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OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

HOLDEN IN

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, EDENTON,

*On Thursday May 17, Friday May 18, Saturday
May 19, and Monday May 21,*

1832.

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LIST OF ATTENDING MEMBERS.

CLERGY.

- Right Rev. LEVI SILLIMAN IVES, D. D. Ex Officio President of the Convention.
- Rev. JOHN AVERY, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Edenton.
- Rev. JARVIS B. BUNTON, Rector of St. John's Church, Fayetteville.
- Rev. WILLIAM D. CAIRNS, Rector of St. James's Church, Wilmington.
- Rev. THOMAS F. DAVIS, Jr., Missionary, officiating at Pittsborough and Wadesborough, and parts adjacent.
- Rev. GEORGE W. FREEMAN, Rector of Christ's Church, Raleigh.
- Rev. JOHN R. GOODMAN, Rector of Christ's Church, Newbern.
- Rev. WILLIAM M. GREEN, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Hillsboro'.
- Rev. PHILIP B. WILEY, Rector of Christ's Church, Elizabeth City.
- Rev. WILLIAM N. HAWKS, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Washington.
- Rev. THOMAS S. W. MOTT, Missionary, officiating in the County of Lenoir and parts adjacent.
- Rev. WILLIAM NORWOOD, Missionary, officiating in the Counties of Bertie and Northampton, and parts adjacent.
- Rev. JOSEPH H. SAUNDERS, Missionary, officiating at Immanuel Church, Warrenton, and parts adjacent.

LAITY.—DELEGATES.

- Robert H. Smith*, St. Paul's Church, Edenton.
- Edward L. Winslow*, St. John's Church, Fayetteville.
- James S. Green,*
William C. Lord,
Dr. James F. McRee,
Dr. A. J. DeRossett, Jr. } St. James's Church, Wilmington.
- Gavin Hogg,*
John B. Muse, } Christ's Church, Raleigh.
- John Backhus,* Christ's Church, Newbern.
- Walker Anderson,* St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough.
- Eli Hoyt,*
John Singletary,
John S. Hawks, } St. Peter's Church, Washington.
- Sandy Harris,*
Rhodes Herndon,
Joseph J. Ridley, } St. Stephen's Church, Oxford.
- Joseph D. White,* Immanuel Church, Warrenton.
- Dr. Simmons J. Baker,*
Benjamin Blume,
Simmons J. Baker, Jr. } St. Mark's Church, Halifax.
- Dr. William Martin,*
Joshua Skinner,
John McMorin,
Benj'n Albertson, } Christ's Church, Elizabeth City.
- Frederick Grist,* Trinity Chapel, Beaufort County.
- William B. Marsh,*
Jesse B. Lucas, } St. Thomas's Church, Bath.

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EDENTON, *May 17th*, 1832.

This being the day and place appointed for the meeting of the sixteenth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of North Carolina, the Bishop and Clergy assembled in St. Paul's Church. After prayers by the Right Rev. Bishop, the list of the Clergy belonging to the Diocese was called over by the Secretary, of whom the following were found present:

- Rev. JOHN AVERY, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Edenton.
JARVIS B. BUXTON, Rector of St. John's Church, Fayetteville.
WILLIAM D. CAIRNES, Rector of St. James's Church, Wilmington.
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WILLIAM NORWOOD, Missionary, officiating in the Counties of Bertie and Northampton, and parts adjacent.
JOSEPH H. SAUNDERS, Missionary, officiating in Immanuel Church, Warrenton, and parts adjacent.

The Rev. Messrs. Philip B. Wiley, Robert J. Miller, John H. Norment, and Thomas H. Wright, Clerical members of the Convention, were not present.

The certificates of Lay Delegates were then called for, laid on the Secretary's table, and read, from which it appeared that the following Churches were represented, and the following Delegates elected.

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| Josiah Collins, | } | St. Paul's Church, Edenton. |
| Joseph Bozman, | | |
| Joseph B. Skinner, | | |
| Robert H. Smith, | | |
| Charles P. Mallett, | } | St. John's Church, Fayetteville. |
| E. L. Winslow, | | |
| Charles T. Haigh, | | |
| John W. Huske, | | |
| James S. Green, | } | St. James's Church, Wilmington. |
| William C. Lord, | | |
| Dr. James F. McRee, | | |
| Dr. A. J. De Rossett, jr. | | |

Gavin Hogg,	}	Christ's Church, Raleigh.
John B. Muse,		
George Little,		
James Bryan,	}	Christ's Church, Newbern.
John Backhus,		
John Burgwyn,		
John P. Daves,		
Walker Anderson,	}	St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough.
Eli Hoyt,		
John Singletary,	}	St. Peter's Church, Washington.
Sandy Harris,		
Rhodes Herndon,	}	St. Stephen's Church, Oxford.
Spencer O'Brien,		
Joseph J. Ridley,		
John D. Hawkins,		
George E. Spruill,	}	Immanuel Church, Warrenton.
Joseph D. White,		
Dr. Simmons J. Baker,	}	St. Mark's Church, Halifax.
Benjamin Blume,		
Simmons J. Baker, jr.		

Of whom the following were present, and admitted to seats as members of the Convention: Robert H. Smith, James S. Green, William C. Lord, Dr. De Rossett, jr., E. L. Winslow, John B. Muse, John Backhus, Walker Anderson, Eli Hoyt, John Singletary, Sandy Harris, Rhodes Herndon, Joseph J. Ridley, Joseph D. White, Dr. Simmons J. Baker, Benjamin Blume.

The Convention was declared by the President duly organized, and proceeded to the election of a Secretary for the ensuing year, whereupon, E. L. Winslow was declared to be elected the Secretary for the ensuing year.

On motion of the Rev. W. D. Cairns, *Resolved*, That a Committee of three be appointed to prepare and report Rules of Order, to govern the deliberations of this body.

The following were appointed: Messrs. Cairns and Avery, of the Clergy, and Walker Anderson, of the Laity.

On motion of the Rev. W. D. Cairns, *Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to prepare and report to this Convention, a Journal of the Proceedings of the last Convention.

The following were appointed: Messrs. Freeman and Green, of the Clergy, and W. C. Lord and E. L. Winslow, of the Laity.

The President of the Convention then appointed the following Standing Committees:

Committee of Finance:—Messrs. E. Hoyt, Dr. Baker, W. Anderson, Gavin Hogg, and E. L. Winslow.

Committee on the State of the Church:—Messrs. Green, Freeman, Cairns, and Goodman, of the Clergy.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet on Friday, 9 o'clock A. M.

Morning Service was performed by Rev. G. W. Freeman, and a Sermon preached by the Rev. John R. Goodman, 11th chapter of Numbers, 29th verse.

In the afternoon, Service was performed by the Rev. Wm. N. Hawks, and a Sermon preached by the Rev. Thomas F. Davis, Jr., 3d chapter of John's Gospel, part of 18th verse.

At night, Service was performed by the Rev. William Norwood, and a Sermon preached by the Rev. T. S. W. Mott, 5d chapter of John's Gospel, 16th verse.



FRIDAY, MAY 18th, 1852.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment; Prayers were read by the Bishop.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Rev. Jarvis B. Buxton was added to the Committee on the State of the Church.

The following Certificates of Delegation were presented, and the following appeared as Delegates to this Convention.

Dr. William Martin,	} Christ's Church, Elizabeth City.
Joshua Skinner,	
John McMorin,	
B. Albertson,	
John S. Hawks, St. Peter's Church, Washington.	
Frederick Grist, Trinity Church, Beaufort County.	

Rev. P. B. Wiley, Rector of Christ's Church, Elizabeth City, appeared and took his seat.

The Committee appointed to prepare Rules of Order, made the following Report, which was adopted:

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The organization of the Convention by the President.
2. The Convention shall then proceed to appoint a Secretary by ballot.
3. The Committees on the State of the Church, and of Finance, each consisting of five, and all Special Committees, shall next be appointed.
4. The Bishop's Annual Address.
5. Parochial Reports to be presented to the Convention.
6. Report from the Standing Committee.
7. Report from the Treasurer.
8. Reports from the Committees appointed by the last Convention.
9. Reports from Special Committees.
10. When the President takes the Chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.
11. Every member who shall deliver his opinion, or speak in any debate, shall, with due respect, address himself to the President and confine himself strictly to the point in debate.
12. No motion shall be debated, or shall be considered as before the Convention, unless seconded; and if required, reduced to writing and read by the Secretary.
13. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made except to amend, to divide, to commit or to postpone it: a motion to

adjourn, however, shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate; a question on amendment must be decided before the original motion.

14. A question once decided, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and not be drawn again into debate, except with the consent of two thirds of the Convention: *Provided always*, that any member of the Convention voting in favor of any resolution, may, on the same day on which the vote is taken, move a reconsideration of said vote.

15. No member shall be absent from the Sessions of the Convention, unless he have leave, or be from sickness, unable to attend.

16. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the Chair.

Parochial Reports were then called for, read, and referred to the Committee on the State of the Church, as follows:

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FAYETTEVILLE.

Rev. Jarvis B. Buxton, Rector.

Baptisms, Adults 10, Infants 15,	25	
Colored Adults,	29	
	—	Total 54
Confirmations, Whites,	50	
Colored,	20	
	—	Total 70
Communicants, Whites,	93	
Colored,	23	
	—	Total 116
Marriages,		1
Burials,		7
Sunday School Children,		120

Fifty-seven have been added to the Communion, three of whom are transferred members. The hopes of this Congregation, prostrated in the general conflagration of May last, have been invigorated by generous contributions, in other Diocesses, towards rebuilding their temple. These contributions amount to the sum of seventy-six hundred dollars.

The edifice is nearly complete, and presents a chaste specimen of Gothic architecture, of incombustible materials, alike creditable to the liberality of our friends abroad and interesting to us, as a beautiful and enduring monument of their Christian regards. The Rev. Mr. Mott has officiated with great acceptance in the Congregation during three months of the Rector's absence. A visit from the Rev. Mr. Cairns, in the time of need, is gratefully acknowledged. The labors of our esteemed Bishop, also, in advancing the best interests of this Congregation, have been marked with deep, and we trust, permanent impressions of seriousness on the minds of many.

The Sunday School has participated largely in the season of refreshment, and about fifty have been recently added to the sphere, over which an adequate number of competent and devoted Teachers, exerts the happiest influence.

The increasing interest in our Services, observable among the coloured population, has rendered expedient, the organization of an African Episcopal Congregation, under the immediate charge of the Rector of this Parish. About two hundred and twenty of this population, by a very regular and devout, and it is pleasing to add, a purely spontaneous attendance on their weekly service, evince their attachment to a suitable modification of the Liturgy and to the preaching of the Gospel.

The same opportunity for religious service and instruction, is weekly afforded to a Congregation of the poor, in the vicinity of the town. Visible indications of improvement in their moral condition, afford encouragement to regular and permanent ministrations, and supply proof, where perhaps most needed, of the admirable adaptation of the Institutions of the Church, to the circumstances of this particular class of the community.

The benevolent Institutions connected with the Church, are active and efficient. Among them, the "Female Industrious School Association," is distinguished, not less for its laudable object, than for the zeal and prudence with which that object is pursued.

Collected for Missionary Fund,	\$ 70
Assessment for the Bishop,	100
Contingent Sum,	25

JARVIS B. BUXTON, *Rector.*

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

Rev. William N. Hawks, Minister.

Communicants reported at last Convention,	61	
Added,	11	
	—	Total 72
Removed 2; Deceased 2,	4	
	—	Total 68
Confirmations,		19
Baptisms, Adults, white	5	
coloured	1	
	←	Total 6
Children, white	9	
coloured	1	
	—	Total 16
Burials, Adults, 3; Children, 4,		7
Marriages,		6
Sunday School—Teachers, male	7	
female	8	
	—	Total 15
Scholars, male	30	
female	39	
	—	Total 69

The State of the Church in this part of the Lord's vineyard is encouraging. It will be seen from the above statement, that some additions have been made to our communion during the last year, and it is hoped, that through God's grace, ere long, more will be brought into the fold of the

Redeemer. That zeal which has always been a characteristic of this Congregation, still continues to be manifested. Our Sunday School is in a flourishing condition; and the Industrious Society formed some years since by the Ladies of the Congregation, for charitable purposes, still exists.

WILLIAM N. HAWKS, *Minister.*

CHRIST'S CHURCH, ELIZABETH CITY.

Rev. Philip B. Wiley, Rector.

The Minister reports under the head of

Baptisms, children,	8
Confirmations,	7
Communicants,	31
Burials,	3
Marriages,	2

Collected to pay assessment, \$40.

