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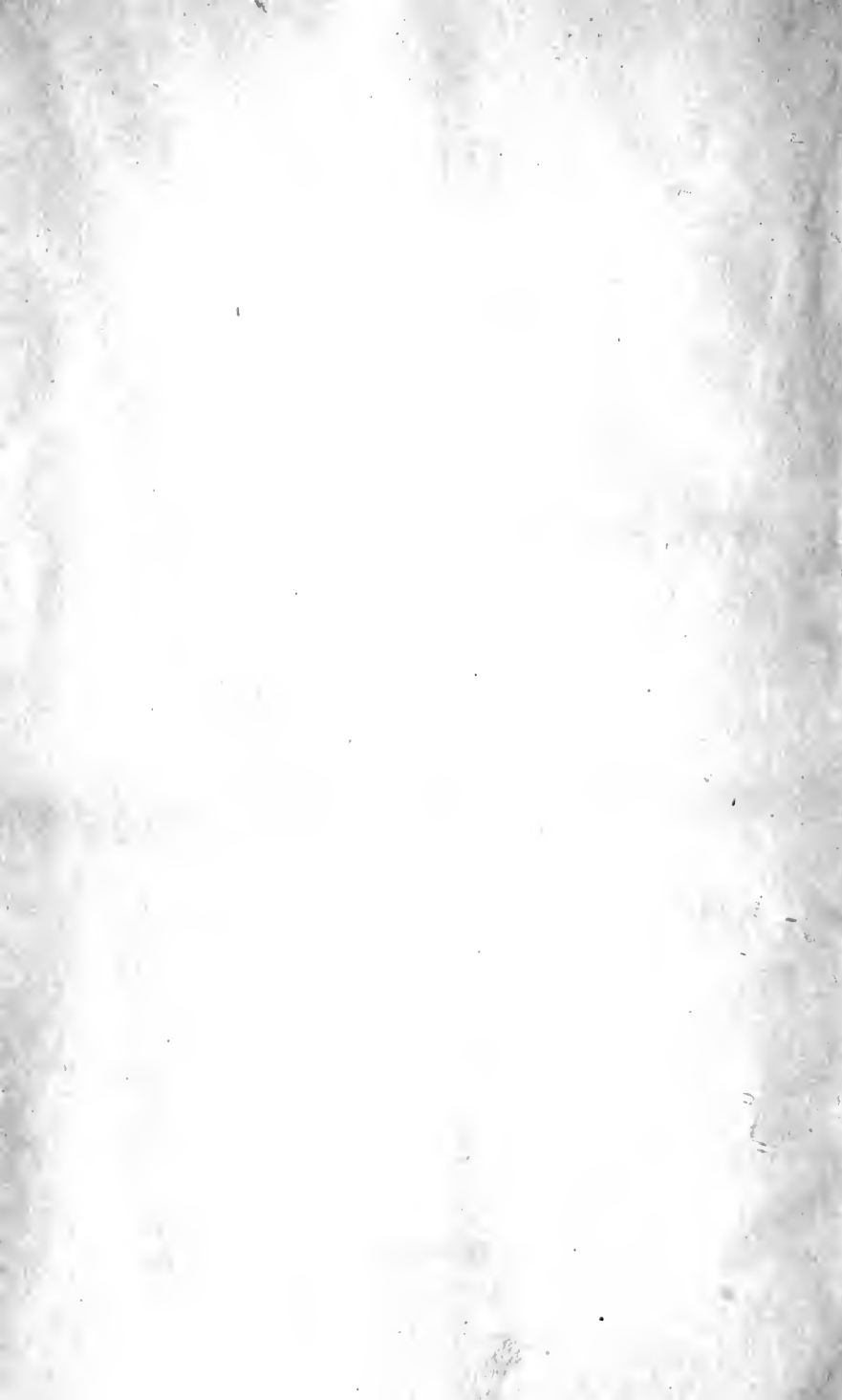
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 REV. WEST, JOHN R., Missionary and Instructor in Jubilee College.
 REV. WILKINSON, JOHN, Chaplain to the Bishop, and Missionary, Chicago.
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 REV. WOODWARD, JAMES A.,* residing at Farm Ridge.
 REV. WRIGHT, EDWARD P., Rector of Christ Church, Waukegan.
 REV. WELLS, ALBERT E., Deacon, Officiating in Church of the Redeemer, Wilmington.

Whole Number of Clergy..... 70
 Whole Number Entitled to Seats 54

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES.

- ALGONQUIN, ST. JOHN'S—*Peter Arvedson.*
AURORA, TRINITY—*Charles Wheaton, Samuel Hoyles.*
CARLINVILLE, ST. PAUL'S—*Martin H. Head, M.D., Samuel Bowyer.*
CHESTER, ST. MARK'S—*R. B. Scrant, John Swanwick, James H. Jones.*
CHESTERFIELD, ST. PETER'S—*Thomas S. Gelder, Robert Oliver.*
CHICAGO, ASCENSION—*G. S. Hubbard, Samuel Gehr, T. M. Hibbard.*
“ ATONEMENT—*Reuben Tayler, Hon. L. B. Otis, George P. Lec.*
“ CHRIST—*A. C. Calkins, Thomas Crouch, R. Benedict.*
“ GRACE—*John F. Beaty, Samuel Powell, H. W. Hinsdale.*
“ ST. ANSGARIUS—*A. B. Johnson, J. N. Schonbeck.*
“ ST. JAMES'—*John Rogers, E. H. Sheldon, C. R. Larrabee.*
“ ST. JOHN'S—*C. H. Jordan, G. P. Randall, S. Johnston.*
“ TRINITY—*John M. Wilson, D. C. Scranton, George R. Chittenden.*
“ HOLY COMMUNION—*W. H. Lowe, A. E. Neeley.*
DECATUR, ST. JOHN'S—*D. C. Lockwood, L. Burrows, W. J. Quinlan.*
DIXON, ST. LUKE'S—*Jas. K. Edsall, W. W. De Wolf, Willis T. House.*
FARMINGTON, CALVARY—*William Wilkinson, Sr., Samuel Wilkinson, F. A. Warner.*
FARMRIDGE, ST. ANDREW'S—*John Elliot, James Chase, Dr. A. Coles.*
GALENA, GRACE—*Frederick Stahl, Richard Seal.*
GALESBURG, GRACE CHURCH—*Sydney Myers.*
HYDE PARK, ST. PAUL'S—*W. K. Akerman, William Waters.*
JOLIET, CHRIST—*S. W. Stone, John S. Morgan, Josiah McRoberts.*
KEWANEE, ST. JOHN'S—*J. Hopkins, J. B. Flagg, R. P. Parrish.*
LA SALLE, ST. MARK'S—*Calvin Wilson.*
LEWISTOWN, ST. JAMES—*S. Corning Judd, De Witt Bryant, George D. McManus.*
LIMESTONE PRAIRIE, CHRIST—*George Norwood, Grove U. Hotchkiss.*
MANHATTAN, ST. PAUL'S—*John Young, Edward Lawrence, Thomas Jones.*
MATTOON, TRINITY CHURCH—*G. F. Killmer, W. S. Ogden, A. Hasbrouck.*
NAPERVILLE, ST. JOHN'S—*James G. Wright, S. P. Stevens, W. B. Green.*
OTTAWA, CHRIST—*J. W. Dow, W. Osman, E. W. Kimball.*
PEKIN, ST. PAUL'S—*G. H. Harlow, S. E. Barber.*
PEORIA, ST. PAUL'S—*Matthew Griswold, A. G. Tyng, J. W. Hansel.*
QUINCY, ST. JOHN'S—*F. B. Moore, S. C. Sherman.*
ROBIN'S NEST, CHRIST—*H. H. Mayo, R. F. Seabury, C. Mayo.*
ROCK ISLAND, TRINITY—*Richard Crampton.*
SPRINGFIELD, ST. PAUL'S—*S. H. Treat, A. Campbell.*
SYCAMORE, ST. PETER'S—*Isaac Johnson, John Flynn.*
TISKILWA, ST. JUDE'S—*L. A. Perkins, A. Perkins, O. Milling.*
UTICA, ST. GEORGE'S—*Matthias Riffle, Charles Power.*
WAUKEGAN, CHRIST CHURCH—*William Beesley, Charles R. Steel.*
WARSAW, ST. PAUL'S—*A. J. Chittenden, J. W. Marsh, P. A. Barker.*

Those present in Convention in *Italics.*

OFFICERS OF THE DIOCESE AND CONVENTION.

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THE BISHOP'S CHURCH, CHICAGO, }
September 10, 1862. }

The Twenty-fifth Annual Convention of the Diocese of Illinois assembled for Divine Worship in the Bishop's Church, Chicago, on Wednesday, the 10th day of September, A. D. 1862, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer to the *Venite Exaltemus* was said by the Rev. Lewis P. Clover, D.D., and the Fifth Selection of the Psalter chanted antiphonally by the Clergy and Congregation. The Rev. W. H. Roberts read the First Lesson; the Rev. J. W. Coe the Second; the Rev. Alexander Capron said the Creed and opening Collects, and the Rev. John Benson the Litany. The Ante Communion Service was said by the Bishop, the Rev. Dr. Mitchell reading the Epistle, and the Rev. Mr. Benedict the Gospel. The Rev. Samuel Chase, D. D., preached the Convention Sermon, taking as his text II. Cor. v. 7. The Offertory was read by the Rev. T. N. Morrison, and a collection made for the Missions of the Diocese. The Bishop then proceeded with the Holy Communion, Consecrating the Elements, and administering them to the Clergy, Lay Delegates and Congregation present.

Meeting for Business—Clergy Present—Quorum—Call of Parishes.

At 3 P. M., the Convention met for organization and business. The Secretary called the Roll of the Clergy from the list furnished by the Bishop, when the following answered to their names :

Rt. Rev. Henry John Whitehouse, D.D.,	
Rev. C. H. Albert,	Rev. Elijah W. Hager,
“ Stephen T. Allen,	“ Henry T. Hiester,
“ Thomas N. Benedict,	“ Clinton Locke,
“ John Benson,	“ Charles F. Loop,
“ William L. Bostwick,	“ William Mitchell, M.D.,
“ Caleb A. Bruce,	“ Theodore N. Morrison,
“ Alexander Capron,	“ John W. Osborne,
“ Samuel T. Carpenter,	“ James Pratt, D.D.,
“ John Cauch,	“ Warren H. Roberts,
“ Samuel Chase, D.D.,	“ William T. Smithett,
“ Charles E. Cheney,	“ William M. Steel,
“ Charles P. Clarke,	“ George C. Street,
“ Robert H. Clarkson, D.D.,	“ John Trimble, D.D.,
“ Lewis P. Clover, D.D.,	“ Edmund B. Tuttle,
“ James W. Coe,	“ Charles H. Van Dyne,
“ William H. Cooper,	“ Joseph M. Waite,
“ Asher P. Crouch,	“ Salmon R. Weldon,
“ Erastus De Wolf,	“ John R. West,
“ David W. Dresser,	“ John Wilkinson,
“ John H. Egar,	“ Edward P. Wright,
“ Charles A. Gilbert,	“ Albert E. Wells,
“ Samuel Goodale,	

Whole number entitled to seats, 54. Whole number present, 44.

There being the Canonical number of Clergy present, the Secretary proceeded to call the list of Parishes entitled to representation. The Certificates of Lay Delegates were called for, and on being presented, were referred to a Committee, consisting of the Rev. T. N. Benedict, the Hon. S. H. Treat and the Secretary. The Committee reported as correct the following :

² *St. Paul's, Carlinville,* { M. H. Head,
Samuel Bowyer.

List of Parishes Entitled to Representation.

<i>St. Mark's Chester</i> ,	{ R. B. Servant, John Swanwick, James H. Jones.
<i>St. Peter's, Chesterfield</i> ,	{ Thomas S. Gelder, Robert Oliver.
<i>Ascension, Chicago</i> ,	{ G. S. Hubbard, Samuel Gehr, T. M. Hibbard.
<i>Atonement, Chicago</i> ,	{ Reuben Tayler, L. B. Otis, George P. Lee.
<i>Christ, Chicago</i> ,	{ A. C. Calkins, Thomas Crouch, R. Benedict.
<i>Grace, Chicago</i> ,	{ John F. Beaty, Samuel Powell, H. W. Hinsdale.
<i>St. James', Chicago</i> ,	{ John Rogers, E. H. Sheldon, C. R. Larrabee.
<i>St. John's, Chicago</i> ,	{ C. H. Jordan, G. P. Randall, S. Johnston.
<i>Trinity, Chicago</i> ,	{ John M. Wilson, D. C. Scranton, George R. Chittenden.
<i>St. John's, Decatur</i> ,	{ D. C. Lockwood, L. Burrows, W. J. Quinlan.
<i>St. Luke's, Dixon</i> ,	{ James K. Edsall, W. W. De Wolf, Willis T. House.
<i>Calvary, Farmington</i> ,	{ William Wilkinson, Sen., Samuel Wilkinson, F. A. Warner.
<i>St. Andrew's, Farmridge</i> ,	{ John Elliot, James Chase, D. A. Coles.

List of Parishes Entitled to Representation.

<i>Grace, Galena,</i>	{ Frederick Stahl, Richard Seal.
<i>Christ, Joliet,</i>	{ S. W. Stone, John S. Morgan, Josiah McRoberts.
<i>St. John's, Kewanee,</i>	{ J. Hopkins, J. B. Flagg, R. P. Parrish.
<i>St. James', Lewistown,</i>	{ S. Corning Judd, De Witt Clinton Bryant, George D. McManus.
<i>Christ, Limestone Prairie,</i>	{ George Norwood, Grove U. Hotchkiss.
<i>St. Paul's, Manhattan,</i>	{ John Young, Edward Lawrence, Thomas Jones.
<i>St. John's, Naperville,</i>	{ Jas. G. Wright, S. P. Stevens, W. B. Green.
<i>Christ, Ottawa,</i>	{ J. W. Dow, W. Osman, E. W. Kimball.
<i>St. Paul's, Pekin,</i>	{ G. H. Harlow, S. E. Barber.
<i>St. Paul's, Peoria,</i>	{ Matthew Griswold, A. G. Tyng, J. W. Hansel.
<i>St. John's, Quincy,</i>	{ F. C. Moore, S. C. Sherman.
<i>Christ, Robin's Nest,</i>	{ H. H. Mayo, R. F. Seabury, C. Mayo.
<i>St. Paul's, Springfield,</i>	{ S. H. Treat, A. Campbell.
<i>St. Peter's, Sycamore,</i>	{ Isaac Johnson, John Flynn.

List of Parishes Entitled to Representation—Lay Delegates Present.

<i>St. Jude's, Tiskilwa,.....</i>	{ L. A. Perkins, A. Perkins, O. Milling.
<i>St. George's, Utica,.....</i>	{ Matthias Riffle, Charles Power.
<i>Christ Church, Waukegan,.....</i>	{ William Beesely, Charles R. Steel.

The Committee also reported that they found two Certificates of Election of Lay Delegates from the Parish of St. Ansgarius', Chicago; and the right of seat being thus in doubt, they returned the papers to the Convention.

The names of the Lay Delegates as reported by the Committee, were then called, and the following found to be present:—

- M. H. Head, Samuel Bowyer—*St. Paul's, Carlinville.*
 R. B. Servant—*St. Mark's, Chester.*
 G. S. Hubbard, Samuel Gehr—*Ascension, Chicago.*
 L. B. Otis, George P. Lee—*Atonement, Chicago.*
 A. C. Calkins—*Christ, Chicago.*
 John F. Beaty—*Grace, Chicago.*
 John Rogers, E. H. Sheldon—*St. James', Chicago.*
 G. P. Randall, S. Johnston—*St. John's, Chicago.*
 Joseph R. Chittenden—*Trinity, Chicago.*
 W. J. Quinlan—*St. John's, Decatur.*
 Jas. K. Edsall, W. W. De Wolf—*St. Luke's, Dixon.*
 Wm. Wilkinson, Sr., F. A. Warner—*Calvary, Farmington.*
 Frederick Stahl—*Grace, Galena.*
 S. W. Stone—*Christ, Joliet.*
 J. Hopkins, R. P. Parrish—*St. John's, Kewanee.*
 S. Corning Judd—*St. James', Lewistown.*
 Grove U. Hotchkiss—*Christ, Limestone Prairie.*
 Edward Lawrence, Thomas Jones—*St. Paul's, Manhattan.*
 Jas. G. Wright—*St. John's, Naperville.*
 G. H. Harlow, S. E. Barber—*St. Paul's, Pekin.*
 J. W. Hansel—*St. Paul's, Peoria.*
 F. C. Moore, S. C. Sherman—*St. John's, Quincy.*
 H. H. Mayo—*Christ, Robin's Nest.*

Quorum Present—Convention Organized—Delinquent Parishes.

S. H. Treat—*St. Paul's, Springfield.*

Isaac Johnson—*St. Peter's, Sycamore.*

William Beesely—*Christ Church, Waukegan.*

Whole number of Parishes entitled to representation,.....43

Whole number of Certificates approved,.....31

Number of Parishes represented,26

There being present a canonical number of Lay Delegates, thus constituting a quorum of both Orders, the Bishop declared the Convention organized, and called for the reading of the list of delinquent parishes. Trinity Church, Aurora, and St. John's Church, Algonquin, delinquent for assessments due previous to that of the past year, were excused from such delinquency, and admitted to representation by special vote of the Convention; it appearing from a statement of the Treasurer that said parishes had paid their dues for the last year.

Several other parishes, also reported delinquent, paid their full amount of arrears, and were admitted to representation.

The Committee on Certificates of Lay Delegates reported as correct the following :

St. John's, Algonquin,..... Peter Arvedson.

Trinity, Aurora,..... { Charles Wheaton,
Samuel Hoyles.

St. Mark's, La Salle,..... Calvin Wilson.

Holy Communion, Chicago,..... { W. H. Lowe,
A. E. Neeley.

St. Paul's, Hyde Park,..... { W. K. Ackerman,
William Waters.

Trinity, Rock Island, Richard Crampton.

Secretary and Treasurer Re-elected—Appointment of Standing Committees.

St. Paul's, Warsaw,..... { A. J. Chittenden,
J. W. Marsh,
P. A. Barker.

The names of these Lay Delegates being called, the following were found present :

Peter Arvedson—*St. John's, Algonquin.*
Charles Wheaton—*Trinity, Aurora.*
Calvin Wilson—*St. Mark's, La Salle.*
J. W. Marsh, P. A. Barker—*St. Paul's, Warsaw.*

The “Rules of Order” were then called for, and read by the Secretary.

The election of Secretary and Treasurer being next in order,

On motion, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and the present Secretary re-elected *viva voce*.

On motion, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and Rev. T. M. Morrison, Treasurer, was re-elected in the same manner.

The Secretary requested an Assistant, and nominated the Rev. Charles A. Gilbert, which nomination was confirmed by the Convention.

The Bishop appointed the following Standing Committees on the Business of the Convention, as required by Canon :

I. *On the Incorporation of Churches*—Rev. T. N. Morrison, J. Marsh, S. Corning Judd.

II. *On Finance*—Rev. H. T. Hiester, William Wilkinson, J. W. Hansel.

III. *On Privilege*—Rev. J. H. Egar, Rev. D. W. Dresser, Jas. K. Edsall, Fred. W. Stahl.

IV. *On Legislation*—Rev. S. Chase, D.D., Rev. T. N. Benedict, S. H. Treat, R. B. Servant.

V. *On the Extension of the Church*—Rev. W. M. Steel, Rev. J. W. Osborne, G. H. Harlow, S. W. Stone.

The Bishop then appointed the Inspectors of Elections as follows :—

For Standing Committee :

Clerical Votes.

Rev. C. F. Loop,
Edward Lawrence.

Lay Votes.

Rev. Geo. C. Street,
Samuel Bowyer.

For Deputies to General Convention :

Clerical Votes.

Rev. Warren H. Roberts,
George R. Chittenden.

Lay Votes.

Rev. C. A. Bruce,
Hon. W. W. De Wolf,

For Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Illinois :

Clerical Votes.

Rev H. M. Bishop, D.D.,
Grove U. Hotchkiss.

Lay Votes.

Rev. Clinton Locke,
F. C. Moore.

On motion, it was then

Resolved, That Clergymen present, not entitled to seats in this Convention, Clergymen from other Dioceses, and Candidates for Holy Orders, be admitted to the sittings of the Convention.

Whereupon the following Clergymen attended the sittings of the Convention :

Rev. L. W. Davis,	Diocese of Wisconsin.
“ Dr. Strong,	“ Michigan.
“ S. D. Pulford,	“ “
“ Wm. Adderty,	“ Iowa.
“ Mr. Goodwin,	“ California.
“ Henry Sharpe,	“ Ontario, C. W.
“ Philander Chase,	“ Illinois.
“ F. A. Juny,	“ “
“ J. B. Richmond	“ “

And Mr. John H. Knowles, Candidate for Holy Orders in the Diocese of Illinois.

On motion, the papers connected with Lay Representation from St. Ansgarius' Church, Chicago, were referred to the Committee on Privilege.

The Bishop appointed the following Special Committees :

On Unfinished Business—Rev. J. W. Coe, A. C. Calkins.

On the State of the Church—Rev. S. Chase, D.D., Rev. John Wilkinson.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention of this Diocese be held in the BISHOP'S CHURCH, in the city of Chicago.

The Constitutional Amendments adopted in the Convention of 1861 were called up for the action of the Convention.

The 1st, amending Sec. 3, Art. X., entitled "*Standing Committee*," was adopted unanimously.

The 2nd, amending Sec. 1, Art. XII., entitled "*Transaction of Business*," was also adopted by a vote of two-thirds of the Convention.

Notice was given of two proposed Canons on Diocesan Assessments, which were read and referred to the Committee on Legislation.

An amendment to Canon IV, providing for the appointment of a Committee on Unfinished Business, among the Standing Committees of the Convention, was referred to the same Committee.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned to meet again on Thursday morning, at 9 o'clock.

S E C O N D D A Y .

9 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer to the Creed was said by the Rev. E. W. Hager, the Creed and closing Prayers by the Rev. C. F. Loop, and the Benediction by the Bishop.

After Morning Prayer the Bishop took the Chair, and the Convention came to order; the Roll was called by the Secretary, and the following Clergy, not present before, answered to their names :

Rev. H. N. Bishop, D.D.,
“ Jacob Bredberg,

Rev. John Foster,
“ Thomas Smith.

The following Lay Delegates, not present before, also answered to their names :

Mr. Reuben Tayler, *Church of Atonement, Chicago.*
“ Samuel Powell, *Grace Church, Chicago.*
“ C. H. Jordan, *St. John's, Chicago.*
“ Samuel Wilkinson, *Calvary Church, Farmington.*

The minutes of the previous day's proceedings were read and approved.

The Certificates of Lay Delegates being called for, as the business next in order, the following were presented and approved by the Committee :

Grace Church, Galesburg—Sydney Myers.
Trinity Church, Mattoon—G. F. Killmer, W. S. Ogden,
A. Hasbrouck.

The names of these Lay Delegates were called, and Mr. Sydney Myers, of Grace Church, Galesburg, found to be present.

The Bishop then read to the Convention an invitation to visit the Model of Solomon's Temple, on exhibition in this city.

On motion, the invitation was accepted, and the thanks of the Convention returned in acknowledgment of the same.

The hour appointed for the Bishop's Address having arrived, the Bishop proceeded to read to the Convention his Eleventh Annual Address.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese made their report to the Convention as follows :

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE OF ILLINOIS, 1861-62-

I. The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Illinois beg leave to report to the Convention that the Committee was organized on the second day of October, 1861, by the choice of Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D., as President, and Rev. Lewis P. Clover, D.D., as Secretary.

The following is an abstract of their proceedings during the Conventional year :

II. Oct. 22nd.—Committee met in the Rector's study, Springfield. Having resolved itself into the Board of Missions, upon the recommendation of the Bishop, resolutions were unanimously adopted for the government of the Board, and the following named persons appointed Missionaries for the ensuing year :

Rev. C. H. Albert, Miss. at La Salle.....	stipend	\$100 00
“ S. T. Allen, “ “ Aurora, &c.....	“	150 00
“ John Benson, “ “ Farmington, &c..	“	150 00
“ C. A. Bruce, “ “ Lewistown.....	“	200 00
“ Charles F. Loop, “ “ Pekin, &c.....	“	150 00
“ A. P. Crouch, “ “ Collinsville, &c..	“	200 00
“ W. H. Roberts, “ “ Sycamore	“	100 00
“ Geo. C. Street, “ “ Tiskilwa, &c.....	“	200 00

The following places were adopted as stations, if within six months a minister shall be settled in the same :

Batavia, Geneva, and Elgin	\$150 00
Belleville	150 00
Pittsfield and Griggsville.....	150 00

III. The Committee signed the Canonical Certificate in behalf of Rev. William Bacon Stevens, D.D., Assistant Bishop elect of the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

IV. Feb. 25th, 1862.—A communication was received from the Bishop setting forth facts in relation to the discourtesy of the Rector and a portion of the congregation of Trinity Church, Chicago, towards the Bishop during a recent visitation to said Church, and asking counsel of the Committee, as to the course proper to be pursued by him, when again invited to visit the parish officially. The Committee were of opinion, and so advised the Bishop, that it would be expedient for him to decline further performance of official duties in Trinity parish, until such time as suitable reparation was made for the indignity offered.

At a subsequent meeting of the Committee, on the 20th of March, a communication addressed to the Bishop, was presented, in which the Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of Trinity Church expressed deep regret for what had occurred, and pledged to the Bishop, for the future, those evidences of consideration and respect which his commanding position in the Church should uniformly receive.

V. March 20th.—Testimonials were signed by the Committee, recommending Rev. Asher P. Crouch, Deacon, to the Bishop for Priest's Orders.

VI. July 8th.—Mr. Charles Henry Van Dyne was recommended for Deacon's Orders.

VII. Aug. 28th.—Mr. James McGowan was recommended as a candidate for Holy Orders.

VIII. Committee resolved itself into the Board of Missions. On nomination of the Bishop, Rev. John Cauch, Deacon, was appointed Missionary in Marengo; and Rev. A. P. Crouch was transferred from Collinsville to Pittsfield.

IX. Sept. 1st.—Testimonials were signed, recommending Rev. Stephen T. Allen, Deacon, to the Bishop for Priest's Orders.

LEWIS P. CLOVER, *Secretary.*

SPRINGFIELD, Sept. 10, 1862.

