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OF THE

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IN THE

Diocese of Northern New Jersey,

HELD IN

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Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 21st and 22d, 1876.

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TITLE I., CANON I., § II.

OF THE TESTIMONIAL OF LAY DEPUTIES.

Lay Deputies to the Convention shall present certificates of their election, in the following form :

[Name of the Church, the place, and date.]

This certifies that, at a meeting of the congregation of this Church, for the purpose of electing Church Officers and Deputies to the Convention (*or for the purpose of electing Deputies to the Convention*, if the meeting be for that purpose alone), A. B., C. D., and E. F., being members of the congregation and communicants of the Church, were duly chosen to represent the congregation in that body for the year ensuing. In testimony of which, I have hereunto set my hand (or, if two of the Wardens subscribe, *we have set our hands*), this day and year above written.

N. B.—The signature of either the Rector or the Secretary of the Vestry is sufficient; if neither the Rector nor the Secretary signs, then the signatures of *both* Wardens are necessary. A Clergyman who is simply Minister-in-Charge, or Missionary, cannot sign.—(*See Canon.*)

The Lay Representation is limited to three Deputies, whose names should be carefully and legibly written.

This Certificate is to “be transmitted to the Secretary of the Convention AT LEAST TEN DAYS BEFORE THE MEETING OF THE ANNUAL CONVENTION.”—(*See Canon.*)

In order to secure this, the Secretary will forward a blank form to every Parish, and earnestly asks the PROMPT attention of the Clergy.

“* By the terms of the Constitution, the Deputies must be “*members of the congregation and communicants of the Church.*”

Diocese of Northern New Jersey.

Officers of the Diocese.

THE CONVENTION.

President.

The Right Rev. WILLIAM HENRY ODENHEIMER, D.D., Newark.

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The Rev. WILLIAM G. FARRINGTON, D.D., Orange.

Assistant Secretary.

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Mr. HENRY HAYES, Newark.

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* * * The Stated Meetings of the Standing Committee are held on the Mondays in the weeks preceding Ember Days. SPECIAL MEETINGS, unless the Committee is summoned by the Bishop for their advice, will not be called when there has been a quorum at the previous stated time of meeting, except in cases of ABSOLUTE NECESSITY, to be approved by the President, and then only upon ten days' notice.

Blank forms, for the use of those applying to be admitted as Candidates, etc., can be procured by application to the Secretary.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Rev. R. M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D.,	Mr. J. C. GARTHWAITE,
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The Rev. WM. H. HARISON, D.D.,	Mr. ALFRED MILLS.

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The Rev. WM. WELLES HOLLEY,	Mr. CHARLES HAYES,
The Rev. CHARLES M. A. HEWES,	Mr. DAVID FOLSOM.

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The Rev. JOSEPH H. SMITH,	Mr. WILLIAM B. MOTT,
The Rev. WM. G. FARRINGTON, D.D.,	Hon. CHARLES H. VOORHIS,
The Rev. EDWARD B. BOGGS, D.D.,	Mr. ALFRED MILLS.

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The Rev. SPENCER M. RICE, D.D.,	Mr. J. C. GARTHWAITE,
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The Rev. R. M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D.,	Dean of the Convocation of Jersey City.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

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TRUSTEES OF THE FUND FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGYMEN.

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop and the Standing Committee.

TREASURER OF THE CORPORATION FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND CHILDREN OF CLERGYMEN.

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COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

The Rev. ANTHONY SCHUYLER, D.D., Hon. HENRY MEIGS.
 The Rev. R. M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D., Mr. F. B. OGDEN.
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COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

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 Mr. DANIEL DODD,

Special Committees.

To report at the next Convention.

ON RULES OF ORDER.

The Rev. EDWARD B. BOGGS, D.D., Mr. E. H. STEPHENSON,
 The Rev. LEEH R. DICKINSON, Mr. PAUL BABCOCK,
 The SECRETARY, *ex-officio*.

TO AUDIT THE TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS.

The Rev. JOSEPH H. SMITH, Dr. WILLIAM T. MERCER.

ON SECURITIES IN THE HANDS OF THE TREASURER.

Mr. DANIEL DODD, Mr. HENRY G. DARCY.

ON ADDITIONAL EPISCOPAL SUPPORT.

(Continued jointly with Convention of the Diocese of New Jersey.)

The Rev. R. M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D., The Rev. E. M. RODMAN,
Mr. J. O. GARTHWAITE, Mr. GEORGE O. HANCOCK,
Mr. ALFRED MILLS, Mr. F. S. CONOVER.

ON EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE.

The Rev. TELFAIR HODGSON, Mr. JEREMIAH O. GARTHWAITE,
The Rev. R. M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D., Mr. ALFRED MILLS,
The Rev. JOHN M. HEFFERNAN, Mr. HERBERT R. CLARKE.

TO PREPARE BLANK FORMS.

The Rev. ROBERT NORRIS MERRITT, The Rev. W. G. FARRINGTON, D.D.,
The Rev. J. BLOOMFIELD WETHERILL.

ON CHANGES IN THE REVISED STATUTES.

The Rev. W. H. CARTER, D.D., LL.D., The Rev. H. B. STUART-MARTIN,
Mr. WILLIAM A. WHITEHEAD.

ON THE SPREAD OF INTEMPERANCE.

The Rev. PHILO W. SPRAGUE, Hon. HENRY MEIGS,
The Rev. W. H. CARTER, D.D., LL.D., Mr. GEORGE W. NICHOLAS.

The Third Annual Convention of the Diocese will meet on Tuesday, November 20, 1877, where the Bishop appoints.

Alphabetical List of Clergy

BELONGING TO THE TWO CONVOCATIONS.

WITH POST-OFFICE ADDRESS.

WILLIAM HENRY ODENHEIMER, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese,
Newark.

CONVOCATION OF NEWARK.

CORNELIUS S. ABBOTT, *r.* Christ Church, Belleville.
JOHN P. APPLETON, *r.* St. John's Church, Boonton.
HORACE S. BISHOP, *r.* Christ Church, East Orange, P. O., Orange.
EDWARD B. BOGGS, D.D., *r.* St. Stephen's Church, Newark.
EDWIN E. BUTLER, *r.* St. John's Church, Dover.
JOHN F. BUTTERWORTH, *r.* Calvary Church, Summit.
LEWIS P. CLOVER, D.D., *r.* St. Stephen's Church, Millburn.
T. JEFFERSON DANNER, *r.* Christ Church, Bloomfield.
HENRY V. DEGEN, *r.* Church of the Holy Communion, South Orange.
CHARLES DOUGLAS, *r.* Zion Church, Belvidere.
JAMES HOUSTON ECCLESTON, D.D., *r.* Trinity Church, Newark.
WILLIAM G. FARRINGTON, D.D., *r.* Church of the Holy Innocents, Orange.
GEORGE F. FLICHTNER, *r.* St. Barnabas' Church, Newark.
HANNIBAL GOODWIN, *r.* The House of Prayer, Newark.
SAMUEL HALL, *r.* Church of the Redeemer, Morristown.
WILLIAM H. HARISON, D.D., *r.* Grace Church, Newark.
LEVI JOHNSTON, *m.* St. James' Church, Hackettstown.
JAMES L. MAXWELL, *r.* St. Luke's Church, Montclair.
JOHN HEBER McCANDLESS, *m.* St. Mark's Church, Newark.
ROBERT NORRIS MERRITT, *r.* St. Peter's Church, Morristown.
WILLIAM H. MOFFETT, *r.* Christ Church, Newton.
JULIUS D. BOSÉ, Ph.D., *r.* St. Stephen's School, Millburn.
ANTHONY SCHUYLER, D.D., *r.* Grace Church, Orange.
STEPHEN P. SIMPSON, *r.* Trinity Church, Irvington.
JOSEPH H. SMITH, *r.* St. Paul's Church, Newark.
J. NICHOLAS STANSBURY, B.D., *r.* Christ Church, Newark.
CARL F. W. TREPTOW, *m.* St. Matthew's Church, Newark.
WYNANT VANDERPOOL, *a.m.* Grace Church, Newark.

GARRETT VAN HORN, *m.* Newton.
 WILLIAM WARDLAW, *r.* St. John's Church, West Hoboken.
 WILLIAM T. WEBBE, *r.* St. Philip's Church, Newark.
 D. C. WESTON, D.D., *r.* Grace Church, Madison.
 J. BLOOMFIELD WETHERILL, *r.* St. John's Church, Newark.
 JAMES A. WILLIAMS, D.D., *r.* St. Mark's Church, Orange.
 WILLIAM WHITE WILSON, *r.* St. Paul's Church, East Orange.
 ALONZO L. WOOD, *a.m.* House of Prayer, Newark.

Number of Clergy, 86.

CONVOCAATION OF JERSEY CITY.

R. M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D., *r.* St. Matthew's Church, Jersey City.
 GEORGE L. BROOKS, M.D., Jersey City.
 JAMES CAMERON, *r.* Church of the Mediator, Edgewater, P. O., Fort Lee.
 WILLIAM H. CARTER, D.D., LL.D., Ph.D., *r.* St. John's Church, Passaic.
 JAMES W. COE, *r.* Grace Church, Greenville.
 JOHN A. DENNISTON, *m.* Church of the Ascension, Jersey City Heights.
 LEGH B. DICKINSON, *r.* Christ Church, Ridgewood.
 ORLANDO HARRISMAN, Jersey City.
 JOHN M. HEFFERNAN, Paterson.
 CHARLES M. A. HEWES, *r.* Church of the Holy Communion, Paterson.
 TELFAIR HODGSON, *r.* Trinity Church, Hoboken.
 WILLIAM W. HOLLEY, *r.* Christ Church, Hackensack.
 RALPH B. HOYT, *r.* Church of the Holy Trinity, Jersey City Heights.
 J. EDGAR JOHNSON, *r.* St. Paul's Church, Hoboken.
 H. B. STUART-MARTIN, *r.* St. Mark's Church, Jersey City.
 STEWART MEANS, *r.* St. John's Church, Bayonne.
 JOHN A. PARSONS, Hackensack.
 JOHN W. PAYNE, *r.* St. Paul's Church, Englewood.
 FERNANDO C. PUTNAM, *r.* St. Paul's Church, Bergen, Jersey City.
 SPENCER M. RICE, D.D., *r.* Grace Church, Jersey City.
 E. HUNTINGTON SAUNDERS, *r.* Grace Church, Rutherford Park.
 PHILO W. SPRAGUE, *r.* Calvary Church, Bayonne, P. O., Pamrapo.
 GILBERT HENRY STERLING, *a.* St. Matthew's Church, Jersey City.
 EDWARD H. VAN WINKLE, *a.m.* St. Matthew's Church, Jersey City, P. O., New York.
 GEORGE H. WALSH, D.D., *r.* Trinity Church, Bayonne, P. O., Bergen Point.
 WILLIAM WARDLAW, *r.* St. John's Church, West Hoboken.