The Congregation is composed of about 20 families; in which there are adults, not communicants, about 20; and children, under 14 years of age, about 50. Its spiritual condition is, I trust, not declining. But every day makes it manifest, that to be prosperous, it must have the undivided services of a Minister. Three have been added to the number of Communicants, and two have removed, which makes the actual increase *one*. The state of the Sunday School remains about the same as at the last report; being under the management of a pious Superintendent, subject to the occasional supervision of the Minister. The Directress of the "Ladies Working Society," represents it as being in a more flourishing condition than formerly. In conclusion I may say, that though this seems to be the day of small things with this Congregation, yet we trust, that the seed is being sown, which, under the gracious influence of the "Son of Righteousness," will, sooner or later, spring forth, and bear much fruit to the glory and honor of God.

PHILIP B. WILEY, *Rector.*

CHRIST'S CHURCH, NEWBERN.

Rev. J. R. Goodman, Rector.

Baptisms, Adults,	3	
Infants,	22	
	—	Total 25
Confirmations,		44
Communicants, reported last Convention,	93	
Removed, deceased, &c.	3	
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	90	
Added,	10	
	—	Total 100
Marriages,		6
Deaths,		13
Sunday School Teachers,		28
Scholars,		153

The Rector is rejoiced to report, that an increase of seriousness and religious sensibility has been manifested for the past Conventional year, in the Parish of Christ's Church. The Congregation under his care, has, with a steady and gradual progress, approached much nearer than heretofore, to the character of a "peculiar people," and evidenced a greater degree of attachment to the principles of the "faith delivered to the Saints." Attendance upon the public services of the sanctuary is more general, and it is believed that personal holiness and piety abound in an increased measure among the members of his charge. The Sunday School continues in the same prosperous condition as heretofore, and the Industrious Society composed of the Ladies of the Church, still labour in their benevolent work of relieving the destitute and unfortunate. Upon the whole, the state of this Church is such, as to call forth from the Pastor, the most grateful acknowledgments, for the blessings which have been dispensed to his beloved people, by the Great Shepherd and Bishop of souls.

J. R. GOODMAN, *Rector.*

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILLIAMSBOROUGH.

Rev. William Steel, Rector.

It is with gratitude to the Great Head of the Church, that I have to state the present improved prospect before us; and could our services be more frequent, we believe much more good would be the result. In the last year there have been eight Confirmations, one Marriage, two Deaths, four Baptisms; and there are 19 Communicants, four of whom have been added the last year.

WILLIAM STEEL, *Rector.*

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

Rev. William D. Cairns, Rector.

This Parish has undergone little change since the last Convention.--

During the year we have added to the Communion,	26
Removed from the same,	20
Making the present number of Communicants,	151

Of whom 18 are colored persons. Of the persons reported as removed from the Communion, 1 has received holy orders; 11 have been recommended to the pastoral care of other Ministers of the Church; 6 have died; and 2 have left the Church and united with other Communions.

Baptisms, Adults, 3; Infants, 36; Total	39
Confirmations,	29
Marriages, white, 5; colored, 3; Total	8
Burials, principally children,	14

The Sunday School has registered during the past year, 190 Scholars, and 25 Teachers. The largest number in attendance at one time, has been 124; the average attendance has been about three-fourths.

The Female Bible Class, 36

The Sunday School and Parish Libraries have both been increased; the latter contains about 750 volumes; the former, near 250.

Moneys collected:

For the "Bible, Common Prayer Book, and Missionary Society,"	\$188 69.
For the Episcopate and Contingent Fund,	150
For sundry copies of Ravenscroft's Works,	163 50
Total	\$502 19

The Rector feels indeed, that he has much cause to bless God for the many favors bestowed upon his people; and his most earnest prayer for them is, that the Holy Spirit would "enlighten their minds more and more, with the light of the everlasting Gospel; graft in their hearts a love of the truth; increase in them true religion; nourish them with all goodness; and of His great mercy, evermore keep them in the same;" that they may be "living epistles, known and read of all men."

WILLIAM D. CAIRNS, *Rector.*

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH.

Rev. Wm. M. Green, Rector.

This Congregation, through the blessing of God, has shown an increased attention to religious things, within the last year.—Our public services have been more generally attended.—The Rector's Bible Class has increased in number. The weekly Lecture has also excited considerable interest. The Ladies' Working Society has labored with its usual diligence; and the Sunday School has not ceased to pour its blessings on the young, and to train up candidates for the full communion of the Church.

Baptisms, Adults, 11; Infants, 10,	21
Confirmations, 27 white; 3 colored,	30
Communicants, 1 died, 2 removed, 20 added, present number,	60
Marriages, 3 colored, 1 white couple,	4
Deaths, 2 Infants, 6 Adults, of whom 1 only belonged to the Congregation,	8
Sunday School Teachers, (all of whom are Communicants)	10
Sunday Scholars,	50
Library Books,	\$50
Contribution to "Bible, Common Prayer Book, Tract and Missionary Society,"	\$58
To the Episcopate,	45
Contingent Fund,	7 50
Total	\$110 50

SALEM CHAPEL, ORANGE COUNTY.

Baptisms, 6 white Adults; 5 white Infants; and 5 colored Infants; Total	16
Confirmations,	9
Communicants, 1 added, present number,	5

ST. MARY'S CHAPEL, ORANGE COUNTY.

The situation of this Congregation remains the same as reported at the last Convention. Owing to the ill health of the Rector, and the more urgent demands for his labours elsewhere, he has not officiated at this place for nearly two years past. He has less cause however, to regret his temporary abandonment of this venerable place of worship, as the few remaining worshippers have it in their power to attend, either at St. Matthew's Church, or at Salem Chapel. One Communicant has been added to the former number, within the last year.

At Williamsborough, I have baptized 3 white and 3 colored

Infants, 6

At Pittsborough, 2 white and 1 colored infants, 3

At Oxford, the Congregation which some years since was received into union with this Diocese, by the name of St. Stephen's Church, has been reorganized, with a good prospect of continuance and increase. A sufficient sum has been subscribed to secure the services of a Missionary or settled Pastor during half the year; and an anxious desire is felt to avail themselves of the many means of grace afforded in our Apostolic Communion. There are four communicants belonging to this Congregation.—Three persons were confirmed by the Bishop on his first visitation. The vicinity of this place to Williamsborough renders it highly desirable that these two Congregations would unite in procuring the services of a Clergyman between them.

WILLIAM M. GREEN, *Rector.*

CHRIST'S CHURCH, RALEIGH.

Rev. G. W. Freeman, Rector.

Baptisms, at Raleigh, Adults 5, Children 20,	25	
Wake Forest, 1, " 4,	5	
		— Total 30

Confirmations, at Raleigh, 22 white and 2		
coloured persons,	24	
Wake Forest,	4	
		— Total 28

Communicants, (2 have died, 2 removed,		
and 18 have been added,)	51	

Marriages,	2
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Burials, including 3 not of the Congregation,	5
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Sunday School, average attendance, 50 to 60.
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The spiritual condition of this Congregation, it is hoped, is not declining. The Bible Class and the weekly Lecture, however, though not abandoned, are not so well attended as formerly; and the Sunday School, though flourishing as to the number of Scholars, suffers for the want of a sufficient number of devoted, self-denying Teachers, particularly male Teachers.

The Congregation continues to be indebted for no inconsiderable share of its outward prosperity, to the little band of devoted females constituting

what is called "the Church Society." Among their other benefactions, they have generously appropriated one hundred dollars of their earnings, to aid in procuring a Bell, although the accomplishment of their favourite object, the purchase of an organ, has, thereby, been greatly retarded. Considering the untiring zeal of these industrious Daughters of Zion, and their great anxiety to promote the perfection of our worship, it is to be regretted, that some of those whom God has abundantly prospered in this world's goods, have not stepped forward to enable them, at once, to accomplish their enterprise.

Moneys paid into the Treasury.

Annual assessment for the Bishop's salary,	\$43 00
Contingent expenses of the Convention,	7 00
Annual Subscriptions to the Bible, Prayer Book, Tract and Missionary Society,	33 00
Sale of Prayer Books and Tracts,	30 00
Sale of Bishop Ravenscroft's Works,	51 00
Do. paid last summer,	15

\$179 00

GEO. W. FREEMAN, *Rector.*

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, EDENTON.

Rev. John Avery, Rector.

Communicants,	33
Baptisms, Adult 1, Children 17,	18
Burials,	3
Confirmed,	7

The Rector of this Church having, for the greater part of the year past, been in so feeble a state of health as to be unable to perform all the duties of his office; the interests of the Church have, in consequence, he fears, in some measure suffered. There has been however, an increased seriousness with several individuals, and an addition of three persons to the Communion. The Sunday School contains about forty Scholars, and has been regularly attended during the year. There has been instituted a Library, for the Sunday School and Church, which, though as yet small, promises important advantages for religious instruction. On the whole, the Rector thinks that there has been an improvement in regard to the religious interests of his Congregation since the last Convention.

The Rector would also add, that the Working Society have continued their praiseworthy exertions, much to the advantage of the Church.— They have contributed a considerable sum to the painting and repairing the Church. He would also add, that the Church has received from a young lady, Miss P. J. D. Skinner, the present of an elegant Chandelier and very beautiful and appropriate Lamps for the Pulpit, Reading Desk, and other parts of the Church.

Paid for the balance of the assessment for the year ending
June, 1852. \$83

JOHN AVERY, *Rector.*

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SALISBURY, & CHRIST'S CHURCH,
ROWAN.

Rev. Thos. Wright, Rector.

In February last, I relinquished my charge at Wadesborough, to the Rev. Mr. Davis, and I sincerely hope and trust, that under his care, and through the blessing of Heaven, Calvary Church will gradually increase, and continue to be noted for the ardent, intelligent, and consistent piety of its members.

The care of the Congregations in Rowan, will probably, soon devolve on some other Clergyman, and I am happy that I can commit them to my successor in a much better state than I found them. It may with truth be said, that a few years ago, they had a name to live, and were dead, but by the grace and mercy of God, they have revived, arisen from the dust, and been in some measure purified. Some "who were not of us," have gone "out from us;" and now, our principles "the principles of the doctrines of Christ," are better understood and appreciated than at any preceding period. Our services are attended by those who love them, and the blessed Gospel, is in general, honoured by the holy walk of such as profess to believe it. Difficulties must still be encountered by my successor, but they will be of a different character, and by no means as numerous, as, through the goodness of God, have been already surmounted:

Baptisms, Wadesborough	1 Adult,	13 Children,	14
Salisbury	2	9	11
Christ's Church		9	9

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34

Confirmed, Salisbury 6, Christ's Church 3,

Communicants, 2 having been added, and 2 having died

during the year, 11

Christ's Church, about 70——81

From the Churches in Rowan, several families, and many Communicants, have at different times removed. The number of the latter will soon be increased.

THOS. WRIGHT, *Rector.*

ZION CHURCH, BEAVER DAM, BEAUFORT COUNTY.

Rev. Wm. N. Hawks, Minister.

Baptisms,	8
Communicants,	16

In this Congregation, it is believed the interests of vital religion have been gradually advancing. The attachment of the members to the doctrines and worship of the Church continues undiminished.

The want of the regular services of a Lay Reader, has been and is still, much felt by this Congregation. It is believed that the sum of 35 or 40 dollars can be raised for the services of a Missionary one Sunday in every month.

WM. N. HAWKS, *Minister.*

PAROCHIAL REPORT,

Of the Missionary officiating in the Counties of Warren, Franklin and Halifax, and the parts adjacent.

I. IMMANUEL CHURCH, WARRENTON.

Baptisms, 1 Adult, 1 Infant,		Total	2
Funeral,			1
Communicants in May, 1831,	3		
Additions since then,	15		
Present number,	—		18
Confirmations in Immanuel Church,			20

Of these Confirmations, however, 2 belonged to the Station in Scotland Neck; 2 to the one in Louisburg; and 2 were from the sister Diocese of Virginia. During the past year, the friends of the Church in this town and county have had their hopes much strengthened. The Congregations on Sundays are generally full, and very attentive; and the Church, it is believed, is becoming more and more loved, in proportion as she is better known.

On Easter Monday, a meeting of the Congregation took place, when a Vestry of six persons was elected for the current year. The assessment of Ten Dollars laid by the last Convention on this Congregation, has been paid by the Vestry to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

II. LOUISBURG AND FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Baptisms, since my appointment,

In Louisburg, 2 Adults, 1 Infant,		3
In Franklin County, Children		5
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	Total	8

Confirmations.—In Louisburg, 8 persons have been confirmed; 2 others belonging to this station were confirmed, as above stated, at Warrenton, and 1 in Raleigh, making the number of Confirmations belonging to the Station

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Of these, 8 or 9 have already partaken of the Holy Communion, and the others it is believed are desirous to do so, the first opportunity. Three of the number, however, have since removed from the State.

The Adult Baptisms in Louisburg, at the desire of the Candidates were performed in Tar River, by immersion.

The prospects of the Church in this County are considered quite encouraging

III. HALIFAX TOWN AND COUNTY.

St. Mark's Church, Town of Halifax.

