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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 St. Louis.
- “ Rev. FRANCIS J. CLERC, Rector of St. John’s Church, St. Louis.
- “ “ GEORGE P. COMINGS, Professor of Mathematics in St. Paul’s College, Palmyra.
- “ “ WILLIAM B. CORBYN, President of St. Paul’s College, Palmyra.
- “ “ JOSEPH I. CORBYN, Deacon, Tutor in St. Paul’s College, Palmyra.
- “ “ GEORGE K. DUNLOP, Rector of Christ Church, Lexington.
- “ “ JOHN W. DUNN, Rector of Trinity Church, Hannibal.
- “ “ D. GORDON ESTES, residing in Massachusetts.
- “ “ ST. MICHAEL FACKLER, officiating in Oregon Territory.
- “ “ JOHN F. FISH, Chaplain U. S. A., Jefferson Barracks.
- “ “ GEORGE P. GIDDINGE, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Boonville.
- “ “ FREDERICK W. HATCH, residing in California.
- “ “ FRANCIS R. HOLEMAN, Deacon, Minister of St. John’s Church, Weston.
- “ “ THEODORE A. HOPKINS, Rector of St. George’s Church, St. Louis.
- “ “ E. CARTER HUTCHINSON, D.D., Rector of Trinity Church, St. Louis.
- “ “ DEWITT C. LOOP, Assistant Minister in Christ Church, St. Louis.
- “ “ STEPHEN C. MASSOCH, D.D., Missionary to the Foreign Population in St. Louis.
- “ “ WILLIAM R. PICKMAN, Rector of St. Mary’s Church, Fayette, and Calvary Church, Columbia.
- “ “ FREDERICK B. SCHEETZ, Deacon, Minister of St. Jude’s Church, Sharpsburg.
- “ “ MONTGOMERY SCHUYLER, Rector of Christ Church, St. Louis.
- “ “ ROBERT E. TERRY, Rector of St. Paul’s Church, St. Louis.
- “ “ REGINALD H. WELLER, Rector of Grace Church, Jefferson City.
- “ “ WILLIAM H. WOODWARD, Rector of Grace Church, St. Louis.
- “ “ JOHN T. WORTHINGTON, Rector of St. John’s Church, Prairieville, and Calvary Church, Louisiana.

List of the Parishes

IN THE DIOCESE OF MISSOURI.

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

List of the Lay-Delegates

APPOINTED TO ATTEND THE

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF MISSOURI, MAY, 1857.

CHRIST CHURCH, *St. Louis*—

Messrs. D. Hough, Asa Wilgus, A. J. McCreery, Dwight Durkee.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, *St. Louis*—

Prof. Joseph J. Reynolds, Messrs. Dorus H. Thomas, Henry Pilcher, sen.,
Edmund J. Dubois.

CHRIST CHURCH, *Boonville*—

Messrs. Henry A. Massie, A. Harrison Thompson, Alexander C. Orrick,
John S. C. Hogan.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, *Palmyra*—

Messrs. Alfred Warner, John Valiant.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, *St. Louis*—

Messrs. Harry I. Bodley, Thomas Jackson, Jefferson Scott, Henry W.
Hough.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, *St. Louis*—

Mr. Julius Morisse.

TRINITY CHURCH, *Hannibal*—

Messrs. Francis W. Southack, C. D. Bourne, Richard Lamar, Francis H.
Turner.

CHRIST CHURCH, *Lexington*—

Messrs. Robert N. Smith, William K. Trigg, Lawson Grant, R. B. Smith,
M.D.

CHRIST CHURCH, *St. Joseph*—

Messrs. Henry Cook, Nathan J. McAshan, Frederick D. Lewin, John Cha-
mard.

ST. JUDE'S CHURCH, *Sharpsburg*—

Moses McClintic, M.D., Mr. Heber A. Hough.

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.

CHAPEL OF ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE,
Palmyra, May 22d, 1857.

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 the Chapel of St. Paul's College, Palmyra, at half past ten o'clock, A. M.

Morning Prayer was begun by the Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL. D., of the Diocese of Illinois, and ended by the Rev. R. B. Van Kleeck, D.D., the Secretary and General Agent of the Domestic Missionary Board. The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese.

The Annual Convention Sermon was delivered by the Rev. Geo. P. Giddinge, D.D., the Rector of Christ Church, Boonville, from the text, 2 Timothy, iii. 5, "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof."

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 by the Rev. Wm. B. Corbyn, President of St. Paul's College.

The congregation having retired, the chair was taken by the Bishop, and at his request, in the absence of the Rev. D. Gordon Estes, Secretary of the Convention, the Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Secretary of the Standing Committee, acting in accordance with section 4 of Canon XI of Missouri, called the names of such of the Clergy of the Diocese as, by the constitution, are entitled to seats

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

The Rt. Rev. C. S. Hawks, D.D.,
 “ Rev. Francis J. Clerc,
 “ “ George P. Comings,
 “ “ William B. Corbyn,
 “ “ Joseph I. Corbyn,
 “ “ John W. Dunn,
 “ “ George P. Giddinge, D.D.,
 “ “ William N. Irish,
 “ “ Frederick B. Scheetz,
 “ “ John T. Worthington.

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

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

The Committee on Credentials 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 following Lay-Delegates have been duly elected viz :

Christ Church, St. Louis—Messrs. D. Hough, Asa Wilgus, A. J. McCreery, Dwight Durkee.

St. Paul's Church, St. Louis—Prof. Joseph J. Reynolds, Messrs. Dorus H. Thomas, Henry Pilcher, sen., Edmund J. Dubois.

Christ Church, Boonville—Messrs. Henry A. Massie, A. Harrison Thompson, Alexander C. Orrick, John S. C. Hogan.

St. Paul's Church, Palmyra—Messrs. Alfred Warner, John Valiant.

St. John's Church, St. Louis—Messrs. Harry I. Bodley, Thomas Jackson, Jefferson Scott, Henry W. Hough.

St. George's Church, St. Louis—Mr. Julius Morisse.

Trinity Church, Hannibal—Messrs. Francis W. Southack, C. D. Bourne, Richard Lamar, Francis H. Turner.

Christ Church, Lexington—Messrs. Robert N. Smith, William K. Trigg, Lawson Grant, R. B. Smith, M.D.

Christ Church, St. Joseph—Messrs. Henry Cook, Nathan J. McAshan, Frederick D. Lewin, John Chamard.

St. Jude's Church, Sharpsburg—Moses McClintic, M.D., Mr. Heber A. Hough.

(Signed,) F. J. CLERC, }
G. P. COMINGS, } *Committee.*

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

Mr. D. Hough,	Christ Church, St. Louis.
“ Alfred Warner,	} St. Paul's Church, Palmyra.
“ John Valiant,	
“ Harry I. Bodley,	} St. John's Church, St. Louis.
“ Jefferson Scott,	
“ F. W. Southack,	} Trinity Church, Hannibal.
“ Richard Lamar,	
“ Frederick D. Lewin, .	Christ Church, St. Joseph.
Moses McClintick, M.D.,	} St. Jude's Church, Sharpsburg.
Mr. Heber A. Hough,	

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. R. E. Terry be elected Secretary.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Rev. F. J. Clerc be appointed Secretary *pro tem*.

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.

Acting under the 13th Rule of Order, the Bishop invited the Rev. R. B. Van Kleeck, D.D., Secretary and General Agent of the Domestic Missionary Board, the Rev. S. Y. McMasters, LL.D., and the Rev. Mr. Farmer, of the Diocese of Illinois, to take seats in the Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Convention now take a recess until four o'clock, P. M.

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

Four o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met.

The Rev. R. E. Terry, Secretary elect, appeared and took his seat.

The Rev. Messrs. M. Schuyler, J. F. Fish and G. K. Dunlop, and Messrs. A. J. McCreery, Lay-Delegate from Christ Church, St. Louis; Dorus H. Thomas, Henry Pilcher, sen., Edmund J. Dubois, Lay-Delegates from St. Paul's Church, St. Louis; Henry Anderson Massie, Lay-Delegate from Christ Church, Boonville, and Julius Morisse, Lay-Delegate from St. George's Church, St. Louis, appeared and took their seats.

The President, in compliance with the 15th Rule of Order, announced the following

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Committee on the Admission of New Parishes—The Rev. M. Schuyler, the Rev. John T. Worthington, and Mr. Jefferson Scott.

Committee on the Constitution and Canons—The Rev. F. J. Clerc, the Rev. J. W. Dunn, and Mr. H. I. Bodley.

Committee on Unfinished Business—The Rev. William N. Irish, Messrs. John Valiant and Alfred Warner.

Committee on Finance—Messrs. D. Hough, A. J. McCreery, and Moses McClintick, M.D.

Committee on Assessments—Moses McClintic, M.D., Messrs. D. Hough and H. A. Massie.

The Bishop then read his

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

DEARLY BELOVED:—The good providence of God has allowed us again to convene, and in compliance with duty I proceed to lay before you the record of my official acts for the year now closing. Before I do this, let me say that I greet you all in love, congratu-

late you upon the improved condition and prospects of the Diocese, and pray that the good God, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, may guard, guide and control you in your present deliberations and actions. To us is committed the trust and privilege of cultivating this portion of the Lord's vineyard. May God give to each one of us grace to meet the responsibility!

Since our last Convention, I have visited the following Parishes in the Diocese; some of them I have visited more than once during the year, have held services in all, and, in all where candidates were prepared, have ministered the rite of Confirmation, viz:— Christ Church, Lexington; Trinity Church, Independence; St. John's Church, Weston; Christ Church, St. Joseph; St. John's Church, Savannah; St. Thomas' Church, St. Thomas; St. Ann's Church, Brunswick; Christ Church, Boonville; Grace Church, Jefferson city; St. Paul's Church, Palmyra; St. Jude's Church, Sharpsburg; Trinity Church, Hannibal; Calvary Church, Louisiana; Trinity Church, St. Charles; Calvary Church, Columbia; St. Mary's Church, Fayette; St. Stephen's Church, Glasgow; St. John's Church, Prairieville; and Christ, St. Paul's, St. John's, St. George's, Grace, and Trinity Churches, in St. Louis.

I have also visited the following towns, where we have no parish organizations, viz., Kirkwood, Washington, and Fillmore, holding services in all and ministering Confirmation in one.

The rite of Confirmation was ministered as follows: in Christ Church, Lexington, to 5 persons; St. John's, Weston, 11; St. John's, Savannah, 1; Christ Church, St. Joseph, 3; St. Ann's, Brunswick, 2; St. Jude's, Sharpsburg, 6; Calvary, Louisiana, 4; Trinity, Hannibal, 5; Christ Church, St. Louis, 47; Calvary, Columbia, 1; St. John's, Prairieville, 1; St. George's, St. Louis, 31; St. John's, St. Louis, 17; Trinity, St. Louis, 9; St. Paul's, St. Louis, 13; in Fillmore, 5.

My consent has been given to the organization of one new Parish, and application, will, I presume, come before you for its admission into union with this Convention. This is St. Mark's Church, Bowling-Green.

At the last Convention I reported to you two Candidates for Holy Orders, viz., Mr. Christopher Kyle and Mr. Charles Fletcher Loop. On the 17th of August last, I admitted as a Candidate Mr.

