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OF THE

Twenty-Third Annual Convention

OF THE

DIOCESE OF ILLINOIS.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF ILLINOIS, will be held in Christ Church, OTTAWA, on Wednesday, the 11th day of September, A. D. 1861.

JOHN O. BARTON,
Secretary of the Convention.

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FOR THE CONVENTION OF 1860.

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- REV. BENSON, JOHN, Rector Calvary Church, Farmington, and Christ Church, Limestone. Missionary.
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- REV. WEST, JOHN REED, Kickapoo and Brimfield. Missionary. Instructor in Jubilee College.
- REV. WILKINSON, JOHN, Rector Christ Church, Joliet.
- REV. WOODWARD, JAMES A., residing in Farmridge.
- REV. WELDON, SALMON RIEGO, Deacon. Officiating in Freeport.
- REV. BOYD, WILLIAM F., Rector elect in Bloomington.
- REV. LABAGH, ISAAC P., Rector of Trinity Church, Belvidere.
- REV. STEEL, WILLIAM M., Rector of St. John's Church, Decatur.

WHOLE NUMBER, FIFTY-SEVEN.

Certified,

HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE,

Bishop of the Diocese of Illinois.

CHICAGO, SEPTEMBER 15, 1860.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES.

- CENTRALIA, ST. JOHN'S; C. Floyd Jones, Dr. A. J. Wakeman, John L. Johnson.
- CHESTER, ST. MARK'S; *Col. R. B. Servant*, John Swanwick, James H. Jones.
- CHICAGO, ASCENSION; *John H. Batten*, G. S. Hubbard, R. D. Van Wagenen.
- " ATONEMENT; *L. B. Otis*, L. P. Cheney, M.D., Geo. P. Lee.
- " CHRIST; A. C. Calkins, Geo. A. Sackett.
- " GRACE; J. A. Allen, M.D., Job Taber, *Samuel Powell*.
- " HOLY COMMUNION; *S. H. Kerfoot*, W. W. Allport, A. E. Neely.
- " ST. ANSGARIUS'; *A. Torkildson*, A. B. Johnson, N. P. Loberg.
- " ST. JAMES'; *C. R. Larrabee*, *John S. Reed*, N. B. Kilder.
- " TRINITY; *James L. Reynolds*, *Cyrenius Beers*, *James A. Parsons*.
- DECATUR, ST. JOHN'S; *Henry Prather*, W. J. Quinlan, Lowber Burrows.
- DIXON, ST. LUKE'S; J. A. Hawley, J. B. Chartres, W. W. DeWolf.
- FARMINGTON, CALVARY; *Lyman Warner*, *Geo. J. Wilkinson*, Saml. Williamson.
- FARM RIDGE, ST. ANDREW'S; John Paul, R. B. Williams, James Chase.
- GALENA, GRACE; George R. Sanford, Frederick Stahl, S. B. Heron.
- HYDE PARK, ST. PAUL'S; *Dr. J. Bockee*, James Grant Wilson.
- JOLIET, CHRIST; *S. W. Stone*, J. C. H. Hobbs, W. B. Caswell.
- KEWANEE, ST. JOHN'S; *James Elliott*, L. D. Bishop, J. Hopkins.
- KNOXVILLE, ST. JOHN'S; *John G. Sanborn*, *John Johnston*, William Hester.
- LACON, ST. JOHN'S; E. H. Swazey, S. M. Etter, Robt. Boal.
- LEWISTOWN, ST. JAMES'; *S. Corning Judd*, W. H. Chandler, Jas. M. Davidson.
- LIMESTONE, CHRIST; *James Clark*, Geo. Norwood.
- OTTAWA, CHRIST; William Osman, Elias W. Kimball.
- PEORIA, ST. PAUL'S; J. W. Hansel, *Alex. G. Tyng*, *Matthew Griswold*.
- PRINCETON, REDEEMER; W. Bacon, M.D., Thomas Woodruff.
- PROVIDENCE, ZION; Ferdinand Horton, *L. F. Lafavour*, W. Pilkington.
- QUINCY, ST. JOHN'S; *F. C. Moore*, *Henry Asbury*, *L. H. Stricker*.
- ROBIN'S NEST, CHRIST; Benjamin Tucker, Jos. Mayo, Wm. L. Moss.
- SALEM, ST. THOMAS'; Geo. Ehninger, R. H. Whittaker, Jno. V. Higgins.
- SPRINGFIELD, ST. PAUL'S; *Hon. S. H. Treat*.
- TISKILWA, ST. JUDE'S; J. J. Wilkins, M.D., Olliver Milling, A. Perkins.
- WARSAW, ST. PAUL'S; Pierre A. Barker, *Isaac J. Course*, *John W. Marsh*.
- WAUKEGAN, CHRIST; *Calvin C. Parks*, Ransom Steele, Wm. Besley.
- WILMINGTON, REDEEMER; Rodney S. Bowen.
- WYOMING, ST. LUKE'S; J. G. Greene, *Henry A. Holst*.
- GALESBURG, GRACE; W. N. Phillips, *Erastus S. Wilcox*, *Sydney Myers*.

Those present in Convention in *Italics*.



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ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, QUINCY, }
September 12th, 1860. }

At the meeting of the Twenty-Third Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Illinois, begun to be held in St. John's Church, Quincy, on Wednesday, the 12th day of September, A. D. 1860, were had the following proceedings:

The session was opened at 10½ o'clock, with morning prayer, read by the Rev. T. N. Benedict, assisted by the Rev. T. N. Morrison.

The Sermon was preached by the Rev. John O. Barton, Rector of the Church of the Atonement, Chicago, from Haggai ii, part of the 4th verse.

Mr. Charles A. Gilbert, a candidate for Holy Orders, was then presented to the Bishop by the Rev. H. T. Heister, for admission and ordination to the Diaconate; after which the Bishop proceeded in the prescribed order, with the Litany and the Ante-Communion service, the Epistle being read by the Rev. William Mitchell, M.D., and with the Ordination.

In the service of the Holy Communion, the offertory sentences and the prayer for the Church Militant were read by Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D., and the Bishop proceeded with the rest of the service, and the distribution of the elements to the Clergy and

Laity present, assisted in the same by Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D., Rev. H. T. Heister and Rev. T. N. Morrison. The offerings were appropriated, as previously announced, to Diocesan Missions.

The Convention was called to order, and, the Secretary being absent, the Assistant Secretary proceeded to call the names of the Clergy from the list furnished by the Bishop, when the following answered to their names and took their seats:

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

Rev. J. O. Barton,	Rev. H. T. Heister,
“ T. N. Benedict,	“ J. S. B. Hodges,
“ John Benson,	“ Clinton Locke,
“ H. N. Bishop,	“ W. Mitchell, M.D.,
“ W. L. Bostwick,	“ T. N. Morrison,
“ Alex. Capron,	“ James Pratt,
“ S. T. Carpenter,	“ J. B. Richmond,
“ Samuel Chase, D.D.,	“ W. T. Smithett,
“ C. E. Cheney,	“ G. C. Street,
“ C. P. Clarke,	“ C. B. Stout,
“ R. H. Clarkson, D.D.,	“ E. B. Tuttle,
“ L. P. Clover,	“ A. J. Warner,
“ W. H. Cooper,	“ Jos. M. Waite,
“ Samuel Cowell,	“ J. H. Waterbury,
“ David W. Dresser,	“ John Wilkinson,
“ William Fulton,	“ J. R. West.

There being a canonical number of the Clergy in attendance, the Assistant Secretary proceeded to call over the churches entitled to representation.

The certificates of lay delegates were then called for, and submitted to a committee, duly appointed, consisting of Rev. T. N. Benedict, L. B. Otis, and the Secretary, who reported favorably on the following:

St. John's, Centralia—C. Floyd Jones, Dr. A. J. Wakeman, John L. Johnson.

St. Mark's, Chester—R. B. Servant, John Stanwick, James H. Jones.

Ascension, Chicago—Gurdon S. Hubbard, R. D. Van Wagenen, J. H. Batten.

- Atonement, Chicago*—Hon. L. B. Otis, George P. Lee, L. P. Cheney, M.D.
- Christ, Chicago*—A. C. Calkins, Geo. A. Sackett.
- Grace, Chicago*—J. A. Allen, M.D., Samuel Powell, Job Taber.
- Holy Communion, Chicago*—S. H. Kerfoot, W. W. Allport, A. E. Neely.
- St. Ansgarius', Chicago*—A. Torkildson, A. B. Johnson, N. P. Loberg.
- St. James', Chicago*—C. R. Larrabee, John S. Reed, N. B. Kidder.
- Trinity, Chicago*—Jas. L. Reynolds, Jas. A. Parsons, Cyrenius Beers.
- St. John's, Decatur*—Henry Prather, L. Burrows, W. J. Quinlan.
- Calvary, Farmington*—Samuel Wilkinson, Geo. J. Wilkinson, Lyman Warner.
- St. Andrew's, Farm Ridge*—John Paul, Robt. B. Williams, James Chase.
- Grace, Galena*—Geo. R. Sanford, Frederick Stahl, S. B. Heron.
- St. Paul's, Hyde Park*—Dr. J. Bockee, James Grant Wilson.
- Christ, Joliet*—S. W. Stone, J. C. H. Hobbs, W. B. Caswell.
- St. John's, Kewanee*—Jas. Elliott, L. D. Bishop, J. Hopkins.
- St. John's, Knoxville*—John G. Sanborn, John Johnston, William Hester.
- St. John's, Lacon*—E. H. Swazy, S. M. Etter, Robert Boal.
- St. James', Lewistown*—S. Corning Judd, W. H. Chandler, J. M. Davidson.
- Christ, Limestone*—James Clarke, Geo. Norwood.
- Christ, Ottawa*—William Osman, Elias W. Kimball.
- St. Paul's, Peoria*—J. W. Hansel, Alex. G. Tyng, M. Griswold.
- Redeemer, Princeton*—William Bacon, M.D., Thomas Woodruff.
- Zion, Providence*—Ferdinand Horton, F. L. Lafavour, W. Pilkington.
- St. John's, Quincy*—F. C. Moore, Henry Asbury, L. H. Stricker.
- Christ, Robin's Nest*—Benj. Tucker, Jos. Mayo, Wm. L. Moss.
- St. Thomas', Salem*—Geo. Ehninger, R. H. Whittaker, J. V. Higgins.
- St. Paul's, Springfield*—Hon. S. H. Treat.
- St. Jude's, Tiskilwa*—J. J. Wilkins, M.D., Oliver Milling, A. Perkins.
- St. Paul's, Warsaw*—P. A. Barker, Isaac J. Course, Jno. W. Marsh.
- Christ, Waukegan*—Calvin C. Parks, Ransom Steele, Wm. Besley.
- Redeemer, Wilmington*—Rodney S. Bowen.
- St. Luke's, Wyoming*—J. G. Greene, Henry A. Holst.

The names of the Lay Delegates, duly appointed, being called, the following answered and took their seats:

- Col. R. B. Servant—*St. Mark's, Chester.*
 John H. Batten—*Ascension, Chicago.*
 Hon. L. B. Otis—*Atonement, “*
 Samuel Powell—*Grace, “*

S. H. Kerfoot—*Holy Communion, Chicago.*

A. Torkildson—*St. Ansgarius',* “

John S. Reed, C. R. Larrabee, N. B. Kidder—*St. James', Chicago.*

James L. Reynolds, James A. Parsons, C. Beers—*Trinity,* “

Henry Prather, Wm. J. Quinlan—*St. John's, Decatur.*

Lyman Warner, Geo. J. Wilkinson—*Calvary, Farmington.*

Dr. Jacob Boeckee—*St. Paul's, Hyde Park.*

James Elliott, Linus D. Bishop—*St. John's, Kewanee.*

S. Corning Judd, W. H. Chandler—*St. James', Lewistown.*

James Clarke—*Christ, Limestone.*

Alex. G. Tyng, Matthew Griswold—*St. Paul's, Peoria.*

F. C. Moore, Henry Asbury, L. H. Stricker—*St. John's, Quincy.*

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

Isaac J. Course, John W. Marsh—*St. Paul's, Warsaw.*

Henry A. Holst—*St. Luke's, Wyoming.*

There being a canonical number of lay delegates present, thus constituting a quorum in both orders, the House was declared fully organized.

The reading of the rules of order, was, on motion, dispensed with.

The election of Secretary being next in order, and the Rev. S. D. Pulford, former Secretary, being absent, it was, on motion,

Resolved, That the ballot be dispensed with, and that the present Assistant Secretary, Rev. J. O. Barton, be elected Secretary of this Convention.

Which was carried unanimously.

The election of Treasurer being next in order, it was, on motion,

Resolved, That the ballot be dispensed with, and that the present Treasurer, Rev. T. N. Morrison, be elected.

Which was carried unanimously.

The Secretary then nominated as Assistant Secretary the Rev. Charles E. Cheney, Rector of Christ Church, Chicago, which was unanimously confirmed by the Convention.

On motion, the Convention took a recess until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention assembled at 4 o'clock.

The following appointment of the Standing Committees and Inspectors of Elections was then announced by the Bishop:

Committee on the Incorporation of Churches, and their admission into union with the Convention—Rev. R. H. Clarkson, D.D., S. Corning Judd, Henry Prather.

Committee on Finance—Rev. L. P. Clover, Alex. G. Tyng, J. L. Reynolds.

Committee on Privilege—Rev. H. N. Bishop, Rev. H. T. Heister, Hon. L. B. Otis, J. W. Marsh.

Committee on Legislation—Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D., Rev. T. N. Benedict, Hon. S. H. Treat, Col. R. B. Servant.

Committee on the Extension of the Church—Rev. T. N. Morrison, Rev. James Pratt, John S. Reed, Henry Asbury.

Inspectors of Elections—on the Deputies to the General Convention:

Clerical vote—

Rev. J. H. Waterbury,
William J. Quinlan.

Lay vote—

Rev. G. C. Street,
Geo. J. Wilkinson.

On Standing Committee:

Clerical vote—

Rev. W. T. Smithett,
James Clarke.

Lay vote—

Rev. C. B. Stout,
W. H. Chandler.

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

Clerical vote—

Rev. John B. Richmond,
James Elliott.

Lay vote—

Rev. William Fulton,
Linus D. Bishop.

On motion, it was then

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Convention be directed to insert in this Journal the following resolution, passed by the Convention of 1859, and accidentally omitted from the Journal, viz.: That the

following Parishes be admitted into union with this Convention :—
St. John's, Centralia ; St. Paul's, Hyde Park ; St. John's, Lacon
St. James', Lewistown ; St. Thomas', Amboy ; Trinity, Polo.

It was then, on motion,

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 this Convention.

Whereupon the following clergymen attended the sittings of the Convention :

Rev. Wm. M. Steel, of Illinois.

“ John Coleman, D.D., of the Diocese of Missouri.

“ W. B. Corbyn, “ “

“ Dr. McMasters, “ “

Notice was then given of the following proposed amendments to Canon XIII, “of Parochial Assessments and Collections,” which, on motion, were referred to the Standing Committee on Legislation :

That so much of said Canon as reads as follows be rescinded : “And it shall 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, until a fund shall be provided for that purpose.” That the last clause of said Canon be so amended as to read as follows : “All such parishes as fail to pay their quota of all assessments imposed by the authority of this Convention, except the assessments for the support of the Episcopate, shall not be entitled to representation, unless excused by the Convention by special vote.”

Notice was also given of a proposed Canon, as follows, entitled, “of the list of Communicants,” which, on motion, was referred to the same Committee :

OF THE LIST OF COMMUNICANTS.

The communicants properly belonging to any parish in this Diocese

shall be those only whose names are entered on the Parish Record as such, and who are accustomed, in said parish, to partake of the Holy Sacrament from time to time, and in such case any communicant who shall willfully, or without sufficient cause, abstain from the Holy Communion for the period of one year, the name of said communicant shall be stricken from the roll.

Notice was also given of the following proposed amendment to Canon III, which, on motion, was referred to the same committee :

On the Sunday before the meeting of the Annual Convention, a collection shall be taken up in every congregation in the Diocese, for the purpose of raising a fund to pay the traveling expenses of the clergy to and from Convention. The collection shall be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Diocese, who is hereby directed to pay to those clergymen attending the Convention, whose salaries are less than \$700 per annum, the sum of five cents per mile for the distance, by the nearest route, from their place of residence to the place of holding the meeting of the Convention.

Notice was also given of the following, as a proposed Canon on "The Missionary Board of the Diocese," which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Legislation :

The Missionary Board of this Diocese shall consist of all the Clergymen entitled to seats in Convention, a lay member from every parish in union with the Convention, reporting more than twenty-five communicants—the lay members to be appointed by the vestry.

The annual meeting of the Board shall take place on the evening of the Convention week usually devoted to Missionary purposes ; at that meeting, an Executive Committee of three Clergymen and three laymen shall be elected, all residents of Chicago, who shall have power to call a general meeting when deemed necessary. The Bishop of the Diocese shall be *ex-officio* President of the Board. He shall nominate the missionaries to the Board, at their general meeting, for their approval or disapproval—in the latter event, they shall state their reasons. The Board may recommend any missionary to the Bishop for appointment.

The Executive Committee shall meet every two months to transact business ; timely notice to be given by the Secretary, who shall be elected from their number by themselves. The Treasurer of the Diocese shall be Treasurer of the Board.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Bishop be requested, in giving notice of the

meeting of any Convention of this Diocese, to appoint the religious services at 9 o'clock in the morning, on the day on which the Convention is to assemble.

The committee on the "Incorporation of Churches and their admission into union with this Convention," made the following report:

The committee on the admission of parishes into union with the Convention, report that the papers of the incorporation of Grace Church, Galesburg, are found to be correct, and they recommend that it be admitted into union with the Convention.

R. H. CLARKSON,
S. CORNING JUDD,
HENRY PRATHER.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That Grace Church, Galesburg, be admitted into union with this Convention.

On call, the certificate of lay delegates from said parish, was handed in, referred to the appropriate committee, who reported favorably thereon, and the names of the following were called:

William N. Phillips,
Sydney Myers, and
Erastus S. Wilcox,

Delegates from Grace Church, Galesburg.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH, 1860.

The Convention assembled at 9 A. M.

Morning prayers were read by the Rev. W. T. Smithett, and the Rev. C. A. Gilbert, Deacon.

The minutes of the preceding day were read, and as amended, approved.

The Secretary called the roll, when, in addition to those present yesterday, the following Clergymen and Lay Delegates answered to their names, and took their seats:

Rev. S. D. Pulford, Rev. H. M. Thompson, Rev. W. M. A. Brodnax, and Rev. W. H. Roberts.

John G. Sanborn, John Johnston—*St. John's, Knoxville.*

Sydney Myers, Erastus S. Wilcox—*Grace, Galesburg.*

S. W. Stone—*Christ, Joliet.*

The Bishop then proceeded to deliver his Annual Address to the Convention.

The Standing Committee presented and read the following Report:

The Standing Committee beg leave to report that, during the year past, they have held two meetings, as follows:

May 29, 1860—Recommended Mr. Salmon R. Weldon to be ordained to the Diaconate.

“ “ “ At the same meeting, also recommended Mr. Byron McGann to the Bishop, to be received as a Candidate for Holy Orders.

Sept. 3, 1860—Recommended Mr. Chas. A. Gilbert, to be ordained to the Diaconate.

In connection with the Bishop, they have acted as the Missionary Committee of the Diocese.

JOHN O. BARTON, *Sec.*

The Committee on Legislation then presented and read the following Report:

The Committee on Legislation, having examined the several matters presented to them, report *adversely* to the proposed amendments to Canon XIII, “of Parochial Assessments and Collections,” on the ground that the practice of this Convention has already settled the interpretation of the canon in accordance with the proposed change.

Also, *adversely* to the proposed “Canon on the Missionary Board,” but recommend the following as an addition to Sec. 2 of Canon VII, “They may also meet as a Board of Missions, on their own motion, upon giving due notice to the Bishop, when practicable.”

Also, *adversely* to the proposed Canon “of the List of Communicants,” because provided for in the Canons and practice of the Church.

Also, *adversely* to proposed amendment to Canon III, because wholly provided for in Canon III.

The Committee further report, that they have had the two Canons

on "Itinerant Missions," proposed at the last Convention, and referred to this, under consideration, and now report against the adoption of either, on the ground that the present Canon on Diocesan Missions confers full and ample power upon the Board of Missions as at present constituted upon the subject of Missions, whether itinerant or stationary.

SAMUEL CHASE,

Chairman of Committee.

The question coming up on the proposed addition to Sec. 2 of Canon VII, recommended by the Committee on Legislation, it was adopted by the two-thirds vote required by canon.

Notice was then given of the following further addition to Sec. 2 of Canon VII, and its reference to the Committee on Legislation:

"But no such meeting of the Board shall be held during the time of any visitation of the Bishop, of which public notice shall have been given,"

Which, on motion, the house refused to allow.

The following report of Special Committee was then presented and read:

The undersigned, a Committee to whom, at the last Diocesan Convention, was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as related to the State Penitentiary, beg leave to report progress, and to ask of the Convention permission to make such application to the proper authorities for the privilege of furnishing the Chapel of said penitentiary, as they may deem advisable regarding the matter, and that they may be relieved of the necessity of making the report to this Convention contemplated in the resolution appointing this Committee.

S. H. KERFOOT,

S. H. TREAT,

L. B. OTIS.

Quincy, Sept. 13, 1860.

On motion, the Convention took a recess until 2½ o'clock this afternoon.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

HALF-PAST 2 O'CLOCK.

The Convention re-assembled.

