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PETERSBURG, May 20, 1846.

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 said Diocese, the Right Rev. WM. MEADE, D. D., Bishop, and the Right Rev. JOHN JOHNS, Assistant Bishop, together with a number of the Clergy and Laity, assembled in St. Paul's Church, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. WM. Y. ROOKER, and the Convention Sermon preached by the Assistant Bishop.

The Secretary then called the roll of the Clergy, when the following were found to be present and entitled to seats:

RT. REV. WM. MEADE, D. D.

RT. REV. JOHN JOHNS, D. D.

Rev. C. W. ANDREWS,	" A. EMPIE, D. D.,
" UPTON BEALL,	" WM. FRIEND,
" P. F. BERKELEY,	" JOHN GRAMMER,
" WM. V. BOWERS,	" C. J. GIBSON,
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" A. BERGER,	" WM. HODGES,
" JAS. BOLTON, M. D.,	" WM. M. JACKSON,
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" E. A. DALRYMPLE,	" E. B. MCGUIRE,
" C. H. DISBROW,	" CHARLES MINEGERODE,
" WM. DUVAL,	" WM. C. MEREDITH,
" JOSEPH EARNEST,	" ROBERT NELSON,

" W. Y. ROOKER,	" J. H. WINGFIELD,
" P. SLAUGHTER,	" GEORGE WOODBRIDGE,
" LEONIDAS SMITH,	" EDMUND WITHERS,
" W. SPARROW, D. D.,	" WM. J. WALLER, M. D.
" J. UFFORD,	" W. E. WEBB,
" WM. N. WARD,	" LEWIS WALKER,
" J. W. WOODVILLE,	

The Rev. Mr. Mann, E. T. Tayloe, Esq. and Col. Carrington were appointed a committee to examine the certificates of Lay Delegates, who, having discharged the duty assigned to them, reported the following gentlemen duly elected and entitled to seats in the Convention :

Henrico Parish—Geo. M. Carrington.
 Bath Parish, Dinwiddie—David W. Brodnax, M. D.
 Tillotson Parish, Buckingham—Willie J. Eppes, M. D.
 Grace Church, Petersburg—Charles Kent.
 St. Paul's Parish, Suffolk—Joseph Prentis.
 Shelburne Parish, Loudon—Thos. H. Claggett, M. D.
 Copal Parish, Westmoreland—Joseph Jones, M. D.
 Grace Church, Caroline—Wm. Bankhead, M. D.
 Martin's, Brandon Parish—Jas. W. Scarborough.
 Grub Hill Church, Raleigh—Jno. R. Robertson.
 Christ Church, Alexandria—Cassius F. Lee.
 St. Ann's Parish, Essex—Wm. H. Brooke.
 Meade Parish, Fauquier—J. R. Edmonds, M. D.
 St. Andrews Parish, Shepherdstown—Step. D. Watkins.
 Millwood Parish, Frederick—Philip Burwell.
 St. Paul's Church, Hanover—Jason Holmes.
 St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg—Sam'l. W. Shelton.
 Martin's Parish, Hanover—Edmund Fontaine.
 Lyttleton Parish, Cumberland—Nelson Page.
 St. Paul's Church, Petersburg—David May.
 Christ Church, Lancaster—John Chewning.
 St. Peters' Parish, New Kent—Francis Nelson.
 Cumberland Parish, Lunenburg—Roger B. Atkinson.
 St. John's Parish, Hampton—W. S. Armistead.
 St. Andrews Parish, Brunswick—E. A. Morrison, M. D.
 Fall's Church, Fairfax—James A. Woodward.
 Lynnhaven Parish, Princess Anne—Thurmar Hoggard.
 St. Stephen's Church, Bedford—Wm. Radford.
 Christ Church, Winchester—Phillip Williams.
 St. Thomas Church, Frederick—David W. Barton.
 Antrim Parish, Halifax—Thomas G. Coleman.

Cornwall Parish, Charlotte—John Henry.
 Roanoke Parish, Halifax—P. H. Foster, M. D.
 Cedar Run Parish, Prince William—Frederick Foote.
 St. George's Church, Fredericksburg—Wm. Pollock.
 St. John's, Hanover Parish, King George—Ed. T. Tayloe.
 Trinity Church, Staunton—Wm. C. Graham.
 Monumental Church, Richmond—Jno. A. Smith.
 St. Thomas' Church, Orange—Anthony Twyman.
 Bruton Parish, Williamsburg—Robert Cole.
 Christ Church, Norfolk—Tazewell Taylor.
 St. Paul's Church, Alexandria—Wm. H. Fowle.
 St. Paul's Church, Richmond—Wm. H. McFarland.
 St. Paul's Church, Norfolk—John B. Hardy.
 Westover Parish, Charles City—W. T. Walthall.
 St. Ann's Parish, Albemarle—Fielding Lewis.
 St. James' Church, Northam, Goochland and Fluvanna—Joseph K. Weisiger.

On motion, it was resolved, that Clergymen of other Dioceses in attendance be invited to take their seats within the bar of the Convention.

On motion, TAZEWELL TAYLOR, ESQ. was appointed Treasurer, *pro tem*.

The Convention then adjourned until to-morrow at 9 o'clock, A. M.

THURSDAY, May 21, 1846.

The Convention was opened with prayer by the Rt. Rev. the Assistant Bishop. The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were then read. The following Clergymen, not present yesterday, appeared and took their seats :—REV. MESSRS. JNO. TOWLES, WM. H. PENDLETON, WM. NORWOOD, THOMAS SMITH, JONATHAN B. T. SMITH, J. H. MORRISON, O. BULKLEY, J. P. B. WILMER, F. H. MCGUIRE.

The Rules of Order of the last Convention were then read by the Secretary, and, on motion, were adopted for the government of the present Convention.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The Convention shall be opened every day 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 Convention, 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 Convention, 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 Convention 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 Convention.
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 Convention, nor more than once, until every member, choosing to speak, shall have spoken.
7. Whilst the President is putting any question, or addressing the Convention, none shall walk out of, or across, the house—nor in such case, nor 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 Convention 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 Convention, 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 Convention, 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 Convention, 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. No member shall absent himself from the service of the Convention unless he have leave, or be sick and unable to attend.
23. The President shall, at 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.
24. 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.

25. There shall, on the *second* 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 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.

A committee of Finance, consisting of laymen.

26. 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 the said committee forthwith examined into and reported upon to the Convention.

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

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

29. The business first in order, after the organization of the Convention, shall be the appointment of the Treasurer *pro tem.*, when the Treasurer is not a member of the Convention; reading of the Pastoral Addresses; Parochial Reports; and the Proceedings of the Standing Committee.

The following Lay Delegates, not present yesterday, appeared and took their seats:

St. James' Church, Richmond—Gen. Wm. H. Richardson.

Christ Church, Smithfield—John R. Purdie, M. D.

Trinity Church, Portsmouth—James Murdaugh.

St. David's Church, King William—George W. Bassett.

South Farnham, Essex—Wm. C. Latane.

Grace Church, Genito Parish, Powhatan—James M. Harris.

BISHOP MEADE'S ADDRESS.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop MEADE then read his Annual Address, as follows:

DEAR BRETHREN:—I desire to be thankful to the author of all our blessings for the privilege of meeting with you, once more, for conference upon the affairs of our Zion. When we separated after our last Convention, I was obliged, through bodily infirmity, to discontinue the visitation which I was then performing, and to postpone the completion of it to the autumn. Before leaving Fredericksburg, I admitted the Rev. Mr. WALKER to Priest's orders. After cessation from active duty for a few weeks, I was, through the Divine goodness, so far strengthened as to continue my annual duties at the Seminary. I also hastily visited some of the congregations in Hanover, Albemarle, Orange and Fauquier, confirming three persons at Fauquier Ct House. After this, I spent four weeks in delivering lectures, on the Pastoral Office, to the Senior class, and attending the examination of all the classes, at the Seminary. During this period, I visited the congregations at Little Falls and Fairfax Court House, confirming one person in each, and consecrating a new Church at the latter place. I also confirmed twelve persons in St. Paul's Church, Alexandria. At the close of the exercises at the Seminary, I admitted to Deacon's orders eight persons; all of whom were Virginians, and all of whom immediately entered upon ministerial duty in Virginia. The persons ordained were, Messrs. Kinsolving, Nelson, Walker, Meredith, Carraway, Waller, Bolton and Duval.

After the duties at the Seminary were over, I visited Leesburg and Miss MERCER's Female School in the vicinity. At Leesburg, I confirmed one person. In the vicinity of Miss MERCER's School, I consecrated a neat Church, the result of her zeal and liberality, and, at the same time, confirmed eleven persons, eight of whom were her scholars, the subjects of her affectionate and pious care.

Reaching home about the 20th of July, I tarried there until Septem-

ber, when I set out on a visit to the congregations in Western Virginia. I was prevented by indisposition from reaching Clarksburg, or Weston, in which places there are a few families, attached to our Church, and where the Rev. Mr. Kinsolving has been officiating since September last. We met at Morgantown, and held two services in that place. Thence I proceeded to Wheeling, where I spent several days, and where nine persons were confirmed. While there, I visited Wellburg and St. Johns, in the vicinity, both of which places were destitute of a minister: Thence, I went to Parkersburg, where I spent several days, and confirmed nine persons: Thence to Ravenswood, where one was confirmed: Thence to Point Pleasant and Mercer's Bottom, at the last of which places three were confirmed: Thence to Cole's Mouth, Charleston and the Salines, all of them in Kanawha County. At Charleston, six persons were confirmed: Thence to Charlottesville, where I spent a few days.

My next visit was to the congregations in Hanover, King William and New Kent, under the care of the Rev. EDWARD B. MCGUIRE. In King William three persons were confirmed. The same number were confirmed in Charles City, which was next visited. The next episcopal act was the consecration of the new Church in Richmond, by the name of St. Paul's, in which I was assisted by my associate, Bishop Johns, and a number of the brethren. This took place on the 11th of November. My course was now directed to Williamsburg, where I spent several days, rendering such service as was in my power, and, especially addressing such exhortation and admonition to the youthful members of the College, as seemed most suitable to their age and circumstances. From Williamsburg I passed over to Gloucester, where I spent several days, and confirmed eight persons. I also visited Mathews and Middlesex, spending two days in each of the Churches, confirming three in the latter. Crossing over the Rappahannock, I visited the congregations in Lancaster, Westmoreland and Richmond counties, confirming three persons at White Chapel, in Lancaster. Re-crossing the river, I visited the congregations under the care of the Rev. J. P. MCGUIRE, confirming four persons. Again passing over the Rappahannock, I met with a few of our friends at Oak Grove, in Westmoreland, and confirmed one: Thence to King George, where I spent two days with each congregation, confirming two persons.

Having thus briefly stated my Episcopal duties in the Northern Neck, I must beg leave to advert to a circumstance, which was particularly presented to my consideration, while near the scite of one of our old

Churches in the county of Northumberland, and which has been not a little misunderstood, and even misrepresented in the public prints, and on the floor of our Legislature. In the Spring of 1840, I received a communication from Mr. Joseph Ball, an old and valued member of our Church in Northumberland, on the subject of the sale of the Church in his neighborhood. It was then just in that condition, when spoliation of the bricks having begun, it would become an object of plunder to all around; and soon disappear. One of the neighbors, therefore, proposed to purchase it, and my consent was asked. I replied that I had no right whatever to dispose of it. Visiting that part of the State, soon after, Mr. Ball informed me that a gentleman, living near the Church, and professing an attachment to it, declared that it distressed him to see the Church thus treated; that, in a short time, not a brick would be left; that they would be used for hearths, chimneys, and such like purposes, all the country around; that, if MR. BALL would consent, he would give \$500, either to rebuild it, or to take it down—the materials, in the latter case, being his own; that he had consulted a lawyer, who told him that the head of the Church could dispose of it. As Mr. Ball was an old warden of the Parish, and the only surviving member, the gentleman thought he might be regarded as the head; but, on being told that the Bishop was so regarded, it was referred to myself. In reply to the renewed proposal, I stated again that I had no right to sell it, and was unwilling to have any thing to do with it, as it might be misunderstood and misrepresented. On its being urged, by Mr. Ball, that a refusal to give such permission would only encourage great numbers to robbery, I, at length, said that, if he chose to sell it, I would receive the proceeds, and place them in the hands of the trustees of our Theological Seminary, to be returned, should it ever be called for to build a Church in its room. I was induced to do this, partly by the consideration, that our Convention had, many years before, passed a resolution, calling upon persons having church plate, in vacant parishes, to send it for safe keeping to the Bishop of the Diocese, liable to be called for, should the parishes ever be revived. Such property has been given into the hands of Bishop Moore and myself, and has been lent to other parishes on that condition. I, accordingly, in writing stated my assent to the sale of the walls of the Church, (nothing else remaining,) for \$500, giving what right I might be thought to have. I looked upon the transaction as an affair between the person proposing it, Mr. Ball, and myself, as friends to religion and the Church, who were desirous to prevent a dishonorable use of the remains of a

building, not likely to be wanted again, and as an act which would be approved by all good and pious persons. After having paid one half of the money, the purchaser refused the remainder, on the plea of its having been an improper sale. In order to prevent all future misunderstanding of this transaction, I have thought it best thus to place it among our records. The two hundred and fifty dollars which were paid were expended, I believe, on the Chapel attached to our Theological Seminary, and I hold myself personally responsible for its return, whenever any competent authority shall claim it.

I have but little to add of services, rendered from the conclusion of my autumnal visitation to the present time. I remained at home, from Christmas until Easter, during which time I visited the congregation in Winchester twice, confirming five persons; the congregations at Berryville and Wickliffe, once, consecrating a new Church in the place of the old one, called Wickliffe Church. I also supplied the place of the Rev. Mr. JONES, on four or five occasions, in my old parish. During that part of the winter, when my health permitted, I employed myself in writing a Treatise on Baptism, and Preaching, in their connexions with each other, which I thought was called for at this time, and which I pray God to accept and bless, if it be according to his word. Immediately after Easter I repaired to Alexandria, finding it more convenient this year to deliver my lectures to the graduating class, before the meeting of the Convention. I also, while there, administered the rite of Confirmation in both of the Churches, confirming eleven in Christ's Church and fourteen in St. Paul's. During my services at the Seminary, I had opportunity of ascertaining, in various ways, that the same faithful attention to the duties of their office, which has heretofore characterized our Professors, is continued without abatement, and the effect of the same is felt and acknowledged by the young candidates for the Ministry, who are daily subjected to their instructions. Although our High School was not in operation during my visit, (it being the time of vacation,) so that I might speak of it from personal observation, my information, as to its whole management, was so particular and from such competent sources, that I feel not only authorized, but bound, to report it to the Convention, as being most worthy of the patronage of the members of our Church. The exact order and discipline maintained; the special attention paid by the Principal and Matron to all the wants of the boys; the amount of studies performed; and the accuracy of the instruction imparted; have deeply impressed the minds of all who have opportunity of observing it, that there is no school in

our country more worthy of the confidence of those parents who have sons to be educated. I only utter the sentiment of those who are personally acquainted with their qualification, and fully competent to speak, when I say, that the three teachers, who are employed in the school, are eminently qualified for their office, and that the examination, which took place at the close of the first session, was most creditable as well to the teachers as to the pupils. Nor has the religious training of the scholars been neglected for the sake of the great advantages accruing to the pupils from their contiguity to the Seminary, the Principal of the High School prepares discourses for the special benefit of the boys and delivers the same in the prayer hall belonging to the institution, on the evenings of the sabbath. Nor have his labors in this direction been unblest. But for the vacation, I should have had the happiness of admitting two of the youths under his care to the rites of confirmation during my recent visit. Nothing seems now wanting to the prosperity of the institution, but a sufficient number of pupils to defray its expences. The services of the Seminary being over, I directed my steps towards the place of our meeting, spending one sabbath in Fredericksburg, and another in Richmond, making one address in the former place and two in the latter.

To the foregoing statement of visits made, and duties performed, I have to state, that there have been admitted to candidateship for orders, during the past year, Messrs. James J. Page, John L. Logan, Alfred Berkeley, Rob't. P. Johnson, Edwin W. Murray, Sam'l. R. Slack, Jas. Wade, Dwyer and Ambler. I have given letters demissory to the Rev. Messrs. Miller and Marbury to the Diocese of Alabama; to the Rev. Mr. Bausman to the Diocese of Maryland. I have also transferred, to the Diocese of Alabama, Mr. R. Addison Cobbs; to the Diocese of Rhode Island, Mr. Andrew Crosswell and Mr. Mulchahey; to the Diocese of Georgia, Mr. Thompson L. Smith; to the Diocese of South Carolina, Mr. T. J. Arthur—all of whom were candidates for orders in this Diocese. I have received, by transfer from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, Mr. Dudley A. Tyng.

It becomes my duty, at the close of this report, to refer for a moment to a subject, which has engaged the consideration of the two last Conventions—I mean the memorial to our Legislature, praying for the passage of an act, which might enable us to receive and hold bequests to some of our religious and literary institutions. The committee, appointed for the purpose of presenting the memorial, have performed

their duty. To two members of that committee we are particularly indebted for very active exertions in the cause. Although the efforts put forth by them may not have been crowned with immediate success, we must believe that the information communicated, and the appeals publicly made to the justice of our Legislature, cannot fail to effect good, by removing some of those prejudices which, for a long time, have been prevalent amongst the citizens of our state. It is still a matter of deep regret to us, that some of our fellow Christians, of other denominations, have withheld that co-operation which is so needful to success. Could we all, suffering as we do, in a greater or lesser degree, from the want of legislative protection, come with a united petition for a redress of the wrongs inflicted on us, we might surely effect a favourable hearing. We will still hope for a better agreement and more united action on this subject, and for the progress of sounder opinions, as the subject becomes better understood. Although the Legislature took no vote on the memorial, yet, as the report of the committee was altogether unfavorable, we must regard our application as having, for the present, failed of its object. It, of course, is our duty as good citizens, in the spirit of our holy religion, and following the example of our Lord and of his followers, at various periods in the history of the Church, to submit ourselves to the decision, however deeply we may feel that we are wronged. It is not, however, inconsistent with the most peaceable submission to existing laws, which we regard as unjust and oppressive, to persevere in calm and candid appeals, to the justice and wisdom of the Legislature, for their removal or modification. We show indeed that we are good citizens, when we persevere in the attempt to remove what all Christendom besides must regard as our reproach. I would, therefore, submit it to the consideration of the Convention, whether it might not be expedient to continue the committee, leaving it to their judgment to take any step which may, in the future, seem most proper to them. There are those who think that some other form of petition would be less unacceptable to the Legislature, and might even find favor with it. It is not improbable, that petitions, in an altered form, may be offered by some of our fellow Christians of a different denomination, and it might be well for us to be ready to unite with them in the same. In a former address I promised; from time to time, to make known to the Convention any losses which we might sustain through defect of legislative protection, or any circumstances bearing on the subject, the statement of which might conduce to the more active prosecution of our claim and have effect on the public mind.

In fulfilment of this promise, I would mention that I have recently been enquired of in the behalf of one, whose desire it is to bequeath something to our Seminary, in what manner it can be done, so as to afford a reasonable prospect it will accomplish the object desired. The difficulty of making answer to the enquiry was great indeed. Two methods have been recommended to us. The first of them may be seen by the following form of a bequest, drawn up for our use, after much deliberation, by three of the ablest lawyers of our state; two of whom have been elevated to the judicial bench. One of those two suddenly expired within the last few days in the capital of Virginia. You may judge for yourselves, my brethren, to what a strait Christian charities are reduced, when the following form is the best that can be devised:

Form of a Bequest to the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Episcopal Church in Virginia.

"I GIVE to A. B. and C. D. the survivor of them, or ex-
 ecutors, or administrators, of such survivor, (should such survivor die before this will takes effect,) for the
 Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Virginia, to be paid to the Treasurer of such institution, and the receipt of said A. B. and C. D. the survivor or executor, or administrators of such survivor, shall be a sufficient discharge to my executor. And this legacy is to be paid by my executors, as above directed, whether the person to whom the payment as above directed is to be made shall be under any legal obligation to apply it as above described or not; it being my intention, that no kindred or other legatee of mine shall take or be entitled to, directly or indirectly, any interest or trust in the said legacy, and the same shall at all events be paid as directed, so that if the person, who may receive it, shall not voluntarily apply it to the use of the said Theological Seminary, and cannot in law be compelled so to apply it, he shall take to his own use the benefit of the said legacy."

In delivering the above form, those who had kindly undertaken the task for the Trustees informed us, that it might seem strange, such a temptation was thus held out to the agent of a bequest to apply it to other than the favored object of the testator, yet that it would, in a court of justice, under the present laws of Virginia, make somewhat in favor of the institution claiming it, that the agent should be given this unlimited authority over it. The other method recommended to

us, is that of bequeathing the legacy to some trust worthy person, not, however, mentioning in the will the object for which it was designed; and either, while living, depositing with the same a letter specifying the use to be made of it, or leaving such letter to be delivered after death.

I give the foregoing form of a bequest, and mention the other method, in order to furnish any one who may be disposed to make one or more of our institutions the objects of charity, with the best modes which have been suggested to us. Some uncertainty must still belong to these, or any other, which may be adopted; but so long as we are deprived of that legislative protection which is readily granted to all other objects and associations, we must make the best use of these, which must indeed be called evasive methods, though we hope, under our present disfranchised condition, not in an evil sense. We are truly sorry to be obliged to adopt such arts, in order to secure to us that charity which God has, in all ages, put it into the hearts of the pious to bestow, and which, though sometimes abused in the hands of man, have been so richly blest of Heaven. It is evident that a severer satire cannot be pronounced on our laws, than the form of a bequest afforded above, which, in order to rescue a pious charity from the grasp of covetous and unprincipled heirs, must needs hold out a license and temptation to the trustee to apply it to his own private purpose, otherwise, the law deliberately hands it over to those who were perhaps expressly forbidden to receive it.

