

JOURNAL
OF THE
FIFTY-EIGHTH
ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE
Protestant Episcopal Church

IN
VIRGINIA,

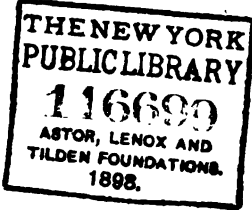
HELD IN
ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, WHEELING,

ON THE
18th, 19th, and 20th of May, 1858.

PHILADELPHIA:
T. K. AND P. G. COLLINS, PRINTERS.

1858.

COSO000210



FORM OF A PAROCHIAL REPORT.

_____ PARISH,
 _____ Church, _____
 _____ County, _____
 _____ Rector.

	Total.
Baptisms.—White adults, —; white infants, —; } “ Colored adults, —; colored infants, —; }	_____
Communicants.—Added, white, —; colored, —;.....	_____
“ Removed, —; withdrawn, —; suspended, —;.....	_____
“ Present number—white, —; colored, —;.....	_____
Confirmed.—White, —; colored, —;.....	_____
Marriages.—White, —; colored, —;.....	_____
Funerals.—White, —; colored, —;.....	_____
Sunday-Schools, —; Teachers, —; Scholars, —; Families, —.	
Amount of contributions to the cause of Religion and the Church, \$_____.	
Post-Office, _____	
Remarks—	

[Number of white communicants to be handed to the Chairman of the Finance Committee.]

FORM OF A CERTIFICATE OF THE APPOINTMENT OF A LAY DELEGATE TO THE CONVENTION.

This is to certify, that at a meeting of the Vestry (or Trustees, as the case may be), of _____ parish (or Church) in _____ county, held on the _____ day of _____, who is a communicant in said parish or church, was appointed a lay delegate to represent the same in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Virginia, to be holden on the _____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord _____.

_____, Rector.
 _____, Register,
 or Church Warden.

PLACES FOR THE MEETING OF THE CONVENTION.

- LYNCHBURG—Third Wednesday in May, 1854.
- FREDERICKSBURG “ “ 1855.
- PETERSBURG “ “ 1856.
- WINCHESTER “ “ 1857.
- NORFOLK “ “ 1858.
- CHARLOTTESVILLE “ “ 1859.
- ALEXANDRIA “ “ 1860.
- STAUNTON “ “ 1861.
- RICHMOND “ “ 1862.
- WHEELING “ “ 1868.

DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA.

OFFICERS, COMMITTEES, ETC., FOR 1853.

Rt. Rev. WILLIAM MEADE, D. D., BISHOP.

Rt. Rev. JOHN JOHNS, D. D., ASSISTANT BISHOP.

STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA, ALEXANDRIA.

Rev. C. B. DANA,

WILLIAM SPARROW, D. D.,

JAMES T. JOHNSTON,

Rev. J. F. HOFF,

Dr. ORLANDO FAIRFAX.

CASSIUS F. LEE, Esq.

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

Rev. GEO. D. CUMMINS, *Norfolk.*

TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

WILLIAM H. HUBBARD, Esq., *Richmond.*

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF VIRGINIA, AND OF THE HIGH SCHOOL.

Rt. Rev. WILLIAM MEADE, D. D., *President.*

Rt. Rev. JOHN JOHNS, D. D., *Vice-President.*

Rev. EDWARD C. MCGUIRE, D. D., *Secretary.*

Rev. JOHN GRAMMER,

JOHN P. MCGUIRE,

CHARLES B. DANA,

ALEXANDER JONES, D. D.,

GEORGE ADIE,

GEORGE WOODBRIDGE,

WILLIAM POLLOCK, Esq.,

CASSIUS F. LEE, Esq.,

EDWARD S. PEGRAM, Esq.,

Dr. THOMAS H. CLAGGETT,

PIKE POWERS, Esq.,

SAML. W. SHELTON, Esq.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY
OF VIRGINIA.

Rt. Rev. WILLIAM MEADE, D. D., Rev. ALEXANDER JONES, D. D.,
Rt. Rev. JOHN JOHNS, D. D., Rev. GEORGE WOODBRIDGE.
Rev. ADAM EMPIRE, D. D.,

JOHN O. STEGER, Esq., *Secretary.*

JOHN L. BACON, Esq., *Treasurer.*

DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION. .

Rev. WILLIAM SPARROW, D. D.,	W. H. MCFARLAND, Esq.,
WILLIAM NORWOOD, D. D.,	PHILIP WILLIAMS, Esq.,
C. W. ANDREWS,	D. H. CONRAD, Esq.,
WILLIAM ARMSTRONG,	EDWARD T. TAYLOR, Esq.

LIST OF THE CLERGY
OF THE
DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA.

MAY 18, 1853.

- Rt. Rev. WILLIAM MEADE, D. D., Bishop, Millwood Post-Office, Clarke County.
Rt. Rev. JOHN JOHNS, D. D., Assistant Bishop, Williamsburg.
Rev. GEO. ADIN, Shelburne Parish, Leesburg, Loudon County.
Rev. C. W. ANDREWS, Trinity Church, Shepherdstown.
Rev. CHAS. E. AMBLER, Zion Church, St. Andrew's Parish, Jefferson County; Post-Office, Charlestown.
Rev. WILLIAM ARMSTRONG, St. Matthew's Church, Wheeling.
Rev. P. F. BEEKLEY, Raleigh and Genito Parishes, Amelia Court House.
Rev. WILLIAM V. BOWERS, St. Martin's Parish, Verdon, Hanover County.
Rev. O. BULKLEY, Lyttleton Parish, Langhorne's, Cumberland County.
Rev. E. BOYDEN, Walker's Parish, Albemarle County; Post-Office, Cobham Depot.
Rev. R. T. BROWN, Kanawha Parish, Charleston, Kanawha County.
Rev. FRANCIS M. BAKER, Botetourt Parish, Botetourt County.
Rev. T. T. CASTLEMAN, Trinity Church, Staunton.
Rev. R. A. CASTLEMAN.
Rev. J. W. CHESLEY, Mecklenburg.
Rev. JAMES CHISHOLM, St. John's Church, Portsmouth.
Rev. GEORGE D. CUMMINS, Christ Church, Norfolk.
Rev. M. L. CHEEVERS, Centurian Church, Old Point.
Rev. JOHN W. CHIVERS, Amelia County.
Rev. JOHN T. CLARKE, Roanoke Parish; Post-Office, Midland, Charlotte County.
Rev. JOHN COLE, St. Stephen's Church, Culpepper Court House.
Rev. JOHN COOKE, officiating in Louisa Ætna, Hanover County.
Rev. EDMUND CHRISTIAN, Elk Union, Buffalo Springs, Amherst Court House.
Rev. G. S. CARRAWAY, Kingston Parish, Matthews and Middlesex; Post-Office, Urbana.
Rev. LEWIS P. CLOVER, Grace Church, Lexington.
Rev. C. M. CALLOWAY, Jefferson County; Post-Office, Middleway.
Rev. G. H. DAMM, Camden and Patrick Parishes, Danville.
Rev. C. B. DANA, Christ Church, Fairfax Parish, Alexandria.
Rev. JAMES DOUGHERN, residing in Lynchburg.

- Rev. E. A. DALRYMPLE.
 Rev. H. M. DENNISON, Bruton Parish, Williamsburg.
 Rev. JOSEPH EARNEST, St. Thomas's Church, Orange Court House.
 Rev. ADAM EMPIRE, D. D.
 Rev. WILLIAM FRIEND, St. Peter's and Grace Churches, Port Royal, Caroline County.
 Rev. ANDREW FISHER, St. James's, Southam, Sublett's Tavern, Powhatan County.
 Rev. T. D. GOODWIN, Nelson Parish, Tye River Warehouse, Nelson County.
 Rev. JOHN GRAMMER, Antrim Parish, Halifax Court House.
 Rev. C. J. GIBSON, Grace Church, Petersburg.
 Rev. JOHN H. HILL, Missionary, Athens, Greece.
 Rev. J. F. HOFF, Frederick Parish, Millwood, Clarke County.
 Rev. WILLIAM D. HANSON, Missionary, Kabletown, Jefferson County.
 Rev. W. L. HYLAND, Trinity Parish, Marshall County; Post-Office, Grave Creek.
 Rev. WM. M. JACKSON, St. Paul's Church, Norfolk.
 Rev. JAS. T. JOHNSTON, St. Paul's Church, Alexandria.
 Rev. ALEXANDER JONES, D. D., St. Paul's Church, Richmond.
 Rev. JACOB KEELING, Suffolk, Nansemond County.
 Rev. W. H. KINCKLE, St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg.
 Rev. O. A. KINSOLVING, Meade Parish, Middleburg, Loudon County.
 Rev. H. S. KEPPLER, St. John's Church, Henrico Parish, Richmond.
 Rev. JOHN H. KEHLER, Shepherdstown.
 Rev. E. R. LIPPITT, Alexandria.
 Rev. THOS. E. LOCKE, Cumberland Parish, McFarland's Store, Lunenburg County.
 Rev. W. T. LEAVELL, Westover Parish, Charles City Court House.
 Rev. CHARLES MANN, Abingdon and Ware Parishes, Gloucester Court House.
 Rev. JAMES MAY, D. D., Professor of Theological Seminary, Theological Seminary,
 Fairfax County.
 Rev. R. K. MEADE, Christ Church, Charlottesville.
 Rev. CHARLES MINNIGERODE, Martins Brandon Parish, Garysville, Prince George
 County.
 Rev. J. F. MARTIN, Amherst County.
 Rev. JAMES D. McCABE, D. D., St. John's Church, Wheeling.
 Rev. JOHN McCABE, Hampton, St. John's and Elizabeth City Parish and County.
 Rev. E. C. McGUIRE, D. D., St. George's Church, Fredericksburg.
 Rev. J. P. McGUIRE, High School, Howard, Fairfax County.
 Rev. F. H. McGUIRE, Mecklenburg County.
 Rev. E. B. McGUIRE, St. Anne's, Essex County; Post Office, Loretto, Essex County.
 Rev. WM. C. McGUIRE, Westmoreland County.
 Rev. W. C. MEREDITH, Tillotson Parish, Curdsville, Buckingham County.
 Rev. R. M. MITCHESON, residing in Philadelphia.
 Rev. WM. NORWOOD, D. D., Old Church Post-Office, Hanover County.
 Rev. G. H. NORTON, Hamilton Parish, Fauquier, Warrenton.
 Rev. JOS. PACKARD, D. D., Professor Theological Seminary, Fairfax.
 Rev. W. H. PENDLETON, Leeds Parish, Fauquier, Leeds Manor, Fauquier County.
 Rev. ~~B. H.~~ PHILLIPS, Principal of the Virginia Female Institute, Staunton.
 F
 INS, Trinity Parish, Parkersburg, Wood County.
 'AGE, Weston, Lewis County.
 'SON, D. D., Hungar's Parish, Northampton County.
 RT, Meherrin Parish; Post-Office, Hicksford, Greenville County.

- Rev. PHILIP SLAUGHTER, Agent Colonization Society of Virginia; Post-Office, Fredericksburg.
- Rev. NELSON SALE, West Russell Parish, Big Island, Bedford County.
- Rev. HORACE STRINGFELLOW, St. Paul's Church, Petersburg.
- Rev. D. FRANCIS SPRIGG, Trinity Church, Martinsburg.
- Rev. GEORGE A. SMITH, Editor *Southern Churchman*, Alexandria.
- Rev. ARISTIDES SMITH, officiating at St. Paul's, Suffolk; Post-Office, Norfolk.
- Rev. LEONIDAS L. SMITH, Norfolk.
- Rev. CHARLES H. SHIELD, Salem, Fauquier County.
- Rev. S. R. SLACK, Fredericksville Parish, Mechum's River, Albemarle.
- Rev. WM. SPARROW, D. D., Professor Theological Seminary, Theological Seminary, Fairfax.
- Rev. SILAS D. TOTTEN, D. D., Professor in William and Mary College, Williamsburg.
- Rev. H. W. L. TEMPLE, officiating in Essex, Miller's Tavern, Essex.
- Rev. JOHN TOWLES, Dettingen and Leeds Parish, Milford Mills, Prince William.
- Rev. A. B. TIZZARD, Dale Parish, Chesterfield, King William Parish, Powhatan; Post-Office, Winter Rock, Chesterfield County.
- Rev. S. D. TOMPKINS, Wellsburg, Brooke County.
- Rev. WILLIAM N. WARD, Lunenburg, Farnham and Cople Parishes, Richmond County; Post-Office, Lyell's Store.
- Rev. D. M. WHARTON, Berkley, St. George's and St. Margaret's Parishes, Mt. Pleasant, Spottsylvania.
- Rev. JOHN A. WHARTON, Liberty Post-Office, Bedford.
- Rev. JOHN H. WINGFIELD, Trinity Church, Portsmouth.
- Rev. GEORGE WOODBRIDGE, Monumental Church, Richmond.
- Rev. J. W. WOODVILLE, Germanna, Culpepper Court House.
- Rev. RICHARD H. WILMER, St. Stephen's Church, Bedford County; Post-Office, Forrest Depot.
- Rev. G. T. WILMER, Salenur Parish, Roanoke County.
- Rev. EDMUND WITHERS, Christ Church Parish, Lancaster County.
- Rev. LEWIS WALKER, Lynnhaven Parish, Princess Anne; Norfolk Post-Office.
- Rev. CORNELIUS WALKER, Christ Church, Frederick Parish, Winchester.
- Rev. J. AMELER WEED, St. George's Parish, Pungoteague, Accomack.
- Rev. F. M. WHITTLE, Grace Church, Berryville, Clarke County.
- Rev. ANDERSON WADE, M. D., Patrick Parish; Post-Office, Martinsville, Henry Co.
- Rev. J. A. WHEAT, Vice-Principal Virginia Female Institute, and Rector of Rockingham Parish.
- Rev. HENRY WALL, Grace Church, Caroline County.

LAY DELEGATES

IN ATTENDANCE AT THIS CONVENTION, WITH THE NAMES OF THE PARISHES AND CHURCHES REPRESENTED BY THEM.

- Albemarle County*—Charles T. Merriwether, Walker's Parish.
Berkley County—William Pendleton, Norborne Parish; David Holmes Conrad, Trinity Church, Martinsburg.
Bedford County—W. C. Leftwitch, St. Stephen's Church.
Brooks County—George W. Veasey, St. John's Church; Thomas Kirk, Christ Church Parish.
Clarke County—Hugh N. Pendleton, Wickliffe Parish; John E. Page, Christ Church, Millwood.
Elizabeth City County—Charles C. Shelton, Elizabeth City County Parish.
Hanover County—Philip Nelson, St. Martin's Parish.
Harrison County—G. R. C. Allen, Christ Church, Clarksburg.
Jackson County—Burditt Fitzhugh, Ravenswood Parish.
King George County—Edward T. Tayloe, St. John's Church; Drury B. Fitzhugh, St. Paul's Parish.
Kanawha County—Francis Thompson, St. Martin's Parish.
Lynchburg—Samuel W. Shelton, St. Paul's Church.
Lancaster County—John Chewning, Christ Church Parish.
Loudon County—Dr. Thomas H. Claggett, St. James's Church, Shelburne Parish; Thomas M. Boyle, Meade Parish.
Lewis County—Robert J. McCandlish, St. Paul's Church, Weston.
Marshall County—Isaac Hoge, Trinity Parish.
Norfolk City—Christopher Hall, Christ Church; A. L. Seabury, St. Paul's Church.
New Kent County—Francis Nelson, St. Peter's Church.
Princess Anne County—Thurmur Hoggard, Lynnhaven Parish.
Petersburg—Peter R. Davis, St. Paul's Church.
Pleasant County—Samuel Hammett, St. John's Church.
Portsmouth—Charles A. Grice, St. John's Church.
Richmond City—Robert R. Duvall, St. James's Church.
Winchester—John Bruce, Christ Church.
Wheeling—Andrew P. Woods, St. Matthew's Church; Henry Tallant, St. John's Church.

RULES OF ORDER.

1st. The Convention shall be opened every day with prayer.

2d. When the President takes the Chair, no member shall continue standing, nor shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

3d. 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.

4th. If any member, in speaking, or otherwise, transgress the rules of the Convention, the President shall, or any member may, call him 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.

5th. When two or more members happen to rise at once, the President shall name the member who is first to speak.

6th. 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.

7th. While 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.

8th. No member shall vote on any question in the event of which he is immediately and particularly interested, nor in any case where he was not present when a question was put.

9th. 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.

10th. 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.

11th. 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.

12th. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if the President or any member shall require it.

13th. 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.

14th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay 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.

15th. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate.

16th. 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 farther debate on the main question.

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

18th. 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.

19th. 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.

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

21st. 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.

22d. No member shall absent himself from the service of the Convention, unless he has leave, or be sick and unable to attend.

23d. The President shall, at his discretion, select suitable seats without the limit of those pews allotted for the use of 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.

24th. 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.

25th. 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.

ommittee of Elections.

ommittee of Finance, consisting of laymen.

26th. The credentials of the Lay Delegates shall be handed in to the Secretary, and be referred to a committee of one clerical and two lay members, which shall report who are entitled to seats in the Convention; and if 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.

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

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

29th. The business first in order, after the organization of the Convention, shall be the appointment of a Treasurer *pro tem.*, when the Treasurer is not a member of the Convention; reading of the Pastoral Addresses; the Proceedings of the Standing Committee, and the reception of the Parochial Reports by the Bishop from the clergy, who shall be called upon in alphabetical order for their reports, and (if required) the reading of the Parochial Reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop may think fit.

JOURNAL

OF THE

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

WHEELING, VA., May 18, 1853.

This being the day appointed for the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Virginia, the Assistant Bishop, together with a number of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese, assembled at 10 o'clock A. M. in St. Matthew's Church, Wheeling.

Morning service was read by the Rev. John Grammer and the Rev. Wm. Norwood, D. D.; and, in the absence of the reverend gentleman appointed to deliver the usual opening Convention Sermon, the Convention was favored with a sermon from the Rev. Wm. Sparrow, D. D.

After the sermon, the Assistant Bishop, the Rt. Rev. John Johns (the Bishop of the Diocese being absent), took the chair, and called the Convention to order.

C. F. Lee, Esq., the Secretary of the Convention, not having arrived, A. L. Seabury, the former Assistant Secretary, was called upon to officiate as Secretary *pro tem.*, who thereupon proceeded to call the roll of the clergymen entitled to seats in this Convention. The following gentlemen answered to their names:—

Rt. Rev. John Johns, D. D.,
 Rev. C. W. Andrews,
 " C. E. Ambler,
 " William Armstrong,
 " William V. Bowers,
 " Francis M. Baker,
 " T. T. Castleman,
 " Geo. D. Cummins,
 " James Chisholm,
 " John T. Clarke,
 " G. S. Carraway,
 " C. M. Calloway,
 " H. M. Dennison,
 " William Friend,
 " Andrew Fisher,
 " John Grammer,
 " C. J. Gibson,
 " J. F. Hoff,
 " William L. Hyland,

Rev. William M. Jackson,
 " Alexander Jones, D.D.,
 " Thomas E. Locke,
 " Charles Mann,
 " Charles Minnigerode,
 " James D. McCabe,
 " John C. McCabe,
 " William Norwood, D. D.,
 " G. H. Norton,
 " E. T. Perkins,
 " James A. Page,
 " S. R. Slack,
 " William Sparrow, D. D.,
 " S. D. Tompkins,
 " Edmund Withers,
 " Lewis Walke,
 " Cornelius Walker,
 " F. M. Whittle,
 " R. A. Castleman,

Rev. J. W. Chesley.

The Assistant Secretary desiring the appointment of some other gentleman as Secretary *pro tem.*, the Rev. Geo. D. Cummins was, on motion, elected to that office, A. L. Seabury continuing to act as Assistant Secretary.

The Chair appointed Dr. Thos. H. Claggett Treasurer *pro tem.* of the Convention.

Rev. C. J. Gibson, Charles Merriwether, Esq., and Col. John Chewning were appointed a committee to examine the certificates of Lay Delegates, who reported the following gentlemen duly elected: who accordingly took their seats in the Convention:—

Samuel W. Shelton, St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg.
 Thurmur Hoggard, Lynnhaven Parish, Princess Anne County.
 John Chewning, Christ Church Parish, Lancaster County.
 A. L. Seabury, St. Paul's Church, Norfolk City.
 David Holmes Conrad, Trinity Church, Martinsburg.
 Philip Nelson, St. Martin's Parish, Hanover County.
 Henry Tallant, St. John's Church, Wheeling.
 Thos. H. Claggett, St. James's Church, Shelburne, Loudon County.
 Peter R. Davis, St. Paul's Church, Petersburg.
 Andrew P. Woods, St. Matthew's Church, Wheeling.
 William Pendleton, Norborne Parish, Berkley County.
 George W. Veasey, St. John's Church, Brooke County.
 Francis Nelson, St. Peter's Church, New Kent County.
 Hugh N. Pendleton, Wickliffe Parish, Clarke County.
 Edward T. Tayloe, St. John's Church, King George County.
 John E. Page, Christ Church, Millwood, Clarke County.
 Thomas Kirk, Christ Church Parish, Brooke County.
 Burditt Fitzhugh, Ravenswood Parish, Jackson County.
 Charles T. Merriwether, Walker's Parish, Albemarle County.
 Drury B. Fitzhugh, St. Paul's Parish, King George County.
 Christopher Hall, Christ Church, Norfolk City.

On motion, the Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted as the Rules of Order of this Convention.

On motion, clergymen present from other Dioceses were invited to take seats in the Convention.

On motion, the Convention adjourned, to meet at 3½ o'clock P. M., in Union Hall.

3½ o'clock P. M.

The Convention assembled according to adjournment.

The Secretary read the report of George M. Carrington, Esq., Treasurer of the fund for the purchase of the Virginia Female Institute, at Staunton, showing a sum total received for that object of \$2,843 04. (For copy of report see Appendix No. 2.)

The following resolution was offered and adopted:—

1 committee of five be appointed to obtain information, and report
 ext Convention for the relief of disabled clergymen.

The Chair appointed the following gentlemen such committee:—

Rev. Charles Minnigerode,	Rev. G. H. Norton,
“ William Norwood, D. D.,	William MacFarland, Esq.,
	John O. Steger, Esq.

The following clergymen, entitled to seats in this Convention, who were not present this morning, now appeared:—

Rev. W. T. Leavell,	Rev. P. F. Berkley,
“ George A. Smith,	“ C. B. Dana,
	Rev. O. A. Kinsolving.

The Committee on the Certificates of Lay Delegates reported the following gentlemen, who were not present this morning, as duly elected delegates to this Convention, and they accordingly took their seats:—

John Bruce, Christ Church, Winchester.
 Robert R. Duvall, St. James's Church, Richmond.
 Isaac Hoge, Trinity Parish, Marshall County.

Rev. Mr. Whittle gave notice of his intention to move an amendment to the second section of Canon 11th of the Diocese of Virginia.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet in St. Matthew's Church at 8½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, 8½ o'clock A. M., May 19, 1858.

The Convention met at the appointed hour, and was opened with prayer by the Rt. Rev. John Johns.

The Secretary then read the Journal of yesterday's proceedings.

