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OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

HELD IN

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SALISBURY,

On Wednesday May 27, Thursday May 28, Friday May 29, Saturday
May 30, and Monday June 1,

1857.

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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, Yadkin and Iredell Counties.
- Rev. S. S. BARBER, Deacon, Pugh's Chapel, Pitt County.
- Rev. GEORGE BENTON, Rector, Christ Church, Rockfish, Cumberland County.
- Rev. JARVIS BUXTON, Rector, Trinity Church, Asheville.
- Rev. BENJ. SWAN BRONSON, St. Thomas's, Windsor, Bertie Co.
- Rev. CHARLES T. BLAND, St. Luke's, Lincolnton, Lincoln Co.
- Rev. JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, Rector of Calvary Church, Tarborough, and Trinity, Scotland Neck.
- Rev. M. ASHLEY CURTIS, D. D., Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough.
- Rev. S. D. DAVENPORT, Calvary Church, Wadesborough.
- Rev. R. B. DRANE, D. D., Rector of St. James's Church, Wilmington.
- Rev. FRED. FITZGERALD, Rector of St. Stephen's, Goldsborough, and St. Mary's, Kinston.
- Rev. E. M. FORBES, Rector, Christ Church, Elizabeth City.
- Rev. E. GEER, Rector, St. Peter's, Washington.
- Rev. H. F. GREENE, Rector, Christ Church, Newbern.
- Rev. PEYTON GALLAGHER.
- Rev. F. M. HUBBARD, Professor, Chapel Hill.
- Rev. THOMAS G. HAUGHTON, Assistant, St. Luke's Church, Salisbury.
- Rev. JOS. C. HUSKE, Rector, St. John's, Fayetteville.
- Rev. N. COLLIN HUGHES, Rector, St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsborough, and St. Mark's, Deep River.
- Rev. HORATIO H. HEWITT, Rector, St. Peter's, Charlotte.
- Rev. RICHARD HINES, Rector, St. John's, Williamsborough, and Holy Innocents, Henderson.
- Rev. FRANCIS W. HILLIARD, Assistant, St. Paul's Church, Edenton.

- Rev. ISRAEL HARDING, Deacon, Zion Church, Beaufort County.
 Rev. SAMUEL I. JOHNSTON, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Edenton.
 Rev. JOHN R. LEE, Rector, Church of the Epiphany, Leaksville.
 Rev. HENRY T. LEE, Rector, Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill.
 Rev. R. S. MASON, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Raleigh.
 Rev. R. H. MASON, Rector, St. John's, Rutherfordton.
 Rev. WILLIAM MURPHY, St. Mark's Church, Halifax, and Wilson, Wilson County.
 Rev. JOS. W. MURPHY, Missionary, Scuppernong, Washington County, and parts adjacent.
 Rev. T. S. W. MOTT.
 Rev. DANIEL MORRELLE, Deacon, Goldsborough.
 Rev. JOHN H. PARKER, Rector, St. Luke's Church, Salisbury.
 Rev. H. H. PROUT, Missionary, St. James's Church, Lenoir, Caldwell County, and parts adjacent.
 Rev. GEORGE PATTERSON, Assistant Minister, St. Luke's Parish, Washington County.
 Rev. ALDERT SMEDES, D. D., St. Mary's School, Raleigh.
 Rev. W. E. SNOWDEN, Rector of Holy Trinity, Hertford, Perquimons County.
 Rev. W. W. SKILES, Deacon, Watauga County.
 Rev. LEONIDAS L. SMITH, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Warrenton.
 Rev. ROBERT B. SUTTON, Rector, St. Stephen's Church, Oxford, and St. Paul's, Louisburg.
 Rev. JOHN V. STRYKER, Assistant, Christ Church, Newbern.
 Rev. LEWIS TAYLOR, Granville County.
 Rev. F. W. THOMAS.
 Rev. ALFRED A. WATSON, Rector of Grace Church, Plymouth.
 Rev. G. B. WETMORE, Missionary, St. Philip's Church, Mocksville, and parts adjacent.
 Rev. J. T. WHEAT, D. D., Professor, Chapel Hill.
 Rev. DANIEL D. VAN ANTWERP, St. Paul's Church, Beaufort Co.

The Rev. Messrs. Benton, Hubbard, Hilliard, Johnston, Jno. R. Lee, Sutton, Taylor, Thomas, Wheat, Mott and Stryker, were not present at this Convention.

Rev. Messrs. Curtis and Mott, entitled to Seats as Honorary Members of this Convention.

LAY DELEGATES.

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| Jos. H. Pool,
Dr. R. Piemont,
W. W. Griffin,
R. B. Creecy, | } | Christ Church, Elizabeth City. |
| L. J. Johnson,
J. M. Pool,
John Black,
W. F. Martin, | } | Alternates. |
| W. T. MARSH,
R. N. FORBES,
Dr. Noah Joyner,
Dr. Richard Williams, | } | St. Paul's Church, Greenville. |
| WILLIAM MURPHY,
CHARLES F. FISHER,
B. SUMNER,
LUKE BLACKMER, | } | St. Luke's Church, Salisbury. |
| Amasa Alden,
K. T. Phillips, | } | Christ Church, Rockfish. |
| T. L. Skinner,
Dr. T. D. Warren,
E. C. HINES,
W. A. Moore, | } | St. Paul's Church, Edenton. |
| Dr. Edward Warren,
John Thompson,
Thomas Thompson,
Richard Paxton, | } | Alternates. |
| S. H. McRae,
W. W. Ward, M. D.,
E. W. JONES,
F. F. Fagan, | } | Grace Church, Plymouth. |
| W. A. Littlejohn, | | Alternate. |
| THOMAS BARBER,
THOS. BARBER, Jr.,
JACOB F. BARBER,
WM. BARBER, | } | Christ Church, Rowan. |
| Jonathan Barber,
Matthew Barber,
R. J. M. BARBER,
Wm. F. Barber, | } | Alternates. |
| Isaac Ramsay,
Samuel S. Duffy, | } | St. Paul's Church, Beaufort. |

- F. B. SATTERTHWAITE,
Benjamin Patrick,
Jos. H. Laughinghouse,
W. J. Laughinghouse, } Trinity Parish, Beaufort County.
- F. S. Marshall,
Peyton E. Hervey,
Dr. Henry Joyner,
James Ousby, } St. Mark's Church, Halifax.
- W. W. Daniel, Alternate.
- Joseph Bonner,
B. W. Hodges,
William H. Oden,
George W. Oden, } St. Thomas's, Bath.
- J. W. L. Harvey,
Abner L. Cutlar,
ALANSON ALLGOOD,
O. H. P. Tankard, } Zion Chapel, Beaufort County.
- Caleb A. Cutlar, } Alternates.
James J. Cutlar, }
- Benjamin S. Skinner,
John Skinner,
C. W. Wood,
Dr. Joseph T. Smith, } Holy Trinity, Hertford.
- D. M. BARRINGER,
Dr. J. M. DAVIDSON,
William F. Davidson,
John Wilkes, } St. Peter's, Charlotte.
- W. A. WILLIAMS,
WM. OWENS,
Dr. L. P. Jones,
Samuel J. Lowrie, } Alternates.
- HENRY A. LONDON,
John H. Haughton,
John Manning,
Thomas Hill, } St. Bartholomew's, Pittsborough.
- MATTHEW WEDDELL,
RUSSELL CHAPMAN,
Richard T. Hoskins,
GEO. W. WHITFIELD, } Calvary Church, Tarborough.
- L. E. THOMPSON,
Dr. J. A. Caldwell,
W. J. HOKE,
V. A. McBee, } St. Luke's Church, Lincolnton.
- Dr. W. R. HOLT,
Dr. W. D. Lindsay, } Church of the Redemption, Lexington.

- James E. Hoyt,
W. L. Kennedy,
W. J. Ellison,
John G. Williams, } St. Peter's Church, Washington.
- J. H. McClure,
W. E. Demill,
T. H. Hardenbergh,
Edmund S. Hoyt, } Alternates.
- Charles T. Haigh,
EDWARD LEE WINSLOW,
E. J. Hale,
WRIGHT HUSKE, } St. John's Church, Fayetteville.
- RICHARD WASHINGTON,
George W. Collier,
Dr. J. D. Battle,
Julius A. Evans, } St. Stephen's Church, Goldsborough.
- LUCIAN HOLMES,
WILLIAM A. WILLIAMS,
Henry W. Adams, } Alternates.
- Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Jr.,
A. A. BROWN,
S. J. Person,
C. W. BRADLEY, } St. James's Church, Wilmington.
- Dr. F. J. HILL,
J. J. Lippitt,
James Cassidey,
J. A. Willard, } Alternates.
- Hon. Wm. H. BATTLE,
Dr. J. B. Jones,
E. Mallett,
M. Fetter, } Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill.
- A. Mickle,
Dr. W. P. Mallett,
R. B. Saunders,
R. H. Battle, } Alternates.
- JOSIAH COLLINS,
A. L. Chesson,
Dr. E. B. Haughton, } St. Luke's Church, Washington County.
- Henry Downing,
J. B. Goelet, } Alternates.
- John C. Washington,
George Washington,
Dr. J. P. Bryan,
Dr. Thomas Woodley, } St. Mary's Church, Kinston.
- WILLIAM A. EATON, St. James's Church, Granville.

- THOMAS RUFFIN, Sr., }
 THOMAS B. HILL, }
 John L. Bailey, } St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough.
 Cadwallader Jones, }
- Dr. W. T. JOHNSON, }
 J. J. Minetree, }
 J. Neal, } St. Paul's Church, Louisburg.
 J. H. Yarbrough, }
- Dr. W. W. Green, }
 D. C. Stone, }
 R. F. Yarbrough, } Alternates.
 W. R. Barham, }
- John H. Bryan, }
 CHARLES MANLY, }
 GEORGE W. MORDECAI, } Christ Church, Raleigh.
 KEMP P. BATTLE, }
- L. Henderson, }
 John T. Thomas, }
 John T. Taylor, } St. John's Church, Williamsborough.
 Z. P. Weaver, }
- S. S. Royster, }
 Dr. H. J. Robards, }
 James Turner, } Alternates.
 James A. Bulloch, }
- M. A. Outten, }
 Dr. JOHN A. GUION, }
 John S. Winthrop, } Christ Church, Newbern.
 M. W. Jarvis, }
- I. Disosway, }
 John D. Whitford, }
 William H. Oliver, } Alternates.
 F. J. Roberts, }
- GEORGE MILLS, }
 JOHN A. MILLS, }
 Henry M. Mills, } St. James's Church, Iredell County.
 Franklin Mills, }
- Andrew Mills, }
 Israel Rial Mills, }
 George Mills, Jr., } Alternates.
 Charles Mills, }
- Phil. B. Hawkins, }
 G. J. Reavis, }
 W. H. Rowland, } Holy Innocents, Henderson.
- John D. Hawkins, }
 Pro. E. A. Jones, } Alternates.

- James W. Patton, }
 Leicester Chapman, } Trinity Church, Asheville.
 Hatfield Ogden, }
 John H. Murphy, }
- P. H. HAIRSTON, }
 G. M. Bingham, } St. Philip's Church, Mocksville.
 A. M. Booe, }
 L. BINGHAM, }
- Edmund Jones, }
 S. F. PATTERSON, } St. James's Church, Lenoir County.
 W. W. Scott, }
 John Jones, }
- Joseph C. Norwood, } Alternates.
 John S. R. Miller, }
- George O. Tarrh, }
 Thomas R. Walton, } St. Andrew's Church, Rowan.
 JOHN RICE, }
 JACOB CORRELL, }
- Cathew Rice, }
 Joseph McKnight, } Alternates.
 William Correll, }
 William Heathman, }
- PETER E. SMITH, }
 Richard H. Smith, } Trinity Church, Scotland Neck.
 J. N. Smith, }
 W. R. Smith, }
- Dr. Turner Wilson, }
 P. H. Winston, } St. Thomas' Church, Windsor.
 JOHN WEBB, }
- James T. Littlejohn, }
 LEWIS TAYLOR, Jr., } St. Stephen's Church, Oxford.
 L. A. Paschall, }
 John C. Taylor, }
- W. E. Troy, }
 Dr. W. G. Jones, } Calvary Church, Wadesborough.
 R. A. CALDWELL, }
 R. T. HALL, }
- T. C. Hall, }
 T. Gruit, } Alternates.
 A. Gray, }
 A. Northrup, }
- E. B. Greenlee, }
 J. W. McElrath, } Grace Church, Morganton.
 JAMES AVERY, }
 THOMAS G. WALTON, }

Dr. THOS. E. WILSON, }
 THOS. A. MONTGOMERY, } Emmanuel Church, Warrenton.
 John White, }

Jesse Noble, }
 LOUIS B. PUGH, } St. John's Church, Pitt County.
 William A. Pugh, }
 RICHARD L. NOBLE, }

Thomas J. Pugh, }
 Lewis Thompson, } Grace Church, Bertie County.
 Joseph J. Pugh, }

Those in SMALL CAPITALS were present at this Convention.

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ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SALISBURY, }
WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 1857. }

This being the day and place for the meeting of the 41st Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of North Carolina, the Bishop, with the attending Clergy and Laity, assembled in St. Luke's Church, Salisbury.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. J. B. Cheshire, assisted by the Rev. R. B. Drane, D. D.; the Ante-Communion Service was read by the Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D.; a Convention Sermon was preached by the Bishop, from the 2d verse of the 4th chapter of St. Paul's first Epistle to the Corinthians.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop to the Clergy, and by the Rev. Drs. Mason and Drane, and the Rev. J. B. Cheshire, to a large number of recipients.

After which the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

Edward Lee Winslow, Secretary for the last year, called the List of the Clergy, and the following were found to be present and took their seats as members of the Convention:

Rev. R. W. BARBER.

CHARLES T. BLAND.

B. S. BRONSON.

J. BLOUNT CHESHIRE.

R. B. DRANE, D. D.

* FRED. FITZGERALD.

E. M. FORBES.

E. GEER.

I. HARDING.

THOS. G. HAUGHTON.

JOS. C. HUSKE.

N. COLLIN HUGHES.

H. H. HEWITT.

Rev. R. HINES.

R. S. MASON, D. D.

JOS. W. MURPHY.

WM. MURPHY.

JOHN H. PARKER.

GEORGE PATTERSON.

H. H. PROUT.

A. SMEDES, D. D.

W. E. SNOWDEN.

W. W. SKILES.

LEONIDAS L. SMITH.

A. A. WATSON.

G. B. WETMORE.

Certificates of Lay Delegation were called for, laid on the

Secretary's table, and read. The following Churches were found to have elected Delegates to this Convention:

Christ Church, Elizabeth City—Joseph H. Pool, Dr. R. Piemont, W. W. Griffin, R. B. Creecy. Alternates: L. J. Johnson, J. M. Pool, John Black, W. F. Martin.

St. Paul's Church, Greenville—W. T. Marsh, R. N. Forbes, Dr. Noah Joyner, Dr. Richard Williams.

St. Luke's Church, Salisbury—William Murphy, Charles F. Fisher, B. Sumner, Luke Blackmer.

Christ Church, Rockfish—Amasa Alden, K. T. Phillips.

Trinity Parish, Beaufort County—F. B. Satterthwaite, Benjamin Patrick, Jos. H. Laughinghouse, W. J. Laughinghouse.

St. Paul's Church, Edenton—T. L. Skinner, Dr. T. D. Warren, E. C. Hines, W. A. Moore. Alternates: Dr. Edward Warren, John Thompson, Thomas Thompson, Richard Paxton.

Grace Church, Plymouth—S. H. McRae, W. W. Ward, M. D., E. W. Jones, F. F. Fagan. Alternate: W. A. Littlejohn.

Christ Church Parish, Rowan—Thomas Barber, Thomas Barber, Jr., Jacob F. Barber, William Barber. Alternates: Jonathan Barber, Matthew Barber, R. J. M. Barber, William F. Barber.

St. Mark's Church, Halifax—F. S. Marshall, Peyton E. Hervey, Dr. Henry Joyner, Jas. Ousby. Alternate: W. W. Daniel.

St. Thomas's Bath—Joseph Bonner, B. W. Hodges, William H. Oden, George W. Oden.

Zion Chapel, Beaufort County—J. W. L. Harvey, Abner N. Cutlar, Alanson Alligood, O. H. P. Tankard. Alternates: Caleb A. Cutlar, James J. Cutlar.

Holy Trinity, Hertford—Benjamin S. Skinner, John Skinner, C. W. Wood, Dr. Thos. T. Smith.

St. Peter's, Charlotte—D. M. Barringer, Dr. J. M. Davidson, William F. Davidson, John Wilkes. Alternates: Col. W. A. Williams, Wm. Owens, Dr. L. P. Jones, Sam'l J. Lowrie.

St. Bartholomew's, Pittsborough—Henry A. London, John H. Haughton, John Manning, Thomas Hill.

Calvary Church, Tarborough—Matthew Weddell, Russell Chapman, Richard T. Hoskins, Geo. W. Whitfield.

St. Luke's Church, Lincolnton—L. E. Thompson, Dr. J. A. Caldwell, W. J. Hoke, V. A. McBee.

St. Peter's Church, Washington—Jas. E. Hoyt, W. L. Kennedy, W. J. Ellison, John G. Williams. Alternates: J. H. McClure, W. E. Demill, T. H. Hardenbergh, Edmund S. Hoyt.

St. John's Church, Fayetteville—Charles T. Haigh, Edward Lee Winslow, E. J. Hale, Wright Huske.

St. Stephen's Church, Goldsborough—Richard Washington, George W. Collier, Dr. J. D. Battle, Julius A. Evans. Alternates: Lucian Holmes, William A. Williams, Henry W. Adams.

St. James's Church, Wilmington—Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Jr., A. A. Brown, S. J. Person, C. W. Bradley. Alternates: Dr. F. J. Hill, J. J. Lippitt, James Cassidey, J. A. Willard.

Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill—Hon. William H. Battle, Dr. J. B. Jones, E. Mallett, M. Fetter. Alternates: A. Mickle, Dr. W. P. Mallett, R. B. Saunders, R. H. Battle.

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

St. Luke's Church, Washington County—Josiah Collins, A. L. Chesson, Dr. E. B. Haughton. Alternates: Henry Downing, J. B. Goelet.

St. Mary's Church, Kinston—John C. Washington, George Washington, Dr. J. P. Bryan, Dr. Thomas Woodley.

