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BELONGING TO THE

Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Missouri.

Rt. Rev. C. S. HAWKS, *Bishop of the Diocese, and Rector of Christ Church, St. Louis.*

Rev. A. D. Corbin, *Missionary, and Rector of Christ Church, Boonville.*

Rev. E. H. Cressey, *Rector of Grace Church, North St. Louis.*

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

Rev. St. Michael Fackler, *Missionary at Lexington and parts adjacent.*

Rev. David Griffith, *residing near Boonville.*

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

Rev. Chaplin S. Hedges, *Missionary, and Rector of Grace Church, Jefferson City.*

Rev. Thomas Horrell, *Missionary, and Rector of the Parish of the Nativity, Bridgeton.*

Rev. E. C. Hutchinson, *Rector of Saint George's Church, St. Louis.*

Rev. P. R. Minard, *Rector of St. Paul's Church, St. Louis.*

Rev. Enoch Reed, (Deacon,) *Missionary at Fayette, Howard Co.*

Rev. G. W. Sill, *Missionary at Palmyra and Hannibal.*

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Rev. G. R. Hayes, Bishop of the Diocese of Illinois

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MINUTES OF THE CONVENTION.

CHRIST CHURCH, }
St. Louis, May 13, 1846. }

This being the day appointed by the constitution for the annual meeting of the Convention of the Diocese of Missouri, the Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese with several of the Clergy and Laity assembled for Divine Worship at 10½ o'clock, in Christ Church, St. Louis, the place appointed for the meeting.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. A. D. Corbin, Rector of Christ Church, Boonville, assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. St. Michael Fackler, Missionary at Lexington.

The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Bishop. The Sermon was preached by the Rev. C. S. Hedges, Rector of Grace Church, Jefferson city. The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Sill and Griswold.

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

The Secretary of the last Convention then proceeded to call the names of the Clergy of the Diocese as furnished by the Bishop, whereupon the following Clergymen answered to their names and took their seats as Members, viz:

Rev. A. D. Corbin,
" St. Michael Fackler,
" Whiting Griswold,
" Chaplin S. Hedges,
" Thomas Horrell,
" P. R. Minard,
" G. W. Sill.

A Committee, consisting of the Rev. Messrs. Griswold and Hedges, was then appointed to receive and examine the certificates of Lay Delegates from the Parishes of the Diocese; after which the Convention adjourned until 4 o'clock, P. M.

CHRIST CHURCH, ST. LOUIS, }
 May 13, 4 o'clock, P. M. }

Convention was called to order by the Bishop, and

The Committee appointed to examine the credentials of Lay Delegates, reported the following named gentlemen as entitled to seats in the Convention:

From Christ Church, St. Louis—Josiah Spalding, J. P. Doan, Edw'd Mead, B. B. Dayton.

From St. Paul's Church, St. Louis—Calvin Case, J. C. Shepard, Dwight Durkee, Rich'd F. Coningham.

From St. John's Church, St. Louis—J. B. McDowell, M. D., Edw'd Klein, A. H. McKinstry, B. H. Atkinson.

From Christ Church, Boonville—J. N. Bailey, Dr. Stockton, J. L. Tracy, H. Moseley.

From St. Paul's Church, Palmyra—W. Heiskell, J. P. Valiant, Moses McClintic.

The list of Lay Delegates entitled to seats was then read by the Secretary, and the following gentlemen answered to their names and took their seats as Members, viz:

Of Christ Church, St. Louis—Josiah Spalding, J. P. Doan, Edw'd Mead, B. B. Dayton.

Of St. Paul's Church, St. Louis—Calvin Case, Rich'd F. Coningham.

Of St. John's Church, St. Louis—J. B. McDowell, M. D., Edw'd Klein, A. H. McKinstry, B. H. Atkinson.

Of Christ Church, Boonville—J. N. Bailey.

The Bishop having announced that there was a quorum of Clergy and Lay Delegates present, the Convention proceeded to business.

On motion, the Rules of Order of the last Convention were then adopted as the Rules of Order for this Convention.

In compliance with one of the rules of order, the following Committees were appointed by the Bishop:

On Admission of New Parishes—Rev. W. Griswold, Messrs. Dayton and Case.

On Constitution and Canons—Rev. A. D. Corbin, Messrs. Spalding and J. N. Bailey.

On Unfinished Business—Rev. St. Michael Fackler, Messrs. Durkee and Mead.

On Finance—Rev'd G. W. Sill, Messrs. Doan and McDowell.

The Bishop then delivered the following

Address.

MY BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY,—

In the good providence of God we are once more assembled in Convention. Children of the same household of faith, we have come together again to deliberate upon the interests of this portion of the Redeemer's kingdom committed to our trust. The feeble band of soldiers called on to meet a host of men, is drawn closely together by its own weakness, and with a more compact energy marches onward to the struggle. In our weakness we may surely hope for this comfort—that remembering that weakness, and the many struggles and sacrifices to which we are called, we may be the more united in waging our warfare, we may be the more knit together among ourselves. God grant that our deliberations may tend to the promotion of the pure religion of the blessed Redeemer, and that we may when we part, part with more earnest zeal for the cause which we love, and with stronger sympathies and affections for each other.

In my address to the last Convention, you will remember that I then informed you that I had not made my primary visitation of the Diocese. Duties up to that period had confined me exclusively to St. Louis. As soon as that Convention released me I commenced the visitation, and now proceed to lay before you the details.

Saturday, April 12, I visited the town of Hannibal, in Marion county, and preached on the evening of that day in the Methodist house of worship, which was kindly offered to me for this purpose. Sunday, April 13, I spent in Palmyra, 12 miles distant, in the same county. There I preached in the morning and administered the Holy Communion, and again I preached in the evening of the same day. On Monday, the 14th, I returned to Hannibal, and preached again on Monday and Tuesday evenings in that place. The Rev. Mr. Sill, then in Deacon's Orders, accompanied me in this visit, and has since become the Missionary at these two points. At Palmyra I found a small Church edifice much out of repair, and the Church people there much disheartened from long destitution

of Ministerial services. At Hannibal we have no Church edifice. This is much to be regretted, as it is a point of great commercial importance and the town is growing rapidly. Our friends there were hoping to secure a lot for a Church edifice, through the liberality of owners of property in the town, but in this I think they have been since disappointed. It is to be hoped that without waiting longer they will secure a lot by purchase, and that with God's blessing we may soon hope for the Church building.