On motion, the election of the Standing Committees, and of Delegates to the General Convention, was made the order of business for 4 o'clock P. M.

The President read a letter from C. F. Lee, Esq., the Secretary of the Convention, regretting his inability to be present at this Convention, and resigning his office as Secretary; and, on motion, his resignation was received, and the thanks of the Convention tendered him for his past services.

On motion, the Secretary *pro tem.*, the Rev. Geo. D. Cummins, was elected Secretary of the Convention.

The President announced the appointment of the following Standing Committees:—

Committee on the State of the Church:

Rev. William Sparrow, D. D.,	D. H. Conrad, Esq.,
“ Alexander Jones, D. D.,	E. T. Tayloe, “
“ William Armstrong,	C. T. Merriwether, Esq.,
“ Horace Stringfellow,	Henry Tallant, “
“ William M. Jackson,	John Chewning, “

Committee on the Fund for the Support of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen :

Rev. John Grammer,	Philip Nelson, Esq.,
“ William V. Bowers,	Thurmar Hoggard, Esq.

Committee on the Episcopal Fund :

Rev. C. B. Dana,	Francis Nelson, Esq.,
“ P. F. Berkley,	D. B. Fitzhugh, “
“ J. C. McCabe,	H. N. Pendleton, “

Committee on the Accounts of the Treasurer of the Missionary Society :

Rev. T. T. Castleman,	William Pendleton, Esq.,
“ James Chisholm,	Thomas Kirk, “
“ W. T. Leavell.	

Committee on Parochial Reports :

Rev. C. J. Gibson,	John E. Page, Esq.,
“ C. Walker,	Burditt Fitzhugh, Esq.,
“ Jas. D. McCabe,	G. W. Veasey, “
“ E. T. Perkins,	
“ S. R. Slack.	

Committee on New Parishes :

Rev. Charles Mann,	Andrew P. Woods, Esq.,
“ C. W. Andrews,	Robert R. Duvall, “
“ H. M. Dennison,	John Bruce, “

Committee on Elections :

Rev. J. F. Hoff,	Christopher Hall, Esq.,
“ J. T. Clarke.	

Committee on Finance :

E. T. Tayloe, Esq.,	T. H. Claggett, Esq.,
S. W. Shelton.	

The Bishop of the Diocese being detained from the Convention by ill health, his report was not at this time presented, but is here inserted:—

BISHOP MEADE'S REPORT.

DEAR BRETHREN AND FRIENDS: My episcopal duties commenced immediately after the last Convention. Two services were held in Goochland County; one at Beaver Dam Church; another at a borrowed, or common house of worship; St. Paul's Church having been destroyed by fire. Only one person was confirmed in that county. I spent one day at the church in Columbia, Fluvanna County, confirmed three; one day at St. Paul's, Powhatan County, confirmed one; one day at Emanuel Church, in the same, confirmed one; two days at Genito Bridge, in the same, confirmed one; two days in Chesterfield County; two days in Amelia; consecrated a new church at Grub Hill, and confirmed five; one day at St. James's, Cumberland, confirmed four; one day at Ca-Ira; one day at Curdsville, confirmed one; one day at Buckingham C. H.; one day at Trinity Church, Nelson County; one day at New Market, confirmed two; one day at Green Mountain, Albemarle County, confirmed one; two days at Charlottesville, confirmed twenty-two; two days at Staunton, confirmed seven; two days at Harrisonburg, Buckingham

County, confirmed three; attended the usual services at the Seminary in July, and ordained the following gentlemen deacons: W. H. Brooks, John W. Chesley, John M. Chivers, Robert A. Castleman, Thomas F. Martin, Archibald M. Morrison, Joseph A. Russell, Hugh Roy Scott.

I visited Alexandria again in August, for the purpose of attending to the affairs of the High School, over which the Rev. John P. McGuire had been chosen Principal. In the month of August, admitted the Rev. Mr. Hanson to Priest's Orders. In the month of September, made another visitation, commencing at Middletown, in Frederick County, and spending one day therein; thence to Port Republic, in Augusta County, spending one day there, and confirming one. Spent one day at the Chapel near Staunton; two days at Lexington, in Rockbridge County, confirmed eight; one day at Fincastle, confirmed four; one day at the Licks, Roanoke County, confirmed two; two days at Franklin C. H., confirmed eight; a church is about to be built at this place. Spent one day at Liberty, in Bedford County, confirmed two; one day at Trinity, confirmed four; one day at Thomas's, confirmed four; one day at Trinity, confirmed one; two days at Lynchburg, confirmed twenty-six. In the month of October, attended an ecclesiastical court in New Jersey. In the month of November, visited the churches in Jefferson and Berkley. Spent two days at Harper's Ferry, confirmed four; the church being in part unpaid for, could not be consecrated; it is hoped the difficulty will soon be removed. Spent one day at Shepherdstown, confirmed eight; one day at Martinsburg, confirmed five; one day at Hedgesville, confirmed three; one day at Buck Creek; two days at Bunker's Hill, consecrated a new church, confirmed ten; one day at Leetown, in Jefferson County; two days at Smithfield, consecrated a new church, and confirmed five persons. It was my purpose to have visited the churches on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Princess Ann, Old Point, Hampton, Petersburg, and Richmond this spring, but was prevented by bodily indisposition; these, by divine permission, will be attended to in the fall. The candidates for holy orders, which have been admitted during the past year, are as follows: Charles K. Howard, James J. Sams, T. G. Dashiell, W. M. Nelson, R. W. Nowlin, Ed. Anthon, C. M. Williams, E. M. Rodman, P. A. Johnson, H. H. Holcomb, Thomas Duncan, Robert Gatewood.

Clergymen dismissed to other Dioceses: Rev. Mr. Morrison to Massachusetts; Rev. Messrs. Lockwood, Wilcoxon, and Stringfellow, to Maryland; Rev. Mr. McElroy and Tyng to Ohio; Rev. Mr. Peterkin to New Jersey; and Rev. Mr. Johnson to South Carolina. In return for these, I am not aware that more than two have come into our field from other Dioceses; the letters dismissory of one of these have not yet been sent to me. The Rev. Mr. Wall, from South Carolina, has been received by regular testimonials. If it be supposed by any that the young ministers received from our Seminary at the close of each session, enables us thus to spare so many, and such valuable laborers, we must correct the mistake, by stating, that what with the large supply from our Seminary to the foreign field, to which not less than six of its present students are devoted, and with those who each year return to their several Dioceses, we are left without the means of supplying a number of our vacant parishes. Although it be not true, as was stated by many of the secular as well as religious papers during the past year, that twenty-seven of our parishes, and among them many of our best, were destitute; yet still there are enough of the smaller ones unsupplied to cast a heavy burden on the hearts of the Bishops when they are unable to furnish such supply. And we here again call on the faithful who believe in, and make trial of the efficacy of prayer, to call more and more earnestly

on the great Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into this and every other gospel field upon the earth.

WILLIAM MEADE.

The Rt. Rev. John Johns, the Assistant Bishop, read his report, as follows:—

BISHOP JOHNS' REPORT.

After the closing sermon at the Convention in Richmond, my first services were at Smithfield, Isle of Wight, where I preached, June 1st, in the morning, and confirmed four persons; and again at night, and confirmed one. 6th, I preached in Williamsburg. 8th, I preached in Abingdon Church, Gloucester, and confirmed one. 9th, I preached in Ware Church, and confirmed one. 10th, I consecrated Trinity Church, Matthews County. The sentence of consecration was read by the Rector; service by the Rev. Mr. Mann; sermon by myself. This is a very neat frame building, conveniently arranged, well located, and completed at comparatively small expense, much to the credit of the already respectable congregation by which it is frequented. 11th, I preached in Christ Church, Middlesex, and confirmed two. 12th, at night I preached in the church at Tappahannock. 13th, I preached in the same church, and confirmed one. 14th, I preached in St. Paul's, Essex, and confirmed six. 15th, I preached at Vauter's Church, and confirmed two. 16th, I preached at Port Royal, and confirmed seven. The same evening, on my route to Grace Church and Bowling Green, I received a letter informing me of the illness of one of my family, and as the Rev. Mr. Friend kindly consented to supply my place, in connection with the only two remaining appointments of the visitation, I thankfully availed myself of his services, and hastened to Williamsburg. 27th, I preached at Williamsburg.

July 9th, after the close of the college session, I left home to be present at the examinations at the Seminary and High School. 12th, I preached in Christ Church, Georgetown. At night I had the satisfaction of listening to a faithful sermon by the Right Rev. Bishop Henshaw, who was there to preach and confirm for the Bishop of Maryland, then temporarily disabled by sickness. My acquaintance with Bishop, then Dr. Henshaw, of Baltimore, commenced three and thirty years before, immediately after my admission to Deacon's Orders. Through his agency I was introduced to the first parish which I served, and where I passed nine years of my ministry in much comfort, and, I trust, not without good fruit. On my removal to Baltimore, I was placed side by side with this excellent brother; and there, fourteen years of most harmonious and cordial co-operation, animated by unusual similarity and sympathy in theological views, had matured our early friendship into a strong and steadfast fraternal affection. Such was our relation, when, in 1842, the indication of Providence led me to my new home in this Diocese. The following year I united in the consecration of Dr. Henshaw as Bishop of Rhode Island. Since then our intercourse has been casual and mainly official. It was, therefore, peculiarly gratifying now to meet him in Georgetown, and there in the Diocese with which we had been so long connected, and near the scene of our former ministry, to recur to the years which we had passed together, and revive feelings which had only slumbered during our separation. As he pressed my hand in parting, and urged me to make him an early visit in his ecclesiastical home, I little thought what a few days would bring to pass. The beginning of the next week, a telegraphic dispatch

communicated the afflicting intelligence of his sudden death in the vicinity of Fredericktown, and called his friends to unite in the sad office of performing his obsequies. There, in the very church in which, through his agency, I had commenced my ministry, and in the midst of many most affecting associations, I stood by the coffin-cased corpse of my early friend and beloved brother, to mingle my tears with those of the numerous mourners who wept because of the sore bereavement.

This unexpected dispensation of Providence is well suited to impress us most emphatically with a conviction of the solemn truth that "in the midst of life we are in death," and to quicken us to greater diligence and faithfulness in the eventful and responsible ministry with which we are intrusted, as "we know neither the day nor the hour when the Son of Man cometh."

In resuming my report, I have to state that on the 17th of July, in Christ Church, Alexandria, I assisted Bishop Meade in the services connected with the ordination of several of the Alumni of the Seminary, and admitted to Priest's Orders the Rev. Mr. Leacock. 19th, in the same church I preached and confirmed seven. 26th, I preached at Warrenton. 28th, I preached at Leeds, and confirmed three. 30th, I preached at St. James's Church, Culpepper. 31st, I preached in St. Paul's, and confirmed two.

August 1st, I preached in St. Stephen's, Culpepper C. H., and confirmed three. At night I preached again in the same church. My next appointment was at Madison C. H., but the recent heavy rains had rendered the roads in that direction impassable; and, as I could not obtain a conveyance, I was obliged to proceed directly to Orange C. H. The continued rain prevented the congregation from assembling, and I was here also compelled to omit the services. 5th, I preached in St. John's, Louisa. 6th, I preached in Walker's Church, Albemarle, and confirmed four. 8th, I preached in the church at Green Mountain. 10th, in company with the Rev. Mr. Slack, I left Charlottesville for the church at Buck Mountain; but it rained so heavily that, after riding a few miles, we were obliged to return. 11th, I preached at St. Paul's, Albemarle, and, in the afternoon, started, in company with the Rev. Mr. Slack, to visit the churches in Amherst County. 18th, I preached at New Glasgow, in St. Luke's Church. 14th, I preached in Ascension Church, Amherst C. H., and confirmed three. 15th, I preached again in the same church. My engagement for the next day was at Lynchburg; but as the Rev. Mr. Kinkle, who came to convey me to his parish, was willing, in consideration of the long vacancy in the churches in Amherst, and the interest of the people in the services in which we had just been engaged, to waive his conditional claim, I remained and officiated the next day also. Since my visit, these churches have obtained the services of the Rev. Mr. Martin.

September 5th, I preached in Christ Church, Baltimore. 12th, in Christ Church, Alexandria. I admitted Mr. ——— Rumney to Deacon's Orders. The morning service was read by the Rev. Mr. Dalrymple; sermon by the Rev. Dr. Butler, of Washington. The candidate was presented by the Rev. Dr. Packard. 19th, I preached in Trinity Church, Washington. 26th, I preached in Christ Church, Georgetown, and assisted in the administration of the Lord's Supper.

October 6th, I left home, to attend the Ecclesiastical Court in New Jersey, and remained until its adjournment. During its session, I preached twice in the city of Philadelphia: 12th, in the Church of the Epiphany; 19th, in Grace Church.

On my return to Williamsburg, I immediately published a series of appointments for the Northern Neck, and several adjacent counties.

November 9th, I preached at St. Peter's, Port Royal, and confirmed six persons. This was the second confirmation in this church during the year. 10th, I preached in St. John's, King George County. 11th, I preached in St. Paul's, and confirmed fourteen. 12th, I preached at Oak Grove. 18th, I preached at Westmoreland C. H., and confirmed one. 14th, I preached at Yeocomico, and confirmed two. 15th, at Warsaw, I found that, in consequence of a mistake in the printed list of my appointments, I was not expected until the following day; but as it was appropriated to the next parish, I was obliged to pass on, leaving the Rev. Mr. Withers to officiate for those who might assemble. 16th, At North Farnum, the repairs of the building not being completed, rooms were offered in the tavern in the vicinity, where I preached to a very attentive congregation. 17th, I preached at White Chapel, and confirmed two. 18th, I consecrated Grace Church, Kilmarnock, Lancaster County. Morning service was read by the Rev. Mr. Carroway, the sentence of consecration by the Rector, sermon by myself. 19th, I preached in Christ Church. The next morning, before day, I took the steamboat for Fredericksburg, and arrived there at 9 P. M. 21st, I preached in St. George's Church, Fredericksburg, and confirmed six. At night I preached again in the same church. 22d, I preached in Grace Church, Caroline, and confirmed one. 28d, I preached in the church at the Bowling Green. These two churches, which had continued without a minister since the removal of the Rev. Mr. Shiraz, have secured the services of the Rev. Mr. Ward.

December 5th, I preached in the church at Williamsburg, and, in the absence of the Rector, administered the Lord's Supper. 19th, In the morning, I preached in the Monumental Church, Richmond, and confirmed twenty. In the afternoon I addressed the congregation in St. James's Church, and confirmed ten. At night I preached in St. Paul's, and confirmed fifteen.

March 18th, I lectured in the church at Williamsburg; also, on the 21st and 24th. 27th, I preached in St. Thomas's, Charles City, and confirmed four. 28th, I preached in the Westover Church. 29th, I preached in St. Peter's, New Kent, and confirmed two. 30th, I preached in the Old Church, Hanover, and confirmed seven. I was gratified to find that means had been provided, and a site procured for the erection of a new building for this congregation. 31st, I preached at the Fork Church, Hanover.

April 1st, I preached at Trinity Church, and confirmed one. 2d, I preached in St. John's, Spottsylvania, and confirmed one. 8d, I preached in St. Margaret's, Caroline, and confirmed three. Though it rained and hailed, and the roads were in a bad condition for travelling, a large congregation were assembled to unite in the services. 4th, I preached in Trinity Church, Spottsylvania. 15th, I left Williamsburg, to visit the churches in the north-western section of the Diocese, and on my route was able to officiate in several of the congregations deprived by Bishop Meade's sickness of the services they had been anticipating. On the evening of the day named, I preached in Christ Church, Norfolk. 16th, I preached in Grace Church, Portsmouth, and confirmed one. 17th, In the morning I preached in St. Paul's, Norfolk, and confirmed eighteen. At night I preached in Christ Church, Norfolk, and confirmed thirty-one. 18th, I preached in Trinity Church, Portsmouth, and confirmed six. 24th, In the morning I preached in Clarksburg, and confirmed four. At night I preached in the same place. Having as yet no church building in this village, we were kindly accommodated by our Presbyterian friends. 25th, I rode to Weston, and arrived in time for a night service. I preached, and confirmed eight. 27th, I preached at Fairmount, in the Methodist church. The last three places, together with Buckhannon and Morgantown, distant from each other about seventy

miles, are now receiving the services of the Rev. Mr. Page and the Rev. R. Castleman, who are sustained in part by the Diocesan Missionary Society, and officiate alternately at each of the stations named. At Weston, a church was consecrated some few years since. At Clarksburg, means for erecting one have been provided; and our friends at Fairmount are not without hopes of procuring a building of their own. Certainly, the prospects in this extensive missionary range are brightening, and I trust that the brethren who occupy this interesting field will continue to receive the blessing of the Lord on their labors, and be privileged, in due time, to report the establishment of several prosperous and self-sustaining congregations. 28th, I travelled seventy-two miles on the railroad to Moundsville, preached at night in the Presbyterian church, and confirmed three. The Rev. Mr. Hyland, who is also aided by the Diocesan Missionary Society, is preparing to erect a church at this place. Part of his time is given to New Martinsville, where he alternates with the Rev. Jas. D. McCabe. 29th, Accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Hyland, I passed down the Ohio to Pleasant County, and the next morning consecrated St. John's Church, preached, and confirmed two. The sentence of consecration was read by the Rector; morning service by the Rev. Mr. Hyland.

May 1st, In the morning I preached in Trinity, Parkersburg, and united in the administration of the Lord's Supper. At night, after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Hyland, I addressed the congregation, and confirmed six. 2d, Was appropriated to Bellville; but the Rector, for sufficient reasons, had changed the appointment, and at night I again preached in Trinity Church, Parkersburg. 3d, At night, at Ravenswood, after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Perkins, who occasionally officiates there, I addressed the congregation. 4th, At the same place, I preached and assisted in the administration of the Lord's Supper. At night I again addressed the congregation. 5th, At night, I preached at Point Pleasant, in the Presbyterian church, and confirmed one. 6th, Accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Perkins, I rode twenty-one miles to Buffalo, where I found a congregation assembled in the Methodist church, and the Rev. Mr. Brown conducting the morning service. I preached there, and in the afternoon rode twelve miles farther, and at night crossed the Kanawha, and preached in the Court House at Winfield, the county town of Putnam. 8th, I preached in the morning at St. John's, Charleston, and confirmed two. At night, after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Perkins, I addressed the congregation. 9th, I preached at the Salines, in St. Luke's Church, and confirmed one. At night I again addressed the congregation at St. John's, Charleston, and confirmed two. 10th, Accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Brown, I rode to Coalsmouth, and preached. My next appointment was at Tees Valley, but it was found unnecessary to fulfil it. The interesting congregation which I once met there having for some time been as sheep without a shepherd, had been so scattered that then there was no one to receive and circulate the notice which I had published. I was, therefore, constrained to forego the service which I had anticipated, and make my way to meet my next engagement, which was in Wheeling.

To be deeply impressed with the importance of zealously and liberally sustaining our Diocesan Missionary Society, and of frequent fervent prayer that the Lord of the harvest would send forth more laborers, one need only travel the line along which I have thus passed, notice the lamentable destitution which prevails, and listen to the importunate entreaties of the many deprived of the ministrations of the Word, that we would send some to break to them and to their children the bread of life. The spectacle would affect the hearts and command the means of our more favored people, and must, one would think, lead many of the pious youth who are aspiring

to other professions already crowded to suffocation, to consider the call and the claims of the ministry, and to utter from their hearts the self-dedicatory prayer: "Lord! here am I; send me."

From May 10th until the morning of the 12th, I was occupied in passing from Coalsmouth to Wheeling, where I preached in St. John's Church, on the evening of the 13th. 15th, In the morning I preached in St. Matthew's, Wheeling, and confirmed seven. 16th, At Wellsburg, I visited and addressed the pupils at Meade Institute. At night I preached in Christ Church, and confirmed eleven. 17th, I preached in St. John's, Brooke County, and confirmed seven.

Meade Institute, to which I have alluded, is incorporated, and under the direction of a Board of Trustees favorable to its being conducted on proper principles. They have received, by deed from the Trustees of Wellsburg Academy, two town lots, on one of which stands a commanding two-story brick building, erected for a school-house. In addition to this, more than fifty acres of land, embracing several of the beautiful hills adjoining the town, have been conveyed to the Board. On this tract there is a dwelling, occupied by the Rev. Mr. Tomkins, principal of the preparatory department, who, in addition to his parish duties, is engaged in instructing twenty-five pupils. On a most eligible and commanding site, near the dwelling of the principal, it is proposed to erect additional buildings, for the accommodation of boarders and more advanced scholars. The Institution has commenced under hopeful circumstances, and, if managed with the wisdom and prudence so indispensable to success, in such enterprises, I trust it will be extensively felt for good through this western section of our Diocese, and receive a patronage proportioned to its value.

The services rendered as President of William and Mary have been so similar to those described in my former reports, that they need not be again enumerated. Six lectures each week, together with occasional ministerial duties, have given ample employment during that portion of the year passed in Williamsburg. The number of students has this session been eighty-five, exceeding by five-and-twenty the average since the foundation of the college. I but do them justice, when I express the opinion that, for behavior and improvement, they will compare favorably with those of any institution with which I am acquainted; and when I consider the eminent qualifications of my colleagues, to whom the general instruction is intrusted, and of whom the association of now nearly four years has afforded me ample opportunity to judge, I feel every confidence in continuing to commend this college to the patronage of parents who seek for their sons an education based on the principles of sound science and Christian morality.

J. JOHNS.

The following gentlemen presented petitions for the division of certain parishes:—

H. N. Pendleton, Esq., a petition for the division of Wickliffe Parish.

Rev. Mr. Fisher, a petition for the division of St. James's Parish, Southam, Powhatan County.

Thos. M. Boyle, Esq., a petition for the division of Meade Parish, Loudon and Fauquier Counties.

All of which petitions were referred to the Committee on New Parishes. The Rev. C. B. Dana, Chairman of the Standing Committee, read the report of their proceedings during the past conventional year.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That when this Convention adjourns, it adjourn to meet in St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg, on the third Wednesday in May, 1864.

On motion, the amendment of the Rev. Mr. Whittle to the 2d sect. of Canon 11th of the Diocese of Virginia, of which notice was given yesterday, was referred to a special committee.

The Chair appointed the following gentlemen such committee:—

Rev. Mr. Whittle,	D. H. Conrad, Esq.,
“ J. Grammer,	C. T. Merriwether, Esq.

Rev. J. Grammer, from the Committee on the Fund for the Support of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, presented the following report:—

Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of the Diocese of Virginia, in account with John L. Bacon, Wm. H. Hubbard, and Thomas Nelson, Trustees :

CREDIT.

By dividend on 74 shares stock of the Exchange Bank of Virginia, July, 1852	\$296 00
“ dividend on the same, January, 1853	296 00
“ dividend on 21 shares stock of the Farmers' Bank of Vir- ginia in July, 1852	84 00
“ dividend on the same, January, 1853	84 00
“ dividend on 1 share stock of the Bank of Virginia in July, 1852	2 80
“ dividend on the same in January, 1853	2 80
Total dividends from January 1, 1852, to January 1, 1853	\$765 60

DEBIT.

