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List of the Clergy

IN THE DIOCESE OF MISSOURI.

- The Rt. Rev. C. S. HAWKS, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing in S. Louis.
- “ Rev. JOSEPH ADDERLY, Rector of Grace Church, Jefferson City.
- “ “ FRANCIS J. CLERC, Rector of S. John’s Church, S. Louis.
- “ “ GEORGE P. COMINGS, Professor of Mathematics in S. Paul’s College, Palmyra.
- “ “ WILLIAM B. CORBYN, President of S. Paul’s College, Palmyra.
- “ “ JOSEPH I. CORBYN, Deacon, Tutor in S. Paul’s College, Palmyra.
- “ “ GEORGE K. DUNLOP, Deacon, Minister of Trinity Church, S. Charles.
- “ “ JOHN W. DUNN, Rector of Trinity Church, Hannibal.
- “ “ D. GORDON ESTES, Rector of Christ Church, Lexington, and S. Thomas’ Church, S. Thomas.
- “ “ ST. MICHAEL FACKLER, officiating in Oregon Territory.
- “ “ JOHN F. FISH, Chaplain U. S. A., Jefferson Barracks.
- “ “ FREDERICK W. HATCH, residing in Wisconsin.
- “ “ FRANCIS R. HOLEMAN, Deacon, Minister of S. John’s Church, Weston.
- “ “ THEODORE A. HOPKINS, Rector of S. George’s Church, S. Louis.
- “ “ E. CARTER HUTCHINSON, D. D., Rector of Trinity Church, S. Louis.
- “ “ W. NORMAN IRISH, Rector of Christ Church, S. Joseph.
- “ “ WILLIAM A. LEACH, residing in New Jersey.
- “ “ STEPHEN C. MASSOCH, D. D., Missionary to the Foreign Population in S. Louis.
- “ “ FREDERICK B. SCHEETZ, Deacon, Minister of S. Jude’s Church, Sharpsburg.
- “ “ MONTGOMERY SCHUYLER, Rector of Christ Church, S. Louis.
- “ “ ROBERT E. TERRY, Rector of Christ Church, Boonville.
- “ “ WILLIAM H. WOODWARD, Rector of Grace Church, S. Louis.
- “ “ JOHN T. WORTHINGTON, Rector of S. John’s Church, Prairieville, and Calvary Church, Louisiana.

List of the Parishes

IN THE DIOCESE OF MISSOURI.

CHRIST CHURCH,	S. LOUIS.
S. PAUL'S CHURCH,	S. LOUIS.
CHRIST CHURCH,	BOONVILLE.
S. PAUL'S CHURCH,	PALMYRA.
TRINITY CHURCH,	S. CHARLES.
GRACE CHURCH,	JEFFERSON CITY.
S. JOHN'S CHURCH,	S. LOUIS.
GRACE CHURCH,	S. LOUIS.
S. GEORGE'S CHURCH,	S. LOUIS.
TRINITY CHURCH.	HANNIBAL.
CHRIST CHURCH,	LEXINGTON.
S. MARY'S CHURCH,	FAYETTE.
S. STEPHEN'S CHURCH,	GLASGOW.
S. JOHN'S CHURCH,	WESTON.
CHRIST CHURCH,	S. JOSEPH.
S. ANN'S CHURCH,	BRUNSWICK.
S. JOHN'S CHURCH,	PRAIRIEVILLE.
TRINITY CHURCH,	S. LOUIS.
TRINITY CHURCH,	INDEPENDENCE.
S. JOHN'S CHURCH,	SAVANNAH.
CALVARY CHURCH,	COLUMBIA.
S. JUDE'S CHURCH,	SHARPSBURG.
CALVARY CHURCH,	LOUISIANA.
S. THOMAS' CHURCH,	S. THOMAS.

List of the Lay Delegates

APPOINTED TO ATTEND THE

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF MISSOURI, MAY 1856.

S. PAUL'S CHURCH, S. Louis—

Messrs. Philip McKim, Francis Webster, Jude C. Mansfield, Franklin G. Keene.

CHRIST CHURCH, Boonville—

Messrs. Geo. W. Morton, Henry A. Massie, A. Harrison Thompson, A. C. Orrick,

S. JOHN'S CHURCH, S. Louis—

Messrs. Harry I. Bodley, Henry M. Woodward, George L. Stansbury, William F. Enders.

S. GEORGE'S CHURCH, S. Louis—

Josiah Dent, Esq., John A. Kasson, Esq.

TRINITY CHURCH, Hannibal—

Messrs. Francis W. Southack, John Stephens, D. K. Garman, George T. Ray.

CHRIST CHURCH, Lexington—

Messrs. Robert N. Smith, Paul Reinhard, William K. Trigg, Daniel C. Relf.

S. MARY'S CHURCH, Fayette—

John A. Talbot, M. D., E. E. Buckner, M. D.

CHRIST CHURCH, S. Joseph—

Hon. William A. Cunningham, W. Broadus Thompson, Esq., Messrs. T. Edgar Bottom, N. J. McAshan.

S. JOHN'S CHURCH, Prairieville—

Messrs. Edward W. Dorsey, John W. Davis, Peter Carr, George Merriwether.

S. JOHN'S CHURCH, Savannah—

Charles F. Holley, Esq., Messrs. A. G. Hollister, Edward C. Breck.

CALVARY CHURCH, Columbia—

Ebenezer N. O. Clough, Esq., Mr. Thomas C. Philips.

CALVARY CHURCH, Louisiana—

Hon. N. P. Minor, Edward Lea, M. D., William Bottom, M. D., James O. Broadhead, Esq.

S. THOMAS' CHURCH, S. Thomas.

David Creel, M. D., Messrs. George J. Fackler, N. Lafayette Davies, Richard H. Creel.

Form of Certificate

OF THE

ELECTION OF LAY DELEGATES TO A DIOCESAN CONVENTION.

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. 2.)

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. (Constitution, Art. IV.)

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY, *That at a meeting of the Vestry (or Congregation) 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.*

Form of Parochial Reports.

Baptisms—Infants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Adults,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Confirmations,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Communicants—Number last reported,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Added by removal,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
“ anew,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lost by removal,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
“ death,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burials,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sunday School Teachers,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scholars,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contributions for Parochial purposes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Extra	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

(Signed)

Journal of the Convention.

CHRIST CHURCH, LEXINGTON, }
May 23d, 1856. }

This being the time and place fixed for the assembling of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Missouri, the Rt. Rev. C. S. Hawks, D. D., the Bishop, with several of the Clergy and Lay-Delegates, met in Christ Church, Lexington, at ten and a half o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Theodore A. Hopkins, Rector of S. George's Church, S. Louis, assisted in the lessons by the Rev. Robert E. Terry, Rector of Christ Church, Boonville. The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese.

The Annual Convention Sermon was delivered by the Rev. John T. Worthington, Rector of Prairieville Parish, Pike county, from the text, Joshua, xxiv, 15: "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

After which, at the Offertory, a collection was made in aid of the Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate.

The Bishop then proceeded to administer the Holy Communion, assisted in the administration of the cup to the Laity by the Rev. Robert E. Terry.

The congregation having retired, the chair was taken by the Bishop, and, at his request, the Rev. D. Gordon Estes, Secretary of the Convention, called the names of such of the Clergy of the Diocese, as by the Constitution, are entitled to seats in the Conven-

tion, when the following gentlemen answered to their names, and took their seats as members, viz :

The Rt. Rev. Cicero S. Hawks, D. D.,
 “ Rev. Francis J. Clerc,
 “ “ D. Gordon Estes,
 “ “ Francis R. Holeman, Deacon,
 “ “ Theodore A. Hopkins,
 “ “ W. Norman Irish,
 “ “ Robert E. Terry,
 “ “ John T. Worthington.

A quorum of the Clergy entitled to seats being present, the Bishop appointed the Rev. F. J. Clerc and the Rev. D. G. Estes, a Committee to receive and report on the Testimonials of the Lay-Delegates.

The list of the Parishes in union with the Convention, was then called, and the Credentials of the Lay-Delegates were presented.

The Committee on the Credentials of the Lay-Delegates, made the following

REPORT:

The Committee appointed to receive and examine the Certificates of the Lay-Delegates, respectfully report, that they have attended to the duty assigned them, and find that the several Parishes have duly elected the following gentlemen, viz :

S. Paul's Church, S. Louis—Messrs. Philip McKim, Francis Webster, Jude C. Mansfield, Franklin G. Keene.

Christ Church, Boonville—Messrs. George W. Morton, Henry A. Massie, A. Harrison Thompson, A. C. Orrick.

S. John's Church, S. Louis—Messrs. Harry I. Bodley, Henry M. Woodward, George L. Stansbury, William F. Enders.

S. George's Church, S. Louis—Josiah Dent, Esq., John A. Kasson, Esq.

Trinity Church, Hannibal—Messrs. Francis W. Southack, John Stephens, D. K. Garman, George T. Ray.

Christ Church, Lexington—Messrs. Robert N. Smith, Paul Reinhard, William K. Trigg, Daniel C. Relf.

S. Mary's Church, Fayette—John A. Talbot, M. D., E. E. Buckner, M. D.

Christ Church, S. Joseph—Hon. William A. Cunningham, W. Broadus Thompson, Esq., Messrs. T. Edgar Bottom, N. J. McAshan.

Prairieville Parish, Pike County—Messrs. Edward W. Dorsey, John W. Davis, Peter Carr, George Merriwether.

S. John's Church, Savannah—Charles F. Holley, Esq., Messrs. A. G. Hollister, Edward C. Breck.

Calvary Church, Columbia—Ebenezer N. O. Clough, Esq., Mr. Thomas C. Phillips.

F. J. CLERC, } Committee.
 D. G. ESTES, }

On calling the roll of the Lay-Delegates, the following gentlemen answered to their names, and took their seats as members, viz :

Philip McKim, - - - S. Paul's Church, S. Louis.

George W. Morton,

Henry A. Massie,

A. Harrison Thompson,

Henry M. Woodward, - - S. John's Church, S. Louis.

Robert N. Smith,

Paul Reinhard,

William K. Trigg,

Daniel C. Relf,

John A. Talbot, M. D., - S. Mary's Church, Fayette.

A. G. Hollister, - - - S. John's Church, Savannah.

Whereupon, there being a quorum of both orders, the Bishop declared the Convention duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

On motion,

Resolved, That in the election of a Secretary, balloting be dispensed with.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Rev. D. Gordon Estes, the former Secretary, be re-elected to that office.

On motion,

Resolved, That the following be adopted as the

RULES OF ORDER:

1. That the business of the 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 to 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 excused by the Convention.

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. 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 the Admission of New Parishes ;

A Committee on the Constitution and Canons ;

A Committee on Unfinished Business ;

A Committee on Finance ;

A Committee on Assessments.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Convention now take a recess until eight o'clock.

Whereupon, the House took a recess until eight o'clock.

CHRIST CHURCH, LEXINGTON, }
8, o'clock, P. M. }

The Convention met.

The Bishop, in compliance with Rule of Order XV, announced the following

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.—The Rev. D. G. Estes, Messrs. G. W. Morton, P. Reinhard.

Committee on the Constitution and Canons.—The Rev. F. J. Clere, J. Talbot, M. D., Mr. D. C. Relf.

Committee on Unfinished Business.—The Rev. R. E. Terry, Messrs. W. K. Trigg, A. G. Hollister.

Committee on Finance.—Messrs. A. H. Thompson, P. Reinhard, P. McKim.

Committee on Assessments.—Messrs. R. N. Smith, H. A. Massie, H. M. Woodward.

The Bishop then read his

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

The annual return of this season has again convened us for mutual counsel, deliberation and action, touching the interests of that portion of the Lord's vineyard in which it is our privilege to minister. We have invoked God's blessing in prayer, and with "an awful apprehension of His Divine majesty, and a deep sense of our own unworthiness," we have, in the Holy Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, sought for grace and guidance in every good work. In that blessed feast our love and allegiance is pledged anew, and we have well begun. Yet so solemn, so responsible is the trust laid upon us when we come to the work of legislation in the Church of God—legislation not only for ourselves and those of our own day, but for those who shall come after us—that I lift up my heart in prayer again, for you and for myself; entreating the good God that "by His holy inspiration we may think those things that are good, and by His merciful guiding may perform the same, through Jesus Christ our Lord."

We are happily here, with the ranks of the Clergy unbroken by death during the past year—and yet my record opens with a sorrow of my own. He who as a public man belongs to others—must at times, however reluctantly, speak of himself. Our joys and sorrows do so color the tenor of our lives that their record becomes almost a part of an official narrative. It is due to you and to myself, to say that since we last met, the dearest of all earthly relationships has been broken with me. You will remember how at the close of the last Convention I left you in haste, with a heart full of its then present sorrow, and laden with the heavier burden of foreboding calamity. On the morning of the ninth of July last, apprehension gave way to reality. The being whom I loved best on earth; she who in the early bloom of life had gilded the years of my boyhood; who had twined herself around my heart in manhood, and made our lives as one; who was to me all of love and joy and peace in one unbroken bond and tide of twenty years, then "fell asleep in Jesus." The good God has given me grace to bow in submis-

sion to that most awful calamity of my life, yet will the heart still heave its sighs and groans. These, however, are not sinful; they are but the outbursts, not the revoltings of our suffering humanity. The ocean has its sighs and moans long after its rough waves have subsided; and so is it with the troubled heart of man. Our blessed Lord wept and groaned at the grave of Lazarus.

