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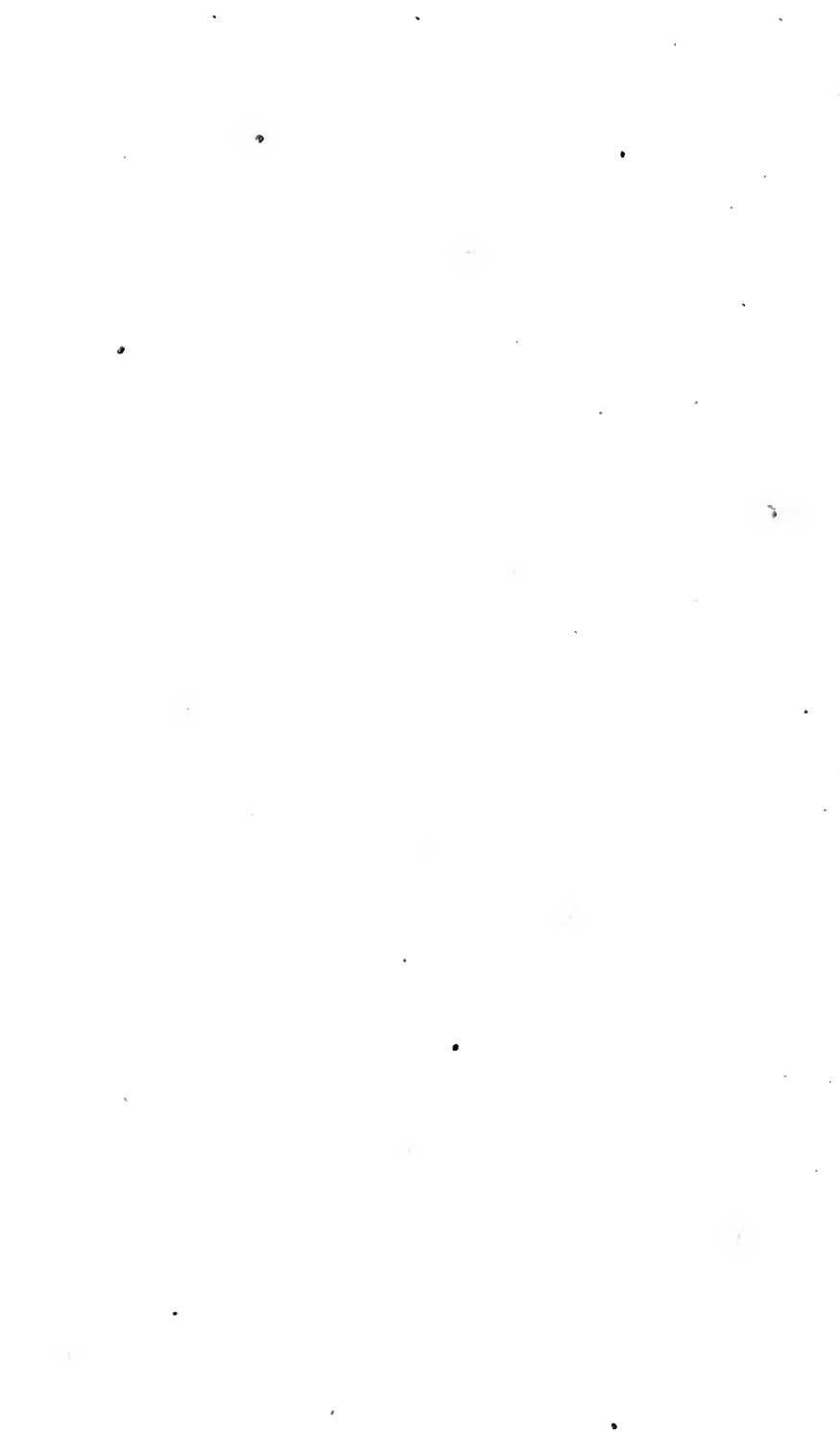
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## LIST OF CLERGY,

IN THE DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA, ENTITLED TO SEATS IN  
THE COUNCIL OF 1863.

- Rt. Rev. THOS. ATKINSON, D. D., Bishop, Rector of St. James's Church, Wilmington, and, *ex officio*, President of the Council.
- Rev. R. W. BARBER, Missionary in Wilkes and Ashe Counties, and parts adjacent.
- Rev. S. S. BARBER, Assistant to Rev. G. B. Wetmore.
- Rev. A. A. BENTON, Rector of Christ Church, Rockfish.
- Rev. C. T. BLAND, Rector of Calvary Church, Wadesborough.
- Rev. JARVIS BUXTON, Rector of Trinity Church, Asheville.
- Rev. J. B. CHESHIRE, D. D., Rector of Calvary Church, Tarborough, and Trinity Church, Scotland Neck.
- Rev. M. A. CURTIS, D. D., Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough, and Missionary in parts adjacent.
- Rev. F. FITZGERALD, Chaplain in the Army.
- Rev. LUTHER EBORN, Washington.
- Rev. G. M. EVERHART, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Charlotte.
- Rev. E. M. FORBES, Rector of Christ Church, Elizabeth City.
- Rev. EDWIN GEER, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Washington, and Chaplain in the Army.
- Rev. PEYTON GALLAGHER.
- Rev. E. W. GILLIAM, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Leaksville.
- Rev. ISRAEL HARDING, Missionary, Wilson and Bertie Counties, and parts adjacent.
- Rev. T. G. HAUGHTON, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Salisbury.
- Rev. T. B. HAUGHTON, Deacon, Chaplain in the Army.
- Rev. F. W. HILLIARD, Rector of Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill.
- Rev. W. HODGES, D. D., Rector of Immanuel Church, Warrenton.
- Rev. LUCIAN HOLMES, Principal of Ravenscroft School, Asheville.
- Rev. F. M. HUBBARD, D. D., Professor in the University of N. Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Rev. N. C. HUGHES, Missionary, Hendersonville, Henderson County, and parts adjacent.

Rev. W. C. HUNTER, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Goldsborough, and St. Mary's, Kinston.

Rev. J. C. HUSKE, Rector of St. John's Church, Fayetteville.

Rev. S. I. JOHNSTON, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Edenton, now residing at Chapel Hill.

Rev. S. W. KENNERLY, Rector of Trinity Parish, Beaufort County, and Pugh's Chapel, Pitt County.

Rev. F. J. LIGHTBOURNE, Rector of the Church of the Saviour, Jackson, Northampton County.

Rev. R. S. MASON, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Raleigh.

Rev. R. H. MASON, John's River and Morganton, Burke Co.

Rev. DANIEL MORRELLE, Deacon, Wilmington.

Rev. JAS. MOORE, St. Paul's Church, Louisburg.

Rev. T. S. W. MOTT, Editor of the Church Intelligencer, Raleigh.

Rev. JOS. W. MURPHY, Chaplain in the Army.

Rev. GEO. PATTERSON, Chaplain in the Army.

Rev. H. H. PROUT, Rector of St. John's Church, Williamsborough, and Church of the Holy Innocents, Henderson.

Rev. S. C. ROBERTS, Rector of Grace Church, Morganton.

Rev. H. A. SKINNER, Hertford.

Rev. A. SMEDES, D. D., Rector of St. Mary's School, Raleigh.

Rev. W. E. SNOWDEN, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Hertford.

Rev. R. B. SUTTON, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsborough, and St. Mark's Church, Deep River.

Rev. LEWIS TAYLOR, Oxford, Granville County.

Rev. ROB'T E. TERRY, Rector, St. John's Church, Wilmington.

Rev. J. H. TILLINGHAST, Deacon, Chaplain in the Army.

Rev. D. D. VAN ANTWERP, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Beaufort.

Rev. M. H. VAUGHAN, Chaplain in the Army.

Rev. J. A. WAINWRIGHT, M. D.

Rev. CYRUS WATERS, St. Thomas's Church, Windsor.

Rev. A. A. WATSON, Assistant Rector, St. James's Church, Wilmington.

Rev. GEO. B. WETMORE, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Mocksville, and parts adjacent.

Rev. W. R. WETMORE, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Lincoln-ton, and Church of the Redeemer, Shelby.

The following Clergymen were not present at the Council:  
 Rev. Messrs. R. W. Barber, S. S. Barber, C. T. Bland, M. A. Curtis, D. D., Luther Eborn, G. M. Everhart, E. M. Forbes, Peyton Gallagher, E. W. Gilliam, T. G. Haughton, T. B. Haughton, W. Hodges, D. D., Lucian Holmes, S. I. Johnston, D. D., S. W. Kennerly, F. J. Lightbourne, James Moore, Jos. W. Murphy, Geo. Patterson, S. C. Roberts, H. A. Skinner, A. Smedes, D. D., W. E. Snowden, Lewis Taylor, R. E. Terry, D. D. Van Antwerp, M. H. Vaughan, Cyrus Waters, G. B. Wetmore and J. A. Wainwright.

### LAY DELEGATES.

E. W. JONES,  
 Dr. W. W. SCOTT, } St. James's, Lenoir.  
 THOS. L. NORWOOD, }

\*JOHN A. WILLIAMS,  
 \*HAMILTON McMILLAN, } Christ Church, Rockfish.  
 \*JOHN MORGAN, }

\*WM. McMILLAN, } Alternates.  
 KENYON PHILLIPS, }

\*C. T. HAIGH,  
 \*C. B. MALLET, } St. John's Church, Fayetteville.  
 \*E. J. HALE, }  
 \*JAMES KYLE, }

RUSSELL CHAPMAN, }  
 R. T. HOSKINS, } Calvary Church, Tarborough.  
 Dr. N. J. PITTMAN, }  
 H. B. BRYAN, }

\*Dr. A. J. DEROSSET, }  
 \*ROBT. STRANGE, } St. James's, Wilmington.  
 P. K. DICKINSON, }  
 JAMES ANDERSON, }

\*W. H. LIPPITT, }  
 J. G. BURR, } Alternates.  
 J. G. WRIGHT, }  
 R. G. RANKIN, }

GEO. W. WHITFIELD, } Church of the Redeemer, Shelby.  
 DAVID FRONEBERGER, }

- THOS. A. MONTGOMERY, }  
 SAM'L P. ARRINGTON, } Immanuel Church, Warrington
- JOS. B. BATCHELOR, }  
 DR. THOS. E. WILSON, } Alternates.
- H. W. GUION, }  
 L. E. THOMPSON, }  
 DR. J. M. RICHARDSON, } St. Luke's Church, Lincolnton.  
 V. A. MCBEE, }
- GEO. W. MORRECAL, }  
 HON. JOHN H. BRYAN, }  
 \*HON. DAN'L M. BARRINGER, } Christ Church, Raleigh.  
 KEMP P. BATTLE, }
- R. H. BATTLE, Jr., }  
 THOS. D. HOGG, }  
 E. BURKE HAYWOOD, } Alternates.  
 ED. C. FISHER, }
- J. M. HAPFOLDT, M. D., }  
 W. M. WALTON, }  
 T. J. CORPENING, } Grace Church, Morganton.  
 J. J. ERWIN, }
- E. S. WALTON, }  
 JAMES AVERY, } Alternates.  
 JOHN COLLETT, }  
 T. G. WALTON, }
- \*T. H. HARDIN, }  
 T. H. HOWIE, } St. Paul's, Wilmington.  
 DUBRUTZ CUTLAR, }  
 DANIEL FERGUS, }
- HON. W. H. BATTLE, }  
 \*C. P. MALLETT, } Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill.  
 DR. J. B. JONES, }  
 A. MICKLE, }
- \*ALLMAND A. MCKAY, }  
 OWEN D. HOLMES, } St. Paul's, Clinton.  
 THOS. H. HOLMES, }  
 RICH'D C. HOLMES, }
- DR. WM. G. MICKS, }  
 JAMES A. FERRELL, } Alternates.  
 DR. ALLMAND HOLMES, }  
 GEO. W. DRAUGHON, }
- WM. MURPHY, }  
 MOSES W. JARVIS, } St. Luke's Church, Salisbury.  
 LUKE BLACKMER, }
- SAM'L R. HARRISON, }  
 NATH'L BOYDEN, } Alternates.  
 JOHN M. COFFIN, }
- THOS. L. BRODIE, }  
 W. H. JONES, } Church of Holy Innocents, Henderson.  
 G. BADGER HARRIS, }

- W. A. WILLIAMS, }  
 WASH. REID, }  
 A. C. WILLIAMSON, } St. Peter's, Charlotte.  
 \*JOHN WILKES, }
- M. M. ORR, }  
 W. F. DAVIDSON, } Alternates.  
 Capt. R. J. ECHOLS, }
- \*CHAS. IBBERTSON, }
- R. H. SMITH, }  
 W. H. SHIELDS, } Trinity Church, Scotland Neck.  
 J. J. BISHOP, }
- \*P. E. SMITH, }
- W. R. SMITH, }  
 Dr. A. S. HALL, } Alternates.  
 R. PERRINGTON, }
- J. N. SMITH, }
- Com. WM. F. LYNCH, }  
 \*Col. S. L. FREMONT, } St. John's Church, Wilmington.  
 HENRY NUTT, }
- \*JOHN E. LIPPITT, }
- \*Col. WM. L. DEROSSET, }  
 JOHN L. HOLMES, } Alternates.  
 GEO. MYERS, }
- J. A. WILLARD, }
- RICHARD WASHINGTON, }  
 GEO. V. STRONG, } St. Stephen's, Goldsborough.  
 E. H. GOELET, }
- J. M. PALMER, }
- \*HENRY A. LONDON, }  
 \*JOHN H. HAUGHTON, } St. Bartholomew's, Pittsborough.  
 R. H. IHRIE, }
- \*JOHN MANNING, }
- THOMAS HILL, }  
 MAURICE Q. WADDELL, } Alternates.  
 WOODSON LEA, }
- THOS. EMERY, }
- GEO. WASHINGTON, }  
 \*L. J. HAUGHTON, } St. Mark's, Deep River.  
 R. G. FRAZIER, }
- JOHN W. HARRIS, }
- GEO. H. BLOUNT, }  
 T. C. DAVIS, } St. Timothy's, Wilson.  
 ARTHUR BARNES, }
- F. B. SATTERTHWAITE, }
- STEPHEN NORFLEET, }  
 THOMAS THOMPSON, } Grace Church, Bertie.  
 THOS. J. PUGH, }
- LEONARD HENDERSON, }  
 THOS. HARDY, } St. John's Church, Williamsborough.  
 \*ROB. A. JENKINS, }

*Dr. NOAH JOYNER, Dr. W. M. B. BROWN, WM. E. DEMILL, JAMES H. MCCLURE,	}	St. Paul's. Greenville.				
Dr. RICH'D WILLIAMS, ROBT. GREEN, ROB. W. JOYNER, H. S. PRICE,			}	Alternates.		
JOHN J. ROWLAND, WM. GAYLARD, H. G. HILTON, W. R. BOYD,					}	St. Thomas's, Bath.
JOSEPH BONNER, G. W. OGDEN, B. F. STYRON, B. W. HODGES,						
N. W. WOODFIN, HATFIELD OGDEN, THOMAS PATTON,	}	Trinity Church, Asheville.				
WM. T. SUTTON, PATRICK H. WINSTON, WM. STEVENS GRAY, Dr. TURNER WILSON,			}	St. Thomas's Church, Windsor.		

Those marked thus [\*] were present.



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ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FAYETTEVILLE,

MAY 14, 1863.

The First Annual Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in North Carolina, assembled under the Constitution of the Church in the Confederate States of America, and corresponding to the 47th Diocesan Convention, met at St. John's Church, Fayetteville, at 10 o'clock A. M. on Thursday, May 14, 1863, it being the Festival of the Ascension,—the time and place of the meeting having been changed by the Ecclesiastical Authority in accordance with Canon I of the Diocese.

In consequence of the death, during the preceding year, of Edw'd L. Winslow, the former Secretary, the Bishop appointed the Rev. A. A. Watson Secretary *pro tem*.

There were present beside the Bishop, of the Clergy:

Rev. Angelo A. Benton.	Rev. Jos. C. Huske.
Rev. Jarvis Buxton.	Rev. Daniel Morrelle.
Rev. J. B. Cheshire, D. D.	Rev. T. S. W. Mott.
Rev. Edwin Geer.	Rev. J. H. Tillinghast.
Rev. F. W. Hilliard.	Rev. A. A. Watson.
Rev. W. C. Hunter.	Rev. W. R. Wetmore.

There were present of the Laity:

John A. Williams, C. T. Haigh, C. B. Mallett, E. J. Hale, James Kyle, Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Rob't Strange, Thos. H. Hardin, C. P. Mallett, Allmand A. McKay, John Wilkes, Charles Ibbertson, Col. S. L. Fremont, and Col. W. L. DeRosset.

At 10½ o'clock A. M. the Council adjourned for Public Worship. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Hilliard and Kidney; the Ante-Communion Service by the Bishop and the Rector. The Sermon was preached by Rev. A. A. Watson, from St. Matt., xiii. 52. The Communion was adminis-

tered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Kidney and Huske. An offering of \$215 was made for the Relief Fund.

After Divine Service, the Council was again called to order, when, upon discovering that there was no quorum of either Clergy or Laity present, it was, on motion, adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. Friday.

In the Evening, a Sermon was preached by the Rev. John S. Kidney, from Luke xiii., 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

#### FRIDAY, MAY 15.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayers were said by the Bishop.

Rev. F. M. Hubbard, D. D., Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D., Rev. I. Harding, Rev. N. C. Hughes, Rev. R. B. Sutton, and Messrs. H. A. London, J. H. Haughton, John Manning, L. J. Haughton, Dr. Noah Jeyner, John Morgan, W. H. Lippitt, Hon. D. M. Barringer and John E. Lippitt appeared and took seats in the Council.

A quorum having been found present, the Council was declared organized.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read, and, after some discussion, were approved.

Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D., was elected President of the Council by resolution, on the unanimous consent of the Council.

W. N. Tillinghast was elected Secretary by ballot.

The Bishop announced the regular Committees, viz:

*On the State of the Church*—Rev. Messrs. R. S. Mason, D. D., F. M. Hubbard, D. D., E. Geer, J. Buxton, J. C. Huske.

*Finance*—Rev. J. B. Cheshire, D. D., Rev. F. W. Hilliard, C. T. Ingraham, Dr. A. J. DeRosset, John H. Haughton.

*Canons*—Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. T. S. W. Mott, Rev. R. B. Sutton, Rob't Strange, Hon. D. M. Barringer.

*New Congregations*.—Rev. W. R. Wetmore, Rev. A. A. Benton, Col. S. L. Fremont.

*Elections*—Rev. W. C. Hunter, Rev. I. Harding, E. J. Hale.

*Unfinished Business*—Rev. J. H. Tillinghast, Rev. Dan'l Morrelle, L. J. Haughton.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That at the next Convention to be held in the U. S. A., all Candidates for Orders, and all members of past Conventions of this License, be invited to occupy seats in the Council.

Rev. J. S. Kidney of S. C., and Mr. Josiah Collins took seats.

The Bishop read his Annual Address, as follows:

#### BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

We have just reason to thank God that we are permitted to meet together again, to consult for the interests of our branch of His Church, with many of the sad forebodings of the past year unfulfilled, and with a much more cheering prospect for the future, than it seemed reasonable at that time to entertain. During the interval we have suffered much, and have lost many precious lives, but the tide of invasion has been stayed and has indeed begun manifestly to ebb; and the blessing which for two dark years we have been praying for, that is, a speedy, a just and honorable, and a lasting Peace, seems, in the mercy of God, more likely to be vouchsafed us.

During the year since my last report, I have confirmed—

At Chapel Hill, on three occasions, 14 persons—2 colored.

At Gwinn's Chapel, in Yadkin county, 3.

At the Church of St. John the Baptist, Watauga county, 5.

At the Missionary Station in Mitchell county, 3.

At Lenoir, 1.

At Morganton, 4.

