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In accordance with the 19th Resolution of the 49th annual convention of the Evan. Lutheran Synod of North Carolina, the ministerial members with their respective lay delegates assembled on the 30th of April, 1847, in Organ church, Rowan County, N. C. At 10 o'clock, A. M., the services preparatory to the organization of Synod were opened with a sermon by the President, Rev. S. Rothrock, from I. Thes. ii. 11, 12.

Divine service being concluded, and after an intermission of half an hour, the President then called the Synod to order, and opened the first session with singing and prayer.

The Secretary then called the roll, noting the absentees, which is as follows:

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

<i>Names.</i>	<i>Address.</i>
1. Rev. J. D. SCHECK,	<i>Luthersville, Rowan county, N. C.</i>
2. " WM. ARTZ,	<i>Holt's Store, Orange co. "</i>
3. " J. B. ANTHONY,	<i>Salisbury, Rowan co. "</i>
4. " SAM'L. ROTHROCK,	<i>Rockville, " "</i>
5. " BENJ. AREY,	<i>Statesville, Iredell co. "</i>
6. " W. G. HARTER,	<i>Concord, Cabarrus co. "</i>
7. " JACOB CRIM,	<i>Mocksville, Davie co. "</i>
8. " J. A. LINN,	<i>Rockville, Rowan co. "</i>

LICENTIATES.

9. Rev. J. GRIESON,*	<i>Clapp's, Guilford county, "</i>
10. " A. GRIMES,*	<i>Wilkesboro', Wilkes co. "</i>
11. " J. SWICEGOOD,	<i>Browntown, Davidson co. "</i>
12. " W. H. FINK,†	<i>Concord, Cabarrus co. "</i>

*Absent,

†Received at this meeting.

The following lay delegates then presented the certificates of their appointment, and were received as members of Synod :

LAY DELEGATES.

1. Mr. JOHN FAGGART,	<i>From Rev. J. D. Scheck's charge.</i>
2. " JOHN ZIMMERMAN,	" <i>Wm. Artz's</i> "
3. Col. DAVID LENTS,	" <i>S. Rothrock's</i> "
4. Mr. HENRY TROUTMAN,	" <i>B. Arcy's</i> "
5. " PHILIP RIDENHOUR,	" <i>W. G. Harter's</i> "
6. " JOHN SEAFORD,	" <i>J. Crim's</i> "
7. " PETER MILLER,	" <i>J. A. Linn's</i> "
8. " CALEB PEELER,	" <i>J. Swicegood's</i> "
9. " MOSES RAMER,	" <i>W. H. Fink's</i> "
10. Col. JOHN SMITH,	<i>Vacant charge.</i>
11. DAVID BARRINGER, Esq.,	" "

The President then read his annual report, which was received and laid on the table for further consideration.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

DEAR BRETHREN :

Another year of our existence and of our Ministry has passed away, and we are again assembled in our regular annual synodical capacity. Since our last meeting at Union Church, many of our race "have gone the way of all flesh," and not only have many valuable and influential private members of the church been removed from this state of trial, but, as appeared from the obituary notices in the Lutheran Observer, some of the Ministers within the bounds of some other synods, have also been called to their reward. But our number has not been diminished, and we are again allowed, in the good providence of God, to greet each other as brethren and ministers, laboring together in the same good cause, the cause of piety and sound christian morality. We are assembled together in the name of Him, who is the Head of the church, and "God over all blessed forever," to communicate, what, by the divine blessing, has been done among the people of our several charges, to unite our prayers and our counsels for our own and our neighbor's good, and to deliberate upon the best interests of the church. May we have much of the meek and the humble mind that was in Christ, and an enlarged measure of the enlightening, sanctifying and guiding influences of the Holy Spirit, to lead us into all the truth.

It now becomes my constitutional duty, as the last act of my office, to lay before you a detail of my official acts during the past year. My official acts have been but few.

On the 26th of last May, I gave, on application, an ad interim License to Brother W. H. Fink. Brother Fink had received a License of similar import during the year preceding the past, from my predecessor in office. Afterwards said Brother journeyed into South-western Virginia, and at the time of our last meet-

ing was under the intention of locating in that State. But when your delegate went on to the meeting of the South-western Virginia synod in May last, Br. F. came to the conclusion, for reasons satisfactory to himself, again to return to North Carolina, which he accordingly did. But the term of his License, obtained from my predecessor, had expired. And, as he wished to have authority to preach the Gospel during the interval between that time and the present meeting, he applied to me for proper credentials. After deliberation on the subject, I gave him a License extending to this meeting of synod. It will now become the duty of the Ministerium regularly to examine Br. F. as to his qualifications for the gospel ministry, and then act in accordance with the result of such examination.

On the 30th of last September, I received a communication from Br. J. B. Anthony, informing me of the resignation of the charge of the congregation in Salisbury. Since then said Br. gave me a verbal notice, that he had also resigned the charge of Union church. Since Br. Anthony's resignation in Salisbury, the congregation in that place has been at least partially supplied, by several other brethren. I am unable to say, whether these congregations have taken any definite action yet, as to their future course, but it is to be hoped that they will not long delay to adopt efficient measures for the permanent settlement of a minister among them.

On the 15th of October last, I received a letter from Br. J. Crim, the delegate appointed at our last meeting to attend the meeting of the South Carolina synod last fall, in which he informed me of the impracticability of his attending the meeting of our brethren in the South. The 2d. Sec. of the 8th Chap. of our Constitution, gives the power to the President, Secretary and delegate elect, to fill vacancies in such cases, and having been previously apprised that Br. Anthony contemplated a journey to the South at that season, he received the appointment of substitute. Br. Anthony, however, afterwards also found it impracticable to meet our brethren in the South, and as the time was then too short to make any further arrangements for the appointment of a delegate, consequently none went from this Synod.

I am unable, for the want of accurate information, to lay before you a correct statement of the state of the church generally, within our limits. From some of the brethren I received written, and from others verbal accounts of the spiritual condition of their several charges, from which it would appear, that, altho' there have been no special out-pourings of the Spirit and revivals of religion, yet as a whole, the church appears to be moving, slowly it is true, yet steadily forward.—Our ministers as a body, appear to be industriously employed in preaching the Word, in laboring with commendable zeal for the religious instruction and edification of believers, and for the conversion of the irreligious and unawakened; and tho' we cannot record any extraordinary interest on the subject of religion, their labors nevertheless appear not to have been without encouraging success. Brother Arey wrote me under date of the 10th inst., that he has been preaching on the Statesville Road, six miles west of Salisbury, at which place the people had resolved on the erection of a new house of worship. It is to be hoped, that the praise-worthy object contemplated by these people, may be accomplished.

In looking over the extent of our church within the bounds of our Synod, it is to be lamented, and deeply lamented, that we have so many destitute congregations, which are famishing for the want of spiritual bread. They are like sheep without a shepherd, having none to lead them to the fountain of living waters.— And what is to be lamented more than all, is, that we appear to be unable to supply them with ministers. In Catawba, Davidson and Stokes counties, we have vacant fields, which afford ample room for ministerial enterprise and labor, and abundant material to operate upon, and which might, and no doubt would, become interesting pastorates, provided they could be supplied in time with pastors. The hope was entertained last winter, that our destitute brethren in Catawba county, would be supplied with a spiritual shepherd in the person of Br. J. D. Stingly, a scintilla of the Synod of South Carolina. Br. S. called at my house last fall, stating, that he had come to North Carolina in quest of a field of labor. He was recommended to visit our brethren in Catawba, and at the same time I gave him a letter of introduction to a prominent member residing in Newton. He was also warmly welcomed thither by Dr. Linn, who tarried with him several days, and aided him in forming acquaintances, and gave him such other aid as the shortness of the time would admit of. But I regret to learn, incidentally, that said Br. has again, for reasons no doubt satisfactory to himself, returned to the South, and that our brethren in Catawba did not succeed in securing his services. From a private letter written by Br. S. to a member of this Synod, and which was kindly placed in my hands, it is to be feared, that he came to N. C. under somewhat erroneous impressions. He appears to have had the impression, that our Synod stood pledged for the support of any minister who would take charge of the congregations in Catawba. He no doubt received this impression from a private communication addressed by a member of this Synod to a brother in the South. I regret that Br. S. did not make known to me, when at my house, what his impressions on that subject were, as I should then have recommended him to the attention of the Executive Committee of our Missionary and Education Society.