To those friends at home and abroad, who, in that trying hour gave me their sympathy and prayers, and who, in the darker hours which have come, and which must necessarily succeed such a calamity, have followed me with their love and christian tenderness, I must ever be grateful. While I thank God for the mercy of His presence vouchsafed to me, with a full heart do I thank Him for the gift of such sympathies and prayers and love. More or less than this I could not say.

Owing to this sorrow, it was late in the summer when I entered upon the visitation of the Diocese. My tour, however, was long, and extended to many points in the State never before visited by me. My detail of official duty discharged will be laid before you, and then I may speak of other topics.

Since the last Convention, the rite of Confirmation has been ministered as follows, viz: in Christ Church, Boonville, to one person; in Christ Church, Lexington, to eleven persons; in Christ Church, S. Joseph, to six persons; in S. George's Church, S. Louis, to forty-seven persons; in Christ Church, S. Louis, to thirty-three persons; in Trinity Church, S. Louis, to six persons; in S. Paul's Church, S. Louis, to five persons; in Grace Church, S. Louis, to six persons; in Trinity Church, S. Charles, to one person; in S. John's, Church, S. Louis, to thirteen persons, one of them from the Mission of the Rev. Dr. Massoch.

Other Parishes visited where Confirmation was not ministered were Trinity Church, Hannibal; S. John's Church, Weston; S. Ann's Church, Brunswick; S. Stephen's Church, Glasgow; S. Mary's Church, Fayette; Trinity Church, Independence; S. John's Church, Savannah; Calvary Church, Columbia; S. Paul's Church, Palmyra; Prairieville Parish, Pike County, and Grace Church, Jefferson City. Except the three last named, all were vacant when I visited them. Indeed, some of them are, as you know, only newly organized Parishes, and very feeble. In Prairieville Parish, a new Church edifice is in process of erection and will be ready for consecration in July next.

Other towns reached by me, where we had no organized Parishes were Plattsburg, Haynesville, Richmond, Carrollton, Wellington, Westport, Kansas, Parkville, Platte City, Marshall, California, Dover, Hermann, Washington, Sharpsburg, Bowling Green and Louisiana.

My consent has been given to the organization of three new Parishes; and their application will come before you, I presume, for admission into union with the Convention. They are S. Jude's Church, Sharpsburg, Calvary Church, Louisiana, and S. Thomas' Church S. Thomas. In Sharpsburgh, a new Church edifice has just been completed.

Under the following dates, I have admitted two Candidates for Holy Orders, viz: Nov. 27, 1855, Mr. Charles Fletcher Loop, and March 13, 1856, Mr. Christopher Kyle. On the 27th of June last, at his request, I allowed Mr. Adolphe DePelchin to withdraw his name as a Candidate. Mr. Loop and Mr. Kyle are privately pursuing their theological studies; the former in Fillmore, the latter in S. Louis. Mr. Loop has also been licensed by me as a Lay-Reader.

On the 27th of May, 1855, in Christ Church, Boonville, I ordained to the Priesthood the Rev. Robert E. Terry, the Minister of the Parish. He was presented for that Holy Order by the Rev. J. W. Dunn, who with the Rev. Messrs. A. D. Corbyn, Estes, Adderly, Irish and Comings, united with me in the laying on of hands.

On the 14th of November 1855, in S. George's Church, S. Louis, the Rt. Rev. John Henry Hopkins, D. D., Bishop of Vermont, acting at my request, admitted to the Priesthood the Rev. Theodore A. Hopkins, the Minister of that Parish. The Rev. D. G. Estes presented the Candidate, and with the Rev. Dr. Massoch and the Rev. Messrs. Clerc, Schuyler and Woodward, united with the Bishop in the laying on of hands.

On the morning of Dec. 9th, 1855, in Christ Church, S. Louis, Mr. Joseph Ingoldsby Corbyn was ordained by me to the Diaconate. The Candidate was presented by the Rev. Mr. Schuyler, the Rector of Christ Church. Mr. Corbyn still remains a Tutor at S. Paul's College, where he has long been in service.

During the year now closing, two clergymen have been transferred from the Diocese, viz: the Rev. William Colvin Brown to the Diocese of Massachusetts, and the Rev. Charles Purviance to the Diocese of Ohio. The Rev. Mr. Purviance, being a Deacon under the new Canon, was transferred at the request of the Bishop of Ohio.

In return, I have received into the Diocese the Rev. Theodore A. Hopkins, from the Diocese of Vermont, and the Rev. Francis R. Holeman, from the Diocese of Kentucky. Mr. Hopkins is the Rector of S. George's Church, S. Louis; and Mr. Holeman has entered upon his duties as Missionary to S. John's Church, Weston. The changes in the homes of the Clergy have been few. The Rev. D. G. Estes has resigned the Rectorship of S. Paul's Church, S. Louis, and become the Rector of Christ Church, Lexington; and the Rev. J. W. Dunn has resigned the Rectorship of S. Mary's Church, Fayette, and become the Rector of Trinity Church, Hannibal. I am sorry to say, that both the Parishes vacated by these removals are still without Pastors; though S. Paul's Church, S. Louis, has fortunately received the temporary care of the Rev. John F. Fish, a Chaplain in the United States Army. His near residence to our city—his home being at Jefferson Barracks—has enabled him to render valuable service to the Parish.

The flourishing condition of our "Orphans' Home" in S. Louis, will be seen by the last Report from the Institution, which is laid by me upon the Secretary's table. This noble charity has for its capital only the hearts of our people; and I feel confident that this capital will always sustain it. An orphan child pleads for itself, and no heart that is human can turn aside from the plea. On former occasions, I have spoken of the propriety of having its friends make an annual subscription to its support, instead of relying on the uncertain bounties of the thoughtless and careless; and the plan has for some years been adopted in the Parishes in S. Louis. May I say further, that inasmuch as orphans are readily received from any part of Missouri, it is right and proper that the Country Parishes should remember this fact. I am glad to state that, from some gentlemen in the interior of Missouri, I have already received contributions for our Orphans' Home. I am happy, too, in calling your attention to the fact, that some in their dying moments have remembered this Institution. A small portion of the income of this noble charity is now derived from a legacy bequeathed to it by a departed friend. May the living and the dying alike remember this home of helpless orphanage! When good women, of heart and hope, are ready and willing to give their time and care to it, men should at least gladly give of their substance.

In my last Address, I spoke to you of S. Paul's College as one

of our dearest interests in Missouri. The Institution was then, as I stated, laboring under a debt contracted by the Board of Trustees for additional building that was requisite. The hope, too, was then expressed, that this difficulty would be promptly removed by the churchmen in Missouri. I am happy to inform you that this hope has been realized. Under the sympathy and co-operation of the Clergy in S. Louis, the entire indebtedness of the Institution has been removed by the members in that city. Their action on this subject cheered me greatly—especially as I knew that some of them were under the pressure of other heavy and weighty responsibilities at the time of this struggle. It was a peculiar comfort, too, to find that in Christ Church, S. Louis—the Parish formerly, for ten years, under my own immediate charge—the members met this duty with such readiness and cheerfulness. Yet, though the debt is liquidated, still further improvements are called for at the College, and will be prudently and judiciously prosecuted by the Board of Trustees.

On the subject of the College, I have so often and so fully spoken to you before, that no word from me is necessary to insure the Institution your confidence and sympathy. In eight years it has struggled from its small foundation to its present proportion and position, and I think I may safely say, that no Church School in the land has reached such position and prospect of honorable usefulness with as little pecuniary aid at home or abroad. We are in possession of an Institution for which few have struggled. The same self-sacrificing Instructors who, at my request, were there in the beginning of this enterprise, are still there at their posts of duty; and I hope nothing may ever separate them from this child of their own watchfulness and nursing. My confidence in these gentlemen is only increased by an association through the trying years that have passed over us, since I first thought of, and through their instrumentality under God, presented to Missouri S. Paul's College. If almost without a struggle on your part, a College has been given to you, surely you will cherish and sustain it.

But to sustain it, I must say to you, that no College can exist and flourish long without endowments. If you will look to the history of all such Institutions, you will find this fact to be true and almost unvarying. Indeed, endowment seems to be the law of their being; and to him who thinks soberly and correctly, this is easily

understood. Colleges are schools of the highest grade, intended to discipline the minds of the young, and impart to them useful knowledge. While all claim to appreciate their importance, few understand their nature or their struggles. They must have professors of learning in the highest branches—branches that at times are not sought after or desired by the masses; while to others, looking forward to certain duties and positions in life, such branches are indispensable. I say nothing at this moment of the discipline of thought to be learned in collegiate drill, valuable to all students; but I say that the cultivation of the higher grades of learning is indispensable to some, to qualify them for their intended pursuits in life. How then are professorships in such higher grades of learning, with all the means and appliances for the working of such professorships, to be fully and thoroughly sustained? I answer, by competent endowments.

Then, too, consider this as an additional call for such bounty. In an ordinary school, the outlay for education is quickly returned when the boy, at early maturity, in the readier ways of life, is quickly earning more than a livelihood. The fruits yielded as a return for college discipline are slow, but sure to the steadfast and persevering. The early years of professional life bring few or no pecuniary returns. The professional man must struggle, and wait patiently, and “bide his time.” Who has not seen, at times, an elder brother, of promise in some liberal profession, scarcely earning his daily bread; while the younger, with only ordinary learning, has been earning more than he requires. Now the consequence of all this will be, and is, that the masses will always—and especially in this age of money seeking—take the short and cheap road to profitable returns. Colleges, in their true bearings, will not be appreciated, and thus not liberally sustained. While teachers in ordinary schools may be amassing wealth, Colleges may be starving. You must endow them, if you are to open the higher branches of education and elevate the standard of learning.

I do not mean to inculcate the idea that no ordinary branches are to be taught in Colleges. On the contrary, I think that every such Institution is defective that has not its course of study of a scientific, practical and daily use. All that I mean to say is, that Colleges are supported by *the few*—schools by *the multitude*. The one calls for endowment to sustain it efficiently; the other, as a general rule,

can force its own support: and the tide of endowment becomes the law of life to a flourishing College or University. Especially, too, must this be true, if the College, belonging to any one Christian body, opens the way in its teachings to any course of theological study. There again—in that department, especially—it must be sustained by a few; those of its own communion and fellowship. These general remarks will be found, I think, to apply in the history of all flourishing seats of learning.

The Board of Trustees of S. Paul's College are, I am happy to say, fully aware of the necessity of an endowment for that Institution. At a late meeting of the Board, a Committee was appointed to digest some plan by which this desirable result might be secured. To the same Committee it was also entrusted, to address the different Parishes in Missouri, on the subject of the education of one or more beneficiaries from each Parish. This last idea may be so easily carried out by almost any Parish, that I hope the wish of the Board may be met in your respective homes. And when the subject of endowment, in its full and comprehensive sense, shall be brought before you by the Board, I shall hope that duty to your College, and loyalty to the Church, will return on your parts a cheerful and liberal response. How many are there among us, who in life may give largely of their abundance; and how many are there who, departing this life, might leave behind them, at least, a legacy of mercy to the rising generations. Let this be the inscription on the tombs of more than one man among us, long after we are gone, "He being dead, yet speaketh."

While upon this topic of Education, I will say what is in my heart in reference to Female Education in Missouri. Ever since I made my home in the State, I have regretted that we had in its borders no school of our own for the education of girls. And this regret has rested with me so long and steadily, that but for other pressing duties I should long since have undertaken to meet this sorrow by a personal effort of my own. Annually, too, large sums are expended by our people, upon schools in the Eastern States, which might be used more profitably at home. And to those who may not send their daughters abroad, the Romish Convents have their doors wide open at all times. Now this ought not so to be. If it be proper to make any distinction as to the importance of educating both sexes, I should say that, beyond all doubt, he is the greatest benefactor who edu-

cates the girls rather than the boys. There is great truth in the old adage, "let me make the ballads of a country, and you may make their laws;" and still more certain truth will be found in this thought, "let me train the girls of the country, and you may make the laws." When you think of woman as Christianity would make her, in all her gentle and endearing and refining sympathies — when you regard her in the capacity of daughter, sister, wife and mother — of the influence that she must exert for good or evil, and especially in the last named position, over the young and tender and most controllable years of life — who can say that the Church is not remiss when she forgets to train the daughters of the land. He is a strange and unnatural man who is not controlled by thoughts of wife or mother, sister or daughter, even in the waywardness of life. How much better if we could guard him even from thoughts of waywardness! Educate the girls of the country; let woman learn to make home what it should be; let holy and tender thoughts and feelings cluster in that sacred place forever, and you shall wield an influence over man that is complete. Woman, under God, will then be his ministering angel; and, under her gentle teachings, his heart with his head shall then be active in the ways of duty.

These thoughts have been awakened at this time by the knowledge that one of our clergy has been willing to add to his parochial charge the care of a large Female Seminary. The Rev. Mr. Terry, the Rector of Christ Church, Boonville, has now under his control and management a school of one hundred girls. The position of the Institution is well chosen, the location is healthy, the teachers competent, and my only fear is, that the double duty resting upon him is more than one man can properly meet. Let us cherish this school, as the promise of better things in the way of female education. Let us give to it, as it deserves, our confidence and support. Let us educate, if we may, our women at home, and they will make home all that it should be. Let their hearts be properly cultivated, and you shall feel the influence through the whole body of society. Let her not grow up neglected, or trained in other schools than Christian homes; for a woman without Christianity is a strange being. Her heart must wither, and make all else wither, unless it drink in the dews of the Spirit—unless it breathes the gentle and refreshing atmosphere of Christianity.