Wednesday, May 7th, I reached Boonville, the home of our Missionary the Rev. A. D. Corbin. Services were held that night and again the following night, on which occasions I preached. Friday, May 9th, I visited Fayette, in Howard county, and preached on the evening of that day in the Baptist house of worship. Saturday, May 10th, returned to Boonville and laid the corner-stone of Christ Church in that city. Sunday, May 11, three services were held in this place, on which occasions I preached, administering the rite of Confirmation in the afternoon to three persons. I was greatly pleased with the deep interest felt in the Church at Boonville. As an evidence of that interest, I would remark that the Church edifice, the corner-stone of which was then laid, has since been brought nearly to completion, and will ere long be ready for consecration. It has been erected with little or no foreign aid, and speaks well for the energy of the Missionary and the devotedness of our Church people at that place. At Fayette, too, I discovered in some an earnest desire that Church services might be afforded to them. It would seem that where the Church has once been known she is never to be forgotten. At this point a Church Missionary was settled several years since, and his labors were well remembered. The little group gathered to see what might be done now, and pledged themselves to the utmost of their ability towards the support of a Minister. After a long effort in their behalf to obtain one, without success, I thank God that the Rev. Enoch Reed, lately ordained to the Diaconate in this Diocese, has, at my request, cheerfully gone to their service. I cannot but think that it will prove a delightful field of Missionary duty to a faithful Minister, and I pray that God may bless him there abundantly in his labors.

Thursday, May 15, visited the town of Weston. Service was held that evening in the Methodist house of worship, and I preached to the congregation. After service I solemnized the rite of Matrimony. In this pleasant village I found a few who were interested in my visit, and my impression is that the Church might be readily established at this point if we had

there a faithful Missionary. On my way to this place, it is proper to remark that I stopped at the garrison of Fort Leavenworth, five miles below. I regretted much that I was not able to meet the wishes of certain of the officers there and spend a day among them. Their courtesy and kindness, especially that of my friend Col. Kearney, claim my acknowledgment.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 16, 17 and 18, were passed at Lexington with our Missionary at that point, the Rev. Mr. Fackler. Services were held on Saturday evening, and again on Sunday morning and Sunday evening, on which occasions I preached, administering at the morning service the rite of Confirmation to *one person*. This is a spot where I desire very much to see the Church established upon a firm foundation. Before leaving the place I gathered the friends of the Church and induced them to make an effort towards obtaining a suitable lot and erecting a Church edifice. The effort has proceeded so far as to enable them to purchase the lot, and, with some assistance from abroad, I trust they may in a little time have a suitable house in which to assemble and worship. In my visits to Fayette, Weston, Fort Leavenworth, and Lexington, I had the pleasure of being accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Corbin, our Missionary at Boonville.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, May 20, 21 and 22, were spent in Jefferson city, the capital of the State. Services were held on Tuesday evening, and again on Wednesday morning and evening, on which occasions I preached. On Thursday morning I consecrated Grace Church in that city to the worship of ALMIGHTY GOD,—preached, confirmed *four* persons, and administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Here we have a substantial Church edifice built of stone, commenced some years since under a former Clergyman, and now completed by the exertions of our present Missionary at this station, the Rev. Chaplin S. Hedges. This was the building consecrated, and it is thus far the only commodious edifice owned by the Church in this Diocese out of the city of Saint Louis.

Sunday morning, June 1st, in Christ Church, Saint Louis, I admitted the Rev. George W. Sill, Deacon, to the order of the Priesthood: the Rev. Messrs. Cressey and Griswold, of Saint Louis, being present upon this occasion.

Monday, June 2, I appointed the Rev. Mr. Sill the Missionary to Palmyra and Hannibal, who prepared at once to enter upon his duties.

It was my sorrow, brethren—a sorrow which I shall never cease to feel—to find when I came to you as your Bishop, that the existence of the dearest object in this Diocese was in jeopardy. I allude to Kemper College. When we were last assembled in Convention you will remember that I called your attention to the sorrowful fact, that pecuniary embarrassments had forced the Trustees of the Institution to close it. The embarrassments, amounting to more than \$16,000, were accumulated before my Episcopate began, and the Institution was closed within four months after I reached the Diocese as its Bishop. It was in the fear that funds could not be raised here, and in the hope that they might be raised among our Eastern friends, that a resolution was passed at the last Convention expressing the desire, that, so soon as more pressing duties would permit, the Bishop should visit the Atlantic States in behalf of the Institution. In compliance with this desire, at much inconvenience to myself, and detriment, I fear, to other home interests, I left St. Louis for the East on the 27th of June last. I felt that Kemper College, the great interest of the Diocese, was at stake, and I was ready to leave other duties if in any proper way that Institution might be saved. I am grieved to say that while I found some sympathy with the sorrows of the College, among our Eastern brethren, I discovered also the impossibility of raising *at that time* the funds necessary for the salvation of the College. I saw many of the old and original friends of the Institution—those whose liberality had given it life in the beginning. They saw no mode of meeting the difficulty at that time, nor did I. Peculiar circumstances surrounded us. My visit was in that sultry season—the only one that I could give—when many of the wealthy citizens of New York were absent from home; and the same cause was operating to scatter our friends in Philadelphia. From these two points we looked for the largest sympathy. Worse than this, the sad sorrows of the Diocese of New York were absorbing Churchmen so thoroughly in their own miseries, as to turn them aside from the misfortunes of others. I began, therefore, to think of returning home and leaving the East to be entreated at a more propitious period. I knew that the principal creditor of the Institution was the late President; that he held a deed, or deeds, of trust upon the whole property; and I felt that this obligation, beyond the accruing interest, would not trouble us immediately. Another obligation, of about \$2,000, I knew was necessarily to be met in November; others I supposed would not press. With a sad heart I came home and called the board of Trustees together. I told them that I saw

in the East at that time no immediate prospect of relief for the College, and hoped that in some way we might meet the demand of \$2,000 in November. The fear that if the \$2,000 was raised, the other heavier debts might still sink the Institution, operated against a successful effort to raise that amount. The board was unable to meet the demand therefore, and in November the College was sold under an execution by the Sheriff. The County of St. Louis ultimately became the purchaser of the property, subject of course to the claim of the late President of the Institution; and upon satisfying his demand, they became the absolute possessors of the property.

