church of England and Ireland."

To Section 5 the following words were added, "If so ordered by the canons of the Synod of the Diocese in which the vestry is situated."

The following was adopted as Section 16:

The rent charge to be paid on pews holden in freehold, which shall have been acquired before the passing of this Act, and the rent to be paid for pews and sittings in pews leased or rented, shall be regulated by the majority of the members present at any lawful vestry meeting as aforesaid, and in the case of a vacant congregation, such pew rent shall be regulated before the appointment of a Clergyman; and, unless otherwise ordered by the canons of the Synod of the Diocese in which the vestry is situated, no alteration shall be made without the consent of two-thirds of the members of the vestry, with the approval of the Bishop of the Diocese.

Moved by S. Price, Esq., seconded by D. J. Hughes, Esq.,—

XVII. Resolved,—That the draft of the Church Temporalities Act, with the amendments now proposed, be referred back to the same committee with authority for the committee, conjointly with the com-

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mittees of the other Dioceses, to adopt such a draft as they may think proper to submit to the Legislature. Carried.

Notice 3, June 28th,

Moved by Rev. G. M. Innes, seconded by Rev. J. Carmichael,—

XVIII. Resolved,—That his Lordship the Bishop be requested to appoint a committee for the purpose of drafting an address to His Excellency the Governor General, and to the Upper and Lower Houses of the Provincial Parliament, praying that measures may be adopted for closing the canals during the hours of the Lord's Day. Such address to be signed by his Lordship the Bishop of the Diocese, and the Lay and Clerical Secretaries on behalf of this Synod. Carried.

Debate on No. 4 of D. J. Hughes, Esq., notices, on Executive Committee paper, with the amendments, being the order of the day, was postponed by agreement, in order to proceed to other business, with the understanding that it be first of unfinished business.

At 4 P.M. the Bishop left the chair, and named Ven. C. C. Brough as his deputy.

Archdeacon Brough took the chair.

No. 5 moved by D. J. Hughes, Esq., seconded by Rev. S. Tighe, A.B.—

XIX. Resolved,—That the recent decision of the Honorable the Privy Council in the matter of the appeal of the Bishop of Natal against the decision of, and deposition by the Bishop of Capetown, points out the necessity for action being taken by the Church in Canada, in order to make regulations for enforcing discipline under the first section of the Synod Act; and to constitute a tribunal and jurisdiction which Colonial Bishops appointed by the Crown, are held not to possess under their Letters Patent; and that a committee be appointed to consider and report a set of canons and regulations for enforcing discipline in the church in this Diocese, for the appointment, deposition, deprivation or removal of any person bearing office in the church, and to prepare forms of procedure and practice under the same canons and regulations—it being found that no ecclesiastical law is now in force in this Province for the government of the church. Carried.

Nos. 6 to 17 of D. J. Hughes, Esq., notices postponed.

Notice No. 1, June 28th,

Moved by Rev. J. Smythe, M.A., seconded by D. J. Hughes, Esq.,—

XX. Resolved,—That the appointment of all Incumbents and Missionaries to vacant parishes and missions, and to new missions, be vested in the Bishop, and that the appointment of Assistant Ministers be vested in the Rector or Incumbent, subject to the concurrence of the Bishop. Carried.

No. 2, Rev. H. Caulfeild, postponed.

No. 4, Rev. M. S. Baldwin, B.A., withdrawn.

No. 5, moved by Rev. S. Tighe, A.B., seconded by Rev. J. Carmichael,—

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XXI. Resolved,—That the Bishop be respectfully requested to appoint a committee to prepare a form of prayer to be used in all churches throughout the Diocese on the days that may be appointed for a General Thanksgiving after harvest; and that if a day of Thanksgiving be not appointed by the Governor General, that this Synod respectfully request the Bishop to appoint such a day.

Amendment moved by Rev. Dr. Townley, seconded by Rev. F. D. Fauquier,—

Resolved,—That the consideration of the former clause of Mr. Tighe's motion be postponed until after the next meeting of the Provincial Synod. Carried.

Latter part of Rev. S. Tighe's resolution, viz :

XXII. "That if a day of Thanksgiving be not appointed by the Governor General, that this Synod respectfully request the Bishop to appoint such a day," was put and carried.

No. 6 by D. J. Hughes, Esq., included in resolution XIX.

No. 7 by Rev. Dr. Townley, included in resolution XII, proposed by D. J. Hughes, Esq., on the first day.

Notices of June 29th,

No. 1, Rev. G. M. Innes, absent.

No. 2, F. W. Thomas, Esq., withdrawn.