At Calvary Church, Henderson county, 1.

At St. John's in the Wilderness, in the same county, 1.

At St. James's, Hendersonville, 1.

At St. Paul's in the Valley, in Transylvania county, 1.

At Asheville, 4.

At Rutherfordton, 1.

At Shelby, 1.

At Lincolnton, 3—1 colored.

At Charlotte, 13—1 colored.

At Christ Church, Rowan county, 1.

At St. Andrew's, Rowan, 2.

At Huntsville, 2—1 colored.

At Germanton, 3.

At Oxford, 4.

At Warrenton, 13.

At Clinton, 4.

At Fayetteville, 3.

At St. Mark's, Deep River, 3.

At Pittsborough, 8.

At Hillsborough, 5—3 colored.

At St. Mary's Chapel, Raleigh, 14.

At Christ Church, Raleigh, 21—4 colored.

At Louisburg, 4.

At Henderson, 2.

At Williamsborough, 4.

At Gaston, 2.

At Jackson, 2.

At Woodville, Bertie county, 3.

At Windsor, 3—2 colored.

At Scotland Neck, 1.

At Tarborough, 4.

At Wilson, 1.

At Goldsborough, 3.

At St. James's, Wilmington, 3.

At St. John's, Wilmington, 7—of whom 1 was colored.

The whole number of Confirmations during the year has been one hundred and seventy-eight, of whom fifteen were colored.

During the same time I have baptized two adults, colored, and nineteen infants, five of whom were colored. Besides these, I have administered Baptism in St. James's Church, Wilmington, which I shall report in another form. I have officiated at four funerals in other Parishes than my own. One of the persons over whom I performed this last service had been many years ago under my ministerial care, when I was Rector of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore. She was Mrs. Eliza Moore, wife of the Rev. James Moore now of St. Paul's Church, Louisburg. Providence led my steps to her husband's Parish on the day of her funeral, and thus gave me the melancholy satisfaction of showing my respect for her in the performance of

this last duty, and of learning that she had died as she lived, good and gentle and patient and devout.

I have officiated at one marriage, besides those in St. James's Parish. I have preached during the year about one hundred and fifty sermons, and administered the Holy Communion more than forty times.

On the 17th of May last I received to the Order of Deacons, in the Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill, Thomas B. Haughton. The candidate was presented by the Rev. George Patterson, and the sermon preached by me.

On the 21st of September, in St. Luke's Church, Lincolnton, I received to the Order of Priests the Rev. William R. Wetmore, now Rector of that Parish. The Rev. S. C. Roberts read Morning Prayer, the Rev. Thomas G. Haughton presented the candidate, and the Rev. George B. Wetmore preached the sermon. These brethren also united with me in the laying on of hands.

On March the 22d, at St. John's Church, Fayetteville, I admitted to the same holy office the Rev. Angelo Ames Benton. Prayers were read by the Rev. Mr. Sutton, the candidate presented by the Rev. Mr. Huske, and the sermon preached by myself,—the two brethren above-named uniting with me in the laying on of hands.

On the 22d of August I consecrated the Church of St. John the Baptist, in Watauga county,—the Rev. Mr. Skyles reading Prayers and the sentence of Consecration, and I preaching the sermon. The Church (Gothic, and with windows of stained glass,) would be anywhere a pleasing object, but in that sequestered and picturesque spot, with the bright waters of the Watauga washing the foot of the hill on which it is built, and the high mountains standing as a guard around it, it is a touching and appropriate memorial of that man of God, the Rev. Mr. Skyles, to whom its erection was so long a darling object, and by whose unrelaxing efforts this was at length accomplished. He was one whom we all loved and honored for his humility, his self-denial, his diligence, his affectionate temper towards his fellow-men, his unwearied zeal in the service of his Master. He was permitted to live until he saw the Church consecrated and some of the living fruits of his self-denying

labors gathered in. From that day he never saw it again, and a few months after he was carried to worship, we may be well assured, in a much more stately Temple, with a much more numerous and illustrious congregation, even the General Assembly and Church of the first-born, whose names are written in Heaven.

On the 23d of September, I consecrated St. Peter's Church, Charlotte. This was also a subject of congratulation. The former Church had been so small, that it was scarcely possible that a self-supporting congregation could be gathered together in it. The new building, much more spacious, and appropriate to the worship of God, had brought a heavy burden of debt on a feeble congregation, which they were gradually paying off, but which seemed likely to incumber them for some years longer, when the liberality of John Wilkes, Esq. induced him to discharge what remained due, and thus enable me to consecrate the Church. On that occasion, Messrs. T. G. Haughton and Staudenmayer read Prayers, and Dr. Curtis, whose early labors our congregation in Charlotte owed its origin, read the sentence of consecration of the new building which attested its progress, and I preached the sermon. The Rector, Mr. Everhart, and Messrs. George B. and William R. Wetmore, and Mr. Roberts, also took part in the services.

On the 23d of April, I consecrated St. Timothy's Church, Wilson. This Church was erected two or three years ago, in this new and flourishing village, where there were but a few members of our Communion, and it reflects credit on their zeal and their good taste. It was, however, still considerably in debt, when the Rev. Mr. Harding, the present Minister of the congregation, requested me this Spring to procure some aid for them, so as to prepare the Church for consecration at my then approaching visitation. I stated the case in a number of Parishes, and the response was so liberal, that when I reached Wilson I found that considerably more money had been contributed than was needed to pay the debt. A portion of this I thought it right to appropriate to another Church in similar circumstances. I performed the consecration on the day of my visitation, Dr. Cheshire reading Prayers and Mr. Harding the sentence of consecration, and I preaching the sermon.

During the year two candidates for Deacons' Orders have been received, viz: Edward Payson Hall and Benjamin L. Perry, and one, John James Bishop, has been dismissed at his own request, his health being too feeble to enable him to perform the duties of the Ministry. Another, Thomas B. Haughton, has been ordained. The present number is eight, viz: Robert Walker Anderson, Edward Wooten, Gerard Phelps, John T. Cooke, Horace G. Hilton, Matthias M. Marshall, Edward Payson Hall and Benjamin L. Perry.

I lament that I cannot say, as I was enabled to do at our last meeting, that during the past year we have lost none of our Clergy. On the contrary, we have to deplore, during the last twelve months, the removal from among us of three of the most faithful, the most useful and the most respected of our number. The first called home by our Master was the Rev. George Benton. When ordained to the Ministry, he had manifested his zeal by going forth as a Missionary to Greece. On returning to this country, he came to labor in this Diocese, and was settled at the village of Rockfish where he continued till his death. He was a man of unusual learning, of great modesty, and of truly primitive, indeed almost ascetic self-denial and piety. Living as he did in the midst of a manufacturing population, whose habits of thought were so remote from his own, and his manners too being marked by a good deal of reserve, it might have been reasonably anticipated that he would accomplish but little good among them. But the result was strikingly otherwise. They respected his piety, they probably admired his learning, and they could not but be grateful to him for his care for their bodily as well as their spiritual welfare, for he was their physician and nurse as well as their Minister. The result was, that many who on their first acquaintance with him knew but little of Christ, and less of His Church, were led under his guidance to the blessed knowledge of our Lord, and to communion with His Church. Mr. Benton closed his exemplary life by a calm and serene death, in the bosom of his family, at peace with the world and in the full hope of everlasting life.

In a few months more another of our brethren fell, who was well known and honored, not only throughout our Diocese

but throughout the Church in our whole country. It was Dr. Drane, of St. James's, Wilmington. Yellow fever in its most virulent form had, for the first time for many years, visited that town. Remarkable as he had ever been for his attention to his flock, he became doubly assiduous in that distressing time, and especially, as I have reason to know, to the poor and friendless, carrying with his own hand, day by day, the nourishment and the little comforts which they needed and which he had it in his power to supply. In the midst of this career of Ministerial fidelity and Christian charity, he was himself stricken down, and after a few days' illness, borne with his usual fortitude and faith, he died. Wilmington has many citizens who are honored and respected, and some of the chief of these she lost in that season of pestilence, but none of the living and none of the dead could have been removed with deeper and more universal grief than followed the death of Dr. Drane. He had been the Rector of St. James's Church, with but a short intermission, for eight and twenty years. Living among a people many of whom he had baptized, not a few of whom he had married, many of whom he had comforted in sickness and trouble, all of whom he had instructed in the Christian faith ably and successfully; distinguished too as he was for his powers as a preacher, the soundness of his judgment, his unwearied diligence as a pastor, and his consistency to principle, his loss will be felt for years in his congregation and in the community. No successor, whatever his qualities may be, can adequately fill his place at once, for confidence, such as was felt towards him, is a plant of slow growth. In this body we shall be very sensible of the loss of his counsels and his labors. May God raise up others to supply, as far as may be, the gaps thus made in our ranks. For we have another loss to deplore, which leaves a vacuum which it will be hard to fill up. It is that of the Rev. W. W. Skiles, to whose death I have already referred. He was a true Missionary, humble, patient, laborious and affectionate.—not despising the day of small things, and still less despising any human soul, however rude and ignorant and sin-stained that soul might be. Long will the dwellers in the valleys and forests of that wild mountain region miss their faithful Pastor, who was at the



same time their physician, their counsellor and their familiar friend. It is a consolation to know that his last days were cheered by the respect and affection and christian sympathy of the family of Colonel Palmer of Mitchell county, whose house was a second home to him—his established residence being with his tried friend, Mr. George N. Evans of Watauga.

While speaking of the Clergy of the Diocese who have been taken from us during the year, and whose absence from this Council we deplore, I cannot but think of a Layman whose vacant place will be seen by us all with like regret. I refer to Mr. Edward L. Winslow, for so many years the Secretary of this body. You all know the diligence and faithfulness and uniform courtesy with which he discharged those duties. They were indeed, to him, pleasures, for he loved the Church, and it was a gratification to him to perform his accustomed labors in her service. He was one of the few persons of whom, I believe, it may be truly said, that he had many friends and no enemy.

Within the last few days intelligence has reached us of another death, in which we have to lament the removal of a very good and very able man, not immediately connected with this Diocese, but well known and greatly esteemed within it. It is that of Bishop Otey. Although a native of Virginia, he received his education mainly in this State, and was ordained here by Bishop Ravenscroft, whom he especially venerated and whose principles of Churchmanship he firmly held. Exercising his Ministry in Tennessee, he was soon made Bishop of that Diocese, in which the Church had then hardly more than the shadow of an existence. For many years, under great discouragements, he labored, not only there, but in Mississippi, in Arkansas, and I believe in Alabama and Louisiana. In Tennessee his work was beginning greatly to prosper, when this cruel war commencing, his Parishes were broken up, his Clergy scattered, and diseases, under which his naturally herculean constitution had long labored, accumulating upon him and becoming more intense, he received at length the summons from his Master to enter into His Rest. We may well pray to God to send his deeply afflicted Diocese another Chief Minister, as able, as laborious and as faithful as him whom she has just lost.

But reverting to the list of our Clergy, I have to add, that while we have lost three during the past year, we have in the same period gained one by ordination, the Rev. Thomas B. Haughton, and one by accession from another Diocese, the Rev. Robert E. Terry from New York.

In consequence of the state of the country, Mr. Terry could not bring with him the usual Letters Dimissory, and it was the judgment of the House of Bishops, at the late General Council in Augusta, that under the circumstances these ought not to be demanded. The present number of the Clergy is therefore fifty-two.

Of these, Messrs. Wainwright and Gallagher are not within the State; Messrs. FitzGerald, Geer, T. B. Haughton, Murphy, Patterson, Tillinghast and Vaughan are Chaplains in the Confederate Army. The Rev. A. A. Benton has taken charge of Christ Church, Rockfish, in the place of his father, the Rev. George Benton. The post thus vacated, of Missionary in Pitt and Wilson counties, has been filled by the Rev. Israel Harding, who was compelled by the invasion of the enemy to leave his Parish in Beaufort county. The Rev. Charles T. Bland has resigned the charge of the Church of the Redeemer, Shelby, and taken that of Calvary Church, Wadesborough. The Rev. William R. Wrenmore, recently officiating at Newbern, has become Rector of St. Luke's, Lincolnton, and the Church of the Redeemer, Shelby. The Rev. J. B. Colboun has resigned St. Stephen's, Oxford. The Rev. A. A. Watson has become my Assistant in St. James's Church, Wilmington. The Rev. Robert E. Terry is Rector of St. John's Church, Wilmington; and, as I have just intimated, I have also thought it best to assume myself a Parochial charge during the last few months. It is that of St. James's Church, Wilmington, vacated by the death of Dr. Drane. When a Presbyter in another Diocese, I had been led by observation and reflection to believe that it was best for a Bishop to have a Church of his own, and this conviction had been deepened when I had had the duties of that office imposed on me. A Bishop has Diocesan acts to perform, and he ought not to be made dependent on the courtesy of his Presbyters for a place in which to perform them. He has to ordain, he has sometimes to call spe-

cial meetings of the Council of his Diocese. He should have, if need be, a Church in which to appoint these things to be done. He must spend some time at home to study, to prepare sermons, and if he have a family, to take some charge of it: When at home, he ought to have Ministerial occupation, and if he have no Parish, he must either be without this occupation or he must labor in another man's Parish, which, for a continuance, is very undesirable. A Bishop too, without a Parish, must prepare sermons for people at large, and such sermons are apt to become abstract and unduly controversial, and to lack the earnestness, the directness, the affection, and the practical tone which more properly belong to sermons prepared for a particular congregation. Without a Pastoral charge, too, a Bishop loses the benefit of Pastoral intercourse, and of that sympathy with wounded consciences and suffering hearts, and of that knowledge of the best methods of imparting consolation and instruction, which direct intercourse with the tempted, the penitent and the afflicted alone can give. Nor is it a slight consideration, that if he experience nothing of the trials of his Clergy, he is apt to lose sympathy with them also, and be less fitted to be their counsellor and spiritual father. On these grounds, I have long believed that it was best for a Diocese, as well as the Bishop, that he should not cease to be a Pastor when he becomes Chief Pastor. I see but one objection to such an arrangement, that is, that it may occupy too much of his time and diminish the portion which he would otherwise give to his Diocese at large. Against this evil I have endeavored to guard by express stipulation with the Vestry of St. James's, who indeed were themselves anxious to avoid it, and by procuring the valuable assistance in the Parish of the Rev. Mr. Watson, so thoroughly known in the Diocese that it is hardly necessary for me to say that he is well fitted to take charge of any Parish in it.

In the course of last November, I attended the General Council of the Church in the Confederate States, which met at Augusta, Georgia. That body with great unanimity adopted the Constitution proposed by the preliminary meeting in Columbia, S. C., and which had been ratified by this Council at our meeting in May last. It also adopted with some modifi-

cations the Code of Canons prepared by the Committee appointed for that purpose, and which was also before us. The meeting was especially harmonious, and gave us additional reason to believe that the favor of God rested on our efforts to build up for Him a spiritual Temple within the limits of this new Nationality.

There are two subjects, closely connected with the welfare of the Diocese, to which I wish to direct your thoughts before concluding this communication. First, to suggest to the Laity of the Diocese generally, what some of them have already given attention to and bestowed proper action on, that is, the expediency, not to say necessity, of contributing articles in kind to the support of the Clergy, in addition to their pecuniary salary. We all know that in our present currency, a salary of a thousand dollars is not more than equivalent to one of two hundred and fifty or three hundred in ordinary times. It is clear, then, that if the Clergy have nothing but their former money salaries to depend on, they must look elsewhere for a support. I was gratified to find, during my recent visitation, that quite a number of the Parishes had adverted to this and made provision for the wants of their Ministers in the way that I now recommend. This needs only to be done universally and systematically, and the burdens of the war will thus be prevented from pressing unduly on a class whose means are not abundant even in prosperous times.

The other subject, to which I am anxious to have your thoughts especially directed, is the necessity of making provision for the training of young men for the Ministry. A large part of our present body of Clergy came to us originally from the North, and we have none more useful, more respected, and whom we could less afford to lose than these. But that supply must now be expected to cease. Clergymen from a country now hostile to us will not desire to come to us, nor would they be cordially received should they come. We at the South, then, must train our own Clergy. But for this we need Theological Schools. We cannot afford to have an ignorant Clergy; it would be our ruin, perhaps, at any time, certainly in this age of innovation and abundant heresy, when, especially, the Faith once delivered to the saints needs to be earnestly

contended for. And, without systematic instruction, the greater part of men will never acquire learning. Individuals may, who have a peculiar thirst for knowledge and a peculiar aptitude to learn, but not men generally. The candidates for orders from this Diocese, who have desired to enjoy the benefits of a Theological School, have heretofore usually obtained them at the Seminary in New York. From this, too, we are now cut off by war, and in all probability permanently cut off by political alienation. We need, then, a Seminary, and in this Diocese we need one in which shall be distinctly and explicitly taught those principles of Evangelical truth and Apostolic order ever held in the Diocese, and which the irreverence and lawlessness of the times, both in religion and in civil polity, make still more precious to us, because we believe these evils to have been mainly brought about by the denial or forgetfulness of these salutary truths, and, under God, to be only capable of correction by their diffusion and inculcation. The conclusion, then, to which I have come, is, that to fulfil our duty to Christ and His Church in this Diocese, we ought to endeavor to establish such a School of the Prophets. And we have already a great advantage in its establishment, in possessing a beautiful and extensive building with ten or twelve acres of land in the town of Asheville, in one of the most healthy and delightful regions of country on this continent, which property had been bestowed on the Diocese by contributions solicited thereto mainly by the Rev. Mr. Buxton, who had long cherished the earnest desire to establish in that part of the State a Diocesan School of Classical and Theological learning. The sum of \$2800 or \$2900 was, however, still due on this property, and I was about making an effort to raise it, and anxiously meditating on the whole subject, when unexpectedly, and I believe Providentially, I received a letter from Dr. Cheshire, informing me that Mrs. Martha Clark, of Trinity Church, Scotland Neck, a devout and liberal christian lady, had placed in his hands \$2000 for religious education in this Diocese. Through him, I suggested this object to her, which she entirely approved, and I have thereby had it in my power to release the property at Asheville to a great extent from debt, and as soon as means are provided for sustaining such a School, it

can be immediately set in motion. I beg leave to recommend this whole subject to the earnest consideration of the Council and the Diocese, and to urge upon all the servants of the Great Master in this part of His household, to whom he has entrusted one, two or ten talents, that here is a work of great and unquestionable usefulness, directly tending to His glory and the welfare of His Church, in which they may, beneficially to themselves and acceptably to Him, use some part of that treasure, be it much or little, which He has committed to their stewardship.

THOMAS ATKINSON.

On motion, the Bishop's Address was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

On motion, that part of the Bishop's Address relating to a Theological Seminary was referred to a Committee of five, to be appointed by the Chair.

On motion,

Resolved, That the reading of the Parochial Reports be dispensed with, and that they be referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

The Committee on Elections made their Report, as follows, which, with the recommendation, was concurred in:

The Committee on Elections report: That the Parish of Trinity Church, Asheville, has furnished a list of Delegates certified by the Rector of said Parish. That the Parish of St. Thomas's, Windsor, has furnished a list of Delegates not certified by either the Secretary of the Vestry or the Rector, but evidently in the handwriting of the Rector and appended to his Parochial Report; and that the Parish of St. Luke's, Salisbury, has furnished a list of Delegates certified by the Rector of the Parish. The Committee offer the resolution, that the Delegates whose elections are certified as above stated be considered as regular Delegates to this Council, and that their names be entered as such upon the Journal.

W. C. HUNTER, Ch'n.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported as follows:

The Committee on Unfinished Business have had the subject under consideration and beg leave to submit the following: They have carefully examined the Journal of the last Convention and find no unfinished business.

J. H. TILLINGHAST.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to report what alterations are required in the Canons of this Diocese to make them conform to the present organization and relations of the Diocese.

