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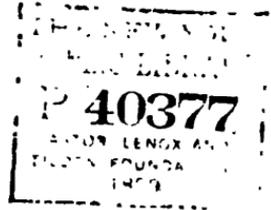
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Geo. W. Williams, Monumental church, Richmond.
Hon. David Funsten, Immanuel church, Greenwood parish,
Albemarle.
Wm. H. Macfarland, St. Paul's church, Richmond.
Maj. John B. Brockenborough, Grace church, Lexington.
Col. H. Gantt, Christ church, St. Ann's parish, Albemarle.
Allen Y. Stokes, St. John's church, Richmond.
Samuel P. Mitchell, Grace church, Richmond.
Wm. N. Word, St. Mark's church, Fincastle.
Wm. D. Cabell, Nelson parish, Nelson county.
Maj. Isaac H. Carrington, Banister parish, Pittsylvania county.
Hugh W. Sheffey, Trinity church, Staunton.

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RICHMOND, May 18th, 1864. }
St. Paul's Church. }

The Council of the Diocese of Virginia met to-day in St. Paul's Church, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. A. M. Randolph. The sermon was preached by Rev. R. K. Meade, from Joel 2d chapter, 12th to 17th verses inclusive.

After divine service the Council met in the Lecture Room, and was called to order by the Bishop, Rt. Rev. John Johns, D. D.

The roll was called and the following clergy answered to their names :

RT. REV. JOHN JOHNS, D. D.	Rev. F. M. Baker,
Rev. O. S. Barten,	“ W. C. Butler,
“ T. G. Dashiell,	“ T. Duncan,
“ W. W. Greene,	“ Edward H. Ingle,
“ J. T. Johnston,	“ H. S. Kepler,
“ R. R. Mason,	“ R. K. Meade,
“ C. Minnigerode, D. D.	“ J. P. McGuire,
“ Wm. McGuire,	“ Wm. Norwood,
“ T. Peterkin, D. D.	“ A. M. Randolph,
“ S. Ridout,	“ W. Sparrow, D. D.
“ D. Francis Sprigg,	“ P. Tinsley,
“ C. Walker, D. D.	“ Geo. Woodbridge, D. D.

poses to bestow in the establishment of our complete and lasting national independence.

With this due recognition of the Divine favor, I proceed to the statements specially contemplated by the canon.

May 21.—At an early service in St. Paul's, Richmond, I addressed the congregation and confirmed 14.

May 22.—In St. James', Richmond, I admitted the Rev. James Grammer and the Rev. Charles P. Rodifer to priests' orders. Address by the Rev. C. Walker, D. D. The candidates were presented by the Rev. T. G. Dashiell.

May 24.—I preached in St. John's, Richmond, and confirmed 12.

May 31.—I preached in Immanuel, Henrico, and confirmed 8.

June 3.—I visited the army on the Rappahannock to make such arrangements as might be found expedient to enable my brethren of the clergy to render most effectively such Missionary services, as were contemplated by the resolution of the last Council. When I arrived the several divisions had received marching orders, and before many hours had elapsed, all, with the exception of those brought up in front of Fredericksburg, to resist a demonstration of the enemy at that point, had moved for active service elsewhere.

My own observation, and conference with those most competent to furnish information satisfied me, that even when the army is stationary, it would not be wise to make formal appointments in advance for those who tendered their services under the resolution of the last Council—nor is this necessary. Ample opportunity for officiating on any day, as often as one's physical strength would permit, is readily afforded by those in authority, and at any time when not on duty, the officers and soldiers are pleased to assemble at the church call and either in some chapel, or under some extensive arbor, or in some grove selected for the purpose, form a congregation, which in number, attention and reverence, cannot fail to stir up all that is within a minister, to greater effort for their spiritual benefit and the Master's glory. So I have communicated with my brethren, assuring them of my readiness to facilitate their entrance upon this inviting field of usefulness, and thus have endeavored to discharge the responsibility devolved upon me by the action of the Council.

For the information of the Diocese, and for instruction and encouragement in reference to continued and increasing efforts on behalf of those devoted men, who are nobly enduring hardship, and periling life itself in our protection, I have requested those of the clergy who have had it in their power to participate in these Missionary services, to state it in connection with their parochial reports. For one and all, who were thus privileged, I hazard nothing in testifying, that their only regret was, that they could not labor longer where their ministrations were so gratefully received, and in many instances manifestly owned and blessed of God.

June 3.—On my arrival at Hamilton's Crossing I was met by the Rev. J. McGill, Chaplain in the 52d Virginia Regiment, who informed me that in the Rockbridge Artillery company, then encamped in the vicinity, but

under orders to march in a few hours, there were several persons anxious to receive confirmation. The necessary arrangements were soon made, and at 5 P. M., in front of the residence of Mr. Marye, I preached to the members of that brave band, baptized one, and confirmed six of their number. Before the next dawn their tents had disappeared, and they were moving to share in the terrible conflicts of the campaign.

During the interval between my arrival and this service, I passed some time at Headquarters in communication with the honored and beloved Commander of the Army of Northern Virginia, in reference to its religious improvement, to which his example and counsel happily contribute. If, in the life and influence of this Christian General, and other eminent officers, his worthy associates in our eventful struggle for civil and religious liberty, we do not gratefully recognize a most significant encouragement to hope for a successful issue, we would be justly liable to the charge of slowness to perceive the tokens for good which have been vouchsafed to us, and criminally delinquent in the gratitude which they should awaken.

June 4.—In company with Gen. Pendleton, I rode out to the Headquarters of Gen. Ewell, recently appointed to the command vacated by the death of the lamented Gen. Jackson. The interview assured me the more, that the good Providence and grace of God had prepared the way most invitingly for the extension of the Gospel in the army. On the same day, at 5 P. M., I preached to the 52d Virginia Regiment, under an arbor, which, though very extensive, did not cover the congregation. The Rev. Mr. McGill, the Chaplain of this Regiment, reported a goodly number of the men as earnestly enquiring "what they must do to be saved." Whilst we were engaged in the services, a courier arrived with orders to march at midnight.

June 5.—At 5 P. M. I preached near Grace church, Caroline county, to the division under command of Gen. Heth. As our own church was too small, the appointment for our service was made in a large Baptist church near by, but on arriving, it was found to be full, and more out than inside. It was deemed best to officiate in the open air. Taking my stand at the rear of the building, with the men seated on the grass, and many on the limbs of the surrounding trees, I ministered to as attentive and serious congregation as I ever addressed. The chaplain informed me that here also, many were deeply interested on the subject of religion. I had announced another appointment to preach for them at 5 P. M. the next day, but again whilst I was preaching a courier came with the intelligence that the enemy had opened upon our troops at Fredericksburg, and were crossing in force below the town. Gen. Heth's command was ordered up. They marched during the night and the next day, when the hour for my appointment arrived there was not even a straggler to be found in the vicinity. It was an anxious day. The occasional booming of the guns from the heights beyond the Rappahannock, the discharge of musketry between the skirmishers on this side, and the roll of their drums, authorized the anticipation of early attack. The next morning, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Friend, I rode up to Hamilton's Crossing, to see if there would be an opportunity for a public service, and if not, to be at hand to officiate among

the wounded, should a battle ensue. We found the troops which had been brought up, in battle array, not knowing at what moment the enemy might attempt to advance. All hope of public service was abandoned—very soon, however, we were called on by Col. Leaventhorpe, who commanded a North Carolina regiment, and who came to say that he understood I was willing to officiate, and that, though his officers and men had been on the march during the night, they would be thankful if we would conduct service for them. I left him to arrange time and place, and in half an hour he returned to accompany us to an orchard in the rear of the trenches, where his regiment were assembled to unite in prayer and praise and hear the word of God. The Rev. Mr. Friend read the morning service, and I addressed the congregation. Our appropriate Psalms and hymns were accompanied by the music of a part of the regimental band, which had been accustomed to render such assistance by the Rev. Aristides Smith, their chaplain, who was detained in Petersburg by sickness. We had scarcely closed the solemn exercises when a deputation came to ask for a service in the afternoon. Neither the fatiguing march of the preceding night, nor the vicinity of a formidable foe, abated their interest in the divinely appointed means of grace, nor detained them from their administration. We may learn and profit by this wholesome example. That same regiment was in the hottest of the fight at Gettysburg, and proved as fearless in the service of their country—as they were ready and respectful in the worship of God.

June 14.—I preached in the morning in Grace church, Richmond, and confirmed five. At night I preached at St. James', Richmond, and confirmed nine.

June 16.—I preached in Christ church, Greenville, and confirmed three.

June 17.—I preached in Grace church, Greenville, and confirmed two.

June 21.—At Brandon church, after a service by the Rev. Mr. Platt, I addressed the congregation and confirmed eight.

June 22.—I preached at Cabin Point, and at the request of the Rector, baptized his child, and two others presented at the same time.

In the afternoon I preached in the chapel of Upper and Lower Brandon, to the servants of the two plantations, for whose use it was built, and where they were accustomed to assemble on Sundays for prayer and the ministry of the Word, conducted by the rector of the parish. This is but one of several similar houses of worship erected by the proprietors of large estates on the line of James river, for the religious improvement of their servants, and where on my visitations I have had the privilege of ministering to them in the Gospel. It is sad to have to record that at Lower Brandon, where their temporal comforts and spiritual interests were cared for with generous Christian solicitude, a recent raiding party of the enemy spared neither their little property nor their persons. Those who could not save themselves by flight or concealment, were hurried off to find by bitter experience that the tender mercies of their professed liberators are cruel, and that the promised freedom is but squalid poverty, loathsome disease, and premature death. The unpretending chapel is left desolate, without a wor-

shipper. Those with whose praise to God it has often resounded, must, I fear, reserve their next hymn of joy for the "house not made with hands eternal in the heavens."

In July I commenced a visitation of the churches in the South-western section of the Diocese.

July 5.—In Wytheville, after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Rodefer, I addressed the congregation and preached in the afternoon.

July 6.—In the morning I preached in the same church and confirmed ten. In the afternoon I catechized and addressed the children, and at night preached again. This parish has evidently improved since my previous visit, and I trust that the ingathering which I witnessed, is but the first fruits of the labors of its worthy minister.

July 7.—At Marion, where the same brother officiates, I preached, and confirmed three, being the first Episcopal service performed there. We have no church in the village, and were indebted to the Christian courtesy of another denomination for the loan of their house of worship.

July 8, 9 and 10.—I preached daily at Abingdon, and at the last service confirmed one. 11th and 12th I preached in Goodson and confirmed nine. Here also our services were conducted in the church of another denomination. The congregations were large and attentive, and the prospect of soon possessing a building of our own, very encouraging. Indeed measures for the immediate erection of a temporary structure to answer till circumstances should justify the construction of such a house of worship as they propose, were in process, and have been suspended only by the advance of the enemy soon after my visit. During that invasion the Rev. Mr. Mowbray, who resided in Greenville, Tennessee, but officiated also at Goodson and Abingdon, was, as is reported, obliged to leave "because he would not pray for the President of the United States." Where he is, and the circumstances connected with his removal, I am unable to state. I am however happy to say, that by the aid of our Missionary Society, I have sent the Rev. Mr. Ingle to minister at Abingdon and Goodson, until more permanent arrangement can be effected.

July 13.—I preached in the Presbyterian church at Christiansburg.

July 14.—I preached in the church at Big Lick, and confirmed six.

July 15.—I proceeded to Liberty where I was detained for a week by sickness, and so prevented from fulfilling my appointment at St. Thomas' church. By the blessing of God on the valued services of Dr. Seldon, and the care of kind friends, I was able to resume my journey on the 24th. Before leaving Liberty I ventured upon a short address in the church, and administered the rite of confirmation to a soldier, who was desirous to ratify his baptismal vow.

July 26.—I preached in Lynchburg on my way to meet my engagements in Goochland.

July 29.—I preached in St. Paul's, Goochland, and confirmed three.

July 30.—In Trinity, Louisa, I preached and confirmed two. This building has since been destroyed by fire. I understand that it is proposed to rebuild it, and I trust the congregation will be generously aided by our brethren in other parts of the Diocese.

July 31.—I preached at Beaver Dam and confirmed seven.

Aug. 2.—I preached at Columbia and confirmed six.

Aug. 4.—In the same church I admitted John M. Burke to Deacon's orders. Morning service by the Rector. The candidate was presented by Rev. Mr. Mortimer—sermon by myself.

Aug. 9.—I preached at Corinth.

Aug. 16.—I preached at Ashland.

Aug. 23.—I preached in St. George's church, Fredericksburg. In the afternoon I preached in the vicinity, at the headquarters of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, to many of his command assembled in the open air. During the bombardment of Fredericksburg, St. George's formed a target for the enemy; but though it bears evidence of having been struck three and twenty times, the clock in the steeple continued to sound the hours, and the injury sustained by the building is so inconsiderable, that a few hundred dollars, it is estimated, will be sufficient to repair the damage.

Aug. 3.—I preached in Ashland to the servants.

Sept. 6.—I preached in the same place to the same congregation. My next visitation was to the army on the Rapidan.

Sept. 20.—I preached in St. Thomas' church, Orange C. H., and confirmed 8. In the afternoon I preached in the woods in the vicinity, to a regiment of Scale's Brigade. The next morning, near the same place, I preached to a South Carolina Regiment, and in the afternoon in a grove at Willis' Ford. I preached to a part of Gen. Heth's command.

Sept. 27.—In the morning I preached in the neighborhood of Petersburg, in the camp of Pickett's Division, and confirmed two. At night in St. Paul's, Petersburg, I confirmed one belonging to the army.

Sept. 28.—I preached a few miles below Petersburg, to Dearing's Battalion, and confirmed two.

Oct. 4.—In the morning I preached in the chapel at Drewry's Bluff, and in the afternoon I crossed the river and preached in the camp of General Hunton's Brigade, on Chafin's farm.

Oct. 6.—I attended a meeting of the Missionary Committee in St. Paul's, Petersburg, and participated in the public services on the same evening. The interest of the congregation was expressed by their liberal contribution to the funds of the society.

Oct. 11.—I preached in the morning in the chapel at Chafin's Bluff, and in the afternoon in the chapel on the farm.

Oct. 17.—I started for Fredericksburg, and on my way stopped at Hamilton's Crossing, and performed the funeral service at the grave of the daughter of a former pupil during my connection with William and Mary College.

Oct. 18.—I preached and administered the communion in St. George's church, Fredericksburg. It was a most affecting service, in which not only our own people, but those of other denominations, who had also for many months been deprived of the privilege, gladly united in the memorial of the sufferings and death of our blessed Lord and Saviour. During this visit I made an arrangement with members of the vestry to have the pulpit

of St. George's supplied on the first and third Sundays of the month, and on my return to Richmond made provision for the same through the agency of the Missionary Committee, and the ready concurrence of the Rev. Mr. Kepler, who, except when providentially prevented, complied with the engagement. In the afternoon I preached at the same church.