When, at our last meeting, I offered to you my views in reference

to a Church Hospital in S. Louis, the Convention requested, as you know, that I would present the subject to the Laity in S. Louis, in the hope of securing action upon this important subject. It was from no change of sentiment touching the importance of such an Institution that I have not met your wish. On the contrary, the importance of such an Institution is felt by me more and more, and I would gladly have you bear in mind all that was then said by me. But in S. Louis, during the past year, many subjects of vital importance have engrossed the minds of our people; and I felt that the time was not auspicious for urging this claim. The wants of S. Paul's College were before us; and then, too, most of the Parishes in S. Louis were liquidating debts of their own. Christ Church, it is true, was unembarrassed with debt, but then from Christ Church came well nigh all the relief for the College. In this connection, I am happy to say that all the Parishes in S. Louis are, I think, now free from all indebtedness, and I trust that in due time our Church Hospital will have its place in that city.

It gives me comfort to acknowledge an appropriation from the Board of Missions of two thousand dollars for Missouri for the current year. This sum is divided as follows, viz: To Prairieville Parish one hundred dollars; Trinity Church, S. Charles, two hundred dollars; S. Mary's Church, Fayette, one hundred and twenty-five dollars; Christ Church, S. Joseph, three hundred dollars; S. John's Church, Weston, two hundred dollars; Trinity Church, Hannibal, three hundred dollars; Trinity Church, Independence, three hundred dollars; Calvary Church, Columbia, one hundred and twenty-five dollars; and to the Rev. Dr. Massoch, in St. Louis, three hundred and fifty dollars.

With the exception of Fayette, Columbia and Independence, all these places are supplied with Pastors. For the young flock in Independence, I had hoped a Pastor was secured; but, from circumstances beyond his control, I learn that a very excellent Clergyman has been kept away from them. I hope that for all these points we may soon secure Pastors. Sure I am that they will be gladly welcomed at each one of them.

To the Bible and Prayer-Book Societies, also, in New York and Philadelphia, I am indebted for their publications for your benefit. This reminds me to ask again, that you will bear in mind the suggestion acted upon now for some years, as to certain fixed days for

certain contributions in this Diocese. Missions Domestic, Foreign and Diocesan, the Bible and Prayer-Book Societies, the Tract Society, &c., have special claims upon us. Our contributions have usually been made as follows, viz: At Advent Season, to Domestic Missions; at the Epiphany Season, to Foreign Missions; on the First Sunday in Lent, to Diocesan Missions; at Easter, to the Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate; at Whitsuntide, to the Bible and Common Prayer-Book Societies; and on the Twentieth Sunday after Trinity, to Diocesan Missions; and I would suggest that we add some day in the list for the benefit of the Tract Societies of the Church.

With painful feelings I lay before you the record of the following acts of discipline in the Church, due notice of all which have reached me, viz: The Rev. George W. Tinlow, and the Rev. William H. Marsh, have been displaced by the Provisional Bishop of New York; the Rev. John Parnell Robins, and the Rev. Edward Waylen by the Bishop of Maryland; the Rev. Hiram M. Roberts, by the Bishop of Indiana; the Rev. John Sidney Davenport, by the Bishop of Western New York; the Rev. Augustus L. Converse, by the Bishop of South Carolina; the Rev. William Markoe, by the Bishop of Wisconsin; the Rev. George Hobart Doane, by the Bishop of New Jersey; and the Rev. John Henry Linebaugh, by the Bishop of Georgia.

Under date of September 13th, 1855, I have received from the Lord Bishop of London, an earnest Circular, enclosing the Constitution and Rules of the Anglo-American Church Emigrant Aid Society, which papers I deem proper to lay before you for your consideration. The subject embraced is important and interesting, especially to us; for, few points in our country are more thronged with emigrants at certain seasons than the city of S. Louis. Indeed that city seems the gate-way to the upper valley of the Mississippi. Any feasible plan by which these wanderers from home may be comforted, aided and kept in "the old paths" of duty, should meet with our warm co-operation. Or, if nothing more may be effected than the drawing more closely together the hearts of the English and American Churches, therein we will greatly rejoice. May the mother and daughter ever strive together in love for the pure faith of the Gospel.

You will remember that the last General Convention of the Church, in 1853, adopted certain amendments in Articles II, V. and

VI. of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, and ordered them to be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions for their consideration and action. The Convention of Missouri, in 1854, approved of the proposed changes in Articles V. and VI. ; but postponed the consideration of the change in Article II. to this time. Our General Council of the Church, will meet, as you know, in October next, and will then act probably upon these amendments.

My only purpose now in recalling this history of legislation is to remind you that the proposed amendment to Article II., merits your most calm and solemn deliberation. The question involved is simply this: whether *Communicants only* should be eligible as Lay-Deputies to our General Convention.

There are, also, some proposed changes in our own Diocesan law, of interest to you, but of less importance, seeing that they involve no such great principle, which will claim your attention.

Dearly Beloved: I have detained you longer than usual, but you will hearken patiently, I trust, while I say something more:

Missouri, with her 62,000 square miles, is emphatically a Diocese for Missionary labor and struggle. It is our bounden duty with this field spread before us, to cultivate it with as earnest heart and hope as we may. In some of the interior towns the Church has obtained a firm foothold, while in others her hold is limited but promising. The Board of Missions is aiding us in this culture. Are we doing our part? Alas! in some of our Parishes—and even in some of those almost entirely sustained by the Board—contributions are not asked for, and received in their behalf. I speak plainly, but sadly and truly, when I say that there is want of principle in those who knowingly practise this neglect toward a society of which they are members, and that society a constant benefactor. I hope this neglect has rather occurred from, what is sad enough, a thoughtlessness upon this subject. But it is proper for me to say, that I have written to the Board lamenting such neglect, and assuring them that I shall hereafter request no appropriation for any point failing to make at least one annual contribution to the funds of the Board. There are those who will gladly receive and gladly make some return—who, being watered themselves, will gladly water again; and these are the spots which should be cherished and nursed. While I request then that in all Parishes, our Missionary Society in its Domestic and Foreign opera-

tions should be remembered, I feel bound to say that a delinquency on the part of a Missionary station, on this subject, is a matter of special wrong. They can all contribute something; few can be unable to pay at least an amount equal to the interest upon the annual bounty they are receiving from the Board.

But my special design in speaking of Missionary duty, hoping and praying that the Diocese will provide the funds for the work, is to call your attention to another plan of Missionary labor, absolutely indispensable if we would reach certain portions of our territory. In many of the counties of Missouri the towns are small; in some there is no village except the seat of county justice. No clergyman can be sustained entirely at any one of these, and yet the rural population scattered plentifully over the land, and the people congregated in these small villages must be cared for. In my last tour in the interior, as you will readily see, I passed over many such districts, and through many such towns. There is comfort too, in the thought that you can hardly travel in any direction without finding here and there one, perhaps more, with an inherited or acquired attachment to the Episcopal Church. Here and there, then, you may find some nucleus around which others may gather.

Now, I would have, if I could, Itinerating Missionaries laboring in such parts of the State. Within certain counties assigned to him, I would send forth the Missionary to preach the Gospel and to teach the people the way of life. Let him go commissioned for his work carrying Bibles, Prayer-Books and Tracts, as a Colporteur, to the scattered multitudes; and as he goes let him preach by the way-side and in the huts of the pioneers. There are men ready for such work, whose only ambition is to do the Master's will. Would that there were more! Can you not then let me have one, two or three Missionaries of this class for these waste places? It seems to me the only way to meet the case is thus to send them, and I think that you will be comforted if you will begin this work. The outlay will be small—the returns will, I think, be great. The very plan, too, working in its fulness and simplicity, will, I think, help us all to a larger Missionary spirit.

I would again speak to you of a topic which I introduced to your notice when I first came to your Diocese. Finding the Clergy poorly sustained, and consequently making frequent changes of their homes

I found the pastoral relationship between the clergyman and his flock sadly weakened. I was desirous of remedying this evil, if I could, by giving permanency and stability to that sacred relationship. To effect this, I proposed two things. First, that in every Parish a parsonage house should be furnished to the clergyman; and secondly, that in every Parish the life of the clergyman should be insured for the benefit of his wife and children, or other tender and dependant relatives. This last was, I thought, the only way in a new Diocese especially, of providing rapidly and fully a fund for the widows and children of deceased clergymen. Both thoughts were, in a measure, appreciated. We have now in Missouri four parsonages, three of them erected or purchased since I gave this counsel—and the lives of two clergymen are, I believe, insured by their Parishes. This subject of Life Insurance, for the purpose above stated, has since been advocated warmly, and I trust, successfully, in some of our older Dioceses. In Missouri, where, at times, Life Insurance is not understood, objections have been urged to my views, and practically in some instances the Clergy have lost the benefit of my counsel.

The objections urged have been many, but especially that Life Insurance is an attempt to control the will and purposes of Heaven—to fix the allotted period of our lives—and at best that it is a game of hazard.

Now, Beloved, I claim that Life Insurance is not only a humane, but I might almost say, a Christian Institution. If it is a man's duty in life "to provide for his own household," it is hardly a violation of duty, by a prudent and wise foresight to provide for them after death, when he can protect them no longer. Thus men are struggling constantly with an honest industry, in the pursuits of life, to provide while living for those dependant upon them; and when dead that they still may be beyond want. The objections urged would apply with equal force to the insurance of our houses, our ships, or their cargoes; for, who but Heaven controls the winds and the waves? The same objection, too, would condemn every merchant who makes any venture of trade however wisely and prudently. Indeed some of the honest pursuits of life might be entirely set aside under such objections. Beside this, the average risk on human life, on the basis of which Life Insurance is effected, is based upon tables made in different countries, upon a series of long calculations and observations, extending through years—so that there is not in reality in Life Insurance such a game of chance as may be imagined.

It is strange that these objections should be urged, and I must think they are urged only by those who have not duly weighed the subject. It is the more strange when we remember the origin of Life Insurance. It was born in the very idea that I have urged upon the Convention. The first public office for insuring lives originated with a clergyman, for the benefit of the widows of clergymen and others, and for the settling of jointures and annuities. This was the Rev. William Anhote, D. D., of Middleton, in Lancashire, England. The first Institution was entitled "The Mercer's Co.," in 1698. In 1699 another company was formed, carrying in its very name its purpose. It was called "The Society of Assurance for Widows and Orphans." After this, companies began to increase and others began to profit by the humane and wise foresight of this philanthropic man. I consider that if the good man had done nothing more, he deserves to be forever gratefully remembered as one, who in wisdom and love has opened a plan by which thousands of men, women and children may be, and are constantly relieved, and no one is injured.

I have said thus much, only to urge upon you again what I think is a duty, and a duty easily discharged. The annual premium will be a small amount to any Parish. Let the lives of the Clergy be insured. Let their widows and children be promptly provided for. I will only add, that since manhood reached me I have kept on my life a perpetual insurance, and I think my duty to those dependant upon me would be undischarged, if it were not so.

Of the Memorial of certain Presbyters, touching rubrical relaxation, laid before the House of Bishops, in October, 1853, and which will come up for definite action in our General Convention in October next, I spoke fully when we last met, and need only say that since that time I have seen no reason to alter any opinion then expressed.

Finally, my Beloved, let me remind you to be "of one heart and one mind, striving together for the faith of the Gospel." We may look for God's blessing upon our efforts, when we all strive together—each one of us working in his own sphere—each one acting earnestly "in that state of life to which it hath pleased God to call him." Let Bishops assume no powers beyond their office; let Presbyters not invade the work of Bishops, nor Deacons the work of Presbyters, nor Laymen the work of the Clergy. But let all strive together, each in his appropriate sphere, with heart and hope and prayer, for the Church of our love, and God will give us His blessing.

I will detain you no longer, except to request that this Address may reach all the people of my flock, through the Clergy; who will, I trust, read it to their respective congregations; and to pray that God's Holy Spirit may now guide and control you in all your deliberations.

Applications were presented for admission into union with this Convention from S. Jude's Church, Sharpsburg; Calvary Church, Louisiana; and S. Thomas' Church, S. Thomas.

On motion,

Resolved, That these applications be referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

A petition was presented from Prairieville Parish, Pike County, praying that the designation of the Parish, hereafter, may be that of "S. John's Church, Prairieville."

On motion,

Resolved, That the prayer of this petition be granted, and that the name of Prairieville Parish, Pike County, is hereby changed to that of S. John's Church, Prairieville.

On motion,

Resolved, That the portion of the Bishop's Address, which has reference to the Anglo-American Church Emigrant Aid Society, be referred to a special Committee of three.

Whereupon the Bishop appointed the Rev. Messrs. F. J. Clerc, T. A. Hopkins and Mr. R. N. Smith, as this Committee.

On motion,

Resolved, That the portion of the Bishop's Address, which relates to Itinerant Missions within the Diocese, be referred to a special Committee of three.

Whereupon the Bishop appointed the Rev. Messrs. W. N. Irish, J. T. Worthington and Mr. A. H. Thompson.

The Reports of the Treasurer of the Convention in account with the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri; in account with the Contingent Expenses of the Convention; and in account with the Contingent Expenses of the Episcopate, were presented.

On motion,

Resolved, That these Reports be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Convention now adjourn to nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

Whereupon the House adjourned until nine o'clock, Saturday morning.

CHRIST CHURCH, LEXINGTON, }
 May 24th, 1856. }

The Convention met according to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. W. Norman Irish, Rector of Christ Church, S. Joseph.

The Bishop called the Convention to order.

On calling the roll, a quorum of both orders was found present.

The Minutes of the previous Sessions were read and approved.

The Bishop called for the Parochial Reports.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes made the following

REPORT:

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes respectfully report, That the papers submitted to them in relation to the organization of S. Jude's Church, Sharpsburg; Calvary Church, Louisiana; and S. Thomas' Church, S. Thomas, appear to be in accordance with the Canons made and provided for such cases: and they would recommend, that these Parishes be severally admitted into union with this Convention.