The Report of the Committee on Church Building, appointed at the Convention of 1860, which was made to Convention of 1862 and ordered to be published, and acted upon at the Convention of 1863, was read, and, on motion, was laid on the table. [For Report, see Journal of 1862.]

The Treasurer of the Convention presented his Report. On motion.

Resolved, That the Report of the Treasurer be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Council adjourn until 4 o'clock P. M.

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The Chair announced the Committee on that part of the Bishop's Address relating to the establishment of a Theological School, viz: Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D., Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. J. B. Cheshire, D. D., Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Mr. John H. Haughton.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Council go into the election of the Committees and the Trustees of the University of the South.

The following were chosen:

*Education Committee*—Rev. A. A. Watson, Messrs. J. G. Burr and P. K. Dickinson.

*Trustees of the University of the South*—Rev. M. A. Curtis, D. D., Hon. Thomas Ruffin and Dr. A. J. DeRosset.

*Standing Committee*—Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D., Rev. A. Smedes, D. D., Rev. F. M. Hubbard, D. D., G. W. Mordecai and Hon. J. H. Bryan.

*Executive Missionary Committee*—Rev. J. C. Huske and Rev. A. A. Benton, Messrs. C. T. Haigh, C. B. Mallett and R. P. Buxton.

On motion, the Council adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M., Saturday.

In the Evening, Rev. Dr. Hubbard preached a Sermon, from John xvi., 33.

SATURDAY, MAY 16.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayers were said by the Bishop.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on Finance asked leave to withdraw.

Rev. T. S. W. Mott was called to the Chair by the Bishop.

The Executive Missionary Committee made their Report, as follows:

The Executive Missionary Committee submit the following statement, as showing the sources from which the Fund under their charge has been derived during the last year, the purposes for which it has been expended, and the present condition of the Fund:

Balance on hand, May 1862,		\$883 52
Amount received at last Convention,		885 50
Collections by the Bishop,		855 30
Dividend on C. F. Bank stock,		120 00
Donations,		343 25
Amount received from Parishes since Conv'n,		3145 70
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		\$5713 27
Amount paid Missionaries,	\$3108 33	
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Balance,		\$2599 94

The amount received by the Treasurer since the last Convention is unusually large, the greater part of that sum having been sent in since the first of last January. It will be observed that it amounts to more than half of the whole sum which has been at the disposal of the Committee. This fact gives reason to hope that, as the difficulties and trials of the Missionaries increase, under the severity of the times, the Church is resolved not to diminish her efforts to sustain them—not to withdraw from them any of the small portion which they have heretofore received. This indeed is something, but yet your Committee respectfully suggest, that it is not all which the times call upon the Church to do. This does not enable the Committee to increase the amount heretofore given to each Missionary, which they would be most happy to do if the fund in their hands would allow. The expense of living is increased four or five-fold, at least, in every part of our Diocese. How then shall they, who are living on peace salaries, meet this additional expense of living? Clergymen expect to endure privations of usual comforts in such times as these, in order to avoid *debt*, an incubus to any man, but a crushing incubus to a Clergyman. But Clergymen and their families must have meat and bread, a sufficiency of which they can hardly buy upon old salaries. The case is plain. The need of increased contribution is great, it is imperative, if we would



keep our Missionaries in the comfortable, nay indispensable, dignity of being free from debt. We say indispensable, for no Clergyman can make full proof of his Ministry who, from whatever cause, is hampered with debt. While they, therefore, economize in every possible way to avoid debt, let the Church give more liberally to save them from unjust want. Let the Church support her faithful Clergy; for they are her support. Their faithful Ministry is her honor and her comfort, and the means of her prosperity in the world and of eternal life hereafter.

J. C. HUSKE.

The Committee on Finance made their Report, as follows:

The Finance Committee respectfully report, that they have audited the Treasurer's accounts and find them correct and verified by proper vouchers. They find the following balances now in the Treasurer's hands, viz:

Cash on hand belonging to Fund for support of Episcopate,	\$1313 62
Missionary Fund,	2599 94
Relief Fund,	1147 05
Permanent Relief Fund,	433 65
Permanent Fund for support of Episcopate,	100 00

The Committee have the satisfaction of reporting to the Council, that although many of the Eastern Parishes, being in possession of the enemy, have been unable to send in their assessments, yet the increased contributions from the other Parishes have supplied this deficiency and fully sustained the operations of the Church.

As no application has been made for any change in the present Scale of Assessments, the Committee recommend the adoption of the same for the ensuing year.

The Committee have examined the Report of the Education Committee and find their accounts correct. The present balance in their hands is \$255 94. They recommend that the funds for this object be placed hereafter in the hands of the Treasurer of the Diocese, as required by the 4th section of Canon 8th.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, Ch'n.

F. W. HILLIARD.

C. T. HAIGH.

A. J. DEROSSET.

JNO. H. HAUGHTON.

On motion, C. T. Haigh was declared unanimously elected Treasurer of the Diocese.

The Bishop resumed the Chair.

On motion, the Council went into an election of Delegates to the General Council of the P. E. Church in the C. S. A.

*Delegates Elected*—Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D., Rev. F. M. Hubbard, D. D., Rev. J. C. Huske, Hon. W. H. Battle, Dr. A. J. DeRosset and R. H. Smith.

*Alternate Delegates*—Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. J. B. Cheshire,

D. D., Rev. Edwin Geer, Kemp P. Battle, Hon. J. H. Bryan, Robert Strange.

The Bishop and Standing Committee made the following Report:

The Bishop and Standing Committee, having been requested by the Convention of last year to prepare such alterations and amendments as may be necessary to make the Constitution of this Diocese conform to the condition of the Diocese, as being now in union with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Confederate States, the undersigned beg leave to report, that the only alterations necessary in the Constitution of the Diocese for the above purpose are the following: That in the 1st Article the words "Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America" be stricken out, and the words "Protestant Episcopal Church in the Confederate States of America" be inserted.

And secondly, that the word "Convention," wherever it occurs in the Constitution of the Diocese, be stricken out, and the word "Council" inserted.

THOMAS ATKINSON.  
R. S. MASON.  
F. M. HUBBARD.

On motion, the Council adjourned until 4 o'clock P. M.

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Rev. F. FitzGerald appeared and took a seat.

On motion,

Whereas, the Church of this Diocese, by the vote of its Convention at Chapel Hill in May 1862, did ratify the Constitution then proposed for the government of the P. E. Church in the C. S. A., and is now one of the Dioceses comprising said Church, thereby rendering necessary certain verbal alterations in the Constitution of the Diocese to adapt it to the new condition in which we are placed: Therefore

Resolved. That the Secretary be instructed to prepare and publish, under the direction of the Bishop of this Diocese, with the Journals of this Council, a copy of the Constitution, with the alterations as contained in the Report of the Bishop and Standing Committee on this subject.

This resolution was passed by a vote by Orders—Clergy: Ayes 11, Noes 5; Laity, Ayes 10, Noes 1.

The Committee on Canons submitted the following Report and Resolutions:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the inquiry as to what alterations in the Canons of the Diocese are necessary in order to

make them correspond to the Constitution and Canons of the General Council, respectfully report the following resolutions, viz:

1st. That the word "Council" be substituted for "Convention" wherever the latter occurs.

2d. That all references to the Canons of the General Convention be stricken out.

3d. Whereas, by Art. III of the Constitution of the Church in the Confederate States, the representation of each Diocese is limited to three Clerical and three Lay Deputies: That Canon XII of our own Diocese be amended by the insertion of the word "three" in the place of the word "four," so as to read: "There shall be elected three Clerical and three Lay Deputies to the said General Council, who shall be, in accordance with Art. III of the Constitution of the General Council, 'Communicants in this Church and residents in the Diocese.'" And again: There may also be appointed three Alternate Clerical and three Alternate Lay Deputies, subject to the same provisions as the original Deputies above-mentioned.

The Committee further recommend the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the phraseology of the Rules of Order, and also that of the legal Forms appended to the Journal, be amended by the substitution of the word "Council" for the word "Convention" wherever the latter occurs.

The Committee further beg leave to recommend the amendment of Sec. 2 of Canon XX, so as to read as follows, viz: Each Clerical Deputy to the General Council, actually attending the same, shall be entitled to have his necessary expenses, incurred by such attendance, paid out of the funds of the Diocese. And the Treasurer of the Diocese is hereby directed to pay the same, &c. &c.

The resolutions were put to vote seriatim, and carried unanimously.

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address relating to a Theological Seminary made the following Report:

The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address recommending the establishment of a Diocesan Theological Seminary, beg leave to report: That in their opinion the early establishment of such a Seminary is greatly to be desired for many reasons: 1. It is, without doubt, highly important that the candidates for Orders in this Diocese should receive a sound and extensive Theological education, for "the Priest's lips should keep knowledge," that he may be able the more faithfully and perfectly to instruct those committed to his charge, as well as to defend the faith once delivered to the saints.

The opportunities for such extensive and thorough instruction have been hitherto very limited. Such of our candidates as could do so, before the separation of the Southern Confederacy from the Northern States, resorted to the General Theological Seminary in New York, to be benefited by the able instruction imparted there; but the number who availed themselves of this advantage was small in proportion to the number of our candidates—the greater part receiving only such instruc-

tion as could be imparted by the Rector of the Parish in which the candidate resided. But any benefit which has been hitherto, or might have been hereafter, received from the learned Professors of that excellent institution, the General Theological Seminary, we are now entirely deprived of; and we must at present resort to one of these three courses, either to be satisfied with such instruction as can be imparted to our candidates by Parochial Ministers, which, for many reasons, (not necessary to be enumerated but among which may be mentioned two prominent ones, the want of leisure on the part of the instructor, and the want of an extensive library, not commonly found among the Parochial Clergy,) must necessarily be imperfect; or, secondly, we must be indebted for the Theological instruction of our young students of divinity to such neighboring Dioceses as are already in possession of these "schools of the prophets." But, in such case, this Diocese would have no influence in the direction of the affairs of such seminary or in the control of its system of instruction. There remains, then, but a third course necessarily to be pursued, the providing among ourselves for the instruction of our own students. The Committee beg leave, therefore, to offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, That it is highly expedient that a Theological Seminary for this Diocese be established as soon as possible.

Resolved, 2dly. That the Bishop be requested to adopt such measures as he may deem most expedient for accomplishing the said object, and among them the appointment of an agent for soliciting contributions from the members of the Church in this Diocese.

Resolved, That the Rectors of the several Parishes in the Diocese are hereby requested to present this object of a Theological Seminary to the favorable consideration of their respective congregations.

On behalf of Committee.

R. S. MASON, Ch'n.

The resolutions thereto appended were adopted.

The Committee appointed at the Convention of 1862, to whom was referred a resolution for promoting the efficiency and extension of the Church, made the following Report:

The Committee appointed to devise measures for practically carrying out the object of the resolutions on the subject of Deacons, respectfully report:

This is an Order in the Church somewhat intermediate between the other Clergy and the people. Their qualifications and duties are set forth in Holy Scripture, and conformably the Church declares in the Ordinal what appertaineth to the office of a Deacon.

First, he is to assist the Priest in Divine Service. Without that assistance, the Priest, if the Rector of a large Parish, is often overburdened, and without reasonable freedom to observe and attend to the occasional necessities of those not present always at worship. And with it the effect of his sickness or absence is less inconvenient. An Assistant Presbyter will not serve the purpose, because there are peculiar and subordinate duties specially assigned to the Deacon. As a Minister that waiteth on his ministering, he is a help to him that ruleth with diligence.

Also, the Deacon is to read Homilies and Holy Scripture in the Church. This must be besides the present ordinary services and preaching, and affords means of effecting something more for instruction than can be done by the usual Sunday preaching, furthering that which is intended by weekly lectures, daily services, or prayer meetings. And thus are more abundant materials prepared for edifying the body of Christ which is the Church.

It is also the Deacon's duty to instruct the youth in the Catechism. This signifies not merely to see that they do commit to memory that invaluable synopsis of Christian doctrine and duty, but so to expound the elements of the Faith, and graft them and the precepts of holy living in their minds, with Divine aid, that they grow up to replenish the Church. The instruction of baptized children and youths is a thing lamentably neglected. And this neglect is entirely inconsistent with the declaration that they are members of Christ, children of God, and inheritors of the Kingdom of Heaven. No wonder the doctrine is little regarded in the world when the relationship is slighted in the Church! But how can the Presbyter discharge this duty alone? For this care is due to every baptized, of every degree in life. How many of these grow up without any careful instruction, or with none at all!

Deacons are also to baptize infants in the absence of the Priest. This is a needful thing to provide for.

They are also "to preach when admitted thereto by the Bishop." But since the exercise of this glorious function does not distinguish them from the other Clergy, it is unnecessary to dwell upon it. "And furthermore it is his office, where provision is so made, to search for the sick, poor and impotent people of the parish, to intimate their estates, names and residences unto the curate," &c. This is a thing exactly agreeable to the spirit of the ministrations of Christ when on earth. This is that thing suited to bind the extremes of society together in faith and charity, to call down the blessing of God upon His Church, and compel the unbelieving world to confess that He is with us of a truth. We are aware of no such provision, or not upon so thorough an idea, in any of the organizations of our fellow-christians of the different denominations.

That provision for the function of the Deacon's office would be made, we cannot doubt when we observe the large contributions of our people to charitable objects of different kinds, and to Colporteurs and other religious agents. But by the Scriptural office of the Deacon, beneficent purposes would be carried out more to the furtherance of the sound truth of the Gospel and the abounding of that Heavenly charity towards the poor, without which, we are told, we may give all our goods to feed them and not be profited.

It was the opinion of the celebrated Dr. Arnold (vide Works) that the Church of England could never be restored to its proper universality, or we might say Catholicity, in the comprehension of all classes in that country, without the restoration of the Order of Deacons. And we know that, in the Ancient Church, this Order was much more numerous, useful and influential than now. No code of poor laws, no system of charitable association, ought to be expected to be so efficient as the Church, furnished with her proper Ministers.

In ancient times a Deacon often, perhaps generally, accompanied the Bishop in his visitations, assisted him much and was his almoner.

On the whole, without the restoration of this Order to its proper relation, there appears to be something wanting to the symmetry of the Church's organization. As if it were maimed in the hands though strong in the head and body.

Let us consider some of the objections that may be urged against any strenuous efforts to restore this Order.

1st. It may be said that it may be impracticable. The answer is, first, that we must not say this while we maintain the Order to be of Scriptural institution, and to stand upon a fundamental principle in our polity, and while its specific duties and the solemn vows to perform them are so expressly recorded in the Ordinal. And we now hope to offer recommendations that may lead to the removal of this objection.

2dly. It may be objected that Rectors may not be pleased to have the affections of their flocks shared by other Ministers, or in any way deviated from themselves. But to this we answer, first, that it is the prosperity of the Church and the advantage of the people that is chiefly to be considered; and next, that this is groundless. For esteem and regard need be no less where there is subordination and no rivalry. In temporal armies, affection for the General is not diminished by his having subordinates who are also beloved. Nor will he who marshals the Christian hosts, in either of the higher offices, be less beloved because of assistance by the Deacons in those things which he cannot perform thoroughly himself.

3dly. It will be objected, that every reasonable inducement has been offered to young men to enter the Diaconate in greater number, without good success. To this we answer, first, that we cannot think that this is entirely so. For one great inducement would be the actual spectacle of Deacons performing their proper ministrations. Many might behold then a field of duty, for which they were fitted, and in which they would delight and feel themselves called upon by God to enter it; when now they see no such field open to them. None or few are now fairly invited to become Deacons for the sake of the office, but only as probationers for the Priesthood. There is little of such work as Deacons' work proper doing in the Church by them. But secondly, we anticipate that a restoration of this Order to its true co-operation relative would produce such an increase in the number of well instructed pious youth, very speedily, and in the various conditions of life, that many more would become candidates for the Ministry than do now. The fourth objection is the difficulty of support. But this cannot be so great as is feared, since in some Parishes large contributions by the people of the Church to benevolent objects are made through occasional agents and help to support them; and we trust that that enlargement of the Church and greater charity, which would be produced, would cause the office to be valued and supported abundantly. If the work of the Lord be faithfully done, He will provide.

It is difficult to speak with precision about the propriety of Deacons engaging in secular pursuits. The intimations of Scripture, the practice of the ancient Church, and the sacredness of the office, must be considered. Some secular employments, however, not now thought inconsistent with the dignity of other Clergymen, cannot perhaps be objected to, such as teaching, writing, or agriculture. The discipline of the Church must regulate this.

That there should be an Order of permanent Deacons we think objec-

tionable. First, generally, because it would be invidious, and then, because Holy Scripture expressly says: "They that have used the office of a Deacon will purchase to themselves a good degree."

No one should be debarred from this. And the spirit of Christianity appears directly opposed to the idea of caste, though not to that of rank.

In conclusion, we offer for the consideration of the Council the following resolutions as recommending measures either sufficient in themselves or suggestive of such as will be found so:

1. Resolved, That the testimonials presented by the Deacon for ordination to the Priesthood should be amended by inserting after the words "and moreover," do certify that said A. B. has for the space of — assisted the Rector of — Parish, (or the Bishop,) and hath diligently catechized the young and ministered to the poor and afflicted in said Parish, (or under the direction of the Bishop,) and hath otherwise used the office of a Deacon well, and therefore we think, &c.

2d. Resolved, That the term of the Diaconate, except in certain specified cases, should be three years.

R. H. MASON.

On motion, the resolutions were laid on the table.

On motion of Rev. R. S. Mason, D. D.,

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God, in the course of His Divine Providence, to take from this world the soul of our esteemed Brother, EDWARD L. WINSLOW, for so many years the faithful and exact Secretary of this body:

Resolved, That while we bow with resignation to the will of Him who has removed from us our deceased Brother, this Council cannot but lament the loss of one who was endeared to them by his many Christian virtues, his kindness and courtesy, and his long and faithful services as Secretary of this body.

Resolved, That the Rector of St. John's, Fayetteville, be requested to present a copy of the above resolution to the family of the deceased, and to express to them the sincere sympathy entertained by the members of this body for the loss they have sustained

On motion of Rev. E. Geer,

Whereas, it hath pleased Almighty God, in His inscrutable Providence, to remove from our midst our much loved and deeply lamented Brother, the Rev. ROBERT B. DRANE, D. D., late Rector of St. James's Church, Wilmington: Therefore

Resolved, first, That this Council do deeply sympathize with the Church at large, with the Diocese of North Carolina, and in particular with the Parish of St. James's, to whom he so long and so faithfully ministered, and also, with the family and connections of the deceased, in an affliction so deep, and to human view so much to be deplored by us all.

Second, That in the death of Dr. Drane, the Church, especially in this Diocese, has lost a faithful servant, a dutiful son and a wise councillor; the Clergy a steadfast friend and beloved Brother; his Parish an energetic and devoted Pastor; his family a husband and father, loving and true, and the town of Wilmington a citizen whose place can never be supplied.

On motion of Rev. J. Buxton,

Resolved, That in the death of Rev. GEORGE BENTON, the Church in this Diocese has been called to mourn over the removal from her midst of a good and faithful Minister of Christ. For 17 years the beloved Pastor of Christ Church, Rockfish, he had universally won the affection and confidence of his Christian Brethren by his guileless simplicity of character and zealous devotion to the work of the Ministry. In token of affectionate remembrance, the members of this body do place upon record this tribute to the worth and excellence of their departed Brother, with the prayer added, that "following his good example, they may be partakers with him of the Everlasting Kingdom."

On motion of Rev. H. H. Prout,

Amongst those, the loss of whom the Church in North Carolina mourns, the Council desires to keep in remembrance the name and character of the Rev. W. W. SKILES. His residence in the Western part of the Diocese for nearly eighteen years, and faithful Missionary labors there, the Church refers to with peculiar satisfaction. It has been an illustration of the quiet, discreet, persevering zeal which is most earnestly to be encouraged in her Ministers and Lay members. Therefore the Council Resolves,

1. The calling from us by death of the Rev. W. W. SKILES leaves to us the cheering memory of a very beautiful, genial, guileless Christian character.