#### VOTE OF THANKS TO RAILROAD COMPANIES.

Moved by Rev. J. W. Marsh, M.A., seconded by A. Lefroy, Esq.,—

XXIII. Resolved,—That the thanks of the Synod of this Diocese are due and hereby given to the Managers of the Grand Trunk and the London & Port Stanley Railroads for their kindness in permitting the members to travel to and from London at one fare for the two journeys; and although they are not insensible to the reduction in the fare allowed by the G. W. R., and for which those who have been taken advantage of it will no doubt feel that a measure of thanks is due, still the Synod cannot but regret that, as a body, they are unable to accord their thanks to the G. W. R. for the same liberality as that displayed by the other railroads.

Amendment moved by Rev. Dr. Caulfeild, seconded by Rev. F. D. Fauquier,—

That the paragraph commencing with the words "and though," be omitted. Lost.

Original motion carried.

The chairman made a few remarks, and pronounced the benediction.

The Synod adjourned at a quarter to 6 P.M.

The Bishop subsequently appointed the following Committees:

#### ON INCORPORATION OF THE SYNOD, ETC.

\*D. J. Hughes, Esq.; Revs. M. S. Baldwin, B.A.; J. W. Marsh, M.A.; J. McLean, M.A., and J. Smythe, M.A.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Rev. G. M. Innes having left the Diocese, the Bishop named Ven. I. Hellmuth in his place on Executive Committee.

ON CLOSING CANALS ON SUNDAY.

\*Ven. C. C. Brough, A.M.; Revs. J. Carmichael and J. McLean, M.A.

ON CANONS AND REGULATIONS FOR DISCIPLINE, ETC.

D. J. Hughes, Esq.; Revs. S. Tighe, A.B.; J. W. Marsh, M.A.; Dr. Gaulfeild; \*W. Bettridge, B.D.; F.D. Fauquier; J. Smythe, M.A.; S. Price, Esq.; Revs. Dr. Sandys; G. J. R. Salter, M.A., and J. Gunne. Five to form a quorum.

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# APPENDIX.

## CONSTITUTION

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### SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF HURON.

ADOPTED, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1858.

1. The Synod shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese, of the Clergy duly licensed therein, and not under ecclesiastical censure, and of Lay Representatives elected as hereinafter provided.
2. Clergymen who have been members of the Synod, but who have become superannuated, or invalidated, with the Bishop's consent, shall retain all their privileges as members of the Synod.
3. The Lay Representatives shall be communicants of at least one year's standing, and shall be elected annually, during Easter week, by each duly organized congregation, from among their own number, at a meeting legally convened; and it shall be the duty of the wardens of each congregation to provide a book in which each member of the congregation, of the full age of twenty-one years, shall subscribe his name as being a member of the United Church of England and Ireland, and as belonging to no other religious denomination; and such, and no others shall be entitled to vote at the election of Lay Representatives.
4. The Incumbent, or his assistant, shall preside at the election; and in their absence a chairman elected by a majority of those present.
5. The number of Representatives shall be as follows:—For every congregation *one*; when the registered voters exceed fifty, *two*; and when they exceed one hundred and fifty, *three*; and at each meeting it shall be the duty of the chairman to have the list read over, and the names of all those who have died, or who have become disqualified shall be erased previous to the election.
6. Each representative shall receive from the clergyman, or chairman of the meeting, the following certificate:

#### DIOCESE OF HURON.

Town (or Township,) of \_\_\_\_\_ Congregation of \_\_\_\_\_  
number of registered voters, \_\_\_\_\_ I hereby certify that at a meeting of this  
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was duly elected a representative to Synod for the current year.

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And each representative shall continue in office until his successor is appointed.

7. If a vacancy occur by the death, removal, or resignation of any representative, the clergyman shall proceed to hold a new election within one month, due notice being given by him during divine service on some Sunday preceding the meeting. Provided that no such election shall take place between the time that the See becomes vacant and the election of Bishop, saving and except when a vacancy occurs by death, removal or resignation during the above interval, or within one month previous to the vacancy of the See.

8. It shall be the duty of the chairman, within six days after every election of representatives to send to the Secretary of the Synod a duplicate of the certificate given by him to the party or parties elected.

9. That the Synod shall meet annually; or oftener at the option of the Bishop.

10. Each clergyman within the Diocese shall send to the Bishop, through the Secretary, a list of his present congregations, entitled to send representatives to Synod, distinguishing each by a certain name, and describing its locality, in order that they may be recorded in a book, to be kept for that purpose. Any congregation hereafter established must furnish similar information, and make application to the Bishop to be admitted to the privilege of sending representatives to Synod.

11. When the Bishop is not present he shall appoint his deputy to preside in his place. A quorum of the Synod shall consist of the Bishop, or his deputy, and not less than one-fourth of the whole number of both Clergy and Lay Representatives respectively, except in case of the Synod assembling for the election of its Bishop, when the quorum shall consist of, at least, one half of the Clergy and Lay Representatives respectively.

