

APPENDIX.

No. V.

LIST OF VISITING CLERGY WHO ATTENDED THE CONVENTION.

- Rev. Alfred Blake, of Ohio.
" J. P. K. Henshaw, D. D., of Maryland.
" Leonard H. Johns, of do.
" Richard T. Brown, of do.
" Nathaniel E. Cornwall, of Connecticut.
" Charles C. Pinckney, of South Carolina.
" James D. Carder, Secretary and General Agent of the Board of Missions.
" F. R. Hanson, late Missionary to China.

* This list should have been inserted on the same page with the members of the Convention.

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NORFOLK BOROUGH, Wednesday, May 15, 1839.

This being the day appointed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Virginia, for the meeting of the annual Convention of the same, the Right Rev. Richard Channing Moore, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese, and the Right Rev. William Meade, D.D., Assistant Bishop, with a number of the Clergy and Laity, assembled at half past ten o'clock, A. M., in Christ church.

Morning prayers were read by the Rev. A. Empie, D.D., and a sermon was preached by the Right Rev. Bishop Meade.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop Moore took the chair as President of the Convention.

A list of the Clergy entitled to seats was called over by the Secretary, and the following answered to their names and took their seats as members, viz:

- Rev. George Adie, Shelburn parish, Leesburg, Loudoun county.
- " William Armstrong, St. Matthew's church, Wheeling.
- " Thomas Atkinson, St. Paul's church, Lynchburg.
- " Parke F. Berkeley, Raleigh and Dale parishes, Amelia county.
- " William Bryant, Christ church, Lancaster county.
- " William V. Bowers, St. Martin's parish, Hanover.
- " Thomas Castleman, St. Andrew's parish, Brunswick.
- " Mark L. Chevers, St. John's church, Hampton.
- " John Cole, St. Stephen's church, Culpeper Court House.
- " John T. Clarke, Mount Laurel church, Halifax.
- " Edmund Christian, Marton's Brandon parish, Prince George county.
- " Charles B. Dana, Christ church, Alexandria.
- " David M. Fackler, Lynchburg parish, Princess Ann county.
- " William Friend, St. Mary's parish, Caroline county.
- " Frederick D. Goodwin, Augusta parish, Staunton.
- " John Grammer, Antrim parish, Halifax county.
- " William H. Hart, Henrico parish, Richmond.
- " J. E. Jackson, Christ church, Winchester.
- " William M. Jackson, Wickliffe parish, Clarke county.
- " William G. Jackson, Hungar's parish, Eastville, Northampton county.
- " Alexander Jones, Zion church, St. Andrew's parish, Charlestown, Jefferson.
- " William G. H. Jones, St. Thomas' church, Orange county.
- " Jacob Keeling, Suffolk.
- " Reuel Keith, D.D., Professor in Theological Seminary of Virginia.
- " Edward R. Lippit, Professor in Theological Seminary of Virginia.
- " Thomas E. Locke, Cumberland parish, Lunenburg.
- " Charles Mann, Abingdon and Ware parishes, Gloucester.
- " Edward C. McGuire, St. George's church, Fredericksburg.
- " John P. McGuire, St. Ann's and South Farnham parishes, Loretto, Essex.
- " Francis G. H. McGuire, St. James' church, Mecklenburg.
- " Richard K. Meade, Frederickville parish, Charlottesville.
- " Benjamin M. Miller, St. Paul's church, Norfolk Borough.
- " Zechariah Mead, Editor of Southern Churchman, Richmond.
- " William H. Morrison, Trinity church, St. Andrew's parish, Shepherdstown.

- Rev. Alexander Norris, Westover parish, Charles City county.
 " George W. Nelson, Lunenburg and Farnham parishes, Richmond county.
 " William Norwood, Assistant Minister Monumental church, Richmond.
 " Joseph Packard, Professor in Theological Seminary of Virginia.
 " Martin P. Parks, Christ church, Norfolk.
 " Horace Stringfellow, Frederick parish, Clarke county.
 " Nelson Sale, Lexington and Nelson parishes, Amherst county.
 " John H. Wingfield, Portsmouth parish, Portsmouth.
 " George Woodbridge, Christ church, Richmond.
 " William N. Ward, Berkeley parish, Spotsylvania county.

Mr. Philip Nelson, Dr. Isaac Winston, and Rev. Alexander Jones, were appointed a committee to examine the certificates of the Lay Delegates, and made the following report, which was accepted:

The Committee to whom was referred the certificates of Lay Delegates to the present Convention, report that they have examined the same, and that the following persons, whose elections are authenticated in the manner prescribed in the 16th Canon are entitled to seats in this Convention, viz:

- Dr. Isaac Winston, St. Stephen's church, Culpeper.
 Philip Nelson, Frederick parish, Millwood.
 Hilary Baker, Christ church, Richmond.
 Edmund Fontaine, St. Martin's parish, Hanover.
 Henry W. Moncure, } Monumental church, Richmond.
 Thomas Nelson,
 William H. Gray, St. James' church, Shelburne parish, Leesburg.
 Charles H. Cabiness, St. Mark's church, Antrim parish, Halifax.
 Cornelius Hite, St. Thomas's church, Frederick county.
 Francis W. Taliaferro, Grace church and St. Mary's church, Caroline county.
 John Bruce, Christ church, Winchester.
 John Gray, St. George's church, Fredericksburg.
 Orrin Williams, St. John's church, Henrico parish, Richmond.
 Benjamin Pollard, St. Paul's church, Norfolk.
 John Stuart, St. Paul's parish, King George.
 John S. Wilkins, St. Andrew's church, Brunswick county.
 Philip A. Boling, St. Peter's church, Tillotson parish, Buckingham.
 James M. Garnett, St. Ann's parish, Essex.
 Dr. J. N. Brooks, St. Paul's church, Lynchburg.
 Dr. Frank Carr, Christ church, Charlottesville.
 Dr. Henry L. Davies, Lexington parish, Amherst county.
 John W. Page, Wickliffe parish, Clarke county.
 Edmund I. Lee, Christ church, Fairfax parish, Alexandria.
 Robert Crutchfield, St. John's church, Berkeley parish, Spotsylvania county.
 Catesby Jones, Abingdon parish, Gloucester.
 Samuel H. Lewis, Boyden parish, Augusta county.
 Malcom Macfarland, St. Paul's church, Bristol parish, Petersburg.
 William H. Thompson, Christ church, Norfolk.
 John E. Page, Bloomfield parish, Madison Court House.
 William T. Taliaferro, Ware church, Gloucester.
 Mann A. Page, St. Thomas' church, Orange.
 Robert Hord, St. Peter's church, Port Royal.
 Cleland K. Nelson, Falls church, Fairfax.
 Benjamin D. Rust, Lunenburg parish, Richmond county.
 Dr. William G. Smith, Christ church, Eastville, Hungar's parish.
 Hodijah Meade, Grub Hill church, Raleigh parish, Amelia.
 Arthur Temple, South Farnham parish.
 John Meade, Merchant's Hope church, Marton's Brandon Parish.
 John Chowning, Christ church parish, Lancaster county.
 Roger B. Atkinson, St. John's church, Cumberland parish.
 Samuel Pryor, Sapone church, Bath parish.
 Edward Valentine, Trinity church, Staunton.
 Thomas N. Burwell, Botetourt parish, Botetourt.

Whereupon all the aforesaid gentlemen having been proved to be communicants in the Church, it was

Resolved, That they take their seats as members of this Convention.

Resolved, That the Rules of Order of the last Convention be referred to Messrs. Edmund I. Lee, Jas. M. Garnett, and S. H. Lewis, to examine, revise, and report such amendments and additions as to them shall seem to be expedient.

The following Rules of Order were adopted by the Convention:

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.
3. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.
4. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
5. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the House.
6. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session, unless with the consent of two-thirds of the House.
7. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.
8. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the decision.
9. No motion shall be considered as before the House unless it be seconded, and when required, reduced to writing.
10. When any question is before the House, it shall be determined upon before any new subject is introduced, except the question of adjournment.
11. All questions of order shall be decided in the first instance by the Chair, without debate; an appeal, however, may be made from his decision to the Convention, by any member of the same.
12. The question on a motion of adjournment shall be taken before any other, and without debate.
13. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President shall leave the chair.
14. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended without the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.
15. The President shall, in his discretion, select suitable accommodations within the limits of those pews allotted for the use of the members, which pews shall be appropriated for the accommodation of visiting Clergymen and Students of the Theological School, who may be invited to the same by the President without any special application to the Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Clark presented the following petition, which was referred to a committee consisting of Mr. Charles H. Cabiness, the Rev. W. G. H. Jones, and the Rev. Mr. Grammer, with permission to sit during the session of the House:

To the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church to be held in Norfolk in May next:

Your petitioners respectfully represent that they are citizens of the county of Halifax, and members and friends of the Protestant Episcopal Church—that they reside too far from the Parish church of Antrim, which is located at Halifax Court House, to conveniently worship there, but have a church and minister with regular and stated services in their own neighborhood, to which they resort. They, therefore, respectfully petition the Convention to permit them to organize themselves into a separate and independent parish under the name of "Roanoke parish, Halifax county, Virginia," having the following bounds, viz: The river Staunton on the north to its junction with the Dan, thence up the Dan to the mouth of Bannister, and

thence by a straight line to McCargo's Mill on Difficult Creek, and thence in a stright line to Brook Neal on Staunton.

JOSEPH CHAFIN,
JOSEPH W. CHAFFIN,
BENJ'N H. MITCHELL,
PETER OWEN,
P. H. FOSTER.

April 1st, 1839.

The Rev. W. G. H. Jones presented the following petition, which was referred to the same committee:

Whereas, from the great extent of Frederickville parish, Albemarle county, it is for the interest of the Church and for the convenience of the people, that the said parish should be divided, therefore we, the subscribers do respectfully apply to the Convention for a division, and for the formation of a distinct parish, to be called Walker's parish, and to be bounded in the following manner, viz: By the county of Orange on the north, the county of Louisa on the east, the Rivanna River and Hammond Gap Road on the south, and the Stony Point Road on the west.

W. D. MERIWETHER,
JAMES LINDSAY,
JAMES H. LEWIS,
F. K. NELSON,
MANN PAGE,
JAMES H. TERRELL,
SARAH LINDSAY,
FRANCES MERIWETHER,
J. P. RIVES,
J. F. PAGE,
E. PAGE,
A. C. MERIWETHER,
J. B. TERRELL,
S. A. LEWIS,
M. D. MERIWETHER,
R. GAMBILL,
T. MILLER,
N. NELSON,
W. C. RIVES,
THOS. MACON,
JOHN H. CRAVEN,
CHAS. J. MERIWETHER,
FRANKLIN MINOR,
ALEX. GARRETT,
REUBEN MAURY,

} Vestrymen of Christ Church.

The Rev. Dr. Empie presented the following petition, which was referred to the same committee:

The congregation of St. James', Richmond, having been duly organized, according to the laws of this Diocese, and having, through God's great goodness, been enabled to build a church, which, with the divine blessing, will, in the course of the next month, be ready for worship and consecration—they do hereby, through their Vestry, respectfully request admission into union with the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Virginia. And they hereby certify that Mr. John Williams has been duly elected a delegate, to represent said church in the Convention to be holden this year in the Borough of Norfolk on the 15th day of May, 1839.

JAMES BEALE,
JOHN WILLIAMS,
WILLIAM LAMBERT,
G. PERSICO,
JOHN C. McCABE,
DAVID DORRINGTON.

Resolved, That the sessions of this Convention shall commence on each morning immediately after the close of divine service, which the Rector is requested to have commenced at nine o'clock.

And then the Convention adjourned until to-morrow.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 16, 1839.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.
The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.
The following Clerical members appeared and took their seats:

Rev. Thomas Smith, Newport parish, Isle of Wight.
" N. H. Cobbs, Russell parish, Bedford.
" Charles C. Taliaferro, Norborne parish, Berkeley.
" John Cooke, officiating in Hanover.
" D. M. Wharton, Botetourt parish, Botetourt.
" William Hodges, Bruton parish, Williamsburg.
" John Towles.
" Richard H. Wilmer, officiating in Goochland.

Mr. E. I. Lee, from the committee to whom the "Rules of Order of the last Convention" were referred, reported the following as suitable rules to be adopted for the government of this Convention; whereupon,

Resolved, That the said report be accepted, and the further consideration thereof be postponed until the next annual Convention:

RULES OF ORDER.

The following shall be the Standing Rules of Order of the present and all future Conventions of this Diocese until otherwise altered:

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.
3. When any member is about to speak in debate or deliver any matter to the House, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the President, and shall confine himself to the question under debate and avoid personality.
4. If any member in speaking or otherwise transgress the rules of the House, the President shall, or any member may, call to order; in which case, the member so called to order shall immediately take his seat, unless permitted to explain, and the House shall, if appealed to, decide on the case, but without debate; and if there be no appeal, the decision of the Chair shall be submitted to; if the decision be in favor of the member called to order, he shall be at liberty to proceed; if otherwise, and the case require it, he shall be liable to the censure of the House.
5. When two or more members happen to rise at once, the President shall name the member who is first to speak.
6. No member shall speak more than twice to the same question without leave of the House, nor more than once, until every member choosing to speak, shall have spoken; nor shall the previous question be put until every member who wishes to speak, have had an opportunity of speaking once on the question.
7. Whilst the President is putting any question or addressing the House, none shall walk out of, or across the house—nor in such case, or when a member is speaking, shall entertain private discourse—nor whilst a member is speaking, shall pass between him and the Chair.
8. No member shall vote on any question in the event of which he is immediately and particularly interested or in any case where he was not present when the question was put.
9. Upon a division and count of the House on any question no member without the limits allotted as seats of the members shall be counted.
10. Every member who shall be in the house when the question is put shall give his vote unless the House, for special reasons, shall excuse him.
11. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by the President, or being in writing, it shall be handed to the Chair, and read aloud by the Secretary, before debate.
12. Every motion shall be reduced to writing if the President or any member require it.
13. After a motion is stated by the President, or read by the Secretary, it shall be deemed to be in possession of the House, but may be withdrawn at any time before decision or amendment.
14. When a question is under debate no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to lie on the table, for the previous question, to postpone indefinitely or to a certain day, to commit to a committee, or to amend—which several motions shall have precedence in the order they stand arranged.
15. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate.
16. The previous question shall be in this form—"Shall the main question be now put?"

It shall be admitted, only when demanded by a majority of the members present, and until it is decided, shall preclude all amendments and further debate on the main question.

17. On the previous question there shall be no debate.

18. When a question is decided by the House, or is postponed indefinitely, the same shall not be acted upon again during the session, without the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

19. Any member may call for the division of a question, where the sense will admit of it, but a question to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible.

20. No new motion or proposition shall be admitted under color of amendment, as a substitute for the motion or proposition under debate.

21. When a motion has been once made and carried in the affirmative or negative it shall be in order for any member of the majority to move a reconsideration thereof, on the same or next day.

22. Any two members before a vote is taken on any question may require a call of the House. Upon calls of the House or in taking the ayes and noes, the names of the members shall be called alphabetically.

23. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave or be sick and unable to attend.

24. The President shall, in his discretion, select suitable seats without the limits of those pews allotted for the use of the members, which shall be appropriated to the exclusive accommodation of visiting clergymen and candidates for orders, who may be invited by the rector or wardens of the church in which the meetings of the Convention are held, under the direction of the President of the Convention, it being expected that those to whom such seats are appropriated will confine themselves to the same.