As the first business in order, the Convention proceeded to ballot for members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. From the report of the Inspectors of Election, it appeared that, on the first ballot for Standing Committee, there were elected, by concurrent vote of both orders, the Rev. R. H. Clarkson, D.D., and Hon. L. B. Otis.

On motion, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and the Rev. H. N. Bishop, Rev. J. O. Barton, and Messrs. S. H. Kerfoot, and D. J. Ely, were elected, thus making complete the Standing Committee, as follows:

Rev. R. H. Clarkson, D.D.,	Hon. L. B. Otis,
“ H. N. Bishop,	S. H. Kerfoot,
“ J. O. Barton,	D. J. Ely.

On motion, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and the following were re-elected as Deputies to the General Convention:

Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D.,	Hon. L. B. Otis,
“ Robert H. Clarkson, D.D.,	Antrim Campbell,
“ T. N. Morrison,	R. B. Servant,
“ T. N. Benedict,	Seth C. Sherman.

On motion, the ballot was unanimously dispensed with, and the following were re-elected as Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Illinois:

Rev. Samuel Chase, D.D.,	Henry S. Austin,
“ Charles P. Clarke,	Richard F. Seabury,
Matthew Griswold.	

The following resolution was then offered:

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the re-conveyance of the Cathedral property, in Chicago, to Mr. Cyrenius Beers, be referred to a Committee of one Clergyman and four Laymen, to be appointed by the Convention.

On a motion to lay the resolution on the table, a call for a vote by orders was made, when the motion to lay on the table was lost, by the following vote:

Of the Clergy—Ayes 15; Noes 20.

Of the Laity—Ayes 9; Noes 13. 1 Parish divided.

Clergy voting in the affirmative:

Rt. Rev. H. J. Whitehouse, D.D., Rev. Messrs. T. N. Benedict, John Benson, W. L. Bostwick, Samuel Chase, D.D., H. T. Heister, Wm. Mitchell, T. N. Morrison, S. D. Pulford, J. B. Richmond, W. H. Roberts, A. J. Warner, J. H. Waterbury, J. R. West, John Wilkinson.

Clergy voting in the negative:

Rev. Messrs. J. O. Barton, H. N. Bishop, W. M. A. Brodnax, S. T. Carpenter, C. E. Cheney, C. P. Clarke, R. H. Clarkson, D.D., L. P. Clover, W. H. Cooper, Samuel Cowell, D. W. Dresser, William Fulton, J. S. B. Hodges, Clinton Locke, James Pratt, W. T. Smithett, C. B. Stout, H. M. Thompson, E. B. Tuttle, Joseph M. Waite.

LAITY.

Parishes voting in the affirmative:

St. Mark's, Chester; Christ, Joliet; St. John's, Kewanee; St. James', Lewistown; Christ, Limestone; St. John's, Quincy; St. Paul's, Springfield; St. Paul's, Warsaw; St. Luke's, Wyoming.

Parishes voting in the negative:

Ascension, Atonement, Grace, Holy Communion, St. Ansgarius', St. James', Trinity, Chicago; St. John's, Decatur; St. Paul's, Hyde Park; St. John's, Knoxville; St. Paul's, Peoria; Christ, Waukegan; Grace, Galesburg.

Calvary, Farmington, divided.

On motion, the following resolution was offered as a substitute for the foregoing:

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the town lots in Chicago, purchased and contracted for heretofore from Mr.

Beers, and the trust therein, be referred to a special committee of four persons ; two to be appointed by the Bishop, and two to be appointed by this House ; and that said committee report to the next Annual Convention of this Diocese.

A motion was then made to lay the whole subject on the table, and a call for a vote by orders being duly made, the motion was decided in the negative by the following vote :

Clergy—ayes 16, noes 18 ; excused from voting, 1.

Clergymen voting in the affirmative :

Rev. Messrs. T. N. Benedict, John Benson, W. L. Bostwick, Samuel Chase, D.D., C. P. Clarke, D. W. Dresser, H. T. Heister, Wm. Mitchell, T. N. Morrison, S. D. Pulford, J. B. Richmond, W. H. Roberts, A. J. Warner, J. H. Waterbury, J. R. West, John Wilkinson.

Clergymen voting in the negative :

Rev. Messrs. J. O. Barton, H. N. Bishop, W. M. A. Brodnax, S. T. Carpenter, C. E. Cheney, R. H. Clarkson, D.D., L. P. Clover, W. H. Cooper, Samuel Cowell, William Fulton, J. S. B. Hodges, Clinton Locke, James Pratt, W. T. Smithett, C. B. Stout, H. M. Thompson, E. B. Tuttle, Jos. M. Waite.

Rev. Alex. Capron excused from voting.

The motion to lay on the table having been decided in the negative by the clerical vote, the lay vote was not called.

A motion to adjourn until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, was made and not carried.

A call was then made for a vote on the substitute, and a vote by orders. The substitute was lost by the following vote :

Clerical—ayes 14, noes 18 ; excused from voting, 2.

Clergymen voting in the affirmative :

Rev. Messrs. T. N. Benedict, John Benson, W. L. Bostwick, Alex. Capron, Samuel Chase, D.D., L. P. Clover, D. W. Dresser, H. T. Heister, Wm. Mitchell, T. N. Morrison, S. D. Pulford, J. B. Richmond, W. H. Roberts, A. J. Warner.

Clergymen voting in the negative :

Rev. Messrs. J. O. Barton, H. N. Bishop, W. M. A. Brodnax, S. T. Carpenter, C. E. Cheney, Charles P. Clarke, R. H. Clarkson, D.D., W. H. Cooper, Samuel Cowell, William Fulton, J. S. B. Hodges, Clinton Locke, James Pratt, W. T. Smithett, C. B. Stout, H. M. Thompson, E. B. Tuttle, Jos. M. Waite.

Excused from voting : Rev. Messrs. John Wilkinson, J. H. Waterbury.

The question having been decided in the negative by the clerical vote, the lay vote was not called.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 1860.

The Convention re-assembled at 9 A. M.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. McMasters, of the Diocese of Missouri, and by the Rev. Robert Ryall, the Litany being read by the Bishop.

The Rev. Robert Ryall, of Albion, and Mr. W. N. Phillips, a Lay Delegate from Grace Church, Galesburg, appeared and took their seats.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was concurred in, and the resolution contained therein unanimously adopted :

The Committee on Finance report that they have examined the Treasurer's report, and have found the same correct, and would also offer the following :

Resolved, That in consequence of a deficiency of nearly three hundred dollars in the amount necessary to pay the expenses of printing the Journal, an extra assessment of ten cents be made on each communicant, and the same be immediately collected.

LEWIS P. CLOVER,
ALEX. G. TYNG,
JAMES L. REYNOLDS.

The Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Illinois, presented their report, as follows:

The undersigned in behalf of the "Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Illinois," respectfully report—

That on December 1st, 1859, the Board, through their Treasurer, Matthew Griswold, Esq., of Peoria, gave notice to the Rectors and parishes of the Diocese, of the assessment upon their several parishes "in regular quarterly payments, for the support of the Episcopate," under Canon XIII of the Diocese, by the following circular:

Office of the Episcopate Fund, Diocese of Illinois, Peoria, 1st Dec., 1859.

List of Parishes and their respective assessments for the support of the Episcopate for the years 1859-60. The quarterly payments are due 1st Oct. 1859, and 1st January, 1st April, and 1st July, 1860. Payments are to be made to MATTHEW GRISWOLD, Peoria, Treasurer of the Board.

LOCATION.	CHURCH.	NAMES OF CLERGY.	Assessm't.
Albion	St. John's	B. Hutchins	\$50
Algonquin	St. John's	J. F. Esch	7
Alton	St. Paul's	C. A. Bruce	60
Aurora	Trinity	V. Spalding	37
Belvidere	Trinity	J. H. Waterbury	49
Bloomington	St. Matthew's .....	.....	40
Centralia	St. John's	J. W. Osborne	12
Chicago	Ascension .....	.....	26
"	Atonement	John O. Barton	120
"	Christ .....	.....	7
"	Grace	Clinton Locke	81
"	Holy Communion .....	.....	120
"	St. Ansgarius'	E. B. Tuttle, Missionary, ..	....
"	St. James'	R. H. Clarkson, D.D.	307
"	St. John's	H. N. Bishop	91
"	Trinity	N. H. Schenck	284
Carlinville	St. Paul's	D. W. Dresser	8
Chester	St. Mark's	Wm. Mitchell, M.D.	38
Chesterfield	St. Peter's	D. W. Dresser	4
Dixon	St. Luke's	John Wilkinson	34
Decatur	St. John's	E. P. Wright	29
Farmington	Calvary	John Benson	40
Farm Ridge	St. Andrew's	H. T. Heister	41
Freeport	Zion	R. L. Chittenden	34
Galena	Grace	H. M. Thompson	80
Geneseo	Trinity	Samuel Goodale	12
Geneva	St. Mark's	V. Spalding	12
Grand Detour	St. Peter's	John Wilkinson	18
Jacksonville	Trinity	T. N. Morrison	70
Joliet	Christ	John Wilkinson	51
Kewanee	St. John's .....	.....	32
Lacon	St. John's	C. P. Clarke	15
Lee Centre	St. Paul's	W. M. A. Brodnax	18
Lewistown	St. James'	G. E. Peters	16
Limestone	Christ	J. Benson	20

LOCATION.	CHURCH.	NAMES OF CLERGY.	Assessm't.
Lockport	St. John's	S. Cowell	\$33
Manhattan	St. Paul's	Charles B. Stout	18
Morris	St. Thomas' .....	.....	18
Ottawa	Christ	T. N. Benedict	82
Pekin	St. Paul's .....	.....	28
Peoria	St. Paul's .....	.....	138
Peru	St. Paul's	A. J. Warner	25
Pre-emption	Grace	George Sayers	30
Princeton	Redeemer	George C. Street	15
Providence	Zion	George C. Street	35
Polo	Trinity	S. T. Carpenter	18
Quincy	St. John's	A. Capron	130
Rockford	Emmanuel	Anson Clark	85
Robin's Nest	Christ	Samuel Chase, D.D.	68
Rock Island	Trinity	Henry Stanley	25
Salem	St. Thomas'	J. W. Osborne	9
Springfield	St. Paul's	L. P. Clover	126
Sycamore	St. Peter's	W. H. Roberts	39
Tiskilwa	St. Jude's	George C. Street	17
Warsaw	St. Paul's .....	.....	36
Waukegan	Christ .....	.....	34
Waverly	Christ .....	.....	6
Wilmington	Redeemer	Charles B. Stout	23
Wyoming	St. Luke's	P. Chase	17
Amboy	St. Thomas'	W. M. A. Brodnax	15
Elgin	Redeemer	J. F. Esch	9
Utica	St. George's	J. A. Woodward	10
Cairo and Jonesboro	Miss. Station	W. L. Bostwick	22
Kickapoo	St. Luke's	J. R. West	16
Moline	Grace	George Sayres	10
Naperville	St. John's	V. Spalding	7
LaSalle	St. Mark's	J. A. Woodward .....	....
Marengo .....	.....	J. H. Waterbury .....	....

The accounts of their Treasurer exhibiting the receipts and disbursements in payment of the Bishop's salary, as well as "aiding superannuated ministers," are herewith submitted.

SAMUEL CHASE,

Pres. Trust. Prot. Epis. Ch., Diocese of Illinois.

On motion, it was then

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to Jubilee College, be referred to a committee of three.

The following were appointed as such committee, after adjournment:

Rev. T. N. Morrison,
 " J. B. Richmond, and
 James Carter.

The following was then offered as a substitute for the original motion of yesterday :

Resolved, That this Convention, whilst it does not consider itself charged with the management of the \$6,000, received by the Bishop in the compromise with Cyrenius Beers, Esq., concerning the Chicago property heretofore intended for a Bishop's Church and residence, hereby expresses its satisfaction with the declaration made by the Bishop, in his address to this Convention, and his subsequent statement that he holds the same in trust, and not for any private use.

Resolved, That this Convention does not consider that at this time any further action is necessary upon its part on the subject of said sum of \$6,000.

Upon call for the question, and a vote by orders, these resolutions were carried by the following vote :

Clergy—ayes 19, noes 18.

Laity—ayes 12, noes 10 ; divided, 1 parish.

Clergymen voting in the affirmative :

Rev. Messrs. T. N. Benedict, John Benson, W. L. Bostwick, Alex. Capron, Samuel Chase, D.D., L. P. Clover, D. W. Dresser, H. T. Heister, W. Mitchell, T. N. Morrison, S. D. Pulford, J. B. Richmond, W. H. Roberts, A. J. Warner, J. H. Waterbury, J. R. West, John Wilkinson, Robert Ryall, Chas. A. Gilbert.

Clergymen voting in the negative :

Rev. Messrs. J. O. Barton, H. N. Bishop, W. M. A. Brodnax, S. T. Carpenter, C. E. Cheney, C. P. Clarke, R. H. Clarkson, D.D., W. H. Cooper, Samuel Cowell, Wm. Fulton, J. S. B. Hodges, Clinton Locke, James Pratt, W. T. Smithett, C. B. Stout, H. M. Thompson, E. B. Tuttle, Jos. M. Waite.

LAITY.

Parishes voting in the affirmative :

St. Mark's, Chester ; St. John's, Decatur ; St. Paul's, Hyde Park ; Christ, Joliet ; St. John's, Kewanee ; St. John's, Knoxville ; St. James', Lewistown ; Christ, Limestone ; St. John's, Quincy ; St. Paul's, Springfield ; St. Paul's, Warsaw ; St. Luke's, Wyoming.

Parishes voting in the negative :

Ascension, Atonement, Grace, Holy Communion, St. Ansgarius', St. James', Trinity, Chicago ; St. Paul's, Peoria ; Christ, Waukegan ; Grace, Galesburg.

Calvary, Farmington, divided.

On motion, the Convention took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at 2 o'clock.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Rector, Vestry and Congregation of St. John's Church, and the citizens of Quincy, for their kind hospitality to the members of this Convention.

It was then, on motion,

Resolved, That the reading of the minutes be dispensed with, and that they be prepared by the Bishop and Secretary for publication.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report :

The Committee on Finance having examined the Reports of the Treasurer of the Episcopate Fund, and of the Treasurer of Fund for Aged and Indigent Clergymen, report the same correct.

LEWIS P. CLOVER,
ALEX. G. TYNG,
JAMES L. REYNOLDS.

On motion, it was

Ordered, That the Secretary cause to be printed 750 copies of the Journal, 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 the Bishop's Address, and select from the same at his discretion.

The Rev. J. S. B. Hodges, asking to address the Convention, the following motion was offered :

Resolved, That the Rev. J. S. B. Hodges be permitted to speak in this Convention.

Whereupon a motion was made to lay the resolution on the table, and on a call for a vote by orders, it was decided in the negative, as follows :

Affirmative 11. Negative 23.

Clergymen voting in the affirmative :

Rt. Rev. H. J. Whitehouse, D.D., Rev. Messrs. John Benson, W. L. Bostwick, H. T. Heister, William Mitchell, T. N. Morrison, J. B. Richmond, A. J. Warner, J. R. West, John Wilkinson, C. A. Gilbert.

Clergymen voting in the negative :

Rev. Messrs. J. O. Barton, T. N. Benedict, H. N. Bishop, W. M. A. Brodnax, Alex. Capron, S. T. Carpenter, C. E. Cheney, C. P. Clarke, R. H. Clarkson, D.D., L. P. Clover, W. H. Cooper, Samuel Cowell, D. W. Dresser, W. Fulton, Clinton Locke, James Pratt, W. H. Roberts, W. T. Smithett, H. M. Thompson, E. B. Tuttle, Joseph M. Waite, J. H. Waterbury, Robert Ryall.

The Lay vote was not called.

The question recurring on the original resolution, and a vote by orders being called for, all the Clergymen voted in the affirmative, and the lay vote was not called.

The Rev. J. S. B. Hodges then availed himself of the permission given to speak.

A motion was then made and carried, that, after the usual religious services, this Convention do adjourn *sine die*.

The Bishop then made a closing address. The *Gloria in Excelsis* was sung, and after the prayers and Benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE,

Bishop of the Diocese of Illinois.

JOHN O. BARTON,

Secretary of the Convention.

OFFICERS OF THE DIOCESE AND CONVENTION.

BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE AND *ex-officio* PRESIDENT OF THE CONVENTION.

RT. REV. HENRY J. WHITEHOUSE, D.D.

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

REV. JOHN O. BARTON, CHICAGO.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

REV. CHARLES E. CHENEY, CHICAGO.

TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION, AND TREASURER OF THE MISSIONARY FUND.

REV. T. N. MORRISON, JACKSONVILLE.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

REV. R. H. CLARKSON, D.D., PRES., Chicago,
" H. N. BISHOP,
S. H. KERFOOT,

REV. JOHN O. BARTON, SEC., Chicago,
HON. L. B. OTIS,
D. J. ELY.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

REV. SAMUEL CHASE, D.D.,
" ROBERT H. CLARKSON, D.D.,
" T. N. MORRISON,
" T. N. BENEDICT,

HON. L. B. OTIS,
ANTRIM CAMPBELL,
R. B. SERVANT,
SETH C. SHERMAN.

TRUSTEES OF JUBILEE COLLEGE ON PART OF THE CONVENTION.

REV. R. H. CLARKSON, D.D.,

REV. LEWIS P. CLOVER,
HENRY S. AUSTIN.

TRUSTEES OF GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

REV. T. N. BENEDICT,
" E. B. TUTTLE,
" R. H. CLARKSON, D.D.,

C. R. LARRABEE,
ANTRIM CAMPBELL
JUDGE L. B. OTIS,
REV. H. N. BISHOP.

APPENDIX.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

T. N. MORRISON, *in account with Convention*, 1860.

CONTINGENT FUND.

		Dr.	Cr.
1859.			
Aug. 13	To St. Mark's, Chester,.....	\$9.50	
Aug. 29	Christ Church, Waverly,.....	1.75	
Aug. 30	St. Luke's, Dixon,.....	5.25	
Sept. 1	St. Peter's, Grand Detour,.....	4.75	
Sept. 2	Atonement, Chicago,.....	20.00	
	Trinity, Jacksonville,.....	17.50	
Sept. 13	St. John's, Kewanee,.....	8.00	
	Grace Church, Chicago,.....	20.00	
	Christ Church, Joliet,.....	11.50	
Sept. 14	St. John's, Decatur,.....	7.00	
	St. John's, Quincy,.....	26.75	
	St. Paul's, Peoria,.....	32.50	
	St. Paul's, Carlinville,.....	1.50	
	Trinity Church, Belvidere,.....	2.10	
	St. Peter's, Sycamore,.....	9.75	
	Grace Church, Galena,.....	20.00	
	St. Paul's, Springfield,.....	31.50	
	St. Paul's, Warsaw,.....	5.50	
	Zion Church, Providence,.....	2.50	
	Christ Church, Waukegan,.....	8.50	
	St. Luke's, Wyoming,.....	4.25	
	Trinity Church, Geneseo,.....	3.00	
	Trinity Church, Rock Island,...	7.50	
	St. Paul's, Peru,.....	6.50	
	Ch. of the Redeemer, Wilmington	5.00	
	Holy Communion, Chicago,....	19.25	
	St. John's, Chicago,.....	22.50	
	Calvary Church, Farmington,...	10.00	
	Ascension Church, Chicago,....	7.50	
	Trinity Church, Chicago,.....	65.00	
	Emmanuel Church, Rockford,..	21.25	
	St. John's, Naperville,.....	2.00	
	Trinity Church, Aurora,.....	10.65	
	St. Peter's, Chesterfield,.....	1.00	
	<i>Carried forward</i> ,.....	\$431.25	

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

		Dr.	Cr.
1859.	<i>Brought forward</i> ,.....	\$431.25	
	To Christ Church, Chicago,.....	1.75	
	Christ Church, Ottawa,.....	20.00	
	St. James', Chicago,.....	75.00	
	Christ Church, Robin's Nest,...	17.00	
Nov. 25	Zion, Freeport,.....	7.25	
	St. Andrews', Farm Ridge,.....	5.00	
	St. John's, Albion,.....	5.55	
	Collections for expenses of Clerical Delegates to Gen. Convention :		
	St. James' Church, Chicago,...	50.00	
	St. Andrew's, Farm Ridge,.....	2.10	
	St. Paul's, Springfield,.....	10.95	
	Trinity Church, Aurora,.....	6.60	
	St. John's, Naperville,.....	2.40	
	Christ Church, Joliet,.....	6.15	
	St. Mark's, Chester,.....	5.00	
	Christ Church, Ottawa,.....	10.00	
	Trinity Church, Jacksonville,...	10.00	
	Balance,	77.20	
	By Balance, 1859,.....		\$28.57
	" Bill of Scott & Co., for Journal, 1859,		378.61
	" Diocesan Dues to General Con- vention,		120.00
	" Exchange,.....		3.02
	" Postage on Bishop's Address, '59,		2.00
	" Bill of Secretary,.....		2.00
	" Bill of Treasurer,.....		9.00
	" Cash to Rev. S. Chase, D.D., ..		50.00
	" " " R. H. Clarkson, D.D.		50.00
	" " " T. N. Morrison,....		50.00
	" " " T. N. Benedict,....		50.00
		\$743.20	\$743.20

T. N. MORRISON, *Treasurer*.

QUINCY, September 13th, 1860.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

T. N. MORRISON, *in account with Convention, 1860.*

MISSIONARY FUND.

