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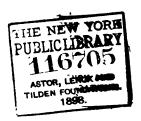
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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LYNCHBURG,

ON THE

20th, 21st, 22d and 23d May, 1868.

RICHMOND, VA. 1868.



Piocese of Virginia.

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MAY, 1868.

Rt. Rev. John Johns, D. D., Theological Seminary, Fairfax county.

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Rev. T. M. Ambler, Bruton Parish, Williamsburg.

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Rev. P. F. Berkeley, Raleigh and Genito Parishes, Chula.

Rev. R. T. Brown, Bloomfield Parish, Woodville P. O., Rappahannock county.

Rev. W. C. Butler, Charlottesville.

Rev. T. M. Carson, St. Thomas' Church, Orange C. H.

Rev. M. L. Chevers, Church of the Centurion, Fortress Monroe.

Rev. J. T. Clark, Talcott's, Charlotte county.

Rev. J. R. Cofer, Forest Depot.

Rev. John Cole, St. Mark's Parish, Culpeper C. H.

Rev. C. Colton, D. D., Hungar's Parish, Eastville.

Rev. J. Cosby, Halifax C. H.

Rev. C. George Currie, St. Matthew's Church, Wheeling.

Rev. J. F. Curtis, St. Paul's Church, Weston.

Rev. G. W. Dame, Camden Parish, Danville.

Rev. T. G. Dashiell, St. Mark's, Richmond.

Rev. D. C. T. Davis, Howardsville, Albemarle.

List of Clergy.

Rev. R. T. Davis, St. James' Church, Leesburg.

Rev. T. U. Dudley, Rockingham Parish, Harrisonburg.

Rev. Geo. W. Easter, St. Paul's Church, Suffolk.

Rev. A. Fisher, Lunenburg Parish, Warsaw P. O.

Rev. Wm. Friend, St. Peter's, Port Royal.

Rev. W. F. Gardner, Rector of High School, Theological Seminary.

Rev. C. J. Gibson, Grace Church, Petersburg.

Rev. Isaac Gibson, St. Martin's Parish, Verdon.

Rev. James Grammer, Grace Church, Lynchburg.

Rev. John Grammer, Halifax C. H.

Rev. R. Gatewood, Norfolk.

Rev. F. D. Goodwyn, Wytheville.

Rev. W. W. Greene, Berkeley Parish, Lewis's Store P. O.

Rev. D. H. Greer, Christ Church, Clarksburg.

Rev. James E. Hammond.

Rev. J. S. Hansborough, Wilmer Parish, Farmville.

Rev. W. D. Hanson, Trinity Church, Martinsburg.

Rev. H. E. Hayden, Grace Church, Point Pleasant.

Rev. J. R. Hubard, St. James's, Warrenton.

Rev. W. Q. Hullihen, Woodville Parish, Buchanan.

Rev. W. L. Hyland, Trinity Church, Parkersburg, West Va.

Rev. E. H. Ingle, Salem Parish, Roanoke, Big Lick P. O.

Rev. Fleming James, New York.

Rev. J. T. Johnston, Alexandria.

Rev. J. R. Jones, Cunningham Chapel Parish, Millwood.

Rev. Henry S. Kepler, Chester.

Rev. O. A. Kinsolving, Meade Parish, Middleburg.

Rev. J. A. Latané, Trinity Church, Staunton.

Rev. W. T. Leavell, Wickliffe Parish, Kabletown.

Rev. J. R. Lee, Christ Church, Martinsville.

Rev. N. H. Lewis.

Rev. E. R. Lippitt, Alexandria.

Rev. Thomas E. Locke, Washington Parish, Oak Grove.

Rev. Charles Mann, Abingdon and Ware Parishes, Gloucester C. H.

Rev. T. F. Martin, Grace Church, Berryville.

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Rev. R. H. Mason, Christ Church, Bath C. H.

Rev. M. Maury, St. George's, Fredericksburg.

Rev. R. K. Meade, Charlottesville.

Rev. W. H. Meade, Zion Church, Charlestown.

Rev. J. M. Meredith, Aquia Church, Stafford.

Rev. W. C. Meredith, Christ Church, Winchester.

Rev. C. Minnigerode, D. D., St. Paul's Church, Richmond.

Rev. John McGill, Piedmont Parish, The Plains P. O.

Rev. E. B. McGuire, Hanover Parish, Comorn, King George co.

Rev. J. P. McGuire, Tappahannock.

Rev. Wm. McGuire, Boston, Mass.

Rev. R. H. McKim, Christ Church, Alexandria.

Rev. James H. McMechen, Wheeling, West Va.

Rev. W. B. Morrow, St. John's Church, Wheeling.

Rev. Wm. M. Nelson, St. Paul's Church, Ivy Depot.

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Rev. N. A. Okeson, St. Paul's, Norfolk.

Rev. J. Packard, D. D., Professor of Biblical Literature, Theological Seminary.

Rev. W. H. Pendleton, St. Stephen's and Trinity Churches, Ferest Depot.

Rev. W. N. Pendleton, D., Grace Church, Lexington.

Rev. Chas. H. Page, Charlottesville.

Rev. J. Peterkin, D. D., St. James's, Richmond.

Rev. R. H. Phillips, Principal of Female Institute, Staunton.

Rev. J. D. Powell, Leighton Parish, Powhatan C. H.

Rev. J. B. T. Reed, Winchester.

Rev. S. C. Roberts, St. John's Church, Columbia.

Rev. S. Ridout, St. Ann's Parish, Carter's Bridge.

Rev. C. P. Rodefer, St. John's, Wytheville.

Rev. J. H. Rowling.

Rev. P. Slaughter, Mitchell's Station, Culpeper.

Rev. G. A. Smith, Alexandria.

List of Clergy.

Rev. W. Sparrow, D. D., Professor of Systematic Divinity, Theological Seminary.

Rev. D. F. Sprigg, Grace Church, Alexandria.

Rev. Wm. G. Stewart, Coalsmouth, West Va.

Rev. H. Suter, St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg.

Rev. H. Stringfellow, Verdon, Hanover county.

Rev. H. W. L. Temple, South Farnham Parish, Miller's Tavern.

Rev. Peter Tiusley, Chaplain University of Virginia.

Rev. A. B. Tizzard, Dale and King William Parishes, Winterpock.

Rev. Anderson Wade, Westover Parish, Charles City C. H.

Rev. Lewis Walke, Powhatan Parish, Sublett's Tavern,

Rev. A. R. Walker, Antrim Parish, Halifax C. H.

Rev. C. Walker, D. D., Professor of Ecclesiastical History, Theological Seminary.

Rev. W. N. Ward, Warsaw.

Rev. D. M. Wharton, Montross Parish, Montross.

Rev. J. A. Wharton, Heber Parish, Liberty.

Rev. Lyman Wharton, St. Thomas' Church, Abingdon.

Rev. J. H. Wingfield, Sr., Portsmouth.

Rev. J. H. Wingfield, Jr., St. Paul's Church, Petersburg.

Rev. J. C. Wheat, Rockingham Parish; P. O. Staunton.

Rev. E. Withers, Nelson Parish, Norwood P. O.

Rev. Geo. Woodbridge, D. D., Monumental Church, Richmond.

Rev. J. F. Woods, Trinity Church, Moundsville.

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IN ATTENDANCE ON THE COUNCIL.

Major John J. Allen, (Alternate,) St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg.

Dr. Richard Cary Ambler, Leeds Church, Leeds Parish, Fauquier.

John N. Ashton, Trinity Church, Portsmouth Parish, Norfolk co.

Dr. Cornelius Baldwin, Christ Church, Winchester, Frederick.

B. Johnson Barbour, St. John's Church, Louisa.

Wm. F. Barr, St. Thomas' Church, Holston Parish, Washington.

Dr. John R. Baylor, Emmanuel Church, Greenwood Parish, Albemarle.

Taylor Berry, Lexington Parish, Amherst.

Charles M. Blackford, St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg.

Roland D. Buford, St. John's Church, Bedford.

Wm. D. Cabell, Nelson Parish, Nelson.

Henry A. Carrington, Cornwall Parish, Charlotte.

John Coakley, St. George's Church, Fredericksburg.

Raleigh Colston, St. Paul's Church, Fredericksville Parish, Albemarle.

James C. Cooke, St. Martin's Parish, Hanover.

Joseph Crenshaw, Westover Parish, Charles City.

Leroy P. Daingerfield, Christ Church, Bath.

George W. Dawson, Christ Church, St. Ann's Parish, Albemarle.

Dr. John Dove, St. John's Church, City of Richmond, Henrico.

Col. Thomas H. Ellis, St. Paul's Church, city of Richmond, Henrico.

J. H. Estis, The Church of the Epiphany, Pittsylvania.

Randolph C. Fitzhugh, Overwharton Parish, Stafford.

F. Foote, St. Paul's Church, Leeds Parish, Prince William.

James Galt, Rivanna Parish, Fluvanna.

Thomas G. Godwin, Botetourt Parish, Botetourt.

Dr. Coole Grayson, St. Stephen's Church, St. Mark's Parish, Culpeper.

John W. Green, St. Paul's Church, Alexandria.

Nathaniel T. Green, St. John's Church, Antrim Parish, Halifax.

John W. Harper, Trinity Church, Upperville, Fauquier.

List of Laity.

Hilary Harris, Emmanuel Church, St. James' Southam Parish, Powhatan.

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

Dr. J. V. Hobson, Southam Parish, Powhatan.

James G. Holladay, St. John's Church, Portsmouth Parish, Norfolk.

E. S. Hutter, Hanover Parisl, Bedford.

William B. Isaacs, Grace Church, Henrico Parish, Henrico.

Wm. Ellis Jones, St. Mark's Church, Henrico Parish, Henrico.

Dr. Thomas H. Kinney, St. Paul's Church, Hanover.

Col. Wm. Lamb, St. Paul's Church, Norfolk.

Henry W. Latané, South Farnham Parish, Essex.

Cassius F. Lee, Christ Church, Fairfax Parish, Alexandria.

Gen. Robert E. Lee, Grace Church, Lexington, Rockbridge.

N. H. Massie, Christ Church, Charlottesville, Albemarle.

Charles J. Meriwether, Trinity Church, Russell Parish, Bedford.

Hon. Jeremiah Morton, St. Paul's Church, St. Paul's Parish, Culpeper.

Dr. N. M. Osborne, Cabin Point and Brandon Churches, Martin's Brandon Parish, Prince George.

John E. Page, Cunningham Parish, Clarke.

H. T. Parish, Wilmer Parish, Prince Edward.

Lemuel Peebles, St. Paul's Church, Petersburg, Dinwiddie.

Edward S. Pegram, Grace Church, Walker's Parish, Albemarle.

Dr. D. B. Phillips, St. James' Church, Hamilton Parish, Fauquier.

D. Lee Powell, St. James' Church, Richmond.

David C. Randolph, Lyttleton Parish, Cumberland.

Washington L. Riddick, St. Paul's Church, Upper Suffolk Parish, Nansemond.

Capt. Fleming Saunders, Moore Parish, Campbell.

Edward Scott, Jr., Manikintown Church, King Wm. Parish, Powhatan.

Miles C. Selden, St. Luke's Church, Powhatan Parish, Powhatan.

Judge Hugh W. Sheffey, Augusta Parish, Augusta.

Daniel K. Stewart, Emmanuel Church, Henrico.

Geo. P. Tayloe, Salem Parish, Roanoke.

Tazewell Taylor, Christ Church, Norfolk.

John H. Tyler, Monumental Church, Richmond city, Henrico.

Edward Valentine, Trinity Church, Buchanan, Botetourt.

Lewis B. Williams, St. Thomas' Church, Orange.

W. B. Williams, Emmanuel Church, Goodson, Washington.

Col. Robert E. Withers, St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg.

RULES OF ORDER.

lst. The Council shall be opened every day with prayer.

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

3d. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Council, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the President, and shall confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personality.

4th. If any member in speaking, or otherwise, transgress the rules of the Council, the President shall, or any member may, call him to order; in which case, the member so called to order shall immediately take his seat, unless permitted to explain, and the Council shall, if appealed to, decide on the case, but without debate; and, if there be no appeal, the decision of the Chair shall be submitted to. If the decision be in favor of the member called to order, he shall be at liberty to proceed; if otherwise, and the case require it, he shall be liable to the censure of the Council.

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

6th. No member shall speak more than twice to the same question without leave of the Council, nor more than once, until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

7th. While the President is putting any question, or addressing the Council, none shall walk out of or across the house; nor in such case, nor when a member is speaking, shall entertain private discourse; nor whilst a member is speaking shall pass between him and the Chair.

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

9th. Upon a division and count of the Council on any question, no member without the limits allotted as seats of the members shall be counted.

10th. Every member who shall be in the house when the question is put shall give his vote, unless the Council, for special reason, shall excuse him.

11th. When a motion is made and seconded, it shall be stated by

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the President, or, being in writing, it shall be handed to the Chair, and read aloud by the Secretary before debate.

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

13th. After a motion is stated by the President, or read by the Secretary, it shall be deemed to be in possession of the Council, but may be withdrawn at any time before decision or amendment.

14th. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, for the previous question, to postpone indefinitely or to a certain day, to commit to a committee, or to amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order they stand arranged.

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

16th. The previous question shall be in this form: "Shall the main question be now put?" It shall be admitted only when demanded by a majority of the members present; and until it is decided, shall preclude all amendments and farther debate on the main question.

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

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

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

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

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

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

23d. The President shall, at his discretion, select suitable seats with out the limits of those pews allotted for the use of members, which shall be appropriated to the exclusive accommodation of visiting clergymen, and candidates for orders, who may be invited by the Rector or Wardens of the Church in which the meetings of the Council are held, under the direction of the President of the Council; it being expected

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that those to whom such seats are appropriated will confine themselves to the same.

24th. No spectator shall, during the daily sessions of the Council, be admitted above or within the pews allotted to the members of the Council; and it is expected and hoped that not only the spectators will attend to this regulation, but that the Rector and Wardens of the Church in which the sessions of the Council are held, will see that this rule of order is not violated.

25th. There shall, not later than the second day of the Council, be appointed by the President, unless otherwise directed by the Council, the following Standing Committees, to consist of an equal number of each order:

A Committee on the State of the Church, to whom shall be referred the Address of the Bishop on the opening of the Council.

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

A Committee on the Episcopal Fund.

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

A Committee on Parochial Reports.

A Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

A Committee of Elections.

A Committee of Finance, consisting of laymen.

26th! The credentials of the Lay Delegates shall be handed in to the Secretary, and be referred to a Committee of one clerical and two lay members, which shall report who are entitled to seats in the Council: and if there is any doubt as to the right of any delegate to his seat, the same shall be referred to the Committee of Elections to be by the said Committee forthwith examined into and reported upon to the Council.

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

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

29th. The business first in order, after the organization of the Council, shall be the appointment of a Treasurer pro tempore, when the Treasurer is not a member of the Council; reading the Pastoral Addresses, and the Proceedings of the Standing Committees.

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St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg, Va., May 20th, 1868.

The seventy-third annual Council of the Diocese of Virginia met this day in St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Divine service was read by Rev. Geo. Woodbridge, D. D., and Rev. T. M. Carson.

The sermon was preached by Rev. J. A. LATANE, upon the 10th verse of the 12th chapter of Hosea.

The Communion was administered by the Rt. Rev. John Johns, D. D., and the Rt. Rev. F. M. Whittle, D. D.

After these services the Council assembled in the Church, and was called to order by the Bishop. The roll was called, and the following Clergy answered to their names:

Right Rev. John Johns, D. D. Right Rev. Francis M. Whittle, D. D.

Rev. W. A. Alrich,

Rev. C. W. Andrews, D. D.,

Rev. R. M. Baker, Rev. P. F. Berkeley,

Rev. R. T. Brown,

Rev. T. F. Martin,

Rev. W. C. Meredith, Rev. C. Minnigerode, D. D.,

Rev. J. McGill,

Rev. R. H. McKim,

Clergy Present .- Laity Present.

Rev. T. M. Carson, Rev. John Cole, Rev. C. Colton, D. D., Rev. G. W. Dame, Rev. T. G. Dashiell, Rev. T. U. Dudley, Rev. George W. Easter, Rev. A. Fisher. Rev. Wm. Friend, Rev. Isaac Gibson, Rev. Wm. W. Greene, Rev. D. H. Greer, Rev. W. D. Hanson, Rev. H. E. Hayden, Rev. W. Q. Hullihen, Rev. W. L. Hyland, Rev. E. H. Ingle, Rev. J. A. Latane, Rev. W. T. Leavell,

Rev. J. R. Lee,

Rev. G. H. Norton. Rev. Joseph A. Nock, Rev. Wm. Norwood, D. D., Rev. Wm. N. Pendleton, D. D., Rev. Chas. H. Page, Rev. J. Peterkin, D. D., Rev. J. D. Powell, Rev. S. C. Roberts, Rev. S. Ridout, Rev. G. A. Smith, Rev. D. F. Sprigg, Rev. H. Suter, Rev. Lewis Walke, Rev. A. R. Walker, Rev. Lyman Wharton, Rev. J. A. Wharton, Rev. J. H. Wingfield, Jr., Rev. E. Withers, Rev. George Woodbridge, D. D.

The Chair appointed Rev. S. Ridout, Dr. J. R. Baylor and Col. T. 11. Ellis a Committee to examine the credentials of Lay Delegates. They presented the following report:

The Committee to whom the credentials of the Lay Delegates were referred, respectfully report the following named persons as those who are entitled to seats in the Council, to wit:

Major John J. Allen, St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg, Campbell. Dr. Richard Cary Ambler, Leeds Church, Leeds Parish, Fauquier. John N. Ashton, Trinity Church, Portsmouth Parish, Norfolk county. Dr. Cornelius Baldwin, Christ Church, Winchester, Frederick. B. Johnson Barbour, St. John's Church, Louisa. William F. Barr, St. Thomas' Church, Holston Parish, Washington. Dr. John R. Baylor, Emmanuel Church, Greenwood Parish, Albemarle. Taylor Berry, Lexington Parish, Amherst. Rowland D. Buford, St. John's Church, Bedford. John Coakley, St. George's Church, Fredericksburg, Spottsylvania. Raleigh Colston, St. Paul's Church, Fredericksville Parish, Albemarle. James C. Cooke, St. Martin's Parish, Hanover. Joseph Crenshaw, Westover Parish, Charles City. George W. Dawson, Christ Church, St. Ann's Parish, Albemarle. Dr. John Dove, St. John's Church, City of Richmond, Henrico. Col. Thomas H. Ellis, St. Paul's Church, City of Richmond, Henrico. J. H. Estis, The Church of the Epiphany, Pittsylvania.

Laity Present-Hour of Meeting.

Randolph C. Fitzhugh, Overwharton Parish, Stafford. F. Foote, St. Paul's Church, Leeds Parish, Prince William. James Galt, Rivanna Parish, Fluvanna. Thomas G. Godwin, Botetourt Parish, Botetourt. Nathaniel T. Green, St. John's Church, Antrim Parish, Halifax. Hilary Harris, Emmanuel Church, St. James Southam Parish, Powhatan James G. Holladay, St. John's Church, Portsmouth Parish, Norfolk. E. S. Hutter, Hamner Parish, Bedford. William B. Isaacs, Grace Church, Henrico Parish, Henrico. William Ellis Jones, St. Mark's Church, Henrico Parish, Henrico. Dr. Thomas H. Kinney, St. Paul's Church, Hanover, Cassius F. Lee, Christ Church, Fairfax Parish, Alexandria. General Robert E. Lee, Grace Church, Lexington, Rockbridge. N. H. Massie, Christ Church, Charlottesville, Albemarle. Charles J. Meriwether, Trinity Church, Russell Parish, Bedford. Lemuel Peebles, St. Paul's Church, Petersburg, Dinwiddie. Edward S. Pegram, Grace Church, Walker's Parish, Albemarle. Dr. D. B. Phillips, St. James' Church, Hamilton Parish, Fauquier. David C. Randolph, Lyttleton Parish, Cumberland. Washington L. Riddick, St. Paul's Church, Upper Suffolk Parish, Nansemond. Capt. Fleming Saunders, Moore Parish, Campbell. Edward Scott, Jr., Manikintown Church, King William Parish, Powhatan. Miles C. Selden, St. Luke's Church, Powhstan Parish, Powhstan. George P. Tayloe, Salem Parish, Roanoke. Tazewell Taylor, Christ Church, Norfolk. John H. Tyler, Monumental Church, City of Richmond, Henrico. Edward Valentine, Trinity Church, Buchanan, Botetourt. Lewis B. Williams, St. Thomas' Church, Orange.

W. B. Williams, Emmanuel Church, Goodson, Washington.

Respectfully submitted:

SAMUEL RIDOUT, JNO. ROY BAYLOR, THOMAS H. ELLIS.

On motion of Mr. N. H. Massie, the rules of order of last Council were adopted for this session.

Rev. H. SUTER offered the following:

Resolved, That the hour of meeting and adjournment of the Council be at 9 A. M. and 3 P. M.

Rev. D. F. Sprigg moved to amend by adding that the Council open at 9 A. M. with full service and sermon.

On motion of Rev. C. Minnigerode, D. D., the subject was post-poned until to-morrow morning.

Rev. W. L. HYLAND moved to adjourn until 4½ P. M. The motion was carried and the Council adjourned.

Additional Clergy and Laity Present.

WEDNESDAY, 5 P. M.

The Council met, and after being opened with devotional exercises by the Bishop, was resolved into a Committee of the Whole upon the State of the Church.

At 6.45 the Committee rose, and after devotional exercises the Council adjourned until Thursday at 9 A. M.

St. Paul's Church, Thursday, 9 A. M.

The Council met, and after prayer by Rev. C. J. Gibson, was called to order by the Bishop.

The minutes were read and approved.

The following Clergy appeared to-day and took their seats:

Rev. C. J. Gibson,

Rev. Wm. Sparrow, D. D.,

Rev. W. H. Meade,

Rev. W. H. Pendleton,

Rev. D. C. T. Davis,

Rev. T. M. Ambler,

Rev. E. Boyden,

Rev. J. F. Woods,

Rev. W. C. Butler.

The following Lay Delegates were reported, in addition to those admitted yesterday:

Charles M. Blackford, St. Paul's Church, Lynchburg.

William D. Cabell, Nelson Parish, Nelson.

Henry A. Carrington, Cornwall Parish, Charlotte.

Leroy P. Daingerfield, Christ Church, Bath.

Dr. Coole Grayson, St. Stephen's Church, St. Mark's Parish, Culpeper.

John W. Green, St. Paul's Church, Alexandria.

John W. Harper, Trinity Church, Upperville, Fauquier.

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

Henry W. Latane, South Farnham Parish, Essex.

Dr. N. M. Osborne, Cabin Point and Brandon Churches, Martin's Brandon Parish, Prince George.

John E. Page, Cunningham Parish, Clarke.

D. Lee Powell, St. James' Church, Richmond

Daniel K. Stewart, Emmanuel Church, Henrice

Standing Committees—Rectors' Salaries.

The Bishop then announced the Standing Committees, as follows:

STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Rev. Dr. Norwood,

Rev. Wm. C. Meredith,

Rev. J. Peterkin, D. D.,

Rev. J. A. Latané,

Rev. W. L. Hyland,

Gen. R. E. Lee,

Miles C. Selden,

Jas. Galt,

Dr. R. C. Ambler,

Tazewell Taylor.

EPISCOPAL FUND.

Rev. Dr. Woodbridge,

Edward Valentine.

ACCOUNTS OF TREASURER OF MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Rev. Wm. Friend,

J. Coakley.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Rev. R. H. McKim,

J. N. Ashton,

Rev. O. S. Barten,

C. J. Meriwether.

NEW PARISHES.

Rev. Jno. Cole,

Jas. G. Holladay.

ELECTIONS.

Rev. C. J. Gibson,

R. Colston.

FINANCE.

N. H. Massie,

B. J. Barbour,

G. P. Tayloe,

J. H. Tyler.

Ed. S. Pegram,

Mr. Massie moved to refer to a special Committee of ten Laymen the papers in the Secretary's hands in reference to circulars to Vestries upon the subject of Rectors' salaries. Carried and the following Committee appointed:

Messrs. N. H. Massie, B. J. Barbour, Tazewell Taylor, Dr. John Dove, C. J. Meriwether, Gen. Robert E. Lee, D. Lee Powell, Dr. C. Baldwin, Dr. R. Cary Ambler and Raleigh Colston.