St. James's Church, Granville—William A. Eaton.

St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough—Thomas Ruffin, Sr., Thomas B. Hill, John L. Bailey, Cadwallader Jones.

St. Paul's Church, Louisburg—Dr. W. T. Johnson, J. J. Minetree, J. Neal, J. H. Yarbrough. Alternates: Dr. W. W. Green, D. C. Stone, R. F. Yarbrough, W. R. Barham.

Christ Church, Raleigh—John H. Bryan, Charles Manly, George W. Mordecai, Kemp P. Battle.

Of whom the following took seats as members of this Convention: William T. Marsh, R. N. Forbes, B. Sumner, F. B. Satterthwaite, E. C. Hines, E. W. Jones, Thomas Barber, Jacob F. Barber, William Barber, R. J. M. Barber, Alanson Aligood, Dr. J. M. Davidson, Henry A. London, L. E. Thompson, George W. Whitfield, W. J. Hoke, Edward Lee Winslow, Wright Huske.

The Convention was duly organized.

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

On motion,

Resolved, That all Clergymen of this Church, and all Candidates for Orders in this Diocese, be admitted to seats as honorary members of this Convention.

Under this resolution, the Rev. F. L. Hawks, D. D., LL. D., of New York, took a seat.

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

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. J. C. Huske, and a Sermon preached by the Rev. J. B. Cheshire, from the 5th chapter and 8th verse of St. Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians.

THURSDAY, MAY 28.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayers were read by the Bishop.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Rev. Messrs. R. H. Mason, David D. Van Antwerp, J. Buxton, H. F. Greene, S. S. Barber, H. T. Lee, Clerical members of the Convention, appeared and took their seats.

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

St. Paul's Church, Beaufort—Isaac Ramsay, Samuel S. Duffy.

St. John's Church, Williamsborough—L. Henderson, John T. Thomas, John T. Taylor, Z. P. Weaver. Alternates: S. S. Royster, Dr. H. J. Robards, James Turner, James A. Bulloch.

Trinity Church, Asheville—James W. Patton, Leicester Chapman, Hatfield Ogden, John H. Murphy.

Christ Church, Newbern—M. A. Outten, Dr. John A. Guion, John S. Winthrop, M. W. Jarvis. Alternates: I. Disosway, John C. Whitford, William H. Oliver, F. J. Roberts.

St. James's Church, Iredell County—George Mills, John A. Mills, Henry M. Mills, Franklin Mills. Alternates: Andrew Mills, Israel Rial Mills, George Mills, Jr., Charles Mills.

St. Philip's Church, Mocksville—P. H. Hairston, G. M. Bingham, A. M. Booe, L. Bingham.

St. James's Church, Lenior county—Edmund Jones, S. F. Patterson, W. W. Scott, John Jones. Alternates: Joseph C. Norwood, John S. R. Miller.

St. Andrew's Church, Rowan—George O. Tarrh, Thomas R. Walton, John Rice, Jacob Correll. Alternates: Cathew Rice, Joseph McKnight, William Correll, William Heathman.

Trinity Church, Scotland Neck—Peter E. Smith, Richard H. Smith, J. N. Smith, W. R. Smith.

Holy Innocents, Henderson—Phil. B. Hawkins, G. J. Reavis, W. H. Rowland. Alternates: John D. Hawkins, Pro. E. A. Jones.

St. Thomas's Church, Windsor.—Dr. Turner Wilson, P. H. Winston, John Webb.

Grace Church, Bertie County.—Thomas J. Pugh, Lewis Thompson, Joseph J. Pugh.

Of whom the following appeared and took seats as members of the Convention: Peter E. Smith, Jacob Correll, L. Bingham.

On motion, the Rules of Order of the last Convention were adopted, to govern the deliberations of this Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Convention proceed to the election of a President.

Messrs. Hines and Watson of the Clergy were appointed a Committee to superintend the election; who reported that the Rev'd Richard S. Mason, D. D., was duly elected.

The Bishop announced the following Standing Committees, appointed by the Chair:

On the State of the Church—Rev. Dr. Mason, Rev. Messrs. Cheshire, Greene, Buxton and Watson.

Of Finance—Rev. Dr. Drane and Dr. Smedes, of the Clergy; Messrs. Collins, Mordecai, F. J. Hill and Fisher, of the Laity.

On New Congregations—Messrs. Geer, Huske and Forbes, of the Clergy; Messrs. Charles Manly and Satterthwaite, of the Laity.

Unfinished Business—Messrs. Snowden and FitzGerald, of the Clergy; Peter E. Smith, of the Laity.

Relief Fund—Messrs. Hughes and Hines, of the Clergy; Messrs. Thompson and London, of the Laity.

The Bishop read his Annual Address to the Convention, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church:

BRETHREN OF THE CONVENTION:

Scattered as we are over this wide commonwealth, it is a source of great consolation and strength, that we meet together in these Annual Councils, to communicate to each other our labors and their results, and to consult on the best means of advancing that great cause to which we are vowed.

During the past year, I have visited every part of the Dio-

cese, except three or four parishes in the North-West, which I was hindered from reaching by the approach of the General Convention, and I have been able also to perform services in several extensive regions of the State into which neither I nor my predecessors in office had ever before found access.

During the last Convention, I confirmed at Washington twenty persons, and received to Deacon's Orders Messrs. Thos. G. Haughton and Daniel Morrelle.

May 27th, at Union Chapel in Beaufort county, I preached, confirmed five persons, and administered the Holy Communion, assisted by Mr. Hughes.

28th, at St. John's, Durham's Creek, I preached, baptized two infants, and administered the Communion. This Church is in bad repair, and has very seldom services performed in it.

On the same day, at Mr. Crawford's, I baptized three negro children.

June 1st and 2d, at Elizabeth City, I preached three times, confirmed ten persons, and administered the Lord's Supper.

During the latter part of June I performed various services in Wilmington, preaching repeatedly, baptizing an infant, and burying a person.

July 6th, I preached, morning and evening, at Smithville, and in the morning administered the Communion.

13th, at Warrenton, I preached twice and confirmed one person.

15th, at Williamsborough, I preached in the morning and administered the Holy Communion, assisted by Messrs. Sutton and Hines. In the afternoon, Mr. Sutton preached, and I confirmed five persons.

16th, I baptized a sick child in private.

17th, I preached, morning and evening, at Oxford.

18th, I preached at Bethel in Granville county.

20th, at Henderson, I preached twice, made an address to the slaves after a sermon to them by the Rev. Mr. Hines, administered the Holy Communion, and confirmed eight persons. The labors of the zealous Minister of this Parish are beginning to be rewarded by much fruit.

22d, assisted by Mr. Cheshire, I performed service twice at Louisburg, preaching on both occasions, administering the Communion, and confirming one person.

26th, at Chapel Hill, service was held and Mr. Bronson preached.

27th, in the morning, in the same Church, I admitted to Deacon's Orders Samuel S. Barber, preaching on the occasion, and administering the Communion,—Messrs. Hubbard, Wheat, Lee and Bronson taking part in the services. In the evening, I again preached, and confirmed two persons.

28th, at Salisbury, Mr. Wetmore read Evening Prayer and I preached; and on the next day, I administered the Holy Communion to my beloved brother, the Rector of the Church, in his sick chamber, he then, as indeed almost ever since, suffering from a broken limb.

30th, at Lincolnton, I read Prayers, preached, and baptized an infant; and the next day, at the same place, another.

August 2d and 3d, I preached three times at Rutherfordton, administered the Holy Communion, assisted by Messrs. Bland and Mason, and confirmed four persons.

4th, I preached at a School House in Polk county.

7th, 9th and 10th, I preached four times at Asheville, and confirmed five persons.

August 11th, I set off, in company with the Rev. Mr. Prout, on a Missionary tour to the South-Western part of the State,—the Cherokee country as it is called,—where our Church has hitherto been scarcely better known than the Greek or Armenian. During the previous winter, however, and in its most inclement season, Mr. Prout's adventurous and self-denying Missionary spirit had led him to this remote and secluded region, and had produced a favorable impression in behalf of the Church on all whom he had reached. During our tour we stopped and held services at Waynesville, Webster, Franklin, Valley River, Murphy, and Fort Hembey. At these various places, going and returning, I preached eight times and Mr. Prout once, and we likewise administered the Holy Communion at Murphy, where we have a small place of worship and three Communicants. The country is a mountain region of surpassing beauty, of great mineral wealth as yet almost altogether undeveloped, with valleys of uncommon fertility; and with perhaps the finest climate in the Union, cooler than that of New England in the summer, and free from the intense winter rigors of the latter, and the chilling damps of its spring.

With such advantages, and immediately contiguous to the vast hot plains of the Southern and South-Western States, this region of country must become before very long highly populated and very prosperous. To it is due the earliest care of the Church; and that the more, because its spiritual destitution is greater perhaps than can be observed elsewhere in the State, great as it is in many other quarters. Besides the ordinary elements of population calling for ministerial labor in their behalf, there is a very interesting settlement of Indians at a place called Qualalah Town. Here it is said that between one and two thousand of the Cherokees are congregated; and I was greatly pleased to hear an unvaryingly favorable account of their morality, their advance in steady industry, and other tokens of improved civilization. The Methodists have a Missionary among them, who preaches by means of an interpreter. Surely we too are their debtors for that Gospel which God has entrusted to us. Knowing but little previously of the topography of the country, I had made appointments, the keeping of which made it impossible for me to visit them. I requested Mr. Bronson, however, who afterwards went over the same region of country, to visit them, which he did, and preached to them by the medium of the interpreter.

August 24th, I preached in the morning at Flat Rock, and confirmed two persons, and in the afternoon again preached at Hendersonville.

26th, I preached at Mr. Frank Johnston's, on the French Broad River.

This congregation is a new and promising one, consisting mainly of gentlemen and their families from South Carolina, who have been attracted to the locality by its possession of such advantages, and so combined, of health, fertility, and magnificence of scenery, as I certainly have never seen paralleled elsewhere.

The congregation differs from that at Flat Rock in that its members generally are, by birth, or have become, permanent residents of the State, instead of merely occupying summer homes in it. On this account, they of course offer better hopes of increasing the strength of the Church. During the past summer, they enjoyed the very acceptable and useful services of the Rev. Stuart Hanckel of South Carolina. They have de-

terminated to build a Church, which they hope to have ready for consecration if Providence should permit me to visit them again this ensuing summer or autumn. While here I baptized an infant.

August 31st, at Morganton, I read Prayers and preached twice, baptized an infant, confirmed one person, and administered the Holy Communion.

September 7th, I preached at Roxborough in Person county, the first time, I understand, at which the Service of the Church has ever been heard in that county. Indeed, Person and Caswell counties have both been greatly neglected by us, although one of the most flourishing parts of the State,—the latter especially, I believe, being distinguished for successful agriculture and an intelligent population. Although, indeed, wherever I turn my eyes in this Diocese, I see wide fields, and sometimes few and sometimes alas! no laborers.

From this neighborhood I went on Northward, and attended the meeting of the Trustees of the General Seminary, in New York in the last days of September, and of the General Convention, in Philadelphia, during the greater part of October.

The proceedings of the former body were marked by nothing of importance, except the indefinite postponement of the election of a Professor of Pastoral Theology, which postponement was considered necessary because of heavy demands upon the pecuniary resources of the institution, in consequence of certain improvements to their property which the authorities of the city required to be made.

The proceedings of the General Convention were published at the time, and are no doubt well known to you. They were conducted with such harmony, dignity and ability, as to elevate the Church in the judgment of the people of the country, and still more to endear it to their affections. Its entire abstinence from irritating and unprofitable political discussions; its unanimous purpose not to meddle with the things of Cæsar, but to give itself to the cares and interests which belong to God; these characteristics served to show more plainly than before, that it is qualified to be, and therefore likely to be, the Church of the Nation, being itself National, as opposed on the one hand to that which is extra-national, having its life and power in a foreign land, and opposed on the other hand to those which are

sectional and thereby sympathizers with and fomentors of the passions and prejudices of men, the very elements which it is the office of the Church to calm and to moderate.

One of the most important subjects which came before the General Convention, was that presented by the memorial of certain Presbyters, addressed to the House of Bishops, seeking such modifications of the Service as would promote the greater efficiency of the Church. The House not considering any change in the Law of the Church desirable, expressed their judgment as to what was allowable, under the existing law, to adapt our Services to different occasions and varying circumstances. In this judgment I was able to concur with the great body of my brethren, and anticipate happy results from the greater flexibility of our admirable Liturgy, thus authorized.

Another subject of great importance engaged the attention of some of the Bishops assembled in Philadelphia, and deserves I think, the careful consideration of this Convention. It was the establishment of a Southern University under the care of the Church. That the interests of Education at the South, especially in the higher and most advanced studies, require development, no one will deny. That our Church especially needs Educational Institutions of character and efficiency will be painfully apparent when it is remembered that of the few Church Colleges in the country, all are North of this State. Colleges where the Church is not recognized, ought surely not to be the sole educators of the youth of the Church. The Colleges already existing at the South are of great value to our people and deserve their encouragement, but they are not sufficient for the wants of this great section of the Union, and still less can they supply the peculiar wants of the Church. An University such as is contemplated, where the highest and most varied culture might be obtained, where strict discipline might be enforced, where a definite religious Faith might be inculcated, and that too the very Faith of the Gospel, as ever held in the Church, and where moreover a decided religious influence might be exerted over the minds of the pupils,—such an University at the South would be one of the greatest conceivable blessings for this region of country. It would go far to remove one of the most crying evils now pressing upon us, that of an undisciplined, irreligious and consequently immoral

youth. I believe this blessing to be attainable. No single Diocese nor perhaps two or three united can attain it, but if all the Dioceses whose Bishops recommend this measure, shall unite heartily in its prosecution, it will succeed; I refer it to you for your further consideration.

In Philadelphia, at the Church of St. James the Less, I confirmed, by the request of Bishop Potter, a class of five persons. In the same city, I celebrated one marriage, and in Baltimore two, there being in each case special reasons for my officiating. In Baltimore, I also baptized three children whose parents belonged to this Diocese. In the same city, I took part in the consecration of Grace Church, preaching at the instance of Bishop Whittingham the Sermon on that occasion, made more interesting to me withal, by having been myself active in the erection of the noble and beautiful edifice thus set apart for the worship of Almighty God.

Nov. 8th, at Trinity Church, Scotland Neck, I preached, and confirmed seven persons, Messrs. Cheshire and Haughton assisting in the service.

9th, at Tarborough, I preached, morning and evening: Mr. Cheshire in the afternoon. I also administered the Holy Communion and confirmed four persons.

10th, at Hamilton, we had service in the evening, and Mr. Cheshire preached.

11th, at the same place, I preached, and confirmed one person.

This is a growing village, and there is a desire felt by some of the residents to have a Church built and more frequent services performed. The Rev. Mr. Watson officiates here once a month, in the evening, an advantage which is appreciated, but is, of course, insufficient to secure the rapid progress of the Church. Aid in the erection of a house of worship would be very valuable.

12th, I read Prayers and preached, morning and evening, at Williamston. Much of what I have said of Hamilton applies to this place, only that here we have a Church building. Frequent and regular services would be, I am persuaded, fruitful in much good, among a people not unfavorably affected to the Church, and much needing its sound teaching, and sanctifying influence.

14th, I consecrated Zion Church, in Beaufort County, at the

same time preaching, confirming twelve persons, and administering the Holy Communion, Messrs. Hughes and Geer assisting in the services. This Church, itself pretty and convenient, reflects more credit on those who contributed to its erection, and particularly on some two or three who especially exerted themselves for that object, than many a stately Temple erected at great cost, but requiring far less sacrifice on the part of its builders, than this simple and inexpensive structure.

15th, I preached, morning and evening, at Washington.

16th, A. M., I preached at Trinity Church, Beaufort County, confirmed one person, and administered the Lord's Supper to a large congregation, deeply moved by the knowledge that it was perhaps the last service, and certainly one of the last, in which their beloved Minister, Mr. Hughes, would officiate to them as to his own flock.

In the evening, I preached at Washington, and confirmed two persons.

18th, at Pugh's Chapel, I preached, confirmed one person, and administered the Holy Communion, Mr. Hughes assisting me.

19th, at Greenville, I performed the same services, again confirming one person.

In the evening, I confirmed another person in private, and the next morning administered to him the Holy Communion. He was then ill and has since died.

20th, being Thanksgiving Day, I officiated at Marlborough, preaching, confirming one person, and administering the Eucharist. It was the first occasion on which these latter services had ever been performed there.

29th, at Fayetteville, in the evening I preached, and confirmed fifteen persons.

30th, in the morning, at the same Church I preached, and administered the Holy Communion.

In the evening I preached at Rockfish.

Dec. 2d, I preached, morning and evening at the Gulf, in Chatham County.

3d and 4th, I preached three times at Pittsborough, and confirmed two persons.

7th, at Raleigh, in Christ Church, I confirmed fourteen persons, of whom twelve were from St. Mary's School. At the same time, assisted by Drs. Mason and Smedes, I administered

the Holy Communion. In the afternoon, I held a service and preached to the inmates at the Lunatic Asylum.

9th and 10th, I preached twice, and confirmed one person at Halifax.

11th, P. M., I preached, and confirmed one person at Wilson; on the next morning, after again preaching, I administered the Holy Communion.

21st, at St. James's Church, Wilmington, I preached, and admitted to Deacon's orders three persons, viz: John V. Stryker, Silas D. Davenport and Israel Harding, and administered the Holy Communion,—Dr. Drane, Dr. Curtis, and Mr. William Murphy assisted in the services.

During the remainder of the winter, I officiated in Wilmington, mainly in a building belonging to the Methodist Protestants then vacant, and which had been very kindly offered for my use. Here a number of persons attended, both white and black, who had heretofore been strangers to our services. I had reason to hope that good was done.

During this time I celebrated one marriage of colored persons, and baptized ten colored children.

March 12th, at Gatesville, I held three services, in the morning preaching, confirming one person and administering the Holy Communion. In the afternoon the Rev. J. W. Murphy preached, and in the evening the Rev. Mr. Hilliard. The Church was ready for consecration, but for the absence of the deed of gift and the late arrival of the Clergymen, detained by an accident to the steamer in which they had taken passage.

15th and 16th, I preached three times at Edenton, administered the Holy Communion, and confirmed fifteen persons.

17th, I preached, morning and evening, at Hertford, confirming eight persons, and administering the Holy Communion.