August, 1852. To cash paid Mr. John Stewart, Treasurer,	\$382 80
March, 1853. To cash paid “ “ “	382 80
	<hr/>
	\$765 60

JOHN L. BACON, *Treasurer*.

Richmond, May 4, 1853.

The Clergy were then called upon for their Parochial Reports, and the same were referred to the committee on such reports.

The following Clergymen, entitled to seats in this Convention, who were not present yesterday, appeared and took their seats:—

Rev. W. C. Meredith,	Rev. H. Stringfellow,
Rev. R. T. Brown.	

Rev. C. J. Gibson, Chairman of the Committee to examine the Certificates of Lay Delegates, reported the following gentlemen, who were not

present yesterday, as duly elected to this Convention, according to the prescribed canon :—

Chas. A. Grice, St. John's Church, Portsmouth.
 Thos. M. Boyle, Meade Parish, Loudon County.
 Francis Thompson, St. Martin's Parish, Kanawha.
 Samuel Hammett, St. John's Parish, Pleasant County.
 Chas. C. Shelton, Elizabeth City County Parish.
 W. C. Leftwich, St. Stephen's Church, Bedford County.

The Rev. Dr. Jones, from the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society, presented the following report of their proceedings for the past year —

The Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society respectfully report to the Convention that the funds of the Society have been applied towards the support of the ten following ministers, occupying missionary stations in the Diocese, viz. :—

Rev. W. F. Lockwood,	Rev. J. Ambler Weed,
“ A. B. Tizzard,	“ L. P. Clover,
“ E. J. Perkins,	“ J. M. Chevers,
“ W. L. Hyland,	“ D. Tompkins,
“ J. C. McCabe,	“ Lewis Walke.

The committee think it proper to state that the appropriation to Rev. J. C. McCabe is, in part, supplied by Christ Church, Norfolk, and to Rev. Lewis Walke, entirely supplied by that church. The account of the Treasurer of the Society will be found accompanying their report.

ALEX. JONES, *Chairman.*

(See Appendix No. 3, for the Treasurer's Account.)

On motion, the Convention adjourned till 3 P. M.

3 o'clock P. M.

The Convention assembled according to adjournment.

Rev. T. T. Castleman, Chairman of the Committee on the Account of the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Society, made the following report :—

The Committee on the Account of the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Society, respectfully report that they have examined the same, and find it to be correct.

T. T. CASTLEMAN, *Chairman.*

(See Appendix No. 3, for Treasurer's Account.)

A preamble and resolution offered to the Convention at this time, were, on motion, referred to a committee of five, which the Chair declining to appoint, the following committee was elected by the Convention :—

Rev. J. Grammer,	Col. Edwd. T. Tayloe,
“ Dr. Norwood,	D. B. Fitzhugh, Esq.
“ Dr. Sparrow,	

The Committee on New Parishes then made the following report, which was received, and the applications specified therein granted—

The Committee on New Parishes report that they have had before them an application from Meade Parish, praying for a division of said parish. The requisition of the canon having been complied with, and the interest of the Church seeming to require it, they recommend the granting of this application, and that the new parish be admitted under the name of John's Parish. Application has also been made for a division of St. James's Parish, Southam, Powhatan County; the requisition of the canon having been complied with, and the necessities of the case seeming to be urgent, the committee would recommend that this application be granted, and the division made by the metes and bounds expressed in the application.

The third application is from Wickliffe Parish, Clarke County; in this case, also, the canon having been complied with, the committee recommend that the Convention sanction the division by the metes and bounds defined in the petition, and that the new parish be admitted under the style of Luther Parish.

CHARLES MANN, *Chairman.*

On motion, the Lay Delegate from St. John's, Pleasant County, was, by his request, excused from farther attendance on this Convention.

Rev. Dr. Sparrow, Chairman of the Committee to whom was referred, at the last Convention, the resolution introduced by the Rev. Mr. Norton, relative to the establishment of an ecclesiastical appellate court, read the report of the committee, as follows:—

The committee appointed on the resolutions offered at our last Convention, touching the subject of a supreme court of appeal in the general church, beg leave to report: They regret that they have to begin with the remark that, though they did not forget the matter referred to them at the close of our last Convention, they have been placed in circumstances in every view unfavorable to the satisfactory discharge of the duty devolved upon them. A meeting of the members, at which they might, by a mutual comparison of their views and a full discussion of principles, evolve the truth in their own minds, and arrive at a definite and settled conclusion, has been altogether impossible. They are under the necessity of presenting the results of very little conference and consultation.

But even if they had enjoyed every opportunity of the kind referred to, they still must confess that they have found the subject submitted to their examination to be one involved in difficulty, so much so as to admit, on their part at the best, of a somewhat diffident and hesitating conclusion.

From the past history of our American church, little light of a positive kind can be gathered. Never having had a high court of appeal in the church, we cannot from past experience say whether the establishment of such an ecclesiastical tribunal would be beneficial or injurious; much less, if one were organized, what should be the details of the arrangement. In the mother Church of England it has not been much otherwise. They have had, indeed, such a court of appeals, but it has been so seldom resorted to, and its organization is so different from anything we could have, or wish to have, that the example is of but little value. As to the other Episcopal churches, whether Papal or Protestant, throughout the world, they are so diverse from our own in character and condition, and the state of society in general, in times past, was so different from that of this nineteenth century, and

the social and civil aspect of this country is now so very peculiar, as compared with that of Europe, that it would be idle to look in the facts of the present, or the records of the past elsewhere, for anything better than the faintest analogies to guide our judgments. It would seem to your committee that, if anything be determined in this matter, it must, for the most part, be upon general principles gathered by induction from facts existing in our own midst. Should we go to the non-Episcopal churches to gather lessons of experience, here, of course, the analogies must be fainter still.

The idea of a superior appellate court is *obvious* enough, suggested by the history of nearly all government, whether civil or ecclesiastical; and yet, in one view, that only increases the perplexity, for it may be fairly asked, if so very obvious in idea, and, as a matter of fact, so uniform in the practice of the world and the church, how happens it that now, for the first time, the establishment of such a court should be seriously and at all extensively occupying the minds of the members of our church. It could not have been an oversight. That far-seeing and judicious man, the father of the American Church, good Bishop White, must have often pondered the subject, but still he *did* nothing. No doubt the cause of this forbearance and inaction on the part of Bishop White, and those other men, clerical and lay, who were concerned in laying the foundation of the Protestant Episcopacy in the United States, in part was, that they saw the subject to be encompassed with many and peculiar difficulties. A feeling of this kind must have more or less swayed them and their descendants and successors; otherwise some action must have been taken in relation to it long ago.

The subjects which would be brought before the kind of court under consideration would be either those of moral discipline, those of rubric and canon, or those of doctrine. Now, for the sake of the first, a court of final appeal, above those now existing, whether for the inferior clergy in the dioceses, or for the superior in the House of Bishops, would not seem to your committee very necessary. We may leave such matters—may we not?—with a full assurance that substantial justice will generally result in the hands of the tribunals already existing.

As to questions of doctrine, we are free to confess that we have great unwillingness to submit them to any decision which might by possibility grow into an authoritative precedent, but that of the whole church, fully apprized what it was about to do, deeply sensible of the responsibility of the work, and acting in the matter *directly*, so far as a direct action can be had. Doctrine is the first great element in the church of Christ. Nothing else will in any way compete with it in importance. Where Christian truth is, there, through the promised blessing of the Spirit, will be found Christian power. Other things may advance or may hinder the progress of this truth, but the original, intrinsic energy for converting and sanctifying man (the proper business of the church of Christ) is to be found only in connection with the truth. He that came into the world to convince it of sin, of righteousness, and judgment, makes use of it as his proper instrument for this proper work. The *word of God* is the sword of the Spirit. Truth, then, being so infinitely precious to the church, constituting a prime part of its being, and the chief instrument of its efficiency, how very jealous ought we to be over the standards of doctrine which, in the providence of God, have been given to our communion; as we have them, we believe them to be superior to any other in Christendom. Though, as human compilations, according to our own principles, we cannot believe them absolutely perfect, any more than we think ourselves really infallible (we leave such folly and presump-

tion to the Church of Rome), still, we believe the English Reformers and the founders of the American church to have had vouchsafed to them extraordinary wisdom in what they *did* and what they left *undone* in the drawing up our standards of doctrine. Putting, therefore, this estimate upon them, we are not willing to see anything done which by any possibility might introduce a change in this regard in any other than the most direct, open, and universally contemplated way. A supreme court, in the adjudication of doctrinal controversies, *might* give us a series of decisions, which, regarded as authoritative interpretations of our existing standards of doctrine, would insensibly lead us off from our original Protestant ground, and bring us at last to conclusions which the church would have revolted at in the first instance, if broadly and distinctly proposed to it, and would have revolted at as subversive of the plain grammatical sense of our creeds, as handed down to us from the beginning of the Reformation. Especially is such a result to be dreaded and guarded against, inasmuch as the history of our church, both here and in England, in the opinions of what may be called *its personelle*, as distinguished from the *materiel* of its written symbols, might furnish some occasion and pretext for bringing about thus silently a revolution in our doctrine. If ever any change is made in our doctrine, which, as said before, is the very soul of the church, it should be done openly and above board, all the church knowing what was going on, all the church prepared for the occasion, and all the church taking an intelligent part in the transaction.

And it is not silent change alone, designed or undesigned, which is to be feared as a consequence of a court of appeal in doctrinal matters. The decisions might be in harmony with the plain grammatical sense of our standards, with just such modifications as the state of religious opinion at the founding of the American Church might seem to require, and still they might prove very disastrous to the well-being of the church, and destructive of one of her peculiar excellencies. One of these is, that she is a comprehensive church; that, while very far from being latitudinarian, while she is Scriptural, orthodox, evangelical, Episcopal, and Protestant, she does not seek to tie up her ministers, and much less her members, to every refinement of doctrine to which even her own system might be legitimately carried. She would allow for the different degrees of original mental constitution and of educational development among them; for habit of thought accidentally acquired; for mental idiosyncrasies, and all the other causes of difference which exist among fallible creatures, as far as possible; being persuaded it is best for the individual mind, best for the individual conscience, and best for the piety and peace of the whole body. But this characteristic excellence of our church and its administration would probably be much reduced, if not destroyed, by the decisions of a court of appeal. As every succeeding council of old narrowed the ground for the members of the church, so each succeeding court would narrow that of the clergy among us; and we might have at last a platform of doctrine altogether too restricted for practical use. Admit, even, that it was absolutely and in itself considered more perfect for these very additions, relatively it would be made thereby more imperfect, being unadapted to the use of such imperfect creatures; though Saul's own armor, the very best in the kingdom, it would be unsuitable to David, the servant of the Lord.

But there yet remains another class of cases to be noticed, for which a high court of appeal might possibly be necessary, and that is, cases of dispute about rubric and canon. We are aware that this last class is sometimes nearly related to and closely connected with the other two classes; but still they are perfectly distinguishable, and, for the most part, separable from the latter.

Now, these latter would seem to your committee to admit and require a court of appeal much more than either of the others, and we are not prepared to say that with reference to such, under certain circumstances, a court would not be desirable. But even here, we think, the call for such a tribunal is by no means urgent, not certainly so urgent as to make the establishment of a court for these alone at all expedient at the present time. The matter of rubrics and canons is very seldom, if at all, *vital*.

It may be *important*, but, however important, it does not enter into the essential character of the church, nor essentially affect its efficiency and usefulness. So long as the doctrine of the church is untouched, and the clergy are left free to *preach* it, they need not fear much injury to the character of the church, or to the success of their own labors as a proper spiritual work. Besides, without abating unduly the importance of rubrical and canonical questions, if they are the only ones to be provided for, the present provision would seem to be so adequate as to make it unwise and hazardous, at the present crisis, to seek anything farther. Our General and Diocesan Conventions may, for the present, be trusted with them. So long as the doctrinal and moral character of the church is sound, it cannot go far astray in matters of form and administration.

Should an unwise step be taken in such matters by one General Convention, we may hope that it will be corrected by another; and should a Diocesan court come to an unrighteous decision in one case, if the more excellent way of some neighboring diocese does not shame that diocese into correcter notions, we may hope that time will do so, by the changes which it will bring about therein. There is one corrective to which a church substantially Scriptural, and therefore substantially evangelical, may always look to for evils that may arise within it; a corrective which the State cannot anticipate, at least with such special faith, for the analogous evils which are incident to it; and that is, the outpouring of God's Spirit, the revival of religion as an inner life and a heavenly power. Where the truth is, there such visitations may be, and should be looked and prayed for; and, when they are vouchsafed, many evils, which before seemed organically connected with the body, are spontaneously sloughed off as extraneous to it.

The evils which have given occasion, in part, for the stirring of the subject on which your committee are now reporting, in the last General Convention, and our last Diocesan Convention, and, for aught we know, in several others also, are those which have been the subject of deep, heart-searching, and poignant grief among all true Protestant Episcopalians. We refer to the perversions to the Church of Rome from the body of our clergy and laity, especially the former. Too much importance, in our view, can hardly be attached to them. Whatever may be thought of the individuals, personally considered, that so many men, born, brought up, and educated in a Protestant country, and then ordained, employed, and promoted in a Protestant church, should break away from the salutary influences of Scripture instruction, and the authority of a spiritual religion, and give themselves up to the delusion, and bondage, and superstition of the Church of Rome, the moral influence of which, as the reclaimed pervert Connelly has well shown, is its sufficient condemnation; this certainly should arouse our attention, and lead us anxiously to inquire what is the cause and what is the remedy of so great an evil. We doubt exceedingly, however, whatever be the cure, whether the measure proposed would conduce to that end. If judicial action is the desideratum to check Romanizing tendencies, it is quite superfluous to be providing a high court of appeal, until the lower courts

have acted, and their action has been complained of as a grievance. But it is notorious nothing of the kind has taken place. The perverts have all gone without the slightest disciplinary handling. If anything is to be complained of, it is not that the lower courts have acted wrongly, but that they have not acted at all. If, on the other hand, as may seem to some to be implied in the fact that the church has allowed these men to hold Romanistic sentiments, and to go on changing till they have become all-out Roman Catholic, and attached themselves formally to the Church of Rome (as they had done long before in heart and spirit), and *that* without one word of official warning, one act of official censure; if, we say, in view of this, and other important features of this movement, which might be mentioned, the conclusion in our minds should be, that the evil is too deep to be reached or remedied by anything so superficial as a court, whether superior or inferior; then it is plain our eyes should be turned in another direction, and we should look to the general church for some primary and fundamental action which will forever remove the *occasion* of these departures from the faith in our communion, whatever it may be, and effectually shut the door, or rather close the crevice by which they found an entrance among us.

In view of these considerations, your committee do not feel strongly impelled to favor the movement made at our last General Convention towards the organizing of a supreme court in the church, and likely to be farther prosecuted at the next. They think it a happy circumstance, however, that the subject has been brought before this Convention by the resolutions which have been submitted to it. The question of a court, whether it shall be or not be, is most important, and if decided in the affirmative, then what form it shall assume, and what shall be its jurisdiction and its powers, is also most important. While, therefore, your committee are not at present very decided on these questions, they are ready to offer, in conclusion, for the adoption of this body, the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the question of a supreme court of appeal is one of the first importance, whichever way decided by our church; and that, if brought before the next General Convention as part of the unfinished business of the last, it should receive the deep and earnest attention of the delegates of this body.

On motion, the committee was discharged, and their report made the order of business for 8½ o'clock to-morrow morning.

The election of the Standing Committee, and of delegates to the General Convention, being the business in order for the hour (4 P. M.), the same was called up, and resulted in the following elections:—

Delegates to the General Convention :

CLERICAL.	LAY.
Rev. Wm. Sparrow, D. D.,	W. H. McFarland, Esq.,
“ Wm. Norwood, D. D.,	Philip Williams, “
“ C. W. Andrews,	D. H. Conrad, “
“ Wm. Armstrong.	Edwd. T. Tayloe “

Alternates for the same :

CLERICAL.	LAY.
Rev. T. T. Castleman,	Hugh W. Sheffey, Esq.,
“ C. Walker,	E. P. Hunter, “
“ J. F. Hoff,	R. H. Cunningham, “
“ Wm. Friend.	Saml. W. Shelton, “

The following were elected the Standing Committee:—

Rev. C. B. Dana,	Dr. Orlando Fairfax,
“ Wm. Sparrow, D. D.,	Cassius F. Lee, Esq.,
“ J. T. Johnson,	J. F. Hoof.

On motion, S. W. Shelton, Esq., was, at his request, excused from farther attendance on this Convention.

Rev. C. J. Gibson, Chairman of the Committee to examine the certificates of Lay Delegates, reported the following gentlemen, who were not present this morning, to have been duly elected delegates to this Convention, and they accordingly took their seats:—

Robt. J. McCandlish, St. Paul's Church, Weston, Lewis County.
G. R. C. Allen, Christ Church, Clarksburg, Harrison County.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 8½ o'clock.

FRIDAY, 8½ o'clock A. M., May 20, 1853.

The Convention assembled at the appointed hour, and was opened with prayer by the Rt. Rev. John Johns.

The Secretary then read the journal of yesterday's proceedings.

The following clergymen, entitled to seats in this Convention, who were not present before, appeared to-day:—

Rev. W. H. Kinkle,	Rev. W. H. Pendleton.
“ W. H. L. Temple,	

The following preamble and resolution were offered, and laid upon the table for future consideration, other business being at the time in order.

Whereas, The Protestant Episcopal Church acknowledges her obligations, and professes herself to be a missionary church; therefore

Resolved, That in view of the great scarcity of clergy, the ministers of this large, and still, to a great extent, destitute diocese, be requested, either agreeably to their own arrangements in their convocations, or otherwise, to extend a portion of their labors to such fields as may be destitute in their respective vicinities; and, furthermore, that the parishes which have pastors, be requested to allow a reasonable portion of their time for this purpose.

The business in order being the report of the committee presented yesterday, in reference to the formation of an ecclesiastical court of appeals, the discussion of the same was commenced, pending which the Convention adjourned over to 3 P. M.

FRIDAY, 3 o'clock P. M.

Convention assembled at the appointed hour.

The subject under consideration at the time of adjournment this morning was again taken up, and concluded by the adoption of the resolution reported by the committee on the same.

The Special Committee, to whom were referred the preamble and resolution offered yesterday, presented the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted:—

We, the clerical and lay delegates of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Virginia, in Convention assembled, deeply regretting that our beloved Diocesan, for the first time in the twenty-four years of his episcopate, is now prevented, by serious and painful indisposition, from being present with us in our annual meeting; and, being thus deprived of his cheering and fatherly presence, would take this occasion of his absence for giving expression to our heartfelt sympathy with him in his affliction—to our grateful sense of his well-known, long-continued, and most devotedly useful services, both as a presbyter and bishop in this diocese, and to our unabated confidence in the purity of motive and high Christian disinterestedness which have prompted and characterized his conduct, not only in those labors which related especially to the welfare of the church in Virginia, but also in such episcopal acts beyond the bounds of this diocese, in which a high sense of official duty has constrained him to engage.

Be it therefore Resolved, That the Secretary of the Convention communicate to the Rt. Rev. William Meade this expression of our sympathy and confidence.

Rev. F. M. Whittle, Chairman of the Committee to whom was referred the amendment proposed to the 2d sect. of Canon 11th of the Diocese of Virginia, reported as follows:—

The committee to whom was referred the proposed amendment to the 11th canon, respectfully report that the said amendment would, in their opinion, be inexpedient.

F. M. WHITTLE, *Chairman*.

Rev. C. B. Dana, Chairman of the Committee on the Episcopal Fund, made the following report:—

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund have received from the Treasurer thereof, Washington C. Page, Esq., of Alexandria, the following statement in reference to the amount and condition of said fund, which they beg leave to present to the Convention as their report. They have examined this statement, and found it to be correct, and believe that the fund is safely invested and judiciously managed.

CHARLES B. DANA, *Chairman*.

The Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund reports that, since the last Convention, he has purchased nine shares of Farmers' Bank of Virginia stock, at one hundred and seven dollars per share, leaving a balance in his hands of sixty-nine dollars, as per statement, viz. :—

CREDITS.

Balance of cash on hand, reported May, 1852	.	.	\$39 00
Dividends received from Exchange Bank of Va.	.	.	480 00
“ “ Farmers' Bank of Va.	.	.	896 00
“ “ Bank of the Valley in Va.	.	.	90 00
“ “ Bank of Alexandria	.	.	27 00

Carried forward \$1,032 00

COSO000240

CHANGES.	
Brought forward	\$1,082 00
Cash paid for nine shares Farmers' Bank of Va. stock	963 00
Balance	<u>\$69 00</u>
The fund consists now of—	
60 shares of Exchange Bank of Va. stock	\$6,000 00
56 " Farmers' Bank of Va. "	5,600 00
10 " Bank of the Valley "	1,000 00
Cash on hand	69 00
	<u>\$12,669 00</u>
Amount of the fund last year	11,789 00
Increase	<u>980 00</u>

Respectfully submitted.

WASHINGTON C. PAGE, *Treasurer.*

Alexandria, May 10, 1853.

The Rev. C. B. Dana, on behalf of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary and the High School, made the following report:—

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND THE EPISCOPAL HIGH SCHOOL OF VIRGINIA.

The Trustees of these institutions of the Diocese respectfully report to the Convention that the Theological Seminary under their care has been in a prosperous condition during the last year. It is true that the number of students, though larger than the average number for the last few years, is less than at some former periods, a fact which in these times, in which so many of our own parishes are vacant, and so great a demand for clergymen exists in every part of our country, is greatly to be regretted. We have need, therefore, of increasing and importunate prayer throughout the church, that the "Chief Shepherd and Bishop of Souls" will greatly increase the number of vigilant and true pastors of His flock, and of able and faithful ministers of His word and sacraments.

From the reports of the Professors it appears that the usual amount of labor has been performed on their part, and of diligent study on the part of the students, who, we trust, are thereby becoming qualified for efficient usefulness in the church of Christ.

The amount of the permanent funds of the Seminary, now invested, is about sixty-six thousand dollars.

THE HIGH SCHOOL.—Since the last Convention, the Rev. Mr. Dalrymple has resigned the rectorship of the High School, and the Trustees have appointed in his place the Rev. John P. McGuire, of Essex County, Virginia. While we greatly regretted the loss of the able and faithful services of the late rector, we deem ourselves fortunate in the choice of his successor, under whose judicious and paternal administration, with the assistance of a thoroughly qualified and efficient corps of teachers, the institution has prospered beyond our expectations, without any serious inconvenience or embarrassment, such as might have naturally been apprehended from an entire change of principal and assistants. The institution contains at present seventy pupils, and there is every prospect of its continued and increased

success. We trust that it will ever remain an institution of sound learning, morality, and religion, and that it will become a fruitful nursery of the ministry of the church.

The reports of the several Professors of the Seminary and the Rector of the High School, which are subjoined, will exhibit more particularly the condition of their respective departments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

REPORT OF THE PROFESSOR OF CHURCH HISTORY AND CHURCH POLITY.

The usual course in the studies committed to my care has been followed by the senior and middle classes. A review of the whole is now about to be entered on. The senior class have given attention to the composition and delivery of sermons, one sermon being delivered each week.

In the absence of the Bishop, from indisposition, the study of his lectures on Pastoral Theology, by the senior class, falls under my care.

