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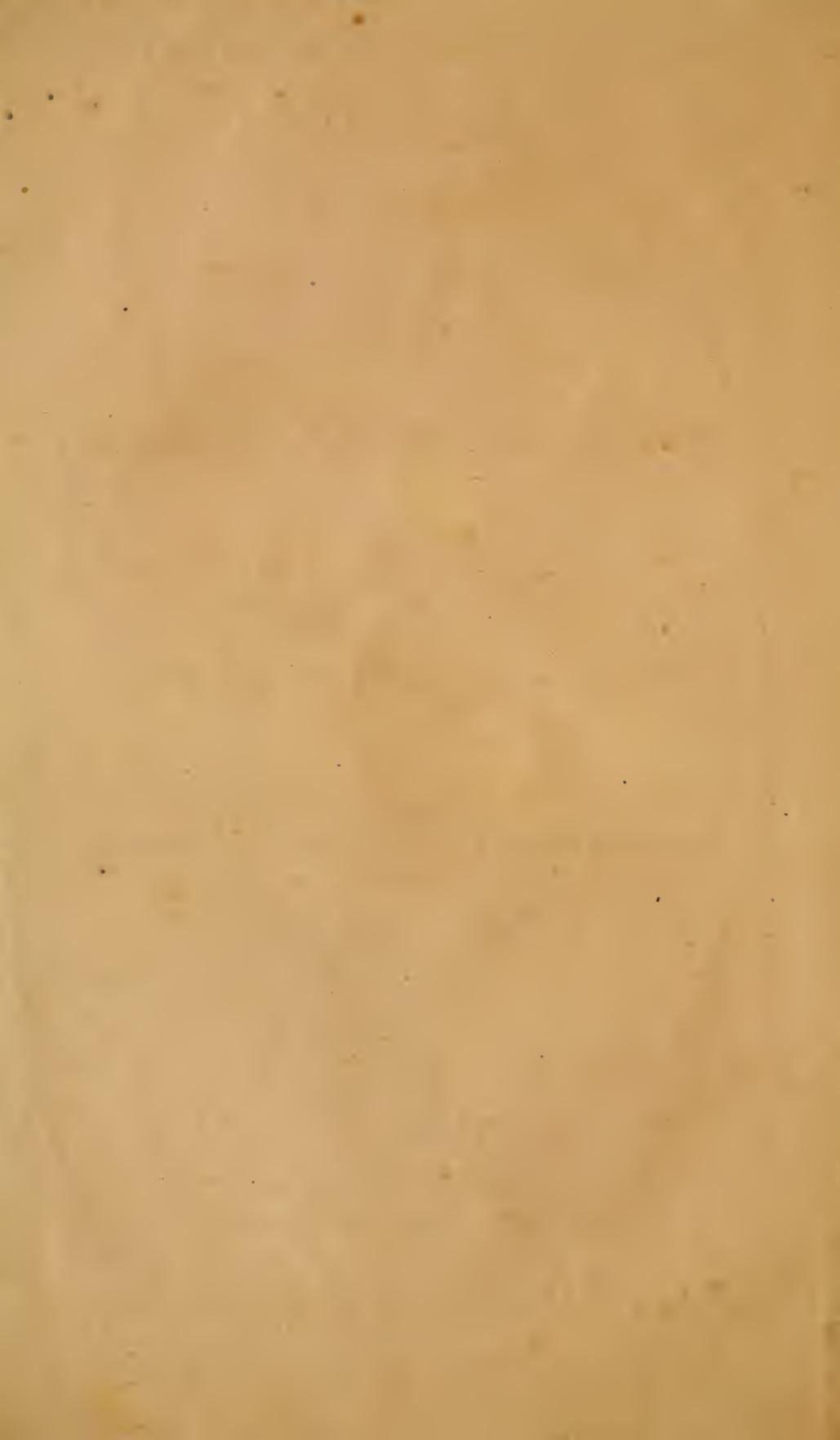
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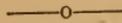
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The EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD of North Carolina, convened in the city of Wilmington, on Thursday morning, at 10 o'clock, May 2d, 1861.

The Synodical Sermon was delivered by the President, from Luke xxiv, 25, 26. "Then he said unto them, O fools and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory."

After an intermission of two hours, Synod again assembled and was opened with singing and prayer by the President. The roll was called and the names of the clerical members with their delegates were registered as follows:

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

REV. JOHN D. SHECK,	..... <i>Gibsonville, Guilford County,</i>	N. C.	
" WILLIAM ARTZ,	..... <i>Mount Pleasant, Cabarrus</i>	"	"
" SAMUEL ROTHROCK,	<i>Rockville, Rowan</i>	"	"
" JOHN H. MENGERT,	<i>Wilmington,</i>	"	"
" JACOB CRIM,	..... <i>South River, Rowan</i>	"	"
" J. B. ANTHONY,	..... <i>Mount Pleasant, Cabarrus</i>	"	"
" JOSEPH A. LINN,	..... <i>Gold Hill, Rowan</i>	"	"
" JAMAS D. STINGLEY,	<i>Granite Hill, Iredell</i>	"	"
" D. H. BITTLE,	..... <i>Mount Pleasant, Cabarrus</i>	"	"
" SIMEON SCHERER,	<i>Catawba Station, Catawba</i>	"	"
" L. C. GROSECLOSE,	<i>Salisbury,</i>	"	"
" JOHN SWICEGOOD,	<i>Shady Grove, Davidson</i>	"	"
" G. D. BERNHEIM,	..... <i>Charlotte,</i>	"	"
" JOHN S. HEILIG,	..... <i>Mill Hill, Cabarrus</i>	"	"
" D. I. DREHER,	..... <i>Concord,</i>	"	"
" B. C. HALL,	..... <i>Shaw's Mills, Guilford</i>	"	"
" CALEB LENTZ,* <i>Canton, Vanzandt County,</i>		<i>Texas.</i>
" WILLIAM A. JULIAN,	<i>Lexington, Davidson County,</i>		<i>N. C.</i>

MINUTES OF THE
LICENTIATES.

" A. GRIMES,*.....	<i>Hay Meadow, Wilkes County, N. C</i>	
" LOUIS A. BIKLE,.....	<i>Mount Pleasant, Cabarrus,</i>	"
" J. R. SIKES,.....	<i>Statesville,</i>	"
" WHITSON KIMBALL,..	<i>Salisbury,</i>	"
Mr. M. M. MILLER,.....	<i>Theological Student, Salisbury,</i>	"

LAY-DELEGATES.

Mr. H. M. FOWLER,.....	<i>Rev. John D. Scheck's</i>	<i>Charge.</i>
" A. E. HARKEY,.....	" <i>William Artz's</i>	"
" C. M. HOLSHOUSER, . .	" <i>Sam'l. Rothrock's</i>	"
" H. B. EILERS,.....	" <i>John H. Menger's</i>	"
" M. BARRIER, ESQ.,....	" <i>J. B. Anthony's</i>	"
" W. T. MILLER, ESQ.,...	" <i>J. A. Linn's</i>	"
" R. J. LINN,.....	" <i>L. C. Groseclose's</i>	"
" JEREMIAH LENTZ,....	" <i>J. D. Stingley's</i>	"
Prof. CHARLES O. PAPE, . . .	" <i>G. D. Bernheim's</i>	"
Capt. DANIEL ISENHOUR, . .	" <i>J. S. Heilig's</i>	"
Mr. R. WINECOFF,.....	" <i>D. I. Dreher's</i>	"
" JONATH. W. MURRAY, "	" <i>B. C. Hall's</i>	"
" ALEX. SWICEGOOD,...	" <i>W. A. Julian's,</i>	"
" AUGUSTUS PETRAE,..	" <i>W. Kimball's</i>	"

The President then read his annual reports which was laid on the table for future action.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

BELOVED BRETHREN:—Assembled once more in Synodical capacity, it becomes us suitably to contemplate the providences during the past year of the Author and Preserver of our being, and of the Great Head of his Church.