I received a letter under date of Feb. 20th., from our much esteemed brother, Jacob Scherer, formerly a member of this body, but now a member of the Synod of South-Western Virginia, in which he informed me, that he labored for several months during the past year in our destitute congregations in Davidson and Stokes counties, and would have continued his labors for a few months longer, had he not fallen a victim to the ague and fever, from which he had not yet recovered. Brother Scherer labored under the auspices of the Executive Committee of the Missionary and Education Society, and it is to be much regretted that his health failed him, and thus incapacitated him for the prosecution of his labors, as he had designed doing. From Br. S. letter it would appear, that the prospects of reviving and building up our vacant congregations in Davidson and Stokes counties, are decidedly cheering and encouraging, provided they could be speedily supplied with the preaching of the gospel and administration of the ordinances of our holy religion. Brother S. suggests as a good plan for the revival of these congregations, the holding of protracted meetings by the brethren of from six to ten days continuance, a suggestion which will no doubt meet with a cordial response from the

bosom of every brother. Unless these congregations are speedily supplied and attended to, they will dwindle away altogether and become absorbed by other denominations. This would be a deplorable result, as they generally have good and comfortable houses of worship, and in some cases considerable bodies of valuable land attached to them. "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few. Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

Our Constitution was adopted at the last meeting of our Synod, as revised and amended by a committee appointed for that purpose. The first section of the first chapter requires that all the Ministers of Synod subscribe their names thereunto. As the Constitution has no doubt now been regularly transcribed by the Secretary into the blank Book in the Archives, I would therefore recommend, that the Ministers belonging to this Synod be called upon at this meeting to subscribe their names to the same, and that they subscribe their names according to their age in office.

"And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified."

S. ROTHROCK, *Pres.*

The Synod being now duly organized, proceeded to an election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows:

Rev. SAM'L. ROTHROCK, President.

" JOSEPH A. LINN, Rec. Sec.

" WM. G. HARTER, Cor. Sec.

Mr. MATTHIAS BARRIER, Treasurer.

It being the time for receiving corresponding delegates from sister Synods. bro. J. C. Hope, of the S. Carolina Synod was presented, and cordially received as an advisory member of this Synod.*

Rev. J. B. Lantz of the N. Carolina Classis of the German Reformed church was also invited to a seat among us, as an advisory member of this body.

The reading of the minutes of last year next came under consideration; when it was

I. *Resolved*, That the reading of the minutes be dispensed

*Since the meeting of Synod, the President handed me a letter from Rev. J. A. Brown, from Western Va. Synod, corresponding delegate to this Synod, in which he says, that "circumstances of recent and unexpected occurrence render it out of my power to attend your present meeting of Synod. I regret it exceedingly, but it cannot be avoided."

SECRETARY.

with, and that they be referred to a committee to report upon any unfinished business that may claim their attention.

Committee.—Rev. Wm. Artz and Mr. Henry Troutman.

All letters, documents, &c., designed for Synod, were now called for, and being handed in, were distributed among the following

COMMITTEES :

Committee on document No. 1.—Revs. W. G. Harter and J. C. Hope.

Committee on Nos. 2, 3, and 4.—Rev. B. Arey, and Col. J. Smith.

The parochial reports being now in order, were called for and handed in, which are as follows :

MINISTERS.	Congregations.		BAPTISMS.		Confirmations.	Admissions.	Communicants.	Restorations.	Dismissions.	Expulsions.	Burials.	Death of Members.	Sunday Schools.	Miss. & Ed. Soci'ts.
	Infants.	Adults.												
Rev. J. D. Scheck,	2	45	1	50	5	580	1				15	13	2	1
“ Wm. Artz,	4	30		1		145					00			
“ J. B. Anthony,		23									17			
“ S. Rothrock,	2	37	1	50		587		2	1	27	10		2	
“ B. Arey,	1	8				75					3			
“ W. G. Harter,	4	32	1	30	3	417		3	3	8	8	7	2	1
“ J. Crim,	2	5		4		86					5			
“ J. A. Linn,*	3	27		7	3	147	1	2	1	18	4	6		
“ J. Swicegood,	4	13				25								
“ W. H. Fink,	1	5												
Total,	23	225	3	142	11	2061	2	7	5	97	36	4	4	
“Colored Congrega.	1	4	20	20	1	21								
Grand Total,	24	229	23	162	12	2082	2	7	5	97	36	4	4	

The number and state of vacant congregations were next inquired into. Communications were received and read in open Synod. Verbal statements were made by several of the Brethren in reference to vacancies in Catawba, Davidson and Stokes counties. From information received, we learn, that Catawba county especially, presents itself as an interesting field of labor. And with a view to the speedy supply of these destitute portions of our Zion, it was

II. *Resolved*, That the President of Synod correspond with the Executive committee of the Home Missionary Society of the General Synod, as also with the officers of S. Carolina Synod, the Professor of the Theological Seminary at Lexington, and the Executive committee of the Missionary Society in connection with said Synod, respecting our vacancies.

In view of some important facts communicated to this body, by several of the Brethren, relative to the lands given by Rev. G. Shober, to the Theo. Sem. at Gettysburg, it was

III. *Resolved*, That the Corresponding Secretary be instructed to communicate the facts alluded to, to the Board of Trustees of the Theo. Seminary at Gettysburg, and the necessity that exists of their making a speedy and final disposition of said lands.

The subject of vacant congregations was again resumed, and discussed at length, when a motion for adjournment prevailed. Adjourned to Saturday morning 9 o'clock.

Prayer by brother Artz.

SECOND SESSION.

SATURDAY, May 1, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Synod met according to adjournment, and was opened with prayer by brother Hope.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved. The subject of vacant congregations, deferred to the present session of Synod, now came up for further consideration, when it was

IV. *Resolved*, That the following brethren of the lower Conferential District, viz : Rev. Messrs. W. Artz, S. Rothrock, J. A. Linn, W. G. Harter and J. Swicegood be required to hold at least four protracted meetings in the destitute portions of our church in Davidson and Stokes counties, at such time and place as they may deem proper, and that they supply them with monthly preaching throughout the year : and that the brethren of the upper Conferential District, viz : Rev. Messrs. J. D. Scheck, J. B. Anthony, B. Arey, J. Crim, and

W. H. Fink, supply the destitute portions of the church in Lincoln and Catawba counties in the same manner as required of the lower District.

The committee on document marked No. 1, made their report.

Report No. 1.

The committee appointed to examine the President's annual Report, beg leave to state, that they have attended to this duty. Inasmuch as the President has accompanied his Report with sufficient explanatory remarks, to bring fully before this body, the state of the church; we deem it unnecessary to offer any further recommendations. We hope the entire document will be adopted, and published with the minutes of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. G. HARTER,

J. C. HOPE.

Adopted.

