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HELD IN ST. MARY'S CHURCH, FAYETTE,

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## LIST OF THE CLERGY

OF THE

Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri.

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- RT. REV. C. S. HAWKS, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of Christ Church, St. Louis.
- REV. FRANCIS J. CLERC, Rector of St. John's Church, St. Louis.
- REV. WILLIAM B. CORBYN, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Palmyra, and the Governor of Clark Mission.
- REV. GEORGE P. COMINGS, Missionary, residing at the Governor Clark Mission.
- REV. JOHN W. DUNN, Missionary, and Rector of St. Mary's Church, Fayette.
- REV. D. GORDON ESTES, Rector of Christ Church, Boonville.
- REV. ST. MICHAEL FACKLER, Missionary in Oregon City, in the Territory of Oregon.
- REV. S. G. GASSAWAY, Associate Rector of St. George's Church, St. Louis.
- REV. DAVID GRIFFITH, residing near Boonville.
- REV. JOHN A. HARRISON, Missionary, and Rector of Christ Church, Lexington.
- REV. F. W. HATCH, residing in St. Louis.
- REV. E. CARTER HUTCHINSON, D. D., Rector of St. George's Church, St. Louis.
- REV. WILLIAM A. LEACH, Rector of St. Paul's Church, St. Louis.
- REV. JOHN McNAMARA, Missionary at Weston and St. Joseph.
- REV. ENOCH REED, (*Deacon*,) absent in Virginia.
- REV. REGINALD H. WELLER, (*Deacon*,) Minister of Grace Church, Jefferson City.
- REV. WILLIAM H. WOODWARD, Rector of Grace Church, North St. Louis.
- Clergymen not Canonically Resident in the Diocese.*
- REV. DAVID CLARKSON, Chaplain U. S. Army at Fort Scott.
- REV. JOHN McCARTY, D. D., Chaplain U. S. Army at Jefferson Barracks.

## LIST OF THE LAY DELEGATES

APPOINTED TO ATTEND THE

DIOCESAN CONVENTION OF MISSOURI, MAY, 1852.

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- From Christ Church, St. Louis*—Messrs. L. M. Kennett, H. A. Garland, M. Lewis Clark, Solon Humphreys.
- From St. Paul's Church, St. Louis*—Messrs. Henry Pilcher, Jno. Hall, R. F. Coningham, W. C. Taylor, M. D.
- From Christ Church, Lexington*—Messrs. R. N. Smith, D. C. Relf, Lawson Grant, E. G. Arnold, M. D.
- From Grace Church, Jefferson City*—Messrs. I. L. Minor, W. A. Davison, M. D., J. H. Cordell.
- From Christ Church, Boonville*—Messrs. E. E. Buckner, M. D., H. A. Massie.
- From St. Mary's Church, Fayette*—Messrs. A. Leonard, J. A. Talbot, M. D., Benjamin Smith, Isaac Pearson.
- From St. Ann's Church, Brunswick*—Messrs. J. W. Stringfellow, B. F. Stringfellow, J. B. Barrett, Charles West.

## LIST OF PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE OF MISSOURI.

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|-------------------------|-----------------|
| CHRIST CHURCH,          | St. Louis,      |
| ST. PAUL'S CHURCH,      | "               |
| CHRIST CHURCH,          | Boonville.      |
| ST. PAUL'S CHURCH,      | Palmyra.        |
| TRINITY CHURCH,         | St. Charles.    |
| GRACE CHURCH,           | Jefferson City. |
| ST. JOHN'S CHURCH,      | St. Louis.      |
| GRACE CHURCH,           | "               |
| ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH,    | "               |
| TRINITY CHURCH,         | Hannibal.       |
| CHRIST CHURCH,          | Lexington.      |
| PARISH OF THE NATIVITY, | Bridgeton.      |
| ST. MARY'S CHURCH,      | Fayette.        |
| ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH,   | Glasgow.        |
| ST. JOHN'S CHURCH,      | Weston.         |
| CHRIST CHURCH,          | St. Joseph.     |
| ST. ANN'S CHURCH,       | Brunswick.      |

## FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF THE ELECTION OF LAY- DELEGATES TO A DIOCESAN CONVENTION.

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To be signed by the Rector of the Parish of which they are representatives, or by one of the Wardens, or by the Secretary of the Vestry. (Canon II. Sec. 3.)

Every Parish in union with this Convention is entitled to one or more Delegates, not exceeding four, to be chosen by the Vestry or Congregation. (Constit. Art. 4.)

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY, *That at a meeting of the Vestry (or Parish) of .....* Church, in ....., held on the ..... day of ....., A. D. 18..., Messrs. .... were duly elected Lay-delegates to represent said Church in the Convention of the Diocese of Missouri, to be held at ..... on the ..... day of ..... next; and that they are entitled to vote for Wardens and Vestrymen in said Church.

Signed this ..... day of ....., A. D. 18....

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## FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

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Baptisms—Infants .....  
                   Adults .....  
 Confirmations .....  
 Communicants—No. last reported .....  
                   Added by removal .....  
                   “  anew.....  
                   Lost by removal.....  
                   “  death.....  
                   Present No. ....  
 Marriages.....  
 Burials .....  
 Sunday School Teachers.....  
                   Scholars.....  
 Contributions for Parochial purposes .....  
                   Extra           “ .....  
                                           (Signed)



## JOURNAL OF THE CONVENTION.

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FAYETTE, *May 28th*, 1852.

On the day fixed by the Constitution for the meeting of the Diocesan Convention, the Bishop and several of the Clergy and Lay-delegates met in St. Mary's Church, Fayette, at 11 o'clock A. M. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Wm. A. Leach, Rector of St. Paul's Church, St. Louis; assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. J. A. Harrison, Rector of Christ Church, Lexington. The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Rt. Rev. C. S. Hawks, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese. The Rev. F. J. Clerc, who was appointed by the Bishop to preach the Annual Sermon, being absent, the Rev. D. G. Estes supplied his place, and preached from the text—"Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another." (1 Jno. iv. 11.) The Bishop then proceeded to administer the Holy Communion (to the Clergy and twenty-eight lay-communicants), assisted by the Rev. J. W. Dunn, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Fayette.

Services being ended, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The Secretary of the Convention, Rev. F. J. Clerc, being absent, on motion of Rev. J. A. Harrison, seconded by Rev. J. W. Dunn, the Rev. Wm. A. Leach was appointed Secretary pro tem.

The Rev. Wm. A. Leach then proceeded to call the roll of the Clergy of the Diocese entitled to seats. There were found present with the Bishop—

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| The Rev. J. W. Dunn, | Rector of St. Mary's Church, | Fayette;   |
| " " D. Gordon Estes, | " Christ Church,             | Boonville; |
| " " J. A. Harrison,  | " Christ Church,             | Lexington; |
| " " W. A. Leach,     | " St. Paul's Church,         | St. Louis. |

A quorum of the Clerical order being present, the Rev. Mr. Leach and the Rev. Mr. Harrison were appointed a Committee to receive and report on the testimonials of Lay-delegates.

The Convention then adjourned to meet this evening at 8 o'clock.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, FAYETTE,  
8 P. M.

The Convention met according to adjournment at same place,  
8 P. M.

The Bishop having called the Convention to order, the Committee on Testimonials of Lay-delegates reported the following gentlemen as elected by the several Parishes of the Diocese, viz:

*From Christ Church, St. Louis*—Messrs. L. M. Kennett, H. A. Garland, M. Lewis Clark, Solon Humphreys.

*From St. Paul's Church, St. Louis*—Messrs. Henry Pilcher, John Halsall, R. F. Coningham, W. C. Taylor, M. D.

*From Christ Church, Lexington*—Messrs. R. N. Smith, D. C. Relf, Lawson Grant, E. G. Arnold, M. D.

*From Grace Church, Jefferson City*—Messrs. I. L. Minor, W. A. Davison, M. D., J. H. Cordell.

*From Christ Church, Boonville*—Messrs. E. E. Buckner, M. D., H. A. Massie.

*From St. Mary's Church, Fayette*—Messrs. A. Leonard, J. A. Talbot, M. D., Benjamin Smith, Isaac Pearson.

The roll of Lay-delegates being called, the following gentlemen answered to their names:

Messrs. H. A. Garland, M. L. Clark—From Christ Church, St. Louis.  
Henry Pilcher—From St. Paul's Church, St. Louis.

E. E. Buckner, M. D., H. A. Massie—From Christ Church, Boonville.

A. Leonard, J. A. Talbot, M. D., Benj. Smith—From St. Mary's Church, Fayette.

Whereupon, a quorum of both orders being present, the Bishop declared the Convention duly organized for the transaction of business.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Convention now proceed to the election of Secretary, dispensing with the ballot.

The Rev. Wm. A. Leach was nominated and unanimously elected as Secretary of this Convention.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Rules of Order of the last Convention be adopted as the Rules of Order in this.

The Bishop then proceeded, in compliance with the 15th Rule of Order, to appoint the following standing committees:



1. *On the Admission of New Parishes*—The Rev. Wm. A. Leach, Rev. D. G. Estes, and Mr. M. L. Clark.

2. *On Constitution and Canons*—The Rev. J. A. Harrison, Mr. A. Leonard, and Mr. W. Garland.

3. *On Unfinished Business*—Rev. J. W. Dunn, Dr. Buckner, and Mr. B. Smith.

4. *On Finance*—Dr. Talbot, Mr. Massie, and Mr. M. L. Clark.

5. *On Assessment*—Dr. Talbot, Mr. H. A. Massie, and Mr. M. L. Clark.

In accordance with Canon XVII., an amendment was proposed of Canon III., that the words "has been" be inserted for the word "was," and that the words "at least three months before the Convention" shall be omitted, so that said Canon shall read thus:

CANON III.—*Of Admission into Union with the Diocese.*

To enable a Parish or Congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention their Articles of Association; and further, that it be made to appear that such Parish or Congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and the Constitution and Canons in this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop, or, in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from a majority in the Standing Committee, that notice has been given him or them of the organization having taken place, and of his or their approval of the same.

On motion, *Resolved*, That said amendment be referred to Committee on Constitution and Canons.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the proposed Canons (see Journal of 1851, pp. 19 and 27,) be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a committee of five be appointed to report to this Convention a plan to raise a permanent fund for the support of the Episcopate in this Diocese.

The Bishop then appointed the following gentlemen as the committee: Messrs. Garland, Leonard, Massie, J. A. Talbot, M. D., and E. E. Buckner, M. D.

The Convention proceeded to elect by ballot the Standing Committee of the Diocese for the ensuing year.

Rev. Mr. Estes was appointed teller to take the votes of the Clergy and Mr. Garland those of the Lay-delegates, who reported the following as elected:

Rev. F. J. Clerc, Rev. W. A. Leach, Rev. J. W. Dunn; Messrs. J. P. Doan, and D. Hough.

The Delegates to the General Convention were also elected by ballot, the same gentlemen acting as tellers. The following were reported as duly elected:

Rev. F. J. Clerc, Rev. J. A. Harrison, Rev. W. B. Corbyn, and Rev. D. G. Estes, of the Clergy; and Messrs. J. P. Doan, R. N. Smith, Harry I. Bodley, and J. A. Talbot, M. D., of the Laity.

Application was then made for admission to this Convention of the Parishes of St. John's Church, Weston; Christ Church, St. Joseph; St. Stephen's Church, Glasgow, and St. Ann's Church, Brunswick.

Referred to Committee on Admission of New Parishes.

The Treasurer's Report being presented, it was, on motion, referred to Committee on Finance.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the report of the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Society, and of the Fund for the Support of the Episcopate, be referred to same Committee.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning.



ST. MARY'S CHURCH, FAYETTE,

May 29th, 1852.

The Convention met according to adjournment at 10 o'clock A. M. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. John A. Harrison.

The Convention was called to order, the Bishop presiding.

The minutes of the previous sessions being called for, were read and approved.

The Bishop then read his

#### Address.

MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY,—

Convened once more to deliberate upon the interests of the Church of the Redeemer in this Diocese, our first duty has been already discharged. We have invoked the presence of ALMIGHTY GOD "for

the heart of every one of us here assembled in His Name and presence—and we have pledged our love anew to our Crucified Lord, to ourselves, and to all the faithful in CHRIST wherever they may be, in the blessed Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. And now, bound in heart and hope and struggle, whatever it may be, for the cause of CHRIST and His Church, we look up to our Heavenly Father in humble trust "that by His holy inspiration we may think those things that are good, and by His merciful guidance may perform the same, through JESUS CHRIST our Lord."

In canonical obedience, I proceed to lay before you my official acts for the year now closing, and then, as in duty bound, shall give you my views touching the interests of the Church in this Diocese.

Since we last met, I have visited officially the following cities and towns, viz., Lexington, Weston, St. Joseph, Brunswick, Glasgow, Fayette, Boonville, Jefferson City, Hannibal, Palmyra, and Saint Louis. The rite of Confirmation has been administered as follows: In Christ Church, Lexington, to 3 persons; in Glasgow, to 2 persons; in St. Mary's Church, Fayette, to 2 persons; in Christ Church, Boonville, to 8 persons; in Grace Church, Jefferson City, to 3 persons; in St. Paul's Church, Palmyra, to 1 person; in Christ Church, St. Louis, to 14 persons; in St. Paul's Church, St. Louis, to 30 persons; in St. George's Church, St. Louis, to 10 persons; in St. John's Church, St. Louis, to 8 persons, and in Grace Church, St. Louis, to 8 persons.