As a band of Synodical brethren we yet remain unbroken. While kindred ties in many other Ecclesiastical bodies, even of our Lutheran Fraternity, have been torn asunder, while many a family, clerical and lay, has been not only seriously affected with disease, but bereaved of some of its dearest and most beloved inmates, the several members of our families, yet fill their places in the domestic relation; nor have we been severely affected by disease, famine, pestilence, or serious actual adversity of any kind.

Our garnerns have been filled with plenty; *Our* tables have been spread with the substantial and "fat things" and more or less, with the luxuries and delicacies, of not only our own, but of other lands. *Our* eyes have recently feasted on the rich and variegated bloom of spring, indicating a speedy supply of the delicious and more substantial golden fruit.

*Absent, but excused.

The fields and plains of our people are loaded with verdure rejoicing to the waving harvest. Nor are our mercantile houses without ample supply.

And while the God of Nature has been thus lavish of his goodness, the God of Grace has not forgotten us; but amidst abused mercies and privileges, has been long-suffering and indulgent.

Most of our vacant congregations during the year have been supplied with a stated ministry. Our pulpits have been regularly filled, and our people have been fed and feasted, with that bread which cometh down from Heaven—the Bread of Life.

The Spirit of Revivals has visited some of our congregations, and in the faithful use of the means souls have been quickened, made glad and joyful. This Spirit has also been largely diffused in Catholic and Heathen lands.

Some of us doubtless have been cheered and encouraged by the triumphs of the cross in the death of a sainted brother or sister.

As many as four houses of worship have been in process of building during the year. One, if not more, parsonages have been constructed.

Sabbath Schools have been organized and the gospel has been preached to the destitute and the young.

North Carolina College under the supervision of this Synod—as we expect to hear officially, and fully—has prospered and is in a flourishing condition; and its agent has been in the main, successful. Besides local indications have been given to our Committee favorable to the final establishment, ere long, of a Female College in the bosom of our membership of this State.

True, we have been and are still not a little embarrassed and retarded as to our Missionary and Educational enterprises, owing to want of funds, but we, with our *wealthy membership*, need only awake from our slumbers to a proper appreciation of these particulars, as they pertain to the interest of our families and the Church at large, and success will crown our efforts.

And I may add, though the years 1860 and '61 thus far, have been ominous and troublous; though wars and rumors of wars in Church and State have agitated and convulsed the habitable globe: and though, even our own highly favored and once peaceful and happy land has shared in the general fate; the American Union is severed, blood-shed and violence threaten us more or less: yet, we are to-day in the actual possession and enjoyment of civil and religious liberty, and law and order still prevail. "I

All this while the Gracious One has been emphatically calling to us: am the Lord thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it." So that, if we are not now prosperous and happy as a people, it is simply because we would not be.

What remains to us then as ministers and people, but to confess that though much has been done, we are yet guilty of great remissness of duty, that God is justly displeased with us, sincerely to repent of our misdoings, and join in the exhortation of the Psalmist: "Sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving, sing praises upon the harp unto our God." "Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem, praise thy God, O Zion."

CONSECRATION.

On the 30th of Sept., 1860, at a meeting of the Western Conference, and in conformity with previous arrangement, after a suitable and interesting discourse by Bro. J. B. ANTHONY, from Isaiah 60: 7, "And I will glorify the house of my glory," our house of worship at Newton, Catawba County, was *solemnly Consecrated* by the writer and congregation under the name of the Evangelical Lutheran, *Beth-Eden Church*.

LETTERS RECEIVED, &c.

July the 21st, I received a letter from Bro. J. R. SIKES, containing his certificate of good standing in the Methodist Episcopal Church (South) of which he was a member at the time of his reception by this body, and stating that he was succeeding well in the Master's work. I suggest that the letter be read before Synod.

Nov. the 3d, a letter came to hand from Bro. E. SMITH, which I answered favorably. Several subsequent letters were received and answered. Their import I deem unnecessary to state; especially, as he has since gone to his final resting place.

Under the same date I received notice through Bro. L. C. GROSECLOSE, one of the Executive Committee of our Missionary Society, informing me of the rather hasty and unexpected removal of Bro. A. PHILLIPPI from Charlotte.

Accordingly Dec. the 12th, Bro. PHILLIPPI informed me by letter that having followed "the leadings of Providence," as he thought, he had engaged to labor as Missionary in the City of Lynchburg, and under the supervision of the Synod of Western Virginia. After expressing his attachment to the Brethren of Synod—his regret in leaving them, and tendering his "well wishes and prayers," he requested a certificate of dismissal. Having subsequently satisfied my mind that Bro. PHILLIPPI regarded himself as having complied with constitutional provision, I sent him a certificate. My procedure now awaits the action of Synod.

Feb. the 5th, a letter came to hand from Bro. J. D. Stingley, formerly of the Synod of Mississippi, stating that commencing with the 1st of Jan. 1861, he had engaged to serve St. Paul's, and St. Michael's Churches, Iredell County, and that it was the general wish of the parties &c., that he "be regularly installed into the Pastoral office, at St. Michael's the second Sunday in March." I accordingly wrote to Bros. J. B. ANTHONY and S. ROTHRICK to attend to said duty. Under date Feb. 15th, Bro. ROTHRICK wrote, that though it would afford him great pleasure to participate in the installation service, it was impracticable, nor could he procure any one in his stead. This, I communicated to Bro. ANTHONY, with the hope that the matter could still be arranged. I learn it was attended to.

The 23d of February, I received a letter from Bro. G. D. BERNHEIM, stating that he had resigned the Agency of North Carolina College, and taken charge of St. Mark's Church in Charlotte. He also stated that it was deemed advisable to have an Installation service. In conformity with arrangements made, I instructed Bros. ANTHONY and DREIER to perform said service on the 3d Monday in March, which was accordingly done.

Feb. the 10th. I learned per note from Bro. W. KIMBALL, that he had fulfilled his engagements with the people in the Davidson and Forsythe Mission field, and had received and accepted a call from the St. Paul and Luther Chapel Pastorate.

Sometime during the year, I learned incidentally that Bro. J. CRIM, had undertaken, permanently, to supply the Bethel and Salem Pastorate.

The 26th of March, Prof. L. A. BIKLE, informed me by letter that owing to his connection with North Carolina College, and in the absence of the President, he did not deem it advisable to attend this meeting. I therefore recommend that Bro. BIKLE be excused.

April the 4th. I received a letter from our venerable father, A. GRIMES, containing his Parochial Report; report on the state of his charge and labors in general; also referring to his inability to attend this meeting of Synod; to his destitute condition, and earnestly asking for aid. I recommend the reading of his letter; that he be excused for non-attendance, and

prompt and efficient action of the brethren in regard to the pecuniary supply of our aged brother.

The 16th of April, I received a note from Rev. Mm. GERHARDT, stating that he had taken charge of a Pastorate in the bounds of the Synod of Pennsylvania, and asking an honorable dismissal from this body. As the time of our meeting was near, I thought it advisable to refer this matter to Synod, recommending that a letter of dismissal be sent him.

Having now disposed of the papers of Synod, I feel that I shall not have acted in conformity with my honest conviction of propriety and duty, if I do not especially call the attention of Synod, and our Church generally to several important particulars.

1. The Church enterprise of our brethren in Wilmington; this still claims our warmest sympathy and most substantial aid.

2. Our Educational enterprise, male and female. We should care no less for the sons of our Church, but much more for the right training of her daughters. *Much might be said.*

3. We should see to it well, that the infant membership of our Zion is not only recognized in baptism, but that these children be really regarded and treated as *members*, reminding them early and repeatedly of the fact, nature, and design of their baptism, and prevailing with them to confirm their baptismal vow as soon as expedient.

4. We should studiously return to the good old way of our fathers in the religious observance of the several festivals, *Christmas, Easter, Good Friday, Whit-Sunday*, and the *Ascension*. Much would be gained.

