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ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON,

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May 20, and Monday May 22,

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## LIST OF CLERGY,

*In the Diocese of North Carolina, entitled to Seats in the Convention.*

- Right Rev. THOMAS ATKINSON, D. D., Bishop, and President *ex officio* of the Convention.
- Rev. R. W. BARBER, Missionary, Wilkes and Iredell Counties, and parts adjacent.
- Rev. GEORGE BENTON, Rector of Christ Church, Rockfish, Cumberland County.
- Rev. JARVIS BUXTON, Rector of Trinity Church, Asheville.
- Rev. JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, Rector of Calvary Church, Tarborough, and Trinity Church, Scotland Neck.
- Rev. BENJAMIN SWAN BRONSON, Deacon.
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- Rev. R. B. DRANE, D. D., Rector of St. James's Church, Wilmington.
- Rev. F. FITZGERALD, Rector, St. Mark's, Halifax, Church of the Saviour, Northampton.
- Rev. E. N. FORBES, Rector of Christ Church, Elizabeth City.
- Rev. EDWIN GEER, Rector of St. Peter's, Washington.
- \*Rev. N. F. GREEN, Rector of Christ Church, Newbern.
- Rev. F. M. HUBBARD, Professor, Chapel Hill.
- Rev. JOS. C. HUSKE, Rector of St. John's, Fayetteville.
- Rev. N. COLLIN HUGHES, Missionary, Pitt and Beaufort Counties.
- Rev. W. N. HAWKS, Missionary, Craven County.
- Rev. HORATIO HEWITT, Calvary Church, Wadesborough.
- Rev. R. C. HINES, Deacon.
- Rev. S. I. JOHNSTON, Rector, St. Paul's, Edenton.
- Rev. JAS. G. JACOBS, Missionary, St. Philip's Church, Mocksville, and parts adjacent.
- \*Rev. W. G. JACKSON, Missionary, Henderson, and parts adjacent.
- Rev. J. R. LEE, Church of the Epiphany, Leaksville.
- Rev. R. S. MASON, D. D., Rector, Christ Church, Raleigh.
- Rev. R. H. MASON, Missionary, Rutherfordton, Rutherford County.
- Rev. T. S. W. MOTT, Charlotte and Lincolnton.
- Rev. JOS. W. MURPHY, Missionary, Washington County and parts adjacent.
- Rev. A. F. OLMSTED, Rector of St. Bartholomew's, Pittsborough, and St. Mark's, Deep River.
- Rev. JOHN HAYWOOD PARKER, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Salisbury.
- Rev. CHAS. M. PARKMAN, Missionary.
- Rev. H. H. PROUT, Lenoir, Caldwell County, and parts adjacent.
- Rev. JAS. T. PICKETT, Deacon, St. Paul's, Edenton.
- Rev. GEORGE PATTERSON, Deacon, Grace Church, Plymouth.
- Rev. A. F. N. ROLFE, St. Stephen's, Goldsborough, and St. Paul's, Clinton.

Rev. A. SMEDES, St. Mary's School, Raleigh.

Rev. W. E. SNOWDEN, Rector, Holy Trinity, Hertford, Perquimons County.

Rev. W. W. SKILES, Deacon, Watauga County.

Rev. LEWIS TAYLOR, Granville County.

\*Rev. LEONIDAS L. SMITH, Rector, Emmanuel Church, Warrenton.

Rev. A. A. WATSON, Rector, Grace Church, Plymouth.

Rev. J. T. WHEAT, D. D., Professor, Chapel Hill, Rector of Chapel of the Cross.

\*The Rev. Messrs. GREEN, JACKSON and SMITH, not entitled to seats at this Convention but as honorary members.

The Rev. Messrs. BENTON, W. N. HAWKS, HUBBARD, HEWITT, HINES, LEE, R. H. MASON, MOTT, OLNSTED, PARKMAN, PROUT, PICKETT, ROLFE, TAYLOR, WATSON, WHEAT, were not present at this Convention.

## L A Y D E L E G A T E S .

- \*HENRY A. LONDON,  
N. M. HILL,  
M. Q. WADDELL,  
\*THOMAS HILL, } St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsborough.
- WILLIAM PATTON,  
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ALEX'R ROBERTSON, } Trinity Church, Asheville.
- \*Dr. A. J. DEROSSET, Sr.,  
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- \*JAMES T. LITTLEJOHN,  
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Dr. Z. M. PASCHALL, } St. Stephen's Church, Oxford.
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P. H. THOMAS,  
JAMES A. BULLOCK,  
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- H. J. ROBARDS,  
L. H. HENDERSON,  
C. E. HAMILTON,  
P. B. HAMILTON, } " " Alternates.
- FREDERICK GRIST,  
F. B. SATTERTHWAITE,  
\*ISRAEL HARDING,  
\*HENRY M. PATRICK, } Trinity Church, Beaufort County.
- \*MOSES W. JARVIS,  
JOHN BLACKWELL,  
\*J. CICERO JUSTICE,  
\*WM. DUNN, } Christ Church, Newbern.
- \*W. J. ELLISON,  
\*D. B. PERRY,  
\*ALLEN GRIST,  
\*JAS. E. HOYT, } St. Peter's Church, Washington.

- NOAH MAST,  
 SAMUEL HICKS, } Church of the Holy Cross, Valle Crucis.  
 GEO. N. EVANS, }
- W. R. SMITH,  
 R. H. SMITH,  
 JAS. N. SMITH,  
 DR. JAS. M. JOHNSON, } Trinity Church, Scotland Neck.
- \*PETER E. SMITH,  
 DR. A. S. HALL, } " " Alternates.
- WILLIAM LOCKE,  
 WILLIAM MURPHY,  
 B. F. SUMNER,  
 CHAS. F. FISHER, } St. Luke's Church, Salisbury.
- DR. W. T. JOHNSON,  
 W. H. STROTHER,  
 DR. W. W. GREEN, } St. Paul's Church, Louisburg.
- \*RUSSELL CHAPMAN,  
 MATTHEW WEDDELL,  
 JOS. H. BOWDITCH, } Calvary Church, Tarborough.
- JOHN B. GOELET,  
 HENRY DOWNING,  
 JOSIAH COLLINS,  
 THOS. G. HAUGHTON, } St. Luke's, Washington County.
- ANDREW L. CHESSON, " " Alternate.
- WM. BADHAM,  
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 T. C. MANNING,  
 \*J. A. BENBURY, } St. Paul's Church, Edenton.
- DR. E. WARREN,  
 E. C. HINES,  
 JOHN SKINNER,  
 T. L. SKINNER, } " " Alternates.
- \*A. JOYNER,  
 \*J. B. BATCHELOR,  
 W. W. DANIEL,  
 B. F. SIMMONS, } St. Mark's, Halifax.
- EDMUND WILKINS,  
 \*HENRY K. BURGWIN,  
 \*D. A. BARNES,  
 SAMUEL CALVERT, } Church of the Saviour, Northampton.
- DR. WM. BARROW,  
 JOHN RANDOLPH, } " " " Alternates.
- AMASA ALDEN,  
 K. T. PHILLIPS, } Christ Church, Rockfish, Cumberland County.
- JACOB CORRELL,  
 WM. HEATHMAN,  
 J. MCKNIGHT, } St. Andrew's Parish, Rowan County.

- \*Hon. W. H. BATTLE,  
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JOHN H. BRYAN,  
\*THOS. D. HOGG,  
CHARLES MANLY, } Christ Church, Raleigh.
- JAS. H. POOL,  
R. B. CREECY,  
L. J. JOHNSON,  
W. F. MARTIN, } Christ Church, Elizabeth City.
- RICHARD A. CALDWELL,  
E. COOLEY,  
R. TROY HALL,  
W. E. TROY, } Calvary Church, Wadesborough.
- \*W. R. HOLT, Church of the Redemption, Lexington.
- JESSE NOBLE,  
WM. A. PUGH,  
L. B. PUGH, } St. John's Parish, Pitt County.
- G. W. COLLIER,  
\*WM. A. WILLIAMS,  
\*T. HOSKINS,  
\*B. F. ARRINGTON, } St. Stephen's Church, Goldsborough.
- RICHARD WASHINGTON,  
G. V. STRONG,  
D. GOGDELL,  
J. B. WHITAKER, } " " " Alternates.
- Dr. WM. MCKOY,  
\*RICHARD C. HOLMES,  
Dr. WM. G. MICKS,  
JOHN C. SLOCUM, } St. Paul's Church, Clinton, Sampson C'ty.
- Dr. PRIDE JONES,  
THOS. B. HILL,  
BENJ. R. HUSKE,  
EDMUND D. MCNAIR, } St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough.
- Hon. THOS. RUFFIN,  
Hon. J. L. BAILEY,  
H. K. NASH,  
J. M. PALMER, } " " " Alternates.
- JOHN MCC. BOYLE,  
S. H. McRAE,  
F. F. FAGAN,  
E. W. JONES, } Grace Church, Plymouth.
- W. A. LITTLEJOHN,  
THOS. H. GILLIAM, } " " " Alternates.
- T. H. LASSITER,  
G. W. GATLING, } St. Mary's Church, Gatesville.

WILLIAM PLUMMER,  
\*THOS. A. BLOUNT,  
Dr. THOS. E. WILSON,  
THOS. A. MONTGOMERY, ) Emmanuel Church, Warrenton.

Those marked [\*] were present.



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ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON, N. C., }  
MAY 17, 1854. }

This being the day and the place for the meeting of the 38th Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of North Carolina, the Bishop, with the attending Clergy and Laity, assembled in St. James's Church, for the purpose of organizing the Convention.

The members were called to order by the Bishop.

The Secretary for the last year called the List of the Clergy entitled to seats, and the following were present and took seats as members of the Convention:

Rev. R. W. BARBER.  
Rev. JARVIS BUNTON.  
Rev. JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE  
Rev. J. B. DONNELLY.  
Rev. R. B. DRANE, D. D.  
Rev. F. FITZGERALD.  
Rev. E. M. FORBES.  
Rev. EDWIN GEER.  
Rev. JOS. C. HUSKE.  
Rev. N. COLLIN HUGHES.

Rev. JAS. G. JACOCKS.  
Rev. S. I. JOHNSTON.  
Rev. R. S. MASON, D. D.  
Rev. JOS. W. MURPHY.  
Rev. JNO. HAYWOOD PARKER.  
Rev. GEORGE PATTERSON.  
Rev. ALDERT SMEDES.  
Rev. W. E. SNOWDEN.  
Rev. W. W. SKILES.

Certificates of Lay Delegation were called for, laid on the Secretary's table, and read, from which it appeared that the following Churches had elected Delegates to this Convention:

*St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsborough.*—Henry A. London, N. M. Hill, M. Q. Waddell, Thomas Hill.

*Church of the Holy Cross, Valle Crucis.*—Noah Mast, Sam'l Hicks, G. N. Evans.

*Trinity Church, Asheville.*—William Patton, Jas. W. Patton, Alexander Robertson.

*St. James's Church, Wilmington.*—Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Sen., Dr. Thomas H. Wright, Levin Lane, James S. Green.

*St. John's Church, Fayetteville.*—Charles T. Haigh, Edward Lee Winslow, E. J. Hale, William J. Anderson.

*Holy Trinity, Hertford.*—B. S. Skinner, Henry W. Barber, Dr. T. D. Martin, Joseph G. Granberry.

*St. John's Church, Williamsborough.*—S. S. Royster, P. H. Thomas, James A. Bullock, Robert A. Hamilton. And Alternates: H. J. Roberts, L. H. Henderson, C. E. Hamilton, P. B. Hamilton.

*St. Stephen's Church, Oxford.*—James T. Littlejohn, L. A. Paschall, Wm. V. Paschall, Dr. Z. M. Paschall.

*Trinity Church, Beaufort County.*—Frederick Grist, F. B. Satterthwaite, Israel Harding, Henry M. Patrick.

*Christ Church, Newbern.*—Moses W. Jarvis, John Blackwell, Wm. Dann, J. Cicero Justice.

*Trinity Church, Scotland Neck.*—William R. Smith, Richard H. Smith, James N. Smith, Dr. James M. Johnson. Alternates: Peter E. Smith, Dr. A. S. Hall.

*St. Peter's Church, Washington.*—W. J. Ellison, D. B. Perry, Allen Grist, James E. Hoyt.

*St. Luke's Church, Salisbury.*—William Locke, William Murphy, Benj'n F. Sumner, Charles F. Fisher.

*St. Mary's Church, Gatesville.*—T. H. Lassiter, G. W. Gatling.

*St. Paul's Church, Louisburg.*—Dr. W. T. Johnson, W. H. Strother, Dr. W. W. Green.

*Calvary Church, Tarborough.*—Russell Chapman, Matthew Weddell, Joseph H. Bowditch.

*St. Luke's Parish, Washington County.*—John B. Goelet, Henry Downing, Josiah Collins, Thomas G. Haughton. Alternate: Andrew L. Chesson.

*St. Paul's Church, Edenton.*—William Badham, John Thompson, T. C. Manning, J. A. Benbury. Alternates: Dr. E. Warren, E. C. Hines, John Skinner, T. L. Skinner.

*St. Mark's Church, Halifax.*—A. Joyner, J. B. Batchelor, W. W. Daniel, B. F. Simmons.

*Church of the Saviour, Northampton.*—Edmund Wilkins, Henry K. Burgwyn, David A. Barnes, Samuel Calvert. Alternates: Dr. Wm. Barrow, John Randolph.

*Christ Church, Rockyfish.*—Amasa Alden, K. T. Phillips.

*Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill.*—Hon. W. H. Battle, Dr. J. B. Jones, E. Mallett, Alfred M. Waddell.

Of whom the following appeared and took seats as members of the Convention: Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Sr., Dr. Thomas H. Wright, John Thompson, J. A. Benbury, Russell Chapman, W. J. Ellison, D. B. Perry, Jas. E. Hoyt, Peter E. Smith, Israel Harding, Henry M. Patrick, R. A. Hamilton, James T. Littlejohn, Charles T. Haigh, E. L. Winslow, E. J. Hale, Jas. S. Green, H. A. London.

The President declared the Convention organized.

On motion, Edward Lee Winslow was unanimously elected Secretary for the ensuing year.

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

On motion, Resolved, That the Ministers of the Episcopal Church, not members of this Convention, and Candidates for Orders in this Church, be invited to take seats as honorary members of this Convention.

Under this resolution, the Rev. Messrs. N. F. Green and W. G. Jackson, took seats, and John Beckwith, Jr. and B. F. Bronson, Candidates for Orders.

The Convention, on motion, resolved, after Divine Service, to adjourn to Thursday morning, 9 o'clock.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. J. Blount Cheshire; the Lessons read by the Rev. W. E. Snowden; the Ante-Communion Service, with the Epistle and Gospel, by the Bishop; the Convention Sermon by the Rev. A. Smedes, from Acts, 5th chapter, 42d verse.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. JACOBS; the Lessons were read by the Rev. Mr. Donnelly, and a Sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. Green, from 11th chapter of St. Matthew's Gospel, 2d, 3d and 4th verses.

#### THURSDAY, MAY 18.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayers were read by the Bishop.

The Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

The following Delegates appeared and took their seats: Levin Lane, A. Joyner, H. K. Burgwyn, D. A. Barnes, M. W. Jarvis, Jos. G. Granberry, John Thompson, Hon. Wm. H. Battle, W. J. Ellison, J. Cicero Justice.

Charles T. Haigh, Esq. was requested by the Convention to act as the Treasurer, *pro tempore*.

Certificates of Lay Delegation were handed in and read, from which it appeared that the following Churches had elected Delegates to this Convention:

*Christ Church, Raleigh.*—G. W. Mordecai, John H. Bryan, Thos. D. Hogg, Charles Manly.

*St. Andrew's Parish, Rowan County.*—Jacob Correll, Wm. Heathman, J. McKnight.

*Christ Church, Elizabeth City.*—Jos. H. Pool, R. B. Creecy, L. J. Johnson, Wm. F. Martin.

*Calvary Church, Wadesborough.*—Richard A. Caldwell, E. Cooley, Robert Troy Hall, W. E. Troy.

*Church of the Redemption, Lexington.*—Dr. W. R. Holt.

*St. John's Parish, Pitt County.*—Jesse Noble, Wm. A. Pugh, L. B. Pugh.

Of whom the following appeared and took seats as members of the Convention: Dr. W. R. Holt, Thos. D. Hogg.

The Bishop appointed the following Standing Committees:

*Committee on the Admission of New Congregations.*—Rev. Messrs.

Forbes, Snowden and Fitzgerald, of the Clergy; Messrs. T. H. Wright and Israel Harding, of the Laity.

*Committee on the State of the Church.*—Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D., Rev. S. I. Johnston, Rev. J. C. Huske, Rev. J. B. Cheshire, Rev. J. Buxton.

*Committee of Finance.*—Rev. R. B. Drane, D. D., Rev. A. Smedes, Hon. W. H. Battle, M. W. Jarvis and Thos. D. Hogg.

*Standing Missionary Committee.*—Rev. Messrs. Parker, Hughes and Geer, of the Clergy; and Messrs. Hale, Hoyt and Joyner, of the Laity.

On motion, Resolved, That the papers in relation to the admission of the Congregations of St. Paul's Church, Clinton, Sampson County, and St. Stephen's Church, Goldsborough, Wayne County, into union with the Church in this Diocese, be referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Congregations.

The Bishop read his Annual Address to the Convention, as follows:

Having been by the voice of this Convention, at its last annual meeting, chosen to fill the vacancy in the Episcopate of this Diocese, occasioned by the lamentable falling away of the late Bishop, and feeling that under the peculiar circumstances of the case, I was bound to regard it as the will of God that I should now accept a post which I have heretofore shunned, surrendering my doubts as to my own fitness, and consenting, with whatever pain, to sever the ties which bound me to a city where I had for many years found a happy home, and to a congregation which had, beyond my merits, honored and loved me, I wrote, after a short interval for deliberation and prayer, and consultation with my friends, to the Standing Committee, signifying my acceptance. When the General Convention met in the Autumn, I attended it as a Delegate from Maryland, waiting its action on the questions which my election brought up. These being satisfactorily settled, I was, with my brother the Rev. Dr. Davis, Bishop elect of the Diocese of South Carolina, duly Consecrated on the 19th day of October last, having the happiness to receive the imposition of hands, not only from some of our own honored Prelates, but also from two of the Bishops of our mother Church. After the adjournment of the General Convention, I tarried a few days in Baltimore to take leave, as far as I could in a short time, of the friends in that city I was about to be separated from, and then setting my face Southward, reached Raleigh on the 8th of Nov'r. That place, as the most central and one of the largest in the Diocese, I chose as that of my residence, and began to make preparations for the removal of my family there. On Sunday the 13th, I officiated for the first time in my new relation, at Christ Church, both morning and afternoon, the Rev. Dr. Mason reading prayers, and I preaching; and in the evening I attended service at St. Mary's Chapel, the Rev. Mr. Smedes reading prayers, and I preaching and afterwards confirming twelve persons, pupils of that most valuable, and ably and judiciously conducted School.