In some of the towns visited there is, as you are aware, no Parish organization, and the purpose of my visit was to seek in them the scattered members of our flock. In St. Joseph I found 5 communicants, in Weston 9, in Brunswick 5, and in Glasgow 3. The solemn and impressive rite of Confirmation was witnessed for the first time in Glasgow when I was there. That faithful and earnest Missionary of the Church, the Rev. Mr. Dunn, has been enabled from his home in Fayette, 12 miles distant, to make occasional visits to Glasgow, and his visits have produced good results. In Weston and St. Joseph I have been enabled to place a Missionary of the Church, and regret that I have not yet succeeded in procuring one for Brunswick. With my approbation, Parishes have been duly organized in three of these towns—and I have been notified that St. Stephen's Church, Glasgow; St. John's Church, Weston, and Christ Church, St. Joseph, will apply to this Convention for admission into union with this Diocese. I should have stated, that one person from Weston, since the

Missionary has been in charge, has sought and received the rite of Confirmation in Christ Church, St. Louis. The Missionary also informs me, that there are in Weston now waiting to receive that rite 2 persons, and in St. Joseph 8. His necessary absence from this Convention I regret, as he would be enabled to give us cheerful tidings of his new and interesting home in the Platte country.

No new candidates for Holy Orders have been admitted for the year past. Of the three in this Diocese, one, Mr. Abraham S. Mitchell, has, for good and sufficient reasons, been allowed to withdraw his name. I was sorry to part with him, but knew that pressing duties constrained him to the act, and am comforted by the thought that his zeal and fidelity to the Church will be made manifest in whatever station of life it may please God to call him. Another, Mr. Frederic B. Sheets, I hope to ordain before the close of this Convention; and the third, Mr. R. E. Terry, is prosecuting his studies satisfactorily at the Theological School in Hartford, Connecticut.

I report no Ordinations for the year. The proper testimonials and recommendations having reached me in behalf of Mr. Frederic B. Sheets, a candidate for Deacon's Orders, and the Rev. R. H. Weller, a candidate for the Priesthood, I hope soon to admit them both to their respective Orders.

Two Clergymen have been transferred from this Diocese, viz., the Rev. David P. Sanford to the Diocese of Connecticut, and the Rev. A. D. Corbyn to the Diocese of Mississippi. The sorrows of the first named awakened our deepest sympathy. As Rector of St. Paul's Church, St. Louis, he had not long resided in this Diocese, when from his household group of four he buried two. He laid one child in the grave—then the dear mother of the child; and then, with broken and feeble health, he resigned his charge, and, taking his surviving little girl, returned again to the Diocese whence he had been commended to us. We felt that, like Naomi, he came out full and returned empty.—The Rev. Mr. Corbyn had been so long in the Diocese that his departure was deeply felt. As Rector of Christ Church, Boonville, that Parish was indebted to him for its very existence. The flock was gathered in, the Church edifice erected, and the people built up in their holy faith, under God, through his instrumentality; and the best evidence of his fidelity is to be found now in the condition of the Parish he has left.—In return for these losses, I have received two Clergymen into the Diocese, viz., the Rev. D. Gor-

don Estes, from the Diocese of Massachusetts, and the Rev. John McNamara, from the Diocese of Illinois. Mr. Estes has become the Rector of Christ Church, Boonville, and Mr. McNamara is the Missionary in charge of the new Parishes at Weston and St. Joseph. The letter of transfer has not yet reached me from Wisconsin in behalf of the Rev. William H. Woodward, but he has also reached this Diocese, and is in charge of Grace Church, North St. Louis.

No Church edifice has been consecrated; but Grace Church, St. Louis, being now nearly completed, waits for that service at an early day.

The changes of the Clergy during the past year are these:—The Rev. Mr. Estes has become the Rector of Christ Church, Boonville, in place of Rev. A. D. Corbyn, resigned; the Rev. J. McNamara, the Missionary at Weston and St. Joseph; the Rev. W. H. Woodward, Minister of Grace Church, St. Louis, and the Rev. William A. Leach, (formerly my Assistant in Christ Church, St. Louis,) the Rector of St. Paul's Church, St. Louis, in place of Rev. David P. Sanford, resigned.

During the past year I was glad to be able to give my consent to the Consecration of three additional Bishops, viz., the Rev. John Williams, D. D., elected Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut; the Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., elected Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Illinois, and the Rev. William Creighton, D. D., elected Bishop of the Diocese of New-York. The two former have been Consecrated for their respective Sees, but I regret to add that the latter declined accepting the office tendered to him. Private business called me to New-York in the fall of the last year, and while there I was present and took part in the Services of Consecration of the Assistant Bishop of Illinois.

You will remember that the last Convention of the Diocese declared by resolution, "that, with the assent of the Vestry, it shall be the duty of every stated Minister in this Diocese to devote one Sunday in every three months to Missionary labor, under the direction of the Bishop as to time and place." Acting under this resolution, I marked for the Clergy, as places to be visited, the following: St. Charles, Hermann, Fulton, Columbia, Rocheport, Brunswick, Independence, Savannah, Hannibal, Bowling-green, Prairieville, Louisiana, and Clarksville. The *time* for making these visits I did not designate, as I thought the Clergy could best judge as to the time when they might

be absent from their Parishes. Reports have reached me of visits made to St. Charles, Fulton, Columbia, Rocheport, Brunswick, Independence, and Savannah. Some of these reports are of the most satisfactory kind. It is well, I think, that this resolution should continue in force. With our wide and destitute territory, and our present limited number of Clergy, I know no other way of reaching the wants of these destitute towns than under this or some similar plan. The Churches having Pastors will gladly, I presume, spare of their abundance to their less favored brethren. The fulness of heart with which these Missionary visits are received in the destitute towns, is some measure of the gratitude felt for the service rendered, while at the same time it is also a harbinger of hope for us in our efforts to spread the Gospel.

It is my painful duty to place before you the following record of displacements or suspensions among the Clergy, notices of which have reached me during the past year :

- The Rev. Silas Blaisdale has been displaced by the Bishop of Massachusetts;
- “ “ Benjamin Aydelott, D. D., do. by the Bishop of Ohio;
- “ “ Albert Helfenstein, Sen., do. by the Bishop of Ohio;
- “ “ William Everett do. by the Provisional Bishop of N. York;
- “ “ Edgar P. Wadhams do. by the Provisional Bishop of New York;
- “ “ Lawrence Clement Johnson do. by the Bishop of South Carolina;
- “ “ Henry L. Richards do. by the Bishop of Ohio;
- “ “ F. H. L. Laird do. by the Bishop of Kentucky;
- “ “ Franklin G. Smith has been suspended by the Bishop of Tennessee.

Our acknowledgments are again due to the New-York Bible and Prayer Book Society, and also to the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, for large supplies of their respective publications. I hope that the Parishes will remember these repeated acts of kindness, and that from each some contribution may be sent to these worthy Societies.

In behalf of the Clark Mission I return thanks for the gifts of certain constant friends. That noiseless School is doing its large work of love most earnestly, and in thanking Eastern friends, I would at the same time pray that it may be remembered by all who love the Church. From friends in New-York, whose names are unknown, I have received \$182.57; from the Church of the Holy Communion,

N. Y., an Epiphany offering of \$100; from Mr. Robert Winthrop, \$50; from Mr. Francis Tomes, Jr., \$75, and from Mr. John J. Izelin \$25. These sums have aided us in the erection of one new building—while the readiness with which the Instructors in that School have surrendered all their earnings, has enabled us to erect another. I would add, that all our improvements made since the Mission School was opened, are substantially built of brick or stone.

The report from this School, together with the reports from the various Parishes and from our Orphan's Home in St. Louis, are laid upon the Secretary's table for your information. You will be glad to learn that our Orphan's Home is soon to leave a "hired house" for a permanent building of its own. The ladies in charge of that Institution have already raised a fair subscription, and are increasing it daily; and their new building will be placed under contract this season.

A Bishop of any Diocese must, from the very nature of his position, look to the wants and struggles of his whole Diocese. The Clergyman of any Parish must regard in his lot that peculiar portion under his immediate charge, while he, as Chief Pastor, must survey the whole. With, then, before me the map of our position, and consequent wants and duties, I speak at this time to you.

The Diocese of Missouri contains 62,000 square miles, with a population of 700,000 souls. There are in that region, at present, 17 organized Parishes, with 12 Clergymen (including your Bishop) actively employed in the duties of their calling. How small the number for so vast a territory! Yet we, few as we are, are called to the struggle—to the work of spreading the Gospel in this vast Missionary region. How are we to do it? Men and means are wanted for this work. Independently of the few Parishes that are self-sustaining in the Diocese, the Domestic Board of our General Missionary Society, together with our own Diocesan Missionary Society, have supplied the means thus far with which we have operated. A notice from the Domestic Board has reached me, that Missouri, together with many other Dioceses, is to be cut off from all supplies from that source after the 1st of October next; so that, from that period, we must wholly depend upon ourselves. I will not complain of the Board, for they have acted, doubtless, as they thought best for the good of the whole Church; under their limited means; nor do I know upon what basis they have made, for years past, their annual appropriations—whether upon the basis of territory or population. I think, however, it will be

discovered, that whether those appropriations were made upon the basis of territory or population, the Diocese of Missouri has received less, since I became your Bishop, than any other in the Domestic field. Perhaps Missouri may appear delinquent in not sending her contributions regularly, during that period, to the Domestic Treasury. In reply, I would state, that, if she appears thus delinquent, she has not been wanting in contributing to Domestic Missions. For many years past, Christ Church, St. Louis, has been enabled to be the only contributing Parish in the Diocese, and it has been her privilege and duty to contribute largely to Missions within her borders. She is the Mother Church of St. Louis, and independently of contributing towards other objects extraneous from the Diocese, she has sustained, in part, every Mission in the Diocese, besides sustaining some altogether. St. Louis, with a population of near 100,000 souls, and with that population increasing daily, has become the large city of our Western country, and hither all applicants resort for aid to their respective undertakings in behalf of the Church. I am rejoiced to add, that few applications come without receiving more or less aid in the way of substantial sympathy. With a debt of her own still remaining of \$5,000, Christ Church, St. Louis, has not forgotten others. Under these circumstances, with the whole Missionary work of Missouri pressing upon her, it is not remarkable that her contributions have not been large toward the Board of our Domestic Missions. This much is stated, because of any apparent or supposed neglect to that Board.

What are we now to do? We are to increase our efforts in behalf of our own destitute Diocese. We must increase our efforts, or some of our Missionary work must cease at the same moment when new fields for Missionary exertion are opening before us. From the 1st of October next we must be prepared to sustain our present Missionary stations, and at the same time to extend our labors to new points. From that time Missouri must provide for the wants of Missouri. How is this to be done? The answer is obvious. With reliance upon God, we must redouble our efforts in behalf of Missionary duty. Let our efforts be steady and systematic. Let me commend again —

1st. That the weekly offerings of the people be received by the Pastor on every Lord's day. Let Pastor and people alike remember the Scripture injunction, "On the first day of the week, let each one lay by in store as God hath prospered him."



2. Let every communicant of the Church in Missouri become a member of our Diocesan Missionary Society. The annual subscription is but \$3; and with our 700 communicants, we will in this way alone have a fund of more than \$2,000.

3. Let those who, of their abundance, can spare more, gladly give to their LORD. Let their gifts reach the Society. One member of Christ Church, St. Louis, who is also a member of our Diocesan Society, and whose weekly offerings also reach the treasury of his LORD, also contributes annually \$250 toward the support of a Missionary in Missouri. I have spoken of him before; his name I am still not at liberty to mention; but I ask myself, dearly beloved, are there none like-minded? Is he the only man in Missouri, who, having the means, has the heart to do thus for his LORD?

4. Let dying men bequeath of their substance to their LORD. "We brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out." If, living, they have forgotten their GOD and Saviour, let them not die thus forgetful! Let them leave behind some memorial of their remembrance, which may tell, after they are gone, for the cause of CHRIST. Let the words of our Blessed LORD be often thought of—"I say unto you, make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness, that when ye fail they may receive you into everlasting habitations." Not that legacies of money can purchase for us the kingdom of Heaven—we are only admitted to that kingdom through the merits of our Crucified LORD;—but that we may here so use the unrighteous or deceitful mammon, that the prayers and sighs and tears of poor sinners, brought by our instrumentality, under GOD, to CHRIST our Lord, may plead, through CHRIST, before our Heavenly Father, in that day when we shall stand to be judged.

Oh, what a startling sermon is every day preached by the graveyards of our land! There, amid the humble mounds that rest over the lowly, is seen the costly monument of marble, telling in mute silence the history of some one of this world's more favored children. Look how its daring falsehoods almost curl the lips of passers-by, who knew the man. The marble says that he was a disciple of CHRIST; but did the disciple love his Lord? Was it not enough that the poor man practised deceit while living? must he even teach the stones to utter deceit after him? He is gone, and here is a portion of his

wasted wealth preaching lies to the living, as they stand among the dead. And yet, poor man, he might have built an enduring monument, more durable than marble or brass—a monument made of the tears and sighs and groans of suffering humanity, wreathed into smiles—of dying sinners, rejoicing in the hope of a blessed eternity, sheltered in some Orphan House, some Hospital, some sacred Temple, which he, for CHRIST's sake, had, with full heart and faith, erected upon earth. And his name would have been a blessed sound among the generations of men; and oh, more blessed still, it would have been written in "the Lamb's book of life" before GOD forever. May the good LORD give us grace not to die until our "prayers and our alms have ascended as memorials before GOD."