The committee on unfinished business of last year's minutes made their report.

Report No. 2.

The committee appointed to examine the minutes of the last annual session of this Synod and report on any business, that may be considered unfinished, would offer the following. On page 18, No. 10, we find a recommendation to certain individuals to hold a social meeting, with a view to the amicable settlement of the difficulties that existed in St. Paul's church, Iredell county. Your committee are of opinion, that the result of the proposed meeting should be reported to Synod.

On page 22d, there is a recommendation to the ministers composing the several conferential districts to hold at least one meeting during the Synodical year in each pastorate. This Synod would, no doubt, be gratified to hear any statements, which the Brethren may have to make with regard to these meetings.

Also, on the same page, your committee notice the appointment of a delegate to the Western Va. Synod, and another to the Synod of S. Carolina,—the Rev. S. Rothrock received the appointment to the former, and the Rev. J. Crim to the latter. A report from these brethren would be heard with pleasure.

On page 23, we find the appointment of a committee to confer with Mr. Daniel Miller, Treasurer of the Seminary fund, to correct any mistakes that may have occurred in his report to synod last year and to take his bond. The committee consists of the Rev. W. G. Harter and M. Barrier, Esq. And also the appointment of another committee to make settlement with the Ex-Treasurer of the Centenary Fund, to transfer the same to the Treasurer who was elected at the last meeting, and take his obligation. A report from these brethren is desirable. These are all the items of unfinished business, which your committee have been able to discover on the pages of the minutes of last year.

Respectfully submitted,

Adopted.

Rev. WM. ARTZ, Chairmain.

V. *Resolved*, That the above report be considered item after item. Under item first, brother Arey, being requested, stated that, he had not called the meeting referred to, and gave his reasons for non-compliance with said recommendation.

The subject being under discussion, a motion to adjourn was carried.

Adjourned to meet again on Monday, 8½ o'clock, A. M.

Benediction by the President.

Saturday 12 o'clock. A very large congregation being present, religious services were conducted at the stand. A sermon was preached by Rev. Wm. Artz, from Mat. xi, 26. After an intermission of half an hour, services were resumed, when Rev. W. G. Harter preached from Ps. cxix, 10.

SABBATH EXERCISES.

The religious services of the Sabbath were conducted simultaneously in the church and at the stand to separate and exceedingly large congregations. Rev. J. C. Hope, corresponding delegate from S. C. Synod, preached from I. Cor. iii. 9—15. Rev. J. Swicegood preached at the stand from Ps. xxxiv. 19. Immediately thereafter, the administration of the Lord's Supper was attended to, when between four and six hundred communicants came forward, and manifested a renewed attachment for the Saviour.

After the usual intermission, the congregation assembled at the stand, when the Secretary of Synod, in obedience to a resolution of last year's minutes, preached a Missionary sermon from Luke xxiv. 46, 47.

THIRD SESSION.

MONDAY MORNING, May 3d., 1847.

Synod met and was opened with singing and prayer by the President. The minutes of Saturday were read and approved. The unfinished business of last Session was resumed. In reference to the *first item* of the report on the minutes of last Synod, it was

VI. *Resolved*, That we regret, that the meeting, recommended at the synod of last year to be held for the purpose of adjusting the difficulties, existing between certain individuals in St. Paul's church, Iredell county, was not called by brother Arey, for reasons deemed satisfactory to himself and to this Synod, and that the happy results anticipated have not been realized. And with a view to ascertain all the facts in the case, it was

VII. *Resolved*, That brother Fink be requested to inform Synod, whether he was advised by the officers of Synod to take charge of St. Paul's church, or not.

Brother Fink then stated, that these brethren did not so advise him.

VIII. *Resolved*, That this Synod is now satisfied with the discussion of this subject, and facts developed in the case ; and deem it inexpedient to take any further action on the subject.

Mr. David Barringer, now appeared as delegate from the Salisbury pastorate, and was admitted to a seat.

Inquiries were now made of the brethren composing the upper and lower conferential districts, relative to the holding of certain meetings, as recommended in last year's minutes. From information received, we learn, that several of the brethren in the lower district attended to this duty, and others did not.

Brother Rothrock, corresponding delegate to Western Va. Synod, and bro. J. Crim to that of S. Carolina made their verbal reports. The former having attended to his appointment, the latter, for reasons satisfactory, did not do so.

The committee appointed at last Synod, to confer with Mr. D. Miller, Treasurer of Sem. Fund, and correct mistakes, &c., was called upon to report. They stated that they had settled with said Treasurer.

Also, the committee on centenary funds, as referred to in the report of unfinished business of last year, was called upon, and reported, settled.

The following preamble and resolution were now offered and adopted.

Whereas, the speedy prosperity of the Evan. Luth. church in the south and south-west requires the united energies and resources of all those, living in those territorial limits, who are of Lutheran origin and sympathies: *And whereas*, in years that are past, some misunderstandings arose among our predecessors in the church, which unfortunately resulted in the separation of some of our brethren from us, and in the organization of a new synod, with which, as yet, we have had no ecclesiastical fellowship: *And whereas*, the of state affairs among that body, is now such, that the clergy and laity of that organization may deem it necessary and expedient to remodel their constitution, and thus place themselves as a body on such liberal Lutheran grounds, as to facilitate their recognition by the other Southern and South-western Evang. Luth. Synods: *And whereas*, sufficient time has elapsed since the arising of these difficulties to give all persons concerned an opportunity to trace out some common and safe ground, upon which the present generation of Lutheran families may meet and regard each other in good faith; and with a view to bring about the preliminary efforts necessary to such a desirable result upon satisfactory principles if met by a corresponding spirit; Therefore,

IX. *Resolved*, That the officers of our Synod in connection with brother Scheck, during the course of the present year, enter into a correspondence with the principal members of said body, to ascertain how far they would go, and what efforts they would make, to effect such a useful enterprize.

The Treasurer of the Centenary fund handed in his report which was read and then referred to a committee for examination.

Committee.—Messrs. D. Lents and J. Faggart.

Report No. 3.

John M. Smith, in account with the Evan. Lutheran Synod of N. Carolina.

	Dr.
Received one Note on Henry Miller to amount of	\$397 06 $\frac{3}{4}$
Interest on the above note to present time,	23 82
Received of J. B. Anthony, in cash,	39 00
Interest on the above from May 25th, 1846, to present time,	2 25
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	\$462 13 $\frac{3}{4}$
Interest accruing on the above, May 1847, was paid over to the Treasurer of Missionary and Education society.	26 07
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Balance due Synod, \$436 00 $\frac{3}{4}$

JOHN M. SMITH, Trea. Cent. Fund.

Your committee have examined the above, and find the report correct.

DAVID LENTS,

Adopted.

JOHN FAGGART.

The Treasurer of Seminary Fund made his report, which was also read and referred to a committee.

Committee.—Messrs. D. Barringer, and M. Barrier.

Report No. 4.

Daniel Miller, Treas. of Sem. Fund, in account with the Evan. Luth. Synod of North Carolina.

Loaned out, February 16, 1846, - - - -	\$104 00
Interest on the above to April 26th, 1847, - - -	\$7 45
Loaned out, April 15th, 1846, - - - -	190 00
Interest on above to April 26, 1847, - - - -	11 75
Loaned out, Dec. 16th, 1845, - - - -	137 00
Interest on above to April 26, 1847, - - - -	11 18
Loaned out, April 25th, 1846, - - - -	500 00
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Total amount of principal,	\$931 00
Interest on the above to April 26th, 1847, - - -	30 00
Balance of Interest due from 1846, - - - -	3 35
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Total amount of Interest, \$63 73

D. MILLER, Treas. of Sem. Fund.

We, the committee, appointed to audit the report of the Treasurer of Seminary Fund, have done so, and find it correct.