The Trustees of the Diocese presented their report as follows :

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE
DIOCESE OF ILLINOIS.

The undersigned, in behalf of the Trustees of this Diocese respectfully report, viz.: That a meeting of the Board was held Nov.

16, 1861, at which an Address was adopted, and ordered to be printed in circular form and sent to the Rectors and Wardens and Vestry of each Parish in the Diocese. An assessment according to the terms of the Canon was also made, of which notice was given to the several Parishes.

The Address, the assessment, and the account of the Treasurer, was submitted.

SAMUEL CHASE,
President Trustees Protestant Church, Illinois.

The Trustees of the Diocese of Illinois most respectfully address the several Parishes of the Diocese in relation to the support of the Episcopate.

The Diocese in its conventional capacity seems to have done all that belongs to it in the matter of assessment, as well as in prescribing the mode of collection and payment.

By Canon XIII it is expressly provided and declared to "be the duty of each Parish to pay, in regular quarterly payments, for the support of the Episcopate, a sum equal to one dollar for every communicant in the Parish, (the number of communicants to be determined by the last annual report,) until a fund shall be provided for that purpose." This was passed *nemine contradicente*, and is the law of the Diocese. In 1857 the Convention, without a dissenting voice, passed the following resolution, viz.: "That the salary of the Bishop for 1857-8, and for all future time until otherwise ordered, be not less than two thousand dollars, besides house rent, (which it is understood will be provided for in Chicago,) and that for this sum the Convention will hold itself responsible." This is of the nature of a stipulation or agreement, and becomes on the part of the Diocese a solemn contract.

In the above legislative determinations we have full and ample provisions for the salary, and if the several Parishes met their obligations in anything like earnest and willing effort, the Trustees would be enabled, through their Treasurer, honorably to discharge the assumed and acknowledged obligations of the Diocese.

But your Trustees are constrained to say that an examination of their Treasurer's account shows a large deficiency—a deficiency discreditable to the Diocese, and dishonorable in the case of those Parishes, if such there be, where honest and proper effort has not been used to meet the assessment.

The Trustees call attention to the following statistics.

Table No. 1, exhibiting the amount assessed under Canon XIII, and the amount paid during the last five years, viz.:

Report of the Trustees of the Diocese continued.

1857, amount assessed...	\$2,640 00;	amount paid...	\$412 00
1858, " " "	2,874 00;	" " "	1,393 88
1859, " " "	3,000 00;	" " "	1,070 30
1860, " " "	3,070 00;	" " "	431 41
1861, " " "	3,146 00;	" " "	715 10

Table No. 2, showing the number of contributing and non-contributing Parishes for the same period, viz.:

1857, Parishes contributing...	30;	Parishes non-contributing...	44
1858, " " "	69;	" " "	—
1859, " " "	33;	" " "	35
1860, " " "	12;	" " "	52
1861, " " "	27;	" " "	38

Table No. 3, giving the amount paid the Bishop under the stipulation of 1857, and the deficiency for each year for the same periods of time.

1857, amount paid the Bishop...	\$409 50;	deficiency...	\$1,590 50
1858, " " "	1,197 58;	" " "	802 42
1859, " " "	1,054 97;	" " "	945 03
1860, " " "	381 41;	" " "	1,618 59
1861, " " "	692 90;	" " "	1,307 10

The whole amount paid to the Bishop for five years past is \$3,736 36, being an average of \$747 27 per annum. The deficiency for the same time is \$6,263 72, or at the rate of \$1,252 74 per annum. As to the first amount, the sum paid, the Trustees cannot, nor ought the Diocese, in their judgment, to regard it as salary in any proper sense of the term; it scarcely amounts to traveling expenses, and really affords nothing on any proper account of salary. As to the second, the deficiency, your Trustees can only regard it, and that, too, in deliberate judgment, as a debt justly due from the Diocese to the Bishop.

That there has been culpable and gross delinquency on the part of many Parishes in making an earnest and honorable effort to meet their assessment, an examination of Table No. 3, unequivocally shows; a partial failure in one or successive years may occur in Parishes from circumstances beyond their control, and in entire consistency with honor and loyalty, but entire and continued failures cannot but be regarded as suggestive of indifference to obligation, if not of direct contumacy.

The total amount of assessment for the five years is \$14,730 00, while the payments during the same time scarcely amount to 25

Assessment for the Episcopate Fund.

per cent. of that sum. This is unquestionably a grievous wrong upon our Bishop—a wrong which in its reflexive action may work out for us as a Diocese, at least in those Parishes which on one pretense or other have, through want of willing effort, failed to meet their obligations, results the most disastrous. The right of assessment is unquestioned, and the obligation to pay as its correlative may not, with safety to spiritual interests, be repudiated.

There is a law as effective in things spiritual as in temporal things. "God has ordained that they who preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel," and "He that giveth little shall reap little." We cannot as a Diocese prosper if we neglect so plain commandments, nor can Parishes "grow in grace" where such obligations are habitually and contumaciously cast aside. "God will visit us for these things."

If all Parishes in the Diocese had appreciated the assessments as in duty bound, and made honorable effort to respond to the requisition, your Trustees, instead of complaining of a Treasury empty, and the burden of an obligation unfulfilled, would have now in their hands a disposable fund of some five thousand dollars.

While, then, your Trustees thus frankly, some may say boldly, proclaim and avow our duty as a Diocese, may we not for our honor as the Church of the Living God, plead earnestly for willing hearts and ready hands in each and every Parish of the Diocese.

*Office of the Episcopate Fund, Diocese of Illinois, }
PEORIA, Nov. 16th, 1861 }*

List of Parishes and their respective assessments for the support of the Episcopate for the year 1861-2. The quarterly payments are due 1st October, 1861, 1st January, 1st April, and 1st July, 1862. Payments are to be made to JOHN W. HANSEL, Esq., Treasurer of the Board, Peoria, Illinois.

LOCATION.	CHURCH.	NAMES OF CLERGY.	Assessmt.
Albion	St. John's	Rev. Robert Ryall	\$31
Alton	St. Paul's	" John Foster	50
Amboy	St. Thomas'	" W. M. A. Brodnax	9
Arcadia	Messiah	" Philander Chase	6
Aurora	Trinity	" S. T. Allen	30
Belvidere	Trinity	" Isaac P. Labagh	32
Bloomington	St. Matthew's	" James W. Coe	33
Brimfield	Zion	Report by the Warden	12
Carlinville	St. Paul's	Rev. D. W. Dresser	6
Centralia	St. John's	" John W. Osborne	15
Chester	St. Mark's	" Wm. Mitchell, M.D.	34
Chesterfield	St. Peter's	" D. W. Dresser	7
Chicago	Ascension	" Wm. H. Cooper	45
"	Atonement	Report by the Warden	10
"	Christ	Rev. C. E. Cheney	34
"	Grace	" Clinton Locke	120
"	Holy Communion		70

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LOCATION.	CHURCH.	NAMES OF CLERGY.	Assess't.
Chicago	St. Ansgarius'	{ Rev. E. B. Tuttle, } { Jacob Brodberg, }	\$46
"	St. James'	Rev. R. H. Clarkson, D.D.	313
"	St. John's	" H. N. Bishop	90
"	Trinity	" James Pratt, D.D.	160
Collinsville	Christ	" A. P. Crouch	18
Decatur	St. John's	" W. M. Steel	33
Dixon	St. Luke's	" A. J. Warner	22
Farmington	Calvary	" John Benson	34
Farm Ridge	St. Andrew's	" H. T. Hiester	43
Freeport	Zion	" S. R. Weldon	44
Galena	Grace	" John H. Egar	77
Galesburg	Grace	" Wm. T. Smithett	33
Geneseo	Trinity	" Anson Clark	12
Grand Detour	St. Peter's	" A. J. Warner	16
Hyde Park	St. Paul's	"	14
Jacksonville	Trinity	" T. N. Morrison	65
Joliet	Christ	" C. A. Gilbert	60
Kewanee	St. John's	" J. B. Richmond	44
Knoxville	St. John's	" Wm. T. Smithett	21
Lacon	St. John's	" C. P. Clark	14
Lee Center	St. Paul's	" W. M. A. Brodnax	19
Lewistown	St. James'	" C. A. Bruce	11
Limestone Prairie	Christ	" John Benson	36
Lockport	St. John's	" Samuel Cowell	25
Manhattan	St. Paul's	"	25
Mattoon	Trinity	" J. W. Osborne	12
Marengo	Advent	" J. H. Waterbury	53
Morris	St. Thomas'	"	44
Naperville	St. John's	"	24
Onarga	Trinity	"	22
Ottawa	Christ	" T. N. Benedict	98
Pekin	St. Paul's	" Chas. F. Loop	30
Peoria	St. Paul's	" J. M. Waite	96
Peru	St. Paul's	" Chas. H. Albert	20
Pittsfield and Griggsville	St. Stephen's	" K. J. Stewart	32
Polo	Trinity	" S. T. Carpenter	33
Princeton	Redeemer	" Geo. C. Street	18
Providence	Trinity	" Geo. C. Street	30
Quincy	St. John's	" Alex. Capron	144
Robin's Nest	Christ	" Samuel Chase, D.D.	71
Rockford	Emmanuel	" M. Scofield	50
Rock Island	Trinity	" M. Magill	20
Rock Island County	Grace	" George Sayres	63
Salem	St. Thomas'	" J. W. Osborne	11
Springfield	St. Paul's	" L. P. Clover, D.D.	139
Sycamore	St. Peter's	" W. H. Roberts	43
Tiskilwa	St. Jude's	" George C. Street	24
Utica	St. George's	" H. T. Hiester	10
Warsaw	St. Paul's	" W. L. Bostwick	30
Waukegan	Christ	" Edward P. Wright	52
Wilmington	Redeemer	"	21

One-fourth of the above amount was due on the 1st day of October last. Please remit the amount due from your Parish, without delay, to the Treasurer, JOHN W. HANSEL, Peoria, Illinois.

By order of the Board,

HENRY S. AUSTIN, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION.

The Committee on Legislation report, and recommend the adoption of the following amendment to Canon IV :

That Canon IV be amended by inserting after the Standing Committee No. 5, the following, viz :

“6. A committee on unfinished business.”

They also report and recommend the adoption of the following Canon as a substitute for Canon XIII :

OF THE DIOCESAN FUND.

1. Every parish in the Diocese is hereby annually assessed for Diocesan purposes, a sum equal to one dollar for every communicant in such parish: *Provided* such assessment, does not in the aggregate, exceed *ten per cent.* on the ordinary income of the parish; in which case, the assessment shall be *ten per cent.* upon the income for the current year. The number of communicants to be taken as the basis of assessment, shall be determined by the last annual report of the parish. The ordinary income of such parishes as may claim the benefit of a reduced assessment, as provided for above, shall be determined by a statement made by the Rector or Minister, or by one of the wardens and the clerk of the Vestry, as hereinafter provided. The funds raised under this assessment shall constitute and be called “THE DIOCESAN FUND OF ILLINOIS.”

2. It shall be the duty of every parish to forward to the Treasurer of the Convention, on or before the tenth day of February, May, August, and November, respectively, one fourth of such assessment; and in order to facilitate the payment of such assessment, it is hereby ordered that on the first Sundays of February, May, August and November, a collection shall be made in each parish in the Diocese, in aid of the Diocesan Fund of Illinois.

3. The Treasurer of the Convention shall, on or before the twentieth day of February, May, August, and November, divide the amount sent to him into two portions: one of *ninety per cent.*, and one of *ten per cent.*; the first portion of *ninety per cent.*, he shall at once remit to the Bishop of the Diocese, on account of salary, and the other portion of *ten per cent.* he shall retain in his hands for the purposes of the contingent expenses of the Diocese.

4. On the first day of September in each year, beginning in 1863, the Treasurer of the Convention shall make a list of the parishes which have, during the previous year, made regularly the quarterly remittances for the Diocesan Fund to their full amount; and the name of no parish that shall not have remitted the full amount, shall have a place on such list. In the organization of the

Amendment and Substitute adopted—Committee on Co-operation of Railroads.

Convention, this list of parishes shall be read, and no parish shall be entitled to representation in Convention, unless its name shall be upon the said list: *Provided*, that the delegate or delegates from any delinquent parishes may be admitted to seats upon payment in full of all arrears, by a vote of the Convention.

5. In the certificate of election of Lay-delegates to the Convention, there shall be distinctly stated the fact, that the parish electing delegates is not in arrears on assessment for the Diocesan Fund, and no certificate shall be deemed regular or valid from which such statement is omitted; and in the case of such parishes as desire the benefit of the reduced assessment, as provided for in the first section of this Canon, there shall also be stated the sum total of the ordinary income of the parish for the current year; and the omission to make such statement, shall debar any parish from the benefit of such reduced assessment.

6. It shall further be the duty of each parish to make quarterly collections in aid of Diocesan Missions on the third Sunday of December, March, June, and September, and forward the same to the Treasurer of Diocesan Missions.

Canon XIII is hereby repealed.

SAMUEL CHASE,
Chairman of Committee.

The amendment to Canon IV was adopted by the Convention unanimously.

The Canon proposed as a substitute for Canon XIII was also adopted by two-thirds of the Clergy, and by the Laity unanimously.

On motion, so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the co-operation of Railroad Companies in Missionary work, was referred to a Committee with full powers to act immediately in the premises, particularly in procuring the proposed privileges, and with leave to sit after the adjournment of the Convention.

The Bishop appointed as the Committee, the Rev. Dr. Clarkson, Rev. Mr. Locke, and Messrs. S. Corning Judd, George P. Lee, and John F. Beaty.

On motion, the Right Reverend the Bishop of the Diocese was added to the Committee as Chairman.

On motion, so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to Jubilee College was referred to a Committee of Seven, not connected with the Institution. The Bishop appointed as such Committee—

Rev. W. T. Smithett,	Hon. S. H. Treat,
“ R. H. Clarkson, D.D.,	“ L. B. Otis,
“ H. N. Bishop, D.D.,	Mr. E. H. Sheldon,
Rev. T. N. Morrison.	

On motion, so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the union of Hyde Park Seminary and Euphemia Hall, was referred to the following Committee appointed by the Bishop:

Rev. T. N. Benedict, and Rev. E. W. Hager.

The Convention then took a recess until 3½ o'clock, P. M.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at 3½, P.M.

Before proceeding to business, the Bishop introduced to the Convention, and invited to a seat in the Chancel, the Right Reverend Henry B. Whipple, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Minnesota.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance report that they have examined the Reports of the Treasurer of the Missionary Fund, and of the Fund

Report of Com. on Jubilee College—Report of Com. on Finance—Election of Standing Com.

for the Contingent Expenses of the Convention, and find the same same correct.

H. T. HIESTER,
J. W. HANSEL,
WM. WILKINSON.

The Committee appointed on so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to Jubilee College, presented the following Report :

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the proposed removal of the Institutions of Jubilee College, beg leave to report the following resolution :

Resolved, That this Convention cordially approves the Bishop's suggestion in regard to the removal of the several Departments of Jubilee College, and would therefore submit the whole matter to the Bishop and Trustees, with full powers in behalf of this Convention, and to secure all necessary legislation on the subject.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. T. SMITHETT, *Chairman*.

On motion, the Resolution was adopted.

The Finance Committee reported further, as follows :

The Committee on Finance report, That they have examined the Reports of the Treasurer of the "Trustees of the Diocese of Illinois," in the matters of the Episcopate Fund, and the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, and find the same correct.

H. T. HIESTER,
J. W. HANSEL,
WILLIAM WILKINSON.

The Convention then went into an election for members of the Standing Committee. On the first ballot the tellers reported the following as having received a majority of the votes of both Orders :

Rev. S. Chase, D.D.,
" L. P. Clover, D.D.,

Hon. S. H. Treat,
" Antrim Campbell.

They were therefore declared duly elected.

On motion, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and the Rev. Clinton Locke and Mr. J. S. Bradford were elected *viva voce*; thus making complete the number of the Standing Committee.

The Committee on Privilege, to whom were referred the papers relating to the contested delegation from the Parish of St. Ansgarius, Chicago, reported that

We find two Certificates correct in form, and have been obliged to decide the question on its merits; and recommend that Mr. A. B. Johnson, a Norwegian, Mr. J. M. Schonbeck, a Swede, and Mr. John Dugan, of the English Congregation, be permitted to represent the Parish of St. Ansgarius' in this Convention.

On motion, the name of Mr. John Dugan was omitted, and Messrs. Johnson and Schonbeck admitted to represent the Parish of St. Ansgarius in the Convention.

The Convention then went into an election for Deputies to the General Convention, and the tellers reported the Rev. R. H. Clarkson, D.D., and the Hon. Antrim Campbell, as having received a majority of the votes of both Orders.

A second ballot was ordered, and during the counting of the votes, the following Report was presented by the Committee:

The Committee on so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the union of Euphemia Hall with the Female Seminary at Hyde Park, report—

Whereas, the Convention of this Diocese, at its Session of 1860, received from the Bishop the gratifying intelligence that a large and commodious building at Marengo had been, at his suggestion, purchased by the Rev. J. P. Labagh, and opened as a Female School; and

Whereas, the Convention of 1861 commended the same to the patronage of the Diocese; and

Second and third Ballots for Deputies to General Convention—Resolution of Printing.

Whereas, the said Euphemia Hall, on the 19th of March last, was accidentally destroyed by fire, and being uninsured became a total loss to its proprietor; and

Whereas, the Rev. Mr. Labagh has since removed the school to Hyde Park, and united it with a Female Seminary there, under the charge of a clergyman of the Church; therefore

Resolved, That while the Convention cannot refrain from expressing their deep regret at the destruction by fire of the building occupied by the Rev. Mr. Labagh as a Female Seminary, and the personal loss sustained by him, yet they rejoice that the Institution has survived the loss of the building, and has become united with a Female Seminary near the city, and the Committee would express the earnest hope that the patronage extended to the former Institution may be continued to the Schools thus united.

THOMAS N. BENEDICT,
E. W. HAGER.

The result of the second ballot for Deputies to the General Convention, as announced by the tellers, showed that no one candidate had received the concurrent vote of both Orders; there was, therefore, no election, and a third ballot was ordered.

On motion, the Rules of Order were suspended, and the following resolution offered and adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary cause to be printed 750 copies of the Journal and Bishop's Address, and send two copies to each of the members of the Convention, and one copy to every ten Communicants in each Parish, and the usual copies to the Bishops, Secretaries of Convention, and periodicals of the Church; and that he cause to be printed 500 extra copies of the Bishop's Address, in separate pamphlet form; and that every Clergyman in the Diocese be requested to read the same in his pulpit; and also, that the Secretary seek proposals from various printing-offices for the printing of the Journal and Bishop's Address, and select from the same at his discretion.

The tellers announced as the result of the third ballot, that the Hon. S. H. Treat had received a majority of the votes of both Orders for Deputy to the General Convention, and was therefore declared elected.

Amendment to Canon XIII—Third Day—Finance Committee to withdraw their Report.

On motion, the Convention voted to adjourn until 9 o'clock, Friday morning; but before the adjournment had been declared by the Bishop, special leave of the House was given for the proposal of an amendment to Canon XIII, as last adopted, and said amendment referred to the Committee on Legislation.

The House then adjourned.

THIRD DAY.

9 O'CLOCK, A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Osborne and Bostwick, the Absolution and Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop.

At the close of the Morning Service the Convention came to order; the Roll was called, and the Minutes of yesterday's proceedings read, and, as amended, approved.

On motion, leave was given to the Finance Committee to withdraw their report on the Treasurer's Account with the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergy, for the purpose of amending the same.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported, that they had not been able to find any beyond that already acted upon by the Convention.

The Bishop then read a letter from the Secretary of the Historical Society, inviting the Convention to visit the Society's Rooms and inspect its collections of Documents and other objects of interest.

Amended Report of Committee on Finance—Ballots for Deputies to General Convention.

On motion, the invitation was accepted, and the thanks of the Convention returned to the Society.

Certificates of Lay Delegates from the Church of the Holy Communion, and St. Paul's Church, Hyde Park, were presented and approved, and the names of the Delegates called, but none found present.

The Committee on Finance reported as follows :

The Committee on Finance, to whom the Report of the Treasurer of the Fund for the relief of Aged and Infirm Clergy was re-committed, report the same correct as before, except that they have removed therefrom the memorandum of the Treasurer, on the explanation of the Rev. Dr. Pratt.

H. T. HIESTER,
J. W. HANSEL,
WILLIAM WILKINSON.

The Convention then balloted a fourth time for Deputies to General Convention, resulting in the election of Rev. Mr. Capron.

A fifth ballot was ordered, pending the result of which the Treasurer of Diocesan Missions made a statement of the condition of the Treasury, showing a balance due the Missionaries of nearly \$500, and soliciting from the Clergy present pledges to make up this deficiency before the 1st of October. Pledges to the amount of \$375 were given by members of the Convention.

The tellers announced as the result of the fifth ballot that the Rev. T. N. Morrison had received the votes of a majority of both Orders, and was elected.

A sixth ballot was ordered, and during the absence of the tellers,

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary cause to be printed for the use of the Diocese 2,000 copies of Canon No. XIII.

Delegation to Gen'l Convention completed—Resolution of Thanks—"North-Western Church."

The sixth ballot resulted in the election of the Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D., when,

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and Mr. Frederick Stahl and Mr. Henry Asbury were unanimously chosen to fill the remaining vacancies, making the Delegation to General Convention complete, as follows:—

Rev. Alexander Capron,	Mr. Henry Asbury,
“ Samuel Chase, D.D.,	“ Antrim Campbell,
“ Rob't H. Clarkson, D.D.,	“ Frederick Stahl,
“ Theodore N. Morrison,	Hon. Samuel A. Treat.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Clergy, Congregations and Citizens of Chicago for their kind hospitality, and to the St. Louis, Alton and Chicago, the Galena and Chicago Union, and the Quincy and Toledo Railroads, for their favors extended to the members of this Convention.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That this Convention has heard with pleasure of the establishment in Chicago of a Church paper, called THE NORTH-WESTERN CHURCH, and cordially recommends it to the support of the Laity of the Diocese of Illinois.

The Convention went into an election for Provisional Deputies to the General Convention, and the following named gentlemen received a majority of the votes of both Orders on the first ballot:

Rev. John H. Egar,	Mr. R. B. Servant,
Mr. S. C. Judd.	

Pending the second ballot, the Committee on Legislation reported as follows:

Committee on Legislation—Afternoon Session—Provisional Deputies—Trustees of Diocese.

The Committee on Legislation beg leave to report—

That they have had under consideration the proposed amendment to the Canon relating to the Diocesan Fund, and do not recommend its adoption, on the ground that it would, in their estimation, render the Canon a practical nullity.

SAMUEL CHASE,
Chairman of Committee.

The tellers announced as the result of the second ballot for Provisional Deputies to General Convention, that the Rev. Warren H. Roberts and the Hon. George Green had received a majority of the votes of both Orders.

On motion, the Committee took a recess until 3 o'clock, P.M.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at 3 P.M.

On motion, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and the Rev. Henry T. Hiester, the Rev. George C. Street, and the Hon. William W. De Wolf, were elected as Provisional Deputies to the General Convention, completing the required number.

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and the Rev. S. Chase, D.D., the Rev. T. N. Benedict, and Messrs. H. S. Austin, J. W. Hansel, and R. F. Seabury, were unanimously re-elected as Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Illinois.

The amendment to Canon XIII, reported upon adversely by the Committee on Legislation, was called up and its adoption moved. The motion was lost.

The following preamble and resolutions were presented and unanimously adopted by the Convention :

Whereas, it appears from the accounts of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Diocese that many of the Parishes have been delinquent, either in whole or in part, in the matter of the assessment in aid of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate ; and that in consequence large arrears of salary due the Bishop have accrued ; therefore,

Resolved. 1. That the Trustees of the Diocese be and are hereby directed to ascertain what Parishes have been delinquent, and in what sums, for the past six years.

2. That the Trustees urge upon the Parishes thus delinquent the prompt payment of the same, and, in failure thereof, to press them to some form of settlement by note or otherwise, and the payment of interest, semi-annually, on the first days of January and July in each year.

3. That the Trustees be further instructed to ascertain what amount of salary remains unpaid and due the Bishop for the same time, and execute to the Bishop such bonds or obligation as may render the claim a good and valid one as against the Diocese ; and upon such arrears so found, pay from any moneys in their Treasury not otherwise appropriated, semi-annual interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum.

4. That any sums which may be collected over and above the interest due on arrears, be paid from time to time in liquidation of the principal.

5. That the Trustees make at the next Convention their report, fully setting forth the amount paid by the several Parishes—the amount unpaid, and the amount settled by note or otherwise, for the further action of this body.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Bishop and Secretary of the Convention be a Committee to prepare and publish 500 copies of the Revised Constitution and Canons.

On motion,

Resolved, That after the customary devotions, this Convention adjourn *sine die*.

Adjournment.

The Bishop then delivered his parting address ; the *Gloria in Excelsis* was sung by the Convention,—and after prayers and Benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE,

Bishop of the Diocese of Illinois.

JOHN WILKINSON,

Secretary of the Convention.

TREASURERS' REPORTS.

T. N. MORRISON, *Treasurer of Diocesan Missions, in account with
Convention.*

	Dr.	Cr.
Balance account, 1861,.....	\$ 3 40	
Error, St. Thomas', Amboy,	60	
St. Paul's, Warsaw,.....	10 00	
Grace Church, Galena,.....	34 41	
St. Paul's, Springfield,.....	113 99	
St. James', Chicago,.....	100 00	
St. John's, Chicago,.....	14 00	
St. Paul's, Lee Centre,.....	3 70	
Christ Church, Waukegan,.....	25 12	
Trinity, Chicago,.....	38 50	
St. Andrew's, Farmridge,.....	4 00	
Christ Church, Limestone,.....	16 31	
Calvary, Farmington,.....	30 48	
St. John's, Decatur,.....	20 13	
Grace Church, Chicago,.....	100 00	
St. John's, Quincy,.....	79 00	
Redeemer, Wilmington,.....	5 70	
St. James', Lewistown,.....	18 30	
Mr. Allis, Waverly,	5 00	
St. Paul's, Peoria,.....	76 25	
Zion, Providence,.....	4 39	
St. Jude's, Tiskilwa,.....	7 90	
Redeemer, Princeton,.....	3 53	
Christ Church, Ottawa,.....	63 72	
Griggsville,	3 50	
Trinity, Jacksonville,.....	50 00	
Christ Church, Robin's Nest,.....	20 00	
St. Mark's, Chester,.....	20 00	
Christ Church, Collinsville,	1 79	
St. Paul's, Pekin,.....	12 00	
St. Peter's, Sycamore,.....	1 00	
<i>Carried forward</i> ,.....	\$886 72	

Treasurer's Report—Diocesan Missions.