Beloved, through all these channels let our Missionary work expand. Let us resolve that no Missionary station shall be abandoned, and that new ones shall be occupied. If you are faithful in your duty, then may I soon, in some portions, employ—what we have long needed—itinerating Missionaries, who, traveling from house to house in some of our sparsely settled regions, may preach the Gospel of peace. In most enterprises, the demand for an article brings the supply. In Missionary work this is not always so, nor should it be. The supply makes the demand. We carry the Gospel to men, and "entreat them for CHRIST's sake to be reconciled to GOD." Our Blessed LORD came to this world "to seek and to save that which was lost." He came, "not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." His compassion brought Him to us men, and the love of CHRIST should constrain us.

And when with honest and good heart thus providing means, where shall we find the men to enter upon this large Missionary field? In all our Dioceses the demand for men is great, and must for a long time continue to be so; and while most of our Candidates for Holy Orders are educated in the Eastern part of our country, it is not surprising that the number of the Clergy coming to the West is small. And even in the East, the numbers seeking admission to the Ministry is not so large as formerly. How is this? Let Pastors and parents look to this fact, and know if they are at fault. Let Pastors look to the young members of their flocks; let them tell them of the blessedness of ministering for JESUS' sake, and teach them to look earnestly for the guidance of that Blessed SPIRIT, which may lead some at least to the Holy Offices of the Church of the Redeemer.

And let parents be constant in reminding their children of that saying of our Blessed Master—"Verily, I say unto you, there is no man who hath left houses, or lands, or father, or mother, or brother, or sister, for My sake and the Gospel, but he shall receive manifold more in this life, and in the world to come life everlasting." Let them give them gladly to the service of their LORD, thanking GOD most fervently that when He would "send forth laborers into the harvest," their own should be among the laborers. And when, moved by the SPIRIT, the young would come, let us rejoice that we may educate and rear, here in the West, the sons of the soil for the work of the Ministry. In our own Mission School they may be trained and disciplined for the duty that awaits them, and so let us foster and cherish it as our nursery for the Church. The rich and the poor there mingle together. The work of charity there has been large—as it should be in every Church undertaking—and still it will continue to expand, if we are true to duty. For every five boys now placed there, a sixth is gratuitously provided for; and as numbers increase, the work of charity shall increase also. The School must multiply its work of love daily. Success, is labor more abundant—labor for CHRIST'S sake and the Gospel.

Ere long we shall see some of the fruits of our labor, when in the ranks of the Ministry some of our young disciples shall take their places.

I have lamented, dearly beloved, ever since I came to your Diocese, the unstable connection between Pastor and people. This instability has proved injurious, and must continue to prove so as long as it exists. In looking for a remedy for this evil, I have frankly spoken of its cause to you my brethren of the Laity. The Clergy are inadequately supported. They are with us self-sacrificing men, and may bear penury and privation for themselves and their households while they are living and struggling. But it is too much to ask that they should encumber themselves with debts, and when dying, leave dishonor and a starving family behind them. To give permanency to the relationship existing between you, I have urged that parsonage-houses be erected in every Parish, and that the life of every Clergyman be insured by his Parish for the benefit of his family. The first will provide him a home, and call up a home-feeling in his heart; the second is the only mode in which, in a feeble Diocese, a fund may be raised for the support of the widows and children of deceased Clergymen.

The first will cause some struggle, but combined action in a Parish can accomplish it; the last, the life-insurance, costs little or no effort whatever. A life-premium, divided among the people, is too small to be named as an effort. I have urged these thoughts before, yet I must urge them again, for my duty must be discharged. I would not have you say hereafter, that your Bishop did not speak frankly and plainly.

Yet, in this Diocese, there are but two Rectories: the one belonging to Christ Church, St. Louis — which, though not what it should be, is still a shelter to the incumbent; — the other, I am rejoiced to say, neat and comfortable, erected since I urged my last counsel upon this subject, by the Parish of Christ Church, Boonville. As to life-insurance, I am not aware that any Parish in the Diocese has yet insured the life of its Pastor. When we meet again — if God should allow such meeting — I trust that I may report that these subjects have claimed your consideration.

I can not call your attention to any plan which may relieve the Episcopate of parochial duty. If I could, I would do so gladly, for I feel that the double duty thus laid upon me is too heavy for me, and injurious to the Diocese. I can only hope that some day I may be released, and thus enabled to mingle with you more freely in the Diocese; and that, at times, when I may seem long absent from you, you will bear in mind that my heart and prayers are with you, and that I would be with you myself but for the pressing Parish duties that keep me from you.

I have nothing to add further, except the request that this Address, or portions of it, may be read by every Pastor to his congregation, and my prayer that God's Hely Spirit may now guide you in all your deliberations.

The reports of the several committees were then called for.

The Committee on Unfinished Business made the following report:

The Committee on Unfinished Business beg leave respectfully to report, that, on reference to the Journal of last Convention, they find on page 19, a proposed Canon in relation to four collections to be taken up annually in each parish of the Diocese; also, on page 27, a proposed Canon in relation to the formation of a permanent fund for the support of the Episcopate.

J. W. DUNN, *Chairman.*

The Committee on Constitution and Canons reported as follows:

The Committee on Constitution and Canons respectfully report that they have had under consideration the references made to them, 1st, of an amendment to Canon III.; secondly, the proposed Canons, which may be found on pages 19 and 27 of the last Convention Journal.

The committee cannot see the wisdom of the proposed amendment to Canon III. They recommend that there be no change in that Canon.

It also seemed inexpedient to the committee to adopt the first of the proposed Canons, on page 19. In place thereof, the committee beg leave to propose the following resolution: *Resolved*, That this Convention earnestly recommends to every Parish in this Diocese, to make at least two collections every year for the support of Diocesan Missions.

The committee further recommend to this Convention the adoption of proposed Canon XVIII., which may be found on page 27 of our last Journal, as follows:

#### CANON XVIII.

It shall be the duty of every Minister, in every Parish in this Diocese, to make at least one collection in every year in aid of the formation of a permanent fund for the support of the Episcopate.

JOHN A. HARRISON, *Chairman*.

On motion, it was resolved that each part of this report be separately considered.

On motion, it was *Resolved*, That the proposition of the committee in reference to Canon III. be rejected.

On motion, the resolution proposed by the committee was adopted.

On motion, it was *Resolved*, That the proposed Canon XVIII. be adopted as a Canon of the Diocese.

On motion, it was *Resolved*, That Canon III. be amended so as to read as follows:

#### CANON III.—*Of Admission into Union with the Diocese.*

To enable a Parish or Congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention their Articles of Association; and further, that it be made to appear that such Parish or Congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and the Constitution and Canons in this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop, or, in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from a majority in the Standing Committee, that notice has been given him or them of the organization having taken place, and of his or their approval of the same.

On motion, the ballot being dispensed with, Mr. John Halsall was unanimously elected as Treasurer of this Convention.

On motion, *Resolved*, That 1,000 copies of the Journal of this Convention be printed and distributed under the direction of the Secretary; and that there be printed as an Appendix thereto, the Rules of Order adopted by this Convention, the Canons of this Diocese, the Reports of the several Parishes and Clergy and of the Orphan's Home, the Treasurer's Reports, and such other matter and forms as is usually attached to the same, or shall be considered by the Bishop conducive to the dissemination of information and a system of uniformity in the reports and business of the Diocese.

The report of the Select Committee of Five was then presented, and, on motion of the chairman of the committee, was laid for the present on the table.

There being a vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, from this Diocese, occasioned by the death of Josiah Spalding, Esq., it was unanimously *Resolved*, That R. N. Smith, Esq., of Lexington, be nominated to fill this office.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes then presented the following report:

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes respectfully report that they have received and examined the documents presented to them regarding the organization of the following Parishes, viz., St. Stephen's Church, Glasgow; St. John's Church, Weston; Christ Church, St. Joseph, and St. Ann's Church, Brunswick, and that they are all correct according to the provisions of Canon III., made and provided for such cases; and they therefore move that said Parishes be now received into union with this Convention.

D. G. ESTES,  
WM. A. LEACH,  
M. LEWIS CLARK, } *Committee.*

This report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

Certificates of Lay-delegates from these Parishes were then called for.

Testimonials of Lay-delegates from St. Ann's, Brunswick, being presented, were referred to Committee appointed to examine Testimonials of Lay-delegates to this Convention.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet this evening.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, FAYETTE,  
Saturday Evening, May 29th, 1852.

The Convention met according to appointment, when Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Leach; after which the Rite of Confirmation was administered by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop.

The Service being ended, the Committee on Testimonials presented the following report:

The Committee on Testimonials report the following gentlemen as entitled to seats in this Convention from St. Ann's Church, Brunswick, viz: Messrs. J. W. Stringfellow, B. F. Stringfellow, J. B. Barrett, Charles West.  
JNO. A. HARRISON.

The list of Lay-delegates from St. Ann's Parish, Brunswick, being then called by the Secretary, Mr. James W. Stringfellow answered, and took his seat.

The Committee on Finance presented their report, as follows:

The Standing Committee on Finance respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and find them generally correct, as follows:

1st. *Account with Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri.*

|                                             |         |
|---------------------------------------------|---------|
| The balance on hand from last year is ..... | \$14.52 |
| Amount collected during the year .....      | 321.10  |

|                                        |          |
|----------------------------------------|----------|
| Total in hands of Treasurer, 1852..... | \$335.62 |
|----------------------------------------|----------|

All which has been paid out in accordance with the directions of the President of the Standing Committee, without leaving any balance on hand.

2d. *Account with Fund for Contingent Expenses of Convention.*

|                                                                                           |         |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Balance on hand from last year is.....                                                    | \$41.92 |
| Amount collected during the year on back and current Assessments to several Parishes..... | 100.00  |

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|---------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Total in hands of Treasurer, 1852.....            | \$141.92 |
| Of which has been paid out for Contingencies..... | 74.00    |

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|-----------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Leaving a balance in the Treasurer's hands of ..... | \$67.92 |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------|

3d. *Account with Fund for Contingent Expenses of Episcopate.*

|                                                                                               |          |
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| Amount collected during the year on back and current Assessments to several Parishes, &c..... | \$142.50 |
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All which has been paid out to the Bishop of the Diocese.

The committee also report that they have examined the returns of assessments remaining unpaid at the close of the current year, and regret to find that three of the Parishes are still in arrears in payment of the assessments, as reported by the Treasurer in obedience to the Canon; but they hope that delinquents may find it convenient at an early day to meet the sums due from them, and that in future no delay may arise from inattention to this important duty.

All which is respectfully submitted.

[In behalf of Committee,]

M. LEWIS CLARK

On motion, it was *Resolved*, That this report be accepted and spread on the minutes of this Convention.

The Committee on Assessments presented their report, as follows:

The Committee on Assessments respectfully report the following as their assessments under Canons XIV. and XVI., being for the amounts deemed necessary during the current year to meet the contingent expenses of the Convention, and the support and expenses of the Episcopate, as given in the columns of the Table herewith presented, as follows:

*Assessments for 1852 and 1853.*

| Parishes Assessed.                  | Convention. | Episcopate. | Total.   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------|
| Christ Church, St. Louis.....       | \$25.00     | \$75.00     | \$100.00 |
| St. Paul's Church, " .....          | 5.00        | 15.00       | 20.00    |
| Christ Church, Boonville.....       | 5.00        | 15.00       | 20.00    |
| St. Paul's Church, Palmyra.....     | 3.00        | 9.00        | 12.00    |
| Trinity Church, St. Charles.....    | 3.00        | 9.00        | 12.00    |
| Grace Church, Jefferson City.....   | 3.00        | 9.00        | 12.00    |
| St. John's Church, St. Louis.....   | 5.00        | 15.00       | 20.00    |
| Grace Church, " .....               | 5.00        | 15.00       | 20.00    |
| St. George's Church, " .....        | 20.00       | 60.00       | 80.00    |
| Trinity Church, Hannibal.....       | 3.00        | 9.00        | 12.00    |
| Christ Church, Lexington.....       | 5.00        | 15.00       | 20.00    |
| St. Mary's Church, Fayette .....    | 4.00        | 12.00       | 16.00    |
| St. Stephen's Church, Glasgow ..... | 3.00        | 9.00        | 12.00    |
| St. John's Church, Weston .....     | 3.00        | 9.00        | 12.00    |
| Christ Church, St. Joseph.....      | 3.00        | 9.00        | 12.00    |
| St. Anne's Church, Brunswick.....   | 3.00        | 9.00        | 12.00    |
| Total of Assessments.....           | \$100.00    | \$300.00    | \$400.00 |

The committee recommend the adoption, by the Convention, of the Scale of Assessments as reported.

All which is respectfully submitted.

H. A. MASSIE, } Committee on  
M. LEWIS CLARK, } Assessments.



On motion, it was *Resolved*, That this report be accepted and the resolution be adopted.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the plan of Missionary operations, as adopted at last Convention, (see Journal of 1851, p. 23,) be still continued.

The report of the Select Committee on the support of the Episcopate was then called up and read as follows:

The Committee to whom was referred the resolution to devise some means for the permanent support of the Episcopate in this Diocese, ask leave to make the following report.