Oct. 25.—I preached morning and night at Boydton, in Mecklenburg, and confirmed 16.

Nov. 1.—I preached in St. Paul's, Richmond.

Nov. 8.—I preached in St. Paul's, Essex, and confirmed 34.

Nov. 14.—I preached in Grace church, Petersburg, and confirmed 21.

Nov. 15.—In the morning I preached in St. Luke's, Nottoway, and confirmed 1. At night I lectured in the hospital at Blacks and Whites. The services of the Rev. Mr. Rodefer, who had been obliged to withdraw from his parish in Westmoreland, have been secured for St. Luke's, in connection with Farmville and its vicinity, where a number of refugee families sojourning, and are desirous to be supplied with the ministrations of our church.

Nov. 22.—I preach in St. James', Richmond.

Nov. 29.—I preached in St. John's, Fluvanna.

Dec. 6.—I preached in St. Paul's, Richmond, and admitted to Priest orders the Rev. Thompson P. Maury and the Rev. Magruder Maury. Morning service by the Rev. Mr. Perkins. Candidates presented by Rev. Dr. Minnigerode, who, with the Rev. Mr. Perkins, united in the imposition of hands.

Dec. 13.—I preached in the morning in Grace church, Richmond, and in the afternoon at St. Philip's.

Dec. 20.—In the morning I preached in St. Paul's, Petersburg, and confirmed 10. In the afternoon I preached in the new church, under the care of the Rev. Horace Stringfellow, Jr.

1864—Jan. 3.—I assisted in the services at the Monumental church.

Jan. 10.—I preached in the Monumental church.

Jan. 16.—In the absence of the Rector of St. Paul's, I officiated at the funeral of the late Arthur A. Morson.

Jan. 17.—I preached morning and night in St. Paul's, Richmond.

Jan. 27.—I preached in Grace church, Richmond, and admitted to Deacon's orders, James A. Mitchell and Edward H. Ingle. Service by the Rev. Mr. Sprigg and the Rev. Mr. Baker. The Rev. Mr. Baker presented the candidates.

Jan. 31.—I preached in St. Paul's, Richmond.

Feb. 3.—I lectured in St. Paul's.

Feb. 7.—I preached in the chapel of the Maryland Regiment, at Hanover Junction.

Feb. 10.—I preached in the Monumental church.

Feb. 14.—In St. Paul's, Richmond, I read the Lenten Pastoral, which I deemed it expedient to publish in the Diocese, and which was published at the same time. On the same day I baptized the

child of parents transiently in Richmond, and from a parish without a rector.

Feb. 17.—By written request I preached in "Libby Prison," which I have been in the habit of visiting to render such services as might be proper, with a special reference to those inmates, who had been commended to my attention by their friends at the North. I will only state that every facility of access and ministration was afforded by our authorities, and that, if all prisons had been as humanely managed, neither government would have just cause of complaint.

Feb. 23.—I preached in Grace church, Richmond.

Feb. 24.—I lectured in St. Paul's.

March 2.—I lectured in St. John's, Halifax.

March 6.—I preached in St. Philip's, Richmond. This congregation, under the care of the Rev. Mr. Sprigg, is improving. Its Sunday school, which has been conducted by Dr. Jones, and an efficient band of teachers, is very flourishing, and affords promise of permanent usefulness. Its generous patrons will, I trust, receive for their liberality in erecting and sustaining their church, the compensation which they proposed to themselves in its gratifying success.

March 9.—I lectured in St. Paul's, Richmond.

March 12.—Accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Perkins, I again visited Orange Courthouse, to officiate for the portion of the army stationed in the vicinity.

March 13.—I preached in St. Thomas' church to a crowded congregation assembled from the different encampments, and administered the communion, of which many officers and privates partook.

March 14.—I preached in the same church and confirmed 23—21 of whom belonged to the army, and embraced all ranks, from that of general to the honorable post of the private soldier. It was a spectacle not to be forgotten. The whole congregation was melted in grateful sympathy, and many hearts united fervently in the prayer—"defend Lord, these our brave defenders, with thy heavenly grace, that they may continue Thine forever, and daily increase in Thy Holy Spirit more and more, until they come unto Thine everlasting Kingdom. Amen."

On the next evening, (March 15,) at Hanover Junction, in the spacious chapel, which the soldiers of the Maryland Regiment had built and ornamented with their own hands, a scene of similar interest occurred. Although the night was very inclement, the house was completely filled. By the aid of the camp and navy Prayer Book, recently published by the Executive Committee of our Diocesan Missionary Society, the entire evening service was conducted, with good responses, and the anthems chanted by their own choir. The words were rendered vocal by their manly voices, and the camp resounded not with profane song, but with hymns of praise to the Great Captain of our Salvation. I preached there to sons, to whose parents I had ministered in former years in another Diocese, and confirmed 8; some of them of families connected with the two only congregations

with which I have been parochially associated, and the memory of whom is dear to me, and will be till death.

March 20.—I preached in St. Paul's, Richmond, and confirmed 44. At night I preached in St. John's, Richmond, and confirmed 9.

March 23.—I preached in St. James', Richmond, and confirmed 33.

April 3.—I preached in the Monumental church, Richmond, and confirmed 18.

April 10.—I preached in the morning in Grace church, Petersburg, and confirmed 18. At night I preached in St. Paul's and confirmed 32. I would here note that in these and other confirmations held in regular congregations, there has always been a very gratifying number of the candidates from the army.

|| April 13.—I lectured in St. Paul's, Richmond.

April 27.—In the morning I preached in St. John's church, Halifax, and in the afternoon to the servants on the plantation of Mr. John Clarke, at Wilna.

May 1.—I preached to the servants at my present residence.

May 5.—In the morning, after a sermon by the Rector, I addressed the congregation in St. Paul's, Lynchburg. At night I preached in the same church and confirmed 21.

May 8.—I preached both in the morning and afternoon, and confirmed 27; nine of whom were connected with the Virginia Military Institute.

May 10.—At a meeting for prayer I addressed the congregation in Trinity church Staunton. The next morning, at an early service, I again addressed the congregation, and confirmed 21. At eleven o'clock I preached and admitted to Deacon's orders Randolph H. McKim and William F. Gardiner. Morning prayer by the Rev. R. Nelson. The candidates were presented by the Rev. Dr. Sparrow.

By the interruption of the train on the Central road, I was prevented from fulfilling my appointment in Grace church, Richmond, on the 15th, and preached, in the morning of that day, in Christ church, Charlottesville, and in the afternoon in the hospital.

Other parishes on the borders of the Diocese I had made arrangements to visit, but have been dissuaded by communications from judicious residents, who were decidedly of the opinion that under existing circumstances the attempt would be inexpedient. It may be proper in this connection to introduce a letter received by flag of truce a few weeks since from a clergyman officiating in one of our congregations within the line of the enemy. It will explain itself, and my reply contains the only answer which I felt at liberty to return.

"WASHINGTON CITY, Jan. 27, 1864.

REVEREND J. JOHNS, D. D.:

My Dear Sir, I am very anxious to see you in person, and in the interest of St. Matthew's Episcopal visitation, and in the interest of the cause of the South, I am constrained to beg that you will give

your consent to our inviting a Bishop to officiate in your stead. Will you not give to us a discretionary power as to the selection of a Bishop? We shall conform as nearly as practicable to your known wishes on the subject.

Affectionately your humble servant,

THOS. G. ADDISON.

Answer.

RICHMOND, Feb. 13, 1864.

Rev. and Dear Brother—Your letter by flag of truce has just reached me, and I hasten to assure you that I fully reciprocate the kindness which it expresses, and that I retain an unabated interest for the good people of your charge. It is truly gratifying to know that the unhappy disturbances of the times have left unimpaired our higher relations and the Christian feeling which they involve. It is now nearly three years since I visited Wheeling. It may be long before the country will be sufficiently settled to enable me to officiate there again. Whilst I trust I shall ever be unwilling to obtrude myself where I have no right to appear, or where my services are not desired, I am ready to discharge my duty as far as possible to the whole Diocese. If therefore those who have the power with you, will, on my parole of honor, furnish me a safe conduct, you will soon receive such official services as you may require. I say this on the presumption, that those in authority here will not object to the arrangement, and with the distinct understanding, that whilst its conditions will be sacredly observed by me, they are not to conflict with my obligations to the government under which I live.

I make this overture in good faith, and leave the result to His disposal, who orders all things well. If it is regarded favorably, you will, of course apprise me. If otherwise, I shall at least have the satisfaction of knowing that it is from no remissness on my part that a portion of my cure is deprived of Episcopal services.

Yours, truly,

J. JOHNS, &c.

Rev. Thos. G. Addison.

I know that the answer reached its destination, and was well received by my correspondent and others. It has, however, so far as I am informed, led to no further action on their part. We must wait patiently and hopefully till the good Providence of God opens the way for the renewal of services, which I am ready to render.

During the past year one of our clerical brethren has been removed by death. The Rev. M. H. Galusha, of Meherrin parish, Greenville, finished his brief ministry on earth, and has entered into his rest. We knew him first as a teacher at the High School, where he endeared himself to his colleagues, and secured the respect and affection of his pupils, over whom he exerted a happy, religious influence. As a parish minister he was serious, earnest and diligent—exhibiting during his short course, capabilities which gave promise of valuable service. He was, however, soon embarrassed in

his work by the development of the disease which proved fatal, yet not before souls were given him as seals of his ministry, and the hearts of his people turned to him in confidence and love.

To two of our clergy, the Rev. R. A. Castleman and the Rev. Edmund Withers, I gave letters dismissory to the Diocese of North Carolina, and have received notification of their acceptance. To the Rev. James R. Hubbard, Deacon, I gave a letter dismissory without address, and one of the same character to Julian Ingle, a candidate for orders.

The accessions to the clergy have been, by ordination, the Rev. John M. Burke, who is assisting the Rev. John T. Clark in Halifax, and the Rev. Edward H. Ingle, Missionary at Abingdon and Goodson.

The Rev. James A. Mitchell officiating at Charlotte C. H. The Rev. Randolph H. McKim and the Rev. Wm. H. Gardiner; both about to be employed as chaplains in the army.

By letter dismissory, the Rev. J. B. Averett, from the Diocese of Alabama.

On their written statement of the causes preventing them from obtaining letters dismissory, the Rev. Horace Stringfellow, jr., officiating in Petersburg, and the Rev. Mr. Earnest officiating at Big Lick, have been received into canonical connection with this Diocese.

The following Deacons have notified me of their intention to proceed to Priests' orders: The Rev. J. B. Averett, Rev. S. M. Bird, Rev. Wm. H. Meade, Rev. Philip D. Thompson, Rev. R. M. Baker. The candidates for Deacon's orders are, J. B. Davies, jr., N. H. Lewis, G. W. Peterkin, Horace E. Hayden, Jas. E. Hammond, — Steptoe, Giles P. Cooke, and Geo. Small, jr.

I have received from the vestry of St. John's, Richmond, the canonical notice of the election of Rev. Wm. Norwood, D. D., as Rector, and also from the vestry of St. Andrew's parish, Brunswick, of the election of Rev. James H. Morrison, D. D., as their Rector, to which parish he has removed from Cumberland parish, Lunenburg, which latter parish has been supplied by the election of the Rev. J. Hansborough. From the vestry of Grace church, Lexington, of the election of the Rev. C. H. Norton as the Rector. The Rev. L. B. Wharton has resigned the Rectorship of Reanoke church, Charlotte county, and accepted a chaplaincy in the Confederate service. The Rev. S. M. Bird has removed from the parish in Dinwiddie, and is officiating in the churches in Greenville. The Rev. T. P. Maury has been elected Rector of the church in Winchester. The Rev. T. Duncan is officiating as Missionary to the Army in connection with the Maryland line.

Other changes may have occurred, which, not having been duly communicated, cannot properly be included in this report. Some of the usual forms of religious activity and usefulness, have, as you are aware, been embarrassed by the disturbances of the country. The closing of the ports of the Confederacy deprive us of the privilege of participating in the missions, in the establishment of which our good furnishing laborers, and by contributing the For the present we can only give ourselves

to more earnest prayer, "that we lose not those things which we have wrought," and that a great and effectual door may be early opened to us, for renewing our efforts in the holy enterprise of preaching the Gospel to every creature. We may thus preserve and invigorate the true spirit of evangelization, and be the better prepared for productive service, when it is the will of the Great Head of the Church that we be again thus employed. Thanks be to God, the domestic field is open to us, and within our own Diocesan limits, affords ample scope for all our Christian energies, and most worthy occasion for every expenditure which our means will allow. By position and by the appointment of Providence, the breast-work of the Confederacy is on the soil of Virginia. Here the great army for our defence is stationed—its various encampments are thronged by the patriotic sons of sister States cheerfully enduring the hardships, inseparable from their service, and ready for any farther sacrifice which their country needs. God has favored them with encouraging success—blessed them with an extraordinary desire for the knowledge and ministrations of the Gospel, beyond what the chaplains in commission can supply. This extensive field at our very doors, is white for the harvest, and the laborers comparatively how few. Every pious heart I am persuaded must swell with solicitude to share in the honor of gathering in its yield into the garner of the Lord. The resolution of the preceding Council strongly expressed this desire, and the parochial reports will, I trust, show that your wish has in some measure been gratified, and give promise of continuance and increase in those labors of love.

I take pleasure in attending to the good service rendered by the Missionary Society of the Diocese, not only through the agency of such missionaries to the camps and hospitals as its funds would allow, but also by the circulation of its books and tracts, and more especially by preparing and publishing a very large edition of the Army and Navy Prayer Book, in form and size suited to the use of those for whom it is specially designed, capable of being carried in the side pocket of the soldier without encumbrance, and constituting his valuable *vade mecum* on every march. But for the particulars of this, and other encouraging action of the Executive Committee, I refer you to their report, which will be presented to the Council. I must, however, again commend this society to your liberal patronage and prayers—not only for the good it is now accomplishing, but also because it promises an expansion and efficiency which would render it an eminent blessing to the Diocese and to the Church in the Confederate States.

Our esteemed Professor of Theology has not intermitted his important services. Residing in Staunton, he has gathered around him the few students not embraced by the conscription act, and instructed them, not only in the branches pertaining to his own department, but in those also which belong to the vacant chair, and to the other, the worthy incumbent of which has been provisionally detained from his duties. The Rev. Dr. Sparrow is thus performing the work of three Professors, and is entitled to our grateful recognition of these voluntary and laborious services.

Our Education Society, though limited in the number of its beneficiaries, has had large demands on its funds, occasioned by the extraordinary expenses of boarding. I hope this will not be overlooked in the distribution of our Diocesan resources.