5. In this our day of tendency to malice, strife, dissipation, anarchy, and utter disregard of God and His Sabbath, it becomes our special duty to use our best endeavors to infuse the mild and peaceful principles of our holy religion into the hearts of our people generally, and to inculcate and enforce a strict observance of the Christian Sabbath. Some of these items may be worthy of especial action on the part of Synod. We can but warmly recommend their prayerful consideration to our people.

I now tender you the chair, which you so generously gave me; and with it, my most cordial thanks for the confidence and forbearance exercised, hoping for pardon of errors committed.

And now may the God of our Father, the Gracious Head of His Church, be with us and our membership; help us faithfully to account for the past, rightly to transact for the future, to the glory of His name, and the salvation of His Church, for Christ's sake. Amen.

SIMEON SCHERER.

An election was now held for the officers of Synod to serve for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows:

REV. JOHN D. SCHECK, *President.*

" G. D. BERNHEIM, *Recording Secretary.*

" J. A. LINN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

M. BARRIER, Esq., *Treasurer.*

Rev. JAMES D. STINGLEY, late of the Synod of Mississippi, presented his certificate of honorable dismissal, and was unanimously received as a member of this body.

Documents for the Synod were now called for, and handed to the President.

Mr. MARTIN M. MILLER was introduced and received as an advisory member.

Prof. D. H. BITTLE gave notice that he would introduce some resolutions, bearing upon our relations with the General Synod.

Synod then took a recess of one hour for the arrangement of the standing committees; after which, Synod having re-assembled the President announced the following

STANDING COMMITTEES.

1. *On President's Report*.—Rev's. D. H. Bittle, J. B. Anthony, and Mr. H. B. Eilers.

2. *On Petitions and Vacancies*.—Rev's. B. C. Hall, S. Scherer, and Mr. Jonathan W. Murray.

3. *On Unfinished Business*.—Rev's. Jos. A. Linn, W. A. Julian, and Mr. H. M. Fowler.

4. *On Finance*.—Rev's. S. Rothrock, John H. Mengert, and Mr. C. M. Holshouser.

5. *On the State of Religion*.—Rev's. L. C. Groseclose, J. D. Stingley, and Mr. R. J. Linn.

6. *On the Proceedings of Conferential Districts*.—Rev's. Wm. Artz, J. Crim, and Mr. Jeremiah Lentz.

On Education.—Rev's. D. I. Dreher, J. S. Heilig, and Prof. Charles O. Pape.

Rev. LINN, was excused for neglecting to bring the minutes of the Central Conference.

Rev. E. A. BOLLES now appeared, was introduced as a corresponding delegate from the South Carolina Synod, and was unanimously invited to a seat amongst us.

The Parochial Reports having been called for and handed to the Secretary, are arranged as follows:

MATHIAS BARRIER, Esq., Treasurer of Synod, now made his report, which was accepted, and his recommendations adopted, after which it was referred to the committee on finance.

Prof. D. H. BITTLE, delegate to the Synod of Western Virginia reported, which report was accepted and adopted.

REPORT NO. 1.

As your delegate to the Synod of Western Virginia, at its last meeting, held in Wythe Co., Va., I would beg leave to report, that I was cordially received by the Brethren of said body. They evinced a spirit of energy and Christian harmony very commendable, and promised to respond at this meeting by electing a delegate and alternate to attend the present meeting of our Synod. I am sorry that no delegate has as yet appeared.

The officers of said Synod are Rev. E. Hawkins, President, Rev. J. A. Brown, Secretary. Expenses \$19.00.

Respectfully submitted,

D. H. BITTLE.

Resolved, That his traveling expenses be paid from the funds of the Synod.

The resolutions on our General Synod's relations were now submitted, and were referred to Revs. D. H. BITTLE, J. A. LINN, and S. ROTHROCK a committee to report to-morrow.

Synod now adjourned to meet to-night at 8 o'clock. Singing and prayer by Bro. CRIM.

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THURSDAY NIGHT, 8 O'CLOCK.

Synod opened with singing and prayer by Bro. LINN.

Bro. J. A. LINN, Corresponding Delegate to the South Carolina Synod, now made his report, which was accepted and adopted.

REPORT NO. 2.

Your Corresponding Delegate to the Synod of South Carolina would respectfully report, that he met the Brethren composing that efficient body in October last, was most cordially received, and participated with them in their deliberations. These brethren are actively engaged in all the various benevolent institutions of the day. Their College and Theological Seminary at Newberry, were in a prosperous condition, which will prove important auxiliaries to our church in the South and West. The members of Synod living West of the Savannah River have formed themselves into a Synod and were fraternally dismissed from the S. C. Synod.

Our South Carolina brethren entertain the highest regard for us, and have given a tangible manifestation of it by sending to this body Bro. Bolles as Corresponding Delegate, whom we are happy to see in our midst. My expenses were \$10.00

Yours respectfully,

J. A. LINN.

Resolved, That his travelling expenses be paid.

Mr. M. M. MILLER made certain statements in reference to the Nazareth Church property in Forsythe County, which was referred to a committee

of Revs. W. A. JULIAN, JOHN SWICEGOOD, and Mr. A. SWICEGOOD, to report at some future time.

Resolved, That this Synod has heard with pleasure the statement made by Bro. Miller in reference to the Louisville enterprise, and approve of their proposal to our Synod; we refer the consideration of the building of a Church at that place to the action of the Eastern Conference, and that the said Conference be requested to hold a meeting at that place at their earliest convenience.

Synod now adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. Prayer by Bro. JULIAN and the benediction.



FRIDAY MORNING, 8½ O'CLOCK.

Synod assembled at the usual place and spent half an hour in devotional exercises, in which the present state of our country was specially and fervently remembered at the throne of grace by all the brethren.

The minutes were read and confirmed.

Prof. BITTLE submitted the report of the committee on the President's report, which was read and adopted.

REPORT NO. 3.

Your committee, entrusted with the report of the President during last year with papers accompanying, beg leave to report.

The items are as follows:

1. A letter of dismissal from the Methodist Church by Bro. Sikes is recommended to be read. We move it be read.
2. The President wishes to be sustained in granting a letter of dismissal to Bro. A. Philippi. We move that he be sustained.
3. 4. 6. These are letters from Revs. A. Grimes, C. Lentz, and Prof. L. A. Bikle, giving valid reasons for absence from the meeting of this Synod, and desiring to be excused. We move their requests be granted.
5. A letter from Bro. Gerhardt, asking a dismissal from this body. We move it be granted.

In reference to the suggestions of the President we submit the following:

Resolved, That we heartily approve of the enterprise of Bro. Mengert, at Wilmington, and open the doors of our several charges to Bro. M. for substantial aid, whenever it may be deemed practical. No. 2. We refer to the Com. on Education.

Resolved, That the recommendations Nos. 3 and 4, be adopted, and that they be referred to the several Conferences for discussion.

Resolved, That in view of the present distracted condition of our country, the President's suggestion on that subject be recommended to the favorable notice and action of the pastors and churches in connection with this Synod.

Finally, we move that the President's report be embodied in the minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

D. H. BITTLE,
J. B. ANTHONY,
H. B. EILERS.

The following preamble and resolutions were handed in by the Chairman on our relations with the General Synod and were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, In the distracted condition of our once happy country we deem it impracticable to send our delegates to the next meeting of the General Synod about to convene at Lancaster, Penn.; and feeling that other Synods South are in a similar situation with this body, therefore:

Resolved, That we recommend a convention of all Southern delegates to the General Synod to meet at Salisbury, N. C., on Thursday preceding the third Sabbath in May 1862, for the purpose of endorsing the proceedings of the next meeting of the General Synod if practicable; otherwise to take such steps as may best promote the future harmony and prosperity of that portion of the church represented by the absent delegates.

Resolved, That we hereby commission our present delegates to the General Synod to attend the said convention.

Resolved, That the Corresponding Secretary of this body be instructed to inform all our Synods in the South of this action and ask their co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

D. H. BITTLE,
J. A. LINN,
SAML. ROTHROCK.

The report on our contemplated church paper was accepted and adopted:

REPORT NO. 4.