Philip McKim. I am sorry to add that the feeble health of Mrs. Loop has caused her husband, under medical advice, to remove to California; I have therefore transferred him to the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop of California. My only comfort in parting with this excellent man was that I was sending him to a more desolate field than our own.

On the 7th day of August, 1856, in St. John's Church, St. Louis, I ordained to the Priesthood the Rev. George K. Dunlop. There were present with me, at the time, the Rev. Messrs. Clerc, Worthington, Staudenmayer, and Joseph I. Corbyn. The three first united with me in the laying on of hands.

During the past year, two Clergymen have been transferred from the Diocese, viz., the Rev. Joseph Adderly to the Diocese of Wisconsin, and the Rev. William A. Leach to the Diocese of New Jersey.

Within the same period, I have received into the Diocese four Clergymen, viz., the Rev. George P. Giddinge, D.D., from the Diocese of Illinois; the Rev. William R. Pickman, from the Diocese of New-York, the Rev. Dewitt C. Loop, from the Diocese of Western New-York, and the Rev. R. H. Weller, from the Diocese of Mississippi.

The Rev. Dr. Giddinge has become the Rector of Christ Church, Boonville; the Rev. Mr. Pickman, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Fayette, and Calvary Church, Columbia; the Rev. Mr. Loop, Assistant Minister in Christ Church, St. Louis, and the Rev. Mr. Weller, Rector of Grace Church, Jefferson city.

The changes in the homes of the Clergy have been few. The Rev. D. G. Estes has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Lexington; the Rev. R. E. Terry has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Boonville, and become the Rector of St. Paul's Church, St. Louis; the Rev. George K. Dunlop has resigned as Missionary at Trinity Church, St. Charles, and is now the Rector of Christ Church, Lexington; and the Rev. John T. Worthington has resigned the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Prairieville, and become the Rector of Calvary Church, Louisiana, and St. Marks, Church, Bowling-Green.

I am comforted in the ability to inform you that the Board of Missions has appropriated for the Diocese of Missouri, for the cur-

rent year, \$2,000. The Domestic Board has changed the beginning of its fiscal year, lately, from October to January, so that this appropriation expires only on the 1st of January next. This sum is divided as follows, for the benefit of the Diocese: To Trinity Church, Hannibal, \$300; to Calvary Church, Louisiana, and St. Mark's, Bowling-Green, \$400; to Calvary Church, Columbia, \$125; to St. Mary's Church, Fayette, \$125; to Trinity Church, Independence, \$200; to St. John's Church, Weston, \$200; to Christ Church, St. Joseph, \$300; to Foreign Population in St. Louis, \$350.

I am happy, in this connection, to say, that every place thus named is supplied with the Ministry except Independence, and I earnestly hope that this may soon claim a Pastor. It is a pleasure too to add that the Church is making good progress at all these stations. In St. Joseph, Weston and Hannibal we hope soon to commence the erection of Church edifices.

I have learned from the Secretary of the Domestic Board of Missions, that my earnest counsel urged at our last meeting, in behalf of the Society, has been in a large degree responded to in Missouri. I urged then the duty and privilege of an annual contribution from each Parish, large and small. He tells me that Missouri is the only Diocese in which a majority of the Parishes have answered this year the Advent and Easter appeals of the Board. In the amount contributed, also, though she has not met the measure of her duty, she leads many of her elder sisters. I say this not boastingly—God forbid! for we have nothing to boast of—but only that you may see the working of systematic action. Go on, my beloved, in your good work.

It is a gratifying fact to state, what I was never allowed at any former time to say, that all places in the Diocese where any provision is made for the support of the Gospel are now occupied, except St. John's Church, Prairieville, and the Missionary station of Independence. There are other points where we should enter in, and by God's help we will do so when the means are provided for extending the work of the Church.

The Bible and Prayer Book Societies, in New-York and Philadelphia, have again laid us under obligation for their kindness. No better acknowledgment can be made than a continuance of o u

former systematic collections, upon certain days, for them and for others. For years, you know, we have made our offerings—at Advent season, to Domestic Missions; Epiphany, to Foreign Missions; 1st Sunday in Lent, to Diocesan Missions; Easter, to Permanent Fund for support of Episcopate; Whitsuntide, to Bible and Common Prayer Book Societies; 20th Sunday after Trinity, to Diocesan Missions; and I recommend that hereafter a collection be made on Trinity Sunday for the New-York Tract Society.

Since we met, St. John's Church, Prairieville, has been completed. I am sorry that at this point they are without a Pastor. It is a quiet rural home, among an affectionate and kind-hearted people. They have with much zeal erected their Church edifice, without any foreign aid; but until a parsonage house is secured in the parish, I do not see how a Minister may make his home among them. The small edifice erected at Sharpsburg, in which the Parish is now worshipping, was not consecrated, as I expected, when I last addressed you. It was considered by those who built it, as a temporary home for that little flock, and was designed to serve as a school house also for the neighborhood, and I acquiesced with them in the opinion that it should not be consecrated.

The last report of our Orphan's Home, in St. Louis, is laid by me upon your Secretary's table for your information. You will perceive that this noble charity is in a very flourishing condition. It has now under its charge a larger number than ever of the fatherless and motherless, for with the growth of our rapidly growing city its work of love must and will enlarge. It is still with little or no endowment save that which it holds in the hearts of God's people, and I have faith to believe that its capital will never decrease. May God guard and keep this touching and tender institution! May we all cherish it with duty and zeal as one of the jewels of the Diocese!

St. Paul's College, where we are now assembled, has, under its efficient corps of Professors and Teachers, passed through another year of its noiseless, yet earnest and active labor. It has now under its guidance and discipline a larger number of students than for several years past, and is crippled in its labors only by the want of an adequate endowment. On this subject of endowment, I spoke fully and freely at our last meeting; and I will only add now, that

the Board of Trustees feel thoroughly and fully its necessity and importance. At a late meeting, they resolved unanimously to raise an endowment of at least \$50,000, and appointed as a committee for that purpose the following members, viz: the Rev. Messrs. Schuyler, Clerc and Scheetz, and Messrs. D. A. January, H. I. Bodley, Alfred Warner and Moses McClintic, M.D., with which committee the Bishop of the Diocese was requested to coöperate. Owing to uncontrollable circumstances, it was thought advisable by the committee that no effort should be made in St. Louis at this time; but at a proper time they will urge it to the utmost of their ability. It is the work of the Diocese, and the demand will also be pressed in every portion of it. May I not ask that the committee may not be met in their hard work with heartlessness, but with a manly liberality—a liberality proportionate to the deep interests involved.

In the presence of all the Clergy of the city and a large concourse of people, on the afternoon of May 10th, I laid the corner-stone of the new Church edifice for St. Paul's Church, St. Louis. This Parish has lately parted with its old site on the corner of Fifth and Wash streets, and purchased a new site on the corner of Olive and Seventeenth, where their new Church building is to be erected. Their hope is now to enter into their new house sometime during the next year, and in this hope I trust they may not be disappointed.

As a matter of deep interest to the whole Diocese, I may say that Christ Church, St. Louis, the oldest Parish in the Diocese, has resolved also to build a new Church edifice. A majority of the parishioners and pew owners have concluded, as I am officially informed, that the time has come when this must be done. A majority of the owners of the property of course rules this subject. So far as I have learned, they have not yet decided upon a new site, but will soon. There is ample pecuniary ability in this Parish to accomplish all they may desire, and, having concluded to build, I hope they will happily and harmoniously proceed with their work. In reply to a request from the Vestry that I would give them my sympathy and coöperation in their undertaking, I have stated that I would readily do so, while at the same time I have urged upon them two considerations: 1st. That they would, in case the old site is abandoned, select one with reference to the wants of their Parish

and our large population; my wish being that our churches should not be too near together. 2d. I have expressed the hope that this new undertaking may not for the time absorb all thought, to the forgetfulness of other vital interests in the Diocese. A College is to be endowed—the Episcopate is to be provided for—other churches are to be built in Missouri—and to Christ Church, the mother church, and the wealthiest Parish in the Diocese, these appeals must necessarily come. If these demands are to be met, as I have the heart to hope they will be, according to their ability, then we may all expect in a few years that their present movement will greatly strengthen themselves and the whole Diocese. Then may we all bid them God speed in their large undertaking. If it be true that “when one member suffers, all the members suffer with it,” so is it true that when one member is strengthened, all the members, fitly joined together, are also strengthened.

From year to year I have been pained by reporting to you acts of discipline among the Clergy, due notices of which were reaching me from other Dioceses. This year I remember but one, and that is the deposition from the Ministry of the Rev. W. H. Coffin (Deacon), by the Bishop of Virginia.

In October last, as you are aware, the General Convention of the Church in these United States met in the city of Philadelphia. As in duty bound I was present, and was glad to find a delegation, both clerical and lay, from our Diocese. This was as it should be, and I hope that in these great Councils of the Church we may always be present by our representation at least. I may say of that Council, as I do say with joy, that it was large, yet happy, harmonious, and conservative in its action.

There were some things occurring at that time of which I may speak with peculiar comfort. On the 21st day of October, precisely twelve years from the day on which the sentence of suspension was laid upon him, the Rt. Rev. Henry Ustick Onderdonk, D.D., was restored, by the action of his brother Bishops, to the exercise of the functions and powers of his holy office. I think this action has given much comfort to the large body of our American Church. Godly discipline has been maintained, and justice with mercy have both asserted their power.

“Earthly power is the most like to God’s
When mercy seasons justice.”

Again, as to the memorial of certain Presbyters touching rubrical relaxation—a subject to which the whole Church looked with anxiety—the action of the House of Bishops was conservative, and, I trust, may prove safe. In that action, I think the mass of the American Church is content. The Prayer Book is unchanged in any particular, while, under certain circumstances, the relief looked for is afforded. The Bishops have only uttered an opinion, which, having no power of law, has yet given comfort to those who desired it. How far the Clergy at large may have availed themselves of this opinion, I have no means of knowing; but in Missouri, thus far, one Clergyman only has desired the use of its privileges. I readily met his view, feeling as I do that the rule is good—“in necessaries, *unitas*; in non-necessaries, *libertas*; in *omnibus, caritas.*”

I regret that no Bishop of Kansas was appointed at that time. After separating that Territory from the jurisdiction of the Missionary Bishop of the North-west, and unanimously nominating a most excellent Presbyter for that Episcopate by the House of Bishops, I think we may all regret that the whole action was not consummated. Rarely, if ever, is a Bishop chosen with such unanimity.

Since my return home, I have given my consent to the election of the Rt. Rev. William Ingraham Kip, D.D., Missionary Bishop of California, to the Episcopate of California.

Thus ends, my beloved, my official record for the year. I would say, in closing it, that I am comforted in looking back upon the last year's work. We have, I trust, made steady and permanent progress. Yet there is one subject of duty at home near my heart which I wish was not so much neglected. I allude to the religious training of the slaves. Surely, masters should remember that they are responsible for these members of their households. May God give them grace to meet their duty, to see that their slaves are religiously instructed. I am happy to state that when on my last visit to St. Thomas' Parish, at the request of Mr. Richard Creel, I baptized seven negro children, the master himself presenting them for that sacred privilege. May the example of this young man not be forgotten among us! May others, like him, remember their duty!