JAMES MAY.

Theological Seminary, May 14, 1853.

REPORT OF THE PROFESSOR OF SYSTEMATIC DIVINITY AND THE EVIDENCES OF CHRISTIANITY.

But little variation from the last year's report is necessary. The studies have been the same in the three classes, except that the middle class has read, as an extra duty, Reid's "Intellectual Powers," with the notes of Sir William Hamilton. To several of the class the exercise has been very serviceable. In general preparation and punctual attendance in the recitation-room, the conduct of all the classes has been entirely satisfactory.

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM SPARROW.

REPORT OF THE PROFESSOR OF BIBLICAL LITERATURE.

The classes under my instruction have pursued the prescribed course of study, and have made the usual progress. I think it unnecessary to enter into further detail, as it would not vary essentially from preceding reports.

As Librarian, I would further report that there have been added to the library, during the past year, about sixty volumes, at the cost of about seventy-five dollars. Several works have been ordered, and are expected soon. The annual appropriation for this year, and the interest on the Betts legacy have not yet been drawn from the Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted.

J. PACKARD.

May 18, 1853.

REPORT OF THE RECTOR OF THE HIGH SCHOOL.

To the Trustees of the Episcopal High School of Virginia:

The Rector begs leave respectfully to make his report for the session of 1852-3.

After his appointment to this post, which took place in August last, he immediately resigned the charge of his parishes in Essex County, and with as much expedition as possible prepared for the opening of the school. His appointment was so late,

and there was so much to do in closing his affairs in Essex, together with the providing of teachers, &c. for the school, that the present session could not be opened at the usual period; but, by the good providence of God, there was a delay of but one week, everything being ready by the third, instead of the second Wednesday in September.

It was feared that the resignation of my predecessor, and the consequent appointment of an entire new set of officers, might interfere with the prosperity of the institution. Our fears, however, have not been realized, the usual indications of success having attended our efforts from the commencement of the session, and the prospect for the future continuing to be encouraging. Of the ample corps of teachers it is but justice to say that they have been very faithful and successful in the discharge of their duties. The pupils, as a whole, are of a superior order, possessing fine intellectual endowments and great respectability of character. With only such occasional difficulties as must be expected, a spirit of good-will and industry has constantly existed among them, leading to a large amount of voluntary study in addition to the labors of the school-room, and a degree of improvement highly satisfactory. The religious services and the instruction of the Bible classes have been regularly attended to. The influence of these daily and weekly exercises, it is hoped, has been healthful; but, like the congregations of the church, we have to lament the want of spiritual fruit, without which all else is comparatively of no value.

JOHN P. MCGUIRE,

Rector of the Episcopal High School of Virginia.

The preamble and resolution offered this morning, relative to the exertions of clergymen out of the bounds of their own parishes, which were then laid on the table, were at this time taken up and adopted.

Rev. Dr. Sparrow, Chairman of the Committee on the State of the Church, made the following report:—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Committee on the State of the Church beg leave to report as follows:—

As the interval from one Convention to another is not long, and as at every Convention of the church a report on the subject submitted to your committee is called for, it must needs be that a great similarity must mark the statements thus annually made. It is not the less necessary, however, that the report be called for, and be rendered. If the seaman makes even hourly observations of the state of the weather, the church may well take annual note of the condition of the spiritual heavens. Every true Christian must have a desire to know what progress the visible church is making in accomplishing the work which the Divine Head has assigned her, in building up that kingdom which is righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

So far as your committee have been enabled to gather, whether from their own observation or that of others, no very marked change has taken place within our Diocesan bounds during the last year. If, in some locations, there may seem to be lacking the ordinary measure of life and spirit, it is counterbalanced by an increase in others; and when we attempt to fix in our own minds the average of our religious state for the whole Diocese, we are led to the humble hope that, though not by any means in the degree that might be wished, still it is an improving one. One indication

of this is an increased attention, in many places, to the important cause of Sunday-school instruction. The children, we find, are sought after and gathered in with more zeal than formerly, and visited more faithfully, and that more diligence and seriousness are exhibited in their religious training. In this work, besides books and other publications long in use, the *Parish Visitor* and the *Standard Bearer* have been found very helpful, the latter being especially beneficial to the scholar, and the former to the teacher, and, indeed, to adult Christians generally. No person can make a spiritually efficient Sabbath-school instructor, who does not prepare himself for his work by special prayer for God's blessing on his labors, and by a direct effort to qualify himself in mind and heart, by religious reading, for the discharge of his duties, duties so very near akin in spirit to those of the sacred ministry. A great deal of the kind of reading adapted to this particular end is to be found in the periodicals referred to, and in some others of the religious journals of the church, especially in your Diocesan paper, the *Southern Churchman*, which, by its Christian and gentlemanly bearing, its unflinching judiciousness, and its intelligent discussions of all the great questions of the day, has for a considerable time been rendering most essential service to the church. We consider it a sign for good in the condition of the church, when the circulation of such publications is increasing; and we hope the time is not distant when every family within our ecclesiastical bounds will be blessed by them, their weekly and monthly visits giving a new impulse to religious thought, and quickening the heart with religious emotion.

Another particular of encouragement: it makes us hopeful in regard to our condition as a church, that the *laity* seem to be taking a more active part than formerly in the spiritual as well as temporal interest of our communion. In these eventful times, this is an important fact. Accurate observers have been led to remark, both in this country and in England, that, so far as the class of mere instruments is concerned, the hope of the church for escape from the troubles which beset her is the laity. Perhaps the evils which we at this day deplore may be in part owing to this, that in former times the laity did not, in the measure and spirit of their calling, stand in their lot and discharge the duties belonging to them; that by transferring to other hands what should have been tended by their own, they violated practically the proportion which the Spirit has established in the church between clerical and laic functions and administrations; and that this practical error has led to a corresponding theoretical error, or at least has fostered and sustained it. Be this as it may, we think there are indications that the laity are beginning to discover that they have an integral and substantive part, and above the mere supply of pecuniary means, in the great work which Christ has committed to his church; that, holding as they do the Holy Scriptures, the common standard of divine truth, in their hands, they ought to be jealous for the purity of Christian doctrine; and that, possessed as they are of the influence which piety, intelligence, and prominent station carry with them, they ought to be, in every way which does not trench upon the public preaching of the word and the administration of the sacraments, active for the diffusion of the truth throughout society and in the hearts of men. This is as it should be, for it is eminently scriptural and Protestant. We pray that these indications may continue to increase. It may also be properly mentioned here, that it seems to your committee that this is one of the good results which God is working for us out of the notorious evils under which we labor as a church at this time. If the supineness of the laity, and their readiness to let their own proper duties be discharged by proxy, or go altogether neglected, may have in any measure, contributed

to bring about existing evils, we trust the magnitude of these evils will be made the means of teaching the laity a solemn and long-to-be-remembered lesson, that their Master cannot dispense with their services in the affairs of his kingdom; and that by failing to take a free and effective share in the various causes of truth and love which should engage the energies of the church, and to qualify themselves for it by scriptural study and the cultivation of a high style of Christian character, they expose their Zion to the inroad of error even amongst its ministers, and the cause of the gospel to decline and shame.

In saying that it seems to your committee the present state of things in our Church is being made the means of waking up our laity to a sense of their spiritual privileges, we cannot sufficiently thank God that if our laity are thus in any measure aroused, it is not by what they see in their own midst, but what they hear of as occurring in other dioceses. God be praised, Virginia has not had cause, thus far, to deplore defections to Rome, whether from her clergy or laity; and that so far from any tendency existing in the diocese in that way, we think the tide is manifestly setting back, and that we are beginning to feel, more deeply than ever, that the only infallible standard of religious truth upon the earth is the Inspired Word; and that the best human exhibition of the contents of that word is to be found in the precious documents left us by the English Reformers, the Articles, Homilies, and Prayer Book; read and interpreted as common sense would dictate, under the Spirit of God, in the light of the more practical exhibition of their views, given us by these noble men in their collected works. The effect of all that has transpired beyond our diocesan limits, has been only to make us more deeply feel that adherence to these divine and human standards, and to the latter as thus historically interpreted, is our chief security for the continuance of spiritual freedom, truth, and purity among us; and is also the only proper preparation for that great conflict of religious opinions which seems to be approaching throughout Christendom.

Twenty years ago, our Protestant brethren, escaping from the misapprehensions which they had inherited, or accidentally taken up, were beginning to turn towards our Church, as a communion in which they might enjoy freedom and peace, and cultivate Christian knowledge and spiritual religion with special advantage. That movement has undoubtedly been checked by evils of which we have been speaking. It is pleasant, however, to observe that *all* have not thus mistaken *accidental* for an *essential, inherent* evil; but that, on the contrary, many of this class, in connection with the scattered members of our own fold, are at this time ready and anxious to receive and profit by pastors sent forth by our Church. In many places in Virginia, east and west of the mountains, the people are calling for her ministrations.

This leads your committee, in conclusion, to notice a topic of regret which ought to be brought at this time, and in this Convention, distinctly before the mind of the Church. We refer to the great want of young men looking forward to the ministry in our communion. Our present deficiency in pastors would be a comparatively small evil if we had a good prospect of a speedy supply. But, alas, we have not. The number of youth looking forward to the ministry is small everywhere throughout the Church; and Virginia has a full share of the evil. Our young men are indeed actively looking round, and inquiring who will show them good; but few of them seek and find that good in the ministry of the Word of God. The increase of our national territory, the many doors opened to enterprise and ambition, and the numerous exciting interests of an earthly kind which characterize our day, draw off the youthful heart; so that, in proportion to former years, there is a sad deficiency

of candidates for orders among us, as indeed among other religious denominations. And while the ordinary proportion of young men is not found ready to give themselves to the cause of the gospel and mankind, the population of the country, in addition to natural growth, is receiving a mighty accession every year from foreign immigration. Your committee feel that they ought to call the attention of the church in this diocese, and indeed everywhere, if they could, to the fearful rate at which this influx of population is outrunning the means of grace provided to bring these people under gospel influence, and train them up for the duties of citizens of the Republic, and members of the Church of Christ. This topic demands to be borne continually in the mind of the Church. It should be the subject of unceasing prayer. When we present the petition, "thy kingdom come," we should give it this as one important application; and at the same time a discreet, but earnest effort should be made, by both clergy and laity, to bring the subject of the wants of the Church and the world before the minds of our pious youth. In addition, and finally we would say, that while we *thus* seek to increase the number of candidates for the ministry, earnest care should be taken, in the steady and liberal maintenance of our Education and Diocesan Missionary Societies, that those who offer themselves for preparation for the ministry, and those who offer themselves for missionary work in the diocese, be adequately sustained, so far as they may stand in need.

Respectfully submitted.

Rev. Mr. Wingfield and Rev. John Cooke appeared.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the proprietors of the several Railroad and Steamboat Companies who reduced their fare to the members.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the citizens of Wheeling, for the hospitable entertainment of its members.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be tendered to the pastors who offered the use of their various churches to the clergy of this Convention.

On motion, the following gentlemen were elected the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society:—

Rt. Rev. Wm. Meade, D. D., <i>ex-officio</i> ,	Rev. Geo. Woodbridge,
" John Johns, D. D., "	John O. Steager, <i>Secretary</i> .
Rev. Adam Empie, D. D., "	John L. Bacon, <i>Treasurer</i> .
" Alexander Jones, D. D.	

On motion, the Treasurer of the Convention was ordered to pay ten dollars to the doorkeeper.

On motion, two thousand copies of the Journal of this Convention were ordered to be printed.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report and resolution, which were adopted:—

The Committee on Finance report that they have examined the account of the Treasurer of the Convention, and found it sustained by sufficient vouchers. The

balance due to the Treasurer on the 18th of May, 1852, of two hundred and nineteen dollars and ninety-one cents, has increased to the sum of four hundred and twenty-six dollars and thirty-three cents on the 12th of May, 1853. For the details, the committee refer to the statement marked A, accompanying this report, which they recommend to be printed in the Journal.

Statement B shows the contributions to the contingent fund paid to the Treasurer *pro tem.* at this Convention. Their sum is \$4,296 40. Twenty-two dollars and ninety cents have been paid on account of former delinquencies, as per statement C. Of the delinquencies for 1852, amounting to \$464 12, only fifty-six dollars have been paid to the Treasurer in Richmond, *viz.* : two dollars from Washington Parish; one dollar from Montross Parish, Westmoreland County; and fifty-three dollars from St. John's Church, at Wheeling.

In statement D is a list of the churches which have failed to pay their contributions to this Convention. The committee is unable to state the precise amount of these delinquencies, as it will be seen but few reports of the number of white communicants in each church have been referred to the committee. The amount, however, is very large. The deficit in the treasury shows the necessity of making earnest efforts to collect, without delay, the dues of the several churches. The failure of many churches to be represented at this Convention is, doubtless, the cause of most of the delinquencies. The committee recommend the adoption of the annexed resolution:—

Resolved, That the clergy and vestries of the delinquent churches be earnestly requested to remit their quotas to the Treasurer in Richmond as early as practicable.

Respectfully submitted.

EDW. T. TAYLOR, *Chairman.*

For statements A, B, C, D, see Appendix No. 4.

The Committee on Parochial Reports made the following report:—

The Committee on Parochial Reports would respectfully report that they have examined and prepared for publication in the Journal 87 parochial reports. The usual abstract and synopsis of their contents has also been made, and the whole is herewith presented to be entered on the Journal.

C. J. GIBSON, *Chairman.*

There being no further business before the Convention, the minutes were read and the Convention adjourned, after appropriate religious exercises by the President, to meet in St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg, on the third Wednesday in May, 1854.

JOHN JOHNS, *President of the Convention.*

GEORGE D. CUMMINS, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

A.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ACCOMAC COUNTY.

St. George's Parish.

The REV. J. AMBLER WHEED, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 1; white infants, 8; total, 4. Communicants—added, 4; total, 16. Marriages—white, 8. Funerals—white, 5. Sunday-schools, 1.

ALBEMARLE COUNTY.

Fredericksville Parish.

The REV. S. R. SLACK, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 1; white infants, 11; total, 12. Communicants—added, 2; removed, 4; died, 2; total, 40. Marriages—white, 8. Funerals—white, 8; colored, 4; total, 7. Sunday-schools, 1; teachers, 6; scholars, 80. Colored catechumens, 40. Colored Missionary Society members, 82. Families—white, 48. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$189 24; and amount contributed to build S. S. chapel about \$200.

ALEXANDRIA AND FAIRFAX COUNTIES.

Christ Church, Alexandria—Fairfax Parish.

REV. CHARLES B. DANA, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 8; white infants, 11; colored adults, 1; colored infants, 6; total, 21. Communicants—added, white, 9; from other cures, 11; removed, 13; withdrawn, 2; died, 3; present number—white, 122; colored, 8; total, 130; Confirmed—white, 7. Marriages—white, 6; colored, 2; total, 8. Funerals—white, 15. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion about \$1000.

St. Paul's Church, Alexandria.

REV. J. T. JOHNSTON, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 8; white infants, 89; colored adults, 1; colored infants, 6; total, 49. Communicants—added, white, 17; colored, 1; removed, 11; withdrawn, 3; died, 6; present number—white, 155; colored, 8; total, 158. Funerals—

rales—white, 20. Marriages—white, 10. Sunday-schools, 1; teachers, 24; scholars, 169. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$1,283 62.

AMELIA AND POWHATAN COUNTIES.

Raleigh and Genito Parishes.

The REV. P. F. BEKKELEY, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 8; total, 8. Communicants—added, white, 4; colored, 8; removed, 4; present number—white, 48; colored, 4; total, 47. Confirmed—white, 2; colored, 8; total, 5. Funerals—white, 4; colored, 8; total, 7. Families, 26.

The Rector is thankful to report a new church of brick, completed near the site of the old Grub Hill Church, Raleigh Parish, and consecrated in June last; cost, \$2,400; paid, except a small balance, the payment of which has been provided for. It is also gratifying to state that, through the united efforts of the Leighton convocation and some friends, a missionary has been located at Paineville, in the upper part of Raleigh Parish; and is there and at two other places, one in Powhatan and one in Cumberland, laboring, as we believe, faithfully, with profit to the cause of religion and the church. It is much to be desired that the Diocesan Missionary Society will continue undiminished its aid to his support at least one year longer.

AMELIA COUNTY.

Chinquopin Church, Paineville Parish.

REV. JNO. M. CHEVERS, Missionary.

Your missionary came to his field of labor in September last. Previous to his coming, a Sunday-school had been organized at this church by the pious efforts of a lady, numbering about 20 scholars. I commenced a system of visiting every family within three miles of the church, which practice, by the help of God, I shall always observe. Our school has from that time been steadily increasing; although the roads have been universally bad during the past winter, yet they have not prevented the children from coming. For two years past, the neighborhood has been deprived of regular preaching, and the majority of the people have never known what it is to have the services of a pastor. Number of male teachers in our S. school, 7; female teachers, 11; total, 18; number of scholars, 98. With the exception of 6 boys and 4 girls, all the children living within three miles of the church attend our school; and I have reason to believe that they also will soon be added to the number. The old church was sadly in need of repairs, so much so that during the winter months we were obliged to hold our services in the Masonic Hall. I am happy to state, however, that about \$400 have been subscribed for the purpose of repairing the old Episcopal church. For many years it has been used as a free church, and is being repaired as such. I have administered the sacrament of baptism to two adults, 1 male, 1 female. Marriages, 8; 1 white, 2 colored. Total number of communicants, 8. A visit from the Bishop would be most acceptable, as there are several candidates for confirmation. Our prospects for building up the church are encouraging, and we hope, in about two years, to be able to sustain ourselves without the aid of the Missionary Society. The ladies of the congregation have formed a Dorcas Society, and have supplied all the poor children of the parish with comfortable clothing, so that nothing can prevent them from coming to school.

We have collected \$23, which we have laid out in Sunday-school books. Will not some kind friend of the church send us a donation? I preach once a month at a Methodist chapel in Powhatan County, and at a free church in Cumberland County, having large and attentive congregations at both places. I preach regularly every Sunday afternoon to the servants.

AMHERST COUNTY.

Latimer Parish.

The REV. T. F. MARTIN, Rector.

Communicants—added, 4; removed, 2; withdrawn, 1; died, 1; present number, 80. Baptisms—adults, 1; infants, 2. Confirmations, 4. Funerals, 2. Amounts collected for the different institutions of the church as follows: Missions, \$40 50; Staunton Female Seminary, \$7 88; Convention Fund, \$51 88; inclosing Ascension Church, \$85.

The subscriber took charge of Latimer Parish in September, 1852; he officiates at each of the four churches in the parish regularly once a month, and also on the fifth Sundays at the Ivy Hill free church. He believes he can truly report the parish to be in an encouraging condition.

Amherst County Mission.

REV. EDMUND CHRISTIAN, Missionary.

Your missionary reports that he has been engaged in performing missionary labor at the Poor-House, at Sardes, and at Poplar Meeting-House during the past year. The congregations have been large and attentive, and he indulges the hope that good has been done. But he feels that deeper devotion to the cause of heaven, and greater efforts for the salvation of souls, are requisite to meet the demands on the ministry at the present time.

Funerals, 4. Marriages, 9.

AUGUSTA COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Augusta Parish.

REV. T. T. CASTLEMAN, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 12; colored infants, 5; total, 17. Communicants—added, white, 5; removed, 5; present number, white, 84; colored, 5; total, 89. Marriages—white, 9; colored, 7. Funerals—white, 8; colored, 10; total, 18. Sunday-schools, 1; teachers, 19; scholars, 80. Families, 72. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$368.

BEDFORD COUNTY.

St. Stephen's Church, Hamner Parish.

REV. RICHARD H. WILMER, Rector.

Communicants—last reported, 65 white; 1 colored; total, 66; added, 4; died, 3; removed, 6; suspended, 4; present number—57 white. Baptisms—infants, white, 6. Marriages—white, 8. Funerals, 7.

BERKELEY COUNTY.

Mt. Zion Church, Hedgesville; and Calvary Church, Back Creek, Norborne Parish.

REV. D. FRANCIS SPRIGG, Rector.

Baptisms—colored infants, 2. Communicants—added, white, 8; removed, 2; present number, 69; total, 69. Confirmed—white, 8. Funerals—white, 2. Total amount of contributions, \$28.

Trinity Church, Martinsburg.

REV. D. FRANCIS SPRIGG, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 7; colored infants, 10; total, 17. Communicants—added, white, 7; removed, 2; withdrawn, 1; died, 2; present number—white, 44. Confirmed—white, 5. Marriages—white, 6; colored, 2. Funerals—white, 6. Teachers, 12. Scholars, 55. Sunday-school, 1. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$105.

BOTETOUT COUNTY.

Botetout Parish, St. Mark's Church.

REV. F. M. BAKER, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 8. Communicants—added, white, 4; died, 1; present number, 86. Confirmed—white, 4. Marriages—white, 2. Funerals—white, 4. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, about 12; scholars, about 40. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$107 42.

The Rector commenced his duties in this parish about July last. The congregation is now expending about \$900 in repairing the church edifice, which will much improve the internal arrangement and the exterior appearance. Services are held once a fortnight, and in the same manner as at Trinity Church in this county. The Bible class is well attended; and it is hoped that increasing interest is evinced in it, as well as in the regular services of the church.

Woodville Parish, Trinity Church.

REV. F. M. BAKER, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 2; white infants, 3; total, 5. Communicants—added, white, 5; removed, 3; present number, 26. Confirmed—white, 1. Funerals—white, 3. Sunday-school teachers, 8. Scholars, 86. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$74 67.

The Rector took charge of this parish in July last. Two services are held on each alternate Sunday, in the morning and at night. A Bible class meets every Sunday afternoon. The colored people have a service every four weeks, on Sunday night. A convocation has been recently formed by the clergy residing in Rockbridge, Amherst, Bedford, Roanoke, and Botetout, and called "The Peaks of Otter Convocation." No such organization has ever existed before in this section of the State. Several meetings have been already held, and the interest manifested on the part of the people was gratifying. It is confidently expected that, with the blessing of God, much good will result from it.

BROOKE COUNTY.

Christ Church Parish, Wellsburg.

REV. S. D. TOMPKINS, Rector.

Communicants, 10; added, 11; total, 21. Baptisms—white adults, 4; white infants, 1; total, 5. Families, 8; infants, 10; Confirmations, 11. Collected for the Missionary Society of the Diocese, \$7 00.

St. John's Church.

REV. S. D. TOMPKINS, Rector.

Communicants, 80; added, 8; total, 88. Confirmations, 7. Families, 14. Infants, 85.

BRUNSWICK COUNTY.

St. Andrew's Parish, St. Andrew's and Welkin's Chapel Churches.

Baptisms—white infants, 4; colored infants, 4; total, 24. Communicants—added, 4; removed, 5; died, 1. Present number—white, 88; colored, 20. Marriages—white, 5.

The Parish is at present without a Rector. The Rev. Mr. Johnson having removed to South Carolina, Rev. Mr. Robert, of Meherin Parish, Greenville Co., has kindly given monthly services at each of the churches.

BUCKINGHAM COUNTY.

Tillotson Parish, St. Peter's Church.