Respectfully submitted,

D. BARRINGER,

Adopted.

M. BARRIER.

X. Resolved, That the sum of \$63 73 being the interest

arising from the Seminary Fund, be paid over to the Rev. J. C. Hope, to be conveyed by him to the Treasurer of the Seminary Fund in South Carolina.

The Corresponding Secretary now made his report, which is as follows :

Report No. 5.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY ON
MINUTES OF SISTER SYNODS.

Your secretary has had before him copies of the minutes of the following synods, viz : German, Pa. synod, Eastern District, Western District, and English synods of Ohio, forming a joint or General synod, Frankean synod, New York, Virginia, Maryland, Alleghany, Western Va., West Penn., Evan. Luth. English synod of Ohio, and South Carolina synods ; from which and other sources, he has compiled the following report. As, by the interchange of minutes, we can only officially gather the doings, recommendations, piety and strength of the church generally ; we would remind synod of the increasing importance of this medium of correspondence. In our report strict reference shall be had to all our sister synods, and all statistical items shall be embodied in a separate table, given at the close of the minutes.

German Evan. Luth. Ministerium of Pa.

This venerable body held its 99th annual session at Orwigsburg, Schuylkill co., Pa., commencing the 7th of June, 1846. Its officers are :

J. MILLER, D. D. President, Reading, Pa.

Rev. C. F. WELDEN, Sec., Kimberton, Pa.

“ J. C. BAKER, Treas., Lancaster, “

Our minutes were received and favorably noticed. Two individuals were licensed and five ordained at its last session. This synod has resolved to establish a new Theo. Sem. at Philadelphia, and called the Rev. Dr. Demme to assume the duties of Professor. The Rev. C. F. Heyer, their missionary to India, has returned to this country, but we learn from another source, that he manifests a willingness to return among the Heathen. They manifest considerable activity in Home, as well as Foreign, Missions. Their next synodical convention will be held at Phila., and will constitute the “ centenary celebration ” of this aged body.

2. Eastern District Synod of Ohio.

This body convened in Marien-Church, Pittsburg, Pa., on the 3d. of Sept., 1846. Its officers are :

Bishop MECHLING, Pres. Greensburg, Pa.

“ SCHWEITZERBARTH, Sec. Zellenople, Pa.

“ KUCKLER, Treas., Erie, Pa.

Our minutes of 1845 were noticed by this body, hence we infer our last were not received. They have licensed three candidates and ordained four to the holy

office of the Ministry. Their next meeting of synod will convene in Delaware, Ohio, on Saturday before Trinity Sunday, 1847.

3. *Western District Synod of Ohio.*

This is a German copy of the eighth session of this synod. Its officers consist of:

Rev. J. GRUBER, Pres. Preble co. Ohio.

" J. J. BEILHARTZ, Sec., Tiffin, "

" W. F. LEHMAN, Treas. Sommerset, Ohio.

This synod in connection with other German ecclesiastical bodies of the West, are actively engaged in supplying the spiritual wants of the German population among them. Their next synod will meet in Delaware, Ohio, on Saturday before Trinity Sunday, 1847.

4. *English Lutheran Synod of Ohio.*

The 10th convention of this body met in Wooster, Wayne county, Ohio, October 1st., 1846. Its officers are:

Rev. D. ROTHACKER, Pres., Carrollton, Ohio.

" A. BARTHOLOMEN, Sec., Annapolis, "

" S. S. KLEIM, Treas., Wooster, "

Our minutes were received and favorably noticed. We condole with this body in the death of one of their "most useful and efficient members," the lamented brother E. C. Young. This ministerium manifest considerable zeal and activity in the spread of the Redeemer's kingdom. One candidate was licensed to preach. Their next meeting of synod will take place in Waynesburg, Stark co. Ohio, on Thursday evening preceeding the full moon in October, 1847.

5. *Frankean Synod of N. Y.*

Your secretary having examined the proceedings of the last session of this body, deems it improper, inconsistent, and unkind to ourselves to make any report, or even to manifest any complimentary acts of kindness, inasmuch, as they have utterly disfellowshipped us, as will be seen, by having reference to pages 16 and 18 of their printed minutes. I would, therefore, recommend to the notice of synod the several preambles and resolutions found on the above named pages of their minutes.

6. *New York Synod.*

This Ministerium held its 51st. annual session, in St. James' church, city of New York, Sept. 5th—9th, 1846. The officers of synod are—

Rev. H. N. POHLMAN, D. D. Pres., Albany, N. Y.

" J. R. KEISER, Sec. N. Germanton, " "

" C. A. Smith, Treas., Rhinebeck, N. Y.

From the vagueness, in which their report of the committee on synodical proceedings has been written, I am unable to determine, whether our minutes were received or not.

This Ministerium ordained one person, licensed three candidates, and expelled one from the Ministry. From the report of the *Committee on Hartwick Seminary*, we learn that 46 students have been connected with the *Classical* department

during the past year, there have also been *five* Theological students and two preparandi. They have in contemplation to raise \$5,000 towards the permanent endowment of another professorship. Zeal and activity characterize this highly respectable body. Their next synod will convene at New Germantown, N. J., on Saturday before the 1st. Sabbath in Sept., 1847.

7. *Virginia Synod*—

Held its 16th annual session in Strasburg, May 1846. Its officers were :

Rev. J. B. DAVIS, Pres., Newton Va.

“ L. EICHELBERGER, Sec., Winchester, Va.

“ T. MILLER, Trea., Madison C. H, “

From their minutes it will appear that the means of grace have been faithfully dispensed, and none could say, “that their labors of love had been in vain.” The different benevolent enterprises were becoming better understood and supported. An enlarged Missionary spirit obtains among these brethren. Much missionary ground, however, remains unoccupied, but strong exertions are making to supply the destitute among them. Two persons were ordained, and one received from the “United Brethren” church.

8. *Maryland Synod*.

The 28th annual session of this body was held in Emmittsburg, Md., Oct. 15, 1846. Its officers are :

Rev. F. W. CONRAD, Pres., Hagerstown, Md.

“ JOHN HECK, Sec., Waynesboro', Pa.

“ S. SENTMAN, Trea., Taneytown, Md.

Due notice has been taken of our minutes. From the President's report and other sources, we learn that there have been several ministerial changes. The only vacancy noticed is, that of St. Paul's church, Washington city. Through the Observer we learn, that it is supplied with the valuable labors of Rev. S. D. Finkle. This Ministerium have permanently ordained two brethren to the work of the ministry, and licensed two others. They sustain five beneficiaries at Gettysburg Theo. Seminary. The same marked activity and zeal attend these brethren that have, heretofore, characterized them. Martinsburg, Va., was chosen as the next place of Synod, and the time is Thursday preceding the third Sabbath in October, 1847.

9. *Alleghany Synod of Pennsylvania*.

This body convened at Schellsburg, Bedford county, Pa., on Thursday, Sept. 3d., 1846. There is no notice taken of our minutes, and hence we conclude they were not received. They are, however, an active and growing body. Four young brethren were licensed and one ordained to the Gospel Ministry by “laying on of hands.” Provision also was made for the ordination of another during the present synodical year. May they go forth in the spirit and power of Elias.