2. The Council remembers with thankfulness to the Giver of every good and perfect gift, his blameless zeal, his discreet earnestness and his patient devotion to the work of Diocesan Missions in the mountains of the State.

3. We gather from this, and the like instances of losses of Brethren by death, that our treasures are taken from us and placed on high that there our hearts may be also.

4. As a Council, we implore the Lord of His Church to raise up faithful Ministers to fill the now needy stations left vacant by the removal hence of those we love.

On motion,

Resolved, That the consideration of the resolution adopted at the last Convention, proposing an alteration in Art. V of the Constitution, be postponed to the next Annual Council.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on Church Building, appointed at the Convention of 1860, be taken up.

On motion, the amendments proposed in said Report to Canon VIII, were unanimously adopted, to-wit:

In sec. 1, strike out the word "and" before the words "an Education Committee;" also strike out all after the words "to consist of three," and insert "and a Church Building Committee, to consist of five besides the Bishop, who shall be *ex officio* member and Chairman of said Committees." Also add a new section to said Canon, as follows:



SEC. 5.—*Church Building Committee.*—The Church Building Committee shall have charge of all funds contributed in the Diocese for the purpose of aiding feeble congregations, within the Diocese, in building or repairing Churches, with power to invest or appropriate the same, as may seem to them best: Provided, that there shall be no appropriation of the funds of this Committee towards any building not secured to the sole use of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of North Carolina. The Committee shall be empowered to draw upon the Treasurer of the Diocese for such funds as he may have received for Church Building, and the order of their Chairman shall be his warrant. They shall report annually to the Council their transactions of the preceding year, and the condition of the fund under their control, and shall make such recommendations for the future as may seem to them good.

On motion of Rev. A. A. Watson,

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God to remove from His Church on earth, within a few days, the Rt. Rev. Father in God, JAS. H. OTEY, Bishop of the Diocese of Tennessee:

Resolved, That while recognizing in this dispensation *His hand who "hath done all things well,"* and while believing that the removal of our Rt. Rev. Father was his own eternal gain, we would yet record our sense of the severe loss the Church on earth has sustained, the respect and affection with which all who have known remember him, and our deep sympathy with his bereaved Diocese.

On motion,

Resolved, That the next Annual Council of this Diocese be held on the fourth Wednesday in May 1864, in St. John's Church, Williamsborough.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Secretary cause to be published 500 copies of the Journals of this Council, with the amended Constitution and Canons appended.

On motion,

Resolved, That the resolutions adopted by this Council, relative to the death of the late Bishop Otey, and so much of the Address of the Bishop of this Diocese as refers to the same, be published at the earliest period in the "Church Intelligencer."

On motion,

Resolved, That the Council adjourn until 6 o'clock A. M. Monday, May 18th.

In the Evening, Rev. R. B. Sutton preached the Missionary Sermon, from Matt. xiii., 33. A collection was made amounting to \$405. The Bishop confirmed three persons.

On Sunday Morning, Dr. Mason preached, from Col. iii., 1, 2.

On Sunday Afternoon, Rev. W. C. Hunter preached, from Matt. v., 20.

On Sunday Evening, the Bishop preached, from Rom. xi., 33.

MONDAY, MAY 18—6 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion, the calling of the Roll was dispensed with un-  
animously.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

On motion, the Council went into the election of the Com-  
mittee on Church Building.

*Committee on Church Building*—Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. R.  
E. Terry, Rev. F. W. Hilliard, Hon. S. J. Person, P. K. Dick-  
inson.

On motion, the Rules of Order were unanimously suspended.

On motion,

Resolved, That the resolution fixing the *time* of holding the next  
Annual Council be re-considered.

On motion,

Resolved, That the next Annual Council shall meet on the third  
Wednesday in May 1864.

The Committee on the State of the Church made the follow-  
ing Report:

The Committee on the State of the Church beg leave to make the  
following Report: That, during the past year, as appears from the Bish-  
op's Address and the Parochial Reports, there have been 427 Baptisms,  
namely 294 white and 133 colored infant, and 76 white and 46 colored  
adult; 178 Confirmations; Marriages, 35 white, 27 colored; Funerals  
326 white, 21 colored; Communicants 1945, namely, 1781 white and  
164 colored. There are twelve or fifteen Parishes from which no re-  
port has been received at this Council, which have heretofore reported  
about 600 Communicants. This number, added to the 1945 mentioned  
above, would make the present number of Communicants in the Diocese  
about 2550. There have been three Ordinations, 2 Priests and 1  
Deacon. The present number of Candidates for Orders is 8.

The contributions for various Church objects have amounted to  
\$20,856 71.

It will be seen from this statistical view of the condition of the Church  
in this Diocese that it continues much the same as set forth in the  
Journal of 1862, with the exception that the contributions for religious  
objects during the past have greatly exceeded those of the previous year.

In the view given above of the condition of the Diocese, it will be  
observed no statement has been made of the number of Catechumens,  
because this item of information is entirely omitted in a very great part,  
if not a majority, of the Parochial Reports; and any attempt, therefore,  
to indicate the number in the Diocese must have been erroneous. The  
Committee beg leave to call the attention of the Clergy to this subject.

Among the evils, which the Church in this Diocese has suffered from the present war, one of the severest is the expulsion of so many of her Ministry from their Cures. This evil, however, through the providence of God, has not been without its alleviation. By becoming Chaplains in the Army, the expelled Clergy will be able as in their public duties, so especially on many private occasions of wounds, of diseases, or of the eve of battle, to inculcate under favorable auspices, on the minds of the soldiers, the great truths of our Holy Religion as exhibited in the faith and order of the Church.

Your Committee have heard with great satisfaction the proposal to institute a Theological Seminary in this Diocese, as such an institution must necessarily afford a more perfect training to our Candidates for Orders, to fit them for the discharge of the duties of their holy office, than hitherto it has been possible to afford them.

R. S. MASON, Ch'n.

The Standing Committee made the following Report:

The Standing Committee respectfully submit the following Report of their proceedings during the past Conventional year:

On August 30, 1862, testimonials were signed on behalf of the Rev. Wm. R. Wetmore, desiring Priests' Orders.

On Nov. 8, 1862, testimonials were signed on behalf of Edward Payson Hall, recommending him to be received as a candidate for Orders.

On Feb'y 21, 1863, testimonials were signed on behalf of the Rev. Angelo A. Benton, desiring Priests' Orders.

As also on behalf of Benjamin L. Perry, recommending him as a candidate for Orders.

R. S. MASON, Ch'n.

The Minutes of this meeting were read and approved.

On motion, the Council adjourned *sine die*.

W. N. TILLINGHAST, Sec'y

# APPENDIX.

## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

### ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON

Rt. Rev. THOS. ATKINSON, D. D., Rector.  
Rev. A. A. WATSON, Assistant Minister.

Baptisms—Infant, white 13, colored 1; white Adult 1.	15
Confirmations—White,	3
Communicants—About	213
Marriages—White,	5
Funerals—White 26, colored 1,	27
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$350 00
Bishop's salary and contingent fund,	300 00
Relief Fund,	90 00
Parochial objects,	270 25
Other objects,	475 00
	\$1485 25

The above report cannot claim to be accurate, especially in the enumeration of Communicants. The nature of the changes which have taken place within the past year, and the uncertainty attending the removals both into and out of the Parish, have rendered it impossible, in the time we have had, to make the list more than approximately accurate.

By the death of its late Rector, Rev. R. B. Drane, D. D., who, with a brief interval, had ministered for twenty six years at its altar, the Parish has lost a Father deeply beloved and respected, and the Church a most valuable Minister. He fell at his post during the fever of 1862.

THOMAS ATKINSON.

ALFRED A. WATSON.

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

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WILKESBOROUGH.

Baptism—Colored Infant,	1
Communicants—(Same as last year,) white 8, colored 3,	11
Funerals—White 2, colored 1,	3
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$8 00
Missionary Fund,	15 00
Relief Fund,	6 85
	\$29 85

## GWYN'S CHAPEL, WILKES COUNTY.

Confirmations—White 2, colored 1,	3
Marriage—White,	1
Communicants—No. last year, white 12, colored 2; added by first Communion, white 2, colored 1; lost by removal, white 1; present number, white 13, colored 3,	16
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$12 00
Missionary Fund,	10 00
Relief Fund,	5 20
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	\$27 20

## RICHMOND HILL, YADKIN COUNTY.

Communicants—White,	8
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$5 00
Missionary Fund,	9 00
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	\$14 00

## STATESVILLE.

Baptisms—White Infant,	2
Communicants—(Same as last year,) white,	3
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$9 00
Missionary Fund,	15 20
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	\$24 20

## UNION GROVE, IREDELL COUNTY.

Communicants—White,	2
	R. W. BARBER.

## CHRIST CHURCH, ROCKFISH.

Rev. ANGELO A. BENTON, Rector.

Baptisms—White Infant,	4
Catechumens—White,	40
Communicants—(White,) number last year 43; lost by death 1; total now,	42
Marriage—White,	1
Funeral—White,	1
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$10 00
Bishop's salary,	10 00
Parochial objects,	70 55
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	\$90 55

A. A. BENTON.

## CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER, SHELBY.

Rev. C. T. BLAND, late Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 1, colored 4,	5
Catechumens—White 12, colored 6,	18
Confirmation—White,	1
Communicants—White, No. last year 4; added by first Communion 1; total now,	5
Funerals—White,	2

## CALVARY CHURCH, WADESBOROUGH.

Rev. C. T. BLAND, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 1, colored 2,	3
Catechumens—White 26, colored 30,	56
Communicants—No. last year, white 18, colored 3; lost by death, white 1; total now,	20
Funeral—White,	1
Contributions for Parochial objects,	\$44 35

The Report of the Church of the Redeemer, Shelby, is from Dec. 1, 1861, to Dec. 1, 1862, at which time I removed from the Parish.

The Report of Calvary Church, Wadesborough, is from Dec. 1, 1862, to May 6, 1863, the time it has been in my charge. As to the Assessment, it is not yet made up, owing to the unsettled state of affairs; but doubtless will be forwarded before the close of the Council.

C. T. BLAND.

## TRINITY CHURCH, ASHEVILLE.

Rev. JARVIS BUXTON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 7, colored 3; colored Adult 1,	11
Catechumens—White 18, colored 15,	33
Communicants—Added by first Communion 5, by removal 9; lost by death 1, by removal 2; total now, white 34, colored 3,	37
Marriage—White,	1
Funerals—White 3, colored 2,	5
Contributions—Parochial Assessment,	\$60 00
Domestic Missions,	20 00
At Bishop's visitation,	25 95
To sufferers at Wilmington,	25 00
Parochial objects,	102 00

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 \$232 95

I still visit my Missionary Stations without any change from last year. The Parish at Asheville is indebted to Rev. Mr. Holmes for keeping up the services on the Sundays of my absence.

At Waynesville, Haywood county, 2 Communicants.

At Leicester, Buncombe county, 4 Communicants.

At Reems' Creek, Buncombe county, 1 Communicant.

JARVIS BUXTON.

CALVARY CHURCH, TARBOROUGH.

Rev. JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms—White, Infant 12, colored 1; white Adult 4,	17
Catechumens;	30
Confirmations,	4
Communicants—White 40, colored 3,	43
Marriages,	2
Funerals,	23
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$91 00
Bishop's salary,	50 00
Relief Fund,	14 00
Domestic Missions,	50 00
Church Building Society,	58 00
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	\$263 00

TRINITY CHURCH, SCOTLAND NECK.

Rev. JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 8, colored 8,	16
Catechumens,	15
Confirmation,	1
Communicants—White 65, colored 13,	78
Marriages,	2
Funerals,	15
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$300 00
Bishop's salary,	48 00
Relief Fund,	28 00
Domestic Missions,	200 00
Education Fund,	2000 00
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	\$2576 00

J. B. CHESHIRE.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, OXFORD.

Rev. J. B. COLHOUN, late Rector.

Baptisms—Adult 1, Infant 16,	17
Confirmations,	4
Communicants—Added 4; present number, about	50
Burials,	4
Offerings—For Diocesan Missions exclusive of the Pa-	
rochial Assessments,	\$72 30
For Soldiers' Aid Society,	45 85

Special contributions of North Carolina and Virginia refugees to Rector,	120 00
Communion and weekly offerings,	150 74
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	\$389 09

On Easter Monday, April 6th, I resigned the Rectorship, with the intention of returning to Maryland, from which Diocese I was transferred to North Carolina just before the war. The Parochial Assessments were unprovided for at the date of my resignation, and therefore do not appear in this Report. The support of the Parish, through a time of unexampled difficulty, has been mainly due to the generous and spontaneous contributions of the North Carolina and Virginia refugees who have resided within its limits during the war,—the special offerings named in this Report being but a fractional part of the donations they have made to the Rector through the past year.

J. B. COLHOUN.

### ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH.

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

Baptisms—Infant, white 9, colored 1; colored Adult 1,	11
Catechumens—White,	27
Confirmations—White 2, colored 3,	5
Communicants—White, added by first Communion 3;	
total now,	60
Marriages—White,	3
Funerals—White,	6
Contributions—Diocesan Treasury,	\$260 00
Domestic Missions,	327 70
Confederate Bible Society,	100 00
Parochial and other charities,	1777 17
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	\$2464 87

A Monthly Service is held at Graham, Alamance county.

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

Communicants—White,	8
Contributions—Conventional Assessment,	\$15 00
Additional,	5 00
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	\$20 00

Religious services monthly.

M. A. CURTIS.

### CALVARY CHURCH, HENDERSON COUNTY.

Baptisms—Infant, white 2, colored 31,	33
Confirmation—White,	1
Contributions for Parochial and Missionary purposes, about \$20	
In accordance with the request of the Bishop, I transmit above the	



brief record of the tangible results arising from my services of about six weeks' duration in this Parish last summer. It gave me hearty pleasure to have an opportunity of doing anything, however small, for the cause of Christ and His Church within the limits of my native Diocese. All my observations convince me that the progress of our Church among the indigenous population of the mountains will be exceedingly and tryingly slow; but we can, under God retain and increase the hold already obtained upon the minds of a few among the most intelligent residents; and the Church seems strongly called upon, especially in view of the great conservative reaction in political and other opinions which has guided the existing revolution, and seems likely in time to come to characterize the Southern people, to keep herself and her worship represented and visible over as wide an extent as possible, and with all the zeal and ability which we can command, that God in His good time may cause those whom His grace may predispose and call, to enter in and spiritually abide with us.

THOS. F. DAVIS, Jun.

*REPORT of Rev. Luther Eborn, Deacon.*

Since last Convention my ministerial acts have been confined to Zion Parish, Beaufort county, and St. Thomas's, Bath, under charge of Rev. Mr. Harding. I assisted the Rector in Divine Service until the services were discontinued, since which time I have performed such official duties as occasion called for.

In Zion Parish I have baptized one colored Adult and officiated at two burials. In St. Thomas's, buried two; all of which are included in the regular Parochial Reports.

I also have charge of a small but interesting Sunday School at Zion.

LUTHER EBORN.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, CHARLOTTE.

Rev. GEO. M. EVERHART, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 15, colored 1; Adult, white 4, colored 2,	22
Catechumens—White 30, colored 45,	75
Confirmations—White 12, colored 1,	13
Funerals—White 13, colored 3,	16
Communicants—No. last year 49; added by first Com- munion, white 11, by removal from other Parishes, (chiefly refugees and Government officers and their families,) white 35; lost by death 3, by transfer 1; total now, white 85, colored 6,	91
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$402 50
Relief Fund,	266 50
Charlotte Hospital,	165 00
Church debt discharged by private donation,	945 00

Parochial objects,	573 00
Marble Font, (private donation,)	100 00
Domestic Missions,	20 00
Education Fund,	15 00
Bishop's salary,	15 00

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GEO. M. EVERHART.

*REPORT of Rev. Frederick Fitz-Gerald, Post Chaplain, U. S. A.,  
Raleigh, N. C.*

Since my last Report I have baptized 25 white Adults, 10 white Infants; also 2 negro Adults, and 2 negro Infants. I have buried 60 white Adults, 2 white Infants, and one negro Adult and one negro Infant. I have also to report 2 marriages, (of negroes.)

Since the 22d of May 1861 I have been a Chaplain, either in the Confederate Army or in the Army of North Carolina. During all this time I have performed none of the duties of principal Editor of the Church Intelligencer, to which position I was appointed by the ten Bishops who acknowledge the paper as their organ.

No higher sphere of usefulness can be found, for the good of our beloved country, than that of Chaplain, which I have found a position of many trials, of much labor, of scanty support, though one full of the noblest opportunities for doing good to our brave and suffering soldiers. I have perceived a constant and real improvement in the moral and religious character of our soldiers since the first nine months of the war. I believe that there is far less of vice of every kind in our army than there was one year ago, and far more seriousness and willingness to read God's Word and hear it explained; far more interest in things that appertain to the soul—about that world where *peace* reigns eternal, and the horrid sound of war is never heard. The Church, if she is wise, may derive much benefit from this war. Let as many of her Clergy as possible enter the army and be true and faithful to their duties, and much of the ignorance and prejudice that prevail in regard to her will be done away. Let the Church now call to mind the lamentable mistake she made in the first great Revolution of 1776. While her Clergy thus act, let all her sons and daughters ever importune Heaven, both day and night, for a "speedy, lasting and honorable peace," that the God of Peace may turn our present sorrows into joy.

FREDERICK FITZGERALD,  
Chaplain, C. S. A.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

Rev. EDWIN GEER, Rector.

During the past Conventional year I have been an exile from my Parish, the town being in military possession of the enemy. I have not, however, been altogether idle. Until the first of July I officiated in St. Paul's Church, Greenville. From the first of July until the first of October I officiated in the Parishes of the Rev. Dr. Cheshire, he being

absent for the Summer. From the first of October to the first of January I assisted Dr. Cheshire in Tarborough, reading the Service for him when present, and preaching in his absence. From the first of January to the first of April I aided the Rev. Mr. Harding in St. Timothy's, Wilson. About the first of April I accepted a Chaplaincy in the Army, and since that time I have been acting as Post Chaplain at Wilmington. In Greenville I baptized two Infants and married one couple. In Tarborough I baptized one Adult and nine Infants, and officiated at nine funerals, which, however, will be included in the Parochial Reports from these Parishes. I have also, since I have been in the Army, performed the Burial Service at the funerals of five soldiers.

EDWIN GEER.

### CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY, LEAKSVILLE.

Rev. ED. W. GILLIAM, Rector.

In the Report of this Parish are included the statistics of the Germanton Mission, where the Rector officiates monthly.

Baptisms—White 3, colored 7,	10
Confirmed,	3
Communicants,	32
Burials,	4
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$20 00
Missionary Fund,	29 00
Relief Fund,	15 00
Domestic Missions,	27 00
Foreign Missions,	27 00
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	\$118 00

E. W. GILLIAM.

### *REPORT of Rev. Israel Harding, Missionary, Wilson and Bertie Counties, and parts adjacent.*

On the first of January last I was compelled (by reason of the encroachments of the invaders of our country) to leave my Parishes in Beaufort county, and to take refuge in the town of Wilson, N. C., where, after a short time, I took charge of St. Timothy's Church in that place, and also of St. Paul's Church, Greenville, Pitt county.

The following comprises a statement of my Ministerial acts in the Parishes which have been under my charge during the last Conventional year:

#### ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, BATH.

Baptisms—White Infant,	4
Communicants—White 31, colored 6,	37
Funerals,	4

#### ZION CHURCH, BEAUFORT COUNTY.

Baptisms—Adult, white 1, colored 1,	2
Funerals,	2
Communicants—White 50, colored 4,	54

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, DURHAM'S CREEK.