REV. WM. C. MEREDITH, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 2. Communicants—added, white, 1; removed, 8; died, 1. Present number—white, 24; colored, 8; total, 27. Confirmed—white, 1. Marriages—white, 1; colored, 1. Funerals—white, 4; colored, 4; total, 8. Families, 12. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$2 82.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. Margaret's Church.

REV. D. M. WHARTON, Rector.

Communicants—added, 8; removed, 8; present number, 81. Confirmations, 8. Baptisms—infants, white, 2. Marriages, 1.

Spottsylvania Parish, Christ Church.

REV. D. M. WHARTON, Rector.

Communicants—added, 1; died, 1; removed, 1; present number, white, 17; colored, 2; total, 19. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 2.

Berkley Parish, St. John's Church.

REV. D. M. WHARTON, Rector,

Communicants—added, 1; died, 2; removed, 1; present number, 11. Confirmations, 1. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 8.

St. Mary's Parish, St. Peter's Church.

REV. WILLIAM FRIEND, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 1; white infants, 1; total, 2. Communicants—added, white, 13; died, 3; present number, 37. Confirmed—white, 13. Marriages—white, 2. Funerals—white, 7. Amount contributed to the cause of religion and the church, \$150.

Grace Church.

REV. HENRY WALL, Rector.

I took charge of this congregation early in February last, in consequence of which I have not much to report. Present number of communicants about 18. The attendance in general good, and interest in the services encouraging.

Bowling Green Church.

REV. HENRY WALL, Rector.

The number of communicants here is but 4, one of whom is about to remove. There is a motion on foot to repair the church building, and it is hoped that after a while matters will begin to look brighter.

CHARLES CITY COUNTY.

Westover Parish, Westover and St. Thomas Churches.

REV. WM. T. LEAVEL, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 8; colored infants, 6; total, 9. Communicants—added, 2; died, 1; present number, 39. Confirmed—white, 4. Marriages—white, 4. Funerals—white, 5; colored, 5; total, 10. Families, 22. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$246 52, viz.:—

For American Sunday-School Union	\$42 00
American Tract Society	85 00
Diocesan Missions	84 88
General Missions	27 66
Bible Society	8 00
Colonization Society	15 00
Contingent Fund	39 00

Besides the amount above specified, this Parish has made a liberal subscription towards the improvements of Parsonage property, and have contributed something towards defraying the expenses of the Rector attending the convention of the church at Wheeling.

CHESTERFIELD AND POWHATAN COUNTIES.

Dale and King William Parishes.

REV. A. B. TIZZARD, Rector.

Communicants—added, 1; removed, 3; present number—white, 14; colored, 1; total, 15. Baptisms—adults colored, 1; infants, white, 3; total, 4. Funerals—white, 2; colored, 1; total, 3. Amount of collections for the different institutions connected with the cause of religion and the church, \$74 16. The Rector officiates alternate Sundays, in the morning, at each of the Parish Churches; and in the afternoon at the Coal Pits, within the limits of the Parish.

CLARKE COUNTY.

Frederick Parish, Christ Church, Millwood.

REV. J. F. HOFF, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 7. Communicants—added, white, 2; removed, 3; present number—white, 60; colored, 1; total, 61. Funeral—white, 1. Families, 35. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$650.

Wickliffe Parish.

REV. FRANCIS M. WHITTLE, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 12; colored, 5; total, 17. Communicants—added, white, 18; died, 8; removed, 6; withdrawn, 1. Present number—white, 97; colored, 3; total, 100. Marriages—white, 6; colored, 1; total, 7. Funerals—white, 7. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 13; scholars, 45. Families, 66. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$856 68.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Littleton Parish, Grace Church.

REV. W. C. MEREDITH, Rector.

Communicants—removed, 1; died, 1; present number—white, 20; colored, 2; total 22. Funerals, 2. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 8; scholars, 30. Families, 9. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$147 25. The Rector took charge in September last.

Leighton Parish, St. James's Church.

REV. OLCOTT BULKLEY, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 2; infants, 2. Communicants—added, 4; present number—white, 14. Confirmed—white, 4. Amount contributed to the cause of religion and the church, \$50. Marriages, 2.

The congregation in this parish continues small, but serious, and ready, as far as they have the means, to aid in every good and holy work. One of those reported above as added the last year, was from the Methodist Church, and another from Rivanna Parish. There are some who are giving evidence of decided interest in religion, and it is hoped will soon make an open profession.

Steps are being taken to add a vestry-room to our plain but very comfortable house of worship, the expense of which is defrayed by a lady of the congregation; and it is hoped that we shall be able to paint the church, and do some other repairs to it during the ensuing year.

ELIZABETH CITY COUNTY.

Elizabeth City Parish, St. John's Church, Hampton.

REV. JOHN C. McCABE, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 1; white infants, 7; total, 8. Communicants—added, white, 1; removed, 2; present number—white, 48. Confirmed—white, 1 (confirmed in Portsmouth, by my request, at Bishop John's last visitation). Marriages—white, 1. Funerals—white, 8. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 10; scholars, 38. Families, 26. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$94 26, viz. :—

American Sunday-School Union	\$18 26
Diocesan Missionary Society	28 00
Convention Fund	48 00
	<hr/>
	\$94 26

There are several candidates in this Parish awaiting confirmation. The congregations are good, attentive, and serious. The Rector could have reported a gratifying increase in the number of communicants, but for the illness of our beloved senior diocesan, which prevented him from visiting this congregation as he had designed.

Centurion Church, Old Point.

REV. M. L. CHEVERS, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 12; colored infants, 1; total, 13. Communicants—added, white, 8; removed, 8; present number—white, 22. Marriages—white, 4; colored, 1; total, 5. Funerals—white, 7 (not communicants). Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 4; scholars, 30.

I take pleasure in stating that a sewing society, composed of a few of the communicants, have, within the last twelve months, contributed the handsome sum of \$128 to missions within the United States, making in all the sum of \$288 19 contributed to the cause of religion and the church.

ESSEX COUNTY.

South Farnham Parish, St. Paul's and St. John's Churches.

REV. H. W. L. TEMPLE, Rector.

Communicants—added, white, 7; present number—white, 47. Confirmed—white, 7. Marriages—white, 2. Funerals—white, 2. Sunday-schools, 2; teachers, 10; scholars, 62. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$146.

The Rector took charge of this Parish in September last. The confirmations reported before his predecessor (with whom he had been associated) left the Parish.

FAIRFAX COUNTY.

Fairfax Parish, Falls Church.

Communicants—added, white, 6; withdrawn, 1; present number—white, 17. Sunday-school, 1 (not completely organized). Amount of contribution to the cause of religion and the church—

Contingent Fund, delinquency 1852	\$5
Contingent Fund in full, 1853	17
	<hr/>
	\$22

The Rev. W. F. Lockwood resigned the charge of Falls Church in October last, and it is still vacant. Since November, Professors May and Packard of the Theological Seminary, have kindly supplied the pulpit every alternate Sunday. Mr. Claxton, a student at the seminary, who superintends the Sunday-school, reads the service on those Sundays when there is no preaching, so that the Church is open for service every Sunday. This arrangement will continue until a Rector is called to take charge of the church, which it is hoped the congregation will be prepared to do at an early day.

Hamilton Parish, St James's Church.

REV. G. H. NORTON, Rector.

Baptisms—white adult, 1; white infants, 22; total, 28. Communicants—added, white, 4; died, 8; present number, 57. Marriages—white, 6. Funerals—white, 8. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$100. A new church has just been completed, handsome and commodious.

Piedmont Parish, Trinity Church.

REV. C. H. SHEILD, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 11; colored infant, 1; total, 12. Communicants—removed, 1; withdrawn, 1; present number, 27. Funerals—white, 1; colored, 1; total, 2. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$76.

Trinity and Emmanuel Churches, Fauquier and Loudon Counties, Meade Parish.

REV. O. A. KINSOLVING, Rector.

Baptisms—white infant, 1. Communicants—added, white, 4; removed, 2; died, 1; present number—white, 27; colored, 1; total, 28. Funeral—white, 1.

FLUVANNA COUNTY.

Rivanna Parish, St. John's Church.

REV. OLCOTT BULKLEY, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 2. Communicants—removed, 8; present number, 14. Funeral—white, 1. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$20.

The congregation are generally good and attentive. I have a monthly service for the servants, which is very well attended. I am also in the habit of preaching at the Brick Church in the Fork of Fluvanna on the afternoons of the third Sunday in each month, and also on the fifth Sunday. At this place the congregations are very large and respectful.

FRANKLIN AND HENRY COUNTIES.

Patrick and Franklin Parishes, Christ Church.

REV. ANDERSON WADE, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 5. Communicants—added, white, 10; removed, 4; present number, 27. Confirmed, 9. Marriages—white, 8. Funerals—white, 8.

FREDERICK COUNTY.

Frederick Parish, Christ Church, Winchester.

REV. C. WALKER, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 2; white infants, 5; colored infants, 2. Communicants—added, white, 12; removed, 10; present number—white, 102; colored, 4; total, 106. Marriages—white, 2; colored, 8; total, 5. Funerals—white, 4; colored, 1. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 24; scholars, 100. Contributions about \$500.

FREDERICKSBURG.

St. George's Church.

REV. E. C. McGUIRE, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, 3; infants, 11; total, 14. Communicants—added, 12; died, 1; removed, 18; withdrawn, 8; present number, 145. Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 6. Sunday-schools, 8; teachers, 22; scholars, 150. Families, 110. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$310.

GLOUCESTER COUNTY.

Abingdon and Wars Parishes.

REV. CHARLES MANN, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 4; colored infants, 2. Communicants—number last reported, 50; added, 5; removed, 5; present number, 50. Confirmed—white, 4. Marriages—white, 2. Funerals, 2, white infants. Families, 40. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$221 50.

There is nothing of particular interest to be reported, except that successful efforts have been made during the year to add to the support and comfort of the Rector.

GREENVILLE COUNTY.

Meherrin Parish.

REV. P. G. ROBERT, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 1; white infants, 5; colored infants, 6; total, 12. Communicants—added, white, 4; colored, 2; removed, 4; present number—white, 24; colored, 14; total, 38. Marriages—white, 2; colored, 1. Funerals—white, 4; colored, 3; total, 7. Families, 12.

The Bishop's health not permitting a visitation, confirmation was not administered in the Parish.

HALIFAX COUNTY.

Roanoke Parish.

REV. JOHN T. CLARK, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 1; colored adults, 1. Communicants—added, colored, 1; removed, 1; present number—white, 16; colored, 1. Confirmed—white, 1. Marriages—white, 4; colored, 1. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 4; scholars, about 30 or 40. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$380 60.

I have little to say that is encouraging, but that there is some slight increase of the congregation, which is always attentive, and thus holds out the hope that the seed sown will in time produce fruit. In Charlotte County, where I labor in conjunction with the Rev. Mr. Kinckle, the prospects of the church are encouraging.

Antrim Parish.

REV. J. GRAMMER, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 1; white infants, 16. Communicants—added, white, 2; died—colored, 1; removed, 2; present number—white, 68; colored, 25; total, 93.

Marriages—white, 4; colored, 1. Sunday-schools, 2; teachers, 8; scholars, 65 (about). Families, 40. Amount which passed through my hands, of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$916 77.

HANOVER COUNTY.

St. Martin's Parish, York and Trinity Churches.

REV. WM. P. BOWERS, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 6. Communicants—added, white, 8; removed, 4; present number—white, 54. Confirmed—white, 1. Marriages—white, 2. Funerals—white, 8; colored, 2. Families, 37. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$240.

In addition to the above contributions, some \$800 have been raised for repairing the York Church, and more than \$100 for other parish purposes, independently of the Rector's salary.

St. Paul's Parish, Old Church.

REV. WM. NORWOOD, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 2; white infants, 2. Communicants—added, white, 5; removed, 5; present number—white, 25. Confirmed—white, 7. Marriages—colored, 1. Funerals—white, 2. Families, 15.

A neat and commodious brick church in course of erection; congregation flourishing.

HARRISON COUNTY.

Clarksburg Parish, Christ Church.

REV. R. A. CASTLEMAN, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 4; white infants, 6; total, 10. Communicants—added, white, 6; removed, 4; died, 2; present number—white, 13. Confirmed—white, 4. Marriages—white, 2. Funerals, 4. Families, 20.

JACKSON COUNTY.

Ravenswood Parish, Grace Church.

Baptisms—white infant, 1. Communicants—present number, white, 11. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 7. Families, 6.

The Parish is without a Pastor. We have had occasional services by the Rev. Mr. Perkins, of Parkersburg, also by Rev. Dr. McCabe, of Wheeling.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

Zion Church.

REV. CHARLES E. AMBLER, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 2; white infant, 1. Communicants—added, white, 8; removed, 8; withdrawn, 2; suspended, 1; present number—white, 94; colored, 4; total, 98. Confirmed—white, 6. Marriages—white, 4; colored, 8; total, 7. Funerals—white, 8; colored, 1. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 15; scholars, 130. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$598 63.

Norbourne Parish.

REV. C. M. CALLOWAY, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 4; white infants, 16; colored infants, 12; total, 32. Communicants—added, white, 18; colored, 2; removed, 1; withdrawn, 1; present number—white, 44; colored, 4; total, 48. Confirmed—white, 12; colored, 3; total, 15. Funerals—white, 9; colored, 2. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 8; scholars, 35. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$103.

St. Andrew's Parish, Trinity Church.

REV. C. W. ANDREWS, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 11; colored infant, 1; total, 12. Communicants—added, white, 7; colored, 1; died, 1; removed, 7; withdrawn, 1; present number—white, 60; colored, 1. Confirmed—white, 7; colored, 1; total, 8. Marriages—white, 3. Funerals—white, 6; colored, 1. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 7; scholars, 50. Families, 30. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$200.

REV. JOHN KEHLER, Missionary.

In June last, I removed from the diocese of Maryland to that of Virginia. From that time on until January, I officiated frequently for Rev. Mr. Andrews in Sheperds Town, Va., preaching and reading service. From January last, at the request of the Rector, I consented to act as his assistant, since which time I have officiated in that capacity. In April I took charge of the Episcopal Church at Harper's Ferry, Va., and likewise, at the same time, the church at Sharpsburg, Md., holding service at these places once in two weeks alternately.

KABLETOWN, JEFFERSON COUNTY.

REV. W. D. HANSON, Missionary.

Baptisms—white infant, 1. Marriages—white, 5; colored, 2. Funerals—white, 3. Sunday-schools, 3; teachers, 15; scholars, 56. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$15.

The communicants who attend my services at Kabletown and on the Blue Ridge, are embraced in the reports from Zion and Wickliffe Parishes.

KING GEORGE COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church and Parish.

REV. J. A. RUSSELL, Rector.

Baptisms—white, 4; colored, 3. Communicants—white, 14; removed, 4; present number, 34. Confirmed—white, 18. Marriages—white, 3. Funerals—white, 5; colored, 2. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 10; scholars, 27. Families, 30. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$287 28.

KING GEORGE COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Hanover Parish.

REV. WM. FRIEND, Rector.

Communicants—added, 2; Removed, 1; total, 18. Marriages, 3. Families, 2.

KANAWHA COUNTY.

St. John's and St. Luke's Churches, Kanawha Parish.

REV. R. T. BROWN, Rector.

Baptisms—white adult, 1; white infants, 20; colored infants, 2. Communicants—added, white, 9; died, 2; removed, 8; present number—white, 42. Confirmed—white, 5. Marriages—white, 5. Funerals—white, 7. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 7. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$110.

REMARKS.—The above report embraces the two congregations of St. John's and St. Luke's Churches, Kanawha Parish.

LEWIS COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Weston Parish.

REV. JAMES J. PAGE AND R. A. CASTLEMAN.

Baptisms—white adults, 2; white infants, 5. Communicants—added, white, 8; removed, 2; present number—white, 21. Confirmed—white, 8. Marriages—white, 2. Funerals—white, 3. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 3; scholars, 20.

LUNENBURG COUNTY.

St. John's and St. Paul's Churches, Cumberland Parish.

REV. THOMAS E. LOCKWOOD, Rector.

Baptism—colored infant, 1. Communicants—added, white, 1; died, 1; total number, 43. Funerals—white, 4; colored, 3. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 4; scholars, 20. Number of families, 24. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church: St. John's congregation \$128; St. Paul's, \$17 95; total, \$145 95.

REMARKS.—The spiritual condition of the parish is by no means such as we would desire to see it. There are some things, however, connected with St. John's Church, that indicate a spirit of progress. The church has been recently painted and otherwise fitted up; a gallery has been erected, and an excellent melodeon purchased. For these improvements, we are indebted to the zeal and enterprise of the ladies of the congregation. It is well known that some difficulty has existed, in reference to the funds belonging to this parish. I am happy to inform the Bishops and Convention, that Mr. James P. Street has secured these funds to the vestry, and expresses his deep regret at ever having had anything to do with them. Post-office, MacFarland's store, Lunenburg County.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

Christ, White Chapel, and Grace Churches, Christ Church Parish.

REV. EDMUND WITHERS, Rector.

Communicants—white, last reported, 28; added, 2; total, 30. Baptisms—infants, white, 14; colored, 1; total, 15. Marriages—white, 2. Funerals—white adult, 1; children, 3; colored adult, 1; total, 5. Amount collected for different institutions connected with the cause of religion and the church, \$188 89. Besides this sum, \$200 have been expended in repairs on the parish parsonage.

I took charge of this parish in June last. It is, and will for some time continue to be, suffering from the effects of frequent ministerial changes during the last fifteen years, and from the occasionally entire absence of any pastor.

still left in it some genuine church people, who are truly pious Christians, who love God, and are very kind to their pastor. Within the past year, Grace Church, a new one, has been completed, presented to the Bishop, and consecrated through the active exertions of some of the parish laymen, and it is already filled with hearers. At Lancaster C. H., I have preached stately. In addition to my home parochial duties performed, I preached several times, during August last, in old Sapponey Church, Dinwiddie, which is without a pastor; admitted one person, white, to communion, baptized 1 white infant, and buried 1 adult and 2 infants, colored persons.

LOUDON COUNTY.

St. James's Church, Shelburne Parish.

REV. GEORGE ADIE, Rector.

Baptisms—white adult, 1; white infants, 11; colored infants, 9; total, 21. Communicants—added, white, 10; total, 10; died, 1; removed, 5; withdrawn, 1; suspended, 1; present number—white, 78; colored, 2; total, 80. Marriages—white, 5; colored, 3; total, 8. Funerals—white, 4; colored, 2; total, 6. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 10; scholars, 60. Families, 70. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$1,100. Post-office, Leesburg, Loudon County.

REMARKS.—Our church has been repaired and improved at an expense of eight or nine hundred dollars, adding much to its neatness, comfort, and convenience. Harmony and peace prevail among its members.

LYNCHBURG.

St. Paul's Church.

REV. W. H. KINCKLE, Rector.

Communicants—added, 18; died, 3; removed and withdrawn, 5; total, 165; of whom 4 are colored persons. Baptisms—adults, 6; infants, 11; total, 17. Confirmations, 30. Marriages—of white persons, 18; of colored, 5; total, 18. Funerals, 27. Contributions to various church and benevolent objects:—

Missions, foreign, domestic, and diocesan, about	\$150 00
American Sunday-school Union	65 15
Alms for the poor	848 00
Education Society	189 00
Contingent Fund	161 00
Total	\$918 15

MARSHALL COUNTY.

Trinity Parish.

REV. WILLIAM L. HYLAND, Rector.

Baptisms—adult, 1; infants, 6; total, 7. Communicants—added, white, 2; removed, 4; withdrawn, 2; stricken from the list, 1; present number, 9. Confirmed, 3. Funerals, 3. Marriages, 1.

REMARKS.—About \$900 have been contributed toward the erection of a church building, and it is hoped that this work will be completed during the present year. I take this opportunity to return thanks to our friends in Wheeling and elsewhere, for their generous aid in this undertaking.

The Rector has regularly catechized the children of the congregation, on the morning of every Lord's day, and in this way he has endeavored to train them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and he prays for the Divine blessing upon his instructions, that the tender lambs of his "little" flock may grow up to adorn the doctrine of God their Saviour in all things. Moundsville Post-office, Marshall County.

MATTHEWS COUNTY.

Kingston Parish.

REV. G. S. CARRAWAY, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 1. Communicants—added, 2; present number, 7. Funerals—white, 1; colored, 1. Sunday-schools—teachers, 6; scholars, 80. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$62 97.

The Rector is thankful to be able to report the completion of the new church building. It was consecrated in June last by Bishop Johns, under the name of Trinity. The attendance upon the services has been so large as to cause regret that the dimensions were not more extended.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

Christ Church Parish.

REV. G. S. CARRAWAY, Rector.

Baptisms—infants, white, 8. Communicants, 8. Confirmation—white, 2. Marriages—colored, 1. Amount of contributions for the cause of religion and the church, \$121 20. Post-office, Urbanna.

MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

St. Luke's Parish, St. Luke's, St. Timothy's, and City Churches.

REV. THOMAS E. LOCKE, officiating, St. Timothy's; REV. J. W. CHESLEY, officiating, St. Luke's and City Churches.

Baptisms—white adult, 0; white infant, 0; colored adult, 0; colored infant, 0. Communicants—added, 8; removed, 6; died, 2; present number, 27 white; colored, 1; total, 28. Confirmations, 0. Marriages—white, 4. Funerals—white, 3. Number of families, 15.

St. James's Parish, Trinity and St. Andrew's Churches.

J. W. CHESLEY, Deacon.

Baptisms—white adult, 0; colored adult, 0; white infant, 0; colored infants, 3. Communicants—added, from other cures, 8; removed, 0; died, 1; present number, 28. Confirmed, 0. Marriages, 0. Funerals—white, 2; colored, 1; total, 3. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$20. Number of families, 26.

NELSON COUNTY.

Trinity and Christ Churches, Nelson Parish.

REV. F. D. GOODWIN, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 9. Communicants—added, white, 4; removed, 1; died, 1; withdrawn, 1; present number—white, 27. Confirmed—white, 3. Mar-

riages—white, 1. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$28 10. Post-office, Tye River Warehouse.

NEW KENT COUNTY.

St. Peter's Church.

REV. WM. NORWOOD, Rector.

Baptisms—infants, white, 2. Communicants—added, white, 10; present number, 20. Confirmed—white, 2. Funerals, 12, white. Number of families, 14. Contributions, Diocesan Missions, \$18. Assessment, \$20.

REMARKS.—Congregation looking up. Post-office, Old Church, Hanover County.

NORFOLK CITY.

Christ Church.

REV. GEORGE D. CUMMINS, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 5; white infants, 28; colored infants, 8; total, 86. Communicants—added, white, 29; colored, 2; total, 81; removed, 28; died, 10; present number—white, 892; colored, 34; total, 426. Confirmed—white, 29; colored, 2; total, 81. Marriages—white, 7. Funerals—white, 29; colored, 2; total, 81. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 45; scholars, 240. Families, 170. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$8,325. Post-office, Norfolk.

St. Paul's Church.

REV. WM. M. JACKSON, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 8; white infants, 19; total, 22. Communicants—added, white, 28; colored, 1; total, 29; removed, 18; present number, 191; colored, 1; total, 192. Confirmed—white, 17; colored, 1; total, 18. Marriages—white, 6. Funerals—white, 16. Sunday-schools—teachers, 30; scholars, 170. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$1050. Post-office, Norfolk, Va.