If any one should be disposed to think that the Churchmen of St. Louis or of the Diocese were delinquent in not raising \$16,000, or at least \$2,000 to stop the execution, let me say this in their behalf:—The Churches and Church Institutions in this Diocese, when I came to it, were involved in debt to the amount of nearly \$40,000. It was necessary to raise funds at once to rescue some of these which were in peril, and I had just called from the friends in St. Louis about \$12,000 for this purpose. Moreover, in the board of Trustees of Kemper College, while there was a readiness to do what they could, there were some who had already loaned money to the College, and who are now, since the Institution is lost, meeting obligations incurred in its behalf. It is to be feared that, in addition to the sorrow at the loss of this Institution, the Diocese is to be subjected to the deeper mortification of the consciousness that the sale of the Institution may not meet all the obligations against it.

I might say much touching the loss of this Institution, but I forbear. Thus much I feel it my duty to say as to myself:—An individual trusted with the deep interests of others, necessarily looks carefully to his steps, and those steps when taken are not unfrequently reviewed by a conscientious man. As to the burthen of debt found upon this Institution when I was made your Bishop, no thinking man can hold me responsible. As to the steps taken to remove the burthen, I can only say, that there was not one taken by myself, as I look back, that I would not take again. If I committed any error towards this unfortunate Institution, I thank God that the error was unseen by me, is still unseen, and therefore not to be acknowledged. The burthen of the failure must fall upon others; it is enough for me in deep sorrow to witness the wreck. I was like a physician called in to look upon a dying patient, and surely should not be held responsible when the patient dies.

I would only remark in conclusion upon this subject, that

the board of Trustees of Kemper College appointed a committee some time since, to make answer to certain questions propounded in a resolution of the board, which answer we may expect will throw some light upon the affairs of the College. The report of this committee I hope will not be much longer delayed.

On my way to New York, I spent Sunday, July 6th, on a steamboat on lake Erie, and at the request of the commander preached to a large congregation.

Sunday, July 13, I preached once in St. John's parish, Buffalo, and twice in Trinity parish in the same city, my former much loved home in the Ministry, where were spent seven of the happiest years of my life.

Sunday, July 20, at the request of my friend and former Diocesan, the Bishop of Western New York—who had met with a serious accident, and was now recovering slowly—I assisted in the ordination of three Deacons in Trinity Church, Geneva. In the afternoon I preached in the same Church.

In New York I received a letter from our Senior Bishop requesting my consent to the consecration of the Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D., to the Episcopate of Pennsylvania. My consent was gladly given.

While in that city I preached in St. Paul's, St. Thomas' and St. Mark's Churches. I took occasion when in this region to spend one Sunday in the village of Saugerties, my first home in the Ministry, and preached in the morning and afternoon. Returning towards St. Louis, I spent another Sunday in Buffalo, when I preached again in Trinity and St. John's Churches.

Your attention was called by me at the last Convention to a gift of land made to me in trust for the Diocese by Mr. Geo. R. Clark of this city, for the purpose of establishing a Church Mission. A resolution was then adopted requesting the Standing Committee in conjunction with the Bishop to prepare a plan of the Mission, that sympathy and aid might be enlisted in its behalf. Owing to the sorrows of Kemper College it was thought by me expedient to attempt nothing thus far as to this Mission. The College, a deeper interest, was at stake, and I was unwilling to hazard its prospects by diverting attention to the contemplated Mission. The College being unfortunately lost, we may now properly proceed to improve the bounty of Mr. Clark.

The land is situated in Montgomery county in this State, and from all that I can learn is not a suitable spot for the location of the Mission. The donor, however, allows us to sell and locate elsewhere. I shall be happy to see this Mission

properly started at once, that it may be effecting the purpose for which the gift was bestowed. I am happy to inform the Convention that a friend in N. York has written to me recently, informing me that \$690 is deposited to my credit in that city for this Mission, and to this sum I have added \$85 placed in my hands by others for Christian education in Missouri. More funds, however, are necessary, and it is hoped that when the plan of the Mission is prepared funds may be elicited.

On my return from the East, I found several letters waiting my arrival. One was from certain gentlemen in Savannah, Andrew county, in this State, proposing to organize there an Episcopal congregation, and requesting that Mr. B. M. Atherton should be appointed a lay reader to them. I sent them instructions as to organizing, appointed Mr. Atherton lay reader, forwarded to him a number of prayer books and tracts, and hope in the course of the summer to visit this place. I am sorry to say that in a recent letter from Mr. Atherton, he speaks discouragingly of their enterprise.

Another letter, under date of July 26, '45, from the Bishop of Delaware, informed me that he had displaced from the Ministry, at his own request, and for causes not affecting his moral character, the Rev. Horace L. Conolly, a Presbyter of the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

Certificates of recommendation from the Standing Committee of the Diocese were awaiting me in behalf of Enoch Reed, M. D., and Messrs. Alexander H. McKinstry and Orlando T. Alden. I admitted them as candidates for holy orders according to the dates of their respective certificates—the two last under the provisions of canon VI of the General Convention of 1844.

Under date of October 31, '45, I received a letter from the Bishop of Alabama, informing me that he had displaced from the Ministry the Rev. Julian E. Sawyer, a Presbyter of that Diocese. This was done at his own request and for causes not affecting his moral character.

November 27, I received from Mr. Adie notice of the organization of the Parish of the Nativity, at Bridgeton, St. Louis county, with a copy of the articles of association, and a further notice that the Rev. Thos. Horrell had been called to the Rectorship.

November 30, Sunday afternoon, I preached in St. John's Church, St. Louis, and baptized the infant son of the Rector of the parish.