	Dr.	Cr.
To Balance	\$63.10	
Aurora, Trinity	13.00	
Bloomington	20.00	
Chicago, Atonement ..	37.03	
“ Grace	65.37	
“ Ascension	3.00	
“ Holy Communion	15.60	
“ St. James'	225.00	
“ Trinity	10.00	
Carlinville, St. Paul's	27.50	
Chester, St. Mark's	20.00	
Chesterfield, St. Peter's	8.10	
Dixon, St. Luke's	7.12	
Decatur, St. John's	12.30	
Elgin, Redeemer	7.20	
Farmington, Calvary	29.41	
Farm Ridge	11.00	
Galena, Grace	28.00	
Galesburg, Grace	7.75	
Jacksonville, Trinity	80.00	
Joliet, Christ	31.10	
Kewanee, St. John's	14.01	
Lacon, St. John's	9.34	
Knoxville, St. John's ...	6.75	
Lewistown, St. James'	6.83	
Limestone, Christ	24.75	
Manhattan, St. Paul's	2.50	
Ottawa, Christ	74.00	
Peru, St. Paul's	2.00	
Princeton, Redeemer	4.31	
Providence, Zion	5.55	
Quincy, St. John's	41.00	
Rockford, Emmanuel.	1.00	
Robin's Nest, Christ	41.80	
Springfield, St. Paul's	77.85	
Tiskilwa, St. Jude's	4.71	
Warsaw, St. Paul's	9.00	
Wilmington, Redeemer	10.00	
Wyoming, St. Luke's.	5.00	
Mrs. R. B. H., Griggsville	3.00	
* Carried forward	\$1064.98	

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

	Dr.	Cr.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1064.98	
Mr. E. F. Jones, Vandalia	5.00	
Mr. M. S. G. Allis, Waverly	5.00	
Mr. Brown, Springfield	5.00	
St. Paul's, Peoria	20.05	
St. Paul's, Springfield	35.00	
Christ Church, Robin's Nest	18.20	
Grace Church, Galena	15.00	
St. Peter's, Sycamore	5.00	
Convention Collection.....	32.50	
 Pd. Rev. J. H. Waterbury ..		\$100.00
John Benson		114.40
A. J. Warner		33.25
Samuel Goodale.....		135.75
G. E. Peters		75.00
E. B. Tuttle		166.37
J. R. West		82.87
C. B. Stout		87.50
C. P. Clarke		94.34
G. C. Street		105.95
H. T. Heister		90.50
S. D. Pulford		39.80
J. F. Esch		62.50
Bill of Circular and Postage on Circular, Exchange.....		7.00 3.05
Bill of Treasurer		7.25
	\$1205.73	\$1205.73

T. N. MORRISON, *Treasurer.*

QUINCY, September 13th, 1860.

DELINQUENT PARISHES—1860.

Algonquin.....	St. John's.....	\$1.75
Alton	St. Paul's, 1858 and 1859.....	28.20
Bloomington.....	St. Matthew's.....	10.00
Chicago	St. Ansgarius'.....	
Geneva	St. Mark's.....	3.00
Kickapoo.....	St. Luke's.....	4.00
LaSalle.....	St. Mark's.....	
Lockport	St. John's.....	8.25
Manhattan.....	St. Paul's.....	4.50
Moline	Grace.....	2.50
Morris	St. Thomas'.....	4.50
Pekin	St. Paul's, 1858 and 1859.....	10.00
Pre-emption.....	Grace.....	7.50

TREASURER'S REPORT.

MATTHEW GRISWOLD, *in account with Trustees of the Episcopate Fund, September 1st, 1860.*

		Dr.	Cr.
1859.			
Sept. 1	To Balance as per last Report.....	\$3.30	
Nov. 2	Received of Rev. E. B. Tuttle..	.25	
Nov. 18	St. Stephen's, Pittsfield.....	5.00	
December	Zion Church, Freeport.....	6.00	
1860. Jan.	St. Mark's, Chester.....	10.00	
	Christ, Joliet.....	12.75	
	St. John's, Decatur.....	12.50	
February	St. Matthew's, Bloomington....	20.00	
	Zion Church, Freeport.....	7.25	
	St. John's, Decatur, 2nd.....	2.00	
	Christ, Limestone.....	5.00	
March	Zion, Freeport.....	5.41	
	St. John's, Albion.....	13.00	
April	Christ, Joliet.....	12.75	
	St. John's, Decatur.....	7.25	
May	St. Mark's, Chester.....	10.00	
	Calvary, Farmington.....	10.00	
	Christ, Limestone.....	5.00	
July	Redeemer, Elgin.....	5.00	
	St. Mark's, Chester.....	10.00	
August	St. Paul's, Springfield.....	13.50	
	St. Paul's, Carlinville.....	8.00	
Sept.	St. Mark's, Chester.....	8.00	
	Christ, Joliet.....	12.75	
	Christ Church, Limestone....	5.00	
	St. Peter's, Chesterfield.....	4.00	
	Calvary, Farmington.....	21.00	
	St. Paul's, Peoria.....	34.35	
	St. James', Lewistown.....	16.00	
	St. Peter's, Sycamore... ..	15.00	
	Christ, Robin's Nest.....	32.50	
	St. John's, Kewanee.....	15.00	
	St. John's, Decatur.....	7.25	
	St. Andrew's, Farm Ridge....	16.50	
	St. Paul's, Warsaw.....	14.10	
	Christ Church, Ottawa.....	25.00	
	St John's, Centralia, and St. Thomas', Salem, per Rev. J. W. Osborne.....	21.00	
	Carried forward.....	\$431.41	

TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

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1860.	Postage on same.....		2.00
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1859.			
Sept. 12	To Balance on hand, last Report...	\$15.63	
Nov. 28	Rec'd Calvary Ch., Farmington..	5.58	
	Christ Church, Limestone.....	6.00	
	Do. Robin's Nest...	8.00	
Dec. 1	Do. Joliet	9.00	
	St. James', Chicago.....	40.00	
	Trinity, Jacksonville.....	29.05	
	Christ Church, Ottawa.....	8.67	
	Atonement, Chicago.....	11.26	
	Grace, Chicago.....	24.00	
	St. John's, Decatur.....	3.00	
	Trinity, Aurora	5.00	
	Advent, Marengo.....	1.50	
	Trinity, Belvidere.....	2.50	
	St. Paul's, Springfield.....	54.50	
1860.			
January	St. Jude's, Tiskilwa.....	2.00	
	Zion, Providence.....	1.00	
	Christ, Ottawa, 2nd.....	1.00	
	St. John's, Lacon.....	2.45	
1859.			
December	By paid Rev. C. Dresser, for St. James', Chicago		\$40.00
	Trinity, Jacksonville.....		29.05
1860.	St. Paul's, Springfield.....		54.50
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CONTRIBUTIONS.

Contingent expenses of the Convention.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Diocesan Missions.	Offerings at Holy Communion.	Parish Purposes.	Other Church Pur- poses.	Aged and Indigent Clergymen.	TOTAL.
\$5.55				\$3.61				\$9.16
					\$55.00			55.00
	\$2.94	\$2.00	\$2.40	10.90	235.00	\$500.00	\$2.50	758.34
				12.00	150.00	25.00		192.00
4.55			3.00	43.89	278.00			329.44
19.50		15.00	37.03	70.00	2,609.00	92.33	11.26	2,856.12
5.50			3.00	17.62	800.00			824.17
8.10	16.32	16.32	66.12	150.00	6,378.17	70.00	26.00	6,731.03
14.55			15.40	64.50	3,021.93	96.72		3,213.10
				12.92	51.24			64.16
79.25		710.00	225.00	360.25	6,100.00	880.50	40.00	8,895.00
13.65		25.00	3.00	100.00	2,000.00	390.00		2,576.65
30.00	133.00		10.00		6,000.00	4,880.25		11,053.25
1.00		5.80	27.55		172.25			214.60
6.00		5.00	20.00	80.35	10.00	325.00		484.35
1.00		4.45	8.10		508.50			526.05
4.08				12.01				25.81
4.35	4.00	11.00	12.40	34.79	43.69	862.00	2.90	1,004.34
6.00	16.56	10.55	29.40	15.56		350.00	5.68	464.75
11.30			11.00	38.80				77.60
12.35					393.45	105.79		530.25
15.00	12.00	25.00	43.00	90.15	702.05	68.00		957.20
4.65			7.75	28.00	1,300.00			1,340.40
4.05			6.75	17.06	465.00	40.00		532.80
2.16				4.53	37.00			48.75
11.40	43.40	16.00	80.00				29.05	179.85
7.65	7.48	11.00	36.10	56.09	129.93	62.88	9.00	358.38
5.00			14.01	33.36	566.00	8.00		636.37
2.25	2.70	2.62	9.33	37.20	1,100.00		2.45	1,156.35
				9.33		3.00		12.33
1.60		4.00	8.84	27.14	355.00	5.00		417.58
4.05	3.50	3.50	25.75	17.12		250.00	6.00	329.92
	5.00			13.17	9.98	10.00		38.15
			2.50	17.65	25.00	3.00		43.15
12.30	20.00		74.00	46.67	237.52	20.00	9.67	445.16
	2.15	2.15	2.15	21.46	279.34	3,500.00	1.50	3,808.75
13.50			22.55	41.21	876.00	42.00		1,029.61
			2.00		1.17	53.00	2.00	58.17
3.75		1.61	4.31		100.00			109.67
13.25		.90	5.55	1.26	80.00			111.46
				10.15	1,000.00			1,010.15
19.50	20.00	25.00	71.00	134.54	326.00	106.54		702.54
9.75		8.45	60.00	38.45	438.00		8.00	595.15
				20.00	73.75			102.75
22.50	10.83	53.60	118.85	118.70	125.51	17.85	54.50	536.84
5.85		7.00	5.00	23.84	200.00			256.69
7.70		4.60	4.71		413.59		1.53	449.13
4.50			9.00		7.85			35.45
					750.00	10.00		760.00
1.50	10.00	11.00	5.06	2.00	6.00			34.50
			10.00	11.07	22.75	32.68		76.50
				13.75		181.00		194.75
			7.20		299.68			311.88
				3.00	70.00	20.00		93.00
\$398.69	\$309.88	\$949.53	\$1,205.00	\$2,062.94	\$39,105.25	\$13,910.54	\$211.04	\$58,688.01

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				No. of Souths.	Adult.	Infant.	Total.	Confirmations.	Marriages.	Burials.	Added anew into Parish.	Removed from Parish.	Died.	Total present number.	Catechists and S. S. Teachers.	Children taught the catechism (quantity in the hands of the teachers).	Members of other classes for religious instruction.	No. of times Sunday.	Holy Days.	Other Days.	Total.	No. of times celebrated in public.	No. of times received in private.	Fund for the support of religious work.	Confirmands received of the Convention.	Foreign Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Diocesan Missions.	Offerings at Holy Communion.	Parish Expenses.	Other Church Purposes.	Aged and Indigent Clergymen.				
Abilene	St. John's	Robert Ryall	9	50	1	1	2	2		1	1				29	12	6		28	24		1	7	1												
Albuquerque	St. Paul's	C. A. Bruce	57	250											60	10	70		70	70		1	1													
Albuquerque	Trinity	Charles	24	120											30	10	40		40	40		1	1													
Albuquerque	Trinity	William W. Boyl	9	50											40	10	50		50	50		1	1													
Bloomington	St. Matthew's	James Pratt	40	160	3	16	19	9	1	1	2	2	1	1	37	60	20	32	78	104	70	30	126	11	12											
Butte	St. Peter's	William Fulton	110	430	140	140	70	12	13	15	45	1	1	130	16	39	25	110	101	70	17	190	14	2	10											
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PAROCHIAL AND CLERICAL REPORTS.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER, 1860.

Albion, St. John's, Rev. Robert Ryall.

Communicants—present number, 30.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 6; other days, 1; total, 7.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 1.

Contributions—fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$5.55; offerings at communion, \$3.61; total, \$9.16.

My first introduction to this parish took place on the second Sunday of July last, when I preached in their church, and was offered the Rectorship. On a repetition of instruction from the Diocesan authority, and the continued desire of the Vestry, I accepted the call, and commenced my duties in the parish as Rector, on Friday, Aug. 31. The people are unanimous in their attachment to the Church. They once numbered two hundred families, and rejoice in the prospect of a re-union in their privileges. Twenty-five communicants gladdened our service by their devotion of Sunday last.

Algonquin, St. John's, Rev. Samuel D. Pulford,

MISSIONARY.

Number of families, 9; number of souls, 50.

Baptisms—adult, 1; infant, 1; total, 2. Confirmed, 2. Burials, 1. Communicants—added anew, 1; present number, 12.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 6; total number of young persons instructed, 28.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 24.

Contributions—for parish purposes, \$55.

This report includes the statistics of the labors of the Rev. J. F. Esch, my predecessor in this field of labor. The confirmations and the adult baptism were during his ministrations. I have spent every fourth Sunday in this parish. Amidst many discouragements the parish has maintained its ground, chiefly, I believe, on account of the labors and example of the worthy and devoted lay reader at this place.

Amboy, St. Thomas', . . . Rev. W. M. A. Brodnax.

Number of families, 14 ; number of souls, 40.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Burials, 3. Communicants—removed from the parish, 2 ; present number, 13.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 3 ; catechumens, 35 ; members of other classes for religious instruction, 8 ; total number of young persons instructed, 43.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 47.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 8.

Contributions—offerings at communion, \$13.75 ; for church purposes, \$181 ; total, \$194.75.

This parish has purchased and inclosed two lots, side by side, very eligibly situated—one for a church, and the other for a parsonage ; and a “harmonic organ” has been bought, of which the manufacturers’ price is \$250. The services are *very* well attended, and I have met with cordial co-operation from the vestry and congregation, which has been very gratifying ; but it is disheartening to find none ready to consecrate themselves to God. I hope and continue to pray that the pleasure of the Lord may prosper in my hands.

Belvidere, Trinity, . . . Rev. J. H. Waterbury,
LATE RECTOR.

Number of families, 60 ; number of souls, about 250.

Baptisms—adult, 6 ; infant, 5 ; total, 11. Confirmed, 15. Marriages, 1 ; burials, 2. Communicants—added anew, 12 ; removed from the parish, 3 ; present number, 58.

Catechists and Sunday School teachers, 7 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 40 ; members of other classes for religious instruction, 8 ; Sunday scholars, 25 ; total number of young persons instructed, 65.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 49 ; holy days, 2 ; other days, 12 ; total, 63.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 7.

Contributions—foreign missions, \$2.94 ; domestic missions, \$2 ; diocesan missions, \$2.40 ; aged and infirm clergymen, \$2.50 ; offerings at communion, \$10.90 ; parish purposes, \$235 ; other contributions for church purposes, about \$500 ; total, \$755.74.

Duty to the church at Marengo compelled me to resign at the close of my year, April 1st, though I continued to hold services for several weeks thereafter.

The young ladies, by “weekly offerings,” collected over \$70 during the winter. The “Ladies’ Social Circle” also aided the church in pecuniary matters. The attempt of the Rector to liquidate the liabilities against the church was only in part successful, for the mortgage of

\$1,120, at 20 per cent., on the church and lot, was an obstacle not very easily surmounted.

Services have been sustained monthly at Shattuck's Grove.

The Rev. J. P. Labagh has entered upon his duties as Rector.

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

Number of families, 10 ; number of souls, 40.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Marriages, 1. Communicants—removed into the parish, 1 ; present number, 8.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 48 ; holy days, 1 ; total, 49.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 4 ; in private, 1 ; total, 5.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$8 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$1 ; domestic missions, \$5.80 ; diocesan missions, \$27.55 ; parish purposes, \$172.25 ; total, \$214.60.

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

Number of families, 8 ; number of souls, 43.

Confirmed, 9. Marriages, 1 ; burials, 1. Communicants—added anew, 1 ; removed into the parish, 2 ; removed from the parish, 6 ; died, 1 ; present number, 9.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 5 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 60 ; number of times, 52 ; members of other classes for religious instruction, 14 ; Sunday scholars, 6 ; total number of young persons instructed, 92.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 78.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 8.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$5 ; offerings at communion, \$12 ; parish purposes, \$150 ; other contributions for church purposes, \$25 ; total, \$192.

Volumes in the Sunday school library, 476 ; received from Rev. Dr. Clarkson, of St. James' Church, Chicago, for Sunday school papers, \$10 ; from Rev. Dr. Clarkson, of St. James' Church, Chicago, for Sunday school books, \$4.74 ; from ladies and gentlemen of Centralia, through George Goodrich, Esq., an excellent melodeon ; from J. M. Redmond, Esq., of Chicago, a valuable collection of books ; from officers of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, through J. B. Austin, Esq., a Sunday school library ; from the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, and Church Book Society, in books, \$10.

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

Number of families, 35 ; number of souls, 150.

Baptisms—adult, 1 ; infant, 5 ; total, 6. Marriages, 3 ; burials, 4. Communicants—removed into the parish, 3 ; died, 1 ; present number, 40.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 6 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 14 ; number of times, 5 ; Sunday scholars, 35 ; total number of young persons instructed, 40.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 61 ; holy days, 7 ; other days, 10 ; total, 78.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 12 ; in private, 2 ; total, 14.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$38 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$6 ; domestic missions, \$5 ; diocesan missions, \$20 ; offerings at communion, \$80.35 ; parish purposes, \$10 ; other contributions for church purposes, \$325 ; total, \$484.35.

In externals, we have gained within the past year. The members have inclosed the church lot by a substantial fence.

In addition to St. Mark's Sunday school, a Sunday school in the country is under the care of my Junior Warden as Superintendent. Number not reported. The Rector of St. Mark's has visited this Sunday school several times, and made addresses, which were well received by the pupils and teachers. The bread, we have, in God's name, cast upon the waters, cheers us, in the hope of large gatherings after many days.

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

Number of families, 18 ; number of souls, 95.

Baptisms—infant, 5. Marriages, 1 ; burials, 3. Communicants—added anew, 1 ; present number, 5.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 52 ; holy days, 3 ; other days, 6 ; total, 61.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 4.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$4 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$1 ; domestic missions, \$4.45 ; diocesan missions, \$8.10 ; parish purposes, \$508.50 ; total, \$526.05.

Chicago, Ascension, . . . Rev. Wm. Fulton.

Number of families, 40 ; number of souls, 165.

Baptisms—adult, 3 ; infant, 16 ; total, 19. Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 2 ; burials, 10. Communicants—added anew, 5 ; removed in-

to the parish, 10 ; removed from the parish, 4 ; died, 1 ; present number, 37.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 7 ; members of other classes for religious instruction, 10 ; Sunday scholars, 60 ; total number of young persons instructed, 70.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 104 ; holy days, 3 ; other days, 30 ; total, 137.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 11 ; in private, 1 ; total, 12.

Contributions—fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$4.55 ; diocesan missions, \$3 ; offerings at communion, \$43.89 ; parish purposes, \$278 ; total, \$329.44.

This parish, after having been vacant for some months, was taken charge of by the present Rector, soon after the meeting of the last Diocesan Convention. He found it in a very depressed condition, from a variety of causes, most of them existing from the date of its organization. It has been his endeavor, as far as possible, to remove these obstructions to its growth, and he believes that his efforts have not been altogether unsuccessful ; many of them, however, still exist, and particularly a heavy debt incurred in the erection of the church edifice. This, though not large in itself, is too heavy for the present strength of the parish to sustain much longer. We entertain hopes, however, of seeing it removed before another year shall have expired. When this is accomplished, and not before, we will be in the fair way to prosperity. The locality is one in which the church is a necessity, and if the present effort should be suffered to fail, the organization of a new parish in the same district will have to be undertaken very soon thereafter.

Chicago, Atonement, Rev. J. O. Barton.

Number of families, 110 ; number of souls, 610.

Baptisms—adult, 6 ; infant, 51 ; total, 57. Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 12. Burials, 13.

Communicants—added anew, 15 ; removed into the parish, 40 ; removed from the parish, 45 ; present number, 130.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 16 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 90 ; number of times, 52 ; members of other classes for religious instruction, 25 ; total number of young persons instructed, 115.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 101 ; holy days, 75 ; other days, 60 ; total, 236.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 14 ; in private, 2 ; total, 16.

Contributions—fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$19.50 ; domestic missions, \$15 ; diocesan missions, \$39.03 ; aged and infirm clergymen, \$11.26 ; offerings at communion, for the poor and “ city mission,” \$70 ; parish purposes, \$2,609 ; for other church purposes, \$40 ; for Nashotah, \$52.33 ; total, \$2,856.12.

Chicago, Christ, Rev. Charles E. Cheney.

Number of families, 30.

Baptisms—adult, 1 ; infant, 9 ; total, 10. Confirmed, 3. Burials, (by present rector,) 3. Communicants—added anew, 4 ; removed into parish, 11 ; died, 1 ; present number, 22.

Sunday school teachers, 10 ; Sunday school pupils, 80 ; Bible class pupils, 15 ; whole number of young persons taught, 95.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated, 5.

Contributions—fund for the expenses of convention, \$5.50 ; diocesan missions, \$3 ; offerings at communion, \$17.62 ; parish purposes, \$800 ; total, \$826.12.

The present Rector took charge of the parish, March 11th, 1860. Up to that time it had been vacant. Through the kindness of the Rectors of the other city churches, services had been held every Sunday afternoon. Especial thanks are due to Rev. Edmund B. Tuttle, for his services during this period.

Chicago, Grace, Rev. Clinton Locke.

Number of families, 114 ; number of souls, 456.

Baptisms—adult, 3 ; infant, 42 ; total, 45. Confirmed, 15. Marriages, 4. Burials, 17. Communicants—added anew, 15 ; removed into the parish, 32 ; removed from the parish, 21 ; died, 3 ; present number, 107.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 16 ; Sunday scholars, 120.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 94 ; holy days—all festivals and fasts ; every day in Lent, and Fridays from September until May ; total, 190.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 13 ; in private, 3 ; total, 16.