REMARKS.—Connected with this church, there is a parish school sustained by the congregation, which gives instruction to 30 children.

NORFOLK COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Portsmouth Parish, Portsmouth.

REV. JAMES CHISHOLM, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 18. Communicants—added, white, 5; removed, 4; present number—white, 45. Confirmed—white, 1. Marriages—white, 3. Funerals—white, 6; colored, 1; total, 7. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 12; scholars, 85. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church:—

Foreign Missions	\$20 00
Diocesan Missions	12 34
Bible Society	20 50
American Sunday-school Union	12 37½
American Tract Society	9 00
Contingent Fund	45 00
Other purposes	160 00
Total	\$270 00

Trinity Church, Portsmouth Parish.

REV. JOHN H. WINGFIELD, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 4; colored infants, 4; total, 8. Communicants—added, white, 5; removed, 2; withdrawn, 1; died, 1; total, 4; present number—white, 57; colored, 1; total, 58. Confirmed—white, 6 (one from St. John's, Hampton). Marriages—white, 5. Funerals—white, 5. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 8; scholars, 50. Families, 53. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$121 31. Post-office, Portsmouth, Va.

REMARKS.—I am sorry to have to say that the zeal and activity of some who were formerly noted for their devotion in the good cause of religion and the church, have very much declined of late, and that there is much room for religious improvement in many respects in this parish. May God have mercy upon us and revive us all.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Hungar's Parish.

REV. JAMES RAWSON, Rector.

Communicants—added, 1; removed, 3; total, 51. Baptisms—adult, white, 1; infants, white, 3; total, 4. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 3. Amount collected for church purposes:—

Missions	\$38 00
Virginia Bible Society	50 00
Education Society	15 00
Total	<u>\$102 00</u>

Post-office, Eastville, Northampton County.

The past year in the history of this parish, has been marked by patient and continued effort in the cause of Christ, and although, to our deep humiliation, we are not permitted to report any unusual effusion of the Holy Spirit, followed by large accessions to the visible church, yet we are sustained by the blessed assurance, "They that sow in tears, shall reap in joy."

OHIO COUNTY.

St. John's Church, St. John's Parish, Wheeling.

REV. JAMES D. McCABE, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, 5; infants, 22; total, 27. Communicants—added, 9; removed, 8; present number, 68. Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 12. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 14; scholars, 75. Families, 38. Contributions to church purposes, \$254 00. Post-office, Wheeling, Virginia.

REMARKS.—The condition of the parish is encouraging; the people are devout and energetic, and there can be no doubt but that, with the improvement of our city and growth of population, the church will exert an influence commensurate with the increase. We are making an effort to erect a small chapel in a suburban village, and also a parsonage for the use of the Rector of the Parish.

ORANGE COUNTY.

St. Thomas's Church.

REV. J. EARNEST, Rector.

Communicants—added, 5 (one from another cure, and one from another denomination); removed, 4; died, 2; present number, 66. Baptisms—infants, white, 4. Marriages—white, 4. Funerals—white, 9. Number of families, 40. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$156 90; contingent fund, \$66; total, \$222 90. In addition to this sum, about \$1,500 have been raised for repairing and improving the church.

MADISON COUNTY.

Bloomfield Parish, Piedmont Church.

REV. J. EARNEST, Rector.

Communicants—added, 8 (two from other cures); removed, 2; died, 2; total, 20, including 2 colored persons. Baptisms—infants, white, 1; colored, 10; total, 11. Funerals, 2. Number of families, 10. Contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$82 52; contingent fund, \$18; total, \$50 52. Post-office, Orange Court House.

PETERSBURG.

St. Paul's Church, Bristol Parish.

REV. H. STRINGFELLOW, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 19. Communicants—added, white, 12; removed, 14; died, 4; present number—colored, 9; total, 189. Marriages—white, 9; colored, 3; total, 12. Funerals—white, 15; colored, 2; total, 17. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 20; scholars, 100. Families, 70. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$1,450.

Grace Church.

REV. CHURCHILL J. GIBSON, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 7; white infants, 52; colored adult, 1; colored infants, 6; total, 66. Communicants—added, white, 22; removed, 10; withdrawn, 3; died, 3; present number—white, 133; colored, 2; total, 135. Marriages—white, 25; colored, 16; total, 41. Funerals—white, 72; colored, 12; total, 84. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 24; scholars, 100. Amount of subscriptions to the cause of religion and the church, \$350. Post-office, Petersburg.

PLEASANTS COUNTY.

St. John's Church, St. John's Parish.

REV. E. T. PERKINS, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 0; white infants, 5. Communicants—added, white, 2; removed, 0; withdrawn, 0; present number—white, 10. Confirmed—white, 2. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 6; scholars, 25. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$20. Post-office, Willerd Island P. O., Pleasant County, Va.

REMARKS.—This parish was admitted into connection with the diocese at the last

convention, since which time a neat and substantial church edifice has been completed and consecrated, and the prospects of the Parish are considered promising.

POWHATAN COUNTY.

St. Luke's and Emanuel's Churches, St. James Southam Parish.

REV. ANDREW FISHER, Rector.

Baptisms—infants, 6 white; 1 colored; total, 7. Communicants—added, white, 1; removed, 1; died, 2; present number—white, 81; colored, 1; total, 82. Marriages—colored, 7. Funerals—white, 6. Amount of contributions, \$150. Post-office, Sublett's Powhatan County.

PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY.

Church of Epiphany, Camden Parish.

REV. GEORGE W. DAME, Rector.

Baptisms—white adult, 1; white infants, 6; total, 7. Communicants—added, white, 5; removed, 2; withdrawn, 2; deaths, 2; present number—white, 47; colored, 3; total, 50. Marriages—white, 2. Funerals—white, 4. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 6; scholars, 24. Families, 38. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$10. Post-office, Danville.

PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY.

Brandon and Merchants Hope Church, S. Martin's Brandon Parish.

REV. CHARLES MINNIGERODE, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 5; colored infants, 33; total, 38. Communicants—added, white, 7; removed, 2; died, 2; present number—white, 55; colored, 2; total, 57. Confirmed (no visit from the bishop). Marriages—white, 7. Funerals—white, 13; colored, not recorded. Sunday-schools, 2. Families, about 60. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$811 81½. Post-office, Garysville.

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY.

Dettingen Parish, St. James's Church, Brentsville.

REV. J. TOWLES, Rector.

Communicants—added, 2; died, 1; total, 24. Baptisms—infants, white, 8. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 3.

Leeds Parish, St. Paul's Church, Haymarket.

REV. J. TOWLES, Rector.

Communicants—added, 1; removed, 1; total, 82. Baptism—infant, white, 1. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 2.

PRINCESS ANNE COUNTY.

Lynnhaven Parish.

REV. LEWIS WALKER, Rector.

Communicants—added, 1; total, 28. Baptism—infant, white, 1. Marriages, 1. Funerals, 1. Amount contributed to Bishop's Fund, \$28.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.

Rockingham Parish.

REV. J. C. WHEAT, Rector.

Communicants, 14; 1 removed; 1 deceased; total, 12. Confirmations, 2. Baptisms, 1 adult and 6 infants (white); 2 colored; total, 9. Funerals, 1.

Boyden Chapel.

Communicants, 11. Baptisms—infant, white, 1; 2 colored; total, 3.

REMARKS.—In addition to the performance of duty as Vice Principal of the Virginia Female Institute, I have officiated stately at Harrisonburg and Port Republic, in Rockingham County, and Boyden Chapel, Augusta County. Post-office, Staunton.

ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY.

Grace Church, Latimer Parish.

REV. L. P. CLOVER, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 8; white infants, 14; colored infants, 8; total, 20. Communicants—added, white, 12; removed, 8; present number—white, 42. Confirmed—white, 8. Marriages—white, 4; colored, 1; total, 5. Funerals—white, 4; colored, 1; total, 5. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 9; scholars, 30. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church:—

American Bible Society	\$30 00
American Tract Society	12 07
Staunton Female Institute	11 74
Sunday-school	27 95
Communion Alms	50 00
Domestic Missions	5 00
Foreign Missions	5 00
Church debt	182 95
Total	<u>\$324 71</u>

The parsonage referred to in the last report from this parish, has not been commenced. The Rector has notice that he must vacate the Baptist parsonage, and regrets that after all his efforts to procure another house have proved unsuccessful.

ROANOKE COUNTY.

Salem Parish.

REV. GEORGE T. WILMER, Rector.

Communicants—added, 9; 4 from other parishes; removed, 1; white, 26; colored, 1; total, 27. Baptisms—adults, 2. Confirmations, 2. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 2.

RICHMOND CITY.

St. John's Church, Henrico Parish.

REV. H. S. KEPPLER, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 18. Communicants—added, white, 10; died, 5; removed, 4; total, 9; present number—white, 64; colored, 1; total, 65. Funerals—white, 15. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 12; scholars, 69. Post-office, Richmond.

RICHMOND CITY.

Monumental Church.

REV. GEORGE WOODBRIDGE, Rector.

Communicants—last reported, 160; added, 85; removed, 21; died, 2; withdrawn, 1; present number, 171 (169 white, 2 colored). Baptisms—adults, 6; infants, 26; total, 82. Confirmations, 21. Marriages, 7. Funerals, 18. Amount collected for the different institutions connected with the cause of religion and the church, \$2,368 92.

St. James's Church, Henrico Parish.

REV. A. EMPIE, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 20. Communicants—added, white, 86; removed, 12; withdrawn, 1 (but now restored); suspended, 1; died, 8; total, 17; present number—white, 157; colored, 5; total, 162. Confirmed—white, 9. Marriages—white, 5. Sunday-schools, 2; teachers in white Sunday-school, 21; teachers in colored, 7; total, 28; scholars in white Sunday-school, 114; scholars in colored, about 50; total, 164. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$1,186 88. Remarks.—Number of families in the parish, 99; adults, 352; children, 262; total, 614. Post-office, city of Richmond.

St. Paul's Church, St. Paul's Parish.

REV. ALEXANDER JONES, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 19. Communicants—added, white, 85; removed, 18; withdrawn, 1; died, 6; total, 25; present number—white, 228; colored, 3; total, 231. Confirmed—white, 16. Marriages, 14; Funerals, 19. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 16, scholars, 129. Families, 130. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$4,202 12. Post-office, Richmond.

SURRY COUNTY.

Lower Surry Church, Southwark Parish.

REV. JOHN C. McCABE, Rector.

Baptisms—white adults, 8; white infants, 8; colored infants, 2; total, 8. Communicants—added 1, by removal from another parish; 6 received to communion and awaiting confirmation; reported to last convention, 18; present number, 25. Marriages—white, 2. Funerals—white, 2; colored, 1; total, 3. Families, 10. Amount collected for Convention Fund, \$20.

REMARKS.—When I took charge of this church, giving regular service once a month, its communion numbered *five*. Under the blessing of God, the church has *prospered*. To Him be the glory! Notwithstanding the lukewarmness of a *few* not in the immediate neighborhood, and the efforts made to stife the work of God at the old church, the Rector, cheered by as faithful a body of believers as he has ever been privileged to minister to, has been encouraged to continue his humble labors in Southwark Parish. Several are awaiting confirmation, and it is believed by those who *really* love the church in Surry, that during the present year we shall succeed in raising money enough to build a new church. The old building is ours by every moral and legal right, but to give the church her own in Virginia, is *unpopular*. Therefore, rather than come in conflict with prejudice and ignorance, we shall

quietly yield, and build a house to the Lord our God, in which we may worship and serve Him, "with none to hinder or make us afraid."

STAFFORD COUNTY.

Overharton Parish.

Being without a minister, the wardens present to the Convention the following brief report:—

At one time there were two churches in this parish, viz.: Aquia and Potomack. One only now remains. Potomack Church has long been in ruins. Aquia, repaired some thirty years ago, was for a time supplied with the regular services of the church. A vacancy in the rectorship occurring, the building suffered much, at length, from disuse and neglect. But of late, with an increase of Episcopal residents, a new interest has been manifested for the restoration of the church and the settlement of a minister. The house is now being repaired at an expense of about \$1500, and when finished, will be found a very commodious and handsome church. A vestry has been recently elected and duly organized, and it is the earnest desire of its members that they may be enabled to secure, at an early day, the services of a suitable minister of the Word and Sacraments. For the adequate maintenance of such a one, they believe provision can be readily made.

PETER D. G. HEDGMAN, } Wardens.
J. C. MONCURE, }

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

Montross Parish.

REV. WILLIAM McGUIRE, Rector.

Number of communicants, 7. Marriage, 1. Confirmation, 1. Funeral, 1. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 9; scholars, 60. Amount contributed to the cause of religion and the church, \$27. Post-office, the Hague, Westmoreland County.

Harmony Church, Cople Parish.

REV. W. McGUIRE, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 4. Communicants—added, white, 1; removed, 1; present number—white, 20. Confirmed—white, 2. Marriages—white, 3; colored, 1. Funerals—white, 1. Families, 18. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$8. Post-office, The Hague, Westmoreland County.

REMARKS.—I took charge of this parish in last December, but I give the report of the ecclesiastical year.

WILLIAMSBURG.

Bruton Parish.

REV. HENRY M. DENISON, Rector.

Baptisms—white infants, 4; colored infants, 7; total, 11. Communicants—added, white, 11; colored, 1; total, 12; removed, 5; suspended, 1; total, 6; present number—white, 98; colored, 4; total, 102. Marriages—white, 1; colored, 1; total, 2. Funeral—white, 1. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 19; scholars, 98. Families, 62. Amount of subscriptions to the cause of religion and the church, \$278 96. Post-office, Williamsburg, Va.

REMARKS.—This report is for six months *only*, during which time the present Rector has had charge of the parish. Besides the contributions above named, a new gallery has been erected in the church for the servants by the praiseworthy efforts of the ladies, and other improvements made at the expense of the congregation.

WOOD COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Trinity Parish.

REV. E. T. PERKINS, Rector.

Baptisms—white adult, 1; white infants, 4; colored infant, 1; total, 6. Communicants—added, white, 5; removed, 8; present number—white, 31. Confirmed—white, 6. Marriages—white, 2. Funerals—white, 4. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 5; scholars, 25. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$100. Post-office, Parkersburg, Wood County, Va.

REMARKS.—The removals reported above are in consequence of the formation of a separate parish, in Pleasants County, which parish embraces within its limits these communicants who were formerly reported as members of Trinity Parish, though not actually embraced within its territorial limits. The Rector of this parish would remark that he officiates occasionally at Belleville and Ravenswood, where churches have been built, and occasionally at Point Pleasant, where there are several members of our communion. These points are greatly in need of regular ministerial services, and are ready to contribute liberally to the support of any young man who would be willing to labor among them.

WETZEL COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Wetzel Parish.

REV. JAMES D. McCABE, officiating.

Present number of communicants, 9. Marriage, 1. Families, 9.

This parish, which was received into communion with the Convention at the last convention, is dependent entirely upon the services given to it gratuitously by Rev. W. L. Hyland and myself; its condition is healthy, and with stated services it would soon become one of the most promising parishes on the Ohio River.

There are now several candidates for confirmation, and it is to me a source of profound regret that it was necessarily omitted in the Bishop's recent visitation in this region.

JAMES D. McCABE, Missionary.

ALEXANDRIA.

The Rev. George A. Smith reports that being, as heretofore, unfitted by physical disability for parochial duty, he continues to act as editor of the Southern Churchman. It may not be out of place to add, that the condition of this paper, in which the diocese at large has manifested much interest, is increasingly encouraging, while it needs the persevering efforts of all who desire its permanent efficiency, in order to extend its circulation to a point which will insure this object.

BEDFORD COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Heber Parish.

REV. NELSON SALE, Rector.

Communicants—added, white, 2; removed, 9; withdrawn, 1; died, 1; present number—white, 26. Confirmed—white, 2. Funerals—white, 5. Sunday-school, 1; teachers, 8; scholars, 30. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$50. Post-office, Big Island, Bedford County.

St. Thomas's Church, West Russell Parish.

REV. N. SALE, Rector.

Baptisms—colored adults, 4. Communicants—removed, 8; present number—white, 18. Confirmed—white, 5. Marriages—white, 8. Amount of contributions to the cause of religion and the church, \$24. Post-office, Big Island, Bedford County.

SYNOPSIS FOR 1853.

Communicants—Added	659
“ Died	97
“ Suspended	10
“ Removed and withdrawn	408
 Total number of communicants as far as reported	 5,299
 Baptisms—Adults { White 95 } Total	 104
{ Colored 9 }	
Baptisms—Infants { White 682 } Total	840
{ Colored 158 }	
 Confirmations	 848
 Marriages { White 865 } Total	 445
{ Colored 80 }	
 Funerals { White 465 } Total	 520
{ Colored 55 }	
 Number of Families	 1,059
“ “ Sunday-schools	52
“ “ Teachers	565
“ “ Scholars	2,975
 Contributions to the cause of Religion and the Church	 \$26,680

Note by the Secretary.—Persons comparing this Synopsis with that of previous years, will bear in mind that this Convention was held in a distant part of the diocese, and the representation not so large as usual. Reports from only eighty-seven parishes were presented to the Convention (only about three-fourths of the number that were reported to the last Convention), and the number since received by the Secretary too few to materially affect the consideration.

APPENDIX NO. II.

THE Treasurer of the fund for the purchase of the property of the Virginia Female Institute at Staunton, reports to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, that he has received the following contributions to the fund, viz. :—

1851.			
May.	Received from Grace Church, Petersburg	\$50 00	
July 4.	“ of the Rev. J. Peterkin, collections made by him	75 00	
Nov. 7.	“ from a friend, by the Rev. R. H. Wilmer	20 00	
1852.			
Feb. 21.	“ of the Rev. T. T. Castleman, amount of collections made by him, viz. :—		
	Christ Church, Norfolk	\$328 50	
	St. Paul's Church, Norfolk	52 00	
	The churches in Portsmouth	83 00	413 50
March 25.	“ of the Rev. C. Walker, amount of collections made by him in the city of Richmond		260 00
May 18.	“ of Col. T. N. Burwell, amount of the pledge of Botetourt Parish		100 00
“ 19.	“ of J. R. Jones, amount of pledge from St. Andrew's Parish, Brunswick		60 00
“ “	“ of P. G. Robert, from Meherrin Parish		3 00
“ “	“ of Wm. Stephens, his contribution		20 00
			\$1,001 50
“ “	Deduct the expenses of the Rev. T. T. Castleman, the Rev. C. Walker, and the Rev. J. Peterkin		89 71
			\$911 79
“ “	Received of Mr. Baker, Norfolk, his contribution		5 00
“ “	“ from Cumberland Parish, Lunenburg, by Rev. Mr. Locke		10 00
“ “	“ from St. Paul's Church, Petersburg, by Mr. J. Rowlett		118 00
“ “	“ from Woodville Parish, Trinity Church, in part of pledge, by Mr. E. Valentine		55 00
			\$1,099 79
	Amount carried forward		\$1,099 79

1852.

	Amount brought forward	\$1,099 79
May 19.	Received from the Rev. Mr. Wharton's Parish, in full of pledge	100 00
" "	" from Dale Parish, Chesterfield, in part of pledge by the Rev. A. B. Tizzard	25 00
" "	" from Trinity Parish, Louisa, in full of pledge, by the Rev. John Cook	100 00
" "	" from Antrim Parish, Halifax, by the Rev. John Grammer	118 00
" "	" of Wm. P. Stewart, by the Rev. Wm. M. Jackson	20 00
" "	" of the Rev. C. W. Andrews, his contribution	5 00
" "	" from Mr. C. T. Butler, by the Rev. C. W. Andrews	5 00
" 20.	" from Roanoke Parish, Halifax, Rev. J. T. Clarke	88 88
" "	" from St. Martin's Parish, Hanover County, in full of the pledge, by Col. Fontaine	100 00
" 21.	" from Fairfax Parish, Falls Church, in part of pledge from Shelburne Parish, pledge by Rev. G. Adie	19 80
" "	" from Roanoke Parish, Halifax County, by Rev. J. T. Clarke	68 67
" "	" of S. D. Whittle, his contribution	8 00
" "	" from St. Ann's and South Farnham Parishes, in part of pledge, by the Rev. John McGuire	67 50
" 22.	" from St. George's Church, Fredericksburg, in part of pledge, by the Rev. E. C. McGuire	100 00
" "	" of Col. John Chewning, his contribution	20 00
" "	" of Philip Williams, his contribution	10 00
" "	" from Wickliffe Parish, Clarke County, in full of pledge, by Rev. J. Peterkin	150 00
" "	" from St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg, in full of pledge of Miss Agnes Gray, \$10; of Mr. Wm. Pollock, \$20 (in part of pledge from St. George's Church, Fredericksburg)	150 00
" 24.	" of J. H. Pointdexter, Richmond, his contribution	80 00
June 30.	" of Mitchel and Tyler, their contributions	5 00
July 2.	" of Mrs. Bowan, Middlesex, by Bishop Johns	25 00
Sept. 1.	" from Zion Church, Charlestown, by Rev. D. A. Tyng	2 50
Oct. 24.	" Amount of collection, St. John's Church, Henrico Parish	47 11
" 28.	" of Jos. R. Anderson, his contribution	18 68
Nov. 4.	Received from St. Paul's Church, King George, by Bishop Meade	100 00
" "	" from a member of the Monumental Church, Richmond	10 00
" 6.	" of Miss D. Couch, her contribution	8 00
" "	" of Mr. Wm. H. Macfarland, his contribution	5 00
	Amount carried forward	100 00

Amount carried forward \$2,638 88

1862.		Amount brought forward.		\$2,638 88
Nov. 6.	The Rev T. T. Castleman deposited to the credit of the treasurer, in answer to the pledge of Mr. Ambler's Parish			50 00
March.	Received from Fredericksville Parish, in part of pledge, by the Rev. S. R. Slack, being the contributions of Miss Frances Michie, Miss Virginia Michie, Col. Wm. Michie, Mr. A. H. Michie, and Mrs. Mary Oldham, each \$5			25 00
April.	" amount of collections in the following churches, by Rev. John Cole, viz. :—			
		St. Paul's Church, Culpepper	\$17 22	
		St. Stephen's Church, Culpepper	15 30	
		St. James's Church, Culpepper	1 64	84 16
May 12.	" from Fredericksville Parish, in part of pledge, by the Rev. S. R. Slack, being the contributions of Raleigh Colston, Col. G. W. Kinsolving, T. B. Bowen, James M. Bowen, Edward Tearneyhow, Seth Burnley, R. W. N. Noland, and Dr. James B. Rogers, each \$5		\$45 00	
		Dr. Wm. B. Rogers	2 50	
		Miss N. M. Gehee	1 50	
		Mrs. S. J. Key	1 00	45 00
" 18.	" from Antrim Parish, by the Rev. John Grammer, being the contributions of Mr. J. C. Bruce	\$25 00		
		Mr. D. Chalmers	9 00	
		Mr. J. Grammer	5 00	
		Mr. R. A. Munell	1 00	
		Miss L. Spear	1 00	
		Mr. Wm. H. Clarke	5 00	
		Mr. J. S. Lewellen	2 00	
		D. L. Faulkner	1 00	
		Mr. M. E. Grammer	1 00	50 00
				<u>\$2,843 04</u>
" 14.	The Treasurer has deposited in the branch of the Bank of the Valley at Staunton, and checked in favor of the Committee of the Convention for the same amount		2,700 00	
	Balance in the hands of the Treasurer		143 04	
				<u>\$2,843 04</u>

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. CARRINGTON, *Treasurer.*

APPENDIX NO. III.

