THE PAROCHIAL ORDINANCE, 1918, AMENDING ORDINANCE, 1932, NO, 3

AN ORDINANCE.

To amend Sections 11 and 12 of Part IX of the Parochial Ordinance, 1918, relating to the tenure of office of Lay Representatives to Synod and to make further provisions in connection therewith.

PREAMBLE.

The Bishop, the Clergy and the Laity of the Diocese of Grafton in Synod assembled, declare, ordain and enact as follows:—

1. The Sections hereinafter referred to are Sections of Part IX of the Parochial Ordinance, 1918.

REPEAL.

2. Section 11 shall be and hereby is repealed and the following substituted in lieu thereof:—

11. TENURE OF OFFICE.

Every Lay Representative elected as aforesaid shall hold office for a period of three years or until the next ensuing general election, subject, however, to the following conditions:—

- (a) Any Lay member may resign his seat in the Synod by writing under his hand addressed to the Bishop.
- (b) If any Lay representative shall resign his seat in the Synod or shall die or become mentally or physically incapable of discharging the duties of the office or shall be convicted of an indictable offence in any court or shall be ease to be a member of the Church of England or shall be absent from an entire session of Synod without leave of the Synod the seat of such member shall thereupon become vacant and the Bishop may issue a mandate for a special election of a person qualified to fill the vacancy provided that if a vacancy occur within one month of the meeting of Synod the Bishop may appoint a duly qualified person to fill such vacancy.

REPEAL.

3. Section 12 shall be and hereby is repealed and the following substituted in lieu thereof:—

12. ATTENDANCE BOOK.

"Every Lay representative shall, on some day in each session enter his name in a book kept for that purpose, and if the name of any Lay representative be not so entered during a session the absence of his name from the attendance book shall be prima

facie evidence of his absence from Synod during the whole of such session \mathcal{C}_{ω}

SHORT TITLE,

4. This Ordinance may be cited as "The Parochial Ordinance, 1918, Amending Ordinance, 1932, No. 3."

We hereby certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Grafton on the 20th Day of September, 1932.

- F. S. DUTTON, Clerical Secretary.
- R. A. STANDFIELD, Lay Secretary.

I assent to this Ordinance,

JOHN WILLIAM GRAPTON.

Date: 21st September, 1932.