Number of Clergy, 26.

CLERGY IN THE DIOCESE.

Canonically resident (Bishop 1, Priests 62, Deacons 5).....	68
Not canonically resident, but at work Jan. 1, 1877	5
Total	73

List of the Clergy.

IN ORDER OF CANONICAL RESIDENCE.

NOVEMBER 21, 1876.

*Those marked with * were present.*

The Right Rev. *WILLIAM HENRY ODENHEIMER, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese.

PRESBYTERS.

The Rev. *JAMES A. WILLIAMS, D.D., Rector of St. Mark's Church, Orange.

The Rev. *JULIUS D. ROSE, Ph.D., Rector of St. Stephen's School, Millburn.

The Rev. *ROBERT NORRIS MERRITT, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Morristown, and Examining Chaplain.

The Rev. *J. NICHOLAS STANSBURY, B.D., Rector of Christ Church, Newark, Dean of the Convocation of Newark, and Examining Chaplain.

The Rev. *JOSEPH H. SMITH, M.A., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Newark, and Chaplain of St. Barnabas' Hospital.

The Rev. ORLANDO HARRIMAN, Jersey City.

The Rev. SPENCER M. RICE, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Jersey City.

The Rev. *FERNANDO C. PUTNAM, Rector of St. Paul's Church (Bergen), Jersey City, and Examining Chaplain.

The Rev. *RICHARD M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D., Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Jersey City, Dean of the Convocation of Jersey City, and Examining Chaplain.

The Rev. HORACE S. BISHOP, Rector of Christ Church, East Orange.

The Rev. GEORGE L. BROOKS, M.D., Jersey City.

The Rev. *WILLIAM G. FARRINGTON, D.D., in charge of the Church of the Holy Innocents, Orange, and Secretary of the Convention.

The Rev. *LEGH R. DICKINSON, Rector of Christ Church, Ridgewood, and Missionary at Allendale.

The Rev. *EDWARD B. BOGGS, D.D., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Newark, and Registrar of the Diocese.

The Rev. *JAMES CAMERON, Rector of the Church of the Mediator, Edgewater, and in charge of St. James' Church, Ridgefield.

The Rev. *CHARLES M. A. HEWES, Rector of the Church of the Holy Communion, Paterson.

The Rev. *JAMES L. MAXWELL, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Montclair.

The Rev. STEPHEN P. SIMPSON, Rector of Trinity Church, Irvington.

The Rev. *HANNIBAL GOODWIN, Rector of The House of Prayer, Newark.

- The Rev. *SAMUEL HALL, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Morristown.
- The Rev. *WM. W. HOLLEY, Rector of Christ Church, Hackensack.
- The Rev. *ANTHONY SCHUYLER, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Orange.
- The Rev. *WILLIAM H. CARTER, D.D., LL.D., Ph.D., Rector of St. John's Church, Passaic, and Examining Chaplain.
- The Rev. *T. JEFFERSON DANNER, Rector of Christ Church, Bloomfield.
- The Rev. *HENRY B. STUART-MARTIN, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Jersey City.
- The Rev. JOHN A. PARSONS, Hackensack.
- The Rev. JOHN M. HEFFERNAN, M.A., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Paterson.
- The Rev. *JOHN F. BUTTERWORTH, Rector of Calvary Church, Summit.
- The Rev. *WILLIAM T. WEBBE, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Newark.
- The Rev. *WILLIAM H. MOFFETT, Rector of Christ Church, Newton.
- The Rev. *JOHN W. PAYNE, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Englewood.
- The Rev. *EDWIN E. BUTLER, Rector of St. John's Church, Dover.
- The Rev. *CHARLES DOUGLAS, Rector of Zion Church, Belvidere, and of St. James' Church, Knowlton, and in charge of St. Luke's Church, Hope.
- The Rev. HENRY F. HARTMAN, Ph.D., officiating at Cologne, Germany.
- The Rev. *GEORGE F. FLICHTNER, Rector of St. Barnabas' Church, Newark.
- The Rev. *J. EDGAR JOHNSON, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Hoboken.
- The Rev. *HENRY V. DEGEN, Rector of the Church of the Holy Communion, South Orange.
- The Rev. *D. C. WESTON, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Madison.
- The Rev. *JOHN P. APPLETON, Rector of St. John's Church, Boonton.
- The Rev. *WILLIAM H. HARISON, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Newark, and Examining Chaplain.
- The Rev. *JAMES W. COE, Rector of Grace Church, Greenville.
- The Rev. *LUCIUS SWEETLAND, New York.
- The Rev. *TELFAR HODGSON, Rector of Trinity Church, Hoboken.
- The Rev. *LEWIS P. CLOVER, D.D., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Millburn.
- The Rev. *DAVID G. GUNN, Rector of St. Luke's Church Mission (Hudson), Jersey City.
- The Rev. *J. BLOOMFIELD WETHERILL, Rector of St. John's Church, Newark, Secretary and Chaplain to the Bishop, and Missionary.
- The Rev. *WILLIAM W. NEWTON, Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.
- The Rev. *LEVI JOHNSTON, Missionary to the Newark Convocation, in charge of St. James' Church, Hackettstown; St. Thomas' Church, Vernon, etc.
- The Rev. *WYNANT VANDERPOOL, Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Newark.
- The Rev. MARTIN ALBERT.

The Rev. *CORNELIUS S. ABBOTT, Rector of Christ Church, Belleville.
 The Rev. *JOHN A. DENNISTON, Missionary at the Church of the Ascension (Hudson), Jersey City.

The Rev. *PHILO W. SPRAGUE, Rector of Calvary Church (Pamrapo), Bayonne.

The Rev. *CARL F. W. TREPTOW, Missionary in charge of St. Matthew's Church, Newark.

The Rev. *JOHN HEBER MCCANDLESS, Missionary, assisting at St. Mark's Church Mission, Newark.

The Rev. *EDWARD H. VAN WINKLE, Assistant Minister of St. Matthew's Church, Jersey City, and Missionary at Norwood.

The Rev. *GEORGE H. WALSH, D.D., Rector of Trinity Church, Bayonne, P. O., Bergen Point.

The Rev. FRANCIS A. HENRY.

The Rev. *WILLIAM WHITE WILSON, Rector of St. Paul's Church, East Orange.

The Rev. *WILLIAM WARDLAW, Rector of St. John's Church, West Hoboken.

The Rev. *RALPH B. HOYT, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity (Hudson), Jersey City Heights.

The Rev. *E. HUNTINGTON SAUNDERS, Rector of Grace Church, Rutherford Park.

DEACONS.

The Rev. GARRET VAN HORN, Missionary, P. O., Newton.

The Rev. ERNEST AUGUSTUS HARTMAN, New York.

The Rev. ALONZO L. WOOD, officiating at the House of Prayer, Newark.

The Rev. GILBERT HENRY STERLING, Principal of Trinity Church School, New York.

The Rev. *STEWART MEANS, officiating at St. John's Church, Bayonne.

Number of Clergymen belonging to the Diocese..... 68

Number present in this Convention..... 64

List of Candidates for Holy Orders.

FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

STEPHEN WHITTINGHAM WILLIAMS, received December 10, A.D. 1868.

FRANCIS PENNINGTON MACKALL, A.M., received September 26, 1873.

JOSEPH ALBERT TIDEX, received September 20, A.D. 1876.

Whole number, 8.

FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

STEPHEN W. WILLIAMS, received September 28, A.D. 1871.

ERNEST AUGUSTUS HARTMAN, received May 21, A.D. 1874.

FRANCIS PENNINGTON MACKALL, A.M., received July 1, A.D. 1874.

Whole Number, 8.

List of the Parishes of the Diocese

IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION,

AND OF THE

Lay Deputies to this Convention.

November 21st, 1876.

*Those marked * were present.*

The letters N. and J. O. stand for the Convocations.

Churches.

Calvary, Bayonne, J. O.,

St. John's, Bayonne, J. O.,

Trinity, Bayonne (Bergen Point), J. O.,

Christ, Belleville, N.,

Zion, Belvidere, N.

Christ, Bloomfield, N.,

St. John's, Boonton, N.,

St. John's, Dover, N.,

Christ, East Orange, N.,

St. Paul's, East Orange, N.,

Mediator, Edgewater, J. O.,

Deputies.

{ A. Cary Smith,
George W. Yates,
*W. F. Moody,
Nelson Stafford,
E. Taggart,
James W. Ford.
*A. B. Warner,
*Henry Meigs,
*Samuel T. Brown.
*Richard Kingland,
*Henry K. Schuyler,
*James Scott.

*Henry Godby,
Frank M. Rice,
Henry J. Mills.
David O. Ely,
*Joseph Milner,
*Edwin Bishop.
*Henry McFarlan,
Thomas Jarvis,
Richard George.
*Edward H. Stephenson,
Theodore R. Mallwain,
Peter M. Reynolds.
*John Sherman,
John A. Ely.
John McMichael,
*George W. Laird,
*W. Bayard Cutting.