In closing this statement of the affairs of the Diocese, since the meeting of the last Council, it behooves me to remark, what the report itself discloses—that though we are under discipline, our God has not forsaken us. His chastisements have been mingled with many mercies, both temporal and spiritual. Whilst he has marvellously restrained the raging violence of our enemies, who proclaim their purpose of exterminating our people, and possessing themselves of our country, He has graciously visited our parishes with His salvation, and our camps with the regenerating influences of His Gospel, “and I therein do rejoice, yea and will rejoice.” But let us not so be engrossed by the accompanying mercies, as to fail to “hear the rod and who hath appointed it.” And let not the injustice and inhumanity of our foes lead us to indulge the malevolence and execration and revenge to which such deeds so powerfully excite. Rather let us remember how it is written “vengeance is mine—I will repay saith the Lord.” Let us not be overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good, and God will invigorate and guide us in the conflict, and give us victory with His blessing.

J. JOHNS.

On motion, the Council adjourned until 9 A. M., to-morrow.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, May 19th, 1864.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment, and was opened with prayer by the Rev. F. M. Baker.

The Journal of the previous day was read and approved. The following clergy entitled to seats, who were not present yesterday, appeared this morning :

Rev. Wm. Friend,	Rev. G. S. Carraway,
	Rev. H. Stringfellow.

The Standing Committees were then announced as follows :

Committee on the State of the Church.

Rev. J. Peterkin, D. D.	Hon. R. C. L. Moncure,
Rev. J. T. Johnston,	Wm. Macfarland,
	Hon. David Funsten,
	Geo. W. Williams, Esq.

Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

Rev. H. S. Kepler, Col. Thomas N. Burwell.

Episcopal Fund.

Rev. Wm. McGuire, Wm. N. Word, Esq.

Accounts of Treasurer of Missionary Society.

Rev. A. M. Randolph, Wm. D. Cabell.

Parochial Reports.

Rev. S. Ridout, Hugh W. Sheffey, Esq.

New Parishes.

Rev. C. Minnigerode, D. D. Col. H. Gantt.

Elections.

Rev. T. Duncan, Maj. Isaac H. Carrington.

Finance.

J. Stewart, Sam'l P. Mitchell, and Maj. T. B. Brockenbrough.

Dr. Minnigerode, from the Committee on New Parishes, presented the application of Emmanuel church, Greenwood parish, to be received into union with the Diocese, and moved that the same be granted. Carried.

Dr. Minnigerode then read the report of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society.

On motion of Mr. Dashiell, the following resolution offered last year, was adopted :

Resolved, That Article II. of the Constitution be amended, by adding to the words "no person under ecclesiastical censure or process shall be entitled to a seat in the Council," the following: "and no person shall be entitled to a seat, unless he has been canonically connected with the Diocese for six calendar months."

Mr. Sprigg moved that the Council agree to the proposed amendment to Article 5th of the Constitution of the General Church. Motion carried.

Mr. Macfarland offered the following :

Resolved, That the salary of the Bishop of the Diocese for the current year, beginning the first instant, be ten thousand dollars, to be paid by the Treasurer.

Motion unanimously carried.

The Rev. Mr. Walker and Col. Thomas N. Burwell were appointed a Committee to examine "the report of the fund for the relief of disabled clergy."

On motion of Rev. Mr. Friend, the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society of the past year be re-elected.

On motion of Mr. Kepler the Council proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee.

Mr. Mason was appointed teller, who reported the following persons elected :

Rev. C. Minnigerode, D. D.	Mr. S. P. Mitchell,
Rev. D. F. Sprigg,	Dr. O. Fairfax,
Rev. R. C. Walker, D. D.	Mr. J. L. Bacon.

Rev. D. F. Sprigg presented the report of the Standing Committee.

Maj. J. B. Brockenbrough then read the report of the Finance Committee.

The Committee appointed to examine the account of the Treasurer and the state of the finances, beg leave to submit the following report :

The Treasurer has received during the year just ended, as per detailed account below,	\$6,313 30
To which add balance on hand at the end of years 1862-'63,	3,093 69
	<u>\$9,406 99</u>

Deduct payments during year, May, 1863, to May 1864, as detailed below, and for which vouchers have been examined,	5,072 90
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Leaving balance on hand,	<u>\$4,334 90</u>
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Which balance consists of—

Conf. S. A. 8 per cent. Bond, for	\$3,000 00
Do. do. 4 per cent. tax bond,	1,300 00
Do. do. Currency,	34 99
	<u>\$4,334 99</u>

J. B. BROCKENBROUGH,
Chairman of Com.

Rev. Mr. Walker, from the committee to examine the "report on the fund for relief of disabled clergy," presented the following report :

The committee on the fund for the benefit of disabled clergymen report :
That they have examined the accounts of the late Treasurer, Mr. David

W. Barton, with the vouchers, and find them correct. The amount of the fund at this time is \$7,487 50, invested in stock of the State of Virginia; \$250 in stock of Frederick county, and \$306 stock of the Merchants' and Mechanics' Bank, Wheeling, making an aggregate of \$7,037 50.

There are also in the hands of Mr. Wm. H. Fowle, one of the trustees, \$1,666 38, subject to the order of the Convention.

C. WALKER,
THOMAS N. BURWELL.

On motion of Dr. Minnigerode, Mr. Geo. D. Fisher was elected Trustee and Treasurer for the aforesaid fund, in place of Mr. D. W. Barton, deceased.

Rev. S. Ridout read the report of the Committee on Parochial Reports, as follows :

Report of the Committee on Parochial Reports.

The committee report a statement of the statistics of the church in all respects imperfect, except in reference to confirmations, an accurate summary of which has been compiled from the Bishop's report. It is needless to comment on the peculiar circumstances under which the Council has convened, and the difficulties of procuring accurate information as to the condition of the parishes. Still the committee are constrained to say that many of the reports made are very informal and imperfect. The number of reports is twenty-seven—the number received at the last Council was sixty-five. There are about sixty-seven parishes from which there are no reports. The number of confirmations as compared with those of last year, showing a large increase, affords reason for gratitude to God that his grace has abounded in the midst of the sore trials with which our people have been afflicted.

SAMUEL RIDOUT, *Chairman.*
HUGH W. SHEFFY.

BAPTISMS :	Adults,	White.....	76	} Total.....	301
		Colored.....	218		
	Infants,	White.....	7		
		Colored.....	7		
COMMUNICANTS :	Added,	White....	439	} Present number reported.....	2,322
		Colored...	8		
	Removed.....	67			
	Died.....	49			
CONFIRMED :	White.....	440	} Total.....	442	
	Colored.....	2			
MARRIAGES :	White.....	72	} Total.....	92	
	Colored.....	20			
FUNERALS :	White.....	237	} Total.....	256	
	Colored.....	19			
SUNDAY SCHOOLS :	Teachers.....	61	} Total.....	742	
	Scholars, White.....	481			
	Scholars, Colored.....	200			

Contributions, \$1,153 45.

Number of Reports 28.

Rev. J. Peterkin, D. D., read the report of the committee on the state of the church. (See Appendix A.)

Dr. Minnigerode moved that 500 copies of the Journal be printed. Motion carried.

Mr. Wm. D. Cabell presented the following report from the committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Society:

The committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of the Missionary Society, would beg leave to report that they have examined the papers submitted to them, and find the accounts of the Treasurer to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. D. CABELL, *Chairman.*

Mr. Friend moved that \$20 be paid to the sexton for his services. Motion carried.

Dr. Minnigerode offered the following:

Resolved, That when this Council adjourns, it adjourns to meet at such place as the Bishop may designate—and that in case the state of public affairs should render a meeting at the usual time inexpedient, the Bishop shall, at his discretion, appoint the time of meeting.

Rev. Mr. Peterkin called attention to the alteration in Article 7th, proposed in the General Council. The subject was, however, deferred until next Diocesan Council.

Mr. Kepler, from the committee on the fund for widows and orphans of deceased clergymen, made the following report:

The Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen in the Diocese of Virginia, in account with

JOHN L. BACON, *Treasurer.*

1863—May 21,	To cash paid Wm. B. Chisholm, infant son of James Chisholm,	\$300 00
June 9,	To cash paid Jane E. Nelson, orphan daughter of Rev. G. W. Nelson, annuitant,	60 00
July 31,	To cash paid Mrs. Mary C. S. Lee's annuity,	60 00
Sep. 25,	To cash paid Lancaster & Co. for 12 shares Bank of Virginia stock, at \$111,	1,332 00
1864—Jan. 29,	To cash paid for \$690 S. C. bank notes, at 190 per cent. premium,	2,001 00
		<u>\$3,753 00</u>

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1863—May 16,	By balance on hand at this date,	-	271 16
July	By dividend on 74 shs. Ex. Bank stock,	-	370 00
	By do. on 41 do. Farmers Bank stock,	-	205 00
	By do. on 30 do. Bank of Virginia do.	-	105 00
	By interest on \$18,200 State stock,	-	546 00
	By do. on \$2,700 Richmond city bonds,	-	81 00
	By do. on \$5,450 Conf. State bonds,	-	207 30
1864—January	By dividend on 47 shares Bank of Va. stock,	-	220 50
	By do. on 41 do. Farmers Bank do.	-	307 50
	By do. on 74 do. Exch'ge Bank do.	-	592 00
	By interest on \$18,200 State stock,	-	546 00
	By do. on \$2,700 Richmond city bonds,	-	81 00
	By do. on \$5,450 Conf. State bonds,	-	218 00
	By balance due the Treasurer,	-	2 54
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			\$3,752 00
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1861—May 18,	To balance brought down due the Treasurer,		\$2 64

State of the Fund, May 18, 1864.

In stock of the State of Virginia, at par,	-	-	\$18,200 00
In stock of the Confederate States, par,	-	-	5,450 00
“ 74 shares in the Exchange Bank of Virginia,	-	-	7,400 00
“ 41 do. in the Farmers Bank of Virginia,	-	-	4,100 00
“ 42 do. in the Bank of Virginia,	-	-	2,940 00
In Richmond city bonds,	-	-	2,700 00
In notes of Banks in South Carolina,	-	-	690 00
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			\$41,480 00

The Committee on the fund for the relief of the widows and orphans of deceased clergymen, respectfully report the Treasurer's account has been examined and found to be correct.

The income for the past year \$3,479 30. Paid to the three annuitants of the society for the same time \$420. Amount of the fund at present \$41,480 00.

H. S. KEPLER,
THOMAS N. BURWELL.

After devotional exercises, the Council adjourned *sine die*.

T. GRAYSON DASHIELL,
Secretary.

[A.]

REPORT

OF THE

STATE OF THE CHURCH.

It is simply impossible, at this crisis, to furnish an accurate statement of the condition of the church in Virginia.

So large a part of the Diocese is over-run by the enemy, that most of our parishes have sent in no reports; and many of our beloved brethren, who were accustomed to meet with us, are necessarily absent—some of them, we fear, detained by force. Still we are encouraged by all the information we can obtain.

Our travelling facilities being just now greatly interrupted, the larger part of the contingent fund has not yet been sent in; though, we doubt not, it will reach the Treasurer's hands in due time.

On the other hand, the receipts of the Diocesan Missionary Society have been larger than during any preceding year of its existence. This circumstance, we hail with gratification, as indicating a growing liberality in a season of great trial.

Though the Bishop's visitations have been much restricted by the impossibility of reaching many portions of the Diocese, we thankfully notice an increase in the number of confirmations. The number of *communicants* we cannot state, as only twenty-seven parishes have, thus far, sent in their annual reports.

Even had we reports from all our parishes, a view of the state of the church, at this time, would necessarily involve some distinct reference to the condition of our army. In that army many members of our communion hold distinguished positions, and show, by the open profession of their faith, that they are not ashamed of Christ. When we contemplate the religious influence so widely prevalent among our troops, we thank God and take courage. While we know that much evil has been developed by the existing war, yet so many of our soldiers and chief officers are consistent Christians, that, on the whole, we believe the name of Christ is now more widely honored than in our former times of peace. The trials of war have

led men to feel their dependence on Divine aid, and the tented field has very generally become a house of prayer.

We thank God for the good accomplished in the army by our Christian brethren generally, but we lament that we ourselves have so few chaplains with our troops. The camp Prayer Book, published by the Executive Committee of our Diocesan Missionary Society, has, in some measure, supplied this want, by enabling many of our soldiers to hold edifying religious services without the assistance of a minister; and we believe also that the Holy Spirit is working, without the use of any visible means, to bring men to the knowledge and practice of the truth.

We rejoice, too, that the Bishop and many of the parochial clergy, have, to some extent, found time to labor in the army; and we feel sure that their labors have not been in vain.

In the last annual report on the state of the church, reference is made to the prevalent serious deficiency in parental discipline, and the consequent slender success in training up children in the way they should go. We think that this important subject may very properly be discussed by this committee, and such suggestions made as will call it to the attention of our ministers and people. The education of the young—in the full sense of that phrase—is, indeed, a responsible task; and withal, one that can never be adequately performed by any system which human wisdom alone can devise. The mere *teaching* of children by Sunday schools, or other religious exercises, affords no sufficient guaranty that they will be brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Frequently it amounts to nothing.

We venture to assert that the ordinary state of mind exhibited by parents themselves, in the daily routine of life, will do more to mould the character of their children than any direct instruction that can possibly be given. This instruction, it is true, is not to be omitted; but we must consider that religious training cannot be altogether (or even largely) a thing of rule—of authoritative precept. It is rather the work of God's Spirit in the development of the infant heart, as it is affected by constant contact with those to whom the child looks up with reverence and affection: and this, we believe, to be the Divine appointment. Therefore, we say, substantially in the language of the last report, that while parents pray for their children, they must follow up their prayers by the faithful discharge of their own personal duties. No other course can promise even the shadow of success. If parents can be made to feel their responsibilities in this respect, our annual reports will wear a more encouraging aspect; and we may confidently look for a higher condition of prosperity than the church has ever heretofore attained.

J. PETERKIN,
 J. T. JOHNSTON,
 WM. NORWOOD,
 R. K. MEADE,
 R. C. L. MONCURE,
 DAVID FUNSTEN.

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TREASURER'S ACCOUNT FOR

JNO. STEWART, *Treasurer, Contingent Fund*

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1863.			
May 23,	Balance brought forward as per account rendered; of which \$3,000 in C. S. A. 8 pr. cent. bond, \$93 67 in currency,		\$3,003 69
	Receipts during Council, held at St. Paul's, May, 1863, viz:		
	In bankable funds,	4,855 00	
	Uncurrent do. \$24, less broker's dis. \$240,	21 60	
	Add 65 pr. cent. prem. on \$10 bank note,	6 50	
	Do. 75c. prem on 25c. in silver,	1 00	
			4,884 10
27,	Spotsylvania, St. George's, Fredericksburg, T. S. Knox and Misses Fitzhugh, through Rev. Dr. Minnigerode,		11 00
28,	Do. do. through Rev. Dr. Peterkin,		64 00
June 3,	Henry county, Franklin Parish,	17 00	
	Do. Patrick do.	14 00	
	Charles City, Western do.	25 00	
	Spotsylvania, St. George's do. (all through Rev. Mr. Dashiell)	5 00	
			61 00
9,	Rockingham county, Rockingham Parish, Augusta, Boyden Chapel, (received through Dr. Peterkin,)	12 00	
		11 00	
			23 00
16,	Williamsburg, Benton Parish, from refugee, through Mr. J. L. Bacon,		2 00
26,	Richmond county, Lunenburg and Farnham, through Rev. Dr. Walker,		17 00
July 9,	Amelia county, from a lady, through Rev. C. J. Gibson,		20 00
16,	Clarke county, Christ Church, Milwood,	72 00	
	Cumberland county, Mrs. Douthat,	2 00	
	Spotsylvania county, Miss M. G. Brem,	1 00	
	Amherst county, Lexington Parish, (all through Rev. F. Sprigg,)	38 00	
			113 00
	Amount carried forward,		\$8,188 79

YEAR ENDING MAY, 1864.

year beginning May, 1863, ending May, 1864.

