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LIST OF THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF MISSOURI  
ENTITLED TO SEATS IN THE CONVENTION.

- Rt. Rev. C. S. HAWKS, *Bishop of the Diocese of Missouri, residing in St. Louis.*
- Rev. A. D. Corbin, *Rector of Christ Church, Boonville.*
- Rev. E. H. Cressey, *residing in St. Louis.*
- Rev. Benj. Eaton, *Missionary at Galveston, Texas.*
- Rev. St. Michael Faekler, *Missionary at Lexington, and parts adjacent.*
- Rev. David Griffith, *residing near Boonville.*
- Rev. Whiting Griswold, *Rector of St. John's Church, St. Louis.*
- Rev. Chaplin S. Hedges, *Rector of Grace Church, Jefferson City.*
- Rev. Thomas Horrell, *residing in St. Louis.*
- Rev. E. Carter Hutchinson, *residing at Kemper College.*
- Rev. P. R. Minard, *Rector of St. Paul's Church, St. Louis.*
- Rev. F. F. Peake, *Rector of Christ Church, Pensacola, Fa.*
- Rev. George W. Sill, *Deacon, residing at Kemper College.*

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES, APRIL, 1845.

<i>St. Louis, Christ Church,</i>	Josiah Spalding,
"	J. Parker Doan,
"	Edward Mead,
"	Daniel Hough,
" <i>St. Paul's Church,</i>	John Halsall,
"	W. H. Harshaw,
"	H. K. Holland,
"	John A. Harrison.
" <i>St. John's Church,</i>	John B. McDowell, M. D.
"	J. G. Morgan, M. D.
"	Stephen D. Barlow,
"	Edward Klein.
<i>Boonville, Christ Church,</i>	E. E. Buckner, M. D.
"	C. B. Powell,
"	James Thompson,
"	Albert Gillespie.

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CHRIST CHURCH, SAINT LOUIS,  
November 14, 1844.

THIS being the day appointed by the Constitution for the annual assembling of the CONVENTION of the DIOCESE of MISSOURI, several of the Clergy and Laity met in Christ Church, at eleven o'clock A. M.

There were present of the clergy :—

The Rev. Thomas Horrell,

The Rev. Chaplin S. Hedges, Rector of St. Andrews, St. Louis County.

The Rev. Peter R. Minard, Rector of St. Paul's Church, St. Louis.

The Rev. Whiting Griswold, Rector of St. John's Church, St. Louis.

In the absence of the Bishop of the Diocese, the President of the Standing Committee called the Convention to order, and on motion, the Rev. Mr. Horrell was elected president, *pro tem*, and F. W. Southack, secretary, *pro tem*.

On motion, *Resolved*, that all clergymen now in the city, and all candidates for orders, be invited to take seats in this Convention.

On motion, the Rev. Messrs. Hedges and Griswold were appointed a committee to receive and examine the testimonials of lay delegates to this

Convention; who reported, subsequently, that the following persons were entitled to seats, according to the canon :

Messrs Josiah Spalding,	}	Christ's Ch.,
" Daniel Hough,		St. Louis.
" John Halsall,	}	St. Paul's
" David H. Armstrong,		Ch., Saint
" Calvin Case,		Louis.
" Henry K. Holland,		
" J. B. McDowell, M. D.	}	St. John's
" Francis A. Southack,		Ch., Saint
" George C. Hale,		Louis.
" Edward Staggs,		

The Rev. Mr. Horrell requested leave of absence for the remainder of the session, in consequence of being obliged to leave the city.

Leave was granted.

On motion, the Convention was adjourned till tomorrow at 11 o'clock A. M.

FRIDAY, *November 15, 1844,*  
11 o'clock A. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

In the absence of the President, the Rev. C. S. Hedges was called to the chair.

On motion, *Resolved*, that in consequence of the absence of the Bishop, this Convention do now adjourn until Thursday the 5th day of December next, to meet in Christ Church at 11 o'clock A. M.

CHRIST CHURCH, *December 5, 1844,*  
11 o'clock A. M.

The Convention met this day pursuant to adjournment.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. P. R. Minard, assisted by the Rev. E. C. Hutchinson,—the Ante-Communion Service being read by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Griswold. The sermon was

preached by the Bishop, who also administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, assisted by the Rev. Messrs Minard and Griswold.

Divine Service being ended, the Convention was called to order by the Right Reverend Bishop of the Diocese.

The minutes of the preceding meetings were read and approved.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the Standing Committee be requested to furnish the Bishop with the names of all clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese; whereupon, the committee reported the following:—

The Right Rev. Cicero Stevens Hawks, Rector of Christ Church, St. Louis, and Bishop of the Diocese.

The Rev. A. D. Corbin, Rector of Christ Church, Boonville.

The Rev. Benjamin Eaton, Missionary at Galveston, Texas.

The Rev. Augustus Fitch, Teacher, Tompkinsville, N. Y.

The Rev. Whiting Griswold, Rector of St. John's Church, St. Louis.

The Rev. David Griffith, residing near Boonville.

The Rev. Thomas Horrell, residing in St. Louis.

The Rev. Chaplin S. Hedges, Rector of St. Andrew's Parish, St. Louis County.

The Rev. E. C. Hutchinson, President of Kemper College, and Rector of St. Peter's Parish.

The Rev. John Hull, Deacon.

The Rev. Peter R. Minard, Rector of St Paul's Church, St. Louis.

The Rev. James D. Mead, M. D.

The Rev. George W. Sill, Professor in Kemper College.

The certificates of two additional delegates from Christ Church, St. Louis, were referred to the Com-

mittee on Lay Delegates, who subsequently reported that Messrs Alexander Hamilton and J. Parker Doan were entitled to seats in this Convention.

Mr. Doan appeared and took his seat.

On motion, *Resolved*, that a committee of three be appointed to consider the expediency of changing the time of holding the Annual Conventions of this Diocese, and to report thereupon to the Convention.

Messrs. Southack, Doan, and the Rev. Mr. Griswold were appointed this committee.

On motion, *Resolved*, that when this Convention adjourn, it adjourn to meet this evening at 7 o'clock in St. John's Church.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, 7 o'clock P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

There were present the Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, and the Rev. Messrs Griswold, Hedges, and Minard, Messrs Spalding, Hough, Hamilton, Doan, Halsall, Armstrong, Holland, McDowell, Southack, Hall and Stagg.

The certificate of W. H. Heiskell, delegate from St. Paul's Church, Palmyra, was referred to the committee, who reported the said delegate duly entitled to a seat.

Mr. Heiskell appeared and took his seat.

On motion, *Resolved*, that this Convention now proceed to ballot for a secretary, whereupon F. W. Southack was duly elected.

The committee appointed to consider the expediency of altering the time of meeting of the Annual Conventions, made a report which was accepted, and the following resolution recommended therein was adopted:—

*Resolved*, that the next Annual Convention of this Diocese be held on the second Thursday after Easter Sunday, 1845.