November the 16th, I left Raleigh for Wilmington, which I reached the same evening, and during the rest of the week was engaged in making the acquaintance of the people of this flourishing Parish, and in

arranging for other visitations. On Sunday the 20th I preached, morning and afternoon, at St. James's Church, the Rev. Dr. Drane reading prayers. Monday the 21st, I laid the corner-stone of a new Church, now in the process of erection in this city, and which will, when completed, be a most gratifying and distinguished monument of the zeal and liberality of the members of our communion in this city.

Tuesday, 22d, I set off for Fayetteville, where I arrived the next morning.

Thursday, Nov. 24, it being Thanksgiving-Day, Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Huske, and the Ante-Communion office by myself, and the Sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Olmsted.

Friday evening, Service was performed by Messieurs Huske and Olmsted, and the Sermon preached by Mr. Hewitt. On Saturday, Mr. Hewitt was examined for Priest's Orders, by Messrs. Benton, Huske and Olmsted, in my presence, and the examination sustained. In the evening of the same day, after service, I preached and confirmed eight persons.

Sunday, Nov. 27th, after Morning Service, I preached and ordained Rev. Horatio H. Hewitt, Priest, the candidate being presented by the Rev. Mr. Huske, who, together with Messrs. Benton and Olmsted, united in the imposition of hands. In the Evening, after Service, I preached again and confirmed three persons.

Monday, Nov. 28th, I went to Clinton, where, in the evening, at the Court House, I read prayers and preached to a full congregation. Efforts are making here to build a Church, and the Rev. Mr. Rolfe now stately officiates in the village.

Tuesday, Nov. 29th, I went on to Halifax, where I met with the Rev. Mr. Fitzgerald, who, in the evening, read prayers, and I preached. The congregation at this place has been accustomed to worship in a Church common to several denominations, and otherwise inconvenient; but they are now preparing to build one for their own use.

Wednesday, Nov. 30th, I went on, in company with the Rev. Mr. Cheshire and some other friends, to Warrenton, where, on the same evening, after Service, I preached and baptised two adults. Our Church at Warrenton was then without the services of a Minister, the Rev. Mr. Smith, who had accepted the charge of it, not having arrived. The next day, December 1st, in the morning, after service by Mr. Cheshire, I preached and confirmed four persons.

On the same evening I went on to Henderson, where, in the morning of December 2d, the Rev. Mr. Davis read prayers, I preached and confirmed two persons, both colored.

Dec. 3d, in company with Mr. Davis, I reached Oxford, where, at night, I read prayers and Mr. Davis preached. Sunday, Dec. 4th, after Morning Service, I preached, and, assisted by Mr. D., administered the Lord's Supper. In the evening, after Service, I preached and confirmed five persons, of whom one was colored.

Dec. 5th, in company with Mr. Davis, I went to Williamsborough, where, after Morning Prayer, I preached and confirmed four persons, and, assisted by Mr. D., administered the Holy Communion.

Dec. 6th, Mr. Davis and I went on to Louisburg, which, together

with Oxford, was then and still is without a Rector. There we were met by the Rev. Dr. Mason and the Rev. Mr. Smedes, of Raleigh, who had held services the night before. On this day, in the morning, I consecrated a new and handsome, though small Church, to the worship of Almighty God. Though small, this Church reflects great credit on the liberality of the little band who united their gifts and efforts in its erection. After the Consecration, I preached, and assisted by Dr. Mason, administered the Holy Communion. In the evening, Mr. Davis read prayers, and I preached and confirmed one person. Dec. 7th, after Morning Prayer, Mr. Smedes preached. In the evening we returned to Raleigh.

Sunday, Dec. 11th, after Morning Service at Christ Church, I preached and confirmed seven persons, one of whom was colored, another a deaf mute.

Dec. 14th, I returned for a few days to Baltimore, in order that I might bring on my family to their future home. On the 15th, I took some part in the services at the Dedication of Mount Calvary Church in that city, it having been recently enlarged and otherwise improved. Sunday, Dec. 18th, after Morning Service at Grace Church, my late field of labor, then vacant, now most worthily and efficiently occupied, I preached, and in the afternoon baptised three children; and in the evening, preached again at St. Peter's, where more than half of my ministerial life has been spent, happily, and I trust not altogether uselessly. After Service, I baptised another child in private.

Dec. 20th, I left Baltimore again for Raleigh, where I arrived on the next day.

Dec. 22d, I received from the Presiding Bishop the notification of the Deposition of the late Bishop of this Diocese, with the resolution of the House of Bishops, that the sentence be read in every congregation throughout the Church. Supposing that the Clergy in many instances might not have copies of this document, which yet would soon reach them through the Journal of the late General Convention, then daily expected, I postponed and up to this time have postponed, calling their attention to this painful duty. I must now, however, remind them of it, and take this opportunity of doing so.

Saturday, Dec. 24th, I went to Oxford, where, on Christmas Day, I read prayers, preached, and administered the Holy Communion. In the evening, I read prayers, preached, and confirmed two persons, one of whom was colored.

Jan. 5th, 1854, I consecrated to the service of Almighty God, the beautiful house of worship recently erected by the congregation of Christ Church, Raleigh. There were present on that occasion, of the Clergy, besides the Rector, the Rev. Dr. Mason, the Rev. Messrs. Hubbard, Smedes, Olmsted, Cheshire, and R. H. Mason, and a large congregation of the Laity. On that occasion I preached and administered the Holy Communion, assisted by the Presbyters present. Jan. 8th, I preached in the morning at the same Church.

Jan. 13th, I set off, in fulfilment of an engagement made some months before, to perform some duties in New York and Philadelphia. Sunday, 15th, I preached twice in Grace Church, Baltimore. On the

17th, I lectured in New York before the Brotherhood of the Church. On the 22d, I preached in the morning at St. Mark's in Philadelphia, and in the evening at St. Luke's, the latter being one of a course of Sermons on the evidences of Christianity. On Sunday the 29th, I preached in the morning at the Monumental Church in Richmond, and in the evening at St. Paul's Church in the same city.

Having returned home, I went to Oxford, so as to officiate there on Sunday February the 8th, reading prayers and preaching twice on that day, and in the evening confirming one person.

Feb. 8th, in Raleigh, I confirmed in private one person, being a sick and aged lady.

Feb. 12th, I officiated at Henderson, reading prayers, preaching, and baptising one adult, a colored woman.

Feb'y 13th, at Louisburg, at Evening Service, I read prayers and preached. Feb. 14th, at the same place, in the morning, I performed the same services.

Feb. 18th, I went to Chapel Hill, where, at Evening Service, Mr. Olmsted, who had come over to meet me, preached. During the same evening, Mr. Richard Hines was examined for Deacon's Orders, on the terms prescribed for those who are to take charge of a Parish. The examination was conducted by Messrs. Hubbard, Wheat, Olmsted, and myself, and was sustained. Sunday, 19th, in the morning, after service, I preached and ordained Mr. Hines, and administered the Holy Communion, assisted by Messrs. Wheat and Olmsted. In the evening, after service, I again preached and confirmed eleven persons.

Sunday, Feb. 26th, I attended Divine Service in the morning at Christ Church, Raleigh, and in the evening at St. Mary's in the same city, where also I preached. March 1st, being Ash-Wednesday, I attended service at Christ Church, Raleigh, and preached.

On the next day, Thursday 2d, I left home on a long visitation. That evening, I held service at Franklinton, in the Methodist Church, which was kindly offered me for that purpose. I read prayers and preached to an excellent congregation. There are here a few persons attached to the Church and desirous to enjoy its services as often as possible; and as the village is rapidly increasing, there is ground to hope that even the occasional labors of a faithful man would be largely blessed there.

Friday, March 3d, I reached Halifax, and at night had service there and preached.

Saturday, March 4th, I reached Tarborough. Sunday, March 5th, after morning prayer, I preached. In the afternoon, after a service for colored persons, I preached and confirmed three. At night, there was a third service, when I again preached and confirmed one person. Monday, 6th, in the evening after service, I again preached.

On Tuesday, in company with Mr. Cheshire, I went to Scotland Neck, where, on Wednesday, we had service at Trinity Church, and I preached and confirmed four persons.

On Thursday, in consequence of a flood in the Roanoke obstructing the direct road to Jackson, I returned to the Wilmington Rail Road, which I reached at Enfield, and thence proceeded to Garysburg, and

procuring a conveyance there went down to the residence of H. K. Burgwyn, Esq. On Friday the 10th, at a little Chapel on his estate, after Evening Prayer, I preached to his slaves, who attended very numerously and with a gratifying appearance of interest and devotion. The Rev. Mr. Fitzgerald, who lives at Mr. Burgwyn's, gives much of his time and labor to this important and often neglected part of our population; and with the efficient aid which he receives from Mr. Morell, now a candidate for Orders, who resides as a Tutor in the family, and from the excellent mistress of the household, the good work seems to make gratifying progress.

On Sunday, March 12th, I was gratified to enjoy the assistance, not only of Mr. Fitzgerald, but of the Rev. William G. Jackson, who had come on to the Diocese with the expectation of transferring his residence to it, which I am happy to say, he has since done. In the morning, I preached, and assisted by these brethren, administered the Holy Communion. In the evening, after prayers, Mr. Jackson preached.

On Monday, March 13th, I returned to Mr. Burgwyn's, where, in the evening, at his Chapel, after prayers, I preached and confirmed thirteen of his slaves.

Tuesday, March 14th, I went, accompanied by Mr. Fitzgerald, to Murfreesborough, where, at night, we held service in the Methodist Church, which had been courteously offered to our use. On that occasion I preached. Mr. Fitzgerald officiates in Murfreesborough on each fifth Sunday, but as the village is growing and the number of persons attached to the Church increasing, there is a demand for more services, which I trust he will be able to provide for them, and there is also an earnest desire on the part of many and a hopeful effort for the erection of a Church.

On Wednesday, I went with Mr. F. to Mr. Stephen Norfleet's, where we remained on Thursday.

On Friday, we held service at Woodville, in Bertie County, where I preached. In this place also, there are preparations making to build a Church.

On Saturday, March 18th, we went on to Windsor, which had recently been left without a Clergyman, by the removal of Mr. Hoskins. In the evening, we had service, when Mr. Fitzgerald preached, and on the next day, Sunday, 19th, in the morning, service, I preached, and assisted by him, administered the Holy Communion; and in the evening, I again preached and confirmed three persons. I have made arrangements, soon I hope to be carried into effect, to supply the vacancy in this Parish.

On Monday the 20th, I went with Mr. F. to Gatesville, where we met the Rev. Mr. Snowden. Immediately on our arrival there was service in the Court House, where the congregation has been accustomed to meet. On that occasion Mr. Snowden preached. In the morning, Tuesday, 21st, after service, I preached and confirmed two persons, and afterwards, assisted by my Reverend brethren, administered the Holy Communion. In the evening, after service, I again preached. There is here quite a spacious and handsome Church nearly completed, which will, with God's blessing, be a means of improvement,



as well as a source of spiritual comfort to a small, but faithful, energetic and self-denying, body of christian people.

Wednesday the 22d, I parted with regret from my useful and agreeable travelling companion, the Rev. Mr. Fitzgerald, who was obliged to return to his own cure. I continued however to enjoy the society of Mr. Snowden, with whom I went to a school-house in the immediate vicinity of Mrs. Lassiter and in a very populous neighborhood, where he is accustomed to hold services. But the day being one of heavy and incessant rain, we were disappointed in a congregation. In the evening, we went to Dr. John Gatling's, where, in consequence of the indisposition of his wife and her consequent inability to attend public worship, confirmation was administered in private to himself and her.

On Thursday I reached Edenton, where, on Saturday the 25th, there were morning and evening services, at both of which I preached. On the same day, Mr. James T. Pickett, a candidate for Deacon's Orders, was examined by the Rev. Messrs. Johnston and Snowden, and myself, and his examination sustained with reference to his taking charge of a Parish as well as being Ordained. On Sunday, March 26th, at Morning Prayer, I preached, and afterwards Ordained Mr. Pickett and administered the Holy Communion, assisted by Mr. Johnston. In the afternoon, Mr. Pickett preached, and in the evening, I preached and confirmed eight persons.

Tuesday, March 28th, I went to Hertford, where I met the Rev. Messrs. Snowden and Parkman. In the evening, we had service and I preached. Wednesday, March 29th, at Morning Prayer, I preached and confirmed two persons, and, assisted by Messrs. S. and P., administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon, Mr. Parkman preached.

In the evening, I went on my way towards Woodville, Perquimons County, where, the next morning, we were met by the Rev. Mr. Forbes. Here, after prayers, I preached and confirmed one person, and administered, in conjunction with my Rev'd brethren, the Holy Communion.

Friday, March 31st, I reached Elizabeth City, where, at night, Mr. Snowden preached. Saturday, April 1st, Evening Service was hindered by a storm. Sunday, April 2d, after Morning Prayer, I preached, and, with Messrs. Forbes and Parkman, administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon, I preached again, and confirmed sixteen persons, of whom five were colored. In the evening, we had a service especially for the colored people, which was attended by a congregation very large in numbers and respectable in appearance. On this occasion Mr. Forbes preached. The labors of Mr. Forbes, manifold as they are, and especially among the young people and the persons of color in his congregation, appeared to me exceedingly zealous, judicious and effective.

On Monday I returned to Edenton, and on Tuesday evening came to Plymouth.

On Wednesday morning, I went down to St. Luke's, in Washington County, where I met the Rev. Messrs. Watson and Patterson. After prayers, I preached, and, with them, administered the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon of the same day, I went on to the residence of Mr. Josiah Collins, and the next day attended service at Pettigrew's Chapel, where I was met by the Rev. Mr. Murphy. On that occasion I preached

and confirmed ten persons. On Friday, April 7th, I held a service at the Chapel on Mr. Collins's estate, where, after Morning Prayer, I preached and confirmed two persons, both colored. At the same time, assisted by Mr. Murphy, I administered the Holy Communion to a large number of persons, consisting mainly of Mr. Collins's servants. I had, early in the morning, attended a school service for these slaves, in which their master himself instructed them catechetically, interspersing remarks appropriate to their circumstances and grade of intellectual and spiritual culture. This is a service held by him personally every week, and additional to the instruction which they receive from their Minister. Such cares and labors for their souls' good, accompanied, as in his case, by correspondent solicitude for their temporal welfare, seemed to me the best answer to those who revile the entire population of the South, and who know so well how to do that, which Burke felt to be so far beyond his powers, to draw up an indictment against a whole people. Perhaps the philanthropy which thus rails and is puffed up, may be less precious in the sight of God, than that more obscure benevolence which only works and makes sacrifices.

Saturday, April 8th, I came to Plymouth, where, at night, Mr. Patterson read prayers and I preached. Sunday, April 9th, after Morning Prayer, I preached, and, assisted by Mr. Watson, administered the Lord's Supper. At Evening Prayer, I again preached, and then confirmed sixteen persons, one of whom was colored; and the next day, in private, confirmed a sick person. It was very gratifying to observe the vigorous growth of this young Parish under the assiduous labors of its Rector, and it enhanced the regret with which I observed the feeble health of so self-denying a man. During and since my visit, successful efforts have been made in his Parish, and among his friends elsewhere, to enable him, by a sea-voyage and European tour, to recruit energies and to prolong a life which have been so freely offered up in the cause of his Master.

On Tuesday, April 11th, I went, accompanied by Mr. Watson, to Williamston. This place, where there is a neat Church, is now vacant, in consequence of Mr. W's infirm health compelling him to circumscribe his area of labor. We had services the next morning, in which we enjoyed the assistance of the Rev. Mr. Geer, who came from Washington to meet us. After the service, I preached, and, assisted by Mr. G., administered the Holy Communion. The members of the Church here, though few, are earnest and zealous. It is hoped that an arrangement will soon be made by which they will obtain the benefit of regular services.

On Thursday, the 13th, I went down with Mr. Geer to Washington, and the next day, Good-Friday, I officiated at Trinity Chapel, Beaufort County. The Rev. Mr. Hughes, the Minister of the Parish, read prayers, and I preached and confirmed eight persons, and afterwards, assisted by Mr. H., administered the Holy Communion.

Easter-Eve, I was in Washington, where, at night, there was service and I preached. On Easter-Sunday, in the morning, I preached in the same Church, and, with Mr. Geer's assistance, administered the Lord's Supper. At night, I preached again, and confirmed eleven persons, and on Monday morning two more, in private.

On Tuesday in Easter-Week, I went to Greenville, in company with Mr. Geer, where we met with Mr. Hughes, who had held service there and preached the night before. On that day we had service in the morning, when I preached, and, assisted by Mr. Geer, administered the Lord's Supper; and again in the evening, when I preached. Greenville has a small, but new and neat Church, now vacant. The commendable zeal and liberality, however, which the few members of our Communion in that place show in their efforts to obtain regular services, warrant the hope that they will not long remain in this destitute condition.— Had we indeed but men and means, what a field opens before us in this Diocese!

On the next day I went to Raleigh, where for a few days I was sick.

Thursday, April 26th, I again left Raleigh, and went on to Newbern, which place I reached on the evening of the 27th. On the next day, at Evening Prayer, I preached; and on Sunday morning again preached, and, assisted by Mr. Green, administered the Holy Communion. In the evening, he again read prayers, and I preached and confirmed sixteen persons. On Monday, May 1st, at Evening Service, I again preached, the Rector reading prayers and baptising an adult. It was gratifying to observe the increasing prosperity of this important Parish, due, under God, mainly to the zeal and efficiency of their Rector, who is here displaying, on a larger field, the qualities which I could not but observe and respect while we were fellow-laborers in the same Parish in the Diocese we have both recently left. I found also, at Newbern, the Rev. Mr. Hawks, who is faithfully and disinterestedly serving some small congregations in the neighborhood of that place, while he maintains himself by the superadded, and not very light, labors of a large school.

On Tuesday, May 2, accompanied by Rev. Mr. Greene, and by Mr. Jarvis, a Layman in his Parish, to whose kindness I acknowledge myself much indebted, I went on to Beaufort, where, on Wednesday evening, we had service in the Court House, Mr. Greene reading prayers and I preaching. This town, already of some size and commercial importance, and which has the prospect of very rapid growth and expansion, as the contemplated maritime terminus of the great Central Rail Road of this State, ought to receive our immediate care and attention, with the view of building a Church and establishing a congregation there. At present we have neither, although some persons attached to the Faith and worship of the Church live there. The Rev. Mr. Rolfe, now of Goldsborough, has procured some contributions towards the building, and Mr. Hawks has, much to my gratification, agreed to add this to the other places where he officiates.

Thursday, May 4th, I returned with my friends to Newbern, and the next day went on to Kinston, where Mr. Rolfe and a Lay friend from Goldsborough met me. On Saturday, May 6th, at Kinston, Mr. Rolfe read Morning Prayer, and I baptised an infant, preached, confirmed one person, and administered the Holy Communion.

On the same evening I went, with my friends from Goldsborough, to that place. It is a new and growing village, where as yet we have no Church, but Mr. Rolfe is, with characteristic zeal, endeavoring to

procure the means to build one. We held our services, on Sunday the 7th, in the Court House, where a large congregation attended. In the morning, Mr. Rolfe read prayers, and I preached, and administered, with his assistance, the Holy Communion. In the evening, after prayers, I again preached, and confirmed three persons.