Baptisms, Infants		4
Confirmations,		3
Burials,		2

2. *Scotland Neck, Halifax County.*

Baptisms, Adults 8, Children 7,	Total	15
Confirmations, 7 in Scotland Neck, and 3 at Warrenton last fall, making the whole number		10

Of the persons confirmed, seven have already come forward to the Holy Communion, and the other three are expected to do so at an early opportunity.

Marriages, 1 in this neighbourhood, and 1 in a different part of the County; whole number 2

Scotland Neck is a joint week-day Station of the Rev. Mr. Norwood and myself, who officiate there alternately, every other Friday. The prospects of the Church there are believed by both of us, to be extremely promising; and it is thought by us, to be one of the most important of any of our Stations. Much attention and personal concern about religion, have been awakened in the minds of different persons. Two adults have been baptised since the Bishop's visitation in March; and they, together with at least three other persons, are now desirous to receive the apostolic rite of Confirmation.

The friends of the Church in this neighbourhood, are taking active measures to provide themselves with a comfortable Church. A sufficient sum of money for the erection of a suitable building has been already, or shortly will be, subscribed for that purpose; a site for the building is fixed upon, and a gentleman engaged to erect it.

A Missionary Salary of at least \$250 has also been secured for the support of a Missionary to officiate exclusively between Scotland Neck and Halifax Town. The further sum of \$60 has been presented by a few individuals of this neighborhood, to the Missionary Society.

JOSEPH H. SAUNDERS,
*Missionary, officiating in Warren, Franklin, and
Halifax Counties, and parts adjacent.*

REPORT

Of the Missionary officiating in the Counties of Northampton and Bertie.

I entered upon my duties as Missionary in the Counties of Northampton and Bertie, on the last Sunday in November, 1831. Since that time I have officiated every third Sunday in regular succession, at each of the following Stations, viz: Jackson, Northampton County; Pugh's Chapel, Bertie County, and Windsor, Bertie County.

It has not been thought expedient as yet regularly to organize Congregations at these Stations, although it could without difficulty be done.

The following statement includes the Baptisms performed by the Rev. Mr. Saunders, who visited the Stations previous to my arrival.

CONGREGATION AT JACKSON.

Baptisms, (Adults 3, Infants 3,)	6
Confirmations,	6
Communicants,	6

CONGREGATION AT PUGH'S CHAPEL, BERTIE COUNTY.

Baptisms, (Adults 3, Infants 8,)	11
Confirmations, (including that of a member of St. Paul's, Edenton,)	7
Communicants,	6
Marriage,	1

CONGREGATION AT WINDSOR.

Baptisms, (Adults 2, Infants 4,)	6
Communicants,	4

At each of the two latter Stations there are several persons anxious and ready to be confirmed, as soon as an opportunity shall offer.

In this Missionary District, public attention has been excited with regard to the Church; and it is hoped and believed that the result will be a diminution of the ignorance of her principles and the prejudice against her worship, which so generally prevail, and which are the chief obstacles in the way of her advancement.

The prospect for the permanent establishment of the Church at these Stations, becomes every day more encouraging, and with the continuance of ministerial services, under the blessing of God, it is believed that it may be effected.

In addition to my regular duties, I have united with the Rev. Mr. Saunders, in a plan for the supply of the Scotland Neck Congregation with the regular services of the Church, on Friday of two weeks in each month. In pursuance of this plan, I have officiated there seven times in the last five months. The condition of the Congregation has been reported by the Rev. Mr. Saunders.

It is but just to state, as a proof of the zeal of the Episcopalians of the district in which I officiate, that the ordinary Missionary Salary will be raised without any assistance from the Missionary Society of the Diocese,
WILLIAM NORWOOD.

REPORT

Of the Missionary officiating in the County of Lenoir, & the parts adjacent.

In my mission, as first appointed in August last, there were three Stations, viz: Sampson County, Wayne and Lenoir. In each of these Counties, there is now a Church regularly organized; that at Kinston having been organized since my engagement in the mission.

At Sampson Court House, there are only four resident communicants. In summer, the number is increased to seven, by the resort of some families to that place from other parts of the State for health. During the period of my mission, there have been one Infant and five Adults baptized. At the visit of the Bishop last winter, seven were confirmed. The prospects of the Church here are not very flattering. There are, it is true, at present, a few devoted members, and a number warmly interested in her success, but the prospect of several removals, leads to the fear the whole number will be so reduced as to render it inconsistent with the many other

pressing calls upon the Missionary Society, to supply them with a Missionary.

In consequence of ill health, I have never officiated at Waynesborough. At a visit there in March last, for the purpose of holding Divine Service, having learned from certain gentlemen, their indisposition to co-operate with the Society in securing to themselves the services of a Minister, I ceased visiting the place in my former capacity, and devoted the remainder of my time, exclusively to the Counties of Sampson and Lenoir.

At Kinston, Lenoir County, there have been nine baptisms, three Adults, and six Infants. The number of Communicants is at present but two. There are in this place and vicinity, from fifteen to twenty families, who are interested in procuring the ministry of our Church. In March last, a Church was formed, called St. Mary's, and a very liberal subscription got up for the purpose of building an edifice for public worship. It is expected this measure will be carried into immediate effect.

It will appear from the above statement, that little towards establishing the Church in these Counties has yet been done; but it should be remembered that little pains has been bestowed upon them. In fact, sickness and accidents of one kind or another have cut down the whole period of my mission to less than three months regular and efficient labour.

T. S. W. MOTT.

CALVARY CHURCH, WADESBOROUGH.

Rev. Thos. F. Davis, Jr. Officiating Missionary.

Communicants,	14
Baptisms, Adults 6, Infants 2,	8

The Missionary of this Church arrived in Wadesborough on the 13th of January last, since which time he has been enabled to officiate there somewhat more than half his time. One member has been added to the communion, and six adult members have been added to the Church by baptism. There has been a continually increasing interest on the subject of religion among the Congregation, and it is hoped that interest is still deepening and extending. The Church edifice was consecrated during the visit of the Bishop in November last, but is not yet entirely finished, from the inability of the Congregation. The Sunday School connected with this Church is in a flourishing condition. The Teachers are much interested, and indefatigable in their exertions; the number of Children attending is from forty to sixty.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, PITTSBOROUGH.

Rev. Thos. F. Davis, Jr. Officiating Missionary.

Communicants,	13
Baptisms, Infants,	2

The Missionary of this Church arrived in Pittsborough on the 29th of December last, and has officiated there two weeks out of every month since. There have been no adult members added to the Church—but some have expressed their disposition so to do, and it is hoped there is a

growing spirit of true religion in the Congregation. The corner stone of the Church edifice was laid in March, and the Church will in a short time, be ready for consecration.

THOS. F. DAVIS, Jr.

PARISHES IN BEAUFORT COUNTY.

Rev. John H. Norment, Deacon, Minister.

Communicants, St. Thomas's Parish, Bath, added 2,	26
Trinity Parish, Beaufort, added 2,	22
Zion Parish, " "	11
St. John's Parish, " "	6
St. James's Parish, Greenville, added 2,	5
	— 70
Baptisms, St. Thomas's Parish, Bath, Children	5
Trinity Parish, Beaufort, " "	2
Zion Parish, " " "	12
St. John's Parish " Children 3, Adult 1	4
St. James's Parish, Greenville, Children	2
	— 25
Confirmations, St. Thomas's Parish, Bath,	3
St. John's Parish, Beaufort,	1
St. James's Parish, Greenville,	3
	— 7
Burials, St. Thomas's Parish, Bath,	2
Trinity Parish, Beaufort,	4
St. John's Parish, Beaufort,	2
Zion Parish, " "	2
	— 10
Marriage, St. James's Parish, Greenville,	1
<i>Totals viz:</i> Communicants, added during the year 6	70
Baptisms, Children 24, Adult 1	25
Confirmations, 4 of this number became communicants	7
Burials, Communicants 4, others 6	10
Marriage,	1

The above named Congregations came under my charge in January, 1831, since which time to the 1st January, 1832, with the exception of Zion Parish, Beaufort, Divine Service has been performed in each on one Sunday in every month. In Trinity Parish, Lay Reading has been attended, at regular intervals, between the monthly Services.

The attachment on the part of the Communicants, to the doctrines, discipline, and worship of the Church, attests the faithfulness and zeal of their former Pastors, and affords the pleasing hope, that notwithstanding the present discouragements, every effort will be made to sustain the ministry and ordinances among them.

In the early part of the year, a Sunday School was established in St. Thomas's Parish, Bath, but for want of Teachers, and an interest in the subject, on the part of parents, it soon became extinct.

From the scattered population in each of the Parishes, and the impracticability of meeting together with any degree of convenience. I have not

been able to institute Bible Classes, and Lectures, or classes in the Catechism.

So far as I have been able to learn from observation and experience, there appears to be a prepossession on the part of the people generally, towards our communion; and there can be little doubt, that ministerial labour will be well rewarded here at some future period.

I regret to state, that with the exception of the amount due from Trinity Parish, the assessments on the several Parishes above enumerated have not been paid for the last two years.

From the amount at present contributed by these Congregations, it will easily be seen, that their dependance for future ministrations must be upon the Missionary Society of this Diocese. To this source they confidently look for help; while efforts will be made on their own part, to contribute what they can to the support of a faithful and self-denying Missionary.

JOHN H. NÖRMENT.

5th March, 1832.

Rev. John Avery, President of the Standing Committee, now reported as follows:

The Standing Committee, in regard to their proceedings since the last Convention, beg leave to make the following report:

The Rev. Levi S. Ives being chosen Bishop of the Diocese on the 21st of May, 1831, the Standing Committee proceeded to give him notice of his election, and received from him the following answer of acceptance, addressed to their President:

“New York, June 10th, 1831.

“REV. AND DEAR BROTHER,

“In communicating my acceptance of the high trust to which the too favourable judgment of your Diocese, with most gratifying unanimity, has called me, it would be impossible, as it is unnecessary, to tell you how utterly insufficient I feel myself, for the awful and difficult duties of a Christian Bishop; and especially for those which must devolve upon the successor of the highly gifted and deservedly venerated Ravenscroft. God forgive me if I am in error, but my only guide to this decision, has been the dictate of his blessed will. Upon Him, through the prayers and united co-operation of my future Diocese, I cast myself. His grace is sufficient for me. Here alone, is my stay and comfort in taking this fearful step. Without such support, the burden that now weighs upon my mind, would quite overwhelm me. As it is, I will take courage and go forward.

“Personal and domestic sacrifices, I must make, it is true, but these, I leave with that Almighty Saviour, who has said, “He that would be my disciple must deny himself, take up his cross and follow me.” My deep solicitude is, or ought to be, that what I do or suffer, may redound to his glory, and through his blood, to the salvation of sinners: for this I pray, for this I expect the prayers of my brethren.

“As to the support offered me, I am told it is adequate: that, however, I leave with the pious and high minded Laymen of North Carolina. I shall be in readiness to leave in the Fall, as early as travelling in the low country would be considered safe for a Northerner. The consecration,

therefore, can take place just as soon as the arrangements of your Standing Committee will admit, and at Philadelphia, in consideration of the great age of Bishop White. That God may bless us all and make all things, especially this great transaction, work for the glory of his adorable Son, and our present and eternal good, will never cease to be the prayer of

Your affectionate friend and Brother in Christ,

LEVI SILLIMAN IVES.*

Having received this answer, the Standing Committee made the communications required by the Canons, to the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses, received their consent to the consecration of the Bishop elect, and transmitted the evidence of it, with other testimonials, to the presiding Bishop, who, on Thursday, the 22d of Sept., 1831, the Bishops Onderdonk, of Pennsylvania, and Onderdonk, of New York assisting, consecrated him to the holy office to which he had been chosen.

The Standing Committee, during the sitting of the last Convention, May 19, 1831, recommended William W. Spear as a Candidate for orders, who is now pursuing his studies at the General Seminary of the Church in New York. They have also recommended as a Candidate for orders, Samuel I. Johnston.

They have granted testimonials to Wm. Norwood and Thomas F. Davis, Jr. for Deacon's orders, and also, testimonials to Rev. Joseph H. Saunders for Priest's orders—all of whom have been ordained. They have also, since the meeting of this Convention, recommended for Priest's orders, the Rev. William Norwood. They have received from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Kentucky, certificates respecting the election of the Rev. Benjamin B. Smith to the office of Bishop; but not having satisfactory evidence that the election was according to the Canons, it was thought expedient not to act upon the matter till such evidence should be received. The case also, of the election of the Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine to the Bishoprick of Ohio, to whose consecration their consent has been desired, they regarded as one involving difficulties which justified their postponement of the matter till the meeting of the General Convention.

JOHN AVERY, *President of Standing Committee.*

Adjourned to 4 o'clock.