25. No spectator shall, during the daily sessions of the Convention, be admitted above or within the pews allotted to the members of the Convention, and it is expected and hoped that not only the spectators will attend to this regulation, but that the rector and wardens of the church in which the sessions of the Convention are held will see that this rule of order is not violated.

26. That there shall on the first day of the Convention be appointed by the President, unless otherwise directed by the Convention, the following standing committees, to consist of an equal number of each order:

A committee on the State of the Church, to whom shall be referred the addresses of the Bishop and Assistant Bishop on the opening of the Convention.

A committee on the Treasurer's Report.

A committee on the Fund for the Support of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

A committee on the Episcopal Fund.

A committee on the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Missionary Society.

A committee on Parochial Reports.

A committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

A committee of Elections.

27. That the credentials of the Lay Delegates shall be handed in to the Secretary and be by him read to the Convention, and if it shall appear that there is any doubt as to the right of any delegate to his seat, the same shall be referred to the Committee of Elections, to be by said committee forthwith examined into and reported upon to the House.

28. When three members require it the vote on all questions shall be by ayes and noes.

29. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended without the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.

The Rev. Mr. Grammer, from the committee to whom were referred, on yesterday, the petitions presented by the Rev. Mr. Clarke, the Rev. William G. H. Jones, and the Rev. Dr. Empie, made the following report, which was accepted:

The Committee to whom was referred the petitions of Walker's parish, Albemarle—Roanoke parish, Halifax, and St. James' church, Richmond, to be admitted into union with the Convention of the Diocese of Virginia, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be favorably received.

The following Lay Delegates appeared, submitted their credentials, and took their seats as members of the Convention, viz:

William D. McCarty, Farnham church, Richmond county.

John Nelson, St. James' parish, Mecklenburg county.

William Radford, East Russell parish, Bedford county.

William C. Leftwich, West Russell parish, Bedford county.

Dr. Robert W. Young, Christ church, Newport parish, Isle of Wight.

Malory M. Todd, Suffolk or lower parish of Nansemond county.

David M. Walke, St. Paul's church, Suffolk, Nansemond county.

Westwood S. Armstead, St. John's church, Hampton, Elizabeth City parish.

Mann Page, Walker's church, Albemarle.

Patrick H. Foster, Roanoke parish, Halifax county.

John Williams, St. James' church, Richmond.

William Wyatt, Accomac parish, Accomac.

The Chair then announced the following committees:

On the State of the Church.—Rev. A. Empie, D.D., Rev. John Grammer, Rev. N. H. Cobbs, Rev. Edward C. McGuire, and Messrs. Edmund I. Lee, Jas. M. Garnett, Samuel H. Lewis, and Thomas N. Burwell.

On the Treasurer's Report.—Rev. John P. McGuire, Rev. Wm. Norwood, and Messrs. John Nelson and Robert Crutchfield.

On the Fund for the Support of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.—Rev. J. E. Jackson, and Rev. H. Stringfellow.

On the Episcopal Fund.—Rev. G. W. Nelson, Rev. William N. Ward, and Mr. Henry W. Moncure.

On the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Missionary Society.—Rev. John H. Wingfield, and Mr. Edward Valentine.

On Parochial Reports.—Rev. William Friend, Rev. Thomas Smith, and Mr. John Bruce.

Bishop Moore delivered the following

ADDRESS:

After a separation of twelve months, we are again permitted by Divine Providence to assemble in Convention, to legislate for the Church of God, and to hold sweet counsel together.

Our annual meetings, my beloved brethren, have always been distinguished for that harmony and affection which should uniformly mark the deliberations of a religious body; and though at times we may have differed in sentiment on some measures submitted to our consideration, still we have parted with the most affectionate regard for each other, and have hailed with delight the return of our conventional associations. It is to the Almighty we are indebted for the peace we have enjoyed, and may ascribe the resuscitation of the Church, and the extension of its borders, to our unanimity in design, and to the vigorous efforts growing out of so felicitous a state of things; for great as has been the general peace of the Church throughout our land, there is no branch of our communion, which can with greater propriety, unite with the Psalmist, and with more experience of its truth declare, "how good and pleasant a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

Since our last meeting in Winchester, I have visited the city of Williamsburg, in company with the Rev. Mr. Mann, of Gloucester county, Mr. Parks, of Norfolk, and several other clergymen, at which place regular services were performed for several days, during which solemnities the congregations were as numerous as the population of the place gave us reason to expect.

In the month of July I visited Alexandria in company with Bishop Meade, and the Trustees of the Seminary, and admitted to holy orders those of the students who were recommended by the Standing Committee, as duly prepared for the exercise of ministerial duty.

In the month of January, I went by particular invitation to Petersburg, and was agreeably surprised at the great increase of the congregation in that place; and on the Friday after Easter Sunday I again visited the same town—consecrated a handsome church—confirmed twenty-six persons, and administered the Lord's Supper to a numerous body of communicants. The consecration sermon was delivered by the Rev. Mr. Parks, and the services of the Church were performed for several days by the Rev. Mr. Woodbridge and a number of the clergy, who attended on that occasion.

I have held two confirmations in the Monumental church, in the city of Richmond, since the last Convention; and one also in Christ church, in the same place. In the former of which I confirmed fifteen individuals, and in Christ church, eight. I preached last Sunday morning in this place, and confirmed thirteen persons, and in the afternoon officiated in Portsmouth.

In the course of the last year the Church of Virginia has been deprived of one of the most conspicuous of her clergy in the decease of the Rev. Thomas Jackson. Mr. Jackson was

invited to this Diocese by myself and the Vestry of the Monumental church, and officiated as my assistant until he was attacked with that disease, which terminated his useful life in Alexandria. Mr. Jackson discharged his ministerial duties with such fidelity and ability as secured to him the approbation and respect of the whole congregation. His discourses were always calculated to do good. He preached Jesus Christ and him crucified; and was distinguished for a perspicuity in expression and talent in sermonizing, seldom surpassed. The congregation hold his memory in grateful remembrance, and never speak of him, but in language of the greatest respect and affection.

Having heard much said on the subject of a late publication in England, distinguished by the name of the Oxford Tracts, it would be improper in me to pass over them in silence, especially as one of the English Bishops, and several of the most eminent Clergymen of that Church, have expressed in most decided terms their disapprobation of some of the principles and views they contain. The Bishop of Chester, alive to the consideration of those dangers, resulting from the Tracts in question, has thus addressed the Clergy of his Diocese: "Many subjects present themselves, toward which I might be tempted to direct your thoughts. One more especially concerns the Church at present, because it is daily assuming a more serious and alarming aspect, and threatens a revival of the worst evils of the Romish system. Under the specious pretence of deference to antiquity, and respect for primitive models, the foundations of our Protestant Church are undermined by men who dwell within her walls, and those who sit in the Reformers' seats are traducing the Reformers. It is again," continues the Bishop, "becoming matter of question, whether the Bible is sufficient to make man wise unto salvation. The main article of our national confession, *Justification by Faith*, is both openly and covertly assailed; and the stewards of God are instructed to *reserve* the truths which they have been ordained to dispense, and to hide under a bushel those doctrines, which the Apostles were commanded to preach to every creature."

To be reserved, my brethren, when discoursing on the atonement made by the Lord Jesus Christ, would be a departure from duty of the most unpardonable character, and would subject any clergyman who should attempt it, to the charge of a denial of that Being who has bought us with the price of his most precious blood. It was the object of St. Paul to bring forward the Redeemer in bold relief to the view of all the Christians to whom his Epistles are directed; for "God forbid," said that venerable apostle, "that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." Nay, so deeply was his mind impressed with the importance of that principle, that he again declares, "I am determined to know nothing among you, save Jesus Christ and him crucified."

The Tracts are also charged with erroneous views on the subject of the justification of penitent man in the sight of God. Our Church declares in language the most explicit, that "We are accounted righteous before God, only for the merit of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, by faith, and not for our own works and deservings," and the apostle declares that "our justification is not of works, lest any man should boast."

The clergy of this Diocese I have always considered, and do now consider them decidedly pure and correct on the subject of the atonement made on the cross for the sin of the world, and also in their views of the justification of the returning offender in the sight of God; and I trust, my beloved brethren, while we live, and are permitted to exercise our official duties, we shall keep in view the cross of the Lord Jesus Christ, and proclaim to penitent sinners that "by grace they are saved through faith."

It is under the banner of the Redeemer that we have enlisted. It is under his banner that we have succeeded in our ministry, and that our labors have been blessed. It is by preaching the doctrines of the cross that the Church in Virginia has been resuscitated, and that it now holds a conspicuous place in our communion; but should the awful period ever arrive, when we should be reserved on the doctrine of the atonement, or teach poor fallen man to trust to his own merits for salvation, the blessing of Almighty God would be withdrawn from us—Ichabod would be written on the doors of our sacred temples, and we should be left to grope our way in midnight darkness. Let me entreat you then, my clerical brethren, to hold fast to the faith once delivered to the saints, and so fully expressed in the articles and liturgy of our holy and apostolic Church. It was on the cross that the covenant of peace and reconciliation with God was made—it was on the cross that the fountain for sin and uncleanness was opened—and it is to that sacrifice once made on Calvary, that we are to depend for our present and eternal happiness. To withhold from the view of the believer the principle of the atonement, would be to remove from beneath his feet the foundation upon which he has erected the superstructure of all his hopes—his support in every difficulty—the rock of his dependence in death—his only ark of safety, when the heavens shall be rolled up like a scroll, and the elements melt with fervent heat. Be steadfast then, my beloved brethren, I beseech you, in the discharge of your duties—suffer not your minds to be influenced by any novel doctrines which may be presented to your view by restless and speculative men; be immovable—always abounding in the work of the Lord—forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

RICHARD CHANNING MOORE

Bishop Meade delivered the following

ADDRESS:

DEAR BRETHREN AND FRIENDS:

I immediately after our last Convention, I came down to the place where we are now assembled, stopping only a day in Richmond, where I officiated once in the Monumental church. I spent a week with the brethren and their congregations in Norfolk and Portsmouth, preaching frequently during that time. I then passed over to the Eastern Shore, and reached Onancock, in Accomack county, on Saturday, the 2d of June. In this county I spent nearly two weeks, preaching every day to full congregations, confirming eleven persons, baptizing two adults, and administering the Lord's Supper. I accepted an invitation while there to address a temperance meeting which was held at Onancock. Although some errors have, in my opinion, been committed in the conduct of this Society, I have seen no cause to change my opinion as to its praiseworthy design, and its most beneficial effects, and therefore recommend it to the continued patronage of all the brethren and their congregations.

While in Accomack, I spent six days in visiting what is called the Upper parish, whose churches have all gone to ruin, and where no services have been held for the last forty years. A few zealous friends of the Church resolved upon an effort to revive it in that parish, and the Rev. Mr. Adams was engaged in the praiseworthy undertaking. At that time it was thought there was a good prospect of building two plain churches, in convenient places, in that division of the county.

In St. George's parish they were about to repair the old church at Pungoteague, which was built about one hundred and fifty years ago, and has never ceased to be used as a place of worship. The situation of St. James' church being found inconvenient, the Vestry had determined on its removal to Drummondtown, at which place I laid the corner stone during my visit. From Accomack I proceeded to Northampton, where I spent five days, preaching each day. I confirmed seventeen persons in this parish, and admitted to the priesthood the Rev. Mr. Robins, who came for this purpose with the proper testimonials from the ecclesiastical authority of Maryland. My duties being ended on the Eastern Shore, I passed over to Old Point, where I preached twice and confirmed one person. Passing over to Norfolk, I spent several days and nights in religious services in the two churches of that place and in Portsmouth, confirming one person in Portsmouth, fourteen in St. Paul's, and twenty in Christ church. I then spent two days at the two churches in Princess Anne, where the Rev. Mr. Fackler is settled, whom I admitted to the priesthood, Mr. Parks preaching the sermon, Messrs. Atkinson and Wingfield being also present. I administered the rite of confirmation to two persons. Many of our friends from Norfolk were with us at the old Donation church, and the occasion was truly an holy and delightful one. My next visit was to Gloucester, where I spent four days, preaching twice at each church. Though it was the busy season of harvest our congregations were quite good. I confirmed two persons in this parish. I was much pleased to spend a night at a comfortable parsonage, which the congregation have provided for their minister, the Rev. Mr. Mann, and take this opportunity of again pressing upon the friends and members of the Church, the expediency and duty of such provision in all our parishes, but especially the country parishes. I am satisfied that the probability of obtaining and securing permanently the services of effective ministers, is at least doubled by having a comfortable house with a small portion of good land for the supply of wood, pasture and a few acres for cultivation, for the use of the minister. Except some provision of this kind be made, the congregations can only expect the temporary services of young men, who will be always ready to accept a more eligible settlement. When such an establishment is made in a convenient situation, not only is a considerable share of the support of a family derived from it, but contributions in various articles necessary for a household are more readily obtained, and thus the reasonable expectations of God's ministers are fulfilled. The members and friends of the Church must excuse the Bishops of the same, if they frequently and earnestly press this duty on their consideration. When we encourage young men to relinquish all hopes of the riches and honors of this world and give themselves up to the work of the ministry, and then see them and their families laboring under painful apprehensions as to a support, and scarcely avoiding the dreadful evil of debt, we feel ourselves bound to remind those to whom God has given the silver and gold, that it is their bounden duty to see to their comfortable maintenance, and we know of no method of doing this, so easy, and cheap, and desirable as that recommended above.

From Gloucester I passed over to Williamsburg, where I spent two days in company with Rev. Messrs. Mann and Atkinson, discharging religious duties. While there I admitted the Rev. Mr. Hodges to the priesthood. My visit happening at the close of the collegiate term, I spent the 4th of July in the place, and by request, opened the services of the commencement day with prayer. I take pleasure in testifying that on this and the preceding days and evenings the behaviour of the students in church and elsewhere, was worthy of

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praise. Decorum and sobriety prevailed indeed throughout the place in an unusual manner for such a scene of festivity. In addition to those confirmed by Bishop Moore a few weeks before, I confirmed two persons. From Williamsburg I went to Richmond and preached two evenings in two of the churches. From thence I went to Hanover, preaching on the following Sunday, and confirming eight persons. The next week I went with Bishop Moore to Alexandria, where we attended the examination of the students at our Seminary. On Thursday Bishop Moore ordained four to the priesthood, and as many to the deaconship. On the following Sunday Bishop Moore preached in the two churches in Alexandria, and I officiated for two of the brethren in Washington. I spent the six following weeks at my residence in Clark county, preaching on the Sabbaths at Middletown, Winchester, Berryville, Millwood and Upperville. In the month of September, the General Convention of our Church was held in Philadelphia, and called me again from home for a few weeks. The proceedings of that body have been so fully spread before the Church, in the Journals and in our religious papers, that I shall not detain you by any remarks upon it.