On Monday, May 8th, I went on to Rocky Mount, in Edgecombe county, where, on Tuesday, I was joined by the Rev. Messrs. Cheshire and Parker. As we have no Church there, our Service was held in a school-house, Mr. Cheshire reading prayers, and I preaching and confirming one person. This village is an encouraging place for Missionary effort.

On the next day, I returned to Raleigh. Sunday, May 14th, I preached, morning and afternoon, at Christ Church, and in the evening at St. Mary's Chapel, confirming on the last occasion three persons.

Since coming to the Diocese, I have preached 89 times; confirmed 190 persons, on 36 occasions; administered the Holy Communion 23 times; ordained one candidate for the Priesthood, the Rev. Horatio H. Hewitt, and two for the Diaconate Missions, Richard Hines and James T. Pickett; consecrated two Churches; laid one corner-stone, and baptised three adults and six infants. My visitations, it will be observed, have as yet reached only the Eastern and middle portions of the Diocese, and not all the Parishes in these. The West I have not yet entered on. Wherever I have been, I have to acknowledge a cordial reception on the part both of Clergy and Laity; and it has been most gratifying to me to observe, notwithstanding the shock occasioned by the fall of the late Bishop, how firmly the Diocese stands in the Faith, how united and harmonious it is, and how manifestly the work of the Lord prospers in our midst. The field before us is very insufficiently occupied, but the labor bestowed on it is well rewarded. After God's blessing, our chief want is more laborers, and means for their temporary support, for after a time the people among whom they labor will provide for them. Upon you, brethren of the Laity, it mainly rests whether there shall be such laborers; for a regular and permanent supply must come, not from abroad, but from among yourselves and your children. And on you, moreover, it depends, whether, when they come, they shall have bread to eat and raiment to put on.

The following changes among the Clergy have taken place since I entered on the duties of the Episcopate: The Rev. Messrs. Harrell and Hoskins have taken letters dimissory to the Diocese of Maryland, and the Rev. Mr. Davis to that of South Carolina, and the Rev. Mr. Ridley has removed to that of Tennessee. On the other hand, the Rev. Leonidas L. Smith has been received into the Diocese from that of Virginia, and the Rev. Henry F. Greene and William G. Jackson from that of Maryland.

The following persons are candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, viz: James Norwood, Benjamin Swan Bronson, John Beckwith, Jr., George Badger Wetmore, Samuel S. Barber, Daniel Morell, Silas D. Davenport, and Thomas G. Haughton. Charles H. Albert, a candidate for Orders, has been transferred to the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

I have received from the Bishop of Maryland, notice of the Deposi-

tion from the Ministry of Messrs. Thomas H. Quinan and Francis A. Baker.

I have to acknowledge, with gratitude, the gift to the Diocese of 250 Prayer Books, from the Bishop White Prayer Book Society of Philadelphia, in addition to the same number bought from that useful and liberal institution.

Among the occurrences of a painful nature, which have taken place since my entrance on the duties of the office which I now fill, I have to report as one which has most deeply afflicted the Diocese, the death of J. W. Wright, Esq., the late Treasurer of this Body. His diligence and faithfulness in that office were only developments of the interior principle which governed his whole conduct, devotion to the cause of Christ and His Church. It is not merely that we lament in his death the loss of so valuable an officer, but the removal from among us of one who set to all who knew him such an example of the performance of christian duty.

And now, Brethren, I commend you to the care, guidance and blessing of the Father of Lights, from Whom cometh every good and perfect gift, that He will grant you wisdom to know what is right, and grace and strength to perform it, for His dear Son's sake.

THOMAS ATKINSON.

The Committee on the Admission of New Congregations reported, that they have examined the papers in relation to St. Stephen's Church, Goldsborough, and St. Paul's Church, Clinton, and having found them correct, do recommend that the said Congregations be admitted into union with the Church in this Diocese.

F. FITZGERALD, Chairman.

On motion, Resolved, That the Congregation of St. Stephen's Church, Goldsborough, Wayne County, be admitted into union with the Church in this Diocese.

The Certificate of Delegation was read, and the following were found to be elected from that Church as Delegates to this Convention: G. W. Collier, Wm. A. Williams, T. Hoskins, B. F. Arrington. Alternates: Richard Washington, G. V. Strong, D. Cogdell, J. B. Whitaker.

On motion, Resolved, That St. Paul's Church, Clinton, Sampson County, be admitted into union with the Church in this Diocese.

The Certificate of Delegation was read, and the following were found elected as Delegates to this Convention: Dr. Wm. McKoy, Richard C. Helmes, Dr. Wm. G. Micks, John C. Slocum.

The following communication, from the Executors of the late John W. Wright, was made by Mr. C. T. Haigh, a Delegate from St. John's Church, Fayetteville:

FAYETTEVILLE, 15th May, 1854.

C. T. HAIGH, Esq.—*Dear Sir:* We enclose you an extract from the Will of the late J. W. Wright, and beg that you will present the same to the Convention which is to meet in Wilmington on Wednesday next. You will please state to the Convention, that we are prepared to com-

ply with the bequest, and will do so whenever the Convention shall have taken the steps contemplated in the Will.

Yours, respectfully,

C. B. MALLETT, }  
W. J. ANDERSON, } Ex'rs.

*Extract from the Last Will and Testament of J. W. Wright, dated 19th December 1853.*

"I desire my Executors to pay to the Treasurer of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in North Carolina, or to such person as may be authorised to receive the same, Five Hundred Dollars, towards defraying the expense of the publication of a new Edition of the Works of Bishop Ravenscroft, or Selections from the same,—to be paid when the Convention shall order such publication, and shall provide such further sum as may be necessary to effect the object: the proceeds of such publication, so far as my contribution is concerned, to be added to the permanent Missionary Fund of the Diocese."

On motion, Resolved, That the communication from the Executors of the late John W. Wright be referred to a Select Committee consisting of five; and the following were appointed by the President to compose said Committee: Rev. Messrs. Drane, Buxton and Huske, of the Clergy, and Charles T. Haigh and A. Joyner, of the Laity.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to 4 o'clock.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. S. I. Johnston; the Lessons read by the Rev. E. Geer; Sermon preached by the Rev. Dr. Mason, from 3d chapter of St. Paul's Epistle to the Colossians, 1st and 2d verses.

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

Convention met, and was called to order by the President.

Certificate of Lay Delegation from Emmanuel Church, Warrenton, was read, and the following were found to be elected Delegates to this Convention: William Plummer, Dr. Thos. E. Wilson, Thos. A. Blount, Thos. A. Montgomery.

Of whom Thomas A. Blount took his seat as a member of the Convention.

Thomas Hill, a Delegate from St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsborough, appeared and took his seat.

The Standing Committee made the following Report, which, together with the letter referred to in the Report, was read and referred to the Committee on the State of the Church:

*REPORT of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of N. Carolina.*

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of North Carolina respectfully report: That during the past Conventional year they have held seven sessions, and performed the following acts:

At their first session, a letter, on the request of the Rev. Fd'k Fitzgerald, Deacon, was directed to the Rt. Rev. John Williams, D. D., Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut, asking him, according to

Canon IV of 1847, to ordain to Priest's Orders the said Rev. Fred'k Fitzgerald, Deacon.

On Dec. 24, 1853, letters dimissory to the Diocese of Tennessee were granted to the Rev. J. J. Ridley. Testimonials for Priest's Orders were granted to the Rev. Horatio H. Hewitt, Deacon.

On Dec. 20, 1853, testimonials were granted to George Badger Wetmore, desirous of becoming a candidate for Orders.

On Feb'y 17, 1854, testimonials for Deacon's Orders were granted to Richard Hines.

On March 1, 1854, testimonials for Deacon's Orders were granted to J. T. Pickett.

On April 11, 1854, testimonials were granted to Silas D. Davenport and to Daniel Morell, desirous of becoming candidates for Orders.

On May 15, 1854, testimonials for Priest's Orders were granted to the Rev. A. F. N. Rolfe; for Deacon's Orders to John Beckwith, Jr. and to Thomas G. Haughton, desirous of becoming candidates for Orders.

At the same time, testimonials were presented from Wm. E. Snowden, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Hertford, and from the Vestry of the same, on behalf of Benj'n S. Bronson, desirous of receiving Deacon's Orders. These testimonials extended back to two, instead of the three years required by Canon XV. of 1832, Sec. 2, but were accompanied by an explanation that these two years embraced the whole period of Mr. Bronson's having entered the Church by baptism.

The Committee agreed to sign testimonials for Mr. Bronson, to the extent of the two years, and present them to the Bishop for such action as he judged right, accompanied by an explanation of the circumstances of the case.

At the same meeting of the Committee, a letter from the Rev. Dr. Forbes, Priest of the Church of Rome, was laid before the Committee by the President, but the Committee thinking that the consideration of any action to be taken on such letter would belong properly to the Convention, the letter is herewith submitted.

R. S. MASON, Ch'n.

A motion was made to reconsider the reference, which motion was not carried.

A motion was subsequently made to reconsider the reference, but requiring the unanimous consent of the house, and that not being obtained, the question was not put to the Convention; and so the reference was made to the Committee.

The Executive Missionary Committee of the Diocese made a Report, which was read and referred to the Standing Missionary Committee, viz:

*REPORT of the Executive Missionary Committee.*

The Executive Missionary Committee beg leave to report, as follows:

The fund placed in their hands, for the year now ended, amounted to the sum of \$2,346 80. Of this sum they have appropriated to the payment of Missionary salaries, and to other Missionary purposes, \$2,150; leaving in the Treasury a balance of \$196 80. This balance,

with contributions received applicable to the ensuing year, amounts to \$931 35. By comparing this with the last Report, it will be seen that the amount of Missionary contributions for this year is less than for the last by \$149 05—(\$2495 85—\$2346 80.)

The following list shows the Stations which have received Missionary aid, and the names of the incumbents:

Plymouth and Washington County, Williamston, Hamilton and Bath—Rev. A. A. Watson and Rev. Geo. Patterson.

Windsor and Bertie County—Rev. J. W. Hoskins.

Heriford and Gatesville—Rev. W. E. Snowden.

Louisburg and Granville—Rev. J. J. Ridley.

Jackson, Northampton County—Rev. F. Fitzgerald.

Hillsborough and St. Mary's, Orange—Rev. J. B. Donnelly.

Mocksville and parts adjacent—Rev. J. G. JACOBS.

Charlotte and Lincolnton—Rev. T. S. W. Mott.

Morganton and Burke County—Rev. J. W. Murphy.

Wilkesborough and Wilkes County—Rev. R. W. Barber.

Watauga County—Rev. W. W. Skiles.

Asheville, Buncombe County—Rev. Jarvis Buxton.

Rutherfordton and Rutherford County—Rev. R. H. Mason.

Pittsborough and St. Mark's—Rev. A. F. Olmsted.

Lenoir, Caldwell County—Rev. H. H. Prout.

The following Stations have been vacated since the last Report, by the removal of their incumbents:

Morganton, &c.—By removal of Rev. J. W. Murphy.

Smithville—By removal of Rev. Peyton Gallagher.

Louisburg, &c.—By removal of Rev. J. J. Ridley.

Windsor, Bertie—By removal of Rev. J. W. Hoskins.

The balance in the Treasury at this time is greater than a year ago, (viz: \$196 80, against \$39 60,) although the whole amount of Missionary funds for the present year was less than for the last by \$149 05, as before stated.

The reason of this will be found in the fact of the removal of the Missionaries before named, early in the Conventional year,—three of them to other Dioceses, and one to a self-supporting Parish within this Diocese. Their places not being supplied, no demand has been made upon the Missionary Fund since their removal.

The Committee would conclude by recommending an increase of this Fund by at least \$400 or \$500.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. HUSKE, Chairman.

Rev. GEO. BENTON, Secretary.

The following resolution was introduced, and, on motion, referred to the Standing Missionary Committee:

Resolved, That the Missionary Committee be requested to report on the subject of employing one or more Travelling Missionaries in this Diocese.

Charles T. Haigh, Esq. submitted the Report of the Treasurer of the Convention, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee of Finance.



The following were appointed a Committee on the Unfinished Business of the last Convention: Rev. Mr. Murphy, and E. J. Hale.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to Friday morning, 9 o'clock.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Robertson; Lessons read by the Rev. Mr. Parker; Sermon by the Bishop, from the 2d Epistle of St. Peter, 1st chapter, 10th verse.

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FRIDAY, MAY 19.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayers were read by the Bishop.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

A Certificate of Lay Delegation from Grace Church, Plymouth, was handed in and read, and the following were elected Delegates to this Convention: John McC. Boyle, S. H. McRae, F. F. Fagan, E. W. Jones. Alternates: W. A. Littlejohn, Thos. H. Gilliam.

Of whom E. W. Jones took his seat as a member of the Convention.

R. C. Holmes, a Delegate from St. Paul's Church, Clinton, appeared and took his seat.

A. Grist, a Delegate from St. Peter's Church, Washington, appeared and took his seat.

B. S. Skinner, a Delegate from Holy Trinity, Hertford, appeared and took his seat.

The following were appointed a Committee on the Relief Fund: Rev. Messrs. Hughes and Donnelly, of the Clergy; H. A. London and P. E. Smith, of the Laity.

Rev. L. L. Smith appeared and took a seat as an honorary member of the Convention.

On motion, Resolved, That the portion of the Bishop's Address relating to the death of the late John W. Wright, Treasurer of the Convention, be referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

The following communication was received from A. A. Brown, Secretary of the Parish of St. James's Church, Wilmington:

WILMINGTON, May 19, 1854.

*E. L. Winslow, Esq., Secretary of Convention:*

Dear Sir: I have the pleasure to inform you that, by an arrangement with the Directors of the Wilmington & Raleigh, the Raleigh & Gaston, and the Wilmington & Manchester Rail Road Companies, and the Proprietors of the Steamer Fanny Lutterloh, the Clergymen and Delegates in attendance on the Diocesan Convention will be furnished with return tickets *gratis* by whichever of these lines they may have come hither.

Please communicate this information to the members of the Convention in whatever mode you shall deem most proper.

I am yours, very respectfully,

ASA A. BROWN,  
Secretary of the Parish of St. James.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due and are hereby tendered to the Parish of St. James's Church, for the communication read by the Secretary, by which a free passage homewards has been generously tendered to the members of this Convention.

The Committee of Finance made the following Report, which was adopted:

*REPORT of the Committee of Finance.*

The Finance Committee, to whom were referred the Accounts of the late Treasurer and of the Treasurer *pro tem.*, for the last fiscal year, have examined the same and find them all correct, and the general balances of cash, reported by him as belonging to the several funds in his charge, to be on deposit in the Bank of Cape Fear, Fayetteville.

The Committee recommend the Scale of Assessments of last year, with the addition of Assessments upon the following recently admitted Congregations:

	Bishop's Salary, &c.	Missionary.	Relief.
St. Paul's, Clinton,	\$20	\$10	\$5
St. Stephen's, Goldsborough,	15	5	5

ALDERT SMEDES, Chairman.

[*For Scale of Assessments, see Appendix.*]

The Committee on Unfinished Business of the last Convention made the following Report, which was made the order of the day for Saturday:

*REPORT of the Committee on Unfinished Business.*

The Committee on the Unfinished Business of the last Convention report: That they find on the Journal of the last Convention, page 43, the following resolutions printed, to lie over to this Convention:

Resolved, That the 3d Article of the Constitution of this Church be amended by inserting after the words "members of such congregation," the words "such Delegates being Communicants of this Church."

Resolved, That the Constitution be further amended, by adding the following Article:

ARTICLE 13. No person shall hereafter be elected as Delegate or Alternate Delegate from this Diocese to the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, who is not a Communicant of the Church.

The Committee also report, that on page 40th of the Journal of last Convention, they find the following resolution, offered by Mr. J. H. Haughton, and which does not appear to have been finally acted upon:

Resolved, That the 13th Canon of the Church in this Diocese be and the same is hereby repealed.

Not feeling called upon to express any opinion upon either of these points, the Committee respectfully report them to be acted upon by the Convention.

JOSEPH W. MURPHY.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to 4 o'clock P. M.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Forbes; the Lessons by the Rev. J. W. Murphy; Sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. Huske, from 116th Psalm, 7th verse.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Education Committee made the following Report:

*REPORT of the Education Committee.*

The Education Committee respectfully report: That during the past Conventional year two applications have been made to them for assistance. On examining the powers conferred on them by the resolution appointing the Committee, the Committee could find no power which authorised them to disburse moneys received, and at first declined to comply with the application; subsequently, having reason to believe that the Convention designed to confer such power, they thought it best to grant the assistance asked,—trusting that if they committed an error in transcending their power, the Convention would pardon it. They have accordingly remitted Fifty Dollars each to two young men, to aid them in the pursuit of their studies as a preparation for the Ministry.

The Committee propose to the Convention the following resolutions:

1st. Resolved, That the resolution appointing the Education Committee be amended by the insertion of the words 'and disburse' after the word invest, in the fourth line of the resolution, so that the resolution may read as follows:

Resolved, That a Standing Committee of one Clergyman and two Laymen, to be called the Education Committee, be appointed, of which the Bishop shall be the Chairman *ex officio*, who shall receive, take charge of, invest and disburse any fund or funds that may be contributed, and take such steps as they may deem best to raise funds for the purpose of aiding young men who may be determined to enter the Ministry of this Church, and report their proceedings to the next Convention.

2d. Resolved, It is hereby recommended, that a collection be made for the benefit of the Education Fund, in every Parish of this Diocese, on Whit-Sunday of every year.

By order of the Committee.

R. S. MASON.

On motion, the resolutions were adopted.

Parochial Reports were read, and, on motion, referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

ST. JAMES'S PARISH, WILMINGTON.

*Rev. R. B. Drane, D. D., Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 18, colored 4; Adult, white 5,	27
Catechumens—About	100
Communicants—No. last year, white 241, colored 25;	
added by first Communion, white	
14; ditto by removal, white 4; lost	
by death, white 10, colored 1; ditto	
by removal, white 3; total now,	
white 246, colored 24,	270

Marriages—White 7, colored 4,	11
Funerals—White 27, colored 1,	28
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$350 00
Bishop's Salary,	300 00
Relief Fund,	60 00
Domestic Missions,	245 72
Foreign Missions,	43 35
Education Committee,	39 45
Parochial objects,	599 00
Other objects in the Diocese,	714 00

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\$2,351 52

R. B. DRANE.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FAYETTEVILLE.

*Rev. Joseph C. Huske, Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 23, colored 11; Adult, white 1, colored 1; total, white 24, colored 12,	36
Catechumens—White 100, colored 50,	150
Confirmations—White	11
Communicants—No. last year, white 131, colored 14; added by first Communion, white 9, colored 1; ditto by removal, white 1, colored 1; lost by death, white 5; ditto by removal, white 5, colored 1; total now, white 131, colored 15,	146
Marriages—White 5, colored 7,	12
Funerals—White 13, colored 10,	23
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$291 41
Bishop's Salary,	280 00
Relief Fund,	60 00
Domestic Missions,	135 75
Parochial objects,	251 00
Other objects,	98 21

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\$1,116 38

Within the past year, God, in His wise Providence, has seen fit to take from this world an unusually large number of our Communicants—all of them, we trust, unto that Rest which remaineth for the people of God.