I do not think it is necessary for me to add any thing more. I will not call your attention to new work, for I have already, as your Bishop, urged upon you, at different times, much that is yet in part only accomplished. Let us look to that. It is idle to talk unless we work. Consider what objects are already before us:

1st. The building of parsonage houses for the Clergy. We have now only four rectories in the Diocese.

2d. The insurance by the Parishes of the lives of the Clergy for the benefit of their households, thereby securing more of permanency between pastors and people, and doing an act of simple and easy justice to these self-denying men. Thus far, the lives of two only are insured.

3d. The endowment of St. Paul's College. This must be done if we expect the College to have life and to do its work among us.

4th. The endowment of the Episcopate. With the close of the year 1858, there is no provision whatever in this Diocese for the support of the Episcopate.

5th. A Church School for the education and discipline of the girls in this Diocese. This is a subject all-important. We have now one such School struggling for existence, under the charge of the Rev. Dr. Giddinge, of Boonville. It requires but a small effort to place it wholly in possession of the Church; and I am happy to add, that a valuable citizen of St. Louis, two days since, came to me to say that he would be one of five to meet the expense of a few thousand dollars, to secure it to the Church forever. May others be found like-minded!

6th. Our Church Hospital, in the large and growing city of St. Louis. Why may we not have it?

7th. Missions in Missouri, and especially at this time—as I said last year, Itinerating Missions. In this way alone can we reach a large portion of our people.

Shall I call upon you at this time to do more than this? Alas! there is work enough for us already. It is easy to map out work; the great thing is to execute it. Have we the ability to meet all this? I answer, *yes*. No man knows what he can do until he tries. The limbs are made strong by exercise; the heart becomes enlarged by action. It is by looking at great purposes, and struggling in great purposes, that we accomplish great results. I thank

GOD that we have the ability, and that we are waking up in Missouri to some consciousness of strength; that we have stretched our limbs somewhat, and begin to feel a more vigorous manhood. May God's Holy Spirit quicken and animate us to a more vigorous life!

Remember, my beloved, that the day of our struggle is short. "In a little time, He that shall come will come"—He who "though rich, yet for our sakes became poor." I pray for you, for myself, and all the flock, that, being rich in faith and abundant in good works, we may find the preciousness of Christ's promises while struggling here, and the fulness of His mercy hereafter.

May God's Holy Spirit be with us all now and forever!

Application for admission into union with this Convention was made from St. Mark's Church, Bowling-Green.

On motion,

Resolved, That this application be referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

On motion,

Resolved, That the whole subject of the Permanent Fund for the support of the Episcopate in this Diocese be referred to a Committee of three laymen, with instructions to report to this Convention whether any, and if any, what further measures can be taken to give greater success to the effort to endow the Episcopate.

Whereupon the President appointed Messrs. D. Hough, A. J. McCreery and Julius Morisse as this Committee.

The Standing Committee presented the following

REPORT:

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Missouri respectfully report to the Convention the following summary of official acts performed during the year.

The Committee organized on the 6th of August, 1856, and proceeded to sign the Canonical Testimonials recommending Mr. Philip McKim as a Candidate for Holy Orders; also the recommendation that the Rev. George K. Dunlop, Deacon, be admitted to the Priesthood.

The services of the Agent in behalf of the Permanent Fund for the support of the Episcopate were compensated by the appropriation of \$125 for the collection of \$500 in notes payable in 1858, and of \$1700, a part of

which was conditionally subscribed. The future compensation of said Agent was fixed at 15 per cent. on any amount that may be collected or secured by note by him, within this Diocese, and 25 per cent. on all moneys collected or secured by him by note out of this Diocese; provided that his compensations be paid out of his cash collections, each per cent. out of its respective fund.

On the 27th of January, pursuant to the recommendation of the Bishop of the Diocese, that the Rev. S. R. Staudenmayer be appointed Missionary to Jefferson City, the Committee appropriated \$50 for his stipend during the month of January.

On the 6th of April the Committee signed the requisite testimonials concurring in and assenting to the election of the Right Rev. William Ingraham Kip, D.D., as Bishop of California.

On the 22nd of May the sum of \$62 was appropriated for the services of the Rev. S. R. Staudenmayer at Jefferson City during the latter part of the session of the Legislature; and the annual stipend of \$200 was appropriated for the Rev. Mr. Weller, Missionary at Jefferson City, pursuant to the recommendation of the Bishop.

On behalf of the Committee,

FRANCIS J. CLERC, *Secretary.*

PALMYRA, May 22, 1857.

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.

The Treasurer of the Permanent Fund for the support of the Episcopate made the following

REPORT:

The Treasurer of the Permanent Fund for the support of the Episcopate respectfully reports that the balance as stated at last Convention was:

Cash, - - - - -	\$568 90
Sundry notes due December 1, 1858, - - -	500 00
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	\$1068 94
Received from a Parishioner of St. John's Church, - - -	5 00
“ St. Jude's Church, Marion County, - - -	17 10
“ Interest to December, 1856, - - -	22 26
“ Christ Church, St. Louis, - - -	100 00
“ St. Paul's Church, St. Louis, - - -	35 00
“ St. George's Church, St. Louis, - - -	31 00

Carried forward, \$1279 30

	Amount brought over,	\$1279 30
Received from St. John's Church, St. Louis,	-	30 10
" Christ Church, Boonville,	-	22 60
Collection at Convention May, 1857,	-	10 00
		<hr/> \$1342 00
By cash paid Agent of the Permanent Fund,	-	125 00
		<hr/> Balance on hand May, 1857, \$1217 00
Cash,	-	\$717
Notes,	-	500

D. HOUGH, *Treasurer.*

On motion,

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

- At Advent Season, to Domestic Missions ;
- At Epiphany Season, to Foreign Missions ;
- On the first Sunday in Lent, to Diocesan Missions ;
- At Easter, to the Permanent Fund for support of the Episcopate ;
- At Whitsuntide, to the Bible and Common Prayer-book Society ;
- At Trinity Sunday, to the New York Tract Society ;
- On the twentieth Sunday after Trinity, to Diocesan Missions.

On motion, the following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That it is hereby recommended to the Clergymen in charge of Parishes 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.

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 Right Rev. the Bishop be requested to appoint Stations for the Missionary visits of the Parochial Clergy of Diocese for the ensuing year.

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 St. Mark's Church, Bowling-Green, appear to be in accordance with the Canons made and provided for such cases; and they would recommend that this Parish be admitted into union with this Convention.

M. SCHUYLER,
JEFFERSON SCOTT, } *Committee.*

On motion,

Resolved, That St. Mark's Church, Bowling-Green, be admitted into union with this Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the subject of Itinerating Missions be referred to a Committee of three.

The President appointed on this Committee the Rev. Dr. Giddinge, Messrs H. I. Bodley and A. J. McCreery.

On motion,

Resolved, That that portion of the Bishop's Address having reference to the Female Seminary in Boonville, be referred to a Special Committee of three.

Whereupon the Chair appointed the Rev. R. E. Terry, the Rev. Dr. Giddinge, and Mr. H. A. Massie, as that Committee.

On motion,

Resolved, That this Convention now adjourn to eight o'clock tomorrow morning.

Whereupon the Convention adjourned until 8 o'clock, Saturday morning.

CHAPEL OF ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE, PALMYRA,
Saturday morning, 8 o'clock.

The Convention met according to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. John F. Fish, U. S. A. Chaplain at Jefferson Barracks, assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. John T. Worthington, Rector of Calvary Church, Louisiana.

The Bishop took the chair and 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 Committee on Unfinished Business made the following

R E P O R T :

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report that they find nothing in previous legislation requiring the action of this Convention.

W. N. IRISH,
A. WARNER,
JOHN VALIANT, } *Committee.*

The Committee on that portion of the Bishop's Address having reference to the Female Seminary at Boonville, made the following

R E P O R T :

Your Committee beg leave to report that previous to the purchase of the School it owed a stock debt of about \$1900, to be paid in tuition: that in purchasing the Seminary buildings, apparatus and furniture, for the benefit of the Church, this debt was assumed, and a promise of \$2500 in addition, to be paid in cash previous to the first of February, 1858; that a further indebtedness of about \$2000 has been incurred in the purchase of additional furniture and in the current expenses of the Boarding Department during the last year, and a small debt of \$350 in purchasing an adjoining lot for the erection of a Boarding House—making a total of about \$6,700.

To meet this the School has assets of about \$800, most of which can be realized. About \$500 have been already paid on the stock debt, and some citizens of Boonville have agreed to pay \$1,500 in cash. This will leave about \$1400 still to be paid in tuition and \$2,500 in cash, to secure the School to the Church.

Those who united in the purchase of the School, for the benefit of the Church at Boonville, now propose that if the Church in the Diocese will pay the \$2500, they will raise the balance and deed the property to Trustees elected by this Convention, to be held as a Church School under the superintendence of the Rector of Christ Church, Boonville, and having the Bishop of the Diocese for its Chancellor.

Your Committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions, viz :

Resolved, That this Convention recommend that an effort be made to raise the sum desired, viz., \$2,500; and that a committee of one be appointed by this Convention for that purpose.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the friends of the Church in Missouri to contribute the sum now required to remove the indebtedness of the School and secure it to the Church.

Resolved, That three Trustees be appointed by this Convention to receive the title of said property and hold the same for the benefit of the

Church, as contemplated in the purchase, so soon as it shall be released from all indebtedness, except the stock debt.

Resolved, That this Convention earnestly recommend this School to the patronage of the Church and people of this Diocese.

R. E. TERRY,
G. P. GIDDINGE,
H. A. MASSIE, } *Committee.*

Whereupon, the above resolutions were unanimously adopted.

On motion,

The Rev. Dr. Giddinge was made the Agent under the first resolution.

The President appointed Messrs. H. I. Bodley, H. A. Massie, and A. H. Thompson, the Trustees to receive title under the third resolution.

The Committee on Assessments made the following

R E P O R T :

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, St. Louis, - -	\$60 00	\$75 00	\$135 00
St. Paul's Church, St. Louis, - -	15 00	15 00	30 00
Christ Church, Boonville, - -	15 00	15 00	30 00
St. Paul's Church, Palmyra, - -	5 00	10 00	15 00
Trinity Church, St. Charles, - -	5 00	10 00	15 00
Grace Church, Jefferson City, - -	5 00	10 00	15 00
St. John's Church, St. Louis, - -	35 00	15 00	50 00
Grace Church, St. Louis, - -	5 00	10 00	15 00
St. George's Church, St. Louis, - -	35 00	50 00	85 00
Trinity Church, Hannibal, - -	5 00	10 00	15 00
Christ Church, Lexington, - -	15 00	15 00	30 00
St. Mary's Church, Fayette, - -	3 00	10 00	13 00
St. Stephen's Church, Glasgow, - -	2 00	3 00	5 00
St. John's Church, Weston, - -	10 00	10 00	20 00
Christ Church, St. Joseph, - -	10 00	10 00	20 00
St. Anne's Church, Brunswick, - -	2 00	3 00	5 00
St. John's Church, Prairieville, - -	10 00	5 00	15 00
Trinity Church, St. Louis, - -	35 00	15 00	50 00
Trinity Church, Independence, - -	2 00	3 00	5 00
Carried forw'd,	\$274 00	\$294 00	\$568 00

	For Convention.	Episcopate.	Total.
Amount brought over,	\$274 00	\$294 00	\$568 00
St. John's Church, Savannah, - -	2 00	3 00	5 00
St. Jude's Church, Sharpsburg, -	10 00	5 00	15 00
Calvary Church, Louisiana, - -	2 00	3 00	5 00
St. Thomas's Church, St. Thomas,	10 00	5 00	15 00
St. Mark's Church, Bowling-Green,	2 00	3 00	5 00
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	\$300 00	\$313 00	\$613 00

D. HOUGH,
MOSES McCLINTOCK, } *Committee.*
H. A. MASSIE,

On motion,

Resolved, That the scale of assessments as recommended by the Committee be adopted.

