

Did You Know? An Anglican Glossary

Almuce, Hood and Tippet

The Almuce Percy Dearmer calls the almuce “a vestment of dignity and certainly one of the ornaments of the Rubric.” He tells us that it was revived in the reign of Elizabeth I. It was a scarf, “doubled back over the shoulders and narrowed at the ends which hang down in front.” It was generally made of fur.

The Hood (Caputium) Canon 58 orders all clergy who have a degree to wear the hood with the surplice.

The Tippet The Tippet is the *liripipium* that hung down from the back of the hood. Dearmer says that to wear it is “to wear the hood in two parts.” It was worn when copes and hood fell into disuse among parish clergy. Deacons are qualified to wear the tippet.

Images from Percy Dearmer, *The Ornaments of the Minister*. London, 1920

Right: Canon wearing grey fur almuce over surplice and hood. *Below:* Almuce.



Right: Choir habit with both hood and tippet.



Left: Bishop wearing tippet of sables.

Right: a tippet from the back.