Mr. TAZEWELL TAYLOR moved to make the election of delegates

Bishop Johns' Address-Official Visitations during 1867-Staunton-Harrisonburg.

to the General Convention the order of the day for to-morrow at 9 A. M. Carried.

Rev. W. L. Hyland moved that clergymen of our Diocese not entitled to seats, visiting clergymen, and candidates for orders be invited to honorary seats in the Council. Carried.

Rev. C. H. Page called up his amendment to Canon IX, as proposed at last Council, making the minimum number of a Vestry three instead of five.

Upon motion of Mr. TAZEWELL TAYLOR the subject was temporarily postponed.

The Bishops then read their annual addresses:

Bishop Johns' Address.

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

In compliance with the requirement of the Canons, I submit for your consideration the following statement of my official services during the past year, and of such other matters as may throw light on the condition of the Diocese.

1867.—May 19.—The day after the adjournment of the Council at Staunton, at six in the morning, I addressed the congregation in Trinity church, and confirmed thirty-six persons.

At eleven o'clock, in the same church, I admitted to 'Priest's orders the Rev. E. H. Ingle, the Rev. Isaac Gibson, and the Rev. T. M. Carson. The service was read by the Rev. C. J. Gibson; sermon by the Rev. H. Suter.

May 20.—At Harrisonburg I preached and confirmed eighteen. This congregation, then without a minister, has since been supplied. The Rev. T. U. Dudley, one of the senior class at the Seminary, admitted to Deacon's orders in June last, officiates there and in the vicinity. His parochial report will show that the good work begun there by his predecessor, the Rev. H. A. Wise, is happily progress-

Bishop Johns' Address-Fincaetle-Buchanon-Lexington-Visit to Montreal, Canada East.

ing. By the personal exertions of the present minister, funds have been obtained for erecting a suitable house of worship, the corner stone of which has been laid, with every prospect of the permanent establishment of the Church in this beautiful section of the Valley.

At the earnest request of those concerned, I consented to reverse the order of my appointments in Botetourt, that the appointment for Sunday might be at Lexington. This rendered it necessary to avail myself of the railroad conveyance from Staunton by Charlottesville and Lynchburg. Travelling day and night I was thus able to reach Fincastle early enough to prevent disappointment.

May 23.—In St. | Mark's, Fincastle, I read prayers, preached, and confirmed four persons. At night, in the same church, I read prayers and preached.

May 24.—I preached in Trinity church, Buchanon. This church, which soon became vacant by the resignation of Rev. William McGuire, and the church at Fincastle, which had some time been without a minister, are supplied with regular services by the Rev. W. Q. Hullihen, another member of the last senior class of the Seminary.

May 26.—In Grace church, Lexingtom, I preached morning and night, and confirmed twenty-eight.

June 2.—I preached in the Seminary chapel. The second week in June I left home to be present at the consecration of Christ Church Cathedral, Montreal, Canada East.

June 16.—Sunday, in the Cathedral, participated in the services connected with the ordination of several persons to Deacon's, and others to Priest's orders.

In the afternoon I preached in the Cathedral, and in the evening in St. James' church.

June 18.—I participated in the services connected with the consecration of Christ Church Cathedral. The pleasure afforded by this brief visit was much increased by my being the guest of the Rev. L. P. W. Balch, D. D., late Secretary of the House of Bishops, now one of the Canons of Christ Church Cathedral, a position of honor and influence, which it will be a gratification to his many friends in his native State to be assured he continues to occupy with increasing usefulness and reputation.

Bishop Johns' Address-Theological Seminary-Richmond-Henrico-Dinwiddie-Norfolk.

The Christian courtesy extended to me by the Metropolitan of Canada, and other Bishops and Clergy with whom it was my privilege to associate on this interesting occasion, and the appropriate services to which I have alluded, are gratefully remembered. They left no room for the impression that I was among strangers, and none for the thought that I was not communing with brethren of the same faith and form of worship which constitute our holy heritage. May they be perpetuated in the purity and simplicity in which they have been transmitted to both branches of the Church, and so keep them ever in "unity of spirit and the bond of peace."

The week after my return was occupied with the examinations of the several classes in the Theological Seminary.

June 27 — In the chapel of the Seminary I admitted to Deacon's orders T. U. Dudley, N. H. Lewis, W. Q. Hullihen, H. E. Hayden, and W. G. Stewart. Sermon by Rev. J. F. Hoff, of the Diocese of Maryland.

June 30.—In the morning I preached in St. John's, Richmond, and confirmed nine.

In the afternoon I preached in St. Philip's, and confirmed three colored persons.

At night I preached in St. James' church, and confirmed thirty-four.

July 1.—I preached in Emmanuel church, Henrico, and confirmed twelve.

July 2.—I preached in Calvary church, Dinwiddie.

July 3.—Attended a meeting of the Board of Visitors of William and Mary College.

July 7.—In the morning I preached in St. Paul's church, Norfolk, and confirmed nineteen. At night, in Christ Church, and confirmed twenty-four.

July 8.—I attended a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society, in St. Paul's church, Richmond.

July 9.—I preached in Manikintown church, and confirmed three.
July 10.—I preached in St. Luke's, Powhatan, and confirmed ten.

July 11.—I preached in Grace church, Genito, and confirmed four-

Bishop Johns' Address-Powhatan-Cumberland-Farmville-Death of Colonel H. Carrington.

July 12.—I preached in Emmanuel church, Powhatan, and confirmed seven.

July 13.—I preached in St. James', Cumberland.

July 14.—I preached in Grace church, Ca Ira, and confirmed three.

July 15.—I preached in St. Peter's, Curdsville, and confirmed two.

July 16.—I preached in a church in which Rev. Dr. Ridout officiates, in the upper part of Buckingham county.

July 17.—In the Methodist church, Farmville, I baptized an infant, preached morning and night, and confirmed five.

The Rev. Mr. Hansborough, who extends his services to several vacant churches in the vicinity, needs only a suitable house of worship to preserve, and increase, under God's blessing, the encouraging fruits of his ministry at Farmville. I have no hesitation in commending his appeal for aid, and trust it will soon be amply successful.

July 18.—Finding that I could not, as I had expected, make my way by railroad to Charlotte court-house in time for my appointment, I was obliged to engage a buggy for the ride. This, however, afforded me an opportunity to spend a few hours at the residence of my esteemed friend, H. Grigsby, Esq., where I was most courte-ously received. After being refreshed by his hospitality, and agreeably edified by his instructive conversation, I was conveyed in his carriage to the place of my destination.

July 19.—I preached in Grace church, Charlotte, and confirmed eight.

From the church I rode to Col. H. Carrington's, and had not been long in the house when I was startled by hearing that on his way home, he was thrown violently from his carriage, and was lying, much injured, by the road side. Hastening to the spot, we found that he was severely injured by the fall, so that it was not without much difficulty and suffering that he was conveyed to his home. When I parted from him the next morning, he was hopeful of recovery, and though there was much in his condition to make us anxious, his manly bearing controlled our fears, and made us ready to

Address of Bishop Johns'—Danville—Henry—Franklin—Pittsylvania—Halifax—Charlotte.

believe that his useful and exemplary Christain life was not to be terminated by this painful disaster. But it was otherwise ordered. After lingering for several weeks, his large frame sunk under the effects of the severe injuries it had received, and with a mind unimpaired by his protracted suffering, and a faith strengthened by trial, he fell asleep in Jesus. Though personal friendship, formed half a century since, amid the pursuits of college life, may have prompted this tribute of affection, it is due to his personal worth, and to his consistent walk and intelligent zeal and liberality, as a member and vestryman of the Church in Charlotte. That congregation has sustained a further loss by the resignation of their late rector, who, after having, with much self-denial, served them faithfully for several years, felt it to be his duty to relinquish a cure to which he was much attached, to enter upon another field of labor.

July 21.—I preached morning and night in Epiphany church, Danville, and confirmed five.

July 22.—Accompanied by the Rev. Dr. Dame, I proceeded to Henry court-house.

July 23.—I preached in Christ church, Henry court-house, and confirmed eight.

July 24.—This day was occupied in travelling to Franklin court-house, where, the next morning, I preached in the Methodist church, and confirmed two.

July 26.—We travelled to Pittsylvania court-house.

July 27.—I preached there and confirmed. After services we rode twenty-five miles to Meadville, and next morning ten more to Halifax court-house, where I preached and confirmed fourteen in St. James' church.

July 28.—I preached in Christ church, Halifax.

July 31.—I baptized an infant at Mr. McPhail's, Charlotte.

At 11 A. M., I officiated for the colored congregation at Riverside, under the care of the Rev. J. T. Clark. The room used for a school, and also for public worship, being too small for the occasion, the services were conducted in the shade of the surrounding trees. Prayers were read by the Rev. Mr. Clark, whose infant I baptized at the proper time, and, after preaching, administered the rite of

Bishop Johns' Address-Mecklenburg-Lunenburg-Amelia-Chesterfield-Deposition.

confirmation to nine persons. The whole scene was singularly impressive. The feeling with which they engaged in our forms of devotion—their songs of praise in the open air—their fixed attention to the truths uttered, gave peculiar interest to the whole service, and were well calculated to inspire the hope that our good brother's labors had not been, and would not be, without encouraging fruit.

August 4.—At Boydton I baptized an infant, preached, and confirmed one.

August 5.—At Clarksville I preached, and confirmed two.

August 6.—I preached in St. Luke's, Mecklenburg, and confirmed four.

August 7.—In St. Andrew's, Mecklenburg, I baptized two infants and preached.

The four congregations in this county are without a minister.

August 8.—In St. John's, Lunenburg, I baptized an infant, preached, and confirmed three.

August 9.—In St. Paul's, Lunenburg, I preached, and confirmed nine.

The two congregations in this county are without a minister.

August 11.—In Grub Hill church, Amelia, after a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Peterkin, I addressed the congregation, and confirmed eight.

August 12.—In Trinity church, Chesterfield, after a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Peterkin, I addressed the congregation, and confirmed three.

August 14.—In Richmond, I attended a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society.

August 22.—I preached in the Seminary chapel.

September 1.—In the same place, I preached and administered the communion.

September 9.—In the same chapel, acting in accordance with the Fifth Canon of Title II. of the Digest, I deposed from the ministry the Rev. George T. Williams, and recorded and pronounced the same, in the presence of the Rev. Joseph Packard, D. D., and the Rev. Cornelius Walker, D. D.

Bishop Johns' Address-Fauquier-Clarke-Board of Missions-Evangelical Knowledge Society.

October 2.—I preached in St. Paul's church, Haymarket, and confirmed eight.

October 4.—In Trinity church, Fauquier, I preached, and confirmed four.

October 5.—In Emmanuel church, Upperville, I preached, and confirmed eight.

October 6.—In Christ church, Millwood, I preached and confirmed eight.

In the afternoon I preached at White Post, and confirmed five.

October 7.—In Grace church, Berryville, I preached, and confirmed twenty.

October 8.—In Wickliffe church, Clarke county, I preached, and confirmed five.

October 9.—In St. James', Leesburg, I preached, and confirmed forty-two.

Oct. 16, 17 and 18.—I attended the annual meeting of the Board of Missions in the Church of the Ascension, New York.

Oct. 20.—I preached in St. George's church, Fredericksburg, and confirmed ten.

Oct. 21.—In Trinity church, Spottsylvania, I preached and confirmed four.

Oct. 23.—In Aquia church, Stafford, I preached and confirmed thirty-nine.

Oct. 27.—In St. James' church, Warrenton, I preached and confirmed ten.

November 3.—Acting for the Bishop of Maryland, I preached in Grace church, Georgetown, D. C., and confirmed thirty-one.

Nov. 5.—I went to Philadelphia to attend the meetings of the Evangelical Knowledge and other societies, and though, after the first day, I was confined by sickness, I was amply compensated by what I heard of the increasing usefulness and resources of those valuable institutions, from which this Diocese has, in various forms, received most important assistance. I cordially commend them to your continued patronage and prayers, as happy and useful instrumentalities in the dissemination of evangelical truth.

Bishop Johns' Address-Petersburg-Diocesan Sunday School Union-West Virginia.

Nov. 10.—In the morning I preached in Grace church, Petersburg, and confirmed thirteen. At night I preached in St. Paul's. Nov. 11.—In St. Paul's church, Richmond, I preached on the occasion of the formation of the Diocesan Sunday School Union. The interest manifested in the object of the meeting, and the measures subsequently adopted by the Board of Managers, give promise that the organization will not subside into a mere form of existence and exhaust itself in good resolutions, but prove an efficient auxiliary to the parishes in the important work of Sunday School instruction. The periodical issued under the supervision of the Board has been favorably received, and if judiciously edited, as we have reason to hope it will be, must have a salutary influence on the children of the church.

Nov. 14.—I left home on a visitation of the churches in the Western section of the Diocese.

Nov. 15.—I reached Fairmont at 7 A. M., preached morning and night in Christ church, and confirmed ten. This church shares, with the church at Moundsville, the services of the Rev. J. F. Woods, and is evidently reviving under his faithful ministrations.

Nov. 16.—I preached in Trinity church, Moundsville, and confirmed two.

Nov. 17.—I preached in the new church erected by the congregation of St. Matthew's, Wheeling, and confirmed seven. Although the spacious and imposing building was not then completed, it was sufficiently advanced to be used for public worship. On this occasion it was filled to overflowing; happily ominous I trust of the size and character of the assembly which will love to frequent its sacred courts, and enjoy its salutary ordinances. The congregation, then without a rector, was much indebted to the Rev.-J. H. McMechen for the services he readily rendered. The building has since been finished, and the Rev. Mr. Currie has accepted the rectorship.

At night I preached for the congregation of St. John's, then worshipping in a large upper room in the custom-house. They also were engaged in erecting a neat and commodious building which is still in progress, with the prospects of early completion. It will be

Bishop Johns' Address-Wheeling-Brooke-Parkersburg.

a large advance on the church which they vacated, and occupied, I have no doubt, by a congregation correspondingly enlarged and strengthened.

Nov. 18.—Accompanied by the Rev. J. F. Woods, I crossed into Ohio, and took the railroad to Steubenville, where we procured a conveyance and having recrossed the river proceeded to St. John's church, Brooke county. Finding it closed we drove to the house, first of one and then of another of the vestry, and discovered that the notice of my appointment had not been received. We endeavored to compensate for the failure, by visiting the friends of the Church both there and at Wellsburg, and after passing the day in such intercourse, returned to Wheeling, where I baptized, in private, the infant of parents residing in Buckingham.

My next appointment was at Parkersburg, which I expected to reach by the river; but the stage of water was so low that my friends advised me not to venture by steamboat. I was therefore obliged to return by railroad to Grafton, and come by the other branch of the road to Parkersburg.

Novomber 20.—I preached, morning and night, in Trinity church, and confirmed eleven.

November 21.—No other conveyance being available, the Rev. Mr. Hyland and myself started from Parkersburg in a very small and inferior boat, for Ravenswood. Our progress was so retarded by the fog, and the lowness of the river, that we found we could not stop there without risking the several ensuing appointments, and therefore concluded to keep on to Point Pleasant, which we did not reach until the next afternoon.

November 22.—I preached there at night, in the room which the congregation have fitted up for their services, and confirmed five.

November 24.—Such was the density of the fog, and lowness of the river, that we could not obtain a boat for Charleston. We succeeded however in procuring a buggy, and, though late in the morning, started on our journey, and after riding until it became too dark to see, we found shelter for the night in a small house of entertainment. Next morning we were off as early as our hospitable landlord would allow, and hoped to make the ride, about twenty-three miles,

Bishop Johns' Address-Malden-Charleston-Coalsmouth.

in time to meet my appointment. But the intense density of the atmosphere, and the condition of the road, made driving on the precipitous bank of the river slow, and at times perilous. We did not arrive in Charleston till half past twelve o'clock, just as the congregation were returning from church. Happily, we were recognized by many. It soon became generally known, and, at night, I preached in St. John's church to a large congregation, and confirmed eight—one of them from St. Mark's church, Coalsmouth.

November 25.—In the Methodist church, at Malden, I baptized several infants, and preached. St. Luke's church was destroyed during the war, and has not been rebuilt. The Rev. W. G. Stewart, who had, at my request, officiated for this congregation for some months previous, is now acting as a missionary at other places to which he has been appointed in connection with his principal station at Coalsmouth.

At night, in St. John's church, Charleston, after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Hyland, I confirmed two persons.

November 26.—I preached in St. Mark's church, Coalsmouth, and confirmed ten. When I visited this parish, eighteen months before, the church was in ruins, and the congregation so diminished, that I was tempted to despair of its recovery. In July last, Rev. W. G. Stewart commenced services there. On this visit I found the repair of the church sufficiently advanced to allow of its use for public worship; an interesting class for confirmation, and as many people in attendance as the building could accommodate. Near the church a new parsonage was nearly finished. I was much gratified to see all these improvements, and to leave minister and congregation in the kindest relations, and diligently coöperating in the Gospel. The portion of his time previously given to Malden will now be divided between Wingfield and Buffalo, in each of which there is a desire for the services of the Church.

Immediately after the exercises at Coalsmouth, we resumed our ride down the west side of the Kanawha, over patches of partially constructed roads, and intervening spaces where there was no road at all, till at last, after dark, we lost our route, and must have camped out, but for an intelligent boy, who heard our halloo, came

Bishop Johns' Address-Point Pleasant-Ravenswood-Clarksburg.

to our rescue, and did not abandon us, till he conducted us to a ferry, where we crossed the Kanawha, and were glad to find any kind of shelter for the night. The next afternoon we reached Point Pleasant.

During my absence several persons, who, before, had not been able to make up their minds, came to the conclusion that on my return, they would apply to be confirmed. At the request of their minister I preached the night of our arrival, when he presented four more for the imposition of hands.

The condition and prospects of the congregation at Point Pleasant are encouraging. The Rev. Mr. Hayden, who officiates for them, has exerted himself successfully in collecting funds for building a church, which I hope soon to hear is completed and fully occupied.

I still hoped to reach Clarksburg in time for my next appointment, and also to call at Ravenswood, and make some amends for passing it by, on our way down the river, as already related.

November 28.—We were on the road from morning until 10 P. M., a journey which neither of my companions nor myself would desire to repeat. Through all its exposures a kind Providence brought us in safety to the hospitable home of Mrs. Fitzhugh, where refreshment and rest soon made us oblivious of the discomforts of the day.

Nov. 29.—At Ravenswood I confirmed two. As the only conveyance in which it was deemed safe to attempt the ride to Parkersburg was an open wagon, and it now came on to rain, we were obliged to defer our journey until the next morning. Meanwhile the weather became suddenly so cold, and the roads so frozen, that the driver declined complying with his engagement, and our prospect of progress was most discouraging. About 2 P. M., a small boat very unexpectedly appeared, and although it was a venture, we had no choice. After struggling against the current, with many alternations of advance and retrogression, we succeeded in reaching Parkersburg after midnight.

December 1.—Being Sunday, no train went out, or I might yet have been at Clarksburg in time for my appointment. The detention afforded me the opportunity of assisting the good brother who had kindly accompanied me on my visitation, and rendered me very

Bishop Johns' Address-Shepherdstown-Theological Seminary.

acceptable aid and comfort. I preached morning and night in Trinity church.

By means of the telegraph I communicated with Clarksburg and Weston, making new appointments.

Dec. 2.—I left Parkersburg in a snow storm, which continued at intervals for several days. At night I preached in Trinity church, Clarksburg, and confirmed eighteen.

Dec. 3.—Accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Greer, I rode twenty-two miles to Weston, and at night preached in St. Paul's church, and confirmed eleven.

Though the weather was very unfavorable at both of these appointments, the congregations were large and the services very interesting. At both places the contrast with appearances on former visitations evinced decided improvement.

Returning to Clarksburg, I took the cars at 1 o'clock next morning, crossed the mountain in a snow storm, and made my way to Shepherdstown, and at night, after a sermon by the Rev. W. H. Meade, addressed the congregation in Trinity Church.

Dec. 6.—In the same church, I preached in the morning, and confirmed eleven. At night I again addressed the congregation, after a sermon by the Rev. W. H. Meade.

These services completed my visitation, the most severe and arduous I ever made; and, though accomplished without omitting any one of the churches, yet not without exertions the effects of which I felt the winter through.

1868.—January 4.—In the chapel of the Theological Seminary I admitted to Deacon's Orders, Fleming James, a student of the General Seminary.

Feb. 2.—I preached in the Seminary Chapel.

Feb. 3.—I left home to attend a meeting of the House of Bishops in New York, but was prevented by sickness from proceeding beyond Baltimore.

March 4.—In the Seminary Chapel I admitted the Rev. Wm. A. Alrich to Priest's Orders. The service was read and the candidate presented by the Rev. Dr. Walker. The sermon was preached by

Bishop Johns' Address-Alexandria-Baltimore-Consecration of Bishop Whittle.

Rev. Dr. Packard, who, with the Rev. Drs. Sparrow and Walker, united in the imposition of hands.

March 20.—I lectured in the Seminary Chapel.

March 22 .- I preached in St. Paul's church, Alexandria.

March 29.—I preached morning and night in Emmanuel church, Baltimore.

April 3.—I lectured in the Seminary Chapel.

April 5.—In the morning I preached in the Seminary Chapel and confirmed thirteen. At night I preached at West End, one of the missionary stations, under the care of the students of the Seminary, and confirmed three.

April 12.—I preached both morning and night in St. James' church, Leesburg, and confirmed twenty.

April 19.—In the morning I preached in the Monumental church, Richmond, and confirmed twenty At night I preached in St. Paul's, and confirmed thirty-one.

April 20.—I preached at the University.

April 22.—I preached in St. Thomas', Orange court-house, and confirmed twenty.

April 23.—In St. Paul's, Culpeper court-house, and after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Carson, I addressed the congregation.

April 24.—In the same church I preached, and confirmed twelve.

April 26.—In the morning I preached in St. Paul's church, Alexandria, and confirmed eighteen.

In the afternoon I preached in Grace church, and confirmed twelve.

At night I preached in Christ church, and confirmed twenty-eight.

April 30.—In St. Paul's church, Alexandria, assisted by the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., and the Rt. Rev. G. T. Bedell, D. D., I consecrated the Rev. Francis M. Whittle, D. D., as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia. The sermon was preached by Bishop Bedell, and the Communion service was conducted by Bishop Lee.

Thus, after an unprecedented and unreasonable delay of nearly a year, your right as a Diocese has been recognized, and your

Bishop John's Address-Goodson-Abingdon-Wytheville-Salem-Liberty-Ordinations.

devout desire happily accomplished. The absurd misrepresentations and frivolous pretexts which were entertained by some, to our wrong, are known and understood, and, as they are of no account to us, may be forgotten in the satisfaction with which we receive and welcome to his new and arduous services, the brother beloved, whom I thank you for having called to share with me the responsibilities of the Episcopate in this Diocese. May we all, with increasing gratitude to God for the appointment, "Stand fast in one Spirit, with one mind, striving together for the faith of the Gospel." And may God, even our own God, who has hitherto been so gracious to us, and still blesses us, give us yet more abundantly the increase. Amen.

May 10.—At Goodson I baptized an infant, preached, confirmed two persons, and, assisted by the Rev. L. Wharton, administered the Lord's Supper. With a little aid from others, which is well deserved, our good friends here will be able to finish their appropriate church building, now nearly completed.

May 11.—I preached in St. Thomas' church, Abingdon, and confirmed seven.

May 13.—I preached in St. John's church, Wytheville, and confirmed eleven.

May 14.—I preached at Salem, and confirmed six.

May 15.—I preached at Big Lick.

May 17.—I preached in St. John's, Liberty, morning and night, and confirmed nine.

ORDINATIONS.

These have been noticed in the previous part of this address.

The following clergy have been received by letters dismissory:

Rev. Wm. Price Morrow, from the Diocese of New York.

Rev. Peter Tinsley, from the Diocese of Maryland.

Rev. Joseph A. Nock, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

Rev. C. George Currie, from the Diocese of Kentucky.