On the 18th I preached at Woodville, in Perquimons County, and twice on the 19th at Elizabeth City.

21st and 22d, preached three times at Plymouth, confirmed three persons and administered the Lord's Supper.

24th, preached and administered the Communion at St. Luke's in Washington County.

25th, at Pettigrew's Chapel, I preached, consecrated the building, confirmed three persons, admitted the Rev. Francis W. Hilliard to Priest's Orders, and administered the Commu-

nion. In these varied and interesting services, I enjoyed the assistance of my Reverend Brethren Johnston, Watson, J. W. Murphy, Patterson and Hilliard; Mr. Johnston presenting the Candidate for Orders.

The consecration of the building had been long delayed because of a provision in the will of the original grantor, the first Bishop-elect of this Diocese, by which in certain contingencies, services other than those of the Church might be performed there. These contingencies seemed now to be removed by the change of circumstances, and it was thought that the consecration had become proper. The Church itself has lately been enlarged and in every respect improved, and a neat parsonage built and furnished, and the services are as likely to be permanent as in other rural congregations in the Diocese. These benefits are due mainly to the liberality of Mr. William Pettigrew and Mr. Josiah Collins.

26th, in the evening, at the Lake Chapel, Mr. Watson preached, and I confirmed twenty-six persons, all of them slaves of Mr. Collins, or Mr. Charles Pettigrew.

27th, at the same Chapel, I preached and administered the Communion. Those who partook of it, exceeding probably a hundred in number, were the families of these gentlemen and mainly their slaves. And I think it right to say here that the more I have seen of the effects of the system pursued in that congregation, the better am I pleased with it.

28th, P. M., at Windsor, Mr. Patterson preached.

29th, I preached twice, and Mr. Patterson once in this congregation, and assisted by its Minister, Mr. Bronson, I administered the Communion.

30th, at a house in the same Parish, I confirmed four persons.

31st, I preached at Woodville, in Bertie County.

April 2d, at Murfreesborough, there were three services, at which Messrs. Hilliard, Bronson and I preached, and I administered the Communion and confirmed one person.

4th, at Jackson, Mr. Haughton preached, and baptized an infant.

5th, I preached, and administered the Communion in the morning at Jackson, and in the evening, preached again at Mr. H. K. Burgwyn's Chapel.

7th, at Rocky Mount, I preached, and administered the Lord's Supper.

8th, P. M., at Kinston, I preached, and confirmed two persons, and on the next morning again preached, and administered the Lord's Supper.

10th, 11th and 12th, being Good Friday, Easter-Even and Easter Day, I preached five times, administered the Communion, and confirmed twenty-five persons, at Newbern.

14th, I laid the corner-stone of a Church at Beaufort, by the name of St. Paul's, Messrs. Greene and Van Antwerp taking part in the service; on this occasion I delivered an Address, and in the evening preached, and confirmed four persons.

Mr. Van Antwerp, our diligent and unwearied Minister at Beaufort, deserves not only our commendation, but our aid in his efforts to build a Church and establish a congregation in a place where he found but one communicant, much ignorance of the Church, and much prejudice against it, and very little sympathy or co-operation at home or abroad except at Newbern, where he has received kind, timely and effectual aid. The importance of Beaufort in the future makes it very desirable that he should be sustained, and I must request the aid now of all throughout this Diocese, who love the Church, and are able to do any thing in its behalf, in furtherance of a cause so urgent and so deserving.

April 15th, I set off, accompanied by Messrs. Greene and Van Antwerp, for Swansborough and Jacksonville, in Onslow County. The former place we were prevented from reaching in time for service, by a high and adverse wind. By great efforts we fulfilled the appointment at Jacksonville. There we found a good congregation, to which I preached, perhaps the first time that a Bishop had ever entered their county. Had we the man and the means, much good might be done among this people.

April 21st, I baptized, and on the next day buried a colored child in Wilmington.

26th, I confirmed at St. James's Church, Wilmington, twenty-four persons, and May 1st, one in private, of the congregation of that Church.

April 30th, I baptized a white adult in the Chapel in which I had been officiating during the winter.

May 2d, P. M., I preached at Goldsborough.

3d, I preached, morning and evening, at the same place, at the first service administering the Holy Communion, and at the second confirming two persons. All these services were held in the new Church at that place, not yet completed, but which had been fitted up for the occasion. I could not but warmly congratulate the Minister and congregation on this successful result of much labor and considerable sacrifices, in bringing to that stage, a house for the Honor of God, and the spiritual nurture of souls, the beauty and convenience of which strike every eye that beholds it.

May 6th, I preached at Warrenton.

May 7th, A. M., I preached at St. Mary's, Raleigh, and confirmed ten of the pupils, besides twelve in December, and others on my visitation elsewhere.

Great as have been the benefits heretofore rendered by this School, to the sacred interests of Education and Religion, improvements and enlargements are now making in it, which promise for it in the future, a wider sphere of utility and prosperity. It has especially deserved well of this Diocese, and is justly dear to it.

In the afternoon of the same day, I confirmed a person in private, belonging to Christ Church, and at night, preached to a large congregation in that Church, and confirmed nine persons, being the second confirmation held in it during the year.

8th, P. M., I preached at Chapel Hill, and confirmed one person.

9th, P. M., at Hillsborough, Mr. Hubbard who had accompanied me from Chapel Hill, preached.

11th, A. M., I preached at St. Mary's, Orange County, and confirmed six persons, and in the evening, preached and confirmed the same number at Hillsborough, one of them in private. The Diocese generally will be gratified to know that the present Rector of this Parish, is the Rev. Dr. Curtis, who after many years of labor in South Carolina, has returned to his attached congregation in Hillsborough, having oversight therewith of St. Mary's, and of a Missionary Station at Graham.

May 11th, P. M., I preached at this Missionary Station, and on the twelfth and thirteenth successively at Greensborough and Lexington. At these last two points the Rev. T. G. Haugh

ton has been laboring acceptably since January, and as one of the fruits of those labors, the long desired Church in Lexington is about to be commenced.

May 15th, I preached, morning and evening at Mocksville, confirming two persons, and administering the Holy Communion.

May 17th, I consecrated St. James's Church, in Iredell County, a service so unusual in that region of country as to attract an immense concourse of persons. There were present the Rector, the Rev. Mr. Wetmore, to whose unwearied efforts its erection is mainly due, the Rev. Mr. Prout, who had come sixty miles over bad roads to attend this service, and the Rev. Mr. Haughton. I preached, confirmed five persons, and administered the Lord's Supper. In the afternoon, Mr. Wetmore baptized an Adult, and Mr. Haughton preached.

May 18th, A. M., at Christ Church, Rowan, I preached, confirmed twelve persons, and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon I administered both of these ordinances in private to a sick person; while in Church Mr. Prout, at the instance of Mr. Wetmore, baptized an Adult, and preached.

May 19th, at St. Andrew's, in the same county, I preached, confirmed two persons, and administered the Lord's Supper. Here I witnessed a pleasing, and it is a shame to add in a Christian country, a rare sight, a great majority of the adults present receiving the Lord's Supper, and of these, the larger part being men.

20th, P. M., at Charlotte, the Rev. Mr. McCulloh, of South Carolina, preached.

21st, in the morning at this place the corner-stone of a new Church was laid by me, and a beautiful and appropriate Address delivered by the Rev. Dr. Hawks, of New York. In the evening the Rev. Mr. Gibson of South Carolina, preached.

22d, I preached, morning and evening, at the last service confirming four persons.

23d, P. M., Lincolnton. The Rev. William Murphy preached.

24th, I preached in the morning, confirmed eight persons, and administered the Lord's Supper. In the afternoon, there was a Sermon by the Rev. J. W. Murphy, and in the evening, a service for the colored people, at which I preached to them.

I have thus during the past year preached in the Diocese up-

wards of a hundred and seventy times, and administered the Holy Communion forty-two times, consecrated two Churches, and laid the corner-stones of two others; confirmed three hundred and thirteen persons in the Diocese, and five out of it, baptized ten white infants, one white Adult, and fifteen colored infants, the whole number of Baptisms performed by me being thus twenty-six. I have married five couples, only one however in this Diocese, and that a colored one, and I have performed two funeral services.

I have ordained six persons to the Diaconate, viz: Messrs. Haughton, Morrelle, Samuel S. Barber, Stryker, Davenport and Harding; and one, the Rev. F. W. Hilliard, to the Priesthood. I have transferred four Clergymen to other Dioceses, viz: the Rev. C. M. Parkman to Maryland, the Rev. John T. Wheat, D. D. to Tennessee, the Rev. A. F. Olmsted to South Carolina, and the Rev. James T. Pickett to the Diocese of Tennessee. And I have received three by Letters Dimissory, viz: the Rev. Dr. Curtis from South Carolina, the Rev. T. S. W. Mott from Mississippi, and the Rev. John T. Wheat, D. D. from Tennessee. Dr. Wheat never changed his actual residence, finding that his health did not qualify him for the duties of the charge he had at one time agreed to undertake.

The changes which have occurred in the Parishes are these: Louisburg is now under the charge of Mr. Sutton, together with Oxford. The Rev. William Murphy performs the duties of the Church at Halifax. Pittsborough, which has lost the services of Mr. Olmsted, has obtained those of the Rev. N. C. Hughes. Of the congregations heretofore under Mr. Hughes's care, Zion Church, Beaufort County, is served by the Rev. Israel Harding; Pugh's Chapel, in Pitt County, by the Rev. S. S. Barber; Trinity Church, Beaufort County, and St. Paul's Church, Greenville, are still vacant. The Rev. Mr. Parkman's place as Assistant Minister at Christ Church, Elizabeth City, is not yet filled. The Rev. Mr. Haughton, after serving the Church at Jackson for some months at my request, was placed by me as Assistant to Mr. Parker at Salisbury, during what it is hoped is a temporary disability of the latter. Mr. Haughton has been also performing Missionary duty at Greensborough and Lexington. The Rev. Mr. Morrelle has charge of a School at Goldsborough, and renders, when he can, aid to the Rev. Mr. Fitz-

Gerald. The Rev. Mr. Stryker is officiating as Assistant Minister at Christ Church, Newbern, and also conducting a School there. The Rev. Silas D. Davenport is officiating at Wadesborough. The Rev. Mr. Bland has resigned the charge of the Church at Rutherfordton, and accepted that of the Church at Lincolnton. The Rev. R. H. Mason has succeeded him at Rutherfordton. The Church at Morganton is now vacant.

There are at present eight Candidates for Holy Orders in the Diocese, viz: Stephen C. Roberts, Henry A. Skinner, Reginald H. Murphy, Walter Weir, Luther Eborn, Lucian Holmes, Geo. W. Whitfield, William C. Hunter.

In this connection, I must request Candidates for Orders to give me at least three months notice of the time when they wish to apply for Ordination. Examinations are frequently so hurried, just before Ordination, as to be unsatisfactory.

As one very important means of advancing the growth of the Church, I desire to urge on the Clergy and Laity the importance of vigorously sustaining the Society for Church Extension, established at the last Convention. Our weak Parishes, and they are the most numerous with us, must be aided in building their churches, and this can best be done by general collections for that purpose and systematic distribution of what is thus collected. These are the objects of the Society.

And now, Brethren, with humble thanks to Almighty God for His past undeserved favors, and with earnest prayers for their continuance and increase, I commend you to His directing and sustaining grace, for wisdom to know His will and strength to do it.

THOMAS ATKINSON.

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

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. E. M. Forbes, assisted by the Rev. G. B. Wetmore, and a Sermon by the Rev. W. E. Snowden, from the 16th chapter of St. John's Gospel, 15th and 18th verses.

HALF-PAST 4 O'CLOCK.

The Convention met according to adjournment.

Certificates of Lay Delegation from the following Churches

were read, and the following had elected Delegates to this Convention:

Emmanuel Church, Warrenton—Dr. Thos. E. Wilson, Thos. A. Montgomery, John White.

St. John's Church, Pitt County—Jesse Noble, Louis B. Pugh, William A. Pugh, Richard L. Noble.

Of whom Dr. Thomas E. Wilson, Thomas A. Montgomery, Louis B. Pugh and Richard L. Noble appeared and took their seats as members of the Convention.

Dr. W. T. Johnson, Thomas Ruffin, William A. Eaton, Russell Chapman and Matthew Weddell, Lay Delegates, appeared and took seats.

On motion,

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention be held in St. Paul's Church, Edenton, on the 2d Thursday in May 1858.

On motion,

Resolved, That the resolution referring the Bishop's Annual Address to the Committee on the State of the Church be amended, as follows: That so much of the Annual Address of the Bishop as relates to the establishment of a Southern University be referred to a special Committee, consisting of two Clergymen and three Laymen, to be appointed by the Chair, who shall report to this Convention.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Smedes and Forbes, of the Clergy; Thomas Ruffin, Dr. F. J. Hill and Josiah Collins, of the Laity.

Charles T. Haigh, Treasurer of the Convention, made his Report, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee of Finance. [*See Appendix.*]

The Parochial Reports were called for. On motion, the reading of them was dispensed with, and they were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church:

REPORT of the Parishes of St. John's, Rutherfordton, St. Luke's, Lincolnton, and Missionary Station at Shelby.

REV. C. T. BLAND, Rector.

ST. JOHN'S, RUTHERFORDTON.

Baptisms—Infant, white 1, colored 1,	2
Confirmations—White,	4
Marriage—White,	1
Catechumens—White,	10
Communicants—White, No. last year 16; added 4, removed 9;	
present number	11
Communion Alms,	\$30 69

The number of services performed by the Rector since last Convention to March 8th, 1857, when the Parish was resigned, were 112. Holy Communion administered 10 times.

SHELBY, CLEVELAND COUNTY.

Baptisms—Infant, white 4, colored 5,	9
Communicants—White,	3
Number of services,	20
Holy Communion,	2

The prospect at this place is far from being discouraging, but they need more frequent services.

ST. LUKE'S, LINCOLNTON.

Baptisms—White Infant 1, colored Adult 2,	3
Confirmations—White 3, colored 5,	8
Burials—White Adults,	3
Catechumens,	19
Communicants—White 27, colored 7,	34
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$15 00
Diocesan Missions,	15 00
Relief Fund,	3 60
Weekly Offertory,	32 86
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	\$66 46

The Report above dates from Jan'y 1st, 1857. Since that date there have been 79 services. Of the three Sunday services, one every Sunday is appropriated exclusively to the colored portion of the congregation. The Holy Communion has been administered nine times, once in private.

C. T. BLAND.

GRACE CHURCH, BERTIE COUNTY.

Rev. BENJ'N S. BRONSON, Minister.

Baptisms—White, Infant, 2; Adult, 1;	3
Communicants—Number last year, 8; total now	8
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$7 50
Bishop's salary,	7 50
Relief Fund,	2 50
Parochial objects,	80 00
Church Building Society,	5 00
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	\$102 50

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, WINDSOR, BERTIE COUNTY.

Baptisms—Infant, white 3, colored Adult 2,	5
Confirmations—White,	4
Communicants—Number last year, White,	26
Marriage—White,	1

Funerals—White 1, colored 1,	2
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$30 00
Bishop's salary,	27 00
Relief Fund,	6 00
Parochial objects,	90 00
Church Building Society,	28 00
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	\$181 00

There has been no Communion since Confirmation. Sixteen hundred dollars have been obtained within Grace and St. Thomas's Parishes, Bertie County, for the purchase or erection of a Parsonage.

Monthly services are now held by me in Jackson, Murfreesborough and Colerain. During the Summer of 1856, by the appointment of the Bishop, I discharged Missionary duties for six weeks in the Counties of Haywood, Jackson, Macon and Cherokee. In Cherokee County, I celebrated one Marriage Service.

BENJ'N S. BRONSON.

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

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WILKESBOROUGH.

Communicants—Removed 1, present number,	9
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$8 25
Parochial objects,	3 75
Missionary Fund,	3 00
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	\$15 00

GWYN'S CHAPEL, WILKES COUNTY.

Baptisms—White Infant,	1
Communicants—White 7, colored 2,	9
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$9 85
Missionary Fund,	8 00
Parochial objects,	22 75
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	\$40 60

It is well to observe, that this place has heretofore been reported as a part of the congregation at St. Paul's Church, Wilkesborough.

RICHMOND HILL, YADKIN COUNTY.

Communicants—Removed 2, added 1, present number	8
Marriage,	1
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	12 75
Parochial objects,	5 65
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	\$18 40

At Buck Shoals in this County, I officiate at night, once a month, when the weather permits. The number of Communicants is 2.

At a Station in Iredell County, I preach on the fifth Sundays. The number of Communicants is 2.
R. W. BARBER.

REPORT of Rev. S. S. Barber, Deacon, officiating in Pitt and Lenoir Counties.

ST. JOHN'S CHUCH, PITT COUNTY.

Baptisms—White, Adult 2, Infant 5,	7
Catechumens, (about)	25
Confirmations—White 1, colored 1,	2
Communicants—Added by first Communion 2; present number, white 18, colored 3,	21
Funerals—White 2, colored 1,	3
Contributions—Assessment for the Episcopate,	\$7 50
Ditto for Relief Committee,	2 50
Ditto for Diocesan Missions,	15 00
Amount collected for Domestic Missions,	2 00
Parochial objects,	30 00
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	\$57 00

I entered upon my duties in this Parish, as a Minister, early in October last. Since that time, I have preached twice a month, to small, but increasing congregations. I have also had two afternoon services for the blacks, in each month, when circumstances permitted. The attendance on these services is generally good.
S. S. BARBER.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH, GREENVILLE.

Baptisms—White, Infant 5, Adult 1,	6
Confirmations—White,	4
Communicants—Added by first Communion 4; present number,	16
Funeral—White,	1
Contributions—Assessment for the Episcopate,	\$15 00
Ditto for Diocesan Missions,	15 00
Ditto for Relief Committee,	3 60
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	\$33 60

This Parish has been destitute of the services of the Church during a greater part of the past winter, in consequence of the removal of the Rev. Mr. Hughes, its late zealous and devoted Pastor. Marlborough is reported as connected with this Parish; I have preached there twice during the Spring, and baptized one white infant.
S. S. BARBER.

ST. MARY'S PARISH, KINSTON.

