

Heads of the Canons of Abulide or Hippolytus,

Which are used by the Æthiopian Christians.²⁰³⁶

1. Of the holy faith of Jesus Christ.²⁰³⁷
2. Of bishops.²⁰³⁸
3. Of prayers spoken on the ordination of bishops, and of the order of the *Missa*.²⁰³⁹
4. Of the ordination of presbyters.
5. Of the ordination of deacons.
6. Of those who suffer persecution for the faith.²⁰⁴⁰
7. Of the election of reader and sub-deacon.²⁰⁴¹
8. Of the gift of healing.²⁰⁴²
9. Of the presbyter who abides in a place inconvenient for his office.²⁰⁴³
10. Of those who are converted to the Christian religion.
11. Of him who makes idols.²⁰⁴⁴
12. Various pursuits²⁰⁴⁵ are enumerated, the followers of which are not to be admitted to the Christian religion until repentance is exhibited.²⁰⁴⁶
13. Of the place which the highest kings or princes shall occupy in the temple.²⁰⁴⁷
14. That it is not meet for Christians to bear arms.²⁰⁴⁸

2036 These were first published in French by Jo. Michael Wanslebius in his book *De Ecclesia Alexandrina*, Paris, 1677, p. 12; then in Latin, by Job Ludolfus, in his *Commentar. ad historiam Æthiopicam*, Frankfort, 1691, p. 333; and by William Whiston, in vol. iii. of his *Primitive Christianity Revived*, published in English at London, 1711, p. 543. He has also noted the passages in the *Constitutions Apostolicæ*, treating the same matters.

2037 *Constit. Apostol.*, lib. vi. ch. 11, etc.

2038 Lib. vii. ch. 41.

2039 Lib. vii. ch. 4, 5, 10. [The service of the faithful, *Missa Fidelium*, not the modern Mass. See Bingham, book xv. The *Missa* was an innocent word for the *dismissal* of those not about to receive the Communion. See Guettée, *Exposition*, etc., p. 433.]

2040 Lib. viii. ch. 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 45.

2041 Lib. viii. ch. 21, 22.

2042 Lib. viii. ch. 1, 2.

2043 Lib. viii. ch. 46, 32.

2044 Lib. viii. ch. 46, 32.

2045 *Studia*.

2046 Lib. viii. ch. 46, 32.

2047 Wanting.

2048 Lib. viii. ch. 32.

15. Of works which are unlawful to Christians.²⁰⁴⁹
16. Of the Christian who marries a slave-woman.²⁰⁵⁰
17. Of the free woman.²⁰⁵¹
18. Of the midwife; and that the women ought to be separate from the men in prayer.²⁰⁵²
19. Of the catechumen who suffers martyrdom before baptism.²⁰⁵³
20. Of the fast of the fourth and sixth holiday; and of Lent.²⁰⁵⁴
21. That presbyters should assemble daily with the people in church.²⁰⁵⁵
22. Of the week of the Jews' passover; and of him who knows not passover (Easter).²⁰⁵⁶
23. That every one be held to learn doctrine.²⁰⁵⁷
24. Of the care of the bishop over the sick.²⁰⁵⁸
25. Of him on whom the care of the sick is enjoined; and of the time at which prayers are to be made.²⁰⁵⁹
26. Of the time at which exhortations are to be heard.²⁰⁶⁰
27. Of him who frequents the temple every day.²⁰⁶¹
28. That the faithful ought to eat nothing before the holy communion.²⁰⁶²
29. That care is to be well taken that nothing fall from the chalice to the ground.²⁰⁶³
30. Of catechumens.²⁰⁶⁴
31. That a deacon may dispense the Eucharist to the people with permission of a bishop or presbyter.²⁰⁶⁵
32. That widows and virgins ought to pray constantly.²⁰⁶⁶

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- 2049 Lib. viii. ch. 32.
2050 Lib. viii. ch. 32.
2051 Lib. viii. ch. 32.
2052 Lib. ii. ch. 57.
2053 Lib. v. ch. 6.
2054 Lib. v. ch. 13, 15.
2055 Lib. ii. ch. 36.
2056 Lib. v. ch. 15, etc.
2057 Lib. vii. ch. 39, 40, 41.
2058 Lib. iv. ch. 2.
2059 Lib. iii. ch. 19, viii. ch. 34.
2060 Lib. viii. ch. 32.
2061 Lib. ii. ch. 59.
2062 Wanting.
2063 Wanting.
2064 Lib. vii. ch. 39, etc.
2065 Lib. viii. ch. 28.
2066 Lib. iii. ch. 6, 7, 13.



33. That commemoration should be made of the faithful dead every day, with the exception of the Lord's day.²⁰⁶⁷

34. Of the sober behaviour of the secular²⁰⁶⁸ in church.²⁰⁶⁹

35. That deacons may pronounce the benediction and thanksgiving at the love-feasts when a bishop is not present.²⁰⁷⁰

36. Of the first-fruits of the earth, and of vows.²⁰⁷¹

37. When a bishop celebrates the holy communion (Synaxis),²⁰⁷² the presbyters who stand by him should be clothed in white.²⁰⁷³

38. That no one ought to sleep on the night of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.²⁰⁷⁴

2067 Lib iv. ch. 14, viii. ch. 41–44.

2068 i.e., laymen.

2069 Lib. ii. ch. 57.

2070 Wanting.

2071 Or offerings. Lib. ii. ch. 25.

2072 [Synaxis. Elucidation II.]

2073 Lib. vii. ch. 29, viii. 30, 31. (See the whole history of ecclesiastical antiquity, on this point, in the learned work of Wharton B. Marriott, *Vestiarium Christianum*, London, Rivingtons, 1868.)

2074 Lib. viii. ch. 12, v. ch. 19.