On the 6th of October I again set out on a visit to some of the parishes, and preached on the 7th and 8th at Hay Market, in Prince William county. On Tuesday night I addressed the students at our Seminary. On Sunday, the 14th, I preached at Hanover Court House, and after exhorting them to erect a church at that place had the satisfaction to hear that a few persons promised \$700 to the object, and have since learned that the work is going on. On Tuesday night I lectured at Mr. Duval's, in Richmond. I then proceeded to Charles City, and preached once in each of the churches. On the 22d I was in Cabin Point, Prince George. On the 25th at the lower Surry church. On Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at Smithfield, where I confirmed eleven persons. At Chuckatuck church on the 29th. At Merchant's Hope church, Prince George, on the last of October and first of November, and confirmed seven persons. I spent the 2d, 3d, and 4th in Petersburg, preaching repeatedly at the Institute, the Presbyterian, and Methodist churches, which were kindly offered, our own church being unfinished. On the 9th, 10th, and 11th I was in Charlottesville, preaching twice each day and confirming five persons. I always take occasion to address a sermon to the young men assembled at that place, and I am happy to say that they receive it favorably, if I may judge from the numbers who attend and their conduct in church. From Charlottesville I proceeded to the West, in order to participate in the consecration of our beloved brother, the Rev. Leonidas Polk, to the Episcopate. I was detained two days in Staunton, through some accident to the stage, and preached repeatedly during that time. I was sorry to be obliged to pass through Lewisburg, where I had intended to tarry two days, without stopping. This was occasioned by the delay in Staunton. I spent the 16th and 17th at Charleston, Kanawha, preaching four times, and confirming six persons. On the 18th and 19th I was at Coalsmouth, in Kanawha. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday I spent at Point Pleasant, preaching five times, and baptizing two children, and administering the communion. The Rev. James Goodwin is officiating at this place and in Jackson county, and will, I hope, succeed in establishing the Church in that region. From Point Pleasant I proceeded to Cincinnati, the place appointed for the consecration. I spent ten days in this place enjoying much happiness in the society of our two beloved brethren, the Rev. Mr. Brooke, formerly of this Diocese, and the Rev. Mr. Johns, formerly of Maryland, and in hospitality of some kind friends. I officiated frequently during the time for each of the brethren, on whose labors God has bestowed rich blessings.

Toward the close of the week the brethren from different parts came in, and on Sunday, the 10th of December, we found ourselves in St. Paul's church, which though one of the largest in our land, was quite insufficient to hold the numbers who desired admittance, that they might witness one of the most impressive solemnities of the Church of God. Bishop McIlvaine, of Ohio, Bishop Smith, of Kentucky, Bishop Otey, of Tennessee, and myself were present, beside a number of the clergy from the Dioceses around. The sermon was delivered by Bishop McIlvaine, and has, I hope, been read by all of you with the interest and approbation it so fully merits. Concerning our beloved brother who was consecrated I need say nothing, as he was so well known and so highly esteemed by all who knew him while studying at our Seminary, and acting afterwards as assistant to the Bishop of this Diocese. May the abundant grace of God be granted to him for the arduous work on which he has entered.

Our duties being over I proceeded with the Rev. Mr. Peet to Chillicothe, where I preached once. From thence I went to Wheeling, where I spent three days, preaching frequently, and confirming sixteen persons. A severe cold prevented me from preaching at Wellsburg and at St. John's, in Brooke county. I am happy to say that these are now supplied by the Rev. Mr. Scull, formerly in Prince William. I took occasion while in that region, to visit the Rev. Mr. Andrews and a beloved niece now settled in Pittsburgh. I spent several days in that place, and besides preaching repeatedly for Mr. Andrews, officiated for the Rev. Dr. Upfold and the Rev. Dr. Mitchell, the latter living in Allegheny Town.

I reached home the last of December, and spent the following three months there, preaching at the churches around, and once visiting Alexandria. At that time I preached in each of the

churches and delivered a discourse to the students of the Seminary, which, at their request I have published. During the winter I admitted Mr. Noble, one of the students of our Seminary to the order of deacon, and the Rev. Mr. Bealle, of Maryland, to that of priest. On the 2d of April I again left home, and on the 3d preached at Warrenton, confirming six persons; at Culpeper Court House on the 4th; at Orange Court House on the 5th, confirming two persons; at Walker's church on the 6th; confirming one. On Sunday I preached in Charlottesville, confirming two persons in the morning, and in the afternoon addressed the students. On the 10th I preached in the North Garden; the 11th at Rockfish; the 12th at Mountain Plain; the 13th at Maupin's church; the 14th at Buckmountain, when I confirmed three. I preached again that night at Charlottesville. On Tuesday I officiated at the church on the Green Mountain, in Albemarle. On Thursday I was Trinity church, in Nelson county. On Friday in New Glasgow, Amherst county, where I confirmed four. On Saturday and Sunday I officiated at Calloway's church, in Nelson county, administering the communion. On Monday I preached at Goodwin's church, Buckingham county; on Tuesday at Buckingham Court House; on Wednesday at St. Peter's, on Thursday at Ca Ira, in Cumberland county, where I baptized one child and confirmed three persons. On Saturday and Sunday, the 27th and 28th, I officiated at Grubhill, Amelia, where I confirmed eleven persons. On Monday and Tuesday I was at Sapony church, Chesterfield, and on Wednesday and Thursday at Genito Bridge, at which latter place the friends of the Church are about to erect a place of worship. On Friday I preached at Peterville, in Powhatan, and on Saturday at Cartersville, in Cumberland. On Sunday I preached and administered the communion in the new brick church in Goochland; on Monday I preached at the brick church in Fluvanna; on Tuesday in Columbia; on Wednesday at Goochland Court House; and on Thursday at Dover Meeting House. The weather on Friday was such as to prevent service at Manakin church. I spent the Sabbath in Richmond, preaching at the Monumental church in the morning, and the lecture room attached to the new church in the afternoon.

Having thus as rapidly as possible reviewed the labors of the past year, I submit the same to your consideration, without remark, and pray the divine blessing on our present meeting.

WILLIAM MEADE,
Assistant Bishop of Virginia.

Both addresses were referred to the committee on the State of the Church. The Parochial Reports were read and referred to the appropriate committee. And then the Convention adjourned until to-morrow.

FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 17th, 1839.

The Convention met at nine o'clock.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Rev. John T. Clarke presented the following preamble and resolutions, which were referred to a committee consisting of Bishop Meade, Rev. Mr. Clarke, Rev. John P. McGuire, Rev. Thomas Atkinson, and Mr. E. I. Lee.

Whereas, from the destitute condition of the Protestant Episcopal Church in many parishes and counties in this State its members and friends are prevented from worshipping God in their public assemblies according to its venerable forms, and also from enjoying the regular instructions of its ministers—therefore,

Be it Resolved, That this Convention do affectionately recommend to all the candidates for the ministry in this Diocese to turn their attention to such destitute parishes and take seriously into consideration, whether they are not called to supply their wants.

Resolved, That the Diocesan Missionary Society be so re-organized as to contribute towards the comfortable support of any clergyman who will labor in such destitute places.

Resolved, That the above object be recommended to all the churches in this Diocese as one every way worthy of their support.

The Rev. John H. Wingfield made the following report:

The Committee to whom was referred the accounts of the Treasurer of the Missionary Society of this Diocese have discharged the duty assigned them and find the accounts correct and sustained by sufficient vouchers.

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The Protestant Episcopal Missionary Society of the Diocese of Virginia in account with
George M. Carrington, Treasurer.

		Dr.	
1838.			
Decem.	To cash paid Rev. Zechariah Mead, appropriation to him per receipt,	\$100 00	
	To cash remitted to Rev. William Scull, appropriation to him,	50 00	
1839.			
May 8.	To balance in the hands of the Treasurer,	49 00	
		<u>\$199 00</u>	
		Cr.	
1838.			
May 8.	By balance in the hands of the Treasurer, per last statement,	\$170 00	
	By cash received on the 1st day of December, 1837, from a friend in the county of Middlesex, by the hands of the Rev. Mr. McGuire, (omitted in my last statement,)	5 00	
July 15.	By cash received, dividend on three shares Bank Stock, due this day,	9 00	
1839.			
Jan. 15.	By cash received, dividend on three shares Bank Stock, due this day,	15 00	
		<u>\$199 00</u>	
May 8.	By balance, as above stated,	\$49 00	
	To which may be added three shares in the stock of the Farmers' Bank of Virginia, at par,	300 00	
	Available funds of the Society,	<u>\$349 00</u>	
Respectfully submitted.			
G. M. CARRINGTON, Treasurer.			

Mr. Gray, from the Committee appointed at the last Convention "to examine into the state of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen," &c., made the following report:

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to examine into the state of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, report that the fund at present consists of one hundred and forty-seven shares of the Farmers' Bank of Alexandria, one share of Virginia Bank stock, four shares of Potomac Bank stock, and \$2,200 loaned out in bond and security—making an aggregate of \$8,941—estimating the Bank stock at its present value.

Your Committee are of opinion that the Farmers' Bank of Alexandria, in which the principal part of this fund is invested, is conducted prudently, and that a sale of the stock at its present price (ten per cent under par) to make another disposition of it, could not be done to advantage. The \$2,200 loaned out on bond and security (of which \$600 is to the Education Society) they consider perfectly safe, but they would recommend some action of the Convention on the latter sum.

The management of this fund has been in the hands of John Hooff, Esq., of Alexandria, in whose name as Treasurer of the fund, the securities stand. Now although we have the most implicit confidence in Mr. Hooff, (for whose gratuitous services we think the Society ought to be thankful) some difficulty might arise in the event of his death, from his executor, on whose will would depend the assignment of the securities; for the wisdom of our Legislature denies religious societies corporate powers, they freely grant to every other class of citizens. As a remedy for this possible difficulty your Committee recommend that the Bank stock and bonds should be taken in the name of two or three individuals (the Treasurer being one) in whom they have confidence—that on the death of one the fund would go into the possession of the survivor—when they might be again renewed with another name.

Your Committee were also instructed to inquire into the expediency of placing the various funds of the Church into the hands of one Treasurer. The duties of Treasurer are performed gratuitously—they are attended with some labor, and involve considerable responsibility—they are, therefore, of opinion it is better to divide that labor and responsibility and keep them separate. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN GRAY,
EDWARD C. MCGUIRE,
CHARLES B. DANA.

The Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of Virginia
with John Hooff, Treasurer.

		Dr.	
1838.			
June 29.	To cash paid Miss Maria Heath,	\$30 00	
May 22.	To cash paid Mrs. Lee, order Standing Committee,	60 00	
Dec. 21.	To cash paid for eight shares of Farmers' Bank of Alexandria stock, at \$43 per share,	344 00	
1839.			
Feb. 20.	To cash paid for four shares Bank Potomac stock, at \$80 per share,	320 00	
Apr. 18.	To cash paid for five shares Farmers' Bank of Alexandria stock, at \$43 per share,	215 00	
	Balance in Treasurer's hands,	109 91	
		<u>\$1,078 91</u>	
		Cr.	
1838.			
May 10.	By old account for balance,	\$131 77	
20.	By cash for one year's interest on loan of \$600, Education Society,	36 00	
30.	By cash for six months interest, to 29th April, on loan of \$1,600,	48 00	
Oct. 3.	By cash for dividend on 134 shares Farmers' Bank of Alexandria stock,	167 50	
29.	By cash for six months interest on loan of \$1,600,	48 00	
1839.			
Jan. 4.	By cash for note and interest loaned 10th April, 1838, on \$250,	261 00	
19.	Dividend on one share stock Bank of Virginia, July, 1836, to January, 1839, inclusive,	23 50	
Mar. 8.	By cash for note loaned Dr. Alexander,	120 00	
	By cash for interest do.	7 64	
April 3.	By cash for dividend on 142 shares Farmers' Bank of Alexandria,	177 50	
May 3.	By dividend on four shares Bank Potomac,	10 00	
10.	By cash for six months interest on check A. Alexander and others bond to 29th April,	48 00	
		<u>\$1,078 91</u>	
11.	Ry balance down,	<u>\$109 91</u>	

The funds are as follows:

147 shares Farmers' Bank of Alexandria, par,	\$7,350 00
4 shares Bank Potomac, par,	408 00
Notes and bonds, bearing interest,	2,200 00
1 share Bank of Virginia, at par,	100 00
	<u>\$10,058 00</u>
5 shares Bank of Alexandria, at \$200, \$1,000.	<u>\$10,050 00</u>

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JOHN HOOFF, Treasurer.

The Treasurer avails himself of this opportunity to tender his resignation, and requests the Convention will direct the transfer of the funds.

May 13th, 1839.

JOHN HOOFF, Treasurer.

Both of which reports were referred to a committee consisting of the Rev. J. E. Jackson, Rev. Mr. Stringfellow, and Rev. A. Jones.

The Rev. J. E. Jackson made the following report:

The Committee to whom was referred the accounts of the Treasurer of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen have examined the same and find it to be correct.

The Committee regret to find a note attached to the Treasurer's account in which he resigns the office of Treasurer of this fund, which resignation will require the attention of the Convention.

On motion of Rev. John Grammer,

Resolved, That the 12th Canon be amended by adding to it the following clause: "Provided always that evidence be presented to the Convention, that due notice had been given at least three months previously, to the rector and church wardens of the original parish, of the proposed division."

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Rev. E. Adams, of Accomac parish, Accomac co., appeared and took his seat. The Convention suspended its proceedings for the purpose of attending divine service, when prayers were read by the Rev. J. E. Jackson and a sermon was preached by the Rev. N. H. Cobbs.

Resolved, That Mr. Samuel H. Lewis, Mr. Thomas N. Burwell, Mr. James M. Garnett, Mr. Hodijah Meade, and Mr. John Nelson, be a committee to inquire into and report to this Convention, a plan for raising a competent support for the Bishop and the Assistant Bishop of the Diocese.

Rev. Thomas Atkinson presented the following:

At a meeting of the Faculty of Hampden Sidney College, held in the Chapel on Wednesday evening, March 27, 1839: present, William Maxwell, President—R. G. Branch, J. W. Draper, and F. H. Smith, Professors. The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Trustees be, and they are hereby respectfully requested, to provide and ordain, that all pious youths in indigent circumstances who may wish to pursue their studies at this College with a view to prepare themselves for becoming ministers of the gospel in connexion with any evangelical church in our state and country, and who shall be recommended accordingly by some proper authority of such church, shall be privileged to enjoy all the instruction and other advantages of the institution, subject only to the general regulations of the same, without any charge for tuition.

Ordered, That the Clerk of the Faculty communicate the foregoing resolution to the next meeting of the Board of Trustees, and also to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, which is about to meet in Norfolk, Virginia.

A true copy from the minutes.

FRANCIS H. SMITH,

Professor of Mathematics and Clerk to the Faculty.

Which, on motion, was laid upon the table until to-morrow morning.

Rev. Thomas Atkinson presented the following:

Whereas, it is expedient for the best interests of this Diocese that the religious newspaper published therein, and which is necessarily considered, to some extent at least, the organ of the Church of Virginia, should be responsible to this Convention and faithfully express its sentiments, which, while it is the property of individuals it may not always do—and whereas there is reason to believe that the proprietorship of the Southern Churchman may now be obtained by this Convention at an inconsiderable expense—now, therefore,

Be it Resolved, That a committee of five persons (two of them to be the Bishop and the Assistant Bishop of this Diocese) be appointed to inquire into the practicability of obtaining, on satisfactory terms, the ownership of said paper.

2. *Resolved*, If it can be purchased for a sum not exceeding \$2,000, and they who shall sell their interest in it will be willing to look for payment of the purchase-money to the profits of said paper, that then said committee be authorized to purchase it in their own names, and hold it in trust for this Convention.

3. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of said committee, in case they make the purchase, to provide for conducting the paper, either by the voluntary services of some of the clergy, or by procuring an editor who shall serve for such time and on such terms as may be agreed on between him and them, and shall be in all respects responsible to them.

4. *Resolved*, That said committee shall, from time to time, cause to be printed by the press connected with said paper, such books and pamphlets as that the publication thereof shall seem to them advantageous to the Diocese and as it shall be convenient to have thus printed.