	Dr.	Cr.
<i>Amount brought over</i> ,.....	\$886 72	
Christ Church, Joliet,	20 95	
Trinity, Rock Island,.....	15 00	
The Bishop's Church... ..	15 00	
St. Paul's, Peru,.....	52 40	
St. Paul's, Alton,.....	23 00	
St. Paul's, Alton, Sunday School,.....	19 68	
J. Prichett, Esq., Edwardsville,.....	4 84	
St. Stephen's, Pittsfield,.....	10 03	
St. Paul's, Carlinville,.....	18 44	
Mrs. H., Ill.,.....	5 00	
Christ Church, Chicago,.....	5 79	
St. Peter's, Chesterfield,.....	13 80	
St. Ansgarius', Chicago,.....	8 10	
Trinity, Aurora,.....	7 00	
St. Luke's, Dixon,.....	5 00	
St. John's, Knoxville,.....	4 50	
Grace Church, Galesburg,.....	5 50	
Collection, Convention, The Bishop's Church	34 30	
St. Matthew's, Bloomington,.....	5 00	
Rev. John Cauch,.....		\$ 60 00
Rev. C. P. Clarke,.....		38 40
Rev. Warren H. Roberts,.....		10 00
Rev. John W. Osborne,.....		104 00
Rev. H. T. Hiester,.....		59 00
Rev. John Benson,.....		161 79
Rev. C. A. Bruce,.....		203 24
Rev. George C. Street,.....		190 22
Rev. C. H. Albert,.....		65 00
Rev. Charles F. Loop,.....		95 00
Rev. A. P. Crouch,.....		125 00
Bill of Sec. of Board of Missions,.....		18 05
Uncurrent money, exchange, postage, &c.,...		10 35
Balance in hands of Treasurer,.....		20 00
	\$1160 05	\$1160 05

T. N. MORRISON, *Treasurer.*

Treasurer's Report—Contingent Fund.

T. N. MORRISON, *Treasurer of Contingent Fund, in account with Convention.*

	Dr.	Cr.
Balance, 1861,.....	\$76 47	
St. Mark's, *Chester,.....	5 10	
St. Peter's, Sycamore,.....	6 00	
St. John's, Decatur,.....	4 95	
St. Paul's, Peru,.....	6 45	
Calvary, Farmington,.....	6 00	
Christ Church, Limestone,.....	6 05	
St. Paul's, Springfield,.....	22 35	
St. Paul's, Peoria,.....	13 50	
Grace Church, Galena,.....	11 55	
St. Paul's, Pekin,.....	5 00	
Christ Church, Waukegan,.....	6 00	
St. Paul's, Lee Centre,.....	2 85	
St. Thomas', Amboy,.....	1 95	
St. Peter's, Chesterfield,.....	68	
St. Paul's, Carlinville,.....	1 00	
St. Andrew's, Farm Ridge,.....	6 15	
St. James', Lewistown,.....	1 65	
St. Jude's, Tiskilwa,.....	3 45	
Zion, Providence,.....	4 50	
Grace Church, Chicago,.....	18 00	
St. John's, Quincy,.....	20 10	
St. John's, Chicago,.....	13 50	
St. Luke's, Dixon,.....	75	
St. Peter's, Grand Detour,.....	63	
Trinity, Jacksonville,.....	9 75	
St. John's, Kewanee,.....	4 00	
St. Paul's, Manhattan,.....	8 10	
St. John's, Naperville,.....	3 45	
Trinity, Geneseo,.....	1 80	
Redeemer, Wilmington,.....	7 05	
Christ Church, Ottawa,.....	13 00	
Christ Church, Robin's Nest,.....	8 13	
Atonement, Chicago,.....	1 50	
Trinity, Chicago,.....	24 00	
St. James', Chicago,.....	57 45	
Christ Church, Chicago,.....	8 40	
	\$391 26	

Treasurer's Report—Contingent Fund—Delinquent Parishes.

	Dr.	Cr.
Journal, 1861,.....		\$262 92
Bill Scott & Co., (printing,).....		11 30
Postage on Jour. and incidentals, (Sec. Con.,)		6 50
Stationery and postage, (Treas. Con.,).....		2 50
Balance,.....		108 04
		\$391 26

T. N. MORRISON, *Treasurer.*

LIST OF DELINQUENT PARISHES,

NOT ENTITLED TO REPRESENTATION IN CONVENTION.

Albion, St. John's,
 Alton, St. Paul's,
 Belvidere, Trinity,
 Bloomington, St. Matthew's,
 Brimfield, Zion,
 Centralia, St. John's,
 Collinsville, Christ Church,
 Freeport, Zion,
 Knoxville, St. John's,

Lacon, St. John's,
 Lockport, St. John's,
 Marengo, Advent,
 Morris, St. Thomas,
 Polo, Trinity,
 Pre-emption, Rock Island Co.,
 Grace,
 Rockford, Emmanuel,
 Salem, St. Thomas.

Treasurer's Report—Episcopate Fund.

J. W. HANSEL, in account with the Trustees of the Episcopate Fund, Sept., 1862.

PARISHES.	ASSESSMENT.	AMOUNT PAID.	AM'T DUE.
Albion, St. John's.....	\$31 00	\$11 00	\$20 00
Alton, St. Paul's.....	50 00	.....	50 00
Amboy, St. Thomas'.....	9 00	.....	9 00
Arcadia, Messiah.....	6 00	.....	6 00
Aurora, Trinity.....	30 00	.....	30 00
Belvidere, Trinity.....	32 00	12 00	20 00
Bloomington, St. Matthews',	33 00	5 58	27 42
Brimfield, Zion.....	12 00	6 00	6 00
Carlinville, St. Paul's.....	6 00	6 00	.....
Centralia, St. John's.....	15 00	15 00	.....
Chester, St. Mark's.....	34 00	34 00	.....
Chesterfield, St. Peter's.....	7 00	7 00	.....
Chicago, Ascension.....	45 00	2 00	43 00
“ Atonement.....	10 00	10 00	.....
“ Christ.....	34 00	.....	34 00
“ Grace.....	120 00	46 00	74 00
“ Holy Communion.....	70 00	.....	70 00
“ St. Ansgarius'.....	46 00	.....	46 00
“ St. James'.....	313 00	102 00	211 00
“ St. John's.....	90 00	90 00	.....
“ Trinity.....	160 00	54 00	106 00
Collinsville, Christ.....	18 00	.....	18 00
Decatur, St. John's.....	32 00	32 00	.....
Dixon, St. Luke's.....	22 00	22 00	.....
Farmington, Calvary.....	34 00	34 00	.....
Farm Ridge, St. Andrew's..	43 00	15 00	28 00
Freeport, Zion.....	44 00	.....	44 00
Galena, Grace.....	77 00	.....	77 00
Galesburg, Grace.....	33 00	.....	33 00
Geneseo, Trinity.....	12 00	.....	12 00
Grand Detour, St. Peter's...	16 00	.....	16 00
Hyde Park, St. Paul's.....	14 00	.....	14 00
Jacksonville, Trinity.....	65 00	65 00	.....
Joliet, Christ.....	60 00	31 25	28 75
Kewanee, St. John's.....	44 00	.....	44 00
Knoxville, St. John's.....	21 00	.....	21 00
Lacon, St. John's.....	14 00	.....	14 00
Lee Centre, St. Paul's.....	19 00	.....	19 00
<i>Carried forward</i> ,.....	\$1,721 00	\$599 83	\$1,121 17

Treasurer's Report—Episcopate Fund.

PARISHES.	ASSESSMENT.	AMOUNT PAID.	AMOUNT DUE.
<i>Brought forward</i> ,.....	\$1,721 00	\$599 83	\$1,121 17
Lewistown, St. James'.....	11 00	11 00	.....
Limestone Prairie, Christ...	36 00	36 00	.....
Lockport, St. John's.....	25 00	.....	28 00
Manhattan, St. Paul's.....	25 00	5 00	20 00
Matoon, Trinity.....	12 00	5 00	7 00
Marengo, Advent.....	53 00	.....	53 00
Morris, St. Thomas',.....	44 00	.....	44 00
Naperville, St. John's.....	24 00	11 00	13 00
Onarga, Trinity.....	22 00	.....	22 00
Ottawa, Christ.....	98 00	42 00	56 00
Pekin, St. Paul's.....	30 00	20 00	10 00
Peoria, St. Paul's.....	96 00	40 00	56 00
Peru, St. Paul's.....	20 00	11 00	9 00
Pittsfield, St. Stephen's.....	32 00	.....	32 00
Polo, Trinity,.....	33 00	.....	33 00
Princeton, Redeemer.....	18 00	.....	18 00
Providence, Zion.....	30 00	.....	30 00
Quincy, St. John's.....	144 00	61 00	83 00
Robin's Nest, Christ.....	71 00	45 00	26 00
Rockford, Emmanuel.....	50 00	.....	50 00
Rock Island, Trinity.....	20 00	20 00	11 00
Rock Island Co., Grace.....	63 00	.....	63 00
Salem, St. Thomas'.....	11 00	.....	.....
Springfield, St. Paul's.....	139 00	69 00	70 00
Sycamore, St. Peter's.....	43 00	.....	11 00
Tiskilwa, St. Jude's.....	24 00	.....	24 00
Utica, St. George's.....	10 00	10 00	.....
Warsaw, St. Paul's.....	30 00	.....	30 00
Waukegan, Christ.....	52 00	28 00	24 00
Wilmington, Redeemer.....	21 00	8 00	13 00
Chicago, French Mission...	12 00	.....	12 00
Algonquin, St. John's.....	8 00	8 00	.....
Arcola, Christ.....	8 00	8 00	.....
Riverton, St. Paul's.....	5 00	5 00	.....
	\$3,041 00	\$1,042 83	\$1,966 17

Treasurer's Report—Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.

Treasurer's Report continued—to whom paid.

		Dr.	Cr.
1862.	Brought forward,.....	\$1042 83	
Jan. 22,	Paid for postage envelopes for H. S. Austin,.....		\$ 5 00
Jan. 29,	Paid Benjamin Foster for print- ing,.....		13 50
	Paid for postage stamps for Treas- urer,		2 00
	Paid Rt. Rev. Bishop White- house, D.D., at sundry times as per vouchers,.....		321 50
Sept. 12,	Paid Rt. Rev. H. J. Whitehouse,		710 00
		\$1042 83	\$1052 00
	Amount due Treasurer,	9 17	
		\$1052 00	\$1052 00

J. W. HANSEL, *Treasurer.*MATTHEW GRISWOLD, *Treasurer of Fund for Aged and Indigent
Clergy.*

(Omitted in Journal of 1861.)

1860.	RECEIVED.		
December	St. Paul's Parish, Peoria,.....	\$8 55	
	Christ Church, Joliet,.....	7 00	
	St. John's, Decatur,.....	3 75	
	Christ Church, Ottawa,.....	13 00	
	Trinity Church, Jacksonville,....	20 15	
	Grace Church, Chicago,.....	24 00	
	Holy Communion, Chicago,.....	17 00	
	St. John's, Lacon,.....	1 00	
	Christ Church, Limestone,.....	9 50	
	St. James', Chicago,.....	30 00	
	St. Paul's, Warsaw,.....	3 00	
	St. Paul's, Springfield,.....	26 15	
			\$163 10

Treasurer's Report—Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.

1860.	PAID.		
	<i>Brought forward</i> ,.....		\$163 10
December	Rev. C. Dresser order, Trinity Church, Jacksonville,.....	\$20 15	
	Rev. C. Dresser order, St. James', Chicago,.....	30 00	
	Rev. C. Dresser order, St. Paul's, Springfield,.....	26 15	76 30
	Balance.....		\$86 80

MATTHEW GRISWOLD, *Treasurer.*

PEORIA, Sept. 10, 1861.

J. W. HANSEL, *Treasurer of Fund for Aged and Indigent Clergymen.*

		DR.	CR.
1861.	RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.		
Sept. 27,	Amount received from former Treasurer,.....	\$ 86 80	
Jann. 31,	Collection, St. James', Chicago,...	30 00	
Dec. 10,	" Calvary, Farmington,.....	3 00	
	" Grace, Galena,.....	4 00	
	" Christ, Ottawa,.....	4 00	
	" Christ, Robin's Nest,.....	5 00	
Dec. 27,	" The Bishop's Church,.....	10 28	
Dec. 5,	" Grace, Chicago,.....	20 00	
Sept. 27,	By paid Rev. Chas. Dresser, D.D.		\$ 86 80
1862.			
Jan. 31,	" " " " " "		30 00
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		\$163 08	\$120 30
	Am't on hand subject to order,...		42 78
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	Trinity, Jacksonville,	24 00	
	Paid Rev. Dr. Dresser,.....		24 00
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	Balance.....		\$86 80

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PAROCHIAL AND CLERICAL REPORTS.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER, 1862.

Algonquin, St. John's, Vacant.

Church Wardens—Silas Wanzer and James Kee.

Number of families, 10; total of souls, 52.

Baptisms—infants, 1. Communicants—present number, 8.

Sunday-School—teachers: male 3; female, 3; total, 6. Scholars—male, 10; female, 11; total, 21.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 52; other days, 8.

Holy Communion—public, 1. Alms, \$2.79.

Contributions—Missions: Episcopate, \$8; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$2; Parish purposes, \$1.07; other Church offerings, for Prayer Books and Sunday School requisites, \$5.15.

The Parish has not enjoyed the regular ministrations of a clergyman the past year. Lay reading has been regularly kept up on Sundays in the forenoon in the village of Algonquin, and in the afternoon at a country school-house, about five miles distant, and about three miles west of Dundee village. The attendance at Algonquin has been tolerably good, but irregular. Divine Service held in an upper room, gratuitously provided by the proprietor, Mr James Philp. The attendance at the country school-house above mentioned, has been very encouraging and quite regular—two families, formerly of the Church of the Redeemer, in Elgin, being constant attendants. The Parish has suffered for want of even the occasional services of a Clergyman, but an effort is now made to revive a Church-life by paying up the assessment for the Episcopate and Contingent expenses of the Diocese, and introducing regular collections every Lord's Day, and we hope to make the regular collections for Diocesan Missions. They will probably be

small; but we hope one step, though a small one, is taken in the right direction, and trust "the Lord will fulfill that which concerneth us." In the statistical amount of number of times of celebration of Divine Service, is not included Divine Service at the country school-house, as there was a doubt whether it was, strictly speaking, within the Parish of St. John's Church, Algonquin.

PETER ARVEDSON,

Lay Reader and Clerk of the Vestry.

September 9, 1862.

Alton, St. Paul's, Rev. John Foster.

Church Wardens—S. R. Dolbie and James Birdsall.

Number of families, 43.

Baptisms—infants, 24; adults, 8; total, 32. Confirmed, 17. Marriages, 3. Burials, 23. Communicants—added anew, 17; by removal, 2; died, 1; present number, 70.

Sunday School—teachers: male, 3; female, 10; total, 13. Scholars, 100.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 49; other days, 12.

Holy Communion—public, 12. Alms, \$51.65.

Contributions: Missions—Diocesan, \$59.76; Parish purposes—repairing Church, \$1,100; other Church offerings—for Sunday-School, \$38.95.

National Fast: Sept. 26, 1861—for wounded soldiers, \$18.25.

Amboy, St. Thomas, Vacant.

Church Wardens—F. J. Foot and Bernard H. Trusdell.

Number of families, 23; total of souls, 40.

Baptisms—infants, 6; Marriages, 4. Burials, 1. Communicants—removed from, 1; present number, 8.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 35.

Holy Communion—public, 8. Alms, \$2.50.

American Church Missionary Society, \$3.31.

This Report extends from September, 1861, to June 1, 1862, when I accepted a call to a charge in Peoria.

W. M. A. BRODNAX.

Arcola, Christ Church, . Rev. John Wesley Osborne.

Church Wardens—John T. Sylvester and James R. Smith.

Number of families, 16 ; individuals not thus included, 24 ; total of souls, 117.

Baptisms—infants, 6. Confirmed, 8. Burials, 1. Communicants: added anew, 37 ; present number, 87.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 26.

Contributions—Holy Communion—public, 4. Alms, 13.

We have received from the Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, the esteemed Rector of St. James' Church, Chicago, 40 Prayer-Books, as a gift. Also, from the Bishop White Prayer-Book Society, of Philadelphia, 100 Prayer-Books. Also, from the Evangelical Knowledge Society, of New York, a donation of 40 Prayer-Books. We have, in good subscription, one thousand dollars, to build our new Church. From the Illinois Central Railroad Company we have received four valuable lots, making 160 feet square—a very good situation, on the corner of two prominent streets. There is ground for the Church, Rectory, and Parish School-House. We purpose building our Church edifice immediately, and we intend to keep out of debt. The Sunday-School in this town is a union school, and it is a very large one. I deliver an address to the children once a month. I have attended all the calls for Ministerial service at different places on the line of this Railroad. Visiting the sick, burying the dead, baptizing children and adults, administering the Holy Communion, and preaching the Gospel of Christ.

Aurora, Trinity, Rev. Stephen T. Allen.

Church Wardens—P. A. Allaire and C. F. Jauriet.

Number of families, 53 ; individuals not thus included, 13 ; total of souls, about 200.

Baptisms—infants, 5 ; adults, 5 ; total, 10. Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 1. Burials, 10. Communicants—added anew, 5 ; removed from, 4 ; died, 1 ; present number, 32.

Sunday-School—teachers : male, 4 ; female, 7 ; total, 11. Scholars—male, 23 ; female, 52 ; total, 75.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 54 ; other days, 18.

Holy Communion—public, 2. Alms, \$8.93.

Contributions—Missions : Diocesan, \$7 ; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$8 ; Parish purposes, \$319 ; other Church offerings, \$6.75.

Morning Service is held every Sunday. In the afternoon, the Minister in charge holds Service at Naperville. The attendance is good, and the prospects of the Parish are hopeful.

Belvidere, Trinity, Rev. I. P. Labagh.

Church Wardens—Nyah Hotchkiss and Samuel Rockwood.

Number of families, 26.

Baptisms—infants, 12. Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Communicants—added anew, 2; by removal, 1; removed from, 14; died, 4; present number, 21.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 4; female, 4; total, 8. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 12.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 52; other days, 3.

Contributions—Episcopate, \$12.

The Parish has suffered so much from removals, and the state of the times, that its very existence has become imperiled; and unless Missionary aid be extended to it, cannot fulfill its pecuniary obligations or support public worship.

Bement, Atonement, . . . Rev. John Wesley Osborne.

Church Wardens—George Milmine and Thomas Cooper.

Number of families, 6; individuals not thus included, 17; total of souls, 41.

Baptisms—infants, 1. Burials, 1. Communicants—added anew, 8; removed from, 1; died, 1; present number, 6.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 24.

Holy Communion—public, 4. Alms, \$11.

The Congregation is very good, and much interest taken in the Service. There is a very good Sunday-School of a union character. As our children are few in number, it is thought best to remain as we are for the present. The Catechetical instruction of our children is attended to at their respective homes during our pastoral visits. I am much encouraged in my work at this place.

Bloomington, St. Matthew's, . . . Rev. James W. Coe.

Church Wardens—C. A. Kerfoot and G. Ferre.

Number of families, 37; individuals not thus included, 30.

Baptisms—infants, 8; adults, 3; total, 11. Confirmed, 8; Marriages, 1. Burials, 4. Communicants—added anew, 10; by removal, 14; removed from, 11; died, 1; present number, 45.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 2; female, 4; total, 6; Scholars—total, 50. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 5

Celebration of Divine Services—Sundays, 52.

Holy Communion—public, 14; private, 2.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$5; Episcopate, \$5.58
Contingent expenses of Parish, \$123.95; Parish purposes, \$215.

Brimfield, Zion, Vacant.

Church Warden—William W. Church.

Number of families, 4; individuals not thus included, 10; total of souls, 20.

Communicants—present number, 10.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 2; other days, 2.

Contributions—Episcopate, \$6.

We have had, in the past year, two Services by Mr. Smithett—morning and evening; week day and two Sabbath Services by Dr. Chase. No collection taken during the year. Mr. Church, \$3; Mrs. Thompson and Wells, \$3—\$6, which I have handed Mr. Hansel.

WM. W. CHURCH, *Warden.*

Carlville, St. Paul's, Rev. D. W. Dresser.

Church Wardens—M. H. Head and Wm. N. Dorsett.

Number of families, 16; individuals not thus included, 16; total of souls, 52.

Baptisms—infants, 12; adults, 2; total, 14. Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 5. Burials, 5. Communicants—added anew, 6; by removal, 2; removed from, 1; died, 1; present number, 12.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 2; female, 5; total, 7. Scholars—male, 12; female, 18; total, 30.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 46; other days, 10.

Holy Communion—public, 5.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$18.44; Domestic, \$8.20; Episcopate, \$6; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$1.50; Parish purposes, \$177; other Church offerings, Jubilee College, \$5.40.

The Minister of this Parish has also baptized *one adult* in the neighboring town of Gillespie, and ministered to *eight communicants* not included in the above.

Centralia, St. John's, . . . Rev. John Wesley Osborne.

Church Wardens—A. J. Wakeman and R. H. Perry.

Number of families, 7; individuals not thus included, 8; total of souls, 27.

Baptisms—infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3. Confirmed, 4. Communicants—added anew, 2; removed from, 1; present number, 16.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 2; female, 2; total, 4. Scholars—male, 14; female, 18; total, 32. Public catechetical instruction every Sunday.

Celebration of Divine Worship by R. H. Perry, the Lay Reader, every Sunday; by the Missionary, on Sundays, 8 times; other days, 1, by the Bishop.

Holy Communion—public, 4 times. Alms, \$7. For the Sunday-School, \$12; volumes in the Sunday-School Library, 500.

The Parish can pay one hundred dollars for the support of a resident Minister, and are very anxious to unite with St. Thomas' Church, Salem. An enterprising young Minister can do very well in building up this Church. There are a number of persons, friends of the Church, who are very willing to support a resident Minister.

J. W. OSBORNE, *Missionary.*

Chester, St. Mark's, . . . Rev. Wm. Mitchell, M.D.

Church Wardens—R. B. Servant and Wm. R. Marlin.

Number of families, 30; individuals not thus included, 45; total of souls, 75.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Confirmed, 5. Burials, 5. Communicants—added anew, 5; removed from, 9; died, 1; present number, 34.

Sunday-School—teachers: female, 6. Scholars—male, 24; female, 23; total, 47. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 10. Catechumens, 17.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 61; other days, 11; total, 72.

Holy Communion—public, 11; private, 3. Alms, \$97.30.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$20; Episcopate, \$34; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$8.50; other Church offerings, \$24.60.

We have cause for gratitude to the Great Head of the Church, that we have accomplished some little good by our feeble efforts to sustain the Services in the Church during the past year. The few noble souls that give and work in St. Mark's Parish to sustain public Services, deserve the highest praise. The present war has taken from us most of our young male members. We pray for better days to come. While the war-cloud hangs densely over us, we remember David's words of cheering, "He shall defend thee under His wings, and He shall be thy shield and buckler." *Qui habitat.*

Chesterfield, St. Peter's, . . . Rev. D. W. Dresser.

Church Wardens—Thos. S. Gelder and Thos. Leach.

Number of families, 15; individuals not thus included, 5; total of souls, 60.

Baptisms—infants, 6. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Communicants—added anew, 2; removed from, 1; present number, 8.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 45.

Holy Communion—public, 5.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$13.80; Episcopate, \$7; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$1.75; Parish purposes, \$23.50.

The collections at Communion are devoted to Parish purposes.

Chicago, Ascension. . . . Rev. W. H. Cooper.

Church Wardens—Gurdon S. Hubbard and Samuel Gehr.

Number of families, 35; individuals not thus included, 21; total of souls, 162.

Baptisms—infants, 10; adults, 1; total, 11. Confirmed, 1. Marriages, 5. Burials, 4. Communicants—added anew, 2; by removal, 12; removed from, 21; present number, 43.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 3; female, 6; total 9. Scholars, 60.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 104; other days, semi-weekly in Lent.

Holy Communion—public, 12.

 Parochial and Clerical Reports—Chicago, Christ—Grace.

Contributions—Missions : Domestic, \$5.55 ; Episcopate, \$2 ; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$6.75 ; Parish purposes, \$277.57 ; other Church offerings, \$106.22.

Chicago, Christ, . . . Rev. Chas. Edward Cheney.

Church Wardens—Allen C. Calkins and Geo. A. Sacket

Number of families, 60 ; individuals not thus included, 25 ; total of souls, 300.

Baptisms—infants, 7 ; adults, 7 ; total, 14. Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 2. Burials, 7. Communicants—added anew, 10 ; by removal, 7 ; removed from, 7 ; died, 1 ; present number, 43.

Sunday-School—teachers : male, 5 ; female 12 ; total, 17. Scholars—male, 54 ; female, 73 ; total, 127. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 12.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 98 ; other days, 42.

Holy Communion—public, 9 ; private 1. Alms, \$50.01.

Contributions—Missions : Diocesan, \$5.79 ; Foreign, \$13.25 ; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$8.40 ; Parish purposes, \$546.75 ; Chicago Bible Society, \$7.50 ; Sunday-School offerings, \$46 ; American Church Missionary Society, \$20.

The present condition of the Parish is as flourishing in temporal matters as could be expected. It is now entirely self-supporting, and the congregation is so steadily increasing, that the Church edifice (enlarged last year) will probably be "too strait for us" before the end of another conventional year. By God's blessing we are prospering to some extent in spiritual things, and a small class for confirmation awaits another Episcopal visitation.

Chicago, Grace, Rev. Clinton Locke.

REV. C. H. VAN DYNE, *Assistant.*

Church Wardens—H. W. Hinsdale and W. G. Hibbard.

Number of families, 100 ; individuals not thus included, 100 ; total of souls, 500.

Baptisms—infants, 52 ; adults, 9 ; total, 61. Confirmed, 15. Marriages, 8. Burials, 23. Communicants—added anew, 15 ; by removal, 31 ; removed from, 27 ; died, 3 ; present number, 136.

Sunday-School—teachers : male, 12 ; female, 19 ; total, 31. Scholars—male, 90 ; female, 140 ; total, 230. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 52.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 114; other days, 100.