The officers of Synod are :

Rev. P. RIZER, Pres. Somerset, Pa.

“ JESSE WINECOFF, Sec., Williamsburg, “

“ WM. G. LAITZLE, Trea., Martinsburg, “

This body sustains three beneficiaries at Pa. College. They have likewise been blessed with revivals of religion in as many as four or five charges. Their next Synod will meet in Blairsville, on Thursday before the first Sabbath in Oct. 1847.

10. *Western Virginia Synod.*

This synod convened in Stony Creek church, Giles county, Virginia, May 16th, 1846. Officers of synod are :

Rev. J. J. GREEVER, Pres., Burks Garden, Va.

“ J. A. BROWN, Sec., Wytheville, “

“ G. SHERER, Trea., Big Lick, “

Our minutes were received and obtained the customary notice. Br. Rothrock, of our synod, was present, as corresponding delegate, and in the absence of their President, preached the introductory sermon, evincing thereby the favorable reception with which he met. Two licensed candidates were fully ordained to the Ministry. The Rev. J. A. Brown was appointed corresponding delegate to this body, and Rev. J. J. Greever, his alternate. We regret the absence of either of those brethren.

This synod has been blessed during the present year with extensive revivals of religion. One of which resulted in upwards of *two hundred* conversions. Their next synod will be held in Chilhowee church, Smyth co., Va., on Saturday before the last Sabbath in August, 1847.

11. *Synod of West Pennsylvania.*

This synod convened in Chambersburg, Franklin county, on the 24th September, 1846. Its officers are :

Rev. J. OSWALD, Pres., York, York co., Pa.

“ S. SPRECHER, Sec., Chambersburg, “

“ M. JACOBS, Trea., Gettysburg, “

Our minutes were received and duly acknowledged. We are pleased with the firmness and exactness of this body. They are faithfully laboring for the spread of the Redeemer's kingdom. At their last session, they licensed *four* young men, and solemnly set apart *five* others “ to the office of the Ministry of Reconciliation by the laying on of hands.” The education society in connection with this synod appropriates \$710 for the support of beneficiaries during their present synodical year. They have likewise funds invested in the Home Missionary Society of the General Synod. Their next meeting of synod will be in Mifflinburg, Union co., Pa., to convene on Thursday before the last Sabbath in Sept., 1847.

12. *English Evan. Luth. Synod of Ohio.*

This synod met last in Mansfield, Richland county, Ohio, 15th Oct. 1846. I am unable to determine whether our minutes were received or not, as their proceedings have been given to the public in the form of an abstract, through the medium of the Lutheran Observer. The officers of synod are :

Bishop S. RITZ, Pres.

“ J. G. HARRIS, Sec.

“ J. SEIDLE, Trea.

In perusing these minutes we were made to lament the death of our beloved

brother John B. Reck, a valuable member of this body, and formerly an efficient member of the N. Carolina synod. We condole with our brethren in the loss of so valuable a friend, Christian, and Minister. We behold with pleasure the encouraging success of "Wittenburg College," an institution under the supervision of this body, in connection with others. This Ministerium have licensed *five* young men, and ordained *four*. Their next convention of synod, will meet at Washingtonville, Columbiana county, Ohio, on Thursday before the first Sabbath in June, 1847.

13. *Synod of South Carolina.*

The 23d meeting of this body convened at St. John's church, Charleston, S. C., on Saturday, Nov. 14th, 1846. The officers of synod are :

Rev. J. C. HOPE, Pres. Romaria, S. C.

" WM. BERLEY, Sec. "

" J. F. W. LEOPARD, Cor. Sec., Lexington C. H. "

Col. W. CAUGHMAN, Treas.

Mr. H. MULLER, Treasurer of Sem. Fund.

Our minutes and letters of correspondence with this body have all been favorably noticed. They cherish toward us that kind regard and brotherly love, heretofore manifested, and heartily sympathize in view of the great destitution of laborers within the bounds of our synod. There are several matters of interest touching our synod, but these have been, or still may be, brought to your notice. Their President, Rev. J. C. Hope, was appointed corresponding delegate to this body, and Rev. E. B. Hort, his alternate. We are gratified in noting the presence of brother Hope among us. From the report of the Board of Directors, we are gratified to learn, that, " notwithstanding the age of their venerable professor, he still continues to enjoy the *full and unimpaired confidence* of the Board." They had, at last session of synod, *eight* students connected with the institution, *five* of whom were viewed as *preparandi*, and *three* Theological, pursuing their studies at different stages.

One student was examined and received licensure. In consequence of the rapid growth of this synod, and the large territory over which its members are scattered, they have in contemplation to form a New Synod West of the Savannah River. All the benevolent institutions of the day meet with a cordial support by this Synod. May the Great Head of the Church continue to rule them to the end.— They will hold their next annual meeting, at Mount Pilgrim church, Coweta co., Georgia, to convene on Saturday before the third Sabbath in Nov., 1847.

Your Secretary has had no official correspondence with any sister synod or individual by letter, but has voluntarily corresponded with brethren in the South, and of the different synods of the North. As the result, it is truly gratifying to learn the rapid growth and increased standard of Piety to which the Lutheran Church in the United States has attained. Believing that a Statistical Table of all the synods in the United States might be acceptable to the many readers of our minutes, as, also, to serve as a table of reference for all ministers, we have subjoined the same to our report. [See Appendix "A."]

JOSEPH A. LINN,

Adopted.

Cor. Secretary.

The item referring to the Frankean Synod in the Cor. Secretary's report was now discussed, when it was

XI. *Resolved*, That the Secretary of Synod be instructed to return the incendiary document, in the form of a Minute, to the source from whence it came.

The committee on documents, 2, 3, 4, and 5 reported.

Report No. 6.

The committee on letters would state, that,

No. 2. Is a petition from Emanuel's church, in which they state that they have been destitute, for some time, of the preached Gospel, but latterly have been supplied by Rev. J. Swicegood, and ask a continuation of his labours among them. We recommend that the request of the petitioners be granted.

No. 3. Is a petition from Hopewell, Stokes county, praying this body to hold its next annual Synodical meeting in that church. Referred to the consideration of Synod.

No. 4. Is a petition from Hopewell church, in which they state, that they have, during a part of the past year, been supplied with preaching by the Rev. J. Swicegood, and ask a continuance of his labors among them. We recommend that brother Swicegood continue his labors among this people.

No. 5. Is a petition from Sandy Creek, Pilgrim's and Beck's churches, Davidson county, praying this body to have them supplied with some Minister to break unto them the bread of life.

As there appears to be a somewhat encouraging state of things in these churches, your committee would, in addition to the provisions already made for them, recommend them to the special attention of the Executive Committee of the Missionary and Education Society of this body.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. AREY,
J. M. SMITH.

Adopted.

XII. *Resolved*, That the interest, \$26 07, arising from Centenary Fund be paid to the Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Society.

XIII. *Resolved*, That the interest, \$1 20, arising from Centenary Fund at Bethel church, be paid to the Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Society.

XIV. *Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to receive Centenary moneys, pay them over to the Treasurer elect, and take his bond.

Committee—Rev. Wm. G. Harter and Col. J. M. Smith.

CENTENARY MONEYS.

From St. Stephen's church, per Rev. S. Rothrock,	-	-	-	\$6 00
“ Organ “ per J. Miller, agent,	-	-	-	22 00
Total of contributions at the present meeting,				\$28 50
In hands of Treasurer as per his report,	-	-	-	436 06 $\frac{3}{4}$
Total amount, - - -				\$464 56 $\frac{3}{4}$

XV. *Resolved*, That Synod adjourn till after the meeting of the Missionary and Education Society.

Closed with singing and benediction.