5. *Resolved*, That said committee shall make, annually, to this body a full report of their proceedings in the management of said paper and press, and, if necessary, receive instructions for their future conduct in relation thereunto.

6. *Resolved*, That it be urgently enjoined on the clergy and laity of this Diocese to make the most strenuous efforts in furtherance of the interests of said paper, both in the way of increasing its subscription list and contributing to its columns.

Which, on motion, was also laid upon the table until to-morrow morning. Mr. Levin S. Joynes, Sr., lay delegate from Accomac parish, presented his credentials and took his seat.

On motion of Rev. William G. Jackson, the committee—"on the fund for the support of widows and orphans of deceased clergymen" were discharged from the further consideration of that subject.

And then the Convention adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY MORNING, MAY 18th, 1839.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Rev. Dr. Empie, from the Committee on the State of the Church, made a report which was read and referred to the same committee with instructions to strike out the word "higher" in that part which relates to Domestic Missions, or to modify said expression—and also to strike out or modify all that part which relates to the Oxford Tracts.

The Committee on Parochial Reports made the following report:

The Committee have fulfilled the duty assigned them, and have made an abstract of the Parochial Reports, which they regret to say fails to exhibit the true state of the Church in this Diocese, but it is as full as the defective state of the reports would allow.

The following report of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Virginia was received and accepted:

Report of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of Virginia to the Convention.

The Trustees report that, according to the recommendation of the last Convention, they have been engaged in prosecuting a work in which, not merely the Seminary, but all the friends of religion and christian education are deeply concerned. They allude to the establishment of an high school in the neighborhood of the Seminary. Many causes have rendered it impracticable to put this institution into operation as early as was contemplated by the last Convention. But we are happy in now informing the Convention, that our prospects for commencing this interesting and important work during the present fall are bright and encouraging. We have secured the services of the Rev. Mr. Pendleton, at present a professor in Newark College, Delaware, and whose previous experience at West Point and at Bristol College, it is believed eminently qualify him for the office of principal in our proposed institution. The Trustees have appointed a committee to carry into execution all their resolutions in relation to this subject; and also, to cause to be erected during the ensuing summer, a chapel for the use of the Seminary and High School. The larger portion of the funds necessary for this building have been secured by the professors, and the remainder, it is hoped, will be obtained by the time it may be required. The Committee to whom the performance of these duties has been confided will, from time to time, give full information to the public, of their proceedings.

The Trustees have nothing of special interest to state concerning the Seminary, but would only refer the Convention to the subjoined reports of the Professors for an accurate statement of their labors and of the exercises of the students.

The Treasurer's report, which is also annexed, will shew the state of our funds. The amount of principal, which is all vested in stocks and good bonds, is only \$25,275. The interest from which is very little more than sufficient to pay the salary of one Professor, while there are three requiring support. The friends of the Church, therefore, will perceive the necessity for increased liberality to our Permanent Fund, and also to our Education Society, the annual contributions of which have hitherto aided most essentially in sustaining the institution. All which is respectfully submitted.

John Gray, Treasurer of the Theological Seminary of Virginia.

1838.

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May 25.	To sundries received at the Convention in Winchester, per acknowledgment in the Churchman,	\$2,247 15
July 10.	To six months interest on the vested fund,	750 00
	Cash received from Dr. Savage, the missionary,	50 00
	13. Sundries, per acknowledgment in the Churchman,	265 00
Aug. 18.	Principal and interest of one of the bonds of the vested fund,	1,008 00
Sep. 15.	To sundries, per acknowledgment in Churchman,	176 00
Oct. 20.	" " " " " " " " " " " "	185 00
Dec. 15.	" " " " " " " " " " " "	220 00
1839.		
Jan. 23.	Six months interest on the vested fund,	919 50
May 2.	Sundries, per acknowledgment in Churchman,	156 00
		\$5,976 65
May 10.	To contra balance due by John Gray at this date,	\$181 29

1836	Ca.	
May 10.	By balance due per last account,	500 00
25.	Cash paid P. Thomson, periodicals,	30 00
26.	Cash paid A. Lockwood, in part of his house,	2,000 00
June 7.	Cash paid Rev. J. Packard, repairs of do.	75 00
July 10.	Cash paid Rev. J. Packard, quarter's salary,	200 00
11.	Cash paid Rev. Reuel Keith, quarter's salary,	250 00
17.	Cash paid C. F. Lee, Treasurer of Education Society the \$50 received from Dr. Savage,	50 00
27.	Cash paid Henry Major, the Librarian,	25 00
	Cash paid Mrs. Ann C. Lewis, interest on her donation,	60 00
	Cash paid J. Taylor & Co., insurance on buildings,	67 50
30.	Cash paid A. Lockwood, his house,	500 00
Sep. 10.	Cash paid Rev. J. Packard, his house, in full,	950 00
Oct. 10.	Cash paid Rev. Reuel Keith, quarter's salary,	250 00
15.	Cash paid Rev. J. Packard, quarter's salary,	200 00
17.	Cash paid Edward C. McGuire, his expenses attending a meeting of the Trustees,	9 00
24.	Paid bill binding books of the Library,	60 25
1839		
Jan. 1.	Paid Rev. J. Packard, quarter's salary,	250 00
10.	Paid Rev. Reuel Keith, quarter's salary,	250 00
11.	Paid bill of repairs to Seminary buildings,	41 50
April 3.	Paid quarter's salary to each of the Professors,	500 00
May 10.	Postage for the year,	5 34
	Contra balance,	181 24
		<u>\$5,976 65</u>

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, MAY 13, 1839.

To the Rt. Rev. President of the Board of Trustees.

The Professor of Systematic Divinity would beg leave to report, that by the providence and grace of God he has been enabled to discharge the duties of his office almost without interruption from sickness or any other cause during another year. The students also under his care have been remarkably diligent in their studies and punctual in their attendance upon the exercises appointed by the Professor. These exercises have been as follows: He has held six recitations or lectures in each week, and in addition, has attended the chapel every Wednesday to hear and criticize sermons, and lectured once a week on the internal evidence of the divine origin of the Bible and the nature of its inspiration. He has thus met the Junior Class once and the Middle and Senior Class three times each in the week. The Juniors have studied the first volume of Horne on the Evidences, and are now engaged with Butler's Analogy. The Middle Class have nearly finished a course of Bible theology, the Seniors have studied Burnet on the Articles and Pearson on the Creed, and are now engaged in studying Whately's Logic.

All which is respectfully submitted to the Board by their most obedient servant,

REUEL KEITH,

Professor of Systematic Divinity and Teacher of Pulpit Eloquence.

The Professor of Pastoral Theology and Church Polity reports, that during the current session he has instructed, on three days in each week, the Senior Class. In the department of Pastoral Theology, the Text-book which has been selected as furnishing the best basis for a systematic course of instruction, is "Bridges on the Christian Ministry." Frequent references have also been made to other approved treatises on the duties of the Ministry, especially "Burnet on the Pastoral Care," and "Bishop White on the Ordination Services." In the department of Church Polity, the class has read the following works, and in the order which they are mentioned: "Onderdonk's Episcopacy tested by Scripture,"—"Poffet on Church Government,"—"Barrow on the Pope's Supremacy,"—"Wheatley on the Book of Common Prayer," with references to "Palmer's Origines Liturgicæ," and "Bishop Brown's edition of the Prayer Book," and the class is now engaged in the study of "Hooker's Ecc. Polity," having read already the first four books. It is designed to have a series of recitations on the Constitution and Canons of the Church in the United States.

The acting Professor of Church History has instructed the Middle Class on two days in each week in Church History. Mosheim translated by Murdock is the Text-book in the department. References have been made very frequently to Milner, especially at the period of the Reformation. The Professor would add, that the library of the Seminary is particu-

larly barren of works of reference in this department. The class will complete the study of the whole of this work, with reviews of the more important portions by the close of the session. All which is respectfully submitted.

E. R. LIPPITT.

The Junior Class under my charge have pursued nearly the usual course of study in Biblical Literature. In Hebrew they have read the whole of Genesis in course making use of Professor Stuart's Chrestomathy as far as there were extracts from Genesis. In Greek they have read the Gospel of John continuously consulting the Greek Harmony of Newcome, wherever there were parallel passages. It has been thought advisable to try the experiment, whether it were not better to read some one book in course, instead of miscellaneous extracts, and the result has been favorable to the latter method. They have carefully studied and recited the Hebrew and Greek Grammars of Professor Stuart.

Instruction has also been given in the principles of Interpretation, Jewish Antiquities, and the Geography and Chronology of Scripture. The class have been constantly referred to the best sources of information, and urged to pursue a course of collateral reading.

They have been in the habit of occasionally writing critical essays on the most difficult and important subjects in the Gospels, such as the Apparent Discrepancies of the Evangelists, the Genealogies of Christ, the Demoniacs of the Sermon on the Mount, and others.

The Middle Class have read the Epistles to the Romans and Hebrews, and carefully examined in Hebrew the prophecies relating to Christ in the Old Testament, following the order laid down by Hengstenberg.

The average number of hours devoted to recitation each week has been TEN.

In consequence of the generous subscriptions of some noble minded individuals there has been expended the sum of about sixteen hundred dollars in the increase of the Library. There have been obtained in this way, the most valuable works, chiefly in Practical Theology, of the Divines of the Church of England as well as those of the Dissenters. About six hundred volumes, chiefly of English editions, which necessarily enhanced their cost have been thus added to the Library.

J. BACKARD.

The Faculty of the Theological Seminary respectfully report, that the following persons have become members of the institution since their last report:

C. J. Gibson, a candidate for orders in this Diocese.

Joseph Earnest, a candidate for orders in this Diocese.

J. A. Massey, a candidate for orders in this Diocese.

H. W. L. Temple, a candidate for orders in this Diocese.

C. Bruce Walker, a candidate for orders in North Carolina.

All of whom are members of the Junior Class.

J. Christman, a candidate for orders in Maryland.

B. Rebet Claxton, a candidate for orders in Pennsylvania.

E. Deall Johnson, a candidate for orders in Virginia.

The two former are members of the Middle Class, and the latter of the Senior Class.

J. B. Noblit, of the Middle Class,

R. H. Wilmer, of the Senior Class,

have left the institution, and have both been ordained.

The present number of students is 19, viz:

Senior Class, 6.

Middle Class, 6.

Junior Class, 5.

By order,

E. R. LIPPITT, Secretary.

The following gentlemen were elected Trustees of the Theological Seminary of Virginia for the ensuing three years:

Rev. Edward C. McGuire,

George Adie,

John Grammer,

John P. McGuire,

Charles B. Dana,

Alexander Jones,

N. H. Cobbs.

Mr. John Gray,

Philip Nelson,

John Nelson,

Robert P. Waring,

James M. Garnett,

John Bruce.

The Rev. Mr. Clarke made the following report:

The Committee to whom was referred the resolutions on assisting destitute parishes have, according to order, taken the subject into consideration, and beg leave to make the following report:

Resolved, That this Convention do affectionately recommend to all the candidates for the

ministry in this Diocese to turn their attention to such destitute parishes and take seriously into consideration whether they are not called to supply their wants.

Resolved, For the effectual support of such parishes they recommend that the Diocesan Missionary Society be thus re-organized.

1. That its name be changed from the Diocesan Missionary Society to that of the "Protestant Episcopal Association for the Promotion of Christianity in Virginia."

2. That its officers be an Executive Committee consisting of three persons, besides the Bishop and Assistant Bishop, who shall be *ex officio* Presidents, and a Secretary, and Treasurer, to be appointed by the Convention; whose duty it shall be to ascertain the number and ability of the friends of the Church in any destitute parish or county, and how much they can and will contribute towards the support of a clergyman among them, and to help them according to their necessities, taking into consideration their own willingness to exert themselves to procure clerical services.

3. That the Executive Committee of the Protestant Episcopal Association for the Promotion of Christianity in Virginia be required to report quarterly through the columns of the Southern Churchman, and also to this Convention at each one of its annual meetings, its proceedings, viz: what parishes they assist—who are laboring in such parishes—and how much it contributes towards their support.

4. If there should be any deficiency of funds, for the above purpose, the Secretary of the Association shall appeal to the churches for assistance: and the contributions shall always be made with the express understanding that if more shall be given than can be profitably used in the Diocese, the Convention shall have power to give the surplus to the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society of the Church for the use of Domestic Missions.

Whereupon, the Convention approving and accepting the said report, appointed the Rev. George Woodbridge, Rev. Wm. Norwood, and Rev. Thomas Atkinson to compose, with the Bishop and the Assistant Bishop, the Executive Committee, the Rev. John T. Clarke, Secretary, and Mr. Hilary Baker, Treasurer of the "Protestant Episcopal Association for the Promotion of Christianity in Virginia."

The Rev. G. W. Nelson submitted the following:

Mr. Hooff, the late Treasurer of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen in the Diocese of Virginia, having resigned,

Resolved, That three persons, one of whom shall act as Treasurer, be appointed by this Convention, to hold, manage, and disburse the said fund under its control and direction, and that the late Treasurer be, and is hereby requested to transfer any stocks, bonds, or any other securities, and to pay over any moneys in his hands belonging to said fund to the Trustees to be appointed as aforesaid.

Which was considered, approved, and accepted by the Convention, and Mr. Hilary Baker was appointed Treasurer, and with Mr. William H. Hubbard and Mr. Orrin Williams, a Trustee.

The Rev. Mr. Atkinson called up his resolutions relating to the Southern Churchman. After full discussion the said resolutions were referred to a committee consisting of Mr. Edmund I. Lee, Rev. Mr. Woodbridge, and Rev. Mr. Atkinson, with instructions to report to the next Convention.

Mr. Samuel H. Lewis, from the committee appointed to devise means for raising a fund for the support of the Bishop and Assistant Bishop asked that the said committee be discharged from the performance of that duty: permission was refused.

And then the Convention adjourned until four o'clock this afternoon.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Rev. Dr. Empie, from the Committee on the State of the Church, made the following reformed report, which was accepted:

The Committee on the State of the Church respectfully report, that among the subjects presented to their consideration at this time, two or three are important enough to claim some attention.

First of all, it shall be observed that the Church seems obviously growing in public favor; its outward prospects are becoming more flattering; God's mercies to our Zion are yearly renewed; and with our ever recurring obligations, there are, as usual, renewed calls upon us for increasing thankfulness to Him who is the great Author of all our blessings. And it is most earnestly to be hoped, that the gratitude of our clergy and laity may not be such as evaporates with the acknowledgment of the lips; but such as manifests itself by the ardor of their affections, the devotedness of their service, and the obedience of their lives. Nor can we be too frequently reminded that the expression of thankfulness, and the acknowledgment of our obligations constitute but a subordinate part of our duty. The duty of greatest moment consists in habitually associating our obligations with our sins—our mercies with our unworthiness—in deriving from every new instance of the divine goodness new motives to greater zeal and love, to deeper penitence, to more persevering effort and prayer—and in schooling ourselves into deeper abasement before Heaven, than we have done, and are doing so little for God, while he has done, and is doing so much for us.

The subject of Diocesan missions, and the supplying of our destitute parishes with efficient aid, are matters of deep importance. The time has come when the attention of the Church should be fully turned to these points; and your Committee rejoice that the subject has been brought before Convention. As contributions to the cause of Foreign Missions, though important, can never exonerate us from the duty of providing for our own "starving poor," it is devoutly to be wished that such efficient measures may now be adopted as shall, through God's blessing, cause "the wilderness and the solitary places" within our own borders "to rejoice and blossom as the rose." This subject has indeed been referred to another tribunal; but the present state of the Church forced upon our notice this feature of its condition, and its great importance claimed from us this passing tribute.