Baptisms—White, Infant 1, colored 1,	2
Funeral,	1
Communicants—White 11, colored 1,	12
Communicants in Hyde county,	6

These Parishes have suffered greatly by the prevalence of the war, having been deprived of Ministerial services the greater part of the time.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GREENVILLE.

Baptism—White Infant,	1
Communicants,	19
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$15 00
Diocesan Missions,	15 00
Relief Fund,	5 00
Proceeds of Offertory at the Bishop's visitation, for the benefit of the Church in Wilson,	53 00
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	\$88 00

## ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH, WILSON.

Confirmation,	1
Communicants—White,	10
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$4 00
Diocesan Missions,	4 00
Relief Fund,	2 00
Offertory collections,	15 50
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	\$25 50

St. Timothy's Church was consecrated at the Bishop's visitation in April last; and the congregation gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the following sums to aid in razing the debt on the Church, in order for its consecration, which sums were the proceeds of the Offertory at the Bishop's late visitation to those Parishes:

From Fayetteville,	\$117 20	From Woodville,	\$16 95
Chapel Hill,	56 65	Windsor,	22 55
Raleigh,	157 00	Tarborough,	53 45
Henderson,	25 00	Greenville,	53 00
Gaston,	26 50	Marlborough,	70 00
Jackson,	37 85		

ISRAEL HARDING.

*REPORT of Rev. Thos. B. Haughton, Chaplain 50th Reg't N. C. T.*

Since my Ordination at the Convention at Chapel Hill, in May last, I spent some time in Grace Church Parish, Plymouth, but in consequence of the presence of the enemy, I performed there only the following services:

Baptisms—White Infant,	3
Burials,	2

On the 26th of January I accepted an appointment as Chaplain of the 50th Reg't N. C. T., and have since that time been with the Regiment, preaching and laboring in other ways for the good of all, officers and men, as opportunity offered. The only special service which I performed in the Regiment is one Burial.

T. B. HAUGHTON.

### CHAPEL OF THE CROSS, CHAPEL HILL.

Rev. FRANCIS W. HILLIARD, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 5, colored 3; white Adult 2,	10
Catechumens—White 25, colored 50,	75
Confirmations—White 12, colored 2,	14
Communicants—Added by first Communion, white 12, colored 1; present No., white 108, colored 5,	113
Marriages—White 1, colored 3,	4
Funerals—White 3, colored 2,	5
Contributions—Diocesan Missions \$15, Assessment	
Donation \$50,	\$65 00
Bishop's salary,	15 00
Relief Fund,	5 00
Domestic Missions,	185 00
Education Fund,	50 00
Parochial objects,	187 14
Other objects,	162 00
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	\$669 14

Of the Communicants above reported, 17, although probably residents of Chapel Hill during the war, are likely to be returned from other Parishes also. Sixteen others, probably not reported elsewhere, can nevertheless scarcely be said to be living here permanently. Of the remaining 80 Communicants, 7 are students of the University, leaving 73 as the number permanently attached to this Parish.

Of the contributions reported under the head of "other objects," \$52 85 were collected on Thanksgiving Day for our army in Virginia, \$52 50 on Christmas Day for the families of soldiers in the neighborhood of Chapel Hill, and \$56 65 on the occasion of the Bishop's visit, towards the completion of St. Timothy's Church, Wilson.

For nearly six months of the past Conventional year, from the first of September to about the middle of February, I was absent from the Parish, having accepted an appointment as Chaplain in the army of the Confederate States, and being stationed, for the most part during that time, as Post Chaplain at Wilmington and points below on the Cape Fear River.

Meantime the Parish was most faithfully and acceptably served by the Rev. J. H. Wingfield, Rector of Trinity Church, Portsmouth, Va., who has also, both before my absence and since my return, rendered me constant and valuable assistance. I am also indebted, as hitherto, for like assistance to the Rev. Dr. Hubbard, and, in the Sunday School, to Mr. M. M. Marshall, a candidate for Orders and a member of the Senior Class in the University.

FRANCIS W. HILLIARD.

## IMMANUEL CHURCH, WARRENTON.

Rev. W. HODGES, Rector.

Baptisms—White Infant 11; Adult, white 2, colored 1,	14
Confirmations,	13
*Communicants—Added, by first Communion 16, by removal 3; lost by removal 6, sus- pended 1; present number	90
Marriages,	2
Funerals,	15
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$75 00
Bishop's salary,	67 00
Relief Fund,	27 00
Education Society,	132 45
Domestic Missions,	66 10
Church Building Society,	72 30
Episcopal Tract Society,	54 00
Tracts and Testaments for Soldiers,	31 35
Fredericksburg sufferers,	195 00
To aid Clergymen and supply in part the lack of Churches having suf- fered by the enemy,	70 00
Parochial and benevolent objects,	180 00
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	\$970 20

\*In addition to the above, I have had under my Parochial care between thirty and forty Communicants, during the past year, who have been driven from their homes by the enemy.

During the last Summer and Autumn I officiated at Jones's Springs, twice a month in the afternoon of Sundays; and I have made arrangements to officiate at Shocco Springs and Ridgeway, each once a month, during the ensuing Summer and Autumn.

W. HODGES.

*REPORT of Rev. F. M. Hubbard, D. D., Professor in the University.*

During the past year I have assisted, not infrequently, the Clergy in my vicinity. I have officiated at one Funeral which is not included in their Parochial Reports.

F. M. HUBBARD.

## ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, HENDERSONVILLE.

Rev. N. COLLIN HUGHES, Rector.

Confirmation—White,	1
Communicants—White, removed 1, added 1, present No.	8
Marriage—White,	1
Funerals—White Adult,	4
Contributions—Episcopal visitation,	\$31 00

Episcopal Fund,	15 00
Missionary Fund,	22 00
Relief Fund,	4 75
Education Fund,	10 00

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 \$82 75

N. COLLIN HUGHES.

## ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, GOLDSBOROUGH.

Rev. W. C. HUNTER, Rector.

Baptisms—White Infant,	6
Confirmations—White,	3
Communicants—White, No. last year 34; added by removal 2, by first Communion 1; total now,	37
Marriages—White 1, colored 1,	2
Funerals—White,	3
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$5 00
Bishop's salary,	15 00
Relief Fund,	7 50
Parochial objects,	340 29
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	\$367 79

## ST. MARY'S CHURCH, KINSTON.

Rev. W. C. HUNTER, Rector.

Baptisms—White, Adult 1, Infant 2,	3
Communicants—No. last year 10; lost by death 1, by removal 1; total now,	8
Funerals—White,	1

The proximity of this Parish to the lines of the enemy has had the effect to scatter the regular congregation. A few, however, have remained, who, with the soldiers quartered here, have been served for some months by Rev. Mr. Vaughan, Chaplain to this military post. For these reasons, deeming it unnecessary to visit this Parish regularly, I have, instead, at the request of the Bishop, officiated at Clinton, where I buried one white Infant.

On the 20th of June last, in Onslow county, I baptized one white Adult.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CLINTON.

Rev. W. C. HUNTER, Minister, temporarily in charge.

Baptisms—Infant, white 5, colored 1; white Adult 1,	7
Communicants—Including refugees temporarily resident and members of the Parish, white 24, colored 3,	27

Confirmations,	4
Funeral—White,	1
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$15 00
Contingent,	5 00
Relief,	7 50
Parochial objects,	40 00

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\$67 50

W. C. HUNTER.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FAYETTEVILLE.

Rev. J. C. HUSKE, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 18, colored 6; white Adult 1,	25
Confirmations—White,	3
Communicants—White 175, colored 17,	192
Marriages—White 2, colored 3,	5
Funerals—White 26, colored 3,	29
Contributions--Diocesan Missions,	\$320 00
Bishop's salary,	280 00
Relief Fund,	90 00
Sunday School,	82 15
Domestic Missions,	144 05
Collection by Bishop,	107 20
Easter Donation,	100 00
Parochial charity,	520 72

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Among those removed by death from this congregation, during the year, I record here with sad regret, but yet with the comfort of a lively hope in his death, the name of Edward Lee Winslow, at the time of his decease the Junior Warden of this Parish.

Mr. Winslow was confirmed by Bishop Ravenscroft on the 21st of March 1829 and communed the first time on the 6th of October of the same year, and died on the 22d of March 1863. During this, a period of just 34 years, his christian life was marked by an intelligent and faithful devotion to the cause of his Divine Master in all the duties of His holy religion. He met in his course through life with many severe trials of his faith and patience, and though weak in himself, and oftentimes erring, as himself with sorrow often confessed, yet through the strength of his Lord in whom he put his trust, he continued "steadfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in charity," and at last came off more than conqueror, through Christ that loved him.

It was his highest pleasure to work for the Church of Christ; which showed itself in the cheerful alacrity with which he attended to even the minutest duties of the many offices he held in the Church. Everything connected with the Church and which belonged to God was dear to him. His Bishop was the object of his sincerest respect and affection. His Pastor was not only his spiritual guide and director, but his bosom friend. His brethren, pilgrims with him on the journey to the heavenly land, were watched by him, in their toilsome way, with the warmest christian solicitude.



Having thus long lived in the service of God, he was enabled, by the grace given him, to pass through the severe sufferings of his declining days with the sublimest christian patience, and through the valley of the shadow of death with the "confidence of a certain faith, and the comfort of a reasonable, religious and holy hope,"—the very rod and staff of the Good Shepherd,—and now rests from his labors in the bosom of God.

J. C. HUSKE.

## CHRIST CHURCH, RALEIGH.

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

Baptisms—White Infant 15; Adult, white 6, colored 1,	25
Catechumens—Number not exactly ascertained; supposed much the same as last year.	
Confirmations—White 17, colored 4,	21
*Communicants—No. last year, white 119, colored 19;	
‡ added by first Communion, white 14, colored 3, by removal, white 4; lost by death, white 2, by removal, white 2, withdrawn, white 2; total now, white 131, colored 13,	144
Marriages—White,	3
Funerals—White 15, colored 1,	16
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$520 09
Bishop's salary,	280 00
Relief Fund,	90 00
Domestic Missions,	200 00
Education Fund,	75 00
Parochial objects,	240 23
*Other objects,	223 45
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\*The report does not include a number of Communicants who have made Raleigh their temporary residence, flying from the enemy.

‡This amount does not include a collection made by the Bishop for the Church at Wilson.

Besides the contributions mentioned, the Rector has received from the Vestry, as a gift to him from the congregation, \$740.

R. S. MASON.

### *REPORT of Rev. R. H. Mason, Missionary in Burke County.*

During the past year I have had no regular Parochial charge. For half of the time I have been teaching, and occasionally preaching,—in Raleigh generally, to the soldiers in the Camp of Instruction and the Hospitals, and a few times for the Rector of Christ Church. The remainder of the time has been spent in Missionary services in Burke county and in teaching.

Baptisms—Adult, white 2, colored 2; Infant, white 1, colored 1,

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R. H. MASON.

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LOUISBURG.

Rev. JAMES MOORE, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 4, colored 16; white Adult 2,	22
Confirmations—White,	4
Communicants—White, No. last year 25; added by first Communion 4, by removal 5, re- stored after 12 years' suspension 1, lost by death 5, by removal 1, sus- pended 1; total now,	28
Marriages—White 2, colored 2,	4
Funerals—White 12, colored 1,	13
Contributions—Parochial and other objects,	\$93 89

In addition to the number of Communicants above reported, there are in the Parish and regularly receiving the Holy Communion, about twelve others who are refugees from various Parishes of this Diocese, but as their names are enrolled on the Communion lists of their respective Parishes, it has not been thought expedient to include them in this.

Among the deaths were three active and useful Vestrymen, whose loss is felt severely. Dr. Wood T. Johnson was the senior Communicant of the Parish and served it in various capacities, as Vestryman, Warden, Lay-Reader and Delegate to the Convention, from its earliest history. He may indeed be said to have "borne the burden and heat of the day," for upon him, under God, depended in times past the very existence of our mode of worship in this place. His memory will be cherished with affection and gratitude by all who now enjoy the spiritual inheritance he was so largely instrumental in transmitting to them. Mr. William H. Strother and John B. Yarborough, Esq. were identified with the Parish and members of the Vestry only for a few years past, but to their zeal and liberality we are much indebted, and feel greatly the loss we have sustained by their removal. In addition to these losses, which, of themselves, were no small trial of his faith, the undersigned has been called to part with one who, for a quarter of a century, was the sharer in his joys and sorrows, and a most valuable assistant and support to him in prosecuting "the work of the Lord." He finds great consolation, however, in the conviction that his loss is her gain. The Master of the vineyard, in disposing of the laborers, always acts with infinite wisdom—"He doeth all things well."

JAMES MOORE.

*REPORT of Rev. Daniel Morrelle, Deacon.*

## ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

Baptism—White Infant,	1
Marriages—Colored,	4
Funerals—White 1, colored 1,	2
Communicants—No. last year 52; lost by removal, white 2; present No., white 34, colored 16,	50
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$20 00
Bishop's salary,	20 00

Relief Fund,	10 00
Education Fund,	25 00
Parochial objects,	153 00

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St. Paul's Church, from several causes, has not been open for public worship but for a little less than three months since last Convention. An accurate report with regard to the number of Communicants cannot be made, owing to the general condition of the Parishes on the seaboard.

I have performed one baptism (colored) and married one couple (white), elsewhere reported as having been performed in St. James's Parish in this town.

DANIEL MORRELLE.

*REPORT of Rev. T. S. W. Mott, officiating at Greensborough.*

The undersigned respectfully reports to the Bishop of the Diocese, that, in compliance with his request, he commenced holding the services of the Church at Greensborough on Sunday the 19th of April, and has continued to visit that place twice a month to the present time. He finds in Greensborough a small number of Church families, among whom are ten members in full communion; but being almost without exception refugees, who, whenever the war may close, will be most likely to return to their homes, he has as yet taken no measures for the organization of a new congregation, and probably will not while the present state of things continues. Thus far he has officiated but three times, and has baptized one Infant.

T. S. W. MOTT.

*REPORT of Rev. Joseph W. Murphy, Rector of St. David's Church, Scuppernong, and Chaplain C. S. A.*

Since my last Report, which was written after circumstances required me to leave my Parish, I have not been able to visit more than two or three families of my flock. They, like myself, had come out from within the enemy's lines, as indeed had all who were in the habit of contributing much for the support of the Church.

It grieves me much to think of the few feeble ones left in the Parish, without the blessed influences of the regular services of the Church, and wish, from the bottom of my heart, that it was in my power to do something for them; but, for the present, I can only commit them to God's care, and pray that, if it is His will, they may come out purified from the fire of affliction which now envelopes them.

For the last thirteen months I have been laboring, as well as I could, in the Camp, as Chaplain, first of the 43d Reg't N. C. T., and, for the last eight months, of the 32d N. C. T. In this work I have met with many trials, discomforts and discouragements, but, I am thankful to be able to say, mingled with pleasant associations, and, frequently, sweet encouragements.

During the year, apart from the ordinary services held in Camp, and assistance given to Rectors of different Parishes, the following special services have been performed by me:



Confirmations,	4
Communicants—No. last year, white 46, colored 3; added by first Communion, white 3, by removal, white 1; lost by removal, white 1, by death, white 1; total now, white 48, colored 3,	51
Marriages—White 1, colored 1,	2
Funerals—White 6, colored 5,	11
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$15 00
Bishop's salary,	15 00
Relief Fund,	5 00
Domestic Missions,	10 00
Foreign Missions,	10 00
Education Fund,	10 00
Other objects,	64 29
At Bishop's visitation,	15 00
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	\$145 29

## ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, LENOIR.

Rev. S. C. ROBERTS, Rector.

Baptism—White Infant,	1
Confirmation—White,	1
Communicants—White, No. last year, 23; added by first Communion, 1; lost by removal 1; total now,	23
Funerals—White,	2
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$12 00
Bishop's salary,	8 00
Relief Fund,	7 50
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	27 50

S. C. ROBERTS.

## ST. MARY'S SCHOOL, RALEIGH.

Rt. Rev. THOS. ATKINSON, D. D., Visiter.  
Rev. ALDERT SMEDES, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms—White, Adult 2, Infant 3,	5
Confirmations—White,	14
Communicants—White, permanent in the school 15; in all,	54
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$150 00
Relief Fund,	18 00
Wilmington sufferers,	116 00
Bible Society \$20, Charities \$40,	60 00
In hand, for distribution to Domestic Missions,	50 00
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	\$394 00

ALDERT SMEDES.

## ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, PITTSBOROUGH.

Rev. ROBERT B. SUTTON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant white 9, colored 3,	12
Confirmations—White,	8
Communicants—Died 3, removed 1; added by removal 5, by first Communion 3; present number, white 41, colored 5,	46
Marriages—White 1, colored 1,	2
Funerals—White 11, colored 2,	13
Contributions—Bishop's salary and Contingent,	\$69 00
Diocesan Missions,	50 00
Easter Offering for Diocesan Missions,	116 20
Relief Fund,	36 00
Domestic Missions,	50 00
Other objects,	53 31
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	\$374 51

## ST. MARK'S, DEEP RIVER.

Rev. ROBERT B. SUTTON, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, white 2; Infant, colored 9,	11
Confirmations—White,	4
Communicants—Added by removal 1, by first Commu- nion 2; present number, white 13, colored 1,	14
Funerals—White,	2
Contributions—Bishop's salary,	\$30 00
Diocesan Missions,	20 00
Relief Fund,	10 00
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	\$60 00

## MISSIONARY STATION, POOR HOUSE, CHATHAM CO.

Rev. ROBERT B. SUTTON, Missionary.

There is a Monthly Service held at this place the second Sunday afternoon of each month, which is well attended by persons living in the neighborhood.

Funeral,	1
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## MISSIONARY STATION IN HAYWOOD, CHATHAM CO.

Rev. ROBERT B. SUTTON, Missionary.

Baptisms—White Adult 1, colored Infant 1,	2
Confirmation,	1
Communicants—Died 1; present number, white,	5

Services are held here for a small congregation, which meets in the Male Academy the Saturday before the 2d Sunday in each month.

## MISSIONARY STATION NEAR SWANN'S STATION, MOORE.

Rev. ROBT B. SUTTON, Missionary.

Services are held here for large and apparently interested congregations, on the Thursday before the third Sunday in each month, so that the Missionary feels encouraged, notwithstanding the fact that he can report no change in the actual number of Communicants, which is 2. His plan is, wherever he can hear of a family who are cut off from the services of the Church, to carry the Church to them. In this way he hopes that some, who might stray from the fold of the Church, are kept within it, and that if others are not brought in, at least their prejudices are softened and the way prepared for some one who will come after him.

R. B. SUTTON.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

Rev. ROBERT EMMETT TERRY, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 12, colored 4; white Adult 2,	18
Catechumens—White,	60
Confirmations,	7
Communicants—No. last year, white 39, colored 3; ad- ded by removal, white 8, colored 1; lost by death, white 1; total now, white 47, colored 4,	51
Marriages—White 3, colored 2,	5
Funerals—White 12, colored 1,	13*
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$40 00
Bishop's salary,	50 00
Relief Fund,	10 00
Additional for Diocesan Missions,	20 00
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	\$120 00

\*In addition to the Funerals enumerated above, I buried, in October last, my highly esteemed and venerated friend, the Rev. R. B. Drane, D. D., the late Rector of St. James's, Wilmington.

R. E. TERRY.

## ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, WINDSOR.

Rev. CYRUS WATERS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant, white 4, colored 1,	5
Confirmations—White 1, colored 2,	3
Communicants—Added 1, died 1, present No., white 42, colored 5.	47
Funerals—White,	2
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$30 00
Bishop's salary,	27 00
Relief Fund,	9 00
Church at Wilson,	22 50
Parochial objects,	35 00
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	\$123 50

In the number of Communicants reported are some who, on account of their proximity to the Sound, have been compelled to abandon their homes for the present. The Rector is, however, happy to report that, so far, he has not been disturbed in the discharge of his duty by the enemy.