On motion, *Resolved*, that the Rules of Order of the Primary Convention be adopted as the Rules of this Convention.

On motion, *Resolved*, that a committee of five be appointed to draft resolutions expressive of the sense of this Convention in parting with their late Diocesan, the Right Rev. Jackson Kemper, D. D.

The Rev. Messrs Minard and Griswold, and Messrs Hough, McDowell, and Armstrong were appointed this committee.

The Treasurer then made his report, showing that the receipts had been thirty-four dollars and sixty cents, and the disbursements thirty dollars, being a balance of four dollars and sixty cents in the treasury.

This account was referred to an auditing committee, consisting of Messrs Spalding and Heiskell, who reported it correct.—This report was accepted.

On motion, *Resolved*, that a committee of three be appointed to make a revision of the Constitution and Canons of the Church in this Diocese, and report the same to the next Annual Convention.

Messrs Hamilton and Spalding, and the Rev. Mr. Minard were appointed as this committee; to which, on motion, the Bishop was added.

On motion, *Resolved*, that this Convention now proceed to ballot for Treasurer, whereupon Mr John Halsall was duly elected.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee, which resulted as follows: Of the clergy, the Rev. Messrs Minard, Hutchinson, and Hedges. Of the laity, Messrs Spalding and Doan.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the thanks of this Convention are due, and are respectfully tendered to the Rev. A. D. Corbin, its late Secretary, for his valuable and efficient services in that capacity, and that the Secretary transmit a copy of this resolution to him.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the thanks of this Convention are hereby tendered to the late Treasurer for the faithful manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office.

On motion, *Resolved*, that when this Convention adjourn, it adjourn to meet to-morrow morning in St. John's Church, at 9 o'clock.

The Convention then adjourned.

FRIDAY, December 6, 1844.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Mr. Hedges.

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

Present, the Rev. Messrs Griswold, Hedges and Minard, and Messrs Hough, McDowell, Holland, Southack and Armstrong.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the following be added to the standing Rules of Order:—

*Rule 15.*—The names of individuals moving or seconding resolutions shall not be entered upon the Journal of the Convention.

The Parochial Reports were then received and read.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned to meet in Christ Church, on Monday next at 11 o'clock A. M.

MONDAY, December 9.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning prayers were read by the Rev. Mr. Minard, and service being ended, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

Present, the Rev. Messrs Griswold, Hedges, Hutchinson and Minard, and Messrs Hamilton, Case, McDowell, Holland, Halsall, Armstrong, Hough, Doan, and Southack.

The Committee on assisting the Secretary in transcribing the minutes of the Conventions of 1842 and

1843 into the Book of Records, made a report, which was accepted.

The Committee on preparing for publication the minutes of the Conventions of 1841 and 1842, made a report, and asked leave to be discharged, which, on motion, was granted.

The following resolution was offered, and, on motion, it was laid on the table.

*Resolved*, that a committee of three be appointed to prepare for publication the unpublished Journals of 1841 and 1842 in full, and that they be authorised to draw upon the Treasurer to defray the expense thereof.

A motion was made to reconsider the resolution adopting the 15th Rule of Order, which was lost by the following vote:

Clergy, Ayes	2	Nays	2
Laity, " "	1	" "	2

The Committee appointed to draft resolutions expressive of the sense of the Convention in parting with their late Diocesan, reported the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

**WHEREAS**, by the recent consecration of the Rt. Rev. Cicero S. Hawks to the Episcopate of the Diocese of Missouri, the friendly and happy relations heretofore existing between it and the Rt. Rev. Jackson Kemper, Doctor in Divinity, has been affectionately dissolved: and whereas, it is the pleasure, as well as the duty of this Convention to express its high regard for the many valuable services of its late respected Diocesan: Therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the grateful acknowledgments of this Convention are hereby presented to the Rt. Rev. Jackson Kemper, Doctor in Divinity, Provisional Bishop of Indiana, Missionary Bishop of Wisconsin and Iowa, and late Provisional Bishop of Missouri, for the kind and paternal attention, amidst other arduous duties, he has ever given to the Church and to her Institutions in this Diocese, during times of more than ordinary trial: for the self-sacrificing spirit with which he has borne himself under many discouragements, incident to the affairs of a new

Diocese, and in his efforts to plant "the Church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth," among the scattered settlements of a new land: for his instrumentality in establishing the young and flourishing Institution which bears his name, and which, under Divine Providence, will become the most efficient auxiliary of the Church, in diffusing the light of science and of Christian truth, throughout this wide-spread valley: for his recent and successful endeavors in effecting the complete organization of this Diocese, and for the concern which he has manifested in the welfare of its various members, and the deep interest their prosperity ever excited in his breast.

*Resolved*, That the friendly connection which has now, perhaps, forever terminated, will hereafter be remembered and cherished with emotions of filial affection towards a beloved and revered spiritual father, whose admonitions and counsels were those of love and kindness,—and that, wherever it may please the Great Head of the Church to require his subsequent labors, the prayers of his many friends will follow him for his preservation and future success.

*Resolved*, That a committee of five be appointed, whose duty it shall be to transmit to the Rt. Rev. Bishop Kemper a copy of the foregoing resolutions.

The President appointed as this committee, the Rev. Messrs Hutchinson and Minard, and Messrs Spalding, Southack, and Case.

On motion, it was *Resolved* that after religious services the Convention will adjourn *sine die*.

A hymn was then sung and prayers offered by the Bishop, who pronounced the benediction.

The Convention then adjourned.

F. W. SOUTHACK, Secretary.

CHRIST CHURCH, SAINT LOUIS,  
*April 3, 1845.*

This being the day appointed by a resolution of the last Convention for the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri, the Right Rev. Bishop of the Diocese, with several of the clergy and laity, assembled for divine worship, at 11 o'clock A. M., in Christ Church, St. Louis, the place appointed for the meeting.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Thos. Horrell, of St. Louis, assisted in the lessons by the Rev. A. D. Corbin, of Christ Church, Boonville.

The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Bishop, the Rev. P. R. Minard, Rector of St. Paul's Church, St. Louis, reading the epistle. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Whiting Griswold, Rector of St. John's Church, St. Louis.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Thos. Horrell.

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

The Rev. A. D. Corbin was appointed secretary, *pro tem.*

The Secretary then proceeded under the Bishop's direction to call the names of such of the clergy of the Diocese as by the Constitution are entitled to seats in the Convention, when the following gentlemen answered to their names and took their seats as members, viz. :

The Rev. A. D. Corbin,  
 " " Whiting Griswold,  
 " " Thomas Horrell,  
 " " P. R. Minard,  
 " " G. W. Sill.

A committee, consisting of the Rev. Messrs Minard and Griswold, was then appointed to receive and

examine the certificates of Lay Delegates from the parishes of the Diocese; after which the Convention adjourned until 4 o'clock P. M.

FOUR O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Bishop called the house to order, and the committee appointed to examine the credentials of Lay Delegates reported the following named gentlemen as entitled to seats in the Convention:

*From Christ Church, Saint Louis.*

Messrs Josiah Spalding,  
 " J. Parker Doan,  
 " Edward Mead,  
 " Daniel Hough.