Holy Communion—public, 13; private, 1. Alms, \$170.75.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$100; Episcopate, \$46; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$34; aged and infirm Clergymen, \$20; Parish purposes, \$2,570; other Church offerings, \$470.50.

Other Church offerings include: Nashotah, \$230; Bishop Whipple's Schools, \$50; City Missions, \$158.50, and contributions for Hospital purposes. In January last this Parish commenced Mission Services on the west side, corner Desplaines and DeKoven streets. The Baptist Meeting-House was hired, and a large Sunday-School was soon gathered, with an increasing congregation for Lay-Reading. In August, the Rev. C. H. Van Dyne became Assistant Minister of Grace Church, with special charge of this work, and he feels very much encouraged at the interest manifested. Much of the success of this Mission is due to the efficient services of Mr. John F. Beaty, as Superintendent of Sunday-School and Lay Reader. He has indeed been a helper to his Rector.

Chicago, Holy Communion, . . . Rev. E. W. Hager.

Church Wardens—William Low and Albert E. Neeley.

Contributions—Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$10.40.

The present Rector took charge of this Parish August 1st; and such is its condition, no report can be made. The Church being in process of repairs, no regular service has yet been held. The Rector has officiated in several of the Parishes in the city, also in Joliet, Manhattan and Milwaukee. It is expected that the repairs on the Church will be completed about the first of October. They will be thorough; and we expect to see this Parish again flourish as in times of yore.

Chicago, St. Ansgarius, . . . Rev. Jacob Bredberg.

Church Wardens—John Math. Schonbeck and N. P. Loberg.

Number of families, 45; individuals not thus included, 51; total of souls, 234.

Baptisms—infants, 26. Confirmed, 10. Marriages, 6. Burials, 6. Communicants—present number, 141.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 66; other days, 70.

Holy Communion—public, 6; private, 1.

Contributions—Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$10; Parish purposes \$190; other Church offerings, \$5.90.

St. Ansgarius' Church being erected by Scandinavians, for Service in their language, has some years been without a Pastor of their own tongue up to last year, when I was appointed. Of course, the congregation is making a new start, and the prospects are very bright, notwithstanding we labor under heavy difficulties in supporting the Minister and sustaining the services, and particularly because the Church building is leased for a City Mission, and we have to wait one year more for re-occupation of our own Church for its original purpose. Now we have privilege only of the afternoon Services on Sundays, and look eagerly for the time when we can have morning Service, which will double our Congregation.

The Pastor has extended his mission to other Scandinavian settlements—Jefferson, in Cook county, and to Monee, Neoga and Effingham, along the Illinois Central Railroad, where he has a number of times preached and administered the Holy Sacraments.

Chicago, St. Ansgarius', . . Rev. Edmund B. Tuttle.

Number of families, 56; individuals not thus included, 11; total of souls, 311.

Baptisms—infants, 23; adults, 2; total, 25. Confirmed, 28. Marriages, 12. Burials, 17. Communicants—added anew, 13; by removal, 7; removed from, 13; died, 3; present number, 64.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 7; female, 6; total, 13. Scholars—male, 30; female, 70; total, 100. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 12.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 52; other days, 18.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$8.09; Contingent expenses of Diocese, 12.90; Parish purposes, \$189.05; subscriptions for the Poor, \$605.55.

Chicago, St. James', . Rev. Robert H. Clarkson, D.D.

Church Wardens—John Rogers and Talman Wheeler.

Number of families, 275; individuals not thus included, 120; total of souls, 1,590.

Baptisms—infants, 64; adults, 3; total, 67. Confirmed, 20. Marriages, 23. Burials, 35. Communicants—added anew, 12;

by removal, 10; removed from, 13; died, 7; present number, 315. Sunday-School—teachers: male, 12; female, 16; total, 28. Scholars—male, 120; female, 180; total, 300. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 12; Catechumens, 300.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 104; other days, 120.

Holy Communion—public, 14; private, 8. Alms, \$346.50.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$100; Domestic, \$165; Episcopate, \$102; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$78.75; aged and infirm Clergymen, \$30; Parish purposes, \$8,000; other Church offerings, \$650.

Chicago, St. John's, . . . Rev. H. N. Bishop, D.D.

Church Wardens—Job Carpenter and F. A. Bryan.

Number of families, 125; individuals not thus included, 25; total of souls, 650.

Baptisms—infants, 36; adults, 4; total, 40. Confirmed, 22. Marriages, 17. Burials, 28. Communicants—added anew, 26; by removal, 18; removed from, 36; died, 1; total, 97.

Sunday-School—teachers: 33; Scholars, 348.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 103; other days, 50.

Holy Communion—public, 12. Alms, \$150.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$14; Episcopate, \$91; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$22.75; Parish purposes, \$2,456.32; other offerings, \$325.68.

The following are items included in the above sums for Parish and other Church offerings: Contributed by the Ladies' Benevolent Society, chiefly in goods for Hospital purposes, \$125; circulation of the Bible, \$18; Education of Young Men, at Kenyon College, 80; Orphans' Home, Iowa, \$10; Organ for Church, \$472.10; for Sunday-School purposes, \$283.32; Pastoral Aid Society, \$34.68; Church of the Ascension, \$58. By God's blessing, the Parish, notwithstanding almost constant removals, continues to prosper. The abounding liberality of the Congregation has enabled the Vestry to *promptly* meet all their obligations; and at present there is not a dollar's debt against the Parish.

Chicago, Trinity, . . . Rev. James Pratt, D.D.

Church Wardens—L. P. Hilliard and J. C. Fargo.

Number of families, 200; individuals not thus included, 125; total of souls, 1,125.

Parochial and Clerical Reports—Collinsville.

Baptisms—infants, 38; adults, 5; total, 43. Confirmed, 29. Marriages, 18. Burials, 21. Communicants—added anew, 75; removed from, 34; died, 3; present number, 200.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 15; female, 22; total, 37. Scholars—male, 70; female, 105; total, 175.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 104; other days, 60.

Holy Communion—public, 12; private, 1. Alms, \$292.64.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$38; Foreign, \$50; Episcopate, \$54; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$24; Parish purposes, \$10,000; other Church offerings, \$831.36.

The Parish is in a most healthy and vigorous condition. United and hearty in its support of all efforts for the promotion of Christ's Kingdom, it presents an aspect more encouraging than the present Rector has ever seen before. In consequence of the pressure of the times, and the desire to cancel all claims for the new Church, the contributions of the Parish to outside objects have not been as large as in some former years.

City Missionary and Tract Society, \$150; Pastoral Aid Society, \$150; Evangelical Knowledge Society, \$25; American Church Missionary Society, \$50; Rector's discretion for Poor, beside Communion Alms, \$138.69; Chicago Bible Society, \$60; Zion Church, Freeport, \$100; special for Missions, \$53; Sunday-School of Trinity Church, \$70.87; an aged and infirm Clergyman, \$33.80. Total contributions, \$1,290.00.

The Parish is making a systematic and united effort to raise, by weekly offerings, a sum sufficient to cancel past indebtedness, and the plan is working successfully.

Collinsville, Christ, . . . Rev. Robert Trewartha.

Number of families, 20; total of souls, 100.

Communicants—removed from, 2; present number, 15.

Sunday-School—teachers: female, 7. Scholars—male, 10; female, 10; total, 20. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 8; Catechumens, 7.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 18; other days, 8.

This Report reaches back only to the 13th day of July, of this current year. It is defective from the fact, that my predecessor withdrew from the Parish without leaving any records of many things called for. Our Congregations are large and attentive. Since my arrival in this Parish, I have seen much of the goodness of God every way; He has here raised up for Himself a few who enjoy a sense of His pardoning love. May "the little one become a thousand."

Decatur, St. John's, Rev. W. M. Steel.

Church Wardens—Cyril Fuller and D. C. Lockwood.

Number of families, 40; individuals not thus included, 6; total of souls, 180.

Baptisms—infants, 5. Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3. Communicants—added anew, 5; removed from, 4; present number, 33.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 5; female, 8; total, 13. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 12.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 100; other days, 27.

Holy Communion—public, 15; private, 2. Alms, \$40.64.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$18.98; Domestic, \$3.50; Foreign, \$5.80; Episcopate, \$32; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$8; Parish purposes, \$18.76; other Church offerings, \$20.88; Books for Soldiers, \$3.50; Ladies' Sunday-School Aid Society, \$62.53.

Dixon, St. Luke's, . . . Rev. George Charles Street.

Church Wardens—James K. Edsall and James A. Hawley.

Number of families, 30; individuals not thus included, 15; total of souls, 106.

Baptisms—infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3. Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Communicants—added anew, 4; by removal, 7; removed from, 1; present number, 32.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 1; female, 8; total, 9.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 37; other days, 2.

Holy Communion—public, 7. Alms, \$10.94.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$5; Domestic, \$3.50; Episcopate, \$22; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$5.50; Parish purposes, \$48.67.

The above Report includes only the statistics of the Parish for the last four months, being the period during which the present incumbent has had charge of the Parish.

Farmington, Calvary, Rev. John Benson.

Church Wardens—William Wilkinson and Lyman Warner.

Number of families, 15; individuals not thus included, 5; total of souls, 72.

 Parochial and Clerical Reports—Farm Ridge—Freeport.

Baptisms—infants, 5; adults, 1; total, 6. Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 2. Burials, 3. Communicants—added anew, 3; removed from, 7; present number, 30.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 2; female, 2; total, 4; Scholars—male, 8; female, 7; total, 15. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 10; Catechumens, 10.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 37; other days, 8.

Holy Communion—public, 10. Alms, \$22.64.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$30.58; Domestic, \$8.50; Foreign, \$3.50; Episcopate, \$34; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$7.50; aged and infirm Clergymen, \$3; Parish purposes, \$250; other Church offerings, \$30.

An illness of several weeks duration, during the season of Lent, renders the above a somewhat meager report of service. In addition to the services reported here and for Limestone Prairie, I have read Prayers and preached eight times in other places, viz.: school-houses in the country.

Farm Ridge, St. Andrew's, . . . Rev. H. T. Hiester.

Church Wardens—Beebe Clark and John Paul.

Number of families, 25; total of souls, 130.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 1. Burials, 10. Communicants—added anew, 6; removed from, 2; died, 1; present number, 45.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 3; female, 4; total, 7. Scholars—male, 12; female, 20; total, 32. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 8.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 62; other days, 5.

Holy Communion—public, 12. Alms, \$33.29.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$4; Foreign, \$5; Episcopate, \$15; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$10.75; Parish purposes, \$246.80.

Freeport, Zion, . . . Rev. S. R. Weldon.

Church Wardens—Thos. Webster and D. S. Brewster.

Number of families, 57; individuals not thus included, 20; total of souls, 225.

Baptisms—infants, 5. Marriages, 7. Burials, 11. Communicants—removed from, 1; present number, 43.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 2; female, 4; total, 6. Scholars—male, 10; female, 25; total, 35.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 80; other days, 15.

Holy Communion—public, 8. Alms, \$17.62.

Contributions—Missions: Domestic, \$8; Parish purposes—\$2,150.

Our energies have been exerted to the utmost during the past year in rebuilding our Church. In this, by the blessing of God, we have succeeded. Our new house is nearly completed. We begin a new year full of hope for the future. We trust that as God has enabled us to build up the external, so He will give us His grace that we may be builded up with living stones.

Galena, Grace, Rev. John H. Egar.

Church Wardens—Richard Seal and Frederick Stahl.

Number of families, 65; individuals not thus included, 10; total of souls, 250.

Baptisms—infants, 14; adults, 1; total, 15. Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 5. Burials, 4. Communicants—added anew, 4; by removal, 4; removed from, 9; erased from the list for continued non-attendance, 3; present number, 73.

Sunday-School—teachers: male 3; female, 10; total, 13. Scholars—male, 38; female, 50; total, 88. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 45. Catechumens, the Sunday-School.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 94; other days, 50.

Holy Communion—public, 14. Alms, \$54.80.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$34.40; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$19.15; aged and infirm Clergymen, \$4; Parish purposes, \$250; other Church offerings, \$13.65.

Galesburg, Grace, Rev. W. T. Smithett.

Church Wardens—Wm. N. Phillips and Sydney Myers.

Number of families, 30; individuals not thus included, 12; total of souls, 100.

Baptisms—infants, 16; adults, 2; total, 18. Confirmed, 3. Marriages, 3. Burials, 3. Communicants—added anew, 3; by removal, 1; removed from, 10; present number, 27.

Sunday School—teachers: male, 1; female, 5; total, 6. Scholars—male, 8; female, 29; total, 37. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 10; Catechumens, 37.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 75; other days, 38.

Holy Communion—public, 10. Alms, \$70.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$5.50; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$4.95; Parish purposes, \$90.

Many of the Baptisms above recorded have been solemnized at Macomb, and some of the other Offices of the Church at Prairie City and Monmouth, where occasional services have been held by the Rector of Grace Church, from time to time, as heretofore. At Macomb, there are at present five Candidates awaiting Confirmation. When the times improve, every thing is arranged there and at Monmouth so as to secure the permanent services of a Clergyman; but at present the financial prospects are so dark, as to preclude all possibility of successful effort. The removals, in consequence of the war, continue both in Galesburg and Knoxville, so as to seriously impair the ability of the Parishes; and few persons arrive in these places, just at this time, to repair the losses. From various causes, well understood by all, without enumeration, and altogether beyond human control, (unfortunately, for the bad passions of men, that it should be so,) the present is the darkest period these promising Parishes have seen since their organization. The Rector has been materially assisted by the services of a faithful and energetic Lay Reader, during the past year, in his outside Missionary work, whose Report will appear in the proper place.

Geneseo, Trinity, Rev. A. Clark.

Church Wardens—W. Hinman and P. Ransom.

Number of families, 21.

Baptisms—infants, 4; adults, 1; total, 5. Confirmed, 3. Burials, 3; Communicants—added anew, 1; present number, 15.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 2; female, 3; total, 5. Scholars, 30.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 39; other days, 6.

Holy Communion—public, 4.

The above report embraces the time from the last Convention to the 25th of July following. Services were held each Sunday afternoon at Cambridge, from 1st of May to July 25th. Baptisms at Cambridge—infants, 3; Burials, 1.

Geneseo, Trinity, Rev. Samuel Goodale.

Church Wardens—Willis Hinman and Perry Ransom.

Number of families, 19; individuals not thus included, 10; total of souls, 70.

Burials, 1. Communicants—by removal, 1; present number, 19.

Sunday-School—teachers, 6. Scholars, 40.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 11.

Holy Communion—public, 1. Alms, \$3.

Contributions—Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$3.

The present Rector has had charge of this Parish since the first part of July. It is presumed the report of the former Minister will give an account of the progress of the Parish up to that time. It is proper to state, that there is a Missionary Station in connection with Geneseo, some ten miles distant, where we hold an afternoon Service on each Sunday. At this station are some seven families and ten communicants, not counted in the Parish at Geneseo.

Hyde Park, St. Paul's, . . . Rev. Thomas Smith.

Number of families, 12; individuals not thus included, 8; total of souls, 30.

Communicants—present number, 10.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 20.

Contributions—Episcopate, \$14; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$2.

Jacksonville, Trinity, . Rev. Theodore N. Morrison.

Church Wardens—B. Gillette, M.D., and Henry Stryker, Sr.

Number of families, 35; individuals not thus included, 15; total of souls, 150.

Baptisms—infants, 8; adults, 2; total, 10. Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 6. Burials, 6. Communicants—added anew, 3; removed from, 7; died, 1; present number, 60.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 2; female, 6; total, 8. Scholars—male, 15; female, 30; total, 45.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 96; other days, 12.

Holy Communion—public, 10.

Parochial and Clerical Reports: Joliet—Kewanee.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$60; Domestic, \$20; Foreign, \$29; Episcopate, \$65; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$15; aged and infirm Clergymen, \$25.50; Parish purposes, \$50; other Church offerings, \$34.50.

Joliet, Christ, Rev. Charles A. Gilbert.

Church Wardens—S. W. Stone and L. A. Fuller.

Number of families, 38; individuals not thus included, 4; total of souls, 140.

Baptisms—infants, 10; adults, 4; total, 14. Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 3. Burials, 3. Communicants—added anew, 4; by removal, 1; removed from, 4; present number, 61.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 3; female, 6; total, 9. Scholars—male, 16; female, 38; total, 54. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 6.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 47; other days, 26.

Holy Communion—public, 13. Alms, \$21.01.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$20.95; Episcopate, \$37.61; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$13; Parish purposes, \$704.75; other Church offerings, \$33.62.

The Parish has found it extremely difficult to meet the current expenses for the year. This will account for the small amount raised for Diocesan Missions and the Episcopate Fund; and also give the reason for making no collections for either Domestic or Foreign Missions.

Kewanee, St. John's, . . . Rev. John Bours Richmond.

Church Wardens—Rufus P. Parrish and Jeremiah Hopkins.

Number of families, 40; total of souls, 125.

Baptisms—infants, 11. Confirmed, 1. Marriages, 2. Burials, 1. Communicants—present number, 37.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 6; female, 5; total, 11. Scholars, 70. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 12.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 43; other days, 11

Holy Communion—public, 11. Alms, \$23.04.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$3.50; Domestic, \$14; Parish purposes, \$60.

This Parish has been very much depressed the past year on

account of heavy failures in business; removal of families, who had greatly aided in its support; and the loss of individuals, made necessary in not a few instances by enlistments for the present war.

The Rector, from a sense of duty, on account of a severe and protracted illness, resigned his charge the 26th of June. He still remains in Kewanee, and since his recovery has performed the usual Services for the Parish on several Sundays, with the administration of Baptism and the Lord's Supper. Has preached at Jubilee College—officiated morning and evening in Grace Church, Galesburg, for the Rev. Mr. Smithett, absent, and performed similar duties in Emmanuel Church, Rockford, now vacant.

Knoxville, St. John's, . . . Rev. W. T. Smithett.

Church Wardens—J. G. Sanborn and Jno. Bubbington.

Number of families, 15; individuals not thus included, 10; total of souls, 62.

Communicants—removed from, 4; present number, 17.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 45; other days, 16.

Holy Communion—public, 4. Alms, about \$50, including weekly collections.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$4.50; Parish purposes—donation to Rector, \$55.

At Easter last, this Parish lost the use of its neat and commodious Church edifice, and since that time the Congregation has been dependent on the courtesy of other bodies for the use of their places of worship. This state of things has so discouraged the people that they have temporarily suspended stated Services; although up to this period Public Worship has been almost uniformly, every Sunday afternoon, solemnized.

La Salle, St. Mark's, . . . Rev. C. H. Albert.

Church Wardens—C. Wilson and G. H. Loecy.

Number of families, 10; total of souls, 35. Communicants, 3.

Since June, Divine Service has been celebrated here every other Sunday; previous to that time, the first Sunday of each month. An effort was made to resuscitate the Parish by electing a Vestry; and there are indications of considerable interest in the Parish

Parochial and Clerical Reports: Lee Center—Lewistown—Limestone.

welfare, which, if fostered, may eventually result in building up a permanent Congregation. The number of attendants on the public Services ranges from 15 to 75. About 30 is the average.

Lee Center, St. Paul's, Vacant.

Number of families, 9; total of souls, 43.

Baptisms—infants, 7. Marriages, 3. Communicants—total, 19
Sunday-School—Bible Class, 8.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 33.

Holy Communion—public, 8. Alms, \$1.56.

Contributions—American Church Missionary Society, \$1.37.

This Report extends from September, 1861, to June 1st, 1862, when I accepted a call to a charge in Peoria.

W. M. A. BRODNAX.

Lewistown, St. James', Rev. C. A. Bruce.

Church Wardens—S. C. Judd and G. D. McManus.

Number of families, 4; individuals not thus included, 12; total of souls, 30.

Baptisms—infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3. Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 1. Burials, 5. Communicants—added anew, 5; by removal, 1; removed from, 2; present number, 17.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 1; female, 3; total, 4. Scholars—male, 6; female, 10; total, 16. Rector superintends.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 103; other days, Festivals and Fasts.

Holy Communion—public, 10. Alms, \$30.28.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$21.50, Parish purposes, for Sunday-School, \$2.90; for Church building, \$7.

Limestone Prairie, Christ, Rev. John Benson.

Church Wardens—James Clark and George Norwood.

Number of families, 17; individuals not thus included, 8; total of souls, 82.

Baptisms—infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3. Confirmed, 7. Mar-

riages, 2, Burials, 5. Communicants—added anew, 1; removed from, 5; died, 1; present number, 31.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 1; female, 4; total, 5. Scholars—male, 10; female, 15; total, 25. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 9; Catechumens, 15.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 39; other days, 5.

Holy Communion—public, 8; private, 1.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$14.06; Episcopate, \$36; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$7.75; Parish purposes, \$35.97.

Lockport, St. John's, : Vacant.

Church Wardens—Hiram Norton and John Griswold.

Number of families, 19; total of souls, 53.

Baptisms—infants, 3. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Communicants—added by removal, 1; removed from, 3; present number, 23.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 86; other days, 3.

Holy Communion—public, 10.

Contributions—Missions: \$6.09; Parish purposes, \$10.63; Pastoral Aid Society, \$25.

The Rector of this Parish resigned his ministrations upon the 15th of June last. During a pastorate of four years he has experienced kindness and consideration from the people. With what success his ministry has been attended, will be seen in that Day when the Lord Jesus shall make up His jewels.

The services at the Penitentiary continue as usual. The Chaplain officiates every Sunday morning, and devotes a portion of the remainder of the day to pastoral visitations at the cells of the convicts. Tracts and papers, furnished from time to time by the charitable, are distributed, and the words of Life spoken to the willing ear. The deportment of the convicts is uniformly good, and the interest in religious truth, on the part of some, frequently very encouraging.

SAMUEL COWELL.

Manhattan, St. Paul's, . . . Rev. Charles A. Gilbert.

Church Wardens—John Young and E. B. Crafts.

Number of families, 16; individuals not thus included, 6; total of souls, 80.

Baptisms—infants, 3. Confirmed, 4. Burials, 1. Communicants—added anew, 3; by removal, 6; removed from, 2; present number, 32.

Parochial and Clerical Reports: Marengo.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 1; female, 6; total, 7. Scholars—male, 14; female, 21; total, 35.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 23; other days, 1.

Holy Communion—public, 7. Alms, \$8.90.

Contributions—Episcopate, \$15.56; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$4.

Manhattan is supplied with Services but once in two weeks, and then only in the afternoon. The Church, however, is usually well filled. The responses are given with commendable heartiness, and the whole Congregation seem to be interested in the welfare and prosperity of the Parish.

Marengo, Advent, Rev John Cauch.

DEACON.

Church Warden—Thomas Diamond.

Number of families, 17; individuals not thus included, 5; total of souls, 67.

Baptisms—infants, 3. Burials, 2. Communicants—removed from, 12; died, 2; present number, 30.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 3; female, 5; total, 8. Scholars—male, 16; female, 30; total, 46. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 9.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 70; other days, 12.

Holy Communion—public, 1. Alms, \$3.35.

Contributions—Parish purposes, \$43.64.

The present Minister entered upon his duties in charge of the Parish, Dec. 20, 1861, and the above report is from that period. He has labored under considerable discouragement, owing to the heavy debt upon the Church property and the apparent impossibility of raising funds to meet the demands. He has also to report a severe loss to the Parish in the death of one of its Wardens, Mr. William H. Oakley, who was one of its most active members; and in addition to this, a great injury done to the Church building by the storm which passed through Marengo on the 4th of August last, by which much property was destroyed and several lives lost. We are thankful it did not entirely demolish our Church, and that we have been enabled to continue our Services therein; nevertheless, it will cost considerable to put it into a state of complete repair, which is most unfortunate for us under our present circumstances. Our only excuse for neglecting so many of the collections required by the Canon, is the fewness of

our numbers and the great difficulty in sustaining our weak and struggling Parish. Notwithstanding the discouragements of the past year, we have a few faithful members; and hope, with God's blessing, to see greater prosperity during the coming Conventional year.

Mattoon, Trinity, . . . Rev. John Wesley Osborne.

Church Wardens—Wm. S. Ogden and Alpheus Hasbrouck.

Number of families, 7; total of souls, 29.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Confirmed, 1. Communicants—added anew, 1; removed from, 2; died, 1; present number, 10.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 8; other days, 1, by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop.

Holy Communion—public, 4. Alms, \$9.

Contributions—Episcopate, \$5.

The financial condition of the people is such that they will not agree to pay anything for the support of regular Service. They will gladly do all they can to support it, and ought to have it.

Morris, St. Thomas, . . . Rev. T. N. Benedict.

Church Wardens—B. M. Atherton and D. G. Frary.

Number of families, 20; total of souls, 80.

Baptisms—infants, 8; adults, 2; total, 10. Confirmed, 4. Burials, 2. Communicants—removed from, 9; died, 1; present number, 30.

Sunday-School—teachers, 5. Scholars, 30.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 40; other days, 10.

Holy Communion—public, 2; private, 3; total, 5.

The Parish was vacant till January 26th, when the Rev. Albert E. Wells took charge. He remained till May 4th. From that time there were no Services till August 5th, when the Rev. T. N. Benedict assumed provisional charge of the Parish, and since that time has held regular weekly Services.

Naperville, St. John's, . . . Rev. Stephen T. Allen.

Church Wardens—S. P. Stevens and James G. Wright.

Number of families, 10; individuals not thus included, 2; total of souls, 40.

 Parochial and Clerical Reports: Onarga—Ottawa.

Baptisms—infants, 2; adults, 1; total, 3. Confirmed, 2. Burials, 1. Communicants—added anew, 2; removed from, 5; present number, 21.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 41.

Holy Communion—public, 1.

Contributions—Episcopate, \$11; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$3.50; Parish purposes, \$56.50.

Service is held here in the afternoon of each Sunday, and there is a very considerable attendance from persons connected with other denominations.

Onarga, Trinity, Vacant.

Church Wardens—Horace Pinney and John Forbes.

Number of families, 15; individuals not thus included, 6; total of souls, 65.

Baptisms—infants, 7; adults, 1; total, 8. Confirmed, 1. Marriages 1. Communicants—added anew, 1; removed from, 1; present number, 22. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 4.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 25; other days, 6.

Holy Communion—public, 1.

Contributions—Parish purposes, \$75.

The Rev. E. De Wolf had the Parish in charge from last Convention till the Sunday next before Easter. Our Sunday-School of 40 Scholars met regularly till July 6th, when it was dismissed for want of teachers. There have been no Services since the visit of our Bishop, July 9th. We gladly acknowledge a donation of \$22 from the Rev. N. H. Schenck, of Baltimore, Md.