It is too, from its connection with this topic, that we are induced to notice another subject which has been *informally* submitted to our consideration, viz: whether the graduates of our Theological Seminary, who are natives of the State, might not be required to devote one year at least, immediately after their ordination, to missionary labors in the Diocese under the direction of the Bishop.

To this your Committee beg leave to respond, that it would be an assumption of power equally unjust and impolitic to impose imperatively and unconditionally upon native Virginians this yoke of bondage. From the *beneficiaries* of the Church this duty may be exacted—for with them it may be made the indispensable condition of their education. But the necessities of the Church will not justify us in demanding it from others. Nor would it be expedient, if we even could, to deprive the ministers of God of that liberty with which God and their country have made them free.

But let the Church affectionately urge it upon them as their duty; let the friends of religion exert themselves to give our missionaries a comfortable support; and let the advantage of this course, during their diaconate, be duly pointed out to them—and few home born and home bred Virginians will refuse to render this tribute to their spiritual mother.

Lastly, in reference to the excellent address of our Diocesan referred to us, we remark, that we deem well-timed the effort made therein to place the members of our Church on their guard against the influence of error. To "resist the first beginnings of evil"—to espy temptations at a distance, in order the better to guard against them—and to give warning of approaching danger, are common duties of God's ministers and people. And he knows little of the weakness and depravity of our nature who thinks, either that the orthodoxy of all the members of our Church is proof against heresy, or that the holy wisdom of our people is superior to all the wiles of the arch-adversary. As to those who publish such works in our country, without most amply exposing the poison, and placing the antidote close by its side, they are engaged in a work of very questionable morality and expediency. And those whom God has placed on the watch-towers of Zion cannot, without guilt, see the enemy coming, and neglect to give warning. Should the press introduce and facilitate the progress of this enemy over the country, may the providence, the spirit, and the people of God "lift up their standards" against him. All which is respectfully submitted.

A. EMPIE, *Chairman*.

Mr. S. H. Lewis, from the committee appointed to devise means for raising a fund for the support of the Bishop and Assistant Bishop, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee to whom was referred the consideration of the resolution to inquire into and report to the Convention a plan for raising a competent support for the Bishop and the Assistant Bishop of the Diocese, have, according to order, performed that duty, and beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1, That it would be expedient to raise, annually, in each parish in the Diocese a sum equal to a contribution of fifty cents by each communicant therein—that the ministers

be requested particularly to call, annually, the attention of their respective parishes to the importance of a punctual compliance with this requirement, and that the several vestries take order for the collection of their respective quotas, and transmit the same, annually, to the Convention.

Resolved, 2, That the resolution of the Convention, passed the 20th May, 1837, directing the payment to the Bishop of this Diocese of the annual interest arising from the permanent fund raised for the support of the Bishop without a parochial charge be, and the same is hereby rescinded, provided that the sum of \$900 be annually raised under the recommendation of the foregoing resolution.

Resolved, 3, That our Treasurer do pay out of any moneys in his hands, and not otherwise appropriated, any arrears that may be due for former years to either the Bishop or the Assistant Bishop.

Resolved, 4, That it is expedient to appoint a Standing Committee on Finance at each annual Convention, consisting of laymen, whose duty it shall be to examine and report upon the contributions from the several parishes and churches towards the support of the Bishop and Assistant Bishop, and upon all other matters connected with the financial interests of the Church.

Provided that nothing herein contained shall be so construed as to interfere with, or repeal any existing resolution or canon in relation to the Contingent Fund.

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund made the following report:

Your Committee have received no regular account of the state of the fund from the wardens of Christ church; but it appears, from the statement of one of them, that three additional shares in the Bank of Potomac have been purchased. The fund now consists of the following stocks:

102 shares of the Farmers' Bank of Alexandria, at par value,	\$5,100 00
4 shares of the Bank of Potomac, at par value,	400 00
9 shares of the Bank of Alexandria, (the value of which is uncertain) par value is \$200,	1,800 00
	<u>\$7,300 00</u>

The Committee have no means of ascertaining the amount of dividends, but have been advised from the same source that they, together with a small surplus, amount to \$270, which have been paid to Bishop Moore. All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. W. NELSON.
WILLIAM N. WARD.
HENRY W. MONCURE.

Mr. James M. Garnett, on behalf of the lay delegates, handed to the Secretary three hundred and thirty-one dollars, with directions to apply three hundred and ten dollars thereof to the payment of that sum due to the Bishop, and to hand the remaining twenty-one dollars to the Treasurer of the "Protestant Episcopal Association for the Promotion of Christianity in Virginia."

The Rev. Mr. Lippitt read the proceedings of the Standing Committee for the last year.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Atkinson,

1. Resolved, That this Convention recognise with great pleasure the liberal spirit which has induced the Faculty of Hampden Sidney College to make the offer contained in the resolutions presented yesterday to the Convention, and thankfully accept the same for such young men of our communion as may be so situated as to avail themselves thereof.

2. Resolved, That this resolution be spread on the minutes of this body, and the Secretary be directed to forward a copy thereof to the Faculty of Hampden Sidney College.

Resolved, That the High School proposed to be established by the Convention of this Diocese is hereby most earnestly recommended to the patronage and generous support of all the members of the Church.

The following gentlemen were elected members of the Standing Committee for the ensuing year: Rev. Reuel Keith, D.D., Rev. Edward R. Lippitt, Rev. C. B. Dana, Mr. Edmund I. Lee, Mr. John Hooff, and Dr. Orlando Fairfax.

The Secretary reported having received, during the Convention, the follow-

ing contributions to the Contingent Fund and to the fund for the Episcopal services, viz:

	Contingent Fund.	Bishop's Fund.
Rev. Alex. Jones, Sion church, St. Andrew's parish, Jefferson co.	\$15 00	\$9 00
G. W. Nelson, North Farnham parish, Richmond county,	6 12½	8 00
John Nelson, St. James' parish, Mecklenburg,	22 00	7 00
Rob't Crutchfield, St. John's church, Berkeley parish, Spottsylvania,	10 00	8 00
Thomas N. Burwell, Botetourt parish, Botetourt county,	16 00	2 50
Rev. William N. Ward, St. Margaret's parish, Caroline,	5 00	6 50
Rev. William N. Ward, Louisa Court House,	10 00	5 00
F. W. Taliaferro, Grace church, Caroline,	10 00	
Rev. John Towles, St. James' parish, Prince William,	11 00	6 00
Rev. John H. Wingfield, Portsmouth parish,	10 00	2 50
Rev. John H. Wingfield, St. Paul's church, Suffolk,	10 00	3 00
E. D. Rust, Lunenburg parish, Richmond county,	10 00	
Rev. William Armstrong, St. Matthew's church, Wheeling,	30 00	
Rev. Wm. Armstrong, Wellsburg, Brooke, (for Rev. Mr. Scull,)	7 00	
Rev. Mr. Berkeley, Raleigh parish,	27 62	2 38
Rev. Mr. Berkeley, Dale parish, and congregation in Powhatan,	24 44	4 06
Dr. J. N. Brooks, St. Paul's church, Lynchburg,	20 00	10 00
Malcolm Macfarland,	30 00	
Edmund Fontaine, St. Martin's parish, Hanover,	20 00	10 00
William Wyatt, St. George's parish, Accomac county,	15 00	
W. S. Armistead, St. John's church, Hampton,	5 00	3 00
Rev. Mr. Chevers, Centurion church, Old Point,	4 00	2 00
John Chowning, Christ church, Lancaster,	24 56	
Dr. P. H. Foster, Roanoke parish, Halifax,	10 00	5 00
Arthur Temple, South Farnham, Essex,	10 00	6 00
Mann A. Page, St. Thomas' church, Orange,	10 00	5 00
William Radford, East Russell parish, Bedford,	30 00	
Samuel Pryor, Bath parish,	15 00	5 00
Roger B. Atkinson, Cumberland parish, Lunenburg,	16 00	6 00
Gatesby Jones and Warner T. Taliaferro, Ware and Abingdon parishes,	20 00	8 12½
P. A. Bolling, Tillotson parish, Buckingham,	20 00	10 00
Rev. Mr. Norris, Westover parish, Charles City,	10 00	1 00
Mahory M. Todd, Suffolk or Lower parish, Nansemond,	2 00	
C. B. Hite, Frederick parish, Frederick county,	10 00	
John W. Page, Wickliffe parish, Clarke county,	10 00	5 00
Rev. Mr. Hodges, certain individuals of Bruton parish,	10 00	5 00
Rev. J. H. Morrison, Trinity church, Shepherdstown,	10 00	
H. L. Davis, Lexington parish, Amherst county,	15 00	
John Stuart, St. Paul's parish, King George,	10 00	2 00
William G. Smith, Hunger's parish, Northampton county,	13 00	10 00
John Williams, St. James' church, Richmond,	12 60	10 00
Rev. Mr. Clarke, Cornwall parish, Charlotte county,	4 00	2 50
Charles H. Cabiness, Antrim parish, Halifax,	30 00	10 00
R. W. Young, Newport parish, Isle of Wight,	10 00	
Robert Hord, St. Peter's church, Port Royal,	20 00	
Mann Page, Walker's parish, Albemarle,	12 00	
John E. Meade, Marton's Brandon parish, Merchant's Hope church, Prince George,	6 00	
Philip Nelson, Frederick parish, Clarke county,	20 00	15 00
William H. Thompson, Christ church, Norfolk,	30 00	30 00
Rev. William H. Hart, St. John's church, Henrico,	20 00	
Benjamin Pollard, St. Paul's church, Norfolk,	10 00	6 75
Edward Valentine, Trinity church, Staunton,	15 00	
Rev. Mr. Castleman, St. Andrew's parish, Brunswick,	15 00	5 00
James M. Garnett, St. Ann's parish, Vawter's church, Essex,	18 00	7 50
Rev. R. K. Meade, Frederickville parish, Charlottesville,	30 00	7 70
William C. Leftwich, West Russell parish, Bedford,	12 00	
S. H. Lewis, Boyden parish, Augusta,	10 00	
Wm. H. Gray, St. James' church, Shelburne parish, Loudoun co.	33 62½	
Henry W. Moncure, Monumental church, Richmond,	30 00	
Amount carried forward,	\$901 97	\$251 51½

Amount brought forward	\$901 97	\$251 54
John Gray, St. George's parish, Fredericksburg,	20 00	20 00
John Bruce, Christ church, Winchester,	20 00	10 72
Rev. E. Adams, Accomac parish, Accomac,	6 00	
Rev. Mr. Dana, Christ church, Alexandria,	30 00	15 00
John Hoff, St. Paul's church, Alexandria,	31 50	
Hilary Baker, Christ church, Richmond,	30 00	
Rev. D. M. Fackler, Lynnhaven parish, Princess Anne county,		10 00
Rev. Rich'd H. Wilmer, St. James' parish, Northham, Goochland,	10 00	
Dr. Isaac Winston, St. Stephen's church, Culpeper,	10 00	
Rev. George Lemmon, Hamilton parish, Fauquier,	15 00	6 00
Rev. George Lemmon, Leeds parish, Fauquier,	15 00	6 00
	<u>\$1,089 47</u>	<u>\$319 24</u>

The Rev. John P. McGuire, from the Committee on the Treasurer's Report, stated that the usual account and documents had not been received.

Mr. Edmund I. Lee offered the following, in writing, as a substitute for the second article of the Constitution:

The Convention shall be composed of the Bishop and the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, and of the officiating ministers who now are, or may hereafter be regularly and canonically elected in parishes or churches within this State, and within that part of the District of Columbia formerly part of this State, so long as they continue officiating in parishes or churches within this Diocese, professors of the Theological Seminary of Virginia, missionaries acting under the authority of the Bishop, and within this Diocese, and of those whom age or infirmity prevents from exercising their clerical functions who shall be considered members *officio*, and also the acting agent or agents for any benevolent society or societies, being laymen of this Church and who are under the canonical jurisdiction of the Bishop of this Diocese. No person under ecclesiastical censure or process shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention. The Convention shall also be composed of lay members, consisting of one delegate for each parish or church, chosen by the vestry or trustees thereof. Every parish having more than one officiating minister, who hath been regularly and canonically elected, shall be entitled to send as many lay delegates as it has ministers; and in every case the delegate or delegates shall be communicants in the Church. The Assistant Bishop shall preside in the Convention in the absence of the Bishop.

Which was considered, approved, and ordered to be transmitted to the several vestries preparatory to final action on it at the next Convention.

Resolved, That when this Convention adjourns it adjourn to meet in the town of Charlottesville.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due, and they are hereby tendered to the citizens of Norfolk for their kindness and hospitality to the members of this Convention.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered, through Rev. Mr. Parks and the Rev. Mr. Miller to the several religious denominations for the use of their houses of worship, which they kindly offered.

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to pay the postage of the journals for such of the clergy as request it.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be directed to pay the expenses of the Secretary attending this Convention.

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay the door-keeper of this Convention.

Resolved, That the Secretary have 1,800 copies of the Journal of this Convention published for distribution among the parishes.

And then, after prayer by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned.

RICHARD CHANNING MOORE,

President of the Convention.

HILARY BAKER, Secretary.

* See Appendix, No. 3.

APPENDIX

NO. 1.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Monumental church, Richmond—Right Rev. B. C. Moore, Rector, Rev. Wm. Norwood, Assistant Minister.—By the blessing of God I am enabled to report this congregation as in a prosperous state. Baptisms, infants 35—adult 1—36; Confirmations, 17; Communicants, reported last year, 190—added to the communion, 2—212; moneys contributed for various benevolent objects: for the Theological Seminary, \$508; Education Society, \$95, for various other purposes about \$500—\$1,103.

Accomac parish, Accomac county—Ephraim Adams, Rector.—Baptisms, infants, 3; Marriages, 1. About eighteen months ago a few individuals, attached to the church in this parish, undertook to revive the services of their prostrate church, since which time, in the course of Divine Providence, the most of the communicants among them have died. Still the attachment of the people to the cause of religion and to the church has much increased during the past year. The Rector commenced his labors on the first of last June. There had been no officiating minister in the parish since the year 1785. There were formerly three excellent church edifices in the parish, but not a vestige of either of them now remains. Between one and two thousand dollars have been subscribed towards erecting a church, and the workmen will soon commence the edifice. He has established within the parish six Sunday schools, having sixty teachers and about two hundred and sixty scholars. In consequence of the small number of communicants, the communion has not yet been administered in the parish. There have been three infants baptized and one marriage has been celebrated.

St. James' church, Shelburne parish, Leesburg, Loudoun county—George Adie, Rector.—Communicants, added, 1; removed, 2; died, 1—total, white, 65; colored, 2—57; Baptisms, infants, white, 10; colored, 7—total, 17; Marriages, 2; Funerals, 6; number of families, 55; amount collected in the parish for religious and benevolent objects, about \$300. The Rector has said to mourn over the insensibility to eternal things manifested by the great majority of his hearers. He is encouraged, however, to hope that from the regular attendance upon public worship, and the respectful deportment of the congregation, that God may be secretly operating upon the minds of many who, as yet, acknowledge neither his power nor his grace. In addition to his regular services, in Leesburg, he preaches once a fortnight, in the afternoon, at Miss Mercer's school, located at Belmont, six miles from Leesburg, to an attentive and deeply interesting congregation, composed chiefly of young persons. There is an interesting Sabbath school at this place, conducted by Miss Mercer and her teachers, assisted by her pupils. Our Sabbath school in Leesburg is still interesting, numbering upwards of one hundred scholars. There is a Missionary, a Mite, and a Savings Society connected with the congregation.