D. G. ESTES,
 G. W. MORTON, } Committee.
 P. REINHARD, }

On motion,

Resolved, That S. Jude's Church, Sharpsburg, be admitted into union with this Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That Calvary Church, Louisiana, be admitted into union with this Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That S. Thomas' Church, S. Thomas, be admitted into union with this Convention.

The Certificates of the election of the Lay-Delegates from Calva-

ry Church, Louisiana, and S. Thomas' Church, S. Thomas, were then presented.

On motion,

Resolved, That these Certificates be referred to the Committee on the Credentials of Lay-Delegates.

The Committee on the Credentials of Lay-Delegates, made the following

R E P O R T :

The Committee on the Credentials of Lay-Delegates respectfully report, That they have attended to the duty assigned them, and find that the new Parishes have duly elected the following gentlemen, viz :

Calvary Church, Savannah—Hon. N. P. Minor, Edward Lea, M. D., William Bottom, M. D., James O. Broadhead, Esq.

S. Thomas' Church, S. Thomas—David Creel, M. D., Messrs. George J. Fackler, N. Lafayette Davies, Richard H. Creel.

F. J. CLERC, }
D. G. ESTES, } *Committee.*

On calling the roll of the new Lay-Delegates, the following gentlemen answered to their names, and took their seats as members, viz :

Edward Lea, M. D.,	- - -	Calvary Church, Louisiana.
David Creel, M. D.,	}	S. Thomas' Church, S. Thomas.
George J. Fackler,		
N. Lafayette Davies,		

On motion,

Resolved, That the Convention now proceed to the election of a Standing Committee for the ensuing year.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. W. N. Irish, Teller to receive the Clerical, and Mr. W. K. Trigg, Teller to receive the Lay vote.

The ballot resulted in the election of the following gentlemen, viz :

The Rev. Francis J. Clerc,
 " " Montgomery Schuyler,
 " " John T. Worthington,
 Mr. Daniel Hough,
 Charles A. Pope, M. D.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Convention now proceed to the election of Delegates to the General Convention.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. F. A. Holeman, Teller for the Clerical, and J. A. Talbot, M. D., Teller for the Lay vote.

The ballot resulted in the election of the following gentlemen, viz :

The Rev. Francis J. Clerc,	John A. Talbot, M.D.,
“ “ D. Gordon Estes,	Mr. Harry I. Bodley,
“ “ Robert E. Terry,	“ Alfred Warner,
“ “ William B. Corbyn,	“ Robert N. Smith.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Convention now proceed to the election of a Treasurer of the Convention for the ensuing year.

The Bishop appointed Mr. A. H. Thompson, Teller for the vote. The ballot resulted in the election of Mr. Henry W. Hough.

On motion,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be, and hereby are, presented to Mr. John Halsall, late Treasurer of the Convention, for the prompt and faithful manner in which he has, for twelve years past, discharged the duties of that office.

The Committee on Unfinished Business made the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report, That upon reference to page twenty-eight of the Journal of the Diocesan Convention of 1854, they find the consideration of the proposed Article ii. of the Constitution of the General Church, referred to the Diocesan Convention, which has never yet been acted upon.

They also find, on page fifty-three of Journal of 1855, that the Committee on Constitution and Canons was instructed to report to this Convention still further amendments to the proposed Article ii. of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

Also, a proposed amendment of Article ii. of the Constitution of the Diocese of Missouri, changing the time of meeting of the Diocesan Convention, from the “fourth Friday in May” to the “first Friday in July.”

Also, the Address of the Bishop to the Clergy and Laity, in reference to a supposed conflict between Canon viii., section 3, of the Diocese of Missouri, and Canon xiv. of 1853, of the General Convention.

The Committee would, therefore, offer the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That the consideration of the subjects enumerated above, be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

R. E. TERRY,	} Committee.
W. K. TRIGG,	
A. G. HOLLISTER,	

On motion,

Resolved, That the consideration of the first, third and fourth subjects, enumerated in the Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business, be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Convention now take a recess until three o'clock this afternoon.

Whereupon the House took a recess until three o'clock.

CHRIST CHURCH, LEXINGTON, }

The Convention met.

3 o'clock, P. M. }

The Committee on the Anglo-American Church Emigrant Aid Society presented the following

R E P O R T :

The Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address, which refers to the Anglo-American Church Emigrant Aid Society, respectfully report, That they have had under consideration the communication received by the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Missouri, from the Rt. Rev. Bishop of London, England, together with the Constitution and Rules of the aforesaid Society. They cordially approve of the subject proposed, and of the measures suggested, for the furtherance of the same. They believe that by the proper introduction of English emigrants to the notice of the Parochial Clergy in the United States, many defections and lapses from the common faith of the Anglo-American Church may be prevented, and that much temporal and spiritual good may accrue to all Churchmen, who shall come hither properly commended from the mother country. They also perceive in this design, much that will tend to strengthen the bonds of love and fellowship between the separate members of our communion. They, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions, which, they hope, may serve to bring the operations of this Society to bear upon the large English emigration which annually reaches us in Missouri, viz :

1. *Resolved*, That the Rt. Rev. Bishop be requested to inform the Rt. Rev. Bishop of London, that it is the desire of this Convention, that the Rev. — —, be elected by the Association a Corresponding Member of the Society.

2. *Resolved*, That Mr. — —, of S. Louis, be nominated for the appointment of Agent of the Association.

3. *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Convention be instructed to send a copy of the Journal containing these resolutions and a complete list of the Clergy in Missouri, to the Rt. Rev. the President, to the Secretaries, and to the Rt. Rev. the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the aforesaid Society.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

F. J. CLERC,
T. A. HOPKINS, } *Committee.*
R. N. SMITH,

On motion,

Resolved, That the Rt. Rev. the Bishop be requested to inform the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of London, that it is the desire of this Convention, that the Rev. Theodore A. Hopkins, Rector of S. George's Church, S. Louis, be elected by the Anglo-American Church Emigrant Aid Society, a Corresponding Member.

On motion,

Resolved, That Mr. Philip McKim, of S. Louis, be nominated to the same for the appointment of Agent.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Convention be instructed to send a copy of the Journal embracing these Resolutions and a com-

plete list of the Clergy in Missouri, to the Rt. Rev. the President, to the Secretaries, and to the Rt. Rev. the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the aforesaid Society.

The Standing Committee presented the following

R E P O R T :

The Standing Committee would respectfully present their Report for the Sixteenth Conventional Year :

The Rev. Theodore A. Hopkins has been recommended to the Rt. Rev. the Bishop, for ordination to the Priesthood.

Mr. Joseph I. Corbyn, Candidate for Holy Orders, has been recommended to the Rt. Rev. the Bishop, for ordination to the Diaconate.

Messrs. Charles Fletcher Loop and Chrystopher Kyle, have been recommended to the Rt. Rev. the Bishop, as Candidates for Holy Orders.

At the recommendation of the Bishop, the sum of one hundred dollars was appropriated to the Rev. John W. Dunn, for his services as Missionary for the year A. D. 1855.

All of which is respectfully submitted, by order and on behalf of the Standing Committee.

M. SCHUYLER, *Secretary.*

The Committee on Itinerant Missionaries presented the following

R E P O R T :

The Committee, to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as respects Itinerant Missionaries in this Diocese, report, That they approve of the Bishop's recommendation, believing that this system is, under existing circumstances, called for and promising of good results; but, how to make it a working system, they are not now prepared to advise, further than the Bishop will have control of the Diocesan and Domestic Missionary Funds. For anything more, they invite the suggestions of the Convention. Therefore,

Resolved, That the Bishop be requested to appoint one or more Itinerant Missionaries, as he may have means and opportunity; and, that he assign to each one so appointed the field of his labor.

W. N. IRISH,
J. T. WORTHINGTON, } *Committee.*
A. H. THOMPSON,

On motion,

Resolved, That the Rt. Rev. the Bishop be requested to appoint one or more Itinerating Missionaries, as he may have means and opportunity; and, that he assign to each one so appointed the field of his labor.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Rt. Rev. the Bishop be requested to appoint Stations for the Missionary visits of the Parochial Clergy of the Diocese for the ensuing year.

From the Treasurer of the Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate was presented the following

R E P O R T :

The Treasurer of the Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate respectfully reports, That the

Balance on hand, as stated to the last Convention, was	:	:	:	:	:	\$ 377 40
Interest on above to December, 1855,	:	:	:	:	:	12 21
Easter, 1856, Christ Church, S. Louis,	:	:	:	:	:	64 10
" " S. George's Church, S. Louis,	:	:	:	:	:	33 45
" " S. John's Church, S. Louis,	:	:	:	:	:	25 38
" " Prairieville Parish, Pike County,	:	:	:	:	:	5 75
" " S. Paul's Church, S. Louis,	:	:	:	:	:	14 30
" " Christ Church, Lexington,	:	:	:	:	:	6 00
" " Christ Church, Boonville,	:	:	:	:	:	23 00
May 23, " Collection at Convention,	:	:	:	:	:	7 35
Received of the Rev. R. E. Terry, Agent, sundry notes due December 1, 1858, amounting to	:	:	:	:	:	500 00
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D. HOUGH, *Treasurer.*

The Committee on Constitution and Canons of the last Diocesan Convention presented the following

R E P O R T :

The Committee on Constitution and Canons of the last Diocesan Convention, were instructed to prepare and report at this time a still farther amendment of the proposed Article ii. of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, fixing the representation of the different Dioceses in the House of Clerical and Lay-Deputies to our General Convention, upon a different basis from that which now obtains. This was done, because it was suggested in the Bishop's Annual Address to the Convention last year, that the representation of the various Dioceses in the House of Clerical and Lay-Deputies to the General Convention, might be made to accord more nearly, with that which now obtains in the House of Representatives of the nation. The advantage, sought by such a change, is the more full and fair expression of the voice of the American Church. The importance of securing that voice in its fullest and fairest meaning is very obvious, since it is by the consentient voices of the Church Catholic, that the witness of the Church to the truths of the Gospel has been established and is perpetuated. But, inasmuch as very grave difficulties would seem to surround any attempt to alter the basis of representation as now fixed; and whereas, the subject was only suggested by the Bishop for consideration and not pressed for action; and whereas, public attention in the Church has been called to this subject by the publication of the views expressed in the Bishop's Address last year; and whereas, the General Convention of the Church is soon to assemble again for deliberation and legislation upon this very Article of the Constitution: Therefore the Committee, to whom this subject was referred, respectfully recommend the accompanying resolution, viz:

Resolved, That it be left to the Rt. Rev. Bishop, and to the Clerical and Lay-Deputies elected to represent this Diocese in the General Convention of 1856, to take such measures as they shall see fit, in reference to the suggested amendment of the proposed Article ii. of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

Respectfully submitted.

F. J. CLERC,	} Committee.
J. A. TALBOT,	
G. W. MORTON,	

On motion,

Resolved, That the Convention now adjourn to eight o'clock, Monday morning.

Whereupon the House adjourned until eight o'clock, Monday morning.

CHRIST CHURCH, LEXINGTON, }
May 26th, 1856. }

The Convention met according to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Francis R. Holeman, Deacon, Minister of S. John's Church, Weston.

The Bishop called the Convention to order.

On calling the roll, a quorum of both orders was found present.

The Rev. John W. Dunn appeared and took his seat.

The Minutes of the previous Sessions were read and approved.

The Committee on Finance made the following

R E P O R T :

The Committee on Finance beg leave to report, That they have examined the several Accounts submitted to them for examination, and find them correct, as follows, viz :

Amount Received by the Treasurer of the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri, : : : : : : : : : : :	\$834 78
Amount Paid out by him, as per vouchers, : : : : : : : : : :	770 43
Balance in hands of the Treasurer, : : : : : : : : :	<u>\$64 35</u>

Amount Received by the Treasurer on Assessments for the Contingent Expenses of the Convention, : : : : : : : : :	\$138 05
Also, Received since at Convention, : : : : : : : : :	6 00—\$144 05
Amount Paid out by him, as per vouchers, : : . : :	138 05
Balance in hands of the Treasurer, : : : : :	<u>\$6 05</u>

From Memoranda accompanying the Treasurer's Report, there remains due from this account for printing, \$121 05.