One word, in conclusion, as to an apprehension on this subject which prevails in some minds, and which is pleaded in opposition to all such legislative provision as that which has been asked. I mean the fear that the Christian Church will again be dishonored and the liberty of man be endangered, by the funds which shall be extorted from the dying, and then recovered through the instrumentality of such a law. Without alluding to the many other reasons and facts showing this to be a groundless fear, I will only say, that if there be any one lesson, which Protestant Christendom has well learnt, in which the citizens of all Protestant Countries have become perfect by the practice of centuries, it is that of preserving their earthly goods while living and dying from the hands of ministers of religion or any others who would seek to persuade them to defraud their poor relatives of rightful expectation, in order to merit Heaven by enriching the Church. The whole tide of doctrine and practice has long set in an opposite direction. Even in those places where the greatest encouragement to such charities is

held out by the laws and the amplest protection afforded, it requires all the persevering and active exertion of individuals and societies; all the zeal and eloquence of travelling agents entirely devoted to the task; all the power of the pulpit and the press put forth in weekly sermons and essays; to draw from the living a meagre support for the most important literary and religious institutions of our land. How little then have we to apprehend, in times like these and a country like our own, from the grant of such an humble petition as that which our Church has presented to the Legislature of our beloved State; in the doing of which we have followed the example of some portions of all the leading denominations in Virginia, who at different times have asked, though in vain, for what has appeared to them and does appear to all Christendom to be one of the clearest and dearest rights of citizenship. Hoping that our Legislators may yet be induced to grant us our desire in such form as shall seem most expedient and safe, I now leave the subject in your hands, and commend it and you and all our Christian brethren of Virginia to the blessing of Heaven.

The Rt. Reverend, the Assistant Bishop, then read his Report as follows:

BISHOP JOHNS' REPORT.

In commencing the statement of my official services during the past year, it may be proper to mention those in which I engaged during the Convention at Fredericksburg. In addition to the several addresses made at the pleasant, and I trust profitable, morning meetings, which we were privileged to attend, I held a Confirmation in St. George's Church, on the 24th, at night, when 16 persons renewed their baptismal vow. The next night I preached the closing sermon. A few days after my return to Richmond I visited Charles City, and

May 31—Preached in Westover Church.

June 1—I baptized an infant, preached in the same Church, and confirmed 6.

June 8—I preached in Baltimore in the morning in Christ Church, and in the afternoon in St. Andrews'.

June 15—I preached in the Monumental Church, Richmond, and admitted the Rev. Alexander J. Barger to Priest's orders. The candidate was presented by the Rev. Mr. Norwood, who, with the Rev. Dr. Empie, united in the imposition of hands.

June 16—I left Richmond to visit the Churches in Albemarle.

June 17—I preached at Walker's Church.

June 18—I preached at Buck Mountain Church.

June 19—I preached at St. Paul's, Mountain Plain.

June 20—I preached at Green Mountain Church.

June 22—This day I was to have preached and confirmed in the same Church, but the congregation were prevented from assembling by rain.

June 23—Preached at North Garden.

June 25—Preached in the Church at Rock Fish, in the morning, and at night in a private house.

The Churches at Buck Mountain, Mountain Plain and North Garden were then, and had been for some time, without a Minister, which will account for the fact, that no persons were presented for confirmation. Those congregations and the one at Rock Fish, from which the Rev. F. D. Goodwin withdrew, on account of its great distance from his residence, have since been supplied by the Rev. Dr. Waller.

June 28—I preached at night in the Chapel of the University of Virginia to a large and attentive audience.

June 29—Preached in Christ Church, Charlottesville, and confirmed 6 persons.

June 30—Preached in Walker's Church, and confirmed 3 persons. The members of this congregation are just commencing a Gothic Church, of stone after a plan furnished by Mr. Srickland, of Philadelphia. The site and style of the building will render it a prominent and interesting object in the beautiful region which it is to adorn, and make it a monument, creditable to the taste and enterprize of the friends of the Church in that vicinity. I take pleasure in noticing this undertaking of our friends in Albemarle, and hope their example may have a happy influence upon others, who may contemplate erecting a house for the worship of God. We are far from being disposed to encourage extravagance, or display, in such buildings, but there is an appropriateness and good taste, which ought to be consulted, and which may be secured at as little expense, as is generally incurred in raising those unsightly and inconvenient structures, which we are sometimes called to consecrate, and which a stranger might fairly conclude were intended to receive the produce of the soil, rather than to be houses of prayer.

July 1—I returned to Richmond and, on the following Sunday, attended service at St. James' Church, and assisted the Rector in administering the Lord's Supper.

July 8, 9 and 10—I was occupied in attending the examination of the

Students at the Theological Seminary. The exercises were conducted and sustained in a manner very satisfactory, I believe, to all who were present, and gave proof of ability and labor, on the part of the Professors, and of becoming diligence in those who have enjoyed the benefit of their instructions. If the Alumni of that Institution are not sound in the faith, and furnished for the work of the Ministry, no fault will attach to their preceptors. That our candidates have access to the many privileges of that Seminary is to me a cause of thankfulness; and, in the solicitude evinced to secure the services of those who have received their theological education there, I rejoice to perceive the confidence which it has gained, and the wide and salutary influence which it is honoured to exert in the Church of Christ. It is only necessary to glance at the list of our clergy, to see how largely our own Diocese is indebted to the Seminary for the supply of our Parishes; whilst sister Dioceses, throughout the country, and our Foreign Missionary Stations, have been liberally aided from the same source. We should mark these animating facts, as matter for gratitude to God, who has honored us with this instrumentality in providing well-trained laborers for his Church, and as incentives to increased zeal and liberality in cherishing an Institution, to which we owe so much already, and from which, if faithfully conducted, we may promise ourselves increasing usefulness. It is encouraging to know, as the Treasurer's report will show you, that our friends at a distance remember and aid us in sustaining this excellent school, and it is to be hoped that their Christian consideration will stir up our own people to greater interest and efforts in so good a cause.

July 10—I united with Bishop Meade in the services connected with the ordination of eight Deacons, in St. Paul's Church, Alexandria.

July 13—Preached in St. Paul's Church, Alexandria, in the morning, and, in the afternoon, at Christ Church, I confirmed four persons.

July 15—I left Alexandria to visit some of the Churches in the valley.

July 15—Preached at Middleburg and confirmed four persons.

July 16—Preached at Upperville and confirmed one person.

July 17—Preached at Millwood in the morning, and in the afternoon addressed the congregation after a sermon by the Rev. Wm. M. Jackson.

July 18—Preached again at Millwood.

July 19—Preached in the Church at Berryville in the morning, and addressed the congregation again in the afternoon.

July 20—Preached in the same Church, and confirmed two persons.

July 22—Preached at the Church in Middletown, Frederick county, and confirmed one person. The rest of the day and the day following, I passed at Vaucuse, enjoying the Christian courtesies of that truly hospitable mansion; little thinking that this first opportunity of experiencing the kindness of my generous friend was to prove the only one. But so it proved. I had scarcely parted with him, and ceased to feel the cordial grasp of his hand, when I was shocked by the distressing tidings of his sudden death—a bereavement in which the Church may deeply sympathize with his afflicted family, and which must be felt by all who have ever been the guests of the late and lamented Strother Jones.

July 24—Preached in the morning in the Church at Winchester, and at night addressed the congregation, after a sermon by the Rev. Wm. M. Jackson.

July 25—In the same Church I addressed the congregation in the morning, after a sermon by the Rev. W. G. H. Jones, and preached at night.

July 26—Preached at Bunker Hill.

July 27—Preached at Martinsburg, and confirmed two persons.

July 28—Preached in the Church at Hedgesville in the morning, and at night addressed the congregation, after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Andrews.

July 29—Preached in the same Church, and confirmed sixteen persons. I cannot pass from the notice of my visit to this Chapel, without recording the satisfaction which it afforded me. Every thing was plain, simple and solemn. The congregations were large and remarkably attentive and serious. The entire service of the Church was conducted with a fulness of response and manifestation of feeling, which made it more impressive to my mind than the most imposing Cathedral service. The addition to the Church too furnished good evidence, that the word which had been preached to them proved profitable. If any one supposes that the peculiar arrangements of our Church are not adapted to the humbler classes of society, let him visit the Church on Hedges' Mountain, or St. John's, in Tees Valley, Kanawha, and his error will be corrected.

July 30—Rode to Shepherdstown and lectured there at night.

July 31—Preached in the same Church in the morning and at night.

August 1—Preached in the same Church in the morning, and confirmed twenty-three persons.

August 2—Preached in the Church at Charlestown.

August 3—Preached in the same Church in the morning, and confirmed four persons. In the afternoon, addressed the congregation, after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Andrews.

August 4—On this day I had designed to intermit my services, but the interest manifested by the congregation induced us to open the Church again, and I preached in the morning.

Aug. 5—I preached at Smithfield.

Aug. 16—Preached in All Saints Church, Fredericktown, Maryland.

Aug. 17—Preached at Epsom Chapel, near Baltimore.

Aug. 24—Preached in Grace Church, Wilmington, Delaware.

Aug. 31—Preached in Emanuel Church, Newcastle, Delaware.

Sept. 21—Attended service in St. John's, Georgetown, D. C., and addressed the congregation, after a sermon by the Rector.

Sept. 22—Visited the Seminary.

Sept. 24—Returned to Richmond.

Sept. 28—Christ Church, Richmond—I admitted Mr. F. M. Baker to Deacon's orders. Morning Service by the Rev. Mr. Duval; Sermon by the Rector; Candidate presented by the Rev. Mr. Walke. I delivered the exhortation. In the afternoon, I addressed the congregation at the Armory, one of the Missionary Stations of the Rev. Mr. Duval.

Sept. 29—Left home to visit the Churches in Nelson, Amherst and several of the counties south of James River.

Oct. 1—Consecrated St. Paul's Church, New Market—Preached and confirmed two persons.

Oct. 2—In the same Parish, I consecrated Grace Chapel, a very convenient house provided for the coloured people of that vicinity. This is the eighth place of worship, on James River, intended specially for the use of servants—indicating a desire to furnish facilities for their religious instruction, which is truly encouraging to those who are concerned for their spiritual welfare. If we have but men, of the right spirit and requisite tact, to give themselves to this work, and itinerate from plantation to plantation, under approval of the proprietors, I am more and more persuaded that vast good would be the result. A field

more completely missionary in its character cannot well be found, and how it is that foreign destitution secures sympathy and effort, whilst none are prepared to devote themselves to this benighted population at our very doors, is a question I must leave to others to solve. The settled Clergy are disposed to do all in their power to extend their ministrations to the coloured people, but their regular services prevent them from doing much effectually. What we want is a Ministry devoted to them as specially as our Parochical Clergy are to the congregations under their charge, and cheerfully rendering Sunday Services. I trust the Great Head of the Church will put it into the hearts of some of our candidates to choose this sphere of labor, not as a temporary place, preparatory for the usual work of the Ministry, but as called to be ordained to it for life. Such Evangelists would not lack maintenance, nor lose their reward.

On the evening of the day on which I consecrated Grace Chapel, I left Nelson for Lynchburg, and arrived there early the next morning.

Oct. 3 and 4—In St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg, I addressed the congregation, both in the morning and at night, after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Castleman.

Oct. 5—Preached in St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg, and confirmed nine persons in the morning, and preached also at night.

Oct. 6—Accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Kinckle, I passed over into Amherst, and preached at St. Luke's. Six persons were confirmed.

Oct. 7—Preached at New Glasgow in St. Paul's Church, and confirmed 7 persons.

Oct. 8—Preached at St. Matthews' Church, and confirmed 5 persons. The same evening we went into Lynchburg.

Oct. 9—Again accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Kinckle, I rode 22 miles to St. John's, Campbell; preached and confirmed three persons—one a colored man. I was much gratified with the improvement in this congregation since my first visit. The Church was then without any enclosure; in a tottering condition; and altogether exhibiting the appearance of neglect. Now, it is well repaired, painted and surrounded by a suitable fence. This is not all. There was also an obvious improvement in the size and aspect of the congregation, and an interest on the subject of religion, which, I trust, will deepen and extend. In this Church, attention has been paid to the servants, and with happy effect. There is a class of twenty who have committed the Catechism, and can repeat the whole Morning Service, with the exception of the Psalter. I state this fact to encourage others. It has been com-

mon to say, that this class of our population cannot be brought into our Church. When our Church can be brought to do her duty towards them, that, to us, reproachful saying will be heard no more. I am persuaded that our peculiar mode of worship is specially adapted to their condition, and when proper pains are taken to familiarize them with our service, it has attractions for them not to be found elsewhere. But pains must be taken, especially at first. Where this has been done, success has been quite as great as in the case of any other class of the community.

The remainder of the day I spent in the vicinity of St. John's, at Woodlawn, intending to make an early start the next morning, to reach the neighborhood of Pittsylvania C. H., where my appointment was for the day following. A rapid succession of heavy showers delayed my departure. About 11 o'clock, the rain abated, and accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Tompkins, and furnished with a conveyance by my kind host, Mr. Slaughter, who generously directed that it should be kept as long as it would be useful to us, I left Woodlawn. Two hours brought us to the residence of Mr. Pannill, where, on my former visit, I had been hospitably received, and now again, during a call for a few moments to pay our respects to the family, we were refreshed for our journey. We had scarcely crossed Staunton River, when we were met by a driving rain, which increased as we advanced, rendering the roads very heavy, and swelling the streams to a degree which made it difficult to ford them. By these causes we were so retarded that we were overtaken by the night, and a very dark one it was, before we reached the place of our destination. A cordial welcome at the residence of Mr. Coles soon made us forget our fatigue, and the christian fellowship which we enjoyed in the chamber of the venerable mother of the household, to whom I was once more permitted to administer the Lord's Supper, more than compensated for the exposures of the day.

Oct. 11—The incessant rain of the night and preceding day, it was thought, had so swollen the streams that, until they subsided, it would not be practicable to make the ride of ten miles to the court-house. As my appointment was there at 11 o'clock, I did not refrain from making the attempt to meet the engagement. We found the creeks out of their banks as was expected, and several of them of perilous passage, but, by the good Providence of God, they were forded in safety, and we arrived at the court-house in time to have had service. The state of the streams and roads, and the continued rain, prevented a congregation from assembling on that day.

Oct. 12—Before service I rode out with the Rev. Mr. Dame to an humble dwelling in the country, and there confirmed two of the poor of his flock. At the usual hour, I preached at Pittsylvania court-house, and confirmed three persons.

My next regular appointment was at Henry court-house, but as the Rev. Mr. Dame, who officiates there as our Missionary, and also occasionally at Franklin court-house, deemed it important that I should visit Franklin, he had, in pursuance of a general authority which I gave him, made an engagement for me to preach at Franklin court-house the next day. This arrangement made forced rides necessary, as the roads were very rough, and the distances considerable. Immediately after Church, on Sunday the 12th, we started for Franklin, and that evening rode some 12 or 13 miles to the residence of Mr. Moor-ton's, who entertained us as kindly as if we had been of his own communion, and gave us an early start the next morning.

Oct. 13—We had 27 miles to ride before we reached the court-house. We arrived about the middle of the day, and after a few moments, refreshment at Col. Saunders, I proceeded to the Methodist Church, which had been lent to us, and there preached, and confirmed one person. The congregation was crowded and very attentive. The prospect of establishing the Church in that region, where, until recently it has been unknown, is very encouraging.

We had yet seven miles to ride that evening, to enable us to meet the appointment next morning at Henry court-house. A kind family of the Presbyterian Church, who had attended our services at Franklin, and who resided on our route, tendered to us the hospitalities of their house, and conducted us on the way.

Oct. 14—We breakfasted by candle-light and were off by dawn. A ride of 27 miles through a mountainous region brought us to Henry court-house, where I preached and confirmed two persons. This place and Franklin receive at present the occasional services of the Rev. Mr. Dame, who, as far as the duties of his school, on which he mainly depends for his support, will permit, visits these points in connexion with his duties at Danville and Pittsylvania court-house. The sphere is entirely too large for any one Minister, even if he could give his whole time to the work. We hope soon to make an arrangement which, whilst it relieves him, will secure more frequent and regular services for this interesting region. At Henry court-house, a subscription has been made for erecting a Church, and with good hope of early success.

Oct. 15—Rode forty miles to Danville, and at night addressed the congregation after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Grammer.

Oct. 16—Preached at Danville in the morning, and confirmed four persons. Preached again at night.

Oct. 17—This day was occupied in making the ride of 40 miles to Halifax court-house.

Oct. 18—Preached in the Church at Halifax court-house, in the morning, and confirmed one coloured person. Perhaps the unusual number confirmed, during the visit of Bishop Meade, may in some measure explain why there was but one to be presented on this occasion. I could not, however, avoid sympathizing with the estimable Rector in his disappointment, nor, when I considered the many blessings, both temporal and spiritual, enjoyed by that favored people, could I refrain from exclaiming—and yet "there are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger!"

At night, I addressed the congregation, after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Christian.

Oct. 19—In the morning, I preached in the same Church, and admitted James D. McCabe to Deacon's orders. Morning Service by the Rector. The candidate was presented by the Rev. Mr. Dame. At night, I addressed the congregation, after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Tompkins, and also on the morning of the next day. In the afternoon, accompanied by the Rev. Messrs. Tompkins and Christian, I rode to Catawba, one of the points at which the Rev. Mr. Clark officiates.—The new Church not being ready for consecration, and the harshness of the weather rendering it imprudent to occupy the old building, which could not be opened to the light without giving equally free admission to the wind, a vacant house in the vicinity was soon prepared, and services held there, which, I trust, will be long and thankfully remembered by at least some who were present.

Oct. 22—Preached at the Brick Church, Halifax, and confirmed two persons.

Oct. 23—I passed over into Charlotte, the field in which the Rev. Mr. Christian is laboring as a Missionary. In the morning, I preached at one of his stations on Staunton River, and confirmed two persons. In the afternoon, rode 12 miles to Charlotte court-house, and preached, at night, in the Methodist Church.

Oct. 24—Baptized an infant at Charlotte court-house, and preached at Roanoke Church. The Rev. Mr. Christian considers the prospect of raising two new Churches in Charlotte as very encouraging. If he

accomplishes what he proposes, he will, as all the friends of the Church in that vicinity concede, have succeeded on "a forlorn hope." The progress which he has made will appear from his Parochial Report.

The distance from Roanoke Church to St. Paul's, Lunenburg, the place of my appointment for the next morning, is about 30 miles. Accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Locke, I reached the court-house that night.

Oct. 25—Preached at St. Paul's, Lunenburg.

Oct. 26—Preached in the same Church and confirmed. After service, accompanied by the Rev. F. H. McGuire and Mr. Cunningham, who came to meet me at St. Paul's, I rode 16 miles to the residence of the Messrs. Hepburn, formerly the abode of Bishop Ravenscroft.—Here we were kindly received.

Oct. 27—Preached in the Old Church, Mecklenburg, and confirmed 5 persons.

Oct. 28—Preached at Boydton and confirmed two persons.

Oct. 29—Preached at St. Andrews' Church, and confirmed two persons.

Oct. 30—Consecrated St. Luke's Church, Mecklenburg. Preached and confirmed two persons. Morning Service was read by the Rev. Dr. Ridley, the officiating Minister, and the sentence of consecration by the Rev. F. H. McGuire, Rector of the Parish. The Church is a very neat frame building, and well arranged in regard to convenience. Immediately after the services in St. Luke's, I hastened to Richmond, to aid in the consecration of St. Paul's, for which, when I left home on my late visitation, the 2d of November was the day appointed. Owing to some delay, however, the building was not yet completed.

Almost immediately after my return to Richmond, I received the melancholy intelligence of the death of two kind friends, with whom I had held pleasant intercourse during my then recent visitation.—Mr. Hepburn, of Lunenburg, at whose house we were so hospitably entertained, was taken sick and died, before I had scarcely reached my home. I am thankful to know that the deep concern which he expressed, in connexion with the services at the Old Church, and which was increased the next day at Boydton, authorizes us to hope that in our association on those occasions he may have received a blessing from above, intended to prepare him for his most unexpected change. The aged and venerable Col. Green, of Boydton, whose death occurred a few days afterwards, was as a father in the Church in Mecklenburg, and his removal is a loss to the Parish which will not soon be supplied.—

Such cases of sudden departure, as I have been called to notice in this Report, come to us like a voice from the grave. "Be ye also ready, for ye know neither the day nor the hour when the son of man cometh." And, as the withdrawal of active and judicious friends diminishes our number, and abates our force for good, let those who survive seek to supply the lack of service so occasioned, by re-doubling their zeal and energy in the blessed work to which we are all devoted.

Nov. 2—I attended service in the Monumental Church, administered the communion, and made an address to the congregation.

Nov. 9—Preached in Christ Church, Richmond.

Nov. 11—Assisted in the consecration of St. Paul's Church, Richmond, and preached the consecration sermon. Before the services were concluded, I was compelled to hasten from the Church to the cars, to meet my appointment the next morning in Greensville.

Nov. 12—Preached in the court-house at Hicksford. In this neighborhood, arrangements have been made for the erection of a Church.

Nov. 14—Preached in the court-house at Jerusalem, Southampton county.

Nov. 15—Preached in the same place.

Nov. 16—Preached there again, and confirmed eight persons. During my visit, a subscription for building a Church in this vicinity was commenced with considerable spirit. It is to be hoped that our friends there will not suffer it to flag, till the desirable object is accomplished, and a suitable place provided, in which they and their children may assemble for the worship of God.

Nov. 17—Preached in the court-house, Sussex county, and confirmed one person. The Church in this Parish was not sufficiently advanced to be consecrated. I promised, if nothing occurred to prevent, to return and consecrate it before Convention.

Nov. 28—I left home to visit the Churches in Spottsylvania and Caroline, under the care of the Rev. Mr. Wharton.

Nov. 29—Preached at St. John's, and confirmed four persons.

Nov. 30—Preached at Christ Church, and confirmed three persons.

Dec. 1—The sleet and rain prevented the congregation from assembling at St. Margaret's, and I returned to Richmond, with the understanding that I would visit them again early in the Spring.

Dec. 7—I attended service at St. Paul's in the morning, and assisted in the administration of the Lord's Supper. At night, I preached in St. Paul's.

Dec. 10—Lectured in St. Paul's.

Dec. 14—At St. James' Church, but the rain prevented the congregation from assembling.

Dec. 17—Lectured in St. Paul's.

Dec. 21—Preached in the Monumental Church.

Dec. 28—At Petersburg, in the morning, before service, I confirmed, in private, a sick person, belonging to Grace Church. At the usual hour, I preached in Grace Church, and confirmed 10 persons. In the afternoon, in St. Mathews' Church, after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Atkinson, I addressed the congregation. At night, I preached in St. Paul's Church.