4 o'clock.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

John W. Wright, Treasurer of the Convention, now made his Report, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee of Finance.—(See *Appendix, A.*)

The Committee appointed to prepare a Journal of the last Convention, now presented the following Report and Resolution, which were adopted.

The Committee appointed to assist the Secretary in preparing a record of the proceedings of the last Convention, having given their attention to the subject referred to them, beg leave to report—

That in consequence of the destruction by the late fire in Fayetteville, of all the Minutes and other papers relative to the proceedings of the Convention, at that time in the possession of the Secretary, the materials for

*The Proceedings of the Convention of 1831, agreeably to the above Resolution and Report, will be published separately.

constructing a Journal are necessarily few and imperfect. By the aid, however, of memoranda furnished to the Secretary, by various members of the Convention, soon after the loss of the original papers, and the distinct recollection of the Secretary, and several members of this Committee, they have been enabled to prepare a record of the most important transactions. This they have arranged as nearly as might be, after the form of the preceding Journals, and now submit it to the Convention with the following Resolution.

Resolved, That the prepared Minutes accompanying this Report be printed as the Journal of the last Convention, and distributed with the Journal of the present Convention.

GEO. W. FREEMAN, *Chairman.*

A certificate of delegation was presented from St. Thomas's Church, Bath, from which it appeared that William B. Marsh and Jesse B. Lucas were elected to represent that Church in this Convention.

Rev. William D. Cairns, appointed at the last Convention, to ascertain the state of the subscription in this Diocese to the General Theological Seminary, made his Report, which was adopted.

The Committee to whom was referred, by the last Convention, the duty of inquiring into the present state of the "North Carolina Fund," in the General Theological Seminary, respectfully reports, that early after the rising of the Convention, he wrote to the Rev. Dr. Ives, then the Bishop-elect of this Diocese, requesting him to obtain from the Treasurer of the Seminary, and other sources, all possible information on the subject.

The result of the inquiry has been, a letter from the Treasurer, containing a statement which exhibits the Fund as amounting to \$2,948 22 cents, invested in Bank and Insurance Stock, and loaned on mortgage of Real Estate in New York; and another letter, from the Rt. Rev. Dr. Onderdonk, Bishop of New York; which letters are deposited with the Secretary of the Convention.

It is believed that no further information can be obtained on this most intricate and perplexing subject. Your Committee, therefore, humbly prays to be released from any further consideration of it.

WM. D. CAIRNS.

Convention adjourned to Saturday, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Morning Service was performed by the Rev. William M. Green, and the Convention Sermon preached by the Right Rev. Bishop, 1st Corinthians, 1st Chapter, 1st and 2d Verses.

At night, Service was performed by the Rev. Thos. S. W. Mott, and a Sermon preached by the Rev. William Norwood, 119th Psalm, and 60th Verse.

SATURDAY, MAY 19, 1832.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the Right Rev. Bishop.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Bishop having retired, Rev. John Avery was called to the Chair.

On motion of Rev. John R. Goodman, *Resolved*, That a Committee of three persons be appointed to return the thanks of the Convention, to the Right Rev. Bishop, for the Sermon delivered by him yesterday, and request a copy for publication.

Messrs. Goodman, Green and Freeman were appointed the Committee.

The following Canon was offered by Walker Anderson, Esq., which was, on motion of the Rev. William M. Green, laid on the table.

Every Theological Student who shall receive an appointment under the North Carolina Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary, shall hereafter be considered as under an obligation to minister at least twelve months after his ordination, within the bounds of this Diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Goodman, *Resolved*, That the Standing Committee for the current Conventional year, consist of three Clergymen and two Laymen, and that the Convention proceed to elect said Committee.

The Rev. Messrs. Avery and Goodman, for reasons stated, declined being considered as candidates: whereupon, Messrs. Freeman, Green and Saunders of the Clergy, Gavin Hogg and Walker Anderson of the Laity, were elected.

Resolved, That the Convention proceed to elect Delegates to represent this Diocese in the next General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Messrs. Green, Freeman, Avery and Goodman of the Clergy, Duncan Cameron, Gavin Hogg, G. E. Spruill and E. L. Winslow of the Laity, were elected.

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop, now read his Annual Address; having been prevented from sooner communicating the same by his indisposition; which, after being read, was referred to the Committee on the state of the Church.

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

On the 5th day of June, 1831, the Standing Committee of this Diocese, in a letter from their President, the Rev. John Avery, presented by the Rev. John R. Goodman and Walker Anderson, Esq., communicated to me the fact of my having been elected by the Convention at Raleigh, on the 21st of the previous May, to the Bishoprick of North Carolina. The subject was so entirely new to my mind, and connected itself so intimately with my domestic relations, that I felt it demanded some delay in my reply.

On the 10th day of June, however, I returned by the same gentlemen to the Standing Committee my letter of acceptance, which will be found in their Report to this Convention.

At an early date in September, I received from the venerable Presiding Bishop, notice of his being in possession of the proper testimonials to enable him to proceed to my Consecration, and that he had appointed the 22d day of the same month for the performance of that interesting solemnity in Trinity Church, Southwark, Philadelphia.

Accordingly, I repaired to that City, and, on the day appointed, was invested with the holy office of a Bishop, by the Right Rev. presiding Bi-

shop, assisted by the Right Rev. H. U. Onderdonk, of Pennsylvania, and the Right Rev. B. T. Onderdonk, of New York, as may be seen by the letter of Consecration now in my possession; a copy of which the Convention are at liberty to place on the Journal.

Arrangements having been made for my removal to this Diocese, I left New York, with my family, on the 14th of October following, and arrived at Warrenton on the evening of the 22d, in time to fulfil my previous appointment for the 23d, in Immanuel Church at that place. Upon my arrival, I was received with most gratifying cordiality by the people, and a number of my Clergy, who had assembled there to welcome me into the Diocese.

On Sunday, I preached in the morning, service being performed by the Rev. Mr. Freeman, to a full and attentive Congregation; administered Confirmation to 19 persons, and the holy Communion to about 30; preached again in the evening, Rev. Mr. Norwood performing service. The prospects of this Congregation, from its having been in a very low state, are exceedingly encouraging. On Monday, the 24th, I proceeded to Williamsborough, accompanied by a number of the Clergy; and, on the morning of the next day, preached in St. John's Church, prayer being read by Rev. Mr. Saunders, and administered Confirmation to 7 persons.

The day following, I left for Salem Chapel; and on the 27th, preached at the house of Judge Cameron, in consequence of the request of a sick daughter, for Confirmation, but who, from the inclemency of the morning, was unable to go to the Chapel. Here I confirmed 9 persons, and administered the holy Communion to about the same number, being assisted in the services by the Rev. Mr. Green.

On the morning of the 28th, I was met by a number of friends from Hillsborough, who, with Rev. Mr. Norwood, the same day, accompanied me to that place. On Saturday, Oct. 29th, I preached in St. Mathew's Church, both in the morning and at night, to large and attentive Congregations; in the morning, administering Confirmation to 30 persons; 7 of whom were Students from the University; the Rev. Mr. Norwood performing the service.

On Sunday, the 30th, I officiated again, both morning and at night, preaching to crowded Congregations, and administering the Communion in the morning to between 50 and 60 persons; being assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Green and Norwood. This Congregation is in a highly prosperous state. The exemplary piety of the Communicants demands of me a particular notice.

On Tuesday, the 1st Nov., accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Green, I went to St. Mary's Chapel, where, in the morning I performed service, and preached to a small, but attentive Congregation.

On Nov. 2d, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Green, I proceeded to Chapel Hill, where, in the evening I was politely invited to officiate in the College Chapel, which I did; performing service and preaching to a Congregation composed chiefly of the Officers and Students of the University. Here I was joined by the Rev. Mr. Freeman, and we left next morning for Raleigh. On the evening of this day, (Nov. 3d,) I preached in Christ's Church in that City; the Rev. Mr. Freeman performing the service.

On Saturday, Nov. 4th, I again preached, both morning and night; the

Rev. Mr. Freeman assisting in the services; and confirmed at night, 22 persons. Sunday morning, the 5th, after prayers by Rev. Mr. Freeman, and a sermon by myself, I administered the holy Communion to 50 persons. In the evening I performed service, and again preached. The services here were well attended, and the Congregation appeared deeply impressed with their solemn character.

Nov. 8th, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Freeman, I visited the small, but zealous Congregation of St. Bartholomew, at Pittsborough. The next day, I officiated twice in the Methodist Chapel; in the morning preaching and administering Confirmation to 9 persons, and the holy Communion to about 30; a part of whom belonged to other Denominations; being assisted in these services by the Rev. Mr. Freeman. At night, I performed the service, and again preached. Too much cannot be said in praise of the efforts of this little flock. Their zeal in raising funds for erecting a Church edifice, seems equal only to their zeal in the promotion of their spiritual interests. On Thursday, the 10th, I left Pittsborough in company with Mr. Hardin of that place, for Salisbury, by whose kind attentions I was enabled to arrive at the latter place, after a good deal of detention and fatigue, sufficiently early to meet my appointment on Saturday, the 12th.

On that day, I preached to a few persons in St. Luke's, both morning and at night; the Rev. Mr. Wright performing the services. The next day being Sunday, I was gratified to find the Church crowded with an attentive audience; to whom I preached twice, administering the holy Communion in the morning to persons, and Confirmation at night, to 6 persons; the Rev. Mr. Wright assisting me in the services. The faithful and self-denying labors of this Clergyman have, I regret to say, in this Parish, been very inadequately repaid. Recent information, however, from the Congregation, encourages the hope that a better state of things will soon be realised.

On Monday, the 14th, I set out in company with Rev. Mr. Wright, to fulfil my appointment at Christ's Church, Rowan; but remained that night at a Mrs. Hall's on the way, where I performed service, and preached to a number of the neighbors who had assembled to hear the word of life.

The next day I proceeded to Christ's Church, where, after service by the Rev. Mr. Wright, and a sermon by myself, I confirmed 3 persons, and administered the holy Communion to upwards of 60.

This Congregation, as to its spiritual state, seems to be prosperous. It would, however, afford me great pleasure on my next visitation, to find that they had finished their commodious Church, and added a Vestry-room, which, from the secluded situation, is very much needed.

On the evening of the same day, I returned to Salisbury, where I remained during the 16th.—Officiated at night, preaching, and by request of the Rector, baptizing an adult. Leaving Salisbury on the 17th, in company with the Rev. Mr. Wright, I arrived at Wadesborough on the evening of the next day. Saturday, the 19th, I preached both morning and at night, assisted in the services by the Rev. Messrs. Wright and Marshall. The next day, (Sunday,) I consecrated Calvary Church, a neat and commodious edifice, which does much credit to the liberality of the few Episcopalians in this place. I preached on that occasion, and administered the Holy Communion. In the evening also, I preached, being assisted in

the services of the day by the Rev. Messrs. Wright and Marshall. On all these occasions there were large congregations, and the evidence of deep interest in the services.

On Monday, the 21st, I took the Stage for Fayetteville, where I arrived early the next morning, and left at 4 o'clock in the afternoon for Wilmington, which I reached at 12 o'clock next day. On the 24th, I officiated in St. James's Church, performing service and preaching at night to a deeply attentive audience; but became a good deal indisposed before concluding my sermon; which indisposition prevented my officiating on Friday evening and Saturday morning, the Rev. Mr. Freeman preaching in my stead. Saturday night I preached, the Rev. Mr. Freeman performing service, and administered Confirmation to 29 persons; all of whom, except three, came to the Holy Communion next morning, at which time I again preached, and admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, Mr. Thos. F. Davis, Jr., at the same time administering the Holy Communion to about 140 persons.

Monday, 28th, I preached again at night, the Rev. Mr. Davis performing the service. The Church at these times, was full of worshippers, upon whom seemed to rest a deep solemnity.

On Wednesday, the 30th, I took leave of this interesting Parish and returned to Fayetteville, which I reached on Friday, the 2d of December. The next day I officiated at night, performing the service and preaching. On Sunday, 4th, I preached three times, the Rev. Mr. Mott assisting in the Morning Service, when I administered the Communion to about 60 persons. At night on Monday, I preached, performing the services; having in the morning visited a sick person, to whom I administered the Communion. On all these occasions the congregations were large and evinced the liveliest Christian sensibility.

I was induced, from the absence of the Rector, to defer Confirmation in this Parish to the succeeding month. On the 8th I left for Raleigh, where I arrived on the morning of the 10th.

The next day, (Sunday 11th) I preached in the morning, the Rev. Mr. Saunders reading the service. In the afternoon, read the service, when the Rev. Mr. Saunders preached. On Friday, 16th, went to Louisburg, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Freeman. Preached the next morning in the Methodist Chapel, Rev. Mr. Freeman reading service, to about 25 persons, the day being extremely cold. At night, I again preached at the house of Mr. Patterson, to a much larger number. On the morning of Sunday, 18th, after service by the Rev. Mr. Freeman and a sermon by myself, I administered Confirmation to three persons. Again at night, I preached at Mr. Patterson's. The Congregation here, though small, and not much accustomed to our services, seemed greatly interested and favourably impressed.