<i>St. Paul's, Englewood, J. C.,</i>	{ *Edmund S. Munroe, *John F. Halsted, *William E. Tillinghast, Joseph R. Kingsland, Jr., Robert Ludlow Fowler, Charles G. Hanks.
<i>Grace, Franklin, N.,</i>	
<i>Good Shepherd, Fort Lee, J. C.</i>	
✓ <i>Grace, Greenville, J. C.,</i>	{ John B. Irving, M.D., John H. Nantz, John McNeil. *Henry F. Kent, *Charles H. Voorhis, *Leveritt H. Sage.
<i>Christ, Hackensack, J. C.,</i>	
<i>St. James', Hackettstown, N.</i>	
<i>Atonement, Hoboken, J. C.,</i>	
<i>St. Paul's, Hoboken, J. C.,</i>	{ E. C. Perry, *F. B. Hall, *C. C. Chamberlain. *Frederick B. Ogden, John M. Livingston, Professor Kroch.
<i>Trinity, Hoboken, J. C.,</i>	
<i>St. Luke's, Hope, N.</i>	
<i>Trinity, Irvington, N.,</i>	{ Peter M. Schenck, James D. McConochie.
✓ <i>Christ, Jersey City (Bergen), J. C.</i>	
✓ <i>Grace, Jersey City, J. C.,</i>	{ *Paul Babcock, *Detlef Lianan, *Herbert R. Clarke. Thomas Hopper, R. G. Dudley, R. H. H. Steele. *Elizur Ward, *John Schureman Sutphen, *George H. Haight, *Thomas B. Kissam. Wm. L. Marsh, *Charles E. Laidlaw, *Austin Dall. *James A. Alexander, *George W. Helme, William F. Bonynge.
✓ <i>Holy Trinity, Jersey City (Hudson), J. C.,</i>	
r <i>St. John Free, Jersey City, J. C.,</i>	
✓ <i>St. Mark's, Jersey City, J. C.,</i>	
✓ <i>St. Matthew's, Jersey City, J. C.,</i>	
✓ <i>St. Paul's, Jersey City (Bergen), J. C.,</i>	
<i>St. Paul's, Jersey City (Hudson), J. C.</i>	
<i>Trinity, Jersey City, J. C.</i>	
<i>Christ, Johnsonburgh, N.</i>	
<i>St. James', Knowlton, N.,</i>	{ Derrick Albertson, William H. Hartung, Benjamin F. Howey. *Nathaniel Niles, Ellis Potter, *Edward Todd. *Israel D. Condit, *J. Lawrence Benedict, Edward S. Renwick.
<i>Grace, Madison, N.,</i>	
<i>St. Stephen's, Millburn, N.,</i>	

<i>St. Luke's, Montclair, N.,</i>	{ *C. St. John Seymour, *Henry D. King.
<i>Redeemer, Morristown, N.,</i>	{ *John Edward Taylor, Wm. Van Vleck Lidgerwood, John Hone, Jr.
<i>St. Peter's, Morristown, N.,</i>	{ *Alfred Mills, Charles H. Dalrymple, Henry W. Miller.
<i>Christ, Newark, N.,</i>	{ *Richard Lewis, *J. J. Hall, *Edward B. Webbe.
<i>Grace, Newark, N.,</i>	{ *J. C. Garthwaite, J. P. Hudson, *John J. Rutan.
<i>St. Barnabas, Newark, N.,</i>	{ John D. Toppin, Thomas W. Jackson, A. P. Young.
<i>St. John's, Newark (Woodside), N.,</i>	{ John Eastwood, H. H. Pierce, *John H. Hall.
<i>St. Matthew's, Newark, N.,</i>	{ Peter Gegenheimer.
<i>St. Mark's, Newark, N.</i>	
<i>St. Paul's, Newark, N.,</i>	{ John H. Barlow, Julius Van Wagenen, Charles Hayes.
<i>St. Peter's, Newark, N.</i>	
<i>St. Philip's, Newark, N.,</i>	{ *Elias S. Ray, P. P. O'Fake, James M. Baxter.
<i>St. Stephen's, Newark, N.,</i>	{ A. Q. Keasbey, John I. Young, *John P. Nessle.
<i>The House of Prayer, Newark, N.,</i>	{ *James E. Learned, William A. Smith, M.D., *Egbert Ward.
<i>Trinity, Newark, N.,</i>	{ Cortlandt Parker, *Daniel Dodd, *William A. Whitehead.
<i>Christ, Newton, N.,</i>	{ Robert Hamilton, J. L. Lawrence, Richard F. Goodman.
<i>Grace, Orange, N.,</i>	{ James S. Cox, Z. E. Carrington, *L. A. Sykes.
<i>St. Mark's, Orange, N.,</i>	{ Charles Williams, *John B. Van Wagenen, Charles A. Lighthipe.
<i>St. John's, Passaic, J. O.,</i>	{ Joseph Chadwick, Charles W. Stickle, *John Swinburne.
<i>Holy Communion, Paterson, J. O.,</i>	{ *George Wurta, H. A. Collina.
<i>St. Paul's, Paterson, J. O.,</i>	{ *P. Edwards Johnson, *George Barnes, *George L. Catlin.

<i>St. Luke's, Phillipsburg, N.,</i>	{ *Joseph O. Kent, John Newman, George H. Jones, M.D. Abraham S. Jackson, Charles S. Wells, Joseph W. McElroy.
<i>Christ, Pompton, J. C.,</i>	
<i>St. James', Ridgefield, J. C.</i>	
<i>Christ, Ridgewood, J. C.,</i>	{ Alexander J. Cameron, James Keeley, *Edward A. Walton, *F. W. Tomkins, A. P. Williams, M.D., G. R. Blakiston. *William Bispham, Lewis B. Henry, John Parker. *George W. Nicholas, *Jonathan Edgar, *J. Conover Hinchman.
<i>Grace, Rutherford Park, J. C.,</i>	
<i>Holy Communion, South Orange, N.,</i>	
<i>Calvary Summit, N.,</i>	
<i>Atonement, Tenafly, J. C.</i>	
<i>St. Thomas', Vernon, N.,</i>	*Hugh T. Lawrence.
<i>St. John's, West Hoboken, J. C.,</i>	{ *William S. Flippin, J. R. Gallagher.
Number of Parishes entitled to representation, - - - -	66
Number represented in this Convention, - - - -	41

Rules of Order.

1. Each meeting of the Convention shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. When the President takes the Chair, each member shall be seated.
3. THE ORDER OF BUSINESS SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:
 - I. The calling over by the Secretary of the names of the members, clerical and lay, and entering the names of those present on the minutes.
 - II. The appointment of a Committee on the Certificates of Lay Deputies.
 - III. The Report of the existing Committee on Rules of Order.
 - IV. The appointment of a Secretary.
 - V. The appointment of a Committee on New Parishes.
 - VI. The appointment of a Committee on Finance.
 - VII. The appointment of a Committee on Rules of Order.
 - VIII. The appointment of a Committee on Securities.
 - IX. The appointment of a Committee on Unfinished Business.

- X. The appointment of a Committee to nominate for Vacancies (if any) in the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.
 - XI. The appointment by the Convention of a Committee on the Rights of Clerical Members. (Title I., Canon 1., § I. [2].)
 - XII. The election of a Committee on the Constitution and Canons. (Title III., Canon 8., § I.)
 - XIII. *Reports of Existing Committees.*
 - i. On the Episcopal Fund.
 - ii. Of the Treasurer.
 - iii. Of the Auditing Committee.
 - iv. On Securities.
 - v. On Finance.
 - vi. On the Character and Value of Property held by or in trust for this Convention.
 - vii. Report of Committee on New Parishes.
 - viii. Report of the Standing Committee.
 - ix. Of the Registrar.
 - XIV. Presentation of Parochial Reports.
 - XV. Miscellaneous Business.
4. THE ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE EVENING SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:
- I. Missionary Business.
 - II. Miscellaneous Business.
5. THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AFTER FIRST DAY SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:
- I. Reading, correcting, and approving the Minutes.
 - II. Order for the day at 10 o'clock shall be the reading of the Bishop's Address.
 - III. The election (unless otherwise ordered) of the Standing Committee.
 - IV. The election of Deputies to the General Convention.
 - V. The nomination of Trustees for the General Theological Seminary
 - VI. The election of a Treasurer and Auditing Committee.
 - VII. The election of Registrar.
 - VIII. Reports of Committees.
 - IX. Unfinished Business.
 - X. Motions, resolutions, and miscellaneous business.

6. All Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.
7. The Reports of Committees shall be in writing, and, when made, shall be the property of the Convention, without any motion for acceptance. All reports, recommending action of the Convention, shall be accompanied by a resolution to that effect.
8. No motion shall be put or debated until it is seconded; and every motion shall be reduced to writing and signed by the mover, whose name shall be entered on the Journal.
9. When any member is about to speak, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.
10. No member shall speak more than twice (except the mover, who is entitled to reply) in the same debate, without leave of the Convention.
11. At the request of the President or on motion, the Convention may resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, and shall take a vote for that purpose.
12. All questions shall be decided *viva voce*, unless otherwise specially ordered.
13. When required by two clerical and two lay deputies, the vote of the Convention may be taken by orders voting separately, and the names shall be entered on the minutes.
14. The doors of the Convention shall be open for the admission of such persons as may wish to know its proceedings.
15. No member shall leave this Convention without permission.
16. In all elections, those persons only, who shall have a majority of all the votes given, shall be deemed elected; but if in any case more than the required number of persons shall have a majority of votes, the required number of persons having the highest number of votes shall be deemed elected, and in case of a tie between two or more candidates there shall be a new ballot.
17. When a question is under consideration, no motion shall be received unless to lay upon the table; to postpone it to a certain time; to postpone it indefinitely; to correct it; to amend it, or to divide; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order

The Bishop also announced the appointment of the following Clergymen as EXAMINING CHAPLAINS:

Rev. ROBERT NORRIS MERRITT, Rev. J. N. STANSBURY, B.D.,
 Rev. R. M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D., Rev. W. H. CARTER, D.D., LL.D.,
 Rev. FERNANDO C. PUTNAM, Rev. WM. H. HARISON, D.D.

Mr. J. C. Garthwaite called up the amendments to Article IV. and Article V. of the Constitution, approved last year, and moved that they be finally adopted.

After discussion, on motion of Mr. Garthwaite, action on these amendments was postponed until to-morrow.

The Rev. Robert Norris Merritt presented and read the Report of the STANDING COMMITTEE, as follows:

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Northern New Jersey respectfully report:

That during the Convention year testimonials have been signed, recommending as

Candidates for Holy Orders:

JOSEPH ALBERT TIDEY.

For Deacon's Orders:

ALONZO LIPPINCOTT WOOD,
 G. HENRY STEBLING,
 FRANCIS PENNINGTON MACKALL, A.B.

For Priest's Orders:

PHILO W. SPRAGUE,
 RALPH BYRON HOYT,
 STEWART MEANS.

The Committee have also consented to the consecration of the Rev. William Edward McLaren, D.D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Illinois; of the Rev. William Stevens Perry, D.D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Iowa; of the Rev. Samuel Isaac Joseph Schereschewsky, D.D., as Missionary Bishop of Shanghai, with jurisdiction in China; and of the Rev. C. Clifton Penick, as Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas, Africa, and parts adjacent.

In accordance with Tit. III., Can. 5, § 2, Clause 2, of the Digest, the Committee have united with the Bishop in giving their advice and consent to the erection of the new parish of St. Paul's Church, East Orange, Essex County.

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

ROBERT N. MERRITT, *Secretary*.

The Convention then took a recess until 7.30 P. M.

GRACE CHURCH, JERSEY CITY, 7.30 P. M.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. William T. Webbe, the Lessons being read by the Rev. Ralph B. Hoyt.

The Rev. J. N. Stansbury, B.D., at the request of the Bishop, took the Chair.