Confirmations—White,	2
Communicants—Added by first Communion 1; present number,	9
Contributions—Assessment for the Episcopate,	\$15 00
Amount for Diocesan Missions collected at Bishop's visitation,	10 35

Relief Fund,	3 60
Parochial objects, (by the ladies,)	12 00
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	\$40 95

I entered upon my ministerial labors in this Parish in February last. I preach here on the 3d and 4th Sundays in each month, generally morning and night. The services are generally well attended, particularly at night. The interest taken in the services is manifestly increasing. Movements are now being made to have the Church repaired, and we hope to be able to have it completed and ready for consecration during the present year. The ladies are entitled to much commendation for their zealous co-operation in this respect, having raised, by means of a fair, \$175 towards such reparation.

S. S. BARBER.

TRINITY CHURCH, ASHEVILLE.

Rev. JARVIS BUXTON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 6, colored 2; white Adult 2,	10
Catechumens—White 20, colored 25,	45
Confirmations—White 4, colored 1,	5
Communicants—Number last year 19, added by first Communion	
3, total now	22
Marriages,	2
Funerals,	4
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$9 00
Bishop's salary,	8 00
Relief Fund,	2 40
Domestic Missions,	5 00
Foreign Missions,	5 00
Parochial and other objects,	39 38
For Church Building Society,	10 00
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	\$78 78

Held a Sunday's service on Reems' Creek, where a good congregation attended and the people seemed truly kind in their feelings.

I have endeavored during the past year to pay off entirely the liabilities of the Church School at this place, by the help of contributions from abroad. But my efforts thus far have only been partially successful.

Since the needed improvements made during the past year, consisting mainly of tenant's house, with cistern and well, nothing farther seems wanted on the premises for the convenience and uses of the purposes to which they were designed.

The total liabilities, therefore, up to date, are as follows:

\$1009 00 balance due on improvements.

800 00 note given for Lot, on interest.

82 50 interest on above note, and cost of insurance.

\$1891 50

To meet this sum, in part, the Rector of Edenton and his Assistant, the

assure me, still hold their Parish bound for the \$200 pledged at the last Convention, notwithstanding their generous contribution during the year of \$503 63, being their refunded subscriptions to an Episcopal Residence at Raleigh.

There was also pledged another hundred dollars, payable at this Convention.

To pay the remaining \$1591 50, we look to the liberality of friends, whenever it may suit their convenience to help us; but I shall make no farther direct appeals for aid after this statement. All contributions received will be faithfully appropriated as heretofore. Upon the payment of the above indebtedness the Diocese will become possessed of property, available, if not immediately, yet in no long time, and to a remarkable degree, for Educational and Missionary purposes.

JARVIS BUXTON.

CHRIST CHURCH, ROCKFISH.

Rev. GEORGE BENTON, Rector.

Baptisms—White Infant,	2
Communicants—White, added by removal 1, lost by removal 2, by death 1; present number	33
Marriage—White,	1
Funerals—White, Infant 2, Adult 1,	3
Contributions—Relief Fund,	\$3 60
Missionary Fund,	11 40
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	\$15 00

GEORGE BENTON.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH.

Rev. M. A. CURTIS, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 14, colored 11; colored Adult 1,	26
Marriage,	1
Confirmations,	6
Funerals,	3
Communicants—Died 2, removed 5, added 4; present number	48
Sunday School—Teachers	5
Scholars	27
Bible Class—Scholars	7

The Rector renewed his connexion with this Parish the first week in Feb'y last. In the above record are included one Baptism by Dr. Wheat, four by Bishop Green, and five by the present Rector, previous to that date; also one Burial by Rev. Prof. Hubbard.

ST. MARY'S CHAPEL, ORANGE COUNTY.

Rev. M. A. CURTIS, D. D., Minister.

Communicants,	5
Confirmations,	6
Service has been held by me three times at this Chapel.	

M. A. CURTIS.

TRINITY CHURCH, SCOTLAND NECK.

Rev. JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 4, colored 4; white Adult 8,	11
Confirmations—White 6, colored 1,	7
Communicants—Added 8; present number, white 34, colored 9,	43
Marriages,	4
Funerals,	3
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$65 00
Domestic Missions,	36 00
Foreign Missions,	33 00
Relief Fund,	12 00
Bishop's Assessment,	65 00
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	\$211 00

CALVARY CHURCH, TARBOROUGH.

Rev. JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, Rector.

Baptisms—White, Infant 8, Adult 6,	14
Confirmations—White 4, colored 1,	5
Communicants—Removed 2, died 1, added 6; present number, white 22, colored 4,	26
Marriages—White 2, colored 1,	3
Funerals,	7
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$50 00
Domestic Missions,	30 00
Foreign Missions,	31 00
Relief Fund,	10 00
Bishop's Assessment,	34 00
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	\$155 00

JCS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

Rev. R. B. DRANE, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 41, colored 35; white Adult 5,	81
Catechumens, (average)	100
Confirmations—White 19, colored 6,	25
Communicants—Number last year, white 264, colored 20; added by first Communion, white 18, colored 5; ditto by removal, white 17; lost by death, white 6, colored 3; ditto by removal, white 18; total now, white 285, colored 22,	307
Marriages—White 11, colored 3,	14
Funerals—White 14, colored 2,	16
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$432 00
Bishop's salary,	300 00

Relief Fund,	60 00
Church Building Society,	100 00
Domestic Missions,	185 05
Foreign Missions,	186 90
Education Committee,	196 05
Parochial Charity,	275 17
Other objects,	5,192 12

\$6,927 29

ROBERT B. DRANE.

CALVARY CHURCH, WADESBOROUGH.

Rev. S. D. DAVENPORT, Deacon.

Baptism—White Infant,	1
Catechumens, (about)	23
Communicants—Added by residence 1, by Communion 1; lost by death 1; present No.	29
Funerals—White,	2

S. D. DAVENPORT.

CHRIST CHURCH, ELIZABETH CITY.

Rev. E. M. FORBES, Rector.

Baptisms—White, Infant 7, Adult 1,	8
Catechumens—White 70, colored 15,	85
Confirmations—White,	13
Communicants—Number last year, white 65, colored 13; added by first Communion, white 8; lost by death, white 1; ditto by removal, white 3; total now, white 69, colored 13,	82
Marriages—White,	3
Funerals—White,	3
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$111 00
Bishop's salary,	40 00
Relief Fund,	13 00
Domestic and Foreign Missions,	115 00
Parochial objects,	206 20
Other objects,	21 00

\$506 20

Through the untiring zeal and energy of the ladies of this Parish, aided particularly by one Layman, we have now nearly completed a beautiful and noble Church. We have been generously assisted by a few Laymen at Edenton.

E. M. FORBES.

ST. STEPHEN'S PARISH, GOLDSBOROUGH.

Rev. FREDERICK FITZGERALD, Rector.

Rev. DANIEL MORRELLE, Deacon, Assisting.

Baptisms—Infant, white 2, colored 2; Adult, white 2, colored 3,	9
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Confirmations—White,	2
Communicants—White, number last year 22, added by first Com- munion 2, ditto by removal 8, lost by removal 1, present No.	31
Marriages—White,	4
Funerals—Infant, white 2, colored 1; colored Adult 4,	7
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$25 78
Bishop's salary,	15 00
Relief Fund,	5 00
Parochial objects,	4,479 38
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	\$4,525 16

On the 27th of August last I laid the corner-stone of a Church edifice in this Parish, which was opened for the first time for Divine Service on the 2d of May. The building is of brick, and for strength, durability and beauty of proportion, is surpassed by none in the Diocese. The services are well attended, and the Parish now enjoys peaceful and cheering prosperity.

In November last I resigned the charge of St. Mary's Parish, Kinston, Lenoir county, being unable, on account of the distance and my many other duties, to give it the number of services that its present condition demanded. In this Parish I report one Marriage.

I have also to report that the frame of the Parish Church in Murfreesborough, Hertford County, has been raised, and that the work is still in progress. Before another year I hope it will be consecrated. Have paid out for the Church \$335.

On the plantation of Henry K. Burgwyn, Esq., I Baptized one white and six colored Infants.

FREDERICK FITZGERALD.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

Rev. EDWIN GEER, Rector.

Baptisms,	27
Confirmations, (one at St. Mary's School,)	21
Communicants—Added 13, Died 3, Removed 8, present number,	137
Marriages,	7
Funerals,	11
Contributions—Assessment for the Episcopate,	\$135 00
Ditto for Missionary Com.	150 00
Ditto for Relief Com.	30 00
Collected at Convention for Diocesan Missions,	160 00
Do. do. for Education Com.	147 00
Parochial and other purposes,	97 24
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	\$719 24

EDWIN GEER.

CHRIST CHURCH, NEWBERN.

Rev. HENRY F. GREENE, Rector.

Baptisms—White Infant 27, colored 2, White Adult 7,	36
Catechumens—White 150, colored 75,	225

Confirmations—White 23, colored 2,	25
Communicants—Number last year, white 134, colored 33; added by first Communion, white 23, colored 2; lost by death 4, total now, white 153, colored 35,	188
Marriages—White,	3
Funerals—White 11, colored 1,	12
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$187 98
Bishop's salary.	225 00
Relief Fund,	60 08
Foreign Missions,	12 64
Parochial objects,	600 75
Other objects,	456 00
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	\$1,542 45

There have been favorable signs of progress and improvement in this Parish, during the last year, in the Free Schools under the direction of the Rector; in the Classical School under the Rev. J. V. Stryker, Assistant to the Rector; and in the Young Ladies' School, under Mrs. Stryker. Whatever has been undertaken with energy has succeeded, and the Rector regrets that his impaired health has necessitated his presenting a less favorable report of the operations of the Church than he had hoped for.

HENRY F. GREENE.

CHURCH OF THE SAVIOUR, JACKSON, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Rev. T. G. HAUGHTON, lately in charge.

Baptisms—White Infant,	2
Communicants—White 15, colored 20,	35
Funerals—White,	3
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$22 95
Bishop's Salary,	8 00
Missionary Fund,	9 00
Relief Fund,	2 40
Parochial objects,	6 71
Other purposes,	3 00
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	\$52 06

I came to this Parish early in July 1856, and left for my present Missionary field 1st Jan'y 1857. This, in many respects, is an interesting Parish. Without a Pastor for nearly 13 months anterior to my arrival, and with occasional services for 5 months subsequent to my departure, the Church has not materially increased in numerical strength. I deem it due to the zeal of the Parish to state, that they have taken the necessary steps towards securing regular and permanent Ministerial services. They have purchased a neat and comfortable Parsonage, with 15½ acres of land, and are disposed to pay their Minister liberally. Besides officiating twice a month, morning and evening, in Jackson, I have held a monthly service for the benefit of the blacks on the plantation of H. K. Burgwyn, Esq.

ST. BARNABAS' PARISH, MURFREESBOROUGH.

Rev. T. G. HAUGHTON, lately in charge.

Baptism—White Infant, (private,)	1
Communicants—White, number last year 11, added by first Com- munion 1, total now	12
Confirmation,	1
Contributions—Bishop's Salary and Contingent,	\$7 50
Missionary Fund,	7 50
Relief Fund,	2 50
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	\$17 50

I officiated in this Parish once a month. It has labored under the same disadvantage with the Church at Jackson—the want of regular Pastoral services. The partial erection of a handsome Gothic Church, under the auspices of the Rev. F. FitzGerald, will cure this defect for the future. The growth of the Church here must necessarily be gradual, yet in God she trusts for a brighter day. As yet, she is comparatively “a feeble folk”: may she become “a strong people”. I left this Parish on the 1st Jan'y 1857, and up to this period both the Parishes of Murfreesborough and Jackson have been without regular services.

CHURCH OF THE REDEMPTION, LEXINGTON.

Rev. T. G. HAUGHTON, in charge.

Communicants,	6
Contributions—Bishop's salary and Contingent,	\$7 50
Missionary Fund,	10 00
Relief Fund,	3 60
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	\$21 10

I have held monthly services in this Parish since Jan'y 1857. My purpose is to commence the building of a neat Gothic Church here, (so much needed for years,) immediately after the adjournment of the present Convention. From a short experience in the Missionary cause, I am fully persuaded that the Minister of God is almost powerless and inefficient, without a suitable building consecrated to God, in which to hold the solemn services of His holy sanctuary. And with this lamentable fact, glaring as true, I pray to God that throughout the Diocese the friends of “the Church Building Society”, organized at our last Convention, at the instance of our Diocesan, may come forward with cheerfulness, relax their purse-strings, and remedy the defect,—a defect which has hitherto been partially cured mainly by the generosity of two or three of our larger Parishes. “Brethren! these things ought not so to be.”

GREENSBOROUGH.

Rev. T. G. HAUGHTON, Missionary.

I have also held monthly services at this place since Jan'y 1857. While large congregations here have cheered my ministrations, I have to record the singu-

lar fact, that the Church has but *one* Communicant. The town has ever been without an Episcopal Church building. My hope and belief is, that the assured liberality of a few friends of the Church here will soon supply the desideratum. Contemplated Baptisms in this place, Lexington, and along the line of the N. C. Railroad, have been unavoidably postponed for or after Convention.

SALEM.

The 5th Sunday in each month since Jan'y 1857 I have given to this place. By invitation of the resident Minister, I have preached in the Moravian Church, to large and truly devotional congregations. My ministrations apparently were very acceptable.

SALISBURY.

During my Missionary labors at the above places since Jan'y 1857, I have resided in Salisbury, where, at the request of the Bishop, I came to the relief of an afflicted but patient brother in Christ, the Rector of St. Luke's; and I hope that my services, under his kind supervision, have been as profitable to him and the Parish as they have been eminently pleasant to me. I have to record only 1 Baptism, (colored Infant.)

T. G. HAUGHTON.

REPORT of Rev. N. Collin Hughes, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsborough, and St. Mark's, Deep River.

I resigned the Parishes under my care in Pitt and Beaufort Counties, in December last, and in the beginning of January assumed the charge of St. Bartholomew's, Pittsborough, and St. Mark's, Deep River. My official acts in the former Parishes, except that of St. Paul's, Greenville, are included in the Reports of my successors. The following Report includes the official acts of my predecessor, the Rev. Mr. Olmsted, during the last Conventional year:

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, PITTSBOROUGH.

Baptisms—White, Adult 1, Infant 2; colored Infant 2,	5
Confirmations—White,	2
Communicants—White 28, colored 3,	31
Funerals,	7
Marriages—White 1, colored 1,	2
Collections—By weekly offertory,	\$72 26

ST. MARK'S, DEEP RIVER.

Baptisms—White Infant,	2
Communicants—White,	7
Catechumens—White,	18
Funerals—White Infant,	2
Collections—Episcopal Fund,	\$10 00
Missions in the Diocese,	1 82
S. S. Children's Mite Society, to Foreign Missions,	2 03
	N. COLLIN HUGHES.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FAYETTEVILLE.

Rev. JOSEPH C. HUSKE, Rector.

Baptisms—White, Infant 19, Adult 3; colored Infant 17,	39
Catechumens—White,	130
Confirmations—White 13, colored 2,	15
Communicants—Number last year, white 142, colored 16; added by first Communion, white 18, colored 2; lost by death, white 6, colored 1; ditto by removal, white 9, colored 2; total now, white 145, colored 15,	160
Marriages—White 3, colored 4,	7
Funerals—White 16, colored 8,	24
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$320 00
Bishop's salary,	280 00
Relief Fund,	60 00
Domestic Missions,	102 00
Foreign Missions,	67 54
Collection by Bishop at Communion,	85 86
Parochial objects,	816 96
Other objects,	120 00
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	\$1,852 36

I have been much rejoiced during the past year, by the accession to the Communion, of an unusually large number of young persons most of whom are young men. Judging from their earnest and resolute spirit, as evinced upon their examination as Candidates for Confirmation, and their partaking of the Holy Communion immediately, I cannot doubt that these young persons both male and female, by the grace of God, will be ready at the appointed time to receive from their fathers and mothers that solemn trust, the Church of God, and keep it faithfully, and hand it down whole and safe to them that shall come after.

It is a hopeful sign in this age of wild opinion and reckless living and spurning of lawful authority, that *the Church* still exercises *power*, over the minds of her young. It is because her system is divine. If we be faithful to that system, and train her children according to it, they will never depart from her. It is God's *grace* which comes to us through "the *Church* of the Living God, the Pillar and Ground of the *truth*," that is our only hope of salvation from all moral evil, whether temporal or spiritual.

Of the above sum for Parochial purposes, \$500 have been subscribed and paid towards the purchase of a new Organ. This sum, together with the value of the present Organ, it is thought will be sufficient to purchase an instrument superior to the one we now have.

J. C. HUSKE.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS, HENDERSON.

Rev. RICHARD HINES, Rector.

Baptisms—Colored Adult 1; Infant, white 3, colored 13,	17
Confirmations—(One from Emmanuel Church, Warrenton; one from St. James's Parish, Granville county,) white 4, col'd 4,	8

Communicants—Number last year 23; added by first Communion	
6, lost by removal 1, total	28
Funerals—Adult 1, Infant 1,	2
Marriages—White 1, colored 1,	2
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$24 00
Missionary Fund,	37 90
Relief Fund,	5 00
Foreign Missions,	20 00
Domestic Missions,	20 00
Education Committee,	10 00
Diocesan School at Asheville,	50 00
Parochial and other purposes,	145 79
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	\$312 69

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILLIAMSBOROUGH.

Rev. RICHARD HINES, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, white 1, colored 2; Infant, white (one by the	
Bishop during his visitation) 4, colored 15,	22
Confirmations,	5
Communicants—Number last year 14; added by removal 1, lost	
by removal 1, added by first Communion 7; total now	21
Funeral—Infant,	1
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$20 00
Missionary Fund,	28 65
Relief Fund,	5 00
Foreign Missions,	10 00
Domestic Missions,	10 00
*Bishop White Prayer Book Society,	10 00
Education Committee,	10 00
Diocesan School at Asheville,	50 00
Parochial and other purposes,	36 28
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	\$179 93

*I have learned from the Treasurer of this Society that the above contribution did not reach him, though mailed to his address.

RICHARD HINES.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CHARLOTTE.

Rev. H. H. HEWITT, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, White 3, colored 6,	9
Confirmations—White 3, colored 1,	4
Communicants—Reported last year, white 28, colored 3; lost by	
removal, white 3, added 1; present number, white 26, col'd 3,	29
Sunday Scholars—White 10, colored 12,	22
Teachers,	5

Marriage,	1
Funeral,	1
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$15 00
Bishop's salary,	7 50
Relief Fund,	2 40
Parochial objects,	127 63
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	\$152 53

This Parish has also raised by subscription for the erection of a larger and more commodious Church about \$1500. Besides which we have received and beg to acknowledge from other Parishes, as follows: St. Luke's, Salisbury, N. C., \$99; St. John's, Fayetteville, N. C., \$90; Calvary Church, Wadesborough, N. C., \$5, from a lady; St. David's, Cheraw, S. C., \$23 70; Church of the Good Shepherd, Yorkville, S. C., \$140.