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1863.		
May 22,	N. H. Massie, expenses to and from General Council, Augusta, in 1862, as per voucher No. 1,	\$75 00
23,	Wm. A. Irvin, Sexton, St. Paul's, for stationery and attendance, as per voucher No. 2,	30 00
Aug. 18,	Rev. T. G. Dashiell, cost of printing 700 Journals, 100 Parochial Reports \$585 and \$100, postage \$20, as per voucher No. 3,	705 00
23,	Bishop Johns, paid increase of salary ordered by Council, for years 1862-3, as per voucher No. 4,	3,000 00
1864.		
Jan. 4,	Bishop Johns' salary \$1,250, traveling expenses \$112, as per voucher No. 5,	1,362 00
May 17,	Balance in Treasurer's hands as per statement below,	4,334 99

		Amount brought forward,	\$8,188 79
1863.			
July	24,	Rockbridge, Mrs. Rust, \$1 gold currency, \$10 through Rev. Dr. Peterkin,	11 00
Aug.	4,	Lunenburg, Cumberland Parish, Rev. Dr. Morrison, (additional.)	15 20
		Brunswick, St. Andrews, do. through do. and Mr. S. P. Mitchell,	47 00
Sept.	10,	Bedford, St. Johns, Heber Parish, thro' J. F. Johnson, Clarke Church, Milwood, balance due 1862-'3, Rev. Mr. Jones,	84 00 2 00
	16,	Gloucester, Abingdon and Warwick, through Rev. Dr. Peterkin,	20 00
	29,	Gooseland, Mrs. Banks, Mrs. Wright, through Rev. Mr. Sprigg,	10 00
		Mecklenburg, Mrs. Lee, do. do. do.	5 00
		Albemarle, Emmanuel Church, do.	7 00
Oct.	25,	Jefferson, Zion Church, from an officer C. S. A. Navy, in full for 1863, and all past arrears, through Miss R. C. Jones,	125 00
	29,	Fluvanna, Rev. R. R. Mason, through Mr. Bacon,	10 00
Nov.	26,	Buckingham, Tilletson Parish, do. do.	4 00
1864.			
Jan.	20,	Clarke, Grace Church, Berryville, through Rev. Dr. Peterkin, for the years 1861-2, 3,	475 00
	22,	Clarke, Christ Church, Milwood, F. H. Whiting, through Dr. Randolph,	10 00
July	20,	Jefferson, (Rev. Dr. Andrews,) Shepperdstown, through Rev. Dr. Minnigerode, including \$10 in bank notes,	200 00
	24,	Do. received premium on above \$10 from brokers,	20 00
March	2,	Westmoreland, Washington Parish, through Rev. Mr. Sprigg,	19 00
		Loudon, St. James', do. through do.	41 00
		Matthews, Trinity, do. do. do.	3 00
		Premium on \$1 gold, received through Dr. Peterkin, 24th July, from Mrs. Rust, Rockbridge,	20 00
			\$9,406 99

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Balance on hand consisting of—

Confed. S. America 8 per cent. bond,	\$3,000 00
Do. do. 4 per cent. tax-pay- ing bond,	1,300 00
Cash in currency,	34 99
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	\$4,334 99

\$9,406 99

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JOHN STEWART.

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The Diocesan Missionary Society of Virginia,
In Account with JOHN L. BACON, Treasurer.

DR.

1863.		
May	Cash paid Rev. W. W. Greene, Missionary to Spot- sylvania and Caroline counties, 15 months' ser- vice,	\$250 00
	Cash paid Rev. Wm. Friend, Missionary to the Army of Northern Virginia, and the churches ad- jacent, at the rate of \$50 per month,	450 00
	Cash paid Rev. H. S. Kepler, balance due on last years' account,	33 33
	Cash paid same on account of current year, as agent of Tract Depository and as Missionary around Richmond, at the rate of \$2,000 per annum,	1,850 00
	Cash paid same for traveling expenses,	12 00
	Cash paid expenses for fitting up the Depository, Do. James Woodhouse & Co. for Bibles, Tes- taments, &c.,	87 90
	Do. do. for 11 months' rent of rooms, at the rate of \$500 per annum,	147 50
	Cash paid Rev. O. S. Barten, for 15 months' ser- vices ending 1st July next, as Missionary at War- renton, &c., \$100 per month,	458 33
	Cash paid Rev. O. S. Barten, for 15 months' ser- vices ending 1st July next, as Missionary at War- renton, &c., \$100 per month,	1,500 00
	Cash paid Tyler & Allegre, for printing and bind- ing 30,000 army tracts,	987 00
	Cash paid Rev. E. T. Perkins, Missionary to the army, being at the rate of \$2,000 per annum,	1,750 00
	Cash paid Rev. Wm. Mowbray, Missionary at Abingdon, say for the three months preceding his removal,	50 00
	Cash paid Rev. Edmund Withers, for 11 months' services as Missionary to hospitals in Richmond and Petersburg,	1,100 00
	Cash paid Rev. F. D. Goodwin, on account, say re- mitted \$7 35 in county currency, and paid him \$5 through Mrs. McGavock,	12 35
	Amount carried forward,	\$

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Amount brought forward,	
Cash paid for the support of St. Philips' Church, African, during nine months, say from funds specially contributed by the congregation of St. Paul's Church, Richmond,	623 20
Cash paid James Woodhouse & Co. for Bibles, Testaments and Gospels,	185 00
Cash paid Rev. Thos. Duncan, general Missionary to the army and Leed's Parish, at the rates of \$100 per month,	900 00
Fixtures for Depository, \$41 00; shelving ditte \$48 45, and removing same to new rooms over Mitchell & Tyler's, \$45 00,	134 45
James Woodhouse & Co. for Testaments and Gospels,	42 50
Rev. D. F. Sprigg for Testaments,	24 75
Rev. James Grammer, over payment refunded,	20 00
Traveling expenses of committee to and from Petersburg,	12 50
Cash paid for 36 reams printing paper,	1,469 50
Cash paid for 53 reams do.	5,575 00
Envelopes and postage stamps furnished Rev. F. M. Baker, Secretary of the Committee, (no voucher,)	11 50
Cash paid Rev. F. D. Goodwin, Missionary at Wytherville, &c., in part of stipend current year,	217 65
Cash paid Rev. Thomas E. Locke, Missionary to the Northern Neck,	700 60
Cash paid Macfarlane & Fergusson, for printing 10,000 copies first edition Camp Prayer Book,	1,000 00
Cash paid Rev. Thompson B. Maury, Missionary at Winchester,	200 00
Cash paid Rev. Geo. T. Williams, Missionary to the army and hospitals in and near Petersburg,	250 00
Investment in bank notes, say \$1,275, at \$1.90 per cent. premium,	3,697 50
Charles H. Wynne, on account printing and binding 24,000 Camp Prayer Books, new edition,	1,278 00
Cash paid Rev. R. Gatewood, for 15 months' services as Tract Agent, say from 1st January, 1862, to 1st May, 1863,	375 00
Cash paid discount on \$1,500 old currency, March 18th, 1863, (no voucher,)	88 50
Cash paid Fire Insurance on paper at Depository, Envelopes furnished Rev. Mr. Baker, Secretary, (no voucher,)	73 50
	10 00
Cash paid Rev. E. H. Ingle, Missionary and Chaplain at Abingdon, &c.	250 00
Amount carried forward,	

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Amount brought forward,	\$
Discount on \$40, old currency, received 9th April, 1863, from a lady of Gloucester, (no voucher,) .	13 33
To balance at new account carried down,	2,108 67
	<hr/> \$27,748 96

1864.	
May	18, By balance in the treasury, say in old and new currency, \$2,108 67

There is also on hand belonging to the Society 48 reams printing paper, and \$1,275 bank notes, together worth about \$11,000, say eleven thousand dollars.

JOHN L. BACON, *Treasurer.*

*The Diocesan Missionary Society of Virginia,**In Account with JOHN L. BACON, Treasurer.*

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1863.		
May 16,	By balanced on hand as reported to the Convention,	\$ 6,119 62
	By amount received to date for the tract department of this Society, and all on hand, there having as yet been no drafts against the fund,	1,596 34
20,	By Antrim Parish, Halifax, per Rev. J. Grammer,	116 50
	By Rt. Rev John Johns, his own donation,	50 00
	By St. John's church, Roanoke, by Rev. J. Earnest,	15 00
	By Grace church, Albemarle, through Mr. E. S. Pegram,	13 30
	By St. John's church, Louisa, do. Rev. E. Boyden,	179 30
	By Mr. Edward Scott, Manakin church, Powhatan, per Rev. A. B. Tizzard,	100 00
	By Christ church, Charlottesville, pr. Rev. R. K. Meade, for the tract department,	40 00
	By Vawter's church, Essex, per Rev. E. B. McGuire,	64 00
	By Grub Hill church, Amelia, per Rev. P. F. Berkley,	117 60
	By Genito Parish, do.	45 00
	By Mrs. Mosby \$10, — Mosley \$10, Manakin church, per Rev. A. B. Tizzard,	20 00
	By Ware and Abingdon Parish, per Mr. J. R. Bryant,	40 00
	By St. Paul's, Hanover, per Rev. G. S. Carraway,	75 00
	By Mr. D. M——, per Rev. Mr. Carraway,	5 00
	By James Galt, Esq., of Fluvanna,	100 00
	By St. Luke's church, Powhatan, per Rev. Mr. Walke,	56 00
	By three communicants of Grace church, Petersburg, through Rev. C. J. Gibson,	12 00
	By Mrs. Julia White, of Smithfield,	5 00
	By Trinity church, Buchanan, per Rev. Wm. McGuire,	33 75
	By Christ church, Roanoke Parish, Halifax, per Dr. P. H. Foster,	162 26
21,	By St. Paul's church, Petersburg, by Rev. Mr. Platt,	22 00
	By Mrs. Orlando Smith, Lunenburg, through Rev. Dr. Morrison, for Hospital Mission,	5 00
	By Mrs. R. Dabney and Miss E. Marye, of Emanuel church, Powhatan, through Rev. J. D. Powell,	10 00
	By Christ church, Albemarle, through Rev. S. Ridout and Rev. Mr. Kepler,	40 00
	Amount carried forward,	

	Amount brought forward,		
1863.			
May 21,	By Mrs. Martha Epps \$5, Mrs. Temple Epps \$6, Tilotson Parish, Buckingham, by Rev. J. Grammer,		11 00
	By St. Paul's church, Lynchburg, by Mr. Tyree,		10 00
23,	By Capt. Wm. Jordan, 4th Va. Heavy Artillery, through Rev. Mr. Roberts and Dr. Minnigerode,		10 00
	By Mrs. Mortimer, Goochland, through Rev. D. F. Sprigg,		10 00
	By Lt. W. F. Gardner, Staunton, do.		10 00
	By a friend, through Bishop Johns,		10 00
June 4,	By E. B. S.		10 00
6,	By St. James' church, Richmond, through Rev. J. Peterkin, as follows, viz: Mrs. H. A. C. \$5, anonymous \$10, Mr. A. J. W. Hobson \$30, J. K. H. \$55,		100 00
9,	By Emanuel church, Henrico county, by Dr. Beck,		70 25
	By Mrs. Crouch \$10, Miss J. F. \$5, by Rev. G. Woodbridge, tract,		15 00
10,	By Benton Parish, a refugee, half for tracts,		10 00
15,	By two ladies of Beaverdam church, Goochland, for tracts, through Rev. G. D. E. Mortimer,		10 00
	By Rev. Geo. D. E. Mortimer, for tracts,		10 00
17,	By Mrs. Cunningham, Mecklenburg county, \$5, Col. H. A. Carrington, of Charlotte, \$5, for religious reading, through Rev. L. B. Wharton,		10 00
	By Grace church, Charlotte C. H., for tracts, &c. through Rev. L. B. Wharton,		45 00
22,	By the following sums through Rev. H. S. Kepler, for tracts, viz: A. Y. Stokes, \$10, church of the Epiphany, Danville, \$10, Miss Lucy L. Temple, Essex, \$10, Miss M. Parish, \$2, Mr. Walker, \$3, Miss A. H. Gilmer, \$5, Mr. P. F. Holt, \$2 50, Miss Mary J. Smith, \$2, Miss N. L. Powell, of Prince Edward, \$12, Mrs. E. M. Roy, Matthews county, \$50, Mrs. Dr. Brown, for tracts. \$10, Mrs. W. B. Issacs, \$10, Rev. Ro. M. Baker, \$10,		136 50
24,	By Bishop Johns' collections, as follows, viz: Christ church, Hicksford, \$55 50, Mr. R. G. Montgomery, \$20, Mrs. R. G. Montgomery, \$5, Grace church, Greenville, \$52 85, Mrs. G. Feld, \$5, Wm. G. Harrison, Brandon church, \$100, Mrs. Isabella Harrison, do. \$20, Miss Harrison, do. \$10, Dr. Osborne, \$5,		280 35
	By St. James' church, Richmond, through Rev. J. Peterkin, for tracts, &c.,		600 00
	By a friend,		25 00
July 1,	By St. John's church, Roanoke, by Rev. J. Earnest,		46 50
8,	By Mrs. Merritt, Brunswick, through Dr. Morrison and Mr. Starke,		5 00
	Amount carried forward,		