The Church has nobly responded to the call of her country, by giving up her bell and carpets for the use of the army, and the members have contributed freely to the wants of the same.

## GRACE CHURCH, BERTIE COUNTY

REV. CYRUS WATERS, Rector.

Baptisms—White Infant,	2
Confirmations,	3
Communicants—Added by removal, 2; by first Communion 2; present number,	15
Funerals,	2
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$7 50
Bishop's salary,	7 50
Relief Fund,	4 00
Church at Wilcox,	17 00
Other objects,	12 25

CYRUS WATERS.

### REPORT of Rev. M. H. Vaughan, Chaplain, C. S. A.

Since my report to last Convention, I have been engaged in the army, trying to advance the cause of "our Lord and His crucified." I remained with the 3d Reg't N. C. T. till the 1st day of December of last year, when I asked for and received a transfer from the Secretary of War to the military post of Goldsborough, but there, already being a Chaplain at that post, at my suggestion I was assigned on duty at Wilson Hospital for one month, at the expiration of which time the appointed Chaplain came, and I was then assigned to Post Kinston, where I have been laboring ever since.

I have buried 18 of the 3d Reg't and 1 from Wilson.

M. H. VAUGHAN,

Chaplain, Post Kinston.

REPORT of Rev. Geo. L. Wetmore, Rector, and Rev. S. S. Barber, \* Assistant Minister, of Christ Church, Rowan, and other Parishes.

## CHRIST CHURCH, ROWAN.

Baptisms—Infant, white 8, colored 4,	12
Catechumens, about	20
Confirmations—White, (1 at Asheville,)	2
Communicants—No. last year, white 63, colored 13; added by first Communion, white 2; lost by removal, colored 1, by death, white 2; present number, white 63, colored 12,	75



Funerals,		6
Contributions—Diocesan Missions \$6, (and at Bishop's visitation \$14 90,)	\$20 90	
Bishop's salary,	6 00	
Relief Fund,	3 85	
Domestic Missions,	6 80	
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	\$37 55	

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

Baptisms—White Adult,		2
Confirmations—White, (1 belonging to St. Luke's, Sa- lisbury,)		2
Communicants—No. last year, white 23, colored 2; ad- ded by first Communion, white 1; present number, white 24, col'd 2,		26
Funeral,		1
Contributions—Diocesan Missions \$6, (and at Bishop's visitation \$15 35,)	\$21 35	
Bishop's salary,	6 00	
Relief Fund,	3 20	
Domestic Missions,	5 25	
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	\$35 80	

### ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, IREDELL.

Baptisms—Infant, white 2, colored 1,		3
Communicants—No. last year, white 48, colored 12; lost by death, colored 1; present number, white 48, colored 11,		59
Funeral,		1
Contributions—Diocesan Missions \$2, (and at Bishop's visitation \$4 15,)	\$6 15	
Bishop's salary,	2 00	
Relief Fund,	70	
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	\$8 85	

### CHURCH OF THE REDEMPTION, LEXINGTON.

Communicants—No. last year, white 6, added by re- moval, white 2, present number,		8
Contributions—Diocesan Missions,	\$7 50	
Bishop's salary,	10 00	
Relief Fund,	3 75	
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	\$21 25	

## ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, MOCKSVILLE.

Baptism—White Infant,	1
Catechumens,	12
Communicants—No. last year, white 8, colored 1; lost by removal, white 1; present num- ber, white 7, colored 1,	8
Marriages,	2
Funeral,	1
Contributions—Diocesan Missions \$4, (and at Bishop's visitation \$4 60,)	\$8 60
Bishop's salary,	4 00
Relief Fund,	4 00
Parochial objects,	4 00
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	\$20 60

## HUNTSVILLE, YADKIN COUNTY.

Baptisms—Infant, white 3, colored 3; colored Adult 1,	7
Confirmations—White 2, colored 1,	3
Communicants—Number last year, white 5; added by first Communion, white 2, colored 1, by removal, white 1; present number, white 8, colored 1,	9
Funeral,	1
Contributions—Diocesan Missions \$5, (and at Bishop's visitation \$22,)	\$27 00
Bishop's salary,	6 00
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	\$33 00

The congregaton at this place assists in paying the assessment on St. Philip's.

## COOLEEMEE HILL.

Baptisms—Infant, white 1, colored 4,	5
Communicants—White,	5
Contribution,	\$5
	G. B. WETMORE.
	S. S. BARBER.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, LINCOLNTON.

Rev. W. R. WETMORE, Rector.

I began my labors in this Parish July 1862.

Baptisms—Adult, white 5, colored 3; Infant, white 20, colored 1,	32
Catechumens—White 16, colored 21,	57
Confirmations—White 1, colored 1,	3
Communicants—White 39, colored 7,	46

Funerals—White,	5
Contributions—Diocesan Missions: Assessment \$15,	
collection at Bishop's visitation 9 05,	
Christmas collection 15 15,	\$39 20
Bishop's salary: Assessment \$15, col-	
lection on Maunday Thursday 26 50,	41 50
Relief Fund: Assessment \$5, added	
from other funds \$10,	15 00
Education Fund: Special collection,	21 35
Domestic Missions: Easter collection,	28 20
Parochial objects,	29 30
Other objects,	5 00
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	\$179 55

In addition to the number of Communicants reported above, there are several residing in the Parish temporarily.

I preach frequently to a large and interesting congregation of servants in this Parish, and on one Sunday (in the afternoon) of each month to the operatives of a Cotton Factory near town. I have also preached once in a School House some 6 miles from Lincolnton, and here I hope to have an occasional service hereafter.

#### CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER, SHELBY.

Rev. W. R. WETMORE, Rector.

I began to hold services here in January 1863, and I give this Parish one Sunday in each month. Below is given the report for the full year. The Confirmation and the other reported acts, with the exception of a Funeral performed by me, took place prior to my taking charge of the Parish.

Baptisms—Infant, white 1, colored 4,	5
Confirmation,	1
Communicants,	3
Funerals,	3
Contributions—Diocesan Missions: Assessment,	\$4 00
Bishop's salary,	4 00
Relief Fund,	2 00
Parochial objects,	2 10
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	\$12 10

In addition to the Communicants above reported, there is one residing temporarily in the Parish, a refugee because of the war, from Virginia; and there is another (hers is the Confirmation reported,) who has found a home during the war in the county of Cleveland.

Besides the official acts reported in these two Parishes, I have to report the Baptism of one white Infant, the administering the Holy Communion to a sick lady, and her burial, in Mecklenburg county.

W. R. WETMORE.

## SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS.

	Bishop's Salary and Contingent	Missionary Fund.	Relief Fund.
St James's church, Wilmington.....	\$300 00	\$350 00	\$90 00
St John's church Fayetteville.....	250 00	320 00	90 00
Christ church, Raleigh.....	280 00	320 00	90 00
Christ church, Newbern.....	250 00	320 00	90 00
St Paul's church, Edenton.....	200 00	300 00	72 00
St Peter's, Washington.....	150 00	160 00	53 00
St Mary's school.....		150 00	18 00
Immanuel church, W. arenton.....	67 00	75 00	27 00
St Luke's, Salisbury.....	40 00	40 00	15 00
St Stephen's, Oxford.....	30 00	30 00	7 50
Trinity church, Scotland Neck.....	48 00	65 00	18 00
St John's in the Wilderness.....	48 00	55 00	18 00
St Matthew's, Hillsborough.....	50 00	40 00	20 00
Christ church, Elizabeth City.....	40 00	50 00	18 00
St Bartholomew's, Pinesborough.....	40 00	45 00	18 00
St John's, Williamsborough.....	15 00	15 00	7 50
Calvary church, Tarborough.....	50 00	50 00	14 00
Missionary station in Scuppernon.....	34 00	50 00	20 00
Church of the Holy Innocents, Henderson.....	15 00	15 00	7 50
Trinity chapel, Beaufort.....	24 00	27 00	7 50
Calvary church, Waleberugh.....	20 00	20 00	9 00
St Thomas's, Bath.....	10 00	12 00	4 50
Holy Trinity, Harford, Perquimans.....	27 00	30 00	3 60
St Thomas's, Wiresboro.....	27 00	30 00	9 00
Christ church, Swan.....	20 00	22 00	6 50
St Thomas's, Croven.....	20 00	22 00	6 50
St James's, Granville.....	19 00	13 00	4 50
St Paul's, Louisburg.....	25 00	25 00	4 50
Zion chapel, Beaufort.....	10 00	12 00	4 50
Grace church, Plymouth.....	18 00	18 00	5 00
St Mary's, Orange.....	7 00	5 00	3 00
St Mary's, Kinston.....	10 00	10 00	5 00
Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill.....	15 00	15 00	5 00
St Mark's church, Chatham county.....	15 00	15 00	5 00
Church of the Redemption, Lexington.....	7 50	10 00	5 00
St Paul's, Greenville.....	15 00	15 00	5 00
Grace church, Morganton.....	15 00	15 00	5 00
Christ church, Rockfish.....	15 00	15 00	5 00
St Luke's, Lenoir.....	15 00	15 00	5 00
St Philip's church, Mocksville.....	7 50	8 00	3 00
St Peter's, Charlotte.....	15 00	30 00	6 00
St John's, Pitt county.....	7 50	15 00	3 00
St Luke's church, Washington county.....	7 50	7 00	3 00
St John's, Rutherfordton.....	7 50	10 00	3 00
Church of the Advent.....	7 50	9 00	3 00
St Philip's, Smithville.....	8 00	9 00	3 00
Church of the Saviour, Jackson.....	8 00	9 00	3 00
Trinity church, Asheville.....	12 00	13 00	7 50
Church of the Epiphany, Leaksville.....	10 00	12 00	7 50
St Mark's, Halifax.....	10 00	12 00	7 50
St Paul's, Clinton.....	15 00	5 00	7 50

	Bishop's Salary and Contingent	Missionary Fund.	Relief Fund.
St Stephen's, Goldsborough.....	\$15 00	\$5 00	\$7 50
St Andrew's, Rowan.....	15 00	10 00	7 50
St Mary's, Gatesville.....	15 00	15 00	10 00
Grace church, Bertie.....	7 50	7 50	3 75
St Barnabas, Murfreesborough.....	7 50	7 50	3 75
St James's, Iredell county.....	7 50	5 00	3 75
St Paul's, Beaufort.....	5 00	2 50	3 75
St James's, Lenoir.....	8 00	12 00	7 50
St Paul's, Wilkesborough.....	20 00	25 00	7 50
St John's church, Durham's creek.....	7 50	7 50	5 00
St John's church, Wilmington.....	50 00	40 00	10 00
Calvary church, Henderson.....	50 00	50 00	20 00
St Paul's, Wilmington.....	20 00	20 00	10 00
St Timothy's, Wilson.....	4 00	4 00	2 00
St Paul's, Swift Creek.....	4 00	4 00	2 00
St James's, Kittrell's Springs.....	4 00	4 00	2 00
Church of the Redeemer, Shelby.....	4 00	4 00	2 00
	\$2097 00	\$3148 00	\$966 60

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

The undersigned reports the securities on hand the same as last year,  
viz: For support of the Episcopate—

\$9500 Bonds of the State of North Carolina.

48 shares of Stock in Bank of Cape Fear.

12 do do belonging to Permanent Missionary Fund.

Cash on hand—belonging to

Fund for support of Episcopate, \$1813 02

Missionary Fund, 2599 94

Relief Fund, 1147 05

Permanent Relief Fund, 433 65

Permanent Fund for support of Episcopate, 100 00

\$5593 66

C. T. HAIGH, Treasurer.



## and Current Expenses of Council,) in ac't with Treasurer.

CR.

1862,			
May 10.	By balance on hand as reported to Convention,		\$1101 45
12.	By cash from St James's church, Hendersonville,		8 00
15.	By cash received at Convention:		
	Church of Epiphany, Leaksville,	\$10 00	
	St Peter's, Charlotte,	7 50	
	St Philip's, Mocksville,	7 50	
	St David's, Scuppernong,	34 00	
	St Stephen's, Goldsborough,	15 00	
	St Luke's, Salisbury,	40 00	
	St James's, Lenoir,	8 00	
	Calvary, Tarborough,	50 00	
	St Bartholomew's, Pittsborough,	51 45	
	Trinity, Scotland Neck,	48 00	
	Church of the Saviour, Jackson,	8 00	
	St Paul's, Wilmington,	20 00	
	St John's, ditto,	70 00	
	St Stephen's, Oxford,	30 00	
	St John's, Williamsborough,	15 00	
	Church of Holy Innocents, Henderson,	15 00	
	Christ church, Raleigh,	230 00	
	St James's, Kittrell's Springs,	10 00	
	St Paul's, Wilkesborough,	8 00	
	Church of the Advent, Williamston,	7 50	
	Miss Helen Slade,	8 00	
	Church of the Redeemer, Shelby,	2 00	
	Immanuel church, Warrenton,	67 00	
	Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill,	15 00	
	St Paul's, Louisburg,	25 00	
	St Paul's, Edenton,	80 00	
	St Luke's, Lincolnton,	15 00	
	St Paul's, Greenville,	15 00	
	St Mary's, Orange,	3 00	
	Grace church, Morganton,	15 00	
	St Timothy's, Wilson,	4 00	
	St John's, Rutherfordton,	3 00	
			986 95
24.	Christ church, Rowan,	\$4 00	
	St Andrew's, " "	5 00	
	St James's, Iredell,	2 00	
	Church of Redemption, Lexington,	10 00	
26.	St Paul's, Wilkesborough,	12 00	
			33 00
	St John's, Rutherfordton,	\$1 50	
	" " by Col Leventhorpe,	4 00	
			5 50
July 25	Holy Trinity, Hertford,		15 00
Aug. 12.	Calvary, Wadesborough,		20 00
Sept. 9.	Dr H H Robinson,		10 00
Oct. 13.	Trinity church, Asheville,	\$12 00	
	" " additional,	12 50	
			24 50
1863,			
Jan. 1.	Coupons on \$8500 State Bonds,	\$255 00	
	" 1000 " July & Jan'y,	60 00	
			315 00
Nov 1,'62	Dividend on 48 shares C F Bank stock,		240 00
Jan 29'63	Christ church, Rockfish,		15 00
April 20.	St Peter's, Charlotte,		15 00
	By amount carried forward,		\$2789 40





*Episcopate, &c.) in account with Treasurer—continued.*

CR.

1862,			\$2789 40
April 26.	By amount brought forward,		
	St John's, Fayetteville,		280 00
	Coupons on \$8500 State stocks,		255 00
May 1.	Dividend on 48 shares C F Bank stock,		240 00
5	St Stephen's, Goldsborough,		15 00
7.	St James's, Wilmington,		300 00
	St Thomas's, Windsor,		27 00
	Grace church, Bertie county,		7 50
13.	Church of the Saviour, Jackson,		8 00
	St Paul's, Wilmington,		20 00
	St Paul's, Wilkesborough,		8 00
	Gwyn's chapel, Wilkes county,		12 00
	Richmond Hill,		5 00
	Statesville,		9 00
14.	Grace church, Morganton,		15 00
	St James's, Lenoir,		8 00
	St Mary's, Orange,		7 00
	Christ church, Rockfish,		10 00
	St Matthew's, Hillsborough,		50 00
	Calvary church, Tarborough,		50 00
	Trinity church, Scotland Neck,		48 00
	Christ church, Raleigh,		280 00
	St Bartholomew's, Pittsborough,		69 00
	St Luke's, Lincolnton,		15 00
	“ “ collection Maunday Thursday,		26 50
	Church of Redeemer, Shelby,		4 00
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			\$4558 40
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15	By balance from old account,		\$1813 02

*gymen and Widows and Orphans of Clergymen,) in account with the  
the Council.*

CR.

1862,			
May 10	By balance on hand as reported to Convention,		\$461 65
12	By cash from St James's, Hendersonville,		2 00
	By cash received at Convention:		
	Church of Epiphany, Leaksville,	\$7 50	
	St Peter's, Charlotte,	3 00	
	St David's, Scuppernong,	20 00	
	Lake Chapel,	50 00	
	St Stephen's, Goldsborough,	7 50	
	St Luke's, Salisbury,	15 00	
	“ “ extra,	20 00	
	St James's, Lenoir,	5 00	
	St Bartholomew's, Pittsborough,	18 00	
	Trinity, Scotland Neck,	18 00	
	Calvary, Tarborough,	14 00	
	Church of the Saviour, Jackson,	3 00	
	St Paul's, Wilmington,	10 00	
	St John's, “	10 00	
	St Stephen's, Oxford,	2 50	
	St John's, Williamsborough,	5 00	
	Holy Innocents, Henderson,	5 00	
	St James's, Kittrell's Springs,	5 00	
	St Paul's, Wilkesborough,	4 65	
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	By amount carried forward,		\$686 80

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*Diocese of North Carolina, (Relief Fund, &c.) in*

1863,

May 15.

Is amount brought forward,

\$600 00

To balance carried to new account.

1147 05

\$1747 05

account with Treasurer of Council—continued.

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1862, May 12.	By amount brought forward,		\$686 80
	Church of the Advent, Williamston,	3 00	
	Miss Helen Slade, "	4 50	
	Church of the Redeemer, Shelby,	1 00	
	Immanuel church, Warrenton,	27 00	
	Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill,	5 00	
	St Paul's, Louisburg,	4 50	
	St Paul's, Edenton,	21 00	
	St Luke's, Lincolnton,	5 00	
	St Paul's, Greenville,	5 00	
	St Mary's, Orange.	2 00	
	Grace church, Morganton,	5 00	
	St James's, Lenoir,	2 50	
	St Timothy's, Wilson,	2 00	
	St John's, Rutherfordton,	2 00	
			89 50
24.	Christ church, Rowan,	\$2 00	
	St Andrew's, "	1 60	
	St James's, Iredell,	84	
	Church of Redemption, Lexington,	5 36	
	St Paul's, Wilkesborough, in full,	2 85	
	Holy Innocents, Henderson,	3 00	
			15 65
Aug. 12.	Calvary, Wadesborough,		7 00
17.	Mrs Sallie R Collins,		10 00
Sept. 9.	Dr H H Robinson,		2 00
Oct. 13.	Trinity church, Asheville,		7 50
Dec. 29.	St Mary's, Raleigh,		9 00
1863, Jan. 30.	Christ church, Rockfish, (1862,)		5 00
April 20.	St Peter's, Charlotte,		266 50
26.	St John's, Fayetteville,		90 00
May 5.	St Stephen's, Goldsborough,		7 50
6.	Christ church, Raleigh,		90 00
7.	St James's, Wilmington,		90 00
	St Thomas's, Windsor,		9 00
	Grace church, Bertie,		4 00
12.	St Mary's school, Raleigh,		9 00
13.	Church of the Saviour, Jackson,		3 00
	St Paul's, Wilmington,		10 00
	St Paul's, Wilkesborough,		6 85
	Gwyn's chapel, Wilkes,		5 20
	Grace church, Morganton,		5 00
	St James's, Lenoir,		7 50
	St Mary's, Orange,		3 00
	Calvary church, Tarborough,		14 00
	Trinity, Scotland Neck,		28 00
	St Bartholomew's, Pittsborough,		36 00
	St Luke's, Lincolnton,		5 00
	" " additional,		10 00
14.	Collection on Ascension Day, St John's, Fayetteville,		215 05
			\$1747 05
15.	By balance from old account in Treasury,		\$1147 05

Dr.