*Whereas* the Bishop of this Diocese is now, and has been since his election and consecration to the office, the Rector of Christ Church, in St. Louis, the largest Parish in the Diocese, requiring the unremitting attention of more than one Clergyman—duties that greatly encumber the office and functions of a Bishop, retard his usefulness in the same, and are more than should be laid on the shoulders of any one man; *and whereas* it is of the utmost importance to the young and growing Church in this State that its rightful Shepherd and Overseer should be released from all Parochial duties, and left free not only to visit and to exhort the Parishes now under his charge, but to go forth as a Missionary, in the spirit of his Apostolic predecessors, to preach to the people, remove prejudices, build up new churches, and promote the growth and influence of the Episcopal Church, and the spread of the Gospel thereby, in the great and influential State which in the providence of God has been assigned to him as a Diocese: *Therefore*,

*Be it Resolved by the Convention*, That an Agent shall be appointed by the Standing Committee, with the concurrence of the Bishop, whose duty it shall be to visit the State and other places, and solicit subscriptions in money, real estate, or other securities, to be invested in a permanent fund, the interest of which shall be appropriated to the support of the Episcopate in this Diocese.

2. *Resolved*, That the moneys and other means so collected or donated, after deducting the reasonable expenses of the Agent, shall be assigned or paid into the hands of a Treasurer to be appointed, whose duty it shall be to invest the same in stocks or mortgages as to him may seem best, and to report to the Convention from year to year the fund thus collected and appropriated to the support of the Episcopate.

3. *Resolved*, That the interest annually accruing from this fund shall in like manner be vested in permanent securities until the further order of the Convention.

H. A. GARLAND, *Chairman*.

On motion, the resolutions proposed by the committee were unanimously adopted.

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and J. Parker Doan, of St. Louis, was unanimously chosen to fill the office of Treasurer of Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate.

On motion, *Resolved*, That in case of vacancy, the Standing Committee of the Diocese, with the consent of the Bishop, is empowered to fill the same.

The Standing Committee then presented the following report:

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Missouri submit the following report.

Since the meeting of the last Annual Convention—held at Christ Church, Lexington, May 23d, 24th and 25th, 1851—seven meetings of the committee have been held, at which the following business has been transacted:

At the first meeting, July 30th, the President having laid before the Committee the certificate of the Secretary of the Diocese of Connecticut, announcing the election of the Rev. John Williams, D. D., as Assistant Bishop of that Diocese, and also the requisite testimonial in his favor; it was, on motion, *Resolved*, That this Committee do now proceed to sign the said testimonial, and that the Secretary be instructed to forward the same to the President of the Standing Committee of Connecticut, as evidence of our consent to the Consecration of the Rev. Dr. Williams. The testimonial was then duly signed.

At the second meeting, August 7th, the President announced that his place in the Standing Committee would soon be made vacant by his removal from the Diocese on letters dimissory from the Rt. Rev. Bishop to the Diocese of Connecticut. It was, on motion, *Resolved*, That we now proceed to elect a Clerical member to fill the place in the Standing Committee which will be left vacant by the removal of the Rev. D. P. Sanford. The Rev. William A. Leach, ministering in Christ Church, St. Louis, was duly elected.

On motion, the Rev. F. J. Clerc was appointed President, and the Rev. Wm. A. Leach, Secretary, of the Standing Committee.

At the third meeting, August 27th, on motion, it was *Resolved*, That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, the expenses incurred by the Clergy in making the Missionary visits ordered under a resolution of the last Diocesan Convention, be paid out of the Treasury of our Diocesan Missionary Society.

At the fourth meeting, Sept. 30th, it was moved and seconded, That the papers recommending the Rev. Henry J. Whitehouse, D. D., as

Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Illinois, be duly signed; which was unanimously carried.

At the fifth meeting, October 20th, on motion, it was *Resolved*, That the papers asking consent to the Consecration of the Rev. Wm. Creighton, D. D., as Provisional Bishop of the Diocese of New-York, be duly signed.

At the sixth meeting, March 2d, 1852, it was *Resolved*, That the papers recommending Frederic B. Sheets to the Holy Order of Deacons be duly signed.

It was further *Resolved*, That the moneys appropriated for Mission purposes, as recommended by the Bishop and ordered by Rev. Mr. Clerc, be approved as follows, viz: to the Rev. A. D. Corbyn, Missionary at Boonville, \$149.22.

At the seventh meeting, May 25th, it was *Resolved*, That the papers recommending the Rev. R. H. Weller to the Holy Order of the Priesthood be duly signed.

On the recommendation of the Bishop, the appropriation of ninety-eight dollars and ninety cents to the Rev. J. W. Dunn was approved.

In behalf of the Board,

WM. A. LEACH, *Secretary*.

It was then moved, that the next Annual Convention be held in Christ Church, St. Louis.

Amendments to this motion were made—1st, That the place of meeting be Grace Church, Jefferson City; 2d, Christ Church, Boonville; 3d, St. Paul's Church, Palmyra.

These amendments being lost, the original motion was carried.

The Minutes of this Convention, as presented by the Secretary, were then approved.

On motion, *Resolved*, That after Prayers this Convention adjourn *sine die*.

After Prayer and Benediction by the Bishop the Convention adjourned.

C. S. HAWKS,

*Bishop of Missouri.*

WM. A. LEACH,

*Secretary of Convention.*

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# Appendix.

## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

### CHRIST CHURCH, ST. LOUIS.

*Rt. Rev. C. S. HAWKS, D. D., Rector.*

The Rector makes the following report for the year ending May 28th, 1852 :

|                                           |     |
|-------------------------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms—Adults 7, infants 44—total ..... | 51  |
| Confirmed .....                           | 14  |
| Marriages .....                           | 10  |
| Communicants .....                        | 212 |
| Burials .....                             | 28  |

The offerings of the Parish during the same period have amounted to \$1,729.18, while the amount expended has been \$1,752.90—the sum expended exceeding receipts \$23.72. The appropriations have been as follows :

|                                                   |            |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------|
| To the Diocesan Missionary Society.....           | \$206.95   |
| “ Parsonage in Boonville .....                    | 187.00     |
| “ Missionary in Christ Church, Boonville.....     | 50.00      |
| “ St. James’ Church, Manitouwa, Wisconsin.....    | 114.00     |
| “ Missionary in Grace Church, Jefferson City..... | 150.00     |
| “ Christ Church, St. Louis.....                   | 405.05     |
| “ Gov. Clark Mission .....                        | 50.00      |
| “ St. Mary’s Church, Fayette .....                | 100.00     |
| “ Orphan’s Home.....                              | 100.00     |
| “ Convention assessment.....                      | 100.00     |
| “ Distributed to the poor.....                    | 289.90     |
|                                                   | <hr/>      |
|                                                   | \$1,752.90 |

To this should be added sums not falling into the hands of the Rector, but contributed by the parishioners of Christ Church :

|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| To the Orphan’s Home.....      | \$500.00 |
| “ Grace Church, St. Louis..... | 155.00   |

The interior of the Church edifice has been recently much improved. The chancel has been thrown further back in the building, and eight new pews have been added for the accommodation of worshippers, while at the same time gas-lights have been arranged.

In addition to the Sunday Services, the Church is open for Morning Prayer every day throughout the year. The Rector is sorry to say that he has no Assistant in the Parish.

Among the deaths recorded during the past year, is that of the late *Josiah Spalding*, Senior Warden of the Parish, and one of the most liberal contributors to the cause of CHRIST in the Diocese. He was such an example among us, that the Rector deems it right that the resolutions of the Vestry, passed at the time of his decease, should be added to this report. They were as follows:

"At a special meeting of the Board of Vestrymen of Christ Church, St. Louis, May 15th, the Rt. Rev. Bishop Hawks, Rector of the Parish, having announced the decease of *Josiah Spalding*, Esq., the Senior Warden of this Parish, the action of the Board was as follows:

"Whereas it hath pleased ALMIGHTY GOD, in His wise providence, to take out of this world the soul of our deceased brother, *Josiah Spalding*, Esq., for many years, and at the time of his departure, the Senior Warden of the Parish, which afflicting dispensation of Providence has now called us together—Therefore, this Board orders the following record:

"1. That our Senior Warden, *Josiah Spalding*, having departed this life on the morning of the 14th of May, 1852, this Board, with a deep sense of its loss, bows with un murmuring submission to the wise but unsearchable dispensations of ALMIGHTY GOD.

"2. That the deceased merits from this Board the highest respect, and warmest love, for his continued and dutiful services as Senior Warden of this Parish; and that his steady appointment to that office by our Rector, for years past, was a testimonial to his worth fully recognized by us, and meeting our most cordial feelings.

"3. That, as a living member of the Church of the Redeemer, the deceased was an example to all men; and that his modest sincerity, deep earnestness, and uncompromising truthfulness of Christian character, were embodied in his daily life, and were to be read of all men; for which we are deeply thankful to our Heavenly Father.

"4. That the dutiful, cheerful and abundant liberality of the deceased toward the support of this Parish, and every truly benevolent and charitable purpose, is well remembered by us, and, in this day of strange forgetfulness of Christian charity, is especially to be recorded; with the prayer, that all men calling themselves 'Christians' may be like-minded. He knew, and through life acted upon the conviction, that 'it is more blessed to give than to receive.'

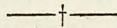
"5. That while this Parish has sustained the loss of a most earnest Christian and wise counsellor, this city has parted with one of its most valuable citizens—one who, for integrity of purpose, sincerity of design, truthfulness of action, and fidelity in every trust committed to him, may be pointed to with pride as a model of citizenship to our community.

"6. That this Board, bowing to this dispensation, trusts that the example of the deceased will not be lost to them individually. Their

hearts and hopes are embodied in that prayer of the Church, in which their departed brother has often joined with them—'We give Thee hearty thanks for the good examples of all those, Thy servants, who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labors. And we beseech Thee, that we, with all those who are departed in the true faith of Thy holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in Thy eternal and everlasting glory, through JESUS CHRIST our Lord.'

"7. That this Board in a body will attend the funeral of the deceased, not simply as a mark of respect, but one of unfeigned love and admiration for the character of our deceased brother.

"8. That a copy of this record be sent to the family of our deceased brother, together with the expression of our deep sympathy with them. We feel that they should not sorrow as those without hope; for 'if we believe that JESUS died and rose again, even so them also that sleep in JESUS will GOD bring with Him.'"



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

*Rev. WM. A. LEACH, Rector.*

The present Rector took charge of the Parish on the 16th day of November, 1851, since which time there have been—

|                                          |    |
|------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—Adults 4, infants 22—total..... | 26 |
| By late Rector—infants.....              | 4  |
| During the year.....                     | 30 |
| Confirmations .....                      | 30 |
| Communicants—No. last reported.....      | 76 |
| Added by removal.....                    | 2  |
| "    anew .....                          | 33 |
| Lost by death.....                       | 8  |
| "    removal.....                        | 7  |
| Present number.....                      | 96 |
| Marriages.....                           | 16 |
| Burials.....                             | 25 |

Amount of offerings to the poor, \$61.88; for Diocesan Missions, \$17; Domestic Missions, \$23.00; Foreign Missions, \$16.20; Sunday School, to Clark Mission, \$10.00—do. to Foreign Missions, \$1.90. Total, \$129.98. The Parishioners have given to the Weekly Offertory more liberally than could have been expected.

The Rector would take this opportunity to return thanks to the firm of Topping & Co., for the present of a piece of carpeting for the choir of the Church; to Mr. Jerome, for chairs for the chancel and choir; and to Mr. Harlow, for furnishing the vestry-room with a substantial wardrobe.

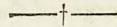
The condition of the Parish is very encouraging. It is hoped that, by the blessing of God, and the patient work of the "little flock," who seem not to be weary in well-doing, that, at no very distant day, a building will be erected suited to the pressing wants of that part of our prosperous city in which the Parish is situated.

## CHRIST CHURCH, BOONVILLE,

*Rev. D. G. ESTES, Rector Elect.*

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—Infants .....              | 5  |
| Adults .....                        | 5  |
| Confirmations.....                  | 8  |
| Communicants—No. last reported..... | 50 |
| Added by removal.....               | 4  |
| “    anew.....                      | 9  |
| Lost by removal.....                | 11 |
| “    death.....                     | 1  |
| Present number.....                 | 51 |
| Marriages .....                     | 1  |
| Burials.....                        | 5  |

The Rev. A. D. Corbyn resigned the Rectorship of this Parish in January, and was succeeded by the present Incumbent in February. Daily Morning Prayer, with a slight interruption, was maintained until Easter Tuesday; since then, Divine Service has been celebrated on all the Festivals and Fasts. A neat and commodious Rectory has been erected, in the same lot with the Church, at an expense of \$1.050. This Parish, it is thought, continues in its former healthy and prosperous condition.



## REPORT OF THE REV. WM. B. CORBYN,

*Rector of Gov. Clark Mission, and St. Paul's Church, Palmyra.*

During the year past I have been, as usual, wholly occupied with my duties in the Mission School. With the same energetic coadjutors as heretofore, I have been steadily aiming at the same purpose with which we began; that is to say, to make our Institution a thorough and complete College of the Church. This we still hope to do, and shall labor for as God gives us strength and opportunity. I am happy to report a steady increase both in the number of scholars and in our means of efficient action; and though cramped in many ways, and held in check by numberless obstacles, we are yet full of hope that our labors, even if we see little fruit in our own day, will so prepare the way, that those who come after us will work to good effect. Sixty boys have been members of the School during the past year. We have now twenty-two in the family. Of these twenty-two, we support three out of our own resources.

The great impediment with us, at present, is a want of proper buildings. We could soon double our present number of boys if we had room; as it is, we are crowded in every corner. Another great want is that of a chapel. We have, at present, no place for the decent celebration of Divine Service. We do the best we can, by using the largest of the study-rooms; and here we are joined, on Sundays and the principal holy days, by as many people of the village and neighborhood as our room can contain. With a suitable chapel, we should in a little time gather a large congregation around us.