1846—Jan. 4—Preached in St. Paul's, Richmond.

Jan. 7—Lectured in St. Paul's.

Jan. 11—Preached in St. James' Church.

Jan. 14—Lectured in St. Paul's.

Jan. 18—Preached in St. John's.

Jan. 25—Preached in the Penitentiary, one of the places in which the Rev. Mr. Duval officiates. At night, preached in St. Paul's.

Jan. 28—Lectured in St. Paul's.

Feb. 1—Morning, preached in Monumental Church. At night, read prayers in St. Paul's.

From the 1st to the 18th of February, I was occupied as usual, officiating in the Churches and Lecture Rooms in Richmond, but an omission to note the dates at the time prevents a detail of the services.

Feb. 18—Lectured in St. Paul's Church.

Feb. 22—Preached in St. James' Church.

Feb. 25—Lectured in St. Paul's Church.

March 6—Lectured in St. Paul's Church.

March 13—Lectured in St. Paul's Church.

March 15—Conducted a Catechetical Service in St. James' Church.

March 20—Lectured in St. Paul's Church.

March 22—Preached in St. Johns' Church in the morning, and confirmed 5 persons. In the afternoon, conducted a Catechetical Service in the Monumental Church.

March 27—Lectured in St. Paul's Church.

March 29—Conducted a Catechetical exercise in St. John's Church.

April 1—Lectured in St. Paul's Church.

April 3—Lectured in St. Paul's Church.

April 5—Preached in St. Paul's Church and confirmed seven persons, of whom three were colored. In the afternoon, I confirmed

three persons in the Monumental Church. At night, I preached again at St. Paul's.

April 8 and 9—Lectured in St. Paul's.

April 10—Preached in St. James', and confirmed 8, two of whom were persons of colour. In the afternoon, I lectured in St. Paul's.

April 11—I preached in St. Margaret's, Caroline.

April 12—Preached in the same Church, and confirmed three persons.

The congregations were large and attentive. The Church building is capacious, but greatly needs repair. I hope, from intimations which I received, that, at the next visit, it will present a different appearance.

April 14—I preached to the coloured people in Richmond.

April 16—I consecrated St. Luke's Church, Richmond. The sentence of consecration was read by the Rev. Dr. Bolton. Morning Service by the Rev. Dr. Empie and the Rev. Mr. Woodbridge. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Norwood, and an address delivered by myself. This building, of small dimensions, is situated in the western part of the city, and is intended to be a Missionary Station, at which the Rev. Dr. Bolton officiates.

April 18—I left home for Williamsburg, and, in the afternoon, aided by the Rev. Messrs. Hodges and Caldwell, conducted the examination of Mr. Charles Minnigerode, recommended by the Standing Committee for admission to Deacon's orders. At night, I preached in the Church at Williamsburg.

April 19—I preached in the same Church, and admitted Mr. C. Minnigerode to the order of Deacons. Morning Service was read by the Rev. Mr. Caldwell, and the candidate presented by the Rev. Mr. Hodges. At night, after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Caldwell, I confirmed 4.

April 20—I went to Portsmouth, and preached there at night.

April 21—Preached in the same Church, and confirmed two persons. In the afternoon, I proceeded to Suffolk.

April 22—At Suffolk, I consecrated St. Paul's Church. The sentence of consecration was read by the Rev. Mr. Withers. Morning Service by the Rev. Mr. Wingfield and the Rev. Mr. Beall. The sermon was preached by myself, and 3 persons were confirmed.

St. Paul's Church is a neat brick edifice of the Gothic order. Its interior is arranged with much simplicity and great economy of room. The whole building affords pleasing evidence of the taste and enterprise of those by whom it has been erected.

• April 23—I preached at Kempsville, Princess Anne. The Church in this place is still vacant.

April 24—I preached at Old Point Comfort, in the Church of the Centurion, under the charge of the Rev. Mr. Chevers, U. S. Chaplain, and confirmed 8 persons. At night, I preached at Hampton.

April 25—Preached again at Hampton, and confirmed seven persons. I was gratified to find that the venerable Church in this place had been well repaired, during the ministry of the Rev. Mr. Bausman, and that, by the blessing of God on his labors and the services of his successor, the Rev. Mr. Goode, the condition of the congregation had decidedly improved.

April 26—I preached in Norfolk, in the morning, in St. Paul's, and confirmed 13; at night, in Christ Church, and confirmed 16.

April 27—I crossed to the Eastern Shore.

April 28—I preached at Pongateague in the morning, and at Drummondtown in the afternoon.

April 29—Preached again at Drummondtown, and confirmed 3.

April 30—I preached in the morning in Hungars' Church, and confirmed 3 persons. In the afternoon, I preached at Eastville.

May 1—I returned to Norfolk. The recent services in this place had been the means of awakening so much interest on the subject of religion, that the Clergy deemed it expedient to open their Churches daily. I arrived just in time to preach that night in Christ Church, and regretted that my appointments, in another direction, prevented me from remaining to share in the increased labors which seemed to be demanded.

May 2—I reached Richmond, and the next day preached at St. Paul's.

May 7—I consecrated St. Paul's Church, Cumberland; preached, and confirmed 10 persons.

May 8—I proceeded as far as Stony Point, on my way to St. John's, Lunenburg, which I hoped to be able to reach, in the course of the next day. I was, however, arrested in my progress by the unusually heavy rains, which raised the streams so as to render them impassible. I was thus prevented from meeting my appointments in Lunenburg and at Lawrenceville. During my detention at Stony Point, I was not unemployed. Much solicitude was expressed to have religious services during my stay. There was, indeed, no Church edifice in the vicinity. But a Tobacco Factory, belonging to Mr. Palmore, afforded a spacious room, which was soon purified and put in order for the oc-

casian. With a "twisting table" for a desk, and packing boxes in abundance for seats, we managed to forget the singular circumstances of our accommodation, and united in our solemn services, where they had never before been performed, and with many persons who had never witnessed the manner of our worship. On the morning of the 10th, I preached to a very attentive congregation—and, in the afternoon, I officiated for the coloured people.

By rapidly retracing my steps to Richmond, passing over, the same evening, to Petersburg, and making an early start the next morning, I was enabled to reach Sapony Church, in time to meet the appointment there.

May 13—I preached in Sapony Church, and confirmed 2 persons.

May 15—I consecrated Emanuel Church, Sussex. The sentence of consecration was read by the Rector. Morning Service by the Rev. Mr. Castleman, aided by the Rev. Mr. Berger. Sermon by myself.

In reviewing this statement, it will be perceived that the number confirmed does not equal that of the years immediately preceding. I do not regard this as unequivocal evidence of a decline in religion, but, unquestionably, it ought to lead us to careful examination, earnest prayer, and increased effort. More may, and more ought to be, effected than we have yet been privileged to report. If, in the faithful discharge of our several duties, we seek and expect greater things, we shall not be disappointed. God will give his blessing, and crown us with prosperity.

The proceedings of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, for the past year, were then read, from the Journal, by the Rev. Mr. DANA.

The Rev. Mr. WOODBRIDGE presented the Report of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society, which was read as follows:

The Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society respectfully report that, since the last Convention, they have contributed to the support of *twenty* Missionaries; of whom one has left the Diocese, and three others have removed to parishes not needing missionary aid, leaving *sixteen* at present in the employment of the society. These are, the Rev. Mr. Tompkins, in Campbell; the Rev. Mr. Goodwin, in Mason; the Rev. Mr. Dame, in Pittsylvania, Henry and Franklin; the Rev. Mr. Withers, in Southampton and Sussex; the Rev. Mr. Bryant, in Botetourt; the Rev. Thos. Smith, in Wood; the Rev. Wm.

F. Lockwood, in Fauquier and Fairfax; the Rev. Mr. Walker, in Amherst; the Rev. Edmund Christian, in Charlotte; the Rev. Mr. Nelson, in Rockbridge; the Rev. Mr. McElroy, in Augusta; the Rev. Mr. Kinsolving, in Harrison; the Rev. Mr. Brown, in Jefferson and Berkeley; the Rev. Mr. McCabe, in Washington and Wythe; and the Rev. Messrs. Bolton and Duval, in the City of Richmond; of whom the two last are supported by the Churches there.

The account of their labors will be presented in their parochial reports. The sphere of their labor embraces about forty stations. In these stations, eight Churches have been already built, or are now in progress of erection; others are in contemplation, and old ones have been repaired.

Agreeably to the direction of the convention, the Committee have kept on hand a constant supply of Prayer Books and Tracts, from which liberal grants have been made during the past year. There have been distributed, altogether, 632 Prayer Books and 44,468 pages of Tracts. The additional expenditure of this department is small, compared with the great good effected. Indeed, we believe the aid thus afforded is greater than can be rendered in any other way by the same amount of means.

By the Treasurer's account, herewith submitted, it will be seen that the receipts, in the last twelve months, have been \$2673.34, and the disbursements \$2250.84, leaving, including the balance from last year, \$728.43 in the treasury. This will be required to meet appropriations already made viz: \$1045. Should the same number of Missionaries be employed next year, at least \$2,500 will be needed, in addition to what is now in the Treasury. But it is hoped and believed that a stronger Missionary corps will be in the field. Nor will we allow ourselves to doubt that the Diocese, in the good providence of God, will readily and cheerfully provide for their support. A glance at the destitution of the Western part of the State will show the necessity of exertion. There are but 20 Episcopal Clergymen West of the Blue Ridge, of whom 13 are in the Valley, leaving but seven West of the Alleghany; a part of the State containing forty-two counties and 260,000 souls. Here is a "field white already for the harvest," demanding the zeal and energy of youthful laborers, together with the matured wisdom and prudence of riper years and rich experience.

The record of the past affords strong encouragement for the future. As we look back, we thank God and take courage. In 1839, our receipts were but \$29.00. During the next three years, the average

number of Missionaries was *five*. In 1843, there were *ten*. In 1844, and '45, there were each year *thirteen*; and, during the last year, *twenty* have been assisted; and the receipts have been \$2,673 34. Yet, how inconsiderable are these contributions will appear from the fact, that they do not exceed fifty cents for each communicant in the Diocese.

The great want, however, is not *funds*, (for the Diocese has never refused what was asked,) but *men*,—faithful, laborious, heavenly-minded ambassadors for God. And we cannot but believe that there is a great want of faithfulness, on the part of parents as well as of Ministers, in this matter. Were a more careful attention bestowed upon the young, were they trained up for God and consecrated from their infancy to his service, we cannot but think that more would choose the Ministry for their profession. And we should see fewer instances of misdirected talents and energies wasted in the trifles and follies of the world.

Whole number of Prayer Books purchased,	1200
Distributed,	632
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	On hand 568
Number of pages of Tracts purchased,	91,540
Distributed,	44,468
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	On hand 47,072

The Diocesan Missionary Society in account with William Williams, Treasurer.

1845	Dr.	
May 24.	To cash paid Rev. Wm. H. Good, in full of his appropriation for past year,	\$50 00
26.	To cash paid Rev. S. D. Tompkins, Campbell county, on account of 4th quarter of his appropriation,	16 00
27.	To cash remitted Rev. J. B. Goodwin, Point Pleasant, Mason county, in full,	37 50,
June 3.	To cash paid Jos. Gill, for 100 Prayer Books, and expenses,	21 00
July 1.	To cash paid draft of Rev. S. D. Tompkins, Campbell county, in full of his appropriation,	21 50
2.	To cash paid Rev. E. B. McGuire, Greensville county, in full of his appropriation,	37 50
5.	To cash remitted Rev. G. W. Dame, Danville, Pittsylvania county, in full,	37 50
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	<i>Amount carried over,</i>	\$221 00

	<i>To amount brought over,</i>	\$221 00
	To cash remitted Rev. J. P. Bausman, Hampton, in full,	37 50
	To cash remitted Rev. E. Withers, Sussex county, 3d quarter,	37 50
	To cash remitted Rev. Wm. Bryant, Buchanan, Botetourt county, 1st quarter,	50 00
	To cash remitted Rev. Thomas Smith, Parkersburg, Wood county, 1st quarter,	50 00
	To cash remitted Rev. Wm. F. Lockwood, Fairfax county, 1st quarter,	25 00
	To cash remitted Rev. W. E. Webb, Henry county, 1st quarter,	25 00
	To cash remitted Rev. S. D. Tompkins, Campbell county, 1st quarter,	37 50
16.	To cash paid draft of Rev. W. H. Good, Jefferson county, in full,	25 00
	To cash remitted Rev. Cornelius Walker, Amherst county, one half his appropriation,	50 00
24.	To cash remitted Rev. Edward Christian, Charlotte county, 1st quarter,	25 00
Sept. 1.	To cash remitted Rev. Robert Nelson, Lexington, Rockbridge county, one-half his appropriation,	50 00
11.	To cash remitted Rev. Jas. McElroy, Staunton, for first 6 months,	50 00
	To cash remitted Rev. Wm. H. Good, further appropriation for last year,	25 00
26.	To cash remitted Rev. J. B. Goodwin, Point Pleasant, Mason county, for Prayer Books,	10 00
	To cash paid Jos. Gill, for Prayer Books, \$21, and \$1 75,	22 75
27.	To cash paid Rev. Wm. Duval, Missionary in Richmond, to be made up by collections in the city,	100 00
Oct. 21.	To cash remitted Rev. Wm. Bryant, Buchanan, 2d quarter,	50 00
	To cash remitted Rev. Thomas Smith, Parkersburg, 2d quarter,	50 00
	To cash remitted Rev. W. F. Lockwood, Prince William, 2nd quarter,	25 00
	To cash remitted Rev. S. D. Tompkins, Campbell county, 2d quarter,	37 50
	To cash remitted Rev. O. A. Kinsolving, Clarksburg, Harrison county, for first half year,	50 00
16.	To cash paid Rev. S. D. Tompkins, Campbell county, by Bishop Johns, out of collection in his Church,	15 00
	<i>To amount carried up,</i>	\$1,068 75

	<i>To amount brought up,</i>	\$1,068 75
	To cash paid Rev. G. W. Dame, Danville, by same,	13 00
Nov. 3.	To cash paid draft of Rev. S. D. Tompkins, Campbell county,	37 50
12.	To cash paid Rev. W. E. Webb, in full,	75 00
27.	To cash paid Jos. Gill, for Prayer Books,	21 00
Dec. 18.	To cash remitted Rev. Jas. McElroy, Staunton, Augusta county, 3d quarter,	25 00
	To cash remitted Rev. E. Christian, Charlotte county, 2d quarter,	25 00
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Jan. 1.	To cash paid draft of Rev. S. D. Tompkins, Campbell county, in full,	22 50
5.	To cash remitted Rev. Wm. Bryant, Buchanan, 3d quarter,	50 00
	To cash remitted Rev. J. B. Goodwin, Point Pleasant, Mason county, in full,	56 00
	To cash remitted Rev. G. W. Dame, Danville, Pittsylvania county, balance of 1st quarter,	24 50
15.	To cash remitted Rev. Thos. Smith, Parkersburg, Wood county, 3d quarter,	50 00
	To cash remitted Rev. W. F. Lockwood, Prince William county, 3d quarter,	25 00
27.	To cash paid Rev. Wm. Duval, Richmond, out of funds collected in that city,	30 00
Feb. 7.	To cash remitted Rev. Edmund Christian, Charlotte county, 3d quarter,	25 00
March 5.	To cash remitted Rev. Edmund Withers, Sussex county, 4th quarter,	37 50
6.	To cash remitted Rev. Thos. Smith, Parkersburg, Wood county, 4th quarter,	50 00
16.	To cash paid Jos. Gill, for 100 Prayer Books,	16 00
11.	To cash remitted Rev. Jas. McElroy, Staunton, Augusta county, 4th quarter,	25 00
	To cash remitted Rev. O. A. Kinsolving, Clarksburg, Harrison county, in full,	50 00
	To cash remitted Rev. C. Walker, New Glasgow, Amherst county, in full,	50 00
	To cash remitted Rev. Rob't. Nelson, Lexington, Rockbridge county, in full,	50 00
	To cash remitted Rev. Wm. F. Lockwood, Haymarket, Prince William county, 4th quarter,	25 00
25.	To cash remitted Rev. Edmund Withers, Sussex county, 1st quarter of new appropriation,	50 00
	To cash remitted Rev. R. T. Brown, Charlestown, Jefferson county, 1st quarter,	50 00
	<i>To amount carried over,</i>	\$1,951 75

	<i>To amount brought over,</i>	\$1,951 75
30.	To cash remitted Rev. Wm. Bryant, Buchanan, Botetourt county, 4th quarter,	50 00
April 7.	To cash remitted Rev. G. W. Dame, Danville, Pittsylvania county, 2d quarter,	37 50
17.	To cash paid Rev. Jas. D. McCabe, Abingdon, Washington county, 1st quarter,	50 00
23.	To cash paid draft of Rev. Thos. Smith, Parkersburg, appropriation to him for Prayer Books,	20 00
30.	To cash paid Rev. Wm. Duval, Richmond, out of collections in the City Churches,	50 00
May 6.	To cash paid Jos. Gill, for 500 Prayer Books,	90 57
18.	To cash paid Jos. Gill, expenses on Tracts,	1 02
	To balance for cash in hand,	727 43
		<u>\$2,978 27</u>

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May 21.	By balance, per account rendered at Convention, in Fredericksburg,	\$304 93
	By cash from Trinity Church, Portsmouth, per Rev. J. H. Wingfield,	15 00
	By cash from Children of St. Paul's Sunday School, Alexandria,	41 66
	By cash from Miss Landonia Randolph, Chas. City,	10 00
	By cash from Christ Church, Norfolk, per Rev. U. Beall,	272 10
	By cash from Church at Culpeper Ct. House,	15 26
	By cash from Church at Mechanicsville,	44 37
	By cash from St. James' Church, Culpeper county,	21 21
	By cash from Mrs. Elizabeth Adams, Cumberland Parish,	1 00
	By cash from Robert A. Atkinson, Cumberland Parish,	3 25
	By cash from Roger B. Atkinson, Cumberland Parish,	3 00
	By cash from Mrs. Lucy A. Locke, Cumberland Parish,	2 50
	By cash from a family of St. Stephen's Church, Culpeper,	16 50
	By cash from Hungar's Parish, Northampton,	32 50
	By cash from Trinity Church, Portsmouth,	40 00
	By cash from St. John's Church, Hampton,	30 00
	By cash from Church at Smithfield,	13 50
	By cash from St. Paul's Church, King George county,	7 62
		<u>\$874 40</u>
	<i>By amount carried up,</i>	

	<i>By amount brought up,</i>	\$374 40
	By cash from W. B. Harrison, Prince George county,	10 00
	By cash from Mrs. Wilcox, Prince George county,	4 00
	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg,	77 69
	By cash from Albemarle Parish, Sussex co.,	5 00
	By cash from Dr. James Bolton, Monumental Church,	5 00
	By cash from Nelson Parish, Nelson county,	25 00
	By cash from Dale and Genito Parishes,	9 00
	By cash from Christ Church, Alexandria,	15 00
	By cash from Cassius F. Lee, Alexandria,	10 00
	By cash from Mr. H. Cabanis, Antrim Parish,	2 00
	By cash from Miss Eliza Leigh, Antrim Parish,	1 50
	By cash from Mrs. E. A. Clark, Antrim Parish,	10 00
	By cash from Mrs. Eliza Bruce, Antrim Parish,	15 00
	By cash from Miss Catharine Holt, Antrim Parish,	1 00
	By cash from Mr. R'd. Logan, Antrim Parish,	3 00
	By cash from Rev. John Grammer, do	10 00
	By cash from Miss Mary J. Smith, do	1 00
	By cash from Mrs. Elvira A. Bruce, do	30 00
	By cash from Mrs. Mary Bailey, do	5 00
	By cash from Mrs. Rebecca Leigh, do	1 00
	By cash from Mrs. E. S. Early, do	1 00
	By cash from Mrs. Maria E. Grammer, do	2 50
	By cash from Mrs. Ann S. Coleman, do	5 00
	By cash from Mrs. T. G. Coleman, do	30 00
	By cash from Mrs. Wm. Galt, Fluvanna co.,	10 00
	By cash from Christ Church, Albemarle co.,	18 81
	By cash from Mrs. Jane H. Garland, Amherst co.,	2 00
	By cash from Christ Church, Charlottesville,	2 50
	By cash from Miss L. W. Randolph, Brunswick county,	2 00
	By cash from Mrs. Mary A. Jones, Brunswick,	2 00
	By cash from Roanoke Parish, Halifax co.,	60 30
	By cash from St. Martin's Parish, Hanover co.,	52 50
	By cash from Mrs. Wm. Ruffin, Surry co.,	1 00
	By cash from Mrs. John R. Gwynn, Urbanna,	1 00
	By cash from Botetourt Parish, Botetourt co.,	12 00
	By cash from Woodville Parish, Rockbridge county,	4 00
	By cash from St. Stephen's Church, Fauquier county,	4 87
		<u>\$1,325 77</u>
	<i>By amount carried over,</i>	

	<i>By amount brought over,</i>	\$1,325 77
	By cash from Church at Fairfax court-house,	3 13
29.	By cash from a lady, St. Paul's Church, Norfolk,	4 00
July 2.	By cash from Mrs. Amelia Goodwin, Greensville, per Rev. E. B. McGuire,	3 00
	By cash from Christ Church, Charlottesville, by Bishop Johns,	41 30
	By cash from Walker's Church, Albemarle, by Bishop Johns,	12 10
	By cash from Mrs. John Coles, Albemarle, by Bishop Johns,	5 00
5.	By cash from Mr. Robert L. Randolph, Fauquier county,	7 00
	By cash from Rev. Geo. Lemmon, Fauquier county,	3 00
21.	By cash from Christ Church, Winchester, per Rev. W. Y. Rooker,	30 00
	By cash from Rev. G. W. Dame, for Prayer Books,	3 00
Aug. 15.	By cash from Meade Parish, Fauquier county, by Rev. Wm. M. Jackson,	38 00
18.	By cash from Wickliffe Parish, Clarke county, by Rev. R. H. Wilmer,	40 00
Sept. 26.	By cash from St. Andrew's Parish, by Bishop Johns,	41 37
	By cash from Norborne Parish, by Bishop Johns,	20 00
Oct. 12.	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg, by Rev. W. H. Kinckle,	60 07
	By cash from Leeds Parish, Fauquier county, by Rev. W. H. Pendleton,	37 00
27.	By cash from weekly offerings of Christ Church, Richmond, for City Missions,	33 00
	By cash from collection at St. James' Church, Richmond, for City Missions,	40 00
Nov. 1.	By cash from Church at Wheeling, by Bishop Meade,	37 00
	By cash from Church in Kanawha county, by Bishop Meade,	17 75
	By cash from St. John's Church, Campbell county, by Bishop Johns,	15 00
	By cash from Church, in Pittsylvania county, by Bishop Johns,	5 00
	By cash from Church in Danville, by Bishop Johns,	6 00
	By cash from Antrim Parish, Halifax county, by Bishop Johns,	44 92
	<i>By amount carried up,</i>	\$1,872 41