Sunday, Jan. 4, '46, I visited the Parish of the Nativity, at Bridgeton, and preached in the Methodist house of worship,

which was kindly offered for the occasion. Indeed our Missionary there is indebted to the kindness of Methodist friends for the privilege of their house on every occasion of public service. At Bridgeton the liberality of one gentleman has secured a lot for a Church edifice, and the parish has commenced raising funds to build. So far their effort has been successful, and my hope is that the parish may secure an edifice of its own in the course of the summer.

With Bridgeton is connected the station of St. Charles, on the other side of the river; but I am sorry to say that at this point nothing has been done during the past year.

January 21, at his own request, and in compliance with sec. 10, canon IX, of 1841, I transferred Mr. John A. Harrison, a candidate for holy orders in this Diocese, to the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Tennessee.

February 4, notice was given to me of the organization of St. George's Church, in this city, and I have since been furnished with a copy of their articles of association.

February 16, at his own request, I allowed Mr. Orlando T. Alden to withdraw his name as a candidate for holy orders in this Diocese.

March 4, at his own request, I allowed Mr. Alexander H. McKinstry to withdraw his name as a candidate for holy orders in this Diocese.

March 30, I transferred Mr. Frederick Dean, a candidate for holy orders in this Diocese—residing in Galveston in the State of Texas—to the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Louisiana. This transfer was made at his own request.

Sunday, April 5, confirmed in Christ Church, St. Louis, *one person*.

Thursday, April 9, confirmed in St. John's Church, St. Louis, *one person*.

Saturday, April 11, confirmed in St. George's Church, St. Louis, *six persons*.

On the morning of Easter Sunday, April 12th, in Christ Church, St. Louis, I admitted Mr. Enoch Reed, formerly a licentiate of the Methodist denomination, to the order of Deacons. The Rev. Mr. Cressey was present and presented the candidate for ordination.

Sunday, April 19, in Christ Church, St. Louis, I administered the rite of confirmation to *fifteen persons*. On this occasion I had the pleasure of introducing to the parish the Rev. Mr. Fox, of Michigan, special agent in behalf of our Domestic Missions. After sermon, a contribution was received in behalf of the Domestic Board amounting to the sum of \$260.

April 21, a letter from the Bishop of Maryland reached me, informing me that he had degraded from the Ministry the Rev. Nathaniel Augustus Hewitt, a Deacon of that Diocese.

Friday, April 24, confirmed in Christ Church, St. Louis, *one person*.

In the afternoon of Sunday, May 3, I preached in St. John's Church, St. Louis, and confirmed *fourteen persons*. Afterwards I administered the same rite to another member of the parish in her sick room.

May 6, I received from the Standing Committee of the Diocese their recommendation in behalf of Mr. Eben W. Dorr, and on the next day I admitted him as a candidate for holy orders in this Diocese.

The candidates for holy orders in this Diocese in the past year have been eight. Of these, two have been allowed to withdraw their names—two have been transferred to other Dioceses—one has been ordained—and there are three now remaining. These are

Mr. L. Wilson Davis, admitted Aug. 19, 1843, now residing at Kenyon College, Ohio;

Mr. John W. Dunn, admitted July 27, 1844, now residing in Pensacola, Florida;

Mr. Eben W. Dorr, admitted May 7, 1846, residing in St. Louis.

There are in the Diocese now *eleven* resident Clergymen besides myself. One of these—the Rev. Mr. Griffith, residing near Boonville—is prevented by the state of his health from meeting the duties of the profession; the others are actively engaged.

When we remember that almost every Clergyman at work in the Diocese is principally sustained by the funds of our General Missionary Society, and that without the aid of that Society all our Clergy in the interior would be forced to abandon their posts, it is impossible for us not to be grateful for the bounty. Would that the Society had larger means under its control! My trust is that Missouri will ever give tangible evidence of her sympathy and gratitude towards this great Society, of which she is a small fraction, by bestowing liberally to its treasury according to her ability. The recent contribution suddenly called out in Christ Church, the oldest parish in the Diocese, gratified me much. I looked upon it as an earnest of what we might hope for hereafter among the people of that parish.

In the month of June last, I called upon this Society for an additional appropriation of \$1200 for destitute portions of

Missouri. I have reason to think that the demand might have met with favorable consideration if the Society had possessed means. The Board was forced, however, to abandon all thought of expanding its Missions from its very poverty.—Honor and good faith forced them to adopt as the principle of all their last appropriations, that they could sustain only outstanding Missions. By the adoption of this very necessary rule, I was limited in my operations in Missouri. The same rule has produced the same results in other Dioceses. The fault, dear brethren, is not with the Board, but with Churchmen throughout the country, who do not properly contribute to the funds of the Society; and as the remedy is plain, let us pray that we and all our whole Church may be more deeply imbued with a Missionary spirit.

The sum voted to this Diocese for the year ending Oct. 1, 1846, was \$1900, and is appropriated as follows:

Lexington and parts adjacent,	- - - - -	\$ 300
Boonville,	- - - - -	400
Jefferson City,	- - - - -	300
Bridgeton and St. Charles,	- - - - -	300
Hannibal and Palmyra,	- - - - -	300
St. Paul's Church, St. Louis,	- - - - -	300

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You will remember that, at your last meeting, the Convention adopted as its Diocesan Missionary Society, the Society for Propagating the Gospel in Missouri, commenced in Christ Church on Easter Monday, 1845. I beg leave again to call your earnest attention to that Society. Its demands upon each of us is small—but if the demand is met by all, how much may be done by it for the cause of CHRIST in this Diocese.—During the past, the first year of its existence, its receipts have been small, and yet it has afforded aid to Lexington, Boonville, Jefferson city, and the Mission Church in St. Louis, besides aiding in sustaining an additional Missionary in the Diocese. I beg that my brethren of the Clergy will call the attention of their parishes to this Society, and struggle to awaken an earnest co-operation in this Missionary effort. Nor will it be thought intrusive, I trust, if I again set before you the form of subscription of this Society, which from its simplicity and efficiency, if carried out, must commend itself to us all. Under this the rich and the poor may alike meet with their alms—for what rich man can refuse the little mite demanded, and what man so poor as not to have the ability to bestow it. The report of the Treasurer, which will be submitted to you,

will shew you the exact state of the fund. The form of subscription is as follows:

"The subscribers agree to pay the sum of 6½ cents per week, making 25 cents per month, or \$3 per annum, which will be called for weekly, monthly, or annually, as they may direct.