The committee appointed at your last meeting of Synod "to confer with similar committees from S. Carolina and Western Va., in regard to the location and establishment of a Southern Church paper," beg leave to state that they have been unable to accomplish the object desired on your part, and would beg leave to be continued in hope of the future accomplishment of this enterprise.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. LINN,
SAML. ROTHROCK,
G. D. BERNHEIM.

Rev. W. ARTZ reported on the minutes of Conferential Districts, which was accepted and adopted.

REPORT NO. 5.

The Committee on the minutes of special conferences tender the following report:

The Western Conference held two meetings during the past year. The minutes besides attesting the diligence and earnestness of the members of this conference in the cause of Christ, contain nothing of special interest to this Synod, unless it be that, "St. Matthews, and Jerusalem churches were requested to forward a petition to Synod, containing a list of members in each church, and the amount they could raise towards a minister's support for one year. It is believed by conference, that this field could be made self-sustaining in a few years, if the missionary society could help them at this time.

The Eastern Conference held four meetings during the past year. The minutes record not only the ordinary business transactions of such meetings; but show that the leading aim of this conference is to make provis-

ion for the spiritual destitution of the churches within its bounds, in which work a commendable zeal and liberality is evinced. It has employed and is endeavoring to sustain a missionary in the counties of Davidson, Forsythe and Stokes.

No minutes of the Central Conference have come into the hands of your committee, and consequently we have no report to offer on them.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. ARTZ,
J. CRIM,
JER. LENTZ,

The committee on Beneficiary Education submitted the following, which was adopted.

REPORT NO. 6.

The Committee appointed at your last meeting, to prepare a plan for the promotion of Beneficiary Education, beg further indulgence, believing that in the present distracted condition of the country, nothing will be lost by granting said indulgence.

Respectfully submitted,

SAML. ROTHROCK,
J. A. LINN,
WM. ARTZ.

The report on congregational contributions was presented by the committee and adopted.

REPORT NO. 7.

The Financial Committee would report the following Synodical contributions:

Rev. J. D. Scheck's Charge.

Frieden's Church,.....\$5 00
St. Paul's,.....5 75—10 75

Rev. W. Artz's Charge.

Mt. Carmel,.....2 00— 2 00

Rev. S. Rothrock's Charge.

Organ Church,.....6 78
St. Peter's,.....3 00— 9 78

Rev. J. Crim's Charge.

Salem Church,.....5 50
Bethel,.....2 06— 7 56

Rev. J. B. Anthony's Charge.

St. John's Church,.....14 25—14 25

Rev. J. A. Linn's Charge.

St. Mathew's Church,....3 50
St. Stephen's.....3 30
Luther's,.....2 15— 8 95

Rev. S. Scherer's Charge.

Newton,.....	2 25	
Stand,.....	0 75	— 3 00

Rev. L. C. Groseclose's Charge.

Union Church,.....	6 00	
Salisbury,.....	3 00	— 9 00

Rev. G. D. Bernheim's Charge.

St. Mark's Church,.....	6 90	— 6 90
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Rev. J. S. Heilig's Charge.

St. Enoch's Church,.....	4 00	
Trinity,.....	2 00	— 6 00

Rev. D. I. Dreher's Charge.

St. James' Church,.....	5 40	— 5 40
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Rev. B. C. Hall's Charge.

Lou's Church,.....	2 45	
Zion's,.....	1 15	— 3 60

Rev. W. A. Julian's Charge.

Sandy Creek,.....	2 85	
Pilgrim's Church,.....	3 06	
Beck's,.....	3 50	— 9 41

Rev. W. Kimball's Charge.

St. Paul's Church,.....	3 00	
Luther's Chapel,.....	4 00	— 7 00

Rev. J. D. Stingley's Charge.

St. Michael's Church,.....	2 88	
St. Paul's,.....	1 55	— 4 43

Vacant Churches.

Nazareth Church,.....	1 10	
Hopewell,.....	3 86	
Fredericktown,.....	1 70	
Shilo,.....	1 53	
Bethlehem,.....	0 75	
St. Matthew's, Davie Co.,...	1 00	
Rev. John Swicegood,.....	0 25	— 994

Total amount,.....\$118,22

Respectfully submitted,

SAML. ROTHROCK,
JOHN H. MENGERT,
C. M. HOLSHOUSER.

Rev. ANTHONY reported on the constitution of a Society for the relief of disabled ministers and widows, which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 8.

The Committee appointed at your last meeting to draft a constitution

and by-laws for disabled ministers and the widows and orphans of deceased ministers, beg further indulgence, and also to be definitely instructed as to the nature of said Society.

Respectfully submitted,
 J. B. ANTHONY,
 J. A. LINN,
 S. ROTHROCK.

Resolved, That this Committee take for the basis of its instruction the constitution of the South Carolina Synod's "Society for the relief of disabled ministers."

Rev. Dr. DEEMS, of Wilson, N. C., and Rev. T. W. GUTHRIE, of Wilmington, both ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, were introduced and received as advisory members of this Synod.

The report on Education was submitted and adopted.

REPORT NO. 9.

The Committee to whom was referred the report of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of N. C. College, present the following.

From the information contained in said report, the College appears to be in a prosperous condition.

The political excitement of our country has caused some students to leave our College and has no doubt kept many others away, but as many have been receiving instructions as could reasonably be expected under the excitement of the times.

The President of the Board of Trustees expresses himself highly pleased with the Professors connected with our College, and that harmony and good feeling subsist between them and the students committed to their care.

There remains a debt on the College of \$9,600 00; to meet this the Treasurer of Building fund has on hand \$514 91; outstanding subscriptions \$3,500 00. Whole amount of assets \$4,014 91. This deducted from \$9,600 leaves \$5,585 09 unprovided for in any way.

Your committee have no suggestions to make, as it is hoped the wisdom of Synod will produce some plan to liquidate this debt, and thus promote the welfare of the College.

Respectfully submitted,
 DANIEL I. DREHER,
 JOHN S. HEILIG,
 CHAS. O. PAPE.

Resolved, That we instruct the Board of Directors of N. C. College to act with extreme caution in view of the distracted condition of political affairs, and discontinue the exercises of the College, if in their judgment it be deemed advisable.

The Committee on the [Treasurer's report next reported, which was adopted.

REPORT NO. 10.

The committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's accounts, have attended to the duty assigned them, and would respectfully report that they find the same to be correct. Your committee find an error in the printed minutes of last year, under the head of "Vacant Congregations," and al-

so in the general footing up. Instead of \$100,35, it ought to be \$97,35.
Respectfully submitted,

SAML. ROTHROCK,
JOHN H. MENGERT,
C. M. HOLSHOUSER.

TREASURER'S REPORT, May 2nd, 1861.

The Treasurer of the Ev. Lutheran Synod of North Carolina would respectfully submit the following:

Whole amount received last Synod,.....	\$97,35
Paid J. J. Bruner, for printing Minutes,.....	\$ 80,00
Paid Rev. L. C. Groseclose, for expenses to S. C. Synod,	10,00
Balance due your Tresurer last Synod,.....	18,12
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Total,.....	\$109,02
Balance due your Treasurer this Synod,.....	\$ 11,67
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Total,.....	\$109,02

Your Treasurer would further report a balance in his hands, collected to defray expenses of delegates to the General Synod in 1857, amounting to \$42,31½, which he would recommend to be transferred to the Synodical Treasury, and which would then leave a balance in the hands of your Treasurer, of \$30,64½.

All of which is respectfully submitted,•

MATHIAS BARRIER, *Treasurer.*

The committee on Petitions and Vacancies reported, which was adopted :

REPORT NO. 11.

Your committee have had only one document placed in their hands; namely, a petition from St. Mathew's Church, praying Synod to send them a Minister. We refer it to the Missionary Society.