GEORGE M. LOVELL,

Lay Reader and Clerk of the Vestry.

Ottawa, Christ, Rev. Thos. N. Benedict.

Church Wardens—J. W. Dow and Wm. Osman.

Number of families, 84; total of souls, 350.

Baptisms—infants, 33; adults, 4; total, 37. Confirmed, 14. Marriages, 6. Burials, 18. Communicants—added anew, 12; removed from, 14; died, 2; present number, 94.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 3; female, 11; total, 14. Scholars—male, 40; female, 70; total, 110. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 52.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 102; other days, 84.

Holy Communion—public, 13; private, 3. Alms, \$44.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$63.72; Domestic, \$12.41; Foreign, \$12.42; Episcopate, \$42; Contingent Expenses of Diocese, \$20; aged and infirm Clergymen, \$4; Parish purposes, \$161.25; other Church offerings, \$30.11.

Pekin, St. Paul's, Rev. C. F. Loop.

Church Wardens—William Stanbery and George H. Harlow.

Number of families, 26; individuals not thus included, 10; total of souls, 70.

Baptisms—infants, 13; adults, 8; total, 21. Confirmed, 14. Marriages, 3. Burials, 13. Communicants—added anew, 3; by removal, 2; removed from, 7; died, 2; present number, 26.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 3; female, 4; total, 7. Scholars—male, 18; female, 15; total, 33.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 80; other days, 20.

Holy Communion—public, 10; private, 1. Alms, \$14.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$12; Episcopate, \$20; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$7.50; Parish purposes, \$110; other Church offerings, \$3.45.

In answer to the prayers of both Pastor and people, the Divine blessing has attended the efforts put forth in this community for the spread of the Redeemer's Kingdom. Increased attendance upon public worship, and a higher appreciation of our beautiful Service, are apparent among those who were not reared in the Church.

In addition to his labors in this Parish, the Rector, in accordance with the instructions of the Bishop and Board of Diocesan Missions, has held a monthly Service at Tremont. Upon every occasion of public worship at this place a large congregation has been in attendance. Four candidates for the rite of Confirmation were presented at the recent visitation of the Bishop.

Peoria, St. Paul's, Rev. Joseph M. Waite.

Church Wardens—John W. Hansel and Alexander G. Tyng.

Number of families, 90; total of souls, 500.

Parochial and Clerical Reports: Peru.

Baptisms—infants, 16; adults, 3; total, 19. Confirmed, 10. Marriages, 6. Burials, 13. Communicants—added anew, 10; by removal, 7; removed from, 5; died, 1; present number, 107.

Sunday-School—teachers: 19; Scholars, 131. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 12. Catechumens, the School.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 102; other days, 30.

Holy Communion—public, 12. Alms, \$75.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$76.95; Domestic, \$9; Episcopate, \$40; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$24; Parish purposes, \$100; Missions in Lower Peoria, \$737; aid for Volunteers in the war, \$50; aid for Jubilee College, \$14.35.

Our Mission in Lower Peoria, concerning which mention was made in the last Report, is now under the supervision of the Rev. W. M. A. Brodnax, who has been called to the charge by the Vestry of St. Paul's. Every thing in relation to the Mission promises well, as will be seen by the statistics in Mr. B.'s Report, which I append:

About eighteen months ago a Mission Sunday-School was organized by the Superintendent of St. Paul's Sunday-School, (Mr. A. G. Tyng,) in the lower part of the city. A building, capable of seating about 250 persons, was built; and subsequently an Infant School-Room was attached. Over 200 of the children of the neighborhood were gathered into the School,—the teachers being supplied, for the most part, by St. Paul's Sunday-School. The sessions of the Sunday-School were from 2 to 3 o'clock, P.M. At 3½, P.M., there were Services and a Sermon. Agreeably to a call from the Vestry of St. Paul's, I took charge of this enterprise, which has prospered so far, on June 1st. The prospects for building up a congregation are encouraging.

W. M. A. BRODNAX.

Peru, St. Paul's, Rev. C. H. Albert.

Church Wardens—Naason Young and Henry Jones.

Number of families, 23; individuals not thus included, 17; total of souls, 129.

Baptisms—infants, 14. Marriages, 2. Burials, 2. Communicants—added anew, 1; seceded from, 1; present number, 16.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 1; female, 7; total, 8. Scholars—male, 20; female, 35; total, 55. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 52.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 100; other days, 7.

Holy Communion—public, 10. Alms, \$32.73.
 Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$20.; Episcopate, \$11.
 Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$4; Parish purposes, \$200.

Pittsfield, St. Stephen's, . . . Rev. A. P. Crouch.

Church Wardens—B. H. Atkinson and John Boothby.

Number of families, 30; total of souls, 200.

Baptisms—infants, 13. Confirmed, 6. Burials, 3. Died, 2.
 Number of persons entitled to the Communion, about 40; number of Communicants, 15.

Holy Communion—public, 40.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 3; female, 6; total, 9. Scholars, 50.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$3.85; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$2.50; Parish purposes, \$95.50.

The present Rector assumed the duties of this Parish the 1st of July last. Since that time he has officiated regularly twice each Sunday, and is now visiting all the families for the purpose of ascertaining the true state of the Church. At present he is unable to give the exact number of communicants, or to say any thing in regard to its future prospects. But from the regular attendance at Divine Service, we may consider the Parish in a prosperous condition.

Polo, Trinity, . . . Rev. Samuel T. Carpenter.

Church Wardens—John R. Phelps and Charles F. Webster.

Number of families, 30; individuals not thus included, 20; total of souls, 150.

Baptisms—infants, 1. Confirmed, 2. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1.
 Communicants—added anew, 2; removed from, 2; present number, 32.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 2; female, 7; total, 9. Scholars—male, 20; female, 30; total, 50. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 20.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 90; other days, 10.

Holy Communion—public, 6. Alms, \$19.39.

Contributions—Missions: Domestic, \$3.03; Foreign, \$5; Parish purposes, \$240.

Though greatly depressed by the state of the times, yet some individuals in this Parish have liberally offered the means to complete our yet unfinished Church. The work has been commenced, for which the Church has been closed about two months. During this time I accepted an invitation to introduce the Services of our Church in Milledgeville, about twelve miles west of Polo, where I have preached for four Sundays. I expect some additions to our Communion from that place at the first opportunity.

Princeton, Redeemer, Vacant.

Church Wardens—W. Bacon, M.D., and Thos. M. Woodruff.

Number of families, 12; individuals not thus included, 5; total of souls, 60.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Communicants—removed from, 4; present number, 14.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 10; other days, 1.

Holy Communion—public, 3.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$3.53.

This Parish has been unsupplied since the late Rector left it in May last.

Providence, Zion, Vacant.

Church Wardens—L. F. Lefavour and Wm. Pilkington.

Number of families, 20; individuals not thus included, 20; total of souls, 120.

Communicants—removed from, 1; present number, 29.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 19; other days, 1.

Holy Communion—public, 3.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$4.39; Domestic, \$1.33; Foreign, \$1.

This Parish has been vacant since the early part of May.

Quincy, St. John's, Rev. Alexander Capron.

Church Wardens—F. C. Moore and H. A. Williamson.

Number of families, 107; total of souls, 500.

Baptisms—infants, 21; adults, 4; total, 25. Confirmed, 25. Marriages, 1. Burials, 25. Communicants—removed from, 6; died, 1; present number, 150.

Sunday-School—teachers: male 6; female, 12; total, 18. Scholars, 140. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 12.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 52; other days, 50.

Holy Communion—public, 15; private, 7. Alms, \$99.18.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$61—pledged, \$30; Domestic, \$20; Episcopate, \$72; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$36; Parish purposes, \$480; other Church offerings—for family in Kansas, \$25; orphan boy, \$75; other objects, \$25.

The Rector continues to officiate, on evenings in the week, in Zion Church, Mendon, 16 miles from Quincy, and at the school-house in Independence, 10 miles in another direction; and holds a third Service on Sunday, between morning and night Services, in Grove Chapel—Methodist—7 miles from Quincy; thus keeping up three Mission Services outside of the city. I regret that my services at these places have been seriously broken in upon during July and August, by illness in my family, which prevented me, for almost two months, from leaving home, except when urgent necessity called.

Robin's Nest, Christ, . . . Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D.

Church Wardens—H. I. Chase and W. L. Moss.

Number of families, 26; individuals not thus included, 30; total of souls, 180.

Baptisms—infants, 8. Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. Communicants—added anew, 4; by removal, 2; removed from, 3; died, 1; present number, 72.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 5; female, 6; total 11. Scholars, 53.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 104; other days, 16.

Holy Communion—public, 12. Alms, \$28.42.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$20; Episcopate, \$45; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$15; aged and infirm Clergymen, \$5; Parish purposes, \$329.

Rock Island, Trinity, . . . Rev. Matthew Magill.

Church Wardens—Wm. B. Grenell and Richard Crampton.

Number of families, 25; individuals not thus included, 12; total of souls, 130.

Parochial and Clerical Reports: Rock Island.

Baptisms—infants, 6 ; adults, 2 ; total, 8. Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 5. Burials, 6. Communicants—added anew, 2 ; removed from, 4 ; present number, 24.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 1 ; female, 12 ; total, 13. Scholars—male, 49 ; female, 46 ; total, 95. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 2 ; Catechumens, 13.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 104 ; other days, 19.

Holy Communion—public, 13. Alms, \$33.99.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$15 ; Episcopate, \$20 ; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$6.75 ; Parish purposes, \$148.50 ; other Church offerings, \$86.42.

The Rector finds some difficulty in giving statistics of this Parish, owing to the fact that many who are now regular attendants at our Services, really belong or have belonged to a Presbyterian Congregation, which broke down under the weight of a Church debt ; their Minister left, and the Church has been closed for months. These persons express much approval of the Services of the Church, and the Rector has taken some pains in his preaching, to place the Church in her Orders, Doctrine and Worship before his Congregation as truly Scriptural and Apostolic, and his not without its desired results. This Parish has improved during the past Conventional year. Congregations have been generally good and decidedly attentive, and especially during the winter months, while the Rector had been delivering a course of Sermons to young men ; on several of these occasions, on Sunday evenings, the Church had been literally crammed, and there is good reason to hope that some have been benefited by these efforts. During the last month the Church building has undergone a thorough repair ; most of the old plaster has been taken off the walls, and the whole interior newly plastered and colored. The foundation has been thoroughly renewed, the roof made staunch ; and now we have the satisfaction of worshiping in one of the most comfortable Church buildings in our city ; and still better, this has been effected without having to incur debt ; the funds had been previously secured by the labor and kindness of the ladies of the Congregation. The Rector has received very marked kindness from many of his Church and Congregation. There are a few whose hearts and hands are always ready to co-operate and help in every good work, and these have had to bear no inconsiderable part in sustaining the Church here ; but they shall have their reward indeed ; even now, they are blessed while thus laboring for God. The war now raging in our afflicted country has affected this as well as other Parishes in the Diocese ; yet we have reason to "thank God and take courage." Our prospects are rather

brighter than otherwise for the coming year; and we are looking out for the blessing of God upon the seed which has been sown here by the present and former Rectors.

Rock Island Co., Grace, . . . Rev. George Sayres.

Church Wardens—David Clarke and Robert Clay.

Number of families, 128; total of souls, 700.

Baptisms—infants, 41. Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 5. Burials, 4. Communicants—added anew, 8; died, 1; present number, 67.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 2; female, 4; total, 6. Scholars—male, 14; female, 12; total, 26.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 80; other days, 22.

Holy Communion—public, 8; private, 1. Alms, \$16.38.

Contributions—Missions: Domestic, \$1.20; Parish purposes, \$8.39.

Perhaps no Parish in the Diocese has suffered more than this, from the disasters and depressions of the times. The people, being all farmers, have been left, by the low prices of their products, nearly destitute of money. The Rector, not willing to leave the Parish unsupplied with Services, has thus far been sustained—having but few expenses and good health, with plenty of food and exercise, while visiting the families of his extensive charge. They are now well supplied with Prayer-Books—more than 200 copies having been sold or distributed among them during the last two years. About two-thirds of the Communicants reported have communed in the past year. Nearly half of the men of the Parish have gone to the war. Efforts are making to set up one or two more Sunday-Schools, at points distant from the Church, where Lay-Reading may also be kept up.

Salem, St. Thomas, . . . Rev. John Wesley Osborne.

Church Wardens—Robert H. Whittaker and J. W. Merritt.

Number of families, 5; individuals not thus included, 30; total of souls, 64.

Baptisms—infants, 1. Communicants—removed from, 2; present number, 9.

Celebration of Divine service—Sundays, 8; other days, 1.
Holy Communion—public, 4. Alms, \$14.

There is considerable anxiety on the part of the people to have regular service once in two weeks, but they cannot do more than one hundred dollars to support it. If a young Minister would take charge of this parish, and St. John's, Centralia, I am quite sure he would be well sustained, and it would not be very long before the charge would be self supporting.

Springfield, St. Paul's, . Rev. Lewis P. Clover, D.D.

Church Wardens—Hon. S. H. Treat and Antrim Campbell.

Number of families, 100; total of souls, 500.

Baptisms—infants, 20; adults 9; total, 29. Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 6. Burials, 26. Communicants—added anew, 7; by removal, 13; removed from, 12; died, 5; present number, 142.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 7; female, 16; total, 23. Scholars—male, 55; female, 75; total, 130. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 14; catechumens, 130.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 104; other days, 23.

Holy Communion—public, 14; private, 3. Alms, \$93 31.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$114.00; Domestic, \$16.85; Episcopate, \$60.50; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$35; Aged and Infirm Clergy, \$20.25; Parish purposes, \$650.

Sycamore, St. Peter's, . . . Rev. W. H. Roberts.

Church Wardens—Isaac Johnson and Ira G. Ketchum.

Number of families, 33; individuals not thus included, 20; total of souls, 150.

Baptisms—infants, 4; adults, 2; total, 6. Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 5. Burials, 4. Communicants—added anew, 5; removed from, 6; present number, 41.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 1; female, 4; total, 5. Scholars—male, 10; female, 20; total, 30. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 20.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 94; other days, 50.

Holy Communion—public, 11. Alms, \$35.52.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$1.00; Episcopate, \$30.00;

Contingent expense of Diocese, \$10.25; Parish purposes, \$100; other Church offerings, \$14.

The Services in this Church during the last Lenten season were better attended than ever before; and the same may be said of the Services on Holy and other days, when the Church was open. This may be stated as a fair indication that the interest in the Church is not diminishing in this Parish.

Tiskilwa, St. Paul's, Vacant.

Church Wardens—Lemuel Perkins and Oliver Milling.

Number of families, 14; individuals not thus included, 10; total of souls, 60.

Baptisms—infants, 4. Marriages, 3. Burials, 1. Communicants—removed from, 8; present number, 16.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 30; other days, 16.

Holy Communion—public, 7.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$7.90; Aged and infirm Clergy, \$3.

This Parish has been destitute of the services of a Minister, since early in May, which will account for the meagerness of the report.

Tuscola, St. Mary's, . . . Rev. John Wesley Osborne.

Church Wardens—John W. Wright and J. F. Colby.

Number of families, 6; individuals not thus included, 18; total of souls, 42.

Baptisms—infants, 3. Communicants—added anew, 5; present number, 5.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 16; other days, 1.

Holy Communion—public, 3. Alms, \$12.

The congregation is very large for the place, but the people seem to be very much oppressed in their financial matters. It is very difficult to make up the small amount promised. Would that some kind friends might come to our aid, and not suffer us to sink under our difficulties.

 Parochial and Clerical Reports: Utica—Warsaw.

Utica, St. George's, : . . . Rev. C. P. Clarke.

Church Wardens—John Wood and G. B. Peckham.

Number of families, 20; individuals not thus included, 5; total of souls, 100.

Baptisms—infants, 7; adults, 4; total, 11. Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 3. Burials, 1. Communicants—added anew, 6; present number 16.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 3; female, 3; total, 6. Scholars—male, 14; female, 16; total, 30. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 6.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 53.

Holy Communion—public, 6. Alms, \$12.80.

Contributions—Missions: Episcopate, \$10; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$2.50; Parish purposes, \$23.

St. George's Parish, Utica, is a Missionary station, although without any missionary stipend the past year. From the session of the last Convention to Easter, the present Rector officiated as a Missionary under the direction of the Bishop, when, by request of the Vestry, he assumed the charge of the Parish. Notwithstanding the evil times upon which we are fallen, the Church, in this humble locality, has given signs of real progress, having nearly doubled the number of its communicants the past year.

Warsaw, St. Paul's, . . . Rev. Wm. L. Bostwick.

Church Wardens—J. Chittenden and P. A. Barker.

Number of families, 19; individuals not thus included, 12; total of souls, 88.

Baptisms—infants, 4; adults, 2; total, 6. Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 3. Burials, 8. Communicants—removed from, 7; present number, 23.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 5; female, 6; total, 11. Scholars—male, 35; female, 40; total, 75. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 8.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 82; other days, 19.

Holy Communion—public, 10.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$8; Domestic, \$3; Foreign, \$3; Episcopate, \$5; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$12; Aged and Infirm Clergymen, \$3.50; Clergymen in need—Fast day collection, \$4; Sunday-School, library and presents, \$37.50.

The Parish though losing by removals, maintains its vitality. The

Sunday School keeps up remarkably well, and gave the Candidates for Confirmation. The Ladies' Church Aid Society has put on life and vigor, and besides raising twenty-five dollars to pay the organist, has more than one hundred dollars on hand towards enlarging and improving the Church edifice. The Missionary Rector would here acknowledge many acts of kindness from his parishioners, especially during a dangerous illness of diphtheria that overtook his wife during the winter. The Ladies, after showing great care for her, got up a donation visit, liberal in money and provisions, not less in that "good will" which so binds a pastor to his people. Towards the Church improvement, which is to be a Chancel and Vestry room, I thankfully acknowledge \$5 from Mr. R. P. Johnston, of Springfield, and \$10 from my friends and parishioners, through the Rev. Mr. Steel, of St. John's, Decatur.

Waukegan, Christ, . Rev. Edward P. Wright. A.M.

Church Wardens—Ransom Steele, Esq., and B. S. Corey, M.D.

Number of families, 50; individuals not thus included, 12; total of souls, 248.

Baptisms—infants, 17; adults, 4; total, 21. Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 3. Burials, 3. Communicants—added anew, 7; by removal, 6; removed from, 11; present number, 54.

Sunday-School—teachers: male, 5; female, 11; total, 16. Scholars—male, 40; female, 60; total, 100. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 12; catechumens, 100.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 102; other days, 30.

Holy Communion—public, 14; private, 2. Alms, \$58.86.

Contributions—Missions: Diocesan, \$25.12; Episcopate, \$28; Contingent expenses of Diocese, \$13; Parish purposes, \$510.50; other Church offerings, \$206.46.

Under the head, "other Church offerings," are included \$54, collected to purchase books for the Sunday School Library, and \$25 contributed by the Sunday School towards the purchase of a font. This Parish is now free from debt.

Besides the above services, I have officiated once every three weeks at Avon, 17 miles distant, during the summer months.

Wilmington, Redeemer, . . . Rev. Albert E. Wells.

Church Warden—Rodney S. Bowen.

Number of families, 15; individuals not thus included, 10; total of souls, 80.

 Parochial and Clerical Reports: Rev. P. Chase—Rev. E. De Wolf.

Baptisms — infants, 10 ; adults, 3 ; total, 13. Confirmed, 3. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4. Communicants—added anew, 3 ; by removal, 1 ; removed from, 4 ; present number, 21.

Sunday-School — teachers: male, 1 ; female, 2 ; total, 3. Scholars—male, 10 ; female, 20 ; total, 30. Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 6 ; catechumens, 12.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 78 ; other days, 24.

Holy Communion—public, 8. Alms, \$11.40.

Contributions — Missions : Diocesan, \$5.70 ; Domestic, \$1.00 ; Foreign, \$1 ; Episcopate, \$8 ; Parish purposes, \$44.74.

To the Rt. Rev. H. J. Whitehouse, D.D. :

Not being in charge of any Parish, I have to report that I have preached on several occasions in other Parishes, read the burial services twice, administered Communion three times. Have also read Service nearly every Sunday in my own house, a few of the neighbors attending. We have also kept up a small Sunday School of twelve scholars and two teachers.

PHILANDER CHASE.

Rev. E. De Wolf, Deacon, Missionary.

Pursuant to a call from Trinity Parish, Onarga, through the Bishop, I returned and entered upon the discharge of my duties there immediately after Convention. I served them every other Sunday at Onarga, holding Divine Service, and preaching both forenoon and afternoon, and taking charge of the Sunday School when with them.

About the same time, pursuant to a call of the Church people of Tuscola, through the Bishop, earnestly and repeatedly made, at his request I visited them one Sunday in the month.

This relation was continued several months, or during the greater part of my stay at Onarga, and with gratifying results. At least as much so as could be expected with the long interval of a month between visits. The remaining Sunday—and sometimes two Sundays in the month—was devoted to occasional visits to the Connecticut Settlement, ten miles west of Onarga, and at Middleport, sixteen miles distant, the county seat of Iroquois county.

Early in the spring I was necessitated to abandon my extensive Missionary field in Iroquois county, and for a time all public duty, in consequence of the almost total loss of my voice. I then returned to my home in Lee county, believing it my duty to throw

myself into active out-door employment to regain my health and strength of voice. In the course of a few weeks I felt strong enough to undertake one service every Sunday, and immediately did so by alternating between St. Paul's Church, Lee Centre, (left vacant by the removal of the Rev. Mr. Brodnax to Peoria) and the School-House in China Township.

These two places, together with St. Thomas' Parish, form a large and in many respects encouraging field, with one ornate and commodious Church edifice and a neat Parsonage at Lee Centre. Verily in such a flourishing district as this, with a population at Lee Centre of several hundred, and at Amboy of a few thousand—to say nothing of the populous rural districts lying contiguous—there ought to be *at least one* zealous and faithful Missionary doing noble work for Christ and His Church. May God open the way and call such an one into this part of the great vineyard at an early day.

I also visited Milledgeville, Carroll county, where (with an interval of about four weeks between,) I spent two Sundays.

After my first visit, the Rev. Mr. Carpenter, of Polo, kindly visited them and spent several Sundays, which encouraged and comforted them not a little. At this place there is undoubtedly a fine opening for our beloved Church. The Methodists, who have hitherto occupied the ground almost exclusively, have lately become split up and divided to such an extent, that quite a number of the families most eminent for intelligence, piety, and zeal, would at once enter and become devoted members of the Episcopal Church, could its solemn and impressive Services be established among them.

Just before Convention I visited Jonesboro', Union county, and spent two Sundays, returning from there to Chicago. At this place there are a few communicants warmly and devotedly attached to the Church, but with the exception of one noble young man, I could find no zealous male members. Still, there are a few wealthy families, the heads of which are far more deeply interested in the education of their children, than in the greatest spiritual blessings and privileges for themselves and their families, and if a little school enterprise could be connected with prayer, visiting from home to home and preaching the Word, much good might be done.

Your unworthy missionary would most humbly and respectfully submit the following report of his public acts during the past year at these various places :

Baptisms—infants, 5.

Marriages, 2.

Burials, 1.

Public catechetical instruction—number of times, 6.

Celebration of Divine Service—Sundays, 60 ; other days, 6

Parochial and Clerical Reports: Rev. Asa Griswold—Rev. G. S. Porter—Rev. John Trimble, Jr.

NEW YORK CITY, Sept 5, 1862.

To the Rt. Rev. H. J. Whitehouse, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Illinois:

RT. REV. AND DEAR SIR—During the Conventional year of 1861-2, I have occasionally (as my health would permit, and as opportunity has offered) preached and performed other ministerial service, in some of the New York City Churches, chiefly, however, in the "Church of the Messiah."

Respectfully and obediently yours.

ASA GRISWOLD.

PRINCEVILLE, Aug. 24, 1861.

To the Rt. Rev. H. J. Whitehouse, D.D.:

DEAR SIR—In the fulfillment of the duty required of me as a Clergyman having no Parish, I desire to say, that in my locality, at Arcadia, as commonly known, no call is found for official duty, beyond a mere school-house Sunday School.

I have, at Jubilee, once aided in the Service, and taken the whole Sunday Services on another occasion, Dr. Chase and Rev. Mr. West being absent.

I am Respectfully and truly yours, &c.,

G. S. PORTER.

HYDE PARK.

To the Rt. Rev. H. J. Whitehouse, D.D.:

I beg leave to report that I am occupied as Principal of Hyde Park Seminary, and that I have preached in some of the Churches of Chicago and elsewhere, as opportunity offered.

JOHN TRIMBLE, JR.

To the Rt. Rev. H. J. Whitehouse, D.D., Bishop of Illinois:

As Missionary and Instructor at Jubilee College, I have to report that, during the Ecclesiastical year 1861-2, my time was devoted to duties in the College and the Missionary work growing out of my connection with the Institution. Instruction was given daily, and assistance otherwise rendered to Dr. Chase in his administration of the affairs of the College. His example has been a stimulus and encouragement through a period of severe trial, and what has been done to keep our Diocesan Institution open, is mainly due to the indefatigable exertions of Dr. Chase. He has

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worked through the past year with but little help and insufficient means, but with a patience and perseverance beyond all praise, to preserve it to the Church, and now, under the advice of the Bishop, goes on, under great difficulties and discouragements, with the hope that such a powerful Missionary instrumentality will not fail through want of support from the friends of Religion and Education in the West. Throughout the year I took part in the weekly Services of the Chapel, officiating morning or evening, preaching, and teaching a Bible-Class under the direction of the Rector of the Parish. I preached on half the Sundays of the year, and occasionally on week days at the College. One Sunday at Tiskilwa and Providence; and on two Sundays administered the Sacrament, and preached twice each day for the Rev. Mr. Benson, at "Limestone Prairie." And at this last named place read, over the mortal remains of a young girl, the beautiful Burial Service of the Church.

JOHN R. WEST,

Missionary at the College.

GRIGGSVILLE, ILL., September 8, 1862.

To the Rt. Rev. Bishop Whitehouse, D.D., :

In compliance with your request. I herewith send you a Report of our doings here the past year.

For near ten months we were without a Clergyman. In December last the Bishop visited us; we had a Service on Sunday, and the Communion. He also baptized one infant and confirmed two. We have had four Sunday and one week day Service by you, and Communion once. By Lay-Readers we have had forty-seven Sunday Services; every Wednesday evening in Lent and on Christmas Day—making 1 Infant Baptism, 2 Confirmed, 1 Burial, 52 Sunday Services and 9 week day Services. Communion twice. We have about 50 Scholars in our Sunday-School, and 2 male and 5 female Teachers. Our School is not so prosperous this as last year, yet it is very encouraging. I cannot say how much we raised last year for Church purposes, as we did not keep any account of them; it would be over \$100 in all.