H. H. HEWITT.

TRINITY PARISH, BEAUFORT COUNTY.

This Parish has been without Pastoral Ministrations since first of Jan'y last.

Communicants—White 42, colored 3,	45
Catechumens—White,	40
Marriages—White,	2
Baptisms—Infant 3, Adult 1,	4
Confirmation—White,	1
Contributions—Relief Fund,	\$5 70
Bishop's salary,	30 00
Missionary Fund,	4 30
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	\$40 00

NATHANIEL HARDING, } Wardens.
BENJAMIN PATRICK, }

REPORT of Rev. Israel Harding, Missionary in Beaufort County.

ZION PARISH.

Baptisms—White, Infant 3, Adult 2,	8
Catechumens—White,	60
Confirmations—White,	12
Communicants—Number last year, white 42; added by first Com- munion, white 12, colored 1; total now, white 54, col'd 1,	55
Contributions—Relief Fund,	\$3 60
Missionary Fund,	\$5 40
Parochial objects—Building Chapel,	\$714 85
Charities,	2 50
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	\$726 35

ST. THOMAS'S, BATH.

Confirmations—White,	5
Communicants—White 26, colored 2,	28
Contributions—Relief Fund,	\$5 94

ST. JOHN'S, DURHAM'S CREEK.

Baptisms—White, Infant 5, colored 11,	16
Communicants—White 9, colored 1,	10

The above contains the Ministerial acts of my predecessor and myself during the Conventional year.

ISRAEL HARDING.

REPORT of Rev. J. S. Hanckel, officiating temporarily in Buncombe County.

Although my Canonical residence and Pastoral charge be in South Carolina, it is only proper that I should report services rendered during last summer within the Diocese of North Carolina.

The scene of my labors was the Valley of the French Broad, in a settlement of Episcopalians from South Carolina, near Dennis' Rock. My duties commenced early in June and terminated the 2d Sunday in November. On each Lord's day (with one exception) I preached to the Episcopalians of the neighborhood, at a Carriage Shed of Mr. F. W. Johnstone.

Every Sunday afternoon a second service was held at the Methodist Camp Ground. Upon both these services other denominations attended in considerable numbers, with a regularity and apparent interest in the Word preached that was sustained to the last.

On two Sundays in each month a third service was held at an early hour of the morning in a Baptist Church near Cathey's Creek.

In July a Congregation was duly organized in conformity with the Canons of the General Convention and of North Carolina, under the name of "St. Paul's in the Valley," and a Vestry (consisting of 5,) elected.

A site, central and well adapted to Church and Parsonage, (of 15 acres) was given by the Chairman of the Vestry.

A subscription for a Church was raised among the members of the Parish and neighbors, that was almost doubled by the liberality of the Episcopalians of Flat Rock. With additional aid promised by the Episcopalians of Charleston, we hope to have a plain but commodious Church ready for Consecration before the close of the current year.

I have to report,

- 8 Episcopal Families.
- 8 Communicants.
- 2 Baptisms, white Infant.
- 1 Marriage, colored.

The Rectorship was tendered to me, but as I already sustain that relation to a Parish in South Carolina, my connection with "St. Paul's in the Valley" is only temporary, (it being possible for me to render them service only from the middle of May to the middle of November,) until such time (we trust not remote,) as the Congregation shall be able to sustain and secure a permanent Pastor.

J. S. HANCKEL.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH, EDENTON.

Rev. S. I. JOHNSTON, Rector.

Rev. F. W. HILLIARD, A. M., Assistant.

Baptisms—Infant, White 11, colored 13; Adult, white 1, col'd 3,	28
Catechumens—White 50, colored 110,	160
Confirmations—White 10, colored 4,	14
Communicants—Number last year, white 150; added by first Com- munion, white 10; lost by death, white 2; ditto by removal, white 1; total now,	157
Marriages—White 3, colored 4,	7
Funerals—White 4, colored 7,	11
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$150 00
Relief Fund,	50 00
Domestic Missions,	15 00
Foreign Missions,	151 00
Parochial objects,	206 00
Other objects,	800 00
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	\$1,372

During the past year our Church has been greatly adorned and beautified by the addition of a chancel window, given by the grand-children of the late Josiah Collins the Eldest, in memory of the above named gentleman, who was mainly instrumental in repairing the Church, when it had nearly fallen to ruins. This window, which was executed by Doremus, was regarded when on exhibition in New York, as the finest specimen of its size, of window-staining, ever executed in this country.

S. I. JOHNSTON.

F. W. HILLIARD.

CHAPEL OF THE CROSS, CHAPEL HILL.

Rev. HENRY T. LEE, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 7, Adult, white 1, colored 1,	9
Catechumens—White,	50
Confirmations—White,	3
Communicants—White, number last year 37; added by first Com- munion 3; ditto by removal 7; lost by removal 4; total now,	43
Marriage—White,	1
Funerals—White 2, colored 2,	4
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$26 50
Bishop's salary,	\$15 00
Relief Fund,	3 60
Domestic Missions,	17 00
Foreign Missions,	27 00
Parochial objects,	515 00
Other objects,	37 36
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	\$641 46

HENRY T. LEE.

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, LEAKSVILLE.

Rev. JOHN R. LEE, Rector.

Baptism—White Infant,	1
Communicants—White, number last year 19, added by removal 1,	20
Marriage—White,	1
Funerals—White,	4
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$12 00
Bishop's salary,	10 00
Relief Fund,	5 00
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	\$27 00

MILTON, CASWELL COUNTY.

Communicants,	5
	JNO. R. LEE.

CHRIST CHURCH, RALEIGH.

Rev. R. S. MASON, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms—White, Infant 8, Adult 4,	12
Catechumens—White,	56
Confirmations—White,	12
Communicants—Number last year, white 112, colored 7; added by first Communion, white 11; ditto by removal, white 4, co- lored 1; lost by death, white 2; ditto by removal, white 9, co- lored 1; total now, white 116, colored 7,	128
Marriages—White,	5
Funerals—White,	3
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$210 00
Collected at the Bishop's visitation and de- livered to him,	100 00
Bishop's salary,	280 00
Relief Fund,	60 00
Domestic Missions,	60 00
Foreign Missions,	70 00
Parochial objects,	145 00
Other objects,	71 00
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	\$996 00
	R. S. MASON.

*REPORT of Rev. William Murphy, Rector of St. Mark's Church,
Halifax, and Missionary in the adjacent Counties.*

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, HALIFAX.

Baptisms—Children,	2
Confirmation,	1

Communicants—White,	10
Marriage,	1
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$10 00
Parochial objects,	11 56
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	\$21 56

WILSON, WILSON COUNTY.

Baptisms—Children 6, Adult 1,	7
Confirmation—White,	1
Communicants—Last year 2; added by first Communion 1; ditto by removal 1; present number,	4
Marriage,	1

ROCKY MOUNT, EDGECOMBE COUNTY.

Communicants—Number last year 5, added by removal 2,	7
Marriages—White 1, (by Rev. Mr. Cheshire,) colored 1,	2
Contribution—Diocesan Missions,	\$14 00

Funds have been subscribed sufficient to erect a neat and comfortable Church at this place. We expect soon to organize a Parish, and hope to have the Church ready for use before the next Convention.

MARLBOROUGH, PITT COUNTY.

Here monthly services were held until last January, at which time I discontinued my appointments. There are *seven* Communicants of the Church residing in the immediate vicinity of the village, who are at present connected with St. Paul's Parish, Greenville. Here the Bishop confirmed *one* Candidate last November. At Falkland in the same County, I have officiated several times and baptized *one* Infant in private.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM MURPHY.

REPORT of Rev. R. H. Mason, Missionary in Polk and Rutherford Counties.

During the year 1856, being without a regular Parish, I taught a School in Spartanburg, S. C., and preached nearly every Sunday in Polk County, in the Court House at Columbus and in a School House about six miles from Rutherfordton, occasionally remaining in Spartanburg and assisting the Rector of the Church there.

In Polk County, Baptized 1 white Adult.

In St. John's, Rutherfordton,—

Baptism—White Infant,	1
Admitted to first Communion,	1
Number of Communicants,	12
Contribution for the last five months,	\$5 00

This Parish has been much reduced by the removal of several of the families that originally composed it.

R. H. MASON.

REPORT of Daniel Morrelle, Deacon, Wayne Institute and Normal College, Goldsborough, N. C.

I have not done much, other than to attend to the regular duties of the School; but as far as I have been able, I have assisted the Rector of St. Stephen's, in this place, officiating and preaching in his absence. I officiated at one funeral (colored,) which is included in the regular Parochial Report.

DANIEL MORRELLE.

PETTIGREW'S CHAPEL, SCUPPERNONG, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Rev. JOSEPH W. MURPHY, Minister.

Baptisms—White Infant,	4
Catechumens—White 15, colored 5,	20
Confirmations—White 2, colored 1,	3
Communicants—Number last year, 68; added by first Communion 4; by removal 1; lost by death 2; by removal 1; total now, white 58, colored 12,	70
Funerals—White 7, colored 1,	8
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$34 00
Diocesan Missions,	38 00
Relief Fund,	9 60
Permanent Episcopal Fund,	105 95
Diocesan Missions, collected at Bishop's vis'n,	42 00
Domestic Missions,	30 25
Foreign Missions,	25 25
S. S. U. and Church Book Society,	2 15
Distribution of Bibles and Prayer Books,	19 06
Church Building Society of N. C.	51 00
Support of two native children in African Mis'sns,	40 00
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	\$397 26

Besides the regular Sunday morning Services in Pettigrew's Chapel, and the monthly Sunday evening Service for the colored members of the congregation, I hold Service regularly at Columbia and two other Stations.

Much to the gratification of our people, the Chapel was consecrated at the late visit of the Bishop. It is now one of the best of our country Churches.

JOSEPH W. MURPHY.

REPORT of Rev. C. M. Parkman.

My last Report was dated May 18, 1856. I beg to submit the following as including my acts from that time till the 25th of Sept. 1856, (the date of my transfer to the Diocese of Maryland.)

During the time specified I had charge of the Church of St. James the Less, Philadelphia; I celebrated the Holy Eucharist 11 times, baptized 2 children, and preached 36 times.

C. M. PARKMAN, *Presbyter.*

REPORT of the Rev. George Patterson, having charge of the Chapel at Lake Scuppernong, Washington County.

Baptisms—Colored, Infant 20, Adult 7,	27
Catechumens—White 1, colored 225,	226
Confirmations—Colored,	26
Communicants—Number last year, white 2, colored 115; added by first Communion, colored 26; lost by death, colored 4; total now, white 2, colored 137,	139
Marriages—Colored,	3
Funerals—Colored,	8
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$100 00

In addition to the above, I have Baptized 5 white and 8 colored children in neighboring Parishes, all of which, it is presumed, will be reported by the Rectors of those Parishes in which these Baptisms were administered. I have also married one colored couple in the Parish of St. Paul's, Edenton.

During the greater portion of the past year I have been able, by God's help, to say "Daily Morning and Evening Prayer." The Morning service is attended by the family, the negro children, and those servants who are not employed in the fields. The Evening Service (which is held at night) has been mainly attended by the servants upon this and the estate of Charles L. Pettigrew, Esq. The Holy Communion has been duly celebrated by me at stated times; and it is to be remarked, that whilst attendance by the adult servants upon these services is entirely voluntary, still the congregations have in all cases been very good.

I have instructed the children of the servants in the Catechism daily, unless prevented by some unavoidable circumstance. There are about 100 children of both sexes who attend this School. Beside this, there is a School held each Sunday morning by the Master, which is attended by the children of the Day-School, and about 126 of the older servants, who are all faithfully instructed by him in the Doctrines and duties of our most holy Faith.

Those who are immediately engaged in the work of imparting religious instruction to the slaves in this place, are more and more convinced that the system of the Church, as set forth in the Word of God and in the Book of Common Prayer, is the *best* system for their spiritual improvement, and indeed is the *only* one, to lead them to Him who is "the way, the truth, and the life," and who is "the Head over all things to the Church, which is His body, the fulness of Him that filleth all in all."

GEO. PATTERSON.

GRACE CHURCH, MORGANTON.

Rev. J. T. PICKETT, Rector.

Baptisms—White, Infant 5, Adult 1,	6
Catechumens, (about)	20
Confirmation—White,	1
Communicants—Number last year, white 30, colored 2; added by first Communion, white, 1; ditto by removal 1; lost by death 1; total now, white 31, colored 2,	33

Marriage—Colored,	1
Funeral—White,	1
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$20 00
Bishop's salary,	15 00
Relief Fund,	5 00
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	\$40 00

This Report extends to the 27th of April 1857.

J. T. PICKETT.

REPORT of Rev. H. H. Prout, Missionary in Caldwell County.

The annual Report from this Station has no special interest for the present year. Services have been regularly and alternately held throughout the year at Lenoir and at the Valley of the Yadkin. Occasionally I have preached in the County of Watauga, and administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper there. I have planned and partly put in execution a series of occasional Services, with preaching, at several new Stations in Caldwell; and with encouragement thus far.

The Rectory for the Minister and Missionary at this place is nearly finished, and is likely to afford a comfortable home, at a cost on the whole of about fifteen hundred dollars.

Baptisms—Adult, white 1, colored 1, Infant 4,	6
Marriage,	1
Funerals,	7
Communicants,	20

H. H. PROUT, Missionary.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SALISBURY.

Rev. JOHN H. PARKER, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 1, colored (by Rev. Mr. Haughton) 1,	
Adult, colored, 1,	3
Communicants—Number last year, 49; added 5 white, 1 colored;	
lost by removal, 9; present number, 46 white, 2 colored,	48
(Error in last Report.)	
Catechumens—about	24
Marriages,	2
Funerals,	2
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$25 00
Missionary Fund,	36 50
Relief Fund,	10 00
Domestic Missions,	42 50
Extra Parochial, about	200 00
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	\$314 00

In presenting this Report, the Minister of this Parish, in behalf of his Congregation, takes great pleasure in acknowledging the very efficient services which were rendered us by the Rev. Dr. Wheat during the winter vacation of

the University, and also those which the Rev. Mr. Haughton has discharged from the first of January up to this time.

JOHN H. PARKER.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GRANVILLE.

Rev. ROBERT B. SUTTON, Rector.

Baptisms—Colored Infant,	45
Confirmation—White,	1
Communicants—Added by first Communion, white, 1; lost by removal 1; total now, white,	5
Marriage—White,	1
Funerals—Colored,	3
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$12 00
Bishop's salary,	12 00
Relief Fund,	3 00
Other objects	25 00
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	\$52 00

The Congregations of this Parish are increasing. In connection with it, services are held twice a month in the week on the plantation of Wm. A. Eaton, Esq., for his servants.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, OXFORD.

Rev. ROBERT B. SUTTON, Rector.

Baptisms—White, Infant 6, colored 2,	8
Communicants—Lost by death, white, 3; ditto by removal 4; total now, white 47, colored 8,	55
Marriages—White 1, colored 1,	2
Funerals—White 7, colored 2,	9
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$20 00
Domestic Missions,	10 00
Foreign Missions,	6 44
Parochial objects,	279 40
Other objects,	20 00
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	\$335 84

This Parish has suffered very severely by deaths and removals, so that its resources have been very materially injured. We have to mourn the death of some of our oldest and most efficient members, amongst them the late Russell Kingsbury, Esq., so long a faithful Vestryman and Communicant, and also the late Rob't Kyle, who, although not a communicant, yet was an old and warm friend and liberal supporter of the Church.

With all these losses, we have enlarged the Church and placed in it a very neat and sweet toned organ from the factory of Messrs. Pomplitz & Rodewald of Baltimore. All of which improvements, we are happy to say, have been paid for.

In connection with this Parish services have been commenced in the neigh-

borhood of Goshen, about thirteen miles distant, where the Rector officiates on the fifth Sunday in the month when it occurs, to very large and encouraging congregations.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LOUISBURG.

Rev. ROBERT B. SUTTON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 2, colored 8; White Adult 1,	11
Confirmation—White,	1
Communicants—Total now, white,	20
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$22 00
Bishop's salary,	20 00
Domestic Missions,	5 00
Foreign Missions,	5 00
Parochial objects,	420 00
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	\$472 00

The present Rector took charge of this Parish in October last, when he found the people very much depressed and disheartened. By the blessing of God, they are slowly recovering, although it must be long before the gloom is entirely dispelled. The attendance is increasing and the interest manifested is cheering. As a proof of this, a Missionary Society has been recently organized, a gallery is in process of erection, if not finished by this time, and the Rector is now authorized to purchase an Organ, for which the money has been raised.

ROBERT B. SUTTON.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, WARRENTON.

Rev. LEONIDAS L. SMITH, Rector.

Baptisms—White, Infant 11, Adult 2,	13
Confirmations,	2
Communicants—Added by first Communion 2, ditto by removal 1; lost by removal 1; present number	52
Marriage—White,	1
Funeral,	1
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$67 00
Relief Fund,	18 00
Domestic Missions,	7 00
Foreign Missions,	5 00
Parochial objects,	96 00
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	\$193 00

I regret to state that, owing to the extraordinary dilatoriness of the contractor, our Church edifice is not yet complete. Indeed, it is but little further advanced than it was two years ago! We are assured, however, that when it is finished it will be one of the neatest and handsomest structures in the State.

L. L. SMITH.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL, RALEIGH.

Rev. ALDERT SMEDES, D. D., Rector.

This School continues to be in a very prosperous condition. Our buildings, in consequence of recent additions, afford comfortable accommodation for a hundred and twelve boarding pupils.

Our new Chapel, a beautiful Gothic structure, will add greatly to the interest of our religious services. During the past year there have been—

Baptism—Adult,	1
Confirmations,	20
Communicants,	31
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$150 00
Relief Fund,	12 00
Ash-Wednesday Collection for Africa,	92 25
Good-Friday collection for Mrs. Thompson, Afr.	26 00
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	\$280 25

ALDERT SMEDES.

REPORT of Rev. W. W. Skiles, Missionary in Watauga County.