The hour appointed for divine service having arrived, Rev. J. Crim preached a sermon from Romans vi, 23.

FOURTH SESSION.

MONDAY AFTERNOON, 4 o'clock.

The Missionary and Education Society having adjourned, the Synod was called to order by the President and resumed its business.

The Treasurer of Synod now handed in his report, which was received and referred to a committee.

Committee.—Rev. Wm. Artz and P. Ridenhour.

Report No. 7.

Matthias Barrier, Treasurer of Synodical Fund, in account with the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina, Dr.

Received of former Treasurer,	-	-	-	-	-	\$68 96 $\frac{1}{2}$
Contributions at last synod,	-	-	-	-	-	57 28 $\frac{1}{2}$
Interest on moneys loaned, to the present,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
Total,						\$128 25 $\frac{1}{4}$

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Paid, by direction of synod, To Rev. W. G. Harter,	-	-	-	-	10 48
“ “ “ “ B. Arey,	-	-	-	-	5 00
“ “ “ “ S. Rothrock,	-	-	-	-	1 19
“ “ “ “ J. D. Scheck,	-	-	-	-	87
“ “ “ “ B. Kurtz for printing minutes,	-	-	-	-	57 08

Total paid out, \$74 62

Balance in the Treasury, \$53 63 $\frac{1}{4}$

MATTHIAS BARRIER, Trea. of Synod.

AMOUNT OF SYNODICAL FUNDS.

Amount in the hands of Treasurer,	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$53 63 $\frac{1}{4}$
Contributions at the present meeting,	-	-	-	-	-	-	52 23 $\frac{1}{4}$
							<hr/> \$105 56 $\frac{1}{4}$

Committee to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of Synodical Fund reported.

Report No. 8.

Your committee, appointed to examine the Report of the Treasurer of Synod, beg leave to state, that they have attended to this duty and would report to synod that they find the same correct.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. ARTZ,

P. RIDENHOUR.

Adopted.

A motion for adjournment was now carried.

Synod adjourned until to-morrow morning 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock.

Closed with prayer by the President.

FIFTH SESSION.

TUESDAY MORNING, *May 4th, 1847.*

Synod met and was opened with prayer by the Secretary. After the calling of the roll, the minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Contributions for the Synodical Treasury were now called for.

XVI. *Resolved.* That a committee be appointed to receive any contributions intended for Synod, pay them over to the Treasurer elect, and take his bond.

Committee—Col. D. Lents and J. Faggart.

The following series of resolutions were now adopted.

XVII. *Resolved,* That the standing committees of this Synod be as follows :

1. On the President's Report and accompanying documents.
2. On Petitions and Vacancies.
3. On Unfinished Business.
4. On the state of Finance in our several Funds.
5. On the state of Religion—And as many select or special committees as the exigency of each synod may require.

Whereas, the practice of drunkenness exists among us to a great and very injurious extent, which we deeply deplore ; and as expressive of our feelings upon the subject of Temperance—

XVIII. *Resolved*, That while we disapprove all ultraism upon this subject, such as the exclusion of wine in the Eucharist, &c., yet we cordially approbate *sobriety* in the *strictest* sense of that term ; and freely countenance all those scriptural measures, adopted for the discontinuance of intemperance. We recommend this subject to the serious consideration of all our churches and *church officers*, as we deem it exceedingly imprudent, as well as really injurious to the interests of the church, for its members to participate in the *manufacture* and *sale* of ardent spirits as an article of traffic.

XIX. *Resolved*, That the ordained ministers and licentiates now composing this body, and all who may hereafter connect themselves with this body be required to subscribe their names to the Constitution of our Synod.

Immediately after the passage of the foregoing resolution, the ordained ministers and licentiates present, subscribed their names to the Constitution, according to their age in office.

Ordered, That the Treasurer of synod pay Rev. J. B. Anthony, former Secretary, \$3 41, as expense arising out of the office.

Ordered, That Rev. S. Rothrock receive \$6 15 on account of travelling expenses to Western Va., and postage.

Ordered, That the former Corresponding Secretary receive 77½ cents on account of postage on minutes of sister synods.

The committee on synodical contributions now reported.

Report No. 9.

The following are the contributions that have been handed in to your committee :

From Rev. J. D. Scheck's churches.

St. John's,	- - - - -	\$8 00
Luther's Chapel,	- - - - -	4 00—\$12 00

From Rev. S. Rothrock's churches.

Organ,	- - - - -	7 00
St. Stephen's,	- - - - -	2 25—9 25

From Rev. Wm. Artz's churches.

Frieden's,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80
St. Paul's,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 20
Lou's,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 10—3 10

From Rev. J. A. Linn's churches.

St. Matthew's,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 46½
Luther's,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	86½
St. Paul's,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 00—5 33

From Rev. W. G. Harter's churches.

St. James',	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
St. Enoch's,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 90
Bethel,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
Union,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	45—7 35

From Rev. B. Arey's church.

St. Michael's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2 25—2 25
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From Rev. J. Crim's churches.

St. Matthew's,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	72—72
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From Rev. J. Swicegood's churches.

Hopewell,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	75—75
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From vacant churches.

St. John's, Salisbury,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
Union,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3 10
Sandy Creek,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 27
Leonard's,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	80
Beck's,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	82—8 99

From individuals.

Rev. J. B. Anthony,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
" J. C. Hope,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
" W. H. Fink,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 00—2 50

Total, \$52 24

Respectfully submitted,

D. LENTS,

JOHN FAGGART.

Adopted.

Synod now went into an election for delegates to the General Synod, and Corresponding delegates to S. Carolina and Western Virginia Synods, which resulted as follows :

To General Synod—Rev. J. D. Scheck, and Mr. M. Barrier.

To South Carolina Synod—Rev. J. A. Linn.

To Western Virginia—Rev. J. B. Anthony.

XX. *Resolved*, That the President appoint a committee whose duty it shall be to inquire into the practicability of forming our congregations into regular pastorates, and that said committee report at next meeting of Synod.

Committee—Revs. J. B. Anthony, B. Arey, and W. Artz.

Synod now proceeded to an election for the place of its next annual meeting. Hopewell church, Stokes county, and St. Paul's church, Catawba county, were put in nomination; and after counting the votes it was ascertained that St. Paul's church, Catawba county, N. C., was selected as the place for the next synod. Whereupon it was,

XXI. *Resolved*, That when this Synod adjourns, it stand adjourned to meet again at the place already selected, at 10 o'clock, A. M., on Friday before the first Sabbath in May, 1848.

XXII. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this Synod be, and they are hereby cordially given to the people of Organ church and vicinity for the kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained the present meeting of Synod.

XXIII. *Resolved*, That the Secretary have 1000 copies of the Minutes of the present Synodical meeting printed—to send two copies to each sister synod in the United States, except those that are in regular correspondence with us, to which he shall send five. The remainder to be distributed within our own synodical limits.

Synod having now disposed of all its business, and in conformity to a resolution passed in the Ministerium, the President then proceeded to license brother William H. Fink, of Lexington Theo. Seminary, who, during the past year, labored under an *ad interim* license, but was on this occasion fully set apart to the gospel ministry.

Synod then adjourned *sine die*.

SAMUEL ROTHROCK, *President*.

JOSEPH A. LINN, *Secretary*.

MINUTES
OF
THE MINISTERIUM.
FIRST SESSION.

MAY 3d., 8 o'clock, P. M.