JOHN K. BASHFORTH. *Lay-Reader.*

CHRIST CHURCH, LIMESTONE, Sept. 8, 1862.

To the Rt. Rev. H. J. Whitehouse, D.D., :

The undersigned would respectfully report, as Lay-Reader, that

Parochial and Clerical Reports: C. W. Leffingwell—Samuel Wilkinson.

Services have been held every other Sunday, and that he has attended two Funerals in the absence of the Rector.

JAMES CLARK.

GALESBURG AND KNOXVILLE.

To the Rt. Rev. H. J. Whitehouse, D.D. :

I have read Prayers and a Sermon, under the direction of the Rector, fourteen times in Galesburg and seven times in Knoxville.

C. W. LEFFINGWELL, *Lay-Reader.*

FARMINGTON, ILL., September 8, 1862.

To the Rt. Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D.D. :

I have to report, as Lay-Reader, under your license, that during the year past I have read the Service and a Sermon in Calvary Church, Farmington, on each alternate Sunday,—twice during the illness of the Rector, and the Service alone on two occasions during Lent.

SAMUEL WILKINSON.

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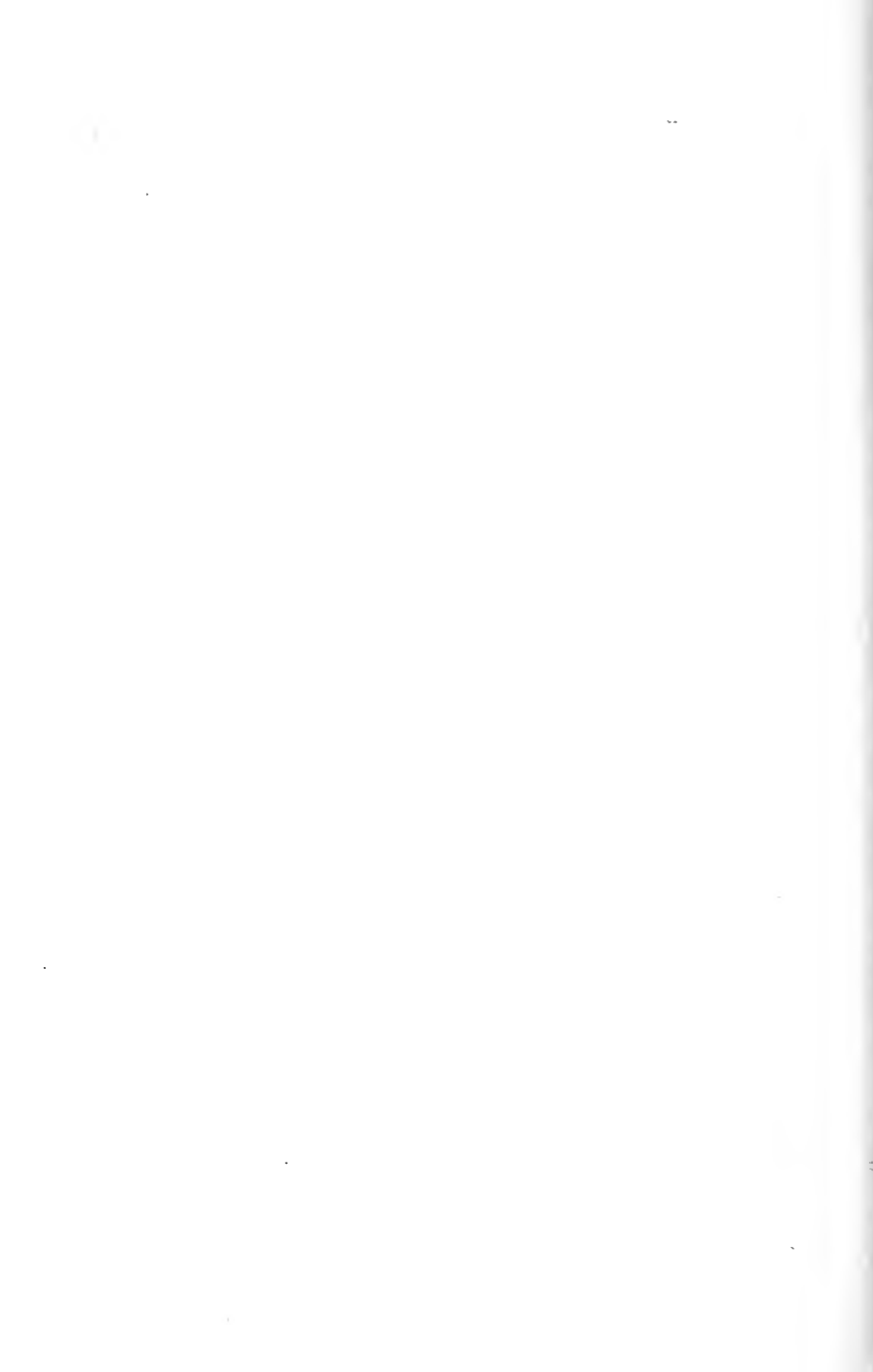
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THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

Among the sad thoughts which instinctively spring to the mind from any look cast backward or around us, it is pleasant to speak for a moment in a tone of congratulation. When I bid the Convention welcome to the "Bishop's Church," and the eye sees so much that is stable, reverential and churchlike in its modest forms, I may presume on some sympathy with my own thankfulness, and with my hope for its future in the history of the Diocese, and the quiet work of training souls.

It has been built in "troubled times," when even the small assistance which I had reason to expect, has been reduced by the vicissitudes so largely affecting the community. There lies before me an uncertain future for the resources to liquidate present obligations, or secure the additions requisite for the due expansion of our work. Still not a little has been gained by such a foothold for the principle; and if my life is spared, I hope each year to make it more an object of honest satisfaction to "the people committed to my charge," and a more demonstrative agent in my broad pastorate. To all that it is, and all it may be, I bid you loving welcome. Thrice welcome, dear Brethren, as you thus group around the "Cathedra" of the Bishop; and in respect for the office, forget the weakness of the man. Welcome as representatives of the struggling Diocese on that spot—emblem of your own unity—where the right to its services will ever be a common manhood, and your convocation sit in its own home in the Father's house.

Our times are sad; and in view of the terrible realities sweeping us on with all but resistless force, we can excuse any amount of

dreary depression and dark forboding. No language can properly describe the fearful change that less than two years has brought over our precious land. No eye is prophetic enough to scan the future; and the most thoughtful philosophy will be baffled among the new social combinations which will throng from the deep of our national disasters. Our childhood was a hasty though noble growth. The old world has looked in incredulity on our vigorous, intense development in material progress and national strength; and now she looks in awe on our rush into the advanced experience of centuries of her being; and the plunge, like our own Niagara, into the seething abyss of internecine war, where our forces and muniments, our energy and courage, our unyielding resources, begin to dwarf the wars of Europe over which our childhood kindled or shuddered.

We may well pardon any depression, and soothe rather than upbraid it. It is no coward heart or timid dreamer, but the manly and devout that may drop a tear on the old page as its tones are changed from the echo on the far past, to the sharp cry of agony in the ear — “a day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of cloud and thick darkness, as the morning spread upon the mountains.”

Still not thus must I speak. If the man's heart fails, the Bishop's must brace itself in trust and strength. Our land was God-chosen, and it will not be God-forsaken. It may have a spirit of vain boasting and defiant atheism to be sternly rebuked; greed of gain and lust of living to be subdued; personal and political corruption to be cleansed; huge offences of national life to be recognized, repented of and forsaken. Shall not God visit for such things? There may be changes, all but subversive, in the spirit and policy of government; and society be modified to its lowest depth. Change may come consciously over us, as when childhood has passed into the hard, soiled, but resolute manhood; or when sorrow cuts on the heart its inef-faceable scars; or when anxiety, thought, and the solemn future join to trace furrows on the brow. Yet larger, grander may our

nation walk on her destiny; broader the highway of her might and influence; more sacred her responsibility; truer the voice in which she pleads for liberty, and firmer the hand which bears on its light and strength. How this shall be, it is not perhaps now for thought to conceive, nor arm of flesh in self reliance, to achieve. Godward trust may assure us that it shall be; and "though the mountains shake at the tempest," in humility we must resolutely claim and wait for the mysterious control from the pavilion of command. Patriotism thus inspired may tremble as it walks in the solemn darkness; but it will not yield to despair. From the horrors of war, fields of carnage, wasted lands, national indebtedness, agonies of private grief, from want and woe threefold, this baptism of blood with its piercing wail, may still regenerate the national life; and on the long future our griefs and burthens for richness, only lie like the dead leaves of autumn.

The present duty of the Church is more than passive endurance, and larger than hope. As we acknowledge God, and reverently mark His footsteps, we must do it in repentance and confession, in importunate pleading, in sympathy with labor, suffering and hazard around us, the subduing of our private woes to the public sorrows with godly fellowship. We will not meet in our sanctuaries, or kneel in our families, without the remembrance of our rulers in their vast charge; the soldiers in the tent, hospital, and on the battle field; the crushed and wounded in homes from which dear ones have gone. We will pray for the return of peace and order; and offer thanksgiving for every token of its auspicious hour. The Church must stand, in devout life and holy boldness, "between the living and the dead, that the plague may be stayed," and the pardoned nation be again restored to her glorious commission for human progress and the Kingdom of God.

What applies to our national affairs in the conviction that present disorder may work ultimate effects of advance and honor, is especially a reality in the temporal vicissitudes of the Church. It would take pages to indicate the hinderance and depression in her sensible progress which times like these bring. How the popula-

tion is drawn by thousands from the sanctuaries to the camp and field. How the salaries of the ministry decrease, and the enterprise in God's work is arrested and absorbed in the outlay for war and its adjuncts. How the heart of the people is swept away from attention to anything not found within the wild circle of daily events. How awful expediency makes familiar plans, incidents and issues which once we should have loathed, but now accept with the sternness of fate. As the locusts of Egypt comes up the cloud of associations to demoralize and degrade. The ear is pre-occupied with the intense present, and the heart sick with the ominous future. The mind is numbed by excitement, or agitated by passion. There are solitudes which rouse and concentrate every affection on earthly ties, and send the whole nature back from the strife exhausted and inert. Dull then is the voice of the pulpit, unless it pander to the same sensations; wandering is the soul in prayer and praise; all but impracticable is the sobriety of devout thankfulness, or the calm searching of the tried nature. But we were early taught to fault the artificial arrangement of the History of the Church into events "*prosperous*" and "*adverse.*" Human eye sees but a short distance, and cannot anticipate in persecution and martyrdom the scattering of glorious seed; nor in courtly favor and endowment, the curse of worldliness and shame. It must be a season of discouragement and suffering for the ministry. Affliction — discipline — trial — these are right words, culminating in the expressive "tribulation," but not necessarily "adverse." The laborer who has hitherto gone in and out of the vineyard with sunshine and fruits, with the master's daily recompense, and slept in peace for the morning call — may find himself now the "watchman in the night," with darkness into which he anxiously peers, strange sounds that he challenges, and dreariness in which he shudders with foreboding. But God is the same. His Church is dear; all worketh together for good. Whether as sunshine laborers or watchmen of the night, "let us quit ourselves like men," with trust in His goodness, and strength in His grace. We must "bow to the brook in the way, but lift our head" in the suffering

mind. The faith of the few may be deepened, and their good works increase, even if the multitude run to evil. The strife for lawful government, constitutional authority and conservative principles, will excite more reflection on their necessity and application. It may readily happen that the reflex effect of our discord and danger may cast a light on the wrong of "heresy and schism" in religion. "Secession," in its fearful effects as carried out in temporal government, may recall attention to the long existence of the same against the divine government in His Church.

Irreverence and intense individualism, the despising of government and mockery of prescript right, insensibility to the sacredness of law and order, want of respect for official station, insubordination in domestic relations, the rupture of the heart-links with the graves and homes and moral qualities of the past, the disbelief in divine appointments, and in the authority coming down from God with the sanction of His word—these, under the name of liberty, have been corrupting the principles and conduct of our responsible millions.

The discipline of this fearful trial may change this state of things; and through His Church, and for its benefit, affliction "work peaceable fruits of righteousness." The Kingship of Christ, so feebly realized in society, and even in Protestant Christianity, may gain more distinct influence in ways that we cannot anticipate. Society may be brought back to obedience to the unity of government involved in the fact, "one Lord, one faith, one baptism." If the Church, as we receive and love her, is faithful to herself, and we bear ourselves in our several vocations as men of faith and prayer, we may be assured that even in the deluge thus breaking from high places, and sweeping the drift of the valley, "the rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the City of God; the Holy place of the tabernacle of the most Highest."

OBITUARY.

Within the "Communion of Saints," there are two losses this year, which we are allowed to separate, and record with sympathy and respect.

Bishop of Virginia—Rev. Samuel Hulbeart Turner, D.D.

In the death of the venerable BISHOP MEADE, of Virginia, the Church loses a man of marked qualities of mind and natural temperament, all developed by striking social and religious circumstances, and through a long term of years. In no situation could Bishop Meade have failed to be influential. But with his whole nature reclaimed and sanctified for the Master's use, and his manly conscience grasping a high and rigid standard of duty, self-denial, and consecration, he has exerted through a long life, an influence for the Church distinguished by vigor of action, breadth of sacrifice, firmness of will, zeal of affection and large control. It goes back so far in the religious history of his native State, and the revival of the dishonored Church within its borders, that a large portion of the "Cloud of Witnesses" who testify to his worth, have long passed beyond our sight from the earth. The work remains, and under all changes, will secure for him the honor of posterity for labors most abundant, faith unfeigned, a conscience inflexible in right, a will which subordinated men and things to its persevering energy, and a simple life of godly purpose and hope.

The Teacher of my own youth, and of some of you who now look up to me as growing old, the learned, faithful, diligent and beloved Professor of Biblical Learning in the General Theological Seminary, the Rev. SAMUEL HULBEART TURNER, D.D., has finished his long and honored course. His life from early youth has been steadily devoted to that branch of study, and a large conception of its proper tributaries. Nearly forty years were spent in the chair of that Institution. His published works rank among our most valued exegetic helps; remarkable for the extent of investigation, and the union of rigid criticism with warm expanse of spiritual truth. His severe scholarship did not absorb him from the works of the ministry and active benevolence, much less from the kindly traits of personal character which bound to him in life, and to his memory after death, the hearts of his many pupils.

THE CHURCHES VISITED.

Oct. 4: ST. PAUL'S, PEKIN. The visitations for the year began in October, on the 4th of which month I went to Pekin.

Churches Visited: Lewiston—Trinity, Chicago.

The Church there is in charge of Rev. C. F. Loop. I found the small building much improved, furnished with a large melodeon, carpets, font, and the chancel more conveniently arranged for service. I confirmed *four*. I preached, and made an address to the candidates. This will apply to every visitation made through the year, and I may forbear from noting the fact, except by this general mention.

Oct. 6: ST. JAMES', LEWISTOWN. My official duties here were on the nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, morning and evening; confirmed *five*. There is a resolute purpose in this parish—stronger in faith and christian heart than in resources—to build a church. They have a plan for a small brick one, artistic in effect and moderate in expense, but requiring help from abroad. They deserve assistance, because the few truly attached to the Church are liberal to the extent of their ability.

Oct. 13: TRINITY, CHICAGO. On Sunday, twentieth after Trinity, I fulfilled an appointment made by special request of the Rector. It embraced, with the sermon, the confirmation of *eight*, the administration of the Holy Eucharist, and a short address pertinent to the appropriation of the Offertory to Diocesan Missions. The church was well filled, and throughout all the services, which were of course long, the congregation was reverent and attentive. Just before the Offertory some persons rose, which movement gradually extended until a considerable portion left before and during the collection. Others retired at the interval before the Communion, for the reception of which probably about fifty remained. While grieved at the irregularity, which, I believe, was to some extent of common occurrence, I should not have regarded it in any light of personal or official disrespect, if the Rector had not, at the time and subsequently, given to it this construction. In consequence of this, when, a few months after, another visit from me was requested, I thought it obligatory to lay a succinet account of the matter before the Standing Committee, asking their advice in connection with the facts thus presented. The unanimous judgment of that body was given to me in the following letter :

Churches Visited: Trinity, Chicago.

To the Rt. Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese:

The undersigned, members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Illinois, in answer to your inquiry as to the propriety of a further visitation, and the usual administration of Episcopal services in Trinity Church, Chicago, under the circumstances in which that parish has seen fit to place itself, by its extraordinary conduct on the occasion of your last visitation, respectfully submit the following:

We have carefully examined the statement of facts as set forth in your application for counsel and advice, and find the following material points:

1. That your recent visitation of that parish was sought after, and asked for at your hands.

2. That it was expressly arranged between yourself and Rev. Dr. Pratt, Rector of the parish, that the "offerings" on the occasion should be devoted to Diocesan Missions.

3. That at the conclusion of the address you made, touching missionary operations in the Diocese, and the relation of Trinity Church to the same in the matter of contributions, a large and considerable portion of the congregation, either by a preconcerted arrangement, or suggested by the movement of a few, rose and left the church. It should be observed that the departure of the congregation occurred just as the "Offertory" commenced in the usual administration of the Communion.

The undersigned find it difficult to characterize in appropriate and suitable terms, such conduct on the part of the congregation, but the construction put upon it by themselves and their Rector, by correspondence and otherwise, leave no doubt as to their estimate of the act, and what was really intended and involved in it.

But whatever of personality may have been intended in the way of discourtesy to yourself, seems merged and lost in the greater offense in the time, occasion and place.

It can scarcely be supposed that you should neglect, under the circumstances, to make a plea for the cause which you then and there represented; nor is it unreasonable to expect that your plea should be pertinent, and while it exhibited the canonical obligations of the Diocese, it should, at the same time, set forth the duty of those whom you addressed, and in reminding them of their duty, show what they had done in past years. Nor could it be justly regarded as a matter of offense, that your address should, in its statistics, touch upon the matter of the contributions of the parish for the support of the Episcopate.

Your address seems to have been listened to with apparent interest, and, so far as we are advised, has not been faulted for fact or manner.

Churches Visited: Trinity, Chicago.

Indeed, we fail to find anything in your address, either in the matter or manner, that can be considered as justifying such disorderly, and as we believe, in the church, unprecedented conduct.

While, then, we fully appreciate your willingness, on personal grounds, to pass by the offense, yet we are constrained to advise you, for the sake of your office, the honor of the Church, and the good order of the Diocese, to decline visiting officially the parish of Trinity Church, Chicago, until such time as they shall make such reparation as will protect yourself, your office and the Diocese for the future; and in the event of the parish failing to make such reparation in this respect as shall be satisfactory to yourself, we would advise you to seek redress and protection at the hands of our next Diocesan Convention.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

SAMUEL CHASE,
LEWIS P. CLOVER,
T. N. BENEDICT,
S. H. TREAT,
A. CAMPBELL.

In consonance with this opinion, I conveyed my decision to the authorities of the Church, with full copies of all the papers, under date of February 27th, 1862. I thus wrote:—

To the Wardens and Vestrymen of Trinity Church, Chicago:

GENTLEMEN—An application to me, on the part of your Rector, for a special visitation of the parish of Trinity Church, Chicago, “on the second or third Sunday in March,” has obliged me to weigh carefully the painful responsibility imposed upon me by the indignity to which I was exposed on my late visitation, on the the twentieth Sunday after Trinity, Oct. 13th, 1861.

I have, therefore, with the advice of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, declined to comply with the request for official service, and have informed the Rector,—and now inform the corporation—that I cannot visit Trinity Church for any Episcopal acts, until satisfactory reparation shall have been made for the indignity offered to myself and the Diocese, on the visitation held Oct. 13th, the twentieth Sunday after Trinity.

In order that the case may be fairly before you, in the view taken of it by myself and the Standing Committee, I send, herewith, copies of the several papers,

Remaining, respectfully,

Your servant in the Church,

HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE,
Bishop of Illinois.

Churches Visited: Trinity, Chicago.

The result was honorable to the Vestry, who, in the paper of which I subjoin a copy, expressed to me their conviction that no personal or official disrespect, either to myself or the object, was involved in the movement, and assured me of their kind and honorable regards. In consequence of this, I immediately responded, and as soon as other engagements allowed, fulfilled my appointment, with the most gratifying results in every respect. The incident, which wore at first so threatening an aspect, has thus, by God's grace, produced in many minds,—I am sure it has in my own,—a feeling of heartier fellowship, and the confidence that the noble resources of this parish, in numbers, wealth and liberality, will pour a vigorous influence through the channels of Diocesan love and work.

CHICAGO, March 10th, 1862.

Rt. Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D.D.,

RT. REV. AND DEAR SIR:

The undersigned, Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of Trinity Church, deeply regret the indecorous conduct of those persons who left the church before the Offertory, on the occasion of your last visitation.

By many it is claimed, that if the announcement had been made, that those desirous of leaving could do so after the "Prayer for the Church Militant," all would, or nearly all, have retained their seats. This is, at least, a charitable view of the occurrence. But if, as some have intimated, any member of the congregation intended that demonstration as an expression of disrespect to yourself, either in your official or personal relations, we hereby disclaim any such intention as a parish, and we also tender to you the requisite apology and reparation for the objectionable conduct of such members.

Profoundly desirous to be reconciled with the Diocese, and especially with yourself, as its talented and efficient head, we pledge to you for the future, those evidences of consideration and respect which your commanding position in the Church should uniformly receive.

It is our earnest prayer that we hereafter harmoniously work together in Christian fellowship, for the good of the Church and the glory of our Heavenly Father.

Very truly and respectfully yours,

J. PRATT, *Rector,*

L. P. HILLIARD,

A. H. PITKIN,

W. C. D. GRANNIS,

THOMAS B. BRYAN,

J. D. SMEDLEY,

SAMUEL HAWK,

W. H. ADAMS.

Churches Visited: Trinity, Chicago—Jubilee College—Springfield—Decatur.

I, SAMUEL HAWK, Secretary and Treasury of Trinity Church, Chicago, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an original letter, unanimously adopted and signed by the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen, at a special meeting held in the Vestry Room of said Church, on the 10th day of March, 1862.

Witness my hand this 11th day of March, 1862.

SAMUEL HAWK, *Secretary.*

UNION PARK, March 12th, 1862.

To the Rector and Vestry of Trinity Church, Chicago:

DEAR BRETHREN:

I have received from your Secretary a certified copy of the action of your body, in relation to "the indecorous conduct of certain persons, in leaving the Church on the occasion of my visitation on the twentieth Sunday after Trinity."

I beg to express my satisfaction with the apology and reparation thus conveyed, and my grateful sense of the expressions of personal respect with which you honor me.

I reciprocate, with all my heart, its closing sentiments, and appreciate the controlling influence for the work, and love of our Diocesan Church, which a parish so large and liberal as your own may concentrate.

Very faithfully,

Your friend and servant,

HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE.

JUBILEE COLLEGE. From the 13th to the 18th, I went to Jubilee College, with relation to the missionary work of the Diocese, and the special affairs of the College.

BISHOP'S CHURCH. On the evening of the twenty-first Sunday after Trinity, I confirmed *three* in my own Church, by request.

Oct. 21: SPRINGFIELD. On Monday I left for Springfield to attend a meeting of the Missionary Board. The business was important, and will be detailed in the proper place. Much of it was published to the Diocese in the form of a Circular, which has been responded to with an improvement in the parochial system in collecting, and the amount contributed.

Nov. 28: ST. JOHN'S, DECATUR. I spent Thanksgiving day in this parish, where I confirmed *sic*. I found it in its usual order; the Church building much improved by permanent black wal-

Churches Visited: Springfield—Alton—Collinsville—Marine.

nut seats; and the self-denying Rector, with salary reduced by the pressure of the times, determined "to abide" with them, and "continue with them all for their furtherance and joy of faith." The evening was passed in instructing a French family desirous of coming to the Holy Communion.

Nov. 30: SPRINGFIELD. St. Andrew's day in Springfield, on Missionary business; and in the evening, passed to Alton, where I met for the first time the Rev. JOHN FOSTER, the effective pastor.

Dec. 1: ST. PAUL'S, ALTON. Officiated morning and evening of the first Sunday in Advent. The Church so seriously injured by a violent tornado is repaired, and the congregation is reviving under the systematic training and able diligence of its head. It is very weak in male communicants, and for want of co-operation, the growth must be hard and slow. Much to be done is only in the beginning, and the fruits must be waited for in patience.

Dec. 2-3: CHRIST'S CHURCH, COLLINSVILLE. Rev. A. P. Crouch, deacon, I found working here and in the neighborhood with "good report." All looked revived; and I enjoyed some close and pleasant intercourse with the parishoners. I officiated in the evening, and also the next morning, confirming *two*, and administering the Holy Communion.

Dec. 4: MARINE. From Collinsville we went fourteen miles to Marine, where there can hardly be said to be a Church; but there remains a few Episcopalians who enjoy services as occasion-ally furnished to them from Collinsville. It was stronger in the past, when Dr. Darrow was the Rector.

The same must be said of Edwardsville, where I went next; which is really a decayed Church. The building is there, but scarce an Episcopalian left. It was built in very different relations from the present; when the town was a centre of influence, and with public business long since changed and removed. I lament the seeming uselessness of a building consecrated to the service of God, but deprecate the sale of it, preferring rather to hold it in faith of a revived use which God's Providence may order in ways unknown to us.

Churches Visited: Belleville—Chester—Carlinville—Pittsfield.

Dec. 5: BELLEVILLE. For the first time I officiated in Belleville, an old town of 10,000 inhabitants—largely German—but increased by the impulse of a few years back. There are a few warm-hearted church families; and principally by the activity of the ladies, they have built a small neat Church of wood, but feel too weak to venture a settled pastor. Dr. Schuyler, of St. Louis, has done much for them. I preached in the evening, and baptized an adult, and again the next morning, when also, at the proper place in the services, I baptized two infants, and confirmed *two* persons, celebrating also the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I again administered it in the sick room of a young lady, since released from her sufferings, endured long with lovely submission, gentleness and hope.

Dec. 8: ST. MARK'S, CHESTER. After some detention in St. Louis, where I baptized at home the infant child of a friend, I was kindly provided with a passage down the river to Chester, and a proper order for my return, the few boats being at the time all in the service of the Government. We were late on Sunday morning in reaching my destination, but in time to meet a full congregation, as ever harmonious and loyal; confirmed *five*, and preached again on Monday morning.