Respectfully submitted,

B. C. HALL,
S. SCHERER,
J. W. MURRAY.

Rev. LINN next reported on Unfinished Business, which was adopted :

REPORT NO. 12.

The committee whose duty it was made to report on Unfinished Business in the minutes of last year, would present the following: That they find but two items not yet brought to the notice of this body.

1. On page 22, we have the appointment of a special committee, whose duty it was to report a plan for the successful establishment of a Female Institution within the bounds of our Synod. Synod would no doubt be pleased to hear from said committee.

2. On pages 24 and 25, it was made the duty of a number of the brethren to hold a series of meetings in the different vacant churches in the limits of Synod at times and places therein designated. It may be proper to inquire whether said duties have been performed.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. LINN,
WM. A. JULIAN,
H. M. FOWLER.

Resolved, That the committee on a Female Seminary be continued.

The report on the state of religion was submitted and adopted.

REPORT NO. 13.

Report of the committee on the state of religion. Rev. J. D. Scheck's charge. He says: "With respect to the state of religion in my church, I have nothing special to offer—except, that a part of it is in a highly prosperous condition. In Frieden's church we were blessed with a spiritual season. About 30 persons professed to have found peace in believing, and were added to the church.

Rev. J. Crim's charge. He says: "In my charge nothing of special interest is existing at this time."

Rev. S. Scherer's charge. He deplores the want of that interest in an appreciation of bible truth in that region, that there ought to be; but adds, "I thank God that there are those "who have not bowed the knee to Baal," and are hungering after the bread and water of life. At a recent protracted meeting much seriousness prevailed, and a number of persons publicly requested an interest in the prayers of the church. My appointments are tolerably well attended. Our house of worship at the stand is now up, and the carpenters are at work with a view to its speedy completion."

Rev. G. D. Bernheim's charge. He says: "The present Pastor has been in this charge but a few months, and nothing of unusual interest has yet occurred; a few additions have been made. The attendance upon the word is very encouraging, and having good effect upon our German and English brethren here, many of whom now attend regularly, who had never or seldom visited our church before."

Rev. D. I. Dreher's charge. He says: "Religion in my charge is not very flattering. Public worship, however, is well attended. We have a good Sunday School. The excitement of the war seemingly interferes with the spiritual improvement of my people; good attention is paid to benevolence.

Rev. W. A. Julian's charge. He says: "The state of religion in my charge is very good. I have baptized and confirmed more persons than in any previous year in my ministry. I have one prayer meeting, two Sabbath Schools, with 20 teachers and 100 scholars. The 18th of April we laid the corner stone of a new church at Sandy Creek. This church will cost about \$1,300.

Rev. B. C. Hall's charge. He says: "During the past Synodical year I have preached at *four* places; three of which were attended by large

congregations, and two of which realized a "refreshing from the presence of the Lord." Some 40 persons professed a hope in Christ. My people though weak in numerical and pecuniary strength, have contributed some two hundred dollars for local benevolence; yet there is not that deep toned piety manifested, which I hope and pray to see."

Rev. W. Kimball's charge. He says: "The state of religion in the Forsythe and Davidson mission field is good. I received 47 members while I labored there. In my present charge the state of religion is also good. We have too well attended Sabbath Schools, and three well attended prayer meetings.

Rev. J. A. Linn's charge. He says: "During the past ecclesiastical year, I have nothing very special to present to your committee—except, that the ordinances of God's house have been well attended. Spirituality in the several churches in my charge was very favorable up to a recent date, owing to the present distracted state of the country. During the year I had two very interesting meetings, resulting in about 50 conversions, and much good material added to the church."

Rev. L. C. Groseclose's charge. "The state of Bible piety in my charge is not what I could wish it to be among my membership—especially in town. The attendance on the word preached is, however, better than at any former period. Prayer meetings well attended until the last few weeks. Sabbath Schools more flourishing than I ever saw them. We take 100 copies of the *Lutheran S. School Herald*. We have about 300 scholars."

Rev. J. S. Heilig's charge. He says: "The state of religion in my charge is encouraging; the attendance on preaching large and regular, and the spirit of benevolence increasing."

Rev. S. Rothrock's charge. He says: "Nothing of special interest has transpired in my charge—preaching is well attended, and I am encouraged to believe that piety is on the increase. I confirmed interesting classes of catechumen in both my congregations, and hope that the divine favor may rest upon us in the future.

Upon a general review of the state of religion within the bounds of this Synod, your committee are glad to see that the interest and progress of our church in North Carolina is gradually, but steadily on the increase.

Respectfully submitted,

L. C. GROSECLOSE,
J. D. STINGLEY,
R. J. LINN.

Synod adjourned to meet this afternoon at half past two o'clock. Prayer by Bro. Anthony.

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AFTERNOON SESSION, 2½ o'clock, P. M.

Synod opened with prayer by Bro. Heilig. Rev. Crim, Corresponding Secretary, made the following report, which was received and adopted.

REPORT NO. 14.

Your corresponding secretary would state that he has received but one minute from sister Synods, and that from the Synod of Western Virginia. This body numbers fourteen ministers, who are prosecuting all the benevolent enterprizes of the day with the most commendable zeal. Their colleges are in a flourishing condition and the cause of missions likewise receives a liberal share of their attention.

From other sources he was enabled to gather the following :

Synod of N. Indiana.—D. Smith, President ; H. Wells, Secretary ; and Waltman, Treasurer. It numbers 23 ministers.

Franckean Synod.—H. L. Dox, President ; M. Cling, Secretary ; and N. Van Alston, Treasurer. It likewise numbers 22 ministers.

Virginia Synod.—It numbers 27 ministers and 2,800 communicants. Rev. A. R. Rude, President ; W. M. Rusmisell, Secretary ; Levi Keller, Treas.

E. Ohio Synod.—That body numbers 33 ministers and 5,000 communicants ; W. A. G. Emerson, President ; J. Helsell, Cor. Secretary ; T. Hill, Rec. Secretary ; S. Seacrist, Treasurer.

Melanchton Synod & Alleghany Synod.—Both these Synods are zealously engaged in the work of the ministry.

Hartwick Synod.—Officers are W. N. Scholl, Pres. ; P. A. Strobel, Sec.

S. Carolina Synod.—Officers are E. B. Hort, President ; J. Hawkins, Secretary. They number 42 ministers ; communicants, *white* 4,056, *colored* 962.

Wittenberg Synod.—H. R. Geiger, President ; W. C. Haner, Secretary.

Synod of Indiana.—O. Brown, President ; J. A. Kunkelmau, Sec'y.

W. Penn. Synod.—J. Oswald, D. D., President ; E. Breidenbaugh, Secretary ; M. Jacobs, D. D., Treasurer. It numbers 88 churches, 40 ministers, and 11,482 communicants.

Our church members are referred for full statistics of our church at large to the Lutheran Almanac of this year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. CRIM, Cor. Sec'y.

Resolved, That Revs. Wm. Artz, J. B. Anthony, and D. I. Dreher, be a committee to confer with Mr. Rumble, now student in N. C. College, at their earliest convenience, in regard to his religious experience and motives for entering the ministry; and if they can report favorably, he be privileged to receive his tuition gratuitously at our institution, Synod having a right so to do, by virtue of some of its funds being in possession of the College.

Resolved, That after this afternoon's session of Synod, a collection be lifted to meet the pecuniary wants of our aged father Grimes, and that the amount be transmitted to him by Rev. L. C. Groseclose.

(A collection was held at the time appointed, which amounted to \$12.)

The following preamble and resolutions were submitted by Revs. Scherer and Groseclose, and adopted by Synod.

Whereas, It is made the sacred duty of the members of this Synod to see that the provisions of its Constitution are faithfully observed, and *Whereas*, there appears to be a criminal and growing ignorance and disregard as to its contents, therefore,

Resolved, That we earnestly urge the brethren to make themselves familiar with our Constitution, and to give their influence to the faithful observance of the spirit as well as the letter of it.