All of these were Communicants of long standing, and two of them, John W. Wright and Robert Strange, were members of this Parish from its foundation.

They were deeply devoted to the interests of the Church, and ever held important positions in it. It was the Church of their love: They loved it as the body of Christ, and as the means of their eternal salvation. The influence of these, especially of the former, who, by circumstances, was more directly connected with the business of the Church, will long be felt, for good, within this Parish. Having departed this

life in the faith and fear of God, they have left us a "good example," which God grant that we all may so follow that, with them, we may be partakers of His Heavenly Kingdom.

J. C. HUSKE.

CHRIST CHURCH, RALEIGH.

*Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D., Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 17; Adult, white 3, colored 1,	21
Catechumens—White 45, colored 25,	70
Confirmations—White 7, colored 1,	8
Communicants—No. last year, white 104; added by first Communion, white 5, colored 2; do. by removal, white 9; lost by death, white 1; ditto by removal, white 4; total now, white 113, colored 2,	115
Marriages—White	5
Funerals—White	5
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$210 00
Bishop's Salary,	280 00
Relief Fund,	40 00
Domestic Missions,	94 00
Parochial objects,	127 65
Other objects,	696 00
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	\$1,447 65

Since the last Convention, by the blessing of God, the new Church building has been consecrated.

The contributions for "other objects" were, for the relief of sufferers by a fire \$50, for the Education fund \$50, for the sufferers at New Orleans by the pestilence \$96, for the purchase of a carpet for the Church \$500.

R. S. MASON.

CHRIST CHURCH, NEWBERN.

*Rev. Henry F. Greene, Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 17, colored 2; Adult, white 4; total, white 21, colored 2,	23
Catechumens—White 112, colored 150,	262
Confirmations—White 11, colored 5,	16
Communicants—No. last year, white 121, colored 29; added by first Communion, white 3; ditto by removal, white 1; lost by death, white 1, colored 1; ditto by removal, white 5; total now, white 119, colored 28,	147
Marriages—White 3, colored 1,	4
Funerals—White 11, colored 3,	14

Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$190 05
Bishop's Salary,	225 00
Relief Fund,	60 61
Foreign Missions,	31 91
Parochial objects,	317 27
Other objects,	175 94

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\$1,000 78

I took charge of the Parish of Christ Church, Newbern, as Rector, Jan. 20th, 1854. The above Report is for the year 1853-4, including that portion of the year when the Parish was under the charge of Rev. Wm. N. Hawks, the former Rector, and the period when the Parish was without any settled Minister. It may be proper to state, that the Holy Eucharist has not been celebrated in the Church since the rite of Confirmation was administered by the Bishop on his late visitation, and on this account there have been but few added to the number of Communicants from those confirmed. Pleasing signs of interest are observable in the Church, in the constancy with which numerous services have been attended—in the formation of charitable societies, and the readiness with which contributions have been made through them—in the willingness with which numbers have engaged in the work of Sunday School instruction, and in the establishment of a daily school for the Church training of the poor children of the Parish.

HENRY F. GREENE.

#### ST. PETER'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

*Rev. Edwin Geer, Rector.*

Baptisms—Adult 2, Infant 13,	15
Confirmations,	13
Communicants—Died 1, removed 4, added 12; present number	132
Marriages,	7
Funerals,	11
Sunday School—Teachers,	6
Scholars, about	60
Contributions—Assessment for the Episcopate,	\$135 00
Parochial Charities,	86 00
Special collection for the Church at Beaufort,	46 00
Ditto for Diocesan Missions,	36 65
Ditto for Relief Committee,	\$81 23
S. S. Scholars for ditto,	14 75
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Other objects,	67 00

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\$466 63

EDWIN GEER.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, EDENTON.

*Rev. S. I. Johnston, Rector.**Rev. Jas. T. Pickett, Deacon.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 7, colored 4,	11
Confirmations—White 5, colored 3,	8
Communicants—No. last year, white 119, colored 38;	
added by first Communion, white 5,	
colored 1; lost by death, colored 3;	
ditto by removal, white 2; total now,	
white 121, colored 36,	157
Marriages—White 4, colored 4,	8
Funerals—White 6, colored 15,	21
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$151 00
Bishop's Salary,	266 00
Relief Fund,	48 00
Parochial objects,	149 00
Other objects,	215 00
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	\$829 00

S. I. JOHNSTON.

JAS. T. PICKETT.

## ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH.

*Rev. J. B. Donnelly, Minister.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 3, colored 1,	4
Catechumens,	14
Communicants—Added by first Communion 2, ditto by	
removal 2; lost by removal 3; total	
now,	46
Marriage—White,	1
Funerals—White 2, colored 2,	4
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$25 00
Bishop's Salary,	47 00
Relief Fund,	12 00
Parochial objects,	33 55
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	\$117 55

## ST. MARY'S CHAPEL, ORANGE COUNTY.

*Rev. J. B. Donnelly, Minister.*

Baptism—White Infant,	1
Communicants,	5

Services are held in this Chapel the fourth Sunday in every month.

J. B. DONNELLY.

## CHRIST CHURCH, ELIZABETH CITY.

*Rev. E. M. Forbes, Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 19; Adult, white 9, colored 4; total, white 28, colored 4,	32
Catechumens—White 65, colored 15,	80
Confirmations—White 12, colored 4,	16
Communicants—No. last year 61; added by first Com- munion, white 2, colored 1; lost by death, white 1, colored 1; total now, white 51, colored 11,	62
Marriages—White 1, colored 1,	2
Funerals—White 6, colored 3,	9
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$70 00
Bishop's Salary,	40 00
Relief Fund,	12 50
Domestic Missions,	40 00
Foreign Missions,	25 50
Parochial objects,	155 00
Other objects,	22 50
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	\$365 50

The Congregation presented a fine Bell to the Church as a Christmas Offering. I am happy to state that the Parochial School continues to prosper.

E. M. FORBES.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SALISBURY.

*Rev. John H. Parker, Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white,	3
Catechumens—White,	17
Communicants—(same as last year,) white 38, colored 1,	39
Marriage—White,	1
Funerals—White,	4
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$35 00
Bishop's Salary,	35 00
Relief Fund,	10 00
Domestic Missions,	54 75
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	\$134 75

JNO. H. PARKER.

## GRACE CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

*Rev. Alfred A. Watson, Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 10, colored 2; Adult, white 5, colored 1; total, white 15, colored 3,	18
Catechumens, about	27



Confirmations—White 16, colored 1,	17
Communicants—No. last year, white 29, colored 1; added by first Communion, white 13, colored 1; ditto by removal, white 2; lost by death, white 2; ditto by removal, white 4; total now, white 38, colored 2,	40
Marriages—White 1, colored 1,	2
Funerals—White 9, colored 2,	11
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$29 04
Bishop's Salary,	18 00
Relief Fund,	5 00
Education Fund,	10 00
Domestic Missions,	9 56
Foreign Missions,	5 76
Other objects,	7 43
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	\$84 79

### ST. LUKE'S PARISH, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

*Rev. Alfred A. Watson, Rector.*

Baptisms—White, Infant 1, Adult 1,	2
Catechumens—White,	6
Communicants—No. last year, white 29, colored 2; lost by death, white 2; ditto by removal, white 1; total now, white 26, col'd 2,	28
Marriage—White,	1
Funerals—White,	6
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$3 63
Bishop's Salary,	4 00
Education Fund,	1 00
Foreign Missions,	1 00
Parochial objects,	17 95
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	\$27 58

All the regular Diocesan Assessments, though not entirely raised during the past year, will be nevertheless entirely paid.

### ST. THOMAS'S, BATH.

Baptisms—Infant, white 4; Adult, colored 1,	5
Communicants—No. last year, about 20; lost by death, white 3; total now, about	17
Funerals—White,	3

I was obliged by impaired health to resign this Parish last Winter. As the Bishop's visit has not yet been made, there has been no opportunity for Confirmation. I have presented the Parochial statistics as accurately as was in my power.

## CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, WILLIAMSTON.

Baptisms—Infant, white 1, colored 1,	2
Communicants—No. last year, white 6; lost by removal 2; total now	4
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$3 00
Bishop's Salary,	3 00
Relief Fund,	1 76
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	\$7 76

Bad health obliged me to resign this Parish some months ago. It has now been without regular services for nearly eight months.

A. A. WATSON.

## CALVARY CHURCH, WADESBOROUGH.

*Rev. H. Hewitt, Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 12, colored 2; Adult, white 2, colored 2,	18
Catechumens—White,	12
Communicants—No. last year 18; added by first Com- munion 5, lost by removal 3, ditto by death 1; total now, white 19, col'd 1,	20

Funerals (white) 3; one an Infant baptised in the Church, but dying in my absence, the Service was read by a Layman.

Contributions—Bishop's Salary,	\$27 00
Relief Fund,	6 00
Domestic Missions,	6 00
Parochial purposes.	16 00
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	\$55 00

H. HEWITT.

## CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, HERTFORD.

*Rev. Wm. E. Snowden, Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 1, colored 9; Adult, colored 1,	11
Catechumens—White 15, colored 16,	31
Confirmations—White,	2
Communicants—White,	24
Marriage—Colored,	1
Funerals—White 4, colored 1,	5
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$30 00
Bishop's Salary,	27 00
Relief Fund,	2 40
Parochial objects, (for an Organ,)	763 25
Other objects,	40 00
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\$862 65

## ST. MARY'S CHURCH, GATESVILLE.

*Rev. Wm. E. Snowden, Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 4, colored 10; Adult, white 5,	19
Confirmations—White,	4
Communicants—White 15, colored 1,	16
Funerals—White 3, colored 4,	7
Contributions—Parochial objects, (Church building,)	\$1,500
Other objects,	32
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	\$1,532

A Church edifice in Gatesville is nearly completed.

## ST. BARNABAS' CHURCH, WOODVILLE.

*Rev. Wm. E. Snowden, Rector.*

Baptism—White Infant,	1
Confirmation—White,	1
Communicants—White,	6

W. E. SNOWDEN.

## CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS, HENDERSON.

*Rev. Thos. F. Davis, Jun'r, late Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 1, colored 1,	2
Catechumens—White,	12
Confirmations—Colored,	2
Communicants—No. last year, white 17, colored 5; ad- ded by first Communion, colored 2, ditto by removal, white 1; lost by death, white 2; total now, white 16, colored 7,	23
Funerals—White 3, colored 1,	4
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$18 00
Bishop's Salary,	10 00
Relief Fund,	4 00
Domestic Missions,	13 00
Parochial objects,	50 00
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	\$95 00

This Parish has sustained a heavy loss during the past year, in the death of Maj. John S. Eaton.

The Report given above extends as far as the 1st Sunday in April 1854. That from St. John's Church, Williamsborough, ends likewise with the same date. After that period the connexion of the undersigned with these Parishes ceased.

In removing, as he now does, from his native State into another Diocese, he trusts that he may be allowed, without impropriety, to express

deep and sincere regret which he feels at being called upon by motives of duty thus to part from his beloved Brethren of the Clergy and Laity of North Carolina.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILLIAMSBOROUGH.

*Rev. Thos. F. Davis, Jun'r, late Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 6, colored 3,	9
Confirmations—White,	4
Communicants—No. last year, white 8, colored 3; added by first Communion, white 4; total now, white 12, colored 3,	15
Marriages—White,	2
Burials—White,	3
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$20 00
Bishop's Salary,	20 00
Relief Fund,	5 00
Parochial objects,	6 00
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	\$51 00

THOS. F. DAVIS, Jun'r.

### ST. CECILIA'S CHURCH, PITTSBOROUGH.

*Rev. A. F. Olmsted, Rector.*

Baptisms—White Infant,	3
Confirmations—White,	14
Communicants—No. last year, white 31, colored 2; ad- ded by first Communion, white 1; lost by removal, white 1; total now, white 31, colored 2,	33
Marriages—White,	2
Burials—White 3, colored 1,	4
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$45 00
Bishop's Salary,	40 00
Relief Fund,	12 00
Domestic Missions,	47 00
Parochial objects,	20 00
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	\$144 00

### ST. MARK'S, DEEP RIVER.

*Rev. A. F. Olmsted, Rector.*

Baptisms—White Infant,	1
Communicants—No. last year, white 8, colored 1; ad- ded by removal, white 1; lost by death, white 1; ditto by removal, white 1; total now, white 7, colored 1,	8

Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$15 00
Bishop's Salary,	15 00
Relief Fund,	3 60

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 \$33 60

A. F. OLMSTED.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LOUISBURG.

Baptisms—Adult 1, Children 2,	3
Confirmed,	1
Communicants,	15
Money collected—For Bishop's Salary,	\$20

This Parish has been without a Minister since October 1853, when the Rector, J. J. Ridley, removed to the Diocese of Tennessee.

Our Church was consecrated in December last. There has been Lay-Reading once in two weeks.

W. T. JOHNSON,	} Wardens.
W. W. GREEN,	

## CALVARY CHURCH, TARBOROUGH.

*Rev. Jos. Blount Cheshire, Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 3, colored 4,	7
Catechumens,	40
Confirmations—White 2, colored 3,	5
Communicants—No. last year, white 17, colored 2; ad- ded by first Communion, colored 2; ditto by removal, white 2; lost by re- moval, white 1, colored 1; total now	21
Funerals—White 3, colored 1,	4
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$50 00
Bishop's Salary,	34 00
Relief Fund,	10 00
Domestic Missions,	12 00
Foreign Missions,	16 00
Education Fund,	20 00

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 \$142 00

## TRINITY CHURCH, SCOTLAND NECK.

*Rev. Jos. Blount Cheshire, Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 6, colored 1; Adult, colored 2,	9
Confirmations—White,	4
Communicants—White 25, colored 6,	31
Marriage—White,	1
Funeral—White,	1

Contributions—Bishop's Salary,	\$48 00
Diocesan Missions,	65 00
Domestic Missions,	22 00
Foreign Missions,	12 00
Education Fund,	25 00
Relief Fund,	12 00

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\$184 00

JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE.

## CHURCH OF THE SAVIOUR, JACKSON, NORTHAMPTON Co.

*Rev. Frederick Fitzgerald, Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 9, colored 13; Adult, white 1,	23
Catechumens—White 32, colored 40,	72
Confirmations—Colored,	13
Communicants—No. last year, white 13, colored 12; added by first Communion, white 1, colored 6; ditto by removal, white 2, colored 1; lost by death, colored 1; total now, white 15, colored 18,	33

Marriage—White,	1
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Funerals—White 2, colored 1,	3
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Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$9 00
Bishop's Salary,	8 00
Relief Fund,	3 00
Domestic Missions,	14 00
Parochial objects,	427 35

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\$461 35

Services the same as last year, on the first and third Sunday of each month.

The Sunday School has been kept open every Sunday, with increased success.

The Church is now out of debt. An excellent fence has been placed around the Church-yard, and several improvements made in the Church. The past year the services have been better attended than any previous year.

Services are also held as often as possible at the Poor House.

On the fourth Sunday, and on each Thursday evening of every month, services are held on the plantation of H. K. Burgwyn, Esq.

## ST. MARK'S CHURCH, HALIFAX.

*Rev. Frederick Fitzgerald, Rector.*

Baptism—White Infant,	1
Communicants—(White,) No. last year 9; added by first Communion 1, do. by removal 1; lost by death 1; total now,	10

Contributions—Bishop's Salary,	\$10 00
Foreign Missions,	2 00
Parochial objects,	15 50
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	\$27 50

In this Parish I have officiated regularly on the second Sunday of each month: generally in the afternoon to the servants.

Though little has been done to fill up a Parochial Report, the attendance on public worship has been most gratifying.

A plain Gothic Church is now in the process of erection, and will be finished some time during the Autumn.

### MURFREESBOROUGH, HERTFORD COUNTY.

*Rev. Frederick Fitzgerald, Missionary.*

Communicants,

8

Upon the occurrence of a fifth Sunday in a month, I have held services in this large and prosperous town. Other religious bodies of Christians have been active here, while our own Church has been sadly negligent of her duty in this portion of the State. Villages not one-fourth its size have been favored with her ministrations, while this place, possessing an active population and flourishing schools, seems almost to have been entirely forgotten.

At present, however, a zealous spirit has manifested itself in the hearts of those who love our Church, and funds sufficient will soon be raised to build a Church suitable for public worship.

By taking away the afternoon services from Jackson and giving them to the plantation of Mr. Burgwyn, I hope to be able to officiate on the 4th Sunday of each month in this place, until they can obtain another Clergyman.

FREDERICK FITZGERALD.

### EMMANUEL CHURCH, WARRENTON.

*Rev. L. L. Smith, Rector.*

Baptisms—White, Infant 6, Adult 2,	8
Confirmations—White,	4
Communicants—White 52, colored 2,	54
Marriages—White,	4
Contributions—Assessment for the Episcopate,	\$67 00
Do. for Relief Fund,	18 00
For Parochial purposes, (during the last four months,)	38 62
For Rectory, purchased within the last year and nearly paid for,	2,500 00
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	\$2,623 62

This Parish had been without a Rector for nearly two years, when I took charge of it at the beginning of the present year. The congregation is large and the prospect of usefulness encouraging.

L. L. SMITH.

## CHRIST CHURCH, ROCKFISH.

*Rev. George Benton, Rector.*

Baptisms—White Infant,	5
Catechumens—White,	40
Communicants—(White,) added by removal 1, lost by removal 9; present number	37
Marriage—White,	1
Funerals—White,	2
Contributions—Bishop's Salary,	\$14 40
Relief Fund,	3 60
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	\$18 00

GEORGE BENTON.

*REPORT of the Rev. N. Collin Hughes, officiating in Pitt and Beau-  
fort Counties.*

## ZION CHAPEL, BEAUFORT.

Baptisms—White Infant,	2
Funerals—White, Adult 2, Infant 2,	4
Communicants—White, died 1; present number	20

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, PITT COUNTY.

Baptisms—White, Adult 2, Infant 2,	4
Confirmation—White.	1
Communicants—Added, white 1; present number, white 12, colored 2,	14
Contributions—Relief Fund,	\$2 50
Episcopal Fund,	10 00
Missions,	15 00
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	\$27 50

Neither of the above Parishes has been visited by the Bishop during the present year. The person confirmed was residing temporarily in Trinity Parish.

## TRINITY CHAPEL, BEAUFORT.

Baptisms—Infant, white 2, colored 6; Adult, white 1,	9
Confirmations—White,	7
Communicants—Added, white 4; present number, white 37, colored 2,	39
Catechumens—White, about 40, colored 4,	44
Contributions—Relief Fund,	\$9 00
Episcopal Fund,	24 00
Missions,	39 75
Education Fund,	10 00
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	\$82 75



In this Parish is a large and prosperous Parochial School. Among its pupils are one candidate for Orders and two other young men who are studying with a view to the Ministry.