Contributions—for Nashotah, \$70 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$8.10 ; foreign missions, \$16.32 ; domestic missions, \$16.32 ; diocesan missions, \$66.12 ; aged and infirm clergymen, \$26 ; city mission, \$150 ; parish purposes, \$6,378.17 ; total, \$6,731.03.

The Rector is happy to state that his salary is punctually paid on the first of every month ; that the parish made him a present of \$220 at Easter ; that the church has been newly fitted up at an expense of \$350 ; and that we hope by next Convention to be entirely out of debt.

Chicago, Holy Communion, Rev. J. S. B. Hodges.

Number of families, 75 ; number of souls, about 300.

Baptisms—adult, 3 ; infant, 23 ; total, 26. Confirmed, 9. Marriages, 8. Burials, 4. Communicants—added anew, 9 ; removed

into the parish, 18 ; removed from the parish, 52 ; present number, 97.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 8 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church—all the Sunday school scholars ; number of times, every Sunday ; Sunday scholars, 47.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 98 ; holy days, 19 ; other days, 102 ; total, 219.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 17 ; in private, 1 ; total, 18.

Contributions—fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$14.55 ; diocesan missions, \$15.40 ; offerings at communion for poor, \$64.50 ; parish purposes, (arrears of last year, \$500 ; repairs, \$650,) \$3,021.93 ; for city missions and Nashotah, \$96.72 ; total, \$3,213.10.

I have been in charge of this parish since the middle of last December. It had then been without a Rector between two and three months. The regular Sunday services were kept up during that interval. The past year has been one of peculiar trial and difficulty, owing partly to the general depression under which the whole country has been suffering, which has been the cause of many families leaving the church and city ; and partly to the serious injury sustained by our church building in a heavy gale of wind in November last. This has put us to large expenses for repairs, kept people from the church, and cut us off for awhile from our means of supply—the offertory. We have barely been able to sustain ourselves, and it has been utterly impossible for us to contribute as we should wish to have done, to the Missionary and charitable operations of the Church outside of our own parish. This must plead our excuse for the meagreness of the report of our contributions. Of the \$3,021.93 contributed for parish purposes, \$500 had to meet the arrearages of last year, and nearly \$700 were expended in repairs—leaving only about \$1,800 to be appropriated for the current expenses of last year—four hundred dollars of which were due for the ground rent of the lot on which our church stands. Our congregations continue good, though perpetually changing, and the church is performing a needed work in the city—a work which must necessarily partake very largely of a missionary character. Of the 52 communicants reported removed from the parish, 18 had left before I came to the parish, and 6 others I have been unable to find ; and the greater part of those who have left us have removed from the city. The parish is essentially a missionary parish, and though it may have a fair number of communicants to report, it cannot for some time to come be reasonably expected to do more than to free itself from the arrearages now against it, repair and strengthen the church building which is still in a very shattered condition, and support itself. If it do this, we shall have abundant reason for devout gratitude to Almighty God.

During the summer, I have preached occasionally in the afternoon at a school-house near Lake View. The services have been kept up with tolerable regularity during the whole summer, by one or the other of the city clergy ; they are, however, but thinly attended.

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

Number of families, 34.

Baptisms—adult, 3; infant, 23; total, 26. Confirmed, 16. Burials, 11. Communicants—added anew, 15; removed into the parish, 32; removed from the parish, 7; present number, 40.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 14. Children taught the catechism openly in the church, 95; number of times, 12.

Celebration of divine service—on Sunday, morning and evening.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 12; in private, 6; total, 18.

Contributions—offerings at communion, \$12.92; parish purposes, \$51.24; total, \$64.16.

From Nov. 13 to March 4, I had charge of Christ Church, South Chicago, and held divine service every Sunday afternoon; in all, 17 services.

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

Number of families, 272; number of souls, 1,580.

Baptisms—adult, 4; infant, 51; total, 55. Confirmed, 13. Marriages, 24; burials, 37. Communicants—present number, 310.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 40; Sunday scholars, 360.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 104; holy days, 38; other days, 76; total, 218.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 12; in private, 8; total, 20.

Contributions—fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$79.25; domestic missions, \$710; diocesan missions, \$225; aged and infirm clergymen, \$40; offerings at communion, \$360.25; parish purposes, \$6,600; other contributions for church purposes, \$880.50; total, \$8,895.

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

Number of families, 100; number of souls, estimated 500; ordinary attendance, 250.

Baptisms—adult, 5; infant, 52; total, 57. Confirmed, 17. Marriages, 6; burials, 18. Communicants—number last reported, 91; added anew, 22; removed into the parish, 14; removed from the parish, 16; died, 1; stricken from the list, 5; withdrawn, 5; present number, 100.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 25; children taught the catechism openly in the church, all the school; number of times, 12; number of members of Bible class, 40; Sunday scholars, 330; average attendance of scholars and teachers, 220; total number of young persons instructed, 370.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 104 ; holy days, the greater festivals, and from once to twice per week most of the year ; total, 175.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 12.

Contributions—fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$13.65 ; for parish Sunday school, \$200 ; domestic missions for Iowa, \$25 ; diocesan missions, \$3 ; Pastoral Aid Society, \$40 ; City Tract Society, \$25 ; for the poor, \$100 ; parish purposes, \$2,000 ; other contributions for church purposes, \$150 ; total, \$2,576.65.

The parish owns a valuable property and is entirely free from debt. The past year has been one of unusual financial embarrassment, which has very greatly crippled the means of the congregation. It is now hoped that we are on the eve of more prosperous times, and that hereafter the parish will be able, as it has always been willing, to take an active part in every good work.

The Sunday School, under the efficient superintendence of Mr. A. Hesler, has continued to prosper. The infant department is a very interesting branch of the school, and owes its prosperity, in no small degree, to the untiring labors of its Superintendent, Mrs. Ellen Buchanan.

On the whole, the prospects of the parish never appear to have been better than at present. The congregation “dwell together in unity,” and are willing, to the extent of their ability, to sustain the services.

The missionary services of the Rector have usually been, Sunday afternoons, in the suburbs of the city, and also, occasionally on week days, in different parts of the diocese.

Chicago, Trinity, Rev. James Pratt.

The present Rector of Trinity Church entered upon his duties on the 15th of March last, and hence is quite unable to make a full report for the past conventional year. It is quite impossible, with his imperfect knowledge, to give the number of individuals, or even the number of families. Neither has he yet been able so to revise the list of communicants as to state, with anything like accuracy, the present number in connexion with the parish.

In various other particulars, we cannot follow the printed form sent us by the Secretary.

We may state that the parish is united and prosperous. It has just commenced the erection of a new church edifice, which promises to be an ornament to the city, as well as a commodious and comfortable place of worship. The corner stone was laid, with appropriate religious service, on the 4th Sept., and we hope to occupy the church in April next.

The following are such statistics of the parish as we are able to present, viz. :

Baptisms—adult, 3 ; infant, 21 ; total, 24. Confirmed, 12. Marriages, 8 ; burials, (by present Rector,) 3. Communicants, say 200.

Moneys raised in the parish, viz. :

Fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$30 ; foreign missions, \$133 ; Diocesan Board of Missions, \$10 ; Pastoral Aid Society, for missions in the diocese, \$760 ; parish purposes, \$6,000 ; other contributions for church purposes, \$1,550.60 ; Church of the Ascension, \$175 ; Christ Church, South Chicago, \$50 ; missions in Kansas, \$100 ; to be appropriated at the discretion of the Rector, \$307.12 ; church in Polo, \$109 ; education of young man for the ministry, \$140 ; Trinity Church Sunday Schools, \$179.50 ; Evangelical Knowledge Society, \$65 ; American Bible Society, \$206.50 ; American Seaman's Friend Society, \$10 ; Griswold College, Iowa, \$1,000 ; Chicago Tract Society, \$100 ; American Church Missionary Society, \$100 ; Irish missions, \$27.65 ; total, \$11,053.37.

No mention is made in this report of the sums raised for the building of the new church.

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

Number of families, 35 ; number of souls, 161.

Baptisms—adult, 2 ; infant, 17 ; total, 19. Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 2 ; burials, 1. Communicants—added anew, 3 ; removed into the parish, 5 ; removed from the parish, 2 ; present number, 35.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 10 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 59 ; number of times, monthly ; total number of young persons instructed, 59.

Celebration of divine service by the late Rector, regularly, to May 20th ; from that time, to August 1st, when the present Rector took charge of the parish, there was regularly lay reading by Mr. L. Burrows, once each Sunday.

The holy communion—No. of times celebrated in public, monthly.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$29 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$4.35 ; foreign missions, \$4 ; domestic missions, \$11 ; diocesan missions, \$12.40 ; aged and infirm clergymen, \$2.90 ; offerings at communion, \$34.79 ; parish purposes, \$43.69 ; other contributions for church purposes, \$862 ; total, \$1,004.13.

The present incumbent having entered upon the duties of his office in this parish, on the 1st of August last, the foregoing report is necessarily imperfect.

It affords the Rector peculiar gratification to report that, since he took charge of the parish, the congregation, with very commendable liberality, have raised funds sufficient to relieve the church entirely from its indebtedness, and the church property having been secured by deed, the building is now ready for consecration.

Efforts are also being made, with good prospect of success, to secure the lot adjoining the church, for the purpose of building a rectory upon it ; the erection and completion of which, it is hoped, will be effected within the next twelve months.

Dixon, St. Luke's, Rev. A. J. Warner.

Number of families, 31 ; number of souls, 100.

Baptisms—infant, 7. Confirmed, 1. Burials, 1. Communicants—removed into the parish, 2 ; removed from the parish, 8 ; died, 1 ; present number, 27.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 4 ; Sunday scholars, 12.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 17.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 3 ; in private, 1 ; total, 4.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$9.72 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$4.08 ; offerings at communion, \$12.01 ; total, \$25.81.

Since the removal of its last Rector, August 31st, 1859, until July 1st, 1860, this parish has been without the services of a minister. In the mean time, its most efficient layman and several communicants had removed, and all are suffering from late pecuniary embarrassments. In this state of things, it was found necessary to unite it with Grand Detour, in order to secure even a partial continuance of the services.

Since my arrival here, the debt on the church lot has been extinguished, and the system of weekly collections, for the support of the services, adopted. This, though not yet fully tested, shows an increase in the amount of the collections, which promises well, but is not as yet quite equal to what had been expected.

Elgin, Redeemer, Rev. Samuel D. Pulford.

Number of families, 18 ; number of souls, 59.

Baptisms—infant, 4. Marriages, 1 ; burials, 3. Communicants—removed from the parish, 1 ; present number, 27.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 2 ; Sunday scholars, 10.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$5 ; diocesan missions, \$7.20 ; parish purposes, \$299.68 ; total, \$311.88.

The above report reaches back to the 25th of last March, at which time the present Rector entered upon his duties in this parish. Every fourth Sunday is devoted to Algonquin.

The peculiar circumstances which mark the early history of the Church in Elgin, fully explain the cause of its present restricted growth. Though weak in numbers, the parish is strong in faith and hope and works. Words and deeds of sympathy, and frequent substantial tokens of good will from his parishioners, cheer the heart of the Rector, and lead him to look with confidence to the future.

The parish is working successfully on the "free church" plan.

Farmington, Calvary, . . . Rev. John Benson.

Number of families, 21 ; number of souls, 80.

Baptisms—adult, 2 ; infant, 3 ; total, 5. Marriages, 1 ; burials, 4.

Communicants—present number, 40.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 6 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 17 to 20 (by the Rector) ; number of times, 8 ; total number of young persons instructed, 35.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 40 ; other days, 14 ; total, 54.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 10.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$31 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$6 ; foreign missions, \$16.56 ; domestic missions, \$10.55 ; diocesan missions, \$29.40 ; aged and infirm clergymen, \$5.68 ; offerings at communion, \$15.56 ; other contributions for church purposes, about \$350 ; total, \$464.75.

Half of the Rector's time has been given to other places, but the church has been open every Sunday for lay service.

There have been none confirmed since the meeting of the last Convention, the Bishop having made no visit here as yet. A few candidates are awaiting the Bishop's coming.

The Rector mourns over the slight returns he has this year to chronicle in the different portions of his field of labor. May he be enabled to look with more of trust and dependence to the gracious Lord of the harvest, who alone can give the increase.

Farm Ridge, St. Andrew's, . . . Rev. Henry T. Heister.

Number of families, 26 ; number of souls, 135.

Baptisms—infant, 1. Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 1 ; burials, 3.

Communicants—added anew, 4 ; stricken from list for non-attendance, 2 ; present number, 42.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 8 ; total number of young persons instructed, 40.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 58 ; holy days, 3 ; other days, 1 ; total, 62.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 12.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$16.50 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$11.30 ; diocesan missions, \$11 ; total, \$38.80.

In addition to the services reported above, I have officiated a number of times in distant portions of the parish, on Sunday afternoons, and on several occasions in the village of Utica, where the people have been without stated services since the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Woodward.

Freeport, Zion, Rev. R. L. Chittenden,
 LETE RECTOR.

Number of families, 53 ; number of souls, 205.

Baptisms—infant, 9 ; adult, 1 ; total, 10. Marriages, 4 ; burials, 8. Communicants—last reported, 34 ; added, 14 ; lost by removal, 1 ; present number, 47.

Sunday school scholars on roll, about 90 ; teachers, 10.

Contributions—episcopate fund, \$18.66 ; contingent fund, \$12.35 ; Sunday school purposes, \$5.42 ; Pastoral Aid Society (by its agent), \$22.67 ; other collections in church not included in the above, \$23.70 ; for sundry objects, say \$54 ; parish purposes, \$393.45 ; total, \$530.25.

The above includes statistics down to June 6th, 1860, when the present Rector's resignation takes effect, he having accepted a call to Elyria, Ohio.

In December, a ladies' festival in aid of the parish, was held, which realized nearly \$100. Were this report a week later, the sum recorded for parish purposes would be larger. Other material tokens of good will have been received by the Rector.

The parish has prospered reasonably in spiritual things. It is hoped a suitable pastor will be procured to carry on the work, which the writer leaves with regret.

I took charge of this parish on the 1st of August. There have been no changes to report since Mr. Chittenden's resignation. The congregations are good, but the Sunday school has decreased. We very much need to have the church edifice enlarged.

S. R. WELDON.

Galena, Grace, Rev. Hugh M. Thompson.

Number of families, 60 ; number of souls, 300.

Baptisms—adult, 7 ; infant, 19 ; total, 26. Confirmed, 14. Marriages, 1 ; burials, 10. Communicants—added anew, 12 ; removed into the parish, 4 ; removed from the parish, 3 ; present number, 78.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 13 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 112 ; number of times, 52 ; members of other classes for religious instruction, 15 ; total number of young persons instructed, 127.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 100 ; holy days, 28 ; other days, 110 ; total, 238.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 14.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$1 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$15 ; foreign missions, \$12 ; domestic missions, \$25 ; diocesan missions, \$43 ; offerings at communion, \$90.15 ; parish purposes, (incidentals, \$317.62 ; parsonage fund, \$384.43,) \$702.05 ; for Nashotah, \$68 ; total, \$957.20.

The number of communicants reported is much smaller, even with

the increase, than that heretofore reported. The Rector explains, by stating that he does not report those who reside out of the city, at such distances that they seldom attend worship. There are a large number of such, but they add nothing to the available strength of the parish, are neither pew holders nor contributors, and their numbers would only give a false idea of the strength of the parish. He reports only the actual resident communicants and families as above.

An effort has been made towards the procuring of a parsonage, and a fund begun, as above, for the purpose. It will be increased during the coming year, and, if possible, the parsonage obtained. It is greatly needed.

The parish is harmonious and united, and, according to its ability, is rich in good works. The poor it especially remembers.

Galesburg, Grace, Rev. William T. Smithett.

Number of families, 47 ; number of souls, 132.

Baptisms—adult, 7 ; infant, 12 ; total, 19. Confirmed, 12. Burials, 3. Communicants—present number, 31.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 6 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 26 ; number of times, 8 ; members of other classes for religious instruction, 6 ; total number of young persons instructed, 32.

Celebration of divine service—number of times on Sunday, 76 ; holy days, 4 ; other days, 45 ; total, 125.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 8.

Contributions—fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$4.65 ; diocesan missions, \$7.75 ; offerings at communion, \$28 ; parish purposes, including salary and first installment on church building, about \$1,300 ; total, \$1,340.40.

The present Rector took charge of this parish (in connection with that at Knoxville) immediately after the rising of the last Convention, soon after which the organization was effected and completed. Steps were also immediately taken to secure the erection of a church, which is now in course of completion, and will be ready for occupancy towards the close of November. The whole building, fitted for the celebration of divine service, together with the land, will cost little over \$4,000, (a considerable portion of which we hope to get from our brethren abroad,) and will afford accommodation for nearly 300 persons. The congregation of Grace Church, at present, in the close and confined third story hall, used for worship, averages about 100 persons.

In addition to the above services, the Rector of Grace Church has preached occasionally during the conventional year at Abingdon, Macomb, Prairie City, Oneida and Wataga, from eight to twenty-five miles distant, and where parishioners of either Grace Church, or St. John's, Knoxville, reside. Regular services have also been held at

Monmouth, Warren county, and at Oquawka, Henderson county, in both of which places there is a promising nucleus for a future church, and where we hope soon to see a parish organization effected. At Monmouth there are some twenty Church families, comprising at least fifty souls, about ten of whom are communicants; at Oquawka, about twelve families, with thirty souls, and some six communicants. These are additional figures to those given in the regular report above, although the Rector of Grace Church, Galesburg, has been in the habit of regarding himself missionary in charge of these two neighboring county towns.

Grand Detour, St. Peter's, . . . Rev. A. J. Warner.

Number of families, 14; number of souls, 50.

Communicants, 16.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 10.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 2.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$5.96; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$2.16; offerings at communion, \$4.53; parish purposes, \$37; total, \$49.65.

This parish, which contains the first church erected on Rock river, within this Diocese, and the first, also, which it was your lot to consecrate, still lives, although it has not greatly increased since that time. That it has not advanced as rapidly as other parishes in its vicinity, is mainly owing to the fact that the railroads have diverted its business and population to other places near by. The present missionary has been settled here and at Dixon but little over two months, and, therefore, has, as you see, not much to report.

Hyde Park, St. Paul's, . . . Dr. Jacob Bockee,

LAY READER.

Number of families, 13; number of souls, 61.

Baptisms—infant, 1, by Rev. Clinton Locke. Communicants—present number, 14.

Sunday school teachers, 3; Sunday scholars, 18.

Sunday school library, 127 volumes.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 59.

The morning service of the church has been maintained throughout the year by lay reading, and evening service has been held seven times by clergymen from Chicago.

Jacksonville, Trinity, . . . Rev. T. N. Morrison.

Number of families, 35; number of souls, 250.

Baptisms—adult, 4; infant, 12; total, 16. Confirmed, 6. Marriages, 2; burials, 6. Communicants—added anew, 6; removed into

the parish, 4 ; removed from the parish, 3 ; died, 1 ; present number, 76.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 6 ; Sunday scholars, 40.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 90 ; holy days, 3 ; other days, 20 ; total, 123.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 12 ; in private, 2 ; total, 14.

Contributions—fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$11.40 ; foreign missions, \$43.40 ; domestic missions, \$16 ; diocesan missions, \$80 ; aged and infirm clergymen, 29.05 ; total, \$179.85.

Joliet, Christ, Rev. John Wilkinson.

Number of families, 40 ; number of souls, about 200.

Baptisms—adult, 9 ; infant, 14 ; total, 23. Confirmed, 24. Marriages, 5 ; burials, 7. Communicants—added anew, 23 ; removed into the parish, 7 ; removed from the parish, 10 ; present number, 70.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 12 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 75 ; number of times, 10 ; total number of young persons instructed, 75.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday 96 ; holy days, 12 ; other days, 88 ; total, 196.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 13 ; in private, 1 ; total, 14.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$38.25 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$7.65 ; foreign missions, \$7.48 ; domestic missions, \$11 ; diocesan missions, \$36.10 ; aged and infirm clergymen, \$9 ; offerings at communion, \$56.09 ; parish purposes, \$129.93 ; other contributions for church purposes, \$62.88 ; total, \$358.38.

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

Number of families, 42 ; number of souls, 125.

Baptisms—adult, 11 ; infant, 23 ; total, 34. Confirmed, 9. Marriages, 1 ; burials, 5. Communicants—added anew, 11 ; present number, 43.

Sunday school teachers, 10 ; children catechised openly in the church, once a month ; number of times, 9 ; Sunday scholars, including a large female Bible class, 70.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 75 ; holy days, 3 ; other days, 25 ; total, 103.

The holy communion, monthly and on holy days ; number of times celebrated in public, 10.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$18 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$5 ; diocesan missions, \$14.01 ; offerings at communion, \$33.36 ; parish purposes, \$566 ;

Fort Dodge, Iowa, \$5 ; St. Paul's, Brunswick, Maine, toward font, \$3 ; whole amount, \$636.37.

The present incumbent took charge of this parish the first Sunday in December, 1859, it having been without pastoral supervision for eight months. During this time, it had lost none of its vitality, the Sunday school being kept in constant and active operation, in connection with regular lay services in the church by Rufus P. Parrish, Esq., to whom, with the joint co-operation of a most efficient vestry, this parish is largely indebted for fostering care, wise counsel and substantial aid.

A cast steel bell of nearly 900 pounds, made in Sheffield, England, has been procured at a cost of \$346, and has been placed in the bell-turret, which required some enlargement. Twenty dollars have been expended in the ornamenting of the church grounds with trees and shrubs.