The Rev. Mr. Morrow is Rector of St. John's church, Wheeling.

The Rev. Mr. Nock is Rector of St. John's, Kanawha courthouse.

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The Rev. Mr. Tinsley is Chaplain at the University.

The Rev. C. G. Currie is Rector of St. Matthew's church, Wheeling.

TRANSFERRED.

The following Clergy have been transferred to other Dioceses:

Rev. Henry Wall, Rev. A. M. Randolph, Rev. J. H. Morrison, D. D., Rev. J. A. Mitchell, Rev. E. C. Murdaugh, to Maryland; Rev. E. T. Perkins, to Kentucky.

REMOVALS WITHIN THE DIOCESE.

Rev. J. M. Carson to St. Thomas' church, Orange court-house.

Rev. J. Cosby has resigned St. Paul's church, Petersburg, and is residing near Halifax court-house.

Rev. G. Easter to Suffolk parish, Nansemond county.

Rev. James Grammer to Grace church, Lynchburg.

Rev. E. H. Ingle to Salem parish, Roanoke county.

Rev. R. K. Meade has resigned the Rectorship of Christ church, Charlottesville.

Rev. E. B. McGuire to Hanover parish, King George county.

Rev. Wm. McGuire has resigned the rectorship of Trinity church, Botetourt county.

Rev. R. H. McKim has removed to Christ church, Alexandria.

Rev. S. C. Roberts to St. John's, Fluvanna.

Rev. H. Suter to St. Paul's, Lynchburg.

Rev. A. R. Walker to St. John's, Halifax court-house.

Rev. E. Withers to Nelson Parish, Nelson county.

Rev. R. M. Baker to St. Thomas' church, Middletown, Frederick county.

Of those admitted to the Diaconate:

The Rev. T. U. Dudley is officiating in Harrisonburg, Rocking-ham parish.

The Rev. W. Q. Hullihen at Trinity and St. Mark's, Botetourt county.

The Rev. H. E. Hayden at Grace church, Ravenswood and Point Pleasant.

Bishop Johns' Address-Decease of Clergy-Death of the Bishops of Vermont and Missouri.

The Rev. W. G. Stewart at St. Mark's and places adjacent, Kanawha county.

The Rev. N. H. Lewis, after making the experiment first in Matthews, and afterwards in Halifax counties, has been obliged to suspend his ministrations on account of ill health.

The Rev. F. James is officiating temporarily in the city of New York.

During the past year three of our brethren have finished their course, and entered upon their rest-the Rev. J. Doughen, the Rev. G. S. Carraway, and the Rev. J. B. Dabney. Within the same period two of the Bishops of the Church, the Rt. Rev. J. H. Hopkins, D. D., and the Rt. Rev. C. L. Hawks, D. D., have been called to render their account to the Chief Shepherd and Bishop of Their worth has been justly delineated by those better able than myself to sketch their excellencies. With the Bishop of Missouri my intercourse was rare and transient, but of the Bishop of Vermont I can testify from more frequent and intimate association. It is a sad satisfaction to record his distinguished professional attainments, his extraordinary natural gifts—his expertness in sacred ministrations—his happy address in the pulpit—his instructive conversation, and withal, his unassuming manner, and freedom from pretence. Of his fearlessness in maintaining what he regarded as truth, we have unmistakable and affecting proof. We cannot but regret that he was not able to avail himself of the many urgent invitations to visit Virginia, as it would have afforded him pleasing evidence of the high and grateful estimation in which his generous sympathy and services are held by his Southern brethren. Though some of his recently expressed opinions on public worship, and the position which for a time he occupied in reference to the rights of this Diocese in connection with the Episcopate, were, we think, not in keeping with the system and policy he had often and ably advocated, yet it did not abate his fraternal regard for us, or in the least impair our appreciation of his personal worth, and admiration of his varied and valuable acquirements. I hope it may be neither indelicate, nor inappropriate to close this notice with a postscript to one of his letters: "P. S.—On one point I must insist, as a matter Bishop Johns' Address-Death of Philip Williams-Prosperity of the Theological Seminary.

of simple justice, that my difference of legal opinion shall not be regarded as implying the slightest change in my love and respect for the Diocese and Bishop of Virginia."

It will, I am sure, be the pleasure of both to cherish his memory with affectionate respect.

I cannot close this obituary list without a record of our bereavement by the death of Philip Williams, of Winchester, so long and favorably known in the Council of this Diocese and in the General Convention. His unaffected piety, clear intellect, accurate acquaintance with ecclesiastical matters, and happy facility in advocating truth, made him seem, especially at this time, invaluable. Their loss will be sincerely felt and sincerely lamented by the Church in Virginia.

A statement in reference to our Diocesan Institutions may be dispensed with here, as their several reports will be presented.

I cannot refrain from expressing my gratitude to God for the remarkable prosperity with which he has blessed our Theological Seminary. If, two years since, any one had predicted that, this session, there would be fifty students in attendance, and that all would be supported without debt, I would have esteemed him no prophet. Yet, so it is through the kind Providence of God, the considerate aid of many friends, and the judicious economy of those to whom its management is committed.

Mr. Samuel G. Wyman, of Baltimore, has expressed his continued interest in the Seminary by the generous donation of \$5,000 to its permanent fund.

The late James Maynard, M. D., of Baltimore county, Maryland, left by will four thousand dollars to the vestry of St. Thomas' church in that county, the annual interest of which was to be applied to the use of the Seminary. His executor, Richard F. May, has faithfully executed his bequest, and the Legislature of Maryland have passed an act empowering the vestry to hold the fund for this purpose.

The High School partakes of the prosperity with which the Seminary has been favored, and promises increase. I have, within

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the last few weeks, confirmed fourteen of its pupils. Surely we may thank God and take courage.

From the Virginia Female Institute, at Staunton, I have no official communication. The report of its esteemed Principal, the Rev. R. H. Phillips, by whom it has been long and satisfactorily conducted, will, I am sure, afford us the pleasing intelligence of its continued success and usefulness.

Our Missionary Society, so indispensable to the support and extension of the Church in Virginia, has been faithfully and usefully conducted. Its importance is now more than ever felt, and, therefore, when I recently found its treasury exhausted, I did not hesitate to apprise you of it, that at this meeting of the Council, if not before, your liberality might supply the requisite means, even, if need be, at the expense of some self-denial and sacrifice.

Others have sympathized with us, and evinced their Christian consideration by contributions which I take pleasure in acknowledging. The Southern Relief Society of New York, have transmitted five hundred dollars. The ladies of Grace church have sent several boxes of valuable clothing. A native of Virginia, residing in New York, enclosed to me seven hundred and fifty dollars. A lady in West Virginia, one hundred dollars. Two gentlemen from the same section of the Diocese have contributed—one twenty and the other ten dollars for the relief of our necessities. These gifts, and the feelings which prompted them, will, I trust, be truly appreciated.

I place in the keeping of the Registrar of the Diocese a copy of the epistle from the assemblage of Bishops at Lambeth in September last, and a printed statement connected with their proceedings. It would have been my pleasure to accept the invitation to attend that meeting; and I would have highly valued the privilege of becoming personally acquainted with the distinguished prelates there convened for worship and for conference. The pressing demands of the Diocese rendered it necessary that I should deny myself the gratification, and I replied accordingly. If any have been disappointed by the results of that Assembly, it can only be because they did not duly consider its nature, and the distinctly

Bishop Johns' Address—The perils of the Church, and how to avert them.

avowed purpose for which it was called. That they were able to do and say as little as appears, and in so commendable a spirit, affords evidence of wisdom and grace which we may well admire, and be thankful.

The serious evils which threaten the Church of England, and in the United States, are not to be driven away by decrees of Councils, or Episcopal addresses, or Conventional resolutions, judicious as they may be; but by the diligent diffusion and clear and earnest exhibition of evangelical truth, in sincerity and love. This is the divinely appointed instrument by which the Spirit of God accomplishes in men the great purposes of redemption. It is our responsible privilege to preserve the Word of Life from adulteration and misuse, and to provide for its being distinctly held forth in the Church and before the world. Its Divine Author then becomes responsible for its salutary power in driving away erroneous and strange doctrines, and extending the knowledge and experience of pure and undefiled religion among men.

When I think of these things and look around on the appliances and opportunities with which, in the kind providence of God, we are provided, for the successful performance of our part in this great and glorious work, I find ample cause for encouragement. With our Education Societies, Theological Seminaries, Missionary Associations and Evangelical Knowledge Society, all so ably operated, and beyond the reach of adverse interference, with pulpits, and places more than we can occupy, soliciting our services, services which, wherever rendered, may be as full and free, as our conscience dictates, I can conceive of nothing more that is requisite to secure for truth all it needs-an open field, and no favor from its Such facilities, faithfully used, have the guaranty of ultimate Though these "weapons are not carnal, they are mighty through God, to the pulling down the strong holds of error, casting down every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ."

Let us, dear brethren, in our daily walk and conversation, study to maintain the purity and usefulness and humility, which are the Bishop Johns' Address-Monument to the late Bishop Meade-Bishop Whittle's Address.

legitimate fruits of evangelical truth, and be ready, as occasion may require, to stand shoulder to shoulder in its defence, with a constraining consciousness that "we can do nothing against, but for the truth."

In closing this address, permit me to remind you that the time has come for executing the early expressed purpose of the Diocese in reference to the erection of a suitable monument over the honored grave of our late beloved Bishop. As every member of the Church of Virginia should have the opportunity of participating in this sad privilege, I propose that each minister of the Diocese be authorized and requested to apprise those for whom he officiates of the action of the Council, and to receive and forward to the Treasurer such contributions as may be handed to him for this object. on or before the first of August next; and further, that a committee be appointed with instructions to accomplish, as soon as possible, this devout desire of the Diocese. With this pious work appropriately executed, and the happy assurance you have given in the appointment of my colleague, that under God's blessing, the Evangelical principles and moderate and conservative policy of my venerated predecessors in the Episcopate, shall be perpetuated in this Diocese, I need only ask your prayers that I may have grace to be faithful to the end, with the comfortable persuasion that the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost abides and abounds in the Church of Virginia.

Address of Bishop Whittle.

On Friday, 17th day of May, 1867, I was elected by the Council, then in session in Staunton, to the office of Assistant Bishop of this Diocese.

Owing, however, to delay on the part of the then Presiding Bishop (Hopkins, of Vermont,) in communicating the necessary information to the other Bishops, I was not notified by his successor, the present Presiding Bishop, that a majority of the Bishops and Standing Committees had sanctioned the election, until the middle of February, 1868. Soon after, arrangements were made for my con-

Bishop Whittle's Address-Visitations-Consecration of St. Mark's, Richmond-Sunday Schools.

secration, which took place in St. Paul's church, Alexandria, on Thursday, 30th April, 1868, Bishop Johns officiating, assisted by Bishops Lee, of Delaware, and Bedell, of Ohio, the latter of whom preached the sermon.

During the brief period of my Episcopate I have been employed as follows:

Sunday, May 3.—In the morning preached in St. George's church, Fredericksburg, and confirmed ten persons. In the afternoon went with the Rector to the Sunday School and made an address to the children, after they were catechized by the Rev. William McGuire. At night I preached again in St. George's church.

May 4.—Preached in Grace church, Caroline county, and confirmed two.

May 5.—Preached in St. Margaret's church, Caroline, and confirmed four.

May 6.—Preached in St. John's, Spottsylvania, baptized a child of the Rector, Rev. W. W. Green, and confirmed four.

May 8.—In the morning, assisted in the services by Rev. Messrs. Berkeley, Habersham, of Georgia, and Dr. Peterkin, consecrated St. Mark's church, Richmond, and administered the Holy Communion. The "instrument of donation" was presented by D. Lee Powell, Esq., and "the sentence of consecration" was read by Rev. Dr. Norwood, who also preached the sermon. This church was set apart to the worship of Almighty God, by the name of St. Mark's church.

May 8.—At night, preached in Grace Church, Richmond, and confirmed nineteen.

May 9.—In the morning, preached in Emmanuel Church, Henrico county, and confirmed eight. At night, preached in St. Mark's Church, Richmond, and confirmed twenty-three.

Sunday, May 10.—In the morning, read the ante-communion service in St. John's church, Richmond, preached, and confirmed ten. In the afternoon, attended the anniversary meeting of the Sunday School Union in St. Paul's church, and made an address to the teachers and children. At night, preached in St. James'

Bishop Whittle's Address-St. Stephen's (colored) Church in Petersburg.

church, and confirmed thirty-three, of whom three were from the Monumental and one from St. Paul's.

May 12.—In the morning preached in St. John's church, Portsmouth, and confirmed four; and at night in Trinity, where eleven were confirmed.

May 13.—In the morning, preached in St. Paul's church, Norfolk, and confirmed thirty white, and one colored. At night preached in Christ church, and confirmed thirty-six.

May 14.—Preached in the church, in Kempsville, Princess Anne county, and confirmed two.

May 15.—Preached in the chapel in the same parish, and confirmed four.

May 16.—Confirmed in private one, connected with Grace church, Petersburg.

May 17.—In the morning, preached in Grace church, Petersburg, and confirmed twenty-five, one being from Bath parish, Dinwiddie county. At night, preached in St. Paul's church, and confirmed twelve.

May 18.—Assisted by Rev. Messrs. Gibson and Wingfield, consecrated St. Stephen's (colored) church, Petersburg, preached, confirmed four, addressed them, and administered the Lord's Supper.

The following account of this interesting and encouraging work amongst the colored people of Petersburg, was prepared, at my request, by Mr. A. W. Weddell, who has been the principal agent in accomplishing it:

"There is much in the work among the colored people of Petersburg to which the attention of the Diocese may be directed for profit and encouragement. The success which has attended our efforts at this point indicates what may be accomplished elsewhere by the exercise of a similar faith, patience, and devotion.

"Immediately after the cessation of hostilities in 1865, a colored Sunday School was organized in Grace Church, and nobly sustained, despite severe discouragements, by the energy and zeal of Mr. Robert A. Gibson, now a candidate for orders at our Seminary.

"At a later period a school of like character was organized in connection with St. Paul's church, through the earnest efforts of Major

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Giles B. Cooke. After nearly three years experience, marked by varied fortunes, these schools still continue, an honor to their founders and a blessing to those brought under their influence.

"In the fall of 1865, by the aid of the Episcopal Freedmen's Commission, funds sufficient were obtained to organize and establish a day school for colored children. It was held in the chapel erected by the Rev. H. Stringfellow, Jr., during the war, until the building was destroyed by fire in April, 1867. This school has been in constant operation, and now numbers over four hundred scholars. The teachings of this school are positive and distinctive. Besides the usual opening and closing services, every Wednesday is devoted to the Prayer Book. At 11 A. M. on this day the full Church service is renderd, followed by catechising. The instruction furnished by these exercises, in connection with the regular Tuesday night services, conducted by Rev. Mr. Gibson, have rendered the colored peeple familiar with the Prayer Book, and enables them to sustain their part in the responses.

"The burning of the Stringfellow chapel necessitated some action to secure a house for the day school.' In view of the fact that there were already over forty communicants connected with us, and that the accommodations in our churches for colored people were filled to repletion—it was determined to undertake the building of an independent church. To the Freedmen's Bureau, through the courtesy of Major J. R. Stone, we are indebted for the first donation of \$2,650. This was followed by generous donations from Mrs. James, of the Pennsylvania Commission, Rev. Dr. Smith, of the New York Commission, and many private individuals. The whole building cost \$5,214. The title is held by three Communicants of our Church in Petersburg, 'as Trustees of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church.'

"The congregation has purchased a fine new organ, a beautiful silver sacramental set has been presented to them, and everything has been supplied, save the minister. The necessity for the erection of this church was seen by the crowded attendence of the colored people at our Episcopal churches every Sabbath, and the manifest

Public Worship in the Chapel of the Seminary-Monument to Bishop Meade.

interest they exhibited in the Episcopal service. This fact has been noticed nowhere to such an extent as in Petersburg."

After expressing my thanks to the author of all good for giving me health and strength, during sixteen days of service in my new office, to consecrate two churches, deliver thirty-five sermons and addresses, confirm two-hundred and thirty-two persons, and travel many miles, I cannot conclude without recording my grateful sense of the kind and affectionate reception everywhere given me by my dear brethren, both of the clergy and laity. May our Heavenly Father bless them with all temporal and spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. G. H. NORTON:

Resolved, That the Dean of the Theological Seminary be requested to report to the Annual Council of the Diocese, in the usual form of a parochial report, such facts connected with public worship in the Chapel of the Seminary, as may be of interest to the church.

Carried.

The following was offered by Rev. W. N. Pendleton, D. D.:

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to carry into effect the former resolution of the Council (hitherto unfulfilled through difficulties of the times) and the suggestion of the Bishop, in his annual address to this Council, as to the immediate erection of a monument to the memory of Bishop Meade; and this Council requests all officiating ministers to bring the subject before their congregations, and to forward contributions to this object to the chairman of the Committee at Richmond on or before the 1st day of August next.

Carried, and the following Committee appointed:

Rev. Wm. Norwood, Gen. R. E. Lee, Messrs. D. N. Walker, J. L. Williams, and W. F. Gray.

Rev. Geo. Woodbridge, D. D., then presented the following report from the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society:

Report of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society for the year ending with May the 20th, 1868.

The Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society respectfully report

Report of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society.

that they have contributed to the support of eighteen Ministers of the Diocese, during the past year: to the

Bev. Geo. A. Smith in Amherst county.

Rev. H. Stringfellow in Goochland and Lousia counties.

Rev. Geo. W Easter in Nansemond county.

Rev. J. Packard, D. D. in Fairfax county.

Rev. John Cole in Culpeper county.

Rev. R. H. Mason in Bath, Monroe and Greenbrier counties.

Rev. Andrew Fisher in Richmond county.

Rev. T. M Ambler in Williamsburg.

Rev. Isaac Gibson in Hanover county.

Rev. H. S. Kepler in Greensville and Chesterfield counties.

Rev. W. W. Greene in Spottsylvania and Caroline counties.

Rev. F. D. Goodwin in Marion county.

Rev. P. F. Berkeley in Amelia county.

Rev. Wm. Friend in Caroline county.

Rev. Wm. McGuire in Botetourt county.

Rev. T. G. Dashiell in Richmond city.

Rev. Chas. H. Page in Louisa and Albemarle counties.

Rev. J. A. Mitchell in Charlotte county.

Of these the Rev. Mr. Mitchell has resigned and gone to Maryland. The Rev. Mr. Kepler has withdrawn from Greensville, and confined himself to Chesterfield.

Your Committee began the present fiscal year with \$741 70 in their treasury. They have received in addition \$2,571 94. Their disbursements have been \$3,201 40. And there are now in the treasury \$112 64. You will observe that our disbursements have been greater than our receipts by \$629 46.

In one respect this report is full of cheerful interest. We have contributed to the support of eighteen families, and have carried gladness to the hearts of wives and children, and have cheered the heart of many a faithful brother, who, but for this Society, would have been troubled and desponding.

In some cases our own hearts have been saddened, that we were obliged, by the want of means, to refuse assistance to those who were suffering with poverty and struggling with debt.

In another respect this report is sad and desponding. We have already made appropriations which we cannot meet, unless the Diocese shall come forward to our support with more liberal contributions, than they have done during the past year. We wish you to keep in mind that our disbursements have exceeded our receipts by \$629 46, and that we have now in our treasury only \$112 24, whereas at the beginning of the year we had \$741 70. The salaries of our Missionaries will soon fall due. We have not the means to pay them. Will the Doicese permit this? Will the Laity suffer the clergy to want? Will they compel them to seek for a more comfortable support in other Dioceses? We have already lost many valuable ministers for this very reason. Will they suffer this perpetual and discreditable drain longer to go on?

We know the poverty of our Diocese, and the clergy are cheerfully willing to bear their proportion of the privations incident to this impoverished condition of the Report of the Standing Committee.

people. But alsa! they are called to bear far more than their proportion. And in almost all cases retrenchment begins at the house of God. But surely this is beginning at the wrong end. What shall we, the people of Virginia, be? What shall we do without the church of God? And what will become of the church without the ministry? Is there a civil, social, or domestic blessing which is not made such by the glorious gospel of the blessed God? Let that gospel be withdrawn and what shall we be, even so far as this life is concerned? Heretofore, the ministry have been supported rather by the superfluities of the people, than by the exercise of self-denial. And as long as this shall be the case, so long must the support of the ministry and of the church of God be fitful and uncertain.

But here, if we may be permitted to make a suggestion, which perhaps more properly falls within the province of the Bishop, we would earnestly recommend the establishment of lay-reading. The last number of the "Spirit of Missions" contains an account of one parish, which was for sixteen years kept together and supported by lay-reading. The mere bringing the people together, if only to hear the services, will form the habit of keeping holy the Sabbath day. And even in those parishes where are two or more churches, it would be found of inestimable benefit.

Not all of those to whom contributions have been made during the past year are strictly Missionaries in the employment of your Committee, but ministers whose necessities were great, and whose past services and labors in the Diocese entitled them to the very highest consideration and regard.

Before concluding, we would state that we feel compelled, for the systematic arrangement of the business of the Committee, that all appropriations be made between the 1st of January and the 31st of December, and that all appplications be made by the 1st of December.

Applications must be made by Vestries or by responsible friends of the church in the parish, stating the amount they can raise, and pledging its payment to the Executive Committee, and the amount required from them.

Rev. Wm. Sparrow, D. D., then presented the report from the Standing Committee:

ALEXANDRIA, VA., May 15th, 1868.

The Standing Committee begs leave to report that during the past year testimonials have been signed for the consecration of

Rev. Jno. Freeman Young, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Florida.

Rev. Dr. Beckwith, as Bishop of the Diocese of Georgia.

Rev. Dr. Whittle, D. D., as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia.

Rev. Dr. Bissell, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Vermont.

The following gentleman has been recommended for Priest's orders, viz.:

Rev. Wm. A. Alrich.

The following have been recommended for Deacon's orders, viz.:

N. H. Lewis, T. U. Dudley, Walter Q. Hullihen, H. E. Hayden, Wm. G. Stewart, and Fleming James.

The following have been recommended as candidates for Deacon's orders, vis.:

Reference of matters relating to the Diocesan Missionary Society to a Committee.

D. Hanson Boyden, John Wesley Kelley, Otho Kane Pate, Haslett McKim, Francis Alexander Meade, Robert Atkinson Gibson, Otis A. Glazebrook, P. Nelson Meade, Everard Meade, George S. May and O. P. Suvoong. Also, Horace E. Hayden has been recommended as a candidate for Priest's orders.

All which is respectfully submitted:

G. H. NORTON, Sec'ry Standing Com.

WILLIAM SPARROW, Pres. of Stand. Com.

After the reading of this report the Council adjourned for divine service.

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12:30 P. M.

The Council having reassembled, was called to order by the Bishop.

Rev. W. N. Pendleton, D. D., offered the following:

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as relates to the operations of the Diocesan Missionary Society, and also the report of the Executive Committee of that Society, be referred to a committee of five, with instructions to report some time to-morrow, upon the best mode of readjusting the relations of that organization, so as to render it most efficient in meeting the needs of the Diocese.

The resolution was adopted, and the following Committee appointed:

Rev. W. N. Pendleton, D. D., Rev. J. Peterkin, D. D., Rev. C. J. Gibson, Rev. H. Suter, and Rev. J. A. Latane.

Rev. D. F. Sprigg called up his amendment proposed yesterday in reference to opening the sessions of the Council at 9 A. M. with full service and sermon. The motion was lost. The original resolution was then carried.

The Bishop presented a report from the Trustees of the "Bruce Fund," and the same was referred to a Committee, consisting of Rev. J. Peterkin, D. D., and Mr. Jas. Galt.

Mr. RALEIGH COLSTON presented a memorial from the Vestry of

Amendment to Canon IX—Report of the Committee on Fund for Disabled Clergymen.

Fredericksville Parish, Albemarle, asking the Council to settle the question as to who are the proper authorities to lend or to refuse the use of our Church edifices to non-Episcopal congregations.

On motion of Rev. W. N. Pendleton, D. D., the memorial was referred to a Committee of three. The Chair appointed Rev. Geo. H. Norton, Mr. Jas. Galt, and Mr. C. F. Lee.