On Monday, 19th, accompanied by Rev. Mr. Freeman, I went to Wake Forest, where, in the family of Dr. C. Jones, we passed two days. On Wednesday morning, 21st, I performed service and preached in the Methodist Chapel, Wake Forest, to an attentive congregation, in which I could recognize but few friends of the Church.

On the evening of the 21st I returned to Raleigh. On the 22d and 24th at night, I preached to small congregations. On Sunday, 25th, being Christmas Day, after service by the Rev. Mr. Freeman, and a sermon

by myself, I administered the Holy Communion to 51 persons. On the 29th at night, I again preached to a small Congregation. Sunday, Jan. 1st, I preached twice to large congregations, and performed the services: the Rev. Mr. Freeman officiating in a Methodist Chapel, about 10 miles distant.

In consequence of the extreme cold weather, I was unable to do as much for the Church here, the Legislature being in session, as I had hoped.

On Thursday, 5th, I returned to Fayetteville, which I reached on the 7th, and performed in the two succeeding weeks, the following services.

Saturday night, the 7th, after prayers by the Rev. Mr. Buxton, and a sermon by myself, I administered Confirmation to 41 persons. The next morning, (Sunday 8th,) I preached and administered the Communion to 65 persons. In the evening I again preached, the Rev. Mr. Buxton assisting in the services of the day. On Monday I visited a sick person, for whose recovery no hopes were entertained, and administered to her the apostolic rite of Confirmation. On Wednesday night, the 11th, I again preached, the Rev. Mr. Buxton reading service. On Sunday, the 15th, after service by the Rev. Mr. Buxton and a sermon by myself, I administered Confirmation to 9 persons, most of whom had been prevented from attending the administration of this sacred rite the week previous, owing to the inclemency of the weather. In the evening also, I preached, the Rev. Mr. Buxton reading service.—After which, I visited an afflicted woman and administered to her the rite of Confirmation. At night I had the pleasure of preaching to a congregation of coloured persons, and was struck with the propriety and seriousness of their deportment. Of this Congregation, the Rector of St. John's gives sufficient information in his Parochial Report. On Tuesday evening, 17th, I again preached, Rev. Mr. Buxton performing service.

I left this Congregation on Wednesday, the 18th, deeply impressed with their spiritual advancement, and reached Clinton, Sampson County, the place of my next appointment, the same evening. At night, I preached and baptized 4 adults, the Rev. Mr. Mott performing the service.—On the next day, the 19th, after prayers by the Rev. Mr. Mott, and a sermon by myself, I administered Confirmation to 7 persons. At night, I again preached, the Rev. Mr. Mott reading prayers. The friends of the Church here are few in number, but zealous and firm.—I am not without hope that with Lay Reading, H. L. Holmes, Esq. having been appointed Lay Reader, and with the occasional services from the neighbouring Clergy, they will, under the blessing of God, continue to increase.

On the 21st, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Mott, I went to Waynesborough, Wayne County, where I preached on that night and Sunday morning to small but attentive congregations. Nothing which I saw here gave me much encouragement to hope for good; although I have since learned that they are prepared to remunerate in part, the services of a Missionary.

On the 23d, I proceeded to Kinston, Lenoir County; the next day I preached to a small congregation, owing to the wetness of the morning.—Here I baptized 3 adults and one infant. The friends of the Church seemed spirited and resolved to erect for themselves a house, in which to worship the God of their Fathers.

On the 25th I left for Newbern, which I reached the next day. Preach-

ed in Christ's Church on the night of the 27th, and the morning and evening of the 28th; after which, I administered Confirmation to 18 persons. Sunday, 29th, after prayers by the Rev. Mr. Goodman, and a sermon by myself, I administered the Holy Communion to more than 80 persons. The Sunday School here I found in a most interesting state. At night, I again preached, the Rev. Mr. Goodman performing service. On Tuesday night I preached again and confirmed 6 persons. On Wednesday I visited an afflicted family and confirmed two of its members. The Congregations here were large and evinced a deep interest in the solemn acts they witnessed and in which they partook.

Tuesday, 2d of February, I left for Greenville, and reached it just in time to fulfil my appointment there on the next day. In the morning after services by the Rev. Messrs. Norment and Hawks, and a sermon by myself, in St. James's, I administered Confirmation to 3 persons, and the Holy Communion to about 20, and afterwards to a sick person. I preached again at night. The Congregations here were crowded and seriously attentive to the word. The few friends of the Church in this place need and deserve help.

On the 4th, I went to Washington:—preached at night in St. Peter's, the prayers being read by the Rev. Mr. Norment, and administered Confirmation to 12 persons. On Sunday morning and night, I preached, administering the Communion in the morning, to 75 persons. At night, on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday also, I preached to large congregations. Many here appeared to be seeking the way of life. I baptized 3 adults. On Tuesday morning, the 7th, I preached at Trinity Chapel to a full audience, and administered the Communion to 27 persons, assisted in the services by the Rev. Messrs. Norment and Hawks.

On Wednesday, the 8th, went to Zion Chapel and officiated: preaching, baptising 8 infants, and administering the Communion to 23 persons.

On Thursday, 9th, left Washington for Bath, in company with the Rev. Messrs. Norment and Hawks, where, arriving at 12 o'clock, I preached, in St. Thomas's, the Rev. Mr. Hawks performing service.

Friday, the 10th, went to Durham's Creek, preached in St. John's to a small congregation; administered confirmation to one person and the Holy Communion to ten.

On Saturday, 11th, I returned to Bath, and on the next day preached, administering Confirmation to 3 persons, and the Holy Communion to 27. The small Parishes of Beaufort County are now wholly destitute of ministerial services, although prepared as heretofore, to employ a Missionary.

Monday, 13th, left for Plymouth, where we were met by Mr. Pettigrew, the son of the former venerable Clergyman, the first Bishop elect of this Diocese; and the next day, accompanied him to Lake Phelps.—On our way, I took much pleasure in calling upon the very aged and much esteemed widow of his father, whose health I regretted to find extremely feeble. On Wednesday, 15th, I officiated, reading prayers and preaching in the Chapel erected in Washington county, by the late Rev. Dr. Pettigrew, and not officiated in by an Episcopal Clergyman for more than 25 years. Afterwards, at the house of Mrs. Pettigrew, I baptised the child of Dr. Warren. Here the Congregation, for the day, (it being inclement,) was good, and the responses in the service distinctly made.

This place and Plymouth united, I am confident, would well repay to morality and the Church the services of a Missionary.

The next day, 16th, I returned to Plymouth and preached at night, performing service in the Court House, to a large and attentive audience.

On Friday, 17th, I crossed the Sound to Edenton, and the next day, in St. Paul's, after prayers and a sermon by myself, I administered Confirmation to 4 persons.

Sunday, 19th, assisted by Rev. Mr. Wiley of Elizabeth City, I officiated, preaching and administering holy Communion to 30 persons; preached also at night; the Rev. Mr. Wiley performing service.

Tuesday, 21st, after performing service and preaching, I administered, by request of the Rector, Baptism to one adult, and confirmed 3 persons.

On the 22d. I went to Elizabeth City; but in consequence of the extreme inclemency of the weather, did not officiate till the 25th, at night; preaching and administering Confirmation to 4 persons.

Sunday, 26th, after service by Rev. Mr. Wiley, and sermon by myself, I administered the Communion to a large number, for the day, (it being stormy.) I preached again at night; the Rev. Mr. Wiley performing service. This Parish needs the undivided services of their Rector, who is now fettered with a School.

On Monday, 27th, I returned to Edenton, and Tuesday morning left for Windsor, where, on the 29th, I officiated twice; preaching, the service being performed by the Rev. Mr. Norwood. On the 1st of March, I also preached twice, administering the holy Communion in the morning; the prayers being read by the Rev. Mr. Norwood. The services in this place were received with deep interest.

On the 2d March, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Norwood, I went to Turner's Cross Roads, and on the 3d officiated in Pugh's Chapel, preaching to crowded congregations, and administering Confirmation to four persons. Sunday, the 4th, I officiated again, preaching and administering Confirmation to three persons, and the Holy Communion to fourteen, all of whom, save one, were Communicants of the Church. On these occasions service was performed by the Rev. Mr. Norwood. The prospects here are highly flattering.

On the 5th, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Norwood and Dr. Baker, I went to Tarborough: preaching at night on that day and the morning of the next, to large and apparently devout congregations. The present state of this place holds out much encouragement to judicious exertions of the Church.

On the 6th, I returned to Scotland Neck, and on the 9th (being Ash Wednesday) I preached and administered Confirmation to seven persons, being assisted in the services by Rev. Messrs. Saunders and Norwood.—The next day with the same assistance, I preached and administered the communion to about twenty; some of them belonging to surrounding sects. Here I was much gratified with the prospects of the Church: a people that appear so grateful for our services, although obtaining them only once in two weeks, and that on a week day, deserve our best exertions in their behalf. The neighborhood is wealthy and they are about erecting a place of Episcopal worship.

On the 9th, I went to Halifax, and although the weather was unfavorable, I preached in St. Mark's to very respectable congregations, on Sa-

turday the 10th, in the morning and at night, administering Confirmation to three persons: the Rev. Mr. Saunders performing the daily prayer.

On Sunday, the 11th, I preached in the morning, and administered the Holy Communion. At night also, I preached, being assisted through this day in the services by the Rev. Mr. Saunders. This Church too, is calling loudly for Missionary services, being ready to provide the support.

On Monday, the 12th, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Saunders, I went to Jackson, (Northampton Court House,) preaching and administering Confirmation to six persons; prayers read by the Rev. Mr. Saunders. On the 13th I preached in the morning, and administered Communion, the Rev. Messrs. Saunders and Norwood assisting in the services. I preached again at night, the service performed by the Rev. Mr. Saunders. The exertions of the few churchmen here are highly praiseworthy.

On Thursday, the 15th, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Saunders, I left Halifax for Warrenton, which we reached on the 16th, and were met by the Rev. Messrs. Freeman and Steel. At night, on the next day, I preached in Immanuel Church, the Rev. Mr. Freeman performing service.— On Sunday, the 18th, the proper testimonials having been furnished, I admitted, with the assistance of the Rev. Messrs. Freeman and Steel, the Rev. Mr. Saunders to the Holy Order of Priests:—preaching and administering the Communion. At night, I again preached and Confirmed one person; prayers were read by myself.

On Wednesday, the 21st, I went to Williamsborough, and passed the intervening time to Saturday, among the members of the Congregation of St. John's. On Saturday, the 24th, I officiated in this Church, preaching and administering Confirmation to one person; prayers by the Rev. Mr. Steel. On Sunday, the 25th, I preached to a crowded house in the morning and administered the Holy Communion. I preached again in the evening, the Rev. Mr. Steel performing service.

On Monday, the 26th, I proceeded to Oxford, officiated that day and morning of the next in the Court House, to large congregations; in the morning I confirmed three persons. Assisted in the services here by the Rev. Messrs. Saunders and Steel. This Congregation is again springing into life, and with a vigour, I think, which promises permanency. The friends of the Church here deserve much credit for their spirited exertions. This Parish, with that of St. John's, Williamsborough, can give a good support to a Clergyman, who is much needed. It will form one of the most pleasant and healthy charges in the Diocese.

On the 27th, I went to Mrs. Kean's and administered the Holy Communion to her aged mother, sinking under the infirmities of 80 years.— The family have always been among the most fervent Churchmen.

On the 28th, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Saunders, I went to the house of John D. Hawkins, Esq., where, on Thursday the 29th, I preached, the Rev. Mr. Saunders performing service. In this neighborhood are a few warm friends and communicants of the Church, who deserve cherishing by occasional services.

On Saturday, the 31st, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Saunders, I proceeded to Louisburg; preached at night in a room in the Academy 30 by 40, neatly fitted up with desk and chancel and devoted to the Episcopal Congregation. At this time I administered Confirmation to three persons; prayers by the Rev. Mr. Saunders.

On Sunday morning, April 1st, after service by the Rev. Mr. Saunders and a sermon by myself, I administered the Communion to a small number, but Communicants of the Church. In the evening I again preached, as also at night, administering Confirmation to two persons. The exertions of this Congregation are praiseworthy and its prospects flattering.

On the 2d of April, I proceeded to *Wake Forest*, where, on Tuesday, the 3d, I officiated in the Methodist Chapel; after prayers, preaching and confirming 4 persons.

In the afternoon, I went on to Raleigh, where, on Friday the 6th, after prayers and a sermon by myself, I confirmed two persons. On Sundays the 8th and 15th, I officiated both in the morning and evening at this place, the Rev. Mr. Freeman officiating at distant, needy Parishes. In the mean time I visited Pittsborough and preached twice. The Church edifice here, which is to be a neat structure, is in a good degree of forwardness.