*From St. Paul's Church, Saint Louis.*

Messrs John Halsall,  
 " W. H. Harshaw,  
 " H. K. Holland,  
 " John A. Harrison.

*From St. John's Church, Saint Louis.*

Messrs J. B. McDowell, M. D.,  
 " J. G. Morgan, M. D.,  
 " Stephen D. Barlow,  
 " Edward Klein.

*From Christ Church, Boonville.*

Messrs E. E. Buckner, M. D.,  
 " C. B. Powell,  
 " James Thompson,  
 " Albert Gillespie.

By order of the Bishop, the list of deputies entitled to seats was then read by the Secretary, and the

following gentlemen answered to their names, and took their seats as members, viz. :

*Of Christ Church, Saint Louis.*

Messrs Josiah Spalding,  
 “ Edward Mead.

*Of St. Paul's Church, Saint Louis.*

Messrs John Halsall,  
 “ W. H. Harshaw,  
 “ H. K. Holland.

*Of St. John's Church, Saint Louis.*

Messrs Edward Klein, and J. G. Morgan, M. D.

*Of Christ Church, Boonville.*

C. B. Powell.

The Bishop having announced that there was a quorum of clergy and lay delegates present, the Convention proceeded to business; and, on motion, it was *resolved* to alter the 9th rule of the Rules of Order of the last Convention, by inserting after the word “*postpone,*” or *lay upon the table.*

The Rules of Order of the last Convention were then adopted as the Rules of Order for this Convention.

### RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
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 to the Convention 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. Names of individuals moving or seconding resolutions shall not be entered upon the Journal of the Convention.

16. 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.

Do. on the Constitution and Canons.

Do. on Unfinished Business.

Do. on Finance.



The Bishop then, in compliance with the Canon, delivered the following Address :

MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY :

The call of another Convention has brought us once more together. I rejoice to meet you again, and pray that God's blessing may rest upon all our deliberations. We are instruments in his hands in this desolate portion of his vineyard : and may the Holy Spirit so guide and lead us ever into all truth, that through our efforts the comfortable gospel of Christ may be truly preached, truly received, and truly followed among us. In compliance with the canon, I proceed at once not only to report my official acts, but to address you touching the interests of this portion of the Redeemer's kingdom, which is committed to our charge.

I begin with acknowledgments ; In behalf of the Diocese I acknowledge with gratitude the reception of a box of Bibles, Testaments, Prayer-books, and Tracts, from the New York Bible and Prayer-book Society ; another lot of Prayer-books and Tracts from the Female Prayer-book Society of Philadelphia ; and another box of Prayer-books from the Bishop White Prayer-book Society of Philadelphia. Some of these have already been disposed of, but the larger part remain with me for distribution. It is to be hoped that we shall be able from time to time to return more than thanks to our Eastern brethren, for their kindness in thus remembering us. Contributions, even though small, (as they must be, in our present condition,) will be evidence of our gratitude, and will enable these excellent institutions to aid us, as well as others, more effectually.

With gratitude I acknowledge the receipt, in behalf of Kemper College, of \$100, from a member of St. James' Church, Philadelphia ; \$140 66 from members of St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia ; and \$250 from the Ladies' Bee-Hive Association, of St. James' Church, Philadelphia. This institution, founded under the auspices of our excellent Missionary Bishop, who so long presided over you, through the pious liberality of Eastern Churchmen, originally subscribing the sum of \$20,000 to start it, should be, and is, I believe, dear to all our hearts. Yet I am grieved to say that it is far from being on a permanent foundation ; nay, I consider its very existence in jeopardy. It now owes a debt of nearly sixteen thousand dollars.—The officers of the Institution, willing to make many sacrifices to aid it, generously proposed to work through the present term without any compensation for their services—yet the pecuniary embarrassment of the College was so great, that the Trustees felt bound to close the doors for the present. The property of

the College, as you know, consists of 125 acres of land, five miles from the city, upon which the College buildings are standing, together with the furniture of such an establishment, and the books that have been gathered by purchase and donation, forming the basis of a Theological Library for the Institution.

The report of the Trustees, which first informed me of so heavy a debt, also reported of assets in the way of outstanding accounts, only about \$700 as available. The whole property is now held as security for the principal debt of \$10,000. An arrangement with the chief creditor allows the Trustees, within the space of one and two years, to save the institution, if practicable. I confess that the circumstances of this institution have made me very sad. When I consider the liberality which gave it life in the beginning; the pious purpose for which it was placed here—that of training lads in the way of the Church, and guiding young men to her Holy Ministry; when I reflect upon the vast work it may and must accomplish for the cause of Christ and his Church throughout this Valley, and that it now stands in jeopardy and may be lost to the Church for ever, I confess that I am greatly grieved over its sorrowful prospects. It cannot be relieved here. The Churches of St. Louis are all in debt, and since my return home, four months since, I have been forced to raise from the friends of the Church in this city, the sum of \$12,000, for their own relief. My only hope is in the East. Kemper College cannot be said to be the property of the Diocese of Missouri. It is a pure accident that it is here in this portion of the Valley. It was placed here for the benefit of the whole Valley. It is the first broad foot-print of our first Missionary Bishop, west of the Mississippi, and we trust that our brethren will not see it erased. It is, in fact, a great missionary enterprise—it is the property of the whole Church.

On the 13th of February, the Rev. E. Carter Hutchinson resigned the presidency of the College, and since that period the other officers of the institution, whose generous proposal was spoken of above, have had their connexion dissolved by the necessary action of the Board of Trustees.

With great thankfulness I acknowledge the receipt of a deed from George R. H. Clark and wife, of Christ Church, St. Louis, conveying to me in trust, as Bishop of the Diocese, the gift of 330 acres of land, in Montgomery county, in this State, for the purpose of establishing a Church Mission. The gift, I trust, will form a basis of a noble missionary enterprise in Missouri. My purpose is, with God's help, to establish there as soon as practicable a mission, which shall blend the Home, Itinerating, and Educational systems together. Suitable houses

for the missionaries must be erected there, together with a Church and School-house. Then three or four missionaries may be placed there, one of whom shall always remain in the mission to preach to the people in the neighborhood, and be the head of the Mission School to be established there, while the others shall itinerate through the surrounding country. In this way a sparse and widely scattered population may be reached; and in this way only. The Church will then be seen as a mother following and seeking her children, and gathering in the flock—while the missionaries, not isolated, as is frequently and necessarily the case in distant villages, will be a Christian brotherhood, to animate, encourage, and cheer each other in their holy and self-denying struggles. I consider such a mission as especially adapted to the wilderness of Missouri. It will not cost much to start it, but its success will depend greatly upon the spirit of the men who may embark in it; and I pray that self-sacrificing and earnest soldiers of the cross may be found to enter upon it, and that God's blessing may richly reward them in their labors. The donor has allowed the privilege (if the land should not suit for the purpose) of selling it and locating the mission elsewhere within the State; and with his consent, as a token of filial love and missionary gratitude, the enterprise will be known to the Church as the *Governor Clark Mission*.