Middleburg and Aldie—Communicants, 10; number of families, 7. The Rector preaches at each of these places on the second Sabbath in every month.

St. Matthew's church, Wheeling—William Armstrong, Rector.—Communicants, removed, 3—total, 100; Baptisms, adults, 4; infants, 30—total, 34; Confirmations, 16; Funerals, 11.

The Rector takes pleasure in stating that the condition of his parish is still encouraging. This parish has never been represented by a lay delegation, the honor was indulged that on this occasion it would have been fully represented. In this, however, he has been disappointed, but hopes that hereafter such arrangements will be made by the vestry as to secure for the parish a full representation in the councils of the Church.

St. Paul's church, Lynchburg—Thomas Atkinson, Rector.—Communicants, added, 17—of these 6 were from other parishes—removed, 3—total, 67; Baptisms, adults, 5, infants, 34, viz: white, 22, colored, 12—total, 39; Marriages, white, 1, colored, 1—total, 2; Funerals, 1 colored; there have been collected for the Education Society, \$150, being the result of the zealous labors of a number of ladies associated for that object; for missions, \$1.

The Rector entered on the charge of this parish last December. He found no parish register, but from the best information he could obtain, there were then fifty-three communicants. He is thankful that he can report that the state of the congregation has improved in many respects. The addition to the communion has been of persons who, it is hoped, will prove valuable accessions. The accommodations for persons attending our services have been enlarged. The Sunday-school has been improved, and is now an object of deep interest to the greater part of those among us, who profess to love Him who loved little children and commanded them to be brought unto him.

Raleigh and Dale parishes, Amelia and Chesterfield counties, and of the Episcopal congregation at Genito, in the county of Powhatan—P. F. Berkeley, Rector.—Communicants, added, 8, removed, 2—total, 46; Baptisms, adult, 1, infants, 9—total, 10; Confirmations, 12; Funerals, viz: white, 1, colored, 7—total, 8; number of Families, 34—adults, 124, infants, 63; amount collected for the different institutions connected with the Church, and for repairing two churches, \$526 75.

The labors of the Rector continue as heretofore, excepting such as were in connexion with the Sunday-school, which he is sorry to state, has been discontinued on account of circumstances not within his control. The additions to the communion, though few, afford cause for encouragement and gratitude; as do also the efforts and contributions made in behalf of the objects of religion and charity; yet it is to be lamented that so few seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, regarding these as the *one thing needful*.

St. Martin's parish, Hanover county—Wm. V. Bowers, Rector.—Communicants, added, 3—died, 3—removed, 4—total, 60; Baptisms, infants, 5; Marriages, 4; Funerals, 6; Confirmations, 7; number of families, 43; amount collected for benevolent purposes, \$250; Sunday-schools, 2, conducted by 17 teachers, and containing about 100 scholars; each school is furnished with a library, having in all, about 300 volumes.

The Missionary Concert of Prayer is observed on the first Monday of the month. During the summer the children of the parish are catechized by the Rector previous to the regular services of the church; and the colored population are instructed in the afternoon of each Lord's day.

His congregation at Hanover Court House are about to erect a house of worship; a large portion of the money has been subscribed and a contract made with the workmen.

St. Andrew's parish, Brunswick, and Bath parish, Dinwiddie county—Thomas T. Castelman, Minister.—Communicants, added, 6—removed, 1—died, 1—total, 52; Baptisms, adults, 2—viz: white, 1—colored, 1; infants, 9—viz: whites, 4—colored, 5—total, 11; Confirmations, 1; Marriages, 4; Funerals, 8; amount collected for the different institutions connected with the Church, about \$220.

St. John's church, Hampton, Elizabeth City county—M. L. Chevers, Rector.—Communicants, added, 2—total, 11; Baptism, infant, 1; Marriage, 1; Funerals, 9.

Centurion church, Old Point—Communicants, added, 2—total, 10; Baptisms, infants, 5; Confirmations, 2; Marriages, 6; Funerals, 8; collected for Foreign and Domestic Missions, \$20; Sunday-school—7 teachers and about 40 scholars.

A large number of colored persons assemble twice in the week for religious worship and conversation; and from their punctual attendance, and serious deport, the best results are anticipated.

Roanoke parish, Halifax county—John T. Clarke, Rector.—Communicants, added, 2—died, 1—total, 16; Marriage, 1; Funerals, 4; number of families, 13—adults, 29—infants, 15; amount collected for the church, \$248 61.

There is connected with the parish a Sunday-school. The Rector preaches generally twice on Sundays—and during the year, except in the winter, attends a monthly missionary meeting, besides, regular services at different houses in the parish during the week. He is also laboring to some small extent among the colored population. But altogether, he has seen; as yet, but little fruit from his labors.

Russell parish, Bedford county—N. H. Cobbs, Rector.—Communicants, died, 1—removed, 2—added, 8—2 from other parishes—total, 76; Baptisms, adults, 3—infants, 31—total, 34; Marriages, whites, 4—colored, 2—total, 6; Burials, 4.

The Rector of this parish has nothing of special interest to communicate. In general he

believes that the state of things is not discouraging. The preaching of the Word is listened to with marked attention—and it is hoped that among those who have not made a public profession of their faith, there are a number who are manifesting some sensibility to the influences of religion. Arrangements are making for the enlargement of one of the churches in the parish—and the Rector is not without some hopes of seeing an additional house of worship erected in the county.

Martin's Brandon parish, Prince George county—Rev. E. Christian, Rector.—The Rector assumed the charge of this parish in January last, since which time there have been 4 marriages, 4 funerals, 1 death, and 1 adult baptism. Number of communicants at Merchant Hope, 13; at Cabin Point, 2.

Tillotson parish, Buckingham county—James M. Cofor, Rector.—Communicants, removed, 2—total, 32; Baptisms, children, 8; Confirmations, 3; Marriage, 1; Funerals, 3.

The Minister of this parish has nothing of especial interest to communicate to the Congregation. While the preaching of the Word has not been attended with that visible power and effect so encouraging to the heart of the minister, yet his congregations have been uniformly good, and their attention has been serious and devout. He cherishes the hope that the seed which has been sown by him, although with a feeble arm, will finally spring up, and ripen into the everlasting salvation of many perishing souls.

St. Stephen's church, Culpeper county—John Cole, Rector.—Communicants, added, 6—removed, 2—total, 37; Marriages, 6; Funerals, 6.

Bloomfield parish, Madison Court House—Communicants, 12; Marriage, 1.

Trinity church, Madison—Communicants, 12.

The field of labor embraced within the range of the above named parishes, and Greene Court House, a temporary place of preaching, is about forty miles. In this wide field, while there has been but comparatively little to encourage the minister in the actual additions made to the communion, he is not wholly left without encouragement to toil in this arduous circuit.

Report of John Cooke, Missionary—Communicants, about 20; Funerals, 1; number of families, about 40.

Your Missionary still continues to officiate regularly in Spotsylvania, Louisa, and Powhatan, and occasionally, in the lower part of Goochland. As yet, but few have made an open profession of Christ, but he has encouraging grounds for hoping that he shall ultimately succeed in reviving the church in each of those sections.

In the neighborhood of Spotsylvania Court House, the erection of a church will be commenced as soon as a contractor can be procured to undertake the work. By the courtesy of a friend, we now have to occupy, as a place of public worship, the drawing-room of a private dwelling, where respectable congregations attend, who give pleasing indications of attachment to the Church, and a growing interest in religion generally.

At Locust Grove, Louisa, the congregations are still uniform and respectable, and here, also, are some cheering indications of an interest in the Church and the subject of vital religion.

At Manakin Town, Powhatan, the prospects of the church are improving in some respects. The necessary amount has been raised for the repairs of the church, which will be commenced as soon as workmen can be procured to undertake them.

He made an effort during the past summer to raise a congregation in the lower part of Goochland, where a liberal sum was subscribed for the erection of a church, which it is hoped will ere long be erected.

Christ church, Alexandria, D. C., Fairfax parish—Charles B. Dana, Rector.—Communicants, added, 6—removed, 3—died, 2—total, 125; Baptisms, infants, white, 22—colored, 5—total, 27; Confirmations, 10; Marriages, 2; Funerals, 14; number of families, about 75.

St. James' church, Richmond—A. Empie, Rector.—Communicants, died, 1—removed, 2—present total between 30 and 40; Baptisms, infants, 2; Marriages, white, 4—colored, 1—total, 5; Funerals, 14—10 of which belonged not to the congregation. The number of adults belonging to the congregation is not yet fully ascertained, but it is known to be above one hundred.

The congregation was first organized in the fall of 1837, when the present Rector took charge of it—and if in reporting its condition he is not as full as the canon requires, the circumstances incident to a new congregation must plead his apology.

The church which, through the goodness of God, the congregation have been enabled to erect, will in two or three weeks be ready for consecration. The Sunday-school numbers about 40 scholars and 7 teachers.

Lynhaven parish, Princess Anne county—David M. Fackler, Rector.—Communicants, added, 4—total, 12; Baptisms, infants, 5; Confirmations, 2; Marriages, 2; Funerals, 2.

Immediately after the last Convention, I entered upon my ministerial duties in this long vacant parish—and though the ministrations of the gospel have not been so efficacious as had been hoped, in the conversion of men from sin to holiness, I have reason, in the regular attendance, the devout demeanor, and the audible responses of the congregation, to hope that some of the seed, at least, will fall into good ground.

St. Peter's church, Port Royal, and Grace church, St. Mary's parish, Caroline county—William Friend, Rector.—Communicants, added, 2—total, 42; Baptisms, 14; Marriages, 3; Funerals, white, 4—colored, 2—total, 6; contributions to various objects connected with the church, \$150.

The Rector has nothing of special interest to report respecting the churches under his charge. The aspect of things is on the whole favorable. His congregations are much larger than in years gone by. Attendance on public worship is more punctual, especially during the winter season. A Sunday-school has recently been established at Grace church, principally for the benefit of the poor children in the country around the church. The prospects are very encouraging. It already has a large number of scholars—and we trust that under God it will prove a rich blessing to the neighborhood.

Trinity church, Staunton, Augusta parish—Frederick D. Goodwin, Rector.—Communicants, added, 3—total, 56; Baptisms, adult, 1—infants, white, 8—colored, 1—total, 10; Marriages, white, 3—colored, 1—total, 4; Funerals, white, 6—colored, 1—total, 7; collections for charitable objects connected with the church, \$300.

Report of Zachariah H. Goldsmith.—Since the opening of the spring I have been engaged regularly in preaching at two appointments in King George. Two Sundays in the month I preach at King George Court House and the other two I preach at the Poplar Union meeting house, in the lower part of the county. I have good congregations at each place, and a good prospect of usefulness. I have solemnized 5 marriages, preached 5 funerals, and baptized 4 children.

Antrim parish, Halifax county—John Grammer, Rector.—Communicants, 38; Baptisms, infants, 5; Marriages, white, 4—colored, 1—total, 5; Funerals, white, 4—colored, 1—total, 5.

The collections for all the different objects connected with the church have amounted to only \$171 32. But it is due to the parish to state, that this result is most probably to be ascribed to the Rector, who has, as yet, made no decided effort to introduce any systematic plan for benevolent contributions. He entered upon his charge here near the close of the last summer, and has hardly been able to become sufficiently acquainted with the character and condition of his parish, to adopt confidently any regular course of operations; and as his congregations have been making very liberal efforts to erect a rectory at the Court House, and to provide for the comfort of his family, he has thought it an unsuitable time to press other claims. The spiritual condition of the church presents very little that is cheering, but the congregations are large and attentive, and there appears to be abundant materials for building up our Zion.

St. John's church, Henrico parish—William H. Hart, Rector.—Communicants, added, 2—total, 32; Marriages, 7; Baptisms, adult, 1—infants, 14—total, 15; Funerals 7.

The condition of this congregation continues to be much the same as at the last report.

Brunswick parish, Williamsburg—William Hodges, Rector.—Communicants, added, 4—(2 from other parishes)—died, 2—total, 53; Baptisms, infants, 8; Confirmations, 7; Marriages, 3; Funerals, 7; number of families about 50; contributions \$35 85.

Owing to peculiar circumstances, this congregation has not been able to contribute so largely to the benevolent objects of the church abroad, as some others of the same size. In addition to \$700 (not reported at last Convention) raised and expended in the repairs of their old and venerable house of worship—they are now endeavoring to raise, by subscription among themselves, the amount that it will require to complete said repairs, which is estimated at near \$3,000; the larger portion of which is already subscribed. The Sunday-school, parish library, &c., continue about the same as when last reported.

Hungar's parish, Northampton county—William G. Jackson, Rector.—Communicants, added, 9—died, 1—total, 50; Baptisms, adults, 2—infants, 9—total, 11; Confirmations, white, 14—colored, 1—total, 15; Marriages, 7; Funerals, 4; number of families, 39: adults, 140—infants, 87; contributions to benevolent institutions, \$256 10.

Hungar's church has been repaired and modernized, at an expense of \$1,200. The Glebe suit is still pending. We desire, through the medium of this report, to express, with thankfulness, the deep obligations of the church to Gen. Walter Jones, E. I. Lee, Chapman Johnson, Wm. H. McFarland, Henry A. Wise, and other gentlemen of the bar, for their truly valuable and efficient services.

Christ church, Winchester—J. E. Jackson, Rector.—Communicants, added, 4—removed, 6—died, 2—entered the Theological Seminary, Alexandria, 1—total, 76; Baptisms, infants, 16; Confirmations, 13; Marriages, 5; Funerals, 8; number of families, 58—adults, 161—infants, 166. The amount collected for different institutions connected with the church does not exceed \$200.

The Rector deeply laments having nothing of very peculiar interest to report to the Convention as to either the spiritual or temporal concerns of his parish. All he can say is (and he says it with thankfulness) that peace and harmony prevail; the congregations on Sunday retain their usual numbers; the Bible-classes, Sunday-schools, and catechetical exercises of the children are well sustained; but he regrets to acknowledge that the week-night lectures are much neglected, and the contributions to the institutions connected with the church are far below what might reasonably be expected from the congregation. The rectory house which was in progression at the last Convention is now completed, and occupied by the Rector. The Vestry have purchased, for the use of the church, a bell weighing 800 lbs.

St. Thomas' church, Frederick parish—Communicants, added, 1—total, 12.

This parish, which was recognized and received at the last Convention, was taken possession of by the Rector in October last, at which time he resigned the charge of Christ church, Mill Creek, Norborne parish.

Wickliffe parish, Clarke county—William M. Jackson, Rector.—Communicants, added, 4—present number, 58; Baptisms, 7; Marriages, 8; Funeral, 1.

As far as accessions to the communion of this church are concerned, its spiritual condition presents a melancholy aspect. The world pleads louder than the preacher, and is more successful in winning men to its service. And yet, the Rector does not despair. The congregations are large and attentive; the services for the servants well attended; parents, it is believed, are faithful in the religious instruction of their children; and masters are solicitous for the spiritual welfare of their servants. The contributions to the benevolent institutions of the church are increased; and in addition to all this, the appearance of a little cloud affords ground for the hope that God will ere long visit us with a shower of his grace.

St. Paul's church, Alexandria—J. T. Johnston, Rector.—Communicants, added, 12—(6 from other cures)—removed, 9—died, 1—total, 143; Baptisms, adult, 1—infants, 23—total, 24; Confirmations, 11; Marriages, 5; Funerals, 6; Sunday-schools, 2—superintendants, 2—teachers, 23—scholars, 207.