During the past nine months, the ladies of the parish have made an appeal to the Church at large, for assistance in discharging an indebtedness of some twelve hundred dollars incurred in the erection of the church building ; and a response has been received to the amount of four hundred and forty-two dollars. They still retain the energy and zeal of other days, though somewhat desponding on account of the *pressure* yet unremoved. The crash of '57, *long to be remembered*, had its influence upon this community, and the church came in for a full share of disappointment and trial. Had the pledges then made been fulfilled, no appeal would have been necessary, and long since a parsonage, so much needed, would have been built upon the lot purchased for that purpose.

The spiritual condition of the parish has improved. May the blessing of God, who is our only hope and life, still be ours !

Kickapoo, St. Luke's, Rev. John R. West,

MISSIONARY.

Number of families, 6 ; number of souls, about 40.

Marriages, 1. Communicants—removed from the parish, 7 ; present number, 10.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 18.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated, in private, 1.

The appointed fortnightly services were regularly kept up by the Missionary at Jubilee College, till the destruction of the church by fire on the 29th day of April last. This calamity, purely accidental, has paralyzed all parochial effort, so that the parish, before in a great measure dependent on "Christ Church," Robin's Nest, now virtually merges into the latter. Indeed the parish has become so feeble, that its existence at the present, as an organization, can answer no good purpose.

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

Number of families, 38 ; number of souls, 115.

Baptisms—adult, 3 ; infant, 3 ; total, 6. Confirmed, 9. Communicants—present number, 27.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 5 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 19 ; number of times, 6 ; members of other classes for religious instruction, 8 ; total number of young persons instructed, 27.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 74 ; holy days, 3 ; other days, 42 ; total, 119.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 6.

Contributions—fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$4.05 ; diocesan missions, \$6.75 ; offerings at communion, \$17 ; for parish purposes, including salary, \$465 ; other contributions for church purposes, \$40 ; total, \$532.80.

This parish, organized several years ago under the advice and auspices of the late venerable and venerated Diocesan, remained in a mere nominal condition until September 20th, last, when the present Rector entered upon the joint charge with Galesburg. The congregation now averages 80 persons, worshipping in a temporary house, formerly used by the Baptists. A lot of land has been secured, as a donation from Mrs. Capt. Jack, of Shabbona Grove, and measures are in progress for building a church immediately, to cost some \$3,000, and to accommodate two hundred worshippers. The contract is about being entered into, and we hope to occupy the edifice by Easter. The parish will raise about \$2,000 towards the church building.

Lacon, St. John's, Rev. C. P. Clarke.

Number of families, 24 ; number of souls, 120.

Baptisms—infant, 4. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Communicants—added anew, 1 ; removed from the parish, 1 ; present number, resident, 7, non-resident, 8, total, 15.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 3 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 30 ; total number of young persons instructed, 35.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 104 ; holy days, 2 ; total, 106.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 12.

Contributions—fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$2.25 ; foreign missions, \$2.70 ; domestic missions, \$2.62 ; diocesan missions, \$9.33 ; aged and infirm clergymen, \$2.45 ; offerings at communion, \$37.20 ; parish purposes, \$1,100 ; total, \$1,156.55.

During the past summer the parish has erected a neat and commodious chapel, 22 by 48 feet, which is tastefully finished and furnished

at an expense of a little more than a thousand dollars, and which will ordinarily seat a hundred and fifty persons. This has been done without any foreign aid, and what is particularly gratifying, the parish, as a corporation, is not in debt one cent either for grounds or superstructure.

The chapel was opened for divine worship on the 12th of August.

Lee Centre, St. Paul's, . . . Rev. W. M. A. Brodnax.

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

Baptisms—infant, 2. Burials, 1. Communicants—added anew, 1 ; present number, 19.

Total number of young persons instructed, 10.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 47.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 8.

Contributions—Offerings at communion, \$9.33 ; other contributions for church purposes, \$3 ; total, \$12.33.

There are very few children in the congregation, and we have thought it best to form a Bible class of those of suitable age, so that they may be instructed, and be made competent to teach when a Sunday school may be organized. The congregation has steadily increased.

Lewistown, St. James', Vacant.

Number of families, 13 ; number of souls, 62.

Baptisms—adult, 1. Marriages, 1. Communicants—added anew, 4 ; removed into the parish, 4 ; present number, 18.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 4 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 15 ; Sunday scholars, 10 ; total number of young persons instructed, 25.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 98 ; holy days, 3 ; total, 101.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 9.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$16 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$1.60 ; domestic missions, \$4 ; diocesan missoins, \$8.84 ; offerings at communion, \$27.14 ; parish purposes, \$355 ; other contributions for church purposes, \$5 ; total, \$417.58.

The vacancy in our Rectorship since Easter Monday, and the hard times, have induced us to postpone the commencement of work on our proposed church edifice until another year, when (D. V.) we hope to be able to build a neat Gothic church.

S. CORNING JUDD, *Senior Warden.*

Limestone, Christ, Rev. John Benson.

Number of families, 17 ; number of souls, 85.

Baptisms—infant, 10. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4. Communicants—added anew, 7 ; present number, 27.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 5 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 12 ; number of times, 7 ; total number of young persons instructed, 30.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 33 ; other days, 5 ; total, 38.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 7 ; in private, 1 ; total, 8.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$20 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$4.05 ; foreign missions, \$3.50 ; domestic missions, \$3.50 ; diocesan missions, \$25.75 ; aged and infirm clergymen, \$6 ; offerings at communion, \$17.12 ; other contributions for church purposes, about \$250 ; total, \$329.92.

St. James', Lewistown, being able to sustain a Rector of its own, I gave up the charge of that parish immediately after the last Convention, and resumed that of Christ Church, Limestone, in connection with Calvary, Farmington. Between these parishes my time has been divided. I have held two services on each Sunday, except for the last five weeks, when my health has not allowed me to hold more than one. The church has been open for lay reading every Sunday.

St. James', Lewistown, having been without a rector since Easter, at the request of the vestry, and by permission of my vestry, I officiated at Lewistown on five Sundays, two services each Sunday, and administered the Holy Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The Rev. Mr. West, of Jubilee, kindly supplied my place on three Sundays in Christ Church, Limestone, and on one in Calvary Church, Farmington. I have held service and preached four times in other places, and baptized three children.

Lockport, St. John's, Rev. Samuel Cowell.

Number of families, 30 ; number of souls, 96.

Baptisms—adult, 1 ; infant, 5 ; total, 6. Confirmed, 1. Marriages, 4. Burials, 4. Communicants—added anew, 1 ; removed from the parish, 1 ; present number, 33.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 4 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 20 ; number of times, 6 ; total number of young persons instructed, 20.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 114 ; holy days, 1 ; total, 115.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 11.

Contributions—foreign missions, \$5 ; Pastoral Aid Society, \$5 ;

Griswold College, \$5; communion alms, \$13.17; parish purposes, \$9.98; total, \$38.15.

The Rector of this parish would add, that during the past Conventional year he has officiated regularly as Chaplain of the State Penitentiary, preaching upon Sunday, and visiting the convicts from time to time at their cells. There are now nearly seven hundred men in this house of bondage, many of whom are young in years, and not entirely hardened to the saving power of the gospel. To such, tracts and religious papers are very acceptable, when the hand of charity, so freely extended elsewhere, is mindful of prisoners and captives; and I have reason to believe that some are reclaimed, and led into the paths of virtue through these charities. The responses to our excellent service are encouraging, and the singing, which the men seem much to enjoy, heart stirring. This field of labor, however, is so wide, and presents so many points of interest, both with regard to the condition of the convicts, and also of the duty of the Christian public toward them, that it is impossible in this report to enter into any particulars.

Manhattan, St. Paul's, . . . Rev. Charles B. Stout.

Number of families, about 20; number of souls, 80.

Baptisms—adult, 3; infant, 2; total, 5. Confirmed, 3. Communicants—added anew, 6; removed into the parish, 1; removed from the parish, 1; present number, 24.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 5; Sunday scholars, about 15 to 18.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 36.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 6.

Contributions—diocesan missions, \$2.50; offerings at communion, \$17.67; parish purposes, (repairs of windows, after tornado), \$20; other contributions for church purposes, (Sunday school), \$3; total, \$43.15.

There has been great pecuniary depression in this interesting parish for the past two years, but it is now hoped a better day is dawning.

Marengo, Advent, . . . Rev. J. H. Waterbury.

Number of families, 20; number of souls, 150.

Baptisms—adult, 1; infant, 7; total, 8. Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 3. Burials, 2. Communicants—present number, 30. Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 8; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 50; number of times, 12; members of other classes for religious instruction, 10; Sunday scholars, 40; total number of young persons instructed, 100.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 40; holy days, 8; other days, 52; total, 100.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 12.

Contributions—foreign missions, \$2.15 ; domestic missions, \$2.15 ; diocesan missions, \$2.15 ; aged and infirm clergymen, \$1.50 ; offerings at communion, \$21.46 ; parish purposes, \$279.34 ; other contributions for church purposes, about \$3,500 ; total, \$3,808.75.

This parish prefers not to be represented in the Diocesan Convention, until it is able to pay canonical liabilities. The church (with bell and complete furniture) is paid for, and was consecrated Feb. 26, 1860. A mortgage of over \$1,000 still remains on the parsonage and glebe land. The church property is fairly estimated at \$6,000. The attempt of a few "members of Christ" to establish the church secure from worldly alienation, has necessarily absorbed duty to the general calls of the gospel. It is hoped we will not need missionary aid after this year.

Mattoon, Trinity, Rev. John Wesley Osborne.

Number of families, 6 ; number of souls, 29.

Confirmed, 6. Communicants—removed into the parish, 2 ; died, 1 ; present number, 6. Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 12.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 1.

Contributions—offerings at communion, \$3 ; parish purposes, \$70 ; other contributions for church purposes, \$20 ; total, \$93.

Celebration of divine service out of the mission—number of times, 29. Baptisms—infant, 9. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4.

Received from the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, fifty Prayer Books.

Our prospects are very good ; the congregation very large ; the work of the Lord reviving.

Morris, St. Thomas', Vacant.

Number of families, 18 ; number of souls, 60.

Baptisms—infant, 7. Communicants—added anew, 2 ; removed into the parish, 4 ; present number, 22.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 6 ; Sunday scholars, 25.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 35 ; other days, 10 ; total, 45.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 3.

B. F. MATTESON, *Lay Reader.*

Naperville, St. John's, Vacant.

The Senior Warden of St. John's Church, Naperville, DuPage county, presents the following report :

Number of families, 8 ; number of souls, about 30.

Baptisms—adult, 1 ; infant, 1 ; total, 2. Confirmed, 10. Communicants, 9.

The parish has been without a Rector during the whole year, and is indebted to Rev. Messrs. Spaulding, of Aurora, Wilkinson of Joliet, and Locke, of Chicago, for occasional services. There is at the present time, a large and growing interest in the Church—of which the number of persons confirmed at the Bishop's visitation in June last, is sufficient evidence—and we hope in another year to report large and substantial improvement in the affairs of the parish, both spiritual and temporal.

S. P. STEVENS, *Senior Warden.*

Ottawa, Christ, Rev. T. N. Benedict.

Number of families, 88 ; number of souls, about 350.

Baptisms—adult, 1 ; infant, 29 ; total, 30. Confirmed, 16. Marriages, 4. Burials, 16. Communicants—added anew, 18 ; removed into the parish, 3 ; removed from the parish, 9 ; died, 4 ; present number, 90.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 18 ; children taught the catechism openly in the Sunday school every Sunday ; members of other classes for religious instruction, 15 ; Sunday scholars, 150 ; total number of young persons instructed, 165.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 102 ; holy days, 32 ; other days, 37 ; total, 171.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 12 ; in private, 3 ; total, 15.

Contributions—fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$12.30 ; foreign missions, \$20 ; diocesan missions, \$74 ; aged and infirm clergymen, \$9.67 ; offerings at communion, \$46.67 ; parish purposes, \$237.52 ; other contributions for church purposes, \$20 ; total, \$420.16.

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

Number of families, 80 ; number of souls, about 300.

Baptisms—children, 13. Marriages, 2. Burials, 8. Communicants—removed into the parish, 1 ; died, 1 ; present number, 90.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 18 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 75 ; number of times, 4 ; Sunday scholars, 75 ; total number of young persons instructed, 125.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 38 ; other days, 14 ; total, 52.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 4.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$34.35 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$13.50 ; diocesan

missions, \$22.55 ; offerings at communion, \$41.21 ; parish purposes, \$876 ; other contributions for church purposes, \$42 ; total, \$1,029.61.

The Rev. Dr. Strong resigned the charge of the parish in September, 1859. For a period of eight months, with the exception of one or two services, the church was closed. On the fourth Sunday after Easter, (May 6th, 1860,) the present Rector entered upon his duties. At considerable expense, the church edifice has been put in good repair, repainted, papered, and frescoed within the church.

Although the number of one hundred and thirty-eight communicants appear upon the parish register, but 90 persons can at present be found as regular communicants of the church.

Peru, St. Paul's, Rev. A. J. Warner.

Number of families, 23 ; number of souls, 122.

Baptisms—infant, 18. Marriages, 2 ; burials, 3. Communicants—removed into the parish, 1 ; removed from the parish, 3 ; present number, 23.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 8 ; Sunday scholars, 30.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 57 ; holy days, 19 ; total, 86.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 9.

Contributions—diocesan missions, \$2 ; aged and infirm clergymen, \$2 ; parish purposes, \$1.17 ; other contributions for church purposes, \$53 ; total, \$58.17.

This is a statement of the condition of the parish during the time of my ministration, ending July, 1860. While in charge of the parish, I was called to baptize three persons—one adult, and two children, in Utica, where I performed the Church services, and preached three times. I officiated at two funerals in Ottawa, and baptized one child.

Polo, Trinity, Rev. S. T. Carpenter.

Number of families, 42 ; number of souls, 150.

Baptisms—adult, 1 ; infant, 2 ; total, 3. Confirmed, 5. Communicants—added anew, 10 ; removed into the parish, 4 ; removed from the parish, 5 ; present number, 27. Marriages, 2. Burials, 2.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 11 ; Sunday scholars, 77 ; Bible class, 21 ; total, 109.

Celebration of divine service—twice a Sunday, together with a third service at different points in the country around.

Contributions—for parish purposes, \$1,000 ; obtained from abroad, \$255 ; offerings at communion, \$10.15 ; total, \$1,265.15.

I entered upon the duties of Rector of this parish immediately after the last Convention. During the year we have been engaged in building a church designed to seat two hundred people, at a cost of \$1,500,

—a plain, but comfortable place of worship, in good taste and church-like appearance. Though unfinished, it has been very comfortable for the summer. Determined not to embarrass the parish with debt, we have aimed to build only as we are able to pay. The parish has been enabled to accomplish a good work, notwithstanding the pressure of the times. We have made an appeal abroad for help, which has been responded to with some liberality, sufficient to enable us to finish the vestry room and chancel, and to furnish the church with temporary seats. We hope to make an effort soon to finish the church before winter; or at least to get it plastered, and made comfortable for cold weather.

This parish affords an encouraging field of labor; as the centre of a rich and improving country, which promises to build up a place of business of no little importance. If the growth of this place continues for the next five years, as it has for the last five, we may reasonably hope by that time, the parish will require, and be able to build a new and more spacious church.

Princeton, Redeemer, Rev. George C. Street.

Number of families, 17; number of souls, 79.

Baptisms—adult, 2; infant, 11; total, 14. Confirmed, 6. Burials, 1. Communicants—added anew, 6; removed into the parish, 4; removed from the parish, 5; present number, 20.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 32; other days, 1; total, 33.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 7.

Contributions—fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$3.75; domestic missions, \$1.61; diocesan missions, \$4.31; parish purposes, \$100; total, \$109.67.

A building site has been secured in the parish during the past year, and it is confidently hoped that before the close of another Conventional year, a church edifice may be erected.

Providence, Zion, Rev. George C. Street.

Number of families, 20; number of souls, 111.

Baptisms—infant, 2. Marriages, 2. Burials, 1. Communicants—removed into the parish, 3; present number, 30.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 23.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 6.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$10.50; for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$13.25; domestic missions, 90 cts.; diocesan missions, \$5.55; offerings at communion, \$1.26; parish purposes, \$80; total, \$111.46.

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

Number of families, about 100.

Baptisms—adult, 6 ; infant, 18 ; total, 24. Confirmed, 32. Marriages, 2. Burials, 14. Communicants—removed from the parish, 25 ; present number, 134.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 26 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church,—number of times, 15 ; members of other classes for religious instruction, 30 ; Sunday scholars, 180.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 104 ; holy days, 3 ; total, 107.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 13.

Contributions—fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$19.50 ; foreign missions, \$20 ; domestic missions, \$25 ; diocesan missions, \$71 ; offerings at communion, \$134.54 ; parish purposes—not including rector's salary, \$326 ; for support of three orphan children, say \$100 ; Sunday school offering for Nashotah, \$6.50 ; total, \$702.54.

In addition to the regular duties of the parish, the Rector has visited the vacant parish at Mendon, 16 miles distant, once in two weeks, with exception of a time in the winter, and held a service on an evening in the week. Besides this, the Rector has held a service about three Sundays in the month since May, in a Methodist chapel, seven miles from Quincy. Here is a thickly settled rural district, where there is a small Methodist society, whose services occur only once in three weeks ; and the attendance on the services of the Church, are such as to justify the hope that in a short time we shall organize a parish.

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

Number of families, 26 ; number of souls, 160.

Baptisms—infant, 7. Communicants—removed into the parish, 3 ; removed from the parish, 6 ; present number, 65.

Children taught the catechism openly in the church, 30 ; number of times, 40 ; Sunday scholars, 60 ; total number of young persons instructed, 90.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 104 ; holy days, 13 ; total, 117.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 14 ; in private, 1 ; total, 15.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$32.50 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$9.75 ; domestic missions, \$8.45 ; diocesan missions, \$60 ; aged and infirm clergymen, \$8 ; offerings at communion, \$38.45 ; parish purposes, \$438 ; total, \$595.15.

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

Number of families, 7 ; number of souls, 28.

Baptisms—infant, 1. Confirmed, 12. Communicants—added anew, 4 ; removed into the parish, 4 ; removed from the parish, 1 ; present number, 12.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 8 ; other days, 18 ; total, 26.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 4.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$9 ; offerings at communion, \$20 ; parish purposes, \$73.75 ; total, \$102.75.

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

Number of families, 100 ; number of souls, 400.

Baptisms—infant, 7 ; adult, 31 ; total, 38. Confirmed, 16. Marriages, 3. Burials, 6. Communicants—added anew, 30 ; removed into the parish, 13 ; removed from the parish, 16 ; died, 1 ; present number, 149.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 15 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 110 ; number of times, 10 ; members of other classes for religious instruction, 18 ; total number of young persons instructed, 128.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 102 ; holy days, 5 ; other days, 16 ; total, 123.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 14 ; in private, 2 ; total, 16.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$14.50 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$22.50 ; foreign missions, \$10.33 ; domestic missions, \$53.60 ; diocesan missions, \$118.85 ; aged and infirm clergymen, \$54.50 ; offerings at communion, \$118.70 ; parish purposes, \$125.51 ; other contributions for church purposes, \$6.90 ; clerical delegates to general convention, \$10.95 ; total, \$537.84.

This year's report we had hoped would show an enlargement of our church edifice. We are disappointed. Next year we hope to be more successful. Complaints are still increasing of poor persons kept from church—not being able to obtain seats.

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

Number of families, 35 ; number of souls, 125.

Baptisms—adult, 7 ; infant, 11 ; total, 18. Confirmed, 12. Marriages, 4. Burials, 7. Communicants—added anew, 12 ; removed from the parish, 7 ; died, 1 ; present number, 44.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 5 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, 30 ; number of times, 12 ; total number of young persons instructed, 35.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 100 ; holy days, 25 ; other days, 40 ; total, 165.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 12.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$15 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$5.85 ; domestic missions, \$7 ; diocesan missions, \$5 ; offerings at communion, \$23.84 ; parish purposes, \$200 ; total, \$256.69.

The Rector of St. Peter's Church has to report a slow but steady and healthful progress in his parish. Great credit is due to the little band of Church people, who have so willingly and faithfully labored here ; and especially would the Rector bear testimony to the zealous and unremitting efforts of the female members of this church. In every proper way have they heartily co-operated with the Rector in permanently establishing the Church. May God bless our efforts in the future, and to Him be all our praise.

Tiskilwa, St. Jude's, . . . Rev. George C. Street.

Number of families, 14 ; number of souls, 70.

Baptisms—adult, 1 ; infant, 2 ; total, 3. Confirmed, 5. Marriages, 1. Burials, 3. Communicants—added anew, 7 ; removed into the parish, 3 ; removed from the parish, 4 ; present number, 23.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 4 ; Sunday scholars, 15 ; total number of young persons instructed, 15.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 52 ; holy days, 2 ; other days, 4 ; total, 58.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 11.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$17 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$7.70 ; domestic missions, \$4.60 ; diocesan missions, \$4.71 ; aged and infirm clergymen, \$1.53 ; parish purposes, including offerings at communion, \$413.59 ; total, \$449.13.

In the course of the past year, this parish has provided itself with an excellent melodeon, at a cost of one hundred dollars. A fund of upwards of thirty dollars has also been paid towards the purchase of Communion plate. A heavy debt of long standing has been lately removed, and a lot secured, upon which steps are now being taken to erect a church.

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

Number of families, 28 ; number of souls, 140.

Baptisms—infant, 1. Marriages, 2. Burials, 3. Communicants—present number, 30.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 10 ; Sunday scholars catechised by the Rector once a month ; total number of young persons instructed, 75.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 35.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 4.