The Rev. the Deans of the Convocations of Newark and Jersey City presented and read their ANNUAL REPORTS. (See *Appendix to the Episcopal Address*.)

Addresses were made by the Rev. Dr. Abercrombie and the Rev. Messrs. Stansbury, Treptow, Stuart-Martin, and Holley on the Mission work of the Diocese.

On motion, the Convention adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

GRACE CHURCH, JERSEY CITY, *November 22, 1876.*

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. J. H. Smith and the Rev. Charles Douglas, assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. F. C. Putnam. The Litany was said by the Rev. John F. Butterworth.

The Secretary called the names of the Clergy and Laity who were not present yesterday.

The Minutes of the Proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion of the Rev. J. N. Stansbury, B.D.,

Resolved, That the Diocese of Northern New Jersey returns its thanks to the retiring Dean of the Convocation of Newark, the Rev. Robert Norris Merritt, for his services, and expresses its gratitude for the example he and his flock have given in their large and systematic offerings for Diocesan Missions.

The Bishop then read his SECOND ANNUAL ADDRESS.*

Mr. Daniel Dodd, on behalf of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, presented and read the

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND, FOR 1875-76.

The Trustees respectfully present the following statement of their proceedings for the term commencing November, 1875, and ending November, 1876, to the Convention of the Diocese of Northern New Jersey, held at Jersey City, November, 1876.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF THE INCOME OF THE FUND.

1875.		RECEIPTS.	
To cash on hand at date of last report...			\$68 25
" " received from J. H. Fugh, Treas., Diocese of N. J. for assessments.....			389 59
" " " " H. Hayes, Diocese of N. N. J., " "			580 25
" " " for interest upon Parish bonds.....			4,601 69
" " " " " coupon bonds.....			1,881 10
" " " " " bonds and mortgages			1,015 00
" " " " " individual bonds.....			45 25
Total receipts of interest.....			\$9,175 99
1876.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
By amount paid Bishop Odenheimer.....			\$6,000 00
" " Bishop Scarborough.....			2,500 00
" " accrued interest on Elizabeth City Bonds purchased.....			36 82
" " envelopes and blank-book.....			7 58
Balance interest on hand.....			681 59
Total disbursements.....			\$9,175 99

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE FUND.

		RECEIPTS.	
To Cash on hand at date of last report.....			\$668 62
To principal of Julia Stall's Bond.....			25 00
" Trinity Church, Swedesborough.....			200 00
" Union County Bonds			2,000 00
Total receipts of principal....			\$2,893 62

* The Address will be found on p. 51.

DISBURSEMENTS.

By paid for \$4,000 Elizabeth City Consolidated Bonds, Nos. 3349-50-51-52, \$1,000 each, bought at 97.....	\$3,680 00
By balance on hand.....	13 82
Total disbursements.....	\$3,693 82

ADDITIONS.

No additions have been made to the Fund during the year, except by the purchase of \$4,000 Elizabeth City Bonds at 97.....	\$120 00
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ARRARAGES.

The Trustees report the arrearages of interest upon the securities held by them as follows :

Allentown, Christ Church,	\$200 unpaid since April, 1876.....	\$7 00
Bayonne, St. John's Church,	80 " Oct., 1874.....	113 00
Bridgeton, St. Andrew's Church,	600 " April, 1876.....	21 00
Camden, St. John's Church,	300 " April, 1873.....	73 50
Crosswicks, Grace Church,	225 " April, 1876.....	7 88
East Orange, Christ Church,	1,500 " April, 1876.....	52 50
Elmontown, St. James's Church,	800 " Oct., 1875.....	21 00
Elizabeth, Trinity Church,	800 " April, 1874.....	140 00
Elizabethport, Grace Church,	200 " April, 1875.....	21 00
Franklin, Grace Church,	800 " Oct., 1875.....	56 00
Greenville, Grace Church,	800 " Oct., 1871.....	280 00
Hackensack, Christ Church,	1,500 " April, 1876.....	52 50
Jersey City, St. John Free Ch.,	2,500 " April, 1876.....	87 50
" St. Mark's Church,	1,500 " April, 1875.....	157 50
" Christ Church,	800 " Oct., 1869.....	322 00
" St. Paul's Church,	1,500 " April, 1875.....	157 50
" Holy Trinity Ch.,	1,000 " April, 1876.....	25 00
Long Branch, St. James's Ch.,	400 " April, 1876.....	14 00
Metuchen, St. Luke's Church,	600 " April, 1875.....	63 00
Middletown, Christ Church,	400 " April, 1876.....	14 00
Millburn, St. Stephen's Church,	800 "	117 28
Millville, Christ Church,	800 " April, 1876.....	10 50
Newark, Christ Church,	1,200 "	56 00
" House of Prayer,	500 " April, 1876.....	17 50
" St. Barnabas Church,	800 " April, 1873.....	222 40
" St. John's Church,	1,000 " April, 1874.....	175 00
" St. Paul's Church,	1,200 "	105 00
" St. Philip's Church,	800 " April, 1876.....	28 00
" St. Stephen's Church,	2,000 " April, 1875.....	210 00
Newton, Christ Church,	1,000 " April, 1876.....	35 00
New Brunswick, St. John's Ch.,	1,000 " April, 1876.....	35 00
Passaic, St. John's Church,	900 " Oct., 1874.....	126 00
Paterson, St. Paul's Church,	2,000 " April, 1876.....	70 00
Plainfield, Grace Church,	1,500 "	297 50
Rahway, St. Paul's Church,	1,500 " Oct., 1873.....	315 00
Red Bank, Trinity Church,	900 " April, 1876.....	31 50
Ridgewood, Christ Church,	1,200 " April, 1876.....	42 00
Rutherford Park, Grace Church,	600 " April, 1876.....	21 00
Shrewsbury, Christ Church,	800 " April, 1876.....	21 00
Spotswood, St. Peter's Church,	500 " April, 1875.....	52 50
Summit, Calvary Church,	1,500 " April, 1876.....	52 50

Trenton, St. Michael's Church,	\$2,000 unpaid since April, 1876.....	\$70 00
" St. Paul's Church,	800 " April, 1874.....	87 50
" Trinity Church,	1,380 " April, 1876.....	47 25
Vincentown, Trinity Church,	800 " Oct., 1874.....	43 00

INDIVIDUAL BONDS.

J. P. Thompson,	200 unpaid since April, 1875.....	18 00
J. H. Sinnickson,	25 " April, 1874.....	3 75
William S. Sharp,	50 " April, 1867.....	26 50
T. Sinnickson, Jr.,	100 " April, 1869.....	45 00
J. Harrison,	100 " April, 1876.....	3 50
Marla Dick,	25 " April, 1876.....	57

COUPON BOND.

State of Tennessee Bond,	1,000 unpaid since July, 1875.....	60 00
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Total arrearages..... \$4,222 03

TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE FUND.

PARISH BONDS.

Amount reported to the last Convention	\$70,705 00
Less Trinity Church, Swedesborough, paid during the year.....	200 00
Total Parish Bonds.....	\$70,505 00

INDIVIDUAL BONDS.

Amount reported to the last Convention.....	\$1,035 00
Less Julia Stull's, paid during the year.....	25 00
Total Individual Bonds.....	\$1,000 00

COUPON BONDS.

Amount reported last year	\$27,700 00
Less Union Co. Bonds paid during the year.....	3,000 00
	24,700 00
Add Elizabeth City Bonds purchased this year.....	4,000 00
Total Coupon Bonds.....	\$28,700 00

BONDS AND MORTGAGES.

Reported last year.....	\$14,500 00
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CASH.

Cash in Newark Savings Institution.....	\$13 83
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Total Amount of the Fund..... \$120,718 83

All which is respectfully submitted,

DENNING DUER,
A. Q. KEASBAY,
WM. VANDERPOOL,
DANIEL DODD, } Trustees.

JERSEY CITY, Nov. 22, 1876.

On motion of Mr. Dodd,

Ordered, That the Report be placed on file, and so much of it printed in the Journal as may be necessary to show the exact state of the Account.

Mr. Edmund S. Munroe presented and read the following as the Report of the Committee on Finance :

The Committee on Finance respectfully recommend

That an assessment of two per cent., for Convention expenses and Habilitates, be made upon the present salaries of the Clergy.

Also, that the usual assessment of seven per cent. on the salaries be made for the Bishop's salary, upon all Parishes that have not given their Bonds to the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.

The Committee also recommend relief from the Convention expenses, now in arrears, by the Parish of St. John's Church, Newark, provided they promptly pay the amount now due on assessments for Bishop's salary.

Also, in the case of Calvary Church, Bayonne, now greatly in arrears, a full remission of all past dues, provided they pay up for Bishop's salary, \$56, and for Convention expenses, \$12, being the dues for last fiscal year.

E. S. MUNROE, *Chairman*.

On motion, the recommendations of the Committee as to assessments for the next Conventional year, and remission of assessments in the case of two Parishes in arrears, were adopted.

Mr. Daniel Dodd proposed the following change in Art. II. of the Constitution :

Strike out "November," and insert *May*.

After discussion, the amendment was approved.

The Rev. Mr. Putnam reported that the Committee on New Parishes had examined the papers accompanying the application of St. Paul's Church, East Orange, for admission into union with the Convention, and had found the same correct.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Putnam, ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, EAST ORANGE, was thereupon admitted into union, and the Secretary called the names of its Lay deputies.

The election of **STANDING COMMITTEE** being next in order, the Chair appointed the following Tellers :

For Clerical Vote.—Rev. C. M. A. Hewes, and Mr. Henry F. Kent.

For Lay Vote.—Rev. Legh R. Dickinson, and Mr. Herbert R. Clarke.

The ballot having been cast and the Tellers having counted the votes, the Rev. Mr. Dickinson reported that Messrs. J. C. Garthwaite, Daniel Dodd, Alfred Mills, and Charles H. Voorhis had received a majority of all the votes cast for Lay members of the Standing Committee; and, on motion, their election was approved by the Clergy.

The Rev. Mr. Hewes reported that the Rev. James A. Williams, D.D., the Rev. Robert N. Merritt, the Rev. Spencer M. Rice, D.D., and the Rev. Fernando C. Putnam, had received a majority of all the votes cast for Clerical members of the Standing Committee; and, on motion, their election was approved by the Laity.

The Chair then announced that the following Clergymen and Laymen had been chosen

THE STANDING COMMITTEE

Rev. JAS. A. WILLIAMS, D.D.,	MR. JEREMIAH C. GARTHWAITE,
Rev. ROBERT N. MERRITT,	MR. DANIEL DODD,
Rev. SPENCER M. RICE, D.D.,	MR. ALFRED MILLS,
Rev. FERNANDO C. PUTNAM,	HON. CHARLES H. VOORHIS.

