

Registration of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials.

5/1895

AN ORDINANCE for accepting and adopting a certain Ordinance passed by the Provincial Synod, Session 1895, intituled "An Ordinance for making provision for the Registration by the Clergy of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, and for other matters connected therewith.

(Assented to 2 October, 1895.)

WHEREAS a certain Ordinance was made by the Provincial Synod of the Province of New South Wales on the nineteenth day of July 1895 intituled "An Ordinance for making provision for the Registration by the Clergy of Baptisms Marriages and Burials and for other matters connected therewith" a copy of which together with the Schedules thereto attached is contained in the Schedule attached to this Ordinance And whereas it is expedient that the said Ordinance shall be accepted by the Church in this Diocese. The Synod of the Diocese of Sydney in the pursuance of the powers in that behalf conferred upon it by the Constitutions for the management and good government of the United Church of England and Ireland within the Colony of New South Wales ordains and rules as follows:—

That the said Ordinance together with the Schedules attached thereto and each and every of them shall be and the same are and is hereby accepted and adopted and shall so far as the same are applicable be applied to the management of the Church in this Diocese in like manner as if the said Ordinance and the said Schedules attached thereto and each and every of them had been ordained and ruled by the Synod of this Diocese.

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AN ORDINANCE for making provision for the registration by the Clergy of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials and for other matters connected therewith:

WHEREAS it is necessary to make provision for the Registration by the Clergy of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, and for other matters connected therewith, the Provincial Synod of the Province of New South Wales ordains and rules as follows:—

Registers to be provided.

1. In every Parish or District there shall be provided at the expense of such Parish or District, a book or books for the Registration by the Clergy of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials according to the forms in the Schedules A, B, and C to this Ordinance.

Registration.

2. It shall be the duty of every Minister officiating at any Baptism, Marriage, or Burial to register the same in the books hereinbefore mentioned respectively. Provided that in the case of General Cemeteries, it shall suffice if the duly appointed Chaplains thereof register the Burials at which they may officiate in books provided by the Trustees of such Cemeteries.

Custody of Registers.

3. The Minister shall have the charge and be responsible for the safe custody of all such registers in his Parish or District. During a vacancy in the cure, such custody and responsibility shall belong and attach to the Churchwardens, or if there be no Churchwardens, then to some person appointed by the Bishop for that purpose. And such Registers shall be in all cases the property of the Parish.

Inspection.

4. Such Registers shall be from time to time inspected by the Bishop of the Diocese, or by some person appointed by him for that purpose.

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Searches and Extracts.

5. Upon the application of any person the Minister may, at his discretion, make search in and furnish extracts from the Registers of the Parish. Provided always that the said Minister shall make such search and furnish such extracts if required by the Bishop so to do.

Fees.

6. Every applicant for such search or extract shall pay to the Minister the fee specified in Schedule D, and shall also, if required, hand to him a memorandum of the particular entry for which he desires search to be made.

Existing Registers.

7. The provisions of this Ordinance shall apply so far as they may be applicable to all existing Registers now in the possession of any Minister.

Parish ceasing to exist.

8. In the event of a Parish or District ceasing to exist, the Bishop shall provide that the Registers thereof shall be handed to the Minister of the Parish in which the aforesaid Parish or District is included.

Short Title.

9. This Ordinance may be cited as "The Registration of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials Ordinance of 1895."

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SCHEDULE A.—BAPTISMS.

Baptisms administered in the parish of.....
in the County of.....in the Colony of New South
Wales, A.D. 18.....

Register No.	When Bap- tized.	When Born.	Child's Christian Name.	PARENTS' NAME.		Abode.	Quality or Profession.	By whom Baptized.
				Christian	Surname.			

SCHEDULE B.—MARRIAGES.

The Form provided in accordance with Section 8 of Act 19,
Victoria, No. 34.

SCHEDULE C.—BURIALS.

Name.	Abode.	Date of Death.	Date of Burial.	Place of Interment.	Age.	Quality or Profession	Officiating Minister.

SCHEDULE D.—FEES.

For every search in any Register, a Fee (to be
paid beforehand) not exceeding Five Shillings.

For every certified copy of any entry a Fee (pay-
able on delivery) of Two Shillings.