On motion,

Resolved, That Sec. 2 of Canon XIV. be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons.

On motion,

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to investigate the outstanding claims reported against the delinquent Parishes. Said Committee to report to the next Diocesan Convention.

The President appointed as this Committee Messrs. J. Halsall, H. W. Hough and A. J. McCreery.

The Committee on Itinerating Missions made the following

REPORT:

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Itinerant Missions respectfully report that, in their opinion, it is highly important to the interests and growth of the Church in this Diocese that as large a body of Itinerant Ministers should be engaged in the work as the means will justify. They, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we feel the importance of an Itinerant Ministry in this Diocese, and that the system should be adopted at the earliest practicable period.

Resolved, That the collections of one Sunday in each year, in every Parish in this Diocese, be devoted to Itinerant Missions, and that the Rectors in charge of Parishes be requested to call the attention of their parishioners to this subject on the Sunday previous to the contemplated collection.

Resolved, That the Bishop be requested to use the Missionary Funds of the Diocese subject to his order, and not otherwise appropriated, to defraying the expenses of one or more Itinerant Missionaries.

G. P. GIDDINGE, }
A. J. McCREERY, } *Committee.*
H. I. BODLEY, }

Whereupon, on motion, the above resolutions were adopted.

On motion,

Resolved, That hereafter on the evening of every day during the Sessions of the Convention there shall be Divine Service and a Sermon; and on the first evening of the Session there shall be a Sermon on the subject of Missions, by some Clergyman to be appointed by the Bishop, and after the delivery of the Sermon a collection shall be made in behalf of Diocesan Missions.

On motion,

Resolved, It shall be the duty of every Minister in this Diocese having a Parochial charge, or performing Missionary duty, to report annually to the Bishop of the Diocese, at the time of and in addition to his usual parochial report, whether there be any, and if any, what debt is remaining on his parish, the amount of his stipulated salary for Parochial or Missionary services and the arrearages on the same remaining unpaid at the time of such report.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Convention be requested to procure a number of complete series of the former Journals of the Conventions of this Diocese, not exceeding ten, and cause the same to be bound in uniform style and kept in a proper manner for the use of the Convention.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to inquire into the cost of printing one hundred copies of the missing Journals of the Convention, and report to the next Convention.

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons made the following

R E P O R T :

The Committee on the Constitution and Canons respectfully report that they have considered Sec. 2 of Canon XIV. of Missouri, which was

referred to them by this Convention, and they submit for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the word "from" be stricken from the second line of said section, and that the word "after" be substituted in its stead.

FRANCIS J. CLERC, }
J. W. DUNN, } *Committee.*
H. I. BODLEY, }

Whereupon, the above resolution was unanimously adopted.

The Agent of the Permanent Fund for the support of the Episcopate made the following

REPORT :

The Agent of the Permanent Fund for the support of the Episcopate respectfully reports that he tendered his resignation to the last Convention, and since that time has done nothing in the matter of the Agency.

R. E. TERRY.

The Agent having again tendered his resignation, it was, on motion, accepted.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Standing Committee be requested to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the Agent of the Permanent Fund.

On motion,

Leave of absence from this Convention was granted to the Rev. Dr. Giddinge for the remainder of the Session.

The Committee on the Permanent Fund for the support of the Episcopate made the following

REPORT :

The Committee on the Permanent Fund recommend the adoption of the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That the salary of the Bishop shall be three thousand dollars per annum, and that the assessment of this sum be made on the various Parishes in the Diocese by the Committee on Assessments; and that the amount now paid by private subscription in the various Parishes towards the temporary support of the Episcopate be deducted from the amounts due from said Parishes by virtue of this assessment; this assessment to continue from year to year until other means for the Bishop's support are provided.

D. HOUGH, }
A. J. McCREERY, } *Committee.*

On motion, the following resolution was offered as a substitute to the above report, viz :

Resolved, That in order to raise a fund for the support of the Episcopate in addition to the other means now in progress, an annual assessment upon the respective Parishes shall be made by the Committee on Assessments, which assessment shall be twenty-five hundred dollars, commencing with the present year, and that the sum thus realized shall be paid over to the Treasurer of the Permanent Fund until the expiration of the present arrangement for the temporary support of the Episcopate ; and after such time, it shall be applied to the annual support of the Episcopate.

The Committee on Finance made the following

R E P O R T :

In compliance with our instructions, we have examined the Reports of Mr. Henry W. Hough, Treasurer of this Diocese, and find the same correct, and herewith return the papers committed to our charge.

D. HOUGH,
A. J. McCREERY, } *Committee.*
M. McCLINTICK, }

On motion,

Resolved, That the House now take a recess until two o'clock this afternoon.

Whereupon the Convention took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M.

Two o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met.

On motion, leave of absence from this Convention for the remainder of the session was granted to the Rev. Mr. Fish.

On motion, the following resolution was offered :

Resolved, That the resolution offered as a substitute to the Report of the Committee on the Permanent Fund be laid on the table.

A vote by orders being demanded, resulted as follows :

CLERGY.

Aye—The Rev. Messrs. W. B. Corbyn, Dunlop, Scheetz, Schuyler, Worthington—5.

Nay—The Rev. Messrs. Clerc, Dunn, Irish, Terry—4.

LAITY, VOTING BY PARISHES.

Aye—Christ Church, St. Louis ; Christ Church, Boonville ; St. George's Church, St. Louis ; St. Paul's Church, Palmyra—4.

Nay—St. Paul's Church, St. Louis ; St. John's Church, St. Louis ; Trinity Church, Hannibal ; St. Jude's Church, Sharpsburg—4.

So the motion to lay upon the table was lost for want of concurrence of the two orders.

The question then recurred on the motion to adopt the substitute to the Report of the Committee on the Permanent Fund, which motion was lost.

On motion, the following resolution was then offered, viz :

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on the Permanent Fund for the support of the Episcopate be adopted.

Whereupon the above resolution was passed and the Report of the Committee (see page 32) was adopted.

On motion,

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

The President appointed the Rev. Mr. Dunn, Teller to receive the Clerical, and the Rev. Mr. Irish, 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 President again appointed the Rev. Messrs. Dunn and Irish, Tellers.

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

The Rev. Francis J. Clerc,
 “ “ Robert E. Terry,
 “ “ Montgomery Schuyler,
 “ “ John T. Worthington,
 John A. Talbot, M.D.,
 Mr. Harry I. Bodley,
 “ Alfred Warner,
 “ Robert N. Smith.

On motion,

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to act in connection with the Treasurer of the Permanent Fund for the support of the Episcopate in making investments of what moneys may be on hand at any time for this purpose, and that this Committee report their action in the premises to the next Convention.

The Chair appointed, under this resolution, the Rev. F. B. Scheetz, and Messrs. E. W. Brown and Jefferson Scott.

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.

On motion,

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

Whereupon the Convention adjourned until nine o'clock, Monday morning.

CHAPEL OF ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE, PALMYRA,
Monday, May 25th, 1857.

The Convention met according to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. W. N. Irish, Rector of Christ Church, St. Joseph, assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. G. K. Dunlop, Rector of Christ Church, Lexington.

The Bishop called the Convention to order.

On motion, the reading of the Minutes was deferred till the close of the session.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted, viz:

WHEREAS the Bishop's salary of three thousand dollars can be made up the present year without an assessment of the whole amount directed by the resolution adopted by this Convention on the 23d instant; therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee of Assessments, under said resolution, be directed for the present year, and the present year only, to make their assessment for the sum of twenty-seven hundred dollars.

The Committee on Assessments made the following

R E P O R T :

The Committee appointed to make assessments upon the Parishes for the support of the Episcopate for the present year, recommend the following assessments, viz :

Christ Church, St. Louis,	\$1200 00
St. George's Church, St. Louis,	400 00
St. John's Church, St. Louis,	300 00
Trinity Church, St. Louis,	200 00
St. Paul's Church, St. Louis,	100 00
Grace Church, St. Louis,	10 00
Christ Church, Boonville,	75 00
St. Paul's Church, Palmyra,	15 00
Trinity Church, St. Charles,	10 00
Grace Church, Jefferson city,	10 00
Trinity Church, Hannibal,	40 00
Christ Church, Lexington,	70 00
St. Mary's Church, Fayette,	30 00
St. Stephen's Church, Glasgow,	5 00
St. John's Church, Weston,	30 00
Christ Church, St. Joseph,	50 00
St. Ann's Church, Brunswick,	5 00
St. John's Church, Prairieville,	50 00
Trinity Church, Independence,	10 00
St. John's Church, Savannah,	10 00
St. Jude's Church, Sharpsburg,	40 00
Calvary Church, Louisiana,	10 00
St. Thomas' Church, St. Thomas,	10 00
St. Mark's Church, Bowling-Green,	10 00
Calvary Church, Columbia,	10 00
Total,	<u>\$2700 00</u>

Respectfully submitted.

A. J. McCREERY, }
 H. I. BODLEY, } *Committee.*
 H. A. MASSIE, }

On motion,
Resolved, That the scale of assessments, as here recommended by the Committee, be adopted.

On motion,

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention of this Diocese be held in Grace Church, Jefferson city.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Convention now proceed to the election of a Treasurer of the Convention for the ensuing year, and that in the election of Treasurer balloting be dispensed with.

On motion,

Resolved, That Mr. Henry W. Hough, the former Treasurer, be re-elected to that office.

On motion,

Resolved, That from Article II. of the Constitution be stricken out the word "Friday," and insert "Thursday."

According to Article XII. of the Constitution, this proposed amendment will lie over till the next Convention for final action thereon.

The Standing Committee made the following

R E P O R T :

The Standing Committee beg leave to report that they have appointed the Rev. Francis J. Clerc, Agent of the Permanent Fund for the support of the Episcopate, in place of the Rev. R. E. Terry, resigned.

J. T. WORTHINGTON,	} Committee.
M. SCHUYLER,	
D. HOUGH,	

On motion,

Resolved, That the action of the Standing Committee, in appointing the Rev. F. J. Clerc, Agent of the Permanent Fund, is unanimously approved by this Convention, and the respective members of the same hereby pledge their aid to the Agent to the extent of their ability.

On motion,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due and are hereby tendered to the citizens of Palmyra for their generous hospitality to the members of this House during its present session.

On motion,

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

The Minutes were then read and approved, and then, after an address, prayers, and the benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

C. S. HAWKS, *President*.

Attest: R. E. TERRY, *Secretary*.

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James E. E. Tamm, Secretary

Appendix.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CHRIST CHURCH, ST. LOUIS.