Resolved, That every member of this Synod who has not already done so, be required to sign the Constitution at its next meeting in 1862. (Rev. Groseclose kindly offered to copy the Constitution and bring it to the next meeting of Synod for signatures.)

Rev. John H. Mengert was elected by ballot as the corresponding delegate to the Synod of S. Carolina, and Rev. G. D. Bernheim, his alternate.

An election for Board of Trustees for N. C. College was now held which resulted in the choice of

REV. L. C. GROSECLOSE,
" WM. ARTZ,

P. N. HEILIG, Esq.,
MR. L. G. HEILIG.

An election was also held for the place of the next meeting of our Synod, and Organ Church was the place thus appointed.

Resolved, That when this Synod adjourns, it stands adjourned to meet at Organ Church, Rowan County, on Thursday before the first Sunday in May 1862, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Synod took a recess until to-night.

FRIDAY NIGHT, 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ O'CLOCK.

This evening Bro. Crim preached on Rev. I., 5 & 6. "Unto Him that loved us, &c." After service Synod was re-opened with prayer by Bro. Swicegood.

The committee on the landed property of Nazareth Church, Forsythe county, made their report, which was adopted.

REPORT NO. 15.

Your committee to whom was referred our claim of property in lands, belonging to the Lutheran Society, at Nazareth Church, Forsythe county, N. C., beg leave to submit the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, The Nazareth congregation is in a prosperous condition and bids fair to become a strong-hold of Lutheranism in the Forsythe Mission; And *Whereas*, The present church building is uncomfortable at all times,

1st Resolved, That this Synod comply with the request of the members of Nazareth church, namely, that they sell a portion of the land belonging to the church at that place, and the amount received for said land be appropriated to the building of a new house of worship.

2d Resolved, That this Synod tender the Nazareth people the right to dispose of said lands, in any form that may be for the advancement of the church at that place, and that every act be performed according to the laws of our State.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. A. JULIAN,

J. SWICEGOOD,

ALEX. SWICEGOOD.

Resolved, That the President, at the next public occasion, tender the thanks of this Synod, to our church members, and other kind friends in Wilmington, for the very hospitable manner that we have been entertained during our stay among them.

Resolved, That we also tender our sincere thanks to the President and Directors of the N. C. and W. W. Railroads, for the privilege of travelling for half fare to this Synod and return.

Resolved, That these two resolutions be published in the Wilmington *Herald & Journal*, and the latter likewise be published in the Salisbury papers.

Resolved, That the Secretary procure the printing of 1500 copies of the minutes of this Synod.

Resolved, That the minutes of the Missionary Society be appended to the minutes of Synod.

Resolved, That the mission field in Forsythe county, be recommended to the prayerful attention of Bro. J. R. Sikes, and that he be requested to visit those brethren as soon as practicable, with the view of supplying them as a pastor.

Resolved, That we direct the special attention of all our pastorates to that clause of our Constitution, which declares that "no one or more congregations composing a pastorate, shall at pleasure dismiss their pastor without the consent of the whole pastorate, by obtaining a two-third vote of all the electors in said pastorate," and that they, in common with all our pastorates, be required strictly to adhere to our Constitutional requisitions.

The minutes were now read and confirmed, when Synod adjourned to assemble again at the time and place of our next annual meeting.

Closed with singing, prayer, and the benediction by the President.

G. D. BERNHEIM, *Secretary of Synod.*

MINUTES OF MINISTERIUM.

THURSDAY NIGHT, 10 o'clock, P. M., May 2d.

The Ministerium of the N. C. Synod met, and was opened with prayer by Bro. Bittle.

Resolved, That Bro. M. M. Miller be admitted to a colloquium.

The President then appointed the following committees on the sermons and journals of Licentiates.

1. On the documents of Bro. J. R. Sikes; Revs. Swicegood, Hall and Crim.

2. On the same, of Bro. Whitson Kimball; Revs. Artz, Anthony, and Julian.

The ministerium then adjourned, subject to the call of the President.

Prayer by Bro. Groseclose.

SECOND SESSION.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Ministerium was opened with prayer by Bro. Mengert. The minutes were read and confirmed.

Rev. Artz, chairman of committee No. 2., submitted his report, which was adopted.

REPORT NO. 1.

The committee on the sermons and journals of Bro. Whitson Kimball, present the following report:

The sermon is a lengthy discussion of the text: "Jesus saith, I am the

way, &c." There are also two sketches of sermons. The reflections and doctrines advanced are scriptural and evangelical; the manner of treating these subjects methodical and practical. These several efforts give evidence of improvement in ministerial attainments and christian piety. His journal gives a full and faithful account of his labors since last May, particularly in his new charge, composed of St. Paul's Church, and Luther's Chapel, Rowan county. The work of the Lord prospers in his hands.— We recommend the renewal of his license.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. ARTZ,
J. B. ANTHONY.

The meeting then adjourned with prayer by Bro. S. Rothrock, subject to the call of the President.

THIRD SESSION.

SATURDAY, 8 o'clock, P. M.

The ministerium met and was opened with prayer by Bro. Dreher.— The minutes were read and confirmed.

Rev. J. Swicegood, chairman of the committee on Bro. Sikes' sermons and journal, reported as follows, which was adopted :

REPORT NO. 2.

Your committee appointed to examine the sermon and journal of Rev. J. R. Sikes, beg leave to submit the following :

1. Brother Sikes has had no regular charge during the year; from his journal, however, your committee learn that he preached frequently in various places, with commendable zeal and industry for the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom, and the salvation of immortal souls.

2. His sermon is scriptural in doctrine, natural and systematic in its arrangement, and affords promising evidence of future usefulness as a minister of the Gospel of Christ.

Your committee would recommend him to your favorable notice for examination with a view to his ordination.

Respectfully submitted,

J. SWICEGOOD,

B. C. HALL,

J. CRIM.

Resolved, That Bro. M. M. Miller be put upon a course of study under the direction of this Ministerium.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to superintend his course of training. Committee—Rev's. L. C. Groseclose, J. A. Linn, and S. Rothrock.

Bro. Sikes was now admitted to an examination, with a view to his ordination, but as, on account of the lateness of the hour, it could not be completed, it was, therefore,

Resolved, That the examination be continued by the Eastern Conference at their next meeting, and if it be sustained, Bro. J. R. Sikes be ordained by that Conference.

Resolved, That Bro. Sikes' license, for the present, be renewed.

Resolved, That Bro. Kimball's license be renewed for one year.

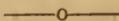
Resolved, That Bro. Bikle's license be also renewed for the same length of time.

The minutes were now read and confirmed, after which the Ministerium adjourned to meet at the time and place of the next meeting of Synod. Closed with singing the Doxology; prayer by the Secretary, and the benediction.

G. DELLMAN BERNHEIM,

Secretary of the Ministerium.

APPENDIX.



PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

MISSIONARY SOCIETY

OF THE

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina.

WILMINGTON, N. C., May 4th, 1861.

The Synodical Missionary Society met at the call of the President, and was opened with singing and prayer by Bro. LINN.