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Amount brought forward,		
1863.		
July 8,	By Old church, Mecklenburg, for tracts, through Rev. L. B. Wharton,	10 00
	By St. Luke's church, Powhatan Parish, through Rev. Mr. Walke,	50 00
15,	By Rev. D. F. Sprigg, from Rev. J. R. Lee, Henry county, \$10, a friend of Bath Parish, Dinwiddie, \$10, friend \$1, Jno. Zimmerman, Adj't 17th Va. Regiment, \$10, Mrs. F. Douthat, Cumberland, \$5, Mrs. M. E. Nash, do. \$5, Mrs. Dr. Stribbling, \$5, do. \$5, for tracts, Mrs. H. E. Jones, Isle of Wight, for tracts, \$7, Julian Ruffin, Prince George, for tracts, \$20,	78 00
	By Rev. W. H. Kinkle, for tracts, \$20, Miss Kinkle, do. \$5,	25 00
20,	By Rev. J. Peterkin, for tracts, &c., viz: a member of Grace church, Berryville, \$30, Miss M. A., St. James' church, Richmond, \$10, an afflicted wife and daughter of a Presbyterian of the church, \$10,	50 00
	By St. Paul's church, Richmond, for support of St. Philip's, African church, and Tract Depository,	250 00
21,	By St. James' church, Richmond, through W. F. Gray, Esq.	105 00
	By Rev. J. T. Wheat, Staunton, do.	5 00
	By Grace church, Petersburg, through Rev. C. J. Gibson, for Petersburg Hospital Missionary,	101 50
24,	By a thank offering, from E. P. J., for the Tract Depository, through Rev. J. Peterkin,	10 00
28,	By a thank offering from a mother for the safety of her sons, for Tract Depository,	20 00
29,	By anonymous in a letter post marked Howardsville,	5 00
30,	By Rev. William H. Platt, Petersburg, by the hands of Rev. J. Peterkin, the following sums for Tract and Hospital Missionary, viz: Capt. Wm. Gibson, Wytheville, \$10, Maj. H. W. King, of Gen. Jones' staff, \$10, Maj. J. N. Noble, \$5, Mrs. Jno. R. Coke, near Petersburg, \$5, Miss M. A. Cook, \$5, Miss E. M. Cook, \$5, Bettie Paul Cook, \$5, Jennie Langhorne, \$5,	50 00
Aug. 6,	By Col. R. W. Ashlin, of Fluvanna,	10 00
7,	By Rev. Thos. W. Humer, Knoxville, Tenn., through Rev. J. Peterkin, for Book Depository and Diocesan Mission, half to each,	50 00
8,	By Rev'd R. K. Meade and General Brown, the following, viz: Mrs. J. A. Holladay, \$100, Miss A. H. Gilmour, \$10, Diocesan Mission,	110 00
Amount carried forward,		

Amount brought forward.		\$
1863.		
Aug. 8,	By Miss M. Nicholas, \$10, R. R. Punter, \$2, Miss E. M. Watson, \$10,	22 00
11,	By Rev'd D. F. Sprigg, the following sums, viz: Rev. G. D. E. Mortimer, Goochland, for Tract Depository \$10, same for Missions, \$10, Mrs. G. D. E. Mortimer, \$20, Mrs. Rowan, of Middlesex, \$50, Mrs. J. E. White, of Smithfield, \$5, Mrs. C. Smith, of King George, \$10, Wm. P. Camp, Petersburg, \$5, for Tract Depository, Miss C. E. Thompson, of Louisa, for same, \$4, Mrs. G. M. H. Wight, Goochland \$20,	134 00
13,	By Dr. Thos. Withers, Petersburg, through James Waddell,	50 00
15,	By received of Bishop Johns, for his collection, as follows: St. John's church, Wytheville, 240 70 By less a note ascertained to be counterfeit, 20 00	230 70
	By Sunday school of same church,	1 00
	By St. Thomas' church, Abingdon,	172 00
	By Bishop Johns, collections continued: Church at Goodson, Rev. Mr. Mowbray,	147 50
	By from a gentleman at Goodson,	20 00
	By Big Lick, Rev. Mr. Earnest,	188 65
	By additional by mail,	20 85
	By St. Paul's church, Goochland,	98 05
	By Beaverdam congregation,	196 60
	By Col. Julian Harrison,	100 00
	By Dr. J. B. Radford,	50 00
	By Miss Sarah B. Seddon and Miss Ella Morson, each, \$50,	100 00
	By Mrs. Ann Wise Hobson,	100 00
	By Mrs. W. B. Stanard,	50 00
	By Rev. S. M. Byrd, for Mrs. Harriet Hawks, \$10, and a friend, \$5,	15 00
	By from individuals other than above,	21 00
		1,107 65
17,	By Miss M. G. Brown, per Rev. W. W. Greene,	5 00
	By Rivanna Parish, through Rev. R. R. Mason,	188 00
	By Mrs. A. C. Page, do.	20 00
20,	By Rivanna Church Sewing Society, through Rev. R. R. Mason,	50 00
	By Rev. R. R. Mason,	50 00
	By Mrs. Mary E. Noland, through Rev. H. Stringfellow, viz: for Mission to soldiers, \$2 50, Tract Depository \$2 50,	5 00
	Amount carried forward,	\$

	Amount brought forward,		
1863.			
Aug.	22, By Littleton Parish, Cumberland Sewing Society, for Testaments, through James Grammer,		47 00
	26, By St. Mark's church, Fincastle, thro' Rev. Wm. McGuire,		31 20
	31, By St. Luke's church, through Rev. Lewis Walke and Mr. James M. Baker,		50 00
Sept.	7, By Mrs. M. C. S. Lee, Mecklenburg, thro' Rev. D. F. Sprigg,		20 00
	By Mrs. M. H. Mortimer. Goochland, do.		50 00
	By A. K. Phillip, Hanover, do.		50 00
	By E. D. Scott, Chesterfield, do.		400 00
	By Miss Kate Cox, do.		10 00
	By Rev. A. B. Tizzard, do.		50 00
	10, By Miss Hellen Nelson, of Bedford, for soldiers, \$5, Miss Fanny Allen, for Testaments, \$5, through Rev. James F. Johnson,		10 00
	By Miss Mattie H. Page, Tract Depository, through Rev. James Grammer,		20 00
	17, By St. James' church, Richmond, through W. E. Gray, By Mrs. McGavock, through Rev. F. D. Goodwin, donation in March, 1862,		255 00
	21, By Monumental church, Richmond, through Geo. D. Fisher, by Mr. James M. Baker,		350 95
	24, By Miss Mary Morrison, through Rev. Dr. Morrison, for Hospital Missionary,		5 00
	28, By Mrs. M. E. Boswell, Fluvanna, for Tract Depository, By Beaverdam church, Goochland,		25 00
	By W. Y. Downman, Fredericksburg, half for Tract Depository,		45 00
	By anonymous, from Prince William county,		300 00
Oct	2, By amount of collection at Depository, by Rev. Mr. Kepler, since 22d June last,		2 50
	14, By Grace church, Petersburg, thro' Rev. C. J. Gibson,		381 50
	17, By St. Luke's church, Powhatan, Rev. Lewis Walke, by hands, Mr. J. M. Baker,		136 00
	22, By Miss Anna B. Morrison, Brunswick, through W. B. Isaacs & Co.,		61 75
	23, By St. Paul's church, Petersburg, through Rev. W. H. Platt,		5 00
	29, By Rev. R. R. Mason, through Mr. James Galt,		2,029 65
Nov.	4, By St. Paul's church, Richmond, through Rev. Dr. Mianigerode,		20 00
	6, By Bath Parish, Dinwiddie, through Rev. S. M. Bird, pastor,		1,000 70
	10, By St. Paul's church, Essex, through Bishop Johns,		70 00
	By St. James' church, Richmond, for publication department, through Mr. W. F. Gray,		444 30
			450 00
	Amount carried forward,		

Amount brought forward,		
1853.		
Nov.	17, By Bath Parish, Dinwiddie, through Rev. S. M. Bird,	10 00
	26. By Trinity church, Buchannon, thro' Rev. W. McGuire,	46 80
	By St. Marks' church, Fincastle, do. do.	28 40
	Do. do. do. do.	15 00
	By Miss Louisa D. Eude, of Cumberland, thro' Rev. J. Grammer, in letter Oct. 9th, last,	2 00
	27, By Mrs. Martha B. Eppes, of Buckingham, thro' Rev. J. Grammer, for Tract Depository,	20 00
Dec.	2. By Dr. Thos. M. Boyle, Aldie, Va., thro' Mr. T. U. Dudley, Va.	15 00
	3, By South Farnham Parish, Essex, Rev. H. W. L. Temple, through Mr. Lewis Lataine,	237 00
	7, By Miss Emma K. Ward, Richmond county, through Bishop Johns,	10 00
	By Rev. D. F. Sprigg, for the following collections by him, viz: Anonymous, \$1 Little Benny Gray, Lynchburg, \$1, D. C. Randolph, Buckingham, \$20, Mrs. M. A. Page, \$10, Mrs. W. Blankenship, Chesterfield, \$10, Serg't Thompson, 56th Va. \$4, Christ church, Nelson, \$28 60, St. James', Cumberland, \$15, R. T. Tom, Fredericksburg, \$5, Mrs. M. Morris, Powhatan, \$10, Rev. R. T. Davis, \$15, a friend, \$10, F. Stringfellow, \$0,	140 60
	28, By St. Paul's church, Hanover, thro' Rev. G. S. Carraway,	50 00
1854.		
Jan.	2, By Chas. J. Thompson, thro' the hands of G. W. Williams,	10 00
	5, By Gordonsville, through Rev. J. Peterkin,	10 00
	11, By St. James' church, Richmond, thro' Mr. W. F. Gray,	316 75
	16, By anonymous, through Rev. E. T. Perkins,	50 00
	21, By St. John's church, Roanoke, Rev. J. Earnest, thro' Bishop Johns,	100 00
	29, By Emanuel church, Hanover, thro' Rev. G. S. Carraway,	44 00
Feb.	2, By Mrs. Gasten Caperton, Union, Va., through Rev. J. Peterkin,	20 00
	9, By collections to date, Rev. D. F. Sprigg,	99 00
	11, By Grace church, Richmond, per Rev. F. M. Baker,	450 05
	13, By received through Rev. J. Peterkin, as follows, viz: St. James' church, Richmond, \$100, Rev. J. C. Wheat, Staunton, \$10, C. Curt, \$5, S. A. Howard, Warsaw, \$10, an Episcopal refugee, \$15,	150 00
	16, By St. Paul's church, Rev. Dr. Minnigerode,	800 00
	17, By Miss Sally Langhorne, Lynchburg, thro' Bishop Johns,	10 00
	By South Farnham Parish, Essex, Rev. H. W. L. Temple, through hands of Louis Lataine, Esq.	119 30

	Amount brought forward,	\$
1864.		
Feb. 22,	By Mrs. J. T. Doswell, Richmond, through Rev. Mr. Kepler,	10 00
26,	By Dr. J. H. Wallace, of Fredericksburg, through J. Peterkin,	50 00
29,	A member of Grace church, Petersburg, through Col. T. H. Ellis,	5 00
	Collected by Rev. D. F. Sprigg, and already acknowledged in Churchman by him,	237 00
March 1,	By proceeds of sale and contributions at the Tract Depository, by Rev. Mr. Kepler, since Oct. 1st, last, after deducting, sundry expenses, taxes, &c., and also the purchase of books,	1,606 75
	By little Mary and Emma Chamberlayne, through Rev. J. Peterkin.	10 00
4,	By Monumental church, Richmond, through Mr. Geo. D. Fisher,	473 50
5,	By proceeds of sale made by Rev. Mr. Gatewood,	142 44
7,	By Meherrin Parish, Greenville, by Rev. S. M. Byrd,	60 00
9,	By St. Luke's church, Powhatan, Rev. Lewis Walke, by hands Rev. F. M. Baker,	100 00
11,	By Robt. Douthat, sent by his daughter,	60 00
12,	By Miss Landonia J. Randolph, through Rev. Lewis Walke,	32 00
	By R. H. Hoskins, Esq. through Rev. Dr. Minnigerode,	50 00
15,	By sale of tracts and donations, through Rev. Mr. Gatewood,	108 15
17,	By South Farnham Parish, Essex, Rev. H. W. L. Temple, by hands, Mr. Lewis Lataine,	167 50
	By Miss Mary E. Nash, Cumberland, by Rev. J. D. Powell,	5 00
18,	By Rev. H. W. L. Temple, through Rev. Mr. Ware and Rev. J. Peterkin,	22 50
	By Ladies' Sewing Society, Rivanna Parish, through Rev. R. R. Mason,	38 00
21,	By St. Paul's church, Richmond, by Rev. Dr. Minnigerode,	1,000 00
	By Rev. D. F. Sprigg, collected by him,	62 50
April 7,	By Rev. H. L. Kepler, Agent for the Tract Depository, for proceeds of collections and sales there, less contingent expenses for the month of March,	264 00
	By private Zimmerman, 17th Va. Regiment, through Rev. D. F. Sprigg,	35 00
9,	By a lady in Gloucester, per Rev. Dr. Wilkins, through Rev. J. Peterkin,	50 00
	Amount carried forward,	\$

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April 12,	By a orphan nute, through Rev. J. Peterkin,	20 00	
	By sundry persons,	25 00	
			44 00
18,	By St. James' church, Richmond, by W. F. Gray, Esq.		456 28
	By Ladies' Sewing Society, Rivanna Parish,	43 00	
	Less tax on \$20, old currency,	6 67	
			36 33
29,	By Fork church, Hanover, by Rev. H. Stringfellow,		112 15
			<u>\$27,748 96</u>

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REPORT OF THE TREASURER—DIOCESAN OR CONTINGENT FUND.

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	Communicants reported.	Amount paid—old currency.	New currency.	Total bankable.	Amount paid for former years.	Total now due.					
Aocomac,	St. James',	St. James',	}										
Aocomac,	St. George's,	St. George's,											
Aocomac,	St. George's,	St. Michael's,											
Albemarle,	Fredericksville,	Buck Mountain,	}	37	50	4	37 34						
Albemarle,	Fredericksville,	St. Paul's,											
Albemarle,	Fredericksville,	Christ, Charlottesville,											
Albemarle,	St. Anne's,	Trinity, North Garden,											
Albemarle,	St. Anne's,	Christ,											
Albemarle,	Walker's,	Grace,											
Albemarle,	St. John's,	—											
Albemarle,	Emmanuel,	—											
Amelia,	Raleigh,	Grub Hill,											
Amherst,	Lexington,	St. Mark's, New Glasgow,											
Amherst,	Lexington,	Ascension,	}										
Augusta,	Augusta,	Trinity, Staunton,											
Augusta,	Augusta,	Boyden Chapel,											
Alexandria,	Fairfax,	Christ, Alexandria,											
Alexandria,	Fairfax,	St. Paul's, Alexandria,											
Alexandria,	Fairfax,	Grace,											
Bedford,	Russell,	Trinity,											
								19		40	40 00	67 00	
										242	242 00	25 00	
										78			

APPENDIX.