On Wednesday, the 18th, left Raleigh for Fayetteville, where I arrived on the 19th. On the 20th, (Good Friday) I officiated, but while preaching, was attacked with bilious intermittent, which prevented me from officiating on Easter Sunday: and what I more regretted, frustrated my intention of going to Wilmington, on my way to the Convention. Sunday, the 29th, I found myself able to preach and administer Confirmation to six persons, and in the evening to perform the same rite in the colored congregation to thirteen persons, the Rev. Mr. Buxton performing the morning and evening service.

On the 30th, I started for Newbern, which I reached on the 2d of May, and preached at night; also, on the morning and evening of the next day, and Confirmed 18 persons, the Rev. Mr. Goodman reading prayers.

On the 4th, I left for Washington, and in that place on that day at night, I preached, the Rev. Mr. Hawks reading prayers, and Confirmed seven persons.

On the 5th, I proceeded to Edenton, where I arrived at night. Sunday, the 6th, I preached in the morning and at night, reading prayers.

On the 11th, I went to Hertford and preached at 12 o'clock, performing the service.

On the 12th, I proceeded to Elizabeth City, but having a recurrence of the intermittent fever, was unable to officiate till Sunday, the 13th, and then only once:—Preaching and Confirming three persons. After two or three days' detention, by the continuance of my fever, I arrived here on the evening of the 16th.

From this you will perceive that all the Churches have been visited, except the small one in Burke County, which I design to visit on my way to Tennessee.

In this my lengthened visitation, Brethren, permit me to say in behalf of myself and family, that we have experienced every where the most marked kindness and hospitality. For some instances of this where we have remained for weeks together, I should do violence to my feelings, not to make the most grateful acknowledgments.

The Clerical changes in the Diocese have been few the past year. On the 4th of December last, I received from the Rev. Mr. Mott, letters dimissory, from Bishop Bowen of South Carolina. The Rev. Mr. Davis, whom I ordained Deacon in Wilmington, is officiating with much success

at Pittsborough and Wadesborough. The Rev. Mr. Norwood, an alumnus from the General Theological Seminary of our Church, who entered the Diocese last Fall, is also doing much for the cause of Truth in the County of Bertie and the vicinity. The Rev. Mr. Wright has resigned his Charge at St. Luke's Church, Salisbury, which is now vacant. The Rev. Mr. Norment has resigned the charge of the Churches in Pitt and Beaufort Counties, and has received from me, letters dimissory to the Bishop of Pennsylvania.

On the 27th of February last, I admitted Samuel I. Johnson, Esq., a Candidate for Orders. The other Candidate for Orders, W. W. Spear, is at the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church at New York.

From the statement I have submitted to you, you will perceive much cause for rejoicing, and more for renewed exertion:—For *rejoicing*, that the Church, which we love as the body of Christ, *the pillar and ground of the truth*, is so rapidly extending:—For *renewed exertion*, that the necessary increasing wants of this Church, may be supplied.

Permit me to suggest some measures, which, to my mind, appear necessary to effect this object:—First, let the Parochial Clergy give some small portion of their services, at stated times, to the destitute Parishes. Another suggestion is, that we go to the extent of our ability in sustaining and extending the influence of our Missionary Society:—the importance of this suggestion, I trust, will be duly weighed by every member of the Convention and Diocese. A third is, that the pious Laymen of our Diocese, now pursuing other vocations, take into most serious consideration, whether the present exigence of the Church does not call for their devotion, where it can be consistently yielded, to the sacred office: And 4thly, that while the General Theological Seminary is cherished by us with affection, we make some provision for the Theological education of fit persons, wishing to enter the ministry, in our own Diocese, where we must chiefly look for an efficient Clergy. The importance of this suggestion must appear to any one who has considered the peculiarities of our country.

The object proposed, in my view, might be accomplished in connexion with another of almost equal interest, I mean the establishment in some part of the Diocese, of an *Episcopal School*, something on the plan of the present excellent and flourishing Institution at Flushing, Long Island.

I now call the minds of the members of the Convention to this subject, in the hope that it may be considered as speedily as the case will admit.

Brethren, I have thus very imperfectly, owing to my indisposition, submitted my views upon the only remedy within our power, to meet the pressing evil so generally felt in the want of Clergy. If in any thing my very recent connexion with the Diocese should seem to hurry me into precipitate measures, I trust I may find an apology with you, in the deep solicitude which I feel and ought to feel, as Bishop of this Diocese, for its spiritual necessities.

Commending you, Brethren, to the Great Head of the Church, beseeching him to guide our councils and save our souls by his blood, be assured of my unceasing prayers and exertions for your present and eternal good.

LEVI SILLIMAN IVES.

Bishop Protestant Episcopal Church, N. Carolina.

The Convention then adjourned for Divine Service:

Service was performed by the Rev. P. B. Wiley, and a sermon by the Rev. J. B. Buxton, from 1st Cor. 1st ch. 18th v.

Convention met after service.

Rev. W. M. Green, from the Committee on the state of the Church, made the following report, which was adopted.

REPORT of the Committee on the State of the Church.

On reviewing the few years which have marked the existence of this Diocese, and contrasting its recently feeble and infantile condition with the show of strength and prosperity which it this day presents to our eyes, your Committee cannot refrain from a general and heartfelt burst of gratitude to Him, who is the Head and Source of all blessing to his Church. And in this devout ascription of praise, they trust that all will unite who love the gates of Zion, and delight in the spread of pure and undefiled religion.

In attempting to enumerate the various causes that have contributed of late, to enlarge the borders of our Church, there is none to which your Committee can, with more pleasure, advert, than to that spirit of unity and brotherly love, which, from the very first, has animated our Councils, and which this day unites the hearts of a whole Diocese, "as the heart of one man," and in no event of our history, has this spirit been more eminently displayed than in the late election of our present Diocesan. From the many important interests involved in such elections, as well as from the great room for difference of opinion, which arises from the very nature of the case itself, the choice of a Bishop has frequently proved an anxious and disturbing question in the Church. But, God be praised! that even in this as in other things, we have all thought and acted with one mind. And insensible must be the heart, which will not this day acknowledge, that we have been directed in our choice by the Providence of God.

But six months have elapsed, since our Diocesan was welcomed amongst us. In which short space of time, he has completed a visitation of the whole Diocese, and visited several of the larger Congregations more than once. On every hand he has met with that heart-felt welcome which was due both to the dignity of his office, and to that disinterestedness of spirit, which impelled him to sacrifice many considerations of worldly comfort and interest, to the call of duty. The Episcopal Acts of the past year, as may be seen upon reference to the journal of our Bishop, have been as follows: Confirmations, 327; Ordinations, 2; Churches Consecrated, 1.

An examination of the Parochial Reports referred to your Committee, shows that there are sixteen Congregations reported exclusive of our Missionary stations, and presents the following aggregate:

Baptisms,	{	Infants, 230	
		Adults, 110	
		— Total, 340	
Communicants added,		193	
		— Present number, 809	

Sunday Scholars, (in 7 Schools) 785

Sunday Teachers, (in Do.) 78.

It should be remarked, however, that although these reports exhibit an increase in our numbers, and in the general prosperity of our Diocese, far beyond that of any preceding year, yet it is to be regretted, that the condition of several important Congregations is still unreported. This, of course, must render the above statement imperfect. If however, the number of these delinquent Congregations be reckoned the same as when last reported, it will still appear, that there have been nearly 200 added to our Communion within the past year, and that our present number of Communicants is about 900. And whilst on this part of their subject, your Committee would respectfully state, that there exists such diversity in the present mode of presenting Parochial Reports, as to make it difficult for your Committees on the state of the Church, to render a full and clear statement of the spiritual condition of the Diocese. This evil might be easily remedied, by affixing to our Journals some tabular form, as a guide and rule to the Clergy of this Diocese, in the construction of their future "Parochial Reports." To this form might be added, such further statements and remarks as each Clergyman might think fit to make, respecting the spiritual condition of his Charge.

Three Clergymen have been Ordained since the last Convention, one to the order of Priesthood, and two to that of Deaconship. The present number of Clergy in the Diocese, exclusive of the Bishop, is 15.

There are at present two Candidates for Orders, one of whom is pursuing his studies at the General Theological Seminary.

1 Church has been Consecrated, and 2 others will soon be completed.

The reports of the four Missionaries engaged in the service of the "Episcopal Missionary, Bible, Prayer Book and Tract Society," show that their zealous labors during the past year have not been in vain.— Their Ministry has been generally acceptable, and their faithful exhibition of the doctrines of the Cross has tended to the removal of many long standing prejudices against our Communion, and to the general recommendation of our Apostolic Order and Worship. A reference to their reports, spread upon our Journals, will show more particularly than can be here detailed, the result of their faithful labors. And it is in the view of these efficient labors, that your Committee feels irresistibly drawn to commend once more to the prayers and liberality of the Diocese, that Society, which has been mainly instrumental in sending forth these laborers into our harvest; we mean the "Episcopal Missionary, Bible, Prayer Book and Tract Society," organized during the Convention of 1830. Although this Society has been but two years in existence, yet it has been like a fertilizing stream, dispensing richness and blessing along its course. The report of its zealous Agent and Secretary, laid before this Convention, affords renewed evidence that its design was founded in wisdom, and that the arm of the Lord is engaged in its behalf. May it continue to call down the blessing of our Divine Head, and to merit the hearty and cordial support of every member of our Diocese! More than this your Committee need not add; for it must be obvious to all who take any interest in the prosperity of the Church, that this Society is admirably adapted to our present wants, and is therefore eminently entitled to our cordial support.

In taking a general review of the labors and successes of the past year, your Committee can see but one circumstance to check their rejoicing, that is, the continued and increasing, but still unanswered demand for Missionary labor. From various sections of this State, the cry of "come over and help us," is continually sounding in the ears of our few and widely scattered Clergy, whilst their own peculiar charges claim their undivided attention. Under these pressing calls for Missionary service, your Committee can devise no better plan for their immediate relief than an earnest recommendation to the settled Parochial Clergy, to devote to these destitute and scattered sheep of our fold as much of their time and labor as they can consistently spare from their respective Parishes.

The Sunday Schools of the Diocese continue to increase and prosper in doing good. But your Committee regret to find that out of the whole number, there are but seven reported to this Convention. The want of Male Teachers is still feelingly lamented in many of our Congregations.

Bible Classes and Catechetical lectures still engage the attention of our Parochial Clergy, and furnish a well-grounded hope that these religious exercises are gradually training many for the Altars and Pulpits of our Church.

The several "Female Associations of Industry," which have hitherto been foremost in every good work, have not abated in their holy zeal, but are still, by their pious labors, strengthening the hands, and comforting the hearts of their respective Pastors.

The assessments for the Episcopate and Contingent Fund, have been generally paid in. And liberal contributions have been received from nearly the whole of our Congregations, in aid of the funds of the "Episcopal Missionary, Bible, Prayer Book and Tract Society."

Your Committee cannot close their report without directing your attention to one or two facts not previously adverted to, but which are worthy of notice, as affording strong evidence of the prosperity of our Church, and of an increasing interest among all classes, in her welfare. And we notice with thankfulness—

1st—An evident growth of spirituality and holy zeal in the members of our Communion generally. And what renders this increased attention to Divine things a still greater cause for heartfelt gratitude, is, the consideration that it has not been obtained by extravagant excitement and over-heated zeal, but by the diligent and orderly use of the means of grace, held forth by our Church, and by the faithful exhibition of her evangelical doctrines and ordinances.

2d—The number of Adult Baptisms reported for the last year.—This number, as has been already stated, is 110, and it furnishes the cheering hope, that our beloved Church is not only acting as a nursing mother to her own offspring, but that she is beginning to embrace within her fold many who from either pride, ignorance or prejudice, have hitherto been blind to her high and Apostolic character, and therefore deaf to her affectionate calls.

3d—An increasing interest in our Annual Conventions.—This interest is shown both in the growing numbers of our Lay Delegates, and in the large concourse of serious and devout visitors who come to share with us in the religious privileges of the occasion. From these holy assemblies, we trust that not only will our own people return, built up in the unity

of the spirit, and in the bonds of brotherly love, but that others also, now aliens from our Apostolic Communion, may be favorably impressed with our evangelical services, and resolve "we will go with you, for we have seen that God is with you."

4th and lastly—The unusual accession of our coloured brethren to our Communion. This class of the community has hitherto withheld itself from our Churches, and preferred other teachers. But why should this be so? Our form of worship, in its simple and unvarying nature, is admirably adapted to the capacity of the poor and ignorant, and the whole design of our services is to encourage a spirit of animated devotion, and to convey lessons of holiness in the simplest and most impressive manner. If then, our Clergy would but follow up the exertions already made, and seek out these lost sheep in their wanderings, they would find an ample reward in the present recovery and final salvation of many of their souls.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. GREEN, *Chairman.*

In conclusion, your Committee beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare a tabular form of Parochial Reports, to be appended to the Journals of this Convention, as a guide to the Clergymen of this Diocese in the construction of their future reports.