A committee was appointed to receive contributions for annual and life membership, which are as follows :

LIFE MEMBERS:

Rev. J. A. Linn,	\$5.00	Rev. J. Crim,	\$5.00
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ANNUAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

Mr. R. Wincoff,	\$1.00	Mr. A. E. Harkey,	\$1.00
Rev. D. I. Dreher,	1.00	“ A. Gross,	1.00
“ S. Scherer,	1.00	“ D. Lutz,	1.00
“ J. R. Sikes,	1.00	“ D. Roseman,	1.00
“ J. D. Stingley,	1.00	J. Bost, Esq.,	1.00

ANNUAL MEMBERS:

Mr. A. Lentz,	50	Rev. J. S. Heilig,	50
“ G. W. Setzer,	50	“ B. C. Hall,	50
“ A. Petrae,	50	“ W. Artz,	50
“ R. J. Linn,	50	“ J. B. Anthony,	50
Mrs. S. A. J. Scherer,	50	“ J. Swicegood,	50
“ A. Roseman,	50	“ W. A. Julian,	50
“ M. Setzer,	50	“ J. D. Scheck,	50
“ E. C. Bernheim,	50	Mr. H. B. Eilers,	50
“ L. Vollers,	50	“ H. M. Fowler,	50
“ E. Shulken,	50	W. T. Miller, Esq.,	50
“ H. B. Eilers,	50	Capt. D. Isenhour,	50
Miss Matilda Eilers,	50	Rev. S. Rothrock,	50
Rev. W. Kimball,	50	Prof. C. O. Pape,	50

Amount,

\$33.00

*CONGREGATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

Rev. G. D. Bernheim's charge,	Charlotte Church,	\$6.78
" D. I. Dreher's	Concord "	5.10
" J. S. Heilig's	St. Enoch's "	9.00
" L. C. Groseclose's	Union "	13.00
" S. Scherer's	Newton "	2.75

Whole amount \$70.08

The following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year:

Rev. B. C. HALL,	President,
" J. A. LINN,	Vice-President,
" G. D. BERNHEIM,	Recording Secretary,
" D. I. DREHER,	Corresponding Secretary,
" S. ROTHROCK,	Treasurer.

The Treasurer made his report, which was referred to a committee to audit his accounts. Committee, J. D. SCHECK and J. B. ANTHONY, who soon afterwards reported as follows:

REPORT NO 1.

The committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's report, beg leave to say that they have attended to the same and find it correct, leaving a balance in the Treasurer's hands of cash \$22.25. Received at the present meeting \$70.08; making in all \$92.33 in his hands at the present time.

JOHN D. SCHECK
J. B. ANTHONY.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

SAMUEL ROTHROCK, Treasurer, in account with Synodical Missionary Society.

1860.		DR.
May	7—To notes and cash as per last Report,	\$196 57
"	7—To cash on hand,	37 50
June	20—To cash from Wilmington Church per Rev. J. H. Mengert,	10 00
July	9—To partial payment on Rev. J. A. Linn's note,	75 00
Aug.	10—To balance on Rev. J. A. Linn's note,	36 14
"	15—To cash from St. John's Church per Rev. J. B. Anthony,	10 85
"	—To cash from Bethel Church per Rev. J. B. Anthony,	1 80
"	20—To Missionary collection, Union Church per Rev. L. C. Groseclose,	13 00
Sept.	9—To cash from St. Paul's Church, Rowan, per Caleb Yost,	3 53
"	11—To cash from Organ Church Missionary Society, per P. N. Heilig, Treas.,	28 35
"	16—To cash from St. Peter's Church Missionary Society, per H. A. Miller, Treas.,	18 70

* Many of the Congregational Collections had been paid to the Treasurer in advance, and may be seen in his report.

Oct'br. 7—St. Peter's Church, per H. A. Miller,	30
“ 13—To cash from St. Paul's Church, Iredell, per James Heathcock,	4 05
“ 14—To cash from St. Michael's Church, per Church Council,	6 28
“ 29—To cash from Organ Church, Missionary Society, per P. N. Heilig, Treas.,	12 10
“ 26—To partial payment on D. M. Wagner's note,	13 00
1861.	
Mar. 31—To cash from St. Stephen's Church, per P. J. Lentz,	12 50
Apr. 30—To cash from Organ Church Missionary Society, per P. N. Heilig,	1 00
May 2—Missionary Collection, Bethel Church, per J. B. Anthony,	2 90
“ 2—Centenary Interest, Bethel Church, per J. B. Anthony,	1 25
“ 4—To balance on D. M. Wagner's note, (Prin. and Int.)	38 62
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	\$523 44
1860.	CR.
May 7—By notes and cash as per last report,	\$196 57
June 20—By cash to Rev. J. H. Mengert,	100 00
Oct. 26—By cash to Rev. A. Phillippi,	13 00
Aug. 22—By cash to Rev. S. Scherer,	71 00
Oct. 30—By cash to Rev. J. H. Mengert,	82 00
1861.	
May 4—By balance on D. M. Wagner's note, (Prin. and Int.)	38 62
“ 4—By cash on hand,	22 25
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	\$523 44

Respectfully submitted,

SAML. ROTHROCK, *Treasurer.*

Notes on Beneficiaries, not included in the above report \$539 73.

Resolved, That the note of Bro. Sloop, deceased, be destroyed by the Treasurer, which is now in his hands.

Resolved, That this society has heard with pleasure that the Eastern Conference of the Synod of North Carolina, has during the past year sustained in part a Missionary in the Forsythe Mission, and the following sums were paid to Bro. Kimball namely: from Bro. Hall's charge \$5.25, and from Bro. Julian's charge \$14.15.

Adjourned to meet this afternoon at 2½ P. M. Prayer by Bro. SCHERER, and the Benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Opened with prayer by Bro. ROTHROCK.

Rev. JOHN D. SCHECK was appointed to preach the Missionary Sermon at the next annual meeting of the Society, and Rev. J. R. SIKES his alternate.

The following resolutions were then offered by several of the Brethren and adopted:

Resolved, That the Recording Secretary present annually a report of

the acts and doings of the Executive Committee, that is to say, the Mission fields occupied, Missionaries employed, appropriations, &c.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to Rev. J. H. Mengert, Missionary in Wilmington, all the monies now in his hands.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of this Society be authorized to make application to the proper authorities of the Congregational Miss. Society at Organ Church to make a transfer of their funds to the Synodical Missionary Society, or make a loan of it to said Synodical Society upon the faith and credit of the same.

Resolved, That the Mission field in Forsythe county be recommended to the Executive Committee, and that they make such appropriations as may meet their wants if possible, and that the brethren composing the Eastern Conference be requested to send in their contributions to the Synodical Missionary Treasury.

On motion the Davie county Mission was referred to the action of the Executive Committee.

The Society now adjourned to meet at Organ Church, Rowan county, on Monday after the first Sunday in May, 1862. Adjourned with singing and prayer.

G. D. BERNHEIM, *Secretary*.

The Mission fields that are at the present under the care of this Society are the following:

Wilmington mission,	Rev. John H. Mengert,	Pastor,	
Charlotte	"	G. D. Bernheim,	"
Catawba Co.	"	S. Scherer,	"
Forsythe	" "	J. R. Sikes,	" who re-

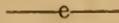
ceived the call to this mission at this Synod, but has not as yet accepted the call.

Davie County mission vacant.

Another hopeful mission field might well be formed in Raleigh and Newbern, with an occasional supply of preaching at Goldsboro'; but the men and the means are wanting.

G. D. BERNHEIM, *Secretary*.

SABBATH DAY'S SERVICES.