The Diocesan Missionary Society of Virginia, in account with John L. Bacon
Treasurer.

1852.	Cr.
May 19. By balance on hand this day	\$393 25
“ 21. “ contributions from Antrim Parish, Halifax County, through Rev. Wm. Grammer:—	
Miss M. L. Spear	\$1 00
Mr. R. A. Marrett	2 00
Mr. Thomas Bruce	5 00
Mr. E. A. Clarke	10 00
Mrs. Eliza Bruce, legacy	50 00
Mr. D. Cosby	5 00
Miss Mary Smith	1 00
Col. C. H. Cubaniss	2 00
Rev. J. Grammer	10 00
Mrs. M. E. Grammer	2 50
Mrs. Mary Baily	7 50
R. Logan	5 00
E. B. Estis	2 50
Mrs. Eli Earley	2 00
Mrs. F. K. Green	1 00
	106 50
“ “ “ cash received of Roanoke Parish, by Rev. J. T. Clarke	81 66
“ 24. “ “ “ E. Valentine, Esq., Treasurer <i>pro tem.</i> , viz:—	
St. Martin's Parish, Hanover, Rev. Wm.	
Bowers	\$6 00
Wm. Stevens, Esq., Lexington	10 00
Christ Church, Middlesex, Rev. G. S.	
Carraway	21 89
Kingston Parish, Matthews City, per	
Rev. G. S. Carraway	7 51
Mrs. E. R. Clayton, St. Paul's Church,	
per Wm. Shelton	5 00
Mrs. H. Stribling, Staunton, per Rev.	
Mr. Castleman	5 00

Amount carried forward \$390 00 276

1852.

	Amount brought forward	\$581 41	
	Cumberland Parish, Lunenburg, per Rev. Mr. Locke	9 75	
	Christ Church, Alexandria, per Rev. Mr. Dana	40 00	
	Genito Parish, per Rev. Mr. Berkley	15 00	
	Mrs. M. J. Davis, per E. Davis, Esq.	2 50	
	Dr. S. B. Christian, per Rev. Mr. Mere- dith	5 00	
	Tillotson Parish, per Bishop Johns	25 00	
	St. Thomas's Church, Orange County, per Rev. Mr. Earnest	17 48	
	St. James's Parish, Culpepper, per Rev. Mr. Cole	9 78	
	Walker's Church, Albemarle County, per Rev. Mr. Boyden	6 50	
	Mrs. Emma Breckenridge, per Col. Bur- well	6 00	
	Mrs. Iccabile, per Rev. F. D. Goodwin	5 00	
	Rev. H. M. Dennison	10 00	
		<hr/>	
			207 31
June 9.	By cash St. Paul's Church, Romney, per Rev. W. N. Irish		4 00
" "	" " " " from Rev. T. J. Johnston, viz. :— Mrs. A. B. Wilmer and family . . . \$10 22 A gentleman of St. Paul's congrega- tion, Alexandria		5 00
			<hr/>
			15 22
" 28.	" " " " from Salem Parish, Roanoke, per Rev. G. T. Wilmer		20 00
" "	By Mrs. S. Stuart, Haymarket, Prince William, by Rev. J. Towles		3 00
" "	" " " Monumental Church, Richmond, per Rev. G. Woodbridge		39 88
" "	" " " cash received of Bishop Johns, viz. :— Hungars Church, Northampton . . . \$18 23 Centurion Church, Old Point 22 88 St. John's, Tappahannock 15 33 St. Paul's, Essex 17 61 Vawter's, Essex 11 06 Port Royal 26 85		<hr/>
			106 91
July 8.	" cash received of the Missionary Society of the P. E. Theo- logical Seminary of Virginia, per W. H. Brooke, Esq., Treasurer		28 68
" 9.	" cash in account, Mrs. J. Allen, per Rev. G. Woodbridge		1 00
" 12.	" cash from George's Church, Fredericksburg, per Rev. E. C. McGuire		15 00
" 31.	" cash from Christ Church, Norfolk, per Tazewell Taylor, Esq.		100 00
			<hr/>
	Amount carried forward	\$1,072 41	

CO\$O000277

1852.	Amount brought forward	\$1,072 41
Aug. 28.	By cash from Bishop Johns, as follows:—	
	Leeds Church, Fauquier	\$48 20
	Culpepper C. H.	22 00
	Walker's Church, Albemarle	7 00
	St. Paul's Church, Albemarle	8 00
	Ascension Church, Amherst	22 00
	Mrs. Jane H. Garland	5 00
		107 20
Sept. 1.	“ cash from Zion Church, Charlestown, Virginia, per Rev. D. A. Tyng	15 50
“ 15.	“ cash from Miss Mary Flemming, Goochland, per Rev. F. M. Whittle	2 00
“ “	“ cash from Rev. Mr. Johnston, through Mr. James Entwisle, contribution of Miss E. Winter, of Alexandria	5 00
Oct. 2.	“ cash of Rev. Mr. Denison, per Rev. G. Woodbridge	10 00
Nov. 6.	“ “ “ Rev. E. T. Perkins, from collections in his congregation at Parkersburg	15 00
“ 8.	“ cash from a gentleman of Richmond	10 00
“ 9.	“ “ “ Grace Church, Petersburg, per Rev. C. J. Gibson	30 00
“ 17.	“ “ “ Christ Church, Norfolk, per Tazewell Taylor, Esq.	100 00
“ 24.	“ cash from St. James's Church, Richmond, per Fred. Bransford, Esq.	45 25
“ 25.	“ cash from Bishop Johns, from the following churches, viz:—	
	King George C. H.	\$6 08
	St. Paul's Church, K. G.	18 38
	Tyro Comico	9 28
	White Chapel	4 25
	Christ Church, Lancaster	18 12
		51 01
Dec. 6.	“ cash from St. George's Church, Fredericksburg, per Rev. E. C. McGuire	30 08
“ “	“ cash for interest on late Mrs. Fidelia Ball (of Lancaster City), trust fund, per Rev. E. C. McGuire	14 00
“ 11.	“ cash from Miss Agnes Gray, of Fredericksburg, per Rev. E. C. McGuire	10 00
“ 20.	“ cash from Monumental Church, Richmond, per J. M. Baker, Esq., collected Sunday, 19th instant, by Bishop Johns, after confirmation service	70 64
“ “	“ cash from St. Paul's Church, Richmond, per Rev. Dr. Jones, collected 19th instant, by Bishop Johns, after confirmation service	84 18
“ 22.	“ cash from St. James's Church, Richmond, per Bishop Johns, being his collection in that church, after confirmation service, 19th instant	49 48
	Amount carried forward	\$1,721 70

1852.		Amount brought forward	\$1,721 70
Dec. 22.	By cash in account, Wm. Yates Downman, Esq., of Belle Isle, Va.		10 00
" "	" " " Trinity Church, Martinsburg, per Rev. D. F. Sprigg . \$16 00		
	Miss McIntyre, of Pa., by Rev. D. F. Sprigg	4 00	
		<hr/>	20 00
1853.			
Jan. 4.	" " " Rev. Charles Mann, say for Ware and Abingdon Parishes, each \$10		20 00
" 5.	" " " Rev. F. M. Whittle, say from St. Paul's Church, Goochland	\$6 65	
" "	" " " Wickliffe Parish, Clarke County	20 00	
		<hr/>	26 65
" 8.	" " " Grace Church, Genito Parish, by Rev. P. F. Berkley		10 35
" 12.	" " " Bruton Parish, Williamsburg, per Rev. H. M. Denison . \$45 00		
	Contribution of Sunday-school of same	9 68	
		<hr/>	54 63
" 18.	" cash from St. John's Church, Hampton, per Rev. J. C. McCabe		28 00
" 18.	" " " Christ Church, Norfolk, per Rev. G. D. Cummins		150 00
" "	" " " a member of St. James's Church, Culpepper, per Rev. J. Cole		10 00
" "	" " " a communicant of Monumental Church, Richmond, by Rev. George Woodbridge		1 00
" "	" " " Martin's, Brandon Parish, viz. :— per Rev. C. Minnigerode, Brandon Church	\$25 00	
" "	" " " Merchant's Hope	8 45	
" "	" " " Contribution of C. M.	10 00	
		<hr/>	43 45
" 24.	" " " Abingdon Parish, per. Rev. Charles Mann		22 00
" "	" " " Ware Church, per Rev. Charles Mann		8 00
" 16.	" " " Mrs. Ann Niblett, of Lunenburg, per Rev. T. E. Locke		20 00
" 31.	" " " Mrs. A. M. Laedley, of Kanawha, per Rev. R. T. Brown		5 00
Feb. 12.	" " " Rev. R. K. Meade, collected at Christ Church, Charlottesville		30 00
" 15.	" cash received of Rev. E. C. McGuire, being interest on Trust Fund		14 00
" 24.	" " " from a "friend to Diocesan Missions" of Northampton County, Va., per. Rev. G. Woodbridge		5 00
		<hr/>	
	Amount carried forward		\$2,194 78

1858.

	Amount brought forward	\$2,194 78
March 4.	By cash from St. Thomas's Church, Orange, per Rev. J. Earnest	25 00
" "	" " " " Piedmont Church, Madison, per Rev. J. Earnest	10 00
" 5.	" " " " a lady of St. Paul's Church, Albemarle, per Rev. S. R. Slack	1 00
" 7.	" " " " Miss A. E. Sheppard, of Shepperdstown, per Rev. G. Woodbridge and W. Andrews	2 00
" 10.	" " " " Raleigh Parish, Amelia, per Rev. P. T. Berkley	5 00
" 14.	" " " " a lady of Portsmouth, by Bishop Johns	5 00
" "	" " " " D. H. Gordon, Esq., of Fredericksburg, per Rev. E. C. McGuire	25 00
" 19.	" " " " Miss Anna R. Trent, of Richmond	30 00
" 22.	" " " " Roanoke Parish, Halifax, Per. Rev. J. T. Clarke	20 00
" 21.	" " " " Mr. Bell	1 00
" 24.	" " " " Rev. E. Withers, of Lancaster, the donation of a gentleman of his communion	10 00
April 10.	" cash of Bishop Johns, for collections by him at the following churches:—	
	St. Thomas's Church, Charles City	\$20 86
	Weston	14 50
	St. Peter's, New Kent	18 00
	Old Church, Hanover	6 75
	Fork Church, Hanover	20 25
	St. John's, Spottsylvania	6 42
	St. Margaret's, Caroline	10 25
	Mr. Hurt, Christ Church, Spottsylvania	2 50
		<hr/> 94 08
" 14.	" cash from Mrs. Mary G. Watson, White Day P. O., per Rev. G. A. Smith	2 50
" 16.	" " " " Rev. G. Adie, for collections in his Parish	20 66
" "	" " " " Mr. Wm. Stevens, of Lexington, Va.	10 00
" 18.	" " " " St. Paul's Church, Alexandria, through Rev. J. T. Johnston and J. Entwisle, Esq.	\$112 46
	Sunday-school children of said church, by same	81 10
		<hr/> 148 56
" 23.	" " " " Mrs. Harriet Skinker, Fanquier, per Rev. G. H. Norton	5 00
" 28.	" " " " Christ Church, Norfolk, per Rev. G. D. Cummins	75 00
" 30.	" " " " St. George's Church, Fredericksburg, per Rev. E. C. McGuire	16 72
May 6.	" " " " Salem Parish, Roanoke, per Rev. G. T. Wilmer	80 00
" 9.	" " " " a member of St. Paul's Church, Richmond	10 00
	Amount carried forward	<hr/> \$2,786 25

1858.	Amount brought forward	\$2,786 25	
May 12.	By cash from Miss M. A. D. Whittle, of Cumberland Parish, Lunenburg, per Rev. T. E. Locke	\$2 00	
	R. A. Atkinson, of same by same	5 00	
	R. B. Atkinson, " "	4 00	
	Mrs. Sarah G. Jones, " "	50	
	Dr. B. M. Atkinson " "	1 00	
	Mrs. Lucy A. Locke " "	2 50	
			15 00
" 18.	" " " " Antrim Parish, Halifax, per Rev. J. Grammer, viz. :—		
	Mr. R. A. Murrell	\$2 00	
	Miss Mary Smith	1 00	
	Misses Rebecca, Martha, and Eliza Leigh, each \$1	8 00	
	Mrs. Sarah A. Leigh	1 00	
	Mrs. P. F. Holt	2 50	
	Mrs. N. C. Bruce	5 00	
	Mrs. J. S. Lewellen	8 50	
	Mr. E. B. Estis	2 50	
	Mrs. Mary Bailey	10 00	
	Mrs. E. A. Clark	10 00	
	Mrs. Eliza Bruce's legacy	50 00	
	Mr. D. Cosby, Jr.	5 00	
	Mrs. M. E. Grammer	2 50	
	Col. C. H. Cubanias	2 00	
			100 00
May 18.	By cash from Antrim Parish, by Rev. J. Grammer, contribution	\$100 00	
	Rev. J. Grammer	10 00	
	Mrs. E. S. Earley	8 00	
	Mrs. F. H. Green	1 00	
	Mrs. C. S. Earley	1 00	
	Miss M. L. Spear	2 00	
	Mr. Richard Logan	5 00	
	Thomas G. Coleman	7 50	
			129 50
			\$2,980 75
" 14.	" balance on hand		\$1,034 79

Richmond, May 14, 1853.

I herewith furnish my account with the Diocesan Missionary Society of Virginia, showing receipts since last Convention amounting to \$2,487 50. Payments to Missionaries, and purchase of prayer-books, tracts, &c., for the same time, as per vouchers enclosed, \$1,945 96, leaving in the treasury to the credit of the Society at this date, \$934 79.

JOHN L. BACON, Treasurer.

COS000281

The Diocesan Missionary Society of Virginia in account with John L. Bacon,
Treasurer.

1852.					Dr.
May 22.	To cash	paid	Rev. W. L. Hyland	.	\$60 00
" "	" "	"	" W. L. Hyland	.	25 00
" 24.	" "	"	" J. C. Wheat	.	100 00
" 28.	" "	"	" G. S. Carraway	.	50 00
June 17.	" "	"	" Mr. Page	.	84 47
July 2.	" "	"	" J. C. McCabe	.	50 00
" 7.	" "	"	" L. P. Clover	.	25 00
" 31.	" "	"	" A. Weed	.	70 00
" "	" "	"	" J. J. Page, in full	.	196 58
Aug. 12.	" "	"	" W. L. Hyland	.	25 00
" "	" "	remitted	" L. Walke	.	100 00
" "	" "	"	" G. S. Carraway	.	50 00
" "	" "	"	" S. R. Slack	.	50 00
Oct. 5.	" "	paid	" A. B. Tizzard	.	47 50
" 18.	" "	"	" L. P. Clover	.	25 00
Sept. 10.	" "	"	" J. M. Chevers	.	75 00
Oct. 16.	" "	"	" E. T. Perkins	.	50 00
" 19.	" "	"	" W. L. Hyland	.	25 00
" 20.	" "	"	" W. F. Lockwood	.	75 00
Nov. 6.	" "	"	" E. T. Perkins, through collections made in his congregation, for the Society	.	15 00
" "	" "	"	" J. C. McCabe	.	45 00
" 17.	" "	remitted	" L. Walke	.	50 00
Dec. 8.	" "	paid	" Nash and Woodhouse for prayer-books	.	78 25
1853.					
Jan. 17.	" "	"	" W. L. Hyland	.	25 00
" 20.	" "	remitted	" L. Walke	.	50 00
" 22.	" "	paid	" J. C. McCabe, on account	.	50 00
Feb. 8.	" "	"	" A. Weed	.	70 00
" 15.	" "	"	" L. P. Clover	.	25 00
" 21.	" "	"	for tracts, ordered by the Board, and pro- cured by Rev. G. Woodbridge	.	20 46
April 11.	" "	"	Rev. J. C. McCabe	.	67 50
" 19.	" "	remitted	" A. B. Tizzard	.	47 50
" 30.	" "	"	" L. Walke	.	50 00
May 2.	" "	paid	" L. P. Clover	.	28 75
" 4.	" "	"	" S. D. Tompkins	.	50 00
" "	" "	"	" W. Chevers, 18 Mar.	.	75 00
" "	" "	remitted	" E. T. Perkins	.	70 00
" "	" "	"	balance on hand	.	1,084 79
					<u>\$2,980 75</u>

APPENDIX NO. IV.

William H. Hubbard, Treasurer, in account

Dr.			
1852.			
May 24.	To cash received from Lexington Parish, Amherst County,	for Contingent Fund	\$10 00
“ “	“ “	from Col. G. M. Carrington, Secretary <i>pro</i> <i>tem.</i> of Convention, for Contingent Fund	8,745 83
“ 27.	“ “	from D. F. Sprigg, for Norman Parish, Berkley County, for Contingent Fund .	2 00
“ 28.	“ “	from Col. G. M. Carrington, Secretary <i>pro</i> <i>tem.</i> of Convention, for Contingent Fund	1,262 85
June 25.	“ “	“per letter from Bishop Meade,” from Rev. Mr. Weble, Dinwiddie County, for Contingent Fund	8 00
July 6.	“ “	from Rev. Thomas E. Locke, from Cumber- land, Lunenburg County, for Contingent Fund	3 00
“ “	“ “	St. James's Church, Mecklenburg County, for Contingent Fund	6 00
Sept. 18.	“ “	from Rev. Wm. McGuire, from Washington Parish, for Contingent Fund	2 00
“ “	“ “	Montrose Parish, for Contingent Fund .	1 00
1853.			
Feb. 11.	“ “	from Mr. B. M. Eoff, Treasurer, St. John's Church, St. John's Parish, Ohio County, for Contingent Fund for 1852	53 00
May 12.	“ balance	. . . . .	426 33
			\$5,520 01

with the Episcopal Convention of Virginia.

Cn.

1852.

May 18.	By balance due Treasurer this date per account rendered .		\$219 91
" "	" cash paid Bishop Meade, travelling expenses and postage to this date.	Voucher No. 1.	173 00
" "	" " Bishop Meade, on acc't salary.	" " 2.	800 00
" "	" " Bishop Meade, draft favor R. L. Horner.	" " 3.	200 00
" "	" " Broken bank note.	" " 4.	2 00
" 24.	" " Discount on uncurrent note		1 00
" "	" " Bishop Meade's draft.	" " 5.	50 00
" "	" " Cassius F. Lee, Sec'y's draft.	" " 6.	8 75
" "	" " " " " " " " " " " "	" " 7.	7 00
" "	" " W. A. Irving, "door keeper."	" " 8.	15 00
June 1.	" " Bishop Meade's draft.	" " 9.	50 00
July 9.	" " Bishop Johns' draft.	" " 10.	800 00
" 27.	" " Bishop Meade's draft.	" " 11.	75 00
Aug. 2.	" " C. F. Lee, Sec'y's draft.	" " 12.	250 75
Sept. 1.	" " Bishop Meade's draft.	" " 13.	500 00
" 6.	" " C. F. Lee, Sec'y's draft.	" " 14.	52 90
Oct. 16.	" " Bishop Meade's draft.	" " 15.	100 00
Nov. 8.	" " Bishop Johns' draft.	" " 16.	624 00
" 30.	" " Bishop Johns' draft.	" " 17.	500 00
1853.			
Jan. 1.	" " Postage on circulars		70
" 3.	" " Charles H. Wynne.	" " 18.	2 00
" 31.	" " Bishop Meade's draft.	" " 19.	143 00
" 4.	" " Bishop Meade's draft.	" " 20.	725 00
Feb. 4.	" " Bishop Johns' draft.	" " 21.	725 00
			\$5,520 01
May 12.	By balance brought down (due Treasurer)		\$428 88

APPENDIX NO. V.

B.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO CONTINGENT FUND,

Received at Wheeling, May, 1853.

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	AMOUNT.
Albemarle	Fredericksville .....	.....	\$26 40
Albemarle	St. Anne's.....	Walker's.....	28 00
Amelia.....	Raleigh and Genito .....	.....	*48 00
Augusta.....	Augusta.....	Trinity, Staunton.....	94 00
Alexandria	Fairfax.....	Christ.....	122 00
Bedford	Hamner.....	St. Stephen's.....	45 00
Berkeley.....	Norborne	Mt. Zion.....	28 00
Berkeley.....	Norborne	Trinity, Martinsburg.....	44 00
Berkeley.....	Norborne	Christ.....	36 00
Botetourt.....	Botetourt.....	Grace.....	87 00
Botetourt.....	Botetourt.....	Trinity.....	26 00
Buckingham	Tillotson	St. Peter's.....	*20 00
Brunswick.....	St. Andrew's.....	St. Andrew's.....	38 00
Campbell.....	Lynchburg.....	St. Paul's.....	161 00
Caroline.....	St. Margaret's.....	St. Margaret's.....	31 00
Caroline.....	St. Mary's.....	.....	37 00
Charles City	Westover.....	.....	89 00
Chesterfield	Dale.....	} Trinity.....	*14 00
Powhatan	King William		
Clarke.....	Frederick.....	Christ.....	60 00
Clarke.....	Wickliffe.....	Wickliffe.....	97 00
Cumberland.....	Lyttleton	Grace.....	*20 00
Dinwiddie	Bath.....	Sapony.....	8 00
Elizabeth City.....	Elizabeth City.....	Hampton.....	48 00
Elizabeth City.....	Elizabeth City.....	Centurion.....	22 00
Essex.....	South Farnham .....	.....	51 90
Fairfax.....	Truro.....	Zion.....	22 00
Fauquier.....	Hamilton	St. James's, Warrenton	57 00
Fluvanna.....	Rivanna.....	.....	14 00
Fauquier.....	Leeds.....	St. Paul's.....	9 00

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	AMOUNT.
Fauquier.....	Meade.....	.....	27 00
Frederick.....	Frederick.....	Christ.....	101 00
Gloucester.....	Abingdon and Ware .....	.....	50 00
Greensville.....	Meherrin.....	.....	26 00
Halifax.....	Antrim.....	St. John's.....	*68 00
Halifax.....	Roanoke.....	.....	*18 00
Hanover.....	St. Martin's.....	Trinity.....	36 00
Henrico.....	Henrico.....	Monumental.....	*169 00
Henrico.....	Henrico.....	St. Paul's.....	228 00
Henrico.....	Henrico.....	St. James's.....	157 00
Henry.....	Patrick.....	Christ.....	25 00
Jackson.....	Ravenswood.....	.....	11 00
James City.....	Bruton.....	Williamsburg.....	98 60
Jefferson.....	St. Andrew's.....	Zion.....	101 00
Jefferson.....	St. Andrew's.....	Trinity.....	51 00
Kanawha.....	Kanawha.....	St. John's and St. Luke's.....	58 00
Kanawha.....	Kanawha.....	St. Mark's.....	10 00
King George.....	St. Paul's.....	St. Paul's.....	34 00
King George.....	Hanover.....	St. John's.....	18 00
Lancaster.....	Christ Church.....	.....	81 00
Loudon.....	Shelburne.....	St. James's.....	78 00
Lunenburg.....	Cumberland.....	St. John's and St. Paul's.....	41 00
Marshall.....	Trinity.....	.....	9 00
Mathews.....	Kingston.....	Christ.....	7 00
Mecklenburg.....	St. James's.....	.....	28 00
Mecklenburg.....	St. Luke's.....	.....	28 00
Mecklenburg.....	St. Luke's.....	St. Timothy's.....	4 00
Middlesex.....	Christ Church.....	.....	8 00
New Kent.....	St. Peter's.....	St. Peter's.....	20 00
Norfolk.....	Elizabeth River.....	Christ, Norfolk City.....	392 00
Norfolk.....	Elizabeth River.....	St. Paul's, Norfolk City.....	190 00
Norfolk.....	Portsmouth.....	St. John's.....	45 00
Northampton.....	Hungar's.....	Hungar's and Christ.....	57 00
Ohio.....	Wheeling.....	St. Matthew's.....	80 00
Ohio.....	Wheeling.....	St. John's.....	68 00
Petersburg.....	Bristol.....	St. Paul's.....	180 00
Petersburg.....	Bristol.....	Grace.....	65 00
Pleasants.....	St. John's.....	.....	5 00
Prince William.....	Dettingen and Leeds .....	.....	56 00
Powhatan.....	St. James's.....	St. Luke's.....	31 00
Princess Anne.....	Lynnhaven.....	.....	28 00
Prince George.....	City Point.....	St. John's.....	8 00
Prince George.....	Martin's, Brandon.. ..	.....	55 00
Rockingham.....	Rockingham.....	.....	*10 00
Spottsylvania.....	St. George's.....	St. George's, Fredericksburg....	145 00
Spottsylvania.....	Berkeley.....	St. John's.....	28 00
Surry.....	Southwark.....	Old Church.....	20 00

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	AMOUNT.
Wood	Trinity Church.....	Parkersburg	31 00
Westmoreland	Cople	Oak Grove.....	8 00
Westmoreland	Montross.....	.....	7 00
			\$4,296 40

The * annexed to sums, indicates payment to the Treasurer in Richmond.