Rev. T. G. DASHIELL offered the following:

Resolved, That Canon IX be amended by the addition of the following section: A Standing Committee of three Clergymen and two Laymen shall be elected at each Council, who shall be the constituted authorities to take charge of church property, where the congregations have been disbanded.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of this proposed amendment.

Carried, and the following Committee appointed:

Rev. Wm. Norwood, D. D., Rev. C. Minnigerode, D. D., Rev. C. J. Gibson, Mr. N. H. Massie, and Mr. Tazewell Taylor.

Mr. B. J. BARBOUR, from the Committee on Fund for Disabled Clergy, offered the following report:

The remaining members of the Committee who had charge of the Fund for Disabled Clergymen, beg leave to make the following report:

· In obedience to the first impulse of the heart, they are called to mourn the loss of their colleague, David W. Barton, who after a life of great general usefulness, and of particular devotion to the interests and welfare of that Church of which he was a shining member, has been gathered to his rest—leaving a memory which deserves all honor, and an example worthy of all emulation.

We find that the condition of the fund in question, as set forth in the report presented to the last Council by the Rev. Dr. Peterkin, is as follows:

Sundry Certificates of Virginia State Stock, amounting to	,487.50
Frederick County Stock	250.00
Merchants' and Mechanics' Bink, Wheeling	300 . JO
Making a total of	097 60

This, of course, is the par value of the State stock, which, if sold

Report of the Committee on the Fund for Disabled Clergymen.

at present prices, would not realize more than \$3,000. The second item, we are sorry to learn, is entirely worthless. The stock of the Merchant's and Mechanic's Bank we have not been able to ascertain. It is safest to assume that \$5,000 is about the value of the entire fund.

It was proposed at the last meeting of the Council to convert these assets into cash, as soon as it could be done without unreasonable sacrifice, and that the money thus accruing be divided among those who are properly beneficiaries.

This resolution was not adopted, and we have reason to believe that the mover of it has altered his opinion as to the policy of the

suggestion.

The Committee are opposed to such a plan for two reasons. 1st. It does not seem probable that for several years the stock could be sold without the unwarrantable sacrifice deprecated in the resolution, and secondly it would destroy the nucleus of the fund and interfere seriously with the prospective and systematic benefits which we trust, under Providence, may spring from it. We would suggest, on the contrary, that the fund should, after stripping it of its worthless portions, be carefully estimated and stated, and that an urgent appeal by the Clergy should be made throughout the Diocese to enlarge it.

It is a subject which commends itself to the heart of every Christian man and woman throughout the land. Its aim is to provide sustenance and support for men who have worn themselves out in the noblest and most sacred of causes—of men who, in proportion as they have fulfilled their duties, have neglected their earthly interests, and whose usefulness would be greatly impaired and whose declining years would be naturally saddened by the reflection that after dedicating the vigor of their lives to the spiritual improvement of their congregations, the only return was a thoughtless, if not a willful, neglect of themselves and of their impoverished families when their season of work had passed.

If every man and woman would but challenge their memories for the spiritual and moral instruction they have received at the hands of their pastors—if they would remember in gratitude the consolation and relief which those pastors have brought to sorrowing and trusting hearts, and how they have been lifted up from the depths of despondency and carried to the throne of the Great Comforter if, for every sorrow they have taught us how to soften, and for every error they have sought to correct, we would offer a material evidence of our grateful recollection, the Episcopal Church of Virginia would soon cease to mourn over the opprobrium of having her The Bruce Legacy.

aged servants turned out to die, as it were, upon the common—a sight at once shameful and melancholy—not only discreditable to the people who allow it, but chilling and repulsive in its black ingratitude to all who might desire to dedicate themselves to the Ministry. But whilst the Committee would suggest that the Clergy of the Diocese should avail themselves of every opportunity to enlarge the fund, the Laity are earnestly besought to lend a helping hand in this noble work. Indeed, the Committee do not hesitate to say, that this duty falls more appropriately, and could be more thoroughly performed, by the Laity than the Clergy. Their's has been the life-long services, and our's should be the office to see that they are fully and gratefully remembered.

In conclusion, the Committee would respectfully suggest that the vacancies in the Committee and Board should be filled—making the number five; and as Richmond is the Central point, where the fund can be best managed, it would be proper that at least two of the

members should be residents of that place.

All which is respectfully submitted:

B. J. BARBOUR, R. C. AMBLER.

The following gentlemen were elected to fill vacancies in the Trustees: Messrs. J. L. Bacon and John Stewart.

Rev. J. Peterkin, D. D., presented the report from the Committee appointed on the Bruce Fund, which was approved and ordered to be filed:

The committee appointed to examine the report of the Trustees of the Bruce Legacy for repairing and building churches in destitute parishes in the Diocese of Virginia, have performed the duty assigned them, and respectfully state that they find said report showing available assets to the amount of \$17,035 80, sustained by proper vouchers. They feel bound to add that great credit is due to the Trustees, and especially to Mr. John L. Bacon, for the judicious management of this fund.

J. PETERKIN, Jas. Galt.

Rev. C. H. Page called up his amendment to the Canon on Vestries, and the Rev. W. L. Hyland moved its reference to the same

Additional Clergy and Laity present.

Committee that was appointed upon the resolution of the Rev. T. G. DASHIELL. Carried.

The following members were excused from further attendance upon the services of the Council: Rev. C. Minnigerode, D. D., Rev. Wm. M. Nelson.

On motion of Mr. N. H. Massie the proposed constitutional change as to time of session of the Council was called up, and he moved its adoption.

Pending the discussion upon this motion, the Council adjourned.

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FRIDAY, 9 A. M.

The Council met and was opened with prayer by Rev. John Cole.

Minutes read and approved.

The following Clergy absent hitherto reported to-day: Rev. JOSEPH R. JONES, Rev. THOMAS E. LOCKE.

Rev. Wm. FRIEND presented the report of the Committee on the accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Society, and stated the same to be correct.

Col. T. H. Ellis presented the following as entitled to seats as Lay Delegates, in addition to those formerly reported:

The Committee on the Credentials of Lay Delegates report the following named delegates as entitled to seats:

Hon. Jeremiah Morton, St. Paul's church, St. Paul's parish, Culpeper.

Judge Hugh W. Sheffey, Augusta parish, Augusta.

Col. Robert E. Withers, from St. Paul's church, Lynchburg, in the place of Major John A. Allen who attended as alternate on the first day.

Dr. J. V. Hobson, Southam parish, Powhatan.

Col. William Lamb, St. Paul's church, Norfolk.

H. T. Parish, Wilmer parish, Prince Edward.

Rev. G. H. Norton, from the Committee on the Memorial

Memorial from the Vestry of Fredericksville Parish.

from the Vestry of Fredericksville Parish, made the following report, which was received and adopted:

The Committee to whom was referred the memorial from St. Paul's Church, Fredericksville Parish, beg leave to report, that they have given the subject that serious attention which was demanded by the esteemed character of the parties concerned.

They have endeavored impartially to weigh the statements both of the Rector and of the Vestry of St. Paul's Church. They have considered also the proper functions of this Council, in relation to such cases as that which this memorial brings before it. And they have been unable to see that this Council, or any Committee of this Council, can express an opinion upon the merits of the case, without assuming a quasi-judicial authority, unprovided for by the Constitution and inconsistent with the long established policy of the Church.

Any encouragement given by a single precedent for the settlement of parochial controversies by appeal to the Diocesan Council, would open the door to the multiplication of such appeals, and would finally break down the barrier which is so important to be maintained between the legislature and the judiciary.

And even if this grave difficulty were removed, and this Council should pass judgment upon the case, we are persuaded such judgment would not promote peace, but would rather extend the area of dissension and, it may be, endanger that delightful harmony which has hitherto prevailed in the councils of our Diocese.

Your Committee can see no happy solution for the vexed question but that which may be found in dispassionate second thoughts, mutual forbearance, the counsel of wise friends, and perhaps the voluntary reference of the whole subject to some persons, acting as umpires.

The high character of the gentlemen of the Vestry, and the long tried Christian fidelity of the Rector induces your Committee to hope that, by the blessed influence of the Holy Spirit, the breach which now causes so much trouble may be healed.

Your Committee recommend no further action by this Council upon the memorial.

All which is respectfully submitted.

G. H. Norton, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Tazewell Taylor, the Council proceeded to the election of delegates to the General Convention.

Delegates to the General Convention.

The following gentlemen were nominated:

Rev. C. W. Andrews, D. D.,
Rev. W. Sparrow, D. D.,
Rev. J. Peterkin, D. D.,
Rev. G. H. Norton,
Rev. J. A. Latané,
Rev. W. N. Pendleton, D. D.,
Rev. O. A. Kinsolving,
Rev. W. C. Meredith,
Rev. W. L. Hyland,
Rev. G. Woodbridge, D. D.,
Rev. W. Norwood, D. D.,
Rev. Edmund Withers,
Rev. C. Minnigerode, D. D.,

Rev. H. Suter,
Gen. J. J. Jackson,
Gen. R. E. Lee,
N. H. Massie,
Judge H. W. Sheffey,
B. J. Barbour,
T. Taylor,
C. F. Lee,
Dr. R. C. Ambler,
D. Lee Powell,
Col. R. E. Withers,
Gen. F. H. Smith,

Rev. C. W. Andrews, D. D., Rev. W. N. Pendleton, D. D., Gen. R. E. Lee, and D. Lee Powell, declined serving and requested that their names be withdrawn.

The Rev. James Grammer and Mr. C. J. Meriwether were appointed tellers, who reported the following names as the choice of the Council:

DELEGATES.

Rev. G. H. Norton, Rev. W. Sparrow, D. D., Rev. J. Peterkin, D. D., Rev. C. W. Andrews, D. D., Judge H. W. Sheffey, B. J. Barbour, Gen. J. J. Jackson, C. F. Lee.

ALTERNATES.

Rev. J. A. Latané, Rev. C. Minnigerode, D. D., Rev. Wm. Norwood, D. D., Rev. W. C. Meredith, N. H. Massie, T. Taylor, Gen. F. H. Smith,

D. Lee Powell.

The following members were excused from further attendance upon the services of the Council:

Gen. R. E. Lee, Rev. Joseph A. Nock, Rev. C. H. Page, Rev.

Report of the Committee on Finance-Rectors' salaries.

- P. F. Berkeley, Mr. Wm. Riddick, Rev. Wm. Friend, Rev. G. W. Easter, Rev. G. Woodbridge, D. D., Rev. J. R. Hubard, Mr. B. J. Barbour, Mr. H. E. C. Baskervill, Treasurer, Mr. T. Taylor, Mr. J. G. Holladay, Dr. T. H. Kinney, Rev. G. H. Norton, Dr. C. Grayson, Mr. N. H. Massie and Judge H. W. Sheffey.
- Col. R. E. WITHERS moved that all who felt themselves obliged to leave, have permission to do so, upon reporting to the Secretary.
- Rev. N. H. Massie moved to lay the motion on the table. Lost. The resolution of Colonel Withers was then lost.
- Mr. N. H. MASSIE presented the report of the Committee on Finance:

The Committee on Finance beg leave to report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and find his statement as furnished in his separate reports, returned with this, correct. His disbursements, in the opinion of the Committee, were proper, and sustained by satisfactory vouchers.

There is now a balance in the Treasurer's hands of \$2,730 77. He has received up to this time, during the session of this Council

\$5,927 28.

Your Committee recommend that the Treasurer be instructed, in addition to what has been paid, to pay to the Assistant Bishop the salary for the last quarter of the fiscal year just closed.

They also recommend that \$3,000 be appropriated for the salary of the Bishop of the Diocese for the next year, and the same amount

for the Assistant Bishop.

They also recommend that an annual salary of \$300 be annexed to the office of Secretary of this Council.

Respectfully submitted:

N. H. MASSIE.

The report, with recommendations, was unanimously approved.

Mr. N. H. MASSIE presented the following report from the Committee of ten Laymen, appointed upon the subject of Rector's salaries:

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of a proper support for the Ministry, respectfully submit the following report:

Report of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary and High School.

That the reports called for from each Parish, according to a resolution of the Council held one year ago, have been furnished by only fifty-six Parishes, whilst about thirty have made no report at all, though a printed circular containing a blank form of the report required was sent by the Secretary to the Register or Treasurer of each Parish in the Diocese. The Committee regret to report that a very large proportion of the Parishes that have reported are in arrears to their Rectors for the past year, and in many of the cases the deficiency is so large, that the Committee recommend some stringent measures to remedy the evil.

Some measure must also be adopted to compel reports from all the Parishes in the Diocese, and to this end they recommend the

adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That the Secretary of this Council prepare and publish in the next Journal, a list of all those Parishes who are in arrears more than one-fourth of the salary pledged to their Rector for the past year, said statement to show in one column the amount pledged, and in another the amount actually paid.

2nd. That hereafter if any Parish shall fail to furnish the statement as to the amount of their Rector's salary and the amount that has been paid him, the Lay Delegate from such Parish shall not have the right to vote in the Council, until such statement is

furnished.

3rd. That the Secretary in his circular to the several Vestries, call their attention especially to the foregoing resolutions.

Pending discussion upon the report, Mr. TAZEWELL TAYLOR moved to dispense with recess for Divine service. The motion was lost.

And on motion of Rev. W. L. HYLAND the Council adjourned.

12:30 P. M.

The Council met after service, and having been called to order by the Bishop, the Rev. C. WALKER, D. D., read the following report by request of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary and High School: Theological Seminary and High School.

The Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary and High School would respectfully place before the Council certain facts, connected with these Institutions, in view of which their present condition may be understood.

No report on this subject was made at the last meeting of the Council. It will therefore be proper to go back of that time in our statement. The buildings were placed in the hands of the Trustees, in the summer of 1865, and the Seminary reöpencd in the autumn of that year, with two Professors and three students. During the session the number of students increased to eleven, of whom three were in the Preparatory Department.

At the time of reöpening just alluded to, considerable expense was necessary to make the buildings habitable. The furniture of the student's rooms in the Seminary, and in the residences of the Professors, had been worn out or destroyed. Out-houses and fencings had disappeared; and in many respects the prospect was exceedingly discouraging. By means of a legacy to the Seminary, providentially at the disposal of the Bishop of the Diocese at the time, and special contributions from friends abroad, the worst of these inconveniences were remedied, the rooms and buildings furnished as they were absolutely needed, and the studies of the session were pursued to a successful termination.

In the fall of 1866 the session was opened with three Professors—the vacancy of the previous year having been filled—and eighteen students, of whom three were in the Preparatory Department. During the session these were increased to twenty-five, of whom four were in the Preparatory Department. The process of repairs, refitting rooms, enclosing, &c., went on, as during the previous session, as the necessity demanded. The deficiency in funds to meet these special calls, as also the current expenses of the year, were met by special contributions obtained from abroad and mainly through the exertions of Dr. Sparrow, the good hand of God bringing the duties and studies of another session to a happy termination. On June 28th the four regular members of the Senior class, with another candidate temporarily resident at the Seminary, were admitted to Deacon's Orders—the attendance of Clergy and Laity on the occasion comparing favorably with that of earlier periods.

At the opening of the present Session, the number of students was considerably larger than that of the year preceding—running up at present date to fifty, of whom twenty are in the Preparatory Department. The increase of numbers in this department has rendered it necessary to employ an Instructor, Mr. Charles D. Lee, A.

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M., of the University of Virginia, who is efficiently performing the duties of his position.

The income of the Seminary Fund, as during the two preceding Sessions, has been insufficient to meet current and special expenses. These deficiencies, however, have been met by special contributions from generous friends, the larger portion of them outside of our Diocese.

In connection with the restoration of the Seminary may be mentioned the similar work, going on at the High School. The buildings and grounds of this latter were more injured than those of the Seminary, and the Institution was later in getting under way. Rev. Wm. F. Gardner opened the school in October, 1866, with twelve pupils, the number increasing to eighteen before the end of the term. The present Session opened with twenty-eight pupils, increased to thirty-four at the present date. In the meantime, repairs, as absolutely needed, have been put upon the buildings. The grounds, also, both of the Seminary and High School are again enclosed, and many of the out-buildings restored.

In view of the facts thus described, of the Divine blessing which has enlarged our numbers, and of the increasing demands upon the inadequate fund of the Institution, the Board have resolved to make an effort for the increase of this fund, which will enable it to meet the current expenses of the Institution. With this object in view, as also to express their grateful sense of the kindness of friends already exhibited, they have adopted the following resolutions:

"Resolved, That the thanks of the Board be and are hereby tendered the friends of the Seminary, who, during the last two years, have so generously contributed to its support and advancement.

"Resolved, That, as an addition of \$5,000 to the permanent fund is necessary to meet the current expenses of the Institution, an effort be made to secure that amount; and that Bishops Johns and Whittle and Dr. Sparrow, be requested to present such statement or appeal, and adopt such course as they may deem advisable for the accomplishment of this desired object."

In closing this report the Trustees would commend these important Institutions to the prayers and regards of the Council and of the Diocese. "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." It is for our people and friends to determine, by their earnest prayers and cordial support, whether that help shall be improved, to the attainment of its highest and most abundant form of blessing.

All of which is respectfully submitted:

C. WALKER, Secretary.

Report from the Committee on Parochial Reports.

Rev. O. S. Barten presented the following report from the Committee on Parochial Reports:

The Committee on Parochial Reports beg leave to submit, as the result of their labors, the following condensed statement for the information of the Council:

Baptisms—Adults—white, 232; colored, 8; total, 240. Infants—white, 769; colored, 28; total, 797. Total adults and infants. 1.037.

Confirmations—So far as reported 848, but we believe according to the Bishop's reports the number exceeds a thousand.

Communicants—White, 7,009; colored, 53; total, 7,062.

Marriages, 457.

Funerals, 532.

Sunday Schools, 64; Teachers, 925; scholars, 5,596. Contributions, \$52,331 96.

These statistics when compared with those presented at the last Council show the following, in the main, gratifying results:

In adult Baptisms an increase of 79; in infant Baptisms an increase of 76; in Confirmations so far as reported, an increase of 217, but according to the Bishop's Reports an increase of 399; in Communicants, an increase of 540; in Marriages a decrease of 24; in Funerals an increase of 134; in Sunday Schools a decrease of 3; in Sunday School Teachers an increase of 108; in Scholars an increase of 750.

The contributions for the present year exhibit an increase of \$7,148 46.

The same defect is observed in the Parochial Reports, to which attention was directed by your Committee last year, viz: that there is no head in the printed forms for colored communicants. We therefore, renew the suggestion then made that the Secretary of the Council be requested to insert after the words formerly reported the words white and colored, which will correct the defect at present existing.

In presenting the above statistics it is proper to remark that they represent the condition of the Diocese only so far as reported. If all the reports had been received, the figures above would, of course, be much larger.

All which is respectfully submitted:

O. S. BARTEN,

R. H. McKim,

J. N. Ashton,

C. J. MERIWETHER.

Rectors' salaries-Amendments to the Constitution-Day of meeting of the Council.

The report of the Committee on the subject of Rectors' salaries being taken up, Mr. Chas. Blackford moved to amend the first resolution by striking out the words "one-fourth of the salary."

The motion was lost, and the first resolution as reported from the Committee was then adopted.

Mr. B. J. Barbour moved to substitute for the penalty in the second resolution, that the Laity at each Council be called upon alphabetically to account for deficiencies.

Mr. Blackford offered the following substitute:

Resolved, That the names of such Parishes and Churches as have failed to report as required by the first resolution, shall be published in the annual Journal of the Council.

Carried, and the resolution as thus amended was adopted.

The third resolution was adopted.

The amendment to the first Article of the Constitution, in reference to the time of meeting, was then called up. The amendment was adopted.

The amendment to Article V, in reference to changing the mode of electing a Bishop, was considered, and,

Pending the discussion upon this, Rev. C. Colton, D. D., moved to adjourn and make this question the order of the day at 5 P. M.

The motion was lost and the amendment indefinitely postponed.

The change from "Confederate" to "United," wherever occurring in the Canons and Constitution, was adopted.

Rev. C. W. Andrews, D. D., offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the day of meeting be changed from Wednesday to Thursday.

The Council then adjourned until 5 o'clock P. M.

New Parishes-Amendments to Canons-Place of next meeting.

FRIDAY, 5 P. M.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Bishop.

Rev. John Cole, from the Committee on New Parishes, presented applications for admission to the Council from "Point Pleasant Parish," Marion county, West Virginia, and from "Greenway Court Parish," Clarke county, with the recommendation that they be granted.

The report was unanimously adopted.

Mr. T. TAYLOR, from the Committee on Amendments to Canons, reported as follows:

Canon IX.—In favor of making the minimum number of a Vestry three instead of five. Carried.

Canon IX.—Adding a section to provide for an election of a Standing Committee of three Clergy and three Laity, to take charge of church property where the congregations have disbanded. Carried unanimously.

Rev. W. N. Pendleton, D. D., proposed Lexington as the next place of meeting of Council.

Rev. M. Maury moved to substitute Fredericksburg, which was agreed to.

The following gentlemen were elected as the Standing Committee on Church property, according to — section of Canon IX:

Rev. Wm. Norwood, D. D., Rev. C. Minnigerode, D. D., Rev. J. Peterkin, D. D., Messrs. J. O. Steger, J. L. Bacon, and A. Y. Stokes.

Rev. W. N. Pendleton, D. D., from the Committee on the subject of Diocesan Missions, presented a report which was partially

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adopted, but, on motion of Col. R. E. WITHERS, was reconsidered, and, on motion of Rev. J. A. LATANE, was recommitted.

On motion of Mr. TAZEWELL TAYLOR, the thanks of the Council were unanimously returned to the citizens of Lynchburg for their cordial and hospitable entertainment of the members of the Council.

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SATURDAY, 9 A. M.

The Council met, and after prayer by the Rev. W. L. HYLAND, was called to order by the Bishop.

The minutes were read and approved.

Rev. W. N. Pendleton, D. D., from the Committee to whom was referred the missionary work of the Diocese, presented the following report, which, after amendment, was adopted:

The Committee, to whom were referred so much of the Bishop's address as relates to the missionary operations of the Diocese, and the report of the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society, beg leave to report, that they have given to the documents in question, and to the important subject, which they present, the most careful consideration allowed by the limited time at their disposal; and that they find the following state of facts, calling, as they believe, for some practical measures which they submit in the form of definite resolutions.

Owing to a number of causes, among which the general impoverishment resulting from the war and its sequences need alone be
specified, there is a great and growing amount of destitution of appropriate religious services in extensive portions of our Diocese.
Churches once supplied are no longer able to maintain the ministry of the word, and others through excessive discouragement,
feel unable, though perhaps competent, with adequate effort, to provide for accustomed ministerial service. The consequence is, congregations are in some places disappearing, churches closed, religion
languishing, and the church almost ready to die, where in times
past there was beauty and blessedness in her life. The attempt of
the Diocesan Missionary Society to remedy these evils has hitherto

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proved greatly inadequate; partly through serious deficiency in the funds placed at their disposal; and partly, as appears from the report of the Executive Missionary Committee, because of what we cannot but regard as the too limited and inoperative course adopted by that Committee, in confining itself so generally to the almost passive processes of receiving and disbursing the small amounts from time to time collected, instead of actively looking after, and, in cooperation with the Bishop, attempting to supply the waste places within our borders.

Besides the destitute districts referred to, there are extensive regions to be occupied, not heretofore possessed; and more than a few parishes still held so feeble, and exhibiting such inadequate vitality, as to suggest the sad reflection, that without remedy the work of decay will extend till spiritual distress shall abound in this beloved Diocese. Towards arresting these evils nothing can, of course, be effectual without the concurrent blessings of God's Providence and Spirit. For these, however, we have abundant warrant to trust, if, to the utmost of our ability, such faithful efforts as we can make be wisely applied.