At the residence of Dr. N. Joyner, I baptised 7 colored Infants.

St. John's Church, Durham's Creek, and St. Paul's Church, Greenville, formerly under my charge, are at present without the services of a Minister. During the present year I have visited the former Parish once, and attended one Funeral. The Communicants in the two Parishes number only about twelve.

N. COLLIN HUGHES.

### CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, LEAKSVILLE.

*Rev. John R. Lee, Rector.*

Confirmations—White, (in another Diocese,)	2
Communicants—White, (same as last year.)	17
Funeral—White,	1
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$12 00
Bishop's Salary,	10 00
Relief Fund,	6 00
Domestic Missions,	15 00
Foreign Missions,	17 00
Parochial objects.	10 00
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	\$70 00

JNO. R. LEE.

### CHAPEL OF THE CROSS, CHAPEL HILL.

*Rev. J. T. Wheat, D. D., Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 5, colored 1; Adult, white 4,	10
Catechumens—White,	23
Confirmations—White,	11
Communicants—No. last year, white 27; added by first Communion, white 9; ditto by removal, white 6, colored 1; lost by death, white 1; ditto by removal, white 1, colored 1; total now, white 42, colored 1,	43
Marriage—White,	1
Funerals—White 1, colored 2.	3
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$15 00
Bishop's Salary,	15 00
Relief Fund,	3 00
Parochial objects.	51 25
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	\$84 85

J. T. WHEAT.

*REPORT of the Rev. A. F. N. Rolfe, Deacon.*

Since the last Diocesan Convention, up to the commencement of this present year, I have been doing Missionary duty at Beaufort, Carteret, at St. Paul's and St. Thomas's Chapels, Craven, and at St. Mary's, Kinston, Lenoir County, under the direction of the Rev. William N. Hawks, late Rector of Christ Church, Newbern. By his sanction I visited the Parishes of St. James's, Wilmington, St. John's, Fayetteville, St. Paul's, Edenton, and St. Peter's, Washington, where, by permission of the several Rectors, I pleaded the cause of the Church in Beaufort. I raised by this means, in money and subscription, about \$560; part of which is in the Bank of the State, Newbern, to the credit of the Rev. Wm. N. Hawks, and part of the subscriptions have not yet been paid in, but are ready on application.

Since that time, by request, I was transferred to the supervision of the Rector of St. James's, Wilmington, and have to present below the services performed up to the date of this Convention.

## ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, GOLDSBOROUGH.

Communicants—Died 1; present number	15
Confirmations,	3
Baptisms—Infant 8, Adult 2,	10
Death,	1

I have been resident in this Parish since the beginning of Jan'y, and am happy to state that there is, I trust, under the blessing of God, a sure progress. We are engaged in the erection of a Church in this place, and design also to build a Rectory, a part of which, forming an Office, has already been completed.

Contributions—Bishop's Salary,	\$14 36
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## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CLINTON.

Communicants,	3
Baptisms,	4
Contributions—Bishop's Salary,	\$5 93

Here, also, services have been held regularly since the first of January, with some encouragement, and efforts made by the friends of the Church have been successful towards the erection of a Church, which, we trust, will be soon completed. In both of the above-mentioned places there is every thing to hope that the Church will ultimately flourish, and disarm the prejudices of the uneducated: shining forth in all the beauty which adorns the Bride of Christ. Lots have been secured in each place for the erection of the Churches, and secured by deed as Church property.

Still shall we have, for both places, and more especially the Church in Goldsborough, to throw ourselves upon the liberality and love of Catholic Churchmen, to sustain us in the enterprise upon which we have entered. We feel it due to the congregation of St. James's Church, Wilmington, though by no means intending to draw any distinctive comparisons between this and other congregations in the Diocese, (to

many of which we are under obligations for donations towards our various enterprises,)—still we feel it due to acknowledge their warm-hearted liberality towards the Church in Clinton, amounting to nearly \$600; and this freely bestowed whilst home wants called loudly upon her members, and home necessities pressed upon their christian love. May they realise, and in common with them all the Churches of Christ in the world, the truth of that portion of Sacred Writ which assures us "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

### ST. MARY'S CHURCH, KINSTON.

Communicants,	9
Confirmation,	1
Baptism,	1
Deaths, (Infant)	2
Contributions—Bishop's Salary,	\$15 00
Domestic Missions,	5 00
Relief Fund,	5 03
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To this Report I would also add, by way of acknowledgment, the sums at present on subscription lists of the three Churches referred to in my account:

St. John's Church, Beaufort, about	\$600
St. Stephen's Church, Goldsborough, about	800
St. Paul's Church, Clinton, about	1,800

ARTHUR F. N. ROLFE.

### TRINITY CHURCH, ASHEVILLE.

*Rev. Jarris Buxton, Minister.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 3, colored 9,	12
Catechumens—White 11, colored 12,	23
Communicants—No. last year 11; added by first Communion, white 1; lost by removal, white 2; total now,	10
Marriages—White 1, colored 1,	2
Funerals—White,	3
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$9 00
Bishop's Salary,	8 00
Relief Fund,	2 40
Domestic Missions,	2 50
Foreign Missions,	2 50
Parochial objects,	9 75
For building a Church at Beaufort,	20 00
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	\$54 15

August last, I visited, as Missionary, the distant villages of Waynesville, Franklin, and Murphy. I have also, as Presbyter, continued my visitations at Rutherfordton, to administer the Holy Communion. One

Sunday I officiated at Morganton, (which place is now destitute of a Minister,) and baptised one child.

The Church, in these parts, loudly calls for more men for the work of the Ministry; and until this want be supplied, the few scattered laborers can do little more than bear their testimony in the wilderness.

JARVIS BUXTON.

### ST. MARY'S SCHOOL, RALEIGH.

*Rev. Aldert Smedes, Rector.*

Confirmations,	15
Communicants,	28
Contributions—Missionary Fund,	\$150 00
Relief Fund,	12 00
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	\$162 00

The School continues to enjoy a large measure of the favor and support of the community. It was never more prosperous than it is now.

ALDERT SMEDES.

### CHURCH IN SCUPPERNONG, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

*Rev. Joseph W. Murphy, Missionary.*

#### PETTIGREW'S CHAPEL.

Baptisms—Infant, white 8, colored 1; Adult, white 2,	11
Catechumen. —White 40, colored, about 50,	90
Confirmations—White,	10
Communicants—White 41, colored 10,	51
Marriage—White,	1
Burials—White 1, colored 1,	2
Contributions—Bishop's Salary,	\$34 00
Diocesan Missions,	38 00
Relief Fund,	9 60
Domestic Missions,	30 00
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	\$111 60

#### LAKE CHAPEL.

Baptisms—Colored, Infant 24, Adult 1,	25
Catechumens—Colored,	146
Confirmations—Colored,	2
Communicants—White 8, colored 90,	98
Marriage—Colored,	1
Contributions—Permanent Episcopal Fund,	\$100 00
Diocesan Missions,	82 04
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I commenced my labors here on Advent Sunday, and have held ser-

services and preached nearly every Sunday in both Chapels. Daily services, morning and evening, are held in the Lake Chapel by a Lay-Reader, who has also, under my advice and direction, opened a Sunday School at the head of Scuppernong River, where regular services will be held, if the people show sufficient interest.

The Holy Communion has been administered three times since I have been here, once by Rev. Mr. Hobart of New York, once by Rev. C. M. Parkman, and once by Rev. Sam'l I. Johnston.

The Chapel (Pettigrew's) has been enlarged since the last report to Convention, to more than four times its original size, and therefore is now quite a commodious building.

JOSEPH W. MURPHY.

### ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, MOCKSVILLE.

*Rev. Jas. G. Jacocks, Rector.*

Marriage,	1
Baptisms—White Infant,	15
Catechumens,	25
Communicants,	7
Funerals,	2
Bishop's Assessment,	\$7 50

### CHRIST CHURCH, ROWAN COUNTY.

*Rev. Jas. G. Jacocks, Rector.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 5, colored 9; Adult, colored 2,	16
Communicants,	80
Marriage,	1
Funerals,	2
Bishop's Assessment,	\$21 00
Diocesan Missions,	3 80

### ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, ROWAN COUNTY.

*Rev. Jas. G. Jacocks, Rector.*

Baptism,	1
Communicants—Added 2; present number	41
Funeral,	1
Bishop's Assessment,	\$7 75
Diocesan Missions,	1 32

### MILLS'S SETTLEMENT, IREDELL COUNTY.

Communicants,	15
Baptisms,	7

JAS. G. JACOCKS.

*REPORT of the Rev. R. W. Barber, Missionary in Wilkes, Yadkin,  
and Iredell Counties.*

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WILKES.

Baptisms—Colored Infant,	3
Catechumens—White 16, colored 10,	26
Communicants—Suspended (colored) 1; present number, white 9, colored 4,	13
Marriage,	1
Funeral—Colored,	1
Contributions—Missionary Fund,	\$5 00
Bishop's Salary,	3 00
Other objects,	5 72

RICHMOND HILL, YADKIN COUNTY.

Baptisms—Colored Infant,	3
Catechumens—White 6, colored 4,	10
Communicants—Lost by death 1; present number	6
Offertory Collection,	\$1 10

At Buck Shoals Factory, in this County, I officiate once a month, at night; and at a Station 6 miles distant, in Iredell County, on the 25th Sundays, when they occur,—administering the Communion at the last named place every time. The number of Communicants at these two Stations is 4.

R. W. BARBER.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, WINDSOR.

Baptisms—Infant 10, Adult 1,	11
Communicants—White 31, colored 1,	32
Marriage—White,	1
Funerals,	4
Confirmations,	3
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$30 00
Bishop's Salary,	27 00
Domestic and Foreign Missions,	15 00
Relief Fund,	5 00
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	\$77 00

L. S. WEBB, Warden

*REPORT of the Rev. C. M. Parkman.*

In conformity with Canon, I hereby report that my resignation as Assistant Minister of St. Paul's Church, Edenton, took effect on the first day of June 1853. Since that time I have held no Parochial Cure, but have acted as Missionary. From the first of June 1853, up to the fourteenth day of May 1854, I have preached sixty-four times; celebra-

ted Holy Communion nine times; assisted in the same eight times. I have also baptised five children, buried three persons, and married three couple. All of which are elsewhere returned in the several Parochial Reports. All which is respectfully submitted.

C. M. PARKMAN, Presbyter.

*REPORT of the Rev. W. W. Skiles, officiating in Watauga County.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 13; Adult, colored 1,	14
Communicants—No. last year, white 16, colored 4; added by first Communion, colored 1; lost by removal, white 3; do. by suspension, colored 2; total now, white 12, colored 3,	15
Marriage—White,	1
Funeral—White,	1
Offerings at Communion,	\$6 68

I have held services at the following places since the last Convention, viz: Once a month at Valle Crucis, I have assisted the Rev. Mr. Prout in the services, and in the distribution of the Communion. I have also held services once a month, on a week day, at a School House near the bottoms of Elk; and once a month, on Sunday, at Cranberry; five Sundays at Easter Chapel, on Upper Watauga; three Sundays at a private house on Core Creek, at the request of a sick person; once, on a Sunday, on North Fork of New River; four Sundays on Elk, in Ashe county; and once a month, on Sunday, at the Lower Settlement on Watauga, except three Sundays. I was prevented from filling my appointments for a month in consequence of sickness during January. Except that month, I have not failed since the last Convention. The services of the Church have been better attended the last year than at any time since I have been in the mountains.

W. W. SKILES.

*REPORT of the Rev. George Patterson, Deacon.*

I am still the Deacon, and Assistant of the Rev. Mr. Watson, Rector of Grace Church, Plymouth. Since the meeting of the last Convention, I have regularly officiated in the services of the Church in this Parish, and occasionally in neighboring Parishes. I have administered the Sacrament of Baptism seven times, solemnized the rite of Matrimony twice, and officiated at ten Funerals.

All of the above official acts will be included in the Parochial Reports of the Parishes wherein they were performed.

GEO. PATTERSON.

*REPORT of the Rev. H. H. Prout, Missionary.*

In Caldwell County, I have regularly officiated three Sundays in each month, dividing the time between Lenoir and the Valley of the Yadkin. Divine Service has also been held on the Festivals and Fasts, in

the Church at Lenoir. For the greater part of the year I have visited and preached and administered the Holy Communion, monthly, at Valle Crucis, in Watauga County. The following is the statistical account of the Church in Caldwell County:

Communicants,	15
Baptisms—Infant,	2
Marriage,	1
Burials.	4

H. H. PROUT.

### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, RUTHERFORDTON.

*Rev. R. H. Mason, Deacon.*

Baptisms—Infant, white 1, colored 8; Adult, white 1,	10
Catechumens—White 7; colored, about 12,	19
Communicants—No. last year 14; lost by death (col'd)	
1, ditto by removal 2; added by re-	
moval 1; total now,	12
Funerals—White 3, colored 3,	6
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$10 00
Bishop's Salary,	7 50
Relief Fund.	2 50

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\$20 00

Parochial objects, uncertain, but considerable.

I have preached three Sundays at Shelbyville, Cleveland County, where it is purposed, by God's blessing, to build a Church.

R. H. MASON.

### *REPORT of Rev. Wm. N. Hawks, Missionary in Craven County.*

In November last, I took charge of the Chapels of St. Paul and St. Thomas, in Craven County, at which places I have held service once a month.

At St. Paul's, I have buried one Child.

At St. Thomas's, I have buried 2 Children, and baptised 11.

WM. N. HAWKS.

### ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, OXFORD.

Baptisms—Infant, white 9, colored 6; Adult, white 3,	
colored 2,	15
Communicants—No. last year, white 57, colored 7; lost	
by removal, white 4; present number	50
Funerals—White 4, colored 2,	6
Contributions—Bishop's Salary,	\$35 00
Relief Fund.	10 00

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\$45 00



This Parish, except occasionally, by the kindness of several Ministers, has been without Episcopal Services during the last six months. It is at this time in a destitute condition, notwithstanding the repeated efforts of the Vestry to procure the services of a Minister.

JASPER HICKS, }  
L. A. PASCHALL, } Wardens.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Geer, a Committee was appointed to examine the Journal of the last General Convention, and report such matters as may require the action of this Convention.

Rev. Messrs. Geer and Barber, of the Clergy, and W. J. Ellison, compose said Committee.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mason,

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to examine and report if any, and what amendments, are necessary in the Forms of the Deeds, Nos. 1 and 2, on the 63d page of the Journal of 1851.

The President appointed Hon. W. H. Battle, Jas. T. Littlejohn, and W. J. Ellison.

The following preamble and resolutions were introduced by the Rev. Mr. Forbes, and, after discussion, were adopted:

WHEREAS, it is the duty of christian parents to train up their children in the way in which they should go, and that way is through "the door into the sheep-fold," which is the Church purchased with the precious blood of Christ: Therefore

Resolved, That this Convention has heard with pleasure of the establishment of Parochial Schools in different places; that it feels a deep interest in such institutions, and trusts no efforts will be spared which may be required to establish them where practicable, and to give them the utmost efficiency where they now exist. But, as in some places Parochial Schools cannot be maintained, and to many families, from their isolated position, they would not be accessible if they could be, and as in the Diocese of North Carolina there is not a school for boys, inviting them from a distance, and making thorough provision for their education, in which they can be taught according to "the form of sound words," which we have received from our fathers, and which we consider ourselves bound to transmit in all its fulness to our children: Therefore,

Resolved, secondly, That this Convention considers the want of such an institution for boys to be one of pressing and crying emergency.

Resolved, With a view to the supply of this want, a Committee of six, consisting of three of the Clergy and three of the Laity, be appointed to confer with the Bishop, and to report to this Convention the result of their deliberations.

Resolved, That in the present harmonious and happy state of this Diocese, and in the recent great development of the resources of our State, involving a large accession of wealth and responsibility, this Convention find strong incentives to the consideration and prosecution of this important enterprise.

Committee appointed by the President: Messrs. Smedes, Forbes and Hughes, of the Clergy; Messrs. London and Thompson, of the Laity.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to 9 o'clock, Saturday morning.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Greene; Lessons read by the Rev. S. I. Johnston; Sermon preached by the Bishop, from 2d Epistle General of St. Peter, 1st chapter, 10th verse.

#### SATURDAY, MAY 20.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Rev. S. I. Johnston, who read Prayers.

Messrs. T. Hoskins and B. F. Arrington, of St. Stephen's Church, Goldsborough, appeared and took their seats.

On motion, Resolved, That the Executive Missionary Committee be instructed to continue the appropriation from the Missionary Fund to the Rev. A. A. Watson, for this Conventional year.

The Special Committee to whom was referred a letter of the Executors of the late John W. Wright, reported as follows, which Report was received, and the resolution accompanying the Report adopted:

The Special Committee to whom was referred a letter of the Executors of the late John W. Wright, relating to the bequest by the same of \$500, to be applied to the publication of a new edition of the Works, or a selection from the Works, of Bishop Ravenscroft, respectfully report:

That they have not had time to obtain such accurate information in relation to the cost of the publication in question as would justify them in recommending to the Convention any definite or final action at the present time.

According to the terms of the bequest, the sum above-mentioned, viz: \$500, is to be paid to the Treasurer of the Convention, whenever the Convention shall provide the additional sum necessary to defray the cost of publication, and shall order the same. The Committee deem it prudent to advise that exact information be first obtained as to the probable cost of publication, and in order to this they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by the Bishop to obtain the necessary information on this subject, and report to the next Convention.

J. C. HUSKE, Chairman.

The following Committee was appointed: Rev. J. C. Huske, E. J. Hale, Edw'd Lee Winslow.

The Standing Missionary Committee made the following report. The report was received. On motion, the resolutions were adopted.

*REPORT of the Standing Missionary Committee.*

The Missionary Committee beg leave to make the following Report:

They regret to learn, from the Report of the Executive Missionary Committee, that there has been a slight falling off in the contributions to the Missionary Fund during the past Conventional year. For it seems to them, that there has hardly ever been a time since the organization of our Diocese, when the call for Missionary labor was more urgent, or the opportunity for extending the influence of our Communion among the people of this State more favorable. They would therefore respectfully urge upon the consideration of the Convention the recommendation of the Executive Committee, that exertions should be made to increase the funds of this department at least four or five hundred dollars. To effect this most desirable end, your Committee do not deem it expedient to recommend any alteration in the Scale of Assessments, but believe it may be easily attained if each individual christian, under a sense of his own precious privileges, will do what he can to extend the blessings of the Gospel to those who have them not. Surely each one of us can give something more of his own abundance, or if it be necessary can make some little sacrifice, for the promotion of God's glory and the salvation of our fellow-men. And even a small additional contribution from each grateful heart, will make up all that the Church now asks for to enable her to send the blessings of the Gospel of Christ to those who, even at our own doors, are perishing for want of the bread of life.