Amount Received by the Treasurer for the Contingent Expenses of the Episcopate, : : : : : : : : :	\$560 00
Received at the Convention, : : : : : : : : :	20 00—\$580 00
Amount Paid out by him, as per vouchers, : : : : : : : : :	<u>580 00</u>

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. H. THOMPSON, }
P. McKIM, } *Committee.*
P. REINHARD, }

The Committee on Assessments made the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Assessments respectfully report and recommend, That the Assessment on the several Parishes for the Contingent Expenses of the Convention and of the Episcopate for the ensuing year be as follows, viz :

	FOR CONVENTION.	EPISCOPATE.	TOTAL.
Christ Church, S. Louis, : : : :	\$60 00	\$75 00	\$135 00
S. Paul's Church, S. Louis, : : :	15 00	15 00	30 00
Christ Church, Boonville, : : :	20 00	15 00	35 00
S. Paul's Church, Palmyra, : : :	5 00	10 00	15 00
Trinity Church, S. Charles, : : :	5 00	10 00	15 00
Grace Church, Jefferson City, : : :	5 00	10 00	15 00
S. John's Church, S. Louis, : : :	35 00	15 00	50 00
Grace Church, S. Louis, : : :	5 00	10 00	15 00
S. George's Church, S. Louis, : : :	35 00	60 00	95 00
Trinity Church, Hannibal, : : :	5 00	10 00	15 00
Christ Church, Lexington, : : :	15 00	15 00	30 00
S. Mary's Church, Fayette, : : :	3 00	10 00	13 00
S. Stephen's Church, Glasgow, : : :	3 00	10 00	13 00
S. John's Church, Weston, : : :	10 00	10 00	20 00
Christ Church, S. Joseph, : : :	10 00	10 00	20 00
S. Ann's Church, Brunswick, : : :	3 00	10 00	13 00
S. John's Church, Prairieville, : : :	15 00	5 00	20 00
Trinity Church, S. Louis, : : :	35 00	15 00	50 00
Trinity Church, Independence, : : :	3 00	5 00	8 00
S. John's Church Savannah, : : :	3 00	5 00	8 00
S. Jade's Church, Sharpsburg, : : :	10 00	5 00	15 00
Calvary Church, Louisiana, : : :	10 00	5 00	15 00
S. Thomas' Church, S. Thomas, : : ;	10 00	5 00	15 00
	<u>\$320 00</u>	<u>\$340 00</u>	<u>\$660 00</u>

R. N. SMITH,
H. M. WOODWARD. } *Committee.*
H. A. MASSIE,

On motion,

Resolved, That the Scale of Assessments, as recommended by the Committee, be adopted.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons made the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Constitution and Canons, to whom was referred certain Unfinished Business of the last Diocesan Convention, respectfully report, That they have had the same under consideration. As regards the proposed amendment of Article ii. of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, the Committee believe it to be inexpedient to legislate on the one point requiring that the Lay-Deputies shall be communicants; although they cordially approve of the other proposed changes. They are also satisfied that this Convention is almost, if not quite, unanimous in the opinion that no better time can be fixed for the Annual Meetings of the Diocesan Convention than that which now obtains. They do not themselves see any difficulty in the way of practice under the local and general Canons

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supposed to be in conflict; and that, for the sake of the principles involved in the local Canons, they prefer not to recommend any change, although they are ready to recognize that the Diocese is bound by the laws of the General Convention. They, therefore, recommend for adoption the following resolutions, viz :

1. *Resolved*, That this Convention do not approve of the proposed requirement that the Lay-Deputies to the General Convention be, necessarily, communicants in this Church.

2. *Resolved*, That Article ii. of the Constitution of Missouri be not changed.

3. *Resolved*, As the opinion of this Convention, that the general law of Canon xiv. of the General Convention of 1853, interprets the meaning of Canon viii. section 3, and Canon iv. section 4, of Missouri.

F. J. CLERC,
J. A. TALBOT, } *Committee.*
D. C. RELF, }

On motion,

Resolved, That this Convention do not approve of the proposed requirement that the Lay-Deputies to the General Convention be, necessarily, communicants in this Church.

On motion,

Resolved, That Article ii. of the Constitution of Missouri be not changed.

On motion,

Resolved, As the opinion of this Convention, That the general law of Canon xiv. of the General Convention of 1853, interprets the meaning of Canon viii. section 3, and of Canon iv. section 4, of Missouri.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Resolution, presented by the Committee on Constitution and Canons of 1855, be now acted upon and the Committee discharged.

On motion,

Resolved, That it be left to the Rt. Rev. Bishop, and to the Clerical and Lay-Deputies elected to represent this Diocese in the General Convention of 1856, to take such measures as they shall see fit, in reference to the suggested amendment of the proposed Article ii. of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

On motion,

Resolved, That this Convention is satisfied with the present basis

of Representation in the House of Clerical and Lay-Deputies of the General Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention of this Diocese be held in the Chapel of S. Paul's College, Palmyra.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Rev. Francis J. Clerc, the Rev. D. Gordon Estes and Mr. Robert N. Smith, be nominated to the General Convention as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

On motion,

Resolved, That one thousand 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 Reports of the several Clergy and Parishes, of the Orphans' Home, of the Treasurer, and such other matter and forms as are 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 Agent for the Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate presented the following

REPORT:

The Agent for the Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate reports, That parochial duties have prevented him from prosecuting the work in behalf of the Agency, until within a few days of the meeting of this Convention.

He has commenced in S. Louis the work of the Agency, and received subscriptions to the amount of seventeen hundred dollars, a part of which is subscribed on condition that the sum of fifteen thousand dollars shall be raised in the City and County of S. Louis. This amount, added to the five hundred dollars in notes reported by the Agent to the last Convention, makes the sum of two thousand and two hundred dollars subscribed since he entered upon the work of the Agency.

Respectfully submitted.

R. E. TERRY, *Agent*.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Convention has heard with satisfaction the Report of the Rev. R. E. Terry, the Agent in behalf of the Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate.

On motion,

Resolved, That he be, and he hereby is, earnestly requested to continue his endeavors in this behalf with a view to obtain the sum of thirty thousand dollars.

On motion,

Resolved, That he be, and he hereby is, requested to present this claim, within the space of one year from this date, to the attention of every Parish in the Diocese, in such manner as he, upon consultation with the several Rectors, shall see fit.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Convention now take a recess until three o'clock, this afternoon.

Whereupon the House took a recess until three o'clock.

CHRIST CHURCH, LEXINGTON, }
3 o'clock, P. M. }

The Convention met.

On motion,

Resolved, That it is hereby recommended to the Rectors of Churches, that they promptly call together the subscribers to the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri, and the people committed to their charge, with a view to secure for the ensuing year an increased number of subscriptions for the support of the Missionary points already occupied in this Diocese, and pledges for the spread of the Gospel in parts unoccupied by us as yet.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Clergy be, and hereby are, requested to report promptly to the Bishop the amount subscribed or pledged in their Parishes for this work.

The following Preamble and Resolutions were then presented and adopted, viz :

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in His wise Providence, to remove from his earthly ministry the Reverend Almon David Corbyn, formerly the Rector of Christ Church, Boonville, who, by his active ministry in this Diocese, advanced the glory of God and the good of man, be it, therefore,

Resolved, That we deeply lament the death of our Brother and late Co-worker in this Diocese.

Resolved, That we hereby present to the family of our deceased Brother, our heartfelt sympathy in this their sorrow.

Resolved, That a copy of these proceedings be presented, by the Secretary, to the family of the deceased.

On motion,

Resolved, That, after the reading of the rough Minutes, and the usual devotions, this Convention will adjourn *sine die*.

The rough Minutes were then read and approved.

After an address, prayers and benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

Attest: CICERO S. HAWKS, *President*.

D. GORDON ESTES, *Secretary*.

Resolved, That we heartily present to the family of our deceased Brother, our heartfelt sympathy in this their sorrow.

Resolved, That a copy of these proceedings be presented, by the Secretary, to the family of the deceased.

On motion,

Resolved, That, after the reading of the rough Minutes, and the usual devotions, this Convention will adjourn sine die.

The rough Minutes were then read and approved.

After an address, prayer and benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned sine die.

Attest: CIGERO S. HAWKS, President.

D. Gordon Bates, Secretary.

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Appendix.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CHRIST CHURCH, S. LOUIS.

The Rev. M. SCHUYLER, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 39 ; adults, 3 ; total.....	42
Confirmations.....	33
Communicants—Number last reported.....	151
Added by removal.....	41
“ anew.....	30
Lost by death.....	7
“ removal.....	4
Present number.....	213
Marriages.....	14
Burials.....	19
Sunday School—Teachers.....	19
Scholars.....	117

The offerings for the past year have been as follows, viz :

For the Poor.....	\$408 00
Sunday School.....	170 00
Foreign Missions.....	77 00
Mission to Africa, (from Sunday School,).....	20 00
Domestic Missions.....	123 50
Domestic Missionaries.....	45 00
Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri, (special to Dr. Massoch, \$300,).....	340 00
Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate.....	64 10
Convention Assessments.....	115 00
Bible and Prayer-Books.....	29 00
Portsmouth and Norfolk Sufferers.....	157 00
Orphans' Home, subscriptions.....	225 00
S. Paul's College, subscriptions.....	2,820 00
Temporary Support of the Episcopate.....	2,105 00
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	\$6,698 60

Within the past few weeks, the Rev. D. F. Warren, has been

officiating with me as Assistant, and on Whitsunday he commenced a third Service in the Engine House, on Market street between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets, a part of the City near which there is no Episcopal Church. The attendance, so far, has been very encouraging, and we expect, in due time, to organize a Sunday School. Every available pew in the Church is now rented, and as we cannot enlarge our congregation in the present building, we hope, through the means of our Chapel arrangements, to furnish room for many who could not otherwise attend.

S. PAUL'S CHURCH, S. LOUIS.

The Rev. ———, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants.....	9
Confirmations.....	5
Communicants—Number last reported.....	92
Marriages.....	9
Burials.....	24
Sunday School—Teachers.....	10
Scholars.....	60

The offerings for the past year have been as follows, viz :

To the Poor.....	\$79 58
S. Paul's Church, S. Louis.....	425 00
Norfolk and Portsmouth Sufferers.....	20 15
Convention Assessments.....	30 00
Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate.....	14 30
Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri.....	24 10
Domestic Missions.....	14 40
Foreign Missions.....	10 30
S. Paul's College, (from Sunday School,).....	10 00
Mission to Ojibwas, (from Sunday School,).....	10 00
Children's Magazine \$10; other purposes \$25, (from S. S.,)	35 00
Bishop White Prayer-Book Society.....	5 00
Orphans' Home, subscriptions.....	74 00
	<u>\$ 751 83</u>

In November, 1855, the Rev. D. Gordon Estes resigned the Rectorship of this Parish, which has since been served through the kindness of the Rev. J. F. Fish, Chaplain of the United States

Army, at Jefferson Barracks. Mr. Fish's arrangements not permitting him to continue the temporary charge beyond Trinity Sunday, the Parish is now without a Minister. It is the purpose of the Vestry to obtain a permanent Rector at an early day. The Parish having been somewhat unsettled the past six months, the number of communicants reported last year, is retained in this Report, which may not now be entirely correct.

F. WEBSTER, Senior Warden.

CHRIST CHURCH, BOONVILLE.

The Rev. R. E. TERRY, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 12; adults, 4; total.....	16
Confirmations.....	1
Communicants—Number last reported.....	60
Added by removal.....	3
Lost by removal.....	8
Present number.....	55
Marriages.....	8
Burials.....	7
Sunday School—Teachers.....	7
Scholars.....	52

The offerings for the past year have been as follows, viz :

Convention Assessments.....	\$ 25 00
Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate.....	23 00
	\$ 48 00

There is a class of Candidates ready for confirmation.

On the 15th day of April last, the remains of the Rev. A. D. Corbyn, the first Rector of this Parish, who died of Yellow Fever, on the 18th of the preceding October, at Jackson, in the Diocese of Mississippi, were brought back to this Parish for interment. The Vestry, with deep love for their first Rector and sympathy for his bereaved family, have resolved to place a mural tablet in the Parish Church, in memory of the deceased, and have appointed a Committee to carry out this proposition.

S. PAUL'S CHURCH, PALMYRA.

(No Report.)

The Rev. W. B. CORBYN, Rector.

TRINITY CHURCH, S. CHARLES.

The Rev. G. K. DUNLOP, Minister.

Baptisms—Infants, 7; adults, 1; total.....	8
Confirmations.....	1
Communicants.....	10
Marriages.....	2
Burials.....	2
Sunday School—Teachers.....	1
Scholars.....	10

The offerings for the past year have been as follows, viz :

For Parochial purposes.....	\$400 00
Foreign and Domestic Missions.....	10 30
Convention Assessments.....	13 00
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	\$423 30

During the past Conventional Year, I have performed Divine Service every Sunday in S. Charles, except for a short time in September last, when the house in which we worship was undergoing repairs. I also held two services in S. Louis County; one at Florissant, where I baptized an infant; the other at Bridgeton, where I had a large and attentive congregation. I intend to visit this latter place occasionally during the summer.

GRACE CHURCH, JEFERSON CITY.

The Rev. J. ADDERLY, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants.....	5
Communicants—Present number.....	12
Marriages.....	1
Burials.....	4

The offerings for the past year have been as follows, viz :

For Parochial purposes.....	\$122 00
Convention Assessments.....	16 00
Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri.....	13 00
Domestic Missions.....	10 00
Foreign Missions.....	10 00
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	\$171 00

S. JOHN'S CHURCH, S. LOUIS.

The Rev. F. J. CLERC, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 42; adults, 5; total.....	47
Confirmations.....	13
Communicants—Number last reported.....	132
Added by removal.....	20
“ anew.....	13
Lost by death.....	3
“ removal.....	23
Present number.....	139
Marriages.....	8
Burials.....	13
Sunday School—Teachers and Assistants.....	18
Scholars.....	150

In addition to the number of Communicants reported above, there are at least forty, who have worshipped and communed in S. John's Church, whose names are not registered, because they properly belong to the cure of the Missionary to the Foreign Population in S. Louis. One of the persons confirmed was instructed by him. S. John's Church has been regularly open for the usual Sunday Services, and twice for early Communion; also, on all special days marked in the book of Common Prayer, on Wednesdays and Fridays, and daily during Lent.