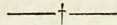
We have added materially to our accommodations during the past year, and hope to do so the present year. Among the tokens we



have that our Institution is remembered by those who love the Church, we are most happy to mention the gift of a very beautiful font, from the ladies of Christ Church, St. Louis; a neat set of Communion plate, from an officer in the U. S. Army; several valuable pieces of philosophical and chemical apparatus, from Maj. M. Lewis Clark, of St. Louis; ten dollars, from the children of St. Paul's Church, St. Louis; twenty-five dollars, from Dr. Shattuck, of Boston.

In the congregation that worship with us, I have baptised one adult and four infants. I have buried two adults and one infant, though none of them belonged, strictly speaking, to our congregation.

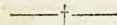
In conclusion, we have every encouraging prospect of complete success, provided the Church will give us the means of doing our work.



### TRINITY CHURCH, ST. CHARLES.

*Rev. F. J. CLERC, Missionary.*

Trinity Church, St. Charles, is one of the oldest Parishes in Missouri, having taken part in the organization of the Diocese. For several years it has been wholly destitute of Ministerial services; but, under the action of the last Convention, it has been visited three times in the past year, and has cheered the heart of the Minister serving in it. Detailed Missionary reports have been furnished to the Bishop. At this time I desire to add to the reports, that the organization of the Parish has been renewed by the election of Wardens and Vestrymen, and that the attendance of a delegation at Convention has only been prevented by circumstances. The contribution of the Parish to the Diocesan Missionary Treasury has greatly exceeded the expense of visiting it, although that has been unusually great; and a considerable amount of money has long lain in the hands of the Parish Treasurer, for future use in behalf of the Church. The present opening in St. Charles is deemed too favorable to be overlooked, and it is earnestly hoped that the Diocesan and the Convention will provide it with as many Services as possible.



### GRACE CHURCH, JEFFERSON CITY.

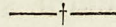
*Rev. R. H. WELLER, Minister.*

The Minister of this Parish makes the following report of official acts performed by him during the past year :

|                                        |    |
|----------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—Adult 1, infants 8—total..... | 9  |
| Confirmed.....                         | 3  |
| Communicants—Former number.....        | 10 |
| Added.....                             | 7  |
| Lost by removal.....                   | 2  |
| “ death.....                           | 1  |
| Present number.....                    | 14 |
| Marriages.....                         | 5  |
| Burials.....                           | 5  |

|                                      |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Money raised for Church repairs..... | \$232.24 |
| Other purposes.....                  | 11.70    |
|                                      | \$243.94 |

The prospect for the Church in this city is much better than could have been expected, from the length of time in which the people were without a Clergyman, and the difficulties with which it has had to contend. Owing to the energetic and zealous exertions of the ladies, the Church edifice has been neatly and tastefully fitted up; so that we now worship in one of the neatest, as well as most substantial, country churches in the Diocese. The thanks of the Parish are due to the Bishop for the present of a set of Communion plate. Looking back upon the past year with gratitude to the Great Head of the Church, we "thank God, and take courage;" for we can truly say, "hitherto hath the LORD helped us."



ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ST. LOUIS.

*Rev. F. J. CLERC, Rector.*

The Rector respectfully submits to the Rt. Rev. Diocesan the following report of his official acts, performed in this Parish during the past year:

- Baptisms 46 (adults 2; children, white 39, colored 5.)
- Confirmations 8.
- Burials 17.
- Marriages 12.
- Communicants—Number last reported 92.  
     Added anew 11—by removal 18.  
     Lost by death 3—by removal 11—stricken off 4.  
     Present number 103.
- Sunday School teachers 14—children 100.

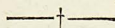
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| Contributions for Parochial purposes .....                | \$104.73 |
| Alms.....                                                 | 75.32    |
| Diocesan Society.....                                     | 53.35    |
| Assessments .....                                         | 15.00    |
| Foreign Missions.....                                     | 16.26    |
| New-York Bible and Com. Prayer Book Society .....         | 5.00     |
| Orphan's Home (subscriptions \$51—donations \$28.50)..... | 79.50    |
| A parishioner to the Clark Mission .....                  | 50.00    |
| Sunday School .....                                       | 16.48    |
|                                                           | \$415.64 |

Subscriptions already amounting to more than \$3,300 have also been contributed, mostly in the Parish, and available for the purpose of building a church so soon as \$5,000 shall be subscribed. A lot has been purchased during the past year for the sum of \$3,500, of which \$1,650 has been paid. It is the purpose of the Vestry to erect the church without indebtedness, and to complete the payments for the lot in two and three years' time. The Parish is engaged in a severe struggle, but it is hoped that it will act with unity and earnestness of purpose, and that its effort

will be seconded by the community in which it labors. Nothing but the difficulty of obtaining a subscription of \$1,700 stands in the way of its future prosperous career.

St. John's Church has been regularly opened for religious services on Sundays, festivals and fasts, and on all occasions the attendance has been larger than heretofore.

The Orphan's Home is still under the charge of the Rector of St. John's; and its annual report, submitted to the Bishop on Easter Tuesday last, is also presented.



### GRACE CHURCH, ST. LOUIS.

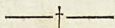
*Rev. W. H. WOODWARD, Rector.*

I entered on the labors of this Parish in the month of August last. There being no Vestry, my duties were prosecuted under the direction and counsel of the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese. On Easter Monday, a Vestry having been elected, and a call tendered to me to become the Rector of this Parish, I accepted the invitation on the 17th of April.

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—Adults .....               | 2  |
| Confirmations.....                  | 8  |
| Communicants—No. last reported..... | 35 |
| Added by removal.....               | 9  |
| Lost by removal.....                | 12 |
| Present number .....                | 32 |
| Marriages .....                     | 2  |
| Burials .....                       | 6  |
| Sunday School Teachers.....         | 6  |
| Scholars .....                      | 40 |

Contributions for Parochial purposes.....\$275.00

The Rector would take this opportunity of tendering the thanks of the Parish to several Churches in St. Louis for valuable assistance—to St. George's Church (Easter offering), \$115; to several members of Christ Church, \$155. The Parish has been also kindly remembered by several brethren in St. John's Church and St. Paul's Church.



### ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, ST. LOUIS.

*Rev. S. G. GASSAWAY, Associate Rector.*

During the year ending May 23d, 1852, there have been

Baptisms—Infant 16, adult 0—total 16.

Marriages 14.

Funerals 16.

Confirmed 10.

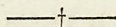
Communicants—Added 15—removed 2—died 1. The entire number can not be ascertained with sufficient accuracy to report at present. It

is hoped, however, that the registration will be perfected in time to report accurately to the next Convention.

|                                                               |          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Communion offerings (of 10 Sundays), appropriated to the poor | \$163.90 |
| Special collection for poor of St. Louis.....                 | 78.43    |
| “ “ “ Protestant Orphan Asylum.....                           | 72.00    |
| “ “ “ Orphan’s Home .....                                     | 77.50    |
| Collection at Jubilee of Soc. Prop. Gospel.....               | 60.00    |
| Thank-offering on Thanksgiving-day.....                       | 35.85    |
| Easter offerings.....                                         | 115.00   |

Total.....\$603.68

The temporal affairs of this Parish are in a prospering condition; and the Rector hopes that ere long the blessing of God may place its spiritual interests in an increasingly flourishing state.

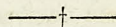


### TRINITY CHURCH, HANNIBAL.

*Rev. G. P. COMINGS, Missionary.*

For the past year my time has been almost wholly occupied in the duties of the Mission School. I have, however, been to Hannibal for a few occasional services. The statistics of the Parish at Hannibal are—

|                          |    |
|--------------------------|----|
| Communicants, about..... | 15 |
| Burials .....            | 2  |



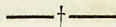
### CHRIST CHURCH, LEXINGTON.

*Rev. J. A. HARRISON, Rector.*

|                                                                                |    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—Adults 2, infants 8—total .....                                       | 10 |
| Confirmations.....                                                             | 3  |
| Marriages.....                                                                 | 3  |
| Burials.....                                                                   | 31 |
| Of whom 21 were victims of the explosion of the steamer Saluda, at this wharf. |    |
| Whole number of Communicants.....                                              | 41 |

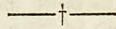
The Weekly Offertory continues in operation in this Parish. Divine Services are held, generally, twice every Sunday, and, when practicable, once on the other holy days of the Church, and on Fridays. Within the past year, the Church edifice has been furnished with neat pews.

Since the last Convention, the Rector of this Parish has made *three* Missionary visits to Independence. Each time he has held there Morning and Evening Services; once he administered the Holy Communion. There are now in Independence two Communicants; *two more*, at least, are understood to be residing in the neighborhood. Our Services there have been generally well attended; but, at present, it is a day of very small things for the Church in Independence.



## PARISH OF THE NATIVITY, BRIDGETON.

(Vacant—no report.)



## ST. MARY'S CHURCH, FAYETTE.

*Rev. J. W. DUNN, Rector.*

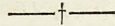
For the year ending the 28th of May, the Rector of St. Mary's Church, Fayette, respectfully reports to the Rt. Rev. Diocesan as follows:

|                                           |         |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|
| Baptisms—Infants.....                     | 2       |
| Adult.....                                | 1       |
| Confirmations.....                        | 5       |
| Communicants—No. last reported.....       | 15      |
| Added by removal.....                     | 5       |
| “    anew.....                            | 5       |
| Lost by removal.....                      | 2       |
| Present number.....                       | 23      |
| Marriages.....                            | 2       |
| Burial.....                               | 1       |
| Sunday School—Teachers.....               | 3       |
| Scholars.....                             | 27      |
| Contributions for Parochial purposes..... | \$20.00 |
| Extra “.....                              | 13.85   |

With the kind assistance of friends in St. Louis, the Church edifice has been handsomely painted.

The Rector further reports that he has celebrated Divine Service and preached monthly in Glasgow, at which place a Parish has been organized, and immediate steps will be taken to erect a Church building.

He has also celebrated Divine Service and preached six times in Columbia, twice in Rocheport, and once in Huntsville.



## CHRIST CHURCH, ST. JOSEPH.

*Rev. J. McNAMARA, Minister.*

The Service of the Church has been held, morning and evening, on every alternate Sunday since the 1st of September, 1851. A Parish was duly organized at Easter, 1852, by the name of Christ Church. A room has been fitted up for the holding of our Services, for which we pay a rent of \$100 per annum. The Holy Communion has been administered on the first Sunday of each month.

|                                           |    |
|-------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—Adults 2, children 14—total..... | 16 |
| Funerals.....                             | 4  |
| Communicants—Lost by removal.....         | 2  |
| Added.....                                | 1  |
| Present number.....                       | 7  |

Building lots can be secured for the church on easy terms. The prospects of the Church most encouraging for so new a field.

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WESTON.

*Rev. J. McNAMARA, Minister.*

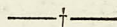
The Service of the Church has been held, morning and evening, on alternate Sundays since the 1st of September, 1851. A Parish was duly organized on December 13th, 1851, by the name of St. John's Church.

|                                          |    |
|------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—Adult 1, children 10—total..... | 11 |
| Confirmed .....                          | 1  |
| Communicants—Lost by removal.....        | 1  |
| Added.....                               | 2  |
| Present number.....                      | 8  |
| Marriages.....                           | 2  |
| Funeral.....                             | 1  |

A lot has been purchased for the church at a cost of \$500. Future prospects very encouraging.

In addition to these regular services, I have visited Savannah, Andrew Co., twice, and preached to large congregations. This is a town of 800 inhabitants. Several are desirous to have a stated service.

I have also visited Fort Leavenworth three times, on one of which visits I administered the Holy Communion to two persons. I feel greatly encouraged after my visits at this point. There are a few noble souls there who can not live satisfied without an occasional service of the Church.

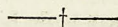


## ST. ANN'S CHURCH, BRUNSWICK.

*Rev. D. G. ESTES, Missionary.*

|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| Communicants..... | 5 |
|-------------------|---|

This Parish was organized on the 17th of the present month. Already, within its own limits, has the sum of eleven hundred and eighteen dollars been subscribed towards the erection of a church; and it is to be hoped, that the trifling assistance from abroad, necessary to put this Parish on a firm basis, will not be denied to those who manifest such a disposition to assist themselves.

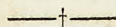


## REPORT OF THE REV. JOHN McCARTY,

*Post Chaplain at Jefferson Barracks.*

I send the following report of my official acts at this post (including a Funeral Service in the neighborhood) during the past year:

|                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—Adult.....              | 1  |
| Infants.....                     | 2  |
| Marriages.....                   | 3  |
| Funerals .....                   | 28 |
| Communicants—Present number..... | 8  |



## REPORT OF THE REV. ST. MICHAEL FACKLER,

*Missionary in Oregon—December 19, 1851.*

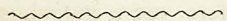
MY DEAR BISHOP:— You are no doubt aware of the action of the Domestic Board in sending Mr. Richmond here as a Missionary. He urged me to co-operate with him, which, indeed, I was very glad to do. We have organized five Parishes, in as many prominent places. I have the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Oregon City, and Grace Church, Marion County. The prospect is encouraging, but we need the fostering care of our brethren in the East to get fairly going.

My address is Oregon City, but my residence is 20 miles above, on the Willamette River.



## ORPHAN'S HOME REPORT,

*Made at the Annual Meeting held on Easter Tuesday, April 13, 1852,  
in Christ Church, St. Louis.*



The rolling year has brought us to the ninth anniversary of the Orphan's Home; and we return thanks to the Giver of all good for the protection which He has vouchsafed, according to His promise. The Board of Managers of the Institution respectfully present to the Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese, and to their other patrons, the following report.