The Rev. M. SCHUYLER, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 58; adults, 8; total.....	66
Confirmations.....	46
Communicants—Number last reported.....	213
Added by removal.....	20
“ anew.....	53
Lost by death.....	6
“ removal.....	17
Present number.....	263
Marriages.....	25
Burials.....	31
Sunday School Teachers.....	24
Scholars.....	140
Chapel Sunday School Teachers.....	9
“ Scholars.....	63
Total—Teachers.....	33
“ Scholars.....	203
Present number of books in Library.....	726
Added during past year.....	494
100 copies each of “Children’s Magazine” and “Carrier Dove” are distributed monthly.	

The Holy Communion has been administered monthly, and in private 8 times. The number of Public Services in the Parish have been 207. I have officiated at Carondelet once, and we have now the promise of the Methodist Chapel for our services, where, in connection with Rev. Mr. Fish, we hope to officiate every alternate Sunday, in the afternoon.

The offerings for the past year have been as follows :

For the Poor.....	\$496 00
Sunday School.....	464 00
Expenses for Chapel and Parochial purposes	103 45
Foreign Missions.....	\$120 30
Mission to Africa (from Sunday School).....	88 58
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	208 88
Domestic Missions.....	300 20
Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri, (special to Dr. Massoch \$300).....	330 00
Subscriptions for sundry Churches at the West, towards building and salaries of Clergymen	1270 00
Church Extension Society.....	40 00
Permanent Fund for the support of the Episcopate.....	100 00
Orphans' Home subscriptions	427 00
Thanksgiving contribution for Orphans' Home.....	152 85
Convention Assessments.....	135 00
Ladies' Benevolent Association for the Poor	550 00
Temporary support of the Episcopate.....	2105 00
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During my temporary absence in the summer, the Rev. J. I. Corby officiated for me most diligently and acceptably to the congregation. The Rev. D. C. Loop became my Assistant, and entered upon his duties on the 1st of October last, and together we have been enabled to maintain two services each Sunday at the Church and one at the Chapel, as we have termed it; and also a Wednesday evening service and a lecture, and Friday morning prayers, during the week. The Wednesday evening service was discontinued at the close of Lent until the coming autumn. We have had service also on most of the holy days of the Church. The Rev. Mr. Loop has been enabled to do Missionary duty at other points, which he will report for himself.

Our present Church is not sufficiently large for the wants of the Parish and of our growing City, and is not eligibly situated. We have therefore determined to remove, and have purchased a lot, and hope to commence building a suitable edifice upon it during the present summer. We trust we have been moved thereto by a due regard to the promotion of God's glory and the best interests of His Holy Church, and we would not forget, that "Except the LORD build the House, they labor in vain that build it."

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ST. LOUIS.

The Rev. R. E. TERRY, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 15, adults, 6; total	21
Confirmations.....	13
Communicants—Found in the Parish September 1, 1856.....	28
Added by removal.....	14
“ anew.....	15
Lost by death.....	3
Present number.....	64
Marriages	7
Burials.....	8
Sunday School Teachers.....	12
“ Scholars.....	60
Contributions for Parochial purposes.....	\$111 38
Extra—For the Poor	110 00
Convention Assessment.....	30 00
Permanent Fund for the support of the Episcopate.....	35 00
Diocesan Missions.....	16 00
Domestic “	10 60
Foreign “	10 00
Sunday School.....	45 00
St. Paul's College.....	6 65
Orphan's Home.....	30 00
Indian Missions under the Rev. Mr. Breck (from the S. S.).....	7 65
From the Ladies of the Parish, for Parochial pur- poses.....	83 54

The present Incumbent entered upon his duties as Rector, on the 1st of September last. Previous to September, the Parish had been vacant for some time.

The Church edifice being an old wooden building, and very ineligibly situated, the Vestry decided to seek a more desirable location, and erect a new Church. With this view they disposed of their former site, on the corner of Fifth and Wash streets, in November last, and, for a temporary place of worship, rented the Hall of the Washington University, situated on the corner of Washington avenue and Seventeenth street. Being at this time in negotiation for a building site near this place, which site was within the Parish bounds of St. George's Church, the Rector of St. Paul's, in accordance with the provisions of Canon IX. of the General Convention of 1853, addressed a note to the Rector of St. George's, asking his canonical consent to the removal of St.

Paul's within the boundaries of his Parish, and received the following cordial assent thereto :

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 3, 1856.

REV. AND DEAR BROTHER :

Your favor of this date asking my canonical consent to the removal of St. Paul's Congregation within the limits of St. George's Parish, has come to hand.

I welcome that Congregation to any locality within the above named limits, which shall be west of Sixteenth street, and give my cheerful consent to their building where they wish to, as well as tender them and yourself my best wishes for your prosperity and future success. May the blessing of God be with you in laying down "the foundations and in setting up the gates thereof."

Affectionately, your brother in Christ,

T. A. HOPKINS,

Rector of St. George's Church, St. Louis.

Rev. R. E. TERRY,

Rector of St. Paul's Church, St. Louis.

Failing in this negotiation, and having in view a lot on the southwest corner of Olive and Seventeenth streets, which lot was within the Parish limits of Christ Church, the Rector of St. Paul's addressed a similar request to the Rector of Christ Church, to which he received the following kind reply :

St. Louis, Dec. 8, 1856.

REV. AND DEAR BROTHER :

Yours of the 8th inst. is received, asking my canonical assent to the building a Church edifice by St. Paul's Parish, of which you are Rector, on the lot situated on the corner of Olive and Seventeenth streets, being within the limits of Christ Church Parish. I herewith give you the consent desired, and pray that God may bless your enterprise.

Truly your friend and brother,

M. SCHUYLER.

In January following, the Vestry secured the ground last mentioned, and in March they commenced thereon the erection of a Church Edifice, Chapel and Rectory. The two latter are to be completed in September next ; the Church by the September following. The style of architecture is the Early English Gothic.

St. Paul's is still feeble. It has undertaken a large work for so weak a flock ; but with the assistance of friends and the aid of Him, "without whom nothing is strong," it hopes to pass through its present struggle, and to be, in the end, crowned with success.

CHRIST CHURCH, BOONVILLE.

The Rev. G. P. GIDDINGE, D.D., Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 1; 1 infant	2
Communicants—Number last reported.....	55
Added by removal.....	6
Lost by removal, 1; by death, 2	3
Present number.....	58
Marriages.....	3
Burials	6
Contributions—Domestic Missions.....	\$16 16
Sunday School	20 20
Permanent Fund.....	22 60
Convention Assessment.....	35 00
Other purposes.....	76 95
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	\$170 91
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The present Rector took charge of the Parish on the 14th of October last, and found *on the list* 55 communicants. He has had services every Sunday save one since, and, with two exceptions, twice every Lord's day. During Lent there was service daily at 4 o'clock, P. M.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, PALMYRA.

The Rev. WILLIAM B. CORBYN, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 2; infants, 5.....	7
Marriages.....	1
Burials.....	9

Since the last Convention, I have been occupied as usual with my duties in St. Paul's College. The progress of the various classes has been satisfactory. Daily service has been continued as usual, in the large study of the College; where, also, the congregation assemble for worship on Sundays.

The Chapel, now about completed, affording a more decent place for Divine service, will probably increase the number of the worshippers on Sundays.

GRACE CHURCH, JEFFERSON CITY.

(No Report.)

The Rev. R. H. WELLER, Rector.

TRINITY CHURCH, ST. CHARLES.

(No Report.)

The Rev. ———, Rector.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ST. LOUIS.

The Rev. F. J. CLERC, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 43; adults, 5; Total.....	48
Confirmations—(1 colored, 1 stranger).....	17
Communicants—Number last reported.....	139
Added by removal.....	10
“ arew.....	6
Lost by death.....	3
“ by removal.....	19
Present number.....	133
Marriages.....	9
Burials.....	24
Sunday School—Teachers and Assistants.....	22
Scholars.....	150

Of the communicants reported, all have communed within the year, excepting ten or twelve, whose names are still retained; and of those removed, several have not been transferred to other Parishes, but are living where there is no Parish, and their names are omitted for the present.

The contributions of the Parish, in addition to its own expenses for the year, have been as follows:

For the Poor.....	\$ 98 21
Domestic Missions.....	56 10
Foreign Missions.....	18 65
Diocesan Missions, by subscriptions to S. P. G. in Missouri.....	39 00
“ by Offertory, direct to Dr. Massoch.....	50 50
“ “ “ others.....	8 75
“ “ “ Missionary visit to Fulton.....	10 90
Indian Miss. by the Rev. J. L. Breck, (S. S. offering).....	10 00
Theological Student at St. Paul's College.....	25 00
Convention Assessments.....	50 00
Sunday School.....	40 15
Episcopal Fund.....	31 10
Orphans' Home, (collection, \$19 18; subscriptions and donations, \$270).....	289 18
St. John's Church, and incidentals.....	162 51
Ministerial services during Rector's absence.....	225 00
Insurance policy on Rector's life.....	55 00

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The Parish has, by a struggle, maintained itself free from the embarrassment of debt, and occupies a more independent position than ever before. It now desires to lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. May God refresh it with the abundance of "His heavenly grace."

The Annual Reports of the Orphans' Home are submitted herewith.

The Rector of St. John's Church, St. Louis, reports that, after one or two ineffectual attempts, he succeeded in paying one Missionary visit to Fulton, the point designated for him by the Bishop. An evening service was held in the Presbyterian house of worship, on Tuesday, the 12th of May, at the time of the usual prayer-meeting, and was largely attended by the usual congregation. It is believed that future appointments would be well received, and that a growing interest in the Church might be found in Fulton. There are but two communicants known, and not many others who love her doctrines or her worship; but there are some besides who cherish the memory of the former ministrations there of the Rev. Messrs. Hommann, and Peake, and Hedges, and Dunn, and Weller, and Gassaway. The population is about one thousand souls, exclusive of the inmates of the State Institutions for the Insane and for Deaf Mutes. There are four places of worship erected already, the Westminster College, and a Presbyterian Female Seminary. But room could probably be secured at any time for occasional services in the Court-house, or in one of the houses of worship. A few prayer-books were left at the Asylums and in the town.

GRACE CHURCH, ST. LOUIS.

The Rev. WM. H. WOODWARD, Rector.

(No Report.)

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, ST. LOUIS.