I waited until Wednesday evening for a boat up, and reached St. Louis in a small one returning from Cairo.

Dec. 12: ST. PAUL'S, CARLINVILLE. I preached and confirmed *eight* in the evening at Carlinville.

Dec. 14–15: ST. STEPHEN'S, PITTSFIELD. The next appointment was at Pittsfield. I arrived in time to hold services on Saturday evening, in which, and those on the following day, I was assisted by the Rev. Dr. Worthington, who resided near the town, but is ecclesiastically connected with Missouri.

At a special service at 9 A. M., Sunday, the third in Advent, I baptized ten children. In the regular morning service, after sermon, I confirmed *six*, and celebrated the Lord's Supper.

GRIGGSVILLE. In the evening I availed myself of the kind offer of the Methodist Church at Griggsville; preached and

Churches Visited: Tuscola—Arcola—Mattoon—Salem—Centralia.

again administered the Holy Communion. The building was thronged, so that there was difficulty in reaching the pulpit through the crowded aisle. Probably nine hundred persons were present, a large number standing through the whole service. The congregation remained through the Communion, and I have rarely officiated to one so quiet and attentive throughout.

On Monday morning I baptized a child; and then visited a sick girl in an afflicted household, where death had recently taken two young in years, but ripe for Paradise.

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Jan. 17: TUSCOLA. Went for the first time to this place, in Douglas county, on the line of the Illinois Central R. R. Held service and preached in the Court-House. There are a few anxious for Episcopal ministrations.

Jan. 18: ARCOLA. The second Sunday after Epiphany was given to another new point of peculiar promise. It is known as "Okaw Station," on the Illinois Central, and owes its Church relations to the Rev. Mr. Osborne, who continues in charge. There are several zealous and active men engaged, and they are preparing this season to build a Church. I confirmed *eight*, and baptized a child, with services morning and evening. They had at that time twenty-nine communicants.

TRINITY CHURCH, MATTOON. From Arcola I went to Mattoon, and preached in the Methodist Church; confirmed *one*, and next morning baptized two infants.

Jan. 22: SALEM. Salem was the next appointment, where I preached in the evening, and baptized a child.

Jan. 23: CENTRALIA. Jan. 23 in Centralia. Preached, confirmed *four*, baptized one adult and two infants.

In this trip I was accompanied and assisted by the Rev. J. W. Osborne, the father of all the work for the Church along that line, and contiguous points on the intersecting road. There is scarcely a place in which there are not Episcopalians, and occasional ministrations are rendered in addition to those of the missionary, but there is not a single point where, either in means or numbers, the

Churches Visited: Jonesboro'—Cairo—Christ Church, Chicago.

Church seems to have attained a permanent hold. There is not a building belonging to us from Chicago to Cairo. The latter place and Arcola will soon, I trust, prove honorable exceptions.

Jan. 24: JONESBORO'. I proceeded from Centralia to this place, and performed service in the Town Hall. The next day being the "Conversion of St. Paul," after Prayers, celebrated the Lord's Supper. The Willard family desire to procure a clergyman who would also instruct, by which means it might be made a centre of some missionary influence.

Jan. 26: CAIRO. The Third Sunday after Epiphany was given to Cairo, the centre, then, of a large field of military operations, thronged with troops, and all the ordered confusion incident to the scene of active warfare. The Rev. Dr. McMasters, the indefatigable chaplain of the Twenty-seventh Regiment, had, with zealous kindness, devoted a portion of his Sunday hours to the Episcopal congregation in the city, for the use of which the temporary occupation of the Presbyterian place of worship had been granted. To his assiduous attention I owe the arrangements for my visit, the preparation of Candidates for Confirmation, and the administration of such pastoral acts as for several months had been required. My own services were held in the morning in the Methodist House, where I administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I preached in the theatre, to Col. (now Gen.) Buford's regiment, and in the evening in the Presbyterian edifice, where I confirmed *five*. The frame of a Church building is up, the exterior well advanced, and they have the services of a lay reader. I do not think it will go on with an energetic spirit until a clergyman is called, and the influence of a settled pastor felt. It is a most important point, but at present very difficult rightly to administer.

Feb. 9: CHRIST CHURCH, CHICAGO. In the afternoon of the Fifth Sunday after Epiphany I confirmed *five* in Christ Church. The building has been enlarged and much improved since my last visit. It occupies a part of the city with material

Bloomington—St. James' and Trinity, Chicago—Joliet—Manhattan—St. John's, Chicago.

for growth so vigorous and abundant, that, with faithful management, it must become influential and strong.

BLOOMINGTON. On Quinquagesima Sunday I fulfilled an appointment made for St. Matthew's, Bloomington. The Holy Communion formed a part of the morning duty, and in the evening I confirmed *eight*. The weather proved blustering and slippery, which somewhat affected the attendance. The place of worship was well filled, and the esteemed efforts of the Rev. Mr. Coe are retrieving former disasters, and infusing life and hope for the future.

May 18: ST. JAMES AND TRINITY, CHICAGO. My next visitation commenced in May, on the 18th of which month, the Fourth Sunday after Easter, I enjoyed pleasant visitations in St. James' and Trinity Parishes, Chicago; the one in the morning, the other in the evening. In St. James' *seventeen* were confirmed, and in Trinity, *twenty*.

May 21: JOLIET. May 21st I preached, and confirmed *four* in Christ Church, Joliet.

May 22: MANHATTAN. On Thursday, 22nd, rode with Rev. Mr. Gilbert to Manhattan, where *four* were confirmed, and WILMINGTON. returning to Joliet, took the cars for Wilmington, where I preached and baptized an adult; *three* were confirmed here on that occasion.

MORRIS. On Friday morning administered the Holy Communion, went to Morris, officiating there in the evening, when the Rev. Mr. Wells, deacon, who had been supplying this vacant place for a few weeks, in connection with his charge at Wilmington, presented again *four* for the same ordinance.

May 25: ST. JOHN'S, CHICAGO. Fifth Sunday after Easter confirmed *twenty-two* in St. John's Church, Chicago.

ST. ANSGARIUS. In the afternoon visited the Swedish Congregation at the Church of St. Ansgarius, under the pastoral care of Rev. Jacob Bredberg. The services were in that language, translated by Mr. B. from our liturgical services, and modified by

St. Ansgarius—Grace, Chicago—Pre-Emption—Rock Island—Geneseo—Ottawa—Utica.

the omission of the Canticles and Versicles, where response is required. The sermon was also in Swedish. The candidates, *nine* in number, understood enough of our own tongue to follow the Confirmation office and address.

In the evening I preached in the same building, and confirmed *twenty-three* for the mission in charge of the Rev. Mr. Tuttle.

June 1: GRACE CHURCH, CHICAGO. Sunday after Ascension Day confirmed *thirteen* and administered the Holy Communion. The Offertory on this occasion, as in nearly every case through the year, was applied to the Missions of the Diocese, in accordance with the request of the Convention.

June 15: PRE-EMPTION. On the morning of Trinity Sunday I preached, confirmed *six*, and celebrated the Lord's Supper in Grace Church, Rock Island County. The number present at Confirmation fell much below the expectation of the Rector. The Church building is in use, but not finished.

TRINITY, ROCK ISLAND. In the evening held service in Trinity Church, Rock Island, the prospects of which have much revived under the charge of Rev. M. Magill. *Five* were presented for Confirmation.

June 16: GENESEO. Trinity Church, Geneseo, then under the charge of Rev. Anson Clark, was my next duty, in fulfilling which *three* were confirmed. I found resident here the Rev. S. Goodale, its former pastor, who left about two years ago for a mission in Iowa, but has now, on the resignation of Mr. Clark, resumed his old charge, where he is much esteemed.

June 17: OTTAWA. Service in the evening at Christ Church, Ottawa, at which I baptized the infant of the Rector and confirmed *thirteen*. Accompanied by him, the next day went to Farmridge. It was a day of heavy rain, which affected the number of the congregation. *Seven* were, however, confirmed.

June 22: UTICA. On my visitation to St. George's, Utica, I preached in the evening of Saturday, when the Rev. Charles P. Clarke, who is regularly supplying the place, baptized

Churches Visited: La Salle—Peru—Marengo—Belvidere.

three adults, and on the morning of the first Sunday after Trinity, I confirmed *eight*—one from Ottawa.

LA SALLE. Went in the afternoon to La Salle, where the Rev.

Mr. Albert met me and assisted; and in the evening I

PERU. officiated in Peru. There were no Candidates for Confirmation in either place, but full congregations.

JUNE 29: MARENGO. The Church at Marengo, since the resignation of Mr. Waterbury, is served by Rev. J. Cauch, deacon. He read prayers on the occasion of my visitation, on the Second Sunday after Trinity. In the morning there was the Holy Communion with the usual services. In the afternoon I catechized the Sunday Schools, and distributed some gifts prepared for each child by the teachers. I baptized two children, and in the evening preached again.

The Church property here has become involved in a lien, which threatens to alienate it, and proceedings, which I much regret, have been commenced. The Vestry, however, promise their utmost effort to settle the matter favorably.

The interest we all feel in Female Education has induced me to refer, on two previous occasions, to "Euphemia Hall," in charge of the Rev. Isaac P. Labagh, and to commend his exertions in behalf of the daughters of the Church. Since our last meeting, disaster has arrested all that promising enterprise, and the noble building lies a shapeless ruin. The pecuniary loss has been serious to its proprietor, and after mature reflection he has deemed it inexpedient to attempt to rebuild. But I am glad to say, that, connecting himself with the Rev. Dr. John Trimble, in charge of the Hyde Park Seminary, that Institution will be carried on vigorously, supplying the loss sustained, and securing increased facilities for the training our girls in sound learning, in connection with the teaching and worship of the Church.

JUNE 30: BELVIDERE. The Church at Belvidere feels the general depression. On my visit there I preached, baptized an infant, and confirmed *two*. Emmanuel Church, Rockford, was not pre-

Churches Visited: Galena—Polo—Aurora—Waukegan—Onarga—Springfield—Gillespie.

pared for a visitation, the Rev. Mr. Scofield having recently resigned. The same of Freeport, where the Church, a year ago swept away by a tornado, is not yet completed; although, by their own liberal exertions, and kind assistance where the tale of their disaster has excited sympathy, a large advance has been made towards the restoration.

July 2: GALENA. In this Parish I confirmed *five*. The Church is undergoing repairs externally.

July 3: POLO. In Trinity Church, Polo, on the evening of July 3, I baptized the infant of the Rector, and after sermon, confirmed *two*.

July 6: AURORA. In Trinity Church, Aurora, Rev. S. T. Allen is working effectively. I confirmed *five* persons, and administered the Communion, and in evening held services

NAPERVILLE. and confirmed *two* in Naperville.

WAUKEGAN. Visited Christ Church, which is advancing in the charge of Rev. Mr. Wright, and confirmed *five*.

July 7: ONARGA. From Waukegan I passed to Onarga, on the Illinois Central road. The public services here in the evening were rendered nearly ineffectual, owing to the violence of the rain. I baptized during my visit, five children, and confirmed *one* person. It has enjoyed no services since Mr. De Wolf left.

July 11: SPRINGFIELD. In St. Paul's, Springfield, on Friday evening, July 11, a large congregation was present — *seven* were confirmed.

July 12: GILLESPIE. My next service was at Gillespie, a town on the Terre Haute & Alton Railroad, about fourteen miles across from Carlinville. Rev. D. W. Dresser has been preaching here, as missionary work, on week days, and has met with very encouraging response to his efforts. The services are held in an old building called the "Town Hall;" but several of the families in the neighborhood were educated Episcopalians, and although they have long acquiesced in the deprivation of the Church from the

difficulties in their way, are now zealously affected, have begun to build, and will probably persevere and secure the services of a settled pastor, into whose hands Mr. Dresser will gladly transfer his charge.

July 13: ALTON. On the fourth Sunday after Trinity, I made a second visit to St. Paul's, Alton; officiated morning and evening. In the morning I admitted to the Priesthood, Rev. A. P. Crouch, deacon, now in charge of St. Stephen's, Pittsfield, and confirmed *seven*.

There was on this, as on the previous visit, a collection for Diocesan Missions—and besides the Offertory, contributions from the Sunday School, a precious gift of their persevering charity, and especially, in this form, from the hands of "little ones," "God ordaining praise."

JACKSONVILLE. By way of Springfield, where I spent a few hours, I reached Jacksonville for the evening service on Monday, July 14, and confirmed *four*. Taking the night train for Quincy, I spent there Wednesday, officiating in the evening. In consequence of the sickness of the Rector last year, although I was twice in the city, there was no visitation. It was fully redeemed on this occasion, when a very interesting class of *twenty-five* were presented, a part only of those really prepared, but prevented from being present by a heavy rain, and other incidental hinderances. Judging from the number and character of the persons brought forward, on my three visits, during the present Rectorship, I feel assured that his pastoral influence must be assiduous and faithful. The whole number far exceeds that of any other parish in the Diocese.

WARSAW. On Thursday I went by boat up the river to Warsaw, where the evening service was well attended and *four* were confirmed. I spent also here the next day, and in the evening preached again. Another of the violent showers, which have been so frequent this season, lessened the number able to attend.

July 20: GALESBURG. From Warsaw I crossed to the C. B. & Q. R. R., and by it reached Galesburg Saturday evening.

Churches Visited: Jubilee College—Pekin—Tremont—Peoria—Mission School.

On Sunday morning, Fifth after Trinity, I preached and confirmed *three*, two of them children of the Rector. In the afternoon went to Knoxville and preached, but there were none to be confirmed. Mr. Smithett has resigned this charge.

FARMINGTON. In Calvary Church, Farmington, confirmed *three* in an afternoon service on Monday, July 21; and from ROBIN'S NEST. there passed to Jubilee College, holding service in the Chapel in the afternoon. Several of the clergy who are trustees were present, Rev. Messrs. Benson, Benedict, Richmond, P. Chase, besides the resident officers. I confirmed *eight*, presented by the Rev. Dr. Chase, of the parish of Robin's Nest.

JUBILEE COLLEGE. The day following was devoted to the business of the College in the annual meeting of the Trustees. The state of the Institution will be reported at length in its appropriate place in this Address.

July 25: PEKIN. Tuesday evening held service and confirmed *seven* in St. Paul's, Pekin. During the day previous, I was able to call on most of the congregation. The parish is sedulously attended to, and thrives in proportion to its means and difficulties.

July 26: TREMONT. On Saturday I rode to Tremont, where we have a good Church Building, built before my own Episcopate, but which has been little used for the last ten years. The Episcopalians had nearly all removed, and the growth of the place has been arrested. The Rev. Mr. Loop now renders his services from Pekin, and I was pleased to find how encouraging the response was to his zealous efforts.

July 27: PEORIA. Sixth Sunday after Trinity, preached and confirmed in St. Paul's, Peoria, *ten* persons. In the afternoon preached at the Mission Sunday School of the Parish which located in South Peoria, where a building of neat appearance and convenient dimensions has been put up, a large Sunday School collected, and other charitable work grouped around it. It is far from the present Church, in a neighborhood already populous, which must, at

Churches Visited : Limestone—Chicago—Sycamore—Dixon—Kewanee.

an early period, become much more so. The local means for support will be small for some time to come, and religious services must be essentially missionary in their support. There is material however for a new parish when collected and combined, and the Rev. W. M. A. Brodnax is now engaged in the experiment. Its present success is due, under God, to an earnest and diligent zeal on the part of a few, which will not grow "weary in well doing."

LIMESTONE. In the evening I rode to Limestone Prairie, stopping on the way to administer Confirmation to a young man near death from lingering disease. Afterwards in the Church *six* were confirmed, making the whole number *seven*. This is a small rural parish, able only in an inadequate manner to secure the work of its loved pastor on alternate Sundays; at times it has been deprived of any minister, but sustaining itself with constant lay reading; and yet I never have visited it without finding Candidates well prepared. In six visits the number has been *forty*.

Aug. 3: CHICAGO. On Sunday, seventh after Trinity, I held an ordination in St. James' Church, Chicago, and admitted to the Diaconate, Chas. H. Van Dyne. The candidate was presented by the Rev. Dr. Clarkson, who, at my request, preached the sermon. There were present and assisting in the services, Rev. Henry Lockwood, of W. N. Y., Dr. Strong, of Michigan, W. Herbert Smythe, of Arkansas, and Rev. Mr. Gilbert of our own Diocese.

SYCAMORE. Thursday, August 21, was spent at Sycamore, and service held in St. Peter's Church, the number confirmed being *five*.

Aug. 22: DIXON. The next day was in Dixon, where I met several of the clergy, and found the parish consciously advancing in strength and order, under the experienced efforts of its new pastor. There were *four* confirmed.

KEWANEE. In Kewanee, St. John's did not present as encouraging an appearance. After long illness, the Rector felt it a necessity to resign, in view of an entire change of climate, and did so from July last. I have reason to hope that Mr. Richmond will still afford his valuable services to the Diocese. *One* was presented

for Confirmation ; I baptized two infants, and administered the Holy Communion.

MISSIONARY.

The amount from the Domestic Committee has been generously continued through the year, and distributed with the following appointments :

ALBION, Rev. Robert Ryall.

CARLINVILLE AND CHESTERFIELD, Rev. D. Walker Dresser.

DECATUR, Rev. William M. Steel.

DIXON, Rev. George C. Street.

GRAND DETOUR AND STERLING, Rev. A. J. Warner.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL R. R., Rev. J. W. Osborne.

KEWANEE, Rev. John B. Richmond.

PRE-EMPTION, Rev. George Sayres.

WILMINGTON, Rev. Albert E. Wells.

In our Diocesan efforts the following have been in active duty :

Rev. C. H. ALBERT, La Salle.

“ JOHN BENSON, Calvary, Farmington.

“ C. A. BRUCE, St. James', Lewistown.

“ JOHN CAUCH, Church of the Advent, Marengo.

“ A. P. CROUCH, Collinsville, transferred to St. Stephen's,
Pittsfield.

“ C. F. LOOP, St. Paul's, Pekin.

“ G. C. STREET, Tiskilwa, part of year.

The Missionary Board this year made some new regulations for the conduct of their work, and placed them, with suggestions and appeal, before the Diocese in a circular letter. While the Board felt bound to assume the arrearages of the previous year, amounting to \$592, they were determined to arrest the possible recurrence of such a fatal legacy for the succeeding, and therefore adopted the following among other Resolutions :

That inasmuch as the existence of arrears passed from year to year is a serious embarrassment to the Missionary work, and an impeachment of Diocesan integrity, the present Board will only pledge itself to make “pro rata” payments on the stipends assigned,

according to the amount of funds contributed and paid to the Treasurer.

The Board will authorize the Treasurer to pay the Missionaries on account, whenever the balance in his hands will allow an average of *ten per cent.* on the stipulated salaries.

Adhering to this principle, the Board yields its trust without arrears or debt. They have distributed with exact equality the amount placed in their hands by the Church, as soon as the balance in the Treasury amounted to *ten per cent.* on the stipends assigned. The experiment has been only partially tested this year, in consequence of the heavy arrears from the preceding; but for the next, it will be found, I think, as much a stimulus to the charity of the Church as efficient to guard its honor in the exact fulfilment of pledge. Each year will show its own work and benevolence; and though she may be justly shamed for want of loyal "communication," and for the parsimony with which the great claim is met, the Church cannot be faulted as before for breach of common integrity, and a mean indifference to corporate pledge. The form of our Missionary work, as frequently before stated, is entirely Pastoral or Parochial aid. To this our efforts have always been too closely confined, and we have attempted little in any stricter aggressive relations. We are coerced by the necessity of the case into the dominant form of assisting feeble Parishes. In reality, the large majority may be characterized by this epithet; and hence the trying crisis of diocesan life when it passes from the pioneer with its romance and enterprise—its stories of individual zeal and suffering, coming from the waste unknown in the sharp cry of daily adventure and sacrifice—into that condition of self-support and dignity, exacted from us by the social advance around, and our numerical strength in the sisterhood of the Dioceses. In this condition we inevitably outgrow our means; new parishes are created faster than we can support them; and in spite of ourselves we make a statistic show which compels us to live more and more beyond our income. As the proper missionary work,—which always involves the sending from a stronger centre men and means,—in proportion as this identifies itself with the parochial, so

it becomes less interesting and exciting. The impulse from the romance and hopefulness of a new territory, and pioneer enterprise sobers down into a business contribution to salary—money given to the somewhat questionable effort to call in the missionary from his broader way, and concentrate him in the exclusive charge of a single small congregation. For this appropriation nothing of a distinct exciting character can be returned; there is no place for the ideal; often, on the contrary, much that is very disheartening in the slowness of growth, the compulsive necessity for the same advance year after year to keep it alive, and redeem the whole from utter loss,—and oftentimes vicissitudes in the history of the parish more capricious and destructive than in a large and consolidate congregation.

The condition of things in this respect may not be bright and imaginative for sentiment, or satisfactory to business thrift. I admit it, for the most part, to be hard, cold duty, as far as concerns the current return for the majority, even though it may be invested sometimes with an aureole brighter than poetry in the inner life of the Cross-trained soul. Whatever it may be in its shape or nature, it is the strict necessity of our Christian work. It is instinct with the normal law of divine progress, but takes an inevitable shape from the reflex action of our social life. We cannot shape it at our fancy, nor invest it with natural force and attractiveness. We must deal with the great complex matter of "pastoral aid" in Gospel wisdom, trust, patience, and sacrifice, to stand at last before the tribunal of worldly prudence, "fools for Christ's sake."

Still, as Christian men, we cannot commute our whole duty by simply giving to this work. We must think upon its real principles, brace ourselves against discouragement in order to contribute a fuller portion of our thoughtful interest to the specific plan of sustaining and spreading the Church in the surest and heartiest manner, in connection with our organic unity, and the sacred obligations of our whole Church life. As far as possible, such aid should always be rendered from the heart and through the hand of

the Diocesan Church, lest a false dependence should be created, and there should be the intrusion of a class of influences into the generous brotherhood where individuality is lost in Christ,—to poison “the communication of the saints” with the least taint of a truculent mendicancy, or the merchandise of a selfish patronage.

But most of all must we struggle to advance beyond this, too cramped, and under its close bounds, sickly parochial work, into the open fields of missionary acquisition. We must press out and around to explore, and try the experiment of our services even in places where it can find no welcome in bygone memories, or reclaim from less improving friendships by its old tones of childhood love. But where it may and would meet with some such response lies our clear call,—hard and weary as the way may be to fulfil it. There are Episcopal families scattered every where, from English Churches, the faithful parochial life of Ireland, and our own East. For them we should try to do more, reclaiming them for the fellowship which removal seems to have hopelessly broken; baptizing their “little ones” into the same fold; loosening the apathy which has concreted around them; and giving them gleams of the cheerful truth that the whole world has not sunk into isolate labor since they left their birthright home; nor the voice of the Liturgy been utterly hushed since the church bell ceased for their ear, and surpliced priest vanished into the dream land of youth.

And then, too, our new towns—villages that seem marvelously tossed down by the road side, like sparks from the wild train as it has cut its daily track through the wilderness. How poor they are in present resources,—what a battle of life to gain foothold, and stand up against the difficulties of maintenance and shelter, heat, cold, sickness; and create in miniature, town life on that flat spot, with the naked, unbroken prairie for miles on miles around them. How rich, too, they are in energy and hope. How quickly and effectively they work; and how wonderful it is to see, in a score months, school and meeting house rise, and representatives group together of half a dozen religious denominations. There, in fifty such young, struggling, ambitious villages, stands work

for us. We all know it—we all feel it; and from the burthened heart of the speaker, through all the clergy in their several stations, we are compelled to lament how little we can do, and how little really is done, for the effective religious culture of these small towns, and the scattered neighborhood.

There are two ways in which this state of things can be to a certain degree met, and religious service and sympathy conveyed to the Episcopalians “scattered abroad.”

The first is, for the *Parishes that have a settled pastor to allow the minister one Sunday in the month for this work*, and to supply him with means and encouragement to undertake it. The clergy are in many cases ready, but the expense is more than they can incur. If the parishioners would supply each with a conveyance of his own, or some zealous Churchman drive him a few miles for an evening service, the area of influence would be greatly extended, and the parish itself not unfrequently gather direct increase. To some extent this is done, but to very limited degree.

The second is, by the *direct and systematic assistance of our Railroad Companies*—deprived of which we can do little, and by their judicious co-operation, could accomplish very much. There is force enough which could be sent weekly from this city to supply with services—for example, the whole line of the “Illinois Central Railroad.” If the minister could be carried to his place of duty on Saturday, and returned from it on Monday, a Missionary work could be sustained, not without material value to the interests of the Company itself. My remarks are made with general application, although I venture to select, for obvious reasons, a specific illustration.

No modern invention has wrought the wide social change that have the iron tracks with the swift locomotive. The influence permeates society; is moulding it in many respects; diffusing it with rapid progress; blending it in homogenous character; and disclosing relations, yet undeveloped, of amazing extent and potency. Run down that indicated line, and behold the glorious creations of its power. See how the wilderness and solitary place is glad for

the enterprise. Reclaimed from indefinite solitude, the land springs into large merchantable value; population flocks to buy and settle it; towns spring up along it, and the increase in numbers and thrift makes tributary return of profit to the great thoroughfare, along which comes and goes the life of thousands. There are many bonds of interest between the Company and the population colonized along its way; but none more certain, more comprehensive, than that its great expanse shall be thick with Christian homes, and its population industrious and virtuous, free and good. Hence it is the interest of the Corporation that every village should become a nucleus of churches; and for this end they must act, without reference indeed to theological systems, but still for a common Christianity, so that the settler may be attracted by finding the representative of his own religious preferences, and be held by the continuation of the privilege.