Contributions—fund for the support of the episcopate, \$14.10 ; fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$4.50 ; diocesan missions, \$9 ; parish purposes (Sunday school), \$7.85 ; total, \$35.45.

After resigning my Missionary charge in Southern Illinois, I spent the winter and part of spring in officiating, chiefly in the diocese of Michigan and that of New York. During this period, I read service sixty times, preached thirty-five times, and celebrated the Holy Communion three times. Having recovered my accustomed health, I accepted a call to this parish, and entered on my duties here the first Sunday in May. The above report, therefore, is for little more than four months. Although this parish has suffered loss by removals, and a long vacancy in pastoral care, we think that the present prospect is encouraging.

The congregations are returning to their former numbers, while the Sunday school has nearly doubled in size, thereby giving good hope for the future.

Waukegan, Christ, Rev. W. H. Cooper.

Number of families, 39 ; number of souls, 165.

Baptisms—adult, 1 ; infant, 11 ; total, 12. Confirmed, 4. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. Communicants—added anew, 7 ; removed into the parish, 8 ; removed from the parish, 3 ; present number, 45.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 9 ; children taught the catechism openly in the church, (average,) 45 ; number of times, 5.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 62 ; holy days, 1 ; other days—all Tuesdays, and Wednesday and Friday in Lent—say 30 ; total, 93.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 6.

Contributions—offerings at communion, for parish purposes, and for other church purposes, (collections weekly,) in all about \$750, exclusive of Rector's salary ; St. Mark's Church, Fort Dodge, Iowa, \$10 ; total, \$760.

The undersigned took charge of the parish on the 4th of March. He found it considerably depressed. The Lenten semi-weekly service was immediately commenced, and well attended. It was soon resolved to cleanse and fresco the interior of the church. This led to an effort at further and much needed improvement. A festival was held. The clumsy looking chimnies were taken down, and replaced by a neat arrangement for heating the building. The unsightly front gable was pierced for a large Catharine or wheel window, beneath which a gallery for the choir was built, and a neat entrance porch was added ; and at

the west end, the brick was torn away from beneath an arch originally constructed for the purpose, and a noble chancel, 16 by 18 feet, with a vestry room adjoining, 12 by 16 feet, were also added. This of course allowed of the introduction of more pews. The windows were then all filled with beautiful stained glass, and the whole completed at an expense of about \$750 to \$800—nearly the whole provided by the congregation.

The building—a good substantial brick edifice—once so plain, is now one of the most attractive village churches in the western country ; and it is hoped the congregation may increase accordingly.

Another year, if possible, we desire to add a tower, spire and bell. For the present, to avoid debt, it was necessary to be content with what had been accomplished. The congregations are considered good, but not by any means what the present Rector would hope to see them. With a very moral people, we need much an outpouring of the *quickening* grace of the Holy Spirit. The expenditures of the year—of pecuniary importance to us as a parish—will account for the absence of contributions to deserving, but extra-parochial objects. Had these been added, as we could have wished, a debt would have been incurred, always evil in its results, or the work would have remained undone, and the parish have suffered in consequence.

Waverly, Christ, Vacant.

Number of families, 6 ; number of souls, 30.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 3.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 1.

Contributions—fund for the contingent expenses of the convention, \$1.50 ; foreign missions, \$10 ; domestic missions, \$11 ; diocesan missions, \$5 ; offerings at communion, \$2 ; parish purposes, \$6 ; total, \$34.50.

Our number remains the same as last year, and can hardly be expected to increase while we have no regular services of the Church, and have not seen our beloved Diocesan for the last five years.

S. G. M. ALLIS, *Senior Warden.*

Wilmington, Redeemer, Rev. Charles B. Stout.

Number of families, about 20 ; number of souls, 99.

Baptisms—adult, 2 ; infant, 9 ; total, 11. Confirmed, 1. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4. Communicants—added anew, 4 ; removed from the parish, 1 ; died, 2 ; present number, 26.

Catechists and Sunday school teachers, 6 ; Sunday scholars, 33.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 46 ; holy days, 4 ; other days, 10 ; total, 60.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 6 ; in private, 1 ; total, 7.

Contributions—collected for rewards for Sunday school children, \$8.50 ; for missions, in part communion offerings, \$10 ; incidental expenses, \$2.80 ; offerings at communion for other purposes, \$11.07 ; parish purposes, (stone wall,) \$22.75 ; other contributions for church purposes, (Sunday school and lamps,) \$15.13 ; children's contributions for Sunday school, \$6.25 ; total, \$76.50.

This parish is united and peaceful ; and has been as prosperous as could be expected at a time of so great pecuniary depression.

Wyoming, St. Luke's, . . . Rev. Philander Chase.

Number of families, 6 ; number of souls, 25.

Baptisms—infant, 1. Communicants—added anew, 2 ; removed into the parish, 2 ; removed from the parish, 3 ; present number, 12.

Sunday scholars, 30.

Celebration of divine service—whole number of times on Sunday, 52.

The holy communion—number of times celebrated in public, 12.

The first six months of the present year, I held service regularly in Wyoming. Since that time, I have held occasional services in Wyoming, but mostly in the neighborhood of my own home. Lay reading has been kept up in Wyoming, and the Sunday school has been taught in both places.

[This report came to hand too late for insertion in its proper place.]

Decatur, St. John's, . . . Rev. Edward P. Wright.

Having resigned the charge of the above parish on the 13th day of May, 1860, I herewith respectfully submit my report, which will be found to embrace the full statistics for the eight months since last Convention :

Number of families, 29 ; number of souls, 137.

Baptisms—adult, 2 ; infant, 12 ; total, 14. Confirmed, 7. Marriages, 2. Burials, 1. Communicants—added anew, 5 ; removed from the parish, 2 ; present number, 32.

Sunday school teachers, 8 ; scholars, 64 ; Bible class, 9 ; total, 73.

Divine service celebrated on Sundays, 68 times ; on other days, 42 ; total, 110. Holy communion celebrated 9 times.

Contributions—offertory, \$27.84 ; diocesan missions, \$12.30 ; foreign missions, \$3 ; domestic missions, \$10 ; Episcopal fund, \$21.75 ;

aged and infirm clergymen, \$3; N. Y. B. & C. P. Society, \$4.25; parish purposes, \$6.69; total, \$88.83.

Besides the above mentioned regular collections, several private contributions have been made towards finishing and decorating the church, one liberal-hearted vestryman having expended between \$40 and \$50 in partially painting the interior; another having purchased two new lamps and six beautiful evergreen trees; and others have contributed their time and money in various ways; all, we are fully persuaded, having been actuated in this work and labor of love from a sincere desire to promote the glory of God.

I have, also, the pleasure of most gratefully acknowledging a donation of \$75 and upwards. The whole amount of contributions (aside from the salary and incidental expenses) may be set down at \$240.

This parish has faithfully carried out, during my rectorship, your well-known wishes with regard to the clergyman's salary; it has always been paid punctually, and that invariably in advance. Would that all parishes followed their example, and we would then no more hear the newspaper reproach of clerical indebtedness.

Rev. Wm. L. Bostwick, Missionary—

My Report as Missionary to Cairo, Jonesboro', and parts adjacent, on the Illinois Central Railroad, is for the short time intervening between the last Convention and the 25th of November.

Whole number of services at Cairo, 6. Holy communion, 1.

Whole number of services at Jonesboro', 7. Infant baptism, 2. Holy communion, 2.

Whole number of services at Anna, 7.

Although my labors in this missionary charge continued in all nearly seven months, yet no parish organization was effected at any point. Still I trust something has been done towards the future establishment of the Church in this destitute region. At the time I left there were several persons desirous of confirmation, and it is to be hoped that the prayer books, and many thousand pages of Church tracts distributed, will yet bear fruit, to be gathered in by the next one who labors in this field.

It is due the kind people among whom I went preaching the Word, to say that their support was generously and promptly given, chiefly at Cairo, Jonesboro' and Anna, and that "hospitality," at all points where I officiated, was afforded "without grudging," as the Apostle directs.

My impression is, that if some earnest worker, of strong physical, as well as spiritual frame, one every way able "to labor and to wait," should soon take possession of this part of the great harvest field, he would find much to encourage effort, and in time reap a sure reward.

Rev. James A. Woodward—

The labor of holding services in Utica and LaSalle each Lord's day being too great, I have resigned those interesting fields.

I have held two services in Peru, preached fifteen times, and administered the Holy Communion once in Christ's Church, Ottawa.

Rev. John Read West, Missionary—

In addition to the missionary charge of St. Luke's, Kickapoo, there devolved upon me the duty of assisting Dr. Chase, at Jubilee College. Here I read service on Sundays, morning or evening, buried two, baptized one, and preached seventeen times during the year. Part of each day was devoted to teaching, during the school session, the lesson of my class on Sundays being, of course, catechetical or scriptural.

At the request of the Rev. Mr. Benson, I supplied for him three times, at Limestone, distant eleven miles from the College. One service at Farmington was gladly rendered for the same purpose, viz: to afford Mr. Benson an opportunity to hold services at Lewistown after the resignation of the rector of that parish.

I opened the church at Pekin one Sunday, and though a wet day, ministered to a good congregation in their little church building. The lot on which it stands is the property of the parish. Sunday school has been regularly kept up, and from what I saw and learned, there appears to be material and spirit enough to build up the church, and make it a strong member of our beloved Zion.

George M. Lovell, Lay Reader—

I herewith transmit a Report of Trinity Parish for the year past together with my license as Lay Reader. I have not acted under it on account of absence from the parish, and sickness of some of our most active members. If hereafter we can secure the services of a clergyman a part of the time, if desired I would act as Lay Reader when he was absent.

Number of families connected with the parish, 14; number of souls, 60.

Baptisms—infant, 1.

Holy communion celebrated on Christmas day, at which time eleven communed.

Communicants—removed from the parish, 2; present number, so far as known, 20.

Celebration of Divine service—number of times on Sunday, 8; other days, 4; total, 12.

Contributions—\$55, of which \$42 were paid to clergymen who officiated for us ; the remainder for parish expenses.

Repeated disappointment in not having a pastor, has greatly discouraged the Churchmen here. Without a pastor we cannot hope for increase ; we can only bide our time in hope, thinking some future day will prove more prosperous for the Church.

James Clark, Lay Reader—

I would respectfully report that lay reading has been kept up in this parish every alternate Sunday since the last Convention, with the exception of one day, when it rained ; and the vestry request that it be continued. I have also read the burial service several times.

Peter Arridson, Lay Reader—

From September, 1859, until July, 1860, I have read service and sermon twice every Lord's day (excepting every fourth Lord's day, on which the Rev. S. D. Pulford has ministered unto us,) alternately in three different school-houses, traveling every alternate Lord's day between two school-houses four miles apart, reading morning service and sermon in one, and evening service and sermon in the other. Since the beginning of the month of July my services have been confined to the school-house in my immediate neighborhood, where I have read service and sermon once every three Lord's days out of four until the present time. In said school-house I opened a Sunday school on the Sunday next before Easter, which will close on Sunday, the 16th inst. The average attendance of scholars has been 23 ; highest number, 28 ; number of teachers, 6. The Church catechism was taught as part of the instruction given.





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Brethren of the Clergy and Laity :

It is a work somewhat sad to gather up and present the annual record of the Episcopate. The attitude of looking back, and busying with the past, is not congenial where everything is urging onwards, and the consciousness of "that which is behind" joins with the more hopeful future to quicken the pressing to "that which is before." It is necessarily egoistic in arrangement and detail. It beats over ground often too dry to tempt willing company. Unforeseen changes spring up so rapidly, that the record is belied before it can be published. The items which indicate the parochial growth appear superficial and inconsequent, while the really spiritual lies too deep for any human judgment, or adequate expression. There must be sameness, for it is only a beat of the long monotone of human nature, in its contact with the institutions of the Gospel ; while the heart of the writer is dogged at every step by the poverty of means, failure in resources, deficiency in earnest and truthful co-operation. For him, no matter what may be its aggregate in labor or statistics, it sums a losing account, where his full aims and expectations have failed, and self-consciousness imputes much of the blame and mortification. Perhaps this year such impressions weigh more heavily. It has been one in which the hard lot of the western ministry has been harder ; and when the depression in trade and labor has spread itself over the interests of the Church, crippling the available means of the laity, and arresting the demonstrative advances of our congregations. In consequence, the income of the clergy has been smaller, and more uncertain ; there has been less enterprise in the

erection of houses of God, and homes for His Pastors ; the removals from the larger towns have seriously lessened the number of communicants and reliable supporters, while smaller places tend to become inert and desponding. The changes among the clergy, always a piteous summary from the frequency and aggregate, have been unusually large ; and an unwonted apathy has existed in the parishes in filling the vacancies. The suspension for a definite time of the services of the sanctuary has been, in some cases, an agreed but unholy retrenchment, and even if justified by stern necessity, sure to blight for a long future. Our diocesan resources have not been collected and paid with an honest hand, and the Missionary fund has been laggard in its gathering and its gifts. The larger parishes have not seemed to appreciate the exigency, and by more concentrated beneficence endeavored to supply the lack which the poverty of the many coerced. These all are outward signs, but I fear that the anxiety and discouragement in the minister's work has disclosed deeper ; and that the religious sensibility has been less active ; minds oppressed with worldly care have given less time and thought than ever before to the claims of religion, fewer have responded to the appeal for a more decided profession, and the love of the many has waxed cold.

While thus I speak, as echoing the complaints and sorrows which through these months have been borne to me, it is uttered with no morbid relation to the past or the future. As a Diocese we are only a sharer in influences which have been wide and uniform, but probably have relatively suffered as little as any. Many an instance will be found in our parochial chronicle of zeal and buoyancy and success ; we stand on a line of promise and fullness from which the future beams brighter, and already the past is the tale of a storm that is spent, and the blue sky is only flecked with the scattering clouds. It is incident to our conventional epoch that as we close the report of the year with a long drawn sigh, we all feel sanguine and resolute to make a better mark for the next. May the Lord help and incline us as the heart of one man !

The month of October was spent in the session of the General Convention, during which I assisted officially in the consecration of the Bishop of Minnesota. Dr. Whipple, at my request, opened his Episcopal acts, at the Church of the Holy Communion, Chicago, where he confirmed *ten*, and thus closed his pastoral relations to the flock he had gathered and served.

The condensed summary of my own official acts, with the running comment signalizing the incidents which are most significant, with the statistics of the year's changes, and of our present condition, will afford to you and the Diocese the information required to stimulate and guide the corporate and personal action.

The following parishes and missionary stations have been visited, and the list includes all that were prepared for Episcopal services. Appointments made for several beside, have been revoked at the request of the parties interested, because from vacancy in the Rectorship, the recent settlement of the present incumbent, or that there were no candidates for Confirmation, it was deemed expedient to defer them.

The whole number visited, 53. Confirmations, 44, and the aggregate of Confirmations in them, 359; Bp. Whipple, 10.

1859, Sept. 18.	Trinity Church, Chicago,	confirmed, 10
" 18.	Christ Church, Chicago,	- -
Nov. 8.	Holy Comunion, "	- - - 10
" 27.	Holy Communion, Chicago, morning and evening,	- - - -
" 28.	Trinity Church, Onarga,	- - -
" 29.	Rantoul,	- - -
" 30.	St. Paul's, West Urbana,	- - -
Dec. 2.	St. John's, Centralia,	- - - 1
" 4.	St. Thomas', Salem,	- - - 4
" 6.	St. John's, Decatur,	- - - 7
" 7.	St. Paul's, Springfield,	- - - 10
" 11.	St. Paul's, Hyde Park,	- - -
1860, Feb. 12.	Grace Church, Chicago,	- - - 15
" 16.	St. John's, Knoxville,	- - - 9
" 19.	Galesburg,	- - - 12

Feb.	19.	Church of the Atonement, Chicago,	-	7
"	19.	Church of the Ascension, " - -	-	6
"	20.	Church of the Redeemer, Elgin, -	-	2
"	21.	Trinity Church, Belvidere, - - -	-	15
"	22.	Emmanuel Church, Rockford, - -	-	5
"	24.	Grace Church, Galena, - -	-	14
"	26.	Church of the Advent, Marengo, -	-	4
"	27.	Zion Church, Freeport, - -	-	5
"	29.	Christ Church, Joliet, - - -	-	17
1860, March	2.	St. John's, Lockport, - - -	-	1
"	4.	St. James', Chicago, - - -	-	13
"	4.	St. Ansgarius', Chicago, - -	-	15
May	26.	Church of Redeemer, Wilmington, -	-	1
"	27.	St. Paul's, Manhattan, - - -	-	4
"	27.	Christ Church, Joliet, - - -	-	7
"	28.	Christ Church, Ottawa, - - -	-	18
"	29.	St. Andrew's, Farmridge, - - -	-	4
June	1.	St. John's, Lacon, - - -	-	
"	3.	St. Jude's, Tiskilwa, - - -	-	5
"	3.	Church of the Redeemer, Princeton,		6
"	5.	Trinity Church, Geneseo, - - -	-	4
"	5.	Trinity Church, Rock Island, - -	-	3
"	5.	St. John's, Kewanee, - - -	-	9
"	7.	St. Thomas' Church, Amboy, -	-	
"	8.	St. Paul's, Lee Centre, - - -	-	
"	10.	St. Luke's, Dixon, - - -	-	1
"	11.	Trinity Church, Polo, - - -	-	5
"	13.	St. Peters', Sycamore, - - -	-	12
"	15.	Trinity Church, Aurora, - - -	-	9
"	15.	St. John's, Naperville, - - -	-	10
"	17.	Trinity Church, Chicago, - - -	-	2
"	17.	Christ Church, Chicago, - - -	-	3
"	17.	St. John's Church, Chicago, - -	-	17
"	18.	Christ Church, Waukegan, - -	-	4
Sept.	7.	St. Paul's Church, Springfield, -	-	5
"	9.	Trinity Church, Jacksonville, -	-	6
"	11.	St. John's Church, Quincy, - -	-	32

I have preached and made addresses on every occasion.

Following in my comments the line of travel pursued, I proceed to note the particulars affecting the respective parishes.

Beginning with the places along the line of the Illinois Central Railroad, and adjacent, in which tour I was accompanied by the Rev. J. W. Osborne, I am sorry to remark that the parishes at Onarga, Rantoul and West Urbana, have been nearly destitute through the year of stated ministration. Rev. P. A. Johnson dissolved his connection with the last named, and has since left the Diocese. For Onarga I have recently appointed a lay reader at the request of the vestry, and there exists in a few a very earnest desire for regular services. At Urbana there is more strength, and if effort were made to unite these for a year or two, and sustain a clergyman for the three places, the whole would develop more rapidly.

At West Urbana I baptized an infant.

At Centralia and Salem, Mr. Osborne has mainly concentrated his services, and at the latter place with some promise. I spent a Sunday there, and found several anxious to sustain regularly the worship of the Episcopal Church.

Decatur is a united and hearty parish, which prospered during the short ministry of Mr. Wright, who, I regret to record, left there in May last. His place has been recently filled by the call of Rev. William M. Steel, of Eufaula, Ala., who is engaged in his duty but not yet transferred.

In Springfield, it will be observed, I have held two confirmations amounting in the aggregate to 15, and the congregation is united and growing. The want which has been felt for some time past of more church room has not yet been remedied, although the subject is so well appreciated that it will, I trust, be carried out at an early period.

On Sexagesima Sunday I officiated in Grace Church, Chicago, and in the evening presided at a Missionary meeting in behalf of the work of the Rev. Mr. Tuttle, for the poor of the city. The statements made showed that it had been diligently prosecuted, and been assisted by several of the

churches, and that it was kindly regarded not only in the direct effort to meet the most important and characteristic duty of the Church, but as relieving the settled pastors in the field so indefinite and disheartening, of the unappropriated population of that large city. A dozen deacons might be laboriously employed.

In February I attended a meeting of the Trustees of Jubilee College, the first under the new organization, which has introduced into the Board direct representatives of the Convention. A full exposition was made of the affairs of the Institution, and satisfaction expressed with the careful, upright, and economical management. It requires only the hearty sympathy of the Diocese to make it a Training School from which the ministry may be supplied with well prepared accessions, while the inestimable blessings of a Christian education at the same time would be extended to hundreds. If we could in any way break up the apathy which seems to exist, and concentrate upon it the resolute interest of the Clergy, I am sure that every parish would soon furnish its share of students, and many laymen be found willing to contribute liberally to the enlargement of its buildings, and increase of its instructors and beneficiary funds.

At Knoxville and Galesburg, under the matured powers and untiring energy of Rev. W. T. Smithett, congregations are gathering and church buildings rising, which bid fair soon to equal far older parishes. I preached three times for them, and rejoiced in the earnestness and intelligence of the body of laymen devoting themselves to this new work.

When I reached Elgin, Feb. 20th, I found that Rev. J. F. Esch, who had been there for some months as Missionary, was about to resign, having received a call to Maryland. He did so with the regret of the little flock, who, however, were fortunate in securing immediately the services of Rev. Mr. Pulford. I baptized here an adult, and in different places afterwards six children.

The Church at Belvidere is embarrassed with debt, which, to my painful surprise, I found had been made a lien upon

it since the consecration ; and some of its valued and liberal supporters have suffered severely in their private resources. During a portion of the past year the congregation has had the partial services which Mr. Waterbury could render in connection with his other missionary charge ; but since March has been deprived of these, as the completion of the church in Marengo, and the cheering demands of that vigorous parish claimed all the care of its resident pastor. On the first Sunday in Lent, I consecrated the building there by the name of the " Church of the Advent," and have seldom enjoyed a more gratifying day, where everything concurred to make the services impressive, and inspire confidence in its growth and stability. Measuring the apparent means, I am astonished that so much has been accomplished. In one year a parsonage, beautiful church edifice with bell and melodeon, a settled rector, thriving Sunday School, a cheerful, united, working flock, have sprung into existence. The success, under God, may be attributed to the unselfish zeal with which each one has labored and contributed, and the generous arrangements of Cornelius Lansing for the ground and parsonage.