The Rev. THEODORE A. HOPKINS, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 22; adults, 7.....	29	
Confirmations.....	31	
Communicants—Number last reported.....	166	
Added by removal.....	28	
“ by confirmation.....	27	
Lost by removal from city.....	20	
“ by removal from Church.....	2	
“ by death.....	5	
Present number.....	194	
Marriages.....	13	
Burials.....	20	
Scholars in Sunday School.....	155	
Teachers.....	18	
Contributions—To the Poor.....		\$233 05
To the Sunday School.....		54 40
From the Sunday School, at Easter Anniversary.....		64 13
To the Rector of Grace Church, St. Louis.....		30 00
To Dr. Massoch, for St. Louis Mission.....		100 00
Diocesan Mission, (S. P. G. of Missouri,).....		41 53
Prot. Orphan Asylum, (annual collection,).....		28 03
Anniversary of the Orphans' Home.....		45 15
Domestic Missions, Advent collection.....		56 00
Private subscriptions to the "Home,".....		187 05
To the Martha Washington Society of St. Louis.....		16 00
To the church at Fort Madison, Iowa, (private,).....		15 00
Publication of sermon, (private con.).....		30 00
Contingent Fund for expenses of Episcopate.....		60 00
Permanent Fund for support of Episcopate.....		31 00
Temporary support of Episcopate, (supposed,).....		190 00
To the Evangelical Knowledge Society, (private,)...		25 00
Parochial collections to Easter, 1857.....		233 00
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Total contributions.....		\$1,439 34

Epiphany subscriptions of 1857, of which \$391 50 have been collected and paid; \$210 45 being due in about a month:

Foreign Missions, - - - - -	\$101 75
Domestic Missions, / - - - - -	106 25
Orphans' Home, - - - - -	186 85
Protestant Orphan Asylum, - - - - -	31 50
Spirit of Missions, - - - - -	17 00
Protestant Episcopal Missionary Association for the West, -	158 50
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Total Epiphany subscriptions, - - - - -	\$601 85

Special subscriptions to three different objects, May 1, 1857:

1. To meet a sewer tax levied upon the Church, and interest, (being unpaid for four years)
2. To pay for a lot in Bellefontaine Cemetery, for interment of indigent communicants of St. George's Church.

3. To make up a deficit of income, and thus meet current expenses.

Total for the three,	- - - - -	\$1,525 00
Add Epiphany subscriptions,	- - - - -	601 85
Add also contributions,	- - - - -	1,439 34

Total of all, (contributions and subscriptions),	- - - - -	\$3,566 19

REMARKS.—I regret to add that the attendance of the evening congregations has fallen off to some extent; that of the mornings has been on the whole maintained.

2. Wednesday evening lectures have been regularly delivered from Oct. 1 to May 1; attendance fair. During Lent a lecture was added on Friday afternoons.

3. The Sunday School meets with “changes and chances.” Through them we have gained three teachers more, and nine pupils, beyond our number last year. The constant moving of the parents causes the attendance to fluctuate considerably. As a body the teachers are earnest and faithful, and so are a certain number of the congregation. But it would more than double our efficiency if every attendant of the Church would be present whenever we hold Divine service. More zeal is urgently called for, on the part of the majority. The faithful few cannot do the duty of others as well as of themselves, in regard to this. Absentees too seldom reflect how much they try their Pastor’s heart, and clog his efforts, even if they do not wholly ruin his usefulness. May GOD arouse His people and defend His cause.

TRINITY CHURCH, HANNIBAL.

The Rev. J. W. DUNN, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 7; adults, 7; total,	- - - - -	14
Confirmations,	- - - - -	5
Communicants—Number last reported,	- - - - -	30
Added by removal,	- - - - -	9
“ anew,	- - - - -	5
Lost by removal,	- - - - -	2
Present number,	- - - - -	42
Marriages,	- - - - -	2
Burials,	- - - - -	3
Sunday School Teachers,	- - - - -	2
Scholars,	- - - - -	30

The offerings for the past year have been as follows :

For Parochial purposes, - - - - -	\$12 40
Domestic Missions, - - - - -	9 35
Foreign Missions, \$3 (from Sunday School, \$6) - - - - -	9 00
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	\$30 75
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Our not having a suitable place in which to hold Divine service has been a great hindrance to the prosperity of this Parish. A commencement, however, has been made towards the erection of a Church edifice, and I expect the building to be ready for occupation during the present year.

CHRIST CHURCH, LEXINGTON.

The Rev. GEORGE K. DUNLOP, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, - - - - -	5
Adults, - - - - -	1
Confirmations, - - - - -	5
Communicants—Number last reported, - - - - -	62
Added by removal, - - - - -	3
“ anew, - - - - -	2
Lost by removal, - - - - -	10
“ by death, - - - - -	2
Present number, - - - - -	55
Marriages, - - - - -	3
Burials, - - - - -	4
Sunday School Teachers, - - - - -	5
Scholars, - - - - -	32

The offerings for the past year have been as follows :

Foreign Missions, - - - - -	\$ 8 00
Domestic “ - - - - -	8 10
Convention Assessments, - - - - -	30 00
Liquidation of Parsonage debt, - - - - -	62 76
Repairs on the Church Building, - - - - -	26 50
Donations for Sunday School Library, - - - - -	15 00
Children's Magazine, - - - - -	3 60
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	\$153 96
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I entered upon my duties as Rector of this Parish on the 25th Sunday after Trinity, November 9th, 1856; previous to that time the Parish had been vacant about two months.

The Church at present is entirely from debt, and is on the whole, I think, in a very healthy condition.

In addition to the above, I visited Independence, St. Thomas and Dover ; in the first I performed Divine service three times, and in each of the others, once.

I think there is a good prospect for the Church, both in Independence and St. Thomas.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, FAYETTE.

The Rev. WM. RAWLINS PICKMAN, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 4; adults, 2; total.....	6
Communicants.....	20
Burials.....	1

The present Minister entered upon his duties, November 16th, 1856. Since then, Divine Service has been held on every Sunday, except the fourth in each month.

Service was also held on each Friday evening in Lent, and a lecture delivered appropriate to the season.

At the request of a number of the inhabitants (some of whom are members of the Church and others desirous of its services), the Rector visited Huntsville on the 1st Sunday after Easter. It is designed to hold services there every month—one month on a week day, the alternate month on a Sunday.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, GLASGOW.

(No Report.)

The Rev. ———, Rector.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WESTON.

The Rev. FRANCIS R. HOLEMAN, (Deacon,) Minister.

(No Report.)

CHRIST CHURCH, ST. JOSEPH.

The Rev. W. NORMAN IRISH, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants, 5; adults, 1; total.....	6
Confirmations'.....	3
Communicants—Number last reported.....	31
Added by removal.....	11
Lost by ".....	1
" by Death.....	1
Present number.....	40
Marr' ages.....	2
Burials.....	6
Sunday School Teachers.....	7
Scholars.....	55

The corner-stone for a Church edifice will be laid at the next visitation of the Bishop.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, BRUNSWICK.

(No Report.)

The Rev. ——— ———, Rector.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, PRAIRIEVILLE.

The Rev. ——— ———, Rector.

Baptisms, - - - - -	1
Confirmations, - - - - -	1
Burials, - - - - -	1

These services were performed previous to the first of October last. Not having access to the Parish Records, I am unable to report the Contributions up to that time.

Notwithstanding all my efforts to the contrary, I was forced to withdraw from the Rectorship of this Parish in September last. I had the satisfaction of seeing a good Church edifice, 32 by 50 ft., finished and ready for consecration about that time. It was fully paid for by funds raised in the county. Since September there has been no service in the Church, except once in March last. I have an appointment now, however, for services on the last Sunday of this month. It is believed that when the Bishop visits the Parish there will be a small class for Confirmation.

JOHN T. WORTHINGTON.

TRINITY CHURCH, ST. LOUIS.

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

The Rector of Trinity Church, St. Louis, respectfully reports as follows : Since last Convention

Baptisms—Infants, 18; adult, 1; total.....	19
Confirmations	9
Communicants.....	92
Marriages	
Burials.....	

TRINITY CHURCH, INDEPENDENCE.

(No Report.) *The Rev. ————, Rector*

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, SAVANNAH.

(No Report.) *The Rev. ————, Rector*

CALVARY CHURCH, COLUMBIA.

The Rev. WM. RAWLINS PICKMAN, Rector.

Communicants.....	4
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Divine service has been held at this place on the fourth Sunday of each month, since November of 1856.

ST. JUDE'S CHURCH, SHARPSBURG.

The Rev. F. B. SCHEETZ, Minister.

Baptisms—Infant.....	1
Communicants—Number last reported.....	10
Added anew.....	6
Whole number.....	16
Marriages.....	3
Confirmations.....	6
Offerings—Convention Assessment.....	\$15 00
Permanent Episcopal Fund.....	17 10
Domestic Missions (about).....	12 00
Foreign Missions.....	7 35
St. Paul's College.....	100 00
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	\$151 45
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CALVARY CHURCH LOUISIANA.

The Rev. J. T. WORTHINGTON, Rector.

Baptisms—Adult, - - - - -	1	
Confirmations, - - - - -	4	
Marriages, - - - - -	2	
Contributions—For Domestic Missions, - - - - -		\$ 5 00
“ Foreign “ - - - - -		5 00
“ Diocesan “ - - - - -		2 50
Convention Assessments. - - - - -		11 50
		<u>\$24 00</u>

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, ST. THOMAS.

(No Report.)

The Rev. ————, Rector.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, BOWLING-GREEN.

The Rev. JOHN T. WORTHINGTON, Missionary.

Communicants, - - - - -	4	
Contributions—For the New York Bible and Prayer Book Society, - - -		\$3 00
Children's Offering for Orphans' Home, - - - - -		4 00
		<u>\$7 00</u>

This Parish was organized about the 1st of March last, in contemplation of building a Church edifice as soon as practicable. We began with two male and two female Communicants. It is now asking for admission into union with this Convention.

I acknowledge hereby a gift of thirty Prayer-Books by the Bishop. They were divided between Calvary and St. Mark's Churches.

I was appointed Missionary to Louisiana and Bowling-Green, dating from October 1, 1856, and have officiated alternately at each place twice a month.

REPORT OF THE REV. G. P. COMINGS.

To the Rt. Rev. C. S. HAWKS, D.D.

Since the last Convention I have been entirely occupied with my duties in St. Paul's College.

REPORT OF THE REV. D. GORDON ESTES.

AMESBURY, MASSACHUSETTS, May 18, 1857.

Rt. Rev. C. S. HAWKS, D.D., Bishop of Mo.

I resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Lexington, on the 1st of November. Since the 10th of December I have not officiated at all, on account of ill-health. I am at present residing at this place.

REPORT OF THE REV. D'W. C. LOOP.

Besides aiding the Rector of Christ Church, St. Louis, and collecting together, since last September, a Sunday School of about sixty children, which meets in a room in Market street, St. Louis, I have visited the vacant Parish at St. Charles. There is no material change in the list of families or of communicants, nor in the prospects of this Parish. Three Sundays since October have been spent here in performing services. The Holy Communion has been once administered, and one adult has been baptized.

REPORT OF THE REV. J. I. CORBYN, *Deacon*.

Since the last meeting of the Convention I have been, as heretofore, discharging the duties of Tutor in St. Paul's College, and assisting in the service on Sundays.

During the vacation, July, August, and most of September, of 1856, I had the temporary charge of Christ Church, St. Louis, in the absence of the Rector, Rev. Mr. Schuyler.

The 24th Sunday after Trinity, November 2d, I officiated in the Presbyterian house of worship in Lagrange, and baptized a child. I found one Church family in this place. As near as I could learn, this was the first time the Episcopal service had ever been held in this place.

The first Sunday after Christmas I officiated in St. Jude's Church, Sharpsburgh, and again on the fourth Sunday after Epiphany, February 1st, in the absence of the Minister of the Parish, the Rev. Mr. Scheetz.

The fourth Sunday after Easter I officiated in Canton, Mo. I found one communicant and several other persons who had been baptized in the Church. This was the first Episcopal service ever held in the place.

REPORT OF THE REV. S. C. MASSOCH, D.D.