As the best measures to this end they have been able to devise, your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

- 1. Resolved, That to meet the present exigencies of support for the general Missionary work of the Diocese, besides the collections usually made by the Bishop or his visitations, there be faithfully taken up in each congregation of the Diocese a collection, on some Sunday in October, which shall be forwarded to the Diocesan Missionary Treasurer.
- 2. Resolved, That the good work effected by the convocations actively operating within the bounds of the Diocese meets the cordial approval of the Council, and that to combine that work with that of the Diocesan Missionary Society, each convocation be entitled to one representative, from within its bound, to attend and vote at the regular or called meetings of the Executive Missionary Committee. This arrangement, however, not to change the present provision for a quorum of that Committee.
- 3. Resolved, That in addition to the located Clergy, heretofore assisted by disbursements from the Executive Missionary Committee; it is recommended to that Committee to employ such number of efficient itinerant missionaries, as can be secured and supported, for certain vacant churches and destitute districts of the Diocese.
 - 4. Resolved, That each settled minister of the Diocese ought,

Standing Committee of the Diocese—Committee on Colored Congregations.

in the judgment of the Council, under existing circumstances, to consider himself free, and indeed called upon once or more during the year, with the approval of his Vestry, for such interval (from one to four weeks) as may be deemed best, to intermit accustomed local duties, for the purpose of rendering Missionary service at points to be agreed upon by consultation with the Bishop and Missionary Committee. Such service to be rendered by the Clorgy—singly, or in pairs, or small groups—as may be judged best in cases as they arise; and that the necessary expenses of these tours, adjusted as economically as possible, be met out of the Missionary treasury of the Diocese.

Rev. W. L. HYLAND moved to print 1,000 copies of the Journal. Carried.

Rev. W. L. HYLAND moved to pay \$15 to the sexton of this Church. Carried.

Rev. W. L. HYLAND nominated the following as the Standing Committee of the Diocese:

Rev. W. Sparrow, D. D., Rev. G. H. Norton, Rev. D. F. Sprigg, Messrs. C. F. Lee, C. S. Taylor, A. Herbert.

Rev. T. E. Locke and Mr. F. Foote were appointed tellers, who reported the Committee elected as nominated.

Rev. C. J. Gibson presented the report of the Trustees of the Fund for the relief of the widows and orphans of deceased clergymen.

Upon motion of Rev. W. L. Hyland the Executive Committee of the Diocesan Missionary Society was reëlected for the ensuing year.

On motion of Rev. J. A. LATANE, the Committee on Colored Congregations was elected, as follows:

Rt. Rev. J. Johns, D. D., Rt. Rev. F. M. Whittle, D. D., Rev. C. J. Gibson,

Rev. O. S. Barten,

Rev. J. T. Clarke,

Rev. T. G. Dashiell, D. Lee Powell, E. S. Pegram, John E. Page, A. W. Weddell. State of the Church.

Rev. Wm. Norwood, D. D., presented the following report from the Committee on the

STATE OF THE CHURCH.

As was to be expected, the Church, in her recovery from the baleful influences of the late war, had many difficulties to encounter and overcome; yet we find much cause of encouragement from the reports made to this Council by our Bishops and clergy.

Our Theological Seminary, on which we are mainly dependent for a supply of parochial clergy, has revived from its total prostration, and rapidly advanced in numbers and means of support, to a position of efficiency far beyond our most sanguine expectations.

Notwithstanding that a considerable number of our ministers have been, for want of support, obliged to withdraw from their former fields of labor, still, on the whole, there has been an increase in the number of our clergy. A desire also has been manifested by clergymen of other Diocescs to unite themselves with our Church in Virginia. And we are debarred from a large increase from this source only by the depressed condition of our people, and may confidently cherish the hope that our waste places will rapidly be occupied as soon as the distress of the State is alleviated.

There has been also a large increase of the communicants of the Church, and a much larger number of persons confirmed than has occurred since 1842, if not larger than was ever realized in our

Diocese in any one year.

We have witnessed, too, a large increase in the contributions of our people to the Convention fund, and the benevolent enterprises of the Church.

The laity have been awakened to the importance of making better provision for the support of their pastors, if they would retain for themselves and their families the benefit of our holy worship and the preaching of the blessed Gospel of Christ. They have introduced the consideration of the subject in this Council, and manifest the most commendable desire to do all that they can, to accomplish this important duty.

It is evident that in the parishes of our cities and towns, there has been experienced the blessing of our Heavenly Father in the encouraging increase of additions to the communion and of enlargement of attendance on the services of the Church, and of the need

of more church accommodation.

A similar increase of spiritual blessing and of external interest,

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is also reported by the representatives of the country churches, in which regular ministrations have been maintained.

Our hearts have been gladdened by the access of our beloved and most welcome Assistant Bishop, and by the prospect of being henceforth more frequently cheered and strengthened by Episcopal visitations.

By a review of these various indications of returning prosperity to our beloved Church, our own hearts have been cheered, and we think that, without exaggeration, we may encourage our brethren to trust that a revival of spiritual feeling, of interest in the Church of their fathers, and of general prosperity, both spiritual and material, has commenced, which we earnestly pray may be carried on by the blessing of the Holy Spirit, and may result in the salvation of many precious souls.

In our inspection of the present condition of the Church in our Diocese, the chief difficulty in the way of her advancement, which meets the view of your Committee, is the discontinuance of services in many churches formerly blessed with our holy worship, and the preached word of God. This state of things, as we all know, resulted from the breaking up of the congregations during the war, the removal of many families, and the improverishment of those which remain. In that part of the Diocese west of the Alleghanies, also, there are many situations which have never been occupied, where congregations might successfully be built up. the scattered families of our people in these desolated regions of the eastern portion of the Diocese, and of the unoccupied parts of the western, are long discouraged by abandonment, they may be permanently lost to the Church. How shall this difficulty be met. We venture to suggest the adoption, as in each case one or other of them may be advisable, of all the modes of supply which have been recommended, viz: lay-reading, occasional services by the clergy of the towns and cities, and especially by the appointment of evangelists, who shall itinerate, each over a considerable district of country, and preach, administer the sacraments, and visit, and cheer the hearts of these sheep left without a shepherd, and thus keep them in the fold to which they belong, and whose nurture they prefer.

Your Committee are painfully impressed with the need of a more extensive and active lay-agency in the operations of our Church. Too much is left to the minister. He cannot know all the distress which exists, or visit all the sufferers who are languishing, and needing sympathy, instruction and prayer. He cannot visit all those who by such kind attention may be led to attend the worship

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of the Church. By lay-reading, by prayer, and exhortation on proper occasions, by visiting the sick and destitute, by judicious pious conversation, and by various other means, zealous laymen may do much good and greatly aid in extending the salutary influence of the Church. By such exertion they might do much to counteract the injurious effects of a destitution of ministerial services in the unoccupied portions of the Diocese. We recommend the parish ministers to invite the active cooperation of the laity of their parishes in their parochial work. And we earnestly appeal to the pious men and women of the congregations to heed this solemn call.

Commending our beloved Church to the protection and blessing of its Divine Head, we respectfully submit this report of the impressions made on our minds by the best information we could gain of the present state of the Church in the Diocese of Virginia.

Wm. Norwood, Chairman.

Mr. D. L. Powell offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Council are due and are hereby tendered to the several Bailroads, Canal and Stage companies, that have so liberally and courteously furnished free tickets to our Clerical and Lay Delegates in returning to their homes.

Rev. W. L. Hyland moved to adjourn after religious exercise. The motion was carried.

The members united in singing the "Gloria in Excelsis," after which prayer was offered by the Bishop, with the benediction, and the Convention adjourned sine die.

T. GRAYSON DASHIELL, Secretary.

W. W. GREENE, Assistant Secretary.

APPENDIX.

TREASURER'S, PARCICHIAL,

AND

Secretary's Reports.

1868.

Tressurer's Accounts

· AMOUNT RECEIVED

After the printing of the Journal of 1867, but which was included in Treasurer's Report to Council, at Lynchburg, May 29th, 1868:

July Aug.	13.	Roanoke, St. John's	3	00
_	22 .	Gloucester, Ware and Abingdon	1	00
Aug. Aug. Sept.	29 .	Orange, L. B. Williams Charlotte, Cornwall Roanoke, St. John's	19	00 00
Nov.	13.	Gloucester, Abingdon and Ware Orange, St. Thomas'	8	00 00
Dec.		Kanawha, St. Luke's		00
1868				
Apl.	14.	Cumberland, Grace Church	5	00
		·	212	00

H. E. C. BASKERVILL, Treasurer

Treasurer's Accoounts.

THE CONTINGENT FUND OF THE DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA

1866.			1
Dec. 17.	To paid Bishop Johns' Salary	625	ď
1867.			1
Feb. 20.	To paid Bishop's travelling expenses	58	25
" 20,	To paid Rev. T. G. Dashiell on account expenses attending		- 1
	publishing and mailing Journal, 1865 and 1866	10	60
April 17.	To paid Rev. T. G. Dashiell, expenses connected with express-		
	ing and mailing Journal and cash per vouchers	76	
Feb. 8.	To paid Bishop Johns' salary	62 5	- 4
May 15.	To paid Rev G. H. Norton, Secretary, postage, &c.,	-	45
May 15. June 6.	To paid Rev. C. W. Andrews' travelling expenses To paid Rev. T. G. Dashiell for printing and mailing Canons	16 90	
June 1.	To paid Bishop Johns' salary	625	
44 1.	To paid Bishop Johns' travelling expenses	69	
June 6.	To paid Rev. T. G. Dashiell for services as Secretary	300	
June 11.	To paid Rev. G. H. Norton for printing envelopes and stamps.		75
July. 6.	To paid Printing and advance for expenses of Council	365	
Aug. 6.	To paid Bishop Johns' salary	750	86
" 6.	To paid Bishop Johns' travelling expenses	38	50
Nov. 11.	To paid Bishop Johns' salary	750	00
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PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ALBEMARLE COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, FREDERICKSVILLE PARISH.

Postoffice—Charlottesville, Va.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 9. Communicants: Formerly reported, 151; added, white, 21; total, 172; removed, 17; died, 5; total, 22; present number, 150. Marriages: White, 7; colored, 1; total, 5. Funerals: White, 9. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 12; scholars, white, 65; total, 77.

The Rev. R. K. Meade having resigned his charge, this Parish is now without a Rector.

BUCK MOUNTAIN CHURCH, FREDERICKSVILLE PARISH.

Rev. D. C. T. DAVIS, Rector.

Postoffice—Charlottesville, Virginia.

Communicants: Added, white, 3; removed, 2; present number, 11. Marriages: White, 1; colored, 1; total, 2. Contributions, \$5.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, FREDERICKSVILLE PARISH.

Rev. Wm. M. Nelson, Rector.

Postoffice-Ivy Depot.

Baptisms: Infants, 8. Communicants: Formerly reported, 27; added, white, 6; total, 33; removed, 4; withdrawn, 1; died, 1;

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total, 6; present number, 27. Marriages: White, 7; colored, 2; total, 9. Funerals White, 2. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$41.57; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$20; total contributions, \$66.57.

The Rector would gratefully record an increased interest felt in our Church, as evinced by the subscription of \$1,300 to remove St. Paul's church to Ivy Depot, and the liberal donation by one of the friends of the church of a lot for the erection of the church, and the offer by the same gentleman, on favorable terms, of sufficient land adjoining for a cemetery and other church purposes. The Rector therefore hopes that under the blessing of a gracious God, this church is about to enter upon a new career of usefulness. St. Paul's Sunday School having, with the Rector's consent, temporarily removed to the Methodist church, no report is made of the same.

GRACE CHURCH, WALKER'S PARISH.

Rev. E. Boyden, Rector.

Postoffice—Cobham, Virginia.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 4. Communicants: Formerly reported, 50; added, white, 4; died, 1; present number, 48. Marriages: White, 1; colored, 1; total, 2. Funerals: White, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 10; scholars, white, about 30. Contributions: Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$60.50.

CHRIST CHURCH, ST. ANNE'S PARISH.

Rev. S. Ridout, Rector.

Postoffice—Scottsville, Virginia.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 11. Communicants: Formerly reported, 31; added, white, 10; total, 41; removed, 3; present number, 58. Marriages: White, 1; colored, 1; total, 2. Funerals: White,

Parochial Reports: Alexandria County.

1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 2; scholars, white, 15; total, 17. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$129.93; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$158.98; total contributions, \$288.91.

In addition to the foregoing, I would report that monthly services have been held in Buckingham county, and that on the 16th July, 1867, the Bishop visited and confirmed five persons in the little free Church there in which our services have been held—communicants ten. I have also conducted services regularly in Scottsville, on the afternoons of three Sundays in the month, except during the winter and spring. And also at Howardsville monthly.

ALEXANDRIA COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ALEXANDRIA COUNTY.

Rev. G. H. Norton, Rector.

Postoffice—Alexandria.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 6; infants, white, 18; total, 24. Communicants: Formerly reported, 138; present number, 165. Confirmed: White, 17. Marriages: White, 2. Funerals: White, 7. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 29; scholars, white, 200; total, 229. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses; Old Church debt, \$270: Church improvement, 415; Alms, Parish school, Sunday school, 476; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, convocation mission, 105; Diocesan missions, 65; aid to public Parishes, 100; contingent fund, 165; total contributions, \$1596.

A Parish School of 68 children has been successfully at work during the past year. The Ladies' Sewing Society and Mite Society have raised by their exertions during the year, for different Parochial objects, \$634.28. The congregation has increased considerably—among those reported as confirmed are four boys attending the High school.

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GRACE CHURCH, FAIRFAX PARISH.

Rev. D. F. Sprigg, Rector.

Postoffice-Alexandria, Virginia.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 19; colored, 2; total, 21. Communicants: Formerly reported, 66; added, white, 14; total, 80, removed, 3; died, 3; total 6; present number, 74. Confirmed: White, 12. Marriages: White, 2. Funerals: White, 13; colored, 1; total, 14. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 18; scholars, white, (average attendance) 75; total, 93. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—for Sunday and Parish schools, &c., about \$210; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Diocesan Missions and extension of Church, about \$350; objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—for poor, orphans, &c., about \$200; total contributions, \$760.

CHRIST CHURCH, FAIRFAX PARISH.

Rev. R. H. McKim, Rector.

Postoffice—Alexandria, Virginia.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 4; infants, white, 21. Communicants: Formerly reported, 165; present number 201. Confirmed: White, 28. Marriages: White, 4. Funerals, 2. Sunday Schools: Officers and teachers, 27; scholars, white, 202; total 229. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, Alms to the poor, \$206.63; Sunday schools, \$132.69; Parish schools, \$106.14; Church debt, \$145.39; Church repairs and alterations, \$219.50; unappropriated, \$10.59; total, \$820.94; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, Foreign Missions, \$27.50; Diocesan Missions, \$101.50; Education society, \$175; Contingent fund, \$200; total, 504; objects not in connection with the Protestant Epicopal Church, Southern relief, \$104.07; total contributions, \$1429.01.

I assumed charge of Christ Church, November 24th last. The above list of contributions includes \$160, contributed before my connection with it commenced. The Parish School organized so

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happily by my predecessor is, I am happy to say, in successful operation, under the conduct of an efficient corps of voluntary teachers. There is also a night school for boys, recently organized, which promises well.

AMELIA COUNTY.

GRUB HILL CHURCH, RALEIGH PARISH.

Rev. P. F. BERKELEY, Rector.

Postoffice—Chula.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 2. Communicants: Added, white, 6; removed, 1; died, 1; present number, 36. Confirmed, 8; 2 from other cures. Marriages: White, 2, colored, 4; total, 6. Funerals: White, 4; colored, 1. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$153.15; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, Diocesan Missions, \$35; total contributions, \$186.15.

The Rector is thankful to be able to report the condition of the Parishes under his care more hopeful, as indicated by a more energetic and definite action in relation to the support of the Gospel at home, and the preservation and improvement of the church buildings. He is also much pleased with and encouraged by the inter- \ est taken, in one of the Parishes in Lay Reading, in the Sunday School and Bible class. For the sums raised and appropriated to the improvement of the churches, much is due to the pious purpose and earnest efforts of the ladies within and some kind friends out of the Parishes. Whilst so much is properly to be said of our state, it ought not to be concealed that the condition of almost every one, without regard to their means of living and of procuring money, is exceedingly embarrassed which does in many ways seriously affect the church. That God will be pleased to bring out of it an increase of true religion among us, may well be the humble and fervent prayer of all.

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AMHERST COUNTY.

ST. MARK'S AND ASCENSION CHURCHES, LEXINGTON PARISH.

Rev. GEO. A. SMITH, Rector.

Postoffice-Alexandria, Fairfax, Va.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 6. Communicants: Formerly reported, 59; added, white, 3; removed, 2; present number, 58.

Remarks.—The communicants reported include those of St. Luke's on Pedlar in which no regular services have been held for many years, and the distance to the nearest church is too great to permit their attendance elsewhere—probably not more than half the communicants reported attend the services of the Church or contribute to its support. The quota for the contingent fund is therefore small, and no collections have been made for other objects.

AUGUSTA COUNTY.

BOYDEN CHAPEL.

Rev. J. C. WHEAT, Rector.

Postoffice—Staunton.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, 10; removed, 1; present number, 9. Marriages: White, 1; colored, 1; total 2.

During the past year, I have been engaged in the performance of duty as Vice President of the Virginia Female Institute,—have also officiated regularly at Boyden Chapel every two weeks.

BATH COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, WARM SPRINGS PARISH.

Rev. R. H. MASON, Rector.

Postoffice-Warm Springs.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 6. Communicants: Added, white, 1; died, 1; present number, 14. Mar-

Parochial Reports: Bedford.

riages: Colored, 6. Funerals: White, 5. Sunday Schools:—Teachers, 6; scholars, white, 13; colored, about 28. Contributions, \$45.83.

This Parish is struggling with many difficulties; but we hope to exhibit greater strength and prosperity in the coming summer.

In addition to the above, I would report from Union, Monroe county, Missionary station: Visited every fourth Sunday; Baptisms: Adult, white, 1; infants, white, 1; colored, 1. Communicants: Added, 7; present number, 20. Sunday School: Teachers, about 8; scholars, about 40.

Lewisburg, Greenbrier county, Missionary station: Visited every fourth Tuesday. Communicants, 4. If this place could have services regularly on the Lord's day, it would doubtless exhibit a very encouraging field for the Church.

BEDFORD COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HEBER PARISH.

Rev. J. A. WHARTON, Rector.

Postoffice-Liberty.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 6. Communicants: Formerly reported, 94; added, white, 13: removed, 10; withdrawn, 1; present number, 96. Confirmed: White, 9. Marriages: White, 2. Funerals: White 3. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 9; scholars, white, 50; total 59. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$500; for Sunday Books, \$20; for Diocesan Missions, \$30; for repairing church and church furniture, \$175; by the Ladies' Sewing Society, \$100; total contributions, \$825.

TRINITY CHURCH, RUSSELL PARISH.

Rev. W. H. PENDLETON, Rector.

Postoffice-Forest Depot.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Present number, 16. Funerals: White, 1. Contributions: Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$25.92.

Parochial Reports: Berkeley.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, HAMNER PARISH.

Rev. W. H. PENDLETON, Rector.

Postoffice—Forest Depot.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 6. Communicants: Present number, 40. Confirmed: White, 4. Marriages: White, 9; colored, 2; total, 10. Funerals: White, 3. Contributions: Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$105.

BERKELEY COUNTY. .

TRINITY CHURCH, NORBORNE PARISH.

Rev. Wm. D. Hanson, Rector.

Postoffice—Martinsburg, West Virginia.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 6; colored, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, 54; added, white, 5; removed 5; present number, 54. Marriages: White, 4; colored, 11; total, 15. Funerals: 6. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 18; scholars, white, 100; total, 118. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$10; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$80.80; total contributions, \$90.80.

MOUNT ZION CHURCH, NORBORNE PARISH.

Postoffice -- Martinsburg.

Rev. Mr. Mackenheimer who has had charge of the Parish about four months, has been obliged to resign on account of his ill health. He sent in his resignation the 2nd of March, and as yet we have been unable to obtain a successor. During our late Convocation, several of the Ministers agreed with us, in thinking it would be more desirable and add more to the interest of our Church, to have a Rectory in this place. Rev. Dr. Andrews mentioned it to the congregation and liberal contributions were made, and we have reason

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to hope we shall soon be able to purchase a Rectory; have also given Rev. William Pendleton a call; should he not accept, I hope you will assist us in procuring a Pastor.

Most respectfully yours, G. Wynkoor, Sen. Warden.

BOTETOURT COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, WOODVILLE PARISH.

Rev. WALTER HULLIHEN, Rector.

Postoffice-Fincastle, Va.

Communicants: Died, 2; present number, 29. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 7; scholars, 23; total, 30.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH.

Rev. Walter Hullihen, Rector.

Postoffice—Fincastle, Va.

Communicants: Present number, 36. Sunday Schools, 2; Superintendents, 2; teachers, 10; scholars, white, 46; total, 58. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, (in money or its equivalent) \$293; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$32.80; total contributions, \$313.80.

The above report is only for the last six months. St. Mark's Church, Fincastle, had been without a Rector for more than two years, when I took charge of the Parish, November 1st, 1867.

CAMPBELL COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LYNCHBURG PARISH.

Rev. HENDERSON SUTER, Rector.

Postoffice-Lynchburg.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3; infants, white, 22. Communicants: Formerly reported, 207; added, white, 4; total, 211; died, 1; present number, 210. Marriages: White, 5. Funerals: White, 6. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 20; scholars, white, 120; total, 140.

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Contributions: Communion Alms, \$437; for Parish School, \$203; for Sunday School Library, \$75.45; for repairs on Church, \$242.97; Lent offerings, \$124.92; Private donations, \$235.50; for Sunday School Paper, \$40; for Virginia Bible Society, \$36.25; by Parish Aid Society, \$175; Contingent fund, \$206; total from St.Paul's, \$1,777.09. From Grace Church as per report of Rev. Mr. Grammer, attached, \$912.71; total from the Parish of Lynchburg, \$2,689.80.

The present Rector took charge of St. Paul's church on the 14th of July, 1867, and the report now made extends from that time only. Accompanying this report is that of Rev. Mr. Grammer, who has charge of Grace Church, which as yet, is not a distinct Parish. Connected with St. Paul's church is a Parish school in successful operation and numbering about forty scholars. From this school, one scholar selected by the Rector for diligence and meritorious conduct, has been placed at the Female Academy under the charge of Mrs. Robert Brown, and through her kindness, educated free of cost.

GRACE CHURCH, LYNCHBURG PARISH.

Rev. J. GRAMMER, Acting Rector.

Postoffice-Lynchburg.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 2. Marriages: White, 2. Funerals: White, 3. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 8; scholars, white, 54; total, 62. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$882.71; for Sunday School, \$56.84; Communion Alms, \$41,65; Lent offerings, \$6.37; Church repairs and improvements, \$602.85; Ladies' Aid Society, \$75; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$30; for Convocation Missions, \$30; total contributions, \$912.71.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

ST. PETER'S AND GRACE CHURCHES, ST. MARY'S PARISH.

Rev. WILLIAM FRIEND, Rector.

Postoffice-Port Royal.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 7. Communicants: Formerly reported, 54; added, white, 4; total, 58; removed, 3;

Parochial Reports: Caroline-Charlotte.

died, 1; present number, 54. Confirmed: White, 4. Marriages: White, 7; colored, 5; total, 12. Funerals: White, 5.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH, ST. MARGARET'S PARISH.

Rev. Wm. W. GREENE, Rector.

Postoffice—Lewis' Store.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 3. Communicants: Formerly reported, 29; added, 2; total, 31; died, 2; present number, 29. Funerals: White, 1. Contributions: Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Contingent fund, \$15.50; convocation fund, \$36; total, \$51.50.

We hope soon to revive the Sunday School at this Church. The amount reported as contributed to the convocation fund was given in connection with my churches in Spottsylvania. I still hold services at Rehoboth, and have recently commenced holding missionary services at Bowling Green.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, CORNWALL PARISH.

Since October last, Cornwall Parish has been without a Rector, and the Church has remained closed. The morning service is read by Thomas T. Bouldin every Sunday at his own house, with a few of the neighbors and the children of the Sunday School, which is conducted at the same place. The number of scholars is 22.

Since the last Council I find by reference to the Parish Register, kept by the Rev. J. A. Mitchell, our late Rector, there have been: Baptisms, 6; confirmations, 8. Marriages; white, 1; colored, 2; deaths, 4; removals, 4. Communion Alms, \$27.19; other church contributions, \$33.08; total, \$60.27.

THOMAS T. BOULDIN, Church Warden, Cornwall Parish.