The congregation at Freeport is again deprived of a pastor—Rev. Mr. Chittenden having gone to Ohio, since my visit of Feb. 27th. The Rev. S. R. Weldon, deacon, went there immediately after his ordination, and arrangements have been made to retain him. Owing to the frequent change of ministers, and the long intermissions which have occurred during which the church has been shut, and the people scattered, this parish has not attained the strength and force which might have been expected.

Of Christ Church, Joliet, my next place of service, in its later history the reverse may be said. For the last four years its growth has been rapid, and the indications are marked of a permanent and steady advance. I held a confirmation there again in May, making an aggregate of twenty-four, the largest number this year in the Diocese, with the gratifying exception of the confirmation witnessed by you all, in this parish. I here baptized the child of the Rector.

The morning of Sunday, March 4th, was spent in St. James' Church, Chicago; and in the evening I preached, and confirmed fifteen in the Church of St. Ansgarius. All efforts to sustain this as a Scandinavian Mission have failed, but a number of the Norwegians continue to worship in the church, where service in the English language is celebrated by the Rev. E. B. Tuttle. He has been acting, as before alluded to, as a missionary at large in the city, and in that capacity has accomplished, with small means, a large amount of good. Until each of the congregations can have, as they ought to have, one or more deacons, and the city be districted for the purpose of parochial charitable effort, an agency like that assumed by Mr. Tuttle is almost as important for the Rectors, as for the immediate recipients of the almonry and religious care. It is a labor for which the Missionary is adapted, and I trust that he will receive from individual and parochial alms enough to sustain his own moderate expenses, and replenish the purse on which each week presents such exhausting claims. It is money doubly spent for God's cause. It assists the settled Clergy in the impracticable burthen on their time and anxiety, lessens the chance of gross impositions for them and the Laity, and carries in natural connection to the houses of the suffering and worthy poor, the relief of their poverty and the care of their souls. The Free Church is an indispensable adjunct, and the services of the Lord's day have gathered congregations which have increased in numbers and the amount of the collections. On the occasion of my visit, the building was fuller than I have before found it, and the class presented for confirmation has hardly been surpassed in number or apparent devotion.

Wilmington and Manhattan have felt the pressure of pecuniary difficulty, especially the little flock on the prairie, into which death and removal have also made inroad.

The influence of Rev. Mr. Benedict, in Ottawa, is duly appreciated, and the Church is growing in numbers, knowledge and piety.

At Farmridge, where Mr. Heister pursues his disinterested

work, a parsonage has been finished, and if a few acres more were added to the glebe land, the parish would have attained the best security a small rural district can have for the permanent services of a resident minister.

In Tiskilwa, Princeton and Providence, the Rev. Mr. Street has been diligently engaged, and has endured an undue amount of physical toil and exposure, from being obliged to pass from one place to the other on foot, and do his parochial visiting in the same manner. His earnest appeals to obtain a horse and wagon have been responded to by several kind gifts, but the amount as yet has not proved sufficient for the purpose. At Princeton the signs are cheering of a growing popular interest in our Church.

Trinity Church, Geneseo, the week following my visit, lost its Missionary, Mr. Goodale, who has gone back to Iowa. His leaving was a subject of general regret. I learned that a zealous member of the Church here proposes to deed forty acres of land five miles from the town, and near enough to Cambridge to suit the convenience of the Episcopalians there. On this a parsonage may be built, and the Pastor of the two congregations reside.

Trinity Church, Rock Island, I found much changed and depressed. It remains without a successor to Rev. Mr. Stanley, and during the year has lost a number of communicants by removal or absence from the city. It will require zealous effort to restore it to the harmony and vigor it had two years ago.

My visit on the sixth of June, to St. John's Church, Kewanee, was in all respects gratifying. Rev. J. B. Richmond has been transferred from Massachusetts, after some months of doubt whether his family relations would admit of the change, and the event has been welcomed by the congregation with warm cordiality. The parish is thriving in all its internal relations, and efforts have been made with some success to reduce the indebtedness for the church building, which has hitherto been generously carried by a single individual, so that it should not become a lien upon the property. The

Rector preaches in his surplice, and at the time of my visit the chancel and font were decorated with flowers, and the female candidates wore plain white dresses. I mention these incidents not in the expression of any preference, but because their occurrence in this instance, shows how irrespective these matters of taste are of peculiar doctrinal bias or an extreme churchmanship, and that clear evangelical teaching may consist "with the dovelike spirit of a holy conservatism."

At Amboy and Lee Centre there were no applicants for confirmation. Lots in the former place as the site of a church have been secured.

In Polo we worshipped in the chapel. It is still unfinished, but erected with economy and prudence, and will furnish ample room, convenient and tasteful, at the small expenditure of about twelve hundred dollars.

At Sycamore, among the twelve candidates presented, one, from severe sickness, was confirmed in private. The place and church are prosperous.

At Aurora there has also been a recent change of minister. Mr. Spalding resigned in June, and has not yet been succeeded by a new laborer. I have been within a few days most deeply grieved to hear that one of its most generous supporters, F. Hall, perished in the wreck of the *Lady Elgin*. Nine candidates were confirmed here, and ten at Naperville, to which occasional services have been given from Aurora, and also during the week preceding my visitation, by Mr. Wilkinson, of Joliet. There is in Naperville a zealous feeling, and a number of active Episcopalians ready to do what they can.

In Trinity Church, Chicago, on June 17th, second Sunday after Trinity, I ordained to the Diaconate, Salmon Riego Weldon, a candidate for orders in this Diocese, who has pursued his theological studies at Gambier. He was presented by the Rev. James Pratt, who preached on the occasion, at my request. Mr. Pratt is a valuable accession to our clerical strength since the last Convention.

Of Christ Church, Chicago, Rev. Charles E. Cheney, from

W. N. Y., has become the Rector, and during the few months of his pastorship has exerted an encouraging influence in that promising neighborhood.

The number of candidates, seventeen, in St. John's, is one token among others that the vigor of that parish is undiminished, although it is exposed to the trial of a fluctuating population, and a temporary and inadequate place of worship.

On Monday, June 18th, I went to Waukegan, meeting there another new Rector in Rev. William H. Cooper. The church was undergoing extensive repairs and alterations, including a chancel, and in consequence the services were held in the Presbyterian Church, kindly offered for the exigency. The prospects of the congregation have brightened in a spiritual as well as temporal aspect.

In the month of November I received a call of earnest unanimity to the Rectorship of St. Paul's, Peoria, with a view of there establishing my Episcopal residence. I felt, however, apart from my own long determination on the subject, that Chicago was so evidently the proper point for the permanent location of the Episcopate of Illinois, that I ventured gratefully to decline the offer, and in February succeeded in leasing for a term of years, in that city, a suitable house, of which I came into possession on the first of May. In April I completed the sale of my family home of sixteen years in New York, removed my furniture and library to Chicago, where henceforth I expect to find its equivalent. Under that roof I hope to gather, by God's providence, my whole family, with a single exception, as early in October as a release from the duties incident to the Convention will allow me to return to the place of their summer sojourn.

The parish at Jacksonville not being prepared at the time of my spring tour to the Southern part, I visited, on Sunday last, Trinity Church in that city, preaching twice, and confirming six.

The large results of pastoral work, ranged at this chancel on Tuesday evening, when thirty-two renewed their vows in

the presence of many of the members of this Convention, was to you, as to me, a source of grateful satisfaction.

In the services of Wednesday morning I admitted to the order of Deacons, in your presence, Charles A. Gilbert, who has spent two years in General Theological Seminary, but has been compelled to enter sooner than he wished on the Diaconate, from a pulmonary tendency unfavorably affected by the sea air. He was presented by Rev. H. T. Heister, his pastor and friend, and has been placed as assistant with Rev. John Wilkinson, of Joliet, to minister in Naperville and Morris, conjointly with that Rectorship.

The Rev. J. R. West has satisfactorily passed his examination, and would have been admitted to the Priesthood at the same time, but for a delay in the necessary papers. His ordination will take place immediately.

In April we lost by accidental fire the small church edifice, St. Luke's, Kickapoo. It had been occupied for the missionary year by Rev. Mr. West from Jubilee. The place and congregation are small, and the services in the College Chapel are accessible to them with convenience and satisfaction.

By one of the furious tornadoes which have left their track of ruin this season, St. Paul's Church, Alton, suffered severely, and the hopes of the people were as prostrate as the building. A large debt of six thousand dollars pressed upon them, and they found themselves thrown out of a place of worship, without the means to rebuild, repair or pay the indebtedness. In this emergency an appeal for relief to the other churches seemed inevitable, and with a sad heart, but resolute, the Rector has gone forth to make it. The result has been encouraging. As a business transaction the debt has been favorably arranged, and a fair amount contributed for the restoration of the church. It will be remembered that this ranked among the largest in the Diocese, and has been built within the last four years.

The Clergymen and parishes that have received assistance from the appropriation of the Domestic Committee are as follows :

Chesterfield and Carlinville, Rev. David Walker Dresser.
Sycamore, Rev. Warren Roberts.

Aurora, and parts adjacent, Rev. V. Spalding.

Pre-emption and Moline, Rev. George Sayres.

Decatur, Rev. Edward Purdon Wright.

Peru and La Salle, Rev. A. J. Warner.

Marengo, Rev. J. H. Waterbury.

Warsaw, Rev. William L. Bostwick.

Waukegan, Rev. William N. Cooper.

The following list comprises the appointments of the Diocesan Board :

Belvidere and Marengo, for a part of the year, Rev. J. H. Waterbury.

Geneseo, Rev. Samuel Goodale.

Elgin, Rev. J. F. Esch, succeeded by Rev. S. Pulford.

Farmridge, Rev. H. T. Heister.

Providence and Tiskilwa, Rev. George C. Street.

Bloomfield and Kickapoo, Rev. John R. West.

Manhattan and Wilmington, Rev. C. B. Stout.

Farmington and Limestone, Rev. John Benson.

Lacon, Rev. Charles P. Clarke.

The report of the Treasurer will show the continuation of the painful deficiency which has been the record of so many preceding years ; and the amount actually appropriated is far too small, even if it had been promptly paid, to be a subject of much gratulation. There cannot be a reasonable doubt that the Diocese in its present strength could raise promptly the sum now expended, and without oppressive effort could double it. To secure this result we want no different plan or special agency. The fault at present lies mainly, I am constrained to say, with the Clergy, who, from various causes neglect to make regularly and heartily the collections prescribed by the canons. The Laity as a body will respond if the claim is put fairly and honestly before them. The aggregate of contributions reported in the Diocese for general objects is not small, and some of our large parishes have a deserved reputation for untiring liberality. But of this

bounty a mere fraction finds its way to the essential growth and work of the Church in the Diocese for what is comprehended in the Missionary work. I cannot suppress the conviction that everything for the time should be held subordinate for the one great necessity of supporting more ministers, and supporting all better, and multiplying the number of ministers and churches. It would be wise economy in the practical benevolence of the Diocese, if for a time it strained its exertions and concentrated its means for the work properly embraced in our Missionary Board. A few years thus intensified would infuse life into the feeble and expand our strength; inspire confidence; give dignity and honor to our plans and engagements—binding us in harmonious brotherhood from the consciousness of duty heartily done, favor generously exercised and received, and success for Christ and his Church laden with its own reward.

There is no requirement for further legislation on this subject. We have all, and more than we ought to require. No prescription can absolutely enforce the collection of voluntary offerings of the Church. There must be order, regularity, business system, and a uniform appeal to all, the weakest as well as the strongest. But even the regular observance of a canonical direction is of very limited benefit, unless there is the spirit of love and duty to commend the claim with intelligent fact and warm soul to the people. There must be sympathy with the cause, and confidence in its administration, large hearted and generous, rather than scrupulous and exacting.

I have from my earliest Address spoken in favor of efforts more explicitly Missionary, which would involve in some cases an itinerant or rather a circuit form. Judiciously used, this limited itinerancy would be effective. It is the Church's voice of preparation in the desert, or the home call to those that are scattered abroad. But I cannot appreciate the propriety of elaborate canons to secure or direct this, and I apprehend that there are material objections to those which have been presented to your notice, and stand upon the Jour-

nal of the last Convention. They are drawn with large scope, and practical ability, especially that by the active layman from this parish, but they are both open to damaging attack as tending to the creation of a missionary hierarchy, and itinerant arch-deacons cautiously picking their way through our diocesan and parochial system—as plans expensive in administration, exposed to jealous misconstruction, and not likely to retain a close hold on the popular feeling of the Church. In one, the limits of jurisdictions are merely geographical, and consequently irrespective of actual wants, capacity, and practical handling—while the other adds a body of “Presiding Presbyters,” which may be twelve in number, to the Standing Committee, to constitute a Board of Missions for the Diocese, rendering it so unwieldy that except at Convention it would be impracticable to assemble it for business. Much as I should rejoice in anything of distinctive Missionary work which could unite the vigor and free gifts of the Diocese; and hopeful that a warm burst of that spirit will encourage the Board this year to experiment at least in that direction, I cannot commend this large legislation, which I deem doubtful at least in its relation to the order of the Church, liable to serious inconvenience and abuse, cumbrous in its machinery, and certain, as far as my experience goes, to prove a splendid failure.

The effective conduct of the missionary work, as it now practically exists, is very contingent and discretionary. It cannot be reduced too closely to rule in its detail of management. Its surest advance depends in no small degree on the fact that the Bishop is furnished with means or reliance upon them, enabling him to seize the favorable moment for stimulating enterprise by help promptly pledged, inducing the settlement of a minister, bringing into action impulsive desires, seizing on some crisis of local want and sympathy, or the accidental meeting of a few together, all of which would often be lost if application to a Board must be formally made and answered, when the Bishop, like the petitioners, cannot tell whether it will be granted or not. An assurance given

on the spot, pledging the aid when the Bishop is present to guide the inexperience and cheer the apprehensions, often starts and shapes the work, and provokes at once an amount of local assistance before unsuspected. The acceptance of a place by a minister willing at the time to cast himself into its undeveloped promise, depends frequently on the immediate pledge of missionary aid in stipulated amount, when the delay of a week frustrates the whole negotiation, and the minister settles in some place of more mature arrangement. There must be trust reposed. The Bishop must have means to fulfill his executive commission. He must be able to move in the freedom which the consciousness of this inspires. It is easy to strangle real missionary progress with canon red tape. It is easy to stiffen into martinet accuracy the cheery enterprise of a sensitive Bishop. It is easy to hedge up with a bristling partizanship his whole way, and make him spend his strength and exhaust his feeling in nicely avoiding obstructions or clearing away idle impressions. But for our true, living, telling work, there must be simple trust, generous means, faith in God, and confidence in each other. The less machinery the better. There is nothing that we can materially mend in our present system, which makes the Standing Committee the Board of Missions. If they are fully sustained by the prescribed collections, and the Ministry will be one and all real in the order and spirit of these, and a proper discretion is left for the conscientious administration of the Executive, there would soon be apparent an enlargement of resources, and a gratifying progress in our diocesan work in modes practically varied to meet emergencies.

As germane to Missionary enterprise, I may mention with gratification that petitions respectably signed have been presented to me from the French colony in Kankakee, St. Anne's, Momence and neighborhood, praying me to take them under my Episcopal supervision, to send them ministers, and direct in all way of advice or assistance their ardent desires for the discipline and worship of the Episcopal Church. Communications of kindred spirit have been conveyed to the Domestic

Committee of the Board of Missions, and we have reason to expect special aid from that body in the premises. The New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society has already furnished nearly five hundred French Prayer Books, a tenth of which have been solicited by its minister for the use of a French Congregation in Chicago; and that same society to which in so many instances we have been indebted, places at my disposal what more may be required. The Protestant Episcopal Tract Society has requested the selection of suitable tracts, which they will put into the hands of a competent translator, and immediately publish for the use of this interesting band of converts. In addition it is intimated that the sister Church in Canada, with generous sympathy for its French emigrants, will afford welcome benefactions for the building of places of worship. I am informed that there are in all about five hundred families, two-thirds of them can read, about one hundred families remain Romanists, and an equal number have declared their preference for our doctrine and discipline, with which the Prayer Book, freely distributed for months, has made them somewhat acquainted. You are all too familiar with the history of this religious movement to require any allusion to its peculiar incidents. Few things awaken public christian sympathy so widely, as the renunciation, by a whole community, of the errors and domination of the Church of Rome. As Christians we feel the soul-peril from which the Spirit has led them forth. As Protestants we rejoice in the progress of reformation, of which the last few years afford such wonderful instances. As citizens we acknowledge the importance, socially and politically, of every incident which weakens the strength, or betrays the dangerous character of that foreign government which we are folding in our own, recklessly indifferent to its hollow allegiance and its insidious despotism.

But it is not a matter of indifference to us what may be the Church allegiance or form of worship to which these converts may be led, or what teachers supply the place of the old associations. Most freely we admit the fervent piety, zeal

and essential subjective truth with which all the leading denominations can minister to them. But there is that which, in our estimation, with all their body of high trained and noble teachers, their earnest men and women, they cannot afford them, where we stand in a peculiar attitude of strength against the Roman apostacy, and a fortress of shelter for those fleeing from the corruptions with which that branch of the Catholic Church is defiled. It is the clear historical evidence which we possess of the Apostles' "fellowship," in unbroken succession—as well as doctrine—our identity with the great Anglican branch in her creeds and ministry, with which she has moved down the centuries conservative of the covenant of a world's salvation—at the Reformation cleansing from the accretions of error the pure Gospel mercy in apostolic bonds of fellowship, defending "the glorious liberty of the child of God" by resisting all tampering with the Divine rule of Faith, every imposition of new terms of communion—admitting no human conditions, no sectarian eclecticism, no fluctuating tests, nothing that can alter the Covenant of Grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ—that Church in even purer branch—our own—which can successfully convict the Roman Communion of heresy and schism, before the whole august tribunal of Ante-Nicene Christendom.

The changes among the Clergy have been unusually numerous, and the effect, in many cases, of the removal has been injurious and disheartening to the parish. Out of fifty settled pastors, at the date of the last Convention, only twenty-two retain the places then held by them.

Fourteen have taken dimissory letters, and been received into other Dioceses.

REV. JOHN MCNAMARA, to the Diocese of Wisconsin.

" EDWARD MCCLURE,	"	Tennessee.
" NOAH HUNT SCHENCK,	"	Maryland.
" SYLVESTER NASH,	"	Ohio.
" HENRY N. STRONG,	"	Michigan.
" HENRY ADAMS, Deacon, by request,		Ohio.
" JOHN FREDERIC ESCH,	"	Maryland.

REV. HENRY STANLEY,	by request,	Western N. Y.
“ EDWARD PURDON WRIGHT,	“	Indiana.
“ SAMUEL GOODALE,	“	Iowa.
“ GEORGE E. PETERS,	“	Michigan.
“ PHILIP A. JOHNSON,	“	Missouri.
“ V. SPALDING,	“	Western N. Y.
“ E. H. HARLOW,	“	Maryland.
		Total, 14.

The following have been transferred to my jurisdiction :

REV. WM. FULTON, from Ecc'l authority of Ohio.

“ J. SEBASTIAN HODGES,	“	Wisconsin.
“ KENSEY J. STEWART,	“	Virginia.
“ CHARLES EDWARD CHENEY,	“	West'rn N. Y.
“ JOHN B. RICHMOND,	“	Massachusetts.
“ WILLIAM H. COOPER,	“	Wisconsin.
“ JAMES PRATT,	“	Pennsylvania.
“ JOSEPH M. WAITE,	“	New York.

The Rev. WILLIAM M. STEEL, of Alabama, and ISAAC P. LABAGH, of New York, are at work in parishes permanently, but their letters dimissory have not been received.

Rev. FREDERIC W. BOYD is settled in Bloomington and has officiated for some months, but is now absent with a sick child in Europe, and his dimissory letters have not been received, —which, with the one admitted to the Diaconate, leaves us at the present with the decrease of two, though several vacant parishes have addressed invitations likely to prove successful.

REV. MR. CORBYN is also resident and engaged in duty by permission.

In the subjoined list are comprised the changes in parochial relations through the year, among the Clergy, and the cures of those who have joined the Diocese :

Rev. W. L. BOSTWICK has resigned Cairo, etc., and is Rector of St. Paul's, Warsaw.

Rev. F. W. BOYD is Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Bloomington.

Rev. ANSON CLARK has resigned Emmanuel Church, Rockford.

Rev. BENJ. HUTCHINS, resigned St. John's Church, Albion.

Rev. CHARLES E. CHENEY is Rector of Christ Church, Chicago.

Rev. WILLIAM H. COOPER is Rector of Christ Church, Waukegan.

Rev. WILLIAM FULTON is Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Chicago.

Rev. CHARLES A. GILBERT is Assistant to Rector of Christ Church, Joliet.

Rev. J. SEBASTIAN HODGES is Rector of the Church of the Holy Communion, Chicago.

Rev. ISAAC P. LABAGH is Rector of Trinity Church, Belvidere.

Rev. ROBERT RYALL is Rector of St. John's Church, Albion.

Rev. SAMUEL PULFORD is Minister at Elgin, and parts adjacent.

Rev. JOHN B. RICHMOND is Rector of St. John's, Kewanee.

Rev. JAMES PRATT is Rector of Trinity Church, Chicago.