I have held Divine Service at the following places, viz: At Lower Watauga once a month; at Jefferson once a month, except once when prevented by the inclemency of the weather; at Cranberry Forge six times; at Valle Crucis three times; at Easter Chapel three times; at Elk X Roads, in Ashe, twice; up the Creek above Valle Crucis twice, assisted by Rev. H. H. Prout; at Lenoir four times; at Yadkin two Sundays; on John's River two; and two services in East Tennessee, near Elizabethton.

Baptisms, white Infant, 4. Marriages, white, 2. Communicants—last year 17; lost by removal (col'd) 2; added by removal (white) 1; present No. (white) 16. Offerings at Communion \$3 50.

W. W. SKILES.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, PERQUIMONS COUNTY.

Rev. W. E. SNOWDEN, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 3, colored 3; Adult, white 5, colored 2,	13
Catechumens—White 12, colored 12,	24
Confirmations,	8
Communicants—White 28, colored 5,	33
Marriages—White,	2
Funerals—White 3, colored 2,	5
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$30 00
Bishop's salary,	27 00
Relief Fund,	2 40
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	\$59 40

The Weekly Offertory is maintained in this Parish, but its amount is not stated.

The statistics of St. Barnabas' Church, Woodville, in this County, remain the same. A new arrangement has been made with that Parish, which I hope will infuse life and growth into the Church work there, namely, the appropriation of one Sunday in the month, instead of an afternoon service to it.

I regret that it is not in my power to render a full report of St. Mary's, Gates County, with which my relations terminated some time since, in the happy and as I supposed permanent settlement of a resident Minister among them. But they are now again left destitute. A really valuable and beautiful Church is now ready for consecration in Gatesville.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, GATESVILLE.

Baptisms—Infant, white 2, colored 2,	4
Confirmation—White,	1
Communicants—White 11, colored 1,	12
Funerals—White 2, colored 4,	6

This report is of course very defective, the acts done by my successor not being presented.

W. E. SNOWDEN.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BEAUFORT.

Rev. D. D. VAN ANTWERP, Rector.

Baptisms—White,	13
Catechumens—White,	40
Confirmations—White 3, colored 1,	4
Communicants—Number last year, white 4; added by first Communion, white 3, colored 1; ditto by removal, white 3; lost by removal, white 1; total now, white 9, colored 1,	10
Marriage,	1
Contributions—Bishop's salary and Contingent,	\$5 00
Missionary Fund,	2 50
Relief Fund,	2 50
Parochial objects,	570 07
Domestic Missions,	8 00
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	\$588 07

We are now vigorously engaged in erecting a new Church edifice. Its cost, when complete, with furniture, will be about \$6,000. But, as we shall probably not realize this amount for some time to come, we hope to put it in a condition to use for worship, with \$2,000.

During the past year, the Rector of this Parish has officiated once a month in Onslow county. He submits the humble opinion that this county presents an important and inviting field for the efforts of the Church which should be speedily occupied. There are three Communicants in the county.

D. D. VAN ANTWERP.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, WILLIAMSTON.

Rev. ALFRED A. WATSON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 3, colored 1,	4
Confirmation—White,	1
Communicants—Added by first Communion, white, 1; ditto by removal 4; total now,	7
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$13 10
Bishop's Salary,	7 50
Relief Fund,	2 40
Parochial objects,	68 00
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	\$91 00

GRACE CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

Rev. ALFRED A. WATSON, Rector.

Baptisms—White, Infant 9, Adult 1; colored Infant 1,	11
Catechumens—White 24, colored 2,	33
Confirmations—White 2, colored 1,	3
Communicants—Added by first Communion, white 4, colored 2; ditto by removal, white, 2; lost by death 1; ditto by removal 6; total now, white 41, colored 5,	46
Marriages—White,	3
Funerals—White 1, colored 1,	2
Contributions—Diocesan Missions, (including \$16 50 collected at Bishop's visit,)	\$34 50
Bishop's salary, &c.,	18 00
Relief Fund,	3 60
Domestic Missions,	6 42½
Foreign Missions,	7 26½
Education Fund,	5 75½
Parochial objects,	339 25½
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	\$414 79½

During the past year the experiment has been made of a quarterly collection at the public Offertory for the support of the Rector, with the result thus far of a larger income than before.

In addition to the offerings reported above, a subscription has been opened for the erection of a new Church. With respect to this, some statements are perhaps due for the information of contributors in other parts of the Diocese. The enlargement and repair of the present wooden edifice were contemplated and funds collected for the purpose, when it pleased God to put it into the heart of a Layman in a neighboring Parish to offer voluntarily a contribution of \$1000, towards a new edifice of brick.

This was responded to in the Parish itself by an additional subscription of between twelve and thirteen hundred dollars. As however, there was still needed a considerable additional sum to make up the requisite amount, and as

the case did not seem to come within the present reach of the Diocesan Church Building Society, the Rector undertook to make the circumstances known by private circulars. In doing so, he endeavored to avoid any thing like importunity, (except perhaps to a few personal friends,) and to confine himself to a statement of the facts, for the information of those who having laid by them in store for religious purposes might be looking for appropriate objects. This circular was kindly responded to, four hundred dollars being contributed by two other members of the Church in a neighboring Parish, and about three hundred being received from other parts of the Diocese.

The Rector takes this public mode of thanking those friends who have aided the work thus far, and acknowledging His goodness by whose grace it has been begun and carried on.

ALFRED A. WATSON.

ST. LUKE'S PARISH, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Rev. ALFRED A. WATSON, Rector.

Baptisms—White Infant,	6
Catechumens,	4
Communicants—Added by removal, white 2; lost by do., white 1; total now, white 24, colored 1,	25
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$5 55
Bishop's salary,	7 50
Relief Fund,	2 40
Domestic Missions,	2 13
Foreign Missions,	70
Parochial objects,	5 00
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	\$23 28

ALFRED A. WATSON.

REPORT of Rev. George B. Wetmore, Missionary, officiating in Davie, Rowan and Iredell Counties.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, MOCKSVILLE.

Baptisms—Infant, white 1, colored 2,	3
Confirmations—White,	2
Communicants—Number last year, white 10, colored 2; added by Confirmation, white 2; by transfer, white 1; lost by removal, white 1, colored 2; present number (white,)	12
Marriage,	1
Contributions—Not collected but due at last Convention: Dio- cesan Missions \$5, Bishop's salary \$8 50, Relief Fund \$2 40, Domestic and Foreign Missions \$4, other purposes \$10 40,	\$30 30
This year: Diocesan Assessment \$6, (at Bishop's visita- tion \$5 40,)	\$11 40

Bishop's salary,	8 00
Relief Fund,	2 40
Domestic and Foreign Missions,	7 60
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	\$29 40

CHRIST CHURCH, ROWAN COUNTY.

Baptisms—White, Infant 9, Adult 1; colored Infant 3,	13
Confirmations—White 9, colored 4,	13
Communicants—Number last year, white 63, colored 12; added by Confirmation, white 9, colored 4; lost by transfer, white 2; by death, white 2, colored 1; by removal, colored 1; present number, white 68, colored 14,	82
Funerals,	3
Contributions—Diocesan Missions \$4; (at Bishop's Vis'n 3 26)	7 26
Bishop's salary,	7 00
Relief Fund,	2 75
Domestic and Foreign Missions,	8 50
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	\$25 51

This congregation and that at St. Andrew's are building a Rectory, which will cost when completed \$1200 or \$1500.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, ROWAN COUNTY.

Baptisms—Infant, white 2, colored 1, Adult 4,	7
Confirmations—White 1, colored 1,	2
Communicants—Number last year, white 29, colored 1; added by Confirmation, white 1, colored 1; by removal, colored 1; lost by removal, white 5, by death, white 1; present No., white 25, colored 3,	28
Funeral,	1
Contributions—Diocesan Assessment \$4, (at Bishop's Visitation 3 62,)	\$7 62
Bishop's salary,	5 00
Relief Fund,	1 12
Domestic and Foreign Missions,	3 50
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	\$17 24

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, IREDELL COUNTY.

Baptisms—White Infant, 11, colored infant 4; Adult 2,	17
Confirmations—White 3, colored 2,	5
Communicants—Number last year, white 28, colored 5; added by Confirmation, white 3, col'd 2; by transfer, white 2; present number, white 33, colored 7,	40
Contributions—Diocesan Missions \$2, (at Bishop's Vis'n 2 76)	\$4 76
Bishop's salary,	3 00
Relief Fund,	85
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	\$8 61

Since last Convention this Parish has received from other Congregations the additional sum of \$53 for building the Church; for which purpose about \$250 was contributed by this congregation.

GEO. B. WETMORE, Missionary Deacon.

The Committee on the subject of the Works of Bishop Ravenscroft made the following Report:

The Committee charged with the sale of the Works of Bishop Ravenscroft report: That since the date of the last Report, they have made sales of the Work amounting to the sum of \$306 04.

Of this sum they have paid, on freights and insurance, \$10. The remainder, \$296 04, has been paid to the Treasurer of the Convention.

Whole amount of sales thus far, (see last Report,)	\$369 04
Expenses on freight and insurance,	16 00
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Balance, paid to Treasurer,	\$353 04

There are, at various points within the Diocese, 22 copies in sheep and 3 copies in cloth, and on sale at Messrs. Hooker & Co., Philadelphia, 20 copies in sheep and 5 copies in cloth, from which no returns have been received.

The remaining bound copies, together with 250 copies folded and collated but not bound, are in possession of the Committee, and are insured.

It will appear from the above statement, that of the amount advanced by the Convention in aid of this publication, viz: \$631 78, \$353 04, more than half, have been refunded.

It is the desire of the Committee to refund the whole amount as soon as possible; and they believe that if the same effort were made by the Clergy generally as has been made by a few,—if those, whether Clergymen or Laymen, who love the memory of Ravenscroft, or who sympathize with the Missionaries, would exert themselves in this behalf, this result, and, indeed, much more, might easily be accomplished.

J. C. HUSKE, Ch'n.

On motion, the Report was accepted and the Committee continued.

The Committee on the subject of the Canons reported that some progress had been made in the work, and asked leave for further time to report; which was granted.

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

FRIDAY, MAY 29.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayers were read by the Bishop.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The following Certificates were read, and the following Churches were found to have elected Delegates to this Convention:

St. Stephen's Church, Oxford—James T. Littlejohn, Lewis Taylor, Jr., L. A. Paschall, John C. Taylor.

Calvary Church, Wadesborough—W. E. Troy, Dr. W. G. Jones, R. A. Caldwell, R. T. Hall. Alternates: T. C. Hall, T. Gruit, A. Gray, A. Northrup.

Grace Church, Morganton—E. B. Greenlee, J. W. McElrath, James Avery, Thomas G. Walton.

Of whom the following appeared and took seats as members of the Convention: James Avery, Thos. G. Walton, R. T. Hall, Lewis Taylor, Jr., R. A. Caldwell.

The Rev. S. D. Davenport and the Rev. M. Ashley Curtis, D. D., appeared and took seats in the Convention.

The Right Rev. James H. Otey, Bishop of the Diocese of Tennessee, appeared in the Convention and took a seat on the left of the President of the Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Committee having charge of Bishop Ravenscroft's Works be authorized, when they shall deem it expedient, to sell the same at such per cent. above cost as will cover the interest, insurance and other charges, to the Missionaries of this Diocese, for the benefit of their several Stations.

On motion, the following amendment was offered to the above: Strike out all after the word Works, and insert "be directed to reduce the price to \$3 25 for those bound in cloth, and \$3 50 for those in sheep."

After some discussion, on motion, the resolution and the amendment were laid on the table.

The Rev. Joseph C. Huske submitted the following Report from the Missionary Committee:

REPORT of the Missionary Committee.

The following statements, furnished by the Treasurer of the Convention, will show the present condition of the Missionary Fund:

Balance reported to Convention of 1856,	\$1900 33
Amount received on assessment at last Convention,	1203 51
Sale of Bishop Ravenscroft's Works at Convention, \$126 50	
By E. J. Hale & Son,	169 54
Sale of old editions by Dr. Drane,	8 00
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Collections at Communion by Bishop,	735 75
Interest on \$3000 loaned for 1 year	180 00

Amount received on assessment for this year,	1233 90
Interest on Permanent Missionary Fund transferred to Current Missionary Fund,	430 50
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	\$6094 03
Amount paid for Missionary Services during the past year,	3475 50
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Balance on hand,	\$2618 53

By comparing this statement with that made to the last Convention, it appears that the balance now in hand is larger by \$718 20 than that then reported; while at the same time the amount paid out for Missionary services is greater than that for the previous year by \$1019 00.

This result is owing mainly to increase in the collections made by the Bishop and to interest on monies loaned, and interest on the Permanent Missionary Fund transferred.

The Committee notice also with pleasure that the amount paid on the Assessment is increased by \$297 78. While they rejoice to see this fund, so important to the interests of the Church, increased in any way, they consider punctual payment of the Assessment as the most certain sign of a proper interest in this subject. Because, it shows that Parishes are acting upon principle—upon a settled determination to support and extend the Church. We count upon Parishes that pay their Assessments with a feeling of assured confidence, because we know that by the very fact of regular giving, they acquire an interest in this department of the Church's work. We do not care so much about fitful and spasmodic efforts; but we look with pleasure upon true Christian liberality founded in principle—in a sense of the obligations under which we lie to Jesus Christ, the great Benefactor—a liberality, we are happy to say, exemplified in certain Parishes, the names of which would not be hard to find on the Journal.

There are Parishes that pay their assessments nobly, even though hard pressed with other pecuniary obligations. There are others that do what they can, though not able to meet the assessments in full. There are "other some" that strangely neglect the whole subject. Your Committee are not authorized to teach or reprove, but they hope it will be no harm to express the charitable wish, that all such Parishes may soon be converted to a deep interest in so noble a work as the Church is now striving to accomplish through this fund, and may thereby partake of that profit and pleasure, which the rest of their brethren reap from the discharge of duty.

The Missionaries receiving aid from this fund are mentioned in the Treasurer's Report, to which the Convention is respectfully referred.

The changes that have taken place since the last Convention are as follows: Mr. Bland has removed from Rutherfordton, to Lincolnton; Rev. Mr. Mason has taken charge of Rutherfordton; Rev. Mr. Curtis has returned to the Diocese and taken charge of Hillsborough; Rev. Mr. Pickett has removed from the Diocese, and thus left Morganton vacant; Rev. Mr. Gallagher has left the Diocese.

J. C. HUSKE, Chm'n.

Which, after some discussion, was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Convention adjourn.

Which motion was not carried.

On motion,

Resolved, That in case it may be necessary to make any alteration in the Assessments from the different Parishes, the Clergymen, or the Delegates from the Congregations desiring the same, may appear before the Committee of Finance, whose duty it shall be to take action thereon, and report the same to the Convention.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee for the ensuing year, as follows: Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D., Rev. F. M. Hubbard, Rev. Aldert Smedes, D. D.; John H. Bryan and Geo. W. Mordecai.

On motion, the election of the Executive Missionary Committee was made, as follows: Rev. Messrs. Benton and Huske, of the Clergy; E. L. Winslow, C. T. Haigh and E. J. Hale, of the Laity.

The election of the Education Committee was then made, as follows: Rev. R. B. Drane, D. D.; Dr. Thos. H. Wright, P. K. Dickinson.

The election of Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the General Convention was then made, as follows: Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D., Rev. R. B. Drane, D. D., Rev. A. A. Watson and Rev. E. M. Forbes, of the Clergy; Thomas Ruffin, Josiah Collins, Edward Lee Winslow and Hon. W. H. Battle, of the Laity, Delegates. Alternates: Rev. H. H. Prout, Rev. J. C. Huske, Rev. E. Geer and Rev. J. B. Cheshire, of the Clergy; Dr. Thos. H. Wright, S. F. Patterson, G. W. Mordecai and M. W. Jarvis, of the Laity.

On motion,

Resolved, That the special Committee, to whom was referred the subject of a Southern University, be enlarged by the addition of two Clergymen and four Laymen, to be appointed by the Bishop.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Messrs. Geer and Huske, of the Clergy; Hon. W. H. Battle, Geo. W. Mordecai, E. C. Hines and Charles F. Fisher, of the Laity.

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

HALF-PAST 4 O'CLOCK.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

S. F. Patterson, a Delegate from St. James's Church, Lenoir;

Dr. John A. Guion, a Delegate from Christ Church, Newbern, and W. H. Rowland, a Delegate from the Church of the Holy Innocents, Henderson, appeared and took their seats.

The Rev. Daniel Morrelle appeared and took his seat.

The Committee on the unfinished business of the Convention made the following Report:

REPORT of Committee on Unfinished Business.

The Committee on Unfinished Business would report, that it finds on the 331st page of the Journal of the General Convention of 1856, "Proposed" Articles Nos. III and VI, containing Amendments of the Constitution for the Government of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, which are to be "made known to the several Diocesan Conventions before they shall be finally agreed to or ratified in the ensuing General Convention," according to Article IX of the said Constitution. The Committee would respectfully call the attention of the Convention to these two "Proposed" Articles, leaving to its discretion any action upon them at this present time.

In behalf of the Committee.

FREDERICK FITZGERALD, Chairman.

"ARTICLE III.—Whenever General Conventions are held, the Bishops of this Church shall form a separate House, with the right to originate and propose acts for the concurrence of the House of Deputies, and all acts must pass both Houses."

"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, but the General Convention may establish a Court of Appeals for the revision of the decision of Diocesan Courts. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the Ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon. Such Court of Appeals not to revise the determination of any question of fact."

The Committee on the Relief Fund made a Report, which was withdrawn.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Resolutions of 1848, and that of 1856, be referred to a Committee of three persons.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. N. Collin Hughes, and Messrs. Henry A. London and E. L. Winslow.

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

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. A. A. Watson, and a Sermon preached by the Right Rev. James H. Otey, from the 44th chapter of Jeremiah, 16th verse.

SATURDAY, MAY 30.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayers were said by the Rev. Dr. Mason, who, in the absence of the Bishop, took the Chair.

W. A. Williams, John A. Mills, Richard Washington, Luke Blackmer, Dr. W. R. Holt, Lucian Holmes, Dr. W. D. Lindsay and P. H. Hairston, Lay Delegates to this Convention, appeared and took their seats.

The Standing Committee made their Report for the past year:

REPORT of the Standing Committee.

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

On the 23d of May 1856 testimonials for Deacon's orders were signed on behalf of Thomas G. Haughton.

On the 23d of June 1856 testimonials for Deacon's orders were granted to Samuel S. Barber.