	<i>By amount brought up,</i>	\$1,872 41
	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Lunenburg county, by Bishop Johns,	12 67
	By cash from Old Church, Mecklenburg co., by Bishop Johns,	12 00
	By cash from St. Andrew's Church, Mecklenburg co., by Bishop Johns,	10 00
	By cash from St. Stephen's Bedford co., by Rev. Mr. Marbury, proceeds of ear-rings and breast-pin,	3 00
	By cash from Bishop Johns, donors unknown,	1 23
4.	By cash from Roanoke Parish, by Rev. J. T. Clark,	50 00
13.	By cash from Missionary Society of Theological Seminary of Virginia,	20 00
22.	By cash from Churches in Amherst co., by Rev. C. Walker,	20 00
Dec. 17.	By cash from Farnham Parish, by Rev. Wm. N. Ward,	5 35
	By cash from Cople Parish, by Rev. Wm. N. Ward,	5 75
	By cash from Lunenburg Parish, by Rev. Wm. N. Ward,	8 90
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Jan. 27.	By cash from St. Peter's Church, Port Royal, by Rev. Wm. Friend,	15 00
	By cash from St. John's, King George court-house, by Rev. Wm. Friend,	15 00
Feb. 3.	By cash collected by Bishop Johns, in Church at Millwood,	45 18
	By cash collected by Bishop Meade in Abingdon and Ware Parishes,	18 88
	By cash from Mrs. John Tabb, Gloucester, by Rev. C. Mann,	16 00
	By cash from Dr. J. P. Tabb, Gloucester, by Rev. C. Mann,	5 00
	By cash from Mrs. J. P. Tabb, Gloucester, by Rev. C. Mann,	5 00
6.	By cash from Mrs. Jane J. Minge, by Rev. C. J. Gibson,	4 00
	By cash from Mrs. James Robertson, by Rev. C. J. Gibson,	1 00
12.	By cash from Church in Lancaster co., by Bishop Meade,	5 00
March 23.	By cash from St. Ann's and Farnham Parishes,	46 25
25.	By cash for Int. from Citizen's Savings Bank,	10 19
28.	By cash from Church at Millwood, by Dr. R. C. Randolph,	57 54
	<i>By amount carried over,</i>	\$2,259 35

	<i>By amount brought over,</i>	\$2,259 35
30.	By cash for premium received on the above, being a check on New York,	72
April 2.	By cash from St. George's Church, Fredericksburg, by Rev. E. C. McGuire,	25 00
5.	By cash from collection in St. Paul's Church, Richmond, for City Missions,	411 81
	By cash from Miss Ellen Mordécai, Richmond, per Rev. Wm. Duval,	2 50
15.	By cash from St. Margaret's Church, Caroline county, by Bishop John's,	13 91
18.	By cash from Christ Church, Millwood, by Dr. Randolph,	5 00
20.	By cash from Rev. Wm. Duval, for Prayer Books,	1 80
22.	By cash from Mrs. Jaqueline Marshall, Leeds Parish, per Rev. W. H. Pendleton,	10 00
	By cash from Mrs. Jaqueline Marshall, for Jewish Missions,	10 00
30.	By cash from a member of St. Paul's Church, Richmond,	1 50
May 4.	By cash from Christ Church, Norfolk, by Bishop Johns,	62 86
	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Norfolk, by Bishop Johns,	35 41
	By cash from Bruton Parish, Williamsburg, by Bishop Johns,	20 50
	By cash from St. John's Church, Hampton, by Bishop Johns,	15 85
	By cash from Trinity Church, Portsmouth, by Bishop Johns,	35 19
	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Suffolk, by Bishop Johns,	30 00
	By cash from Monumental Church, Richmond, per Rev. Geo. Woodbridge,	33 24
16.	By cash from Rev. Wm. Duval, for Prayer Books,	1 50
18.	By cash from Jos. Gill, for Tracts sold,	2 13
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		\$2978 27

May 19. By balance for cash in hand, \$727 43
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WILLIAM WILLIAMS, *Treasurer.*

Richmond, 19th May, 1846.

The Report of the Trustees of the Funds, for the support of Widows and Orphans, was also read by the Rev. Mr. Woodbridge, as follows :

Report of the Trustees of the Fund, for the relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, in the Diocese of Virginia.

The Trustees of the Fund, for the relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen in the Diocese of Virginia, report : That, since the last Convention, they have collected a note due the Fund, dated, 2nd April, 1841, for \$273.50; also \$350, on account of a note for \$600, due, 5th Sept. 1833; together \$623.50; which they have paid to the Widows and Orphans' Society, in liquidation of arrears of interest, as reported to previous Conventions :

They have also collected for interest on the above note for \$273 50	\$62 20
Interest for 4 years to 20th April 1845, on note for \$200,	48 00
Interest for 6 months, to 1st Sept. 1845, on bond for \$800,	24 00
Dividends on 147 shares Stock in Farmers' Bank of Alexandria,	367 00
do " 4 shares Stock in Bank of Potomac,	20 00
do " 1 share do in Bank of Virginia,	3 20
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	\$525 20

Which they have paid to the Widows and Orphans Society, agreeably to a Resolution of the Convention in 1837.

The fund now consists of
147 shares Stock, in Farmers' Bank of Alexandria, at par, \$7,350 00
4 do do in Bank of Potomac, do 400 00
1 do do in Bank of Virginia, do 100 00
2 bonds of \$800 each, dated 1st March 1845, one payable at 6 months, and the other at 12 months. Interest paid on the 6 month's bond, for the first 6 months. 1,600 00

A note, dated 20th April 1841, payable on demand, on which interest has been paid to 20th April 1845, and the Treasurer holds acceptance, believed to be good, for \$150, on account of the principal, 200 00

Balance of note for \$600 and bearing interest, from 23d July, 1845, \$246 98; deduct interest which has occurred on this note since May 1833, appropriated by a Resolution of the Convention of 1837, to the Widows and Orphans Society, \$236 63 10 35

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	\$9,660 35
Deduct balance of arrears of interest due Widows and Orphans' Society,	230 05
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	\$9,430 30

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Wm. WILLIAMS Treasurer.
Wm. H. HUBBARD,
THOMAS NELSON.

} Trustees.

RICHMOND, 19th May, 1846

The account of the Treasurer of the Diocese was presented and referred to the appropriate Standing Committee.
The Convention then took a recess until after Divine Service.

1 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention again assembled, and the Bishop announced the following Standing Committees:

ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.
Messrs. J. Prentiss,
Rev. A. Empie, D. D., T. H. Claggett,
John Grammer, Philip Williams,
E. C. McGuire, D. D., W. S. Armistead,
W. Sparrow, D. D., E. T. Tayloe,
J. H. Wingfield, A. Twyman,
C. Mann, D. May,
E. Boyden, J. A. Smith,
W. Norwood,

ON FINANCE.
Messrs. E. Fontaine, Wm. H. Fowle,
D. May, Tazewell Taylor.
Wm. Radford.

ON THE EPISCOPAL FUND.
Messrs. W. H. Fowle,
Rev. C. B. Dana, W. Pollock,
W. Friend, D. W. Barton,
J. P. McGuire,

ON ACCOUNTS OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.
Messrs. E. A. Morrison,
Rev. G. Woodbridge, R. B. Atkinson,
J. H. Morrison, G. M. Carrington,
W. Hodge,

ON PAROCHIAL REPORTS.
Messrs. G. Coleman,
Rev. J. Cole, W. Radford,
W. N. Ward, W. H. Richardson,
W. V. Bowers,

ON ADMISSION OF NEW PARISHES.
Messrs. G. M. Carrington,
Rev. J. T. Clark, N. Page,
C. Mann, J. Chewing,
U. Beall,

ON WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.
Messrs. J. R. Purdie,
Rev. J. P. McGuire, J. Murdaugh,
C. Minnigerode, W. Radford,
C. Mann,

The reading of Parochial Reports was then commenced and continued until half past 2, when the Convention took a recess until half past 4, and, on re-assembling, the reading of Parochial Reports was resumed and completed.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Committee, to whom was assigned the duty of obtaining legal protection for the religious, benevolent and literary institutions of the Church in Virginia.

Resolved, further, that the said Committee be authorized, if it be deemed expedient, to continue their exertions to effect the desired object, employing such means as shall seem to them most eligible for the purpose.

A communication was received from J. D. TOWNES, Esq., inviting the members of the Convention to visit, at their pleasure, his Reading Room, and on motion it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be tendered to Mr. TOWNES, for his polite and hospitable invitation.

The Convention then adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

FRIDAY, 22d MAY, 1846.

The Convention assembled at 9 o'clock, A. M., and was opened with prayer by the Rt. Rev. the Assistant Bishop.

The Rev. Messrs. TEMPLE, KINCKLE, R. H. WILMER and G. T. WILMER appeared and took their seats.

Additional Parochial Reports were received and read.

An application for admission into the Diocese by the Parish of Wytheville, in the county of Wythe, was received and referred to the appropriate Committee.

On motion of Mr. FOWLE, who supported them by a brief statement, from personal examination of the advantages of the High School, the following Resolutions were adopted:

Whereas the effort of the Trustees of the Seminary, at the last Convention, to revive the Episcopal High School, was promptly and liberally responded to by both Clergy and Laity;

And whereas, under arrangements then made, the institution has been in operation for a period sufficiently long to justify an expression of opinion, and whereas, it is important to its interests that an expression of such opinion be had;

Resolved, That this Convention has entire confidence in the Episco-

pal High School of the Diocese, under charge of Rev. E. A. Dalrymple, as calculated to elevate as well the literary, as the religious, character of its youth.

Resolved, That the institution be earnestly and cordially commended to the favourable consideration of the friends of the Church.

Rev. Mr. Woodbridge, from the Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Society, made the following Report :

The Committee, appointed to examine the accounts of the Diocesan Missionary Society, respectfully report that they have examined the same and find them correct, and sustained by proper vouchers.

GEO. WOODBRIDGE.

The Rev. J. P. McGUIRE, from the Committee on Widows and Orphans Fund, made the following Report :

The Committee, to which was referred the account of the Trustees of the fund for the relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, having examined the same, find it correct.

J. P. McGUIRE.

The Convention re-assembled at 2 o'clock.

The Rev. R. K. Meade appeared and took his seat.

J. W. Gantt, delegate from St. Ann's Parish, Albemarle, appeared and took his seat.

On motion, the Report of the Select Committee upon the amendment of the 7th canon, made at the last Convention, and the consideration of which was postponed until the present session, was taken up, and, after some discussion, the 7th Section was so amended as to read as follows : "When the trial shall be gone through, the council shall declare, in a writing to be signed by the several members, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty, and what punishment shall be awarded if guilty, and shall forward the decision, together with the evidence and a record of the proceedings, to the Bishop. Whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce sentence, according to the finding of the council, and such sentence shall be final. But the Bishop may mitigate or remit the punishment : or may grant a new trial, if desired by the accused, in which case a new council shall be convened, before which the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided—provided, that not more than two new trials shall be granted to the accused.

Mr. FONTAINE presented the Report of the Committee on Finance, as follows :

The Committee of Finance, having had under consideration the several subjects their duty requires them to attend to, make the following Report :

That the account of William H. Hubbard, Esq., Treasurer of the Diocese, (marked A.) is sustained by proper vouchers, from which it appears that there was in his hands, May 19th, 1846, a balance of	\$815 52
The contributions from the Parishes and Churches, due for the year ending 20th of May, 1846, amount to the sum of (see statement B.)	4,145 87
The amount received for delinquencies of the years 1844 and 1845 is (see statement C.)	23 25
The sum of \$10 was paid by the Treasurer pro tem. of the last Convention, on account of an error in the addition of his account, (see statement B.)	10 00

Making an aggregate, applicable to the expenses of the current year, amounting to	\$4,994 64
Paid after the above was closed,	32 91
	\$5,027 55

The amount remaining delinquent for the year, ending May 21st, 1845, after correcting some errors in the last Report, and crediting the cash paid, is (see statement D.)

The amount of delinquencies for the year, ending 20th of May, 1846, is (see statement E.)	\$324 85
The Parishes which have made no return will be seen by reference to statement F.	436 86

The whole amount of delinquencies for the year 1844 remaining unpaid, and the amount for the present year and for 1845, being probably more than ever will be paid, your Committee believe it would be altogether delusive, to regard this fund as available. The Committee, however, recommends the adoption of the Resolution with which this Report closes, trusting that the lenity of the Convention will not encourage any future failure to comply with a demand, which, operating on Christian men, should not be less binding, in the absence of a power to enforce its obligation.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to call on the Delinquent Parishes for the payment of the sums due to the Contingent Fund of the Convention.

E. FONTAINE, *Chairman*.

(A)

The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Virginia in account with William H. Hubbard, Treasurer.

1845.	DR.			
May 27.	To cash paid B. M. Miller, Secretary's draft favor B. B. Minor, balance of bill for printing, binding, &c. of Journal of the Convention of 1844,	receipt, No. 1,	25	00
	To cash paid Bishop Meade, on account of salary for the present year,	" 2,	500	00
	To cash paid Lewis Burke, for services as door keeper at Convention,	" 3,	10	00
23.	To cash paid Bishop Johns, viz: Balance of travelling expenses, for year ending May 21st, 1845,		103	25
	on account of salary for 1845,		400	00
June 20.	To cash paid Bishop Meade, viz: Balance of salary for present year,		500	00
	travelling expenses, postages and printing,		165	00
23.	To cash paid Wm. M. Blackford's dft. favor B. B. Minor, on account of printing,	" 6,	200	00
July 7.	To cash paid Bishop Johns, viz: on account of salary for present year,		400	00
	travelling expenses to date, 44	00	7,	444
29.	To cash paid Wm. M. Blackford's dft. favor B. B. Minor, on account of printing,	" 8,	250	00
Sept. 26.	To cash paid Bishop Johns, viz: on account of salary for present year,		200	00
	on account of travelling expenses,		50	00
Nov. 2.	To cash paid Bishop Johns, on account of salary for present year,		400	00
	on account of travelling expenses,		22	00
Dec. 5.	To cash paid Bishop Johns, on account of salary for present year,	" 11,	350	00
31.	To cash paid Bishop Johns, in full for balance of his salary for present			

To amount carried up,

\$3,619 25

	To amount brought up, year, ending May, 1846,	250	00	\$3,619	25
1846.	on account of travelling expenses,	20	00	12,	270
Apr. 14.	To cash paid Bishop Johns, on account of postages and travelling expenses,			13,	50
May 19.	To cash paid sundry postages during the year,				50
	To balance on hand, viz: balance in Savings' Institution,	681	65		
	balance in Bank and in hand,	133	87		815
					52
					<u>4,755</u>
					27
1845.	CR.				
May 19.	By balance on hand, per account rendered,				\$17
27.	By amount received per hands of Wm. Williams, Esq., from Edmund Fontaine, Esq., Treasurer, pro. tem. of Convention at Fredericksburg, viz:				13
	Bishop Meade's receipt \$500, Lewis Burke's receipt, \$10,	510	00		
	Check on Farmer's Bank at Fredericksburg,	4,108	49		4,618
	(Note.—Of this amount \$85 05 was on account of old delinquencies, and \$4,533 44 for Contingent Fund for 1845, '46.)				49
28.	By cash received, per letter from W. M. Blackford, Secretary of Convention at Fredericksburg, for Contingent Fund, viz: for Bath Parish, \$20, for Delinquent Parishes, \$14,				84
July 10.	By cash received, per Rev. J. S. Marbury, on account of Delinquency from Russell Parish, Bedford county,				00
1846.					8
Feb. 5.	By cash received from Christ Church, Middlesex county, delinquency 1844,				3
16.	By cash received from Cumberland Parish, delinquency 1845,				00
May 19.	By amount of interest from Savings' Institution, to June 1st, 1846, on cash deposited,				7
					00
					67
					65
					<u>4,755</u>
					27
	By amount carried over,				
	(Note.—There is a deficiency* of ten dollars (\$10.) between the amount received per hands of William Williams, Esq., from Edmund Fontaine, Treasurer pro.				

To amount brought over, \$4,755 27
 tem. of Convention, (\$4,618 49,) as per account above,
 and the amount reported in the Journal of the Convention,
 (page 46,) as paid to the Contingent Fund, (\$4,628 49.)
 *Paid—see account of Treasurer pro. tem. for 1846.

\$4,755 27

May 19. By balance in hand, \$815 52
 E. E.

WM. H. HUBBARD, *Treas.*

(B)

Contingent Fund in account with Tazewell Taylor, *Treasurer pro. tem.*

Christ Church, Norfolk,	\$350 00
Trinity Church, Shepherdstown,	50 00
Elizabeth City Parish, St. John's, Hampton,	41 00
Trinity Church, Portsmouth, (in part,)	43 72
St. Paul's Church, Suffolk,	30 00
St. John's Church, Chuckatuck,	11 00
St. James' Parish, Mecklenburg,	67 00
Westover Parish, Charles City,	30 00
Hungar's Parish, Northampton,	54 00
Roanoke Parish, Halifax,	20 00
Antrim Parish, Halifax,	57 00
Christ Church, Lancaster, (for 1846,)	29 00
" " (delinquency 1845,)	9 00
Lunenburg Parish, Richmond county,	15 00
Farnham Parish, Richmond county,	10 00
Cople Parish, Westmoreland,	13 50
Centurion Church, Fort Monroe,	18 00
St. George's Parish, Fredericksburg,	150 00
Albemarle Parish, Sussex,	15 00
St. George's Parish, Accomac, (in part,)	25 00
Christ Church, Middlesex,	11 00
Christ Church, Middlesex,	3 00
Leeds Parish, Prince William,	34 00
Dettingen Parish, Prince William,	20 00
Shelburne Parish, Loudoun,	72 00
Cash from Mrs. Anna Gray, Rockingham county, by Thomas H. Claggett,	1 00
St. Ann's Parish, Essex,	27 00
Grace Church, Caroline	21 00
St. Peter's Church, Port Royal,	27 00
St. Martin's Parish, Hanover, (in part,)	53 00
Tillotson Parish, Buckingham,	29 00
St. Paul's Parish, King George,	25 00

To amount carried up, \$1,361 22

To amount brought up,	\$1,361 22
Lynnhaven Parish, Princess Anne, (in part,)	13 00
St. Stephen's Church, Cedar Run Parish, Fauquier,	10 00
Zion Church, Truro Parish, Fairfax,	14 00
Bath Parish, Dinwiddie,	33 00
Leeds Parish, Fauquier,	29 00
St. Thomas' Parish, Orange,	67 00
Bloomfield Parish, Madison,	11 00
St. Thomas' Church, Middletown, Frederick,	20 00
Bruton Parish, Williamsburg, (in part,)	47 00
St. Andrews' Parish, Brunswick,	23 00
St. Paul's, Alexandria,	151 00
Littleton Parish, Cumberland,	39 00
St. Stephen's Church, Culpeper,	21 67
St. Paul's Church, Norfolk,	130 00
Cumberland Parish, Lunenburg, (1846,)	18 75
" " (deficiency 1845,)	3 25
Monumental Church, Richmond,	138 00
Christ Church, Winchester, (for 1846,)	81 00
" " (deficiency 1845,)	11 00
Grace Church, Petersburg,	92 00
St. David's Parish, King William,	34 23
St. John's Church, Hanover Parish, King George,	7 00
South Farnham Parish, Essex,	14 00
St. James', Northam, Goochland and Fluvanna,	33 00
Rockfish and North Garden Churches, Albemarle, (in part,)	38 00
St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg,	11 00
Raleigh, Genito and Dale Parishes,	124 00
Meade Parish, Fauquier,	45 00
Abingdon and Ware Parishes, Gloucester, (in part,)	26 50
St. Matthew's Church, Wheeling,	25 00
Trinity Church, Staunton,	75 00
St. Paul's Church, Petersburg,	78 50
Christ Church, Alexandria,	230 00
St. James' Church, Richmond,	127 00
Berkeley Parish and St. George's Parish, Spottsylvania,	123 00
Henrico Parish, St. John's Church,	65 50
Weston, Lewis,	57 00
St. Paul's Church, Richmond,	2 00
St. Paul's Parish, Hanover,	250 00
St. Ann's Parish, Albemarle,	9 00
Walker's Church, Albemarle,	27 00
St. Peter's Parish, New Kent,	24 00
Beaver Dam Church, Goochland, and Palmyra, Fluvanna,	13 00
Trinity Church, Parkersburg,	17 00
Newport Parish, Christ Church, Smithfield,	5 00
Green Spring Parish, Louisa,	36 00
	7 00

To amount carried over, \$3,725 62

<i>To amount brought over,</i>		\$3,725 62
Grace Church, Lexington,		25 00
Frederick Parish, Millwood, Clarke, paid by an order on Bishop Meade,		60 00
St. James' Church, St. Mark's Parish, Culpeper,		23 00
St. James', Southam, Powhatan, (in part,)		21 00
St. Martin's, Brandon Parish, Prince George,		26 00
Mt. Zion Church, Norborne Parish, Berkeley, (in part,)		20 00
St. Stephen's Church, Russell Parish, Bedford,	45 00	
Trinity Church, Russell Parish, Bedford,	17 00	62 00
Hamilton Parish, Fauquier, (in part,)		25 00
St. John's Church, City Point,		7 00
Holston Parish, Abingdon, 1844 and 1845,		5 00
E. Fontaine, Treasurer pro. tem. at last Convention, balance in his hands,		10 00
St. Ann's Parish, Albemarle,		8 50
Wickliffe Parish, Clarke,		77 00
Christ Church, Charlottesvill,		46 00
Nelson Parish, Nelson,		24 00
Buck Mountain Parish, Albemarle,		14 00

\$4,179 12

In the above sum of \$4,179 12, is included \$10, from Mr. Fontaine, late Treasurer pro. tem., and \$23 25 for delinquencies,

33 25

Making for contributions to Contingent Fund, for this year,

\$4,145 87

E. E.

TAZEWELL TAYLOR, *Treas. pro. tem.*

Received since the above was closed,

West Russel Parish, Bedford,	15 00
Moore Parish, Campbell,	17 91

32 91

Amount previous,

4,145 87

\$4,178 78

*N. B.—After the account of the Treasurer pro. tem. was settled, the Treasurer received, from

Botetourt Parish, Botetourt,	\$39 00
Woodville Parish, Botetourt and Rockingham,	16 00
Camden Parish, Pittsylvania,	24 00
Holston Parish, Washington co.,	8 00

\$87 00

(C.)