As the health of our charge is a matter of great consideration, we will commence by stating that they have been peculiarly blessed in this respect. That twenty-six children, in one family, should remain eighteen months without a single death occurring—and not only this, but that they should escape without any serious illness, calls for an especial thanksgiving; it speaks volumes in praise of our invaluable Matron, and we deeply regret that her health has failed under her arduous duties.

As far as the comfort of the Orphans is concerned, we have a less flattering report to make. Twenty-six children and four grown persons crowded into a house intended for a family of ordinary size, in a closely-built street, is certainly not a desirable state of things; indeed, our good physician, Dr. Moses, has strongly remonstrated against our receiving a single child more, until we shall have more room. In consequence of this reasonable advice, we have felt ourselves under the sad necessity of refusing very many applications for admittance.

We have made several attempts to rent a more suitable house, but have not succeeded in doing so, and have finally concluded that our wisest course is to appeal earnestly to our friends and patrons to help

us, and to bend all our energies to the work of procuring a permanent and commodious Home.

We have, during the last year, received four children, and disposed of three. The eldest boy in the Institution, Thomas Mooney, has been bound to a gentleman in Illinois; one has been adopted by a lady, and the third returned to his remaining parent.

We are sorry to report that the list of our subscribers is still far too small to meet the current expenses. We have received from this source only \$730, and our expenses have been \$1,162.13. The numerous and liberal donations of our friends, which amount to \$350, together with the last year's unexpended balance of \$139.75, have supplied the deficiency, and our treasury at present contains \$57.62. This a source, however, which cannot be depended upon, and we much regret the lack of regular and systematic charity.

Our distant friend, Mrs. Maj. Maclin, of Fort Leavenworth, still keeps us near her heart; we have received her yearly subscription, and that of her son. We cannot refrain from mentioning one other of our friends who has distinguished himself by his unflinching liberality, which seems to increase by being indulged—we mean Mr. D. A. January.

We have now on hand, as a building fund, \$3,205.15, of which \$412.50 is a donation from Messrs. Ludlow & Smith. For this, and their repeated acts of kindness, we proffer them our thanks.

An estimate of the probable cost of suitable buildings has been procured, amounting to about \$8,000. This will leave the sum of \$4,800, to be raised by further subscriptions or donations.

We have now laid before you a statement of the welfare and the wants of our children.

It has been the high privilege of but one human being to pour precious oil on the head of our Lord, filling the air with fragrance, which has hung around the deed to this day; but our good Lord, knowing the charm that there is in acts of personal kindness to those we love, has been graciously pleased to say, that He would consider such acts as the one we now call you to perform, as done unto Himself; and surely, to change the wailing cry of *one* of those infants that we are forced, unwillingly, to turn from our door, into the merry laugh of a child at home, will be more agreeable to Him than the grateful odor of the costly perfume.

We were about to wish for the pen of an angel to persuade you to come to the help of the fatherless; but what could an angel write more urgent or persuasive than what God hath already written? We commend you to His Word.



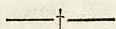


## TREASURER'S REPORTS.

### Diocese of Missouri in Acc't with J. Halsall, Treasurer.

|          |                                                                                   |                |          |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------|
| 1851.    |                                                                                   |                |          |
| May 19,  | To Am't on hand.....                                                              |                | \$41.92  |
| 24,      | “ Rec'd fm. St. Mary's Church, Fayette, 1850-'51..                                | 5.00           |          |
| 31,      | “ “ Christ Church, Lexington .....                                                | 5.00           |          |
| June 17, | “ “ St. John's Church, St. Louis.....                                             | 5.00           |          |
| 21,      | “ “ Christ Church, Boonville .....                                                | 5.00           |          |
| 1852.    |                                                                                   |                |          |
| Ap'l 30, | “ “ Grace Church, Jefferson City, 1851-'52.                                       | 5.00           |          |
| May 1,   | “ “ St. Paul's Church, St. Louis.....                                             | 5.00           |          |
| 22,      | “ “ St. Mary's Church, Fayette.....                                               | 5.00           |          |
| 22,      | “ “ St. Paul's Church, Palmyra.....                                               | 5.00           |          |
| 22,      | “ “ Christ Church, St. Louis.....                                                 | 30.00          |          |
| 22,      | “ “ St. George's Church, St. Louis.....                                           | 30.00          |          |
|          |                                                                                   |                | \$141.92 |
| 1851.    |                                                                                   | CONTRA CREDIT. |          |
| July 31, | By Am't paid Rev. Mr. Clerc, Secretary of Standing<br>Committee, for postage..... | \$ 6.00        |          |
| Aug. 6,  | By Am't paid G. K. Budd on account of printing Jour-<br>nals, 1850-'51.....       | 50.00          |          |
| 1852.    |                                                                                   |                |          |
| May 22,  | By Am't paid balance on above.....                                                | 18.00          |          |
| 24,      | “ Balance on hand.....                                                            | 67.92          |          |
|          |                                                                                   |                | \$141.92 |

J. HALSALL, *Treasurer.*



### Support of the Episcopate in Acc't with J. Halsall, Treas'r.

|           |                                                        |                |          |
|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------|
| 1851.     |                                                        |                |          |
| May 22,   | To Am't rec'd fm. St. Mary's Church, Fayette, '50-51.. | \$10.00        |          |
| 31,       | “ “ Christ Church, Lexington.....                      | 10.00          |          |
| June 21,  | “ “ Christ Church, Boonville .....                     | 10.00          |          |
| Sep. 12,  | “ “ St. John's Church, St. Louis .....                 | 10.00          |          |
| Nov. 7,   | “ “ Christ Church, St. Louis.....                      | 70.00          |          |
| 1852.     |                                                        |                |          |
| April 12, | “ “ St. Paul's Church, St. Louis .....                 | 10.00          |          |
| 30,       | “ “ Grace Ch., Jefferson City, on acc't...             | 2.50           |          |
| May 22,   | “ “ St. Paul's Church, Palmyra .....                   | 10.00          |          |
| 22,       | “ “ St. Mary's Church, Fayette .....                   | 10.00          |          |
|           |                                                        |                | \$142.50 |
| 1851.     |                                                        | CONTRA CREDIT. |          |
| June 21,  | By Am't paid Rt. Rev. Bishop Hawks.....                | \$30.00        |          |
| Nov. 7,   | “ “ “ .....                                            | 70.00          |          |
| May 22,   | “ “ “ .....                                            | 42.50          |          |
|           |                                                        |                | \$142.50 |

JOHN HALSALL, *Treasurer.*

Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri in Acc't with  
J. Halsall, Treasurer.

1851.

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|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| May 19,   | To Balance on hand .....                                      | \$14.52 |
| June 23,  | To Am't rec'd from St. John's Church, St. Louis.....          | 15.00   |
| 24,       | " " R. Lamar, Esq. (by the Bishop).....                       | 5.00    |
| 24,       | " " Christ Church, Boonville .....                            | 10.00   |
| 24,       | " " Grace Church, Jefferson City.....                         | 4.20    |
| July 2,   | " " Christ Church, Lexington.....                             | 5.00    |
| Aug. 9,   | " " St. Mary's Church, Fayette.....                           | 5.00    |
| 18,       | " " Christ Church, St. Louis .....                            | 86.95   |
| Sept. 11, | " " St. John's Church, St. Louis.....                         | 5.10    |
| Oct. 21,  | " " St. Paul's Church, St. Louis (Jubilee<br>collection)..... | 17.00   |
| Nov. 8,   | " " St. John's Church, St. Louis.....                         | 6.65    |
| Dec. 11,  | " " " " " .....                                               | 13.20   |

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|---------|------------------------------------------|--------|
| May 18, | " " Trinity Church, St. Charles .....    | 18.00  |
| 22,     | " " Offerings Christ Church, St. Louis.. | 120.00 |
| 25,     | " " Mrs. E. Wills (by the Bishop).....   | 10.00  |

\$335.62

## CONTRA CREDIT.

1851.

|          |                                                        |        |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Aug. 9,  | By Am't paid Rev. J. W. Dunn, Missionary at Fayette,   | \$5.00 |
| Sept. 9, | " " Missionary at Boonville.....                       | 79.22  |
| 9,       | " " " " for expense of two<br>visits to Brunswick..... | 10.00  |
| 9,       | " " Rev. F. J. Clerc, visit to St. Charles.....        | 2.00   |
| Nov. 8,  | " " Rev. A. D. Corbyn, Missionary, Boonville           | 40.00  |

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|----------|---------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Jan. 27, | " " " " " .....                                   | 30.00 |
| Ap'l 13, | " " Rev. J. W. Dunn, " Fayette..                  | 20.00 |
| 30,      | " " Rev. Mr. Weller, visits to Fulton.....        | 7.50  |
| May 4,   | " " Rev. F. J. Clerc, 2 visits to St. Charles ... | 11.00 |
| 4,       | " " Rev. A. D. Corbyn, Missionary, Boonville      | 27.00 |
| 22,      | " " Rev. Mr. Harrison, visit to Independence..    | 5.00  |
| 25,      | " " Rev. J. W. Dunn, Missionary at Fayette..      | 98.90 |

\$335.62

JOHN HALSALL, Treasurer.

## Abstract of Assessments remaining unpaid May 22, 1852.

## FOR SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

|                                                     |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------|
| St. George's Church, St. Louis, 1850-'51.....       | \$70.00  |
| “ “ “ 1851-'52.....                                 | 70.00    |
| *Grace Church, North St. Louis, 1850-'51.....       | 10.00    |
| * “ “ “ 1851-'52.....                               | 10.00    |
| Trinity Church, Hannibal, balance due 1850-'51..... | 5.50     |
| “ “ “ 1851-'52.....                                 | 10.00    |
| Grace Church, Jefferson City, 1850-'51.....         | 10.00    |
| “ “ “ 1851-'52.....                                 | 7.50     |
|                                                     | <hr/>    |
| Total amount of deficiency.....                     | \$193.00 |

## FOR CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

|                                                     |         |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------|
| *Grace Church, St. Louis, 1850-'51.....             | \$5.00  |
| Grace Church, Jefferson City, balance 1846-'47..... | .50     |
| “ “ “ 1849-'50.....                                 | 5.00    |
| “ “ “ 1850-'51.....                                 | 5.00    |
| St. George's Church, St. Louis, 1846-'47.....       | 25.00   |
| Trinity Church, Hannibal, 1846-'47.....             | 5.00    |
| “ “ “ 1847-'48.....                                 | 5.00    |
|                                                     | <hr/>   |
| Total amount .....                                  | \$50.50 |

## RECAPITULATION.

| Unpaid Assessments on Parishes.     | Diocese. | Episcopate. | Total.   |
|-------------------------------------|----------|-------------|----------|
| St. George's Church, St. Louis..... | \$25.00  | \$140.00    | \$165.00 |
| Trinity Church, Hannibal.....       | 10.00    | 15.50       | 25.50    |
| Grace Church, Jefferson City.....   | 10.50    | 17.50       | 28.00    |
|                                     | <hr/>    | <hr/>       | <hr/>    |
| Total.....                          | \$45.50  | \$173.00    | \$218.00 |

\* These amounts have since been paid.



Special attention is called to the annexed Canons of the General and Diocesan Conventions; the Resolutions adopted by the last Diocesan Convention; the Circular to the Clergy, by the Bishop of the Diocese; and the proposed amendment of Art. V. of the Constitution, as agreed upon by the General Convention, 1850.

CANON VIII. OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

*Of the mode of securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church from time to time.*

SECTION 1. As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every Minister of this Church shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, and of the number of Communicants in his Parish or Church, and of all other matters that may throw light on the state of the same. And every other Clergyman, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church, shall also report the occasional services he may have performed; and if he have performed no such services, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in Convention, and shall be entered on the Journals thereof.

CANON XII. OF THE DIOCESE OF MISSOURI.

*Of Attending the Meetings of the Convention.*

SECTION 1. Whereas the regular attendance of the Clergy and Laity at the meetings of the Convention is of essential consequence to the interests of the Church, this duty is hereby enjoined upon them.

SEC. 2. And whereas it is often necessary to travel a considerable distance to the place of meeting of the Convention, it is hereby made the duty of the different Parishes to make provision for the expenses of their Clergy in attending the Convention.

SEC. 3. No member of this Convention shall leave the same during its session without having applied for and obtained leave of absence.

CANON XVI. OF THE DIOCESE OF MISSOURI.

*Of Support of the Episcopate.*

At each stated meeting of the Convention, a Committee shall be appointed for the purpose of assessing upon the several Parishes in the Diocese, the amount to be paid for the support of the Bishop, which amount shall be paid by the Vestries of the Parishes and paid semi-annually to the Treasurer of the Convention.

CANON XVIII. OF THE DIOCESE OF MISSOURI.

*Of Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate.*

It shall be the duty of every Minister, in every Parish in this Diocese, to make at least one collection in every year in aid of the formation of a permanent fund for the support of the Episcopate.

## RESOLUTIONS OF THE CONVENTION OF 1852.

*Whereas* the Bishop of this Diocese is now, and has been since his election and consecration to the office, the Rector of Christ Church, in St. Louis, the largest Parish in the Diocese, requiring the unremitting attention of more than one Clergyman—duties that greatly encumber the office and functions of a Bishop, retard his usefulness in the same, and are more than should be laid on the shoulders of any one man; *and whereas* it is of the utmost importance to the young and growing Church in this State that its rightful Shepherd and Overseer should be released from all Parochial duties, and left free not only to visit and to exhort the Parishes now under his charge, but to go forth as a Missionary, in the spirit of his Apostolic predecessors, to preach to the people, remove prejudices, build up new churches, and promote the growth and influence of the Episcopal Church, and the spread of the Gospel thereby, in the great and influential State which in the providence of God has been assigned to him as a Diocese: *Therefore,*

*Be it Resolved by the Convention,* That an Agent shall be appointed by the Standing Committee, with the concurrence of the Bishop, whose duty it shall be to visit the State and other places, and solicit subscriptions in money, real estate, or other securities, to be invested in a permanent fund, the interest of which shall be appropriated to the support of the Episcopate in this Diocese.