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

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

While speaking on the subject of Missionary effort, I may mention as a matter of interest to the Convention, that I feel great satisfaction in having established in Christ Church in this city, what is known as the Monthly Missionary Lecture. The lecture is delivered on the first Sunday evening of each month, by the city Clergy in rotation. Three of these lectures have now been delivered, and my impression is that our people are becoming roused to the deeply interesting duty of Missionary sympathy and struggle. May God grant that a Missionary spirit may grow among us—for surely as that spirit grows within us, we are more and more likened to our Divine Master.

There are two subjects to which I beg to call your attention. 1st. Let me recommend earnestly to the parishes already in existence, and to others that may hereafter by God's blessing grow up among us, to provide suitable parsonage houses for the residences of the Clergy. By so doing they will secure their services most usefully to the parish, and in some instances they can be secured in no other way. It is very questionable as to our Missionary stations, whether they are not on a more promising and certain foundation, by securing first of all a home for their Minister as preparatory to erecting a Church edifice. 2d. I would entreat my brethren of the laity to secure punctuality in the payment of the stipulated salaries of the Clergy by their parishes. No man can work well in the discharge of a spiritual vocation when he is daily harassed by temporal anxieties, and few things are more galling to a sensitive mind than pecuniary perplexities. In speaking of these two subjects I throw myself upon the judg-

ment and Christian feeling of the Convention, not doubting that they will receive the suggestions kindly. They are made in frankness and with a sincere desire to fulfil my duty.

I cannot close this address without expressing my thanks to my brethren, clerical and lay, for the Christian kindness and courtesy manifested towards me in those portions of the Diocese that I have visited. I was cheered in my labors by the spirit that met me, and I pray that God may give me grace to discharge the duties to which he has called me.

It is idle to lament what may not now be remedied, viz:—my confinement to the duties of a large parish in this city, which prevents my moving through the Diocese as frequently and fully as I desire. In God's good time I may be released and be more able to discharge the office of a Bishop among you.

I conclude, my brethren, with the earnest prayer that the spirit of wisdom and understanding may be vouchsafed to us all. May God for CHRIST's sake guide and direct our present deliberations to His glory and the welfare of the Church, purchased at a price no less than the Blood of the Redeemer!

C. S. HAWKS.

On motion, it was Resolved that the Convention now proceed to the election of Secretary, and that the canon requiring the election to be made by ballot be suspended; whereupon the Rev. C. S. Hedges nominated Mr. F. W. Southack, and he was declared duly elected Secretary.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned until 7½ o'clock, P. M.

7½ o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Messrs. Durkee and Shepard, Lay Delegates from St. Paul's Church, St. Louis, appeared and took their seats.

The Treasurer presented his annual report, and, on motion, the consideration of the same was postponed until after hearing the report of the Committee on Admission of New Parishes.

The Committee on Admission of New Parishes made the following

Report.

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes into union with the Convention of the Diocese of Missouri, report that they have received and examined the articles of association of the following named parishes, viz:

Grace Church, of North St. Louis;
 St. George's Church, St. Louis;
 Trinity Church, Hannibal;
 Parish of the Nativity, Bridgton, St. Louis Co.;
 Christ Church, Lexington;

that they conform in the main with the constitution and canons of said diocese of Missouri, and that the certificate of the Bishop required by canon III has also been presented.

They observe, however, that whereas the canons of this diocese require the election of Vestrymen to be made on Easter Monday only, in the articles of association of Grace and St. George's Church, St. Louis, and Christ Church, Lexington, the Vestry are allowed to fill vacancies in their own body. They refer the matter to the Convention to decide whether these provisions are sufficiently conflicting to deprive said parishes from admission to this Convention.

They notice further, that, whereas in the printed form of 'articles of association' appended to the journal of 1845, the provision is stated that the Rector of the parish shall be '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;' such a provision is not contained in any of the 'articles of association' presented to the Committee, except in those of 'Christ Church, Lexington.' They are aware, however, that the ministers in charge of these parishes are so recognized by the Bishop of the diocese.

They observe further, that the 'articles of association' of the 'Parish of the Nativity, Bridgton,' are exceedingly brief, recognizing in general terms the constitution and canons, doctrine, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and of the Diocese of Missouri, without incorporating distinctly the mode of electing Vestrymen, and the other provisions relating to Wardens and Vestrymen of canon IV of this diocese.

The Committee deem it sufficient to call the attention of this Convention to these facts, in the hope that although they may not be considered of sufficient importance to preclude either of the above parishes from admission into union with this body, a more strict adherence both to the spirit and the

letter of the terms of admission may be secured for the future, in order to promote uniformity in the organization of parishes, and to prevent the painful consequences that might arise from more distinct deviations from the canons.

With these remarks, they lay the 'articles of association' of the above named parishes before the Convention for its further consideration, under the following resolution:

Resolved, That Grace Church, of North St. Louis; St. George's Church, St. Louis; Trinity Church, Hannibal; Parish of the Nativity, Bridgton, and Christ Church, Lexington, be admitted into union with the Convention of this Diocese.

Respectfully submitted.

W. GRISWOLD, }
B. B. DAYTON, } *Com.*
CALVIN CASE, }

St. Louis, May 13, 1846.

On motion, the report was accepted, and the resolution appended to the same adopted.

Rev. Mr. Hutchinson, Rector of St. George's Church, and Rev. Mr. Cressey, Rector of Grace Church, appeared and took their seats.

The Committee appointed to examine the credentials of Lay Delegates reported the following named gentlemen as entitled to seats in this Convention, viz:

From St. George's Church, St. Louis—William Milburn, Thomas Shore, B. H. Randolph, and Josiah Dent.

From Grace Church, St. Louis—Dr. E. B. Smith, Philander Salisbury, H. N. Davis, and W. G. Clark.

From Christ Church, Lexington—W. K. Twigg.

From Trinity Church, Hannibal—Dr. H. Peake.

The following gentlemen answered to their names and took their seats:

B. H. Randolph, and Josiah Dent, from St. George's Church. H. N. Davis, and W. G. Clark, from Grace Church.

The reports of the Treasurer were then referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the Convention now proceed to the election of the Standing Committee.