On the 13th Nov. 1856 testimonials for Deacon's orders were granted to Israel Harding and to John V. Stryker; also to Luther Eborn, desirous of becoming a candidate for Orders.

On the 3d of Dec. 1856 testimonials for Deacon's orders were granted to Silas D. Davenport.

On Feb'y 6, 1857, testimonials were granted to George W. Whitfield, desirous of becoming a candidate for Orders.

On Feb'y 26, 1857, testimonials were granted to Lucian Holmes, desirous of becoming a candidate for Orders.

On the 11th March 1857 testimonials for Priest's Orders were granted to the Rev. F. W. Hilliard and the Rev. Wm. Murphy.

On the 11th April 1857 testimonials were presented of the election of the Right Rev. William Ingraham Kipp to be Diocesan Bishop of the Diocese of California. To which election the Committee gave their consent, as required by the ninth Canon of 1856 of the General Convention.

On the 25th May 1857, testimonials for Priest's Orders were granted to the Rev. Thomas G. Haughton. At the same time, the Committee declined granting testimonials on behalf of the Rev. Benj'n S. Bronson, as the testimonials presented by him to the Committee, were imperfect.

During the present Convention, testimonials have been granted to the following persons: To the Rev. Benj'n S. Bronson, for Priest's Orders; to the Rev. George B. Wetmore, for the same; and to Wm. C. Hunter, desirous of becoming a Candidate for Orders.

For the greater facility and certainty in the transaction of their business, the Standing Committee, besides their annual meeting at the Convention as determined by Canon, have resolved to hold the following stated meetings at

Raleigh, namely: On the fourth Saturday of February, August and November respectively; and particularly request of all who may be concerned, that hereafter all papers requiring their action be sent to them in due time before one or other of these stated meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

R. S. MASON, Pres't Standing Com.

The Committee of Finance made their Report, as follows, which was accepted, and the resolution accompanying the same was adopted:

REPORT of the Committee of Finance.

The Committee of Finance respectfully report: That the several accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention submitted to them have been carefully examined and are believed to be correct, with the exception of one small payment made by the Treasurer, as the Committee suppose, under a misapprehension of the Revenue Laws of this State. The error, if it be one, will doubtless be promptly corrected on application to the proper officers. The Committee are gratified to find the Finances of the Diocese to be, on the whole, in a healthy condition, though at the same time, they observe with regret that a number of Parishes are more or less delinquent in the payment of their assessments. They earnestly request the attention of the Ministers and Vestries of delinquent Parishes to this subject, and hope that suitable efforts will be made in future to meet their obligations. With a view to secure increased punctuality, the Committee have carefully examined the former scale of assessments, and have made a few changes which they believe to be just and proper, and which they hope will be acceptable to the Convention. These changes are indicated in the accompanying scale of assessments, which the Committee wish to be regarded as a part of this Report.

The Committee would further state, that they have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer of the Education Committee and find them correct. As the several accounts are usually printed in an appendix to the Journal, further details are deemed unnecessary.

The Committee will barely add, in conclusion, that in their opinion there is a sufficient balance in the hands of the Treasurer to meet the requisitions of the Resolution of the last Convention for the payment of the travelling expenses of the Clergy attending this Convention, and recommend that the acting Treasurer pay the same.

In behalf of the Committee,

R. B. DRANE, Chairman.

Resolved, That the scale of assessments recommended by the Committee of Finance be adopted as the scale for the ensuing Conventional year.

The Report of the Committee on the subject of the Southern University was made, as follows:

REPORT of Committee on Southern University.

The Committee to whom has been referred that portion of the Bishop's Ad-

dress which relates to the establishment of a University in the Southern and South-western States, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to submit, as the result of their deliberations, the following resolutions:

First: That in compliance with the suggestion of the Address of the Bishops of the Southern and South-western Dioceses, this Convention will now proceed to elect one Clergyman and two Laymen to represent this Diocese in the meeting to be held in reference to the proposed Institution, at or near Chattanooga, on the fourth day of July next.

Secondly: That in taking this step this Convention does not intend to commit this Diocese to the action of the said meeting, but expressly reserves the same for the decision of the next Convention.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

ALDERT SMEDES,
Chairman of the University Committee.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Report and the Resolutions be laid on the table.

The vote was called for by Orders.

It was ascertained, before the vote was entirely gone through with, that the Convention refused to lay the Report and the Resolutions on the table.

A motion was made to take the vote on both Resolutions reported by the Committee. A motion was submitted that an amendment to the Report be made, by which the second Resolution should be annexed to the first by the way of a proviso.

On motion,

Resolved, That the vote on these propositions be taken by orders.

Subsequently all proposals as to the division of the Resolutions and change of the Report were withdrawn, and the vote on the adoption of the Report and Resolutions was called for by Orders.

On counting the votes, it was found that of the Clergy the vote was unanimous, as follows:

Ayes—Rev. Messrs. Barber, Bland, Bronson, Buxton, Cheshire, Davenport, Drane, FitzGerald, Forbes, Geer, Greene, Harding, Hughes, Huske, R. S. Mason, R. H. Mason, Morrelle, J. W. Murphy, W. Murphy, Patterson, Prout, Skiles, Snowden, Van Antwerp, Watson, Wetmore.

Of the Congregations, 20 voted Aye, 7 No, and 3 were divided, as follows:

St. Paul's Church, Greenville—W. T. Marsh, No; R. N. Forbes, Aye.

St. Luke's, Salisbury—B. Sumner, Aye; L. Blackmer, Aye.

Trinity, Beaufort County—F. B. Satterthwaite, No.

St. Paul's, Edenton—E. C. Hines, Aye.

Grace Church, Plymouth—E. W. Jones, Aye.

Zion Chapel, Beaufort—Alanson Alligood, No.

St. Peter's, Charlotte—D. M. Barringer, Aye; W. A. Williams, Aye.

St. Bartholomew's, Pittsborough—H. A. London, Aye.

Calvary Church, Tarborough—M. Weddell, Aye; R. Chapman, No.

St. John's, Fayetteville—W. Huske, Aye; Edward L. Winslow, Aye.

St. Stephen's, Goldsborough—R. Washington, No; Lucian Holmes, Aye; W. A. Williams, Aye.

St. James's, Wilmington—C. W. Bradley, Aye; Dr. F. J. Hill, Aye.

Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill—W. H. Battle, Aye.

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

St. Luke's, Washington County—J. Collins, Aye.

St. James's, Granville County—W. A. Eaton, No.

St. Matthew's, Hillsborough—Thomas Ruffin, Aye.

St. Paul's, Louisburg—Dr. W. T. Johnson, No.

Christ Church, Raleigh—Gov. Manly, No; G. W. Mordecai, Aye; K. P. Battle, Aye.

Christ Church, Newbern—Dr. John A. Guion, Aye.

St. James's, Iredell County—G. Mills, Aye; J. A. Mills, Aye.

St. James's, Lenoir—S. F. Patterson, No.

St. Andrew's, Rowan County—John Rice, Aye.

Trinity Church, Scotland Neck—Peter E. Smith, Aye.

St. Thomas's, Windsor—John Webb, Aye.

Emmanuel Church, Warrenton—Dr. T. E. Wilson, No; T. A. Montgomery, No.

St. John's, Pitt County—Louis B. Pugh, No.

Calvary Church, Wadesborough—R. T. Hall, Aye.

Grace Church, Morganton—James Avery, Aye; Thomas G. Walton, No.

Christ Church, Rowan County—Thomas Barber, Aye.

So the Report and the Resolutions were adopted.

Resolved, That the expenses of the Clerical Delegate to the meeting of the

friends of the Southern University, from this Diocese, be paid by the Treasurer of the Diocese.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to appoint the Clerical Delegate, under the Resolutions adopted.

Rev. Mr. Van Antwerp and Mr. Kemp P. Battle were appointed Tellers, who reported that the Rev. M. Ashley Curtis, D. D., was duly elected.

On motion, the Convention then proceeded to elect the two Lay Representatives. The Rev. Mr. Geer and Mr. Collins were appointed Tellers, who reported that Hon. Thomas Ruffin was elected.

Charles T. Haigh was elected Treasurer of the Diocese for the ensuing year.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Secretary cause 1500 copies of the Journals to be printed and circulated.

The Committee on the Resolutions of 1848 and the Resolution of 1856, on the subject of the Relief Fund, made a Report, which was accepted:

REPORT of the Committee on the Relief Fund.

The Committee on the Relief Fund respectfully report: That during the past year, there has been paid into the Treasury the sum of \$503 81, which added to a balance of \$58 on hand at last Convention, makes a total of available funds for the past year of \$561 81. Of this, \$276 03 have been paid to each of the ladies entitled to its benefits, leaving a balance in the Treasury of only \$9 75. By a comparison with the scale of assessments it appears that there has been a deficiency in the contributions amounting to \$106 49, and in consequence of the small balance on hand at the present Convention as compared with that of the last, the disbursements of the present year must be quite inadequate to supply the wants of the beneficiaries of this fund, unless greater exertions are made by delinquent Parishes to meet the demands made upon them.

N. COLLIN HUGHES.

Pending the election of the additional Lay Representative, on motion, the Convention adjourned to 5 o'clock P. M.

Saturday Morning, Prayers were said by the Rev. Mr. Parker, and a Sermon by the Rev. Mr. Hewitt, from the 1st Epistle of St. Peter, 4th chapter and 18th verse.

Rev. Mr. Parker baptized an Adult.

5 O'CLOCK P. M.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The unfinished business of the morning, when the Convention adjourned, being the election of the Delegate to represent the Diocese at the meeting of the friends of the Southern University, was resumed, and, on counting the ballots, Dr. Thomas D. Warren of Edenton was elected.

The Representatives from the Diocese of North Carolina consist of: The Rev. M. Ashley Curtis, D. D., Hon. Thos. Ruffin and Dr. T. D. Warren.

The Committee on the State of the Church made the following Report, which was accepted:

REPORT of the Committee on the State of the Church.

The Committee on the state of the Church, respectfully report: That from the Bishop's Address and the Parochial Reports, they find that during the past Conventional year there have been three hundred and twenty-seven white Infants, and two hundred and twenty-eight colored Infants baptized; that there have been sixty-two baptisms of white Adults, and twenty-five baptisms of colored Adults; that the rite of Confirmation has been administered by the Diocesan to two hundred and forty white persons, as appears in the Parochial Reports, to which ten must be added from the Bishop's Address, and sixty-three colored persons; that there are reported two thousand three hundred and forty-one white Communicants, and three hundred and forty-five colored Communicants; and eleven hundred and five white Catechumens, and four hundred and eighty-eight colored Catechumens. Contributions are reported to the amount of \$25,160 88. Whole number of baptisms reported, six hundred and forty-two; whole number of Confirmations reported, three hundred and thirteen, being an increase of forty-one over the number reported last year. Whole number of Communicants reported, two thousand six hundred and eighty-six; being an increase over last year of one hundred and eleven. Whole number of Catechumens reported, fifteen hundred and ninety-three, being an increase of two hundred and forty-nine over the number reported last year.

Three Churches have been consecrated and the corner-stones of two others have been laid. There are eight Candidates for Holy Orders in the Diocese. The Committee are gratified to learn that increased attention has been paid to providing Rectories for the Clergy. There is a gratifying increase in the amount of the general contributions and also in the contributions to the Missionary fund. It is hoped that those Parishes which have been at any time delinquent, will hereafter be more exact in the payment of the assessments.

The Committee beg leave to express the opinion, that considering the opportunities of the Church, the number of colored Catechumens reported is smaller than might reasonably be expected from the zeal of the members of the Church.

They trust that the members of the Convention will in their several spheres, urge forward the christian instruction of the colored class, so entirely committed by Providence to the superintending care of the educated members of the Church, and so dependent upon their benevolence and christian love.

In conclusion the Committee beg leave to express their deep sense of gratitude to God for the numerous blessings vouchsafed to the Church in this Diocese during the past year, and for its present peace and prosperity.

All which is respectfully submitted,

R. S. MASON, Chm'n.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to Monday morning, 6 o'clock.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. W. E. Snowden, and an Address on the subject of Education made by the Rev. E. M. Forbes.

The Rite of Confirmation was performed by the Bishop, 4 persons being Confirmed, 3 white and 1 colored.

SUNDAY.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Drane, Sermon preached by the Bishop, from the 6th chapter of Jeremiah, 16th verse.

The following persons were admitted to the Order of the Priesthood: Rev. William Murphy, Rev. George B. Wetmore, Rev. B. S. Bronson, and Rev. Thos. G. Haughton. Rev. Mr. Cheshire presenting Rev. Messrs. Murphy and Wetmore, and Rev. Mr. Prout presenting Rev. Messrs. Bronson and Haughton.

After which the Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Drane, to the Clergy; and by the Rev. Messrs. Cheshire and Prout, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Bronson and Haughton, to a very large number of recipients.

Afternoon, Prayers were said by the Rev. Mr. Patterson, and a Sermon by the Rev. Mr. Bronson, from the 17th chapter of Revelations, 22d verse.

Four Children were Baptized.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Cheshire, and a Missionary Sermon preached by the Rev. M. Ashley Curtis,

D. D., from the 10th chapter of the Gospel according to St. Mark, 21st verse.

A collection for the Missionary operations of the Diocese, amounting to \$119 08, was made.

MONDAY, 6 O'CLOCK A. M.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayers were said by the Bishop.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Bishop be requested to furnish a copy of the Sermon preached by him on Sunday morning, for publication, and that 1500 copies of the same be published and circulated with the Journals of the Convention.

The Gloria in Excelsis was then sung, and, on motion, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

EDW'D LEE WINSLOW, Sec'y.

NOTE.—The name of Frank W. Bird, a Delegate from St. Thomas's Church, Windsor, was omitted in the regular place, being illegible in the Certificate of Delegation.

APPENDIX.

REPORT of the Treasurer.

The undersigned reports to the Protestant Episcopal Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina:

Funds on hand applicable to the payment of Bishop's salary and	
Contingent expenses of Convention,	\$1,032 59
Ditto current Missionary purposes,	2,618 53
Ditto relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen,	9 75
	\$3,660 87
	\$3,660 87
Represented by note of Rockfish Company,	\$1,500 00
Balance at credit of the Treasurer of Convention in	
Bank of Cape Fear,	2,160 87
	\$3,660 87

In July last, by advice and with the aid of Geo. W. Mordecai, Esq., he purchased for the "Permanent Fund for support of the Episcopate," \$1000 Coupon Bond of the State of North Carolina, cost \$972 18.

The undersigned regrets his inability to comply with the recommendation of the Committee of Finance, "to annex to his Reports a list of congregations who fail to pay the amounts assessed upon them."

Comparatively few of the Parishes pay in their assessments before the Convention meets, and the Treasurer's Reports must necessarily be previously made out to be submitted to that body.

Respectfully submitted.

CHARLES T. HAIGH,
Treas'r of Convention.

Fayetteville, May 25, 1857.

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

1856,		
May 30.	To cash paid E. L. Winslow, Sec'y, expenses,	\$20 00
	Ditto E. J. Hale & Son, blank book,	1 25
July 1.	Ditto ditto, printing Journals,	202 00
	Ditto E. L. Winslow, postage of Journals,	6 75
Sept. 16.	Ditto State Tax on investments,	13 50
	Ditto Postage Stamps,	1 00
Dec'r.	Ditto Delegates to General Convention, viz:	
	Rev. Dr. Mason,	50 00
	Rev. Dr. Drane,	50 00
	Rev. A. A. Watson,	50 00
	Rev. J. B. Cheshire,	50 00
	Ditto drafts Rt. Rev. T. Atkinson, for salary from July 15, 1856, to July 15, 1857,	2,500 00
Sept. 29.	Ditto E. L. Winslow, assessment for General Convention,	66 00
	Ditto Herman Cope, additional, \$22; exchange 22c.,	22 22
	Ditto this am't passed to the credit of Permanent Fund,	2 00
	To balance in Treasurer's hands carried to new account,	1,032 59

\$4,067 31

expenses of Convention,) in account with Treasurer of Convention. CR.

1856,		
May 16.	By balance as reported to Convention,	\$1,315 47
	By cash received from St John's, Rutherfordton,	10 00
	From St. Mark's, Halifax,	10 00
	From St. Paul's, Edenton,	266 00
	From St. Paul's, Wilkes county,	11 00
	From Richmond Hill, Yadkin county,	6 50
	From St. Stephen's, Oxford,	35 00
	From St. John's, Williamsborough,	20 00
	From Holy Innocents, Henderson,	24 00
	From Christ Church, Elizabeth City,	40 00
	From St. Matthew's, Hillsborough,	47 00
	From Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill,	15 00
	From St. Paul's, Louisburg,	20 00
	From Pettigrew's Chapel,	34 00
	From Calvary Church, Tarborough,	34 00
	From Trinity Church, Scotland Neck,	48 00
	From St. Luke's, Salisbury,	35 00
	From Church of the Epiphany, Leaksville,	10 00
	From St. John's, Pitt county,	7 50
	From Emmanuel Church, Warrenton,	67 00
	From Christ Church, Newbern,	225 00
	From Trinity Church, Beaufort county,	24 00
	From St. Paul's, Greenville,	10 00
	From St. Thomas's, Bath,	3 00
	From Zion Chapel, Beaufort,	2 00
	From St. James's, Granville county,	10 00
	From St. Mary's, Gatesville,	7 50
	From Holy Trinity, Hertford,	27 00
	From St. Paul's, Clinton,	15 00
	From St. Peter's, Washington,	135 00
	From St. Thomas's, Windsor,	27 00
	From Grace Church, Bertie,	7 50
	From Christ Church, Raleigh,	280 00
	From Grace Church, Plymouth,	18 00
	From St. Luke's, Washington county,	7 50
	From Church of the Advent, Williamston,	7 50
	From St. Bartholomew's, Pittsborough,	26 64
	From St. Mark's, Lincolnton,	15 00
	From St. Stephen's, Goldsborough,	15 00
	From St. Mary's, Kinston,	15 00
June 6.	From St. Peter's, Charlotte,	7 20
20.	From St. Philip's, Mocksville,	7 50
21.	From ditto ditto,	1 00
	From Christ Church, Rowan,	9 50
	From St. Andrew's, " "	3 00
Oct. 20	From St. John's in the Wilderness,	48 00
Nov'r.	From Trinity Church, Asheville,	8 00
1857,		
April 17.	From St. Paul's, Beaufort,	5 00
29.	From Grace Church, Morganton,	15 00
	From St. James's, Wilmington, in full for current year,	300 00
May 23.	From St. John's, Fayetteville,	280 00
	Interest on \$7500 Raleigh and Gaston R. R. Bonds,	450 00
		<u>\$4,067 31</u>
1857,		
May 23.	By balance in Treasurer's hands brought forward,	\$1,032 59

DR. *Diocese of North Carolina, (for Missionary fund for current*

1856,		
June 5.	To cash Sec'y's order Rev H. H. Prout, for half year ending with Convention 1856,	\$100
July 1.	Ditto Rev D. D. Van Antwerp,	100
	Ditto Rev C. T. Bland,	100
Sept'r.	Ditto sundries for half yr. com. with present Conv. yr., viz:	
	Rev George Benton,	100
	Rev C T Bland,	75
	Rev R B Sutton,	50
	Rev W W Skiles,	75
	Rev Jarvis Buxton,	100
	Rev H H Hewitt,	100
	Rev H H Prout,	100
	Rev R W Barber,	100
	Rev A F Olmsted,	100
	Rev A A Watson,	100
	Rev W E Snowden,	100
	Rev F FitzGerald,	50
	Rev H T Lee,	100
	Rev D D Van Antwerp,	100
	Rev B S Bronson,	50
	Rev J T Pickett,	100
	Rev G B Wetmore,	100
Dec'r 4.	Rev R H Mason, in full from Jan'y,	100
	Rev B S Bronson, for extra services in Cherokee,	50
1857,		
Feb'y 25.	Rev Israel Harding, from Jan'y 1857,	50
	To cash pd sundries for half year ending with Conv., viz:	
	Rev F Fitzgerald,	100
	Rev George Benton,	100
	Rev Geo B Wetmore,	100
	Rev C T Bland,	100
	Rev R B Sutton,	50
	Rev W W Skiles,	75
	Rev Jarvis Buxton,	100
	Rev H H Hewitt,	100
	Rev H. H. Prout,	100
	Rev R. W. Barber,	100
	Rev A. A. Watson,	100
	Rev W. E. Snowden,	100
	Rev H. T. Lee,	100
	Rev D. D. Van Antwerp,	100
	Rev B. S. Bronson,	50
	Rev J. T. Pickett,	100
April.	Postage Stamps,	50
	Amount carried forward,	\$3,475 50

purposes,) in account with the Treasurer of the Convention. Cr.