One feature especially to be noticed in the plan of this mission is, that it embraces the cause of Christian education for the young. On this subject, my brethren, I consider we are particularly remiss. We have few, if any, Schools of our own among us. Except where pious parental influence may be at work in the hearts of its offspring, the Sunday School almost alone is known as the instructor of the young immortals around us. I would not disparage these—they have done great good at times—they are still accomplishing something; but the limited time which is given to them precludes the possibility of thorough Christian training and discipline. Four or five hours of instruction on every Sunday will not effect what we should desire. We need Parochial Schools—a School in every parish—where the lambs of the flock may be safely entrusted, and where every day they may be trained and disciplined in the way of Heaven. The action of our Church upon this subject has been strange and sad—not only here, but throughout the country. We wait until manhood and womanhood dawns upon the creature—until a rich harvest of brambles and thorns has sprung up in the heart, and then begin to cultivate it. I rejoice that the Church in more favored regions is beginning to think of her duty upon this great subject, and I pray that we in our

weakness and poverty may not forget it. A strong, healthy, and vigorous piety will grow up under such a system, while, alas! no religion at all, or at least a very distorted and inconsistent faith, is too often the fruit of its neglect. "The child is father to the man;" and if we would see good men, we must hearken to the scripture: "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it."

A gift not less to be recorded or remembered, because the small donation of little children, is that of \$20 from the Sunday School children of St. Luke's Church, Rochester, New York, for the cause of Sunday Schools in Missouri: and this closes acknowledgments.

I found upon my arrival here as Bishop of the Diocese, nine resident clergymen—two of them employed at Kemper College, and three of them without any parochial care. I have appointed one of the latter (the Rev. Chaplin S. Hedges) the missionary at Jefferson City, who entered upon his duties in December last.—Another (the Rev. T. Horrell) is about entering upon missionary duty at Florissant and St. Charles; and another (the Rev. David Griffith) is residing near Boonville, incapable of ministerial duty on account of his health. The two who were officers of the College are still here, without any charge for the present. There were also here, and still are, three candidates for holy orders. These are Mr. L. Wilson Davis, Mr. John A. Harrison, and Mr. John Dunn. Our regret for the pecuniary embarrassment of Kemper College will be the greater when we remember that these, our only candidates, are all graduates of that institution.

I have received into the Diocese but one additional clergyman. His letters dimissory reached me last week from the Bishop of Tennessee—so that he is now canonically resident among us. This is the Rev. E. H. Cressey, long known to me as a fellow-laborer in Western New York; and I cannot but regard him as a valuable acquisition to our feeble band. His purpose in making his home in St. Louis, is two-fold. He designs establishing here, if possible, a school for the education of females, while at the same time he is the Editor of the Church paper now published here. In the first enterprise I have no doubt we all readily wish him success, and in the second we may desire it likewise—though, perhaps, with some apprehensions. Our Church periodicals are, at times, in themselves, the cause of so much strife, that good men are reluctant to see new ones springing up among us. I confess that I, myself, should have had some apprehension of sorrow upon this point, had I not known the plan of the paper and the character of its Editor. The "Missionary of the Cross" proposes to speak the truth in

love; and I believe will do so. In elementary teaching in the principles of the Gospel and the Church—thus doing the work of a Tract Society among us—in spreading before our more highly favored brethren the wants of the Mississippi Valley, thus awakening their Christian sympathy and liberality, and in giving our own people the constant intelligence of what the Church is doing at home and elsewhere—thereby letting them feel that they are a branch of the Church Catholic—it must be eminently serviceable. I gave the prospectus my approbation, and wish the Editor hearty success in the cause. It is to be expected that we shall not at all times be pleased with the articles of any print. We read scarcely a book with a total concurrence in its sentiments. An Editor's mind is *one*, while the minds of his readers are many. But let us not be afraid or ill-disposed, therefore, as to this engine of usefulness. We might as well abuse the art of printing, because we never read a volume with which we entirely accorded, as condemn the press with its mighty influence for good or evil, because we sometimes find in one of its papers a sentiment not exactly our own. Thus far, the paper, I hope, will be seen to have been judiciously managed, and I have confidence to believe that its good management on the part of the Editor will continue.

When I came to the Diocese, you are aware, that I found everything in the Church in Missouri involved heavily in debt. The Churches and Church institutions in this State were indebted to the amount of more than \$35,000. The Church, of which I am now Rector, owed the sum of \$17,000. It must be a source of joy to the Diocese, as it surely is to myself, to know that since my return home nearly \$11,000 has been raised towards the liquidation of this debt, while St. Paul's Church, in this city, has also been measurably relieved. "When one member suffers, all the members suffers with it." This was especially true as to Christ Church. Being the principal Church among us, and struggling with her own debt, it was impossible that such help could be obtained for the country parishes, as it is hoped she may be able, ere long, to bestow.

The General Missionary Society, as you are also aware, has made appropriations, as usual, for our country stations this year. The whole sum appropriated is \$1900, as follows:

Kemper College, . . . . .	\$300
St. Paul's Church, St. Louis, . . . . .	300
Hannibal and Palmyra, . . . . .	300
Jefferson City, . . . . .	300
Boonville, . . . . .	400
Lexington, . . . . .	300

Other places than these call for aid, and my hope is that another year may bring us increased appropriations. In the meantime, however, I have felt it right and necessary that we should make an effort for Missionary funds among ourselves. For this purpose I commenced at the Easter Festival, as an Easter offering to the cause of the Redeemer, the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri. It has already a fund of nearly \$250—and the terms of membership are so fixed, that all of our communion, the rich and the poor, may alike aid the enterprise. My wish is that the Convention should adopt it as its own Diocesan Missionary Society, and that its operations should be known and aided in every parish in this Diocese. The plan under which it has raised funds thus far, is simply this. The subscribers have given their names to the following:

“The subscribers agree to pay the sum of 6 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 and Standing Committee.”

The machinery of such an institution is, as you perceive, plain and simple—and the plan may thus be *easily* carried out. This simplicity I conceive to be very important—it remains for you, however, should you adopt it as your own Society, to make such alterations or additions as you may think proper.

At the time of our last Convention, as you are aware, the House of Bishops had been summoned to New York for the purpose of sitting upon the trial of the Right Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D. upon a presentment made by the Right Rev. Bishops of Virginia, Tennessee, and Georgia. Circumstances over which I had no control, rendered it impossible for me to attend.

The trial, however, proceeded; and on the 14th of January last, I received from the Right Rev. Philander Chase, D. D., of Illinois, Senior Bishop and President of the Court, a copy of the sentence of suspension, passed by the said Court, upon our brother, the Bishop of New York. The sorrow of the Church at large, and especially the sad condition of the Diocese of that

brother, arising from this painful business, call for deep humility on our part, and earnest and unceasing prayers to Almighty God. May the Great Head of the Church overrule all for good!