Rev. WILLIAM M. STEEL is Rector of St. John's Church, Decatur.

Rev. EDMUND B. TUTTLE, City Mission in Chicago.

Rev. JOSEPH M. WAITE is Rector of St. Paul's, Peoria.

Rev. A. J. WARNER has resigned Peru, and is Rector of Churches in Dixon and Grand Detour.

Rev. SALMON R. WELDON, Zion Church, Freeport, (deacon.)

Rev. JAMES A. WOODWARD has resigned St. Mark's, LaSalle and Utica.

The following places and parishes, vacant at the last Convention, have been filled:

Church of the Ascension, Chicago.

Christ Church, Chicago.

St. John's, Kewanee.

St. Luke's, Dixon.

St. Peter's, Grand Detour.

Supplied at the last Convention, and now vacant :

Trinity Church, Aurora, etc.

Trinity Church, Geneseo.

Emmanuel Church, Rockford.

Trinity Church, Rock Island.

St. George's, Utica, etc.

Not supplied at that date or the present, except in some instances with occasional services, but where ministers could be sustained with larger missionary aid :

Batavia, Geneva and St. Charles.

Metamora and Washington.

Trinity, Onarga.

St. John's, Woodstock.

St. Paul's, Pekin.

The following notices of discipline have been received from other Dioceses :

1859. Oct. 10th. Samuel L. Southard, D.D., deposed by
Bp. DeLancey.

Dec. 7th. Thomas Dunn Sleeper, Can. I, II, 1853,
Bp. DeLancey.

" 13th. Albert D. Spalter, Can. V, 1850, Bp. East-
burn.

1860. Feb. 23rd. George William Godfrey, deacon, Bp. H.
Potter, N. T.

July 13th. Thomas N. Ralston, D.D., Can. V, Tit. 2,
Bp. B. B. Smith.

Lay Readers have been licensed as follows ; some to assist in parishes having the services of a minister in part, or during a vacancy, others in places too weak yet to organize :

James Clark, Limestone.

S. Corning Judd, Lewistown.

Peter Arvidson, Algonquin.

Solomon A. Tenney, Plano.

Samuel Ringgold, Rhodora, Gallatin county.

L. J. Germain, Mt. Vernon, Jefferson county.

Jacob Bokee, M.D., Hyde Park.

B. T. Mattison, Morris.

Cadwallader B. Clarke, Panola, Woodford county.

J. M. Davidson, Havana, Fulton county.

Wales Wallace Wood, Belvidere.

Robert S. Bowen, Wilmington.

George M. Lovell, Onarga.

From many of these I have received reports, the substance of which will be published with the Journal.

Of the candidates for orders reported at the last Convention, two have been ordained—S. R. Weldon and Charles A. Gilbert.

Mr. W. M. Guilford having removed to Tennessee, has been transferred to that jurisdiction.

The present candidates are :

O. C. Dake.

Byron McGann.

In the month of June last, overtures were made to me for settlement by compromise of my lien, official and personal, on the property known as Lots 2 and 3, in Block 8, in fractional Section Fifteen, Addition to Chicago—held by me by different tenures, for the purpose of a “Bishop’s Church” and a private residence. In view of the past difficulties which had obstructed my course, and the prospect of misrepresentation and perhaps litigation in the future; and aware, that in the lapse of time, and the rapid changes of the city, the expediency of occupying that particular site for a Bishop’s Church had materially changed; and being advised in addition, that if the Church lot were re-deeded, it would be purchased by Trinity parish for the immediate use of that corporation in a large and expensive structure, I deemed it expedient to accept the terms, and convert my interests, official and personal, into a shape exempt from these embarrassments, and more available for active use. I therefore, on the

twenty-first day of June, entered into an agreement interchangeably with Mr. Beers for a settlement of the whole matter, for the amount of six thousand dollars, and the repayment of the taxes and assessments I had from time to time paid on the property, amounting nearly to four hundred dollars more.

In my Trusteeship, which has been hitherto rather the purpose of creating a Trust than any formally defined fiduciary interest, I considered myself at entire liberty to prosecute or abandon the plan, to re-deed the Church lot as well as dispose of my own, or to commute the interests respectively, as opportunity might offer. Over the avails, also, I assumed the same discretion, subject to the terms of the compromise in the official or personal appropriation.

I cannot, however, so well or safely express this, as by using the language of the Standing Committee, addressed to me in July, 1857, in response to my request for their advice and assistance in a compromise then pending, involving a much larger consideration. They afford me the following conclusions :

“After a careful consideration of the many questions growing out of, or in any wise depending upon the title, either as it regards the original purchase or the present relation, we came to the following conclusion, viz :

“1st. That the title to the lot designed for the Bishop's Church, is in the Bishop as such, and his successors in office ; and that it is in his sole discretion to prosecute the enterprise contemplated in the purchase, or not ; and consequently that in the abandonment of the Bishop's Church for any considerations whatever, the Bishop has the sole determination of the avails of such measure, limited only by the provisions of the Act under which as Bishop he holds the property, and any agreement he may make in way of compromise.

“2nd. That the title to the lot designed for a residence is in the Rt. Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, and that to him belongs of right the lot, or the avails thereof in any compromise.

“Under these views, the undersigned regard the direction which the proceeds of any compromise shall take, as solely within the discretion of the Bishop.”

As then, in my judgment, thus guided and confirmed, I have always considered the whole equitable right and title vested in myself, defined by the indenture conveying the one lot to me as corporator sole under the statute, and the personal contract for a deed of the other, it has been my care to act distinctly in that relation, and to make the settlement as purely a personal transaction as I could. In pursuance of this, I re-deeded the Church lot in my corporate capacity for the nominal sum of “one dollar,” and assumed the consideration of six thousand dollars as my estimate of personal interest in the land as a gift. In a business aspect for my future intentions, this was the safe and direct arrangement, leaving clear my right of appropriation, and any more active trust for the future definite in its terms, and unimpeded in its execution.

Had the intention been, while thus asserting the personal right, and claiming the disposition of the proceeds, to turn them to my private use, I might have been more guarded in view of evil construction, if not the complication in certain remote contingencies with an equity of purchase by the Diocese for an Episcopal residence. But I had no such intention, for as it was my purpose, had things remained the same, to attempt this fall the erection, on the Church lot, of an edifice to fulfill the condition of the deed, so now I mean to appropriate the amount, as practicable, in the direct prosecution of my original purpose, to found a church for the use of myself and my successors in office.

The transaction, then, is only a discretionary movement, on my part, for the provision of a “Bishop’s Church,” in very humble form it may be, but disentangled, by God’s goodness, from many incidents which have been hitherto adverse, and advancing by this amount of compensation, the pecuniary means for my execution of it. For this enterprise, while I require at present no action on the part of the Convention,

and never have for a moment supposed that that body was in any way pecuniarily committed or involved in its behalf, for loss or gain, I trust I shall have, as I am warranted to believe from the records of the past, the aid, sympathy and prayers of my Diocese, and the co-operation of Clergy and Laity, as the necessity may evolve an appeal to their counsel or gifts, while in my pastorate I strive as their fellow laborer and the servant for Christ's sake of the portion of His family committed to my charge.*

There is a recent incident in which the interests of our Diocese may be favorably involved, which I avail myself of this record to bring to its notice. I have felt, in common with others, the want of a Church Institution, of a high order, for female education, and for some months have been preparing to purchase the collegiate building, at Marengo, which was likely to be offered at a forced sale under foreclosure, and hold it for that purpose, until corporate arrangements could be matured. It occurred sooner than I could make my personal arrangements; but, I am thankful to say, that a kind Providence has more than fulfilled my wishes. The Rev. Isaac Labagh, from the Diocese of New York, and now a member of this, has bought, at my suggestion, this fine building, at a fourth of its original cost, and secured a structure of large capacity and convenient arrangement, where, perhaps, a hundred pupils, with the attendant instructors, could find ample accommodation. The town and site were selected, after careful examination, by the original owners; and none more favorable could have been chosen. It stands, of course, now, in the light of a private enterprise, with all the pecuniary risk and administration. It is already furnished with a large body of teachers, and prepared to receive pupils. But the views of Mr. Labagh are to make it, as far as practicable, a Diocesan Institution, and to transfer, if desired, the property in some permanent administration, for

* As Exhibits 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, will be found Documents as follows:
Original Deed.

Agreement between Henry J. Whitehouse and Cyrenius Beers.

Opinion of Standing Committee. 1856.

Opinion of Standing Committee. 1857.

Appeal made to me by the Clergymen and some prominent Laymen of Chicago. 1857.

this purpose. To express this, I quote from an official letter addressed by him to me, upon the subject :

“ Having a desire that this may become a permanent institution of the Diocese, and be conducted on such principles as may meet the approbation of Churchmen generally, I take the liberty of asking you to suggest on what principle such a union may be formed between it and the Diocese, as that the influence of the latter may be felt in it, without troubling the Diocese with the details of its management, or involving it in any pecuniary liabilities for its maintenance. If it shall seem fit to the Convention to appoint a Board of Visitors, who may also act as a Council of Advice, and have a general supervision over it, such an arrangement would be extremely gratifying to the undersigned, and would enable him to feel that he was engaged in the work of the Church, rather than in any individual enterprise.

“ Feeling deeply the importance of a more thorough Christian education than is afforded in many of our Female Institutions, my desire is, that the Head of the Church in the Diocese may recognize the Institution as an auxiliary to his own work, and may, if the Convention does not see fit to adopt it as a Diocesan Institution, visit and examine it, and give it the benefit of his godly counsel, and perform such religious services as to him may seem proper.”

Among the proceedings of the General Convention which mark significantly the present characteristic feeling and want of the Church, was the resolution which created a Committee of Laymen, one from each Diocese, to “ devise and carry out such means and measures as they may deem advisable, calculated to reach the hearts of the laity of this Church, and impress upon them specially the imperative want of the Church, of *ministers*, who must be supplied from their body ; of *money*, which is more needed than ever to meet the increased expenditures of the Church ; of earnest and holy *zeal* in the cause of Christ, which is needed most of all, and which, if aroused to its proper tone, will insure the supply of the other two needs referred to.”

This body has issued its first address, and copies of it have been placed at our disposal for distribution, which I hope to confide to the lay hands of this Convention, a voice from the brotherhood—representative laymen appealing to the whole laity of the Church in view of the great work before her in this age and land. Whatever opinion may exist as to the efficacy of this form of action in arousing and guiding the cross-signed army, it may well be received as one among many indications that we are anxiously looking to our working power, and the expansive use of our distinctive forces, while the spirit has become more genial for large-hearted fellowship. This is apparent in the subjects that are now exciting the popular intellect and earnest discussion ; for instance, the union with other bodies of Christians, the terms on which it could be received in consistency with our principles, and the advance that we can venture in Christian love to make in promoting it ; the adaptation of the Church to the times, and more aggressive popular influence ; a directer use of our individual members ; a more acknowledged control in social life, and ascendancy in the complex progress of civilization ; an earlier and deeper seizure on the springs of moral being by Christian education ; demonstrative and holier ministration remedially for human trials in institutions reared by “prayers and alms,” and tended with the love for Christ’s sake ; the abatement of artificial distinctions in our places of worship ; the larger provision of church accommodation in free churches ; the preaching to promiscuous masses in secular buildings or temporary structures, or in the streets of our larger cities ; the extent and form of Episcopal pastorate, and the increase of a permanent Diaconate ; the æsthetic influence of our places of worship, and ritual ; the responsibility and extent of stewardship for time, station, youth and talent, as well as for property ; the obligation of what is distinctly Christian in our moral and religious acts and tempers, so that discipleship shall be owned, the belonging to Christ be manifest, our virtues become the graces of the Spirit, and the works a treasure for Heaven ; and with these the whole

noble theme of missions, with the world for its field, deepening and widening. These are subjects and enterprises which have gained the ascendancy over doctrinal discussions, the vexed questions of theological opinion, or the metaphysics of inward experience. Objects and anxieties like these, however they may be discussed, or how crude soever some of the plans and aims they may engender, testify to a larger practical work as the growing characteristic of our time and Church.

The conservative spirit dominant in our great Assembly has been topic of general remark, and we may thankfully add, of gratulation. The large proportion of Clergy and Laity do not like the restraint of partisanship, and feel, that personal liberty which can discriminate and act with conscientious expediency, is preferable, if only for self-respect, to the sharp discipline of party, and the submission in judgment and action which such always exacts. Evangelic truth itself is complex, and can only be partially discerned. Its constraint is according to the peculiarities of the individual natures. Its development is varied as these distinctions, endlessly multiplied by the changes and chances of our life. Even Evangelists and Apostles, with plenary inspiration, regard the truth from different points of view, and the mystical symbols of the lion, the ox, the man and the eagle, are descriptions of the variety created by temperament and circumstance, impressed indelibly on the agency of each in the written revelation. From this source, in lawless indulgence, come "false doctrine, heresy and schism;" and from the same when kept within the great prescriptions of the Divine Covenant—respecting its essential unity, and controlled by its love, "the bond of peace and of all virtues"—arise the beautiful and intense, the self-denying and aggressive, the inward and objective, the contemplative and practical, which, while distinctive and even polemic, are not antagonistic in character and results. In this way the phases of the Church's spirit and work vary too. In her great history we trace from the time of the first simple witness, each age as characterized by a different form of thought or action, suffering or triumph,

each with its own power and its own evils, but all combining to fulfill the appointed course of the "kingdom," and the complicated issues of "the regeneration." It can hardly now be said that there is among us a formally demonstrated High Church party, that is to say, any special association organized with the avowed purpose of defending or propagating this class of opinion. The party organizations which are deemed necessary to oppose what is often crudely grouped under this epithet, and which in consequence are called "Low Church," are obliged to set themselves against the constituted agencies, general or diocesan, of the Church itself; and rest upon a construction of the voluntary principle which in the main is "peaceable secession." It has, in my judgment, the same fallacies and errors, in a limited degree, as that political scheme, and disturbs the combined orderly working of our federal and diocesan systems, of which the voluntary principle is the author and life, by which they are limited and defined, and within which it can safely expand and act with all but indefinite power. I feel safe in saying, and utter it thankfully as a common impression, that never in our branch of the Church in connection with so much energy has there been such substantial conservative unity; never have her aims been broader, more practical and sensible; so that every one willing to spend and be spent in the true old fellowship, may find that which will satisfy the claim of his intellect, taste and conscience, impose upon him a willing and abounding service, and make him "the right man in the right place," whoever he may be, and whatever the station in which God has placed him.

When we are estimating or arousing the laity of the Church, as a distinct element of its strength, we all must find the foundation principle in the Baptismal vows. The dedication there made, and the covenant gifts imparted, are the pledge and earnest of the future; and the divine life there begun is to be carried on in open consecration, as the "member of Christ, the child of God, and the inheritor of His kingdom." The real power of the Laity, then, is in the integrity of the

life of God in the soul, and the development of personal holiness in each individual. Without this spiritual efficiency there can be no real Christian work ; and on the pure breadth of this inward character, must be found the identity of interest, harmony of purpose, tact in combination, division of labor, patient industry, gentle fellowship, mutual honor, humility and charity, essential for the real advance of Christ's true kingdom. None can doubt that here is the genuine source of Christian activity, individual or combined ; but besides the fact that there is the fearful neglect of privilege and character altogether on the part of multitudes of the baptized, the pledged people of the Lord, living and dying in the devoted service of the " world, the flesh, and the devil," there is the conscious demand for action better organized, and power more effectually combined, for concentrated feeling and serried strength, among those willing to " be about " the Church's business. To attain this, is the object of the movement, and of the well-timed appeal which these representative laymen utter. It must have a salutary impression on the minds of thousands, whether to pass away in sentiment, as so much legislative and hortatory effort has already done, time must show. But to be successful, each parish must become the field of active experiment. It must be the regimental camp of the soldiers of Christ, the vineyard for the day-laborers, the microcosm of the service and discipline which must have their practical stand point, or be idle dreaming. It is my duty, then, to urge upon the Clergy to meet at once this yearning after heartier effort, bolder enterprise and more systematic work ; and by all they can do in their parochial management, to head and lead the revival. Encouraged by the loyal sentiments here advanced of the obligation of the laity to act and give, to be busy in the Sunday School and Bible teaching, to be honest in meeting the debts of the parish by timely provision, to be just and generous in supporting the pastor, to feel shame for the discreditable arrears of diocesan assessments, to press out aggressively " in diocesan missionary operations, the building of churches in new and feeble

parishes, aiding in the erection of parsonages, founding of training schools and theological seminaries—why should you feel shy and afraid, or shrink from calling each one to his post and sacrifice, laying out the separate work, detailing the stewardship, marking for each man, woman and child their share of what Christ's kingdom needs, and leading them to their post in the Christian fight, with the cry of faith, 'The Church expects every man to do his duty!'" There is warrant for you in this paper, and you may go in the strength of its lay voice, ringing from Maine to California, to say and do what, without it, you felt too weak and alone to dare.

Our system connects the laity more than any other religious body does, with the direct business of the Church. It may be said we do nothing without their correlative and almost controlling agency. Under these circumstances, even if the claim may be carried far higher into the spiritual, where they are "servants of Christ," "not their own, bought with a price," we are surely right, at the very least, in expecting that, in the business of the Church, they will be business men. If a man takes office in the congregation, or interest in its founding or support, we may expect that he will recognize the position as a personal claim, conscientiously requiring him to fulfill its duties in the same sagacious and practical and honest manner as the calling of his daily life; giving it honorable place in his engagements with punctuality and industry. Though acting with others, it cannot be right to make his own share nominal, and turn over the responsibility and influence to any one willing to assume them. Pecuniary obligations, contracted in this relation, should be as sacred to him as those of his own bond and honor, and when forming them corporately, there should be the anxious prudence, and calculation of resources, which, in the wisdom of the world, he would employ for himself. If inexperienced and untried in the ways of Zion—as well he may be on our Western field—there is a claim upon each to learn, and by attention to rubric and canon, and to the fundamental topics of the Ministry, discipline and worship of the Church, sound instruction on which

can be found within the size of a tract—prepare himself to act intelligently and with confidence, and as far as in him lieth, see that all things are done “decently and in order.” It is, indeed, the simplest measure of duty, that the work of the parish organization should be undertaken cheerfully, done with thought, diligence, and integrity; done with tact and resolution; done for real ends and successful issues in the advance of religion; done, in a word, “heartily as unto the Lord.” Faithfulness, to this extent, would lessen much the cares, discouragement and privations of the ministry; enhance the secular prosperity, at least, of our parishes; train up experienced guardianship for the Church’s interests; enlarge the area of willing service; bring to her councils maturer wisdom; and break up that paradox of discipleship where everybody is so busy that they cannot work—so thrifty that they cannot give—so intense that they can only “slumber and sleep.”

It is written that there is a glorious era yet awaiting the Church of Christ, delayed mainly by the apathy of man. A time when the Gospel will triumph, as it never yet has triumphed; when there will be a depth and fervor in religious feeling hitherto unknown; when the infatuated apathy now abroad will be exchanged for the deepest interests in the things of eternity, and every heart will be absorbed in the high considerations of the great Salvation. The Cross will be on every tongue, and on none without trembling emotion of penitence or redeemed joy. Multitudes will be in the valley of decision, and well-springs in every desert; when man will hold and value property and talents, station and power, only as they may contribute to advance the glory of Zion. The time of this “knoweth no man;” and yet the faithful in each generation from the Apostles downwards, upon whose vision it seemed to press so close, have felt that it was “nigh them, even at the door.” The hope of it is our privilege; the certainty of it affects our responsibility. We are Christian, not in accident of birthright only—not in the indefinite influence acting upon us like the advance of civilization, or the refine-

ments of our social position, but as a personal character and obligation which has been more and more bound upon us as intellect, conscience and means of improvement advanced.

This spiritual success, in its form, is, we confidently believe, the advance of the visible Church, "Holy, Catholic and Apostolic." It is the time of her restoring unity, when she draws back into her fellowship the bodies which in so many forms have more or less departed from the primitive faith; have rallied aside under an exclusive standard of religious opinion, or imposed tests of communion too narrow for her world-wide breadth. We utter the thought, we share the hope, without a breath of reproach. God forbid. But because, limited as yet in our country may be the members of this Catholic fellowship, we believe that the influence has already struck far deeper and wider than statistic value; and if among all the divisions of Christendom as presented in our land, there is one that by any possibility can affiliate them in whole or in part, it must be the PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE UNITED STATES.

This pledged triumph of religious truth in the Church of Christ,—“the pillar and ground, the keeper and witness” of it, is to be effected by human agency. It is the combined work of its members. In this the *lay element* is predominant, and acts normally as it is influential in secular affairs. But not in the natural, but spiritual power; not as we are men, but Christians; not in associations incidentally combined, but in the KINGLY PRIESTHOOD, to which as believers—members of the covenant of grace—we are elect and anointed. When we are rousing to the sense of this work—when we desire to bring to bear on these interests all that has weight in secular affairs—when we invoke energy, zeal, and reliance on the means in our control, if fairly used, to produce the rapid extension of our Church in the land—when we plan sagaciously the manifold means tending to such a consummation, and are compelled to compute our relative force so much by silver and gold—then is the condition when most of all we need deeply, constantly and humbly, to realize the office and agencies of

the HOLY SPIRIT. Then must the instruction of the pulpit dwell on the personality, offices and gifts of the third Person of the Blessed Trinity. Then must prayer unceasing ascend for help and wisdom, gentleness and love. Then must we strive, even while individual power is more vigorous and reliant, to lose ourselves in Christ ; that the Gospel may be in us its own witness in all the graces, but most of all in HUMILITY, "not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts."

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