1856,			
May 16.	By balance on hand as reported to Convention,		\$1,900 33
19.	By cash from St John's, Rutherfordton,		7 50
	By cash rec'd at Convention from St Paul's, Edenton,		144 43
	Ditto St Luke's, Lincolnton,		4
	Ditto St Paul's, Wilkes county,		3
	Ditto Richmond Hill, Yadkin,		2 50
	Ditto St. John's, Williamsborough,		20
	Ditto Holy Innocents, Henderson,		27
	Ditto Christ Church, Elizabeth City,		50
	Ditto St Matthew's, Hillsborough,		25
	Ditto Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill,		15
	Ditto Pettigrew's Chapel,		33
	Ditto Calvary Church, Tarborough,		25
	Ditto Scotland Neck,		30
	Ditto St Luke's, Salisbury,		16 90
	Ditto Church of the Epiphany, Leaksville,		12
	Ditto St John's, Pitt county,		15
	Ditto Emmanuel Church, Warrenton,		75
	Ditto Christ Church, Newbern,		188 40
	Ditto Trinity, Beaufort,		38
	Ditto St Paul's, Greenville,		15
	Ditto St Thomas's, Bath,		5
	Ditto Zion Chapel, Beaufort county,		3
	Ditto St James's, Granville,		10
	Ditto St Mary's, Gatesville,		7 50
	Ditto Holy Trinity, Hertford,		30
	Ditto St Paul's, Clinton,		5
	Ditto Lake Chapel, Washington co., offerings of servants		82 16
	Ditto St Peter's, Washington,		100
	Ditto St Thomas's, Windsor,		30
	Ditto Grace Church, Bertie county,		7 50
	Ditto Grace Church, Plymouth,		18
	Ditto St Luke's, Washington county,		7
	Ditto Church of the Advent, Williamston,		9
	Ditto St Luke's, Lincolnton,		15
	Ditto St Stephen's, Goldsborough,		5
	Ditto St Mary's, Kinston,		2 50
	Ditto St Peter's, Washington, \$155, additional \$5,		160
	Ditto sales of Bishop Ravenscroft's Works, at Conevt'n,		126 50
June 6.	Ditto St Peter's, Charlotte,		15
	Ditto St Philip's, Mocksville,		5
	Ditto Christ Church, Rowan,		4
	Ditto St Andrew's, Rowan,		2 12
	Ditto St Stephen's, Oxford,		10
	Ditto donation by Rev G. Benton,		10
Nov'r.	Ditto Trinity Church, Asheville,		9
	By collected at Communion by Bp. Atkinson, at Raleigh,		81
	Ditto at Salisbury,		71 12
	Ditto St Andrew's, Rowan,		2 87
	Ditto Mocksville,		7
	Ditto Christ Church, Rowan,		9 22
	Ditto Charlotte,		7 30
	Ditto Wilson,		3 06
	Ditto Jackson,		21 25
	Ditto Murfreesborough,		3 25
	Amount carried forward,		\$3,536 41

DR. *Diocese of North Carolina, (for Missionary purposes,)*

1857,	To amount brought forward,	\$3,475 50
May 23.	To balance in Treasurer's hands carried to new account,	2,543 53

\$6,019 03

in account with Treasurer of Convention—continued.

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1856,	By amount brought forward,	\$3,536 41
	Ditto Windsor,	20 08
	Ditto Plymouth,	12 41
	Ditto St Luke's, Washington,	99
	Ditto Pettigrew's Chapel,	40 62
	Ditto Edenton,	25
	Ditto Gatesville,	10 05
	Ditto Woodville,	4
	Ditto Hertford,	21 42
	Ditto Wilmington,	61 89
	Ditto Goldsborough,	18 83
	Ditto Newbern,	22 70
	Ditto cash,	94
Dec'r 1.	Ditto Union Chapel, Beaufort county,	6 43
	Ditto Elizabeth City,	36
	Ditto anonymous friend in New York,	25
	Ditto Smithville,	6 75
	Ditto Williamsborough,	8 63
	Ditto Henderson,	10 90
	Ditto Louisburg,	6 05
	Ditto Chapel Hill,	11 80
	Ditto Rutherfordton,	6
	Ditto friend at Waynesville,	5
	Ditto Morganton,	12 55
	Ditto Tarborough,	34 25
	Ditto Zion Chapel, Beaufort county,	9 68
	Ditto Trinity, " "	9 38
	Ditto Pugh's Chapel,	8
	Ditto Greenville,	6 66
	Ditto Marlborough, Pitt county,	1 81
	Ditto St John's, Fayetteville, \$80 86, additional \$5,	85 86
24.	By cash from Trinity Church, Scotland Neck,	35
	Ditto Calvary Church, Tarborough,	25
	Ditto St James's, Wilmington,	350
1857,		
Feb'y 2.	Ditto St Mary's, School, Raleigh,	75
	Ditto St Paul's, Beaufort,	2 50
	Ditto Grace Church, Morganton,	20
	Ditto St Paul's, Edenton,	110
	Ditto Christ Church, Raleigh,	210
	Ditto Christ Church, Rockfish,	11 40
	Ditto St John's, Fayetteville,	320
March.	Ditto Rev Dr Drane, 2 cop. old ed'n Ravenscroft's Works	8
	Ditto E. J. Hale & Son, sale of Bp. Ravenscroft's Works,	169 54
	Ditto interest on \$3000 for 12 months, loaned,	180
May 23.	By this amount transferred fm Permanent Miss'y Fund, balance reported on hand to last Convention,	334 50
	Ditto two div. on 12 shares C. F. Bank Stock, May and November, 4 and 4½ per cent.,	102
		<u>\$6,019 03</u>
	By balance in Treasurer's hands,	\$2,543 53
25.	By cash from St Mary's, Raleigh, (in full,)	75 00
		<u>\$2,618 53</u>

DR. *Diocese of North Carolina, (for Fund for relief of disabled
count with the Treasurer*

1856,			
June 14.	To cash remitted Mrs Wiley,		176 03
	Ditto ditto Mrs Thurston,		176 03
1857,			
Jan'y 31.	Ditto ditto Mrs Wiley,		100
	Ditto ditto Mrs Thurston,		100
May 23.	To balance in Treasurer's hands carried to new account,		3 75

\$555 81

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

1856,		
May 16.	By balance as per account rendered at Convention,	53
	By cash rec'd at Convention fm St John's, Rutherfordton,	2 50
	Ditto St Paul's, Edentor.,	50
	Ditto St Stephen's, Oxford,	11
	Ditto St John's, Williamsborough,	5
	Ditto Holy Innocents, Henderson,	5
	Ditto Christ Church, Elizabeth City,	13
	Ditto St Matthew's, Hillsborough,	12
	Ditto Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill,	3 60
	Ditto Pettigrew's Chapel,	9 60
	Ditto Trinity Chapel, Scotland Neck,	12
	Ditto St Luke's, Salisbury,	10
	Ditto Church of the Epiphany, L oaksville,	5
	Ditto St John's, Pitt county,	2 40
	Ditto Emmanuel, Warrenton,	7
	Ditto Christ Church, Newbern,	40 96
	Ditto Trinity, Beaufort county,	9 60
	Ditto St Paul's, Greenville,	2 40
	Ditto St Thomas's, Bath,	2
	Ditto St James's, Granville county,	5
	Ditto St Mary's, Gatesville,	2 50
	Ditto Holy Trinity, Hertford,	2 40
	Ditto St Paul's, Clinton,	5
	Ditto St Peter's, Washington,	30
	Ditto St Thomas's, Windsor,	6
	Ditto Grace Church, Bertie,	2 50
	Ditto Grace Church, Plymouth,	3 60
	Ditto St Luke's, Washington county,	2 40
	Ditto Church of the Advent, Williamston,	2 40
	Ditto St Bartholomew's, Pittsborough,	12
	Ditto St Mark's, Deep River,	3 70
	Ditto St Luke's, Lincolnton,	3 60
	Ditto St Stephen's, Goldsborough,	5
	Ditto St Mary's, Kinston,	2 50
June 6.	Ditto St Peter's, Charlotte,	2 40
20.	Ditto St Philip's, Mocksville,	2 40
	Ditto Christ Church, Rowan,	2 75
	Ditto St Andrew's, ditto,	1
Nov'r.	Ditto Trinity, Asheville,	3
Dec'r 31.	Ditto St James's, Wilmington,	60
1857,		
Feb'y 2.	Ditto St Mary's, Raleigh,	6
April 29.	Ditto Grace Church, Morganton,	5
May 17.	Ditto Christ Church, Raleigh,	40
20.	Ditto Christ Church, Rockfish,	3 60
23.	Ditto Christ Church, Raleigh, (in full,)	20
	Ditto St John's, Fayetteville, ditto,	60
		\$555 81
	By balance in hands of the Treasurer,	3 75
25.	By cash, St Mary's, Raleigh, (in full,)	6

DR. *Diocese of North Carolina, (for Fund for the support of the*

1856, July.	To cash paid for \$1000 State Bond, procured by Geo. W. Mordecai, Esq.,	\$972 18
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DR. *Diocese of North Carolina, (for Permanent Missionary Fund de-*

1857, May 23.	To amount transferred to the credit of Missionary Fund for current purposes,	\$436 50
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Episcopate,) in account with the Treasurer of the Convention. CR.

1856,				
May 13.	By balance of cash on hand reported to Convention,		\$395 88	
May.	By cash fm Pettigrew's Chapel, by Rev. Wm. Murphy,		100 00	
Sept. 18.	By interest on \$2000 from June 2d,		36 00	
Nov. 1.	By dividend on 48 shares C. F. Bank stock, 4 per cent.,		192 00	
1857,				
May 1.	By ditto ditto,		216 00	
	By Coupon on \$1000 State Bond, \$30; premium 30c.,		30 30	
	By this am't fm Gen'l Miss'y Fund to balance,		2 00	
				\$972 18
	By balance securities on hand—			
	Raleigh and Gaston R. R. Bonds,	\$7,500 00		
	48 shares stock Bk of Cape Fear, cost	4,927 50		
	\$1000 Coupon Bond of the State,	972 18		

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

1856,				
May 13.	By cash on hand as reported to Convention,		\$334 50	
Nov. 1.	By dividend on 12 shares C. F. Bank stock, 4 per cent.,		48 00	
1857,				
May 1.	By ditto ditto,		54 00	
				\$436 50
23.	By balance securities on hand—			
	12 shares C. F. Bank stock, cost	\$1,300 00		

REPORT of Tho. H. Wright, Treasurer of Education Committee.

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1856,

June 2.	To cash rec'd from J. E. Hoyt, for collection in St Peter's Church, Washington,	\$147 00
July 3.	Ditto from Sunday School of St James's Church, Wilmington,	\$19 09
	And contribution from ditto, 19th May 1857,	22 42
		<hr/> 41 51
12.	Ditto from C. T. Haigh, contribution from St John's Church, Fayetteville,	33 79
	Ditto from Geo. W. Mordecai, Esq., former Treas'r of Education Committee, balance as per account rendered to Convention of 1856,	303 97
	(Also from former Treas'r five shares of F. & W. Plank Road stock, on which no div. has been declared.)	

1857,

Jan. 3.	Ditto from Rev R. Hines, contribution from Holy Innocents, Henderson, and St John's, Williamsborough,	20 00
April 10.	Ditto Rev Dr Drane, collection in St James's Church, Wilmington,	173 63
		<hr/> \$719 90
		<hr/> <hr/> \$469 90

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1856,

July 8.	By cash remitted to J. W. Murphy, for 6 months, by order of the Committee,	\$50 00
14.	Ditto to I. Harding, for 12 months, by order of Committee,	100 00
21.	Ditto to S. S. Barber, for 6 months, by order of Committee,	50 00
Dec. 10.	Ditto to J. W. Murphy, for 6 months, by order of Committee,	50 00
	By balance to credit of the Treasurer in the Bank of Cape Fear, Wilmington,	469 90
		<hr/> \$719 90
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THOS. H. WRIGHT, Treas'r Education Com.

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 00	300 00	48 00
St. Peter's, Washington.....	150 00	160 00	35 00
St. Mary's school.....		150 00	12 00
Emmanuel church, Warrenton.....	67 00	75 00	18 00
St. Luke's, Salisbury.....	40 00	40 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 60	38 00	9 60
Church of the Holy Innocents, Henderson.....	24 00	27 00	5 00
Trinity chapel, Beaufort.....	24 00	27 00	5 00
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	6 00
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.....	19 00	13 00	3 00
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	16 00	3 60
St. Mary's, Kinston.....	10 00	10 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
Gethsemane, 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

	Bishop's Salary and Contingent	Missionary Fund.	Relief Fund.
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	12 00	5 00
St. Paul's, Clinton.....	15 00	5 00	5 00
St. Stephen's, Goldsborough.....	15 00	5 00	5 00
St. Andrew's, Rowan.....	15 00	10 00	5 00
St. Mary's, Gatesville.....	7 50	7 50	2 50
Grace church, Bertie.....	7 50	7 5	2 50
St. Barnabas, Murfreesborough.....	7 50	7 50	2 50
St. James's, Iredell county.....	7 50	5 00	2 50
St. Paul's, Beaufort.....	5 00	2 50	2 50
St. James's, Lenoir.....	8 00	12 00	5 00
	\$2582 52	\$3096 00	\$615 70

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church in North Carolina.

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. Provided further, that 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.

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 Laymen 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 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.—*Authorizing 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 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.

RULES OF ORDER.

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 the Committee on Unfinished Business, consisting of three, 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.

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.*

[After the adoption of the following resolutions, by "the Bible, Prayer Book, Tract and Missionary Society of the Diocese," the Missionary operations of the Diocese were placed under the charge of a Missionary Committee, consisting of two Clergymen and three Laymen:—

Resolved, as the sense of this meeting, that the Church of Christ is the only proper Missionary Society, being divinely instituted, and wisely adapted, for the conducting of all operations for the spread of the Gospel.

Resolved, That in accordance with the foregoing principle, the Convention of the Church in this Diocese be respectfully requested to take under its own immediate control all the Bible, Prayer Book, Tract and Missionary operations of the Diocese.

Resolved, That should the Convention accede to the foregoing request, and assume the existing responsibilities of this Society to the Missionaries and others, all the records, and the property of every description, belonging to the Society, be delivered to such persons as the Convention may appoint to receive them,—and this Society be then dissolved.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed by this Society, to

communicate the foregoing resolutions to the Convention, and respectfully to request their adoption of the plan proposed therein.

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer, and to make out a list of all the property and of all the existing liabilities of the Society, and that the Committee report to this Society at its next meeting.—*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.*

Resolved, That from and after this Convention the Treasurer of the Convention be instructed to pay to the Secretary, whatever bill of expenses he may render, incurred by his attendance upon the Sessions of this body.

Resolved, That the Bishop be requested to appoint some one to preach before each Annual Convention of the Church, a Sermon on the subject of Christian Education.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Convention be directed to pay annually to the several Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, any expenses necessarily incurred by them, in attending the meetings of that body.

Resolved, That the contributions to the Relief Fund be hereafter distributed under the direction of the Bishop.

Resolved, That the recommendation of the Committee of Finance, in regard to Clergymen attending the Convention, be adopted, and that from and after the next Convention, the Treasurer be directed to pay such expenses out of the fund for the contingent expenses of the Convention.—*Adopted May 1856.*

Resolved, That in case it may be necessary to make any alteration in the Assessments from the different Parishes, the Clergymen, or the Delegates from the Congregations desiring the same, may appear before the Committee of Finance, whose duty it shall be to take action thereon, and report the same to the Convention.—*Adopted May 1857.*

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 1857-58.

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Rev. F. M. HUBBARD.	GEORGE W. MORDECAI.
Rev. ALDERT SMEDES, D. D.	

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	P. K. DICKINSON.

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Rt. Rev. THOMAS ATKINSON.
 GEORGE W. MORDECAI.
 Hon. WILLIAM H. BATTLE.

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

The 34th Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of North Carolina, will be held in Christ Church, Elizabeth City,—the time not mentioned in the Journals. · Due notice, **however**, will be given by the Secretary.