Pohick church, Truro parish, Fairfax county—Wm. P. C. Johnson, Rector.—Baptisms, infants, white, 2—colored, 5—total, 7.

St. Thomas' church, Orange Court House—Wm. G. H. Jones, Rector.—Communicants, added, 2—received from another denomination, 1—removed, 4—died, 2—total, 35; Baptisms, adults, 1—infants, 10—total, 11; Confirmations, 2; Marriages, white, 3—colored, 1—4; Funerals, white, 3—Colored, 1—total, 4; Sunday-school, teachers, male, 2—female, 3—total, 5; scholars, about 40; families, about 50.

From ill health the Rector resigned his charge of Walker's church, Albemarle, last fall, since which period he has confined his labors entirely to St. Thomas', until within a few weeks. He has it now in contemplation to officiate two Sabbaths in the month at a place called Mechanicksville. With the Divine blessing he thinks he will here have an opportunity of essentially promoting the cause of religion and the interests of the church. It is favorably located for a large and influential congregation. Two Sabbaths have recently been occupied there; on the latter of which two young ladies made a public profession of religion and received the holy rite of baptism. This place is on the confines of the Green Springs, in the county of Louisa.

Zion church, St. Andrew's parish, Charlestown, Jefferson county—Alex. Jones, Rector.—Communicants, added, 6—died, 5—total, 62; Baptisms, infants, white, 15—colored, 10—total, 25; Marriages, 20; Funerals, 13; amount collected for different institutions of the church, \$250. The Rector has nothing worthy of observation to report.

Report of Rev. Jacob Keeling, Suffolk.—Baptisms, 9; Marriages, 4; Funerals, 7. I have performed but few duties during the past year.

Hamilton and Leeds' parishes, Fauquier—George Lemmon, Rector.—In Hamilton parish, Communicants, added, 2—died, 2—total, about 50; Baptisms, 12; Confirmations, 6; Marriages, 9; Funerals, 5; Contingent fund, \$15; Bishop's fund, \$6; for institutions connected with the church, \$120.

In Leeds' parish, Communicants about 25; Baptisms, adult, 1—infants, 2; Contingent fund, \$15; Bishop's fund, \$6.

While in some few instances in both of these parishes the Rector hopes that a gracious work has been begun within the last year. The greater part of the people manifest but little interest in everlasting things. They give their ear indeed to the gospel, but too generally give their heart to the world. The chastening hand of God has been, and still is, however, upon a number of them, and there is ground to hope that the rod has not and will not be inflicted in vain. The prayers of the Convention are asked in behalf both of the people and their minister. The state of his health prevents his attendance on Convention.

Falls' church, Fairfax county—Edward R. Lippitt, Minister.—Communicants, added, 2—died, 1—total, 14; Baptisms, infant, 1; Funeral, 1.

The church has been thoroughly repaired, and in its interior arrangements remodelled and improved, and is now a very convenient and neat place of public worship. In the course of a few weeks there will be completed around the church a plain and substantial enclosure embracing a burial ground.

At the time of the last report the Sunday-school of this church was the only one in that neighborhood. Since that period one has been opened at the Methodist chapel, about a mile distant, which has diminished very much the attendance on our school. It, however, contains thirty-eight scholars, under the care of ten teachers, who preserve their interest in the prosperity of the school, and seem encouraged.

Cumberland parish, Lunenburg county—Thos. E. Locke, Rector.—Communicants, added, 6—removed, 1—died, 2—total, 40; Baptisms, infants, white, 11—colored, 23—total, 34; Confirmation, 1; Marriage, 1; Funerals, 7; amount collected for different institutions of the church, \$260.

Buck Mountain, Mountain Plains, Trinity church, and Cove Congregation, Albemarle county—Henry Major, Rector.—Communicants, added, 4—total, 52; Baptisms, adult, 1—infants, white, 2—colored, 6—total, 9; Confirmations, 6; Marriage, 1; Funeral, 1.

The Rector took charge of these congregations last September, and as they are yet in a state of infancy, no effort has been made to collect funds for the institutions connected with the church. Between six and seven hundred dollars have been subscribed to build a new church for the use of Mountain Plains congregation, which we hope will be ready for consecration next fall. Each congregation has service twice a month. The field is large, and the labors of the minister are of course arduous, but he is cheered by the hope that they will not be in vain.

Abingdon and Ware parishes, Gloucester county—Chas. Mann, Rector.—Communicants, added, 10—5 from other congregations—died, 1—removed, 1—total, 44; Baptisms, adult, 1—infants, 8—total, 9; Confirmed, 2; Funerals, adults, 2—infant, 1—total, 3. There is one Sunday-school in rather a prosperous state at present.

The prospects of these parishes are still encouraging. The congregations have increased in numbers and in apparent interest in the services of the church. The debt due last year on the rectory has been liquidated through the active exertions of the ladies; and to the same exertions we are indebted for several valuable improvements on the property of the church, adding much to the comfort and convenience of the rectory building. The amount thus raised has been so considerable as to lessen, in some measure, the funds which might have been devoted to purposes of benevolence in the church at large. Rather more than two hundred dollars have been contributed to the Bible, Missionary, Education, and Colonization Societies.

St. Mark's parish, Kanawha county—J. Martin, Rector.—Communicants, added, 1—removed, 1—total, 12; Baptism, infant, 1; Marriage, 1; amount collected, \$30.

There is a good congregation at this place, and some devoted friends of the church. The entire services of a clergyman are very much desired.

St. John's church, Kanawha county.—Communicants, added, 8—total, 31; Baptisms, adult, 1—infants, 10—total, 11; Confirmations, 6; Marriages, 5; Funerals, 2; number of families, 25; amount collected, \$70.

The prospects of this church are quite encouraging. The congregation is good. Five hundred dollars have been raised within the last two months for the purchase of an organ.

Trinity church, Shepherdstown—J. Horace Morrison, Minister.—Communicants, removed, 1—present number, 37; Baptisms, infants, white, 11—colored, 1—total, 12; Marriages, 2; Funerals, 5; amount collected for different institutions of the church, \$199. In addition to this \$34 have been contributed to purchase a Sunday-school library.

The Minister took charge of this congregation last August. Although none have been added to his communion, yet, from the apparent interest with which the word of God is received, he indulges a hope that his labors have not been entirely in vain. He has preached

about once a month to a large and attentive colored congregation; and from the eagerness with which the proclamation of the gospel is listened to, he hopes that his endeavors in behalf of this portion of our population may be blessed of God. A Sabbath-school and Bible-class have been formed. The former is as prosperous as could have been expected in its commencement. The latter has not, hitherto, succeeded as well as the Minister could have wished. It is proposed to enlarge the church, which is at this time small and inconvenient. About \$2,000 are already subscribed, and no doubt is entertained of obtaining a sufficient sum for the purpose.

Christ church, Charlottesville, Albemarle county—R. K. Meade, Rector.—Communicants, added, 4—removed, 5—died, 1—total, 55; Baptism, infant, 1; Confirmations, 7; Marriages, white, 3—colored, 1—total, 4; Funerals, 7; Families, 28; amount collected for different institutions connected with the church, \$500.

St. George's church, Fredericksburg—E. C. McGuire, Rector.—Communicants, 138; Baptisms, 19; Marriages, 7; Funerals, 13.

The loss of members has been considerable by deaths and removals—additions few, and those, in part, from other parishes. There is much, however, to encourage in the large congregations, filling a church now to small; and in the prosperity attending our Bible-classes, Sunday-schools, and other religious and charitable associations.

Amount contributed to various objects connected with the cause of the Redeemer, about \$500. One of our members has recently entered the Theological Seminary of this Diocese, and another been led, as we trust, by Divine Providence, into the field of Foreign Missionary labor.

St. James' parish, Mecklenburg county—F. H. McGuire, Rector.—Communicants, added, 9—died, 1—removed, 2—total, 51; Baptisms, 2; Marriages, 2; Funeral, 1.

The Rector assumed the charge of this parish in October last. Since the last report from this parish, one church has been built and is now ready for consecration. About \$400 have been raised for the repair of another, and a good prospect of raising \$3,000 for the erection of another. These sums will each be enlarged till they are sufficient for the accomplishment of their objects. A scholarship in the Virginia Seminary has been taken in the parish. \$427 50 have been raised for other benevolent purposes. Several Bible-classes have been formed in the different congregations of the parish. The prospects of the church are evidently improving.

St. Ann's parish, Essex county—John P. McGuire, Rector.—Communicants, added, 2—removed, 4—died, 1—total, 32; Baptisms, infants, white, 2—colored, 1—total, 3; Marriages, 4; Funerals, 5.

South Farnham parish, Essex county—Communicants, added, 5—removed, 5—died, 3—total, 26; Baptisms, adult, 1—infants, white, 12—colored, 3—total, 16; Marriages, 3; Funerals, 3.

The amount collected for different institutions connected with the church cannot be stated with entire accuracy.

A new church, heretofore reported, as about to be erected in South Farnham parish, it is expected, will be completed during the coming summer and fall.

A few additions have been made to the communion; but it cannot be stated with any confidence, that the spiritual condition of the parishes has improved during the past year. The services of religion are indeed regularly performed; the good seed sown as heretofore; but we have often cause to do it weeping, and look with longing eyes for the day when we may be permitted to gather in the precious fruit.

The Rector in occasionally extending his labors to points other than those to which his regular services are devoted finds much to awaken the sympathy and care of the church. Every visit to the neighboring counties convinces him still more deeply that the harvest she might gather is great indeed; that this is a very favorable time for her to accomplish a good work among their youthful population; and that a rich return would be made for whatever of Domestic Missionary labor could be extended to them.

Cople parish, Westmoreland, and Lunenburg and Farnham parishes, Richmond county—G. W. Nelson, Rector.—Communicants, added, 3—died, 1—suspended, 1—withdrawn, 1—total, 44; Baptisms, adults, white, 2—infants, white, 7—total, 9; Marriages, 2; Funerals, 5; amount collected for the different institutions connected with the church, \$106.

Report of Rev. Alexander Norris, Charles City county—Communicants, added, 4—of which 3 are from other cures—removed, 4—total, white, 17—colored about 40—57; Baptisms, adults, white, 1—colored, 5—children, 7—total, 13; Funerals, 11; Marriages, 3; contributions, \$67 87½. The parish in other respects very much as when last reported.

Christ church, Norfolk—M. P. Parks, Rector.—Communicants, added, 15—removed, 27—18 of these united themselves, with the approbation of the Rector, to the communion of St. Paul's church—died, 3—total, 239; Confirmations, 33; Baptisms, adults, 3—infants, 10—total, 13; Marriages, 4; Funerals, adults, 9—infants, 7—total, 16; contributions for the various objects of charity, \$2,017 12.

Lexington parish, Amherst county—Nelson Sale, Minister.—Communicants, added, 11—removed, 3—died, 3—total, 69; Baptisms, adults, 1—infants, white, 8—colored, 3—total, 12; Confirmations, 4; Marriages, 2; Funerals, 5; amount collected for different institutions connected with the church, \$87.

Upon a review of his labors the Minister has much to humble and discourage him amidst many remaining blessings and hopeful appearances. While his heart bleeds over the desolations of Zion, and the prevalence of worldly-mindedness, he is still much encouraged to hope, from the numerous and uniform attendance on public worship, the patient attention to the word preached, the commendable zeal of many of the members of the church, and the ready mind and liberal hand with which his congregations have contributed their worldly substance to sustain the different institutions connected with the church, that a brighter day is dawning upon his people, and that ere long a more abundant blessing will crown his feeble labors.

The Pedlar congregation has been engaged in erecting a church during the last year which will cost them when completed about \$1,500.

Christ and St. John's churches, Brooke county—William Scull, Rector.—Communicants, removed, 1—total, 40; Baptisms, adult, 1—infants, 7—total, 8; Marriages, 4; Funerals, 3.

The Rector became connected with this parish in January, 1839. At present it is a missionary station, and receives aid from the Domestic Missionary Society of the Diocese.

Christ church is in the town of Wellsburg, which contains about three thousand inhabitants. The Rector preaches twice on Sundays; lectures on Wednesday evening, and attends a Bible-class on Friday night. He has also organized a Sunday-school, which is in a prosperous condition.

St. John's church is eight miles distant from Wellsburg. Here the Rector preaches every fortnight. This church was organized about forty years ago by the Rev. Dr. Doddridge, but it does not exhibit that flourishing condition which might be expected.

Christ church, Newport parish, Isle of Wight county—Thomas Smith, Rector.—Communicants, added, 6—died, 4—total, 35; Baptisms, adults, 2—infants, white, 5—colored, 16—total, 23; Confirmations, 10; Burials, white, 7; contributions, \$13.

Brick church, near Smithfield.—Communicants, added, 1—total, 2.

Chuckatuck.—Communicants, added, 4—total, 5.

Lower Surry.—Communicants, removed, 1—total, 8; Burial, 1; contributions, \$2.

This field of his labor the Rector has partially abandoned, intending to turn his attention towards the borders of North Carolina, in which region it is thought prospects for the church are more encouraging. In reference to the state of religion within the circumference of his charge, the Rector cannot speak favorably. His little scattered flock compare advantageously, it is true, with others, but fall far below the gospel standard. It cannot be said of them that they are rich in good works, or that they are willing to distribute or free to communicate.

Frederick parish, Millwood, Clarke county—Horace Stringfellow, Rector.—Communicants, added, 4 from other parishes—removed, 10—died, 1—total, 45; Baptisms, infants, white, 10—colored, 32—total, 42; Marriages, 6; Funerals, 2; amount contributed by the church, \$1,066 57.

In addition to our regular services on Sabbath morning, I preach to the colored people every Sunday afternoon, and lecture at night. There is also a weekly Bible-class, and a Sunday-school of about thirty scholars in connection with the church.

St. Paul's parish, King George county.—Communicants, about 25; contributions, \$70.

This parish has been without the services of a minister since the first of November, 1838, at which time the highly valued rector, Rev. Charles Goodrich, accepted a call to New Orleans.

JOHN STUART.

Norborne parish, Berkeley county—Charles C. Taliaferro, Rector.—The Rector of this parish would state that he continued his labors until they were arrested in October last whilst on a short visit to his friends by a severe spell of sickness, since which time he has not been able to return to his field of labor with any hope of rendering effectual service, and of course has had no access to the records of the parish from which to make a correct report; and offer these words only as the reason why he does not offer a proper report.

St. James' and St. Paul's churches, Prince William county—John Towles, Rector.—Com-

municants, added, 1—removed, 1—died, 1—total, 25; Baptisms, infants, 10; Marriages, 4; Funerals, 3; number of families connected with the church, 30.

The Rector has but lately taken charge of this parish; but he has been able to make out a report from the record kept by the preceding rector, the Rev. William Scull.

St. Margaret's parish, Caroline county—William N. Ward, Rector.—Communicants, withdrawn, 1—removed, 1—total, 31; Baptisms, infants, white, 1—colored, 3—total, 4; Marriages, 2; Funerals, white, 2—colored, 1—total, 3.

Berkeley parish, Spotsylvania county.—Communicants, added, 2—total, 33; Baptisms, adult, 1—infants, 7—total, 8; Confirmations, 2; Marriage, 1; Funerals, white, 3—colored, 1—total, 4; offerings to missions, \$27.

Services have also been continued at Louisa Court House. Congregations are large and attentive. Near \$1,000 dollars have been subscribed for the erection of a house of worship, besides a lot of ground. The Rector has preached 3 funerals and baptized 5 children within the county.