The election of **DEPUTIES** and **SUPPLEMENTARY DEPUTIES** to the General Convention being next in order, the Chair appointed the following Tellers :

DEPUTIES.

For Clerical Vote.—The Rev. Telfair Hodgson and Mr. James E. Learned.

For Lay Vote.—The Rev. Wm. Welles Holley and Mr. Nathaniel Niles.

SUPPLEMENTARY DEPUTIES.

For Clerical Vote.—The Rev. L. P. Clover, D.D., and Mr. Henry Hayes.

For Lay Vote.—The Rev. H. B. Stuart-Martin and Mr. F. B. Ogden.

The ballots having been cast, and the Tellers having retired to count the votes, the Rev. Dr. Schuyler presented and read the following

REPORT :

The Committee on Constitution and Canons, to whom were referred the "Proposed Constitution and Code of Canons, for the government of the Diocese of Northern New Jersey," respectfully report :

That they have carefully examined and considered the proposed alterations in the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese. They submit, herewith, amendments to the same which they have prepared. As thus amended, they recommend to the approval of the Convention the proposed Constitution, and the adoption of the Code of Canons.

A. SCHUYLER, *Chairman.*

November 22, 1876.

The Rev. Dr. Clover reported that the Rev. Joseph H. Smith, the Rev. J. Bloomfield Wetherill, the Rev. Wm. Welles Holley, and the Rev. C. M. A. Hewes, had received a majority of all the votes cast for Supplementary Clerical Deputies to the General Convention; and, on motion, their election was approved by the Laity.

The Rev. Mr. Stuart-Martin having reported that, in the *first* ballot for Supplementary Lay Deputies, no person had received a majority of the votes, the Convention proceeded to a *second* ballot.

The Rev. Mr. Hodgson reported that the Rev. R. M. Abercrombie, D.D., the Rev. W. G. Farrington, D.D., the Rev. J. N. Stansbury, B.D., and the Rev. W. H. Harison, D.D., had received a majority of all the votes cast for Clerical Deputies to the General Convention; and, on motion, their election was approved by the Laity.

The Rev. Mr. Holley reported that Mr. J. C. Garthwaite, Mr. Henry Meigs, Mr. Cortlandt Parker, and Mr. Alfred Mills had

received a majority of all the votes cast for Lay Deputies to the General Convention; and, on motion, their election was approved by the Clergy.

The Rev. Mr. Stuart-Martin reported that in the second ballot Mr. C. H. Voorhis, Mr. F. B. Ogden, Mr. Charles Hayes, and Mr. David Folsom had received a majority of all the votes cast for Supplementary Lay Deputies to the General Convention; and, on motion, their election was approved by the Clergy.

The Chair announced that the following Clergymen and Laymen had been elected Deputies and Supplementary Deputies:

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. R. M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D.,	Mr. JEREMIAH C. GARTHWAITE,
Rev. WM. G. FARRINGTON, D.D.,	Mr. HENRY MEIGS,
Rev. J. N. STANSBURY, B.D.,	Mr. CORTLANDT PARKER,
Rev. W. H. HARRISON, D.D.,	Mr. ALFRED MILLS.

SUPPLEMENTARY DEPUTIES.

Rev. JOSEPH H. SMITH,	Hon. CHARLES H. VOORHIS,
Rev. J. BLOOMFIELD WETHERILL,	Mr. F. B. OGDEN,
Rev. WM. WELLES HOLLEY,	Mr. CHARLES HAYES,
Rev. CHARLES M. A. HEWES,	Mr. DAVID FOLSOM.

The Convention then took up and considered the proposed Constitution, section by section, and the following changes were agreed to:

In Art. 4, § 2, the words, "and officiate statedly within it," were omitted, and the words, *nor be eligible to any office in the gift of the Convention*, were added.

In Art. 10, § I, l. 5, the word "seats" was changed to *votes*.

In the third section of same Article, all after the word "Convention" in the third line was stricken out.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Schuyler, the Constitution, as thus amended, was approved.

The Convention then proceeded to consider the proposed Code of Canons, and the following changes were agreed to in Title I. :

In Canon 2, § II., the words "appear to" were omitted.

In Canon 3, § I., the word "become" was changed to *be*.

In Canon 6, § II. [2], the word "pew" was changed to *sitting*.

In Canon 7, § II., in the Form of Consent, *to be known as* ——— *Church*, was inserted after "County of ———."

In Canon 8, § I. [1], *boundaries for their respective parishes* was substituted for "lines dividing them from one another;" and in [2] *such boundaries* was substituted for "lines of division."

The following sub-Section 3 was also added:

The Rector of a Parish may at any time apply to the Bishop and Standing Committee to have boundaries assigned to his own Parish, provided such boundaries do not affect any other Parish.

In § II., of same Canon, after the word Parish in line 6, add, *also for the defining for each Rector the extent of his responsibility for the care of souls.*

In § III., of same Canon, change "opposition" to *relation*.

In Canon 9, § II., in the Form of Application, strike out "neighbors of" and insert *in* after "resident."

In the same Section, in the paragraph following the Form of Application, omit "communicants" in line 3, and "others" in line 4, and change "adult" to *adults*.

In the last paragraph of the same Section, line 6, insert *male* before "adults."

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Schuyler, Title I., as thus amended, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. James E. Learned,

Ordered, That the Convention continue in session until the business before it shall be finished.

In Title II, Canon 2, § 2 [1], line 18, strike out "or any number of them, not less than three"—and insert at the end of the sentence, *and no other proceedings shall be had without the presence of the whole Board.*

In same § II., strike out [3], and change numbering.

In § V. of same Canon, line 2, insert *all* before "them," and strike out "or a majority of them."

Insert the following Canon 3 at the end of Title II.

Of Persons Repelled from the Holy Communion.

When a person, who has been repelled from the Holy Communion, appeals to the Bishop, and is not restored by him, the Bishop may, and if the person repelled demands it, shall appoint one Presbyter and two laymen, who shall make inquiry into the truth of the facts alleged, and shall report thereof, with their opinion thereon, to the Bishop, who may restore the individual, or otherwise, as he may deem proper.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Schuyler, Title II., as thus amended, was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Schuyler, Title III., as reported by the Committee, was adopted.

On motion of the same, the Code of Canons, as a whole, was adopted.

Mr. Alfred Mills presented and read the following

REPORT.

The Special Committee, appointed by the Convention of 1873 (and subsequently continued by the Conventions of both Dioceses), upon additional Episcopal support, to secure means for the maintenance of another Bishop, and to consult with Parishes which had already contributed to the Episcopal Fund, in relation to a more equitable adjustment of their contributions, did, on the 20th day of May last, make the following report to the present Diocese of New Jersey, then holding its Convention at Burlington.

The Special Committee, appointed by the Convention of 1873 (and subsequently continued by the Conventions of both Dioceses), upon additional Episcopal support, to secure means for the maintenance of another Bishop, and to consult with Parishes which had already contributed to the Episcopal Fund, in relation to a more equitable adjustment of their contributions, beg leave to report to the Diocese of New Jersey :

That, on the 18th November, 1875, they made a report to the Convention of Northern New Jersey, showing the amount and character of the Episcopal Fund ; of which report, and also of a schedule bearing date September 24, 1875, they herewith present to your Convention printed copies.

No increase has since that time been made to the Fund, though we have reason to hope that, during the coming year, increase may be made by those Parishes which are in that Report

termed "other Parishes exempt under Canon X," and in the schedule are termed "not yet assenting to contribute additionally."

By Reference to the Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, and to that portion of the Reports of the Treasurers of both Dioceses to the respective Conventions of the same, relating to the Bishops' salaries, it will appear as follows, that

There is due for the current year on the instalments of interest payable Oct. 1, 1875, and April 1, 1876	\$1,941 10	
On assessments for same current year	751 47	
		\$2,693 57
Arrears of interest previous thereto	1,554 20	
" on assessments previous thereto	918 50	
		2,473 70
Total		\$5,165 27

and that there is yet required to be paid by the Trustees, from the income of the Fund to make up the full salaries of the Bishops, the sum of five hundred dollars, being less than the seven per cent. per annum on \$7,570, which is the aggregate increase of the salaries of Rectors of "other Parishes exempt under Canon X," and "not yet assenting to contribute additionally;" and being less than one-half of one per cent. on the amount of salaries of the Rectors.

At a meeting of your Committee, composed of members from both Dioceses, held on the 15th inst., the delinquencies referred to and other questions concerning the Fund and the support of the Episcopate were considered. Your Committee recommend the passage by the Convention of both Dioceses of resolutions carrying out the following suggestions:

1. That one-half of any deficiency found in making up the salaries of the two Bishops, during the Episcopate of the Rt. REVD. WILLIAM H. ODEKUNDE, be assessed upon all the Parishes of the two Dioceses.

2. That a Joint Committee of six members, consisting of one Clergyman and two Laymen from each Diocese, be appointed; and that each Diocese, at its annual Convention, appoint its three members of this Committee.

3. That this Joint Committee have power to adjust, compromise, or remit such arrearages of interest on bonds or assessments as may now be, or may hereafter become due from Parishes which are unable to pay; and in case, in their judgment, any Parish bond has become worthless, and should be cancelled, to recommend to the two Conventions the cancellation thereof.

4. That inasmuch as the last Convention, held before the division of the original Diocese, made no provision for the filling of vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, and, as by the recent death of the Hon. THOMAS P. CARPENTER and of the Hon. CHARLES S. OLSEN, both residents of the Diocese of New Jersey, two vacancies have occurred in that Board, the Convention of the Diocese of New Jersey be requested to name two persons to fill those vacancies, and the Convention of the other Diocese be requested to approve such selections; and that the Joint Committee above named be instructed to procure such further legislation from the Legislature of New Jersey as may be necessary in the premises.

5. That the Joint Committee have power to procure additions to the Episcopal Fund.

6. That your Committee be discharged.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. M. ABERCROMBIE,
G. MORGAN HILLS,
J. C. GARTHWAITE,
ALFRED MILLS,
DANIEL DODD,
J. EDGAR.

May 29th, 1876.

Purchases of the Dioceses in New Jersey, and their Position in Reference to the Fund for the Support of the Episcopate, one Year to April 1, 1876.