RT. REV. AND DEAR SIR :

I render continual thanks to the Almighty, and to you, that I could get a place for Divine Worship. Here, on all Sundays and the chief holy days, the appropriate services, with sermons, have been maintained, though under great difficulties and hindrances, resulting from the adversaries of Christ. I am still happy to say that the prospects of this Mission are brightening from day to day ; because it is on the increase. The providence of God presents before us a noble and most promising field ; but we must be steady, zealous, and persevering in our labors, fearing nothing, and trusting in God. We must put on the whole armor of God, and fight the good battle of faith, till our triumph shall be accomplished, in the name and under the banner of the Lamb of God.

I preach twice on each Sunday, and visit every day those who may be added to the Church. The leading men and women of my flock are very active in aiding me in my work. The influence thereby imparted to the holy cause is of the most salutary and encouraging nature. In addition to my other duties, I have visited several Bohemian and German families in New Bremen, Gravois Mines and Belleville. This winter I have baptized 5 children, infants, and buried 5 individuals. The number of communicants amount to 35 persons.

The 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 do.

“ Z. B. CURTIS, Treasurer.

“ GEORGE H. GILL, Secretary.

MANAGERS.

From Christ Church—Mrs. F. B. Havens, Mrs. J. N. Pritchard, Mrs. A. J. McCreery, Mrs. S. E. Peters.

From St. Paul's Church—Mrs. H. S. Wetherill, Mrs. L. Keene, Miss C. J. Kingsland, Mrs. T. L. Salisbury.

From St. George's Church—Mrs. W. Poulterer, Mrs. E. A. Manny, Mrs. George R. Robinson, Mrs. Moore.

From St. John's Church—Mrs. John J. Anderson, Mrs. G. L. Stansbury, Mrs. C. Keemle, Mrs. W. F. Enders.

From Grace Church—Mrs. Knight, Mrs. Willey, Mrs. W. H. Woodward, Mrs. C. Case.

From Trinity Church—Mrs. O. Garrison, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Kunkle, Mrs. C. Derby.

MANAGERS' REPORT.

The obligation which rests upon the Board of Managers of the Orphans' Home, to present at this time their annual report of the condition of the Institution, most forcibly reminds them that they are acting, not merely of their own choice, nor only as the servants of Christ, but also as the guardians appointed by the Church, to care for

the destitute and afflicted orphans and widows, who may be brought to their notice. While, therefore, they endeavor to examine their official conduct by their own conscience, and to remember that they must render unto God an account of their stewardships, they also desire to submit to their Rt. Rev Diocesan, and to the Reverend Pastors, and to their brethren in the Church, a full statement of the affairs of the Institution, hoping that it may be made so public as to meet the eye of all who have aided its work, and engage the attention of many who have not hitherto heeded its appeal. At the same time the Managers feel that they are entitled to speak with freedom and earnestness in behalf of the cause which has been entrusted to their care. Some of them were associated in the earliest efforts made for this Institution, many have for years been actively engaged in its management, and they think they have by actual experience acquired a good knowledge of all that is difficult, and of all that is necessary for the work.

To some the collection of means for its support might appear the chief duty to be performed. But we have been taught a different lesson. For although it has often been a perplexing and anxious care to provide for the inmates of the Home, and has never been a matter without its embarrassments, yet do we now find ourselves, after a struggle of fourteen years, in the possession of a comfortable and commodious house, wherein many children have been nurtured and trained, and whereby many Christians have been edified and blessed. And still we are almost as much without that pledge of support which some would desire, as the founder of the Home was in his day. We believe, indeed, that such a pledge will some day be given; we acknowledge with thankfulness that the hearts of friends, in the Providence of God, have always provided for our wants. But we believe that all that has been done, and all that will be done, is the fruit of her endowment in the hearts of the people. Jesus Christ left His Father's glory, and on earth became as an orphan, destitute, dependent, and even forsaken of God, while working out redemption for us. And He has so far likened himself unto us, as to declare that "in giving meat to the hungry, and drink to the thirsty, in sheltering the stranger, in clothing the naked, in visiting the sick and the prisoners, we minister unto Him." And now that He is risen from His humiliation and voluntary self-abasement, and sitteth on the right hand of God, He hath visibly the power to recompense according unto promise, whatsoever shall be done unto any in His name, because they belong unto Christ. Nay, He hath sent, and will continue to send, His Holy Spirit into the hearts of men, to make them love Him and keep His commandments, and "do unto al^l

men as they would that others should do unto them." We confess, therefore, that we feel no anxiety about the future support of this Institution. It has been sustained and prospered by the Divine blessing on the faithful labors of Christians, gathering in the offerings of many individuals and consecrating them to the service of God. These offerings are yearly increasing, and though they come not without our toil, nor ever suffice for all that we might desire to accomplish, yet do we feel that they will never cease. The members of the Church are too well aware of the benefits which they have derived from their labors in this cause, and are too thankful to God for the privilege of ministering unto Him, and of doing good unto others, to be willing that this work should ever stop. They will, on the contrary, learn by their own experience, as well as by their faith, and as we have learned by ours, that it is indeed "more blessed to give than to receive;" they will thank God for the training influence of this charity, so noble that it commends itself to every heart; and, in His good time, they will offer the abundance of their wealth for the spread of the Word, and the increase of the fruits of the Gospel in our midst. Even now, in our esteem, there is no ornament of our Church in this city comparable to the Orphans' Home. And we think it a cause of great rejoicing, that all our parishes are associated together in the prosecution of this work of love. But had we waited for the pledge of an income for its support, we should not yet have even opened its doors to give shelter and defence to little motherless children.

Far be it from us to say, however, that enough has been done in behalf of our cause. We are often straitened, and are always compelled to be economical and prudent in the management of the work. The supplies of food and fuel and clothing, of employment and exercise and recreation for the body, of instruction and means for the development of the mind, and for future usefulness in life, and of religious guidance in the Church's ways, both by precept and example, are deemed by us no less than necessary. We aim not at any thing higher than this necessary supply. We wait, as in duty bound, till we shall be entrusted with power or authority to enlarge our work beyond its natural growth. And we feel that we shall ever be able to protect and provide for all whom the Providence of God may entrust to our care. But it is daily becoming more and more desirable, and it will soon be an absolute necessity that we devise the mode in which our work shall unfold itself for continued growth. Our settled policy would prevent us from scattering our orphans, even though good homes should be offered for them all; because we know the necessity of continuing this

Institution in such a city as ours, and the impossibility of its proper continuance now, without the help of a large number of well-trained children in it. At some future time, circumstances may be altered, and our successors may devise better things; but at present, nothing better can be recommended than a patient continuance in the present system of managing the Home, and an increased diligence in securing its privileges to as many more as possible of those for whom it is designed.

It is believed that the members of the Board are as faithful and attentive in the discharge of their duties, as could reasonably be expected. The committee appointed to visit the Home and the School twice every month, have reported with commendable regularity and satisfaction. And we confidently express our opinion that the Institution has never been in better order or condition than at present. This state of things is in a good degree owing to the fidelity and ability of the Matron and of the Teacher. Their respective duties are such that no pains-taking or care on the part of any other persons, could make amends for unfaithfulness or incompetency in them. And we hesitate not to say that we have no more important or difficult task to perform than the selection of these parties. For in the one we have not only need of a neat and economical house-keeper, nor only of a prudent and energetic woman, nor only of a kind and patient matron, nor only of a watchful and experienced nurse, but all these qualities should unite with Christian zeal and loveliness in any one who is as the mother of our motherless children. At all hours and in all their moods, in their sickness and in their health, the Matron is needed as the head of the household, to keep all its members in their proper places engaged in their proper duties. And in such a house as ours, the new demands upon her time and strength which constantly arise, must be numerous and great. In her department, the Teacher at the Home has to perform more than the ordinary duties of an instructress. She is a constant inmate of the family, and, like the Matron, is more or less exposed to be drawn into extra labors. For, if they be persons of sensibility and of principle, it is impossible for any to live amid those who are as helpless, as friendless, as ignorant and as unfortunate as many of our orphans must ever be, without being led by sympathy and the opportunity of doing good, to some voluntary exertions in their behalf. Their little pleasures and griefs, their rights, their wrongs, their habits and dispositions, their amusements and leisure, are often necessarily and properly left to their own control; but not often free from the inspection of those who are daily with them. And when we consider the influence

which a matron and teacher must ever have over those who are under their care, and the constant inducement to make them strive for the good behavior and good habits and character of the children, and the difficulty of training any child aright, and we must admit that ours have no light burden of care and of responsibility. In justice to Mrs. Simmons, the present Matron, and to Miss Heslop, who succeeded Miss Mowatt as Teacher, in October last, we are glad to say that we believe them to be devoted and faithful, and we commend them to the grace of God for support and guidance in their arduous labors.

Mrs. Simmons was severely ill for several weeks of the last summer; but such is the order of our house, that no serious hindrance was felt, while her husband, the Teacher and the older children divided the the extra cares among them.

Our children seem to live happily together, as brothers and sisters of one family; in the fear of God, in subjection to their superiors, and in love one toward another. Their general health has been good, and their improvement manifest both in and out of school. For many years they have been remarkably exempt from those sicknesses which might naturally have been expected; and for the first time in several years, has one of their number been summoned home to God. Jane Scarf, aged ten years, admitted on ———, after a long and wasting sickness, died suddenly on the 17th of June last; and her little body reposes with those of the other deceased orphans, in Christ Church Cemetery. We feel that we ought to thank God for our long exemption from death, and for the good hope which comforts us for the loss of some of our number. We think it proper to make a public acknowledgment of our obligations to Dr. W. F. Webb, for the promptness and generosity with which he has repeatedly and gratuitously visited the Institution whenever occasion has demanded his professional services.

We are also compelled to chronicle the removal hence, by death, of one of our earliest and most efficient Managers. Mrs. F. Webster, elected from St. Paul's Parish in this city, was for several years an unwavering and true friend to the orphans, always faithfully devoting herself to the duties of a member of our Board. A severe and protracted illness had confined her to her chamber for several months, and almost entirely to her house for about a year; but the serenity of her faith, and the warmth of her zeal as a Christian, irradiated her presence, and the memory of her cheerfulness and composure in view of death now comfort her afflicted family and friends. On her dying couch she thought and spoke of the orphans, for whom her deeds done in her health sufficiently proved her love. How unspeakably precious, in view of death

and of the future recompense, are our severest toils and sufferings here for the cause of Christ!

The Treasurer's report will exhibit in detail, the receipts and expenditures of the Board during the past year. The gross amounts are: Receipts \$1,747 51; expenses \$1,633 55; balance \$173 96. Some valuable permanent additions have been made to the outfit of the Home.

The number of children reported last year was 33; of these one has died, 2 boys have been bound out, 8 children have been removed, while 8 boys and 11 girls have been added—making the present number of orphans in the Home 41.

In conclusion, we beg leave to offer the following resolutions for adoption:

1. *Resolved*, That the faithful and long-continued services of Mrs. F. Webster, so zealously and gladly rendered to the Orphans' Home, not only endear to us her name and commend her example to us for imitation, but also impress us with the feeling, that in her decease our Institution has suffered a great loss.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Corporation be and they are hereby respectfully tendered to the physicians who have heretofore bestowed their professional attention upon the inmates of the Home—and particularly to Drs. W. F. Webb and S. Pollak, for their prompt and ready answers to our calls.