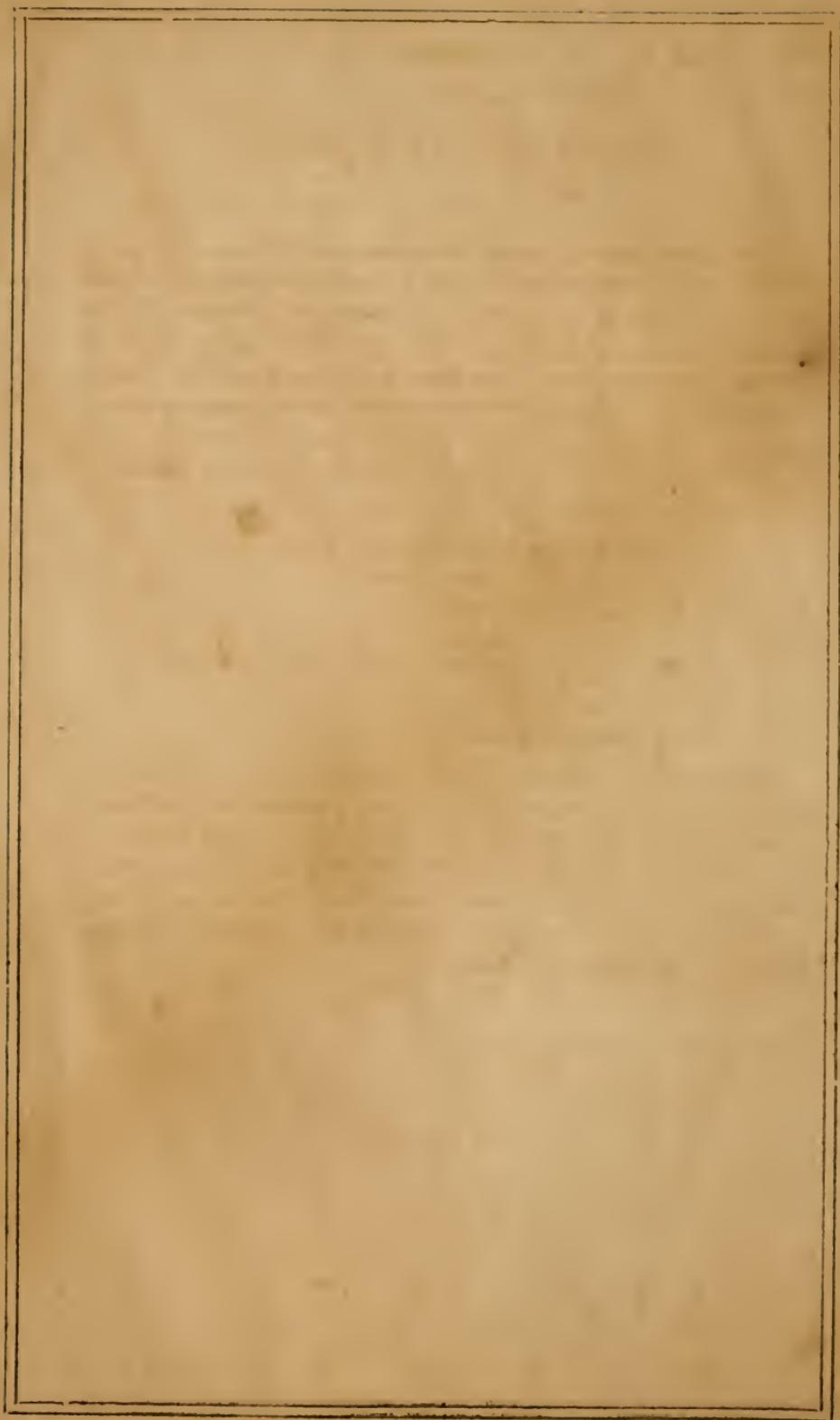


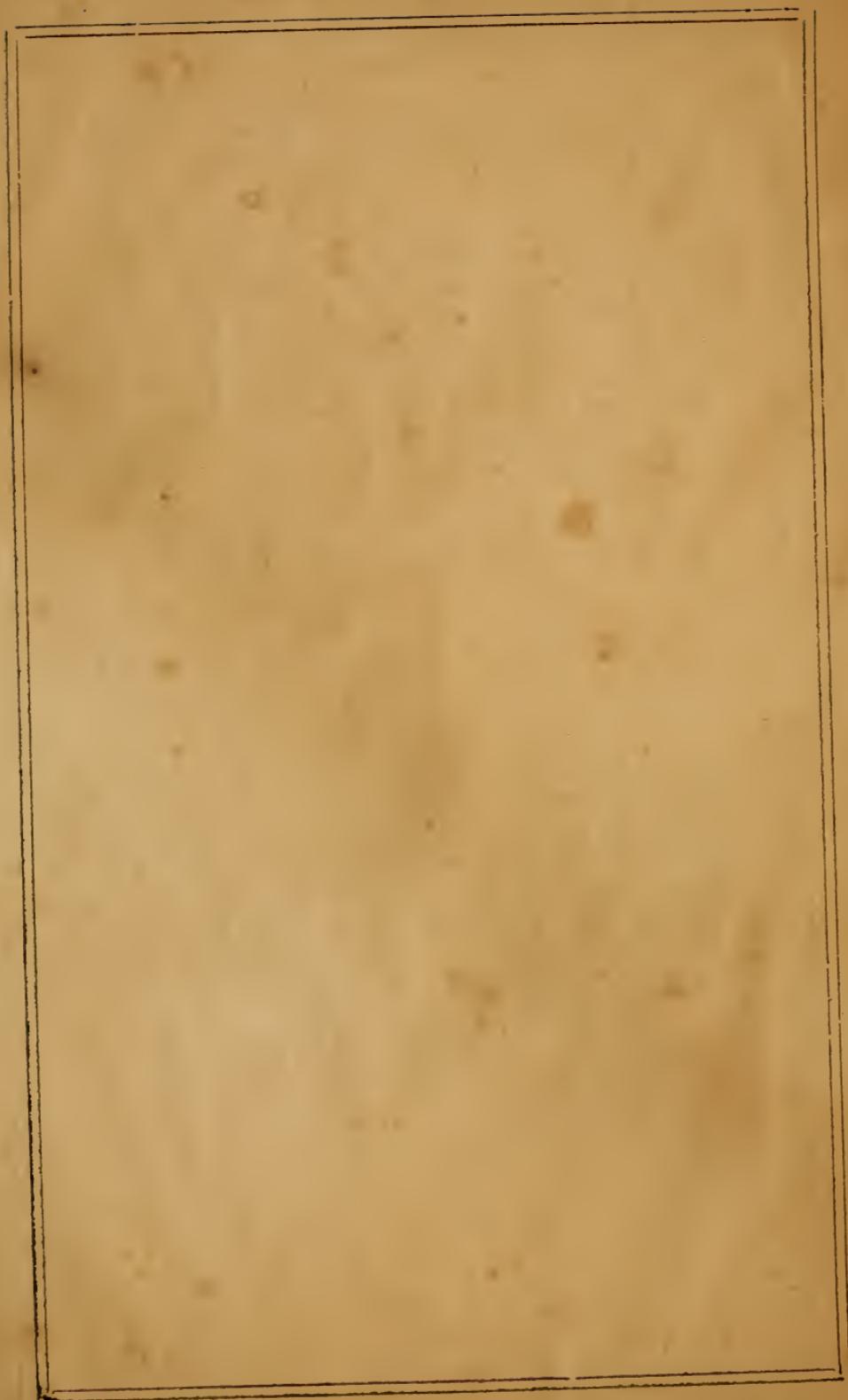
The different pulpits of several denominations of Christians in the city of Wilmington were kindly tendered to our Ministry, who had thus the pleasure of preaching to nearly all the Church-going inhabitants of the place; yet as many of the citizen-soldiery were at this time occupying the different forts of this State, or encamped in other sections of the Southern army, the various churches were not so well filled as is usual on such occasions; still as the gospel was faithfully preached, and as many prayers ascended to the throne of grace for our country's welfare, we trust that all will result in much good. The Churches thus occupied were:

1. The Evangelical Lutheran Session House,
2. " First Presbyterian Church
3. " Second Presbyterian "
4. " Front St. Methodist "
5. " Fifth St. Methodist "
6. " Front St. Baptist "
7. " Seaman's Bethel "

The communion was administered in the morning to the members of Synod and others in the Session House, lately purchased from the Presbyterian Church, by some one or more of our Lutheran brethren in Wilmington. In the afternoon, Rev. J. B. Anthony, by special request, preached his Missionary sermon in the newly finished First Presbyterian Church.

May God own and sanctify the services of His sanctuary to the great blessing of immortal souls. Amen.







OFFICERS OF SYNOD.

REV. JOHN D. SCHECK, PRESIDENT.

“ G. DELLMANN BERNHEIM, REC. SEC'Y.

“ JOSEPH A. LINN, COR. SECRETARY.

MATTHIAS BARRIER, ESQ., TREAS'R OF SYNOD.

MATTHIAS BARRIER, ESQ., TREASURER
OF COLLEGE ENDOWMENT FUND.

JACOB LUDWICK, ESQ., TREASURER OF
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