On the 17th January, I received notice of the organization of Grace Church, in North St. Louis, with a copy of their articles of association.

February 20th, I received from the Right Rev. the Bishop of Kentucky, notice of his having displaced from the ministry, at his own request, and for causes not affecting his moral character, the Rev. Wm. McCallen, a Presbyterian of that Diocese.

February 21st, I received from the Right Rev. the Bishop of Connecticut, a notice of the same kind, as to the Rev. George A. Sterling, a Presbyterian of that Diocese.

I have to report to the Convention, thus far, but two official acts. On the evening of Decemba 22d, (Fourth Sunday in Advent,) I administered the rite of confirmation to eight persons in St. Paul's Parish, in this city; and on the afternoon of March 16th, (Sunday before Easter) I administered the same rite to fifteen persons in St. John's Parish, in this city.

The arduous duties arising from the Rectorship of a large parish, and the peculiar struggles of that parish for the past few months, have prevented thus far, my visiting any of the country churches and stations. As soon as the duties of the Convention shall release me, I propose starting upon a visitation on the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers.

Praying again that God may bless you, my brethren, in all your deliberations, and that His Holy Spirit may ever rest upon you, I am your brother in Christ Jesus.

C. S. HAWKS.

On motion, it was resolved to adopt as the 16th Rule of Order the following, viz. :

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.

Do. on the Constitution and Canons.

Do. on Unfinished Business.

Do. on Finance.

Whereupon, the Bishop announced for these several committees the following gentlemen, viz. :

*Committee on Admission of New Parishes.*

Rev. W. Griswold, Messrs E. Mead and J. Halsall.

*On Constitution and Canons:*

Rev. P. R. Minard, Messrs Spalding and Doan.

*On Unfinished Business.*

Rev. P. R. Minard, Messrs Klein and Holland.

*On Finance.*

Rev. G. W. Sill, Dr. Morgan, and Mr. Mead.

A motion was then made to proceed to the election of Secretary, which was afterwards withdrawn to give place for the consideration of the subjects presented to the Convention in the Bishop's address.

On motion a committee consisting of the Rev. W. Griswold, Rev. A. D. Corbin and Mr. E. Mead were appointed to consider so much of the afore-mentioned address, as related to the Governor Clark Mission, and report thereon.

Also, on motion, a committee consisting of the Rev. Thomas Horrell and Mr. John Halsall were appointed to consider so much of the Bishop's address as relates to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Missouri.

And also, a committee consisting of the Rev. T. Horrell, Messrs C. B. Powell and Josiah Spalding were appointed to consider so much of the Bishop's address as relates to Kemper College.

On motion, the Treasurer's Report was referred to the Committee on Finance, which committee made a report that the accounts of the Treasurer were found correct, and recommended to the Convention that the following items of expense be allowed, viz :

\$3 to Mr. Dent for expenses paid at the General Convention of 1844 ; also a bill of \$4 at the New Era office for advertising.



The report was accepted, and the accounts allowed.

The Committee upon Unfinished Business made the following report ;

That a Committee upon Constitution and Canons was appointed in December 1844 to report at this Convention.

Also, a motion to print the Journals of 1841 and 1842 was laid upon the table.

Respectfully submitted,

P. R. MINARD, Chairman.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Convention request the Bishop of the Diocese to admit to the Holy Order of Deacons such persons as may be found qualified under Canon 6 of the General Convention of 1844, "Of a discretion to be allowed in the calling, trial," &c., of Deacons in certain cases.

The Convention then adjourned until 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

7 1-2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. Mr. Cressey appeared and took his seat ; also Messrs J. Parker Doan, and D. Hough.

The Committee appointed to consider that part of the Bishop's Address relating to the pecuniary embarrassments of Kemper College made the following report :

The Committee to which was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the condition of Kemper College, beg leave to report,

That, in their opinion, it is expedient to make every exertion to save that institution, whether we look to its origin in the liberality of our esteemed brethren, or to the influence upon the morals, and both the temporal and spiritual welfare of the present and future generations of this Diocese, in which, if it is successfully carried on, it is destined to have; and they are of opinion, from the present circumstances of this Diocese, that it is vain to expect any relief from an appeal to the Churches or

the Christian public here ; but that the College, if saved at all, must be saved by bringing its claims and the claims of the West before our Christian brethren at the East without delay ; and that this effort can be made with any probability of success, only through the Bishop of this Diocese. Your committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That, in the opinion of this Convention, it is expedient that the Bishop of this Diocese should, as soon as more pressing duties will permit, visit the Atlantic States for the purpose of raising means to extricate Kemper College from its embarrassments.

THOMAS HORRELL, *Chairman*.

Which report was accepted and the resolution adopted, and then on motion, it was reconsidered.

An amendment by substituting the word "*desirable*" for "*expedient*" was accepted by the committee.

The following amendment was then offered and rejected :

*Resolved*, That if it be found expedient the Bishop of this Diocese should visit the Atlantic States, when more pressing duties will permit, for the purpose of raising means to extricate Kemper College from its present embarrassments, he has the full sanction of this Convention.

The resolution, as amended, was adopted.

The word "*desirable*" then as proposed and accepted, instead of "*expedient*," in the resolution appended to the report was adopted.

The Committee, by its Chairman, appointed by the last Convention to revise the Constitution and Canons made the following report.

(See Appendix A.)

On motion, it was *Resolved* to proceed to the consideration of the Constitution recommended by the committee for adoption.

Thereupon, the Chairman then submitted the following exceptions to the report :

The Chairman objects to so much of Article 4th of the proposed Constitution, as makes clergymen only engaged as profes-

sors and instructors of youth in any College, Academy, or General Seminary of learning, duly incorporated, and under the control of the Protestant Episcopal Church, members of the Convention, and to all such portions of the said Constitution and Canons, if any, as relate to the same, giving the right to vote.

He further objects to the 2d section of Canon 2d.

He further objects to so much of the 2d section of Canon 4th, as, in effect, makes the Rector *ex-officio* presiding officer of the Vestry of Parishes in the Diocese.

He further objects to so much of section 2d of Canon 5th, as makes the appointment of a substitute in the delegation by the Standing Committee, subject to the approval or consent of the Bishop.

And he objects to so much of section 5th of the Canon for the trial of clergymen (5th line), as makes it *obligatory* on the Bishop in the case provided for, to *degrade* from the ministry.

A. HAMILTON, *Chairman.*

It was *resolved* then to proceed with the Constitution considering each article separately, whereupon

Article 1 was read and adopted.

Article 2 was read, an amendment proposed, to substitute for "*the Third Wednesday in April,*" "*the Third Wednesday after Easter.*"

Upon this a second amendment was proposed to substitute for the same, "*Second Wednesday in May,*" which last was adopted, and also the whole article as amended.

Article 3 read and adopted.

Article 4 read and adopted.

Article 5 read and adopted.

Article 6 read and amended to read as follows :

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.