Rev. Messrs. Green and Saunders appointed said Committee.

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to prepare and affix to the Journals of this Convention, a tabular view of the state of this Diocese from its organization to the present time.

Resolved, That the settled Clergymen of this Diocese be requested, so far as may be consistent with their obligations to their respective charges, to perform missionary labour at least one Sunday in three months, in the destitute parts around them.

An amendment to this was offered by the Rev. Mr. Mott, which amendment was further amended by the Rev. Mr. Goodman, and as so amended, finally passed, viz.

Resolved, That with the consent of his Vestry, it be the duty of every settled Clergyman, not having more than two Congregations in his parochial cure, to devote one Sunday in every three months to Missionary labour, and that the Bishop have the power of regulating the time and place of service.

On motion, *Resolved*. That the next Annual Convention of this Church be held in the town of Warrenton, on the last Wednesday of May, 1833. Adjourned to 5 o'clock P. M.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

The Bishop communicated to the Convention, that he had received invitations from the Dioceses of Kentucky and Tennessee, to make a visitation to them during the ensuing summer.

Whereupon, *Resolved*, That he be requested to respond to those invitations and visit those Dioceses, should his convenience permit.

On motion of Gavin Hogg, Esq. the following resolutions were adopted.

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Journal as relates to the establishment of a Theological Seminary, be referred to a Standing Committee

of eight persons, to consist of the Rev. Messrs. Green, Freeman, Buxton, and Saunders, of the Clergy, and Messrs. Cameron, Badger, Mallett and Devereux, of the Laity, who shall report to the next Convention a plan for a Seminary and School, and who are hereby instructed to inquire and report, at what place in the Diocese it shall be located: what number of teachers shall be employed, and what houses will be necessary: what sum will be required to pay the expenses and how it shall be raised, and to collect all such information as they may think will be useful to the Convention in the establishment of a Seminary and School.

The Committee of Finance made the following report, which, after much debate, was accepted:

REPORT of the Finance Committee.

Your Committee respectfully report, that they have examined the account of the Treasurer, and they believe it to be correct. Your Committee are of opinion, that according to the suggestion of the Treasurer, an agent should be employed to collect the arrears due on the subscription for the fund for the support of the Episcopate. Your Committee advise that the Treasurer, under the direction of the Standing Committee of the Church, *should be authorized to employ such agent.* Your Committee, with great respect for those who devised the plan of raising a fund for the support of the Episcopate, doubt the policy of the measure, even if it were practicable. They purposely refrain from entering at large into the inquiry, how far it is wise or safe in the Church, to take from its members the controul of their money for the purpose of putting it at interest under the management of agents of the Convention. It would seem to your Committee, it would have been as well in the first instance, to have left the principal money in the hands of those to whom it belonged, and to have called on them only to contribute such sums as the Church had use for from time to time. Your Committee think the principal would have been less likely to be lost, if it had remained with the original proprietors, and would have been far more profitably employed. Considerable losses, it is known to the Convention, have already been sustained by the fund from the fall of stocks, and greater losses are to be apprehended from the fluctuation of stocks, which by a funding system, are to be owned by the Church for a great number of years. Your Committee fear that the losses will not be less or money lent on personal security. Every one at all conversant with business, knows that it requires the greatest vigilance to prevent losses by the insolvency of those who borrow money—the lender must be prompted by personal interest to watch the changes in the character, business and circumstances of his debtor, to the end that he may guard himself from loss; and even all this will not always suffice—occasionally, the most prudent men with whom lending is a business, meet with heavy losses on securities deemed perfectly safe. Those whose fortunes are invested in loans, are often obliged to let their money lie idle, or to risk it on securities, in the first instance not deemed safe beyond the possibility of failure, and then of course, losses become more frequent.

It is in part, to cover this very risk of loss that interest is required and paid. Such are the uncertainties of lending on interest by individuals who themselves own the money they lend, and who employ no agents, and whose loans, as might be expected, are made with great cau-

tion and foresight. The hazard of lending, is greatly increased where the most respectable corporations engage in making loans upon interest—those who are obliged to trust their concerns to agents who have nothing to lose, if the debts prove insecure. Experience has shewn, that the agents of men associated for the express purpose of lending money, are not only negligent in securing the debts, but that losses are sustained by the Stockholders, by the unfaithfulness and even by the hands of the agents themselves. If any proof of this were necessary, unfortunately, it is at hand, in the decline of the value of the Stocks owned by the Church, which arises solely from the defaults of agents of the Banks: some of these defaults are unavoidable, and some of them, it is of public notoriety, from the breach of trust *in the agents*. Your Committee are of opinion, that it is becoming every day, more difficult to make loans upon good security, and if the fund was within the control of the Convention, they would not hesitate to advise that the Stock should be sold and the debts should be called in, and applied to the use of the Church as money might be required. But your Committee are aware, that the money having been subscribed for a specific purpose, that it must continue funded, unless the consent of the original subscribers as far as is now practicable, can be obtained, to place it at the disposition of the Church. If this were had, it would be very advisable, in the opinion of your Committee, to apply all the money belonging to the Church to the foundation of a Theological School, or to any other purpose, rather than keep it on loan at the risk of being totally lost to the Church. Your Committee, therefore, advise, that the same agent employed to collect the residue of the subscriptions due to the Episcopate, be furnished with a writing to be signed by the original subscribers, giving their consent that the fund shall be at the absolute disposal of the Convention, and that the agent be authorized to request the signatures of the contributors to the fund to such writing. Your Committee desire to be brief on this subject, and therefore, they will not insist at length, on the absurdity of the Church in its infancy, raising funds for the benefit of our successors, when both faith and reason leads us to expect, that the future members of the Church will become yearly more numerous, and therefore, will not need our assistance.

Lastly, the fund can never be raised—the annual expenses of the Episcopate cannot hereafter, be greatly less than \$2,000 per annum, and it would require a fund of a little upwards of \$33,000 to yield that sum.—It is manifestly beyond our ability to raise such a sum of money, even if we had the wish to take upon ourselves its management.

If it is asked how the Episcopate is to be supported, your Committee know of no better mode to raise it than by individual subscriptions for 3 years at a time, and by a tax imposed by the Convention on the several Congregations as heretofore. If it be urged that the Bishop will be dependent on the Laymen of the Diocese, it is admitted, and heretofore there has been no want of either affection or liberality on the part of the Laity towards the Bishop, and it may be safely predicted, there never will be, unless the Bishop shall become unworthy, or there shall be a total want of piety and attachment to the Church among the Laity. Our trust is strong in the blessed Head of the Church, that neither one or other of these evils will be suffered to befall us.

If unhappily, a serious misunderstanding, from these or other causes,

shall ever spring up between the Bishop and the Laity, a fund entirely under the management of the Convention will afford the Bishop no security for his support, and the situation of the Church will be equally desperate, whether we be with or without a fund. May we add that the Clergy of the Church under the degree of Bishop are entirely dependent on the Laity of the Church, without the interposition of so respectable a body as the Convention placed between them and the causeless displeasure of their respective parishoners. The Parish Ministers are therefore more likely to suffer in their pecuniary support from the fault of the Vestries than the Bishop ever can from that of the Convention. And the experience of the Church is that the Rectors of Parishes in the Diocese have been cordially supported. If your Committee have fallen into a mistake touching the management of the fund, they very well know that they will not be suspected of having been led into error by want of attachment to the person of the Bishop, or because they were careless of the dignity of his office. They consider the support of the Bishop of primary importance; but they believe the Diocese hath the ability and disposition to support him by voluntary contributions. And therefore it is, that they see no reason why the Church should be exposed to losses on a fund of \$10,000, which will serve no better purpose than to be a very insufficient counter-security in case the Laity of the Diocese should so far forget their duty to the Church as not to provide a sufficient support for their Bishop.

Your Committee further report, that they have agreed upon an assessment for the support of the Bishop and the Contingent Fund for the ensuing year, which is hereunto annexed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GAVIN HOGG, *Chair'm.*

After which the following Resolutions were presented and adopted:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Convention, under the direction of the Standing Committee, be authorized to employ an Agent to collect the arrearages to the Fund for the support of the Episcopate, and that the said Agent be requested to obtain the assent of the subscribers to the Fund, agreeably to this Report, that the said Fund shall be placed under the control of the Convention.

Resolved, That the rate of assessments on the different Congregations, for the support of the Bishop's salary and the Contingent Fund, be adopted.

On motion of Mr. Singletary,

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocese be directed to pay the Rev. John Avery the sum of \$50, being expenses incurred by him while President of the Standing Committee.

Convention adjourned to meet after Service.

At night, Service was performed by the Rev. J. B. Buxton, and a sermon by the Rev. G. W. Freeman, from Jeremiah 50th ch. 4th and 5th vs.

After which the Apostolic rite of Confirmation was administered to 16 persons.

Convention met and adjourned to 6 o'clock A. M., Monday.

SUNDAY MORNING.

Service was read by the Rev. J. R. Goodman, and a sermon preached by the Rt. Rev. Bishop, from 2d Cor. 2d ch. latter clause 16th v.

Rev. Wm. Norwood was admitted to the order of Priests; after which the Communion was administered to 96 recipients.

In the afternoon, service by the Rev. Wm. D. Cairns, and a sermon by the Rev. Wm. M. Green, 19th chapter of Acts, 2d verse. During the service, 4 children were baptized.

At night, Divine Service was performed by the Rev. Wm. Norwood, and a Missionary Sermon by the Rev. Joseph H. Saunders, 10th chapter of Romans, 14th and part of 15th verses. After which, a collection amounting to \$206, was taken up.

MONDAY, 6 A. M.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment. Prayers by the Rt. Rev. Bishop.

Minutes of Saturday read and approved.

John W. Wright, Esq. was unanimously elected Treasurer of the Convention for the ensuing year.

On motion of Rev. J. R. Goodman,

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be presented to the inhabitants of this town, for the kind reception and hospitable entertainment of the members.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Convention be directed to pay to the Delegates to the General Convention, the sum required by that Convention, of each Delegate.

On motion, *Resolved*, That 1000 copies of the Journals of this Convention be published.

The Committee appointed to request a copy of the sermon delivered to this Convention by the Bishop, for publication, report they have performed that duty, and that he will furnish the sermon for publication.*

Extract from the report of the Board of Managers of the "Episcopal Missionary, Bible, Prayer Book and Tract Society," the Tabular View of the State of the Diocese, form of Parochial Reports, and the rate of Assessments, may be found in Appendix B. C. D. and E.

The Convention having closed its business, adjourned, after prayer and benediction by the Bishop.

E. L. WINSLOW,
Sec'y of Convention.

* See the copy published by the Episcopal Press, N. Y.

Dr. FUND FOR THE EPISCOPATE, *in account with the*

1831.			
June	1.	To loan on bond of Thos. F. Davis, Jr. and Thos. F. Davis, at 12 months,	\$800
Dec.	8.	To Cash paid to Rt. Rev. L. S. Ives, for 1st quarter's salary, per receipt,	312 50
1832.			
Jan.	17.	To Do. to Do. in part of salary,	50
April	10.	To loan on bond of Chas. P. Mallett and E. J. Hale, payable 1st June, 1833,	700
	28.	To Cash paid to Rt. Rev. L. S. Ives, in part of salary,	577
		To Do. to Do. in full for 2d and 3d quarters' salary,	198
		To Do. to Do. in full for travelling expenses from New York to North Carolina, and in Episcopal visitations,	197 67

\$2,635 17

TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

Cr.

1831.		
May 14.	By balance on hand per statement rendered to Convention of 1831,	\$348 75
24.	By Cash from John C. Taylor, in part of William Steel's bond,	100
	By Do. from Dr. William Martin, for collections made by him on Subscription list,	130
	By Do. Rev. John Avery, for Do. Do.	168
	By Do. Do. for contribution to this Fund from St. Paul's Church, Edenton, for year ending May 1831,	42
	By Do. Do. for Do. for year ending May 1832,	18
	By Do. James W. Bryan, for collections made on Subscription list,	124
	By Do. Rev. J. R. Goodman, for contribution from Christ's Church, Newbern, in full for year ending May 1831,	45
	By Do. for contributions and collections on Subscription list, received at Convention of 1831, (supposed)	110 30
Aug. 25.	By Do. from Rev. John Avery, for R. H. Smith's 3d instalment on subscription,	5
Dec. 13.	By Do. Rev. W. D. Cairns, in part of note of A. J. De Rosset and others,	124
1832.		
Feb. 24.	By Do. E. L. & W. Winslow, for interest on their notes to this date,	68
25.	By Do. Hugh Waddell, in part of William Steel's bond,	100
Mar. 14.	By Do. Rev. W. M. Green, for interest on his bond to 10th Feb. 1832,	42 65
April 10.	By Do. C. P. Mallett, for principal and interest of his bond, prin. \$650, int. \$33 58,	683 58
May 1.	By Do. State Bank N. C., for dividends of June and Dec. 1831, on 15 shares of stock,	60
5.	By Do. C. T. Haigh and J. W. Wright, for their 4th instalment on subscription,	20
10.	By Do. St. John's Church, Fayetteville, for contribution to this Fund, for the year ending May 1832,	100
	To new account, for balance due to the Treasurer,	345 83
		<u>\$2,635 17</u>

GENERAL STATEMENT.