Railroads have created a new branch of law, and each year opens wider the complicated cases of their legal rights and obligations. In the same way have they opened and carry vast moral obligations both of restraint and action; and in the same degree, as they transcend the condition of "common carriers," and create a great equity and legal system of their own, so do they rise from mere soulless corporations, into responsible, highly endowed agents in civilization, social happiness, and public virtue. They are now wielding an immense influence; but it is only the shadow of coming aggregate power, which, as it is exercised, is to be the curse of a selfish monopoly in tyrannical combination, a tax upon industry, dangerous to political freedom, or a blessing to labor, the regulator of demand and supply, generous in conception of real interests, liberal in meeting claims of justice and charity, and employing their incidental force for general refinement, comfort and virtue. Railroad companies are responsible for more than the safe transport of passengers and produce. They have an army under their control, for the moral government of which they are responsible. They have a literature, which they are broadcasting, for which they are responsible. They have a police to observe in every department,

so that order and self-respect, propriety of manners and language shall be enforced in every shop, and depot, and train. They have a vast complicated work, dealing with tremendous energies, dependent on God for His blessing, and bound to acknowledge Him in His providence and institutions. They have countless wayside homes, where the whistle, that stops the headlong speed, is signal for the daily impulse and material for intelligence, discipline, and growth,—homes they have not only made, but which would perish if they were to diverge their track a single mile from its existent course. So will these homes and their interests be dwarfed and crippled, or perish just as Railroad management diverges from the track of right principle, generous brotherhood, and Godward allegiance. It will be a day of woe, when along any such line, the idea of a divorce of interests shall be ratified, and a sense of wrong, oppression, selfish neglect and grinding monopoly begins to exasperate the people. These places are each the Child of the Railroad, and have a heart claim on the protection, interest, and training of the Company. Each place in its childhood struggle, has a claim paramount to all other, to be helped in its provision for religious training and christian growth. I do not mean for a moment to regard this as outside of the legitimate business spirit and duty of the Railways. It is not in the light of a tax to be paid, as the State might exact it, because they represent capital and property. Not so. It is to be regarded as integral part of the true corporate life; a claim so intrinsic, that whether shaped as duty or privilege cannot be sharply defined, or peremptorily discharged. I do not mean to intimate that hitherto there has been an indifference to these obligations, or a neglect to recognize the ministry and establishment of religion. But I must say that it has been done with too little business ability and care; without a principle, or on a false one; with lavish carelessness, instead of watchful economy; and the result has been popular abuse, from which there is a reaction now, in some respects just, and a policy restless and capricious which does harm to the whole interest involved, pecuniary and moral. "Free Passes" heads a fretful and not very honorable chapter of

Railroad history. But in that chapter, in reality, the privilege given to the working minister—the conveying him within bounds of actual labor, and for that labor—should not be included. It stands by itself, the act of a great, true moral impulse, which, with the want in your villages pleading, the commissioned man ready to meet and supply it, cannot be stifled; and would be degraded if classed in the category of mere “complimentary.”

The clergy have been regarded in Railroad favors as a “*privileged class*.” Within certain limitations this may be true, and more than courtesy may readily be discerned, when means of travel are supplied to restore an exhausted frame, or to visit a distant home, from which indulgence, narrow means might otherwise debar. But it is not as a “privileged class,” that I would ask for those in the Missionary work, considerate kindness. There has been a latitude given to the title of “Minister,” degrading to its honest and rightful claimants, and use been made of the gratuity mean and dishonorable. I have no apology to offer for this misuse, and no rebuke for the withdrawal of such a breadth of privilege. All I ask is, that my ministers shall be regarded as “operatives,” ready for Christ's sake, to do a share of the work, which deep moral realities demand that to a certain extent these Companies shall fulfil; and that in that character the Company will carry them, and set them down where it is to be done, and then bring them home again, where by labor in other vocations, or by benevolent aid, the band of preachers may be supported for this itinerant call, who could not find means to live as settled Pastors. We will do the work without asking other wages.

The Railroad officers have a right to require that this exact relation shall be made clear to them; that guarantee shall be given for the men and the duty; that responsible superintendence shall preside over the whole, so that they themselves may not be burthened with undue imposition of new business, nor hindered in what is their legitimate engagement.

Where this can be reasonably secured, then is the moral obligation brought into practical shape. It becomes a specific claim, a

solemn duty, which cannot be passed without delinquency, or pushed aside under any smarting from previous abuse, any stern expediency of business, or official indifference to record other than the monthly returns. Nor do I believe there is any general disposition in those who manage these important concerns, to regard this matter in other than a generous and Christian light, if rightly understood. Nor do I believe that Stockholders would utter one word of grudge if railroad favors were reduced to such a principle, and expended in such cheap service for God, religion, and human happiness. Much less do I believe that the effort to recognize God and His Church, would be without a blessing, shed like the silent dew, for prosperity of management and protection among the wild forces of the iron way. "THE LORD SAITH, THEM THAT HONOR ME WILL I HONOR."

CHANGES AMONG THE CLERGY.

Letters Dimissory have been requested by *two* only, and given accordingly; viz:

Rev. KENSEY JOHN STEWART, to the Ecclesiastical authority of Massachusetts.

Rev. JULIUS H. WATERBURY, to the Ecclesiastical authority of Minnesota.

Total, Two.

The following have been received with Letters Dimissory:

Rev. ALBERT EDWARD WELLS, deacon, from Ecclesiastical authority of Wisconsin.

Rev. JOHN TRIMBLE, D.D., from Ecclesiastical authority of Kentucky.

Rev. SAMUEL GOODALE, from Ecclesiastical authority of Iowa.

Rev. ELIJAH W. HAGER, from Ecclesiastical authority of Massachusetts.

Rev. ROBERT TREWARTHA, deacon, from Ecclesiastical authority of Indiana.

By Ordination, CHARLES H. VAN DYNE.

Total, SIX.

 Changes among the Clergy—Parochial Changes

The clergy added to the Diocese, are engaged as follows :

Rev. SAMUEL GOODALE, Rector of Trinity Church, Geneseo and Cambridge.

Rev. ELIJAH W. HAGER, Rector of Holy Communion, Chicago.

Rev. ROBERT TREWARTHA, deacon, officiating in Christ Church, Collinsville.

Rev. JOHN TRIMBLE, D.D., Principal of "Hyde Park Seminary."

Rev. CHARLES H. VAN DYNE, deacon, assistant Grace Church, Chicago.

Rev. ALBERT EDWARD WELLS, deacon, Church of Redeemer, Wilmington.

PAROCHIAL CHANGES.

Rev. W. M. A. BRODNAX, resigned Amboy and Lee Centre, and officiates in Peoria.

Rev. ANSON CLARK, resigned Trinity, Geneseo, residing in Dement.

Rev. CHARLES P. CLARKE, resigned Chaplaincy, minister of St. George's, Utica.

Rev. SAMUEL COWELL, resigned St. John's, Lockport, residing there.

Rev. A. P. CROUCH, resigned Christ Church, Collinsville, and become Rector of St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.

Rev. ERASTUS DE WOLF, deacon, left Onarga, and officiates in Lee Centre.

Rev. CHARLES A. GILBERT, Rector of Christ Church, Joliet.

Rev. FREDERICK A. JUNY, St. Anne, Kankakee county.

Rev. ROBERT RYALL, resigned St. John's, Albion.

Rev. GEORGE C. STREET, resigned Tiskilwa, &c., Rector of St. Luke's, Dixon.

Rev. ABRAHAM J. WARNER, resigned Dixon, and is Chaplain in the Army.

Rev. JOHN WILKINSON, Chaplain to the Bishop and Missionary, has resigned Christ Church, Joliet, and St. Thomas', Morris.

Lay Readers—Candidates for Holy Orders—Deacons, Candidates for Priesthood—Ordinations.

LAY READERS.

PETER ARVEDSON, Algonquin.

JOHN K. BASHFORTH, Griggsville.

JOHN F. BEATY, Grace Church, Chicago; Rev. C. LOCKE.

BENTLEY BUXTON, San Jose.

JAMES CLARK, Limestone; supervision, Rev. J. BENSON.

GEORGE M. LOVELL, Onarga.

CHARLES W. LEFFINGWELL, Galesburg; Rev. W. T. SMITHETT.

RUFUS P. PARRISH and JEREMIAH HOPKINS, Kewanee.

R. H. PERRY, Centralia.

JOHN ROSENBERG, Cairo.

L. W. SHOREY, Galesburg; Rev. W. T. SMITHETT.

SAMUEL WILKINSON, Farmington; Rev. J. BENSON.

Dr. WRIGHT, Tuscola.

Total, FOURTEEN.

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

PETER ARVEDSON.

ALFRED CAULDWELL.

JOHN HARRIS KNOWLES.

CHARLES W. LEFFINGWELL.

BENARD MCGANN.

JAMES MCGOWAN.

J. WAINWRIGHT RAY.

CHARLES H. VAN DYNE, ordained.

Present number, SEVEN. Whole number, EIGHT.

DEACONS, CANDIDATES FOR PRIESTHOOD.

Rev. ERASTUS DE WOLF.

Rev. ALBERT EDWARD WELLS.

Rev. CHARLES H. VAN DYNE.

ORDINATIONS.

PRIESTHOOD.

July 13th, fourth Sunday after Trinity, in St. Paul's Church, Alton, Rev. A. P. CROUCH, deacon. Candidate presented by Rev. JOHN FOSTER.

DIACONATE.

August 3d, Seventh Sunday after Trinity, in St. James' Church, Chicago, CHARLES H. VAN DYNE. Candidate presented by Rev. Dr. CLARKSON.

NOTICES OF DISCIPLINE.

Rev. JOHN R. THOMPSON, deacon, deposed by Bishop of Wisconsin.

Rev. WILLIAM A. LEACH, Tit. II, Can. V, Sec. 1, by Bishop of Massachusetts.

Rev. HENRY O. G. SMEATHMAN, Tit. II, Can. V, Sec. 1, Bishop of California.

THE BISHOP'S CHURCH STATISTICS.

The worship of this, in one sense, has been regular throughout the year, but not in place. Since March, during the completion of the interior of the edifice, the Sunday worship has been held in the morning at Bryan Hall; in the afternoon, at the Third Presbyterian Church; the Sunday School has been kindly accommodated in the Sunday School room of the Second Universalist Church. I owe the expression of my sincere thanks for the courtesy extended to us in the offer of the use of these fine buildings.

The statistics of services by myself and chaplain, Rev. John Wilkinson, who has been active in missionary duty as well, involves the following particulars for which I seek here a record.

The services here and in the Church of the Holy Communion—which I kept open for several months—were in number, *two hundred and twenty-three*, divided as follows:

Sunday—"Church of the Holy Communion," *twenty-eight*.

" Bishop's Church, *one hundred and one*.

Other days, *ninety-four*.

Total, *two hundred and twenty-three*.

Communicants—whole number during the year—*one hundred and fifty-three*.

There have been added anew, *six*.

By removal, *twenty-seven*.

Left, *nineteen*. Died, *one*.

Present number, *one hundred and thirty-three*.

Baptisms—Infants, *seventeen*. At Loda—Infants, *nine*.

“ Adults, *three*. Total, *twenty-nine*.

Funerals, *seventeen*.

Marriages, *seven*.

THE NORTH-WESTERN CHURCH.

A religious paper has been published for a few months past in this city, called “*The North-Western Church*.” It is designed for what its title imports, and is devoted to the combined interests of all the Dioceses west of Ohio. It is generously sent to every clergyman, and consequently becomes a convenient organ of communication with them. As such I shall use it. From the present ability and right spirit with which it is conducted, and the assurances of an undeviating adhesion to the same course, I would recommend it to the full patronage of the Diocese, and hope that it may be liberally sustained in its useful career.

STATISTICS OF DIOCESE.

Number of Clergy, *seventy*.

Presbyters in duty, *fifty-seven*.

Deacons in duty, *six*.

Entitled to seats in Convention, *fifty-four*.

Clergy—added by letters dimissory, *five*; by ordination, *one*.

Total, *six*.

Clergy transferred, *two*.

Ordinations—Priesthood, *one*; Diaconate, *one*. Total, *two*.

Candidates for Orders, *seven*.

Lay Readers, *twelve*.

Confirmations—number of times public, *sixty*; private *two* number confirmed, *three hundred and ninety-eight*.

Bishop's record of other acts on visitations:

Baptisms—Infants, *thirty-two*; Adults, *three*. Total, *thirty-five*

Funerals, *two*.

Marriages, *three*.

Holy Communion, in all, *twenty-seven*.

JUBILEE COLLEGE.

The social changes in the country since the foundation of this Institution, especially since the death of Bishop Chase, and the vesting its management in a Board of Trustees, have rendered it indispensable that there should be modification in the purposes and conduct of its whole economy. The express Collegiate form and course—not at any time fully developed—passed into one more simply Academic; and for a time met in a more effective manner the motley demand from the acquirements, age, restricted period of study, and immediate objects of life in those who entered its walls. But gradually the demand for this decreased. Popular education became a free gift near home; and the advance in the Public Schools offered advantages more real than the mere saving of expense. The claim of the Church upon it, in the growth of the Diocese and the West, enlarged, and pressed closer. There was less chance for competition in general education with the numerous Colleges and Academies springing up in the new towns; and it became a more emphatic want and claim to bring all training within the influence of our Church life, and the ultimate increase of the Ministry. We then, under this influence, passed quietly into the form of a Training School, by confining our range of pupils to an earlier and more plastic age, and embracing only those more advanced, whose chosen aim was the Ministry, and their holy ambition patiently and laboriously to gain a meetness for it. At each step we reduced our chance for broad popular support; we incurred more pressing demand for modified term bills, and beneficiary gratuity, became less self-supporting and more dependant on the sympathy and gifts of the Church in the Diocese and abroad. The experience of the last three years has not been encouraging. The number of pupils able to pay has dwindled, and the application of aspirants to the ministry has increased. The plea and cry sent abroad from the anxious pressure thus imposed, seems to have fallen on unheeding ears; and no pecuniary assistance has been granted in any degree adequate to the eleemosynary burthen under which we were staggering. We have hitherto paid our way, in-

curring no direct incumbrances, done good as occasion presented, and striven to be faithful to the stewardship for which, in our several places, we were accountable. But for this limited and anxious trust we have been in reality expending capital. Income was utterly inadequate for the support of eight or ten dependants. Of charitable assistance there has been little, while the small earnings from pupils, difficult at best to collect, have decreased to all but nothing in the pecuniary distress and social confusion of our present crisis.

Through these changes in practical administration, it did not escape the attention of the Trustees that the original government of the College, marked by its founder, might be narrower and less popular than the Church would prefer. Of their own accord the Trustees proposed an enlargement of the Board; tendered to the Diocesan Convention the election of several additional members; and procured the legislation requisite to carry into effect the permanent change and franchise.

At their late meeting in July, the Trustees freely examined and discussed the condition of the College in connection thus with its original purpose, its past history and existent state, with direct reference to the policy and duty of the present. The Collegiate department is in full abeyance. The Academic is very limited in number, and wanting in many characteristics which the popular taste, not to say ordinary efficiency, demands. The Theological is, in reality, rather a Training School, preparatory to the systematic course of Divinity, than a sufficient provision for the same; and therefore the students, whenever it is practicable, pass to the General or other endowed Seminaries. In addition, we are necessarily doing our work, which is mainly beneficiary, by a large annual draft upon the actual capital of the Institution.

It is apparent that at such an exigency it behooves us to consider deeply what ought to be done, and to weigh the facts and claims with view to more than a temporary expediency.

Shall we close the doors, disband all educational provisions, and wait for a more auspicious season? Against such a bankruptcy in

our life and work, feeling, prudence and duty alike protest. Practically speaking, there is no act in our case which can respond literally to this idea of absolute inertness and cessation. The property must be cared for in due occupation, or it will dilapidate. The affairs of the domain must be superintended, or severe loss ensue. The religious center in the College Chapel—the Church of the neighborhood, a model of parish order and influence—must be sustained in its pastorate; and the hallowed graves on the soil be kept in their wonted guardianship. There is nothing to be gained, and much forfeited, by the admission of an expedient so lache and crude. We must not find our refuge from care and responsibility in suicide. It were better to go on and use up our means—converting it into ministers in the best way we can, until all should be alienated piece by piece, rather than to stop and wait, in fatal delusion, for a better future which would never come. I feel that in meeting the question, “What shall we do?” there must be plans more manly, expediency higher toned, and a reality before us of honorable usefulness which we can grasp and hold. But this will involve, I admit, fundamental changes; the remodeling of the whole; the discrimination of the distinct parts of our work, and the practical degree in which each may be suspended, modified, or pressed. On these it is my duty to submit my views.

I venture to express as the cardinal idea in the handling of the whole matter, that the College will not thrive—I might say, will not exist—unless removed from its present location to some city; and my natural affinity would incline to Chicago, metropolitan, not in the limited ecclesiastical sense, but in its unchangeable social magnitude and influence. The feeling is decided against an isolated country College; and except when from situation and ample funds such an Institution can aggregate a population, create a town in its immediate vicinity, provide by individual enterprise for relief in its domestic economy, and expansion in its social life, it cannot command a patronage large enough to sustain its expenses, or fill its successive classes. There are inherent difficulties in the family economy of the officers, in the whole matter of “commons,”

in the erection of adequate buildings, the obtaining of supplies, domestics, and superintendence, the entertainment of visitors, the provision for extra occasions of Commencements and Society celebrations, which must exact a large capital as preliminary outlay, a ruinous loss unless very largely sustained. The ultimate and not very remote experience must be, that no inducement can be offered strong enough to attract and hold in the center of an isolated domain, removed from all social excitement and convenience, a body of young men, sufficiently large to supply continuously the classes of a University. Removed to a city, the Collegiate obligations may be confined to instruction, and the discipline of the hours of study; leaving the charge of boarding, and all its impracticable detail, if concentrated in the Institution, to the enterprise of individuals and the choice of the parties interested.

But in reality, the charter and the practical working of Jubilee College, recognize four departments. The College proper—the Academic department tributary to it, the Theological Seminary, and a Female School.

With the required modification of the Charter in respect of locality, which would probably be readily granted, provision might be made for each of these independently, and yet retaining the present University Government.

If the College should be removed to Chicago, and there established with proper site and buildings, then the landed domain in Peoria County lying outside and around the Hill, would form, by sale or exchange, a portion of its endowment.

But the "Hill," with its buildings, should be permanently retained, and furnish as they could do, the beautiful site and convenient arrangement for the Female Department, the Principal of which, as a Clergyman, might sustain also the Pastoral relation to the parish of "Robin's Nest." The Academic department, preparatory to the Collegiate, would in that event be located in Peoria, or in this city, or in both; and in its inception and establishment might precede the renovation of the College itself.

For the Theological Seminary there can be but little doubt that

Chicago would present higher advantages than could possibly be afforded in its present location. The city Clergy, or a portion of them, would in that event render their services gratuitously in different branches of instruction; while a single Professor, devoting to it all his time and exertions, might bear the burthen of its general oversight, and of its Biblical and Critical Studies.

The valuable Library, placed at a point thus accessible, would become an assistance to the body of the Clergy at large, available for reference to all who might visit our city.

I subjoin to these extended suggestions the Triennial Report of the Institution, and commend the whole subject to the thoughtful sympathy and energy of the Church in the Diocese. This demands that all these several departments should be vigorously established and maintained; and that our existing University, with its comprehensive Charter, its property, experience and past work should be rescued from the depression consequent upon circumstances beyond control, and brought out into a "fair place" for demonstrative life and enduring utility. If I have justly exposed its present condition and coerced inactivity, and if the changes suggested contain the form or the germ of a truer existence, then let the Trustees be encouraged to go forward at once, and open the Female Department; establish, if even as an experiment only, the Theological Department in this city; and in Peoria, or here, or in both places, start the Academic, with such reference to Classical and General Education, and the æsthetics which may make the form of it popular and attractive, as may render it alike preparatory to the College, and a suitable provision for the earlier demands of active life. These steps would prepare the way for the College itself—the time, place and arrangement for which must depend on the liberality and proposed endowment which may emanate from the enlightened principle and consecrated means of the Church.

I append the Triennial Statements, recognized by the charter of the Institution as to be made to this Convention.

 Jubilee College: Triennial Report.

Triennial Statement of the Finances of Jubilee College.

JULY 1st, 1860.

LIABILITIES.

Total amount due sundry persons on Book account	\$3,084 03
Amount due the Treasurer.....	1,044 82

ASSETS.

Total amount due from sundry persons on Book account*	\$2,182 57
Amount of Bills receivable and interest....	3,707 64
Amount of Assets over Liabilities.....	1,761 36
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JULY 1st, 1861.

LIABILITIES.

Total amount due sundry persons on Book account	\$3,093 22
Amount due the Treasurer.....	1,320 24

ASSETS.

Total amount due from sundry persons on Book account	\$1,058 60
Amount of Bills receivable and interest....	4,070 32
Amount of Assets over Liabilities.....	715 46
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JULY 1st, 1862.

LIABILITIES.

Total amount due sundry persons on Book account	\$3,946 46
Amount due the Treasurer.....	1,341 76

ASSETS.

Total amount due from sundry persons on Book account	\$1,444 91
Amount of Bills receivable and interest....	4,892 87
Balance of Assets over Liabilities.....	1,049 56
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	\$6,337 78

 * About \$350 of this item may be regarded as "doubtful."

The foregoing statements do not embrace Real Estate or movable property. The movable property, consisting of Library—some 3,000 volumes—Apparatus, Furniture, Stock, and Farming Implements, cannot well be estimated.

The College now owns the following Real Estate lying in Peoria County, and constituting the College Domain proper, viz.:

S. $\frac{1}{2}$ 26, 10 N., 6 E.,.....	320 acres.
S. $\frac{1}{2}$ 25, 10 N., 6 E.,.....	320 “
N. E. 35, 10 N., 6 E.,.....	160 “
S. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. E., 27, 10 N., 6 E.,	80 “
	880 “

OUT-LYING LANDS.

N. E. 2, 5 S., 7 W., Pittsfield, Pike Co., Ill.,.....	160 acres.
W. $\frac{1}{2}$ N. W. 15, 7 N., 13 W., Jerseyville,.....	80 “
N. W. 2, 14 N., 7 E., Toulon, Stark Co.,.....	160 “
Pt. N. W. N. E. 29, 40 N., 5 E., Hillsborough, Jeffer- son Co., Mo.,.....	20 “
	420 “

The out-lying lands are of less value, and some of them are defective in titles.

During the year ending July 1st, 1860, there was received for the education of Theological Students the sum of \$70; during the same time board and tuition was afforded gratuitously in the case of two Students to the amount of \$159 70.

During the year ending July 1st, 1861, \$506 53 was received, and \$833 32 was expended in the case of six Students.

During the year ending July 1st, 1862, \$332 65 was received, and \$750 was expended in the case of five Students.

*Report of Auditing Committee appointed at the meeting of the Trustees,
July 23d, 1862.*

Your Committee, to whom was referred the accounts of the Rev. Samuel Chase, as Treasurer of Jubilee College, beg leave to report,

That they have examined the said accounts and books of the College, and that they find the statements of the accounts so rendered, correct, the books satisfactorily kept.

Conclusion—Personal Identity with Christ's Kingdom—Church not Sectarian.

In examining the separate items of expense, your Committee cannot but express their satisfaction at the economy exhibited in the management of the affairs of the Institution.

They find the finances of the Corporation in better condition than might have been expected in such a condition of the country, and *flattering*, when we consider the small amount of patronage extended to the Institution as compared with former years.

T. N. BENEDICT,
P. R. K. BROTHERSON,
H. S. AUSTIN.

CONCLUSION.

Every aspect under which we can regard our field of labor and interest is an appeal to us to be demonstrative and real in the identity of our every interest with the Church of Christ. The true impulse to extend this must be our love for the Redeemer Himself, sympathy with His plans, and the affectionate charge which we have received from Him. It is our interest, our honor, our triumph that His Kingdom may come. The brilliant promise is to sit with Him, as He is set down with the Father on His throne. Christ identifies Himself with us in our sin, and bears it away; with our sorrows, and opens His breast to receive them; with our temptations, and goes before us with a voice of consolation, and surrounds us, by His Spirit, with enduring strength. He invites us to identify ourselves with Him in His work and His reward; and so to cast our affections, plans and hopes into the Ark of the Church, riding now upon a stormy sea, that we may be borne with it in triumph, where its landed pilgrims may be at home in the Better Land. This sympathy, this identity, this hope, is the spring of a desire to spread the Church we love; the knowledge of salvation which we rejoice in, the Sacraments by which it is sustained, the Ministry of reconciliation by whom it is preached, the Ritual in which our fathers worshiped, and where millions join their voices to ours as its prayer and song girdle the world. The cause of the Church is no sectarian effort. It is the only form in which we discern an unadulterated Gospel. It is the form in which Christ established it, Apostles taught it; Martyrs sealed it in blood, and the unity of many generations has perpetuated it. We neither alter

it from expediency, nor contrive it to suit our views and purpose. Right or wrong, our principle is, to hold and diffuse precisely what Christ taught and Apostles exhibited in doctrine and fellowship, and the primitive Church of the first three centuries left recorded in volumes of sacred learning and ritual facts. We must bear on with heart and soul evangelical faith—the deep spiritual truth as it is in Jesus. And as this cannot be dis severed in practice from ministry, sacraments and forms of worship, we must cling to those which, as scriptural in our sight, we dare not depreciate; which, as our own selected means for conscience' sake, we cannot but estimate as a precious boon for others. While as Christians we must anxiously seek the spiritual good of the fellow heirs of our sin and shame, and we labor practically that Christ's Kingdom may come, and in sympathy with all that upholds, advances or adorns it,—we are constrained to seek and labor for that which we believe and know to constitute this Kingdom, to be the Body to which belongs the promises—the Ministry which is appointed in direct succession from its great Head,—the Ministry which Christ began and has perpetuated in His Church—the bond of visible fellowship with the unseen Minister of the True Tabernacle,—the Ministry so real in historic truth as well as precious to the devout soul. It is the fulfillment of promise, the pledge of the divine indwelling and of sacramental life, the unbroken bond which connects present believers with each precedent generation, and the last with the ascending Lord in creed and sacrament, the inspired Word, teaching and government, in personal communion as direct and real as when sight was the accident of the Disciples' adoring love. The discretionary forms of our worship and discipline are hallowed by the piety of centuries,—the holy and martyr fidelity of the Anglican Church; the prudence of the true-hearted Fathers of our American Episcopancy; an adaptation to our civil government and political privileges truly surprising; with vital application to every grade of society settled or unsettled; and conservative of the truth in every trial to which it can be subjected by the weakness of friend or the madness of opponents. God forbid that we

should ever be swayed by a spirit that deserves the name of Sectarian. Catholicity is the antagonism to all such in fact and temper. May we be kept from ever being indifferent to the truth, or undemonstrative in our fealty to it in all its height, breadth and depth, through fear of the false charge of such a name and spirit, or the morbid confusion of our own emotions. May we ever love and spread in its visible, its spiritual, its heavenly, its enduring reality,—**THE CHURCH OF THE LIVING GOD, THE PILLAR AND GROUND OF THE TRUTH.**