Article 7 read and adopted.

Article 8 read and adopted.

Article 9 read and adopted.

Article 10 read and adopted.

Article 11 read and adopted.

Article 12 read and adopted.

Here a motion was made to postpone the final adoption of the Constitution until to-morrow, which was lost.

The following resolution was then adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Constitution, as amended, be adopted, and go into effect at the adjournment of this Convention, except article 8, relating to the Secretary, which shall be in force from and after the adoption of this Constitution.

On motion, the farther consideration of the report of the committee was postponed, in order to proceed to the election of officers.

The Convention then proceeded to the choice of officers.

F. W. Southack was re-elected Secretary, and J. Halsall, Treasurer.

The Standing Committee were then elected.

*Of the Clergy :*

The Rev. P. R. Minard,  
 " " Whiting Griswold,  
 " " E. H. Cressey.

*Of the Laity :*

Messrs Josiah Spalding,  
 " J. Parker Doan.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

*Of the Clergy :*

The Rev. P. R. Minard,  
 " " A. D. Corbin,  
 " " E. H. Cressey,  
 " " W. Griswold.

*Of the Laity :*

Messrs Josiah Spalding,  
 " J. P. Doan,  
 " C. B. Powell,  
 " Edward Mead.

The Rev. W. Griswold declining to serve as a deputy to the General Convention, the Rev. Thomas Horrell was elected to fill the vacancy.

The Convention then adjourned till to-morrow at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

FRIDAY, *April 4.*

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment at 7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

Prayers were read by the Bishop.

The roll being called, the following answered to their names, viz:—The Rev. Messrs Minard, Corbin, Griswold, and Cressey, and Messrs Mead, Doan, Spalding, Halsall, Hough, Holland, and Powell.

The minutes of yesterday's meeting were read, amended, and approved.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to the consideration of the report of the Committee on Constitution and Canons. Having considered the Canons, each article separately, and adopted them with sundry amendments, and the final action on the same was postponed till to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, to which time the Convention was adjourned.

SATURDAY, *April 5*

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Prayers were read by the Bishop.

The roll being called, the following gentlemen answered to their names:

Rev. Messrs Minard, Cressey, Griswold, Horrell, Corbin, and Sill, and Messrs Klein, Powell, Holland, Morgan, Mead, and Doan.

The Convention then proceeded to the consideration of the Canons, and having adopted the same by separate articles, the question came up on the adoption of the whole as reported and amended.

The following resolution was offered :

*Resolved*, That the further consideration of the Canons be postponed to the next Convention, and that the Secretary be requested in the mean time to furnish every parish in the Diocese with a copy of the Constitution and Canons.

The resolution was lost.

Rev. Mr. Horrell and Mr. Holland were excused from voting on the adoption of the Canons.

The vote was then taken on the adoption of the Canons as a whole, and passed.

The Committee on so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the Governor Clark Mission made the following report :

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address which relates to the Governor Clark Mission, respectfully report :

That they have heard with lively pleasure of the gift of Mr George R. Clark of 335 acres of land for the establishment of a Mission, which, in their opinion, promises to secure important advantages to the Church in this Diocese, and they would recommend to the Convention the adoption of the following resolutions :

*Resolved 1st*, That this Convention regards the establishment of the Governor Clark Mission, by which the education of the young, with particular reference to the Ministry, will be connected with home and itinerating Missionary operations as of the first importance to the Diocese, and peculiarly adapted to the scattered population of the West, and where the chief difficulty we have to meet is to obtain suitable ministers to cultivate these waste places of Zion.

*Resolved 2d*, That it is highly desirable to commence operations in this Mission as early as possible, and that to secure means to erect suitable buildings, obtain books, apparatus, etc., and Missionaries to enter upon the work, it is expedient to lay the claims of the Mission before the Church at large, to enlist the attention of the clergy and laity in its behalf; and to secure this object, that the whole subject be referred to the Standing Committee, in conjunction with the Bishop, and that they be requested to prepare a plan of the Mission and a statement of the important objects to be secured by it, to be published in the *Missionary of the Cross*, with a request that the same be copied

in the other journals of the Church; and that agents be appointed in the Eastern cities to receive contributions from Churchmen to carry the design into immediate effect.

*Resolved 3d*, That the Bishop be requested to present the thanks of the Convention to Mr. George R. Clark for a gift which it regards as a valuable example of filial affection, and a deserved tribute to the memory of one of the earliest and worthiest settlers in Missouri.

Respectfully submitted,

W. GRISWOLD, *Chairman*.

The report was accepted and the resolutions were adopted.

The Committee on admitting Parishes into union with this Convention made a report that no applications for admission had come before them.

Parochial reports from the clergy were then handed to the Bishop, and on motion, the reading of the same was dispensed with, and the same ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Journal.

On motion, the following resolution was passed:

*Resolved*, That the Standing Committee be requested to prepare Articles of Association, to be appended to the published Journal of 1845, to be recommended for the organization of new parishes.

Rev. Mr. Horrell having declined serving as a deputy to the General Convention, the Convention proceeded to ballot for another clergyman in his place, and, on counting the votes, the Rev. C. S. Hedges was declared duly elected.

On motion, the following was added to section 2 of Canon 2:

And no candidate for Holy Orders in this Church shall be entitled to a seat as a Lay Delegate to this Convention.

On motion, the Rev. Mr. Cressey and Mr. Halsall were appointed a committee to assist the Secretary in preparing for publication, and cause to be printed not exceeding 500 copies of the Journals of this Convention for the years 1844-45.

On motion, the same committee was authorized to cause to be published not exceeding 250 copies of the Journals of 1841-42.

On motion, the same committee was authorized to cause to be printed, as an Appendix to the Journal of 1845, the Constitution and Canons as passed at this Convention.

On motion, the following resolution was passed :

*Resolved*, That collections be taken up in all the Parishes of this Diocese for defraying the expenses of this Convention and printing the Journals as early as possible after its rising, and that the funds so collected be transmitted to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

On motion, the following resolution was passed :

*Resolved*, That the Standing Committee be, and hereby are, authorized to draw upon the Treasurer of the Diocese for printing the Journals, as ordered by this Convention, and any other expenses of the Convention which they may see proper to allow.

The Committee on so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Missouri, made the following report :

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address which relates to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Missouri, beg leave to report :

Your Committee beg leave to say that they have heard with much pleasure, through the Bishop's Address to the Convention, that a Missionary Society has been commenced in this Diocese, on a plan that will, doubtless, meet with the sincere and hearty co-operation of every member of this Convention.

In order that all the rich and the poor of our communion may have a part in the noble work of such Society, the plan is that every member of the Society shall contribute 6 1-4 cents per week, making 25 cents per month, or \$3 per annum, to be paid weekly, monthly, or annually, as every member may desire. The sum thus raised to be placed at the disposal of the Bishop, with the advice of the Standing Committee.