The offerings for the past year have been as follows, viz :

For the Poor.....	\$126 35
Domestic Missions.....	26 00
Foreign Missions.....	20 00
Convention Assessments.....	30 00
Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate.....	25 33
Bible and Prayer-Book Societies.....	25 25
S. John's Church, S. Louis.....	199 22
Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri, (Special for Dr. Massock, \$133 33,).....	196 63
Premiums on Life Insurance Policies.....	95 91
Orphans' Home, subscriptions.....	180 00
Mission to Ojibwas, (from Sunday School, \$9 58,).....	19 58
Temporary Support of the Episcopate.....	90 00
S. Paul's College, (subscriptions, \$100,).....	110 00
Norfolk and Portsmouth Sufferers.....	38 60
Monument to the late Rev. Mr. Griswold.....	245 00
Gift of friends to replace a sum stolen from the Rector's Father..	175 00
Proceeds of a Fair in aid of the Church.....	1,504 89
Subscriptions and Donations to liquidate the Church debt.....	3,800 00
	<u>\$6,907 81</u>

S. GEORGE'S CHURCH, S. LOUIS.

The Rev. T. A. HOPKINS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 22; adults 5; total.....	27
Confirmations.....	47
Communicants—Number last reported.....	68
Added by removal and by confirmation.....	115
Lost by death.....	2
“ removal.....	15
Present number.....	166
Marriages.....	12
Burials.....	14
Sunday School—Teachers.....	16
Scholars.....	146

The offerings for the past year have been as follows, viz :

To the Poor, (collections, \$220 98; subscriptions, \$105,).....	325 98
Norfolk and Portsmouth Sufferers.....	27 50
Orphans' Home, (collection, \$28 48; subscriptions \$212 00,).....	240 48
Sunday School, (from congregation,).....	63 85
Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate.....	33 45
Convention Assessment.....	35 00
Pointed Chant-Books.....	7 50
Missions and Candidate for Theology, (from Sunday School,).....	78 34
Domestic Missions.....	22 55
Foreign Missions.....	19 00
New York Bible and Common Prayer-Book Society.....	12 00
Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri, (special for Dr. Mas- soch, \$175 00,).....	200 85
American and Foreign Christian Union.....	30 00
Temporary Support of the Episcopate.....	190 00
Evangelical Knowledge Society, about.....	150 00
Plate collections for Parochial purposes to Easter, 1856.....	285 00
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	\$1,721 50

SEQUEL.—I accepted the Rectorship of S. George's Church on the 8th of July last; four weeks afterwards I went to Vermont; returned about October 1st; I then commenced my labors, which have been largely blessed by a favoring Providence for the eight months since.

With a thankful and joyful heart I can add to the above Report the following important Items, viz :

1. The attendance on the morning congregations has more than doubled.

2. Wednesday evening Lectures have been regularly sustained from October 1st, to April 16th; the attendance on which, varying from thirty-five to seventy-five, has been encouraging. During Lent, a Lecture was added every Friday evening.

3. The Sunday School has increased from about one hundred scholars, to one hundred and forty-six. It is now organized on a new plan, being, as nearly as possible, that of Dr. Tyng's, of New York. At present it is quite flourishing.

4. The meetings of the Ladies' Association have been well sustained. Great credit is due this faithful representation of our flock, in that they were the prime movers of the attempt made to pay off the debt of the Church. They supplied two thousand dollars, intending it to be appropriated to the payment of the interest only. But the presentation of this amount to the Vestry, raised the hope that the entire debt might be liquidated, and stimulated the arduous effort, which actually resulted in the almost immediate extinction of our heavy liabilities, and in the removal of every incumbrance, which lay upon our beloved Church as well as on the lot on which it stands. The congregation nobly met the call—poor as well as rich.

Specifications are as follows, viz:

(a) The entire ground debt of the Church has been paid in full, and the deed of trust securing it has been cancelled: This amounted to.....	\$9,108 00
(b) A Balance of all debt due on the Building has been paid (or assumed,) and the lien for this, which was on the Building, removed.....	511 27
(c) One thousand dollars of the above being in notes, was negotiated. These not all bearing interest, there has been subscribed toward this and paid.....	26 53
(d) The Convention Assessments for the Contingent Expenses of the Episcopate, which have been unpaid for the last five years, have been met as a voluntary contribution on the part of the Parish, being in full to May 23, 1856.....	380 00
Making a total of debts paid since July 8, 1855.....	<u>\$10,025 80</u>

The whole of this was raised from members of the congregation excepting \$517 00, which latter amount is hereby gratefully acknowledged to our friends.

Add the amount of offerings.....	\$1,721 50
Total paid this year.....	<u>\$11,747 30</u>

Devoutly thankful to God for His favor to us and ours; and feeling, as we all do, that our dear Church has never been as favorably situated as now, we can but implore the continuance of His Spirit in our midst, and thus will God, even our God, vouchsafe us His blessing.

TRINITY CHURCH, HANNIBAL,

The Rev. J. W. DUNN, Rector.

Communicants—Number last reported.....	34
Added by removal.....	2
Lost by removal.....	5
“ death.....	1
Present number.....	30
Marriages.....	1
Burials.....	2

The offerings for the past year have been as follows, viz :

For the Poor.....	\$10 15
Convention Assessments.....	13 00
	\$23 15

I took charge of this Parish on Whitsunday, the 11th inst., and have not been here long enough to know much about its condition. We expect, however, to commence a Church building this summer.

I resigned the Rectorship of S. Mary's Church, Fayette, in August last. Previous to my taking charge of Trinity Parish, Hannibal, I celebrated Divine Services, occasionally, in the country near Boonville, and also, occasionally in Christ Church, Boonville, during the absence of the Rector.

CHRIST CHURCH, LEXINGTON.

The Rev. D. G. ESTES, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants.....	4
Confirmations.....	11
Communicants—Number last reported.....	59
Added by removal.....	3
“ anew.....	11
Lost by death.....	1
“ removal.....	10
Present number.....	62
Marriages.....	2
Burials.....	6
Sunday School—Teachers.....	4
Scholars.....	20

The offerings for the past year have been as follows, viz :

For the Poor.....	\$66 67
Foreign Missions.....	8 00
Domestic Missions.....	6 00
Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri.....	15 00
Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate.....	6 00
Bible and Prayer-Book Society.....	3 00
Convention Assessments.....	25 00
Towards the liquidation of the Parsonage Debt.....	192 00
Improvements on the Church Lot.....	470 00
Improvements on the Church.....	107 10
	<u>\$ 898 77</u>

The present Incumbent entered upon his duties as Rector, on the First Sunday in Advent. Divine Service has been regularly maintained on all the Sundays since, except the third of each month, and on the principal Festivals and Fasts. The present condition of the Parish, it is thought, will compare favorably with any former period of its existence.

S. MARY'S CHURCH, FAYETTE.

The Rev. — —, Rector.

Baptisms—Infant.....	1
Communicants.....	23
Marriages.....	1

This Parish has been without a Rector since August last.

J. A. TALBOT, Warden.

S. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, GLASGOW.

(No Report.) The Rev. — —, Rector.

S. JOHN'S CHURCH, WESTON.

The Rev. F. R. HOLEMAN, Minister.

Baptisms—Infants.....	5
Communicants—Number last reported.....	10
Added by removal.....	2
Lost by death.....	1
Present number.....	11
Sunday School—Teachers.....	12
Scholars.....	30

The offerings for the past year have been as follows, viz :

Convention Assessments.....	\$13 00
Sunday School.....	6 00
Bible and Prayer-Book Society.....	2 25
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	\$21 25

The present Minister entered upon his duties as Missionary at this point on the 27th of March.

A large and convenient room has been obtained for Divine Service, which, it is hoped, can be retained until a Parish Church shall be erected.

On the First Sunday after Easter a Sunday School was organized, which is now in a very flourishing condition.

There is a class of twelve ready for confirmation; which class the Minister has endeavored to instruct to the best of his ability, in the meaning, importance and solemnity of the step which they are now about to take.

CHRIST CHURCH, S. JOSEPH.

The Rev. W. N. IRISH, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 8; adults, 4; total.....	12
Confirmations.....	6
Communicants—Number last reported.....	16
Added by removal.....	9
“ anew.....	10
Lost by removal.....	3
“ death.....	1
Present number.....	31
Marriages.....	3
Burials.....	5
Sunday School—Teachers.....	3
Scholars.....	20

The offerings for the past year have been as follows, viz :

For Parochial purposes.....	\$56 50
Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri.....	15 00
Domestic Missions.....	10 00
Sunday School for Carrier Dove.....	2 50
Convention Assessments.....	13 00
Ladies' Fair for Church Edifice.....	81 00
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	\$278 00

The Rector is again reluctantly compelled to state that his

congregation has not commenced work upon a Church edifice. Through a member of the Vestry we received an offer from a wealthy family in Philadelphia to this effect: That as soon as we raised fifteen hundred dollars in S. Joseph, the same sum would be advanced. The Rector and a Committee canvassed the town, and raised sixteen hundred dollars. On a visit East, the Rector secured two hundred and fifty dollars, and paid his traveling expenses. We have secured, therefore, nearly two thousand dollars; and our Church property is worth one thousand dollars, or more; still, the Vestry do not deem it advisable to commence work until the sum is advanced from Philadelphia.

S. ANN'S CHURCH, BRUNSWICK.

(No Report.)

The Rev. ———, Rector.

S. JOHN'S CHURCH, PRAIRIEVILLE.

The Rev. J. T. WORTHINGTON, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 12; adults, 5; total.....	17
Marriages.....	3
Burials.....	1

The offerings for the past year have been as follows, viz :

Domestic Missions.....	8 00
Foreign Missions.....	6 00
Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri.....	12 65
Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate.....	14 28
Bible and Prayer-Book Society.....	5 70
Convention Assessments.....	8 53
	<u>\$ 55 16</u>

Under existing circumstances it is impossible to have a Sunday School.

Since the 25th of October last, the Rector has been a resident of the County; but not being able to get a dwelling-house nearer than sixteen miles, he has lived at Louisiana and visited Prairieville twice a month. He expects to visit it three times a month after the 1st of July, when it is expected that the Church will be finished and ready for use.

It is reasonable to expect that the Church will be ready for consecration early in July. At that time there will be a few Candidates for confirmation in the County.

The Church, now building at Prairieville, is a brick house thirty-two by fifty feet, standing in a beautiful grove on a high ridge, and having a lot of over four acres. It will have no debt on it. The whole amount (about three thousand dollars) was contributed in the Parish. After the house is finished, with a regular Sunday Service and a Minister living immediately in the Parish, promising expectations of increase and improvement might be indulged.

TRINITY CHURCH, S. LOUIS.

The Rev. E. C. HUTCHINSON, D. D., Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 16; adult, 1; total.....	17
Confirmations.....	6
Communicants—Number last reported.....	76
Marriages.....	5
Burials.....	16
Sunday School—Scholars.....	60

TRINITY CHURCH, INDEPENDENCE.

(No Report.)

The Rev. ———, Rector.

S. JOHN'S CHURCH, SAVANNAH.

The Rev. W. N. IRISH, Missionary.

Baptisms—Infants, 7; adult, 1; total.....	8
Communicants—Number last reported.....	1
Added by removal.....	2
“ anew.....	2
Present number.....	5
Contributions—Missionary Traveling Expenses.....	\$20 00
Domestic Missions.....	8 00
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	<u>\$28 00</u>

The duties reported above were performed at Savannah and Fillmore. The Rector has performed Services several times at Fillmore, where we have a Candidate for Orders, who, with his Lady, have charge of the Fillmore High School. This Candidate for Orders has been licensed by the Bishop as a Lay-Reader.

The congregations have been very large, and a class for confirmation awaits the visitation of the Bishop. The Rector has preached there, since the opening of spring, once a month. With a little aid, the two places could support a Missionary, comfortably.

CALVARY CHURCH, COLUMBIA.

The Rev. ———, Rector.

Communicants—Number last reported.....	5
Added by removal.....	3
Lost by death.....	1
“ removal.....	3
Present number.....	4
Marriages	2
Burials.....	1

At the suggestion of the Bishop, the Senior Warden of the Parish officiated as a Lay-Reader, and has read the Morning Service of the Church, with a few exceptions, every Sunday since the 11th of October. He has also read the Burial Service of the Church over the body of a deceased member.

The Rev. Mr. Terry, of Boonville, has twice visited the Parish, each time for the purpose of celebrating the rite of matrimony. The Rt. Rev. the Bishop, and the Rev. J. W. Dunn, visited the Parish in September, this being the annual Episcopal visitation.

We gratefully acknowledge the kindness of the children of the Sunday School of S. John's Church, S. Louis, in the donation of Books to our Sunday School; also, of a supply of Prayer-Books, through the Rt. Rev. the Bishop.

E. N. O. CLOUGH, } Wardens.
T. C. PHILIPS, }

S. JUDE'S CHURCH, SHARPSBURG.

The Rev. F. B. SCHEETZ, Minister.

Baptisms—Infants, 5; adult, 1; total.....	6
Communicants.....	10
Burials.....	1

This Parish was organized on the 25th of October, 1855. Aided by several friends in the East, we have been enabled to erect a small Church, which has been regularly occupied since Christmas.

CALVARY CHURCH, LOUISIANA.

The Rev. J. T. WORTHINGTON, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults.....	2
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This Parish was organized in February. It embraces Louisiana and Bowlinggreen. Since November, a regular monthly Service has been held at Bowlinggreen; and one at Louisiana for more than a year.

Pike County now needs the services of two resident Ministers. It is believed that next year an effort will be made to build a small Church at Bowlinggreen; and probably one at Louisiana.

S. THOMAS' CHURCH, S. THOMAS.

The Rev. D. G. ESTES, Rector.

Communicants.....	13
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This Parish was organized on the Sunday before Easter. Most of the Communicants are by transfer from Christ Church, Lexington. Divine Service was commenced in January and has been since maintained regularly on the third Sunday in each month. The preliminary steps for building a Church have been taken. A lot of one hundred and fifty feet by an hundred and forty has been offered as a gift from one individual for a Church site, but has not yet been formally accepted. The present prospects of this infant Parish are decidedly encouraging.