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CHESTERFIELD COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, DALE PARISH.

Rev. A. B. TIZZARD, Rector.

Postoffice-Winterpock.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, 23; added, 4; present number, 27. Confirmed: White, 2. Marriages: White, 1; colored, 3; total, 4. Funerals: White, 3; colored, 4; total, 7. Contributions, \$25.

CLARKE COUNTY.

GRACE CHURCH, CLARKE PARISH.

Rev. T. F. MARTIN, Rector.

Postoffice—Berryville.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 5. Communicants: Formerly reported, 124; added, white, 17; total, 141; removed, 10; withdrawn, 1; died, 2; present number, 128. Confirmed: White, 21. Marriages: White, 1); colored, 6; total, 25. Funerals: White, 10. Schools: Teachers, 11; scholars, white, 45; total, 56. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses-Sunday School Grace Church, 48.16; purchase of gown and surplice, \$77; communion alms, \$114.89; repairs of parsonage, fences, &c., \$125.35; total, \$365 40; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church-Contingent fund, \$128; Education Society of Virginia, \$55: Diocesan Missions, \$53.77; Valley Convocation, \$43.21; Bishop Wilmer's Orphan Asylum, Alabama, \$200; total, \$479.98; Objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church: Southern sufferers, \$32.50; by Dime Association for Southern sufferers, \$50; by Dime Association for other objects, \$80; total, \$162.50; total contributions, \$1.007.88.

CHRIST CHURCH, CUNNINGHAM CHAPEL PARISH.

Rev. Joseph R. Jones, Rector.

Postoffice—Millwood.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 5; total, 5. Communicants: Formerly reported, 58; added, white, 14; total, 72;

Parochial Reports: Clarke-Culpeper.

removed, 2; withdrawn, 2: died, 1; present number, 67. Confirmed: White, 13. Marriages: white, 3; colored, 5; total, 8. Funerals: White, 6. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 8; scholars, white, 45; total, 53. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—Contingent fund, \$67; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopai Church—Communion collections \$40; Sunday School collections. \$8.20; Convocation Missionary work, \$41.50; Objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$15; total contributions, \$172.70.

WICKLILFFE CHURCH, WICKLIFFE PARISH.

Rev. Wm. T. LEAVELL, Rector.

Postoffice-Rippon, Jefferson County.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 3; colored, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, 25; a lded, white, 5; removed, 1; present number, 29. Confirmed: white, 6. Marriages: white, 3; colored, 2. Funerals: white, 3; colored, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 5; scholars, white, 25; total, 30. Contributions: Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—For Diocesan Missions, \$26.70; Convocation Missionary fund, \$40; Education Society to C. F. Leo, \$40; Objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—For Orphan Asylum at Mobile, under care of Rt. Rev. R. H. Wilmer, \$67; total, \$173.70.

The Rector would thankfully report to the Council an increased interest in the congregation committed to his charge, manifested in devout attendance upon the services of the church, and in an enlarged benevolence and charity towards the destitute, evinced in their liberal offerings. May we all increase more and more in such liberality.

CULPEPER COUNTY.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, ST. MARK'S PARISH.

Rev. JNO. COLE, Rector.

Postoffice-Culpeper Courthouse, Virginia.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 7; infants, white, 5. Communicants: Formerly reported, 59; added, whites, 21; total, 80; removed, 7;

Parochial Reports : Culpeper.

died, 3; total 10; present number, 70. Confirmed: White, 12. Marriages: White, 6; colored, 1; total, 7. Funerals: White, 8. Sunday Schools: Superintendent, 1; assistant, 1; teachers, 11; scholars, white, 60. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$50; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$177.90; objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$50; total contribution, \$277.90.

The contributions for the purposes specified in the foregoing report are really as nothing compared with what they should be, considering that three years have passed since the war, and that there are now 70 communicants belonging to St. Stephen's church, and that God has been most gracious to us, in permitting us again to worship, as we were wont to do in other days, and in a church better fitted for worship, and in every way more comfortable than the old one, and above all, that he has visited us with the outpouring of his Holy Spirit and blessed us with the refreshings of his grace. But St. Stephen's, is a poor congregation, and a very poor one. always was so, and stripped as it was during the war, of all means of usefulness and of almost all means of subsistance, it is not after all so wonderful that there should now be an almost universal struggle in the whole community to take care of poor, perishing bodies, which have always been far more cared for than the immortal souls which inhabit them. Another year will show whether past deficiences have been the result of a want of ability, or a want of inclination. I am well persuaded that no congregation can really grow in spiritual life that does not give, as God bestowed upon it, means of giving towards the spread of the Gospel, and especially to the support of the Ministry within itself. When people calling themselves Christians turn their thoughts first upon being restored to their former condition and bend all their efforts in that direction, putting themselves first and God and the interests of immortal souls second, we may justly expect his frown and curse upon their attempts. Nothing but spiritual death, and all that as Christians we should dread, ought to be looked for. May God save us from this terrible calamity.

Parochial Reports: Culpeper-Cumberland.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

Rev. Jno. Cole, Rector.

Postoffice-Culpeper Courthouse, Virginia.

Communicants: Died, 2; present number, white, 16; colored, 1; total, 17.

St. Paul's church was one of the twenty-one churches that were destroyed during the war by the Northern army. That small, though noble congregation, for a portion of the year 1866, worshipped in a portion of a private house, which was so greatly injured by the same cause, as not to be habitable. By the generosity, however, of a wealthy gentleman, a Virginian by birth, and a New Yorker by residence, a sufficient sum was given to rebuild the church, and put it again in a comfortable condition for public worship—so that we are again restored to our Sanctuary home; and with grateful emotions unite our hearts and voices in praise and thanksgivings to the God of all grace and mercy. My own poor health, last year and this, up to within a month, has prevented me from ascertaining with accuracy the exact condition of the congregation, the church being ten miles from my house, though in general it is as sad as it can well be. There are now but 16 communicants, and the whole population is reduced, all from comfort and some from affluence to the most straitened circumstances. We delight not to dwell on the sad memories of the past and we forbear to recur to them any further.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, LEIGHTON PARISH.

Rev. John D. Powell, Rector.

Postoffice-Powhatan C. H.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 4. Communicants: Added, from other cures, 2; removed, 1; present number, 21. Marriages, white, 1 in Rivanna Parish. Contributions—Communion Alms, \$15.18; Contingent fund, \$13; total, \$28.18.

Parochial Reports: Elizabeth City-Essex.

ELIZABETH CITY COUNTY.

CENTURION CHURCH, ELIZABETH CITY PARISH.

Rev. MARK L. CHEVERS, Rector.

Postoffice—Old Point.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 9. Communicants: Formerly reported, 10, added, white, 16; removed, 1; present number, 25. Marriages: white, 5. Funerals: white, 13. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 9; scholars, white, 55; total, 64. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$119.19; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Foreign and Domestic Missions, \$20; Diocesan Missions, of which \$10 to Treasurer, \$35; Evangelical Knowledge Society, \$10; Diocesan or contingent fund, \$25; total, \$209.19.

ESSEX COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S AND ST. JOHN'S CHURCHES, SOUTH FARNHAM PARISH.

Rev. H. W. L. TEMPLE, Rector.

Postoffice-Miller's Tavern.

Baptisms; Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 10. Communicants: Formerly reported, 83; added, white, 4; removed, 6; died, 1; present number, 80. Marriages: white, 4; colored, 2. Funerals: white, 3. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 10; scholars, white, 50; total, 60. Contributions: Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, Diocesan missions \$21.80; Diocesan missions in connection with convocations, \$116.57; objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, Bible Society of Virginia, about \$80; Sufferers at South, about \$105; total, contributions, \$323.37.

Parochial Reports: Fairfax.

FAIRFAX COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, TRURO PARISH.

Rev. W. A. Alrich, Rector.

Postoffice—Fairfax Courthouse, Virginia.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 5. Communicants: Formerly reported, 11; removed, 2; present number, 9. Marriages: white, 2; colored, 1. Contributions: Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Missionary fund of Piedmont convocation, \$4.26; Contingent fund, \$9; total contributions, \$13.26.

St. John's Church was burnt during the war. We have commenced to rebuild, and hope to complete it during the coming summer.

ZION CHURCH, TRURO PARISH.

Rev. W. A. ALRICH, Rector.

Postoffice-Fairfax Courthouse, Virginia.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 3. Communicants: Formerly reported, 18; added, white, 7; removed, 1; error in former report, (owing to Register being lost during the war,) 4; present number, 20. Marriages: white, 2. Funerals: white, 2. Contributions: Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Missionary fund of Piedmont convocation, \$4.06; Contingent fund, \$20; total contributions, \$24.06.

Having no church building, our Sunday school, although under the charge of a communicant of the Church, is not strictly Episcopalian. It is in a flourishing condition. We have commenced the rebuilding of the church, destroyed during the war, and hope to complete it during the coming summer. Parochial Reports: Fauquier.

FAUQUIER COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, MEADE PARISH.

Rev. O. A. Kinsolving, Rector.

Postoffice-Middleburg, Loudoun, Va.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 15. Communicants: Formerly reported, 35; added, white, 8; removed, 6; withdrawn, 2; suspended, 1; died, 1; present number, 33. Confirmed: white, 8. Marriages: white, 1. Funerals: white, 2. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, \$65; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$25; total contributions, \$90.

LEED'S CHURCH, LEED'S PARISH.

Postoffice-Markham Station, Virginia.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 8. Communicants: Added, white, 1; removed, 5; died, 1; present number, 47. Marriages: white, 3; colored, 3. Funerals, 2. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 20; scholars, 65; total, 85. Contributions: Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$98.84.

It is proper to remark, that since the Rector left the 30th of October, 1867, no collections have been made, and that grain was contributed in the Parish to Southern sufferers, to the amount of three or four hundred dollars during the year 1867.

All of which is respectfully submitted:

T. M. Ambler, Senior Warden, Leed's Parish.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, HAMILTON PARISH.

Rev. James R. Hubard, Rector.

Postoffice-Warrenton.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3; colored, 1; infants, white, 5; colored, 3. Confirmed: white, 10. Communicants: Formerly reported,

Parochial Reports: Fauquier.

108; present number, white, 125; colored, 5; total, 130. Marriages: white, 4; colored, 2. Funerals: white, 8; colored, 2. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 15; scholars, 80; total, 95. Total contributions, \$470.53.

GRACE CHURCH, PIEDMONT PARISH.

Rev. John McGill, Rector.

Postoffice—Broad Run Station, O., A. and M. R. R.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, 28; added, white, 9; removed, 6; present number, 31. Marriages: white, 2; colored, 1. Funerals: white, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 10; scholars, white, 90; total, 100. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$169.92; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$33.40; objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$16.50; total contributions, \$219.82.

The ladies of Grace Church have organized two societies (the Industrial and the Mite) and have conducted them with great skill. They have now in hand, as the result of their zealous efforts, largely over two hundred dollars.

The ladies of Trinity Church have also two societies, and although few in number they have likewise accomplished much.

TRINITY CHURCH, PIEDMONT PARISH.

Rev. John McGill, Rector.

Postoffice-Broad Run Station, O., A. and M. R. R.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3. Communicants: Formerly reported, 12; added, white, 5; present number, 17. Marriages: white, 1; colored, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 4; scholars, white, 24; colored, 28; total, 56. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$6.33; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$16.26; Objects not in connec-

Parochisi Reports: Fluvanna-Franklin.

tion with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$9; total contributions, \$31.59.

FLUVANNA COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, RIVANNA PARISH.

Rev. S. C. Roberts, Rector.

Postoffice—Columbia.

Cummunicants: Added, white, 2; removed, 8; present number, 34. Marriages*: white, 1. Funerals: white, 2. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 6; scholars, white, 27; total, 33. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$10.50.

I entered upon my duties as Rector of this Parish, (on the first Sunday after Easter,) April 19th, 1868. It had been, with the exception of a few months, deprived of the services of a Rector, since the resignation of its former much esteemed Rector, Rev. R. R. Mason. It has consequently suffered in many respects. But we trust, through God's grace, attending the regular services of our Church, to see it in time recover at least a measure of its former prosperity.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, FRANKLIN PARISH.

Rev. John R. Lee, Rector.

Postoffice—Martinsville, Henry county, Virginia.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 7; colored, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, 12; added, white, 1; died, 1; present number, 12. Confirmed: white, 2. Contributions: Contingent fund, \$12.

^{*}Rev. J. D. Powell, officiated.

Parochial Reports: Frederick-Gloucester.

, FREDERICK COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, FREDERICK PARISH.

Rev. W. C. MEREDITH, Rector.

Postoffice—Winchester.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 8. Communicants: Formerly reported, 137; added, white, 17; removed, 14; withdrawn, 1; died, 4; present number, 135. Marriages: white, 3. Funerals: white, 8. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 19; scholars, white, 118; total, 137. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, for the benefit of the Sunday School, \$51.71; from teachers and children for the same purpose, \$79.20; Communion Alms, \$36.76; to repairs to the Church and Rectory, \$1731.29; by the ladies for Church carpet, \$175; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, Missions within the bounds of the Valley convocation, \$91.61; Diocesan Missions, \$10; Contingent fund, \$135; total contributions, \$2,310.57.

A class awaiting confirmation that have not been admitted to communion; no Episcopal visit for more than two years. It is proper to state that for \$800 of the amount reported for Church repairs, we are indebted to the generosity of persons without the Parish.

GLOUCESTER COUNTY.

WARE CHURCH, WARE PARISH.

Rev. Chas. Mann, Rector.

Postoffice—Gloucester Courthouse, Virginia.

Communicants: Added, white, 2; present number, 35. Marriages, white, 5; colored, 9. Funerals, 2. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses.—Repairs on church, \$100; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$14; total contributions, \$114.

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This is the first report of Ware as a separate Parish, hence questions cannot be separately answered. There were no confirmations last year. The population is too sparse for Sunday Schools, and all efforts to organize them have failed.

Ware and Abingdon Parishes in Gloucester have been united for many years; it has, however, been considered expedient to dissolve this connection, and as I remain Rector of Ware, my report is made

of the state of that Parish only.

At the suggestion of Bishop Johns, the ladies have made many improvements in the Church, adding greatly to the comfort of the congregation and to the appearance of the interior of the building. The sum collected may seem small, but is liberal when estimated by the present ability of the congregation. No part of the Diocese will recover from the effects of the war more slowly than this. The depression is felt most painfully in all our church affairs-hence, this once wealthy and liberal congregation can now with difficulty provide a salary of less than \$250 for the support of the minister. By the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Wyman, of Baltimore, we have had presented to us a handsome communion table, and by the Christian efforts of Mrs. Brooks, of New York, aided by the Rev. Mr. Dunsford, we have been furnished with a handsome stone font, whilst, through a young lady of the congregation, another friend has given us two large and beautiful stoves. The value of these gifts has been largely increased by the Christian spirit of the donors. We desire thus to record our grateful sense of our obligations to Whether the Parishes will be able to maintain a separate existence is, at least, doubtful; should they be able to do so, the interests of the Church must in many ways be largely increased.

GREENSVILLE COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, MEHERRIN PARISH.

Rev. H. S. KEPLER, Rector.

Postoffice—Chester, Chesterfield county, Va.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 5. Communicants: Added, white, 8: removed, 3; died, 1; present number, 24. Confirmed: white, 3. Marriages: white, 2; Funerals: white, 1; colored, 5.

The above report extends to the 1st of January, when I was

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compelled, by the want of funds to pay the fare on the Railroads, to discontinue my services to this Church. I am not without hope that some arrangement may yet be made to enable me to resume them. Not having access to the Church Register, I am unable to report further.

During the past year I have been officiating as Rector of Christ Church, Greensville county, and as a Missionary to Manchester, Chesterfield county. My engagement at Christ church ceased at Christmas, since which time I have devoted the alternate Sunday as opportunity presented, to preaching at private houses in the county, to such families as live within walking distance, who since the war have been entirely cut off from the services of our Church. At one of these services it was truly gratifying to find that one of the young ladies of the family had a formed a class, or classes, of some eighteen or twenty of the children of the neighborhood, whom she instructed every Sunday morning. After the second lesson I had the happiness of baptising her, and three of the children. Might not other young ladies, in neighborhoods similarly situated, go and do likewise?

As far as health and weather have permitted, I have preached every alternate Sunday at Manchester. The congregation is very small and we cannot expect it to grow much until better accommodations can be provided. The work of building moves on slowly. We have nearly funds enough to pay for a lot, which will be immediately secured. We shall then need about \$1,200 to erect the edifice. But how this sum is to be obtained in these days I know not, unless it should please the Great Head of the Church to revive the love and zeal of Apostolic days, "when in a great trial of affliction, the abundance of their joy, and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality."

In addition to my regular Sunday services, I have performed the following occasional services in Manchester and the county:

Baptized: Adults, white, 4; infants, white, 7. Marriages: white, 1; colored, 2 Funerals: white, 2.

This Church is without a Rector, Rev. H. S. Kepler having resigned the charge of it last January. His report will show the state of the Parish up to that time as well as to the present. Since the first Sunday in April, I have been holding Lay service twice a month to tolerable good congregations; \$25 have been forwarded to the Treasurer of the contingent fund.

R. G. MONTGOMERY, Lay Reader.

Parochial Reports: Halifax-Hanover.

HALIFAX COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ANTRIM PARISH.

Rev. Albert R. Walker, Rector.

Postoffice—Halifax Courthouse, Virginia.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3; infants, white, 9. Communicants: Formerly reported, 99; added, white, 18; colored, 6; removed, 7; died, 1; present number, 115. Confirmed: white, 14. Marriages: white, 5; colored, 5. Funerals: white, 4. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 12; scholars, white, 50; total, 62. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$450; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$40; objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$12; total contributions, \$502.

This report embraces the time that has passed since the early part of December last, at which date I took charge of the Parish. It comprises besides those performed by the Rector, several official acts by the previous Rector and several also by the Rev. John Grammer.

HANOVER COUNTY.

FORK AND TRINITY CHURCHES, ST. MARTIN'S PARISH.

Rev. ISAAC GIBSON, Rector.

Postoffice—Verdon.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1; colored 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, 66; added, white, 4; total, 70; removed; 6, withdrawn, 3; died, 1; present number, 60. Marriages: White, 4; colored, 4. Funerals, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 15; scholars, white, 50; colored, 80; total, 145. Contributions: Diocesan Missions, \$22; China Missions, \$6.50; Contingent fund, \$55; total contributions, \$93.50.

Parochial Reports: Hanover-Harrison.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

Postoffice-Qld Church, Virginia.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, 20; removed, 1; died, 1; present number, 18. Marriages: white, 1; Funerals: white, 1. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$80; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Children's Missionary box for Domestic Missions, \$7.65; Contingent fund, \$15; total contributions, \$102.65.

There being no Rector of this Parish, and not being able to get at the Records, the report is made out from memory.

Thos. H. Kinney, Warden.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

Postoffice-Old Church.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: removed, 2; present number, 40. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 6; scholars, white, 40; total, 46.

HARRISON COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, CLARKSBURG PARISH.

Rev. D. H. GREER, Rector.

Postoffice—Clarksburg, W. Va.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 8; infants, white, 2. Communicants: Removed, 4; withdrawn, 1; present number, 37. Confirmed: White, 18. Funerals: White, 3. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 14; scholars, white, 180; total, 144. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$686; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$100; objects not

Parochial Reports: Henrico.

in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$35; total contributions, \$821.

The foregoing report indicates pretty accurately the spiritual progress of the Parish during the past year, and also its present spiritual status. As another indication, however, of the interest that prevails, not included in the regular report, I would add the following statement. Our church building for several years past, owing principally to neglect and abuse during the war, has been very much out of repair. During the last year steps have been taken towards thoroughly refitting and repairing it, and with but very little assistance from without, and without resorting to any other means than voluntary subscription, the church has been almost entirely renovated and renewed from turret to foundation stone.

HENRICO COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HENRICO PARISH.

Rev. WILLIAM NORWOOD, Rector.

Postoffice—Richmond.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 4; colored, 1; infants, white, 10. Communicants: Formerly reported, 111; added, white, 20; removed, 14; suspended, 2; died, 2; present number, 113. Confirmed: white, 19. Marriages, white, 4; colored, 1. Funerals: white, 4; colored, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 18; scholars, white, 120; total, 138. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$30.25; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$341.79; total contributions, \$372.04.

The difficulty in the way of increasing the congregation of St-John's Church is the constant removals to Shockoe Hill. The population is moving towards the western end of the city. As proof of this, there were twenty added to the communion during the last year, and there was a decrease of eighteen, of whom fourteen removed, nearly all of them to Shockoe Hill from Church Hill. Still the attendance is increased, and also the number of families.

Parochial Reports: Henrico.

MONUMENTAL CHURCH, HENRICO PARISH.

Rev. GEO. WOODBRIDGE, Rector.

Postoffice—Richmond.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3; infants, white, 19. Communicants: Formerly reported, 204; added, white, 34; removed, 24; died, 6; present number, 208. Confirmed: white, 18. Marriages: white, 14; Funerals: white, 18; colored, 4. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 26; scholars, white, 150; total, 176. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, Communion Alms, \$350; Collections for Church purposes, \$1300; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Diocesan Missions, \$70.10; Contingent fund of the Diocese, \$206; collections for churches, in the Diocese, \$87; other collections, \$150; Objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Bible Society of Virginia, \$59; total contributions, \$2,222.10.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, HENRICO PARISH.

Rev. J. PETERKIN, Rector.

Postoffice—Richmond.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 8; infants, white, 35. Communicants: Formerly reported, 288; added, white, 46; removed, 34; present number, 300. Confirmed: white, 34. Marriages: white, 9. Funerals: white, 29; colored, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 26; scholars, white, 150; total 176. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$1,050; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$750; Objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$178.40; total, \$2,078.40.

Our Parish School has about forty girls in regular attendance. Our Sunday School is diminished, in some degree, by the establishment of other Schools in the same district—in connection with which some of our most active members are zealously engaged. The children of the congregation are regularly catechized on the last Sunday of every month.

Parochial Reports: Henrico.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MENRICO PARISH.

Rev. Charles Minnigerode, Rector.

Postoffice—Richmond.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 11; infants, white, 24. Communicants: Formerly reported, \$75; added, white, 61; removed, 48; died, 8; present number, 380. Confirmed: white, 35. Marriages: white, 18. Funerals: white, 15. Sunday Schools: Superintendents, 2; Librarian, 1; teachers, 27; reserve corp of teachers, 12; scholars, white, 170; average attendance, 155; total, 212. Contributions: Church Home, by monthly contributions, \$1,100; Donations, \$875; Ladies' Sewing Society, \$360; Ladies' by Fair, \$700; Quarterly Missionary collections, \$405; Offerings, \$969.17; Sunday School, (since December, 1868) \$102.33; Bible Society, \$71.46; Diocesan fund, \$380; total contributions, \$5,750.96.

The Rector takes pleasure in reporting a healthy state of the Parish. The large number of removals is the result of a thorough revision of the list of actual communicants. The Sunday School has greatly improved both in number, organization and efficiency. The Church Home contains at present 17 female orphans.

GRACE CHURCH, HENRICO PARISH.

Rev. F. M. BAKER, Rector.

Postoffice-Richmond, Virginia.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 6; infants, white, 11. Communicants: Added, white, 3; withdrawn, 1; removed, 7; died, 2; present number, 88. Confirmed: white, 19. Marriages: white, 2. Funerals: 12. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 21; scholars, white, 130; total, 151. Contributions: objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$694; not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$47.35; total contributions, \$741.35.

The increase of this Church seems to be retarded by the unhappy condition of the country.

Parochial Reports: Henrico-Henry.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, HENRICO PARISH.

Rev. RICHARD T. DAVIS, Rector.

Postoffice—Richmond, Va., Box 445.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 4. Communicants: Formerly reported, 41, added, white, 18; removed, 1; died, 1; present number, 57. Confirmed: white, 18. Marriages: white, 4; colored, 5. Funerals: white, 6. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 10; scholars, white, 61; total, 71. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—Communion Alms, \$82.67; apparatus for heating the Church, \$55; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, for Sunday School extension, \$12.52; total contributions, \$150.19.