Messrs. Mead and Durkee were appointed Tellers, who reported the following named gentlemen duly elected members of the Standing Committee:

Of the Clergy—Rev. Messrs. Minard, Griswold, and Cressey.

Of the Laity—Messrs. Spalding and Doan.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the Convention now proceed to the election of Deputies to the General Convention.

Messrs. Mead and Durkee were appointed Tellers, who reported the following named gentlemen duly elected Deputies to the General Convention, viz:

Of the Clergy—Rev. Whiting Griswold, A. D. Corbin, P. R. Minard, E. H. Cressey.

Of the Laity—Josiah Spalding, Esq., Geo. W. Morton, Esq., J. Parker Doan, Esq.

There being one vacancy, the Convention proceeded to fill the same, and Mr. Edward Mead was duly elected.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of Treasurer, and, on motion, the canon requiring the election to be made by ballot was suspended.

Mr. John Halsall was nominated and unanimously elected Treasurer.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the next annual meeting of the Convention of this Diocese be held in Christ Church, Boonville, Mo.

The following amendment was offered and accepted: That the next Annual Convention of this Diocese be held in Jefferson city, Mo.

The Committee on Finance reported that they had examined the Treasurer's accounts and found them correct.

On motion, the Report was accepted, and ordered to be appended to the Journal.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the reading of the Parochial Reports be dispensed with, and that they be published in the Appendix to the Journal.

On motion, *Resolved*, that 250 copies of the Journal with the Appendix be printed, under the direction of the Secretary.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the Standing Committee prepare a form of certificate for the election of Lay Delegates to the Convention, and that the same be appended to the Journal.

On motion, *Resolved*, that a Committee be appointed to ascertain what number of Trustees to the General Theological Seminary this Diocese is entitled to, and report to the next Annual Convention.

Rev. W. Griswold, Messrs. Spalding and Dent were appointed said Committee.

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

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

On motion, *Resolved*, that after the reading of the minutes and the usual religious services, the Convention be adjourned *sine die*.

After singing a hymn, and prayer and the benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned.

F. W. SOUTHACK, *Sec'y*.

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APPENDIX.

(A)

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CHRIST CHURCH, ST. LOUIS.

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

During the past year ending May 13, 1846, the Rector reports as follows:

Baptisms—adults 7, children 33—total	40
Confirmed,	17
Marriages,	13
Communicants,	165
Burials,	21

He would state farther, that the parish debt has been greatly reduced, and that the parish is in a harmonious and happy condition. While thankful to the Great Head of the Church for the good that may have been done, he feels that the spiritual growth of the parish would be greatly aided if he were not by his position as Bishop of the Diocese prevented in a good degree from looking to the parochial duty of this charge. An Assistant Minister would be a vast benefit to this flock, and he trusts that for his own relief, and the comfort of the flock, one may soon be procured.

There is one subject of deep regret to him as to this flock, and that is, that so little interest is felt in the Sunday School of the parish.

During the past year the parish has contributed to the funds of the Domestic Board of Missions, \$260—and to Missions in Missouri, above \$200. The alms at Communion for the relief of the poor of Christ's flock, have been about \$250.

In addition to the regular Sunday services a course of lectures was delivered through the season of Lent, and a monthly Missionary lecture is now established on the first Sunday evening in every month. These Missionary lectures are delivered by the city Clergy in rotation. Three have now been delivered, and it is hoped that good results have been produced, and that a Missionary spirit is growing among the people.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ST. LOUIS.

Rev. P. R. MINARD, Rector.

Since the last Convention, which was held April 3d, 1845, the Rector of this Church begs leave to report:

Baptisms—infants 31, adults 4—whole number	35
Marriages,	11
Burials,	20
Communicants, present number	94

Respectfully submitted,

P. R. MINARD,

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

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ST. LOUIS.

W. GRISWOLD, Rector.

Baptisms—adults 10, children 31,	41
Confirmations,	17
Communicants—Added (by removal 11, new 14)	25
Lost (by removal 16, withdrawn 11, died 3)	30
Present number,	92
Marriages,	11
Burials,	39
Sunday School—Teachers,	13
Scholars, about	50
Contributed to Domestic Missions—	
Congregation \$30 75—Sunday School \$2 75,	\$33 50
Communion offerings,	71 00
The Vestry has paid off the present year the old debts for building, &c., amounting to	450 00

Divine Service has been regularly held twice on the Lord's day—on the morning of the Festivals and Fasts of the Church—daily during Lent, and twice each day in Passion-week. Valuable accessions have been made to this parish during the past year, for which we have reason to "thank God and take courage."

The "Orphan's Home," supported by the ladies of the different parishes in St. Louis, and placed under my parochial supervision by the Bishop of the Diocese, continues to be blessed by the Head of his Church, whose representatives on the earth, the poor, are the objects of its care. Since my last report to the Convention, eleven children and two adults have been received into the institution and twelve removed. The present number is thirteen. The receipts have been sufficient to sustain all, and a balance was left in the treasury at the annual meeting of the members.

The parochial school in connection with the above has been re-opened the present spring.

GRACE CHURCH, ST. LOUIS.

Rev. E. H. CRESSEY, Rector.

I accepted the Rectorship of this parish in May, 1845, but with the understanding that regular stated services would not be required until a Church edifice could be erected, or other suitable provision could be made for the accommodation of the congregation. To answer the present wants of the parish, arrangements are now made for the immediate erection of a building upon the beautiful and

spacious lot, being a circle three hundred feet in diameter, which has been given for the purpose.

The Rector is at present occupying a portion of his time in supplying St. Paul's Church, during the illness of the Rev. Mr. Minard, but hopes to be able soon to give his efforts entirely to his own parish. He can furnish no statistical information as to this parish, as the organization of the congregation is not yet complete. He believes that, with God's blessing, the prospects of Grace Church are full of encouragement.

St. Louis, May 13, 1846.

ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, ST. LOUIS.

May 14, 1846.