Bedford,
 Bedford,
 Bedford,
 Berkeley,
 Berkeley,
 Botetourt,
 Botetourt,
 Brooke,
 Brooke,
 Brunswick,
 Buckingham,
 Campbell,
 Campbell,
 Caroline,
 Caroline,
 Caroline,
 Caroline,
 Charles City,
 Charlotte,
 Chesterfield,
 Clarke,
 Clarke,
 Clarke,
 Olarke,
 Culpeper,
 Culpeper,
 Culpeper,
 Cumberland,
 Cumberland,
 Dinwiddie,
 Dinwiddie,
 Elizabeth City,
 Elizabeth City,
 Essex,
 Essex,

West Russell,
 Heber,
 Hamner,
 Norborne,
 Norborne,
 Botetourt,
 Woodville,
 Christ Church,
 St. John's,
 St. Andrew's,
 Tillotson,
 Moore,
 Lynchburg,
 St. Margaret's,
 St. Mary's,
 St. Mary's,

 Westover,
 Cornwall,
 Dale,
 Frederick,
 Clarke,
 Wickliffe,
 St. Mark's,
 St. Mark's,
 St. Mark's,
 Lytleton,
 Leighton,
 Bath,
 Bath,
 Elizabeth City,
 Elizabeth City,
 St. Anne's,
 South Farnham,

St. Thomas',
 St. John's, Liberty,
 St. Stephen's,
 Mount Zion, Hedgesville,
 Trinity, Martinsburg,
 St. Mark's,
 Trinity, Buchanan,
 Christ,
 St. John's,
 St. Andrew's,
 St. Peter's,
 St. John's,
 St. Paul's, Lynchburg,
 St. Margaret's,
 St. Peter's, Port Royal,
 Grace,
 Bowling Green,
 Mapsico and Westover,
 Roanoke,
 Trinity,
 Christ, Millwood,
 Grace, Berryville,
 Wickliffe,
 St. Stephens,
 St. James',
 St. Paul's,
 Grace,
 St. James',
 Sapony,
 Calvary,
 St. John's, Hampton,
 Centurion, Old Point,
 Vauter's,
 St. Paul's,

	39	39		
	50	286		
26				
37	75	13	63	00
			121	67
40	45	20	50	00
			193	34
		307	80	307
26	30	6	50	26
43	30	23	00	43
			1423	38
			100	00
33	20		13	34

APPENDIX.

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Report of Treasurer—Diocesan or Contingent Fund—continued.

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	Communicants reported.	Amount paid—old currency.	New currency.	Total bankable.	Amount paid for former years.	Total now due.
Essex,	South Farnham,	St. John's,						
Fairfax,	Truro,	Zion,						
Fairfax,	Truro,	St. John's,						
Fairfax,	Fairfax,	Falls,						
Fauquier,	Hamilton,	St. James', Warrenton,						
Fauquier,	Cedar Run,	St. Stephen's,						
Fauquier,	Leed's,	Leed's,						
Fauquier,	Meade,	Trinity,						
Fauquier,	Piedmont,	Trinity,						
Fauquier,	Piedmont,	Grace,						
Fluvanna,	Rivanna,	St. John's,	28					
		Corinth,	8	50 00		33 34		
Franklin,	Franklin,	At Courthouse,						
Frederick,	Frederick,	Christ, Winchester,						
Frederick,	Frederick,	St. Thomas', Middletown,						
Gloucester,	Abingdon,	Abingdon,						
Gloucester,	Ware,	Ware,						
Goochland,	St. James', Northam,	St. Paul's, (\$1½ in silver,)	31	75 00	12 25	81 00		
Goochland,	St. James', Northam,	Beaverdam,	12	5 00	2 00	5 34		
Greensville,	Meherrin,	Grace,						
Greensville,	Meherrin,	Christ,						
Hall's,	Antrim,	St. John's,						
Hall's,	Roanoke,	Christ,						

Halifax,	Roanoke,	Catawba,				
Hanover,	St. Martin's,	Fork,	}	58	90 00	6 66 00
Hanover,	St. Martin's,	Trinity,		26	50 00	33 34
Hanover,	St. Paul's,	Immanuel,		15	50 00	33 34
Hanover,	St. Paul's,	St. Paul's,				
Hampshire,	Hampshire,	St. Paul's,				
Hampshire,	Hampshire,	Frankfort,				
Hampshire,	Hampshire,	Zion,				
Harrison,	Bethel,	Christ,				
Henrico,	Henrico,	St. John's,				
Henrico,	Richmond city,	Monumental,		238	238	238 00
Henrico,	Richmond city,	St. Paul's,		482	1000	1000 00
Henrico,	Richmond city,	St. James',		400	7000	1000 00
Henrico,	Richmond city,	Christ,				
Henrico,	Emmanuel,	—		46	100	100 00
Henrico,	Richmond,	Grace,		121	121	121 00
Henry,	Patrick,	Christ,				
Isle of Wight,	Newport,	Christ,				
Jackson,	Ravenswood,	Grace,				
James City,	Bruton,	—, Williamsburg,				
Jefferson,	St. Andrew's,	Zion, Charlestown,				
Jefferson,	St. Andrew's,	Trinity, Shepherdstown,				
Jefferson,	St. Andrew's,	St. John's, Harper's Ferry,	}			
Jefferson,	St. Andrew's,	St. Bartholomew's, Lectown,				
Jefferson,	St. Andrew's,	Grace,				
Kanawha,	Kanawha,	St. John's, Charleston,	}			
Kanawha,	Kanawha,	St. Luke's, Salines,				
Kanawha,	Kanawha,	St. Mark's, Coalsmouth,				
King George,	St. Paul's,	St. Paul's,				
King George,	Hanover,	St. John's,				
King George,	Brunswick,	Lamb's Creek,				
King William,	St. David's,	St. David's,				
Lancaster,	Christ Church,	Christ,	}			
Lancaster,	Christ Church,	White Chapel,				

Report of Treasurer—Diocesan Contingent Fund—continued.

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	Communicants reported.	Amount paid— old currency.	New currency.	Bankable.	Amount paid for former years.	Total now due.
Lewis, Loudoun, Loudoun, Louisa, Louisa, Luzenburg, Luzenburg, Madison, Madison, Marshall, Mason, Mason, Matthews, Matthews, Mecklenburg, Mecklenburg, Mecklenburg, Mecklenburg, Mecklenburg, Mecklenburg, Middlesex, Nansemond, Nansemond,	— Shelbourne, John's, Green Spring, Trinity, Cumberland, Cumberland, Bloomfield, Bloomfield, Trinity, — Kingston, Kingston, St. Luke's, St. James', St. James', St. Luke's, St. Luke's, St. Luke's, Christ Church, Upper Suffolk, Lower Suffolk,	St. Paul's, Weston, St. James', Emmanuel, St. John's, Trinity, St. John's, St. Paul's, Piedmont, Trinity, — Bruce Chapel, Point Pleasant, Christ, Trinity, Old Church, St. James', St. Andrew's, St. Luke's, St. Timothy, Old, Christ, St. Paul's, St. John's.		70 00		2 00	52 00	

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Report of Treasurer—Diocesan or Contingent Fund—continued.

COUNTIES.	PARISHES.	CHURCHES.	Communicants reported.	Amount paid—old currency.	New currency.	Total bankable.	Amount paid for former years.	Total now due.
Roanoke,	Salem,	St. John's, Big Lick,	32		87 00	87 00		
Rockbridge,	Latimer,	Grace, Lexington,	63	175 00	20 00	136 67		
Rockingham,	Rockingham,	Port Republic,						
Spotsylvania,	St. George's,	St. George's Fredericksburg,			2 00	5 34		
Spotsylvania,	Berkeley,	Christ,	2	5 00	6 35	13 02		
Spotsylvania,	Berkeley,	St. John's,	15	10 00	7 00	23 67		
Stafford,	Overwharton,	Aquia,		25 00				
Surry,	Southwark,	St. Andrew's,						
Sussex,	Albemarle,	St. Immanuel,						
Washington,	Holston,	St. Thomas', Abingdon,	18		13 00	33 00		
Washington,	Emmanuel,	—	10	30 00	8 00	18 00		
Westmoreland,	Washington,	St. Peter's,		15 00				
Westmoreland,	Cople,	Nominy and Yeocomico,						
Westmoreland,	Montross,	St. James',						
Wood,	Trinity,	Parkersburg,						
Wythe,	Wytheville,	—						
Wetzel,	Wetzel,	St. Paul's,						
York,	York, Hampton,	Grace,						

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ALBEMARLE COUNTY.

Christ Church, St. Ann's Parish.

Rev. SAMUEL RIDOUT, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 2; infants, 9; total 11. Communicants—formerly reported, 37; white, 3; removed, 2; died, 1; present number, 43. Marriages—white, 2. Funerals—white, 5. Bible class—teachers, 1; scholars—white, 18. Contributions—objects within the parish, not including regular expenses, 660 25. Objects in connection with P. E. Church, \$481 45. Postoffice—Carter's Bridge.

In addition to the within report, I would add that a monthly service has been held during the past year in a small, free church in Buckingham county, where a small, but regularly increasing congregation has been ministered to with encouraging prospects of establishing a self-supporting church. Two communicants have been added during the past year, making six in all. Four of whom formerly belonged to Howardsville church. Funerals—white 1. Baptisms—adult, white, 1; infants, white, 5; total 6. Arrangements are being made to build a place of worship.

Christ Church, Charlottesville.

R. K. MEADE, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 2; infants, 11; total 13. Communicants—added, 10; removed, 3; died, 6; colored, 1; total 142. Marriages—white 4; colored, 5; total, 8. Funerals—white, adults, 14; infants, 8; colored adults, 2; infants, 2; total 26.

Emmanuel Church, Greenwood Parish.

Rev. SAMUEL R. SLACK, Officiating Minister

Baptisms—adults, white, 2; infants, 5; total 7. Communicants—added, 9; present number, white 20. Marriages—white, 3, colored, 2; total 5. Funerals—white, 5. Contributions—expended upon church edifice, about 2,500; other objects, about \$200.

The church building has been occupied since Christmas last. About half the above number of communicants are refugees, temporarily residing in the parish. An application will be made at this Council for admission into union with the Diocese.

Postoffice—Mochum's river.

ALEXANDRIA.

Report of the Rev. J. T. JOHNSTON, May 18, 1864, Richmond, Va.

Since leaving Alexandria in May, 1861, I have resided in Charlottesville and Richmond, reading and preaching occasionally. I have baptised 2 white children, buried 2, and married one couple.

BEDFORD COUNTY.

St. Stephen's Church, Hamner Parish.

Rev. W. H. PENDLETON, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white 2; infants, 4. Communicants—formerly reported, 38; white, 4; removed, 1; died, 2; total 3. Marriages—white 3. Funerals 8. Contributions—objects within the parish, not including regular expenses, 123; objects in connection with the P. E. C. 52; total contributions \$175. Postoffice—Forrest Depot.

Trinity Church, Russell Parish.

Rev. W. H. PENDLETON, Rector.

Baptisms—adult, white, 1; infants, white 6. Communicants—formerly reported, 39; removed, 5; present number 34. Marriages—white, 2. Sunday schools—1; teachers, 6; scholars, white, 30. Contributions—objects in connection with the P. E. C. \$43 50. P. O.—Forest Depot.

BOTETOURT COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Fincastle.

Rev. WM MCGUIRE, Rector.

Baptisms—white 2. Communicants—26. Contributions—to objects within the church \$157 35. Postoffice—Pattonsburg.

Woodville Parish.

Rev. WM. MCGUIRE, Rector.

Baptisms—white 2. Communicants—removed, 3; added, 2; present number 37. Marriages—2. Funerals—7. Contributions to objects within the church, 41; objects without the church, \$70.

BRUNSWICK COUNTY.

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

Rev. J. H. MORRISON, Rector.

Baptisms—infants, white, 4; colored, 1; total 5. Communicants—added, white, 12; restored, 1; died, 1; total 13; present number 48. Funerals—white, 6; colored, 1; total 7. Contributions—for improving the rectory, \$20; communion offerings, 181 75; Confederate Bible Society, tracts for soldiers, and for other objects of Christian benevolence, 250; total contributions, \$651 75. Postoffice—Sturgeonville.

In addition to the communicants reported above, it is proper to remark, that a number of colored communicants are connected with the parish, for whom, until recently, no services had been held for a long period; the community having deemed such services inexpedient during the present situation of affairs. The rector has ventured, however, to resume them at intervals, and has once administered the Holy Communion, after a very long intermission of this privilege. Under these circumstances he cannot undertake to give the present number of colored communicants.

In other spheres of labor the rector has found great good, as he thinks, to result from catechetical instruction of the children "openly in the church," according to the requirement of the Prayer Book. In a country parish he finds it difficult to carry out this wholesome regulation of the church, partly owing to the difficulty of parents getting their children to church, and partly, it is feared, from their not setting a proper estimate on this beneficial arrangement for seasoning the minds of the young with the principles of piety. The great reliance of the church under God, is, by thorough religious training, to impress the great truths and principles of religion on the minds and hearts of the young; and in this training, it is deemed a matter of the last importance that they who are appointed to watch for souls as those who must give an account, should lead the way in performing their part of the great work, and in this manner strive to impress on parents and others who have charge of the young, the weighty responsibility that rests upon them. By taking a small portion of the catechism at a time, and commenting on it and enforcing it, it will soon be seen to be instinct with the very life and spirit of the Gospel, instead of being a petrifaction of theoretical christianity, as some suppose. The rector, therefore, makes it his aim, whenever he thinks the children can be got together, to devote a short time before service to the important duty of their instruction from successive portions of the Church Catechism.

BUCKINGHAM COUNTY.

St. Peter's Church, Tillotson Parish.

Rev. JAMES GRANNER, Rector.

Baptisms—infants, white, 1. Communicants—formerly reported, 47; added, white, 1; colored, 2; total 50; removed, 7; died, 1; present number 42. Marriages—white 1. Funerals—white 2. Contributions—Ist. Objects in Parish, not including regular expenses—charity within Parish, 130; communion alms, 67. 2d. Object in connection with P. E. C.—to Trinity Church, Goodland, 130; Southern Churchman for soldiers, 6 35-3d. Objects not connected with P. E. C.—tracts for soldiers, 20; total contributions, \$353 35. Postoffice—Curdsville.

CAMPBELL COUNTY.

Rev. W. H. KINCKLE, Rector.

St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg.

Baptisms—adults, 7; infants, 44; total 51. Communicants—added, 21; removed, 2; died, 7. Present number, 213; exclusive of 30 or 40 refugee communicants, temporarily resident in the Parish. Confirmations—21. Marriages—16. Funerals—31. Contributions—alms for the poor, 5,231 61; Va. Bible Society, 500; Domestic Missions, 200; Foreign Missions, 1,00; contingent fund, 306 50; miscellaneous, 5,214; total \$11,552 11.

Moore's Parish.

Rev. JOHN B. DADNEY, acting as Rector.

Baptisms—infants, white 14. Communicants—formerly reported, 26; added, white, 2; total 28; present number 28. Marriages—1. Funerals—white, 1; colored, 1; total 2. Contributions—objects in connection with the P. E. Church, 65; contingent fund, 193 33½; total contributions, \$258 33½. Postoffice—Marysville.