12. A Clerical and Lay Secretary shall be chosen annually by the Synod from among the members thereof, who shall remain in office until the next annual meeting of the Synod. Their duty shall be to take minutes of the proceedings of the Synod, to preserve its journals and records, to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of their successors all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Synod, which may be in their possession; and in case of a vacancy in the See, to summon the Synod for the election of a Bishop.

13. The expenses incurred by the Synod shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Church Society out of a special fund to be raised by the Church Society for that purpose, all accounts to be laid before the Synod, and, when passed, to be signed by the President and Secretaries.

14. No act or resolution shall become law without the concurrence of the Bishop, and a majority of the clergy and laity present, provided that, ordinarily, the votes of the whole Synod shall be taken collectively; but that at the desire of the Bishop, or at the request of five clergymen, or of five laymen, the votes of each of the above named orders shall be taken separately.

15. In case of a vacancy in the See, it shall be the duty of the Secretaries of the Synod, within ten days from their knowledge of such vacancy, to give notice thereof, to every Clergyman and Lay Representative; and at the same time to Summon a meeting of such Clergymen and Lay Representatives, to be held at London, within six weeks, for

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16. Every proposition for an alteration of the constitution or rules of the Synod must be sent to the Executive Committee, to be forwarded to the members of the Synod, and no alteration shall take place unless agreed to by majorities of two-thirds of the clergy and laity respectively.

17. Each congregation, through their clergymen and wardens, shall make an annual statistical report, to the Bishop, according to a form to be supplied by the Secretary, under the Bishop's direction; which report shall be forwarded to the Bishop within one month after Easter.

## II.—ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS.

1. Each meeting of the Synod shall be preceded by public morning prayer; and on the first day the Holy Communion shall be administered.

2. The business of every day shall be commenced by special prayer for the Divine guidance and blessing, according to a form authorized by the Bishop.

3. After prayer, the Clerical Secretary shall call over the Roll of the Clergy, as furnished by the Bishop, and mark the names of those in attendance; and the Lay Secretary shall then call over the names of the Representatives, and those present shall answer to their names, and hand to the Secretary the Certificate of their appointment; which Certificate shall then be examined by a Committee of two, in conjunction with the Secretaries.

4. The Secretaries shall then be elected by the Synod, and they shall continue in office until their successors are appointed.

5. The Order of Business on each day shall be as follows:—

(1) Calling the Rolls.

(2) Reading, correcting and approving the minutes of the previous meeting.

(3) Appointing Committee.

(4) Presenting, reading, and referring memorials and petitions.

(5) Presenting Reports of Committees.

(6) Giving notice of Motions.

(7) Taking up unfinished business.

(8) Consideration of motions.

6. An address from the Bishop shall be in order at any time.

7. The Synod shall meet each day immediately after divine service, and adjourn at one o'clock, p.m., meet again at three p.m., and adjourn at seven p.m., unless otherwise ordered by the Bishop, and every member attending the Synod shall be in his place, and remain during each session of the Synod, and shall not leave until the final adjournment, except by permission of the Bishop or Chairman.



### III.—RULES FOR THE PRESERVATION OF ORDER.

1. When the Bishop or other person presiding has taken the chair, no member shall continue standing.
2. When any member is about to speak for the information of the Synod, he shall rise and address the chair.
3. 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, and no motion, except in course, shall be considered till the succeeding day of meeting.
4. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without the permission of the Chair.
5. When a question is under consideration, no other motion shall be received, unless to adjourn, to lay it on the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide on it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order here named.
6. Motions to adjourn, or to lay on the table, shall be decided without debate.
7. When a motion has been read to the Synod by the Secretary, it cannot be withdrawn by the mover without the consent of the Chair.
8. Each member shall have the right to require at any period of the debate, that a question in discussion be read for his information.
9. A member called to order while speaking shall sit down, unless permitted to explain.
10. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chair.
11. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made, but no further amendment to such second amendment shall be in order, until such second amendment shall have been disposed of.
12. All amendments to any question or amendment shall be decided on before the question or motion on which they rise is proposed for decision.
13. Whilst any question is being put from the Chair, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse; and when a motion is so put, no member shall retire until such motion is disposed of.
14. In voting, those who vote in the affirmative shall first rise, and then those who vote in the negative, and if required the Yeas and Nays shall be recorded.
15. A question being once determined, shall not again be drawn into discussion in the same session, without the special sanction of the Chair.
16. When the Synod is about to adjourn, every member shall keep his seat until the Bishop, or other person presiding, has left the Chair.