The undersigned, Rector of St. George's Church, respectfully reports, that since the organization of the parish, in May, 1845, he has celebrated Divine service, and performed such parochial duties as circumstances have allowed, in said Church. He now presents the following results:

Baptisms—adults 1, children 3,	-	-	-	-	4
Confirmations,	-	-	-	-	6
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	3
Burials,	-	-	-	-	4
Communicants, about	-	-	-	-	55
* Sunday School—Teachers,	-	-	-	-	12
Scholars, about	-	-	-	-	60

This Church is about to erect a new and commodious edifice for Divine service, which is expected to be ready for the reception of the congregation in a few months. At present, the services are held, in the morning, at the Public School House on Sixth-street, and in the afternoon, at the Centenary (Methodist) Church, on Fifth-street.

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. HUTCHINSON, Rector.

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

CHRIST CHURCH, LEXINGTON, AND SALINE COUNTY.

Baptisms, infant,	-	-	-	-	8
Confirmation,	-	-	-	-	1
Burials,	-	-	-	-	4
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	3
Present number of communicants connected with					
Christ Church, Lexington,	-	-	-	-	24
In Saline County,	-	-	-	-	16

The congregation of Christ Church, Lexington, have secured a desirable lot, and I hope that in the course of this summer a Church building will be commenced.

ST. M. FACKLER,
Missionary.

To Rt. Rev. C. S. HAWKS, Bishop of Missouri.

GRACE CHURCH, JEFFERSON CITY.

C. S. HEDGES, Rector.

The undersigned reports to the Bishop, that he considers the prospects of the Church at Jefferson city as decidedly encouraging. During the past year more than six hundred dollars have been raised and expended in the completion and improvements of the church. Baptisms, infant, 2; adult, 1. Confirmations, 4. Funerals, 5. Communicants—added, new, 6; by removal, 4; 1 has removed and 1 has died—present number, 17. A small Sunday School is well instructed by 4 zealous teachers.

C. S. HEDGES.

CHRIST CHURCH, BOONVILLE.

Rev. A. D. CORBYN, Rector.

Families, about	- - - - -	20
Baptisms—adults 4, infants 5,	- - - - -	9
Communicants—added 4, died 3, removed 5—present number,	- - - - -	20
Marriages,	- - - - -	4
Burials,	- - - - -	6
Collections for building a church,	- - - - -	\$1500

We have a house of worship now nearly completed, built in plain Gothic style—will cost, when done, about \$3,000. We have received a very handsome Baptismal font from Mrs. A. Hamilton, of St. Louis, for which we are very grateful; and also a box of fancy articles and \$56 in money from the young ladies and Sunday School of the Ascension Church, New York city; all of which afford us much encouragement to know that our brethren sympathize with us in our struggles to rear the Church in the wilderness.

Divine service has been celebrated on Sundays and most of the holy days during the year; also daily morning service during a part of Lent, so long as we had a house to meet in for worship. During the few last Sundays, Divine worship has been omitted for this same reason. We expect to have our church ready for service on Whitsuntide.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, PALMYRA.

Rev. G. W. SILL, Missionary.

Congregation,	- - - - -	150
Baptisms, infants,	- - - - -	10
Communicants,	- - - - -	25
Burials,	- - - - -	3
Sunday School scholars,	- - - - -	20

TRINITY CHURCH, HANNIBAL,

Rev. G. W. SILL, Missionary.

Congregation,	- - - - -	100
Communicants,	- - - - -	10

I commenced my labors at these stations, residing at the former, on the 2d Sunday of June last. Until the 1st of December, I preached in the morning at

Palmyra, and at night in Hannibal, on each Sunday. Since that time I have held two services, on every other Sunday, in each place. In Palmyra one daily service was observed during Lent, and a lecture on Wednesday evening so far as circumstances permitted. The Church edifice, which I found out of repair when I entered on my labors at Palmyra, has been repaired and painted. It will now meet the wants of the place for several years. Both of these parishes are important points, and the Church should lose no time in giving, as the people wish, a Missionary to each. There is work enough to be done—ample encouragement; and until my whole efforts can be concentrated at one place, there cannot be expected a very great accession to our numbers or strength.

St. Louis, May 14th, 1846.

The undersigned begs leave to submit the following report of Ministerial services during the past year:

He has officiated regularly at Bridgeton, in St. Louis county, once in two weeks since March, 1846, except when prevented by sickness or very inclement weather. On three or four occasions afternoon services have been performed in the neighborhood. There appears to be an increasing interest on the subject of religion, and it is believed some of the strong prejudices of our Christian brethren of other denominations against our Church have been lessened.

An effort is now making for the erection of a Church edifice, and the hope is indulged that so desirable an object will be accomplished before the commencement of winter. About \$600 have been subscribed by the congregation and neighborhood, and \$200 by liberal friends in St. Louis. Three new members have been added to our communion; two have removed from the parish, and one has died. Present number, ten.

A parish has been organized and application has been made to be received into union with the Diocese.

In the spring of last year he paid four or five visits to St. Charles, where he performed Divine service and preached five or six times. The Lord's Supper was administered to about ten members, and four children baptized. He was obliged by bad health to discontinue his services at that place.

On Sunday last he officiated at a school-house on the Manchester road, 7 or 8 miles from this city, and preached to a highly respectable congregation. It was ascertained that five or six members of the Church reside in that neighborhood, and a promise was given to revisit them as often as health and other engagements would permit.

He has occasionally preached for the congregation of St. George's Church in this city, and on various occasions assisted the Rector in the services.

Respectfully,

THOS. HORRELL,

Rector of the Parish of the Nativity.

Rt. Rev. C. S. HAWKS,

Bishop of the Diocese of Missouri.

(B)

DIocese OF MISSOURI IN ACCOUNT WITH J. HALSALL.

1845.	April 3,	To Balance on hand.....	\$6 30
	" "	" Amount of collection at Christ Church on the opening of the Convention.....	6 40
	July 20,	" Amount received from Christ Church, collection for printing Journals.....	15 75
1846.	May 1,	" Amount received from St. John's Church, collection for printing Journals.....	3 32
			\$31 77

Contra Credit.

1845.	April 18,	By Amount paid New Era Office, advertising.....	\$4 00
	" "	" " for Paper and Quills.....	38
1846.	Jan'y 20,	" " " Mr. Higgins on acc't for printing Journals.....	21 00
	May 10,	" " " for half ream Paper.....	1 12
	" 12,	" " on hand.....	5 27
			\$31 77

JOHN HALSALL, Treasurer.