For the purpose of carrying out to its fullest extent the missionary spirit of the Church, it is proposed that the Convention



adopt the Society as its own, and that every clergyman in the Diocese should exert his influence among the laity in building up this noble and useful institution. Therefore,

*Resolved*, That the Convention adopt the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri, as the Missionary Society of this Diocese.

T. HORRELL, }  
J. HALSALL, } *Committee.*

The report was then accepted, and the resolution passed.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Form of Subscription to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Missouri be appended to the printed Journals of this Convention.

The minutes of the Journal having been read and approved,

On motion, *Resolved*, That after the religious services the Convention be adjourned *sine die*.

After singing part of the twenty-fifth hymn, and prayer and the benediction by the Bishop, the Convention was adjourned.

F. W. SOUTHACK, *Secretary.*

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W. W. SOUTHWICK, Secretary  
J. W. SOUTHWICK, Secretary

The report was then accepted, and the resolution  
passed.

On motion Resolved, That the Town of Subship-  
tion to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel  
in Missouri be appointed to the published journals of  
this Convention.

The minutes of the Journal having been read and  
approved.

On motion Resolved, That after the replies ser-  
vices the Convention be adjourned sine die.

After singing part of the Wrenth- with hymns, and  
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vention was adjourned.

J. W. SOUTHWICK, Secretary

The following is a list of the names of the members of the  
Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Missouri, who  
were present at the Convention held at St. Louis, Missouri,  
on the 10th day of August, 1850. The names are given in  
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## APPENDIX. (A.)

# 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.

ARTICLE 2.—There shall be a Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri on the Second Wednesday 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 the 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.

ARTICLE 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.

**ARTICLE 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, under the direction of this Convention, 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.

**ARTICLE 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.

**ARTICLE 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.

**ARTICLE 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 delegate or 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 last prescribed.

**ARTICLE 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.

**ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 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 a majority of the clergy and of the parishes entitled to seats in the Convention.

ARTICLE 12.—The mode of altering this 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, the change shall take place, and the Constitution so altered shall be valid and obligatory.

## C A N O N S . ( B . )

CANON I.—*List of the Clergy.*

SEC. 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 clergymen, 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.*

SEC. 1.—The evidence of the regular admission of a clergyman into this Diocese, and the evidence of settlement in a church thereof shall consist in proof satisfactory to the Convention of a compliance with 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 connexion 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 church; 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 church which he is appointed to represent, and no candidate for Holy Orders in this Church shall be entitled to a seat as a lay delegate to this Convention.

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

To enable a church 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 church 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 be also 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 was given him or them, at least three months before the Convention, of the organization having taken place, and of his or their approval of the same.

CANON IV.—*Election of Vestries.*

SEC. 1.—On Easter Monday in every year the parishioners of each church 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 Church; attend to, and regulate all its temporal concerns; to make arrangements for the support of the Rector, and, in case of his death, resignation, or removal, to supply his place as soon as possible.

CANON V.—*Deputies to General Convention.*

SEC. 1.—The Convention shall, at each regular annual meeting, elect by the 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.—*Preparing Report on the State of the Church.*

The deputies to the General Convention shall, by and with the advice of the Bishop, prepare a report of the state of the Church in this Diocese, and a list of the clergy to be presented to the General Convention.

CANON VII.—*Church Registers and Parochial Reports.*

SEC. 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 church; which book shall be the Parish Register, and shall be preserved by the Vestry as a part of the records of the Church. 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 the 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 record 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 Parish Register of the church of which he has charge, and the Record shall state where the acts were performed; and if the acts 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 Con-



vention, 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 VIII.—*Standing Committee.*

SEC. 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 monies appropriated by the Convention—and these drafts shall always be signed by the President or Chairman of the Committee.

CANON IV.—*Vacant Churches.*

SEC. 1.—Whenever a church 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 churches thus supplied to defray all the expenses incident to such occasional services.

CANON X.—*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 XI.—*Of the Treasurer.*

SEC. 1.—At every stated Convention there shall be chosen a Treasurer of the Convention. It shall be his duty to receive and disburse all monies 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 XII.—*Secretary of the Convention.*

SEC. 1.—In addition to the duties of the Secretary, prescribed in the eight 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 church 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 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 expenses 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 duties thereof shall devolve upon the Secretary of the Standing Committee.

CANON XIII.—*Attending the Meetings of the Convention.*

SEC. 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 XIV.—*Mode of Trying Clergymen.*

SEC. 1.—If any clergyman of this Church offend in any one or more of the instances 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 be constituted 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 Commissioner 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 members of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

SEC. 10.—If the Bishop approve of the judgment, he shall, within thirty days, proceed to administer the discipline prescribed by the Court, provided that the Bishop shall have the power to diminish the penalty 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 church, 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.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION (c.)  
 FOR  
 ORGANIZING A PARISH  
 IN CONNECTION WITH  
 THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
 IN THE  
 DIOCESE OF MISSOURI.

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 of 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 \_\_\_\_\_.

ARTICLE 2.—This Church 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, recognises 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 Church or Association.

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 4.—The Vestry of this Church 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 other such persons as the parish may here designate).

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 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 recognised 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.

ARTICLE 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 said Church.

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

ARTICLE 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.

ARTICLE 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.

## FORM OF SUBSCRIPTION (D.)

TO THE SOCIETY FOR PROPAGATING THE GOSPEL IN MISSOURI.

THE Subscribers agree to pay the sum of 6 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.

## TREASURER'S REPORT. (E.)

ACCOUNT OF THE TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE OF MISSOURI  
TO APRIL 3, 1845.

1844.		Dr.	
Dec. 11.	To Balance received of Mr. Southack, late Treasurer, " Account of Collection at Christ Church at the opening of Convention,	\$4 60	
		5 20	
		\$9 80	
1844.		CR.	
Feb. 24.	By account paid Mr. Dent for expenses at General Convention,	\$3 50	
1845.		6 30	
April 3.	Balance on hand,	\$9 80	
		\$9 80	

JOHN HALSALL, TREASURER.

## PAROCHIAL REPORTS. (F.)

### CHRIST CHURCH, ST. LOUIS, Rt. Rev. C. S. HAWKS, *Rector.*

I took charge of this parish on the 1st of January 1844, and found it in a sad condition. When I was called to the Rectorship, it had been for some time without any regular pastor, but was then under the temporary charge of the Rev. T. Horrell.

It was at that time embarrassed with a debt of \$17,000. I thank God that the parish has been able and willing since my administration began to liquidate a large portion of this debt. My trust is, that before winter the amount of our indebtedness may not exceed \$5000. It is important that even this liability should soon be cancelled. Christ Church is the mother church of this region, and should be able and ready ever to lend her hand to the other parishes.

Owing to the long vacancy in the Rectorship prior to my arrival, the Parish Register had been irregularly kept, and did not afford a precise view of the parish as to other matters. I may now report as follows:

Baptisms during the past year, (adults 19, children 37,) . . . . .	56
Confirmed, do. . . . .	21
Marriages, do. . . . .	16
Communicants, about . . . . .	200
Burials, do. . . . .	36

Besides struggling with the heavy debt of the church, the parish has assisted in liquidating part of the debt of St. Paul's Church, St. Louis. It has also contributed \$150 towards Domestic Missions, and in alms at the Holy Communion for the poor of Christ's flock about \$250.