Very little change has taken place in this Parish since the last meeting of the Diocesan Council. The state of the country, by taking off some of the congregation temporarily, has operated injuriously to the cause of the church by suspending for a time benevolent enterprises. It is to be hoped that the restoration of peace will be attended with the happiest effects in bringing the whole congregation together, reviving their zeal, and stimulating them to renewed vigor in the prosecution of all measures for the advancement of religion. In the meantime services have been held regularly during the war at four different places within the Parish: several, it is believed, are prepared at this time to offer themselves as candidates for confirmation whenever the Bishop shall visit the Parish.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. Margaret's Church, St. Margaret's Parish.

Rev. WM. W. GREENE, Rector.

Communicants—formerly reported, 26; added, white, 2; removed, 1; died, 1; present number 26. Marriages—white 1. Funerals—white 2. Contributions—objects in connection with the P. E. Church, 44 50; objects not in connection with the P. E. Church, 25; total contributions \$69 50.

St. Peters, Trinity and Grace Churches, St. Mary's and St. Ash's Parishes.

Rev. WM. FRIEND, Rector.

Baptisms—infants, white, 9. Communicants—present number 43. Marriages—white, 3; colored, 1; total, 4. Funerals—white, 7; colored, 2; total 9. Postoffice—Port Royal.

The Rector reports that a large proportion of his congregation has removed to different portions of the State in consequence of the exposed situation of their homes. The Parish has been completely devastated. The destitution of the people has been such, that many families once wealthy can now hardly procure their daily bread—of course it has been impossible for them to contribute any thing for church purposes. His report is defective in many respects—the records of the church having been carried off by the Yankee spoilers.

He reports that since the last Convention he has officiated among soldiers whenever failing health has permitted him to do so. During the winter he has preached to portion of the troops belonging to Gen. Hampton's division, which were quartered in his parish, and he trusts that his ministrations have deepened the religious feeling which has been so marked in our army during the winter—many of his hearers have fallen on the battlefield, and he has reason to thank God for the privilege of preaching to them the things belonging to Him before they were suddenly called into eternity.

CHESTERFIELD COUNTY.

Trinity Church, Dale Parish.

Rev. A. B. TIZZARD, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 1; infants, white, 1; total 2. Communicants—27. Marriages—white, 2; colored, 1; total 3. Funerals—white, 3; colored, 3; total, 6. Contributions—for church and charitable purposes, \$300. Postoffice—Winterpock.

Manikintown Church, King William Parish.

Rev. A. B. TIZZARD, Rector.

Baptisms—infants, white 1. Communicants—14. Marriages—colored, 1. Funerals—white, 1; colored, 2; total 3. Contributions—for church and charitable objects, \$1,237 50.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Grace Church, Lyttleton Parish.

Rev. JAMES GRANNER, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 1; infants, colored 1. Communicants—formerly reported, 29; added, white, 6; total 35; removed, 2; present number 33. Marriages—colored 3. Funerals—white 1. Contributions—1st. Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, 414 65; 2d. Objects in connection with the P. E. Church: to establish Episcopal church in Farmville, 221 35; Missions, 6; Diocese Missionary and Tract Society, 119 60. Domestic Missions, 14. 3d. Objects not in connection with the P. E. Church, Va. Bible Society 50; total contributions, \$825 50.

St. James' Church, Leighton Parish.

Rev. J. D. POWELL, Rector.

Baptisms—adult, white, 1; added, 4. Communicants—removed, 1. Present number 25. Burial—white, adult, 1. Contributions. 1st. Objects connected with P. E. Church: contingent fund, 33 33½; Diocese Mission, 15; communion alms. 63 05; S. Churchman for army, 286. 2d. Objects not connected with P. E. Church: to relieve soldiers' families, &c. 60 75; total \$459 13. Postoffice—Belmead Mills.

DINWIDDIE COUNTY.

Grace Church, Petersburg.

Rev. CHURCHILL J. GIBSON, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 18; infants, white, 82; colored, 12; total 94. Communicants—formerly reported, 326; added, white, 66; total 392; removed, 29; withdrawn, 1; died, 13; total 43; present number 349; 11 of whom are colored. Confirmed—white 39. Marriages—white, 27; colored, 20; total 47. Funerals—white, 94; colored, 9; total 103. Sunday schools—teachers, 30; scholars, white, 150; total 180. Contributions—

1st. Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses: communion alms, 693 06; Petersburg Female Orphan Asylum, 691 70; for orphan boys, 580; for building new church, 1,000; Sunday school library, 200. 2d. Objects in connection with the P. E. Church: Domestic Missions, 430; Diocesan Missions, 252; Bishop Meade's monument fund, 531; contingent fund, 450. 3d. Objects not in connection with the P. E. Church: Evangelical Tract Society, 75; total contributions \$4,902 76.

Three of the communicants reported as added have not yet communed, but have attached themselves to the Christian Association in the army of Northern Virginia, and desired to be enrolled as communicants. Nine of them are refugees from other parishes, and two others have removed into the parish. The remainder are all new communicants, and their number and apparent earnestness of Christian character greatly encourage me. The contributions, too, have been larger this year than usual to every cause presented to the congregation, and in addition to those reported, their acts of liberality to the Rector and his family, and to our sick and wounded soldiers, deserve especially to be recorded. Most gratefully does he acknowledge the one, and cannot but hope and pray that our Blessed Master will in the great day acknowledge and accept the other.

FAUQUIER COCNTY.

REV. THOMAS DUNCAN, Missionary.

I left Leed's Parish, in Fauquier county, towards the end of May, 1863, and joined Dearing's Battalion of Artillery as a Missionary. Since that time I have, under the auspices of the Diocesan Missionary Society, been employed partly in preaching to the soldiers and partly in officiating in Leed's Parish.

Whilst with Dearing's Battalion I officiated regularly on Sundays and frequently in the week. Many of the soldiers of this battalion joined the church—some uniting with one denomination, others with another.

Since the middle of January I have been officiating for the Maryland line. The Bishop confirmed eight soldiers of this command. There are others now ready for confirmation.

I have baptised several children, and performed several marriage ceremonies.

I have several times visited my former Parish of Leeds, Fauquier county, Virginia, and officiated for the congregation. The members of this parish have suffered much from the enemy—having been robbed to a great extent. They have borne their losses with a fortitude worthy of their high calling.

FLUVANNA COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Rivanna Parish.

Rev. RICHARD R. MASON, Rector.

Baptisms—infants, 8. Communicants—formerly reported, 24; added, white, 3; removed, 1; total 4; present number 26. Confirmed—6. Marriages—white 2. Funerals—white 9. Sunday school—1. Contributions. 1st. Objects within the Parish not including regular expenses, 127 40. 2d. Objects in connection with the P. E. Church: Diocesan Missions, 208; distribution of Churchman, 15; for re-building Trinity Church, Gooseland, 25 50. 3d. Objects not in connection with the P. E. Church, 10; total contributions \$385 90. Postoffice—Dixie.

HALIFAX COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Antrim Parish.

Rev. J. GRAMMER, Rector, and Rev. H. A. WISE, Associate.

Baptisms—infants, white, 12; colored, 2; total 14. Communicants—Formerly reported, 92 white and 14 colored, total 106; present number 90 white and 14 colored, total 166. Marriages—white, 3; colored, 2; total 5. Funerals—white, 11; colored, 1; total 12. Sunday schools—scholars, white, 50; colored, 70. total 120. Contributions—1st. Objects within the parish, not including regular expenses, sacramental collections, 577 75; 2d. Objects in connection with the P. E. Church: Domestic Missions, 30; Diocesan Missions, 352 50; Education Society, 39. 3d. Objects not in connection with the P. E. Church: Army and Navy Messenger, 417 20; Bible Societies—Confederate, 450; relief of maimed soldiers, 541; total contributions, \$2,407 45. Postoffice—Halifax C. H.

HENRICO COUNTY.

St. Paul's Church, Richmond.

Rev. CH. MINNIGERODE, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 4; infants, white, 26. Communicants—formerly reported, 422; added, white, 86; removed, 20; died, 6; present number 482. Confirmed—white, 46. Marriages—white, 21; colored, 2; total, 23. Funerals—white, 41. Sunday schools—teachers, 33; scholars, white, about 200; total, 233. Total contributions, \$28,569 07.

The report is made up very hastily, and may be somewhat incomplete. The Rector cannot at this time specify the appropriations made of the large contributions—except so far as to say, that nearly the whole amount was expended within the Diocese, for home missionary purposes, and particularly for the special missionary enterprises of St. Paul's church—a large amount having been appropriated to the support of St. Paul's Church Home.

The contributions reported are exclusive of the generous donations made to increase the Rector's income; and of the very large sums which have been most freely and repeatedly paid to the benevolent institutions of the city.

I visited the Army of Northern Virginia, at Orange C. H., towards the end of the month of April. I held five services in three days—two in the open air to the soldiers of Mahone's and of H. H. Walker's Brigades. I have never witnessed more intense attention or felt more grateful for being permitted to preach the Gospel.

St. John's Church, Richmond.

Rev. Wm. Norwood.

Baptisms—adults, white, 3; infants, white, 18; total 21. Communicants—formerly reported, 116; added, white, 26; removed, 9; withdrawn, 1; died, 3; present number 129. Confirmed—white 21. Marriages—white, 4; colored, 1; total 5. Funerals—white 7. Sunday schools—teachers, 13; scholars, white, 110. Contributions—objects in connection with the P. E. Church, 1, 288 35; objects not in connection with the P. E. Church, 3,101 75; total contributions, \$4,390 10.

Monumental Church, Henrico Parish.

Rev. Geo. Woodbridge, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 3. infants, white, 29; colored, 3; total 35. Communicants—formerly reported, 208; added, white, 48; removed, 8; suspended, 1; died, 2; present number 240. Confirmed—white 29. Marriages—white 9. Funerals—white, 23; colored, 1; total 24. Contributions. 1st. Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses: Sunday school, 653 80; sick poor, 350; for the sick and wounded, 300; charity, 275; offertory, 2,117 95; total \$3,696 75. Objects in connection with the P. E. Church: Diocese Mission, 824 45. Diocesan fund, 326; Education Society, 309 09; disabled clergymen, 211 35; total \$1,580 99 3d. Objects not in connection with the P. E. Church: Female Orphan Asylum, 976; additional do. do. 343; Male Orphan Asylum, 160; Bible Society of Virginia, 325; Confederate Bible Society, 120; total contributions \$7,140 64.

To these collections are to be added about \$1,500, sent in to the Rector

for his own support, besides his stated salary, making altogether \$8,340 64, contributed by the congregation during the past year.

I have visited the army, but it was in the midst of the engagements which were begun on the 6th of May, and there was no opportunity for service.

Grace Church, Richmond City.

Rev. F. M. BAKER, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 6; infants, white, 16; total 21. Communicants—added, white, 31; removed, 5; withdrawn, 1; died, 2; total 8; present number 121. Confirmed—white 5. Marriages—white 6. Funerals—white 14. Sunday schools—teachers, 16; scholars, white, 120; total 136. Total contributions \$2,860. 93.

Remarks—This church has now completed the sixth year of its existence, and is independent and self-supporting.

St. James' Church, Richmond, Henrico Parish.

Rev. J. PETERKIN, Rector, and Rev. T. G. DASHIELL, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—adults, white, 8; infants, white, 22; colored, infant, 1; total 31. Communicants—last reported 350; added, 63; removed, 3; died, 10; present number 400. Confirmed—42. Marriages—white, 17; colored, 4; total 21. Funerals—white, 59; colored, 4; total 63. Sunday schools—teachers, 15; scholars, about 100. Contributions—1st. Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses: contingent fund, communion alms and special offerings, 7,800. 2d. Objects in connexion with the P. E. Church: Diocesan Missions, Book Depository, &c., 2,515. 3d. General objects—Orphan Asylum, soldiers' aid, and Virginia Bible Society, 4,035; total \$14,350.

The condition of this church is encouraging; and though the Sunday school has diminished, the monthly catechetical exercises are kept up with profit.

The contributions have been largely increased by various sums placed (sometimes anonymously) in the Rector's hands for benevolent purposes. The amount of \$2,000 was recently given by one person. Two others (one of them absent from the country) also sent him \$2,000 for the relief of the poor; but this amount is not included in the above estimate, as the contributors are not connected with this, or with any other Episcopal church. We feel profoundly thankful that God has moved the hearts of the people to give so freely of their substance to the poor and needy; and we trust that this is one evidence that they are "laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life."

Both the Rector and the Assistant Minister of this church have taken ~~part~~ holding such services as they could for our troops in the field—~~and~~ spent ten days with the army, officiating every day; and

the former devoting two Sundays, besides some other days to the same work.

Emmanuel Church, Henrico Parish.

Rev. C. WALKER, Rector.

Baptisms—infants, 3. Communicants—formerly reported, 43; added, white, 8; removed, 3; died, 2; present number 46. Confirmed—white, 8. Marriages—white, 1; colored, 1; total 2. Funerals—white 9. Sunday schools—teachers, 7; scholars, white 30. Contributions—1st. Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, 791 66. 2d. Objects in connection with the P. E. Church, 221 25. 3d. Objects not in connection with the P. E. Church, 60; total contributions \$1,092 91.

During the month of November, I visited the army, then in Culpeper, and officiated several times in Hahone's Virginia Brigade, also in James' Brigade, from North Carolina, and made appointments in other portions of the army. These appointments I was unable to fulfil owing to the sudden falling back of the army to Orange, and the announcements following therefore, during the few weeks subsequent. In concurrence with others, who have engaged in this work, I found, wherever I officiated, ready and willing hearers; and regret that I was not able, through the movements above mentioned to have remained longer and to have done more, as was my intention and hope when I left home.

St. Philip's (African) Church, Richmond.

Rev. D. F. SPRIGG, Rector.

Communicants—added, colored 2; present number 6. Confirmed—colored 2. Marriages—white, 1; colored, 5. Funerals—colored 2. Sunday schools—teachers, 25; scholars, colored, 200; total 225.

HANOVER COUNTY.

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

Rev. H. STRINGFELLOW, Rector.

Present number of communicants 58.

Immanuel Church, St. Paul's Parish.

Rev. G. S. CARRAWAY, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 1; infants, white, 1; colored, 1; total 2. Communicants—formerly reported 26; present number 26. Marriages—white; 7. Funerals—white, 2; colored, 1; total 2. Contributions—objects not

in connection with P. E. Church, 81 12; objects in connection with P. E. Church, 89; total \$170 12.

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

Rev. G. S. CARRAWAY, Rector.

Communicants—formerly reported, 16; died, 1; present number, 15. Funerals—white, 1. Contributions—objects not in connection with P. E. Church, 21; objects in connection with P. E. Church, 311 90; total \$334 90.

HENRY COUNTY.

Christ Church, Patrick Parish.

Rev. JOHN R. LEE, Rector.