St. Louis, Mo., May 12th, 1846.

(C)

SOCIETY FOR PROPAGATING THE GOSPEL IN MISSOURI IN ACCOUNT WITH JOHN HALSALL.

1845.	March 28,	To Amount received of Bishop Hawks and family.....	\$12 00
	" "	" " " D. Hough and family.....	12 00
	" "	" " " A. Wilgus and family.....	12 00
	" "	" " " Rodney McDonnough.....	3 00
	" 31,	" " " R. Rankin (donation).....	25 00
	" "	" " " J. P. Doan and family.....	12 00
	" "	" " " J. Halsall.....	3 00
April	3,	" " " Mrs. Brooks.....	25
	9,	" " " Samuel Brooks.....	25
	" 10,	" " " R. P. Williams.....	3 00
	" 20,	" " " J. Twitchell and lady.....	6 00
	" "	" " " Mrs. Corbin, by Mrs. Robart.....	3 00
	" "	" " " John H. Mott.....	3 00
May	10,	" " " L. M. Kennett and lady.....	6 00
	" 20,	" " " Mrs. Rutger.....	1 00
	" "	" " " Miss Rutger.....	1 00
	" 27,	" " " C. T. Wilgus.....	3 00
June	9,	" " " Dr. Henry and family.....	9 00
	" 12,	" " " Mrs. Riddick.....	3 00
	" "	" " " George R. Clark and lady.....	6 00
	" 13,	" " " C. F. Hendry.....	50
	" "	" " " Mrs. M. Smith.....	1 50
	" 16,	" " " Mrs. L. E. Keene.....	1 00
	" 19,	" " " J. Spalding and family.....	18 00
	" 27,	" " " Mrs. Duncan Stewart.....	3 00
	" "	" " " Mrs. Philip Kearney.....	3 00
	" 28,	" " " Mrs. Gough.....	3 00
	" "	" " " Mrs. J. W. Smith.....	3 00
July	4,	" " " Mrs. E. Price.....	3 00
Sept.	1,	" " " Mrs. Fithian.....	3 00
	" "	" " " Geo. H. Moore.....	3 00
	" "	" " " a Friend in Western New York.....	3 25
	" "	" " " Miss Rutger.....	2 00
	" "	" " " Mrs. Rutger.....	2 00

Oct. 6,	To Amount received of	Mrs. Johnson.....	3 00
" "	" " " "	Capt. Glenn.....	3 00
Nov. 1,	" " " "	Mrs. Charles Billon.....	2 00
" "	" " " "	Mrs. Brooks.....	3 00
" 13,	" " " "	Capt. Shepard.....	3 00
" 14,	" " " "	Mrs. Robart (second subscription).....	3 00
" 27,	" " " "	E. Mead and lady.....	6 00
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Feb'y 3,	" " " "	Mrs. Nancy Marsh.....	3 00
" "	" " " "	Miss Mary Smith.....	1 50
March 1,	" " " "	Christ Church, St. Louis, being the monthly Missionary collection.....	33 75
" 2,	" " " "	Mrs. Billon.....	1 00
April 5,	" " " "	Christ Church, St. Louis, being the monthly Missionary collection.....	34 12
" 6,	" " " "	Mrs. L. E. Keene.....	2 00
" 9,	" " " "	Samuel Brooks.....	2 50
" 15,	" " " "	Mrs. Robart (for 1847).....	3 00
May 3,	" " " "	Christ Church, St. Louis, being the monthly Missionary collection.....	28 62
			\$ 305 24

Contra Credit.

1845.	July 1,	By Amount paid for Printing Receipts.....	\$ 3 50
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Jan. 5,	" " " "	Grace Church, Jefferson City.....	50 00
Feb. 16,	" " " "	Christ Church, Boonville.....	100 00
Mar. 18,	" " " "	St. Paul's Church, St. Louis.....	40 00
Ap'l 21,	" " " "	Grace Church, St. Louis, being one quarter's stipend.....	37 50
May 4,	" " " "	Rev. St. M. Fackler, for aid in building a Church at Lexington, Missouri.....	50 00
" 12,	" " Balance on hand.....		24 24
			\$ 305 24

J. HALSALL, Treasurer.

St. Louis, May 12th, 1846.

(D)

FORM OF SUBSCRIPTION TO THE SOCIETY FOR PROPAGATING THE GOSPEL IN MISSOURI.

The Subscribers agree to pay the sum of 64 cents per week, making 25 cents per month, or \$ 3 per annum, which will be called for weekly, monthly, or annually, as they may direct.

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

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

(E)

FORM OF CERTIFICATE OF THE ELECTION OF A LAY DELEGATE TO A DIOCESAN CONVENTION.

To be signed by the Rector of the parish of which he is a representative, or by one of the Wardens, or by the Secretary of the Vestry of such Church. (See canon II, sec. 3.)

Every parish in union with the Convention is entitled to one or more delegates, not exceeding four, to be chosen by the vestry or congregation. (Constitution, art. 4.)

I do hereby certify, that at a meeting of the Vestry (or Parish) of _____ Church, in _____, held on the _____ day of _____, in the year of our Lord _____, Mr. _____ was duly elected a Lay Delegate to represent said Church in the Convention of the Diocese of Missouri, to be held at _____ on the _____ day of _____ next; and that he is entitled to vote for Wardens and Vestry in said Church.

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

Standing Committee.

Rev. E. H. CRESSEY,	JOSIAH SPALDING, Esq.
Rev. P. R. MINARD,	J. PARKER DOAN, Esq.
Rev. W. GRISWOLD.	

Deputies to the General Convention.

Rev. W. GRISWOLD,	Messrs. JOSIAH SPALDING,
Rev. A. D. CORBIN,	GEO. W. MORTON,
Rev. P. R. MINARD,	J. PARKER DOAN,
Rev. E. H. CRESSEY.	EDWARD MEAD.

Treasurer of the Convention.

JOHN HALSALL, St. Louis.

Secretary of the Convention.

F. W. SOUTHACK, St. Louis.