With regard to the appointment of one or more Travelling Missionaries, which has likewise been referred to the consideration of your Committee, they beg leave to say, that they can see no reason why the resolution which was passed unanimously by the Convention of 1852, requesting the Executive Missionary Committee to send such laborers into the field, should not now be adopted and carried into effect. They think that the call for their services is even more urgent now than it was then, when all felt that it ought not any longer to remain unheeded; while they believe that in the good Providence of God, there is still greater hope that their labors will be abundantly blessed to the enlightening of the ignorant and the conversion of the sinful, as well as to the edification and comfort of many scattered sheep of our own fold, who need a shepherd's faithful care to watch over them in love, and guide them into the safe ways of truth and peace.

But your Committee entertain no hope that the funds requisite for the accomplishment of these objects of vital importance can be secured, unless the duty of christians in this respect shall be frequently and distinctly impressed upon their hearts and minds by those who have been appointed to minister to them in the Lord. They therefore beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That each Minister in this Diocese, having a Pastoral charge, be recommended by this Convention to make a specific collection, in behalf of the Missionary Fund, four times a year, if in his discretion such frequent collections should be deemed expedient.

Resolved, That the Executive Missionary Committee be instructed

to contribute, out of any moneys at their disposal, to the support of such Missionary or Missionaries at large, as the Bishop may see fit to appoint and send into the field of labor.

All which is respectfully reported.

JNO. H. PARKER, Chairman.

The Bishop took the Chair.

The Report of the Committee on the unfinished business of the last Convention, being the order of the day, was called up.

On motion, Resolved, That the Report be referred to the Committee on the subject of the alterations and amendments in the Canons and Standing Resolutions of the Diocese, who shall report at the next Convention.

The said Committee consists of Rev. Dr. Mason, Rev. Messrs. Watson and Hubbard, of the Clergy; Messrs. Josiah Collins and J. H. Bryan, of the Laity. [See page 47, Journal of 1853.]

The Committee on the Relief Fund made the following Report, which was received:

*REPORT of the Committee on the Relief Fund.*

The Committee on the Relief Fund respectfully report: That there has been paid into the Treasury during the past year the sum of \$542 53. This, added to a balance of \$82 from last year, amounts to \$624 53. Of this Fund, Mrs. Wiley has received \$345 01, and Mrs. Thurston \$190 78; making a total of \$535 79 paid out of the Treasury, and leaving on hand \$58 74.

Fifty Parishes are assessed. Of these, 6 have exceeded their assessments, and in one instance by a very large amount; 28 have paid the amount due from them; 6 have fallen short of their assessment; 10 have not contributed at all. One Parish not assessed has contributed a small sum. There has also been a special contribution from an unknown source.

The entire sum assessed for this Fund amounts to \$584 30. The contributions have fallen short of this sum only by \$41 77. They exceed those of last year by \$104 68, and that notwithstanding the contributions of that year had gained upon those of the year preceding by \$47 19.

Your Committee believe that at no time hitherto has there been so general an effort on the part of the Parishes to contribute their quota to this Fund. They hail with delight the evidences of an increased sense of their obligations to those who are in so eminent a degree entitled to their sympathy and their aid. They earnestly urge upon the delinquent Parishes no longer to lag behind in this good work. They commend to imitation the charity of those who have gone beyond the bidding of the Church, reminding all of the acknowledgment which our blessed Master shall hereafter make of deeds like these: "Verily, I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

N. COLLIN HUGHES.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Fitzgerald,

Resolved, That the Committee on the subject of alterations and amendments of the Canons, &c. be instructed to report on the subject of the mode of electing Wardens and Vestrymen, and also defining their duties.

G. W. Mordecai, Treasurer of the Education Fund, made the following Report. [*See Appendix.*]

The Committee appointed to examine the Journal of the last General Convention, and to report whether any, and if any, what matters contained therein require the action of this Convention, submitted the following Report:

The Committee appointed to examine the Journal of the last General Convention, and to report whether any, and if any, what matters contained therein require the action of this Convention, have performed the duty assigned to them, and beg leave to report: That the only matter which they have been able to discover, is that contained on pages 4 and 5 of that Journal, which relates to certain amendments to Articles II, V, and VI, of the Constitution, as follows.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWIN GEER, Chairman.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF THE CONSTITUTION.

The following proposed Amendments were adopted by both Houses in General Convention, and ordered to be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions.

The changes from the present terms of the Constitution are here printed in Italics.

#### PROPOSED ARTICLE II.

The Church in this Diocese shall be entitled to a representation of both the clergy and the laity. *Such* representation shall consist of *not more than four clergymen and four laymen,—Communicants in this Church, residents in the Diocese, and chosen in the manner prescribed by the Convention thereof;* and in all questions when required by the clerical and lay representation from any Diocese, each order shall have one vote; and the majority of suffrages by Dioceses shall be conclusive in each order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of the Dioceses represented in that order. The concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the Convention. If the Convention of any Diocese should neglect or decline to appoint clerical deputies, or if they should neglect or decline to appoint lay deputies, or if any of those of either order appointed should neglect to attend or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such Diocese shall nevertheless be considered as duly represented by such deputy or deputies as may attend, whether lay or clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted, or may hereafter adopt this Constitution, no deputies, either lay or clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church in such Dioceses shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of such Convention.

## PROPOSED ARTICLE V.

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution: and a new Diocese to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions.

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention.

No such new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain less than *fifteen self-supporting parishes, or less than fifteen presbyters* who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a parish or congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than *thirty self-supporting parishes, or less than twenty presbyters* who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above mentioned, *provided that no city shall form more than one Diocese.*

In case one Diocese shall be divided into two Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof. And the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

Whenever the division of the Diocese into two Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the two Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses, to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

## ARTICLE VI.

The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Convention. The Court appointed for that purpose, shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese, the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese *until the General Convention shall provide a uniform mode of trial.* None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the ministry, on any clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

On motion, Resolved, That the Articles 2d, 5th and 6th, of the Constitution of the Church in the United States, as proposed to be amended at the session of the last General Convention, be and the same are approved by this Convention.

On motion, the above resolution was laid over for consideration to the next Convention.

The Committee to whom was referred the consideration of the Forms of the Deeds, Nos. 1 and 2, reported as follows:

The Committee to whom was referred the consideration of the Forms of the Deeds, Nos. 1 and 2, page 63 of the Journal of 1851, beg leave to report: That they find nothing in the Form No. 2 which requires any alteration or amendment. That in Form No. 1 they recommend an amendment, by adding the words, "the said Church being a Church of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of North Carolina," after the word 'congregation' in the 5th line of the said Form.

Respectfully submitted.

WILL. H. BATTLE, Ch'n.

[*For Forms, as amended, see Appendix.*]

Resolved, That the vacancy in the Trustees to hold property for the Church in this Diocese, be filled by the appointment of Hon. W. H. Battle. [Committee: Bishop of the Diocese, G. W. Mordecai, Hon. W. H. Battle.]

The Committee on the subject of Parochial Schools, and also a High School, made the following Report; and the resolutions reported by the Committee, with various amendments, were finally adopted, as follows:

The Committee on the subject of a High School for Boys in this Diocese, respectfully recommend the following resolutions:

1st. That it is expedient to establish such a School.

2d. The Bishop, with three Laymen to be appointed by this Convention, be authorised to select and employ a Rector for this School; and that in connection with the Rector, they be a Committee to locate the School and take charge of its interests.

3d. That the three Laymen be appointed on the part of the Convention, to collect and receive funds for the establishment of this School, to select and purchase buildings, and make all necessary arrangements for carrying the School into effect: Provided, that in their disbursements, they shall not exceed the sum actually subscribed; and provided, that after they have performed this duty, the buildings and School shall be committed to the absolute control of the Rector, upon terms to be mutually agreed upon.

4. That the Committee of three Laymen be annually appointed by the Convention; that vacancies in their body during the recess of the Convention be filled by the Bishop of the Diocese; and that an Annual Report of the condition of the School be made to the Convention, by the Committee.

ALDERT SMEDES, Chairman.

On motion, Resolved, That the Committee of Laymen for this Conventional year be appointed by the Bishop at his convenience.

On motion of E. J. Hale,

Resolved, That it is the express intent and meaning of this Conven-

tion, that those who may have charge of this School shall in no event incur any debt, on the responsibility of the Diocese, or on any other than their own individual responsibility.

On motion, Resolved, unanimously, That Charles T. Haigh be appointed Treasurer of the Diocese.

On motion, Resolved, That Edward Lee Winslow be appointed to fill the vacancy in the Executive Missionary Committee, occasioned by the death of John W. Wright, and that the other members of the Committee be continued for the year.

On motion, the Standing Committee of the last year was re-appointed for the ensuing year.

Mr. Hoyt, from the Committee to superintend the election of Delegates to the General Convention, reported the following Delegates elected: Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D., Rev. R. B. Drane, D. D., Rev. S. I. Johnston, Rev. A. A. Watson; Edw'd Lee Winslow, Thos. Ruffin, Hon. W. H. Battle, Dr. Thomas H. Wright.

Adjourned to 4 o'clock P. M.

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee on the State of the Church made the following Report:

*REPORT of the Committee on the State of the Church.*

The Committee on the State of the Church respectfully report: That they have examined the Bishop's Journal and the Parochial Reports submitted to them, and find that there have been 518 Baptisms, of which 436 are Infants and 82 Adults; 190 Confirmations; 2165 Communicants: 1 candidate for the Priesthood, and 2 candidates for the Diaconate, have been Ordained; 2 Churches Consecrated, and the corner-stone of another laid. There have 4 Clergymen removed from the Diocese and 3 have been received into it, and there are 8 candidates for Orders.

It thus appears that the increase of Baptisms above those of last year has been 80, and of Communicants 387. The Committee do not consider this as expressing the full view of the state of the Church, as a number of Parochial Reports have not been received. Although the number of Clergy in this Diocese is but one more than at the last Convention,—four having removed from the Diocese, three having entered it, and two having been Ordained to the Diaconate,—there is the prospect, through the blessing of God, of others being soon set apart in this Diocese for the Ministry of the Word, while there are several candidates preparing themselves for laboring in this holy cause.

The Church in this Diocese presents now a very different aspect from what she did at the last Convention. Her chief shepherd had deserted the fold; he who had for twenty years served in her sanctuary, and had taught, for the greater part of that time, her pure faith to her children, had apostatised from that faith to a false and corrupt Communion. We have the satisfaction of again being united together under a chief officer of the Church; her agitations and alarms have ceased, and we may hum-



bly hope that she will, through the power of the Most High, hereafter pursue a steady course of conquest over error, ungodliness and wrong.

The Diocese, however, has not been without causes of distress during the past year. We have an account from one Parish of the death of two of her prominent sons, to one of whom especially has she been indebted for long continued and faithful services of labor and care, in her financial relations, rendered gratuitously for many years, and to whom she owes a deep debt of gratitude for such services. And from another Parish we have an account of the death of another prominent Layman, distinguished for his liberality and devotion to the Church.

The Committee having duly considered the letter from the \*Rev. Dr. Forbes of New York, present for the consideration of the Convention such action as they have thought best in the case.

Another subject to which the attention of the Committee was directed, though not referred to them by the Convention, is the necessity for this Diocese to furnish a residence for her Bishop. It is believed the Diocese is now very sensible of the neglect hitherto manifested in providing a comfortable home for her chief officer, and that he ought no longer to be subjected to the serious inconvenience of either living in a rented house, or in one unsuited to the respect and comfort due to his station.

In view of these several subjects, the Committee beg leave to propose to the Convention the following resolutions:

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God, in His wise Providence, to remove from this world John W. Wright, late Treasurer of this Diocese, after a long life of christian conduct, and for more than thirty years of faithful and most important services rendered to the Church, especially in her financial relations:

Therefore Resolved, That this Convention, while they bow with submission to this ordering of Divine Providence, desire to express, unanimously and fully, their sense of the loss sustained; of the great value of the services rendered; and of the debt of gratitude owed from the Church in this Diocese to the deceased.

\*NEW YORK, APRIL 19, 1854,  
No. 6 Clinton Place. }

To the Rev. RICHARD MASON, D. D., Chairman of the  
Standing Com. of the Diocese of N. Carolina:

REV. AND DEAR SIR: In a letter lately received from Dr. Ives, dated "Rome, Feb'y 15th, 1854," I have been requested by him to communicate with the Standing Committee of the Diocese of North Carolina, and to say that I am authorised by him to tender to them the amount of salary he received as Bishop of that Diocese after retiring from the duties of his office. This amount he supposes to be about \$750.

It is in accordance with this request that I now address you, as Chairman of the Standing Committee, to inquire the exact amount due, and to whom and in what manner it will be most agreeable to the Standing Committee that the money should be returned.

As early an answer as it may be convenient for you to give to this communication will oblige me.

I am, Rev'd and dear sir,

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOHN MURRAY FORBES.

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to transmit to the family of the deceased a copy of the above resolution, and so much of the Report as is connected with it.

Resolved, That the President of the Standing Committee be directed to inform the Rev. Dr. Forbes of New York, that this Convention makes no demand on Dr. Ives for the money referred to in the letter of Dr. Forbes: that they leave to Dr. Ives to act in the case as he judges to be right: and that the Treasurer of the Convention, C. T. Haigh, Esq., is the proper person to receive all moneys belonging to the Diocese.

R. S. MASON, Ch'n.

The resolutions reported by the Committee on the death of John W. Wright, were unanimously adopted. And the resolution in relation to the letter of Dr. Forbes was passed.

The resolutions in relation to a residence for the Bishop, after amendment, were adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That the sum of \$10,000 be raised to procure, either by purchase or erection, a suitable Residence for the Bishop of the Diocese, to be located in or near the City of Raleigh; and that the following persons be appointed Agents to make collections:

At Wilmington—Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Jr.  
 Fayetteville—Charles T. Haigh.  
 Raleigh—Thomas D. Hogg.  
 Newbern—M. W. Jarvis.  
 Elizabeth City—W. F. Martin.  
 Washington—James E. Hoyt.  
 Salisbury—Charles F. Fisher.  
 Plymouth—John McC. Boyle.  
 Lexington—Dr. W. R. Holt.  
 Oxford—L. A. Paschall.  
 Warrenton—Thos. A. Blount.  
 Halifax—Col. A. Joyner.  
 Northampton County—Dr. Wm. Barrow.  
 Asheville—James Patton.  
 Morganton—Thos. G. Walton.  
 Rutherfordton—Wm. M. Shipp.  
 Charlotte—W. A. Lucas.  
 Edenton—Alex'r Dixon.  
 Washington County—Josiah Collins.  
 Wadesborough—R. Troy Hall.  
 Rockingham—R. Galloway.  
 Hillsborough—Cadwallader Jones.  
 Williamsborough—R. A. Hamilton.  
 Henderson—John D. Hawkins.  
 Tarborough—Russell Chapman.  
 Windsor—L. S. Webb.  
 Lincolnton—L. E. Thompson.  
 Lenoir—S. F. Patterson.  
 Chapel Hill—A. Mickle.  
 Pittsborough—H. A. London.  
 Louisburg—Dr. W. T. Johnson.

Resolved, That the Standing Committee of the Diocese be authorised to appoint other Agents, as they may deem best, in addition to those appointed by the Convention, and do all things they may think necessary to carry out the object of the first resolution.

Resolved, That the Agents appointed by this Convention, and those who may be appointed by the Standing Committee, be instructed to return the money collected to G. W. Mordecai, Raleigh, N. C., who is hereby requested to hold the same, subject to the order of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

On motion, Resolved, That 1200 copies of the Journal be published by the Secretary and circulated.

On motion, Resolved, That the next Convention be held in Emmanuel Church, Warrenton, on the 3d Wednesday in May 1855.

On motion, adjourned to half-past 6 o'clock, Monday morning.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Jarvis Buxton; Lessons read by the Rev. Leonidas L. Smith; Sermon preached by the Rev. W. G. Jackson, from 5th chapter of Revelations, 6th verse. The rite of Confirmation was administered by the Bishop to 24 white and 4 colored persons.

#### SUNDAY, MAY 21.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. R. B. Drane; Lessons read by the Rev. R. S. Mason; Sermon preached by the Bishop, from St. Matthew's Gospel, 7th chapter, 29th verse.

The following were made Deacons: John Beckwith, Jr. and Benjamin Swan Bronson. The Rev. Edwin Geer presented Mr. Beckwith, and the Rev. W. E. Snowden presented Mr. Bronson.

The Holy Communion was administered to about 400 recipients.

The collection at the Offertory was appropriated in aid of the Education Fund, and amounted to \$205 40.

Evening Prayer was said by Rev. Mr. Beckwith; Lessons read by Rev. Mr. Skiles; Sermon by the Rev. Mr. Barber, from 9th Psalm, 17th verse.

At Night, Service by the Rev. Mr. Fitzgerald; a Missionary Sermon preached by the Bishop, from 2d verse of the 6th chapter of St. Paul's Epistle to the Galatians.

The collection made in aid of the Missionary Fund amounted to \$554.

MONDAY, MAY 22.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayers were read by the Bishop.

Mr. Williams, a Delegate from St. Stephen's Church, Goldsborough, took his seat.

Minutes of Saturday read and approved.

No other business appearing, the members joined in singing the Gloria in Excelsis, and after Prayers by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

EDW'D LEE WINSLOW, Sec'y.

## APPENDIX.

The late Treasurer of the Diocese, John W. Wright, left a written request that, in the event of his death, the undersigned should act in his stead until the ensuing Convention. In compliance with this wish, and with the sanction of the Bishop, he has done so since February last, and now submits Reports in detail shewing balances in Securities and Cash to the credit of the respective accounts, viz:

Permanent Fund for the support of the Episcopate:

Bonds of the Raleigh & Gaston R. Road,	\$7,500 00
43 shares Cape Fear Bank Stock, cost	4,324 50

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\$11,824 50

Cash on hand,	100 00
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\$11,924 50

Permanent Missionary Fund, derived from Bequests:

12 shares Stock Bank of Cape Fear, cost	\$1,300 00
Cash on hand,	94 50

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\$1,394 50

For the Bishop's Home,	10 00
For Missionary Fund applicable to the ensuing year,	1,178 15
For Bishop's Salary and Contingent Expenses,	1,153 97
For Fund for relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen,	88 74

The cash balances, amounting in the aggregate to \$2625 36, are at the credit of the Treasurer of the Convention in the Bank of Cape Fear, Fayetteville. The Securities are deposited in the vault of the same Bank.

Respectfully submitted.

CHARLES T. HAIGH.

Fayetteville, May 15, 1854.