Communicants—formerly reported, 15; added by first communion, 1; by removal, 2; lost by removal, 1; present number 17. Baptized—white, adults, 1; white, infants, 2; total 3. Marriages—white, 2; colored, 1; total 3. Funerals—white, 2. Contributions—contingent fund, 40; to benevolent uses, \$99. Postoffice, Martinsville.

Trinity Church, Franklin Parish.

Rev. JOHN R. LEE, Rector.

Communicants—formerly reported, 10; added, total 11. Baptisms—white, adult, 1; white, infant, 1; total 2. Marriages—white, 1. Contributions—contingent fund, \$27. Postoffice, Martinsville.

KING GEORGE COUNTY.

St. Paul's Parish.

Rev. HUGH ROY SCOTT, Rector.

Communicants—withdrawn, white, 1; colored, 1; died, white, 1; present number, 43 whites, and 5 colored. Marriages—white, 2. Funerals—white, 5. Contributions—for publishing tracts for the army, 75; for other objects, 48; total \$123.

Besides the services at St. Paul's Church during the past year, I have held missionary services frequently in King George and Stafford counties, and have occasionally visited Fredericksburg. I have also, during the past year, visited the army, and on two occasions these ser-

VICES were attended with an outpouring of the Spirit, and a goodly number, (about seventy) professed a hope in the Lord Jesus. I have baptized twenty-two soldiers, and have held communion in camp three times, and admitted forty-nine to the table of the Lord. These services have been held chiefly in Col. Nelson's and Major Poague's Battalions of Artillery.

In consequence of the enemy carrying off a large portion of the horses of my parish, the attendance on the regular services has not been good, but it is now increasing; and while there is no evidence of a decided interest in spiritual things, there has been some improvement since my last report.

MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

St. Luke's Church, St. Luke's Parish.

Rev. WM. H. MEADE, Rector.

Communicants—added, white 2; present number, white 11, colored 1. Funerals—white 4. Contributions—1st. Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, 44 58. 2d. Objects in connection with the P. E. Church, 83; total contributions, \$77 58.

Remarks—A female Bible class has been started in connection with this church.

St. Timothy Church, St. Luke's Parish.

Rev. WM. H. MEADE, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 1; infants, white, 1. Communicants—added, white, 13; present number, 24. Objects in connection with the P. E. Church, 237 50; Objects not in connection with the P. E. Church, 50; total contributions, \$287 50.

Remarks—The reports for these two churches reach back only to October of the present parochial year; at which time the present incumbent entered upon his duties. Of the previous status of the Parish, I have no means of obtaining accurate information. It may, however, be stated, that since the last report made to the Convention, each of these churches had suffered heavily, by the death of an earnest and efficient male communicant.

In connection with *this* church, a small white Sunday school has been inaugurated under *very disadvantageous* circumstances; the ground having been long pre-occupied by our Christian brethren of other denominations. A Bible class, composed of young men in the service of the government, *proceeds well.*

With the old church, (though within the bounds of this Parish,) I have had no connection.

The Rev. Mr. Wharton, of Charlotte, has officiated regularly. But since

his resignation; they have been, so far as I am informed, without the services of the church.

NELSON COUNTY.

Christ and Trinity Churches, Nelson Parish.

Rev. T. F. MARTIN, Rector.

Baptisms—infants, white, 9. Communicants—added, white, 7; removed, 2; died, 2; present number 70. Marriages—white, 3. Funerals—white, 7. Sunday Schools—teachers, 8; scholars, 45. Contributions—Diocesan and Tract Depository, 129 20; Convention fund, 70; Sunday schools, 40; communion alms, 64 55; Bible Society, 30; Evangelical Tract Society, Petersburg, 185 15; Bishop Meade, Monumental fund, 18; Wm. D. Cabell to do. 7; total \$543 90.

PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY.

The Church of the Epephany, Camden Parish.

Rev. GEO. W. DAME, Rector.

Baptisms—infants, 3. Communicants—formerly reported 70; added, white, 4; total 74; removed, 5; died, 3; total 8; present number 66. Marriages—white, 6; colored, 3; total 9. Funerals—white, 11. Contributions—1st. Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, 141. 2d. Objects in connection with the P. E. Church: Diocesan Missionary Society, 22; disabled clergy fund, 75; for Missions, 75. 3d. Objects not in connection with the P. E. Church: New Orleans and Fredericksburg sufferers, 1,012 57; Confed. Bible Society, 30; Wright family, 50; religious reading for army, 30; soldiers' aid society, 500; total contributions, \$1,935 50.

Emmanuel Church, Banister Parish.

Rev. GEORGE T. WILNER, Rector.

Baptisms—infants, white, 4. Communicants—formerly reported 28; added, white, 7, from other parishes; died, 2; total 42. Marriages—white 3. Funerals—white 3.

POWHATAN COUNTY.

Grub Hill and Grace Churches, Raleigh and Genito Parishes.

REV. P. F. BERKELEY, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 2; infants, white, 1; total 3. Communicants—formerly reported, 72; present number 66. Marriages—white 2. Funerals—white, 10; colored, 2; total 12. Contributions—total contributions, about \$350.

St. Luke's Church, Powhatan Parish.

REV. LEWIS WALKER, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 1; infants, white 4; total 5. Communicants—added, white, 3; removed, 3; present number, 44. Funerals—white 1. Contributions—Bible Society of Confederate States, 200; Diocese Missionary Society, 293 75; religious reading for our soldiers, 151 66; Dr. Wright's family, 260; two aged and needy persons 144 56; contingent fund, 100; total \$1,149 86.

Emmanuel Church, St. James', Southam Parish.

REV. JOHN D. POWELL, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, colored, 4; infants, white, 3; total, 7. Communicants—added, white, 2; removed, 8; died, 1; present number, 26. Marriages—white, 1; colored, 1; total, 2. Funerals, white, 2. Contributions—1st. Objects connected with P. E. Church: contingent fund, 68 33; communion alms, 276 85; Diocesan missions, 3; for Southern Churchman, &c, for army, 201 20; ladies benevolent society, 245. 2d. Objects not connected with P. E. Church: for relief of soldiers' families, &c., 266 50; total, \$1,060 88.

Postoffice—Belmead Mills.

In compliance with your suggestion, I append to my parochial report a brief summary of missionary service rendered in the army of Northern Virginia since last Council. More pressing claims than usual for ministerial labors at home, in these eventful times, have made it difficult to find opportunity for being so long absent with our good brethren and friends in the army; but I most gladly improved the occasion of two brief visits last fall. Being liberally furnished at our Episcopal Depository in Richmond with Testaments, camp Liturgies, &c., I went to Gordonsville in September last and spent nearly a week in preaching, visiting and distributing religious matter among the troops of Cook's N. C Brigade, Cabell's Artillery Battalion, and the inmates of the Post Hospitals. Every token of earnest and grateful interest among our beloved soldiers cheered my heart in these labors. Night and day in the churches, in the camps, in woods and fields

I found solemn and crowded auditories. The wholesome and comfortable condition of the large hospitals here, the gentle soothing Christian influence resulting from the presence of Godly chaplains and officials, was a subject of the liveliest gratification to every visitor. Going thence, on the 28th September, to the first lines of defence on the Rapidan, I found urgent and most inviting calls for the exercise of my sacred office and ministry on every hand.

In company with Rev. Mr. Dashiell, I enjoyed the privilege of preaching in the brigade of Gen. Walker, Heeth's division, where a most solemn and delightful spirit of religious interest had been awakened for several weeks. Mr. Dashiell and myself, at night, held service in Gen'l Mahone's brigade, Anderson's Division. In this brigade I continued for nearly two weeks, preaching, night and day, as opportunity offered, visiting among those who desired to ask instructions in private. It was a season of peace for which I bless and praise God, which I humbly hope may prove to have been a seed time for much fruit unto eternal life.

I held services occasionally in the 1st Regiment of Artillery, where, as in every case, I found a readiness and desire to have the preaching of the gospel such as we seldom see at home.

The sudden, rapid advance of Hill's corps in the flanking movement made towards Bristow station, made impracticable any further services at this time.

In November last I went to visit again the brigade of Gen'l Mahone, encamped almost in the same spot whence they had advanced two months before. An unsettled feeling among the troops, who were constantly expecting marching orders in the direction of Mine Run against Gen. Meade, precluded many favorable opportunities for religious exercises. But I had the privilege of occasionally preaching and of much pleasant intercourse with brethren beloved in the Lord. Much, I am persuaded, can be done to refresh the souls of those beloved and devoted men, and also to have our own hearts quickened and our souls enlarged by thus going occasionally from the routine of duty at home and helping to bear the Ark of God before the hosts of those who battle in our behalf for truth and righteousness. The Lord be praised for what He has wrought in our behalf thus far, giving us deliverance from our foe; and above all, for vindicating the majesty of his name by blessing that people who revere and acknowledge Him as the Lord their God.

Grub Hill and Grace Churches, Raleigh and Genito Parishes.

REV. P. F. BERKELEY, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 2; infants, white, 1; total, 3. Communicants—formerly reported, 72; removed, 7; present number, 65. Marriages—white, 2. Funerals—white, 10; colored, 2; total, 12. Contributions—about \$350. Postoffice—Chula.

ROANOKE COUNTY.

St. John's Church, St. James' Parish.● **Rev. J. EARNEST**, officiating in the place of **Rev. P. Tinsley**, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 3; infants, white, 7; total, 10. Communicants—added, 10; removed, 1; died, 3; present number, 32. Confirmed—white, 6. Marriages—white, 4; colored, 1; total, 5. Funerals—white, 7. Sunday Schools—teachers, scholars, 31. Contributions—\$1,021 88.

Postoffice—Big Lick.

ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY.

*Grace Church, Latimer Parish.***Rev. G. H. NORTON**, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 9; infants, white, 12; total, 21. Communicants—white, 27; present number, 66. Confirmed—white, 26. Marriages—white, 2. Funerals—white, 4; colored, 2; total, 6. Sunday Schools—teachers, 6; scholars, white, 33. Total Contributions—\$600.

Postoffice—Lexington.

The communicants reported "added" are none of them from other cures. There are many communicant refugees sojourning in this Parish and pew-holders of this church, but their names are not transferred to the Parish list. These constitute a most interesting portion of the present congregation, and contribute liberally, in every case, to the prosperity of the church.

SPOTSYLVANIA COUNTY.

*St. John's Church, Berkeley Parish.***Rev. W. W. GREENE**, Rector.

Baptisms—infants, white, 2. Communicants—formerly reported, 14; added, white, 3; removed, 1; withdrawn, 1, present number, 15. Marriages—white, 1. Funerals—colored, 2. Contributions—Objects in connection with the P. E. Church, 42 66; objects not in connection with the P. E. Church, 27; total, \$69 66. Postoffice—Lewis' Store.

Remarks.—I have had occasional opportunities to preach to the soldiers, of which I have always gladly availed myself. I have also sometimes preached to the congregation in Fredericksburg.

Christ's Church.

Rev. W. W. GREENE, Rector.

Communicants—formerly reported, 12; added, white, 1; colored, 1; present number, 12. Marriages—white, 2; colored, 1; total, 3. Contributions—Objects in connection with the P. E. Church, 24; objects not in connection with the P. E. Church, 29; total \$53.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

St. Thomas Church, Holston Parish.

Rev. EDWARD H. INGLE, Rector.

Communicants—formerly reported, 13, added, white, 5; total, 18; present number, 18. Confirmed—white, 1. Funerals—white, 1. Sunday Schools—teachers, 5; scholars—white, 20; total, 26. Contributions—to contingent fund, \$33.

Emmanuel Church, Emmanuel Parish.

Rev. EDWARD H. INGLE, Rector.

Baptisms—adults, white, 3; infants, white, 3; total, 6. Communicants—formerly reported, 11; added, white, 5; removed, 5; died, 1; present number, 10. Confirmed—white, 9. Sunday School—just organizing. Contributions—to contingent fund, \$20.

Having just entered upon his duties in these Parishes, the present incumbent deems it proper to state that the above reports are, for the most part, a record of the ministry of the late zealous and efficient rector, Rev. Wm. Mowbray, during a period of three months, the Parishes were subsequently without a rector for about eight months.

For Parochial Report.

After the last meeting of the Council closed, the undersigned continued to preach at Ashland, as then reported, until October, when he removed to Richmond. In the month of July he was appointed a chaplain in the Confederate army, and since has been engaged in the discharge of duties appropriate to his office in hospitals within the city. The nature and importance of this work need not be stated. There is such constant opportunity to preach Christ to the sick and wounded, to those who may be sinking to the grave, or by the blessing of God recovering their health, that he finds it hardly possible to estimate the work too highly. The time appropriated has been fully occupied in preaching from ward to ward on Sunday;

and other days, conversation and prayers with the convalescent, or at the bedside of the sick and dying, the distribution of the Holy Scriptures and other books, tracts and papers, all of which are, with rare exceptions, readily received and promptly read. What fruit may be gathered from this field of labor, the Lord only knows, but there are many reasons for hoping that it must produce good to men and glory to God.

It may not be amiss to remark here, that to supply the army with the Holy Scriptures is one of the most important duties now pressing upon the church. There is a constantly recurring deficiency: those supplied one day, are very often destitute the next. After every general battle the wants of the troops in this particular are at once manifested, as very many of them come to the hospitals without any part of the scriptures. In a majority of cases this is unavoidable, as, in the confusion of the conflict, in hurried advances or retreats, very frequently everything is lost, books and all else. Thus the demand is constantly pressing, and difficult, indeed, is it to meet the demand. The Bible is not to be had to any extent, even the New Testament alone is scarce. The call to the church in the South is then loud and earnest, to save us from a famine of the word of God.

JOHN P. MCGUIRE,
Rector of Epis. H. S. of Va.

Report of Rev. Wm. C. Butler.

During my temporary residence in Charlotte, N. C., a period of almost two years, while unable, on account of the continued weakness of my throat, to discharge regularly the duties of the ministry, I have still been able to assist the Rector of the church at that place and to perform work in hospitals and other points to the extent embraced in the following statement: Number of infants baptized, white, 4; administered or assisted in the Holy Communion, 19 times; read service in whole or in part, 70 times; sermons preached, 33; burials, soldiers, 7. Two of the above baptisms were administered in this Diocese, and are to be included in the total number of baptisms in this Diocese, being reported by no other minister.

Respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM C. BUTLER.

To Rt. Rev. JOHN JOHNS, Bishop of Diocese of Virginia.

CAMP 19TH VA. INFANTRY, May, 1864.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Johns—DEAR SIR: Since the last meeting of our Council, I have continued to act as Chaplain of the 19th Virginia Regiment. During active campaigning, religious services have been held in our regiment as often as practicable. While in winter-quarters we have had two regular services on each Sunday and one week day service each week, besides frequent prayer meetings.

Respectfully submitted.

J. W. GRIFFIN, Chap. 19th Va. Reg't.

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