Services have also been continued regularly at Concord Academy, in Caroline county.

Botetourt parish, Botetourt and Roanoke counties—D. M. Wharton, Rector.—Communicants, added, 1—total, 25; Baptisms, infants, 8; Marriages, 2; contributions to benevolent objects, \$167 25.

The Rector deeply regrets that he is not able to communicate any thing specially encouraging in regard to the religious state of the parish under his charge. A neat and comfortable brick edifice has been erected in the town of Fincastle. There is a Sunday-school at one of his churches, under the control of a few females, which promises to be useful. The number of scholars varies from thirty to forty.

St. James' parish, Northam—R. H. Wilmer, Officiating Minister.—Owing to the unorganized state of this parish at the present time, the officiating minister is unable to give an accurate report of the number of communicants, &c. He embraces this opportunity, however, to testify to the deep interest which the members of his congregation are taking in the prosperity of the church, and he would fain hope, in the subject of personal religion. A few gentlemen, under circumstances seemingly the most inauspicious, commenced and have completed the erection of a new church. The building will be dedicated to the worship of Almighty God at some time in the ensuing month.

Trinity church, Portsmouth parish, Norfolk county—John H. Wingfield, Rector.—Communicants, added, 2—died, 2—total, 47; Baptisms, infants, white, 19—colored, 3—total, 22; Confirmation, 1; Marriages, 7; Funerals, (of which 4 were of colored persons) 21; number of families, 54—adults, 150—infants, 100; amount collected for different institutions connected with the church, \$250.

The condition of this congregation is not very encouraging: some increase of numbers, but little or none in piety.

St. Paul's church, Suffolk, Nansemond county.—Communicants, added, 1—total, 14; Baptisms, infants, 2; number of families, 13—adults, 30—infants, 25.

Congregation slowly increasing in numbers, and improving in attendance on public worship.

Christ church, Richmond—George Woodbridge, Rector.—Communicants, added, 7—removed, 5—died, 2—total, 85; Baptisms, adult, 1—infants, white, 9—colored, 1—total, 11; Confirmations, 8; Marriages, 3; Funerals, 13.

There are three Sewing Societies attached to the church, one of which has paid \$85 62½ to the Seminary scholarship; another has given \$50 to the Missionary Society; and the third has made about \$120, which it has contributed principally to the church. The Rector cannot forbear speaking with great commendation and gratitude of their exertions. The weekly offerings have amounted to about \$150.

St. Mark's parish, Culpeper county—John W. Woodville, Minister.—Since the last Convention 3 Communicants have removed from the parish, 1 has died, and 1 has been received from another parish—making the present number 17; Baptisms, infants, white, 7—colored, 1—total, 8; Marriages, 4; Funerals, 5; contributions to religious and benevolent objects, \$15.

St. George's parish, Accomac county.—Communicants, added, 7—received from another parish, 1—died, 1—removed, 1—total, 48; Baptisms, adults, 2—infants, white, 5—colored, 3—total, 10; Confirmations, 12; Funerals, 4; Sunday-school scholars about 80—teachers, 12. The Female Education Society is yet small, but in a prosperous condition: annual pledge to Parent Society, \$40. Collected for Missions (monthly offering) about \$30. The Vestry are now erecting a new brick church at Drummond Town, which they expect to

have ready for consecration during the ensuing summer. The rectorship of the parish is, however, now vacant, but the Vestry are making exertions to have it supplied as early as possible.
 WILLIAM WYATT, *Lay Delegate.*

Christ church parish, Lancaster county—William Bryant, Rector.—Communicants, died, 1—total, 31; Baptisms, infants, viz: white, 5—colored, 8—total, 13; Funerals, 7; amount collected for the different institutions of the church, \$113.

The above is the joint report of Rev. Francis H. McGuire and the present Rector, whose connection with the parish commenced in December last. The parsonage reported by my predecessor as partially contracted for by the Vestry has been purchased. The repairs of Christ church, also reported as in progress, have been completed in a style at once substantial and neat, and at an expense of more than \$1,200. The Sunday-school operations in this parish are unavoidably feeble, owing principally to the difficulty of collecting at suitable points children and instructors in sufficient numbers for efficient instruction. The school which was in existence the past year at White Chapel has been resumed, and one has been opened, with considerable encouragement, at the parsonage for children of the neighboring poor.

APPENDIX.

NO. II.

FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORT.

<i>Report of</i> (or of	<i>Rector of</i> <i>Parish)</i>	<i>Church,</i> <i>County.</i>
Communicants—added	; removed	; died
suspended	; total	
Baptisms—adults	; viz: white	, colored
infants	; viz: white	, colored ; total
Confirmations		
Marriages		
Funerals		
Number of families	, adults	, infants
Amount collected for the different institutions connected with the Church,		
Remarks to be added by the Rector.		

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

	COMMUNICANTS.				BAPTISMS.			Number of families.	Amt collected for different institutions of the church.	Marriages.	Funerals.	Confirmations.
	Added.	Removed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.					
Monumental church, Richmond,	22				212	1	35	36	\$1103 00			17
St. John's church, Henrico parish,	2				32	1	14	15			7	4
Hungar's parish, Northampton,	9				50	2	9	11	256 10	7	4	15
Abington and Ware parishes, Gloucester,	10	1		1	44	1	8	9	200 00		3	2
Pobick church, Truro parish, Fairfax,							2	2				
St. Thomas' church, Orange Court House,	2	4		2	35	1	10	11		4	4	2
Wickliffe parish, Clarke,	4				58		7	7		8		
Antrim parish, Halifax,					38		5	5	171 32	5	5	
St. George's church, Fredericksburg,					138		19	19	500 00	7	7	13
Westover parish, Charles City,	4	4			57	1	7	5	67 87	3	3	7
Bruton parish, Williamsburg,	4			2	53		8	8	35 85	3	3	
South Farnham parish, Essex,	5	5		3	26	1	12	3		3	3	5
St. Ann's parish, Essex,	2	4		1	32		2	1		4	4	7
St. Peter's church, Port Royal, and Grace church, St. Mary's parish,	2				42		14	14	150 00	3	3	6
Lynnhaven parish, Princess Anne,	4				12		5	5		2	2	2
Zion church, Charlestown,	6			5	62		15	10	250 00	20	2	13
Christ church, Newport, Isle of Wight,	17	1		4	50	2	5	16	15 00		8	11
Christ church, Charlottesville,	4	5		1	55		1	1	500 00	4	4	7
Christ church, Norfolk,	15	27		3	239	3	10	13	2017 12	4	4	33
St. James' church, Leesburg, Shelburne parish,	1	2		1	57		10	7	200 00	2	6	
Fall's church, Fairfax,	2			1	14		1	1			1	
Middleburg and Aldie,					10							
St. Margaret's church, Caroline,		1	*1		21	1	3	4		2	3	
St. John's church, Berkeley parish, Spottsylvania,	2				33	1	7	8	37 00	1	4	1
Cople par., Westmoreland, & Lunenburg & N. Farnham parishes, Richmond co.	3		1	1	44	2	7	9	106 00	2	5	
St. John's church, Hampton, and Centurion church, Old Point,	4				21		6	6	34 00	7	17	2
St. George's parish, Accomac,	7	1		1	48	2	5	3	70 00		4	12
St. James' parish, Goochland,												
Christ Church, Richmond,	7	5		2	85	1	9	1	405 63	3	13	8
Botetourt parish, Botetourt,	1				25		8	8	167 25	2	7	
Trinity church, Portsmouth,	2			2	47		19	3	250 00	7	21	1
St. James' and St. Paul's churches, Prince William,	1	1		1	25					4	3	

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Norborne parish, Berkeley,					25				70 00						
St. Paul's parish, King George,					45	10		32	1066 57	6	2				
Frederick parish, Millwood, Clark,	4	10		1	40	7	8	16		4	3				
Christ and St. John's churches, Brooke,		1			69	1	8	3		2	5	4			
Lexington parish, Amherst,	11	3			52	1	2	6	87 00	1	1	6			
Buck Mountain, &c., congregations,	4				51	2				1	2				
St. James' parish, Mecklenburg,	9	2		1	37	11	1	12	502 50	1	1				
Trinity church, Shepherdstown,					40	11	23	34	199 00	2	5				
Cumberland parish, Lunenburg,	6	1		2	76	16		16	260 00	1	7	1			
Christ church, Winchester,	4	7		2	23			24	200 00	5	8	13			
St. Paul's church, Alexandria,	12			1	56	1	8	1		5	6	11			
Trinity church, Staunton, Augusta,	3				35	2		2	300 00	4	7				
St. James' church, Richmond,		2		1	125	22	5	27		5	14	10			
Christ church, Alexandria,	6	3		2	32	8		8		2	1	3			
Tillotson parish, Buckingham,	2			1	16	2	4	5	248 00	1	4				
Roanoke parish, Halifax,	6	1		1	52	3	31	11	220 00	4	8	1			
St. Andrew's parish, Brunswick, and Bath parish, Dinwiddie,	8	2		1	76	3	9	10		6					
Russell parish, Bedford,	8	2			46	1	9	5	526 75		8	12			
Raleigh and Dale parishes, Amelia and Chesterfield,	3	4		3	60	5	5	10	250 00	4	6	7			
St. Martin's parish, Hanover,	3				67	5	22	12	151 00	2	1				
St. Paul's church, Lynchburg,	17	3		3	100	4	30	34			11	16			
St. Matthew's church, Wheeling,		5			20		9				1				
Missionary churches of Rev. J. Cooke,							2				4	7			
Missionary churches of Rev. J. Keeling,					14			2							
St. Paul's church, Suffolk,					12										
St. Thomas' church, Frederick parish,					3										
Accomac parish, Accomac,					37										
St. Stephen's church, Culpeper,	6	2			12										
Bloomfield parish, Madison,					12										
Trinity church, Madison,					12										
St. John's church, Kanawha,					31	1	10	11	70 00	5	2	6			
St. Mark's church, Kanawha,	8				12		4	1	30 00	1	1				
St. Mark's, Culpeper,	1	1			17		7	1	15 00	4	5				
Hamilton parish, Fauquier,	1	3		1	50				141 00	9	5	6			
Leeds' parish, Fauquier,	2			2	25	1	2	3	21 00		5	5			
Missionary churches of Rev. Mr. Goldsmith,					15	1		1			5	5			
Martin's Brandon parish, Prince George,					31		5	8	113 00	4	7				
Christ church parish, Lancaster,											5	7			
Total,	254	116	2	54	3056	42	532	162	748	594	10891	96	198	346	924

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APPENDIX.

NO. III.

The following account, accidentally omitted to be sent to the Convention, was handed to the Secretary on his return to Richmond, and by him examined by the vouchers and found to be correct—shewing a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of \$63 71.

The Episcopal Convention of Virginia in account with William H. Hubbard, Treasurer.

1838.		Dr.	
May 19.	To cash paid Bishop Meade, on account of salary, - -	\$600 00	
	To cash paid Bishop Meade's travelling expenses for year, ending May, 1838, - - - - -	100 00	
	To cash paid Bishop Meade's postage for year, ending May, 1838, - - - - -	15 00	
	To cash paid Bishop Meade's travelling expenses for the present summer, - - - - -	50 00	
			\$765 00
20.	To cash paid J. E. Jackson for Sexton of Christ church, Winchester, - - - - -	10 00	
	To cash paid postage on two checks, - - - - -	45	No vouchers for }
	To cash paid discount on uncurrent money (\$15), - - - - -	38	these two charges, }
30.	To cash paid Bishop Moore, expenses to and from Convention in Petersburg, - - - - -	9 00	
	To cash paid Bishop Moore, expenses to Smithfield, Norfolk, and Hampton, - - - - -	11 50	
	To cash paid Bishop Moore, expenses to and from Fluvanna and Goochland, - - - - -	1 00	
	To cash paid Bp. Moore, expenses to and from Alexandria, - - - - -	12 00	
	To cash paid Bishop Moore, expenses to and from Convention in Winchester, - - - - -	30 00	
	To cash paid Bishop Moore, postage the last year, - - - - -	15 00	
			78 50
July 6.	To cash paid postage on two checks, (no voucher) - - - - -	45	
Aug. 20.	To cash paid Zechariah Mead's bill for printing, &c. - - - - -	201 73	
21.	To cash paid Bishop Moore, expenses to Alexandria, - - - - -	9 00	
	To cash paid Bishop Moore, expenses from Alexandria to Norfolk and home, - - - - -	13 50	
	Paid Bishop Moore, expenses to and from Gen. Convention, - - - - -	30 00	
	Paid Bishop Moore on Bishop Meade's account, - - - - -	30 00	
			82 50
31.	Paid Rev. N. H. Cobbs, by Rev. George Woodbridge, expense to General Convention, - - - - -	50 00	
	Paid John Nelson, expense to General Convention, - - - - -	50 00	
	Paid Thomas N. Burwell, by Rev. George Woodbridge, expense to do. - - - - -	50 00	
Sep. 28.	Paid Bishop Moore, expense to General Convention, - - - - -	50 00	
	Paid Rev. E. C. McGuire, per draft, - - - - -	32 50	
	Balance, - - - - -	63 71	
			\$1,435 21
1838.		Cr.	
May 11.	By balance, - - - - -	\$47 41	
26.	By cash and receipts from the Secretary of the Convention, - - - - -	1,265 94	
			\$1,313 35
	Amount carried forward, - - - - -		\$1,313 35

	Amount brought forward, - - - - -	\$1,313 35
June 5.	Cash by the hands of Rev. Zechariah Mead, from Tillotson parish, Buckingham county, and which is also entered on list of receipts by Secretary of Convention, for the Contingent Fund, - - - - -	12 50
30.	Received from Secretary of Convention—	
	G. B. Taliaferro's check, - - - - -	\$25 00
	John Hooff's check, - - - - -	30 88
		55 88
Oct. 11.	Cash received by the hands of Rev. Geo. Woodbridge, from a member of St. Paul's church, Norfolk, to be applied to the salary of Bp. Meade, - - - - -	10 00
Nov. 12.	Cash received by the hands of Rev. Zechariah Mead, for Merchant's Hope church, Martin's Brandon parish, Prince George, for Contingent Fund, - - - - -	4 50
	For Bishop's Fund, - - - - -	5 00
		9 50
1839.		
April 3.	Cash received of Hilary Baker, Secretary of Convention, - - - - -	33 98
		\$1,435 21
May 1.	By balance, - - - - -	\$63 71

A LIST
OF THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA,
WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE
PARISHES AND POST OFFICES.

The Clergy are requested when they present their Parochial Reports to the Convention to send in also the names of their respective Post Offices, if they expect them to be in the following list.

CLERGY.	PARISHES.	POST OFFICES.
Rt. Rev. R. C. Moore, D.D.	Rector Monumental ch., Richmond,	Richmond.
" " Wm. Meade, D.D.	Assistant Bishop.	
Rev. Ephraim Adams,	Accomac parish,	Horntown, Accomac.
" George Adie,	Shelburn Parish,	Leesburg, Loudon.
" William Armstrong,	St. Matthew's church, Wheeling,	Wheeling, Ohio county.
" Thomas Atkinson,	St. Paul's church,	Lynchburg.
" Hobart M. Bartlett.		
" Parke F. Berkeley,	Raleigh and Dale Parishes,	Wilkinsonville, Chesterfield.
" William V. Bowers,	St. Martin's Parish, Hanover,	New Amsterdam.
" R. T. Brown,		Rappahannock.
" William Bryant,	Christ church,	Lancaster.