JEFFERSON BARRACKS.

The Rev. J. F. FISH, Chaplain U. S. A.

Baptisms—Infants.....	3
Marriages.....	2
Burials.....	8

The Chaplain of this Post continued to officiate regularly, until the removals incident to army life had nearly deprived him, for the time being, of a congregation, when he obtained leave to take charge of S. Paul's Church, S. Louis, then vacant, which temporary Rectorship he entered upon, on the First Sunday in Advent, and continued in it until Trinity Sunday.

MISSION TO FOREIGN POPULATION, S. LOUIS.

The Rev. S. C. MASSOCH, D. D., Missionary.

Baptisms—Infants.....	4
Confirmations.....	1
Communicants.....	40
Marriages.....	1
Burials.....	3

The School, which shared largely in my labors during the past year, has brought forth good fruit among the converts. The Mission labors under great disadvantage from not having a Church building. I usually preach in the houses of those whom I visit, or in my private room. When the Holy Communion has been administered, it has been in S. John's Church. Medical aid has been given to two hundred and sixty-three sick persons during the year. Three of the patients have died, but the others have been restored to their former health.

I would particularly call attention to the fact that twenty-three Bohemian families, converts to the Protestant Episcopal Church, have left S. Louis and removed to other places, as they could not here find employment; but still new converts have been added to the Church. In consequence of these removals, I have received earnest invitations from those scattered round about to visit them,

in order to administer spiritual consolations. The chief places where the converts have settled are Jonesboro', Merrimac, Hermann, Portland and Fulton.

This is the work which, with the blessing of God, this Mission has been enabled to accomplish. Shall it go forward? If we will have it so, we must reduplicate our operations and means at this very time when God is working so powerfully among these poor people.

Abstract of Parochial Reports.

MAY, 1856.

PARISHES AND RECTORS.	BAPTISMS.		CONFIRMATIONS.	COMMUNICANTS.	MARRIAGES.	BURIALS.	S. S. TEACHERS.		S. S. SCHOLARS.	CONTRIBUTIONS.
	INFANTS.	ADULTS.								
CHRIST CHURCH, S. LOUIS— The Rev. M. Schuyler, Rector.....	39	3	33	213	14	19	19	117	\$6,698	60
S. PAUL'S CHURCH, S. LOUIS— Vacant.....	9		5	92	9	24	10	60		751 83
CHRIST CHURCH, BOONVILLE— The Rev. R. E. Terry, Rector.....	12	4	1	55	8	7	7	52		48 00
*S. PAUL'S CHURCH, PALMYRA— The Rev. W. B. Corbyn, Rector.....				†30						13 00
TRINITY CHURCH, S. CHARLES— The Rev. G. K. Dunlop, Minister.....	7	1	1	10	2	2	1	10		423 30
GRACE CHURCH, JEFFERSON CITY— The Rev. J. Adderly, Rector.....	5			12	1	4				171 00
S. JOHN'S CHURCH, S. LOUIS— The Rev. F. J. Clerc, Rector.....	42	5	12	139	8	13	18	150		6,907 81
*GRACE CHURCH, S. LOUIS— The Rev. W. H. Woodward, Rector.....			6	†41						
S. GEORGE'S CHURCH, S. LOUIS— The Rev. T. A. Hopkins, Rector.....	22	5	47	166	12	14	16	146		11,747 30
TRINITY CHURCH, HANNIBAL— The Rev. J. W. Dunn, Rector.....				30	1	2				23 15
CHRIST CHURCH, LEXINGTON— The Rev. D. G. Estes, Rector.....	4		11	62	2	6	4	20		898 77
S. MARY'S CHURCH, FAYETTE— Vacant.....	1			23	1					
*S. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, GLASGOW— Vacant.....				†4						
S. JOHN'S CHURCH, WESTON— The Rev. F. R. Holeman, Minister.....	5			11		12	30			21 25
CHRIST CHURCH, S. JOSEPH— The Rev. W. N. Irish, Rector.....	8	4	6	31	3	5	3	20		278 00
*S. ANN'S CHURCH, BRUNSWICK— Vacant.....				†7						
S. JOHN'S CHURCH, PRAIRIEVILLE— The Rev. J. T. Worthington, Rector.....	12	5		†23	3	1				55 16
TRINITY CHURCH, S. LOUIS— The Rev. E. C. Hutchinson, D.D., Rector	16	1	6	76	5	16		60		
*TRINITY CHURCH, INDEPENDENCE— Vacant.....				†3						
S. JOHN'S CHURCH, SAVANNAH— The Rev. W. N. Irish, Missionary.....	7	1		5						28 00
CALVARY CHURCH, COLUMBIA— Vacant.....				4	2	1				
S. JUDE'S CHURCH, SHARPSBURG— The Rev. F. B. Scheetz, Minister.....	5	1		10		1				
CALVARY CHURCH, LOUISIANA— The Rev. J. T. Worthington, Rector.....		2								
S. THOMAS' CHURCH, S. THOMAS— The Rev. D. G. Estes, Rector.....				13						
JEFFERSON BARRACKS— The Rev. J. F. Fish, Chaplain, U. S. A....	3				2	8				
MISSION TO FOREIGN POPULATION, S. LOUIS— The Rev. S. C. Massoch, D.D., Missionary	4		1	40	1	3				
*No Report.										
†Number last reported,	201	32	129	1098	74	126	96	665	\$ 28,065	17

Orphans' Home.

The Rt. Rev. C. S. HAWKS, D. D., Visitor.

The Rev. FRANCIS J. CLERC, Chaplain.

OFFICERS.

Mrs. WALKER R. CARTER, First Directress.

“ RICHARD J. LOCKWOOD, Second Directress.

“ Z. B. CURTIS, Treasurer.

Miss ELLEN O. BODLEY, Secretary.

MANAGERS.

From Christ Church—Mrs. T. B. Targee, Mrs. F. Haven, Mrs. J. N. Pritchard, Mrs. L. B. Churchill.

From S. Paul's Church—Mrs. F. Webster, Mrs. H. S. Wetherill, Mrs. L. Keene, Miss C. J. Kingsland.

From S. John's Church—Mrs. C. Keemle, Mrs. G. L. Stansbury, Mrs. H. W. Hough, Mrs. J. J. Anderson.

From S. George's Church—Mrs. Manny, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Peters, Mrs. Poulterer.

From Grace Church—Mrs. Knight, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Willey, Mrs. A. Richardson.

From Trinity Church—Mrs. Ward, Mrs. W. M. Price, Mrs. Norris, Mrs. Smith.

MANAGERS' REPORT.

We, the Managers of the Orphans' Home, in presenting to the Rt. Rev. Bishop, the Clergy, and Patrons and Members of the Corporation, our Thirteenth Annual Report, first desire to give grateful thanks to Almighty God, our heavenly Father and Holy Savior, for the many blessings He has bestowed upon the fatherless children committed to our care, during the year just closed. It has been a year of anxiety, of new experiences, and of changes, such as have not lately marked the history of the Institution. But amid them all, the kind, protecting hand of the Divine Redeemer, whose covenant promise of mercy and of love to the little ones of His

flock is very precious, has been distinctly felt, upholding and strengthening the work which had its beginning in the promptings of the Holy Ghost. And we do thus officially acknowledge the Divine favors which have been bestowed on our orphan children. No doubt they would have been more, had we but known how to make the best possible use of all the opportunities and means within our reach, for the furtherance of this charity. The thought should stimulate us all to greater zeal and faithfulness in fulfilling the high trust committed to our charge. For in reality, no privilege can be nobler than that of ministering to our Blessed Master in the persons of His little ones. And we, who undertake that work, should feel the blessedness of a service which brings us into contact with Him when He is "hungry or naked, or sick or in prison," and when "we may minister unto Him."

The management of the Home is becoming every year more and more fixed, in accordance with certain principles, which have been recognized as fundamental in its character from its very commencement. It is a Christian, charitable Institution; and we will now endeavor to present a view of its working process. Its Officers, designated by the Charter and By-Laws, are a First and Second Directress, a Secretary and Treasurer, and a Board of Managers, consisting of four Ladies to represent each Protestant Episcopal Parish in the City of S. Louis. By application to any one of these Officers, a child may obtain admission to the Home, under the rules and regulations of the Board. These require simply that the child shall be a wholly orphan child, or that it shall be surrendered to the Institution, by either surviving parent; and whenever any near relative has claimed the child, the claim has always been allowed, even at times, without reimbursement of the monies expended in behalf of such a child. The children admitted, if boys, are retained until twelve years of age, and if girls, until their majority, unless the Board can secure for them better Christian homes than the Institution affords. There has been some misunderstanding of the Board in this respect, and we therefore deem it necessary to state, that any five of the lady managers of the Home are empowered to bind out a child, under the rules and regulations of the Board. At the same time it is the settled and well considered purpose of the Board to place out the boys at twelve years of age, and to retain the girls during their minority, for the purpose of giving them such trades as will ensure to them the power of earning a respectable living, when they leave the Institution.

It is only when abundantly assured of obtaining a better situation for her than they can offer, that the Managers have felt justified in parting with any female child. For the boys, arrived at the age when they must leave, the best possible advantages have been secured; and the benefit of an education is sought for all who may

be deemed worthy of it, by the provision that the Bishop, or the Pastor of any Parish, wishing to educate any boy, shall have the first claim to him. During their residence in the Home, the children are carefully instructed in the Catechism and Prayer-Book of the Church, and in the Holy Bible, and have always been taught as much as possible, the common English branches. They read and spell, and cypher and sing; they learn to sew and knit, to mend and make articles of clothing, and of household use, and are generally quite busy at study or at work or play. It is intended, as far and as soon as possible, to enlarge our means of imparting habits of useful industry suited to the various capacities of the children. The Home is regularly visited by a committee of two ladies, who serve for two successive weeks, and who inspect the house and children at every visit, reporting to the Board at its regular meetings. A committee of two has been appointed to inspect the school one whole day in every month. The necessary supplies for the house, the wardrobe or the school, are voted from month to month, and purchased by a committee or by the Matron, as the Board may direct: and a report of the purchases is submitted at every meeting. The Ladies, from each Parish, have charge of the Subscription Book, containing the names of the Members of the Corporation, and they collect the subscriptions throughout the year. The Secretary and Treasurer preserve written records, and the Matron enters in a book specially kept for the purpose, the name, age and other particulars concerning each child received in the Institution, as also the names of visitors, and preserves a list of all articles sent to the Home, as also of all articles made there. The meetings of the Board are opened with religious exercises by the Pastor or presiding Officer; and the advice of the Bishop and Clergy, or of the Patrons of the Home, is sought whenever it is specially desired.

The children rise and retire early, and dine at twelve o'clock. Their school hours are from nine to twelve, A. M., and from two to five P. M. They still continue to worship and attend Sunday School in Christ Church. The furniture of the Home, though still insufficient, is gradually becoming more complete. Iron bedsteads have long been used by us, though not as yet exclusively. The school room is partially supplied with desks. But it is quite destitute of black-boards, maps and apparatus, while the necessary books and contrivances to stimulate the children's minds, to awaken enquiry, to promote thoughts of study, to divert their attention from their orphanage, are almost wholly lacking. These and the means of manual employment, it shall be our endeavor to supply as rapidly as possible. We ought also to secure an adjoining piece of ground for the necessary accommodation of the Home. The Managers are happy to be able to express the opinion that the internal affairs of

the Institution have been economically and faithfully regulated. The Matron, Mrs. Simmons, and her husband, have manifested a great and increasing interest in the welfare of the children, and deserve our cordial thanks. The teacher, Miss Mowatt, after performing for a time the double duties of Matron and of Teacher, in a manner no less creditable to herself than serviceable to us, is now engaged as the Teacher. Under her, the children have made very good progress indeed. The present number of the children is thirty-three, of whom sixteen are boys under twelve years of age; twenty-three children have been received into the Home during the past year, while twelve boys have been apprenticed, and two girls given out to be adopted in private families. One girl has been claimed and taken by relatives; and another, who was of age, has found a home in the family of the Rev. Mr. Schuyler.

No serious illness nor any death has occurred in the Home during the past year, but all its inmates have seemed to enjoy good health; nevertheless, our thanks are due to Dr. Wm. Webb, for his professional visits freely rendered, whenever occasion required them. In common with the Protestant Orphan Asylum in this City, the Home has this year inherited a bequest of the late W. Robb, by which we have acquired the title to two houses situated on Morgan and Twenty-second streets. We have appropriated a part of the proceeds of a Fair given in October last, to raise a deed of trust on this property, of which we are now possessed. Owing to the inclemency of the weather on Christmas Eve, the Anniversary of the Home held in Christ Church was but thinly attended. The Rev. Messrs. Fish and Clerc read the Evening Services, the Rev. Mr. Scuyler preached the Annual Sermon, and the Rt. Rev. Bishop Hawks pronounced the apostolic benediction. The customary collection was not taken up; and in consequence of the failure on the part of the Governor to appoint a day of Thanksgiving, the benefit of that day was also lost to the Home. Nevertheless, the kindnesses of friends have not been suffered to fail, as will appear by the Report of the Treasurer, and the list of subscriptions and donations for the Home, received during the year.

Before closing our Report, we beg to remind the public of our readiness at all times to receive orphan children of any name. Our accommodations are ample for three or four times our present number, and we think we have proved ourselves able and willing to be faithful guardians and friends to all who are dependent upon us. We cordially solicit the good offices and visits of all who feel an interest in the Institution, and the prayers of all Christian people for God's blessing on our endeavors to gather in and educate the fatherless and motherless children in our midst.