Account of money received from Parishes reported as delinquent at the last Convention.

Christ Church, Lancaster,	\$9 00
*Christ Church, Winchester,	11 00
Cumberland Parish, Lunenburg,	3 25
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	\$23 25

*The amount reported as due by Christ Church, Winchester, for the year 1845, was \$31, but the actual deficiency was but \$11, which is now paid.

Meherrin Parish, Greenville, was also erroneously reported as among the delinquents of last year. The total number of Communicants reported was 25, of whom, as now stated by the Rector, 12 were white and 13 were coloured, so that the sum of \$12, paid by this Church in 1845, was its full quota.

(D.)

List of delinquencies for the year ending May, 1845, and yet remaining unpaid.

Cumberland, Lunenburg,	\$17 00
Camden, Pittsylvania,	17 75
Christ Church, Lancaster,	9 00
St. Margaret's, St. Margaret's Parish, Caroline,	11 00
Grace Church, Petersburg,	21 50
Patrick Parish, Hardy,	30 00
Norborne Parish, Berkely,	67 00
Farnham Parish, Richmond co.,	9 40
Cople Parish, Westmoreland,	5 50
Russel Parish, Bedford,	36 00
*Christ Church, Smithfield,	35 00
St. Stephen's Church, St. Mark's Parish, Culpeper,	15 70
Trinity Church, Wood,	24 00
Clarksburg,	7 00
Weston,	5 00
Walker's and St. Ann's Parishes, Albemarle,	17 00
St. Ann's Parish, Trinity Church, Shepherdstown,	12 00
St. Mark's Parish, Culpeper,	11 00
St. George's Parish, Accomac,	9 00

\$359 85

35 00

\$324 85

*This sum was received and credited, being paid in the name of

Newport Parish, in connection with Southwark, see Journal of 1845, page 46. The Rector omitted to state that Christ Church, Smithfield, was in Newport Parish.

E. FONTAINE, *Treas. pro. tem.*,
of Convention of 1845.

(E.)

Parishes delinquent for the year ending 20th May, 1846.

Abingdon and Ware Parishes,	\$21 00
Bruton Parish, James City,	24 00
Boyden Parish, Augusta,	15 00
Cople Parish, Westmoreland,	4 50
Lunenburg Parish, do	4 00
Farnham do do	10 00
St. James' Church, Cumberland Parish, Lunenburg,	30 25
St. John's, Green Spring Parish, Louisa,	2 00
Lynnhaven Parish, Princess Anne,	7 00
Lexington Parish, Amherst,	102 00
Norborne Parish, Berkeley,	73 00
Trinity Church, Portsmouth Parish, Norfolk co.,	44 28
Trinity Church, Russel Parish, Bedford,	14 00
St. Stephen's Church, Russel Parish, Bedford,	10 00
St. George's Parish, Accomac,	9 00
St. Margaret's Church, St. Margaret's Parish, Caroline,	7 50
St. Mark's Parish, Culpeper,	8 33
St. Martin's Parish, Hanover,	15 00
Trinity Church, St. Andrew's Parish, Jefferson,	11 00
St. James' Church, Southam Parish, Powhatan,	6 00
Christ Church, Frederickville Parish, Albemarle,	19 00
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	\$436 86

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Parishes which have made no returns.

Bloomfield Parish, Madison.
Brunswick Parish, Stafford.
Brunswick Parish, King George.
Camden Parish, Pittsylvania.
St. Paul's Church, Cumberland and Lunenburg.
Fall's Church, Fairfax Parish, Fairfax.
Franklin Parish, Franklin.
Haymarket Parish, Prince William.
Kanawha Parish, Kanawha.
Manchester Parish, Chesterfield.
Meade Parish, Loudon.
Meherrin Parish, Greenville.
Nottoway Parish, Nottoway.
Overwharton Parish, Stafford.
Trinity Church, Russel Parish, Bedford.
St. James' Parish, Prince William.

Southam Parish, Powhatan.
Zion Church, St. Andrew's Parish, Jefferson.
St. John's and Christ's Church, Brooke.
Trinity Parish, Louisa.

The Convention then adjourned, until to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY, 23d May, 1846.

The Convention met, pursuant to adjournment, at 9 o'clock, A. M.
Prayer by the Rt. Rev. the Assistant Bishop.

The Rev. Mr. DANA, from the Committee on the Episcopal Fund, presented the following Report:

The Committee on the "Episcopal Fund" have performed the duty assigned them, and beg leave to present to the Convention the following statement, which they have received from the Wardens of Christ Church, Alexandria, D. C., as their Report.

CHARLES B. DANA, *Chairman.*

The Trustees of the Bishop's Fund report that, since the last Convention, they have with the cash on hand unemployed as last reported, and dividends received from the Bank of Potomac, and Farmer's Bank of Alexandria, purchased six shares of the Stock of the Bank of the Valley in Virginia, and have on hand three hundred and ninety-eight dollars and seventy-five cents, to be invested in Stock of the Valley Bank, when it can be obtained.

The Bishop's Fund now consists in

117 Shares Farmer's Bank of Alexandria, D. C., par value	\$5,850 00
9 do Bank of Potomac, do	900 00
6 do Bank of the Valley in Virginia, do	600 00
Cash on deposit in the Bank of the Valley,	322 50
Do do Farmers' Bank of Alexandria,	76 25
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	\$7,748 75

At the Convention, in May, 1845, the amount of this Fund was \$7,388 75. Increase since that time \$360.

WASHINGTON C. PAGE,
Church Warden, Christ Church,
Alexandria.

ALEXANDRIA, May 18, 1846.

The Rev. Mr. WOODBRIDGE presented the following Report of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary:

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF
THE DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA.

The Board have little to report concerning the state of the Semina-

ry different from the reports of former years. It is still highly prosperous. The blessing of God still eminently rests upon it. The duties of the Professors are faithfully discharged, and the students are diligently engaged in all those studies and preparatory exercises, which are fitted to make them useful and efficient ambassadors for God.—The Church through all its borders is feeling its salutary influence.—Much as the Diocese has done to sustain this Institution, we feel that too much cannot be done. The highest and best hopes of our country, for time and eternity, are connected with it. It is a river the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God. The reports of the Professors show that the conduct and deportment of the students have been most satisfactory. The number of students is about 40. The vested funds of the Seminary now amount to nearly \$38,000. A few years more of care and faithful nurture, and a considerable effort on the part of the Diocese, will put the Institution on a permanent foundation.

But we trust that the friends of the Church will never feel themselves relieved from the duty of praying for it and watching over it in the name of the Lord. Our help, in this department of our operations, is in the name of the Lord. Unless our students are baptized with the Holy Ghost, the Institution will prove a curse instead of a blessing. Unless they are sent by Christ, as He was sent by the Father, we would rather the Seminary should be prostrated in the dust. Brethren pray for them.

The High School, under the management and instruction of the Rev. Mr. Dalrymple, is growing in number and efficiency. We cannot but express our earnest hope that it will receive the warm patronage of all the friends of the Church. Its value as an auxiliary to the Seminary, in furnishing for that Institution well-trained youths, can hardly be too highly estimated. But its influence on the Laity will, we trust, be not less healthful. While it will train those for the Seminary who have chosen the Ministry for their profession, it will bring our youths, who among the Laity are to have a controlling influence upon the future destiny of the Church, under the most valuable moral and religious influences.

The Reports of the Professors and of the Principal of the High School, herewith submitted, will show the state of their various departments.

REPORT OF THE PROFESSOR OF SYSTEMATIC DIVINITY.

I have substantially the same report to render to the Trustees of the

Theological Seminary, as in former years. The Junior, Middle and Senior Classes have, as usual, been more or less under my instruction; the first in the Evidences of Christianity; the second in Butler's Analogy and Knapp's Theology; the third in the Homilies and Bishop Burnet's Exposition of the Articles, with some additional matter on particular topics from other sources. The members of the several classes have read essays, some one on every occasion of recitation. The attendance of the students upon their class duties has been in most cases very good.

It may be proper also to state, that by their request I have taken the Senior class through a course of Logic, and, as preliminary to it, through a brief course of Philosophy; from which, even without a review of the subject a second time, they seem to think they derived benefit. This duty was voluntary with them, and additional to their regular recitations.

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM SPARROW,

REPORT OF THE PROFESSOR OF CHURCH HISTORY AND CHURCH POLITY.

The members of the Senior class have been regularly engaged in studying the History of the Church of England and Ecclesiastical Polity. They have gone through the usual course of English Church History, and are now reviewing the whole. In Ecclesiastical Polity, Hooker has been followed, and the Tract on "Episcopacy tested by Scripture." These studies have not been intermitted, except for the introduction of the annual course of lectures on Pastoral Theology, by the Bishop.

Sermons have been delivered weekly by this class, for criticism.

The members of the middle class have gone through the usual course of general ecclesiastical history, and are now engaged in review. The review is necessarily confined to portions of the history. The early centuries and that of the Reformation are those which are selected.

JAMES MAY.

REPORT OF THE PROFESSOR OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE.

The Professor of Biblical Literature reports that, during the present session, the classes under his instruction have pursued the usual course of studies.

The Junior class, to whom his principal attention is given, have, with a constant study of the Grammar from first to last, read Stuart's

Hebrew Reader, together with 12 additional chapters in Genesis, and some 20 Psalms.

This class were engaged till Christmas in a grammatical study of the Greek, preparatory to that of the Gospels. They will finish the Harmony before the close of the session. They have also studied Jahn's Antiquities, Horne on the Old Testament, Ernesti on Interpretation. Nor have Jewish History and Sacred Chronology been neglected. Each member of this class has read three Exegetical Essays.

The Middle class have read in Hebrew the principal prophecies of Christ; and in Greek the Epistles to the Romans, Hebrews, Titus, and the two to Timothy.

The Senior class have read in Greek the Apocalypse and nearly finished the first Epistle to the Corinthians, and in Hebrews selected chapters.

J. PACKARD.

As Librarian, I would further report, that some books have been added to the Library, during the present year; among which is a copy of Dr. Thomas Jackson's works in 12 vols. Several books and volumes of newspapers of the Church need binding. A small appropriation for that object would be, in my opinion, important.

REPORT OF THE RECTOR OF THE EPISCOPAL HIGH SCHOOL.

The Rector of the Episcopal High School of Virginia begs leave to present his first Report.

After my appointment to the post of Rector of the High School, made at the last Convention, I proceeded to resign my parochial charge in the counties of Hanover, &c. I repaired to Howard early in July last, to make the arrangements necessary for opening the School in the month of October.

In consequence of the long interval, (about a year,) that had elapsed since the resignation of the former Principal, during which time the buildings had been closed and unoccupied, repairs and outfits had become necessary to an extent not at first contemplated. I was diligently employed, under the advice of your committee, in superintending these matters, until the time fixed for the opening of the school had arrived.

The arrangements were so far completed, as to enable me to open the doors of the Institution for the reception of students, on the 21st October last. The prospects of the success of the school continued to be very uncertain and undefined up to the very day of commencing.

Nine students were matriculated on the first day. This number continued the same for some weeks, but, by gradual accessions, increased to seventeen, with which number the first session closed, by a public examination, at the end of March last.

Several changes have been made in the plan and arrangements of the School, as well in its system of instruction, as in its internal economy. These changes are explained in the prospectus of the School, a copy of which is hereto appended. My observation of the practical working of these alterations has fully satisfied me of their necessity and importance; they have been examined by friends and patrons of the Institution, and, so far as any opinion has been expressed, have met with entire approbation.

The literary department of the School has been administered by myself and two assistants, both of whom are candidates for orders in this Diocese—gentlemen favorably known for their abilities as teachers and governors of youth, and their high moral and religious worth. I have myself, personally, devoted about seven hours daily to the business of instruction.

The religious department of the School has been under my sole charge. The students are assembled daily for morning and evening devotion, and for reading of the Holy Scriptures. On Sunday morning, they attend service in the Chapel of the Theological Seminary; on Sunday afternoon, they receive systematic instruction in the Bible class; and on Sunday night, a service and sermon are regularly had in the Chapel of the School. It affords me the highest gratification, to testify to the attentive and respectful demeanor of all the students at these various exercises. They have been attended, we trust, with the divine blessing. Two of our students, after due probation, during term, and one during vacation, have been admitted to the Holy Communion.

The domestic affairs and the personal comforts of the students, (in so far as they are of a character to need the attention of a lady,) are under the supervision of an experienced matron, well known for the efficient management of a similar post in the Theological Seminary of our Diocese.

In consequence of the small number of students, the revenue of the School was found inadequate, by a considerable amount, to meet the expenses of the first session. The monies received from students have been all expended, and a debt in addition of \$1,000 has been incurred, from the necessities of our situation.

In conclusion, I would respectfully and earnestly state my firm conviction, that the High School, if duly sustained, will be able ere long to answer the expectations of its friends, as to its usefulness to the cause of education, and the Church of Christ. By the divine blessing, I doubt not, the day will soon come, when it may be looked to as a nursery for those who are to act a faithful part and to labor efficiently for Christ's cause, not only in the Ministry, but also among the Laity of our beloved Diocese.

E. A. DALRYMPLE,
Rector of E. H. School of Va.

The Rev. Dr. Empie, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following Report :

The Committee on the state of the Church respectfully report that, judging from the evidences laid before them, the divine head of our Zion continues still, as heretofore, to visit this portion of his vineyard with his yearly and his constant blessing, and the Church in this Diocese is, therefore, called upon as usual for its annual tribute of gratitude and thanksgiving to Him who is "the author of every good and perfect gift." These indications of our outward and still increasing prosperity have been laid before us in the Episcopal and Parochial Reports; and, though there are some things that call for humiliation and sorrow, yet these favourable evidences are too numerous and too graphic in their details to need, or to derive, illustration or force from aught we can say.

We would, however, add here that we are especially called upon to raise our Ebenezer, (hitherto hath the Lord helped us,) because, notwithstanding the controversies that rend the peace of other Dioceses, our section of Zion is still "as a city that is at unity in itself," because there is substantial agreement among us in all important matters, both of Faith and Practice; because no attempted innovations are disturbing our repose; because we harmoniously unite in sustaining all the principles of Protestantism and the Gospel, as always held by our Church and taught in our standards; and because the Gospel is so preached among us, as ever to exalt the primary essential truths and duties of religion, and to give prominence to holiness of heart and life, while it assigns to all external means and ordinances a subordinate and auxiliary station in the system of Christianity: inasmuch as their entire efficacy, under grace and the divine atonement, depends exclusively upon the penitent and obedient faith and prayer of the worshipper. God grant

our internal peace and concord and spiritual prosperity may never be disturbed.

But, whatever causes of gratitude and of holy joy may at any time exist, knowing the frailty and depravity of human nature, we shall do well to remember that there are always some exceptions to such general rules; that the unsleeping efforts of our spiritual foes are not always effectually resisted by the unsleeping energies and vigilance of God's people; and that God always sees fit to test, more or less, the faith, patience and piety of his children, by a variety of trials, temptations and other evils. Thus, not only are we now, as a religious association, disfranchised and deprived of our common civil and constitutional rights as freemen, but the cause of education and of good morals, of charity and of piety, and, through these, the highest interests of civil society, are thwarted by the continued refusal of our State Legislature to grant us chartered privileges, though, under the most reasonable, nay, the most stringent restrictions. And, while the Church is thus impeded in her outward prosperity, and discouraged and hampered in her worldly arrangements to promote the cause of education, benevolence and piety—the highest interests of society and government—we hear also, here and there, of evils far more serious, because they are evils that affect, immediately, the religion of the heart, the honor of God, and the eternal interests of man.

The controversies of the day are unfavorable to piety. Many surrounding influences are hostile to the spirit of the Gospel, while an insidious world, ever countenanced by the natural heart, "prone to unbelief and sin," is constantly engaged in tempting young Christians especially into undue compliances; for alas, how easily do they forget, and how carelessly and criminally do some reason away, the precept of the Apostle, "Be ye not conformed to the world." Hence, one minister complains of comparative apathy among his people; another has ground to fear that some of his flock may be sinking into a state of religious declension. Some professors are said to manifest a disposition to relax their Christian vigilance and holy self-denial, and others, it is feared, have suffered themselves to be drawn into the vortex of worldly amusements and fashionable dissipations.

Upon this point, (as it is important that such evils should be noticed at the beginning,) your committee cannot but raise the voice of caution and of warning to all who profess the name of Christ. They need not appeal to the expressed opinion and solemn advice of the House of Bishops, and of our own Diocese, upon this subject. It should be enough

for Christians to remember what the Holy Scriptures teach in this matter. Having "foes without and foes within," who constantly "lie in wait to deceive," they caution us always to be on our guard against those enemies; to avoid temptations; not to thrust ourselves in their way—nay, to "watch and pray" that we fall not into them. And they solemnly enjoin it upon us, "Be ye not conformed to the world," for "the friendship of the world is enmity to God." And, this be it remembered, is not an austere system of self-denying duty that man has invented, but this is the rule of Him, who says, if we wish to be his disciples, we must "deny ourselves and take up our cross daily and follow him." And whatever ignorant persons, or formalists, or cold-hearted, or young and inexperienced Christians may think, the truth of these scriptural views is proved by the history of the Church, the history of true religion and of the human heart, and the testimony of Christians in all ages, who have given us the result of their own personal experience and observation.

Nor need we more than a knowledge of human nature to settle this point. Who can take fire into his bosom without being burned? Who ever frequently exposed himself, voluntarily and unnecessarily, to temptation without being contaminated. We are commanded not to love the world, but to set our affections on things above. Is familiarity with the seducing and corrupting pleasures of the world the proper means of weaning our hearts from the world? No—the *love of worldly pleasures* keeps millions away from God. It has drawn multitudes back from his service after they had already entered upon it. It is essentially hostile to piety, and it ultimately tends, inevitably, to undermine all the principles of holiness. Let all Christians, therefore, be warned to avoid the ensnaring and corrupting pleasures of the world.

In conclusion, your committee would make a passing remark, in reference to our form of (annual) prayer and thanksgiving to Almighty God, for the fruits of the earth, and the other blessings of his merciful Providence. As our civil authorities never call upon us to observe a day of yearly thanksgiving, there is reason to fear that it is too generally neglected by the Clergy of this Diocese. Certainly, the service is both appropriate and highly expedient. Certainly, good will be done by calling the attention of our people yearly to this interesting subject. Your committee, therefore, hope, that our hundred congregations will remember, every year, publicly to thank and pray to Almighty God, for the fruits of the earth and the other blessings of his merciful Providence.

A. EMPIE, *Chairman.*

The Right Rev., the Bishop, having called the Rev. Dr. McGUIRE to the Chair, and retired, on motion,

Resolved, That the salary of the Assistant Bishop of the Diocese be increased five hundred dollars, from and after the 20th of May inst.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society, whereupon the following gentlemen were chosen :

REV. A. EMPIE, D. D.,
 " WM. NORWOOD,
 " GEORGE WOODBRIDGE,
 WM. WILLIAMS, *Treasurer.*
 B. B. MINOR, *Secretary.*

Rev. J. P. McGuire, from the Committee on the Widows and Orphans' Fund, made a Report.

On motion,

Resolved, That, when this Convention adjourn, it adjourn to meet in Winchester, on the 3d Wednesday in May, 1847.

The Delegate from St. James' Church, Richmond, having been obliged to leave the Convention, on motion, it was

Resolved, That his alternate, B. B. Minor, Esq., be admitted to a seat.

On motion, the following preamble and resolution were adopted :

Whereas, there is a conflict between the 9th canon of this Diocese, and the resolution, acted on by the Convention in relation to assessments for the contingent fund of the Church, and whereas the 6th canon, relative to the trial of Laymen, and the 7th, in relation to that of the Clergy, are thought to require alteration and amendment, therefore,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed, in accordance with the canon, to take into consideration the propriety of altering and amending the canons of this Diocese, and to report to the next annual Convention.

The chair appointed the Assistant Bishop, Dr. Empie, Wm. H. McFarland, Esq. and Col. Carrington, the committee under the foregoing resolution.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot for the Standing Committee, whereupon the following gentlemen were elected :

REV. E. R. LIPPITT, *President.*
 " C. B. DANA, *Secretary.*
 REV. WM. SPARROW, D. D., JOHN HOOFF, Esq.,
 ORLANDO FAIRFAX, M. D., CASSIUS F. LEE, Esq.

Rev. Mr. Clarke, from the Committee on admission of new Parishes, made the following report, which was adopted :

The Committee on the division of Parishes and the admission of new Parishes report, that the applications of the following Parishes, viz :

Grace Church, Lexington, for a division of Woodville Parish;

St. Stephens' Church, Bedford, for a division of Russell Parish, Bedford;

Shelburne Parish, for the town of Middleburg and its vicinity, including the district of country equi-distant from Middleburg and Aldie, to be separated from Shelburne Parish and attached to Meade Parish;

Of a part of St. James' Parish, Mecklenburg county, for a division of the same, and to erect a new Parish by the name of St. Luke's Parish, Mecklenburg county, are all reasonable, and they think the interests of the Diocese at large, as well as of the above named parishes themselves, would be promoted by granting their petitions.

Also, that the applications of Wytheville Parish, and of the Parishes of Wood and Jackson counties, for admission into this Convention, as new Parishes, be granted.

They also recommend the following substitute for the 12th Canon, to be adopted at the next session of Convention.