### IV.—RULES REGARDING COMMITTEES.

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3. The Chairman of the Committee, or some member deputed by him shall explain to the Synod the bearing of any portion of the report, if requested by any member of the Synod.

4. All Reports of Committees recommending any action or expression of opinion, shall be accompanied by a resolution for the action of the Synod thereon.

5. To facilitate the despatch of business, and to insure a more effectual consideration of all matters to be discussed at a meeting of the Synod, there shall be an Executive Committee, nominated and presided over by the Bishop, consisting of twelve members, six chosen from among the Clergy, and six from among the Lay Representatives.

6. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to prepare in due form all such matter as the Bishop may desire to have brought before the Synod, and also such other matters as may be forwarded to them, through the Secretary, by any member of the Synod previous to the first day of May in each year; and a circular containing a statement of such business to be submitted to the Synod shall be forwarded to each Clergyman and Representative two weeks before the meeting of the Synod; which business shall stand first in the order of the day.



## AN ACT

*To enable the Members of the United Church of England and Ireland, in Canada, to meet in Synod.*

WHEREAS, doubts exist whether the members of the United Church of England and Ireland, in this Province, have the power of regulating the affairs of their Church, in matters relating to discipline, and necessary to order and good government, and it is just that such doubts should be removed, in order that they may be permitted to exercise the same rights of self-government that are enjoyed by other religious communities; therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

I. The Bishop, Clergy, and Laity, members of the United Church of England and Ireland in this Province, may meet in their several Dioceses, which are now, or may be hereafter constituted in this Province, and in such manner and by such proceedings as they shall adopt, frame constitutions and make regulations for enforcing discipline in the Church, for the appointment, deposition, deprivation, or removal of any person bearing office therein of whatever order or degree, any rights of the crown to the contrary notwithstanding, and for the convenient and orderly management of the property, affairs and interests of the Church, in matters relating to, and affecting only, the said Church, and the officers and members thereof, and not in any manner interfering with the rights, privileges, or interests of other religious communities, or of any person or persons not being a member or members of the said United Church of England and Ireland; provided always that such constitutions and regulations shall apply only to the Diocese or Dioceses adopting the same.

II. The Bishops, Clergy, and Laity, members of the United Church of England and Ireland, in this Province, may meet in general Assembly within this Province, by such representatives as shall be determined and declared by them in their several Dioceses; and in such general Assembly frame a constitution and regulations for the general management and good government of the said Church in this Province:-- provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall authorise the imposition of any rate or tax upon any person or persons whomsoever,

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I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of the Bill passed by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Canada, in the Second Session of the Fifth Provincial Parliament, and reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon by his Excellency the Governor General, on Thursday, the nineteenth day of June, 1856, and subsequently assented to by proclamation in the *Canada Gazette*, bearing date the twenty-eighth day of May, 1857.

J. F. TAYLOR,  
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## AN ACT

*To enable members of the Church of England to meet in Synod,—  
explanatory act.*

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of the Bill passed by the  
Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada in the second  
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Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada in the second  
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### CAP. CXXXIX.

An Act to explain and amend the act intituled, **AN ACT TO ENABLE THE  
MEMBERS OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF ENGLAND AND IRELAND IN  
CANADA, TO MEET IN SYNOD.**

WHEREAS, doubts exist whether in the Act passed in the Session held in the nineteenth and twentieth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled, *An Act to enable the Members of the United Church of England and Ireland, in Canada, to meet in Synod*, sufficient provision is made for the representation of the Laity in the United Church of England and Ireland in the Synods by the said Act authorised to be held, and it is expedient that such doubts should be removed; Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:—

I. For all the purposes of the aforesaid Act, the Laity shall meet by representation; and until it shall be otherwise determined by the Synod in each Diocese, one or more delegates, (not exceeding three in any case,) may be elected at the Annual Easter meetings in each parish, mission or cure within the Diocese, or in cases where there may be more than one congregation in any parish, mission or cure, then in each such congregation, or at meetings to be specially called for the purpose by each clergyman having a separate cure of souls; And all laymen within such parish, mission or cure, or belonging to such congregation, of the full age of twenty-one years, who shall declare themselves, in writing, at such meetings, to be members of the United Church of England and Ireland, and to belong to no other religious denomination, shall have the right of voting at such election. Each delegate shall receive from the Chairman of the meeting a certificate of his election, which he shall produce, when called upon so to do, at the Synod; and the first meeting of such Synod shall be called by the Bishop of the Diocese at such time and place as he shall think fit;

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II. All proceedings heretofore had in any Diocese under the aforesaid Act, which have been conformable to the provisions of this Act, shall be held to be valid, as if the same had taken place after the passing of this Act.

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