It is proper to remark that of the eighteen reported added to the number of communicants, during the past year, four came from other Parishes to reside in this neighborhood.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, HENRICO PARISH.

Rev. T. G. DASHIELL, Rector.

Postoffice—Richmond, Va.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 9; infants, white, 26. Communicants: Formerly reported, 50; added, white, 37; removed, 10; present number, 77. Confirmed: white, 23. Marriages: white, 4; colored, 2. Funerals: white, 15; colored, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 40; scholars, white, 354; total, 394. Total contributions, \$364.

HENRY COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, PATRICK PARISH.

Rev. Jno. R. Lee, Rector.

Postoffice—Martinsville, Virginia.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, 19; added, white, 9; removed, 2; present number, 26. Confirmed:

Parochial Reports: Jackson-Jefferson.

white, 8. Marriages: white, 4; colored, 2; total, 6. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$5; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$50; Contingent fund, \$26; total contributions, \$81.

JACKSON COUNTY.

GRACE CHURCH, RAVENSWOOD PARISH.

Rev. Horace E. Hayden, Rector.

Postoffice—Ravenswood, W. Va.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 4. Communicants: Formerly reported, 18; added, white, 2; removed, 1; withdrawn, 3; suspended, 1; died, 1; present number, 14. Confirmed, White, 2. Funerals, White, 1. Sunday School: Teachers, 5; scholars, white, 30; total, 35. Contributions: Sunday School to foreign missions, \$2.55. Southern sufferers, \$12.75; total, \$15.30.

This report covers a period of only nine months.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, ST. ANDREW'S PARISH.

Rev. C. W. Andrews, Rector.

Postoffice—Shepherdstown.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 4; infants, white, 9; colored, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, 65; added, white, 19, colored, 2; total, 86; removed, 7; withdrawn, 1, died, 3; present number, 75. Confirmed: White, 11. Marriages: White, 3; colored, 2. Funerals: White, 4; colored, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 12; scholars, white, 50. Contributions: Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$200; objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Southern Relief, \$200; total contributions, \$400.

Parochial Reports: Kanawha.

ZION CHURCH, ST. ANDREW'S PARISH.

Rev. Wm. H. MEADE, Rector.

Postoffice—Charlestown.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 15. Communicants: Formerly reported, 120; Added, white, 15; colored, 1; removed, 7; died, 2; present number, 127. Marriages, white, 3; colored, 1. Funerals: White, 11. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 15; scholars, white, 65; total, 80. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—Communion Alms, \$169.50; miscellaneous, \$504.58; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Valley missions, \$63; foreign missions, \$8.12; Theological Seminary, \$5; Objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Easter offering for Southern sufferers, \$116.11; Sunday School Easter offering for Southern sufferers, \$65.39; total contributions, 931.70.

The number of communicants was inaccurately reported to the last Council.

KANAWHA COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, KANAWHA PARISH.

Rev. Joseph A. Nock, Rector.

Postoffice—Kanawha C. H.

Baptisms; Adults, white, 14; infants, white, 22. Communicants: Formerly reported, 60; added, white, 23; removed, 7; died, 2; present number, 74. Confirmed: white, 31. Funerals: white, 6. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 21; scholars, white, 120; total, 141. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—Repairs to church, organ, &c., \$700; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Communion Alms, &c., \$44.63; Missions, &c., \$200; Sunday School and incidental expenses of church, \$345; objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Sufferers in the South, \$120; total contributions, \$1409.63.

Parochial Reports: Kanawha.

As there was no minister of this Parish for the years 1866-7, no report was made to the last Council. I have embraced in the above the statistics for the period, commencing May 1st, 1866, and end-

ing May 1st, 1868—two years.

St. Luke's Church, Malden, was formerly reported along with reports from St. John's, the same minister officiating in both; but that church organized as a separate Parish in April, 1867, elected a Vestry, and took some measures to rebuild their church, with a view to the call of a minister. They paid an amount of one dollar upon each of their communicants last November, which they forwarded to the Treasurer of the Council. Whether they continued their organization by a new election of vestrymen on Easter Monday last has not been made known to this Parish; but having no minister, nor any services at all, we presume they did not. What steps, if any, are being taken towards a building we do not know. Here is an important point for a missionary, and it is sincerely hoped that of the class which shall be ordained this summer, some one of them can be sent to Malden, to minister there (where there is a goodly number of communicants) and at two other points in the vicinity-Cannelton and Coalburgh. It is not at all probable that Malden will become, at the present time, a self-supporting Parish: but if a suitable man could be found, a very good support from our people there, at Cannelton, Coalburgh, and Peytona, on Coal River, would be made, and once they erect a church, Malden itself would support a minister.

A more lengthy and elaborate statement, prepared by the junior warden of St. John's, accompanies this paper, which I lay before the Council, and which I trust will receive its consideration, and, as a matter of history for future reference, may be published along

with this report.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BANGOR PARISH.

Rev. Wm. G. Stewart, Rector.

Postoffice—Coalsmouth.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 12. Communicants: Added, white, 2; present number, 39. Confirmed, 12. Marriages: white, 4. Funerals: white, 3. Sunday Schools; Teachers, 14; scholars, white, 71; total, 85. Contributions: Objects within the

Parochial Reports: Louiss-Loudoun.

Parish, not including regular expenses, \$160; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Contingent fund, \$12.50; Diocesan Missions Society, \$2.25; total contributions, \$174.75.

This Parish was without a minister from the outbreak of the war in 1861. The Church was occupied by soldiers the whole time and left with nothing but the roof and walls. The rectory was burnt. I took charge of the Parish in July, 1867, since which time by the assistance of our friends in Pittsburg, Penn., and in Louisville, Ky., the church has been repaired and furnished, and a bell placed in the cupola. The rectory has been rebuilt from the proceeds of the sale of land bequeathed by a lady in the Parish. At six places in the Kanawha Valley, and within twenty miles of Coalsmouth, the people are anxious for the services of our Church, and they are willing to contribute towards the support of a missionary. At two of these, Sunday Schools have been established and the Prayer Book is in use.

LOUISA COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, GREEN SPRING PARISH.

Rev. E. BOYDEN, Rector.

Postoffice—Cobham.

Communicants: Formerly reported, 15; added, white, [2, died, 1; present number, 16. Contributions, \$75.

LOUDOUN COUNTY.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, SHELBOURNE PARISH.

Postoffice—Leesburg.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 12; colored, 2; infants, white, 27; colored, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, 161; added, whites,

Parochial Reports: Loudoun-Marion.

58; colored, 2; removed, 29; died, 2; present number, 250. Confirmed: white, 57; colored, 3. Marriages: white, 12. Funerals: 11. Sunday Schools: Teachers and officers, 28; scholars, white, 100; colored, 6; total, 134. Contributions, \$2,108.

The within report is for ten months. We are at present without a Rector, which will account for the within imperfect report. .

One dollar sent by colored communicant.

THOMAS H. CLAGETT, Sr. Warden.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, JOHN'S PARISH.

Rev. O. A. Kinsolving, Rector.

Postoffice—Middleburg, Va.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, 20; added, white, 7; removed, 3; suspended, 1; died, 1; present number, 26. Confirmed: white, 4. Marriages: white, 2; colored, 1. Funerals: white, 2. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 8; scholars, white, 40; total, 48. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$25; Contingent fund, \$25; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$50; total contributions, \$100.

MARION COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Rev. J. F. Woods, Rector.

Postoffice—Clarksburg, West Virginia.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 7; infants, white, 3. Communicants: Formerly reported, 12; present number, 22. Confirmations: white, 10. Marriages: white, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, white, 6; colored, 6; scholars, white, 50; colored, 45; total, 107. Contributions: Contingent fund, \$22; Diocesan Missions, \$17.30; total, \$39.30.

This Parish has a fund of \$600 for parsonage.

Parochial Reports: Marshall-Mason.

MARSHALL COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, TRINITY PARISH.

Rev. J. F. Woods, Rector.

Postoffice - Moundsville.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 3. Communicants: Formerly reported, 21 added, white, 4; removed, 1; suspended, 1; present number, 23. Confirmed: white, 2. Marriages: white, 3. Funerals, 3. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 10; scholars, white, 53; total, 63. Contributions: Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Foreign Missions, \$5; Diocesan Missions, \$15.30; Objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—American Bible Society, \$2; total contributions, \$22.30.

MASON COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, POINT PLEASANT PARISH.

Rev. HORACE E. HAYDEN, Rector.

Postoffice—Point Pleasant.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 11; infants, white, 17. Communicants: on taking charge the number of communicants were, 11; added, white, 14; removed, 1; present number, 23. Confirmed: white, 9. Marriages: white, 2. Funerals; white, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 8; scholars, white, 80; total, 88. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—For Church building, including lot valued at \$500, \$2,200; For Cabinet Organ, \$175; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Diocesan Missionary fund, \$5.75; American Ch. Missionary Society, \$5.58; Western convocation fund, \$15; Sunday School collections, one dollar per week, for Foreign Missions, \$13.50; Objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Southern sufferers, \$8.35; Communion Alms, \$38.96: Council fund, \$15; total contributions, \$2,477.14.

This Parish was not organized until July 20, 1867. This report therefore does not extend back beyond that date.

Parochial Reports: Mecklenburg-Nansemond.

MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, ST. JAMES' PARISH.

Postoffice—Clarksville.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 5; colored, 4. Communicants: Suspended, 1. Confirmed: white, 1. Marriages: white, 4; colored, 1. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$9.10; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Diocesan Missions, St. James', \$20; Diocesan Missions, St. Andrew's, \$7.50; total contributions, \$36.60.

Reported by Rev. GEO. W. EASTER, who resigned the rectorship October 1st, 1867.

ST. LUKE'S AND ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCHES, ST. LUKE'S PARISH.

Postoffice—Clarksville.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 3. Communicants: Added, 5. Confirmed: white, 6. Marriages: white, 1. Funerals: white, 1.—Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$5.50; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Diocesan Mission, St. Luke's, \$21.40; Diocesan Mission, St. Timothy's, \$18.65; total contributious, \$45.55.

Reported by Rev. GEO. W. EASTER, who resigned the rectorship October 1st, 1867.

NANSEMOND COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, UPPER SUFFOLK PARISH.

Rev. GEO. W. EASTER, Rector.

Postoffice-Suffolk, Va.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Present number, 31. Marriages: white, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 5; scholars,

Parochial Reports: Norfolk City.

white, 15; total, 20. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—Communion Alms, \$21.45; Offerings (for general purposes) \$16.11; total contributions, \$37.56.

This report dates only from January 1st, 1868, at which time I became Rector of the Parish.

ST. JOHN'S AND GLEBE CHURCHES, LOWER SUFFOLK PARISH.

Rev. GEO. W. EASTER, Rector.

Postoffice—Suffolk, Va.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 2. Communicants: Present number, 11. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—Communion Alms, \$14.51.

This report dates from January 1st, 1868, at which time I became Rector of the Parish.

NORFOLK CITY.

CHRIST CHURCH, NORFOLK PARISH.

Rev. O. S. BARTEN, Rector.

Postoffice—Norfolk.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 11; colored, 1; infants, white, 80; colored, 3. Communicants: Formerly reported, 420; added, white, 80; colored, 3; removed, 22; died, 16; present number, 465.—Confirmed: white, 59: colored, 1. Marriages: white, 11. Funerals: white, 34; colored, 3. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 46; scholars, 334; total, 380. Contributions: Communion Alms, \$340; Education Society, \$100; For the Poor, special, \$350; Parish Missions, \$800; Jackson Orphan Asylum, \$700; Convocation, \$300; Church in Harrisonburg, \$103; Sunday School collections, \$250; Ladies' Sewing Society, \$520; Sunday collections for church purposes, \$400; Contingent fund, \$439; total contributions, \$4,802.

Parochial Reports: Norfolk County.

In addition to the above, the Rector reports the successful operations of the Parish school—present number of scholars 98—with one teacher in charge and eight assistants. The families of these children are regularly visited and many of them have become regular attendants upon the church—some have lately been confirmed. A noble field for missionary work has thus been opened. May God send us men and means to operate more successfully.

Also a Sewing School on Saturdays with twenty-five children

taught by the young ladies of the Parish.

A beginning has also been made with a Church Guild to operate more especially among the young men of the Parish.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORFOLK CITY.

Rev. N. A. OKESON, Rector.

Postoffice-Norfolk.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 20; infants, white, 34. Communicants: Present number, 205. Confirmed: white, 41; colored, 1. Marriages: white, 8. Funerals: white, 31. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 34; scholars, white, 180; total, 214. Contributions: \$1,670.

NORFOLK COUNTY.

TRINITY CHRUCH, PORTSMOUTH PARISH.

Rev. J. H. WINGFIELD, Rector.

Rev. J. H. D. WINGFIELD, Assistant Rector.

Postoffice—Portsmouth.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 8; colored, 1; infants, white, 22. Communicants: Formerly reported, 110; added, white, 12; colored, 1; removed, 14; withdrawn, 12; died, 5; present number, 92. Confirmed: white, 11. Marriages: white, 6; colored, 1. Funerals: white, 23 colored, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 18; scholars, white, 91 total, 162. Contributions: To various objects within the Parish,

Parochial Reports: Nelson-Northampton.

not including regular expenses, \$203; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Aged and infirm clergy, \$28.90; Domestic Missions, \$52.40: Theological Seminary, \$30.35; Convocation Missions, \$40; Contingent fund, 91; total contributions, \$445.65.

NELSON COUNTY.

NELSON PARISH.

Rev. EDMUND WITHERS, Rector.

Postoffice-Norwood, Va.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 8. Communicants: Formerly reported, 54; added, white, 15; present number, 69. Marriages: white, 2; colored, 2. Funerals, white, 5. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 18; scholars, white, 91; total, 106. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$215; Objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$120; total contributions, \$335.

This report embraces a period of eight months only, from the time of my taking charge of this Parish in September last.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

HUNGARS AND CHRIST CHURCH, HUNGARS PARISH.

Rev. C. Colton, D. D., Rector.

Postoffice-Eastville, Va.

Baptisms: Infants, 2. Communicants: white, 64. Confirmed: (no visitation since April, 1863.) Marriages: white, 3. Funerals: white, 3. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class: Teachers, 8; scholars, white, 45. Contributions: Chiefly to objects within the Parish—the Education and Missionary work of the Diocese, and to sufferers of the Diocese of South Carolina.

Candidates for Orders: 2.

Parochial Reports: Ohio.

OHIO COUNTY.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, WHEELING PARISH.

Rev. C. G. CURRIE, Rector.

Postoffice-Wheeling, W. Va.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 4. Communicants: Present number, 200. Confirmed: White, 7. Funerals, white, 3. Sunday Schools: Scholars, white, 300.

I have been in charge of this Parish only since Easter last. The contributions of the congregation, not only towards the building of their new church, but for other purposes, have been quite large, but during the vacancy of the rectorship regular accounts have not been kept.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ST. JOHN'S PARISH.

Rev. W. Bryce Morrow, Rector.

Postoffice—Wheeling, W. Va.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3; infants, white, 7. Communicants: Died, 1; present number, 53. Confirmed: White, 15; Funerals; white, 6. Catechumens: The childeren of the Parish; Catechist: Rector. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—Communion Alms, \$107.13; Chancel Books and ministerial habit, \$108; Silver vessels for the Holy Communion, \$166; Church building fund, \$11,066.44; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopai Church—Diocesan missions, \$22; Aged and infirm clergy fund, \$14; New York Church Mission to the Jews, \$7.75; House of Mercy, New York, \$17.08; Orphans' Home of Industry, Iowa, \$22.20; Contingent fund, \$48; total, \$11,578.60.

In the winter of '63-64 the old edifice of St. John's congregation, together with the lot, situated on South Main street, was sold, and the Parish became disorganized. In October, 1866, St. John's Parish was revived, and a well-situated lot (60x120), on Market street, Centre Wheeling, was bought, with the purpose of erecting Parochial Reports: Orange.

a new church. Some time before this the rectory had been sold for \$5,000, which was put into the building fund. On Trinity Sunday, 1867, the present Rector took charge of the Parish, since which time Divine service has been holden continuously in the U.S. Court room, situated in St. Matthew's Parish, by the good will of that congregation. On August 22d, 1867, the foundation-stone was laid for a massive stone church, in the style of architecture known as the perpendicular Gothic. The architect and superintendent is Mr. J. S. Fairfax of this city. There has been already expended on the building \$11,066.44. The ultimate cost will be about \$17,000. It is expected that the new church will be finished in about six weeks from this date, and before the close of the summer free from debt and ready for consecration.

As respects the number of communicants, the present report includes those only who communicate regularly. Many more come occasionally to the Holy Table and attend the services, of whom no account is taken, because they have not formally signified to the Pastor their wish to be accounted members of this Parish. When the new church is entered, our numbers will doubtless be much stronger.

ORANGE COUNTY.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, ST. THOMAS' PARISH.

Rev. THEO. M. CARSON, Rector.

Postoffice—Orange C. H.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3; infants, white, 6. Communicants: Formerly reported, 83; added, white, 19; removed, 3; died, 1; present number, 97. Confirmed: White, 20. Marriages: White, 3; colored, 7. Funerals: White, 3. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 6; scholars, white, 32; total 38. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—Towards liquidating debt on rectory, \$510; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Diocesan missions, \$60; Convocation Missions, \$24.30; contingent fund, \$101; total contributions, \$695.30.

Parochial Reports: Petersburg.

PETERSBURG.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BRISTOL PARISH.

Rev. J. H. D. WINGFIELD, Rector.

Postoffice—Petersburg.

Communicants: Formerly reported, 301; removed, 45; died, 18; present number, 239. Confirmed: white, 12. Marriages: white, 2. Funerals: white, 19. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 35; scholars, white, 214; colored, 30; total, 279. Contributions: Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Theological Seminary, \$22.82.

The undersigned having very recently entered upon his duties, is unable to present a full report of the results of Parochial work during the past year. The above statement is as near correct as can be gathered from the Parish register.

GRACE CHURCH, BRISTOL PARISH.

Rev. C. J. Gibson, Rector.

Postoffice—Petersburg, Virginia.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 20; colored, 2; infants, white, 98; colored, 7. Communicants: Formerly reported, 371; added, white, 54; colored, 8; removed, 15; withdrawn, 3; died, 6; present number, 409. Confirmed: white, 40; colored, 5. Marriages: white, 36; colored, 36. Funerals: white, 93; colored, 3. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 54; scholars, white, 360; colored, 125; total, 539. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—Mission Chapel, \$350; Mission School, \$20; Communion Alms, \$227.65; Church Building, \$1500; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Theological Seminary, \$25; Education Society, \$25; Diocesan Missionary Society, \$15; Convocation Missionary, \$45; total contributions, \$2,207.65.

The Rector is thankful to be able to report an increase of activity and zeal among a portion of the communicants in this Parish.

Parochial Reports: Pittsylvania-Powhatan.

Within the past year, in connection with some of those of St Paul's church, they have sustained a flourishing Missionary enterprise in the Western part of the city. A Sunday School of more than one hundred scholars has been vigorously maintained. A chapel, capable of seating three hundred people has been begun, and workday services also, at present held in a rented room.

A Parochial day school has been organized with fifty scholars, and is kept up by the Missionary zeal and self-denial of the ladies of both congregations. Since the war ended, about \$5,500 worth of work has been put upon our church building, for which we have paid as yet only \$3,500. "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us," and

in Him will we trust.

PITTSYLVANIA COUNTY.

EPIPHANY CHURCH, CAMDEN PARISH.

Rev. GEO. W. DAME, Rector.

Postoffice—Danville.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3; infants, white, 5. Communicants: Formerly reported, 50; added, white, 11; removed, 5; withdrawn, 1; died, 2; present number, 53. Confirmed: white, 6. Marriages: colored, 1. Funerals: white, 4. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 7; scholars, white, 40; total, 47. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$247.80; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$25; total contributions, \$272.80.

POWHATAN COUNTY.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, POWHATAN PARISH.

Rev. Lewis Walke, Rector.

Postoffice-Sublett's Tavern, Virginia.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 6. Communicants: Added, white, 8; removed, 2; died, 1; present number, 53. Confirmed: white, 10. Marriages: white, 2; colored, 7. Funerals;

Parochist Reports: Powhatan.

white, 8. Contributions: Communion Alms, \$64.42; Diocesan Missions, \$38.25; South Carolina sufferers, \$25; Contingent fund, \$53; total, \$180.67.

GRACE CHURCH, GENITO PARISH.

Rev. P. F. BERKELEY, Rector.

Postoffice—Chula.

Communicants: Added, white, 4; removed, 1, present number, 27. Confirmed: white, 4. Contributions: Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Diocesan Missions, \$10.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, ST. JAMES', SOUTHAM PARISH.

Rev. J. D. Powell, Rector.

Postoffice—Powhatan Courthouse, Va.

Baptisms: added, white, 1; infants, white, 5. Communicants: Added, white, 7; removed, 4; died, 1; present number, 31. Confirmed: white, 7. Marriages: colored 1. Funerals, white, 2. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—For Repairs of Parish Church, about \$120; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Communion Alms, \$39.62; Contingent fund, \$29; Diocesan Missions, \$15.95; total contributions, \$204.57.

MANIKINTOWN CHURCH, KING WILLIAM PARISH.

Rev. A. B. Tizzard, Rector.

Postoffice—Winterpock, Chesterfield, Va.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, 18; added, 3; died, 1; present number, 20. Confirmed, 3. Marriages: colored, 2. Funerals, white, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 6; scholars, 30. Contributions, \$66.24.

Parochial Reports: Prince Edward-Prince George-Prince William.

PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY.

WILMER PARISH AND ST. PETER'S CHURCH, TILLOTSON PARISH, BUCKINGHAM CO.

Rev. John S. Hansborough, Rector.

Postoffice—Farmville.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 2. Communicants: Added, white, 6; removed, 1; died, 2; present number, 45. Confirmed, 6. Marriages: white, 1; colored, 1. Funerals: white, 2. Sunday Schools; Teachers, 5; scholars, white, 20; total, 25.

PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY.

BRANDON AND GRACE CHURCHES.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 3; colored, 1. Communicants: white, 40; colored, 1. Marriages; white, 7; colored, 12. Funerals: white, 10; colored, 5. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 1; scholars, 10. Contributions; Communion Offerings, \$30.

W. M. OSBORNE, Warden.

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, LEED'S PARISH.

Rev. W. A. ALRICH, Rector.

Postoffice—Fairfax Courthouse, Va.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 14. Communicants: Formerly reported, 30; added, white, 12; removed, 4; present number, 38. Confirmed: white, 9. Marriages: white, 1; colored 2. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 8; scholars, white, 36; total, 44. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—Repairing church, \$105.34; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Missionary Fund of Piedmont

Parochial Reports: Rappahannock.

convocation, \$22.16; Contingent fund, \$38; total contributions, \$165.50.

St. Paul's Church, which was, during the late war, partially destroyed, has been repaired during the past year, and service was held within its time-honored and hallowed walls for the first time on Sunday, September 1, 1867.

RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BLOOMFIELD PARISH.

Rev. R. T. Brown, Rector.

Postoffice—Woodville.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 1. Communicants: Added, white, 5; removed, 5; present number, 14. Marriages, white, 1; colored, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 5; scholars, colored, 40; total, 45. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$20.

The church edifice at this place was much injured during the war. We hope to have it neatly enclosed and repaired during the year. The congregation is feeble and much scattered, but the attendance upon the services is quite good. A large colored Sanday School has lately been established, which promises to be useful. Through many difficulties and trials we are sustained by some manifest tokens of the Divine blessing.

TRINITY CHURCH, BLOOMFIELD PARISH.

Rev. R. T. Brown, Rector.

Postoffice—Woodville.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 2. Communicants: Removed, 1; withdrawn, 2; suspended, 1; present number, 17. Marriages: white, 2; colored, 1. Funerals: White, 3. Contributions, \$25.

The church edifice at this point is a beautiful structure, and

Parochial Reports: Richmond-Roanoke.

having escaped injury during the war, is in a fine state of preservation. The congregations are remarkably good, and considerable interest is taken in our services. Through the kindness of a gentleman of the congregation, an excellent cabinet organ has been secured, and the music of the church has been greatly improved.