2. *Resolved,* That the moneys and other means so collected or donated, after deducting the reasonable expenses of the Agent, shall be assigned or paid into the hands of a Treasurer to be appointed, whose duty it shall be to invest the same in stocks or mortgages as to him may seem best, and to report to the Convention from year to year the fund thus collected and appropriated to the support of the Episcopate.

3. *Resolved,* That the interest annually accruing from this fund shall in like manner be vested in permanent securities until the further order of the Convention.

*Resolved,* That this Convention earnestly recommends to every Parish in this Diocese, to make at least two collections every year for the support of Diocesan Missions.

*Resolved,* That, with the assent of the Vestry, it shall be the duty of every stated Minister in this Diocese, to devote one Sunday in every three months to Missionary labor, under the direction of the Bishop as to time and place.

## CIRCULAR TO THE CLERGY.

ST. LOUIS, *June 10, 1852.*

REV. AND DEAR BRETHREN,—

At our last annual Convention the following resolution was passed unanimously:—“*Resolved*, That, with the assent of the Vestry, it shall be the duty of every settled Minister in this Diocese, to devote one Sunday in every three months to Missionary labor, under the direction of the Bishop as to time and place.” (Vide Journal.)

With the hope that, under the present pressing wants of this young Diocese, every Vestry will gladly meet the resolution, I proceed to mark your duty as follows.\*

I say nothing as to the *time* of the four visits, because I think that the Parochial Clergy will know best as to the time when they may make the visits. After every visit, I will thank you to send me a report, under the following heads:

1. Place visited and date of visit.
2. Names of persons Baptized.
3. Names of Communicants.
4. Names of persons friendly to the Church.
5. What amount will be paid towards the support of a settled Pastor.
6. Names of candidates for Confirmation.
7. General remarks as to place, prospects, &c.
8. Amount of expense incurred in making your visit.

The expense incurred will be met by our Diocesan Missionary Society. To carry out the resolution, it will be necessary that contributions be received by our Missionary Society in accordance with another resolution. (See last Journal.) “*Resolved*, That this Convention earnestly recommends to every Parish in this Diocese, to make at least two collections every year for the support of Diocesan Missions.”

With prayers that God’s blessing may rest upon our efforts to supply the destitution of our brethren,

I am yours, affectionately,

C. S. HAWKS.

\* The visits of the Clergy will be as follows:

- The Rev. F. J. Clerc will visit St. Charles, Bridgeton and Hermann.  
 “ “ J. W. Dunn will visit Columbia, Rocheport and Glasgow.  
 “ “ D. G. Estes will visit Brunswick and Georgetown.  
 “ “ S. G. Gassaway will visit Manchester.  
 “ “ J. A. Harrison will visit Independence.  
 “ “ W. A. Leach will visit Louisiana, Clarksville, Prairieville and Bowling-Green.  
 “ “ R. H. Weller will visit Fulton.  
 “ “ W. H. Woodward will visit Carondelet.  
 “ “ Joseph Adderly will visit LaGrange.  
 “ “ J. McNamara will visit Savannah, Platte City and Fort Leavenworth.

Proposed Amendment of Article V. of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U. S. A., as agreed upon in General Convention, 1850.

(See Journal, pp. 72, 83, 85.)

*Resolved*, The House of Bishops concurring, that it is expedient to amend the Constitution, by substituting for the Fifth Article of the Constitution, the following Article :

ARTICLE V.

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any Territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and a new Diocese to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions :

No new Diocese shall be formed, or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each Diocese concerned, as well as of the General Convention.

In case one Diocese shall be divided into two Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached; and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof. And the assistant Bishop, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

Whenever the division of the Diocese into two Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the two Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

*Resolved*, That, the House of Bishops concurring, the above amendment be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions.



## RULES OF ORDER.

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1. The business of every day shall be introduced with Prayers.
2. The minutes of the Journal for the day preceding shall be read every morning at the opening of the Convention.
3. The President shall appoint the several Committees, unless the Convention shall otherwise order.
4. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the chair.
5. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.
6. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
7. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave from the House.
8. When a question has been once determined, it shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not again be drawn into debate, except on motion for reconsideration, which must be made by a member who had previously voted in the majority.
9. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit, to postpone, or lay it upon the table; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.
10. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the decision.
11. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless it be seconded, and when required, reduced to writing.
12. All questions of order shall be decided in the first instance by the Chair, without debate; an appeal, however, may be made from his decision by any member of the same.
13. The President shall, in his discretion, select within the limits of those pews allotted for the use of the members, pews for the accommodation of visiting Clergymen and Students of Theology, who may be invited to the same by the President, without any special application to the Convention.
14. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended, without the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.
15. Immediately after the organization of the Convention, the following standing committees shall be appointed, each to be composed of three members, viz :
  - A Committee on Admission of New Parishes.
  - A Committee on the Constitution and Canons.
  - A Committee on Unfinished Business.
  - A Committee on Finance.



## CONSTITUTION

OF THE

**Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri.**

ARTICLE 1. This Church acknowledges the authority of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

ART. 2. There shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri, on the fourth Friday in May in each year, in such place as shall be determined by the Convention. In the event of the prevalence of any epidemic disease, or for other sufficient cause, occurring after the designation of the place of meeting of the Annual Convention, the Bishop, or in case of his inability to act, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee may appoint another place for the meeting of the Convention.

ART. 3. The Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions when he may judge it important to the good of the Church, or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee hereinafter provided for; or in the case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special Convention, and shall do so, if applied to for the purpose by a majority of the Clergy entitled to seats in the Convention; and in case of the call of such special Convention, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to transmit to each Clergyman and Parish in the Diocese, by letter, reasonable notice of the time and place thereof.

ART. 4. The Convention shall be composed of the officiating Ministers, being regularly admitted and settled in some Church within this Diocese, which is in union with this Convention; and of lay members, consisting of one or more delegates, not exceeding four, from each Church, to be chosen by the Vestry or Congregation. And Clergymen who shall have been employed as Missionaries of the Church within this Diocese, for six months preceding a Convention, and Clergymen engaged as Professors and Instructors of youth in any College, Academy, or General Seminary of Learning, duly incorporated, and under the control of the Protestant Episcopal Church, may be members of the Convention.

ART. 5. Every Convention shall be opened with prayers and a sermon; and the preacher shall be nominated by the Bishop; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee.

ART. 6. In case of a vacancy of the Episcopate, or necessary absence of the Bishop, the members of the Convention shall elect a President from among the Clergy.

ART. 7. In all matters which shall come before the Convention, the Clergy and Laity shall deliberate in one body; and, in voting, the Clergy shall vote by individuals, and the Laity by congregations; and when more than one Church or Chapel shall be united under one Vestry, the delegates of such Vestry shall be entitled to a vote for each Church or Chapel, and a majority of votes of the two orders jointly shall be decisive; but, if in any case it be required by five votes, the two orders shall vote separately in the manner aforesaid, and the concurrence of a majority of each order shall be necessary to constitute a decision. In the case of electing a Bishop, the two orders shall always vote separately, agreeably to the mode as prescribed.

ART. 8. A Secretary shall be chosen upon the assembling of the Annual Convention, who shall remain in office until the meeting of the next Annual Convention, and until a successor be appointed. His duty shall be to take minutes of their proceedings, to preserve their Journals and Records, to attest the public acts of the body, and faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Convention, which may be in his possession. It shall also be his duty to give due notice to each Minister and Vestry of the time and place appointed for the meeting of the succeeding Convention.

ART. 9. At least three Clergymen and the Lay Delegates from three Parishes shall be necessary, as a quorum, for the transaction of business; provided, however, that a less number shall have power to adjourn from day to day.

ART. 10. There shall be chosen, by ballot, at each Annual Convention, a committee, consisting of three Presbyters and two laymen, which shall be called the Standing Committee, three of whom, two being Clergymen, shall constitute a quorum.

At their first meeting they shall appoint one of the Presbyters of their body to be their President, and another of their number to be their Secretary, whose duty it shall be to keep regular minutes of all proceedings and business of the Standing Committee, to preserve them carefully recorded in a book provided for that purpose alone, to preserve the originals of all letters and papers addressed to the Standing Committee, to attest

their public acts, to perform such other duties as they require, and faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor all books, papers and letters relative to the concerns of the Standing Committee which may have been entrusted to him.

The Standing Committee may make such regulations for the promotion of business as they may think proper, provided such regulations be not at variance with the Constitution and Canons of this Church.

The minutes of the proceedings of the Standing Committee, and all papers and letters in their hands relating to the concerns of the Church, shall always be subject to the inspection and examination of the Bishop and the Convention.

The Standing Committee shall have power to fill vacancies in their numbers, and it shall be their duty to do so, as soon as practicable, after a vacancy shall occur.

ART. 11. The election of a Bishop of the Diocese shall be made in a stated Annual Convention, or in a Convention called by the Standing Committee, and stated by them to be for that purpose, and not to meet before the expiration of sixty days from the date of their resolution to call said Convention, which resolution shall, on the day following its passage, be communicated by them to every Clergyman and Parish in the Diocese, by letter, by mail, and published in three or more public papers. In the choice of a Bishop, no person shall be elected until he shall have received the votes of the majority of the Clergy and of the Parishes entitled to seats in the Convention.

ART. 12. The mode of altering the Constitution shall be as follows: A proposition for an amendment shall be introduced in writing, and considered in the Convention; and, if approved of, shall lie over to the next stated Convention; and, if again approved of in the next ensuing Convention, by a majority of the two orders voting thereon separately, and concurring, the change shall take place, and the Constitution so altered shall be valid and obligatory.



## CANONS.

CANON I.—*Of a List of the Clergy.*

SECTION 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop, or, in his absence, the Standing Committee, shall cause to be prepared a list of all Ministers canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective cures, parishes, or stations, or of the Institution of Learning, duly incorporated, in which they are engaged—and in regard to such as are not engaged in Parishes, Missions, Institutions of Learning as above, their places of residence only—specifying, at the same time, who, of any class, are Deacons; but no Clergyman, while suspended from the Ministry, shall have a place on such list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom; and those entitled by the fourth article of the Constitution, shall thereupon take their seats. The same shall be prefixed to the Journal and form a part thereof.

SEC. 2. When the right of any Clergyman to a seat in this Convention is disputed, it shall be determined by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid or omitted.

CANON II.—*Of Members of the Convention.*

SECTION 1. The evidence of the regular admission of a Clergyman into the Diocese, and the evidence of settlement in a Parish thereof, shall consist in proof satisfactory to the Convention of a compliance with the Canons of this Diocese, and the Canons of the General Convention in that behalf for the time being. In all cases of a contested right to a seat, the evidence of employment as a Missionary, shall consist in the certificate of the Bishop; or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, of the President of the Standing Committee. The evidence of the connection of a Clergyman with a Seminary of Learning, duly incorporated, and under the control of the Protestant Episcopal Church, shall consist, also, in the certificate of the Bishop; or, in case of a vacancy of the Episcopate, of the President of the Standing Committee.

SEC. 2. The appointment of a Lay Delegate to the Convention of this Diocese, shall be certified in writing by the Rector of the Parish of which he is a representative, or by one of the Wardens, or by the Secretary of the Vestry of such Parish; and no Lay Delegate shall be

entitled to a seat in the Convention unless he be entitled to vote for Wardens and Vestrymen of the Parish which he is appointed to represent; and no candidate for Holy Orders in the Church shall be entitled to a seat as a Lay Delegate to this Convention.

CANON III.—*Of Admission into Union with the Diocese.*

To enable a Parish or Congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention their Articles of Association; and further, that it be made to appear that such Parish or Congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and the Constitution and Canons in this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop, or, in case of his absence, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from a majority in the Standing Committee, that notice has been given him or them of the organization having taken place, and of his or their approval of the same.

CANON IV.—*Of Election of Vestries.*

SECTION 1. On Easter Monday, in every year, the parishioners of each Parish shall elect a Vestry, to consist of not less than three, nor more than thirteen members.

SEC. 2. From their number, the Rector shall appoint a Senior Warden, and the Vestry shall elect a Junior Warden; one of whom shall preside in the absence of the Rector. They shall also elect a Secretary, whose duty it shall be to take minutes of the proceedings of the Vestry, and to perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully deliver into the hands of his successor all books and papers relative to the concerns of the Church which may be in his possession.

SEC. 3. The Vestry shall continue in office until their successors shall be appointed.

SEC. 4. The duties of the Vestry shall be to take charge of the property of the Parish; attend to, and regulate all its temporal concerns; to provide for the support of the Rector, and, in case of his death, resignation or removal, with the advice and consent of the Bishop, to supply his place as soon as possible.

CANON V.—*Of Deputies to General Convention.*

SECTION 1. The Convention shall, at each regular annual meeting, elect, by concurrent ballot of the clerical and lay members, four Clergymen and four Laymen, to act as deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention.

SEC. 2. One month before the meeting of the General Convention,

should either of said delegates find himself unable to attend, he shall signify his inability to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Standing Committee; whereupon, it shall be the duty of said Committee, with the consent of the Bishop, if there be one, to supply the vacancy or vacancies so created.