Churches.	Location.	Salaries.	PARISHES WHICH SETTLED BY CASH OR BOND, AND ASSESSING, OR NOT YET ASSESSING TO CONTRIBUTE ADDITIONALLY BY CASH, BOND, OR ASSESSMENT.						ASSESSMENT.					
			Cash Contributions.	Original Bonds.	Additional by Bonds.	Assessing to contribute additionally by assessment.	Not yet assessing to contribute additionally.	Interest April 1, 1875.	Paid.	Due.	Bonds.	1874-5.	Paid.	Due.
Christ.	Allentown,	\$300		200			100	14	14		800	56		56
Calvary.	Bayonne,	800						28						
St. John's.	Bayonne,	800		800							500	28		28
Trinity.	Bayonne,	2000	1500			500					500	17 50		17 50
Christ.	Belleville,	1200	800			400					400	14		14
St. Stephen's.	Beverly	1270									1200	84		84
Christ.	Bloomfield,	1200		800			400	56		56				
St. John's.	Bloomton,	1000									1000	25		25
Christ.	Bordentown,	1000	500					25	35					
St. Andrew's.	Bridgeton,	600		600				49	49					
St. John's.	Camden,	800		300			500	31		31				
St. Paul's.	Camden,	2000		1800	200			131		131				
Cape May.	Cape May,								25					
St. John's.	Clarksboro,	450									450	31 50	25	6 50
St. Peter's.	Clarksboro,	600												
Grace.	Crosswicks,	600		225			375	15 75	15 75					
St. John's.	Dover,	1000	500			500					600	17 50	17 50	
St. James.	Edgewater,	800		800				21		21				
Mediator.	Edgewater,	250									250	17 50		17 50
Grace.	Elizabeth,	700		200		500		14	14					
St. John's.	Elizabeth,	4000	2500	500			1000	35	35 & 30*					
Trinity.	Elizabeth,	1500		800		700		66	66		700	28	10 38	17 13
St. Paul's.	Englewood,	2500			1000			140	140					
Trinity.	Fairview,	120									120	8 40	8 40	
St. Stephen's.	Florence,	700									700	49	49	

Parishes of the Diocese in New Jersey, and their Portion in Reference to the Fund for the Support of the Episcopate, one Year to April 1, 1875. — (Continued.)

CHURCHES.	LOCATION.	Salaries.	PARISHES WHICH SETTLED BY CASH, OR BOND, AND ASSESSMENT, OR NOT YET ASSESSING TO CONTRIBUTE ADDITIONALLY BY CASH, BOND, OR ASSESSMENT.							ASSESSMENT.			
			Cash Contributions.	Original Bonds.	Additional by Bonds.	Assessing to contribute additionally by assessment.	Not yet assessing to contribute additionally.	Interest April 1, 1875.	Paid.	Due.	Bonds.	1874-5.	Paid.	Due.
Christ.	East Orange,	1500		1500				53 50			53 50		53 50
Holy Communion,	South Orange,	1500	1000		500			17 50	17 50				
Holy Innocence,	West Orange,	800								800	28	28	
St. John's,	Passaic,	900		900				68					
Holy Communion,	Paterson,	1000		1000				70	70				
St. Paul's,	Paterson,	2000		1800	500			113					
Grace,	Pemberton,	200									200	14	14
St. Peter's,	Perth Amboy,	1500	900			600				600	21	21	
Grace,	Plainfield,	1500		1000	500			57 50					
Holy Cross,	North Plainfield,	800								800	58	28	28
Christ,	Pompton,	800								500	17 50		17 50
St. Paul's,	Rahway,	1800		1500		300		105		500	10 50		10 50
Holy Comforter,	Rahway,	1000								1000	35	35	
Trinity,	Red Bank,	900		600	300			53 50	53 50				
St. James,	Ridgedale,	800								500	25	25	
Christ,	Ridgewood,	1200		1200				43	43				
Christ,	Riverton,	1000								1000	70	70	
Grace,	Rutherford Park,	600		600				21	21				21
St. George's,	Rumson,	400								400	14		14
St. John's,	Salem,	1400	700	525			175	10 50					
Christ,	Shrewsbury,	1300		600			600	43	43				
St. John's,	Somerville,	900								900	58	53	
St. Peter's,	Spokewood,	500		500				25					
Calvary,	Summit,	1500		500	1000			70	70				

[illegible]

*** Special,**

[†] Established in 1874, subject to six months' interest or assessment only.

¹⁹³⁷ Parishes that have contributed a full quota in cash are omitted: a few have exceeded the same.

Norton.—Changes and errors, if any, to be noted in the revised lists. Address either of the Treasurers, DANL. DODD and HENRY HAYES, NEWBURY, or J. H. PUGH, M.D., Burlington.

Parishes which filed original bonds in 1874 pay interest six months from October 1st, and are assessed for the previous six months, excepting those established in 1874.

Interest or assessment on all additional contributions are for six months only, to April 1, 1876.

Arrears for previous years appear in the Convention journals, and are not necessarily presented here.

Dated September 24, 1875.

The undersigned members of that Committee, residing in the Diocese of Northern New Jersey, respectfully report to the Convention of that Diocese now in session :

That at their session, in May last, the Convention of the Diocese of New Jersey, on consideration of said Report, adopted, in lieu of the first resolution recommended therein, the following :

Resolved, "That the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund be requested to collect from the Treasurer of each of the Dioceses of New Jersey and Northern New Jersey, one-half of any deficiency necessary to meet the present salaries of their Bishops, that there may be in the income of the Episcopal Fund, on the 15th day of May of each year." (See *Journal Diocese N. J.*, p. 65.)

They also adopted the 2d, 3d, 5th, and 6th Resolutions recommended in said Report.

They appointed as three members of the Joint Committee called for in Resolution 2, Rev. E. M. Rodman, and Messrs. George C. Hance and F. S. Conover.

They did not adopt the 4th Resolution recommended in the Report, and selected Abraham Browning and Benjamin Williamson as Trustees, to fill the vacancies caused in the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund by the death of Charles S. Olden and Thomas P. Carpenter—Messrs. Browning and Williamson being the same gentlemen selected by this Convention yesterday to fill said vacancies.

We respectfully recommend the passage by this Convention of the following Resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That one-half of any annual deficiency in the present salaries of the present Bishops of the two Dioceses is hereby authorized to be paid by the Treasurer of this Diocese.

2. *Resolved*, That the appointment of a Joint Committee of six members, consisting of one Clergyman and two Laymen from each Diocese, be approved, and that this Convention now appoint its three members of that Committee.

3. *Resolved*, That this Joint Committee have power to adjust, compromise, or remit such arrearages of interest on bonds or assessments as may now be, or may hereafter become due from Parishes that are unable to pay ; and in case, in their judgment, any Parish bond has become worthless, and should be cancelled, to recommend to the two Conventions the cancellation thereof.

4. *Resolved*, That this Joint Committee have power to procure such further legislation from the Legislature of the State of New Jersey as may be necessary for filling vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.

5. *Resolved*, That this Joint Committee have power to procure additions to the Episcopal Fund.

6. *Resolved*, That the Special Committee, appointed in 1873, be discharged.

We further report, from information received from the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund, and the Treasurer of this Diocese, that

The arrears of interest on Parish bonds up to and including April 1, 1876, are..... \$2,655.80
Arrears of interest on Parish bonds for the six months, ending October 1, 1876, are..... 1,722.18

\$4,377.98

Arrears of assessments in Diocese of Northern New Jersey, for salary, previous to November 1, 1875..... 1,162.50
Ditto for year, from Nov. 1, 1875, to Nov. 1, 1876..... 455.00— 1,617.50

\$5,995.48

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. M. ABERCROMBIE,
J. C. GARTHWAITE,
ALFRED MILLS,
DANIEL DODD,
J. EDGAR,

Committee.

Dated *November 22*, 1876.

On motion, the six Resolutions appended to the above Report were then adopted, and the Chair appointed as the three members of the Joint Committee called for by the second Resolution, the Rev. R. M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D., Mr. JEREMIAH C. GARTHWAITE, and Mr. ALFRED MILLS.

The Rev. Dr. Abercrombie presented and read the following

REPORT.

The Special Committee "on Episcopal Residence" report that the sum of twelve hundred dollars has been pledged by individuals in the Diocese for the rent of a residence for the Bishop, to April 1st, ensuing, to be selected by him.

R. M. ABERCROMBIE,
W. W. NEWTON,
J. C. GARTHWAITE,
ALFRED MILLS,
H. R. CLARKE.

JERSEY CITY, *Nov. 21st*, 1876.

On motion of the Rev. Robert Norris Merritt,

Resolved, That a Committee, consisting of three members, be appointed to prepare blank forms for the use of the Bishop, Standing Committee, and Convention, and for all other purposes connected with the administration of the Diocese, with power to print the same, and to draw upon the Treasurer for the expenses incurred.

The Chair appointed as such Committee, the Rev. ROBERT NORRIS MERRITT, the Rev. WM. G. FARRINGTON, D.D., and the Rev. J. BLOOMFIELD WETHERILL.

The Rev. Joseph H. Smith presented and read the following

REPORT.

The Report of the Committee, in regard to the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, respectfully sheweth,

That the number of Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese is sixty-eight, entitling us to a representation of eight Trustees, besides the one to which every Diocese is entitled, making nine in all.

We recommend the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That this Convention nominate to the General Convention as the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary from the Diocese of Northern New Jersey, five Clergymen of the present delegation, taking the names in the order of the date of their election, viz. :

The Rev. J. A. WILLIAMS, D.D.,	The Rev. R. N. MERRITT,
" R. M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D.,	" JOSEPH H. SMITH,
The Rev. WM. G. FARRINGTON, D.D.	

Together with the four Laymen on the present list, viz. :

Mr. J. C. GARTHWAITE,	Mr. WM. B. MOTT,
" CHAS. H. VOORHIS,	" ALFRED MILLS.

Furthermore, If during the eleven months between this date and the time of the meeting of the General Convention the Diocese receive the accession of four Clergymen, we will be entitled to an additional representative; we therefore recommend the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That in case the Diocese become entitled to another Trustee, we nominate the Rev. E. B. Boggs, D.D., to complete the Delegation.

JOSEPH H. SMITH, *Chairman*.
JOHN WILLIAM PAYNE.

On motion, the Resolutions contained in this Report were adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. William H. Carter,

Resolved, That a Committee of Three be appointed to ascertain what changes in the statute law of the State may be advisable or necessary to carry out the provisions of the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese, and to report at the next meeting of the Convention.

The Chair appointed as such Committee, the Rev. WM. H. CARTER, D.D., Ph.D., the Rev. H. B. STUART-MARTIN, and Mr. WILLIAM A. WHITEHEAD.

On motion of the Secretary, the following Clergymen and Laymen were appointed the Committee on Episcopal Residence: the Rev. TELFAIR HODGSON, the Rev. R. M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D., the Rev. JOHN M. HEFFERNAN, and Messrs. J. C. GARTHWAITE, A. MILLS, and H. R. CLARKE.