## Diocese of North Carolina, (Missionary Fund for

1862,			
July 9.	To cash paid Rev Cyrus Waters,		\$50 00
Oct. 4	To cash paid sundry Clergy for Missionary services for the first 6 months of Conventional year, viz:		
	Rev Dr Curtis,	\$100 00	
	Rev W R Wetmore,	50 00	
	Rev G W Everhart,	100 00	
	Rev F S Barber,	75 00	
	Rev N C Hughes,	100 00	
	Rev W W Skiles,	75 00	
	Rev G T Bland,	100 00	
	Rev R W Barber,	100 00	
	Rev G B Wetmore,	100 00	
	Rev J B Colhoun,	100 00	
	Rev R B Sutton,	100 00	
	Rev James Moore,	100 00	
	Rev F W Hilliard,	100 00	
	Rev Jarvis Buxton,	100 00	
	Rev Israel Harding,	100 00	
	Rev S W Kennerly, } by Rev E Geer,	100 00	
	Rev George Benton, (2 months,)	33 33	
	Postage stamps,	2 00	
			1535 33
1863,			
April 13.	To cash remitted Clergy for the last 6 months of Conventional year:		
	Rev Dr Curtis,	\$100 00	
	Rev W R Wetmore,	50 00	
	Rev G M Everhart,	100 00	
	Rev N C Hughes,	100 00	
	Rev G T Bland,	100 00	
	Rev R W Barber,	100 00	
	Rev G B Wetmore,	100 00	
	Rev J B Colhoun,	100 00	
	Rev R B Sutton,	100 00	
	Rev James Moore,	100 00	
	Rev F W Hilliard,	100 00	
	Rev Jarvis Buxton,	100 00	
	Rev Israel Harding,	100 00	
	Rev S W Kennerly,	100 00	
	Rev S S Barber,	75 00	
	Stamps,	3 00	
			1428 00
1862,			
Dec. 31.	To cash paid Rev W E Snowden, by Rev Mr Ch Shire,		100 00

To amount carried forward,

\$313 33

current purposes,) in ac't with Treasurer of Council,

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1862,			
May 10	By balance on hand as reported to Convention,		\$883 52
12.	By cash from St James's church, Hendersonville,		10 00
	By cash received at Convention:		
	Church of Epiphany, Leaksville,	\$12 00	
	St Peter's, Charlotte,	15 00	
	St Philip's, Mocksville,	7 50	
	St David's, Scuppernon,	50 00	
	St Stephen's, Goldsborough,	5 00	
	St Luke's, Salisbury,	40 00	
	St James's, Lenoir,	12 00	
	Rev Daniel Morrelle,	7 25	
	St Bartholomew's, Pittsborough,	40 00	
	St Mark's, Deep River,	9 10	
	Church of the Saviour, Jackson,	9 00	
	St Paul's, Wilmington,	20 00	
	St John's, ditto,	70 00	
	St Stephen's, Oxford,	30 00	
	St John's, Williamsborough,	15 00	
	Church of Holy Innocents, Henderson,	15 00	
	St James's, Kittrell's Springs,	10 00	
	St Paul's, Wilkesborough,	8 00	
	Church of the Advent, Williamston,	9 00	
	Miss Helen Slade,	8 00	
	Church of the Redeemer, Shelby,	2 00	
	Mrs Hoyle, Beattie's Ford,	5 00	
	Immanuel church, Warrenton,	75 00	
	Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill,	15 00	
	St Paul's, Louisburg,	25 00	
	St Paul's, Edenton,	100 00	
	St Luke's, Lincolnton,	15 00	
	St Paul's, Greenville,	15 00	
	St Matthew's, Hillsborough, extra,	48 00	
	St Mary's, Orange,	5 00	
	Christ church, Elizabeth City,	50 00	
	Grace church, Morganton,	15 00	
	St Timothy's, Wilson,	4 00	
	St John's, Rutherfordton,	4 00	
	Missionary collections at Chapel Hill,	118 05	
			888 50
15	Immanuel church, Warrenton, to assist delin-		
	quent congregations,		15 00
24	Christ church, Rowan,	\$4 00	
	St Andrew's, "	5 00	
	St James's, Iredell,	2 00	
	Church of Redemption, Lexington,	7 50	
26.	St Paul's, Wilkesborough, in full,	17 00	
			35 50
28	St James's, Wilmington,		225 00
	St John's, Rutherfordton,		6 00
June 11.	Miss M P Newby, Fayetteville,		4 00
14.	Trinity church, Scotland Neck,		100 00
	E J Hale, Esq., donation,		100 00
July 25	Holy Trinity, Hertford,		15 00
28.	Unknown, by Rev T S W Mott,		6 25
Aug. 12.	Calvary church, Wadesborough,		15 00
Sept. 9.	Dr H H Robinson, Bladen,		10 00
26.	C T Haigh, donation,		100 00
	By amount carried forward,		\$2413 77

DR. *Diocese of North Carolina, (Missionary Fund,)*

1863,

May.

To amount brought forward,

\$3113 22

To amount carried forward,

\$3113 22

in account with Treasurer of Council—continued.

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1862,			\$2418 77
Oct. 4.	By amount brought forward,		50 00
	By cash from Rev Dr Curtis, donation,		50 00
	St Matthew's, Hillsborough,		13 00
13.	Trinity church, Asheville,		15 00
	“ “ “ extra,		
	Received from Bp Atkinson, collected by Rev		
	S S Barber prior to last Convention—		
	Huntsville,	\$9 00	
	Mocksville,	2 00	
	Rob't Walker Anderson, donation,	25 00	
			36 00
	By sundry collections made by Bishop Atkinson—		
	April 13. Wadesborough,	\$3 35	
	22. Wilson,	2 10	
	24. Marlborough,	4 50	
	Aug 15. Greenville,	15 65	
	17. Wilkesborough,	8 55	
	22 St John the Baptist, Watauga,	10 35	
	29. Lenoir,	12 30	
	31. Morganton,	16 00	
	Sept. 4. Calvary, Henderson county,	19 20	
	Alex'r Robertson, Esq,	50 00	
	7. Henderscville,	31 45	
	Mrs Siler, Macon county,	5 00	
	14. Asheville,	27 45	
	16. Rutherfordton,	4 50	
	18. Shelby,	10 75	
	21. Lincolnton,	9 25	
	23. Charlotte,	27 30	
	26. St James's, Iredell,	4 05	
	28. Christ church, Rowan,	14 90	
	Oct'r 2. St Andrew's, “	15 35	
	3 Mocksville,	4 60	
	5. Huntsville,	20 10	
	7. Richmond Hill,	8 60	
	12. Leaksville,	10 00	
			335 30
Nov. 1.	By cash dividend on 12 shares C F Bank stock,		60 00
Dec. 29.	St Mary's, Raleigh,		75 00
21	By cash received from Bishop Atkinson—		
	Germanton, by Rev Mr Gilliam,	\$5 00	
	Dec'r 12. Miss Sally Burgwin,	10 00	
	14. Oxford,	77 15	
	16. Warrenton,	72 30	
			164 45
1863,			
Jan. 7.	Trinity, Scotland Neck,		50 00
	Calvary, Tarborough,		50 00
30.	St Peter's, Charlotte,		122 50
Mar. 25.	St Matthew's, Hillsborough,		75 00
	Rev Dr Curtis, donation,		25 00
	Clinton, by Bishop Atkinson,		27 20
April 20.	St Peter's, Charlotte,		275 00
26.	St John's, Fayetteville,		320 00
May 1.	Dividend on 12 shares C F Bank stock,		60 00
	Trinity church, Scotland Neck,		100 00
5.	St Stephen's, Goldsborough,		5 00
6.	Christ church, Raleigh,		320 00
	By amount carried forward,		\$4642 22

Dr.

*Diocese of North Carolina, (Missionary Fund,)*

1863,

May.

To amount brought forward,

\$3113 33

To balance to new account,

2599 94

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 \$5713 27
 

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*in account with Treasurer of Council—concluded.*

CR.

1863,			
	By amount brought forward,		\$4642 22
May 7.	By cash from St James's, Wilmington, in full for 1862,		125 00
	"                    "                    "                    1863,		350 00
	St Thomas's, Windsor,		30 00
	Grace church, Bertie,		7 50
12.	St Mary's school, Raleigh, in full,		75 00
	"                    "                    additional,		16 00
13.	Church of the Saviour, Jackson,		9 00
	"                    "                    "                    additional,		7 00
	St Paul's, Wilmington,		20 00
	St Peter's, Charlotte,		5 00
	St Paul's, Wilkesborough,		15 00
	Gwyn's chapel,		10 00
	Richmond Hill,		9 00
	Statesville,		15 20
	Grace church, *Morganton,		15 00
	St James's, Lenoir,		12 00
	St Mary's, Orange,		5 00
	"                    "                    additional,		5 00
	Christ church, Rockfish,		10 00
	St John's, Wilmington, special collection,		20 00
	Calvary church, Tarborough,		41 00
	Trinity, Scotland Neck,		50 00
	St Bartholomew's, Pittsborough,		69 00
	"                    "                    Easter offering,		116 20
	St Luke's, Lincolnton,		15 00
	"                    "                    Christmas collection,		15 15
	Church of the Redeemer, Shelby,		4 00
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			\$5713 27
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	By balance in Treasurer's hands,		\$2599 94

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*Education Fund in account with R. B. Drane, Chairman.*

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1862,			
Oct. 5	To amount remitted M M Marshall,	\$50 00	
1863,	“ “ “ by Bp Atkinson,	50 00	
Feb'y 7.	To balance to new account,	255 94	
1862,			
May 1.	By balance per last statement,		\$68 14
June 6	By amount received at Convention, May 14,		38 90
	Wilkesborough,		2 20
	Trinity church, Scotland Neck,		24 00
	Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill,		12 00
	St Paul's, Wilmington,		15 00
20	St James's, “		22 75
July 3.	Christ church, Raleigh,		40 50
1863,			
May 4.	Immanuel church, Warrenton,		132 45
		<u>\$355 94</u>	<u>\$355 94</u>
	By balance brought forward,		<u>\$255 94</u>

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# CONSTITUTION

OF THE

## Protestant Episcopal Church in North Carolina,

REVISED AND ADOPTED, MAY 1863.

### ARTICLE I.

The Church in this Diocese accedes to and adopts the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Confederate States of America, as set forth in General Council thereof, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

### ARTICLE II.

**SECTION 1**—There shall be an Annual Council of the Church in this Diocese, at such time and place as may be determined by the next preceding Council, or, in the event of no such determination, on the last Wednesday in May, at such place as may be agreed upon by the Bishop and Standing Committee.

**SEC. 2**—But the time or place of such meeting may be changed, or special Councils called, by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, subject nevertheless to such canonical provisions as may hereafter be made.

**SEC. 3**—Provided that no special Council shall be called without at least sixty days' notice, which notice shall be published for at least one month in three different newspapers of the State, and shall specify the business and purpose for which said special Council is to be called, and upon that alone it shall act.

### ARTICLE III.

**SEC. 1**—The Council shall be composed of the two orders, Clerical and Lay.

**SEC. 2**—The Bishop of the Diocese, or, in his absence, the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, or the Bishop in charge, as representing the Episcopal authority, shall, if present, preside at all meetings of the Council.

**SEC. 3**—Every Clergyman of the Church, having been for twelve calendar months before any meeting of the Council canonically connected with the Diocese, either as a Clergyman or as a Candidate for Orders, shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the same.

**SEC. 4**—Each regularly organized Parish in union with the Council shall be entitled to be represented at its sessions by one or more delegates, not exceeding four, to be chosen by the Vestry from among the baptized persons of good moral standing in said Parish. And each Vestry shall be entitled to elect in addition four *alternate* delegates, subject to the same qualifications, who shall be authorized, in the order

of their election, to fill any vacancy that may occur in the delegation originally chosen. Provided, that no person, clerical or lay, under ecclesiastical censure, publicly declared by a competent tribunal, shall be admissible to a seat in the Council.

SEC. 5—If any Parish shall neglect or decline to appoint delegates, or if any of those appointed shall neglect or be prevented from attending, such Parish shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of the Council.

#### ARTICLE IV.

SEC. 1—The Council shall be the sole judge of the election of its own members. It shall have power to adopt rules of order for its own government, elect officers and raise funds, and shall also have such other legislative powers as may be necessary and proper for the well being of the Diocese.

SEC. 2—The Council shall have no power to pass any Canon infringing the Episcopal authority, or affecting the spiritual condition of the Diocese against the express dissent of the Bishop: Provided, that said dissent shall be expressed at that or the ensuing Annual Council.

SEC. 3—But this shall not prevent the Council from offering, independently of the Bishop, resolutions of advice or inquiry, or from any proceedings necessary for the purposes of impeachment.

#### ARTICLE V.

To constitute a quorum for the purpose of ordinary business, the presence of one-third of all the Parochial Clergy, and of delegates from one-third of all the Parishes entitled to representation as appearing on the Journal of the preceding year, shall be necessary. Any less number, however, shall be competent to receive reports and to adjourn.

#### ARTICLE VI.

SEC. 1—Upon any question before the Council, when it may be required by any one clerical member, or by the delegation present of any one Parish, the two orders shall vote separately. And in all cases of a vote by orders, each clerical member shall be entitled to one vote, and each delegation shall also be entitled to one vote, and a concurrence of majorities of both orders shall be necessary to a decision. When no such division is called for, each member of the Council shall be entitled to one vote.

SEC. 2—All elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise unanimously ordered.

#### ARTICLE VII.

SEC. 1—The Council shall annually elect a President, (who shall be a Presbyter of the Diocese,) a Secretary and a Treasurer.

SEC. 2—Should there at any time be no such election, then the officers last before elected shall hold over till such election shall be had.

SEC. 3—Should the office of Secretary or that of Treasurer become vacant, by death or otherwise, at any time preceding the annual election, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall be empowered to appoint some person to fill the vacancy till such time as an election shall be had, who shall be competent to all the powers and duties of the office as if regularly elected thereto.

## ARTICLE VIII.

SEC. 1—A Standing Committee or Council of Advice to the Bishop, of not less than five persons, shall be annually elected by the Council. A majority of said Committee shall at all times be Clergymen of the Diocese, and no Layman not a communicant shall be a member thereof.

SEC. 2—The Committee shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their own body between the Annual Meetings of the Council.

SEC. 3—When there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, and, as such, may invite the temporary services of other Bishops, and, for due cause, may change the time or place of the Annual Meetings of the Council. They may also summon special Councils when there is no Bishop, and shall do so upon the call of one-third of the Clergy of the Diocese, or of one-third of the Parishes in union with the Council, as appearing upon the lists of the Journal last before published. And although there be a Bishop, the Standing Committee shall have power to call special Councils for the purpose of proceedings relative to his impeachment, and shall do so upon a similar requisition by the Clergy or Laity.

## ARTICLE IX.

SEC. 1—Any ten or more Adults may organize themselves into a Parish and be received into union with the Council, by taking such steps as may be provided for by Canon.

SEC. 2—Provided that it shall always be competent to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, with the consent of the Rector of any Parish, to establish within the limits of said Parish, independent Missionary congregations, whose pastors shall be independent of the Rector and responsible only to the Ecclesiastical Authority aforesaid.

SEC. 3—In all Parochial elections none shall be entitled to vote but males of the age of twenty-one years, members of the Parish, who shall have subscribed a declaration in the following words, viz:

We, the undersigned, do hereby consent to be governed by the Constitution and Canons of the Church, as set forth in General Council, and by the Constitution and Canons of the Church in this Diocese. [See Canon xiv.] Provided, that this section shall not be taken to infringe upon the existing customs of any already organized Parish.

SEC. 4—Any Parish ceasing to elect Delegates to the Council for two successive years, or any Parish resisting the authority of the Council, may be suspended from the right of representation, or its connection with the Council dissolved by a vote of not less than two-thirds of each order entitled to seats. But such suspension or dissolution shall never take place without previous inquiry by a Committee appointed for the purpose, and a report upon the facts of the case.

## ARTICLE X.

SEC. 1—Any Presbyter regularly called to the charge of a Parish and entering thereupon, shall, during the time of such charge, be held to be the Rector of said Parish.

SEC. 2—The Rector is recognized as having, by virtue of his office, the exclusive regulation, under his canonical superiors, of all the spiritual concerns of the Parish; as being entitled at all times to have ac-

cess to the Church building, and to open the same for the service or instruction of this Church, as he may deem proper; to call meetings of the Vestry or congregation; when present, to preside in the same, and, in case of a tie, to give the casting vote.

#### ARTICLE XI.

The Council shall pass Canons for the trial of Clergymen.

#### ARTICLE XII.

SEC. 1.—When a Bishop is to be elected, the Council shall always vote in distinct orders, and on this wise: The Clergy, by a majority of all in the Diocese entitled to seats in the Council, shall nominate, by ballot, a Presbyter for the office; and the concurrence, by ballot, of a majority of all the Parishes in union with the Council, shall complete the election.

SEC. 2.—In the election of a Bishop, or upon any question touching the same, no Clergyman who shall have become canonically connected with the Diocese during the vacancy in the Episcopate, and no Parish which shall have been received into union with the Council during such vacancy, shall be permitted to vote.

#### ARTICLE XIII.

No new Canon shall be passed, nor shall any existing Canon be amended, upon the day upon which said new Canon or amendment may be proposed, without unanimous consent. Nor, without a similar consent, shall the question upon such Canon or amendment be finally put without previous reference to a Committee.

#### ARTICLE XIV.

SEC. 1.—This Constitution shall not be altered or amended without, *First:* A concurrent vote of a majority of both orders present at one Annual Council proposing said alteration.

*Second:* The adoption of the proposed alteration or amendment, at the next ensuing Annual Council, by a majority of all the Clergy and of all the Parishes entitled to seats in said Council.

SEC. 2.—Provided, that the consideration of the proposed amendment may always be postponed to the next Annual Council, by a vote of two-thirds of both orders present.

#### ARTICLE XV.

This Constitution shall go into effect from and after the adjournment of this Council.

# CANONS

OF THE

## Protestant Episcopal Church in North Carolina,

REVISED AND ADOPTED, MAY 1863.

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### CANON I.—*Change of time or place of meeting of Council.*

Whenever the prevalence of an epidemic, or contagious disease, or other sufficient cause, shall render it necessary, the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese may change the place and time of meeting of the Diocesan Council.

### CANON II.—*List of Members of Council.*

SECTION 1.—*Clergy*—It shall be the duty of the Secretary, before the opening of the Annual Council, to apply to the Ecclesiastical Authority for a correct list of the Clergy entitled to seats. Such list shall be *prima facie* evidence of said title, and from it the Secretary shall prepare the Roll for the purpose of organization.

SEC. 2.—*Laity*—The Secretaries of the several Parish Vestries, electing Lay Delegates to the Council, shall furnish three certificates of said election, whereof one shall be handed to the Delegates elect, one shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the Council, and one to the Minister of the Parish where the Council is to be held—the latter two to be mailed at least two weeks before the time appointed for the opening of the session. From these certificates the Secretary shall prepare a list of Lay Delegates, to be called at the opening of the Council; nor shall he insert any name upon the roll without the evidence of one of said certificates, unless specially directed to do so by the Council. Defective or doubtful certificates shall be laid aside to be acted upon after the Council shall have organized.

### CANON III.—*Services.*

At the opening of the Council, Divine Service shall be celebrated and the Holy Communion administered; and a Sermon shall be preached by some Clergyman appointed for the purpose by the Ecclesiastical Authority.

### CANON IV.—*Rules of Order.*

The Council shall adopt Rules of Order, which shall continue in force till altered.

### CANON V.—*President.*

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Council, in the absence of a Bishop competent to do so, according to the provisions of the Constitution.

CANON VI.—*Secretary.*

The Secretary shall issue the prescribed notices of the annual meetings of the Council, and in case of special meetings of the same, or of a change in the time or place of the regular meeting, shall, under the direction of the Ecclesiastical Authority, issue notices thereof. He shall prepare the canonical lists of the Clergy and Lay Delegates entitled to seats therein. In the absence of both Bishop and President, he shall call the Council to order for the purpose of organization. He shall keep a record of its proceedings under its direction; shall prepare and issue its journals; and shall preserve, and have ready for reference, all papers belonging to the same, not specially given into other hands.