**DR. Diocese of North Carolina, (for Bishop's salary and contingent**

1853,		
June 28.	To cash paid E. J. Hale & Son, printing and forwarding 1500 copies of Journals of Convention of 1853,	\$160 00
July 6.	Ditto E. L. Winslow, Sec'y, postages,	2 50
Sept. 23.	Ditto Rev R. S. Mason, attending General Convention,	50 00
Oct. 4.	Ditto Ass't for expenses Gen. Conv., \$36, Exchange 36c.,	36 36
Nov. 10.	Ditto E. J. Hale & Son, printing and forwarding State- ment in the matter of Dr. Ives,	39 68
	Ditto Rev A. A. Watson, attending General Convention,	50 00
	Ditto Rev J. C. Huske, ditto ditto,	50 00
26.	Ditto draft Rt Rev T. Atkinson, salary for quarter ending Jan'y 15, 1854.	625 00
1854.		
Feb. 2.	Ditto ditto ditto. ending April 15,	625 00
	To balance,	1,153 97
		\$2,792 51

*expenses of Convention,) in account with Treasurer of Convention. Cr.*

1853,		
May 23.	By balance per statement rendered to Convention of 1853	\$852 11
28.	By cash fm Rev Dr Drane, Ass't, St. James's, Wilmington	225 00
	From Rev E. Geer, St. Peter's, Washington,	100 00
	From Rev J. H. Parker, St. Luke's, Salisbury,	25 00
	From ditto, ch. of the Redemption, Lexington	5 00
	From R. H. Smith, Trinity, Scotland Neck,	36 00
	From Rev E. M. Forbes, Christ church, Elizabeth City,	30 00
	From Rev A. F. Olmsted, St. Bartholomew's, Pittsboro',	30 00
	From ditto, St. Mark's, Chatham,	10 00
	From Rev T. F. Davis, St. John's, Williamsborough,	15 00
	From ditto, ch. of Holy Innocents, Henderson,	18 00
	From Rev J. B. Cheshire, Calvary, Tarborough,	25 00
	From Rev A. A. Watson, Lake Chapel,	25 00
	From Rev H. Hewitt, Calvary, Wadesborough,	20 00
	From Rev Mr Hoskins, St. Thomas's, Windsor,	10 00
	From Rev J. G. Jacocks, St. Andrew's, Rowan,	2 00
	From Rev Dr Wheat, chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill,	10 00
	From Rev J. C. Huske, Grace church, Morganton,	10 00
	From Rev N. C. Hughes, Gethsemane, Falkland,	10 00
	From ditto, St. John's, Pitt county,	10 00
	From Rev T. S. W. Mott, St. Luke's, Lincolnton,	10 00
	From Rev R. H. Mason, St. John's, Rutherfordton,	5 00
	From Rev F. Fitzgerald, church of the Saviour, Jackson,	6 00
	From Rev J. Buxton, Trinity, Asheville,	6 00
	From Rev J. R. Lee, ch. of the Epiphany, Leaksville,	8 00
Nov. 1.	Dividend on 43 shares B'k Cape Fear stock, 4 per cent.,	172 00
1854,		
Jan. 4.	From T. H. Wright, Treas'r, St. James's, Wilmington,	100 00
	From W. G. Curtis, Treas'r, St. Philip's, Smithville,	8 00
5.	Interest half-year ending 1st July on \$7500 Bonds of Ra- leigh and Gaston Rail Road Co.,	225 00
10.	Ditto ditto ditto, to 1st Jan'y 1854,	225 00
Feb. 14.	From Rev J. B. Donnelly, St. Matthew's, Hillsborough, to May 1853,	35 00
	From ditto, St. Mary's, Orange, ditto,	5 00
May 1.	Dividend on 43 shares C. Fear Bank stock, 5 per cent.,	215 00
13.	Ditto Rev G. Benton, Christ church, Rockfish,	14 40
	Ditto Rev J. R. Lee, church of Epiphany, Leaksville,	10 00
15.	From W. J. Anderson, Treas'r, St. John's, Fayetteville,	280 00
		<hr/> 2,792 51
	By balance brought forward, cash on hand,	<hr/> \$1,153 97

**Dr.** *Diocese of North Carolina, (for Missionary Fund for current*

1853,		
Aug. 20.	To Sec'y's draft in favor of Rev. J. W. Murphy, for services commencing from Convention of 1853,	\$50 00
Nov. 10.	Ditto Rev A. F. Olmsted, ditto,	100 00
	Ditto Rev R. W. Barber, ditto,	75 00
	Ditto Rev Jarvis Buxton, ditto,	100 00
	Ditto Rev J. B. Donnelly, ditto,	50 00
	Ditto Rev F. Fitzgerald, ditto,	50 00
	Ditto Rev J. W. Hoskins, ditto,	50 00
	Ditto Rev J. G. Jacocks, ditto,	50 00
	Ditto Rev R. H. Mason, ditto,	50 00
	Ditto Rev T. S. W. Mott, ditto,	75 00
	Ditto Rev J. J. Ridley, ditto,	50 00
	Ditto Rev George Patterson, ditto,	50 00
	Ditto Rev W. E. Snowden, ditto,	100 00
	Ditto Rev W. W. Skiles, ditto,	50 00
	Ditto Rev A. A. Watson, ditto,	100 00
25.	Ditto draft Rt Rev T. Atkinson, cost of Prayer Books,	50 00
1854,		
Feb. 21.	To Sec'y's draft in favor of Rev H. H. Prout, for services commencing with Convention of 1853,	100 00
April 22.	Ditto Rev A. F. Olmsted, to Convention of 1854,	100 00
	Ditto Rev R. W. Barber, ditto,	100 00
	Ditto Rev Jarvis Buxton, ditto,	100 00
	Ditto Rev J. B. Donnelly, ditto,	50 00
	Ditto Rev F. Fitzgerald, ditto,	50 00
	Ditto Rev J. G. Jacocks, ditto,	50 00
	Ditto Rev R. H. Mason, ditto,	50 00
	Ditto Rev T. S. W. Mott, ditto,	100 00
	Ditto Rev G. Patterson, ditto,	50 00
	Ditto Rev W. E. Snowden, ditto,	100 00
	Ditto Rev W. W. Skiles, ditto,	50 00
	Ditto Rev A. A. Watson, ditto,	100 00
	Ditto Rev H. H. Prout, ditto,	100 00
May 15.	To balance to new account,	1,178 15

\$3,328 15



1853,			
May 23.	By balance per statement rendered to Convention,		\$807 89
	By cash fm Rev Dr Drane, Ass't, St. James's ch, Wilmington		150 00
	From Mr McKimmon, Christ church, Raleigh,		210 00
	From Rev W. N. Hawks, Christ church, Newbern,		150 85
	From Rev E. Geer, St. Peter's, Washington,		56 46
	From Rev S. I. Johnston, St. Paul's, Edenton,		45 00
	From Rev J. H. Parker, St. Luke's, Salisbury,		47 75
	From ditto, church of Redemption, Lexington,		10 00
	From Rev J. J. Ridley, St. Stephen's, Oxford,		25 00
	From ditto, St. James's, Granville.		10 00
	From R. H. Smith, Trinity, Scotland Neck,		35 00
	From Rev E. M. Forbes, Christ church, Elizabeth City,		50 00
	From Rev A. F. Olmsted, St. Bartholomew's, Pittsboro',		45 00
	From ditto, St. Mark's, Chatham,		15 00
	From Rev T. F. Davis, St. John's, Williamsborough,		20 00
	From ditto, Holy Innocents, Henderson,		42 00
	From Rev J. B. Cheshire, Calvary, Tarborough,		20 00
	From Rev A. A. Watson, Lake chapel, Scuppernong,		38 00
	From ditto, donation from ditto,		72 00
	From ditto, Ass't, Grace church, Plymouth,		18 00
	From ditto, St. Luke's, Washington county,		7 00
	From ditto, Advent, Williamston,		9 00
	From Rev N. C. Hughes, Trinity, Beaufort,		22 93
	From ditto, St. John's, Pitt county,		15 00
	From Rev H. Hewitt, Calvary, Wadesborough,		20 00
	From Rev W. E. Snowden, Holy Trinity, Hertford,		18 00
	From Rev Mr Hoskins, St. Thomas's, Windsor,		30 00
	From Rev J. G. JACOBS, St. Andrew's, Rowan,		1 80
	From ditto, St. Philip's, Mocksville,		7 37
	From Rev Dr Wheat, Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill,		15 00
	From Rev J. C. Huske, Grace church, Morganton,		15 00
	From Rev T. S. W. Mott, St. Luke's, Lincolnton,		15 00
	From ditto, St. Peter's, Charlotte,		15 00
	From Rev Mr Mason, St. John's, Rutherfordton,		10 00
	From Rev F. Fitzgerald, ch. of the Saviour, Jackson,		9 00
28.	From Rev Jarvis Buxton, Trinity church, Asheville,		9 00
	From Rev J. R. Lee, Epiphany, Leaksville,		12 00
	From Rev R. W. Barber, St. Paul's, Wilkesborough,		5 00
	By cash, Missionary collection at Convention, Raleigh,		174 76
	By cash rec'd at Convention, source unknown,		16 00
	By premium on Exchange, fm Washington & Lake Chapel		2 49
June 18.	By cash fm Rev Dr Mason, engravings Bp. Ravenscroft,		5 00
20.	From Rev H. H. Prout, Ass't, St. James's, Lenoir,		11 00
Aug. 20.	From Rev J. W. Murphy, Grace church, Morganton,		4 00
Nov. 14.	From T. H. Wright, in part, St. James's, Wilmington,		150 00
Dec. 23.	From Rev J. B. Cheshire, Trinity, Scotland Neck,		35 00
1854,	From ditto, Calvary, Tarborough,		25 00
Jan. 4.	From W. G. Curtis, Treas'r, St. Philip's, Smithville,		9 00
Feb. 13.	From Rev A. Smedes, St. Mary's school, Raleigh,		100 00
14.	From Rev J. B. Donnelly, St. Matthew's, Hillsboro', to '53		25 00
	From ditto, St. Mary's, Orange, "		5 00
May 4.	From W. Badham, Treas'r, St. Paul's, Edenton,		98 94
10.	From Rev Dr Mason, Christ church, Raleigh,		210 00
13.	From Rev A. Smedes, St. Mary's school, "		50 00
	From Rev J. R. Lee, church of Epiphany, Leaksville,		12 00
15.	From W. J. Anderson, Treas'r, St. John's, Fayetteville,		291 41
			<u>\$3,328 15</u>
	By balance of cash on hand,		<u>\$1,178 15</u>



*Clergymen and Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen,) in ac-*  
*of the Convention.* Cr.

1853,		
May 23.	By balance per statement rendered to Convention,	\$82 00
	By cash, special contribution for Mrs Thurston,	5 00
28.	By cash from Rev W. N. Hawks, Christ church, Newbern,	38 42
	From Rev E. Geer, St. Peter's, Washington,	105 50
	From John White, Emmanuel church, Warrenton,	18 00
	From Rev J. H. Parker, St. Luke's, Salisbury,	10 00
	From ditto, church of Redemption, Lexington,	3 60
	From Rev J. J. Ridley, St. Stephen's, Oxford,	8 00
	From ditto, St. James's, Granville,	10 00
	From R. H. Smith, Trinity, Scotland Neck,	12 00
	From Rev E. M. Forbes, Christ church, Elizabeth City,	13 00
	From Rev A. F. Olmsted, St. Bartholomew's, Pittsboro',	12 00
	From ditto, St. Mark's, Chatham,	3 60
	From Rev T. F. Davis, St. John's, Williamsborough,	5 00
	From ditto, Holy Innocents, Henderson,	5 00
	From Rev J. B. Cheshire, Calvary church, Tarborough,	9 60
	From Rev A. A. Watson, Lake chapel, Scuppernong,	9 60
	From ditto, Grace church, Plymouth,	3 60
	From ditto, St. Luke's, Washington county,	2 40
	From Rev N. C. Hughes, Trinity, Beaufort,	9 00
	From Rev H. Hewitt, Calvary, Wadesborough,	6 00
	From Rev W. E. Snowden, Holy Trinity, Hertford,	2 40
	From Rev Mr Hoskins, St. Thomas's, Windsor,	6 00
	From Rev Dr Wheat, chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill,	3 60
	From Rev J. C. Huske, Grace church, Morganton,	3 60
	From Rev T. S. W. Mott, St. Luke's, Lincolnton,	3 60
	From ditto, St. Peter's, Charlotte,	2 40
	From Rev N. C. Hughes, St. John's, Pitt county,	2 50
	From Rev R. H. Mason, St. John's, Rutherfordton,	2 50
	From Rev A. A. Watson, ch. of the Advent, Williamston,	2 07
	From Rev F. Fitzgerald, ch. of the Saviour, Jackson,	3 00
	From Rev J. Buxton, Trinity, Asheville,	2 40
	From Rev J. R. Lee, Epiphany, Leaksville,	5 00
	From Rev R. W. Barber, St. Paul's, Wilkesborough,	3 00
1854,		
Jan. 4.	From T. H. Wright, Treas'r, St. James's, Wilmington,	60 00
	From W. G. Curtis, Treas'r, St. Philip's, Smithville,	2 40
20.	From Joshua Carmon, Treas'r, St. John's, Fayetteville,	60 00
Feb. 14.	From Rev J. B. Donnelly, St. Matthew's, Hillsboro', 1853	12 00
May 4.	From W. Badham, Treas'r, St. Paul's, Edenton,	15 00
10.	From Rev R. S. Mason, Christ church, Raleigh,	40 00
13.	From Rev A. Smedes, St. Mary's school, "	12 00
	From Rev G. Benton, Christ church, Rockfish,	3 60
	From Rev J. R. Lee, church of Epiphany, Leaksville, cash	
	3 per cent. prem. on check, 14 cents,	6 14
		\$624 53
15.	By balance brought forward, cash on hand,	\$88 74



*Episcopate,)* in account with the Treasurer of the Convention. CR.

1853.			
May 21.	By balance, securities on hand,		\$11,824 50
28.	By cash from Rev A. A. Watson, contributed to this Fund from Lake Chapel, Scuppernong,		100 00
			<u>\$11,924 50</u>

*rived from Bequests,)* in account with Treasurer of Convention. CR.

1853,			
May.	By balance, securities on hand,		\$1,178 00
	By cash,		112 50
Nov. 1.	By " 4 per cent. div. on 11 shares C. F. Bank stock,		44 00
1854,			
May 1.	By " 5 " " 12 " " " "		60 00
			<u>\$1,394 50</u>
	By balance, securities on hand: 12 shares Cape Fear Bank stock, cost \$1,300; cash \$94 50,		\$1,394 50

## SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS.

	Bishop's Salary and Contingent	Missionary Fund.	Relief Fund.
St. James's church, Wilmington.....	\$300 00	\$350 00	\$60 00
St. John's church, Fayetteville.....	280 00	320 00	60 00
Christ church, Raleigh.....	280 00	320 00	60 00
Christ church, Newbern.....	280 00	320 00	60 00
St. Paul's church, Edenton.....	266 09	300 00	48 00
St. Peter's, Washington.....	135 00	150 00	30 00
St. Mary's school.....		150 00	12 00
Emmanuel church, Warrenton.....	67 00	75 00	18 00
St. Luke's, Salisbury.....	35 00	35 00	10 00
St. Stephen's, Oxford.....	35 00	35 00	10 00
Trinity church, Scotland Neck.....	48 00	65 00	12 00
St. John's in the Wilderness.....	48 00	55 00	12 00
St. Matthew's, Hillsborough.....	47 00	25 00	12 00
Christ church, Elizabeth City.....	40 00	50 00	12 00
St. Bartholomew's, Pittsborough.....	40 00	45 00	12 00
St. John's, Williamsborough.....	20 00	20 00	5 00
Calvary church, Tarborough.....	34 00	50 00	9 60
Missionary Station in Scuppernong.....	34 00	38 00	9 60
Church of the Holy Innocents, Henderson.....	24 00	27 00	5 00
Trinity Chapel, Beaufort.....	30 00	36 00	9 60
Calvary church, Wadesborough.....	27 00	30 00	6 00
St. Thomas's, Bath.....	27 00	30 00	6 00
Holy Trinity, Hertford, Perquimons.....	27 00	30 00	2 40
St. Thomas's, Windsor.....	27 00	30 00	6 00
Christ church, Rowan.....	20 00	22 00	4 50
St. Thomas's, Craven.....	20 00	22 00	4 50
St. James's, Granville.....	20 00	30 00	4 50
St. Paul's, Louisburg.....	20 00	22 00	4 50
Zion chapel, Beaufort.....	18 00	18 00	3 60
Grace church, Plymouth.....	18 00	18 00	3 60
St. Mary's, Orange.....	13 00	15 00	3 60
St. Mary's, Kinston.....	15 00	15 00	3 60
Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill.....	15 00	15 00	3 60
St. Mark's church, Chatham county.....	15 00	15 00	3 60
Church of the Redemption, Lexington.....	7 50	10 00	3 60
St. Paul's, Granville.....	15 00	15 00	3 60
Grace church, Morganton.....	15 00	15 00	3 60
Christ church, Rockfish.....	15 00	15 00	3 60
Getsemane, Falkland, Pitt county.....	15 00	15 00	2 40
St. Luke's, Lincolnton.....	15 00	15 00	3 60
St. Philip's church, Mocksville.....	7 50	8 00	2 40
St. Peter's, Charlotte.....	7 50	15 00	2 40
St. John's, Pitt county.....	7 50	15 00	2 40
St. Luke's church, Washington county.....	7 50	7 00	2 40
St. John's, Rutherfordton.....	7 50	10 00	2 40
Church of the Advent, Williamston.....	7 50	9 00	2 40
Old St. Philip's, Smithville.....	8 00	9 00	2 40
Church of the Saviour, Jackson.....	8 00	9 00	2 40
Trinity church, Asheville.....	8 00	9 00	2 40
Church of the Epiphany, Leaksville.....	10 00	12 00	5 00
St. Mark's, Halifax.....	10 00		
St. Paul's, Clinton.....	20 00	10 00	5 00
St. Stephen's, Goldsborough.....	15 00	5 00	5 00
	\$2531 00	\$3053 00	\$589 30

# CONSTITUTION

OF THE

## PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN NORTH CAROLINA.

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### ARTICLE I.

The Protestant Episcopal Church in this State, accedes to, recognises and adopts, the General Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

### ARTICLE II.

There shall be an Annual Convention of the Church in this Diocese, at such time and place as may be fixed by the next preceding Convention.

### ARTICLE III.

The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen. Each regularly ordained Minister, of either order, being settled with a parochial charge in this State; or being a President, Professor, or Instructor of youth, in any Seminary of Learning in this State; or being a Missionary of the Protestant Episcopal Church, acting under the direction of the Ecclesiastical authority of this Diocese, shall be entitled to a seat and a vote in the Convention; *provided* he shall have been actually and canonically a resident of the State, or shall have been a Candidate for Orders belonging to this Diocese, for the space of twelve calendar months next before the Convention. Each Church or Congregation in this Diocese, which is now a member, or shall hereafter be admitted a member of this Convention, shall be entitled to send to the Convention one or more Lay Delegates, not exceeding four, to be chosen by the Vestry or by the Congregation, from among the members of such Congregation. Provided, however, that no one person shall be the Delegate of more than one Church or Congregation at the same Convention. Provided, also, that this Article shall not exclude from the Convention any Clergyman who is now and shall continue to be a resident in this State, and who is now a member of this Convention.

### ARTICLE IV.

Every Convention shall be opened with Prayer, and a Sermon, which shall be delivered by some Clergyman who has been nominated by the Ecclesiastical authority of the Church.

### ARTICLE V.

A President shall be annually appointed, who shall preside in all meetings of the Convention, except when a Bishop shall be present, when he shall, *ex-officio*, be President.