In behalf of the Board of Managers,

F. HAVEN, Secretary, *pro tem.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Orphans' Home in Account with Sarah P. Curtis, Treasurer.

Balance in the Treasury, Easter, 1855.....	\$ 140 25
Cash of Mrs. Schuyler to constitute her a Life Member.....	25 00
“ “ Loring of Boston, through the Rev. Mr. Clerc, to constitute her a perpetual Lady Manager.....	100 00
“ Master L. January, to make him a Life Member.....	25 00
“ Miss Mary L. January, to make her a Life Member.....	50 00
“ Mrs. Brooks, to make her a Life member.....	25 00
“ Rev. Mr. Clerc, the savings of Master Chester Griswold, sent to Orphans' Home by his Mother, after his decease from effects of a fall.....	40 00
“ Union Sewing Society, through Mrs. Minard.....	26 80
“ Young boys of S. John's Church, through Miss Schaffner, Teacher...	9 10
“ A lady of Fort Laramie.....	10 00
“ Miss Abby Loring of Boston.....	5 00
“ Mrs. Taylor of Philadelphia, through Mrs. Shaffner.....	5 00
“ “Sons of Malta”.....	50 00
“ Mrs. J. P. Doan.....	20 00
“ Members of Christ Church.....	210 50
“ “ S. Paul's Church.....	63 50
“ “ Trinity Church.....	34 00
“ “ S. George's Church.....	212 50
“ “ S. John's Church.....	166 25
“ Little Bohemian girl.....	1 00
Cash from charity box at the Home.....	8 28
“ charity box on boat.....	33
“ rent of House on Morgan street.....	25 00
“ proceeds of Orphans' Festival.....	1,467 37
“ sales of articles remaining.....	3 85
“ donation from A. M. Creel, Lafayette, Mo., through Bishop Hawks,	5 00
“ sundry subscriptions to Building Fund and miscellaneous items...	228 05
	<u>\$ 2,956 78</u>

Contra Cr.

Paid for House repairs.....	\$ 735 16
“ Matron.....	236 30
“ Teacher.....	257 50
“ Servants.....	130 17
“ For books.....	9 80
“ For printing.....	77 00
“ Miss Mowatt's traveling expenses.....	32 50
“ For furniture.....	49 75
“ For repairs.....	17 75
“ Mortgage on Twenty-second street lot.....	561 92
“ Taxes on “ “.....	20 35
“ Home Mutual Insurance Company, assessment for 1856.....	37 80
“ Loaned on call at six per cent.....	780 00
Balance in Treasury.....	10 88
	<u>\$ 2,956 78</u>

Treasurer's Reports.

Contingent Expenses of the Diocese of Missouri in Account with John Halsall, Treasurer.

1855.			
May 26,	To amount on hand.....		\$ 52
Oct. 16,	“ paid by S. John's Church, S. Louis.....		15 00
Nov. 22,	“ “ Christ Church, Boonville.....		10 00
1856.			
Feb. 28,	“ “ Christ Church, Lexington.....		10 00
Ap'l 19,	“ “ Christ Church, S. Louis.....		40 00
24,	“ “ Prairieville Parish.....		3 53
26,	“ “ Trinity Church, S. Charles.....		3 00
May 10,	“ “ S. Paul's Church, Palmyra.....		3 00
16,	“ “ Trinity Church, Hannibal.....		3 00
17,	“ “ S. Paul's Church, S. Louis.....		15 00
“	“ “ S. George's Church, S. Louis.....		35 00
23,	“ “ S. John's Church, Weston.....		3 00
“	“ “ Christ Church, S. Joseph.....		3 00
			\$ 144 05

CONTRA CREDIT.

1855.			
Oct. 16,	By amount paid for Postage on Journals.....		\$ 6 50
1856.			
March 10,	By balance paid for Printing Journals of 1854.....		32 50
April 10,	“ amount paid for Postage Stamps.....		50
May 20,	“ “ Geo. Knapp & Co. on account of Journals of 1855*...		98 55
23,	Balance on hand.....		6 00
			\$ 144 05

* There is still due Messrs. Knapp & Co., for printing, \$121 45.

Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri in Account with John Halsall, Treasurer.

1855.			
May 25,	Balance on hand.....	\$ 17 00	
Oct. 9,	Received from S. Paul's Church, S. Louis, (collection, \$13, subscription, F. Webster, \$5,).....	18 00	
26,	" " S. George's Church, S. Louis, (special for Rev. Dr. Massoch, \$75,).....	87 65	
Nov. 8,	" " Christ Church, S. Louis.....	40 00	
22,	" " Christ Church, Lexington.....	9 00	
"	" " Christ Church, S. Joseph.....	15 00	
"	" " Grace Church, Jefferson City.....	13 55	
"	" " Prairieville Parish, Pike County.....	12 65	
1856.			
Feb. 16,	" " S. George's Church, S. Louis.....	13 20	
Ap'l 24,	" " S. John's Church, S. Louis, (subscriptions of Mrs. E. P. Holland, Mrs. Jane Femister, D. D. Chandler, \$3 each,).....	9 00	
May 16,	" " Christ Church, Lexington.....	6 00	
17,	" " S. Paul's Church, S. Louis.....	6 10	
"	" " Christ Church, S. Louis, (special for Rev. Dr. Massoch,).....	300 00	
"	" " S. John's Church, S. Louis, (collections, \$100 63; subscriptions of Rev. F. J. Clerc, Mrs. Clerc, Mrs. Cornelia Douglass, D. D. Chandler, H. W. Hough, Mrs. H. W. Hough, J. S. Wilgus, Mrs. D. Garrison, Samuel Ogden, Miss Mary Gill, James L. Thompson, Miss Fanny Enders, George H. Gill, J. Scott, J. M. Taylor, Mrs. J. M. Taylor, Miss Sarah Taylor, A. S. Mitchell, Mrs. Mary Mitchell, J. Hutton, G. W. Enders, Mrs. J. J. Anderson, W. P. Curtis, C. J. Gill, Mrs. Granger, W. Granger, Jr., Miss S. Rutger, H. I. Bodley, Mrs. H. I. Bodley, \$3 each—\$87,).....	187 63	
"	" " S. George's Church, (special for Dr. Massoch,).....	100 00	
			<u>\$ 834 78</u>

CONTRA CREDIT.

1855.			
Oct. 10,	By amount paid Rev. Dr. Massoch.....	\$ 18 00	
26,	" " " ".....	75 00	
Nov. 29,	" " Rev. J. W. Dunn.....	100 00	
1856.			
March 24,	" " Rev. W. N. Irish, Missionary visit.....	5 80	
May 17,	" " Rev. Dr. Massoch, in full to June 1, 1856.....	539 33	
"	" " Trinity Church, S. Charles.....	18 60	
"	" " Calvary Church, Columbia.....	1 00	
"	" " S. John's Church, Weston.....	50	
"	" " Rev. F. J. Clerc, Missionary visit.....	4 20	
"	" " Rev. D. G. Estes, Missionary visit.....	8 00	
"	Balance on hand.....	64 35	
			<u>\$ 834 78</u>

**Contingent Expense of the Episcopate of Missouri in Account with
John Halsall, Treasurer.**

1855.			
July 30,	To amount received of S. George's Church, S. Louis, (back assessments)		\$200 00
Oct. 16,	" " S. John's Church, S. Louis.....	5 10	
Nov. 22,	" " Christ Church, Boonville.....	15 00	
" "	" " Grace Church, Jefferson City.....	10 00	
1856.			
Feb. 2,	" " S. George's Church, S. Louis, (current assess- ment,).....	60 00	
April 7,	" " S. George's Church, S. Louis, (back assessments,)	120 00	
14,	" " S. John's Church, S. Louis.....	9 90	
19,	" " Christ Church, S. Louis.....	75 00	
24,	" " Prairieville Parish.....	5 00	
26,	" " Trinity Church, S. Charles.....	10 00	
May 10,	" " S. Paul's Church, Palmyra.....	10 00	
16,	" " Trinity Church, Hannibal.....	10 00	
" "	" " Christ Church, Lexington.....	15 00	
17,	" " S. Paul's Church, S. Louis.....	15 00	
23,	" " S. John's Church, Weston.....	10 00	
" "	" " Christ Church, S. Joseph.....	10 00	
			<u>\$ 580 00</u>

CONTRA CREDIT.

1856.			
May 23,	By amount paid Bishop Hawks from August 1st, 1855, to May 23d, 1856, as per vouchers.....		<u>\$ 580 00</u>

Abstract of Assessments remaining unpaid May 23d, 1856.

PUBLISHED IN OBEDIENCE TO CANON XIV.

	Convention.	Episcopate.	Total.
S. Paul's Church, Palmyra.....	\$ 3 00	\$9 00	\$ 12 00
Trinity Church, S. Charles.....	3 00	10 00	13 00
Grace Church, Jefferson City.....	3 00	34 50	37 50
Grace Church, S. Louis.....	12 00	36 00	48 00
Trinity Church, Hannibal.....	6 00	34 50	40 50
S. Mary's Church, Fayette.....	3 00	10 00	13 00
S. Stephen's Church, Glasgow.....	9 00	29 00	38 00
S. John's Church, Weston.....	9 00	28 00	37 00
Christ Church, S. Joseph.....	3 00	9 00	12 00
*S. Ann's Church, Brunswick.....	9 00	29 00	38 00
Trinity Church, S. Louis.....	15 00	15 00	30 00
Trinity Church, Independence.....	3 00	5 00	8 00
S. John's Church, Savannah.....	3 00	5 00	8 00
			<u>\$ 81 00</u>
			<u>\$ 254 00</u>
			<u>\$ 335 00</u>

*Since Convention, \$13 of these Assessments have been paid.

Canons and Resolutions,

TO WHICH SPECIAL ATTENTION IS CALLED.

EXTRACT FROM

CANON XII. OF 1853, 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 the Church, or, if the Parish be vacant, the Wardens, 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; also, the state and condition of the Sunday Schools in his Parish; also, of the amount of Communion Alms, the Contributions for Missions, Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign, for Parochial Schools, and for Church purposes in general; 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 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.

EXTRACT FROM CANON XIV. OF MISSOURI.

Of Contingent Expenses.

SECTION 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 XVIII. OF MISSOURI.

Of the Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate.

It shall be the duty of the Minister of every Parish in this Diocese, to make at least one collection in each year, in aid of the formation of a Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate.

PREAMBLE AND 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 unremitted 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.

RESOLUTION OF THE CONVENTION OF 1854.

Resolved, That this Convention earnestly recommends to every Clergyman in this Diocese, that he call the people committed to his charge to contribute yearly as follows, viz :

At Advent Season, to Domestic Missions ;

At the Epiphany Season, to Foreign Missions ;

On the First Sunday in Lent, to Diocesan Missions ;

At Easter, to the Permanent Fund for the Support of the Episcopate ;

At Whitsuntide, to the Bible and Common Prayer-Book Society ;

On the Twentieth Sunday after Trinity, to Diocesan Missions.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE CONVENTION OF 1856.

Resolved, That it be hereby recommended to the Rectors of Churches, that they promptly call together the subscribers to the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri, and the people committed to their charge, with a view to secure for the ensuing year an increased number of subscriptions for the support of the Missionary points already occupied in this Diocese, and pledges for the spread of the Gospel in parts unoccupied by us yet.

Resolved, That the Clergy be, and hereby are, requested to report promptly to the Bishop, the amounts subscribed or pledged in their Parishes for this work.

Resolved, That the Rt. Rev. the Bishop be requested to appoint Stations for the Missionary Visits of the Parochial Clergy of the Diocese for the ensuing year.

Circular to the Parochial Clergy.

LEXINGTON, May 28th, 1856.

REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN :

Under a Resolution of the last Convention of the Diocese, I assign Missionary Stations to the Parochial Clergy as follows, viz :

The Rector of Christ Church, S. Louis, will visit Manchester.

The Rector of S. Paul's Church, S. Louis, will visit Glasgow and Rocheport.

The Rector of Christ Church, Boonville, will visit Columbia.

The Minister of Trinity Church, S. Charles, will visit Bridgeton.

The Rector of Grace Church, Jefferson City, will visit Washington.

The Rector of S. John's Church, S. Louis, will visit Fulton.

The Rector of Grace Church, S. Louis, will visit Kirkwood.

The Rector of S. George's Church, S. Louis, will visit Springfield.

The Rector of Trinity Church, Hannibal, will visit Fayette.

The Rector of Christ Church, Lexington, and S. Thomas' Church, S. Thomas, will visit Brunswick and Independence.

The Minister of S. John's Church, Weston, will visit Platte City and Parkville.

The Rector of Christ Church, S. Joseph, will visit Savannah and Fillmore.

The Rector of S. John's Church, Prairieville, and Calvary Church, Louisiana, will visit Bowlinggreen and Clarksville.

The Rector of Trinity Church, S. Louis, will visit Lagrange.

Whenever in any of the places designated for visits, a Parish Minister may become settled, the Parochial Clergy may discontinue their visits at that point.

Hoping that your action, under this Resolution, will produce happy results, I remain, dear Brethren,

Yours, very truly,

C. S. HAWKS.

Articles of Association 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 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, viz:

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 previous 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.

Form of Subscription

TO THE

SOCIETY FOR PROPAGATING THE GOSPEL IN MISSOURI.

The subscribers agree to pay twenty-five cents per month, or three dollars per annum; which will be called for 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, unless the object be specified by the donor. 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.

Officers of the Convention.

President.

THE RT. REV. CICERO S. HAWKS, D. D.

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