C. S. HAWKS.

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ST. LOUIS, Rev. P. R. MINARD, *Rector.*

Since the last Convention, which was held in December 1844, the Rector of this Church begs leave to report:

Baptisms (Infant), . . . . .	10
Marriages, . . . . .	5
Burials, . . . . .	2
Confirmations, . . . . .	8
Communicants, present No., . . . . .	99

The Rector is happy to say that the debt for the church lot has just been reduced \$2000, through the kindness of the friends of the Church in this city, and the Rector takes this occasion to acknowledge the benefactions, and express his thankfulness to Almighty God for the aid afforded his young and feeble parish.

Respectfully submitted,

P. R. MINARD.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ST. LOUIS,  
Rev. W. GRISWOLD, Rector.

This report embraces the period of four months since the last Convention :

Baptisms, (adults 9, children 8,) . . . . .	17
Confirmations, . . . . .	15
Communicants,	
Added, (by removal 4, new 15,) . . . . .	19
Lost, by removal, . . . . .	7
Present number, . . . . .	103
Marriages, . . . . .	3
Burials, . . . . .	8
	<i>Sunday School.</i>
Teachers, . . . . .	14
Scholars, about . . . . .	60

Christmas Offerings for Domestic Missions, \$15.

Easter Offerings for Sunday School, Bible and Prayer-book and Tract Societies, \$13.

A Charter has been procured from the Legislature of Missouri by the "Church Association of Ladies for the relief of Orphans and Destitute Persons," under the title of "An act to incorporate the 'Orphans' Home,'" and the Society has been merged in it.

This institution, placed under my parochial care by the Bishop, agreeably to the provisions of the old Constitution, now affords a home, protection, support, and education for all orphans and destitute persons who require and apply to it for such relief, and now contains twelve children. A considerable amount of funds was left in the Treasury last annual meeting, and subscriptions for the present year afford encouraging prospects of success. A parochial school is still attached to it, and by a new arrangement, all the orphans and as many children as receive tickets to it from the Rector are admitted *free*. God has hitherto blessed these infant institutions beyond our anticipations, and we trust, with the united zealous exertions of Churchmen co-operating with the ladies of the several parishes in St. Louis, with the continued blessing of God, they will become ornaments and an honor to our Church, as well as a blessing to the destitute.



Divine service has been regularly celebrated on the Lord's Day—the Festivals and Fasts of the Church—and on every day during Lent.

W. GRISWOLD.

The undersigned reports to the Bishop, that he has, since the last Convention, officiated ~~several~~ in the county, and also in the city of St. Louis.

On the 22d of last December he commenced his labors in Jefferson City, where he is permanently settled as the Rector of *Grace Church*. He has married one couple and attended one funeral, two persons have been received as communicants by removals, and the present number of communicants is nine. The church edifice is now rapidly progressing towards its completion.

C. S. HEDGES,

*Rector of Grace Church, Jeff. City.*

CHRIST'S CHURCH, BOONVILLE,

A. D. CORBIN, *Missionary.*

Congregation,	200
Baptisms, (infants 10, adult 1,)	11
Communicants 20, admitted 10,	30
Marriage,	1
Burials,	2
Public services on Sundays 84, on other days 68,	152
Holy Communion,	7
Sunday School scholars,	25

Morning prayers have been said on nearly every Holy-day. Daily morning Service during every day in Lent, and on every Wednesday night and sermon. Held services once in the county, near Boonville, and four times in St. Louis—having entered upon my duties at this place on Whitsuntide, 1844.

SALINE COUNTY, *November 14th, 1844.*

*To Rt. Rev. C. S. Hawks, Bishop of Missouri,—*

I respectfully report that, since my connection with the Diocese, I have preached three times in Boonville, administering the Holy Communion once and baptising one adult; in Georgetown, Pettis County, three times, baptising two infants. During last winter I preached once a month at Arrow Rock in this county (Saline). Since I became a Missionary I have preached in Lexington three Sundays in the month, once a month in Independence, and in Arrow Rock whenever a fifth Sunday occurred. In Lafayette County I have baptised four infants and officiated at two funerals. There are in Lafayette County, so far as I can ascertain, fourteen communicants; in Saline County

fifteen, and in Jackson County but two. I am persuaded that, in a few years, the Church will be much more generally appreciated than she now is, and will, of course, lengthen her cords and strengthen her stakes.

ST. M. FACKLER.

KEMPER COLLEGE, *April 4th, 1845.*

*Report of Rev. G. W. SILL.*

Since my last report in December, in addition to my professional duties in Kemper College, I have alternated with the President of the institution in its religious services, preached once at Birmingham, and married one couple. The College having been temporarily suspended by the Board of Trustees, I shall remain for the present within its walls, until God in his providence shall indicate to me my future sphere of labor.

Yours in Christ,

G. W. SILL.

## LIST OF COMMITTEES, &c. (G.)

### STANDING COMMITTEE:

THE REV. E. H. CRESSEY, *President,*

“ “ P. R. MINARD,

“ “ WHITING GRISWOLD, *Secretary,*

MESSRS JOSIAH SPALDING, and

“ J. PARKER DOAN.

### TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION:

JOHN HALSALL, St. Louis.

### SECRETARY:

F. W. SOUTHACK, St. Louis.

### TREASURER

OF THE SOCIETY FOR PROPAGATING THE GOSPEL IN MISSOURI.

JOHN HALSALL, St. Louis.

## THE BISHOP'S CONSECRATION. (H.)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS,

THAT WE, PHILANDER CHASE, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Illinois; JACKSON KEMPER, D. D., Missionary Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Wisconsin, Iowa, and Indiana; SAMUEL ALLEN McCOSKRY, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Michigan; LEONIDAS POLK, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Louisiana, and WILLIAM HEATHCOTE DE LANCEY, D. D., Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Western New York, under the protection of ALMIGHTY GOD, in *Christ Church*, in the city of Philadelphia, on *Sunday the twentieth day of October*, in the year of our LORD one thousand eight hundred and forty-four, did then and there rightly and canonically CONSECRATE our beloved in CHRIST, CICERO STEPHENS HAWKS, late *Rector of Christ Church, Saint Louis, Missouri*, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the office of BISHOP in the Diocese of Missouri, to which he hath been elected by the GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH in the United States of America, according to the Canons in such case, made and provided.

Given in the city of Philadelphia this twenty-fifth day of October, in the year of our LORD one thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

PHILANDER CHASE,	[L. S.]
JACKSON KEMPER,	"
SAMUEL A. McCOSKRY,	"
LEONIDAS POLK,	"
WILLIAM H. DE LANCEY,	"

The next ANNUAL MEETING of the CONVENTION of the Dio-  
CESE of MISSOURI will be held *on the Second Wednesday in May,*  
1846.