Resolved, That the citizens of St. Louis and strangers be and they are hereby respectfully invited to visit the Orphans' Home, two squares west of Sturgeon Market, North St. Louis, at any time that may suit their convenience.

Resolved, That a copy of this report and the foregoing resolutions, together with the Treasurer's report, and a list of the managers and officers, with their residences appended, be published in one or more of the city papers.

All of which is respectfully submitted by the Board of Managers.

ELLEN P. BODLEY, Secretary.

St. Louis, Easter, 1857.

ORPHANS' HOME IN ACCOUNT WITH MRS. W. R. CARTER.

DR.

May 21, Received of Mr. McCreery	\$100 00
18, " " " "	450 00
" Sold Check.....	2 25
Nov. From Mr. McCreery	165 00
Interest from Mr. McCreery.....	29 00
Jan'y 17, From Col. Mitchell	100 00
" Dr. E. B. Smith.....	50 00
" Mrs. Curtis.....	26 30
" " " "	8 00
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	\$930 55
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CONTRA CREDIT.

Sluder & Co., for Mattresses	\$ 80 00
Wilson & Cooper.....	9 11
One dozen Copy Books.....	40
June 9, Table Linen.....	5 80
" 18, Mosquito Bars and Sheeting.....	37 88
Pullis & Co., for Iron Bedsteads.....	384 00
July 3, Sheeting.....	8 05
37 yards Plaid Cotton.....	5 25
30 " " " "	4 50
Aug. 9, Mosquito Bars.....	10 80
2½ yards Check.....	40
Nov. 6, Wilgus & Noble	29 08
Mrs. Targee, for table.....	6 75
Benches for School Room.....	10 00
Black-board	4 25
Mrs. Curtis.....	11 50
Dec. 4, Edwards & Bushnell.....	8 00
Feb. 11, Oil Cloth for Dining Table.....	3 00
Nov. 6, Wilson & Cooper, for Merino.....	26 30
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	\$645 02
Balance on hand at 6 per cent. interest.....	285 53
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	\$930 55

MRS. SARAH P. CURTIS, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH ORPHANS' HOME.

To balance in the Treasury, Easter Tuesday, 1856.....		\$10 88
Annual Subscriptions for year 1856-'7—from Christ Church Parish.....	\$427 50	
“ “ “ St. Paul's, “	30 00	
“ “ “ St. John's, “	201 25	
“ “ “ St. George's, “	138 50	
“ “ “ Grace, “	2 50	
“ “ “ Trinity, “	57 50	
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Life-Membership of Wm. R. Pye.....	25 00	
“ “ Isabella Barclay Hawks.....	25 00	
	<hr/>	50 00
Thanksgiving Offering in Christ Church.....	157 85	
Do. St. John's Church	20 15	
Christmas Offering St. George's Church.....	5 00	
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Anniversary Collection		59 58
Epiphany Offering in St. George's Church.....		128 00
Donations of Cash during the year.....		346 30
Charity Box on Steamboat.....	4 05	
Do. at the “Home”	17 00	
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Fines for non-attendance of Board.....		5 75
Donation from St. Paul's Sunday School.....		1 25
Board of Children in “Home,” (not orphans,).....		32 00
Rent from house on Morgan street.....		50 80
Sales of remnants, &c., at Home.....		5 15
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		<u>\$1,769 61</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Balance from year 1855-'56.....	10 88	
Total receipts, Easter, 1856, to Easter, 1857.....	1,749 13	
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Total expenses do. do.....		1,633 55
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Balance on hand in Bank.....		\$128 46
By cash paid out—Salary of Matron.....	308 45	
“ Teacher.....	275 00	
“ Servants.....	143 00	
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General House Expenses.....		875 60
Insurance		31 50
Balance on hand Easter Tuesday, 1857, (April 14.).....		128 46
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		<u>\$1,747 51</u>

Treasurer's Report.

HENRY W. HOUGH, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH DIOCESE OF MISSOURI CONVENTION EXPENSE—ASSESSMENT.

DR.

1856. To Amount received of late Treasurer, John Halsall, Treasurer,		\$21 00	
Aug. 9,	“ “ “ St. Ann's Church, Brunswick	3 00	
Sept. 18,	“ “ “ Christ Church, Lexington	5 00	
“ “	“ “ “ St. John's Church, St. Louis... ..	15 00	
Oct. 9,	“ “ “ St. John's Church, St. Louis.....	16 30	
“ 25,	“ “ “ Christ Church, St. Louis.....	60 00	
Dec. 20,	“ “ “ St. John's Church, Prairieville.....	2 00	
“ 24,	“ “ “ St. Jude's Church, Sharpsburgh.....	10 00	
1857.			
March 4,	“ “ “ Trinity Church, Hannibal.....	9 10	
“ 7,	“ “ “ Calvary Church, Louisiana.....	10 00	
“ 30,	“ “ “ St. John's Church, St. Louis.....	3 70	
April 13,	“ “ “ St. Paul's Church, St. Louis	15 00	
May 19,	“ “ “ Christ Church, Lexington.....	10 00	
“ 20,	“ “ “ Trinity Church, St. Louis	35 00	
“ “	“ “ “ Christ Church, Boonville.....	20 00	
“ “	“ “ “ Christ Church, St. Joseph.....	10 00	
“ “	“ “ “ St. George Church, St. Louis.....	35 00	
“ “	“ “ “ St. George's Church, Palmyra.....	5 00	
“ “	“ “ “ St. Mary's Church, Fayette.....	6 00	
		\$291 10	291 10

CONTRA CREDIT.

1856.			
Sept. 1,	By amount paid postage on Journals.....	4 90	
“ “	“ “ “ Freight “ “	1 00	
Oct. 25,	“ “ “ George Knapp & Co., in full.....	121 45	
Nov. 19,	“ “ “ Expenses General Convention.....	30 00	
1857.			
Jan'y 19,	“ “ “ Postage on Circulars	45	
Feb. 17,	“ “ “ Smallwood & Julian, on account	15 00	
“ “	“ “ “ H. Cope, Treas., extra assessment General Conventions, 1855 and '56.....	10 00	
May 19,	“ “ “ Smallwood & Julian on account.....	10 00	
“ 20,	“ “ “ Freight on Journals General Convention.....	3 75	
“ “	“ “ “ Smallwood & Julian, in full.....	100 00	296 55
	Overdrawn.....		\$5 45

St. Louis, May 20, 1857.

HENRY W. HOUGH, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH SOCIETY FOR PROPAGATING THE GOSPEL IN MISSOURI.

Dr.

1856.			
May 23,	To Amount on hand.....		\$64 35
Aug. 8,	“ from Christ Church, St. Joseph.....		12 00
Sept. 18,	“ “ Christ Church, Lexington.....		15 00
“ “	“ “ Grace Church, Jefferson City.....		6 50
“ “	“ “ St. Mary’s Church, Fayette.....		5 65
“ “	“ “ Mrs. Judge Birch.....		10 00
“ “	“ “ St. John’s Church, Prairieville.....		5 00
Oct. 16,	“ “ St. George’s Church, St. Louis.....		16 53
Dec. 17,	“ “ St. Paul’s Church, St. Louis.....		5 00
“ 24,	“ “ Mrs. C. E. Burris, Richfield.....		3 00
Mich. 7,	“ “ Calvary Church, Louisiana.....		2 50
“ 9,	“ “ St. George’s Church, St. Louis.....		25 00
April 13,	“ “ St. Paul’s Church, St. Louis.....		11 00
May 1,	“ “ Christ Church, St. Louis.....		30 00
“ 18,	“ “ Christ Church, St. Louis.....		300 00
“ 19,	“ “ From Parishioners of St. John’s Church, St. Louis....		39 00
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			\$550 53
May 20,	To Balance		25 03
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CONTRA CREDIT.

1857.			
Jan. 26,	By Amount paid Rev. L. R. Staudenmayer, Miss. to Jefferson City...		50 00
Mich. 23,	“ “ Same.....		62 50
May 1,	“ “ Rev. R. H. Weller, Miss. to Jefferson City.....		50 00
“ “	“ “ Same.....		30 00
“ 18,	“ “ Rev. Dr. Massoch, Miss. to For. Pop. in St. Louis....		300 00
“ 19,	“ “ Same.....		33 00
“ 20,	By Balance.....		25 03
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			\$550 53
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St. Louis, May 20, 1857.

HENRY W. HOUGH, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH DIOCESE OF MISSOURI—CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF EPISCOPATE.

DR.

1856.	To Balance received from J. Halsall, late Treasurer.....	\$15 00
Aug. 9,	To Am't rec'd from St. Anne's Church, Brunswick.....	10 00
" "	" " " " St. Jude's Church, Sharpsburgh.....	5 00
Sept. 20,	" " " " Grace Church, Jefferson City.....	5 00
" "	" " " " St. John's Church, Prairieville.....	5 00
Nov. 15,	" " " " Christ Church, St. Louis.....	75 00
1857.		
Mar. 7,	" " " " Calvary Church, Louisiana.....	1 50
" 30,	" " " " St. John's Church, St. Louis.....	3 60
" 31,	" " " " St. George's Church, St. Louis.....	60 00
April 13,	" " " " St. Paul's Church, St. Louis.....	15 00
May 19,	" " " " St. John's Church, St. Louis.....	11 40
" 20,	" " " " Trinity Church, St. Louis.....	15 00
" "	" " " " Christ Church, St. Joseph.....	10 00
" "	" " " " Christ Church, Boonville.....	15 00
" "	" " " " St. Paul's Church, Palmyra.....	10 00
" "	" " " " St. Mary's Church, Fayette.....	20 00
		<u>\$276 50</u>

1857.

CONTRA CREDIT.

May 20,	By Am't paid Bishop Hawks, sundry times.....	206 50
" " "	Balance on hand.....	<u>\$70 00</u>

St. Louis, May 20, 1857.

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 after 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 unremitting attention of more than one clergyman—duties that greatly encumber the office and functions of a Bishop, retard his usefulness in the same, and are more than should be laid upon 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 subscrip-

tions 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 AND 1857.

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 ;
- At Trinity Sunday, to the New York Tract 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.

ST. LOUIS, May 28th, 1857.

REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN :

In compliance with a resolution of our last Convention, I assign to the Parochial Clergy the following Missionary duty:

The Rector of Christ Church, St. Louis, will visit St. Charles and Bridgeton.

The Rector of St. Paul's Church, St. Louis, will visit Kirkwood.

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

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

The Rector of St. John's Church, St. Louis, will visit Springfield.

The Rector of Grace Church, St. Louis, will visit Ste. Genevieve and Cape Girardeau.

The Rector of St. George's Church, St. Louis, will visit Washington.

The Rector of Trinity Church, Hannibal, will visit Lagrange and Canton.

The Rector of Christ Church, Lexington, will visit Independence and St. Thomas.

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

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

The Rector of Calvary Church, Louisiana, will visit Bowling-Green and Clarksville.

The Rector of Trinity Church, St. Louis, will visit Manchester.

The Rector of St. Mary's Church, Fayette, will visit Huntsville and Glasgow.

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

With prayers that God's blessing may be with you always in your efforts to extend the Redeemer's kingdom,

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.

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ERRATUM.

On page 30, where reference is made to Report of Committee on Permanent Fund for the support of the Episcopate, read *see page 28*, instead of "page 32."

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