### ARTICLE VI.

A Secretary shall be annually chosen, whose duty it shall be to keep

a record of the proceedings, and to give timely notice to each Minister and Vestry, of the time and place of each meeting of the Convention in this Diocese.

#### ARTICLE VII.

A Standing Committee, of not less than three nor more than seven persons, shall be annually chosen by ballot. They shall have power to admit Candidates for the Ministry, and when there is not a Bishop, they shall examine and pass on the testimonials of foreign Clergymen. They may call special meetings of the Convention; and shall transact all other business as they are empowered to do by the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention. They shall also have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their own body by death, removal, or otherwise, during the recess of the Annual Convention.

#### ARTICLE VIII.

A majority of the Standing Committee of this Church shall at all times be Clergymen of this Diocese; and no Layman shall be appointed a member of said Committee, except he be a Communicant of the Episcopal Church.

#### ARTICLE IX.

In all questions which shall come before the Convention, when it shall be required by the Delegation of one Church or Congregation, or by any one Clerical member, the Laity shall vote by Congregations. And when it shall be so required, the two orders shall vote separately, and in the latter case, the concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to make a decision of the Convention. When no such division of the Convention shall be required, each member of the Convention, both Clerical and Lay, shall be entitled to one vote.

#### ARTICLE X.

The election of a Bishop in this Diocese shall be made in the following manner: The order of the Clergy shall nominate and appoint by ballot, some fit and qualified Clergyman for that office, and if this appointment be approved by the Lay order, he shall be declared duly elected. In the above-mentioned nomination and appointment, a majority of each order shall determine the choice—provided that two-thirds of all the Clergy entitled to votes be present; and two-thirds of all the Congregations entitled to votes be represented; otherwise two-thirds of the votes of each order shall be necessary to determine the choice.

#### ARTICLE XI.

This Constitution shall not be altered or amended, except by the concurrent votes of two-thirds of the attending members at an annual meeting of the Convention—such vote being taken in accordance with the preceding provisions of this Constitution.

#### ARTICLE XII.

Each Church or Congregation in this Diocese, which is now a member, or shall hereafter be admitted a member of this Convention, shall be entitled to elect by its Vestry, in addition to those authorized by the third Article, four Alternate Delegates, to fill any vacancy in the delegation elect in the order of their election.



# CANONS

OF THE

## Protestant Episcopal Church in North Carolina.

### CANON I.—PASSED APRIL 1817.—*Of Presentments.*

Every trial of a Clergyman in this Church, for misbehaviour, shall be on presentment, made to the Bishop by the Convention, by the Vestry of the Parish to which the Clergyman belongs, or by three or more Presbyters of the Church. In every presentment the charge or charges shall be distinctly specified.

### CANON II.—PASSED APRIL 1817.—*Of the Trial of a Clergyman.*

For the trial of a Clergyman, the Bishop shall appoint three Presbyters, who shall be constituted a board for trying the accused person. The Bishop shall fix the time and place of trial; of both which, at least a month's notice shall be given to the party accused; and should he neglect or refuse to attend, the trial shall proceed. The Board thus constituted, shall examine fully, the charges alleged, and keep a minute and accurate record of the testimony of the witnesses, and of every question and proceeding that comes before them. No charge shall be substantiated on the testimony of less than two witnesses. On the examination of any witness, should the accused party require it, an oath or affirmation shall be administered by a magistrate. In all questions, a unanimous vote shall be necessary to a decision. Having come to a decision on the charge or charges respectively, the Board shall communicate their decision to the Bishop—and also, in case they have found the accused guilty, the sentence which, in their opinion, should be pronounced. A certified copy of the record of their proceedings shall be laid before the Bishop, and his judgment in the case be final.

### CANON III.—PASSED APRIL 1817.—*Of the sentence to be pronounced upon a Clergyman found guilty of Misbehaviour.*

This sentence may be admonition, suspension, degradation from the ministry, or excommunication; and shall be pronounced by the Bishop and communicated to every parish in the Diocese.

### CANON IV.—PASSED APRIL 1819.—*Respecting the Call of a Special Convention.*

When a Special Convention is called, it shall be the duty of the Secretary in issuing the notifications, to specify therein the business and purposes for which the Convention is to be assembled.

### CANON V.—PASSED APRIL 1819.—*Concerning Parochial Registers and Reports.*

In order to give effect to the 40th Canon of the General Convention in 1808, it is hereby required that each minister of this Church shall

keep a register of all the Baptisms, Marriages, and Funerals, solemnized by him in the discharge of his Ministry; specifying the names of the parties married, the name and time of the birth of the child baptised, with the names of the parents, and the name of the person buried, and the time when each rite is performed; which register shall be transcribed, at least once in every month, in a book to be kept for that purpose, belonging to the Vestry of each Church. He shall also keep a register of the names of the Communicants within his care. And it shall be the duty of each Minister to report annually to the Bishop, at the meeting of the Convention, the amount or sum total of said registers, and also the amount of the register of adults required to be kept by the aforesaid Canon of the General Convention, together with a written account of the state of the Parish. Which reports shall be by the Bishop communicated to the Convention, and read in their presence, in order to promote a general knowledge of the state of the Church; and shall afterwards be preserved by the Secretary among the records of the Convention.

**CANON VI—PASSED APRIL 1819.—***The Clergy required to attend the Meetings of the Convention.*

Whereas the regular attendance of the Clergy at the meetings of the Convention, is of essential consequence to the interest of the Church, this duty is hereby enjoined on them. At the opening of each Convention, the names of the Clergy entitled to seats therein shall be called over, the absentees noted, and at the ensuing Convention they shall be called upon for the reasons of their absence.

**CANON VII—PASSED MAY 1842, INSTEAD OF THE ONE PASSED MAY 1821.—***Of the Forming of a Congregation.*

Any ten or more Adults may form themselves into a Congregation of this Church, and be received into union with this Convention, by consenting to be governed by the Constitution and Canons of the Church in these United States, as set forth in General Convention, and by the Constitution and Canons of the Church in this Diocese; by assuming a name to designate such Congregation; by electing a Vestry of four or more persons, not exceeding twelve; and by subscribing the following form of Certificate, to be presented to the Convention of the Church in this Diocese:

We, the undersigned, being assembled for the purpose of forming ourselves into a Congregation of the Protestant Episcopal Church in these United States, do certify that we have consented to be governed by the Constitution and Canons of the Church, as set forth in General Convention, and by the Constitution and Canons of the Church in this Diocese; that we have assumed the name of —, [here should follow the name and place;] and have elected the following persons Vestrymen, to-wit: [names of Vestrymen.] In witness whereof, we have subscribed our names, this — day of —, in the year of our Lord —.

**CANON VIII—PASSED MAY 1824.—***Respecting Annual Contributions.*

An annual contribution shall be made by each Congregation in this

Diocese, to defray the necessary expenses of the Bishop's visitations, and the contingent charges of the Convention, and likewise to furnish our quota to the contingent expenses of the General Convention, which sums shall be remitted to the Treasurer of the Convention as they shall be received.

**CANON IX—PASSED MAY 1824.**—*Respecting the Bishop's authority to change the place of holding the Convention.*

In all cases where a contagious disease, or any other sufficient cause, shall render it necessary, the Bishop may change the place of meeting appointed by the Convention.

**CANON X—PASSED APRIL 1825.**—*To appoint a Treasurer and to prescribe his duties.*

A Treasurer of the Convention shall be appointed annually. He shall have the custody of all moneys belonging to the Convention, and shall render to the Convention an annual account of all moneys so entrusted to him. The said Treasurer shall, *ex-officio*, receive all money from the Trustees or General Agent of the Fund for the Episcopate as it may be collected, and vest the same, and all interest and dividends thereon, in the Capital Stocks of some one of the Banks of the State.

**CANON XI—PASSED MAY 1827.**—*Authorising the Treasurer to invest the Money belonging to the Convention.*

The Treasurer of the Convention shall, from time to time, invest in stock, or put out to interest on good security, as he may deem most advantageous, all moneys in the Treasury not especially appropriated, and all sums received for the use of the Episcopate.

**CANON XII—PASSED MAY 1830.**—*Pointing out the additional duties of the Secretary.*

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to preserve for the use of the members of the Convention, during its Sessions, six copies of the Constitution and Canons of this Church; and each year to preserve for the same purpose, six copies of the printed Journals of Convention. These papers the Secretary shall cause to be present at each Convention.

**CANON XIII—PASSED MAY 1830.**—*On the Election of a Bishop.*

The Lay Delegates of no Congregation which is formed after a vacancy has occurred in the office of Bishop, by death or otherwise, shall vote in the election of the next successor in the office, or upon any question touching such election.

**CANON XIV—PASSED MAY 1841.**—*Relating to the Standing Committee.*

It shall be the duty of the members of the Standing Committee to hold meetings for the transaction of business at every Convention of the Diocese; and this Canon is hereby declared to be due notice to each member of the same, to assemble at the time and place of the meeting of each Annual Convention.

## RESOLUTIONS CONTINUING IN FORCE,

ADOPTED AT VARIOUS SESSIONS OF THE CONVENTION.

Resolved, That with the consent of his Vestry, it be the duty of every settled Clergyman, not having more than two congregations in his Parochial Cure, to devote one Sunday in every three months to Missionary labor, and that the Bishop have the power of regulating the time and place of service.—*Adopted May 1832.*

Resolved, That the Vestries of such churches in this Diocese as may be destitute of Clergymen, be requested to forward to the Secretary, at least one month before the meeting of every Annual Convention, a report of the state and condition of said churches.—*Adopted June 1835.*

Resolved, That the Treasurer be requested to annex to his Report, the list of those congregations which have failed or may hereafter fail to pay the sums assessed for the Bishop's Salary and Contingent Fund, in the hope, that upon such deficiency being brought to their notice, they may transmit the same promptly.—*Adopted May 1836.*

Resolved, That it be recommended to every Clergyman, to procure annually the sum of at least \$5, in money or books, for the increase of said Library.

Resolved, That each Clergyman present the Librarian with a list of the Books in his own or his Parish Library, so that unnecessary duplicates may not be purchased, and that each may know where to apply for any needed set of books.—*Adopted May 1841.*

Resolved, That every Clergyman of this Diocese, having a Parochial Cure, be hereby enjoined to press upon his congregation, in a public discourse at least once a year, the high obligations under which we lie to contribute from our means, on the principle of Systematic Charity, as recommended by the Bishop and adopted by the Diocese.

Resolved, That each Clergyman having a Parochial Cure, or where there is no Clergyman, the Wardens of the Parish, be requested to transmit quarterly, to the Treasurer, the amount collected up to that time for Missionary operations.—*Adopted May 1844.*

Resolved, That hereafter, the Constitution and Canons of the Church, and Resolutions of Conventions continuing in force, with the Rules of Order, shall be printed as an Appendix to the Journal of each session of the Convention.—*Adopted May 1844.*

Whereas, the General Convention of 1844 enacted a Canon, allowing to each Bishop, under certain limitations and restrictions, a due discretion in the calling, trial, and examination of Deacons, whenever he should be requested so to do by the Convention of his Diocese: Therefore

Resolved, That this Convention does hereby request the Bishop of this Diocese to use the discretion allowed in said Canon, so far as may seem to him for the glory of God and the good of his Church.—*Adopted May 1845.*

Resolved, That hereafter it shall be the duty of the Secretary of each Vestry to transmit to the Minister of the Parish where the Annual Convention of the Diocese may sit, a certificate of the election of the Delegates to said Convention; and to furnish a duplicate of said certificate to some one of said Delegates, whose duty it shall be to hand the same to the Secretary of the Convention in time for proper action thereon.—*Adopted May 1847.*

Resolved, That a Committee, to consist of one Clergyman and two Laymen, be annually appointed by the President of the Convention, to be called “the Committee for the relief of disabled Clergymen, and of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen,” whose duty it shall be to ascertain and report the amount of money which will probably be wanted during the succeeding year for such purpose, to make a definite appropriation in each and every case requiring aid, and to make a scale of assessment, upon the Parishes, proportioned generally to the existing scale of assessments for Bishop’s salary and contingent fund. Provided, that in case there be at any time no proper objects, there shall be no call made.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Convention shall be the Treasurer of this Committee, that he receive the moneys contributed to this Fund, and pay them out on the receipt of the individuals, or their representatives, to whom the appropriations may have been made.—*Adopted May 1848.*

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay the sum of \$50 to all Clergymen who may be appointed and attend as Delegates to the General Convention of the Church from this Diocese.—*Adopted May 1848.*

Resolved, That all sums received for Missionary purposes, by bequest or other extraordinary donation, shall, if consistent with the will of the donors, be paid over to the Treasurer of the Diocese, with directions to fund the same; and furthermore, that for the present, and until otherwise ordered, he be directed to add to the principal the interest as it may accrue.—*Adopted May 1850.*

Resolved, That the salary of the Bishop of this Diocese be increased, and fixed at Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars.—*Adopted May 1853.*

Resolved, That so much of the resolution, adopted May 23d, 1845, providing for the appointment of Trustees for the Church in this Diocese, under the Act of Assembly ratified the 8th day of January 1845, entitled “An Act to amend the Revised Statutes entitled Religious Societies,” as appoints Levi Silliman Ives, lately Bishop of the Diocese, one of the Trustees, be and the same is hereby rescinded and repealed; and that hereafter the Bishop of the Diocese, when there is a Bishop, and when there is no Bishop, the President of the Standing Committee, ex-officio, with the two Laymen elected or who may be at any time elected by the Convention, under the said resolution, shall be the Trustees for the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, for the purposes in the said Act mentioned.—*Adopted May 1853.*

Resolved, That a Standing Committee of one Clergyman and two

Laymen, to be called the Education Committee, be appointed, of which the Bishop shall be the Chairman *ex officio*, who shall receive, take charge of, invest and disburse any fund or funds that may be contributed, and take such steps as they may deem best to raise funds for the purpose of aiding young men who may be determined to enter the Ministry of this Church, and report their proceedings to the next Convention.

Resolved, It is hereby recommended, that a collection be made for the benefit of the Education Fund, in every Parish of this Diocese, on Whit-Sunday of every year.—*Adopted May 1854.*

## R U L E S   O F   O R D E R .

1. The organization of the Convention by the President.
2. The Convention shall then proceed to appoint a Secretary by ballot.
3. The Committees on the State of the Church, and of Finance, and the Committee on New Congregations, each consisting of five, and a Committee to be called the Missionary Committee, to consist of seven persons, and all special Committees, shall next be appointed.
4. The Bishop's Annual Address.
5. Parochial Reports to be presented to the Convention.
6. Report from the Standing Committee.
7. Report from the Treasurer.
8. Reports from Committees appointed by the last Convention.
9. Reports from Special Committees.
10. When the President takes the Chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.
11. Every member who shall deliver his opinion, or speak in any debate, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, and confine himself strictly to the point in debate.
12. No motion shall be debated, or shall be considered as before the Convention, unless seconded; and, if required, reduced to writing and read by the Secretary.
13. When a question is under consideration, no motion shall be received, unless to lay it upon the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it or to divide it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. The motion to lay upon the table, and to adjourn, shall always be in order.
14. A question once decided, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and not be drawn again into debate, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention: *Provided always*, that any member of the Convention voting in favor of any resolution, may, on the same day on which the vote is taken, move a reconsideration of said vote.
15. No member shall be absent from the Sessions of the Convention, unless he have leave, or be from sickness unable to attend.
16. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the Chair.

## FORMS OF DEEDS.

## No. 1.

THIS INDENTURE, made and entered into this — day of —, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and —, between — of the County of — and State of —, of the one part, and —, the Wardens and Vestry and Trustees of — Church, —, and members of the said Congregation, (the said Church being a Church of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of North Carolina:) Witnesseth, That the said —, for and in consideration of — dollars to him in hand paid by the said —, at and before the ensembling and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath given, granted, bargained and sold, conveyed and confirmed, and doth by these presents give, grant, bargain and sell, convey and confirm, unto the said —, Wardens and Vestry and Trustees of said — Church, —, their heirs and successors in office, the following lot or parcel of land, situate in —, and bounded as follows, to-wit: —. To have and to hold the same, together with all and singular its appurtenances, to the said —, Wardens and Vestry and Trustees aforesaid, their heirs and successors forever, to and for the use and benefit of the Congregation of said — Church, —. And the said — doth, for himself and his heirs, covenant and agree with the said —, Wardens and Vestry and Trustees aforesaid, their heirs and successors, to warrant and defend the same to the said —, Wardens and Vestry and Trustees aforesaid, their heirs and successors forever.

In witness whereof, the said — hath hereunto set his hand and seal, the day and year above written. — [SEAL.]

Signed, sealed and delivered, in presence of —.

## No. 2.

THIS INDENTURE, made and entered into this — day of —, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and —, between —, of the County of — and State of —, of the one part, and —, Trustees appointed by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the State of North Carolina, by virtue of the provisions of the Act of the General Assembly of North Carolina, passed in the year 1844-45, entitled "An act to amend the Revised Statutes entitled Religious Societies": Witnesseth, That the said —, for and in consideration of — dollars to him in hand paid by the said Trustees as aforesaid, at and before the ensembling and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath given, granted, bargained and sold, conveyed and confirmed, and doth by these presents give, grant, bargain and sell, convey and confirm, unto the said —, Trustees as aforesaid, their heirs and successors in office, the following lot or parcel of land, situate in —, and bounded as follows, to-wit: —. To have and to hold the same, with all and singular its appurtenances, to the said —, Trustees as aforesaid, their heirs and successors in office forever, to and for the use and benefit of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of North Carolina. And the said — doth, for himself and his heirs, [&c., as in the foregoing Deed.]

*Standing Committee for 1854-55.*

Rev. R. S. MASON, D. D.		Hon. JOHN H. BRYAN.
Rev. F. M. HUBBARD.		GEO. W. MORDECAI.
Rev. ALDERT SMEDES.		

*Executive Missionary Committee.*

Rev. GEORGE BENTON.		EDW'D LEE WINSLOW.
Rev. JOSEPH C. HUSKE.		C. T. HAIGH.
		E. J. HALE.

*Education Committee.*

Rev. R. S. MASON, D. D.		Hon. JOHN H. BRYAN.
		G. W. MORDECAI.

*Delegates to the General Convention.*

Rev. R. S. MASON, D. D.		Hon. THOMAS RUFFIN.
Rev. R. B. DRANE, D. D.		EDWARD LEE WINSLOW.
Rev. S. I. JOHNSTON.		Dr. THOS. H. WRIGHT.
Rev. A. A. WATSON.		Hon. WM. H. BATTLE.

*Trustees to hold Property for the Diocese.*

Rt. Rev. THOS. ATKINSON.  
G. W. MORDECAI.  
Hon. WM. H. BATTLE.

Treasurer of the Convention, CHARLES T. HAIGH, Fayetteville.  
Secretary of the Convention, EDWARD LEE WINSLOW, ditto.

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☞ The 39th Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of North Carolina, will be held in EMMANUEL CHURCH, WARRENTON, on the 3d Wednesday in May 1855.

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