Whereas, from the great extent of many of the Parishes of the Diocese, and from various other causes, it may promote the interest of the Church and quiet of the people, to permit the division of some of the Parishes, or the creation of a new Parish from adjoining Parishes, having no rector or vestry ;

Be it therefore enacted, that whenever any such Parish in the Diocese, or any portion thereof, shall make application to the Convention for division of the same; if the Convention shall be satisfied, from a consideration of all the circumstances of the case, that the cause of Religion and of the Church, will be advanced by such division, and that the portion of said Parish, applying for the division, have elected a vestry residing within their proposed bounds, in conformity with the regulations of the Church, and that the members of said new vestry have subscribed the declaration set forth in the 10th canon; and that due notice has been given, at least three months previously, to the rector and Church wardens, (if there be any) of the original Parish, of the intended application for division, the Convention may proceed to divide said Parish, and to constitute the portion thereof applying for division into a new Parish, with all the rights and privileges of other Parishes in the Diocese.

JNO. T. CLARK, *Chairman.*

Dr. Sturdivant, a Delegate from the new Parish, formed by the division of St. James' Parish, Rockbridge county, appeared and took his seat.

William Stevens, a Delegate from Latimer Parish, Rockbridge county, also appeared and took his seat.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That, in view of the present depressed condition of the Education Society of this Diocese, the Clergy be earnestly requested to bring the subject before their congregations, and take up collections for its relief, and forward the same, before the annual meeting in July next; and further, that the Bishops be requested to prepare some plan for the better permanent support of this Institution.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the citizens of Petersburg, for the hospitality and kindness extended to its members.

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

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

Resolved, That the Secretary cause to be printed two thousand copies of this Journal, for distribution among the Parishes.

After the usual religious services, the Convention then adjourned, to meet in Winchester, on the 3d Wednesday in May, 1847.

WILLIAM MEADE,

President of the Convention.

WM. M. BLACKFORD, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Abingdon and Ware Parishes, Gloucester—CHARLES MANN, Rector.—Communicants, added 7; removed 3; died 1—total 46; baptisms, white, adult 1; infants 12—total 13; confirmations 8; marriages 3; funerals, adults 2; infant 1—total 3; families 44; adults 150; infants 88; amount collected for different objects, in connexion with the Church, about \$200.

Report of Rev. W. E. WEBB, officiating monthly at Allen's Creek Church, Hanover; semi-monthly at Beaver Dam Church, Goochland; and monthly at the Brick Fork Church and Palmyra, in Fluvanna.—Communicants, added 7, 1 from another Parish, and 1 colored; died 2—total 18; baptisms, adult 1; confirmations 2; marriage 1; funerals 3.

The above mentioned places have not yet been organized as a Parish. The Old Church edifice of Beaver Dam is at this time undergoing partial repairs.

Antrim Parish, Halifax—J. GRAMMER, Rector.—Communicants, added, white 3; removed 4—total 57; colored, added 1—total 16, whole number 73; baptisms, white, infants 9; colored, adult 1—total 10; confirmations, colored 1; marriages, white 6; colored 1—total 7; funerals, white 8; colored 3—total 11.

Amount of contributions to the different institutions connected with the Protestant Episcopal Church, which passed through the Rector's hands, during the past year, viz:

Domestic Missions,	\$12 00
Foreign do	32 00
Diocesan do	93 17½
Virginia Theological Seminary,	60 00
Education Society,	76 00
	\$273 17½

In addition to which, there has been contributed to the	
Virginia Bible Society,	\$101 00
American Colonization Society,	120 00
	\$221 00

Total,	\$494 17½
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Albemarle, Sussex, and Missionary in Southampton—EDMUND WITHERS, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 13, white 8; colored 5; removed 4—total 20; baptisms, white, adults 2, infants 11—total 13; confirmations, white 7; colored 2—total 9; marriage, white 1; funerals, white 2; colored 1—total 3.

During the past year, I have officiated as previously at Sussex Ct. Ho., and at Jerusalem and Berlin, Southampton county, with an occasional service at other places. Interest in the Church is steadily increasing. In Sussex, we have erected a neat house of worship, which has been recently consecrated, and in Southampton, several hundred dollars are already subscribed for the same purpose. To the contingent fund paid \$15.

Boyden Parish—JAMES McELROY, *Rector*.—Communicants 15; marriage 1; burials 2; contributions, \$10 to the High School. Colored congregation, average attendance 109; bible class 28. The interest which the servants take in the semi-monthly services, held for their benefit at the Chapel, is one of the most encouraging features in the Parish. They attend from a distance of 8 and 10 miles.

Virginia Female Institute, J. McELROY, *Principal*.—The number of young ladies connected, since my last annual report, with the Institute, is 52; three of these have been added to the communion of the Episcopal Church in Staunton. There have been subscribed \$10,000 towards the erection of suitable buildings for the Institute. The buildings are under contract, and the corner-stone is to be laid on the 1st of June. To furnish the Institute and provide apparatus \$6,000 in addition are required. The property belongs to the Diocese, and it is our hope and effort that the School shall be worthy of its nurture and patronage. In addition to my labors at Boyden Chapel, and in the Institute, I have frequently lectured and preached during the year, in Trinity Church, Staunton.

Bruton Parish, Williamsburg—W. HODGES, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 7, 5 from other cures; died 2; removed 2—total (whites 71, colored 2,) 73; baptisms 6; confirmations 21, (confirmations not reported last year are included in the above;) marriages 7; funerals 4; 1 ordained Deacon. Amount collected for the different Institutions in the Church, \$304 40.

The general condition of the Sunday School, Colored Congregation, and Parish at large, about the same as when last reported.

Botetourt Parish, Botetourt and Roanoke—GEO. T. WILMER, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 2; removed 3—total 40; baptisms, infants 9; marriages 2; funeral 1.

Report of JAMES CHISHOLM, Rector of Norborne Parish, Berkeley—Churches, Trinity, Martinsburg; Mt. Zion, Hedgesville; and Calvary, in the Back Creek Valley.—Communicants, added 16; removed 3; died 4—total 93; baptisms, white, adults 2; infants 21—white 16, colored 5—total 23; confirmations 18; marriages, white 2; colored 2—

total 4; funerals 12; amount collected for the different institutions connected with the Church, in the present year, \$55.

Christ Church Parish, Lancaster—JOHN B. RICHMOND, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 1, removed 1, died 2—total 29; baptisms, infants, white 3; colored 2—total 5; confirmations 3; marriages 2; funerals 4; number of families 15; amount collected for Diocesan Missionary Society \$42; Theological Seminary from the Ladies' Society, \$40 00.

The condition of this Parish, in a temporal and spiritual point of view, is prosperous. The Ladies' Society deserve high commendation for the energy exhibited in raising funds in behalf of our Theological Seminary.

Clarksburg, Harrison, and Weston, Lewis—O. A. KINSOLVING, *Missionary*.—*Clarksburg*—Communicants, added 1; removed 2—total 6; baptism 1. *Weston*—Communicants, added 1; died 1—total 3; baptism 1.

I have also officiated several times at Morgantown, where there are now 2 communicants of the Church—there was one baptism there.

Christ Church, Newport Parish, Smithfield—The Rectorship of this Parish has been vacant since the 20th October last, and no opportunity has been afforded to obtain a successor to the late Rector, the Rev. J. B. T. Smith—Communicants, added 1; removed 1; died 1—total 36; marriage 1; funerals 1; number of families 21; adults, 51; infants, 30; contributions, \$38; repairing church \$140.

JAS. H. TUCKER, }
S. WHITE. } *Wardens.*

Report of the Rev. M. L. CHEVERS—Rector of the Centurion Church, and Chaplain of Fort Monroe Elizabeth City Parish—Communicants, added 5; removed 1—total 18; baptisms, white, adult 1; infants, 14; colored 1—total 16; confirmations 8; marriages 2; funerals 8; amount collected for the different institutions connected with the Church as follows: The Church at Parkersburg, \$20; Education Society, \$20; Missions, \$32 06, (of which \$8 06, Jewish Mission,) Bible Society, \$42.

The Sunday School is in a prosperous condition.

On Sunday evenings, I officiate to a numerous and attentive congregation of colored persons.

Camden Parish, Pittsylvania, including the Ancient Patrick Parish, Henry—GEO. W. DAME, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 11, 1 from another Parish, and 1 colored; removed 8; died 1—total (46 white and 2 colored,) 48; baptisms, adults, white 5; colored 1; infants, white 3; colored 1—total 10; confirmations 13; marriages, white 2; colored 1—total 3; funerals 4; number of families 29, adults 88; infants 35; amount collected for Diocesan Missionary Society \$14; for Convention Fund \$24.

The Church Building at Henry Ct. Ho. will be completed this summer.

Cumberland Parish, Lunenburg—THOMAS E. LOCKE, *Rector*.—Communicants, died 3; removed 3; withdrawn 1—total 51, (including 2 colored communicants)—baptisms, infants, white 4; marriages 2; funerals 3; amount collected for the Benevolent Institutions of the Church, viz: Diocesan Missions \$23 25; Foreign Missions, Africa, \$13; Education Society \$27 60—total \$63 85.

Cople Parish, Westmoreland—WM. N. WARD, *Rector*.—Communicants, removed 2—total 18; marriages 2; funeral 1; contribution to Diocesan Missions \$5 75; Contingent Fund \$13 50.

Cornwall Parish, Charlotte—REV. E. CHRISTIAN, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 3; died 1—total 12; baptisms, white, infants 4; confirmations 2; funerals 3.

One Church is in course of building, and two others are in contemplation.

Christ Church, Frederick Parish, Winchester.—Communicants, added 5, 1 from another cure; removed 7; died 1—total 82; baptisms, white, infants 15; confirmations, white 4; marriage 1; funerals 4; amount collected, for the different institutions connected with the Church, about \$225.

The above includes only Christ Church, Winchester, a separate report will be made of St. Thomas' Church, Middletown.

The Church at present is without a Rector.

P. WILLIAMS, *Lay Delegate*.

Christ Church, Middlesex—G. S. CARRAWAY, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 3, 1 from another Parish—total 11; baptisms, adult 1; infant 1—total 2; confirmations 3; funeral 1; number of families 9; contributed to Missionary Society, \$10; Bishop's Fund \$11.

The present Minister entered upon his duties in this Parish, early in the month of October last. The average attendance of the congregation has increased, and it is believed the Church is beginning to be regarded with favor.

Christ Church, Kingston Parish, Matthews—G. S. CARRAWAY, *Rector*.—Communicants 3, number of families 4; collected for the Bishop's Fund \$3.

Occasional services were held in this Parish during last summer, but I did not enter upon my duties regularly until the 1st of October.—According to an arrangement entered into by this and the Middlesex congregation, only one-third of my time is given to this Parish. A Sunday School has been gathered numbering about 30 children. The servants also have been steadily instructed.

Christ Church, Fairfax Parish, Alexandria—CHARLES B. DANA, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 20, 6 from other cures; removed 10; died 5—total 141, 14 of whom are colored persons; baptisms, adults 2; infants, white 28; colored 2—total 32; confirmations 16; marria-

ges 4; funerals 11; number of families about 80; amount collected for the different institutions connected with the Church, about \$700.

The condition of this Parish continues to be prosperous. The services of the Church, on Sundays and during the week, are generally well attended, and the different benevolent institutions well sustained.

The Sunday School and Bible Classes are in an unusually flourishing condition, and the Rector finds much cause for thankfulness and encouragement.

During the past year increased efforts have been made for the establishment of Sunday Schools, and the extension of other religious privileges, in several comparatively destitute portions of this Parish, some of which give promise of great usefulness in the future.

Christ Church, Norfolk—UPTON BEALL, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 23; removed and died 25—total 350; baptisms, adults, white 2; infants, white 29; colored 2—total 33; confirmations, 14; marriages 10; funerals 17; amount collected for the different institutions connected with the Church, \$3,179 92.

Christ Church, Frederick Parish, Clarke—W. G. H. JONES, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 1; removed 3—total 60; baptisms, infants, white 5; marriages 2; number of families 35; amount of contributions to benevolent objects:

Colonization Society,	\$50 00
Bible Society,	82 12
Missions, Foreign and Domestic,	101 76
In behalf of the Jews,	27 50
Education Society,	48 65
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Franklin Parish, Franklin—GEO. W. DAME, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 3,—total 3; baptisms, adults, white 2,—total 2; confirmation 1; funerals 3.

It is expected that our Church building will be let out to workmen, the early part of this summer.

Farnham Parish, Richmond co.—WM. N. WARD, *Rector*.—Communicants, died 1; added from another parish 2—total 20; baptisms, white, infants 2; marriages 3; funerals 2; contribution to Diocesan Missions \$5 35; Contingent Fund \$10.

Grace Church, Lexington, Rockbridge—ROBERT NELSON, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 4, (3 from other Parishes); removed 4—total 25; baptisms, infant, white 1; funerals 4; number of families 13; adults 43; infants, 21; amount collected for the Church \$25 00.

Grace Church, Petersburg—C. J. GIBSON, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 14; removed 1; 1 returned formerly removed, died 2; withdrawn 1—total 58; baptisms, adults 5; infants, 33; viz: white 29; colored 4—total 38; confirmations 11; marriages 10; funerals 42; the

amount contributed by the congregation, during the year, is about \$30, besides \$20 which the Sunday School annually furnishes to the African Mission.

Besides my duties at Grace Church, I preach regularly once a week at St. Matthew's Church, and once a month at Dinwiddie Court House. At the latter place, the foundation of the Church has been laid, and the money for its erection *already in Bank*. The Church we expect to be ready for consecration by August.

Hungar's Parish, Northampton—J. UFFORD, Rector.—Communicants, added 3; removed 3; died 6—total 54; baptisms, infants, white 5; colored 8—total 13; confirmations 3; funerals 8; number of families 56; amount collected for benevolent purposes \$280.

Henrico Parish, St. John's Church, Richmond—J. H. MORRISON, Rector.—Communicants, added 13; (of these one is colored, and six were from another cure) removed 6; withdrawn 1—total 57; baptisms, adults, 1 white and 1 colored infants, 4 white and 1 colored—total 7; confirmations 5; marriages 3; funeral 1; number of families about 37. The contributions have been for Missions \$69.80; for the Seminary \$46.17; Communion alms \$29.11; contingent fund \$57; total \$212.08 cts.

Hamilton Parish, Fauquier—GEORGE LEMMON Rector.—Communicants, added 3, removed 5; died 1—total 40; baptisms 7; confirmations 3; marriages 4; funerals 4; (viz; whites 3; colored 1;) contingent fund \$25.

Erratum—In the report of Hamilton Parish, as it appears in the Journal of the Convention of 1845, instead of "deceased 7; added 5 from other Parishes," read deceased 1; added 7, 5 from other Parishes.

Christ Church, Houston, Texas—REV. C. GILLET, Rector.—During the past year, there have been baptisms, infants, 11; adults 8—total 19; marriages 6; Communicants added from other cures, 8—total 50; confirmed 14; families in the congregation 55; a Sunday School has been organized in which there are 6 male and 10 female teachers. A house has been purchased and removed to serve the double purpose of a temporary place of worship and a school.

A male and female department of a School has been opened, in both of which there are about 50 scholars.

The walls of a brick Church have been erected, 60 by 35, at an expense of about four thousand dollars, raised mostly among the congregation.

A class of servants, from 20 to 25, has been formed for weekly oral instruction—taught by the Rector.

Littleton Parish, Cumberland—OLCOTT BULKLEY, Rector.—Communicants, added 3; removed 3, 1 colored—total 40; baptisms, adults 1; infants 4—total 5; confirmations 10; marriages 3; funerals 2; amount contributed for religious purposes \$150.

The state of this Parish is, upon the whole, encouraging—the new Church near Cartersville was consecrated on the 7th, where we have been holding divine service since November last, and preaching to very attentive, though not very large, congregations. The Church at Ca Ira continues to be well attended; little fruit however as yet has been gathered in this part of the field.

Lunenburg Parish, Richmond co.—WM. N. WARD, Rector.—Communicants, removed 1—total 19; baptisms, white, infants 5; marriage 1; funerals 2; contributions to Diocesan Missions \$8 00; contingent fund \$15.

Leeds Parish, Fauquier—WM. HENRY PENDLETON, Rector.—Communicants, removed 1—total 29; baptisms, infants 7; confirmations 2; marriages 3; funerals 2; number of families 14; amount collected for benevolent objects \$160 66, \$36 of which were collected by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Meade, at the time of his last visit, for the Diocesan Missionary Society. The Rector remarks that there are sent from this Parish 4 students to the High School and to the Seminary.—And also, that in the village of Salem, adjoining his present Parish, measures have been adopted to build a Church and organize a congregation, of which he expects to take charge.

Lexington Parish, Amherst—C. WALKER, Rector.—Communicants, added 18, 8 from other cures; removed 5; died 2—total 102; baptisms, white, adult 1; colored, infant 1—total 2; confirmations 18; marriages 2; funerals 4; amount collected by Bishop Johns for Diocesan Missionary Society \$20 87½.

More Parish, Campbell—SAMUEL D. TOMPKINS, Rector.—Communicants, white 16; colored 1, added, white 2—total 19; baptisms, white, infants 2; confirmations 3; marriages, colored 3; funerals 5, 3 of colored persons; number of families 13; infants 30.

We have \$500 subscribed for the purpose of building a Church at Campbell Ct. Ho., and we wish to have the edifice in readiness for consecration by the next Episcopal Visitation. The prospect for establishing the principles of the Church, and, consequently, those of true piety, at the Ct. Ho., I consider very favorable. The Church at St. John's has been very slowly and gradually, but, I believe, permanently increasing.

The Convention Fund due from the Parish, (\$18,) is herewith sent.

Martin's Brandon Parish, Prince George—HENRY DENISON, Rector.—Communicants, added from another Parish 1—total 21; baptisms, infant, white 1—total 1; funerals white 2, colored 3—total 5; number of families 21; the present incumbent took charge of the Parish in January last, and is therefore unable to present a fuller report. The prospects of the Parish are decidedly encouraging.

Particular attention has been paid to the servants—congregations, varying from 50 to 100, or 150, assemble at either end of the Parish, every Sunday afternoon, and considerable religious interest is already

manifested among them. Weekly services are also held for their benefit on some one of the plantations connected with the Parish.

Meade Parish, Fauquier and Loudon—W. M. JACKSON, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 7; removed 1—total 38; baptisms, adult 1; white, infants 10—total 11; funeral 1, amount raised for benevolent and Church purposes \$235.

Monumental Church, Richmond—REV. GEO. WOODBRIDGE, *Rector*.—On the first of last December, the late congregation of Christ Church united with a few families who remained in the Monumental Church, removed thither & formed the present congregation of the Monumental Church. The number of Communicants last reported from Christ Church was 111: of whom three have since been admitted to holy orders. These, with the exception of 8, who either have attached, or intend to attach, themselves, to St. John's Church, were joined by *thirty-two* from the late Monumental Church, making 132. To these have been added *eleven*; one is dead and *two* removed—total 140; of whom one is colored; baptisms, 18; funerals 6; confirmations 3; marriages 9; collections, Diocesan Missions \$66.34; Theological Seminary, \$54.45; Jewish Mission \$8.50; benevolent purposes connected with the Church, \$250; Convention Fund \$138.00—total \$517.29. The Rector has three bible classes, which, together with the Sunday School and weekly lecture, have been well attended, and it is believed have been productive of much good. There is also a colored Sunday School attached to the Church.

Nelson Parish, Nelson—F. D. GOODWIN, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 2; removed 2—total 29; baptisms, white, children 5; confirmations 2; funerals 1; collections for American Colonization Society, \$8.00; for Diocesan Missions \$17.00; Tracts \$5.00; Virginia Bible Society, \$20.00; Mission for the Jews \$20.00; Foreign Missions \$15.00; Virginia Education Society \$24.00; Contingent Fund \$24.00—total \$133.

Since last Convention, I have resigned the charge of Rockfish Church, and it has been placed under the care of the Rev. Dr. Waller of Albemarle. This accounts for the smaller number of communicants reported this year.

Raleigh, Dale and Genito Parishes, in the counties of Amelia, Powhatan and Chesterfield—P. F. BERKELEY, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 3; removed 3; died 1—total 45; baptisms, adults, white 1; infants, white 7—total 8; marriages 3; funerals, white 5; colored 2—total 8; number of families 32; adults 97; infants 60; amount collected for the Church, \$194 50.

Richmond City—W. M. DUVAL, *Missionary*.—The subscriber commenced holding religious services in August last, in the Armory, a large and comfortable room having been fitted up at the public expense, by order of the Executive, through the exertions of the Com-

manding Officer. Since which time they have been continued regularly every Sunday afternoon. The congregation, composed of the Officers and Soldiers, with their families, besides the neighboring population, which was before almost entirely neglected by Christians of all denominations, has varied considerably, but, of late, the increase, both in the number of attendants and in the interest taken in the services, has been very manifest.

A Sunday School has been formed, numbering 15 teachers and 120 scholars.

A Free School has been opened, having an average attendance of 50 children.

About 200 Prayer Books have been distributed, which were gladly received.

A Temperance reformation has recently begun in the neighborhood, and some, who, a short time since, were apparently confirmed drunkards, are now regular attendants upon public worship.

Besides the services held as above, and in private houses in the vicinity, he has officiated once a week in the Penitentiary and Alms House, and recently as often in the City Jail.

No Communicants have been received; baptisms, infants 4; marriage 1; funerals 8.

Roanoke Parish, Halifax—JOHN T. CLARK, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 1—total 20; baptisms, infants, 2; confirmations 2; marriages 2; funerals 5, of which 3 were colored persons; number of families 19; adults 36, infants 22; amount collected for Church, \$200.

There has been completed, during the year, and is now ready for consecration, a very handsome and commodious Church. We have also a large and flourishing Sunday School; and, although there has been but one addition to the Church during the year, yet in the increased size of the congregations and the solemn attention they always pay, the Rector feels much encouragement, and thinks the Parish in an improving condition.

St. Thomas' Church, Orange—J. EARNEST, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 3; (2 by removal into the Parish,) removed 1; withdrawn 1—total 67; baptisms, adult 1; infants 20; viz: white 16, colored 4—total 21; marriages 3; funerals, white 7; colored 2—total 9; amount collected for charitable purposes, \$146.69.

St. John's Church, Green Spring Parish, Louisa—J. EARNEST, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 2; (1 from another cure,)—total 10; baptism 1; confirmation 1; amount collected for Missions, \$21.