CANON VI.—*Of Parish Registers and Parochial Reports.*

SECTION 1. The Parish Register, required by the Canon of the General Convention, shall specify the name and time of the birth of the child baptised, with the names of the parents and sponsors; the name of the adult baptised; the names of the parties married, and the place where the marriage was solemnized; the names of the persons buried; and also the time when each rite was performed. These registers shall be kept by the minister in a book, to be provided for that purpose, belonging to the Vestry of each Parish; which book shall be the Parish Register, and shall be preserved by the Vestry as a part of the Records of the Parish. The list of communicants shall embrace all within his cure, as nearly as can be ascertained; and in his annual Parochial Report, he shall distinguish the additions, removals, and deaths, since the last report. He shall also keep a list of the families and adult persons in his cure, so far as practicable, and also an accurate list of persons confirmed from time to time by the Bishop.

SEC. 2. In every case where a Parish is destitute of a minister, the Register contemplated by this Canon shall be kept by the Wardens, or by some person appointed by the Vestry for that purpose.

SEC. 3. Whenever a Clergyman shall perform any service in a Parish of which he has not the charge, the records required by the Canons of the General Convention shall be made in the Register of that Parish. But if the acts performed be beyond the limits of any Parish where there is a Book of Records, then they shall be recorded in the Register of the Parish of which he has charge, and the record shall state where the acts were performed; and if the acts be performed by a minister who has no regular cure, and beyond the limits of any Parish, then, in addition to the private register required by the General Convention, he shall report all baptisms so performed, in writing, to this Convention, which report shall be a complete copy of the record, and contain the name of the place where each act was performed. And it shall be the duty of the Secretary of this Convention to copy the same into a book to be kept for that purpose.

CANON VII.—*Of the Standing Committee.*

SECTION 1. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the powers and

duties to be performed by the Bishop, in matters of discipline, shall be performed by the Standing Committee, except in those cases where such powers and duties are, or may be, specially delegated to, or enjoined upon the clerical members of said Committee; in which cases such powers and duties shall be exercised by said clerical members alone; provided that no sentence shall be pronounced upon a Clergyman but by a Bishop.

SEC. 2. In addition to the usual duties of the Standing Committee, they shall have power to make drafts upon the Treasurer for all moneys appropriated by the Convention, and these drafts shall always be signed by the President or Chairman of the Committee.

CANON VIII.—*Of Vacant Parishes.*

SECTION 1. Whenever a Parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry to give immediate notice thereof to the Bishop.

SEC. 2. The Bishop shall appoint those of the Clergy in the Diocese who can, with most convenience, discharge the duty, to supply such vacant Parishes as have been reported to him, at such times as may be deemed convenient and proper. It shall be the duty of such vacant Parishes thus supplied, to defray all the expenses incident to such occasional services.

SEC. 3. No Clergyman shall take charge of any Parish in this Diocese, or be a minister or assistant minister in any Parish, without having first obtained the written consent of the Bishop, or, in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. Nor shall any Clergyman, having the charge of a Parish, relinquish the same without the written consent of the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee.

CANON IX.—*Of Elections.*

All the officers of this Convention shall be elected by ballot, and shall continue in office until others shall be chosen; provided, that, by unanimous consent, elections by ballot may be dispensed with.

CANON X.—*Of the Treasurer.*

SECTION 1. At every stated Convention, there shall be chosen a Treasurer of the Convention. It shall be his duty to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. He shall be subject to the direction of the Standing Committee in relation to the mode and place of depositing the funds received by him, and the manner of paying them out, and his accounts and books shall be at all times subject to the inspection of the Standing Committee, or any member

thereof. Before entering on the duties of his office, he shall give a bond to the Standing Committee, in such penalty and with such surety as they shall direct, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties, and for the delivery over to his successor of all funds, securities, books and papers pertaining to his office.

SEC. 2. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention, and shall be examined by a committee appointed for the purpose, who shall report upon the same to the Convention.

SEC. 3. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by an appointment, to be made by the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and the person so appointed shall continue to act until an appointment is made by the Convention. The Treasurer may be removed at any time from his office, by the Standing Committee, for any neglect or misconduct, of which they shall be judges.

CANON XI.—*Of the Secretary of the Convention.*

SECTION 1. In addition to the duties of the Secretary, prescribed in the eighth article of the Constitution, he shall transmit, annually, to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of the last house of Clerical and Lay Delegates in the General Convention, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention; and shall request the last to send copies of their respective Journals in exchange. He shall also transmit a copy to each Clergyman in the Diocese, and to each Lay Deputy attending the Convention, and forward by mail, unless otherwise directed, ten copies to each Parish in the Diocese.

SEC. 2. He shall also transmit to every General Convention, in addition to the documents called for by the Canons of the General Conventions, a certificate, to be signed by himself, containing a list of the Clergymen in this Diocese, and the amount of the funds paid, or secured to be paid (distinguishing them), to the General Theological Seminary, together with the nomination of Trustees of that Seminary; and also a like certificate of the appointment of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

SEC. 3. Any expense incurred by a compliance with the sections of this Canon shall be paid out of the Diocesan Fund.

SEC. 4. Whenever there shall be a vacancy in the office of Secretary of the Convention, the duty thereof shall devolve upon the Secretary of the Standing Committee.

CANON XII.—*Of Attending the Meetings of the Convention.*

SECTION 1. Whereas the regular attendance of the Clergy and Laity at the meetings of the Convention is of essential consequence to the interests of the Church, this duty is hereby enjoined upon them.



SEC. 2. And whereas it is often necessary to travel a considerable distance to the place of meeting of the Convention, it is hereby made the duty of the different Parishes to make provision for the expenses of their Clergy in attending the Convention.

SEC. 3. No member of this Convention shall leave the same during its session without having applied for and obtained leave of absence.

CANON XIII.—*Of the Mode of Trying Clergymen.*

SECTION 1. If any Clergyman of this Church offend in any one or more of the particulars enumerated in the Canons of the General Convention, or of this Convention, complaint may be made to the Bishop, which shall be done in writing by two Presbyters or three Laymen, being communicants of the Church.

SEC. 2. In every complaint, the charge or charges shall be distinctly specified.

SEC. 3. The Bishop shall, if he think fit, appoint at least three Presbyters, who shall constitute a Court for trying the accused person, and who shall be judges both of the law and the facts.

SEC. 4. A copy of the charges and specifications, and also sixty days' notice of the time and place of trial, shall be given to the accused.

SEC. 5. If the accused fail to appear, without reasonable excuse, his default shall be entered, and he shall be suspended from the exercise of his clerical functions for the space of six months; and if, during that period, he shall not apply for a trial, he shall then, if the Bishop think proper, be degraded from the Ministry.

SEC. 6. All testimony, whether oral or by deposition, shall be under oath or affirmation, administered by some officer authorized by law to administer oaths.

SEC. 7. Depositions may be taken by either party, if it be made to appear satisfactorily to the Bishop that any material witness cannot be procured upon the trial; and, in every such case, the Bishop shall appoint a Commissary to take the same; and the notice and proceedings shall, as near as may be, conform to the laws of the State and practice of the Civil Courts.

SEC. 8. All testimony shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witnesses.

SEC. 9. The accused may, at his option, appear by counsel, and, in such case, the same privilege shall be allowed the prosecution; which counsel shall, in all cases, be communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

SEC. 10. If the Bishop approves of the judgment, he shall, within thirty days, proceed to administer the discipline recommended by the

Court, provided that the Bishop shall have the power to diminish the penalty so recommended by the Court.

SEC. 11. The judgment of the Court shall, in all cases, be made known in writing to the accused, and to the Vestry of his Parish, if he be a Parochial Minister.

SEC. 12. If, within the time aforesaid, the accused apply for a new trial, and the Bishop is of the opinion that there be reasonable cause therefor, he shall summon a new Court and order a new trial.

SEC. 13. The Court shall keep a full record of their proceedings, which shall be deposited among the archives of the Diocese, after the trial is closed.

CANON XIV.—*Of Contingent Expenses.*

SECTION 1. At each stated meeting of the Convention, a Committee shall be appointed for the purpose of assessing upon the several Parishes in the Diocese a sum sufficient to defray the contingent expenses of the Convention.

SEC. 2. The Vestry of each Parish shall pay to the Treasurer of the Convention, within three months from the time of the stated meeting of the same, its assessment for contingent expenses. The Treasurer shall regularly charge the said assessments upon his books against each Vestry, crediting the same with payments when made; and shall report annually to the Convention the state of his accounts with each Parish, which report shall be entered upon the Journal of the Convention.

CANON XV.—*Of Appointments under the Canons.*

Whenever a Clergyman shall refuse or neglect to discharge any duties growing out of an appointment under the Canons, without assigning to the Ecclesiastical Authority sufficient and satisfactory reasons for such neglects, he shall be liable to ecclesiastical proceedings or censure.

CANON XVI.—*Of Support of the Episcopate.*

At each stated meeting of the Convention, a Committee shall be appointed for the purpose of assessing upon the several Parishes in the Diocese, the amount to be paid for the support of the Bishop, which amount shall be collected by the Vestries of the Parishes and paid semi-annually to the Treasurer of the Convention.

CANON XVII.—*Of Alterations and Amendments.*

No proposed alteration or addition to the Canons shall hereafter be considered by the Convention, unless at least one day's previous notice be given thereof in open Convention, and, unless by unanimous con-

sent, until such alteration or addition shall have been referred to, and reported upon, by a Committee on Constitution and Canons.

CANON XVIII.—*Of Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate.*

It shall be the duty of every Minister, in every Parish in this Diocese, to make at least one collection in every year in aid of the formation of a permanent fund for the support of the Episcopate.

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## ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

*For Organizing a Parish in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri.*

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WHEREAS the subscribers, citizens of . . . . ., State of Missouri, having associated for the purpose of worshipping ALMIGHTY GOD according to the faith and discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Missouri, and of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, have formed a congregation at . . . . . in this Diocese; they, therefore, declare the following to be their Articles of Association :

ARTICLE 1. The name of this Association shall be "The Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of . . . . ."

ART. 2. This Parish acknowledges itself to be a member of, and to belong to, the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America; and as such, it accedes to, recognizes and adopts the Constitution, Canons, Doctrines, Discipline and Worship of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly. Any member who shall disclaim or refuse conformity to the said authority shall not be elected, or vote in the election of Vestrymen, Rector or Minister, or exercise any office or function in, concerning, or connected with the said Parish or Association.

ART. 3. Provision for the compensation of the Rector, and the expenses of the said Association, shall be made by the Vestry in

such way as they may deem advisable to the best interests of the Church.

ART. 4. The Vestry of this Parish shall consist of not less than three, nor more than thirteen persons, who shall continue in office until others be chosen; and the election of such Vestry shall be made on Easter Monday of each year, by a majority of male communicants of full age, and who have been communicants not less than three months previously to the time of election—*(and all such other persons as the Parish may here designate).*

ART. 5. The Rector of this Church shall be elected by a majority of two-thirds of the Wardens and Vestrymen, at a meeting duly convened.

ART. 6. No person shall be Rector or Minister of this Church, or allowed to execute any of the functions of the same, unless he shall have had Episcopal ordination, and be in full standing with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and recognized as a Minister, in good standing, of the said Church, by the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee.

ART. 7. The Vestry shall have power to choose their own officers, fill vacancies in their own body, and to perform all other duties usually appertaining to their body. They shall choose one of their own number to be Church Warden, and the Rector, for the time being, shall appoint another of the said Vestry to be the other Church Warden; and the Warden appointed by the Rector shall be the presiding officer of the Vestry in the absence of the Rector; and in case of a vacancy in the office of Rector at the time of an election, or a failure on his part to appoint, then the other Church Warden shall be appointed by the Vestry; and both of the Church Wardens shall be communicants of the Church.

ART. 8. No conveyance of any lands or tenements belonging to said Parish, or Association, shall be made without a vote of the Vestry, two-thirds being present and concurring.

ART. 9. In case of the dissolution of this Association, for any cause whatever, the lands, tenements, and other estate, real or personal, belonging thereto, shall vest in the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church having jurisdiction in the city of ....., (or at .....,) and his successor, forever; and in case there shall be no Bishop having jurisdiction as aforesaid, then said lands, tenements, and other estates, real or personal, shall vest in the Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, to be by him, or them, held in trust for the benefit of

a future congregation or Church, which may be formed in the same neighborhood, on the same principles as the present congregation and this Association.

ART. 10. Amendments to these Articles of Association shall be submitted in writing to the congregation at the annual meeting for the election of the Vestry, and shall lie over for consideration until the next annual meeting; but no alteration shall be made except by vote of two-thirds of the members present.

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## FORM OF SUBSCRIPTION

*To the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri.*

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The subscribers agree to pay the sum of 6 $\frac{1}{4}$  cents per week, making 25 cents per month, or \$3 per annum, which will be called for weekly, monthly, or annually, as they may direct.

The money thus subscribed will be subject to the disposal of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri, with the advice of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. It is designed to promote the spread of the Gospel in Missouri.

The Treasurer of the Diocese will be the Treasurer of the Society. He shall present his accounts at every annual Convention of the Diocese, to be audited by a Committee appointed for that purpose; and his accounts shall, at all times, be subject to the inspection of the Bishop or the Standing Committee.

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## NOTICE.

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☞ The next Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri will be held in Christ Church, St. Louis, on the *fourth Friday of May*, A. D. eighteen hundred and fifty-three.

WM. A. LEACH, *Secretary.*

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