CANON VII.—*Treasurer.*

The Treasurer shall have custody of all funds or moneys belonging to the Diocese; shall, under the direction of the Council, receive, invest and disburse the same, and shall keep and return an account thereof to each annual meeting.

CANON VIII.—*Committees.*

SEC. 1.—In addition to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, as provided for by the Constitution, the following permanent Committees shall be annually elected, who shall remain in office till the appointment of their successors, viz: An Executive Missionary Committee, to consist of five; an Education Committee, to consist of three; and a Church Building Committee, to consist of five, besides the Bishop, who shall be *ex officio* member and Chairman of said Committees.

SEC. 2.—*Standing Committee.*—The Standing Committee shall elect a President and Secretary from their own body. They shall assemble upon the call of their President, whenever he may deem it necessary. He shall also summon them whenever required to do so by the Bishop, or by any three members of the Committee. In the event of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the President shall call a meeting within thirty days after knowledge of the fact. The Standing Committee shall hold meetings for the transaction of business at each Council, and shall report to the annual meetings of the Council the transactions of the preceding year. A record of all their official acts shall be kept by their Secretary, which shall always be open to the inspection of the Bishop, and of the Council.

SEC. 3.—*Executive Missionary Committee.*—The Executive Missionary Committee shall have in charge the Missionary funds of the Diocese, for which they shall be empowered to draw upon its Treasurer, the order of their Chairman being the Treasurer's warrant. They shall receive applications for aid; they shall report annually to the Council their transactions during the previous year, and the condition of the Missionary field, and shall make such recommendations for the future as may seem to them good. Under the direction of the Bishop, if there be one, they shall select the Missionaries or Missionary Stations to be aided, and in the absence of specific directions by the Council, shall make such appropriations to the same as may seem to them suitable.

SEC. 4.—*Education Committee.*—The Education Committee shall have charge of the Education fund of the Diocese, with power, in the absence of express provisions to the contrary, to invest or appropriate



the same as may seem to them best. They shall be empowered to draw upon the Treasurer of the Diocese for all such funds in his hands, and the order of their Chairman shall be his warrant. They shall receive, consider, and act upon all applications for aid in behalf of young men desirous to enter the Ministry of the Church. They are hereby directed to seek out such cases, and if need be, bring them to the notice of the Church, in any way that may seem best. They shall report annually to the Council their transactions of the preceding year, and the condition of the Fund under their control; and shall make such recommendations for the future as may seem to them good.

SEC. 5.—*Church Building Committee.*—The Church Building Committee shall have charge of all funds contributed in the Diocese for the purpose of aiding feeble congregations, within the Diocese, in building or repairing Churches, with power to invest or appropriate the same, as may seem to them best: Provided, that there shall be no appropriation of the funds of this Committee towards any building not secured to the sole use of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of North Carolina. The Committee shall be empowered to draw upon the Treasurer of the Diocese for such funds as he may have received for Church Building, and the order of their Chairman shall be his warrant. They shall report annually to the Council their transactions of the preceding year, and the condition of the fund under their control; and shall make such recommendations for the future as may seem to them good.

#### CANON IX.—*Relief Fund.*

The contributions to the Relief Fund shall be distributed under the direction of the Bishop.

#### CANON X.—*Committee on the State of the Church.*

It shall be the duty of the Committee on the State of the Church, from such materials as may be placed before them, to report to the Council, at some time during its session, the condition of the Diocese, with such particular statements, or such recommendations, as may seem to them desirable.

#### CANON XI.—*Committee on Finance.*

The Committee on Finance shall audit the Treasurer's accounts. They shall have power to report a scale of assessments, for the purpose of raising funds required for Diocesan purposes; they may receive applications for the alteration of the said scale, and shall report thereon to Council. They shall report to each Council the general condition of the several funds of the Diocese, with such deficits in the assessments as may be discoverable. They may make such recommendations as may seem to them desirable, and shall act upon all other matters relative to Diocesan property committed to them by the Council.

#### CANON XII.—*Deputies to the General Council.*

At each Annual Council there may, and at each Annual Council immediately preceding the triennial session of the General Council there shall, be elected three Clerical and three Lay Deputies to the said General Council, who shall be, in accordance with Art. III of the Constitution of the General Council, "Communicants in this Church and residents in the Diocese." There may also be appointed three Alternate

Clerical and three Alternate Lay Deputies, subject to the same provisions as the original Deputies above-mentioned. The said Alternate Deputies shall succeed to vacancies in the original deputation—the Clergy in the order of *official* and the Laymen in that of *personal* seniority. And in this order the Secretary shall insert their names upon the journal. Deputies elect to the General Council, finding themselves unable to attend, shall, four weeks at least before the time of meeting, give notice to the first Alternate of the same order. Should said Alternate be unable to attend, he shall give immediate notice to the next upon the list of the same order with himself. Should either of said Alternates receive two or more such notices, he shall, according to the circumstances, transmit said notices to one or more of the Alternates who follow him, and in the order in which they stand.

CANON XIII.—*Trustees of the Diocese.*

The Bishop, or when there is no Bishop, the President of the Standing Committee, shall, *ex officio*, with two Laymen to be elected by the Council, constitute a Board of Trustees for the Church in this Diocese, and shall be authorized to hold the property of the Diocese not otherwise provided for.

CANON XIV.—*Organization of Parishes.*

In order to the organization of a new Parish, and its union with the Council, it shall be necessary,

*First.* To obtain the written consent of the Ecclesiastical Authority.

*Second.* If within the limits of some already existing Parish, to obtain and present to the Council the written consent of the Rector of the Parish. Provided, that if the consent of the Minister aforesaid is denied or withheld, application may be made to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese for the establishment of such new Parish, of which application one month's previous notice shall be given to the Minister whose consent is so denied or withheld. The decision of the Ecclesiastical Authority, if in favor of the application, shall be final; but if otherwise, the case shall be reported to the Council of the Diocese, with the reasons for withholding an assent, for the final action of that body.

*Third.* To assume a name and elect a Vestry.

*Fourth.* To subscribe and present to the Council a certificate in the following words, viz: "We, the undersigned, being adults desirous to form ourselves into a Parish of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of North Carolina, do certify that we consent to be governed by the Constitution and Canons of the Church, as set forth in the General Council, and by the Constitution and Canons of the Church in this Diocese: that we have assumed the name of —, and have elected the following persons Vestrymen: — ——. In witness whereof, we have hereunto subscribed our names, this — day of —, in the year of our Lord —." For the purpose of recording said subscription, as also for the purpose of receiving the subscriptions of subsequent voters, provided for by Art. X, Sec. 4, of the Constitution, a book shall be kept in the Vestry of each Church, and shall be present at the Parochial Elections.

CANON XV.—*Parochial Elections.*

SEC. 1.—*Vestry.*—Upon Easter Monday, unless some other day has

been specified by the Vestry, each Parish shall annually elect a Vestry of not less than three, nor more than twelve persons. But in the event, at any time, of an omission to elect, the Vestry last chosen shall hold over till another election shall be held.

SEC. 2.—*Wardens*.—Each Vestry shall annually elect a Senior and a Junior Warden, from among their own number; the former upon nomination by the Rector. If there be no Rector, the election shall proceed without said nomination.

SEC. 3.—*Duties of Wardens*.—In the absence of the Rector, the Wardens shall preside in all meetings of the Vestry or congregation, in the order of their official seniority. As representatives of the Vestry, they shall (subject to its directions and in consistency with the rights of the Pastor,) have charge of the Church building, and shall see that it be kept from all secular uses, and from all uses inconsistent with the doctrines or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, so far as possible, in good repair, as becometh the House of God. They shall see that it be prepared for public worship, and that order be preserved during the same; that suitable books be provided for the service, robes for the Vestry, and, when necessary, the elements for the Holy Communion.

SEC. 4.—*Treasurer*.—In the absence of any other appointment, the Junior Warden shall act as Treasurer of the parish.

SEC. 5.—*Vestry Meetings in certain cases*.—Should the Rector refuse to call a meeting of the Vestry, when, in the opinion of the Wardens or of a majority of the Vestry, such a meeting would be of importance, it shall be competent to the Wardens, or to any three of the Vestry, to call one. Provided that the Rector shall have due notice of the same.

#### CANON XVI.—*Call of a Pastor*.

When there is no Rector, the Wardens and Vestry shall have power to call a minister and to enter into all needful stipulations for his support. But if he prefer to rely upon the voluntary contributions of the people, he shall be entitled to do so; and in such case the Vestry shall not have power to tax the sittings for that purpose without his consent. The Rector shall not have power to appoint a *permanent* Assistant without the consent of the Vestry.

#### CANON XVII.—*Legal Powers of the Vestry*.

The Vestry shall be the Trustees of the Parish; shall have charge of all the secular concerns thereof; shall hold the property belonging thereto, and shall be authorized to collect, invest or disburse its funds.

#### CANON XVIII.—*Dissolution of Parishes*.

In case of the dissolution of a Parish, the property belonging to the same shall vest in the Trustees of the Diocese, in trust for the interests of the Church in the said late Parish, and shall, upon the *bona fide* re-organization of said Parish, be re-conveyed to the same.

#### CANON XIX.—*Registration, Reports, &c*.

SEC. 1.—*Private and Parish Registers*.—It is hereby ordered that each Clergyman of this Church shall keep a register of all the baptisms, marriages and funerals solemnized by him, as well as of all the baptisms, marriages, confirmations and funerals within his Parish or cure,

specifying the names of the persons in each instance; the ages and parentage of those baptized, with the names of their sponsors or witnesses, and the time when each rite is performed, which register shall be transcribed at least once in each month into a book to be kept for the purpose by the Vestry of the Parish.

SEC. 2.—*Lists of Communicants, &c.*—It shall also be the duty of each Clergyman to keep a list of the Communicants within his cure, and, so far as practicable, of all the families and adult persons within the same, to remain for the use of his successor.

SEC. 3.—*Parochial Reports.*—It shall be the duty of each Clergyman to report to the Bishop of the Diocese, on or before the first day of each Annual Council, the number of the baptisms, confirmations, marriages and deaths among the people of his charge since the preceding Council. Also, all such official acts as he may have performed during the same period, whether within or without his cure, specifying in the latter case the place where performed. He shall also report, so far as practicable, the number of communicants within his cure, with the numbers of children receiving religious instruction in Sunday Schools, or Parochial Schools; also the amounts of contributions for Church purposes, as well as such other matters as may throw light upon the state of the Parish.

SEC. 4.—*Reading of said Reports.*—The said reports, or such parts of the same as the Bishop may deem fit, may be read in the Diocesan Council, and shall be entered upon the journals thereof.

SEC. 5.—*If there be no Pastor.*—In the case of a Parish without a Pastor, it shall be the duty of the Vestry to make the parochial report required by this Canon.

SEC. 6.—*Communicants to be Reported.*—In making the above Reports, all Communicants not suspended by action of a regular tribunal, or with their own consent, shall be included.

#### CANON XX.—*Salaries, Compensations, &c.*

SEC. 1.—*Officers of the Council, &c.*—The Secretary, the Treasurer, the Clerical members of the Diocesan Council, and the members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, in actual attendance upon the duly called meetings of the bodies to which they severally belong, shall be entitled to have their necessary expenses, incurred by such attendance, paid out of the funds of the Diocese; and the Treasurer of the Diocese is hereby directed to pay the same upon the personal application (by letter or otherwise) of said parties, accompanied by a certificate of the amount actually and necessarily expended in each instance.

SEC. 2.—*Clerical Deputies.*—Each Clerical Deputy to the General Council, actually attending the same, shall be entitled to have his necessary expenses, incurred by such attendance, paid out of the funds of the Diocese. And the Treasurer is hereby directed to pay the same upon his application.

#### CANON XXI.—*Diocesan Assessments.*

SEC. 1.—*Scale of Assessments.*—In order to meet the regular expenses of the Diocese, and its Missionary and other wants, there shall be, from time to time, a scale of assessments adopted, by the authority of the Council, to be printed with the Journals, whereby the amounts needed shall be assessed upon the several Parishes, as nearly as may be in proportion to their pecuniary ability.

SEC. 2.—*Change of Scale.*—Should any Parish or congregation deem its assessment out of proportion to its means, said Parish or congregation may, by its Pastor or Lay delegates, appear before the Committee of Finance and urge its objections; and it shall be the duty of the Committee of Finance to hear all such applications, and report them, with their judgment upon the same, to the Council.

SEC. 3.—*Objects of Assessment.*—The above-mentioned assessments shall be for the expenses of the Diocese, the salary of the Bishop, the Diocesan Missionary fund, and the fund for the relief of widows and orphans of Clergymen.

#### CANON XXII.—*Education Fund.*

There shall also be made, in every Parish of the Diocese, at least once in each year, a collection in behalf of the Diocesan Education fund.

#### CANON XXIII.—*Permanent Episcopal Fund.*

SEC. 1.—There shall be established, to aid in the support of the Bishop, a fund to be called the Permanent Episcopal Fund, to include all sums hitherto contributed specifically to that object, or which may hereafter be contributed, whereof the principal shall remain untouched, and only the interest be applied to the support of the Episcopate.

And the Treasurer is hereby directed to add to the same, from time to time, all the surplus remaining from the amounts received by assessment or otherwise, for the support of the Episcopate and the contingent expenses of the Diocese, after payment of said Bishop's salary and contingent expenses.

SEC. 2.—*Investment of the same.*—The Treasurer is furthermore directed to invest all said contributions to the Permanent Episcopal Fund, as well as all the additions last above-mentioned, in North Carolina State Stock, or upon some other good security within the State, as may seem to him most advantageous.

#### CANON XXIV.—*Permanent Missionary Fund.*

SEC. 1.—All sums derived for Missionary purposes, from any source other than that of the regular Missionary assessment, shall, if consistent with the will of the donors, be invested as a Permanent Missionary Fund, whereof the principal shall remain untouched, and only the interest be applied to current Missionary expenses.

Any surplus which may remain from the amounts received for current Missionary expenses, whether by interest upon the permanent fund aforesaid, by assessment, or otherwise, after payment of such current Missionary expenses, shall be added to the permanent fund aforesaid.

SEC. 2.—*Investment of the same.*—The Treasurer of the Diocese is directed to invest such permanent fund, together with such additions as it may, from time to time, receive as aforesaid, in North Carolina State Stock, or upon some other good security within the State, as may seem to him most advantageous.

#### CANON XXV.—*Unappropriated Funds.*

Should there remain in the Treasury any other funds not specifically appropriated, the Treasurer is hereby directed to invest the same in North Carolina State Stock, or upon some other good security within the State, as may seem to him most advantageous.

CANON XXVI.—*Clergy liable to Missionary Duty.*

All Clergymen receiving aid from the Missionary funds of the Diocese, shall be liable to perform regular Missionary duty, the sphere of which shall be fixed by the Bishop and the amount by the Bishop and Missionary Committee.

CANON XXVII.—*Trial of Clergymen.*

SEC. 1.—*The Presentment.*—Any Clergyman shall be liable to presentment and trial, for false doctrine, immorality, disorderly conduct, violation of the rubrics, of the Constitution or Canons of the Church in the Confederate States, or of the Constitution or Canons of the Church in this Diocese.

Such presentment to be made by the Vestry of the Parish in which said Clergyman has charge, or in which he resides, or by at least three male Communicants of the Diocese of full age, or by two or more Presbyters, who shall have been canonically resident therein for one year.

But no presentment shall be made in any case of any offence alleged to have been committed more than three years before the date of the presentment. Provided, that if the accused be convicted of the alleged offence in a civil Court, presentment may still be made within one year after said conviction.

Said presentment shall be made to the Bishop, in *writing*, with the names of the presenters subscribed, and shall distinctly declare, with all reasonable specification of time and circumstances, the nature of the offence or offences with which the said Clergyman may be charged.

SEC. 2.—*Public Rumor.*—But although no such presentment be made, if *public rumor* charge any Clergyman with the commission of any of the offences above enumerated, the Bishop shall appoint two or more Presbyters to investigate the truth of such rumor, and if such investigation prove adverse to the Clergyman so charged, the said Presbyters shall make the presentment as above, according to the form and regulations there provided.

The presenters shall, in all cases, assume the responsibility of conducting the prosecution.

SEC. 3.—*Service of Presentment—Constitution of Court.*—Should the Bishop be of opinion from the nature of the charge or charges made, that the presentment contains sufficient grounds for proceeding to trial, he shall cause a copy thereof to be forthwith sent to the accused. He shall then give notice to the Standing Committee, who thereupon shall select *seven* Presbyters, actually and canonically resident in the Diocese, from whom the President of the Standing Committee shall, in writing, call upon the accused to elect *three*. But in case the accused refuse or neglect to make such election within ten days after due notice as aforesaid, the Standing Committee shall make the said election.

The three Presbyters so elected shall constitute a Court for the trial of the accused; and shall have all powers necessary for the due conducting of the said trial.

SEC. 4.—*Lay Assessor.*—The Bishop shall appoint a member of the legal profession, who shall also be a Communicant of the Church, as *Assessor* to the Court, to advise the Court, *if requested*, upon all *questions of law* which may arise during the trial.

SEC. 5.—*Time and place of trial, and notice thereof.*—The Bishop

shall appoint a time and place of trial, and shall give at least thirty days' notice of the same to the members of the *Court*, the *Assessor*, the *Presenters*, and the *Accused*; at which time and place the *Witnesses* also shall be notified to attend.

SEC. 6.—*Assembling of Court and Record of Proceedings.*—The Court shall assemble at the time and place appointed, and shall proceed to examine fully the charges; and shall keep an accurate *record* of all their proceedings and of the evidence.

SEC. 7.—*Nature of Evidence and how given.*—No charge shall be considered as established, unless proved by *two witnesses*, or by one witness and *corroborating circumstances*.

Testimony may be given orally before the Court, or in writing, upon interrogatories and cross-interrogatories, to be previously filed with the Secretary or Registrar of the Court. Any one or more of the witnesses may be examined on oath or affirmation, on the requisition of either party.

SEC. 8.—*Decision of the Court and the Sentence.*—A *unanimous* vote of the Court, on one or more of the charges, shall be necessary to the conviction of the accused; and if their decision be adverse to the accused, they shall proceed to determine the kind and degree of punishment commensurate in their opinion with the offence or offences committed. They shall transmit to the Bishop, under their hand, the record of their proceedings. The judgment of the Bishop on such decision shall be final, except that he shall have no power to *increase* the punishment recommended by the Court.

SEC. 9.—Suspension or any heavier sentence shall, *ipso facto*, sever the connection of the Clergyman with his Parish.

SEC. 10.—*The Record to be Filed.*—The Record provided for in the sixth Section of this Canon, together with the Bishop's sentence endorsed, shall be preserved among the papers of the Diocese.

SEC. 11.—*Notices.*—For the purpose of any notice provided for by this Canon, it shall be sufficient to serve it either personally or by leaving a copy thereof at the last place of residence of the accused.

SEC. 12.—*Confession of an Offence.*—When a Clergyman shall make confession to the Bishop of the commission of any of the offences enumerated in the first section of this Canon, the Bishop shall proceed to inflict such ecclesiastical censure or punishment upon the Clergyman so confessing, as he (the Bishop) shall think right.

SEC. 13.—*Renunciation of False Doctrine.*—In the case of any accusation of false doctrine, a *renunciation* of the same, to the satisfaction of the Bishop, shall stay all farther proceedings.

#### CANON XXVIII.—*Journals of Council.*

The Secretary shall each year preserve thirty copies of the Journal for the use of the members of the next ensuing Council.





**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 the sum 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 Council 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.]

## RESOLUTION CONTINUING IN FORCE.

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

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The Second Annual Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of North Carolina will be held in **ST. JOHN'S CHURCH**, Williamsborough, on the **Third Wednesday** in May 1864.

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