St. Thomas' Church, Frederick Parish, Frederick—Communicants, added 3; removed 1; died 2—total 20; baptisms, adults 2; infants, 4—total 6, all white; confirmations 2; marriages 1; funerals 2.

This Church, until recently under the pastoral care of the Rev. W. Y. ROOKER, is now without a Pastor.

D. W. BARTON,
Lay Delegate.

St. Stephen's Church, St. Mark's Parish, Culpeper—JOHN COLE, Rector—Communicants, removed 1; died 1; suspended 1—total 30; baptisms, white, infants, 6; marriages 2; funerals 3; contributions \$63.67.

The Rector deems it proper to remark, that in consequence of the reported delinquency of this Church, in the payment of the Conventional dues, it has been made his duty to strike from the list of communicants all but the persons in actual attendance upon the services, and living near enough to contribute their part to the support of the Church.

St. James' Church, St. Mark's Parish, Culpeper—JOHN COLE, Rector—Communicants, removed 1—total 23; baptisms, infants, 3; contributions \$56.60.

St. Paul's Parish, King George—LEWIS WALKE, Rector—Communicants, removed 1, added 1—total 25; baptisms, white, infants 3; marriages 4; confirmations 1.

Amount collected for Foreign Missions,	\$20 00
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“ “ “ Education Society,	6 25
“ “ “ Bishop's Fund,	25 00
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St. Paul's Church, Norfolk—Rev. DAVID CALDWELL, Rector—Baptisms, children 6; confirmations 16; marriages 4; funerals, adults 5; children 7—total 12; communicants, added 38; removed 7; died 1—total 130; amount collected for different institutions connected with the Church, \$300.

I have been Rector of this Church but six months—the Rev. Leonidas Smith having been its Minister during the six months previous.

St. Paul's Church, Alexandria—J. T. JOHNSTON, Rector—Communicants, added 21; (4 from other denominations) removed 9; died 9—total 153; baptisms, white, adults 4; white, infants, 19—total 23; confirmations 26; (from Theological Seminary, 1;) marriages 8; funerals 14; Sunday School Superintendent 1; Teachers 26; Scholars 170; amount collected for religious and benevolent purposes, \$823.92.

St. Stephen's Church, Fauquier—WM. F. LOCKWOOD, Rector—Present number of Communicants, 10; removed 2; baptism, 1.

Zion Church, Truro Parish, Fairfax—WM. F. LOCKWOOD, Rector—Communicants, added 2; (one from another cure,) removed 2—total 14; baptisms, adult 1; infant, white, 1.

St. Luke's Chapel, Henrico Parish—St. John's Church, Richmond City—JAMES BOLTON, Rector—This Chapel has been so recently opened for divine services, that no congregation has yet been organized. Owing to various causes of delay, it was not completed

until the 16th of April last, when it was consecrated by Bishop Johns.

The cost of the building, together with that of the lot and suitable enclosure, amounts to about twenty-eight hundred and fifty dollars.

It is situated in an excellent field for Missionary labor. Until very recently there have been no regular religious services whatever, in this section of the city. A considerable proportion of the population consists of a most valuable part of the community—industrious mechanics, and others of the various laboring classes. These form an excellent material for a Christian congregation and one, which it may be confidently hoped, will in time be able to sustain itself without assistance.

St. John's Church, City Point, Prince George—Communicants, removed 6; died 2—total 6; funerals 2; number of families 16; amount collected for different institutions connected with the Church, \$6 00.

The Wardens here state that this Church is without a Minister and has been so for the last twelve months.

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J. S. GILLIAM. }

St. John's Church, Elizabeth City Parish, Hampton—W. H. GOOD, Rector—Communicants, added 11; (4 from other cures,) removed 4; withdrawn 1—total 41; baptisms, white, adults 2; confirmations 7; 1 from other cure; funeral 1; contributions to Diocesan Missionary Society, \$15.75; to Bible Society, \$14.

There is a flourishing Sunday School attached to this congregation, and the prospects of the Church are in every way very encouraging.

St. Paul's Church, Suffolk and St. John's Church, Chuckatuck, Nansemond—CHARLES H. DISBROW, Rector—Communicants, added 6; removed 6—total 41; baptisms, adults 2; infants 11—total 13; confirmations 3; marriages 4; funerals 5; number of families 50; contributions by the Parish for Church purposes and benevolent objects, \$2,100.

A very neat and beautiful Church edifice of brick, the corner stone of which was laid by Bishop Meade, previous to the last Convention, has been erected in Suffolk during the past year, and was consecrated by the Assistant Bishop at his visitation a few weeks since. The zeal and liberality of the Parish in providing a “house of prayer,” so admirably suited to the wants of the congregation, is truly commendable and worthy of imitation.

I have continued to officiate monthly in the vicinity of an old Church, in the lower Parish of Nansemond, which I am encouraged to hope will, ere long, be rebuilt and again become vocal with the praise of God.

Since November last, I have also officiated, as often as other duties would permit, in Christ Church, Smithfield, Isle of Wight, now

destitute of a Rector. The members of this Parish desire, deserve and, I hope, will soon obtain, some one to break to them the bread of life.

St. James' Church, Leesburg, Shelburne Parish, Loudon—GEO. ADIE, Rector.—Communicants, added 4—2 from other Parishes, died 2—total white 72; colored 1—total 73; baptisms, infants, white 5; confirmation 1; marriages 7; funerals 7; number of families 65; amount collected for the different institutions of the Church, about the same as heretofore, say \$300.

The Rector is sorry to have nothing cheering to report. His health has been so delicate, for the last two months, as to compel him entirely to suspend his labors.

He has discontinued his regular services at Aldie, since the first of June last, though yet under promise to preach there as often as he can. He has regular services, in the afternoon, at Belmont, near Miss Mercer's School, now held in a neat and comfortable Church, built chiefly by the zeal and liberality of Miss Mercer, herself. Here there are 12 Communicants, all of whom are either members of her School, or attached to her household.

Bishop Meade confirmed 10 in the new Church, above mentioned, at the time of its consecration, in July last.

St. Mark's Parish, Culpeper—J. W. WOODVILLE, Rector.—Communicants 11; baptism, infant 1; marriages, white 1, colored 1—total 2; funerals 3.

Christ Church, Spottsylvania—D. M. WHARTON, Rector.—Communicants, added 1; died 1—total 19, (white 17, colored 2,) baptism, infant, white 1; confirmations 4; funerals 6; amount collected for Church Institutions \$50 00.

St. John's Church, Berkeley Parish, Spottsylvania—D. M. WHARTON, Rector.—Communicants, added 3; died 1—total 18; baptisms, adult, white 1; confirmations 4; funerals 2; amount collected for Church Institutions about \$40.

St. Margaret's Church, Caroline—D. M. WHARTON, Rector.—Communicants, added 1; died 1—total 38; baptisms, white, infants 2; confirmations 3; marriage 1; funeral 1; amount collected for the different institutions connected with the Church, \$65.

St. James' Church, Richmond City—A. EMPIE, Rector.—Communicants, added 16, (of which 2 are colored;) removed 18; withdrawn and joined the two new Churches 23; died 3—present total 127, (of whom 4 are colored;) baptisms, adults, white 1; colored 1; infants, white 21; colored 8—total 31; confirmations 8; marriages 5; funerals 11, (5 not of the Parish;) number of families about 80; adults 236; children 130; amount of collections \$230 70; Sunday School children 70.

By the praiseworthy exertions of the Ladies, \$800 of the debt of the Church have this year been paid off.

St. James' Parish, Northam, Goochland and Fluvanna—J. P. B. WILMER, Rector.—Communicants, added 5; removed 1; died 2—to-

tal 39; baptisms, white, infants 3; colored 10—total 13; marriage 1; funerals 2; number of families 23; amount collected for the different Institutions of the Church, \$1000. The Rector of this Parish cannot fail to record his feeling sense of the generosity which has been displayed, by every family under his charge, in adopting a system of parochial charity, and upholding all the institutions, without an exception, which have received the approval and sanction of the Church.

St. Paul's Church, Leeds Parish, Prince William—JOHN TOWLES, Rector.—Communicants, added 6, 1 from another Parish; died 1—present number 34; baptisms, infants, white 9; colored 3; confirmations 2, in Middleburg, by Bishop Johns, at the request of the Rector; funerals, adults 2, infant 1; number of families connected with the Church, in whole 15, in part 5—total 20.

The Church edifice and lot in Haymarket have received some attention from the congregation, and considerable improvements are in progress.

St. James' Church, Dettingen Parish, Prince William—JOHN TOWLES, Rector.—Communicants, added 3, 2 from another Diocese—present number 20; baptisms, adult 1, white, infants 5, colored 1; funerals, adult 1; infants 2; number of families connected with the Church in whole 10, in part 9.

Since the last report, a new Church has been erected in the town of Brentsville, a most substantial stone-edifice, 44 by 32 feet—the interior is not yet completed.

St. Paul's, Trinity, Buck Mountain and Rockfish Churches, Albemarle and Nelson—Wm. I. WALLER, Rector.—Communicants, added 1, died 1—total 35; baptisms, white, infant 1; marriages 3; funerals 3; number of families not ascertained; amount collected for Contingent Fund \$19 50.

The present incumbent has been recently connected with these Churches. The congregations are increasing in numbers, and, he trusts, in religious interest and attachment to the doctrines and worship of our Church. It is in every respect an interesting field of Missionary enterprise.

St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg—W. H. KINCKLE Rector.—Communicants, added 17; removed 6; died 6; ordained and removed 1—total 128, of whom 4 are colored, and 1 is a candidate for orders; baptisms, adults 2, infants, white 20, colored 1—total 23; confirmations 9; marriages, white 3, colored 4—total 7; funerals 20; contributions, Education Society, \$127; Contingent Fund \$121, together with various smaller sums to other objects, amounting in all to upwards of \$600. In addition to the above contributions, the Ladies of the congregation held a Fair in December last, for the liquidation of a debt of between 7 and 800 dollars, owing by the vestry. I am happy to be able to state that they realized more than enough to accomplish the end in view. The congregation has also aided the Abingdon Church liberally. Its mite has also been given to the Female Institute, Columbia,

Tenn. While there is much spiritual apathy among us, there is cause for encouragement. The preached word is listened to with fixed and, at times, deeply interested attention, and we rely with faith and hope in the promise, that it shall not return void to Him who hath sent it.

St. Paul's Church, Richmond—W. NORWOOD, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 27; decrease by removals from Richmond 20, by withdrawal 1, by death 2, by the change from the Monumental Church to St. Paul's 43—total decrease 63—present number 250; baptisms, adults 3; infants 21—total 24; confirmations 7; marriages 5; funerals 9, number of families 129; contributions for Church purposes and Benevolent Institutions:

For the support of the Episcopate of Virginia,	\$500 00
For Diocesan Missions,	413 50
For China Mission	80 00
For Virginia Theological Seminary,	270 00
For Communion Alms,	412 81
For Sunday School,	100 00
For Virginia Bible Society,	126 50
For erection of St. Luke's Missionary Chapel, Richmond,	899 25
For erection of an Episcopal Church in Abingdon,	312 50
To aid in the support of a charity school in connexion with the Rev. Mr. Duval's Mission,	150 00
Assessment to Convention,	250 00
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Since the meeting of the last Convention of the Diocese, the congregation, which has heretofore been reported as belonging to the Monumental Church, has changed its name and place of worship. The number of communicants lost by the change is 43—the number gained by it is 3. But, though there has been so large a diminution of the number of the communicants of this Parish, yet the change has resulted in greatly promoting the interests of the Episcopal Church in Richmond. The congregation worshipping in St. Paul's is as large as it ever was, while that which now occupies the Monumental Church is considerably increased in number.

The amount paid since last Convention, for St. Paul's Church and organ, is \$50,000. There will be no debt left unpaid a day after it is due.

In addition to a flourishing Sunday School for the congregation, we have one for the oral instruction of colored children. The average attendance of which is about 100.

St. George's Church, Fredericksburg—E. C. MCGUIRE, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 10; died 1; removed 14—total 150; baptisms, adults 3, infants 16—total 19; marriages 11; funerals 10. Sunday Schools 5; scholars 335; superintendents 4; teachers 30; libraries 2; 1 bible class. Two of the above schools are composed of colored children. The domestic servants of the congregation number about eighty, male and female. Being often taught by the Rector.

himself, he can say that the service has proved pleasant and profitable; the instruction imparted, though entirely oral, having been eagerly received and seemingly well understood. Whoever will undertake so excellent a work will no doubt find himself agreeably disappointed in the fruit of his labor, in this neglected field of pastoral duty.

Contributions to religious and benevolent objects:

Missions, Foreign, Domestic and Diocesan,	\$520 84
Theological Seminary of Virginia,	63 50
Church building in the West,	60 00
Colonization Society,	22 00
Rector's Library,	400 00
Contingent Fund,	150 00
Charities, sundry,	180 00
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	\$1,375 50

St. Martin's Parish, Hanover—W. M. V. BOWERS, *Rector*.—Communicants, removed 2; died 2—total 63; baptisms, white, infants 9; marriages 4; funerals 7; number of families 41; Sunday Schools 2; amount collected for the institutions connected with the Church:

Contingent Fund,	\$53 00
Education Society,	40 00
Missionary Society,	29 50
High School,	10 00
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St. Peter's Church, Port Royal, and Grace Church, St. Mary's Parish, Caroline—WILLIAM FRIEND, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 2; removed 2; died 2—total 48; baptisms, 6; confirmed 1; funerals 4; marriages 2; contributions for purposes connected with the Church, \$160.

St. John's Church, Hanover Parish, King George—WILLIAM FRIEND, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 4; removed 1—total 14; confirmations 2; married 1.

The Rector also officiates, on the evenings of the first and third Sundays in the month, at Concord Academy, Caroline. He has here a large and interesting congregation of young men. The apparent interest, with which they join in the devotional services of the Church, and the attention which they give to his instructions, encourage him to hope that he is not laboring in vain.

St. Paul's Church, Bristol Parish, Petersburg—P. SLAUGHTER, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 10; removed 15; died 5—total 230; baptisms 32; funerals 15; marriages 8; the annual confirmation will take place during the present Convention; contributions to the institutions of the Church, \$1000.

St. Peter's Church, Tillotson Parish, Buckingham—W. M. C. MERR-

EDITH, *Rector*.—Communicants, white 29; colored 2; added by removal from a neighboring Parish 1; removed 1—total 31; baptisms, white, infants 4.

St. George's Parish, Accomac.—J. B. T. SMITH, *Rector*.—Since last November, at which time the Rector accepted the charge of this Parish, there have been confirmations 3; communicants added 4—total 34; baptisms, white, 1; colored, 3—total 4; funeral 1.

St. Andrew's Parish, Brunswick.—A. J. BERGER, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 1; died 4—total, white 23, blacks 20—total 43; baptisms, white, infants 4; colored, infants 3—total 7; marriage 1; funerals 4; amount collected for the different institutions connected with the Church, \$10.

Since the present Rector's connexion with this Parish, which dates from June last, he has met with nothing of special interest to report. The attendance upon the services of the Church has been thus far encouraging.

Bath Parish, Dinwiddie.—A. J. BERGER, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 4; whites 33; blacks 6—total 39; baptisms, white, infants 4; colored, infants 26—total 30; confirmations 2; funerals 9; amount collected for the different institutions connected with the Church \$47.

In addition to the Rector's regular appointment at Sapony Church, he has rendered occasional services, in conjunction with the Rev. Mr. Gibson, at Dinwiddie Ct. Ho., where a Church is now in progress of erection. Through the industry of the ladies of this Parish, a silver communion service has been procured, at the cost of \$84.

St. James' Parish, Mecklenburg.—F. H. MCGUIRE, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 17; removed 11; died 5—total 67; baptisms, adults 2; infants 31—total 33; confirmations 15; marriage 1; funerals 7.

St. David's Parish, King William.—E. B. MCGUIRE, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 2; removed 1—total 9; confirmations 3.

This Parish has heretofore enjoyed but few advantages. The prospect of usefulness, however, is improving—efforts are now being made for the erection of a new Church edifice.

St. Peter's Parish, New Kent.—E. B. MCGUIRE, *Rector*.—Communicants, removed 2—total 13; marriage 1.

In this Parish interest is manifested in the ministrations of the word, and there is much to encourage our labors. The church has been put in good repair. Monthly services are held for the benefit of colored people.

St. Paul's Parish, Hanover.—E. B. MCGUIRE, *Rector*.—Communicants, died 1—total 9; funeral 1.

The condition of this Parish is such as to excite the hope that, in due season, good may be effected. Attendance on public services is respectable. The Sunday School, established two years ago, is in a flourishing condition—religious services are held regularly for the servants.

These Parishes have been but recently revived. The present incumbent took charge of them in October last, since which time, of course, but little has been effected.

The Report of Rev. Leonidas L. Smith is included in that of Rev. D. Caldwell, St. Paul's Church, Norfolk.

St. James' Parish, Southam, Powhatan.—ANDREW FISHER, *Rector*.—Communicants, added from other cures and denominations 4; removed 4; died 2—total 27; baptisms, white, infants 3; colored 1—total 4; marriage 1; funerals 5; collections for Missions \$12.

St. Ann's and South Farnham Parishes, Essex.—JOHN P. MCGUIRE, *Rector*.—St. Ann's Parish—Communicants, removed 1; died 1, white 27; colored 1—total 28; baptisms, white, infants 2; colored 2—total 4; confirmations 2; marriage 1; funerals 5.

South Farnham Parish—Communicants, added 1—total 33; baptisms, white, adult 1; infant 1; colored 6—total 8; confirmations 2; marriages 2; funerals 3; amount collected for the different institutions connected with the Church \$207 81.

Trinity Parish, Wood.—THOMAS SMITH, *Rector*.—Communicants, added 11; died 1; removed 1—present number 32; confirmations 9; baptisms, adults 2; infants 14—total 16; burials 2; marriage 1.

The building of the Church is progressing, but its erection will be according to funds in hand. It is hoped it will be ready for consecration at the next episcopal visit.

A very flourishing congregation has been organized in the upper part of the Parish, and another in the lower part awaits the action of the Rector, whose health has forced him to delay the necessary proceedings towards a similar result. A Parish it is hoped, and with Western promises of success, will soon be organized in Tyler county. The Sunday School still exists, though it is not in a flourishing state, for the want of suitably qualified teachers.

In Jackson county, adjoining Wood, a Parish, called St. James, has been organized; 1 has been confirmed; 7 infants baptized; 2 communicants have removed.

Report of JOHN COOK, officiating in Trinity Parish, Louisa.—I am still trying to rebuild the Church in this long neglected portion of the Lord's Vineyard, but my progress is yet slow and uncertain. There are four places at which I preach, when health and strength permit, at most of which the congregations are large and attentive.

Since my last report, 2 of the few communicants which we numbered have been removed by death—1 only has been added, leaving the present number 6.

I have officiated, during the past year, at 4 funerals and 5 marriages.

Trinity Church, Staunton.—T. T. CASTLEMAN, *Rector*.—Communicants, added white 15, 3 of these from other cures; colored 8—total 23; removed 3; died 1; suspended, colored 1—whole number, white 89; colored 10; baptisms, white, adult 1; infants 15; colored 1—total

17; confirmations, whites 13; colored 3—total 16; marriages 8; funerals 15. Owing to the liberal contributions of this congregation to the Virginia Female Institute, now in course of erection, I am obliged to report the sum of \$186 75 only, as contributed to the benevolent institutions of the Church.

Trinity Church, Buchanan, Woodville Parish, Botetourt—WILLIAM BRYANT, *Rector*—Communicants, added 3; removed 2; died 1—total 16; baptisms, adult 1; infants 9—total 10; funeral 1.

A neat and substantial church edifice has been erected, and is prepared for consecration.

Trinity Church, Portsmouth, Norfolk co.—Rev. J. H. WINGFIELD, *Rector*—Communicants, added 6; removed 8; died 3—present number 88; baptisms, white, adults 2; infants 8; colored 3—total 13; confirmations, white 2; marriages white 4; colored 1—total 5; funerals 10; number of families 65; adults 140; infants 120—total 260; Sunday School Teachers 12; Scholars 60; amount collected for the different institutions connected with the Church, \$206.

Trinity Church, Shepherdstown, St. Andrew's Parish—CHARLES W. ANDREWS, *Rector*—Communicants, added 4; died 1; removed 2—present number 61; baptisms, white 2; colored 1; confirmations 23; funerals 4; contributions \$366.

University of Virginia—Rev. WM. G. JACKSON, *Chaplain*—Since October last, I have been the officiating Chaplain of the University of Virginia. There have been two services every week. The attendance has been good and the attention gratifying. The Chaplain humbly hopes that he has not labored in vain. As this institution is within the territorial limits of Frederickville Parish, of which the Rev. Mr. Meade is the Pastor, my official acts will be embraced in his report.

Grace and Wickliffe Churches, Wickliffe Parish, Clarke—RICH'D. H. WILMER, *Rector*—Communicants, added 7; removed 2; died 1; suspended 3—total, white 77; colored 4—whole amount 81; baptisms, white, adult 1; infants, white 4; colored 1—total 6; confirmations 2; marriages 13; funerals 8; number of families 50; amount collected for different benevolent objects, \$211 50.

On the 5th of February last, a new Church was consecrated to the worship of Almighty God, by the Rt. Rev. Wm. Meade, D. D.

Westover Parish, Charles City—W. T. LEAVELL, *Rector*—Communicants added 7; removed 6—total 30; baptisms, white, adults 2; colored 1; infants, white 10; colored 10—total 23; confirmations 9; marriages 2; funerals 9; amount collected for different institutions connected with the Church about \$60.

Walker's and St. Ann's Parishes, Albemarle—E. BOYDEN, *Rector*—Communicants, added 5; removed 3—total 50, (Walker's 23, St. Ann's 27;) baptisms, white, adults 3; infants 2—total 5; confirmations 5; marriages 2; funerals 3; number of families 26; 2 bible classes for adults and children, well attended.

The vestry of Walker's Church have resolved to build a new and handsome edifice.

West Russel Parish—Communicants, died 2; removed 4—total 46; no baptisms or marriages; contribution to the Contingent Fund \$15 00.

There is a vacancy at present in the Rectorship of the Parish.

JNO. A. WHARTON, *Sr. Warden*.