The meeting was opened with appropriate religious exercises by the President. In consequence of the indisposition of the Secretary, bro. Harter consented to take the chair.—Bros. Swicegood and Fink, licentiates, now handed in their journals and licenses.

I. *Resolved*, That we are gratified to learn from brother J. Swicegood's journal, that he has been regularly employed, during the past year, in preaching on the Sabbath, and also in attending protracted meetings, catechising, &c.

II. *Resolved*, That bro. Fink give us the outlines and substance of his sermon, presented to this Ministerium.

Which he accordingly did. Having no regular journal, he then made a verbal statement of his ministerial labors during the year.

III. *Resolved*, That bro. Fink's sermon and verbal statement, as parts of trial, be sustained.

IV. *Resolved*, That bro. Fink be now examined in view of his licensure, and that the President conduct the examination.

The President accordingly examined bro. F.—*First*, as to his motives for seeking the Ministry. *Secondly*, the qualifications, moral and mental, necessary for a Gospel Minister. *And Thirdly*, on the doctrines of Christian Theology.

The applicants for Licensure withdrew from the Ministerium, until the question of their licensure was considered.

V. *Resolved*, That bro. Swicegood's license be renewed.

VI. *Resolved*, That bro. Fink receive a license for one year, and that he be placed under the direction of the officers of Synod.

In accordance with a resolution past at the last meeting of Synod, it was made the duty of the upper Conference District

to inquire into the practicability of erecting a church on the road leading from Salisbury to Statesville. Bro. Arey then informed the Ministerium that said resolution had been complied with, and that efforts are making to erect a house of worship. Bro. Arey regards this as a very important field.

VII. *Resolved*, That we now adjourn.

SAM'L. ROTHROCK, *Pres.*

JOS. A. LINN, *Secretary.*

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
MISSIONARY & EDUCATION SOCIETY
OF THE
EVAN. LUTH. SYNOD OF N. CAROLINA.

According to last year's appointment, the society met on Monday, 2½ o'clock, P. M., May 3d., 1847, in Organ Church. The object of the Society was then stated by the President, when thirty-seven persons enrolled themselves as members of the Society for one year. Those having contributed the necessary amount for membership on Sabbath were also admitted to seats and votes.

The Society next proceeded to an election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows :

Rev. S. ROTHROCK, *President.*

" JOHN D. SCHECK, *Vice President.*

" J. A. LINN, *Secretary.*

D. BARRINGER, Esq., *Treasurer.*

The letter and report of Rev. J. Scherer, Missionary in

Davidson and Stokes counties, was now presented to the Society by a member of the Executive Committee.

The Treasurer of the Miss. and Ed. Society handed in his report, which was received and referred to a committee.

Committee—Rev. J. B. Anthony and Col. D. Lents.

The President made the following appointments :

As Executive Committee—Rev. Messrs. J. B. Anthony, W. G. Harter, and Wm. Artz.

Board of Directors—Rev. J. D. Scheck, Messrs. D. Lents, C. A. Heilig, Dr. H. Kelly, J. Miller, senr., and Paul Cruse.

The Executive Committee of last year now reported.

Report No. 1.

Your Committee would respectfully report, that they have attended to the duties assigned them by the society to the best of their ability. Accordingly no effort was lost on their part to procure suitable and competent Missionaries to supply the destitute portions of our Church.

On the 8th of June, I addressed a letter to brother J. Scherer, in order to procure his services in the field, as we understood he had expressed a willingness to serve, provided the society would extend to him the necessary compensation. In the early part of July, I received an answer to my letter, in which he expressed a willingness to serve the society, and accordingly forwarded his appointments.

He commenced his labors about the first of August last, and prosecuted them very successfully for something like a month and a half, as well as we could ascertain ; at the close of which time we were sorry to hear that he was taken sick, and had to return home.

As we expect a report from bro. Scherer at this meeting of the society, we will refer the society to that report for further information on this part of the subject, as also in regard to the existing state of things in our Church in Davidson and Stokes counties, which we had assigned him as his field of labor.

During the latter part of August or first of September, I received a second letter from bro. S., in which he apprized me of several protracted meetings ; also stated the importance of paying immediate attention to the wants of our churches in those counties, stating, that they were like a dying man, and unless immediately attended to, would be lost. Bro. Scherer further informed me, that he would be pleased if the society could furnish him with a small amount of money to meet his incidental expenses. Accordingly on the 7th of Sept., the Committee passed an order on the Treasurer for the sum of \$20 00, which was forwarded by the first opportunity. On a subsequent occasion he received \$5 50 more, making in all \$25 50, the amount expended by your committee for Missionary services during the last year. Whether bro. S. has any further claims on the society or not,

we are unable to say. If he has we presume they will be presented in proper time.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. AREY, *Chairman.*

Adopted.

The committee whose duty it was to audit the Treasurer's accounts now reported.

Report No. 2.

David Barringer, Esq., in account with the Missionary and Education Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina, May 3d. 1847.

Received of former Treasurer, in cash and cash notes, - -	\$228 31
Received, as part of the interest due on the above, - - -	7 50
Rec'd. per J. M. Smith, at present meeting, interest on Cent'y. Fund, -	26 06½
Due Society in cash, &c., - - -	\$261 87½

Disbursed for Society:

To Rev. J. D. Scheck, - - - - -	\$1 25
“ Mr. M. Barrier, - - - - -	2 87
“ Rev. J. Scherer, as per order of Ex. Committee, - - - - -	20 00—24 12
Balance, - - - - -	237 75½
A note on L. C. Groseelose, - - - - -	75 00
“ “ “ John Krimminger, - - - - -	60 00
“ “ “ W. H. Fink, - - - - -	65 00—200 00
Total amount, - - - - -	\$437 75½

Respectfully submitted,

D. BARRINGER, *Treasurer.*

Your committee have examined the above report, and find it correct.

J. B. ANTHONY,

D. LENTS.

Adopted.

I. *Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to take in all moneys intended for this Society, and to pay them over to the Treasurer elect, and take his bond.

Committee—Rev. W. G. Harter and M. Barrier.

Contributions to Missionary and Education Society.

Paid by the members of the Parent Society, - - - - -	\$12 12½
Collection on Sabbath, - - - - -	15 77½
Auxiliary Society at St. Stephen's church, per Rev. S. Rothrock, - - - - -	5 50

Amount brought over from page 29,	\$33 40
Auxiliary Society at St. James, Concord, per Rev. W. G. Harter, - - - -	5 72
Collections in St. Paul's & Matthew's churches per Rev. J. A. Linn, - - - -	3 20
Interest arising from Cent. Fund, at Bethel church, - - - -	1 20
Amount, - - - -	<hr/> \$43 52

AMOUNT OF MISSIONARY FUNDS.

In the hands of Treasurer, as per his Report,	\$437 75½
Amount paid in at present meeting, - - - -	43 52
A note on J. Krimminger, as per order of Rev. Mr. Græber, - - - -	110 00
Total Amount, - - - -	<hr/> \$591 27½

The committee on Contributions, &c., now reported.

Report No. 3.

The committee appointed to receive the Missionary Contributions, to pay them over to the Treasurer elect, and take his bond, beg leave to state that they have attended to these duties.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. G. HARTER,
M. BARRIER.

Adopted.

II. *Resolved*, That we recommend that all the Ministers in connection with this Synod preach Missionary and Education sermons to their several churches, and take up collections in behalf of this Society.

III. *Resolved*, That the President appoint some one to preach a Missionary and Education sermon at our next meeting of Synod, on Sabbath afternoon, and that a collection be taken up for the aid of this Society.