C.

AMOUNT PAID FOR DELINQUENCIES AT CONVENTION OF 1858.

Fairfax County, Falls Church.....	\$5 00
Jefferson County, Zion Church.....	7 00
Essex County, South Farnham	10 90
\$22 90	

D.

PARISHES AND CHURCHES DELINQUENT FOR 1858.

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	AMOUNT.
Accomac.....	St. James's.....	St. James's and St. Paul's.....	Entirely.
Albemarle	Fredericksville	Buck Mountain.....	\$13 00
Albemarle	Christ Church.....	Charlottesville.....	Entirely.
Albemarle	St. Anne's.....	Trinity No Garden.....	Entirely.
Albemarle	St. Anne's.....	Christ.....	Entirely.
Amherst	Lexington	St. Luke's	Entirely.
Augusta.....	Augusta.....	Boyden Chapel.....	\$1 00
Alexandria	Fairfax.....	St. Paul's.....	Entirely.
Bedford	Russell.....	Trinity.....	Entirely.
Bedford	West Russell.....	St. Thomas's.....	Entirely.
Bedford	Heber.....	St. John's.....	Entirely.
Berkeley	Churches in.....	.....	\$12 00
Brooke	St. John's	St. John's.....	Entirely.
Brooke	Christ Church	Christ	Entirely.
Buckingham	Tillotson	St. Peter's.....	\$4 00
Charlotte	Cornwall	Roanoke	Entirely.
Culpepper.....	St. Mark's.....	St. James's.....	Entirely.
Fairfax.....	Truro.....	Zion.....	Entirely.
Fairfax.....	Truro.....	St. John's.....	Entirely.
Fauquier	Cedar Run.....	St. Stephen's	Entirely.
Fauquier	Leeds.....	St. Paul's.....	\$21 00
Fauquier	Piedmont.....	Trinity, Salem.....	Entirely.
Fluvanna	Rivanna.....	St. John's.....	Entirely.
Franklin	Franklin	Court House	\$2 00

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	AMOUNT.
Frederick	Frederick	St. Thomas's.....	Entirely.
Goochland.....	St. James's, Northam	St. Paul's.....	Entirely.
Goochland.....	St. James's, Northam	Beaver Dam.....	Entirely.
Hampshire	Hampshire	Frankfort and Zion.....	Entirely.
Harrison.....	Clarksburg	Bethel	Entirely.
Henrico	Henrico	St. John's.....	Entirely.
Henrico	Henrico	Christ and Armory.....	Entirely.
Henry.....	Patrick.....	Christ.....	\$2 00
Jefferson.....	St. John's	Harper's Ferry.....	Entirely.
Ile of Wight.....	Newport.....	Christ.....	Entirely.
King William.....	St. David's .....	.....	Entirely.
Louisa	Trinity & St. John's	.....	Entirely.
Nansemond.....	Suffolk	St. Paul's.....	Entirely.
Nelson.....	Nelson.....	Trinity and Callaway	Entirely.
Ohio	Wheeling	St. Matthew's.....	\$23 00
Rappahannock	Bloomfield.....	Bloomfield.....	Entirely.
Richmond	Lunenburg & Farn-	.....	Entirely.
Roanoke	Salem.....	.....	Entirely.
Rockbridge.....	Latimer	Grace, Lexington	Entirely.
Rockingham	Rockingham .....	.....	\$2 00
Surry	Lower Surry.....	.....	\$5 00
Sussex.....	Albemarle	Immanuel.....	Entirely.
Washington.....	St. Thomas's.....	Abingdon	Entirely.
Wythe.....	Wytheville.....	.....	Entirely.

N. B. The above list is printed as it came from the committee. Doubtless, before this Journal is printed, some of the Churches reported as delinquent will have paid their quotas to the Treasurer.

Secretary.

110000

A LIST OF THE PARISHES OF THE DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA,

With their respective Counties, Churches, and Ministers, arranged alphabetically in the order of the Counties.

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.
Accomac.....	St. James's.....	St. James's.....	(Vacant.)
Accomac.....	St. George's.....	St. George's.....	J. Ambler Weed.
Accomac.....	St. George's.....	St. Michael's.....	J. Ambler Weed.
Albemarle.....	Fredericks ville.....	Buck Mountain.....	S. R. Slack.
Albemarle.....	Fredericks ville.....	St. Paul's.....	S. R. Slack.
Albemarle.....	Fredericks ville.....	Christ, Charlottes- ville.....	R. K. Meade.
Albemarle.....	St. Anne's.....	Trinity No Garden.	(Vacant.)
Albemarle.....	St. Anne's.....	Christ.....	(Vacant.)
Albemarle.....	Walker's.....	Walker's.....	E. Boyden.
Amelia.....	Raleigh.....	Grubb Hill.....	P. F. Berkeley.
Amherst.....	Lexington.....	St. Luke's, N. Glas- gow.....	J. F. Martin.
Amherst.....	Lexington.....	Ascension, Amh'tch.	J. F. Martin.
Augusta.....	Augusta.....	Trinity, Staunton...	T. T. Castleman.
Augusta.....	Augusta.....	Boyden Chapel.....	J. C. Wheat.
Alexandria.....	Fairfax.....	Christ, Alexandria.	C. B. Dana.
Alexandria.....	Fairfax.....	St. Paul's, Alexan- dria.....	J. F. Johnson.
Bedford.....	Russell.....	Trinity.....	(Vacant.)
Bedford.....	West Russell.....	St. Thomas's.....	(Vacant.)
Bedford.....	Heber.....	St. John's, Liberty.	J. A. Wharton, offic'g.
Bedford.....	Hanmer.....	St. Stephen's.....	R. H. Wilmer.
Berkeley.....	Norborne.....	Mt. Zion, Hedges- ville.....	D. F. Sprigg.
Berkeley.....	Norborne.....	Trinity, Martinsburg	D. F. Sprigg.
Berkeley.....	Norborne.....	Calvary.....	D. F. Sprigg.
Berkeley.....	Norborne.....	Christ.....	C. M. Callaway.
Botetourt.....	Botetourt.....	Grace.....	F. M. Baker.
Botetourt.....	Woodville.....	Trinity, Buchanan..	F. M. Baker.
Brooke.....	Christ Church.....	Christ.....	S. D. Tompkins.
Brooke.....	St. John's.....	St. John's.....	S. D. Tompkins.
Brunswick.....	St. Andrew's.....	St. Andrew's.....	(Vacant.)
Buckingham.....	Tillotson.....	St. Peter's.....	W. C. Meredith,
Campbell.....	Moore.....	St. John's.....	W. H. Kinckle, offic'g.
Campbell.....	Lynchburg.....	St. Paul's, Lynch- burg.....	W. H. Kinckle.
Caroline.....	St. Margaret's.....	St. Margaret's.....	D. M. Wharton.
Caroline.....	St. Mary's.....	St. Peter's, Port Royal.....	Wm. Friend.
Caroline.....	St. Mary's.....	Grace.....	Henry Wall

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.
Charles City	Westover .....	.....	W. T. Leavell.
Charlotte	Cornwall.....	Roanoke	(Vacant.)
Chesterfield.....	Dale	Trinity	A. B. Tizzard.
Clarke.....	Frederick.....	Christ, Millwood....	J. F. Hoff.
Clarke.....	Wickliffe.....	Grace, Berryville...	F. M. Whittle.
Clarke.....	Wickliffe.....	Wickliffe.....	F. M. Whittle.
Culpepper	St. Mark's.....	St. Stephen's	John Cole.
Culpepper	St. Mark's.....	St. James's.....	John Cole.
Culpepper	St. Mark's.....	St. Paul's.....	John Cole.
Cumberland.....	Lyttleton	Grace.....	O. Bulkley.
Cumberland.....	Lyttleton	St. James's.....	O. Bulkley.
Cumberland.....	Lyttleton	St. Paul's.....	O. Bulkley.
Dinwiddie	Bath	Sapony	(Vacant.)
Dinwiddie	Bath	Calvary	(Vacant.)
Elizabeth City	Elizabeth City.....	St. John's, Hampton	J. C. McCabe.
Elizabeth City	Old Point.....	Centurion, Old Point	M. L. Chivers.
Essex.....	St. Anne's.....	.....	E. B. McGuire.
Essex.....	South Farnham....	St. Paul's.....	H. W. L. Temple.
Fairfax.....	Truro.....	Zion.....	(Vacant.)
Fairfax.....	Truro.....	St. John's	(Vacant.)
Fairfax.....	Fairfax.....	Falls.....	(Vacant.)
Fauquier.....	Hamilton	St. James's, War-	
		renton.....	G. H. Norton.
Fauquier.....	Cedar Run.....	St. Stephen's	G. H. Norton.
Fauquier.....	Leeds.....	St. Paul's.....	W. H. Pendleton.
Fauquier.....	Meade.....	Trinity	O. A. Kinsolving.
Fauquier.....	Piedmont.....	Trinity, Salem	C. H. Shield.
Fluvanna	Rivanna.....	St. John's	(Vacant.)
Franklin	Franklin	At Court House....	A. Wade.
Frederick	Frederick.....	Christ, Winchester.	C. Walker.
Frederick	Frederick.....	St. Thomas's, Mid-	
		dletown	(Vacant.)
Gloucester.....	Abingdon.....	Abingdon	Charles Mann.
Gloucester.....	Ware.....	Ware	Charles Mann.
Goochland.....	St. James's, Northam	St. Paul's.....	(Vacant.)
Goochland.....	St. James's, Northam	Beaverdam	(Vacant.)
Greensville	Meherrin	Grace.....	P. G. Robert.
Greensville	Meherrin	Christ.....	P. G. Robert.
Halifax.....	Antrim	St. John's	John Grammer.
Halifax.....	Roanoke	Brick	J. T. Clarke.
Halifax.....	Roanoke	Catawba	J. T. Clarke.
Hanover	St. Martin's.....	Fork	W. V. Bowers.
Hanover	St. Paul's.....	St. Paul's.....	W. Norwood, D. D.
Hampshire.....	Hampshire.....	St. Paul's.....	} (Vacant.)
		Frankfort.....	
		Zion.....	
Harrison.....	Clarksburg.....	Bethel	R. A. Castleman.

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.
Henrico	Henrico	St. John's	H. S. Keppler.
Henrico	Richmond City.....	Monumental	George Woodbridge.
Henrico	Richmond City.....	St. Paul's.....	Alex. Jones, D. D.
Henrico	Richmond City.....	St. James's.....	(Vacant.)
Henrico	Richmond City.....	Christ.....	(Vacant.)
Henrico	Richmond City.....	Armory	(Vacant.)
Henry	Patrick.....	Christ.....	A. Wade.
Isle of Wight.....	Newport	Christ, Smithfield..	(Vacant.)
Isle of Wight.....	Newport	Old Church	(Vacant.)
James City.....	Brunton	—, Williamsburg	H. M. Dennison.
Jefferson.....	St. Andrew's.....	Zion, Charlestown..	C. E. Ambler.
Jefferson.....	St. Andrew's.....	Trinity, Shepherds- town	C. W. Andrews.
Jefferson.....	St. Andrew's.....	St. John's, Harper's Ferry.....	J. H. Kehler.
Jefferson.....	St. Andrew's.....	St. Bartholomew's, Leetown.....	C. M. Callaway.
Kanawha	Kanawha	St. John's, Charles- ton	R. T. Brown.
Kanawha	Kanawha	St. Luke's, Salines.	R. T. Brown.
Kanawha	Kanawha	St. Mark's, Coal- sm'th	(Vacant.)
King George.....	St. Paul's.....	St. Paul's	Russell.
King George.....	Hanover.....	St. John's	William Friend.
King William	St. David's	St. David's.....	(Vacant.)
Lancaster.....	Christ Church	Christ.....	E. Withers.
Lancaster.....	Christ Church	White Chapel.....	E. Withers.
Lewis.....	.....	St. Paul's, Weston.	J. J. Page.
London.....	Shelburne	St. James's.....	George Adie.
Loudon.....	Meade.....	Emanuel	O. A. Kinsolving.
Louisa.....	Green Spring.....	St. John's.....	E. Boyden.
Louisa.....	Trinity	Trinity	John Cooke.
Lunenburg	Cumberland.....	St. John's	Thomas E. Locke.
Lunenburg	Cumberland.....	St. Paul's.....	Thomas E. Locke.
Madison.....	Bloomfield.....	Piedmont	Joseph Earnest.
Madison.....	Bloomfield.....	Trinity	Joseph Earnest.
Marshall.....	Trinity .....	.....	William L. Hyland.
Mason.....	.....	Bruce Chapel.....	(Vacant.)
Mason.....	.....	Point Pleasant	(Vacant.)
Matthews.....	Kingston.....	Christ.....	G. S. Carraway.
Mecklenburg.....	St. James's.....	Old Church.....	J. W. Chesley.
Mecklenburg.....	St. James's.....	St. James's.....	J. W. Chesley.
Mecklenburg.....	St. James's.....	St. Andrew's.....	J. W. Chesley.
Mecklenburg.....	St. Luke's.....	St. Luke's.....	J. W. Chesley.
Mecklenburg.....	St. Luke's.....	Clarksville.....	T. E. Locke.
Middlesex	Christ Church	Christ.....	G. S. Carraway.
Nansemond.....	Suffolk	St. Paul's.....	A. S. Smith.

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.
Nansemond.....	Chuckatuck.....	St. John's.....	
Nelson.....	Nelson.....	Trinity.....	F. D. Godwin.
Nelson.....	Nelson.....	Callaway.....	F. D. Godwin.
Nelson.....	Nelson.....	Rockfish.....	(Vacant.)
Nelson.....	Nelson.....	St. Paul's, N. Market	F. D. Godwin.
Nelson.....	Nelson.....	Grace.....	
New Kent.....	St. Peter's.....	St. Peter's.....	W. Norwood, D. D.
Norfolk.....	Elizabeth River.....	Christ, Norfolk City	G. D. Cummins.
Norfolk.....	Elizabeth River.....	St. Paul's.....	Wm. M. Jackson.
Norfolk.....	Portsmouth.....	Trinity, Portsmouth	J. H. Wingfield.
Norfolk.....	Portsmouth.....	St. John's, Ports-	
		mouth.....	James Chisholm.
Northampton.....	Hungar's.....	Hungar's.....	J. Rawson, D. D.
Northampton.....	Hungar's.....	Christ.....	J. Rawson, D. D.
Ohio, Wheeling.....	.....	St. Matthew's.....	Wm. Armstrong.
Ohio.....	St. John's.....	St. John's.....	J. D. McCabe, D. D.
Orange.....	St. Thomas's.....	St. Thomas's.....	Joseph Earnest.
Petersburg.....	Bristol.....	St. Paul's.....	H. Stringfellow.
Petersburg.....	Bristol.....	Grace.....	C. J. Gibson.
Pittsylvania.....	Camden.....	Epiphany.....	G. W. Dame.
Pittsylvania.....	Camden.....	Emanuel.....	G. W. Dame.
Powhatan.....	Genito.....	Grace.....	P. F. Berkeley.
Powhatan.....	St. James's, Southam	St. Luke's.....	Andrew Fisher.
Powhatan.....	St. James's, Southam	Immanuel.....	Andrew Fisher.
Powhatan.....	King William.....	.....	A. B. Tizzard.
Princess Ann.....	Lynnhaven.....	Chapel.....	Lewis Walke.
Princess Ann.....	Lynnhaven.....	Emanuel.....	Lewis Walke.
Prince George.....	City Point.....	St. John's.....	(Vacant.)
Prince George.....	Martin's Brandon...	Merchant's Hope...	C. Minnigerode.
Prince George.....	Martin's Brandon...	Old Brandon.....	C. Minnigerode.
Prince William.....	Dettingen.....	St. James's.....	John Towles.
Prince William.....	Leeds.....	St. Paul's.....	John Towles.
Putnam.....	St. Paul's.....	Winfield.....	(Vacant.)
Putnam.....	St. Paul's.....	St. John's.....	(Vacant.)
Putnam.....	St. Paul's.....	Teaye's Valley.....	(Vacant.)
Rappahannock.....	Bloomfield.....	.....	W. H. Pendleton.
Richmond.....	Lunenburg.....	.....	} (Vacant.)
Richmond.....	Farnham.....	.....
Roanoke.....	Salem.....	.....	G. T. Wilmer.
Rockbridge.....	Latimer.....	Grace, Lexington...	L. P. Clover.
Rockingham.....	Rockingham.....	P. Republic.....	J. C. Wheat.
Spottsylvania.....	St. George's.....	St. George's, Frede-	
		ricksburg.....	E. C. McGuire, D. D.
Spottsylvania.....	Berkeley.....	Christ.....	D. M. Wharton.
Spottsylvania.....	Berkeley.....	St. John's.....	D. M. Wharton.
Surry.....	Southwark.....	Lower Surry.....	J. C. McCabe.
Sussex.....	Albemarle.....	Immanuel.....	(Vacant.)

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	MINISTERS.
Washington	Holston	St. Thomas's, Abing- don.....	(Vacant.)
Westmoreland	Washington	St. Peter's.....	Wm. McGuire.
Westmoreland	Cople	Oak Grove.....	E. B. McGuire.
Westmoreland	Montross	St. James's'.....	Wm. McGuire.
Wood	Trinity	Parkersburg	E. T. Perkins.
Wythe.....	Wytheville.....	.....	(Vacant.)
Wetzel.....	Wetzel.....	St. Paul's.....	J. D. McCabe.
York.....	York-Hampton	Grace.....	(Vacant.)

AN ACT
CONCERNING CHURCH PROPERTY.

New Code of Virginia, Chap. 77, page 362.

§ 8. Every conveyance, devise, or dedication, shall be valid, which, since the first day of January, seventeen hundred and seventy-seven, has been made, and every conveyance shall be valid which hereafter shall be made, of land for the use or benefit of any religious congregation as a place for public worship, or as a burial-place, or a residence for a minister; and the land shall be held for such use or benefit, and for such purpose, and not otherwise.

§ 9. The Circuit Court of the county or corporation wherein there may be any parcel of such land, or the greater part thereof, may, on application of the proper authorities of such congregation, from time to time, appoint trustees, either where there were or are none, or in place of former trustees, and change those so appointed, whenever it may seem to the court proper, to effect or promote the purpose of the conveyance, devise, or dedication; and the legal title to such land shall, for that purpose, be vested in the said trustees for the time being and their successors.

§ 10. When books or furniture shall be given or acquired for the benefit of such congregation, to be used on the said land in the ceremonies of public worship, or at the residence of their minister, the same shall stand vested in the trustees having the legal title to the land, to be held by them as the land is held, for the benefit of the congregation.

§ 11. The said trustees may, in their own names, sue for and recover such land or property, and be sued in relation thereto. Such suit, notwithstanding the death of any of the said trustees, or the appointment of others, shall proceed in the names of the trustees by or against whom it was instituted.

§ 12. Such trustees shall not take or hold at any one time more than two acres of land in an incorporated town, nor more than thirty acres out of such a town.

§ 13. Any one or more of the members of any religious congregation may, in his or their name, in behalf of such congregation, commence and prosecute a suit in equity against any such trustee, to compel him to apply such land or property for the use or benefit of the congregation, as his duty

shall require. No member of the congregation need be made a defendant to such suit, but, in other respects, the same shall be proceeded in, heard and determined as other suits in equity, except that it may be proceeded in, notwithstanding the death of the plaintiff, as if he were still living.

NOTE.—On the 3d of February, 1842, an act was passed by the General Assembly of Virginia, entitled “An act concerning conveyances or devises of places of public worship,” which law was inserted in the Journal of 1848, by order of the Convention.

As that law has been repealed by the above act, passed at the late revision of the code of Virginia, which took effect on the 1st July, 1850, the secretary deems it his duty to publish the said act in the Journal. He would call attention to the fact, that under this law no land can hereafter be *devised* for the use and benefit of any religious congregation, but must be *conveyed by deed* in the lifetime of the donor, whilst the act of 1842 legalized a *devise*, as well as a conveyance of lands for the use and benefit of any religious congregation as a place of public worship, or as a burial place, or parsonage.

The following law, prescribing the duty of ministers celebrating the rites of marriage, is enacted by the new code, and is here inserted for the information of the clergy:—

New Code, Chapter 108, page 470.—Register of Marriage.

§ 8. A certificate of every marriage hereafter solemnized, signed by the minister or other person celebrating the same, or, in the case of societies that solemnize their marriages by the consent of the parties in open congregation, by the clerk of the meeting, shall be transmitted by such minister, person, or clerk of the meeting, to the clerk of the court of the county or corporation in which the marriage is solemnized, *within three months thereafter*; which certificate shall be recorded by the clerk within thirty days after its receipt, in a book to be kept for that purpose, with a proper index thereto; and a copy thereof from such record shall be evidence of such marriages. If any minister, or other person celebrating a marriage, or the clerk of any such meeting, or of any court, shall fail to perform what is hereby required of him, *he shall for each failure forfeit sixty dollars.*

*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 be-
fore 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 executors or administrators of such survivor, shall be a suffi-
cient 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 inter-
est 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 said
legacy."

COS0000297