Report of E. R. LIPPITT—Baptism 1; marriages 4; burials 2.

I have not unfrequently aided the Rectors of the Churches in Alexandria and the vicinity, in the pulpit and the desk, and in the administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

The undersigned has been acting as Agent for the Foreign Missionary Committee of the Church, since January last, and has spent his time, up to the present period, in visiting the Churches in the Diocese of South Carolina. The result of his efforts have been published, from time to time, in the Spirit of Missions. His labors in Christ Church, Winchester, from May, 1845, up to January, 1846, are reported by Mr. Philip Williams, Lay Delegate of the said Church.

W. Y. ROOKER.

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

PARISHES AND CHURCHES.	Communicants.					Baptisms.					Confirma-tions.		Marriages.	Funerals.	No. of Families.		Contributions.	
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Abingdon and Ware Parishes, Gloucester	7	8	3	1	45	1	12			13	8		3	3	44	88	150	200 00
Albamarle Parish, Sussex	6	1	4		20	2	11			13	7		1	3				15 00
Allen's Creek and Beaver Dam Churches,	3	1	4		18	1				1	2		1	3				494 17
Antrim Parish, Halifax,					73		9	1		10	6		1	7	11			10 00
Boyden Parish, Augusta,	7		2		15									2				304 40
Bruton Parish, Williamsburg,	2		2		73					6	21		7	4				
Clarksburg, Harrison and Weston, Lewis,	5		1		8					2			2	8				114 12
Centurion Church, Fort Monroe,	1		1		18		14			16	8		1	1		30	51	38 00
Christ Church, Smithfield,	1		1		36		3			5	3		1	4	15			82 00
Christ Church, Lancaster,	3		1		29		3			2	3		2	1	9			21 00
Christ Church, Middlesex,					11		1			2	3			1	4			3 00
Christ Church, Kingston Parish, Mathews,	5		7		3								1	4				225 00
Christ Church, Winchester,	20		10		82		15			15	4		1	4				700 00
Christ Church, Fairfax Parish, Alexandria,	1		3		141		28			32	16		4	11	80			310 03
Christ Church, Frederick Parish, Clarke,	23		18		60		5			5			2	4	35			3179 92
Christ Church, Norfolk,	3				7		29			33	14		10	17				
Cornwall Parish, Charlotte,			3		12		4			4	2		2	3				63 85
Cumberland Parish, Lunenburg,	14		1		50		4			4			2	3				100 00
Grace Church, Petersburg,	4		4		58		5	20		35	11		10	4	13	21	45	25 00
Grace Church, Lexington,	3		5		25		1			1			4	4				25 00
Hamilton Parish, Fauquier,	3		3		40		7			7	3		4	4				280 00
Hungar's Parish, Northampton,	3		3		54		5			13	3		3	2	14			196 66
Leeds Parish, Fauquier,	18		5		29		7			7	2		3	2				20 87
Lexington Parish, Amherst,	3		3		102		1			2	18		3	2				150 05
Littleton Parish, Cumberland,					40		4			5	5		1	2				23 00
Lunenburg Parish, Richmond Co.,					19		5			5	2		3	2				15 30
Farnham Parish, Richmond Co.,					20		2			2			3	2				19 25
Cople Parish, Westmoreland,			2		18								2	1				

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Martin's, Brandon Parish, Prince George,	1		1		21		1			1				5	21			235 00
Meade Parish, Fauquier and Loudon,	7		1		38		10			11				1				517 29
Monumental Church, Richmond,	11		2		140					18	3		9	6				133 00
Nelson Parish, Nelson,	2		2		22		5			5				1				55 00
Norborne Parish, Berkeley,	16		3		93		16			23	18		4	12				194 00
Raleigh and Dale Parishes,	3		3		45		7			8			3	8	32	60	97	200 00
Roanoke Parish, Halifax,	1				20		2			2			2	5	19	22	36	
St. James' Parish, Mecklenburg,	17		11		67		31			33	15		1	7				300 00
St. James, Shelburne Parish, Leesburg,	4				72		5			5	1		7	7	65			12 00
St. James' Parish, Powhatan,	4		4		27		3			4			1	5				1000 00
St. James' Parish, Goochland and Fluvanna,	5				39		3			10	13		1	2	23			230 70
St. James' Church, Richmond,	16		41		127		21	1		31	8		5	1	30	130	206	
St. James' Church, Dettingen Parish, Prince William,	3				20		5			1	7			19				
St. Paul's Church, Leeds Parish, Prince William,	6				34		9			3	12		3	3	15			40 00
St. Andrew's Parish, Brunswick,	1				43		4			3	7		1	4				47 00
Bath Parish, Dinwiddie,	4				39		4			26	30		2	2				
St. Ann's Parish, Essex,			1		28		2			2	4		1	5				207 81
South Farnham Parish, Essex,	1				35		1			6	8		2	3				
St. David's Parish, King William,	2		1		9													
St. Peter's Parish, New Kent,			2		13								1					
St. Paul's Parish, Hanover,					3									1				
St. George's Church, Fredericksburg,	10		14		150		3	16		19			11	16				1375 50
St. George's Parish, Accomac,	4				34		1			4	3		1	10				
Christ Church, Spotsylvania,	1				19		1			1	4			6				50 00
St. John's Church, Berkeley Parish, Spotsylvania,	3				18		1			1	4			2				40 00
St. Margaret's Church, Caroline,	1				38		2			2	3		1	1				65 00
St. John's Church, Henrico Parish, Richmond,	13		6		37		1	4		7	5		3	1	37			212 03
St. John's Church, Hampton,	11		4		41		2		1	7	7		3	1				29 75
St. John's Church, Prince George, (City Point),			6		6					2	7		2	16				6 00
St. Luke's Chapel, St. John's Church, Henrico P'h.,																		
St. Mark's Parish, Culpeper,					11		1			1			2	3				
St. Paul's Church, Alexandria,	21		9		153		4	19		23	26		8	14				833 92
St. Martin's Parish, Hanover,			2		68		9			9			4	7	44			132 50
St. Paul's Church, Norfolk,	35		7		130		6			6	16		4	12				300 00
St. Stephen's Church, Fauquier,			2		10		1			1								
Zion Church, Truro Parish, Fairfax,	2		2		14		1			1								
St. Peter's Church, Port Royal, and																		
Grace Church, St. Mary's Parish, Caroline,	2		2		48					6	1		2	4				160 00

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A LIST

OF THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA,

WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE
PARISHES AND POST OFFICES.

The Clergy who have recently entered the Diocese, or removed from one part to another, are requested, when they present their Parochial Reports to the Convention, to send in the names also of their respective Post Offices, if they expect them to be inserted in the following list.

CLERGY.	PARISH OR CHURCH:	POST OFFICE.
Rt. Rev. Wm. Meade, D. D.		Millwood, Clarke.
Rt. Rev. J. Johns, D. D.		Richmond,
Adie, Rev. George	Shelburne parish,	Leesburg, Loudon.
Andrews, Rev. C. W.	Trinity church,	Shep'dstown, Jefferson.
Armstrong, Rev. Wm.	St. Matthew's church,	Wheeling, Ohio county.
Beall, Rev. Upton	Christ church,	Norfolk.
Bulkley, Rev. O.	Lytleton parish,	Ca Ira, Cumberland.
Berkeley, Rev. P. F.	Raleigh and Dale pr's.,	Amelia Court House.
Bowers, Rev. Wm. V.	St. Martin's parish,	New Amsterdam, Han'r.
Boyden, Rev. E.	St. Ann's & Walker's ps	Everettsville, Albemarle.
Bryant, Rev. Wm.	Woodville parish,	Buchanan, Botetourt.
Berger, Rev. A.	Bath parish,	Dinwiddie Ct. Ho.
Bolton, M. D., Rev. James	St. Luke's chapel,	Richmond.
Brown, Rev. Templeton	Norborne parish, B'kly.	Middleway, Jefferson.
Castleman, Rev. T. T.	Trinity church,	Staunton, Augusta.
Caldwell, Rev. D.	St. Paul's church,	Norfolk.
Chevers, Rev. M. L.	Centurion church,	Old Point Comfort.
Chisholm, Rev. James	Norborne parish,	North Mountain, Be'ky.
Clark, Rev. John T.	Renoque parish,	Mt. Laurel, Halifax.
Cole, Rev. John	St. Stephen's church,	Culpeper Ct. Ho.
Cook, Rev. John	Officiating in Louisa,	Ætna, Hanover.
Cofer, Rev. J. M.	Residing in Bedford,	Lynchburg.
Christian, Rev. Edmund	Cornwall parish,	Charlotte, Ct. Ho.
Carraway, Rev. G. S.	Kingston p. Math & Mx	Urbanna,
Dame, Rev. G. W.	Camden & Patrick pr's,	Danville, Pitts.
Dana, Rev. C. B.	Christ Church,	Alexandria, D. C.
Doughen, Rev. James	Residing in	Lynchburg.
Dalrymple, Rev. E. A.	Recor. Epis. High Sch.	Theo. Sem'y., Fairfax.
Disbrow, Rev. C. W.	St. Paul's church,	Suffolk, Nansemond.
Denison, Rev. H. M.	Martin's, Brandon par.	Garysville, Pr. George.
Davall, Rev. Wm.	Missionary,	Richmond.
Earnest, Rev. Joseph	St. Thomas' church,	Orange Ct. Ho.
Empie, D. D., Rev. A.	St. James' church,	Richmond.
Friend, Rev. Wm.	St. Peter's & Grace ch's	Port Royal, Caroline.
Fisher, Rev. Andrew	St. James', Southam,	Sublett's Tavern, Pow.
Goodwin, Rev. F. D.	Nelson parish,	Tye R. Ware H., Nel.
Goodwin, Rev. James	Missionary,	Pt. Pleasant, Mason.
Graumer, Rev. John	Autum parish,	Halifax Ct. Ho.

Gibson, Rev. C. J.	Grace church,	Petersburg.
Gillett, Rev. Charles	Missionary,	Houston, Texas.
Graham, Rev. Richardson	Missionary,	China.
Good, Rev. W. H.	St. John's church,	Hampton.
Hill, Rev. John H.	Missionary,	Athens, Greece.
Hodges, Rev. William	Bruton Parish,	Williamsburg.
Henning, Rev. Edmund W.	Missionary,	Africa.
Jackson, Rev. W. M.	Trinity; Meade parish,	Upperville, Fauquier.
Jackson, Rev. W. G.	Chaplain U. S. Navy.	
Johnston, Rev. James T.	St. Paul's church,	Alexandria, D. C.
Jones, D. D., Rev. Alexander	St. Andrew's parish,	Charlestown, Jefferson.
Jones, Rev. W. G. H.	Frederick parish,	Millwood, Clarke.
Keeling, Rev. Jacob		Suffolk, Nansemond.
Kinckle, Rev. W. H.	St. Paul's church,	Lynchburg.
Leavell, Rev. W. T.	Westover parish,	Charles City Ct. Ho.
Lee, Rev. J. R.	Missionary,	Africa.
Lemmon, Rev. George	Hamilton parish,	Warrenton, Fauquier.
Lippitt, Rev. E. R.	Ed. S. Churchman,	Alexandria, D. C.
Locke, Rev. Thomas E.	Cumberland parish,	Columbian Grove, Lb'g.
Lockwood, Rev. William F.	{ St. Stephen's Fauq.,	{ Haymarket, Pr. Wm.
	{ & Zion ch., Fairfax.	
Mann, Rev. Charles	Abingdon & Ware ps.,	Gloucester Ct. Ho.
May, D. D., Rev. James	Prof. Theo. Seminary,	Theo. Semi'ty. Fairfax.
Meade, Rev. R. K.	Christ church,	Charlottesville.
Minnigerode, Rev. Charles	Wm. & Mary College,	Williamsburg.
Morrison, Rev. J. H.	St. John's church,	Richmond.
McCabe, Rev. James D.	Holstein parish, Wash.	Abingdon.
McElroy, Rev. J.	{ Boyden Chapel and	{ Staunton,
	{ Prin. Female Inst.,	
McFarland, Rev. M.		
McGuire, D. D., Rev. E. C.	St. George's church,	Fredericksburg.
McGuire, Rev. J. P.	St. Ann's & S. Far'm p.	Loretto, Essex.
McGuire, Rev. F. H.	St. James' church,	Boydton, Mecklenburg.
McGuire, Rev. E. B.	St. Paul's parish,	Old Church, Hanover.
Nelson, Rev. Robert	Woodville parish,	Lexington.
Newell, Rev. C.	Chaplain U. S. Navy;	
Norwood, Rev. W.	St. Paul's church.	Richmond.
Nash, Rev. F. B.		Colesmouth, Kanawha.
Packard, Rev. Joseph		Theo. Semi'ry, Fairfax.
Payne, Rev. John	Prof. Theo. Seminary,	Africa.
Pendleton, Rev. W. H.	Missionary,	Leed's parish,
Rooker, Rev. W. Y.	Leed's parish,	Leed's Manor, Fauquier.
Richmond, Rev. J. B.	Frederick parish,	Winchester.
Sale, Rev. Nelson	Christ ch., Lancaster,	Lancaster Ct. Ho.
Slaughter, Rev. P.		
Smith, Rev. Thomas	Bristol parish,	Petersburg.
Smith, Rev. Joshua	Missionary,	Parkersburg, Wood.
Smith, Rev. George A.		Cape Palmas, Africa.
Smith, Rev. Aristides	Prin. Fairfax Institute,	Theo. Semin'y, Fairfax.
Smith, Rev. Leonidas	Martin's Brandon par.,	Garysville, Pr. George.
Smith, Rev. Jonathan B. T.		Norfolk.
Sparrow, D. D., Rev. W.	St. George p. Accomac.	
Syle, Rev. E. W.	Prof. Theo. Seminary:	Theo. Semin'y, Fairfax.
Temple, Rev. H. W. L.	Missionary,	China.
Towles, Rev. John		Miller's Tavern, Essex.
	Dettingen & Leed's ps.	Millford Mills, Pr. Wm.

Tyler, Rev. Joseph D.	Prin. Deaf & Dumb Ins. Staunton.
Tompkins, Rev. S. D.	Moore p. St. John's ch. Pidgeon Run, Camp.
Ufford, Rev. J.	Hungar's parish, Eastville, Northampton.
Ward, Rev. H. W.	Kanawha parish,
Ward, Rev. W. N.	{ Lunenburg, Farn- } Warsaw, Richmond.
	{ ham & Copal ps. }
Wharton, Rev. D. M.	{ Berkely, St. Geor's } Mt. Pleasant, Spots.
	{ & St. Margaret ps. }
Wingfield, Rev. J. H.	Trinity church, Portsmouth.
Woodbridge, Rev. George	Monumental church, Richmond.
Woodville, Rev. J. W.	St. Mark's parish, El Dorado, Culpeper.
Wilmer, Rev. J. P. B.	Northam parish, Pemberton, Goochland.
Wilmer, Rev. R. H.	Wickliffe psh., Clarke, Berryville, Clarke.
Wilmer, Rev. G. T.	Botetourt parish, Fincastle, Botetourt.
Withers, Rev. Edmund	Albemarle psh., Sussex, Jarrett's Depot, Sussex.
Woods, Rev. H. W.	Missionary, China.
Walke, Rev. Lewis	St. Paul's, King Geo., Hampstead, King Geo.
Webb, Rev. Wellington,	Missionary, Loch Lomond, Gooch.
Waller, M. D., Rev. Wm. I.	St. Ann's parish, Alb. Brooksville, Albemarle.
Walker, Rev. C.	Lexington parish, Amherst Court House.

A LIST
OF THE PARISHES OF THE BIOCSE OF VIRGINIA,
WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE
COUNTIES, CHURCHES AND MINISTERS.

The Clergy will greatly assist the Secretary in completing the following list, which is here but imperfectly commenced, if they will at the next Convention insert in their Parochial Reports the names of the *counties, parishes and churches* under their care.

PARISHES.	COUNTIES.	CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.
Accomac,	Accomac		
Abingdon,	Gloucester	St. Mark's	Charles Mann,
Antrim,	Halifax		John Grammer,
Albemarle	Sussex		E. Withers
Augusta,	Augusta	Trinity	T. T. Castleman
Bath,	Dinwiddie	Sapony	A. J. Berger
Berkley,	Spottsylvania	St. John's	} D. M. Wharton
		Christ	
Botetourt,	Bot. and Roanoke		G. T. Wilmer
Bruton,	James City		William Hodges
Boyden,	Augusta	Boyden Chapel	J. McElroy
Bloomfield,	Madison	Piedmont,	
		Trinity,	
Bristol,	Prince George	{ St. Paul's,	P. Slaughter
		{ Grace,	C. J. Gibson
Brunswick,	Stafford		
Brunswick,	King George	Lamb's Creek,	
Camden,	Pittsylvania	St. Andrew's	G. W. Dame
Clarksburg,	Harrison		T. Smith
Cople,	Westmoreland		W. N. Ward
Christ Church,	Lancaster	Christ	J. B. Richmond
Cumberland,	Lunenburg	St. John's	} Thomas E. Locke,
		St. Paul's	
Cornwall,	Charlotte	Roanoke	E. Christian
Christ church,	Middlesex		G. S. Carraway,
Camden,	Pittsylvania	Danville and Com-	} G. W. Dame
		petition	
Dettingen,	Prince William	St. James'	John Towles
Elizabeth City,	Elizabeth City	{ St. John's	W. H. Good
		{ Centurion	M. L. Chevers
Elizabeth,	Norfolk	{ St. Paul's	D. Caldwell
		{ Christ	U. Beall
		{ Trinity	} W. I. Waller
Frederickville,	Albemarle	{ Buckmountain	
		{ St. Paul's	
		{ Rockfish	
		{ Christ	R. K. Meade
Frederick,	Frederick	Christ	} W. Y. Rooker
		St. Thomas'	
Fairfax,	Fairfax	{ Christ,	C. B. Dana
		{ St. Paul's	J. T. Johnson
		{ Falls'	

Frederick,	Clarke	Wickliffe The Chapel	{ W. G. H. Jones
Franklin,	Franklin	Grace	G. W. Dame
Gerita,	Powhatan	St. John's	P. F. Berkeley
Green Spring,	Louisa	St. John's	J. Earnest
Holstein,	Washington	St. John's	J. D. McCabe
Hampton,	Elizabeth City	{ St. Paul's	W. H. Good
		{ Monumental	Wm. N. Norwood
		{ St. John's	George Woodbridge
		{ Christ	J. H. Morrison
Henrico,	Henrico	{ St. James'	A. Empie, D. D.
		{ St. Luke's	Jas. Bolton, M. D.
		{ Missionary	Wm. Duvall
Hanover,	King George	St. John's	Wm. Friend
Hungar's,	Northampton	Hungar's	{ J. Ufford
Hamilton,	Fauquier	Christ	George Lemmon
Haymarket,	Prince William		J. Towles
Kanawha,	Kanawha	St. John's	{ H. W. Ward
Kingston,	Math. & Middlesex	St. Mark's	{ G. S. Carraway
Leeds,	Fauquier	Christ	{ W. H. Pendleton
Lynnhaven,	Princess Ann	{ Emanuel, and	
		{ Chapel	
Lexington,	Amherst	Amherst Ct. Ho. }	C. Walker
		New Glasgow }	W. N. Ward
Lunenburg,	Richmond	St. Paul's,	J. Towles
Leeds,	{ Prince William	St. Paul's	W. H. Pendleton
	{ Fauquier		O. Bulkeley
Lytleton,	Cumberland		W. M. Jackson
Manchester,	Chesterfield	Trinity	
Meade,	Fauquier & Loudon	{ Merchant's Hope	
		{ St. John's Church,	H. M. Denison
		{ City Point	
Martin's, Brandon,	Prince George		
Meherrin,	Greenville	{ St. John's	S. D. Tompkins
Moore,	Campbell	{ St. Paul's	W. H. Kinckle
		Trinity,	
Norborne,	Berkley,	Mt. Zion	{ Jas. Chisholm
		Calvary	
Newport,	Isle of Wight	Christ church	
Nelson,	Nelson	Trinity and	{ F. D. Goodwin
		Callaway	{ W. N. Ward
N. Farnham,	Richmond		
Nottoway,	Nottoway		
Overwharton,	Stafford	Aquia	
Portsmouth,	Norfolk	Trinity	J. H. Wingfield
Peltsworth,	Gloucester		
Russell,	Bedford	Trinity	
		St. Stephen's	{ O. A. Kinsolving
Raleigh,	Amelia	Grubb Hill	P. F. Berkeley
Roanoke,	Halifax	Mount Laurel	J. T. Clarke
St. James',	Prince William		
St. Andrews,	Brunswick		A. J. Berger
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		{ St. James'	J. Woodville

St. Ann's,	Essex	J. P. McGuire
South Farnham,	Hanover	W. V. Bowers
St. Martin's,	Mecklenburg	F. H. McGuire
St. James',	Spotsylvania	E. C. McGuire, D. D.
St. George's,	Spotsylvania	D. M. Wharton
St. George's,	Loudon	George Adie
Shelburne,	Jefferson	Alexander Jones, D. D.
St. Andrew's,	Jefferson	C. W. Andrews
St. Andrews',	King George	Lewis Walke
St. Paul's,	Nansemond	C. H. Disbrow
Suffolk,	Surry	
Southwark,	Goochland, Fluvanna	J. P. B. Wilmer
St. James', Northam	Petersville	{ A. Fisher
Southam,	Manakin	Jos. Earnest
St. Thomas',	Orange	{ St. John's
	Brooke,	{ Christ church
	King William,	
	Hanover	E. B. McGuire
	New Kent	— West
St. David's,	Kanawha	William Armstrong
St. Paul's,	Ohio	W. F. Lockwood
St. Peter's,	Fairfax	J. Cook, officiating
St. Mark's,	Louisa	T. Smith
St. Matthew's,	Wood	{ W. G. Meredith
Truro,	Buckingham	E. Boyden
Trinity,	Albemarle,	Charles Alann
Trinity,	Gloucester	
Tillotson,	Westmoreland	W. T. Leavell
	Charles City	
Walker's, &c.,	Bedford	
Ware,	Clarke	R. H. Wilmer
Washington,	Botet. and Rock's	Robert Nelson
Westover,	Grace	W. Bryant
West Russell,	Trinity	
Wickliffe,		
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