The President then appointed the Rev. J. B. Anthony to preach the Missionary sermon.

IV. *Resolved*, That Rev. J. Crim receive \$20 00 as an additional compensation for his labors in his present field during the next synodical year.

V. *Resolved*, That Rev. J. Swicegood also receive \$20 00 as an additional compensation for his services in Davidson and Stokes counties during the past year.

VI. *Resolved*, That brother Swicegood be requested to take charge of Hopewell and Emanuel churches, of Stokes county, as an additional part of his field of labor ; and that he receive the same additional compensation, that he received last year.

VII. *Resolved*, That extracts of the proceedings of this Society be printed with the minutes of Synod.

VIII. *Resolved*, That the next meeting of the Society shall convene at 2 o'clock on Monday, P. M., at the place of the meeting of Synod.

IX. *Resolved*, That this Society now adjourn.

JOS. A. LINN,

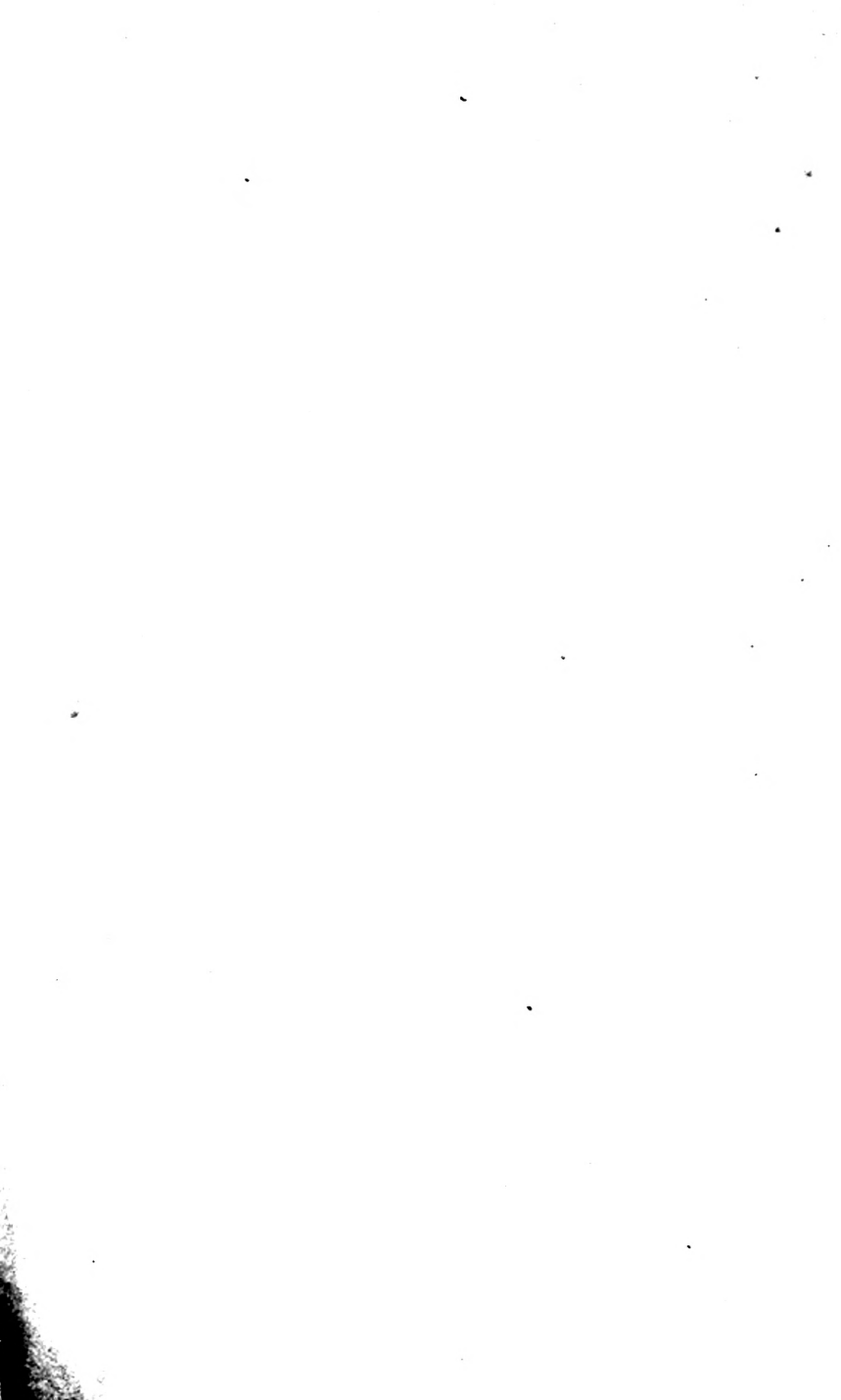
Sec. of Miss. and Ed. Society,

[APPENDIX—"A."]

STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH
IN THE UNITED STATES.*Compiled from Published Reports of 1845 and 1846.*

NAMES OF SYNODS.			Time of Organi- zation.	Number of Min- isters.	Congregations.	Confirmations.	Communicants.	Baptisms.	Admissions.	Deaths.	Sabbath Schools.	
North Carolina,	-	-	1803	11	21	149	2272	216	12	190	5	
New York,	-	-	1787	35	35	294	7781	1421	-	66	32	
Virginia,	-	-	1823	20	39	151	1639	171	14	7	15	
Maryland,	-	-	1818	32	64	631	8898	1242	54	272	65	
Alleghany,	-	-	1841	20	61	323	4175	530	61	134	46	
Western Virginia,	-	-	1842	8	23	25	1516	142	8	21	7	
West Pennsylvania,	-	-	1819	43	128	923	14053	1495	-	459	102	
English synod of Ohio,	-	-	1833	41	114	505	5259	655	80	95	64	
South Carolina,	-	-	1824	31	46	324	3071	448	-	154	17	
Hartwick,	-	-	1830	15	25	161	3000	199	-	-	-	
Synod of the West,	-	-	1841	27	60	132	3657	529	-	-	-	
East Pennsylvania,	-	-	1842	24	52	333	5207	673	-	120	51	
Miami,	-	-	1844	20	37	159	1940	194	101	-	12	
Pittsburg,	-	-	1845	15	52	264	3473	514	-	-	-	
Total in connection with General Synod,				- -	342	757	4374	65,941	8429	330	1618	416
Pennsylvania,	-	-	1747	69	192	1964	25414	4389	-	1743	75	
Joint Synod of Ohio,	} Eastern District	1831	21	67	480	6577	1182	-	317	29		
		West'n District,	1831	34	90	482	9281	1327	-	335	27	
		English,	-	1841	9	34	149	2427	317	-	72	6
Frankean,	-	-	1838	27	32	150	2058	137	8	-	11	
Indiana,	-	-	-	20	90	200	7200	130	-	-	-	
Michigan,	-	-	1843	4	7	50	500	45	-	-	-	
Indianapolis,	-	-	1846	-	-	-	* 2000	-	-	-	-	
South Western,	-	-	1846	-	-	-	* 1500	-	-	-	-	
Tennessee,	-	-	-	20	90	300	7200	250	-	-	-	
Total not connected with General Synod,				- -	204	602	3775	64,157	7777	8	2461	148
Grand Total,				- -	546	1351	8149	130,098	16,206	338	4085	564

*Estimated.



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THE Forty-second annual meeting of the Synod of North Carolina will be held at St. Paul's Church, in Catawba County, N. C., commencing at 10 o'clock, on Friday before the first Sabbath in May, 1848.

JOSEPH A. LINN,

Secretary.