RICHMOND COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LUNENBURG PARISH.

Rev. Andrew Fisher, Rector.

Postoffice—Warsaw.

Communicants: Removed, 8; present number, 31. Marriages: White, 1; colored, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 5; scholars, white, 25; total, 30. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$35; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$40; total contributions, \$75.

ROANOKE COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S AND ST. PAUL'S CHURCHES, SALEM PARISH.

Bev. Edward H. Ingle, Rector.

Postoffice-Big Lick.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 4; infants, white, 16. Communicants: Formerly reported, 43; added, white, 23; removed, 17; withdrawn, 1; ordained, 1; died, 2; present number, 45. Confirmed: white, 21. Marriages: white, 1; colored, 5. Funerals: white, 3; colored, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 6; scholars, white, 26; total, 32. Contributions: Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$183.06.

The above report embraces a period of two years. During the first six months of that time the Parish was under the care of the Rev. P. Tinsley; for ten months it was vacant, and during the past eight months the present Rector has been in charge.

Parochial Reports: Rockbridge—Rockingham.

ROCKBRIDGE COUNTY.

GRACE CHURCH, LATIMER PARISH.

Rev. W. N. Pendleton, D. D., Rector.

Postoffice—Lexington.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 2; infants, white, 6. Communicants: Formerly reported, 98; added, white, 25; removed, 16; died, 2; present number, 105. Confirmed, white, 28. Marriages: white, 2. Funerals: white, 7. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 10; scholars, white, 40; total, 50. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—To cancel old parsonage debt, \$600; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Contingent fund convocation S. W. Va., \$55.00; Missionary work, convocation S. W. Va., \$100; suffering churches in South Carolina, \$25; Objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Raised by the little girls of the congregation by a Fair, to aid sufferers at the South, \$210; contribution to Virginia Bible Society, \$20; total contributions, \$1010.

The variations in this Parish are explained by the fact that from year to year changes occur in certain of the teachers and students attached to the two literary institutions. Hence the number of communicants reported as removed, and hence, in part, the considerable number also reported as added. On the whole, the condition of the congregation is encouraging.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.

ROCKINGHAM PARISH.

Rev. T. U. Dudley, Rector.

Postoffice—Harrisonburg.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 3; infants, white, 8. Communicants: Formerly reported, 26; added, white, 21; removed, 1; present number, 46. Confirmed, white, 18. Marriages: white, 2. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 18; scholars, white, 132; total, 150.

Parochial Reports: Smythe-Spottsylvania.

Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—Communion alms, \$7.65; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Contingent fund, \$46; total contributions, \$53.65.

The confirmation in this Parish during the past year was held by Bishop Johns immediately after the session of the Council at Staunton. The candidates then presented were the fruit of the labours of the Rev. H. A. Wise, who had but recently resigned the charge of the Parish. I was sent to minister here in October last, and have good cause to be encouraged in my work. A successful effort has been made to collect funds for the purpose of building a church, and the work will be commenced, it is hoped, by the 1st of July. It is proper to state that the members of the church, and other liberal citizens of the town, have contributed to the full of their power to this object, though naturally the larger part of the amount collected has come from friends abroad.

SMYTHE COUNTY.

MARION.

Rev. F. D. Goodwyn, Missionary. Postoffice—Wytheville.

Baptisms: Infants, white 3. Communicants: Formerly reported, 6. Confirmed: white, 1.

During the past year the services of the church have been performed regularly once a month in Marion. Having no building of our own, the Presbyterian church has been kindly offered, and the attendance is very encouraging. Frequently ours being the only service in the village, the congregations are large, and the prayer book is used by numbers who seem to feel an interest in our worship.

SPOTTSYLVANIA COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Rev. Wm. W. GREENE, Rector.

Postoffice—Lewis' Store.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, 16; added, white, 2; died, 1; present number, 17. Confirmed:

Parochial Reports: Spottsylvania.

white, 1. Marriages, colored, 1. Funerals, white, 1. Contributions; Objects within the Parish, \$12.93; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Contingent fund, \$13.35; total, \$26.28.

The Sunday School at this church will, I expect, be soon in operation again. Of the number reported as confirmed, one was of the St. John's and another of the St. Margaret's congregation.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BERKELEY PARISH.

Rev. Wm. W. Greene, Rector.

Postoffice—Lewis' Store.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 3. Communicants: Formerly reported, 17; died, 1; present number, 16. Marriages, white, 5. Funerals, white, 2. Contributions: Contingent fund, \$5.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, ST. GEORGE'S PARISH.

Rev. MAGRUDER MAURY, Rector.

Postoffice—Fredericksburg.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 4; infants, white, 12. Communicants: Formerly reported, 272; added, white, 24; removed, 3; died, 3; present number, 290. Confirmed: White, 21. Marriages, white, 9. Funerals, white, 18. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 25; scholars, white, 125; total, 150. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$654.91; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$886.28; objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$258; total, \$1779.19.

In order to develop the Christian zeal of our people and to extend the instruction of our church to many who would not otherwise be reached by it, a female parish school was organized last January, which has ever since been in successful operation. It numbers about one hundred and ten scholars, who are taught daily by some forty ladies of the congregation, who devote one week in six to this work. There was also a night school for boys during the winter months, which was taught by some thirty gentlemen.

Parochial Reports: Stafford-Warren.

STAFFORD COUNTY.

AQUIA CHURCH, OVERWHARTON PARISH.

Rev. J. M. MEREDITH, Rector.

Postoffice—Garrisonville.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 5; infants, white, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, 36, added, white, 21; removed, 1; present number, 56. Confirmed: white, 31; colored, 1. Marriages: white, 2; colored, 1. Funerals: white, 2. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 20; scholars, white, 140; total, 160. Contributions: objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Diocesan fund, \$25; Diocesan missions, \$20; total contributions, \$45.

The Rector is still cheered by the steady and lively interest in the concerns of personal religion manifested by the Parish, and the increase of membership continues unabated. The Bishop's visit awakened increased earnestness, and a class of nine candidates, still increasing, were prevented by sickness and other causes from meeting the Bishop, and still await confirmation. I hope it will suit our beloved Diocesan to give us a visitation this year. My candidates anxiously await him.

WARREN COUNTY.

CALVARY CHURCH.

Rev. Robert M. Baker, Rector.

Postoffice—Front Royal.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 6. Communicants: Formerly reported, 18.; added, white, 12; present number, 30. Contributions: Repairing church, about \$200.

The present Rector took charge of Calvary and St. Thomas' churches about the first of last April. The congregations had been without regular services for nearly two years. The present report covers that interval of time, as far as information has been obtain-

Parochial Reports: Washington.

ed. The Sunday School of St. Thomas' church is not a denominational one, but embraces teachers and scholars of several Evangelical churches, and is superintended by an intelligent and efficient Episcopalian.

· ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, ST. THOMAS' PARISH, FREDERICK COUNTY.

Rev. Robert M. Baker, Rector.

Postoffice-Front Royal.

Baptisms: Adults, colored, 2; infants, colored, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported 19; added white, 3; removed, 3; died, 1; present number, 18. Confirmed: white, 2. Funerals: white 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 11; scholars, white, 68; total, 79. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—Repairing church, about \$800; Rector's travelling expenses to Council, \$12; total, \$812.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, HOLSTON PARISH.

Rev. L. B. WHARTON, Rector.

Postoffice—Abingdon.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 4. Communicants: Formerly reported, 37; added, white, 10; removed, 6; withdrawn, (erroneously reported last year.) 2; present number, 39. Confirmed: white, 6. Marriages: white, 5; colored, 1. Funerals: white, 4. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 9; scholars, white, 50. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—Church repairs, \$46; Communion Alms, \$142.30; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Foreign Missions, \$15; Diocesan Missions, \$16; Convocation S. W. Va., \$30; Objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Bible Society, \$5.25; total contributions, \$254.55.

When my last report was made I had recently taken charge and

Parochial Reports: Westmoreland.

therefore an error occurred in stating the number of communicants. In addition to the Sunday School we have a Parish school with forty-five scholars.

EMMANUEL CHURCH.

Postoffice-Bristol, Tenn.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 2. Communicants: Formerly reported, 21; added, white, 2; removed, 12; died, 2; present number, 9. Confirmed: white, 2. Funerals: white, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 5; scholars, white, 14; total, 19. Conbutions, \$9.

This Parish is at present without a Rector.

W. B. WILLIAMS. Warden.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON PARISH.

Rev. T. E. Locke, Rector.

Postoffice—Oak Grove, Virginia.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 4. Communicants: Formerly reported, 25; added, white, 2; removed, 1; present number, 26. Marriages: white, 10; colored, 5. Funerals: white, 4. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses—For Repairs of Church, \$200; objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—For Domestic Missionary, \$16.28; Convocation, \$20.80; total contributions, \$237.08.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, MONTROSS PARISH.

Rev. D. M. WHARTON, Rector.

Postoffice—Montross.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, 10; added, white, 2; present number, 12. Marriages: white,

Parochial Reports: Wood-Wythe.

10; colored, 2. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 4; scholars, white, 20; total, 24. Contributions: Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$37.50; Objects not in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$25; total, \$92.50.

The Rector has very recently taken charge of Cople Parish in this county, but makes no report of its condition, as he presumes that will be done by the Rector who preceded him.

WOOD COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, TRINITY PARISH.

Rev. W. L. HYLAND, Rector.

Postoffice—Parkersburg.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 5; infants, white, 11. Communicants: Formerly reported, 64; added, white, 12; removed, 12; present number, 64. Confirmed: white, 11. Marriages: white, 7. Funerals: white, 2. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 14; scholars, white, 105; total, 119. Contributions: Objects within the Parish, not including regular expenses, \$300; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$300; total, \$600.

WYTHE COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WYTHE PARISH.

Rev. Chas. P. Rodefer, Rector.

Postoffice—Wytheville.

Baptisms: Infants, white, 3. Communicants: Formerly reported, 43; added, white, 14; removed, white, 7; colored, 2; died, 1; present number, 47. Confirmed, White, 11. Marriages: white, 5. Funerals: white, 1. Sunday Schools: Teachers, 9; scholars, white, 67; total, 76. Contributions: Objects within the Parish—

Parochial Reports: Wythe.

Sunday School books \$5.72; Alms, \$15.21; Christmas Gifts for children of the church, \$25; Objects in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church—Diocesan Missions, \$18; Convocation of S. W. Virginia, \$43.75; Foreign Missions, \$10.16; Contingent fund, \$47; total, \$164.84.

During the past two years this Church has made a successful effort to sustain itself without help from the Diocese; but owing to the late removal of several important contributors, and still more, to a lack of the spirit and practice of Christianity, i. e., self-sacrifice, among those who remain, the Vestry have made application to the Diocesan Missionary Committee for aid during the year that is just begun. Aside from this relapse into the old way of depending upon foreign assistance for the support of its Rector, the Church seems to be in an encouraging condition.

MISCELLANEOUS.

DUNBAR FEMALE SEMINARY.

Report of Rev. James B. Avirett.

Winchester, Va., May 15th, 1868.

As my report for the year ending Wednesday, the 20th, I beg leave to submit the following. The greater part of my time and energy has been given to the conduct of this Institution, in which during the present scholastic year one hundred and eight young ladies have been matriculated, with an average attendance of ninety-two, employing five teachers regularly, with the assistance of three others in special branches. The times and the condition of the country regarded, I am pleased to make such a favorable report of my school.

Beside the daily religious exercises in the school, I have given many of my Sundays to my brethren at Millwood, Berryville, Charlestown and Martinsburg, when they were either absent or disabled.

There is a class in the Institution awaiting confirmation at the hands of the Bishop.

Baptisms, 2; marriages, 3; funerals, 4.

EPISCOPAL HIGH SCHOOL.

Rev. W. F. GARDNER, Rector.

Postoffice—Theological Seminary, Virginia.

Baptisms: Adult, white, 1; infants, white, 1; colored, 1. Communicants: Formerly reported, 2; added, white, 19; removed, 1; present number, 20. Confirmed: white, 14.

Reports of Rev. J. T. Johnston, Rev. E. R. Lippitt and Rev. J. P. McGuire.

I beg leave to report that I am encouraged in my work at this place. Sixteen communicants have been added to the church since the charge of the school was given to me, nineteen months ago, and all of them conscientious and consistent young Christians. Some of these intend to become Ministers of the Gospel. Others who have not been confirmed are very serious and attentive to religious duties.

Report of Rev. J. T. Johnston.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., May 13, 1868.

Baptisms, infants, white, 4. Funerals, white, 4. Marriages, white, 2.

Report of Rev. E. R. Lippitt.

Baptisms, infants, colored, 1. Marriages, white, 1. Burials, 1 infant, white.

As heretofore, I have assisted, not unfrequently, my clerical brethren in the desk, pulpit and chancel.

Report of Rev. J. P. McGuire.

SOUTH FARNHAM PARISH:

TAPPAHANNOCK, Essex, Va., May 15th, 1868.

The undersigned having no regular annual report to make, will attempt nothing more than a brief general statement of what the Head of the Church has allowed him to do during the past year. Under a good Providence, he has been permitted to continue to assist the Rev. Mr. Temple, Rector of the Parish, as mentioned in his last report, and also to preach here and elsewhere the greater part of the time once and frequently twice on Sunday. During part of the winter and spring inclement weather and infirm health constrained him to reduce the number of public services, and con-

Reports of Rev. J. H. McMechen and Rev. Chas. H. Page.

fine them to this place. Baptisms, &c., are embraced in the Rector's report.

The Female School in charge of himself and family still exists, and enjoys such prosperity as the severity of the times will allow.

Report of Rev. James H. McMechen.

WHEELING, W. VA., April 26, 1868.

By the request of the Wardens of St. Matthew's, I officiated in the congregation from the date of Mr. Addison's departure until the 1st of September, 1867, about three or four months—occasionally since the latter period. I have also, when the state of my health allowed, preached occasionally in St. Matthew's and in St. John's, of this city, as also in Moundsville, Fairmont, Clarksburg, and in Washington, Pa.

In the School of which I am Principal, there are eight female assistants and between three and four hundred pupils, and although it is not to be considered as a Church School, or in any manner devoted to the advancement of denominational views, yet I am at liberty to preach Christ therein without let or hindrance, and I daily avail myself of the privilege, especially with the more advanced pupils, to the utmost extent of my limitation. I need only add, under the blessing of God the fruits are strikingly visible.

Report of Rev. Chas. H. Page.

RICHMOND, May 12, 1868.

My labors have been confined to the same Church as the previous year, with the addition of Hanover Courthouse and Ashland two Sundays, instead of Rockfish church.

Two and occasionally three services have been held on the Sabbath—the second for the freedmen. At North Garden, the pulpit, chancel, &c., have been repainted. Communion service purchased, and a handsome Prayer Book donated.

Report of Rev. R. H. Phillips.

At Madison Courthouse, the Parish has been reorganized, and an effort will early be made to repair the church and the enclosure.

At Rockfish, the few communicants remaining do not feel able to repair the church, which cannot be occupied during the winter.

At Lousia Courthouse, the congregations are large, but consist chiefly of those who are called by diverse names.

Gordonsville has been visited upon fifth Sundays. Prayer Books, Testaments, and other religious reading, have been fully distributed.

The Sunday Schools have shared his care. With gratitude I record that the forty-fifth year of my ministry has been noted by labors, little less than any previous one, except when disabled by ill health.

At the above places candidates for confirmation are awaiting a visitation of the Bishop.

Occasional services for the brethren. 10 Baptisms, 4 infants. Communicants, 24; 1 deceased. Funerals, 1. Contributions from two churches, \$25.

VIRGINIA FEMALE INSTITUTE.

Report of Rev. R. H. Phillips.

STAUNTON, VA., May 18th, 1868.

I respectfully report to the Bishop, that during the present session the Institute in connection with the Diocese and under my charge has been in a more flourishing condition than at any time since its reopening in 1865. During the last vacation, we furnished another floor of dormitories in our North building, and were thus enabled to increase the number of boarding pupils to nearly fifty. The total number of pupils, during the present session, has ranged from seventy to eighty. We have not had accommodation for recent applicants, but hope this summer to furnish another spacious floor in our South or main building, when we shall be ready to receive the number of pupils we had previous to the war.

The departments are in full operation, and a full corps of Pro-

Reports of Rev. J. B. Reed and Rev. Horace Stringfellow.

fessors and teachers have been engaged for the ensuing session, which will commence on the last Wednesday in September.

We have a daily school service, with sacred music, accompanied by an organ, Sabbath exercises in biblical literature, and regular church services in the study hall on inclement days, when we cannot attend the parish church. I have assisted the Rector, as occasion required, in his arduous and useful labours. The number of professing Christians in the Institute is twenty-four.

Report of Rev. J. B. Reed, Descon.

WINCHESTER, VA.

Since the last Council I have been acting as Missionary within the bounds, and under the direction of the Valley Convocation.

Report of Rev. Horace Stringfellow.

After the adjournment of our Council in Staunton, I resumed my ministerial duties at the following points, to wit: I preached in Caroline county, about twelve miles distant, on the first Sunday in each month, where we have about twelve communicants, who, with other friends, are anxious to build a church, but the prostrate condition of the country has thus far hindered them. On the second Sunday at Ashland, where, from the frequent changes in the population, it is difficult to state the number of communicants, though I think we may say some twelve or fifteen. On the third Sunday at St. Peter's in Hanover, where we number five or six communicants. On the fourth Sunday at Goochland Courthouse, where we have about twenty communicants; and on the fifth Sunday at Bowling Green in Caroline county, where there are about ten communicants, with quite a comfortable brick church.

My services at these points were continued with scarcely a single intermission until about Christmas, when I received a very urgent

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request to visit our people in the vicinity of Dover Mills, Gooch-land county, where we have about eighteen communicants, who propose building a church, and establishing a congregation in that neighborhood. With this invitation I complied, and preached for them at Hebron, a Presbyterian church, on Christmas day, when our conference resulted in the conviction that the interests of religion and the Church required that I should aid them in their enterprise.

I now minister to five congregations, three in Goochland county, each of which is distant about twenty-seven miles, the other two in the county of Caroline.

We feel greatly encouraged by the attendance of large congregations at these various points, though, from the infrequency of our services, we can hope to do but little more than keep our scattered flock from straying into other folds. I have had frequent cause to exclaim, "How do the ways of Zion mourn." May the Lord of the harvest raise up and send forth many faithful laborers into the harvest now ready to be gathered.

Baptisms: Adults, white, 1; infants, white, 6. Funerals, 2. Marriages, 1. Contingent fund, \$34. About 12 candidates ready for confirmation.

List of Parishes Reported Delinquent for Non-payment of Rector's Salary.

LIST OF PARISHES

Reported Delinquent for non-payment of Rector's Salary.

Only those Parishes reported that have failed to meet their obligations by more than one-fourth of the amount promised, or that have failed to make any report to the Council. Those marked with an asterisk failed to report.

COUNTY.	Parish.	CHURCH.
Albemarle	Walker's	
*Amelia	Raleigh	Grub Hill
*Amherst,	Lexington	
*Alexandria	Fairfax	St. Paul's.
*Alexandria	Fairfax	
*Bedford	Heber	St. Johne'.
*Bedford	Russell	Trinity.
*Bedford	Hamner	St. Stephen's.
*Bath	Warm Spring	
*Botetourt	Botetourt	St. Mark's.
	Tillotson	
	St. Margaret's,	
	Cunningham Chapel	
*Culpeper	St. Mark's	St. Stephen's.
*Culpeper	St. Mark's	St. James'.
*Culpeper	St. Mark's	St Paul's.
Cumberland	Leighton	St. James'.
Dinwiddie	Bristol	
	South Farnham	
	South Farnham	
Fauquier	Piedmont	Emmanuel, (Oak Hill.)
*Goochland	St. James', Northam	.St. Paul's and Beaverdam.
*Hanover	St. Martin's	
*Hanover	St. Martin's	
*Henrico	Henrico	St. John's.
James City	Bruton	Bruton Parish
*Jefferson	St. Andrew's	Trinity
*Kanawha	Kanawha	St. John's
King George	St. Paul's	St. Paul's
Loudoun	St. John's	
	Point Pleasant	
*Norfolk	Elizabeth River	Christ
*Norfolk	Elizabeth River	St. Paul's
Pittsvlvania	Camden	Epiphany
*Powhatan	Genito	Grace
Powhatan	Powhatan,	St. Luke's
	King William	
*Prince Edward	Wilmer	
	Lunenburg	
*Richmond	Farnham	Farnham
Roanoke	Salem	St. John's
*Rockbridge	Latimer	Grad
Snottavlvania	Berkeley	St. John's
Snottavlyania	Berkeley	Chris
*Washington	Holston	St. Thomas
*Westmoreland	Montross	St. Tames
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AMENDMENTS

TO THE

CONSTITUTION AND CANONS

OF THE

DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA.

(Adopted in Council of 1868.)

Article I of the Constitution is as follows:

There shall be a Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State on the last Wednesday, &c.

Canon IX is as follows:

SEC. 1. The vestries shall be chosen for each parish in this Diocese, in the following manner: Every person above twenty-one years of age, resident of the parish six months next preceding the day of election, being a pew-holder or contributor to the charges of the parish, shall have a right of suffrage in the election of vestrymen for such parish; and all persons so qualified shall, on every Easter Monday, assemble in their respective parishes, at the parish church, or at such other place as the minister of the parish, or, if there be no minister, as any three or more vestrymen, or, if there be not three vestrymen, as any three members of the church may have publicly notified to the parishioners; and the said persons, so qualified to vote, when assembled, or such of them as may assemble in each parish, shall proceed, by a majority of votes, to elect, by

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ballot, three or more vestrymen, not exceeding twelve, from among the parishioners qualified to vote, who, with the minister of the parish for the time being, shall be the vestry of the said parish, for the ensuing year, and continue in office until their successors shall be elected and qualified to act.

SEC. 11. There shall be a Standing Committee of three clergymen and three laymen elected at each annual meeting of the Council of the Diocese, who shall be charged with the care of the property of churches whose congregations have been disbanded.

Proposed Amendment to Article I of the Constitution.

It has been proposed to amend Article I of the Constitution by substituting "Thursday" for "Wednesday." This proposed amendment will be considered at the next Annual Council, which meets in Fredericksburg, in May, 1869.

The Sunday School Anion

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Diocese of Virginia.

Held its first annual meeting in Lynchburg on May 20th, 1868.

Its officers are-

President—Rt. Rev. John Johns, D. D.

Vice Presidents—Rt. Rev. F. M. Whittle, D. D., Rev. Wm. N. Pendleton, D. D. Rev. C. J. Gibson, Mr. N. H. Massie.

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Recording Secretary-Mr. J. F. Glenn, Richmond, Va.

Treasurer-Mr. J. M. Stevens, Richmond, Va.

Executive Committee.

Rev. C. W. Andrews, D. D., Rev. C. Minnigerode, D. D., Rev. Geo. Woodbridge, D. D., Rev. J. Peterkin, D. D., Rev. C. J. Gibson, Rev. R. T. Davis, Rev. T. G. Dashiell,
Mr. J. O. Steger,
Mr. D. N. Walker,
Mr. Thomas Potts,
Mr. John L. Williams,
Mr. John Tyler, Secretary.

NOTICES.

The Seyenty-Fourth Annual Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Virginia, will be held on the last Wednesday in May, 1869.

THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA.

Session commences the last Wednesday in September, and terminates the first Thursday after the fourth Wednesday in June.

The Episcopal High School of Tirginia,

AT HOWARD, FAIRFAX COUNTY.

Rev. Wm. F. Gardner, Rector.—The Session commences and terminates about the same time with that of the Theological Seminary.

Post Office-Theological Seminary, Fairfex county, Virginia.

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STAUNTON, VA.

The Session of 1868-69 will commence on the last Wednesday in September. The Department of English, Mathematics, Natural Sciences, Languages, Music, Drawing and Painting, &c., are in full operation, under the care of the Principal, Vice Principal, six Professors and a corps of experienced Female Assistants.

The daughters of five clergymen in the Diocese will be received at the actual cost of Board and Professors' fees. No charge for English tuition.

For circulars, with full information, address Rev. R. H. PHILLIPS, Principal, or Rev. J. C. WHEAT, Vice Principal, Staunton, Virginia.