Dr.

To Salary and expenses of Bishop Ives, paid as per annexed account,		\$1,135 17
Securities in Treasurer's hands, viz.		
15 shares State Bank Stock, bought at par,	1500	
11 shares Cape Fear Bank Stock, cost		998
Individual bonds,		5139 23
Loan to Missionary Society,	500	
		8,137 23
		<u>\$9,272 40</u>

Cr.

By Cash and securities on hand, reported to Convention of 1831.		\$7,959 98
Collections on subscriptions and contributions as per annexed account,		762 56
Interest on Funds invested,		204 23
Balance due to Treasurer,		345 83
		<u>\$9,272 40</u>

Fayetteville, May 10, 1832.

The Treasurer submits to the Convention the annexed exhibit of receipts and disbursements for the Fund for the Episcopate during the past year. The vouchers for payments, and the securities for money invested, accompany the exhibit. In addition to the means for the support of the Episcopate stated in this account, there remain balances unpaid on the subscriptions made in 1822 and 1827, and now due, amounting to \$3500, and a further sum of \$1270, will be due in November next. From these, it is probable 1500 to \$2000 may be realised, if personal application were made to the Subscribers, and it is respectfully submitted to the Convention, whether, as all the subscriptions to this Fund will be payable in November next, it will not be advisable to authorise the appointment of a special Agent to go through the Diocese and collect as far as practicable, the balances unpaid.

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. WRIGHT, *Treasurer.*

(B.)

A Tabular Form of Parochial Reports, prepared by order of the Convention of 1832.

CHURCH,

Rector, (or Minister.)

Baptisms.	Confirmations,	Communicants. Decrease, Additions, Present number,	Marriages,	Burials,	Adults, Families,	Sunday School.	Catechumens,	Vols. in Parish Library, Number in Bible Class,	Moneys Received.			
									Vols. in S. S. Library, Female Scholars, Male Scholars, Female Teachers, Male Teachers,	For Episcopalate,	For Contingent Fund,	For Missionary Society,
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

General Remarks on the State of the Parish.

(C.)

RATE OF ASSESSMENTS ON THE CONGREGATIONS.

<i>Congregations.</i>	<i>Bishop's Salary.</i>	<i>Contingent Fund.</i>	
St. James's Church, Wilmington,	\$125	-	\$25
Christ's Church, Newbern,	100	-	25
St. John's Church, Fayetteville,	100	-	25
St. Paul's Church, Edenton,	40	-	10
Christ's Church, Raleigh,	40	-	10
St. Mathew's, Hillsboro', and St. Jude's, and St. Mary's, Orange County,	40	-	10
St. Luke's Church, Salisbury,	15	-	5
Christ's Church, Rowan,	15	-	5
Emmanuel Church, Warrenton,	10	-	5
St. John's Church, Williamsborough,	10	-	5
Christ's Church, Elizabeth City,	20	-	10
St. Peter's Church, Washington,	30	-	10
Trinity Chapel, Beaufort County,	10	-	5
St. Thomas's Chapel, Bath,	10	-	5
Carried forward.	575		165

Brought forward,	\$575		\$165
St. John's Chapel, Durham's Creek,	10	-	5
St. James's Chapel, Greenville,	10	-	5
Zion Church, Beaufort,	10	-	5
Calvary Church, Wadesborough,	10	-	5
St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsborough,	10	-	5
Northampton and Bertie Counties,	20	-	5
Scotland Neck,	10	-	5
St. Mark's, Halifax,	10	-	5
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	\$655		\$195



(D.)

Extract from the Report of the Board of Managers of the "Episcopal Bible, Common Prayer Book, Tract and Missionary Society."

The Society has been enabled during the past year to secure the services of 4 Missionaries, whose reports exhibit the following results:

Rev. Jos. H. Saunders, officiating in Warrenton, Halifax, Louisburg and the parts adjacent, 12 months' labor.

Baptisms, Adults 17; Infants 23; Total	40
Confirmations,	38
Added to the Communion,	40

Rev. Th. S. W. Mott, officiating in the Counties of Sampson and Lenoir, 9 months' labor.

Baptisms, Adults 8; Infants 7; Total	15
Confirmations,	7
Added to the Communion,	1

Rev. Wm. Norwood, officiating in the Counties of Northampton and Bertie, 6 months' labor.

Baptisms, Adults 2; Infants 10; Total	12
Confirmations,	13
Added to the Communion,	16

Rev. Th. F. Davis, Jr., officiating in Pittsborough and Wadesborough, and parts adjacent, 6 months' labor.

Baptisms, Adults 6; Infants 4; Total	10
Added to the Communion,	1

Exhibiting a total of Baptisms,	77
Confirmations,	58
Additions to Communion,	58

A commodious Church Edifice is in the course of completion in Pittsborough, the cost of which is estimated at \$1000. The sum of \$800 has been subscribed for the building of a Church in Kinston, Lenoir County; and arrangements have been made for the building of a Church in the County of Bertie, under the auspices of the Rev. Mr. Norwood.

The Secretary has distributed during the year past, 49 Bibles, 105 Testaments, 362 Books of Common Prayer, making 516 Books; and in

4 years a total of 1203; also 40,000 pages of Tracts, and a large part of the Edition of Bishop Ravenscroft's Works.

The Board of Managers feel themselves called, at this time especially, to record with gratitude, the munificent donation to the Society's funds of \$800, by Mrs. Strong, a communicant of the Church in Wadesborough.

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR THE ENSUING YEAR:

Rt. Rev. L. S. IVES, D. D., (ex-officio) President,

Dr. A. J. DE ROSSET, Sen., 1st Vice President.

DUNCAN CAMERON, Esq., 2d Do.

Dr. SIMMONS J. BAKER, 3d Do.

Rev. WM. D. CAIRNS, Secretary.

JOHN W. WRIGHT, Esq., Treasurer.

Rev. JARVIS B. BUXTON,

Dr. JAS. F. McREE,

Dr. TH. H. WRIGHT,

JAS. S. GREEN, Esq.

} Managers.

WM. D. CAIRNS, Sec.

The Board of Managers feel constrained to adopt this means of making known to the Church at large, their desire to engage immediately the services of *seven efficient* Clergymen, to each of whom, a field of enlarged usefulness will be opened, and the sum of \$500 per annum pledged. All communications on the subject, to be addressed to the Secretary,

The Rev. WILLIAM D. CAIRNS,

Wilmington, N. C.

Dr. The Episcopal Bible, Common Prayer Book, Tract and

1831.			
May 14.	To old account for balance due to the Treasurer,	\$	53 45
24.	To cash paid to J. Gales & Son for balance due to them by Rt. Rev. J. S. Ravenscroft,		63 91
	To Do. paid freight and wagonage of boxes from Wilmington,		2 33
— June 15.	To Draft D. Cameron, Vice President, in favor of the Rev. J. H. Norment,		50
Dec. 24.	To Do. A. J. De Rosset, Vice President, in favor of the Rev. Jos. H. Saunders,		100
31.	To Account paid John McRae for postage,		87
1832.			
— Mar. 14.	To Draft Rt. Rev. L. S. Ives, President, in favor of the Rev. J. H. Norment,		50
April 28.	To Do. do., in favor of the Rev. Thos. Wright,		100
May 10.	To Do. A. J. De Rosset, Vice President, in favor of the Rev. Jos. H. Saunders,		100
			<u>\$520 56</u>
1832.			
May 10.	To old account for balance,		<u>\$43 56</u>

GENERAL

The Society is Dr. as per the annexed account:		
For old balance due to the Treasurer,		\$53 45
Amount paid to use of Bishop Ravenscroft,		63 91
Charges,		3 20
Appropriations for Clergymen's salaries,		400
		<u>\$520 56</u>
Funds of the Society:		
Seven shares State Bank Stock, bought at par,		\$700
Responsibilities:		
To the Episcopal Fund for loan	\$500	
To the Treasurer for balance of this ac't,	53 45	
		<u>\$553 45</u>

Missionary Society of N. C., in account with the Treasurer. Cr.

1831.			
May 24.	By Cash, from Rev. G. W. Freeman, for sales of Bishop Ravenscroft's Works,	\$101	
	By Do. from same, for contribution to this Fund, from Aux'y Society of Christ's Church, Raleigh,	41	
	By Do. from Rev. John Avery, for sales of Bishop Ravenscroft's Works,	75	
	By Do. from E. J. Hale, for contribution from Aux'y Society of St. John's Church, Fayetteville,	70	
	By Do. for contributions to this Fund, collected at Convention of 1831,	122	
Aug. 25.	By Do. from Rev. John Avery, for sales of Bishop Ravenscroft's Works,	25	
Oct. 5.	By Do. from Rev. G. W. Freeman, for Do.	15	
May 1.	By Do. from State Bank, for Dividends of June and Dec. 1831, on 7 shares of Stock,	28	
	10. By new account, for balance due to the Treasurer,	43 56	
			<u>\$520 56</u>

STATEMENT.

The Society is Cr. per the annexed account:	
By sales of Bishop Ravenscroft's Works,	\$216
Contributions.	233
Interests on Funds invested,	28
Balance transferred to new account,	43 56
	<u>\$520 56</u>

J. W. WRIGHT, *Treasurer.*May 10th, 1832.

FEBRUARY VIEW,

OF THE DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA, FROM ITS ORGANIZATION IN 1817, TO THE CONVENTION OF 1832, INCLUSIVE.

Convention met at	No. of Clergy in the Diocese.	Lay Delegates in Convention.	No. of Congregations in the Diocese.	Baptisms reported.	Confirmations reported.	Communicants reported.	Sunday Scholars reported.	No. of Ordinations.	REMARKS, &c.
1817 Newbern,	3	6	3	61	168	3269	270	3	Constitution adopted.—Diocese organized.—Bishop Moore invited. Missionary Society organized. Bishop Moore's first visit.
1818 Fayetteville,	4	7	4	76	60	269	270	3	
1819 Wilmington,	5	6	6	119	221	326	170	3	
1820 Edenton,	7	5	7	119	221	326	170	3	Bishop Moore's second visit. Bishop Moore's third visit.
1821 Raleigh,	10	12	11	101	95	332	170	4	
1822 Raleigh,	11	21	18	149	66	377			Bishop Ravenscroft elected.
1823 Salisbury,	11	23	25	202	221	480	189		
1824 Williamsborough,	8	20	29	302	459				Rules of Order adopted.
1825 Washington,	7	21	30	129	69	462			
1826 Hillsborough,	9	21	32	143	191	671			Bishop Ravenscroft freed from Parochial duty, and invited to Tennessee. Bishop Ravenscroft died.—“Missionary, Bible, Prayer Book and Tract Society” organized.—“Constitution and Canons revised and amended.”
1827 Newbern,	11	21	32	124	36	458	256	4	
1828 Fayetteville,	10	19	32	194	36	432	470	2	
1829 Salisbury,	11	18	32	208	36	489	489	5	
1830 Wilmington,	11	19	32	167	89	610	489	1	
1831 Raleigh,	11	13	32	151	86	650	478		
1832 Edenton,	12	27	33	208	700	621	621	3	
1832 Edenton,	15	27	33	340	527	900	777	3	

CERTIFICATE,

Of the Consecration of the Rev. Levi Silliman Ives.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, William White, D. D. Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania, Presiding Bishop; Henry Ustick Onderdonk, D. D., Assistant Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Pennsylvania; Benjamin Tredwell Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New York, under the protection of Almighty God, in Trinity Church, Southwark, Philadelphia, on Thursday, the twenty-second day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one, did, then and there, rightly and canonically consecrate our beloved in Christ, LEVI SILLIMAN IVES, D. D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, in the City and State of New York, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manner, we were fully ascertained, into the Office of Bishop, to which he hath been duly elected by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of North Carolina.

Given in the City of Philadelphia, the twenty-second day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-one.

WILLIAM WHITE.
H. U. ONDERDONK,
B. T. ONDERDONK,

The next Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of North Carolina, will be held in the Town of Warrenton, on the last Wednesday of May, 1833.

E. L. WINSLOW, *Secretary.*