On motion of the Rev. Philo W. Sprague,

Resolved, That the Chairman of this Convention appoint a Committee of two Clergy and two Laymen to suggest measures for an organized effort, on the part of the Diocese, to check the spread of intemperance.

The Chair appointed, as such Committee, the Rev. P. W. SPRAGUE, the Rev. Dr. CARTER, and Messrs. H. MEIGS, and G. W. NICHOLAS.

On motion of the Secretary, the testimonial of Lay Deputies from St. Matthew's Church, Newark, reported as imperfect by the Committee, was passed by the Convention.

The Rev. James Cameron called up the following proposed substitute for § 4, of Art. IV., of the Constitution, approved last year, and the same was adopted by a majority of each order:

SEC. 4. Lay Deputies shall not be allowed or entitled to vote at any Session of the Convention of this Diocese in any of the following cases:

[1.] In case the Parish sending such Deputy shall for two successive years have failed to report to the Bishop, in accordance with Canon V.

[2.] In case the Parish sending such Deputies shall for two successive years have failed to pay to the proper officer the interest on the Parish bonds, given for the support of the Episcopate and assessments for the same, and such sum or sums as may have been assessed or levied upon such Parish for Diocesan or Convention expenses, unless the same shall have been remitted by action of the Convention.

[8.] In case the Parish sending such Deputy, having been for two successive years without a Parish Minister, and not having provided for regular services, shall have failed to notify the Bishop thereof, and to request that a Missionary be assigned to it.

Lay Deputies of, or from, such Parishes shall, however, be allowed to vote at any Session of the Convention, when it shall appear that at least six months prior to such Session, the report, payment and notifications mentioned in the Subdivisions 1, 2, and 3, of this Section, respectively, have, and each of them has, been given or made.

The following amendment to the Constitution, approved last year, was also called up and adopted by a majority of each order:

Insert in Article V., after the words "this Church," in line 14, the following:

And provided further, That any congregation organized under Trustees, duly incorporated by Act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, may be admitted into union with this Convention when such Trustees shall have furnished an authenticated copy of a resolution promising conformity and obedience to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and to the Constitution and Canons of the Church.

On motion of the Rev. James Cameron, the following Standing Resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund, and of the Treasurer of this Convention, to furnish to the Secretary thereof, on or before the meeting of Convention, a list of such Parishes as may be disfranchised by sub-Section 2, of Section 4, of Art. IV., of the Constitution; and the Secretary shall add thereto the names of such Parishes as may be disfranchised by the aforesaid Section 4, of Art. IV., and, if called for, he shall read such list at the opening of the Convention, and the Parishes named therein shall not vote in the Convention.

The Rev. EDWARD B. BOGGS, D.D., was then re-elected *Registrar of the Diocese*.

Mr. HENRY HAYES was re-elected *Treasurer of the Convention*.

The Rev. JOSEPH H. SMITH and Dr. WILLIAM T. MEROER, were elected *Auditing Committee*.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Registrar of the Diocese be authorized to draw upon the Treasurer for the actual expense incurred in the discharge of the duties of his office.

On motion of the Secretary,

Resolved, That 500 copies of the amended Constitution, and of the Code of Canons, be printed for the use of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. James E. Learned,

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to print 750 copies of the Journal of this Convention.

On motion of the same,

Resolved, That this Convention returns its thanks to the citizens of Jersey City for the abundant hospitality shown its members during the present session.

On motion of the same,

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention are hereby tendered to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestrymen of Grace Church, Jersey City, for the use of the church, and the conveniences afforded for the transaction of business.

On motion,

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay to the Sexton the usual sum for services rendered.

On motion,

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

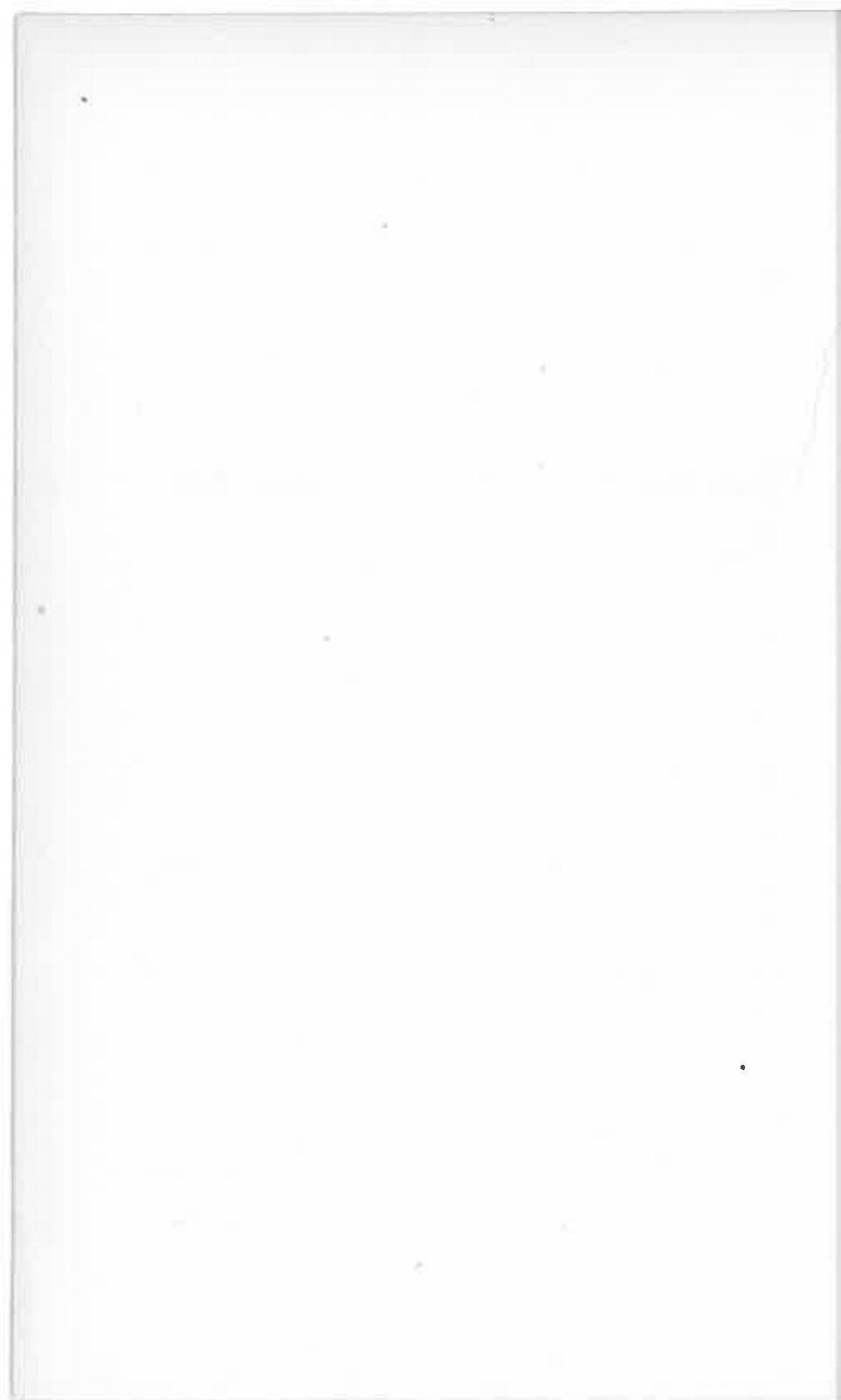
The Minutes of this day's proceedings were read and approved.

After an address from the Bishop, the singing of "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," prayers, and the benediction pronounced by the Bishop, the Convention stood adjourned *sine die*.

Attest:

WILLIAM HENRY ODENHEIMER, D.D.,
President.

WILLIAM G. FARRINGTON, D.D.,
Secretary.



THE SECOND ANNUAL ADDRESS

OF THE

Right Rev. William Henry Odenheimer, D.D.,

BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE

To the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Northern New Jersey,

Assembled in the Second Annual Convention:

BRETHREN BELOVED IN THE LORD:

I WELCOME you, with loving greetings, to this the Second Annual Meeting of the Council of the Church in this goodly jurisdiction. For seventeen years, counting back to my entrance on the Episcopal charge of the entire State and Diocese of New Jersey, I have aimed to fulfil the work for Christ and His Church which belongs to these upper seven counties, in common with the other portions of the State. So that, although the division of the old Diocese gives us in name a new jurisdiction, and makes me report to you in this Address only the second year of work within its limits, nevertheless it is, in point of fact, my seventeenth year of observation, based upon a careful and conscientious visitation of every section of the jurisdiction. I am prepared to welcome you to this authoritative Convention of the representatives of the Diocese, with words of encouragement; and amid all the evident deficiencies of the year's work, and the manifest necessity of greater zeal on the part of us all in the discharge of our respective and most responsible duties, I can use the words of truth and soberness, and say that God's blessing has rested upon the Diocese of Northern New Jersey

during the past year, and made the faithful labors of the Clergy and Laity to abound in practical results to the glory of His great name.

In the single item of Confirmations, there has never been such a gratifying success as the past year has witnessed. In the seven counties which, with the township of Summit, now form our Diocese, there have been 961 persons confirmed.

But it is not only the large number that makes the real point of satisfaction in the record, for there might be no true gain to the Faith and Kingdom of our Divine LORD in mere number of persons confirmed; but when I recall the earnest, prayerful, and most searching efforts on the part of the Pastors, aided by the loving assistance of Sunday-school Teachers and others of the Laity, which have been given to the godly training of the candidates for the Apostolic Ordinance, I feel that this department of church work, in the past year, is worthy of mutual and honest congratulations.

I have also to record, as the result of my year's observations, the work of God's Holy Spirit on the hearts of the members of the Diocese, in every part, in increasing the wholesome spirit of Christian love and genuine fraternal harmony. Without this, I should not venture to claim success in our year's work. The Angel's words, at the birth in the flesh of the Son of God our Saviour, were "Peace on earth;" and the unalterable law of the Church's life is given by our Divine Master in the words, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another;" therefore, when there is no increase of Christian peace and love, there is, in my judgment, no real gain for the glorious Gospel of our gracious LORD.

I shall never cease to press this thought upon you, my brethren, so long as I have a heart to feel and a tongue to speak. It is no failure on my part to appreciate all the other departments of church work, that I make honest Christian love the essential test of church success; but because with every year's increase of experience in the work of the Christian ministry, I am more and more impressed with the words of the incarnate Son of God, in the Book of the Revelation, addressed to the Church of Ephesus :

"I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how

thou canst not bear them which are evil : and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars ; and hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted."

" Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first LOVE."

No amount of other work ; no amount of zeal ; of care for the purity of the Apostolic Ministry ; of patient, unfainting labor, will avail if there be not the pure, changeless, spiritual power of love, "the first love." Let us never forget this teaching of Christ, when he spake to St. John the Divine, in the last utterance of His will, amid the mysterious visions of Patmos.

There is another fact that my last year's Episcopal observation has impressed on my mind, as indicative of a healthy tone in the general working of the Diocese, affording real occasion for grateful mention. I need not dwell on the financial troubles of the past year. They still continue, and to many of the hard-working and meritorious poor of my Diocese they are oppressive almost beyond expression. They have interfered with almost every department of work. We have all suffered ; most of us do still suffer. And yet the faith and hope and charity of the members of my Diocese have not failed. The Pastors have worked on ; the Missionaries have worked on ; the people have worked on ;—so that, with all the deficiency of financial ability, there has been a real increase, in most parts of the Diocese, of a calm, fervent, loving faith in Christ and His Church. Services have been better attended than ever ; there has been deeper attention to pastoral instructions ; and a revival, in many cases, of church life and activity. Such is the testimony of the Clergy, as I have gone in and out among them in my visitations : and such is the personal experience that has come home to me, as I have noticed the character of the congregations in my Episcopal intercourse with them. As I have seen both Clergy and Laity suffering, yet heroically and unobtrusively discharging their duties, I have been reminded of St. Paul's description of his personal experience :

“ We are troubled on every side,
 Yet not distressed ;
 We are perplexed,
 But not in despair ;
 Persecuted, but not forsaken ;
 Cast down, but not destroyed.”

I have thus, beloved, ventured to give you a brief sketch of some of the grounds on which I opened my Annual Address with words of congratulation, in view of the past year's work in the Diocese. The details in full, on which a just judgment may be formed, will be given in the Parochial Reports of the Clergy, which will be printed, and in the particulars which I proceed to notice in my Address.

SUMMARY OF DIOCESAN EPISCOPAL WORK,

FROM THE FIRST ANNUAL CONVENTION, NOVEMBER 17TH, A.D. 1876, TO THE SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION, NOVEMBER 21ST, A.D. 1878.

CONFIRMED, in 68 Parishes, 961 persons. (In 1874-5 confirmed 482.)

(Total during the two years of my Episcopate in Northern New Jersey, 1,443.)

ORDAINED TO THE PRIESTHOOD, 2 } Total, 4.
 ORDAINED TO THE DIACONATE, 2 }

CLERGYMEN RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES, 12.

CLERGYMEN DISMISSED TO OTHER DIOCESES, 9.

CLERGYMAN DECEASED, 1.

NUMBER OF CLERGY IN THE DIOCESE :

Bishop.....	1
Priests.....	62
Deacons.....	5
Total.....	68

There are four Clergymen additional in the Diocese, but not canonically resident, viz. :

The Rev. Ralph Hoyt, Church of the Good Shepherd, Fort Lee ;
 the Rev. J. R. Sharp, Jr. (Deacon), Christ Church, Jersey City ;

the Rev. L. Zahner, Rutherford Memorial Chapel, East Newark ;
the Rev. R. W. Lewis, Holy Innocents', Hoboken.

ADMITTED AND RECEIVED AS CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS, 2

ADMITTED AND RECEIVED AS CANDIDATE FOR PRIESTS' ORDERS, 1

3

TOTAL NUMBER OF CANDIDATES, 6.

ADMITTED AS POSTULANTS, 3 persons ; total number, 3.

LICENSED TO LAY READ, 12 persons ; total number, 35.

There are five Missions in charge of Lay Readers, viz. :

Mendham, Haledon, Paterson, Ringwood, and Northfield ; also
one Parish, viz. : Christ Church, Pompton.

CONSENTED TO THE ORGANIZATION OF ONE NEW PARISH.

INSTITUTED ONE RECTOR.

LAI'D THE CORNER-STONE OF ONE CHAPEL.

THERE ARE 66 INCORPORATED PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE.

THERE ARE 18 MISSIONS.

BAPTIZED (infants, 9 ; adult, 1)—10.

SOLEMNIZED ONE MARRIAGE.

ATTENDED AT TWO FUNERALS.

ISSUED ONE JOINT PASTORAL LETTER WITH BP. OF NEW JERSEY.

RECEIVED TWELVE NOTICES OF SENTENCES OF DEPOSITION, AND
ONE NOTICE OF REJECTION OF A CANDIDATE FOR HOLY ORDERS.

BISHOP DECEASED.

I notice the death of the Right Rev. Dr. John Johns, Bishop of Virginia, which took place on the 5th of last April, at the venerable age of eighty years. He was a dear friend of mine, and a Prelate who was beloved of all for his singular purity of character, consistent yet charitable adherence to his theological opinions, and large-hearted interest in all matters connected with Christian progress, both in his Diocese and in the general Church. In the House of Bishops his influence was marked, and his words of wisdom were always effective. He had few equals in the pulpit, and as a fine specimen of his ability as a thinker and writer, his admirable discourse at the General Convention of 1871 will remain to his praise.

BISHOPS CONSECRATED.

Since November last, I have given my consent to the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Wm. Stevens Perry, to be Bishop of Iowa. He, together with the Bishops elect of Illinois and Fond du Lac, have been consecrated, and have entered on the vigorous discharge of their Episcopal duties in their respective jurisdictions.

At a Special Meeting of the House of Bishops, in Philadelphia, October 13th and 14th, the Rev. Dr. Schereschewsky was elected to be Bishop of China, and has accepted; and the Rev. C. Clifton Penick to be Bishop of Cape Palmas, and the parts adjacent, in Africa.

THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Missions was held in Philadelphia on the 10th, 11th, and 12th of October last. I was able to attend and take part in the opening services, and to be present, on several occasions, at the business sessions.

From the conclusion of the Eleventh Annual Report of the Commission on Home Missions to colored people, which was presented to the Board of Missions, I make the following extract:

"The past eleven years have shown conclusively, again and again, what can be accomplished by earnest, faithful work in behalf of the Colored people of the South. There is only one real solution of the whole African question. Human legislation has attempted it, but in many important particulars it has failed. No section of our country has as yet apprehended the true condition and destiny of the Colored man, or been successful in his general elevation. It is not in the mere counsels of men that this is to be accomplished. All plans must fail, and treasure be expended in vain, until we seek his true elevation as an immortal being, through the medium of the Gospel of Grace. The only true civilizer is the Christian teacher; and the only elevation worthy of the name, must be based on an intelligent Christianity. Here, in this great work of instructing and stimulating him in Christian duty, is a plane on which we all may meet. Here we develop, as nowhere else, his true manhood. Here we dissolve those mists by which his intellect has been clouded, through the long years and generations of his thralldom. Here we discharge the debt we owe him, so long over-due. Here we prepare him, without divesting him of his gentle and affectionate manners, to perform his daily duty in that state of life to which he may be called. To his Christian culture, all else is to be subordinated; and our obligations can only be met and discharged by the prompt and unremitting performance of this duty. In this alone is the solution of the problem.

"It is not the highest destiny of the Black man, to merge his individuality in that of the Caucasian race, and be no more seen; he has duties that are eminently his, reaching in their results far beyond the present, just as he has idiosyncrasies and impulses of his own. His future is not simply our

future, but the future of the millions who are occupying his ancestral home. His destiny is to still further develop under Christian teaching in our own land, and then to bring beneath the shadow of the Cross the waste places of the earth, now given over to superstition.

"Even those whose opportunities have been best for acquiring information in regard to his true character, are beginning to feel they had much to learn in regard to him.

"His accumulations, as given by published statistics, show conclusively that he is not all unthrift; his success in study, that he has intellect; and his kind-heartedness still remains, undoubted.

"Let it not be forgotten, that the majority of the people of this earth, *now living* and existing on its surface, are Colored. God has uses for the African race, and for all these races, that we in our short-sightedness never thought of. As they develop and are prepared for it, they will go forth through the channels of commerce, and a hundred other ways, to carry our civilization to distant lands, and mould them to whatever shape we now give them in this generation.

"It is God's purpose, as we may believe, to reach Africa through her own descendants. May we not then ask in this centennial year—a year of such general thanksgiving—that Missions already begun, be strengthened, and that other Missions may be planted in localities heretofore neglected. The work is growing on our hands. The Church has yet a great work to do, and we have faith to hope, during the coming year, for enlarged support from all our congregations."

I trust that the Diocese of Northern New Jersey will not fail to make regular and liberal contributions, as to all the departments of the Board, so also to the Treasury of the Home Missions to Colored people. The Rev. Wellington E. Webb, 40 Bible House, New York, is the Secretary of the Executive Committee.

I mention the death of the Rev. Dr. Richard B. Duane, the faithful Secretary of the Foreign Committee of the Board of Missions, after two years and six months of entire devotion to the duties of his office. He was in past years one of my Presbyters, and I have followed his course with deep personal interest, and feel that the Church has lost a most efficient laborer in this difficult department of work.

PRESBYTER DECEASED.

I record, with deep feeling, the death of the second oldest Clergyman on our list, the Reverend Jacob D. Moore. I had not been informed of his sickness, and a passing but kindly notice of his funeral in New York, which I chanced to see in a public newspaper, was the first intimation I had of his departure out of this life. Mr. Moore resided on his own property at Belleville, but was engaged in regular Missionary duty at Tenafly. He was a man of

individuality of character, but thoroughly devoted to the Mission work, in which, long before I was elected Bishop of New Jersey, and under my predecessor, Bishop Doane, he had labored with great success and with unselfish and generous zeal.

I had seen more of him during the last summer than usual, and from his expressions and personal appearance, I had thought him in better health than usual. But it has pleased the Divine Master to take him from our midst, and thus to enforce the warning to us who remain—"Watch, for ye know not at what hour the Master of the house cometh."

Mr. Moore had often spoken to me of his sincere desire, and determination, to set apart a portion of his property at Belleville for the pious uses of the Church; and within the last few months I had urged him to complete his godly intentions, and secure, by a duly executed legal paper, in charge of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese, his intended gift. I have no information that his purpose was consummated.

THE MISSIONARY WORK OF THE DIOCESE.

During the past year I have visited, with great satisfaction, the Missions of the Diocese, and bear witness to the unflagging zeal of the Deans, with the Clergy and Laity of the two Convocations, and also to the successful work of the devoted Missionaries who are actually in charge. The Report of the Rev. Dr. Merritt, Dean of the Convocation of Newark, and the Report of the Rev. Dr. Abercrombie, Dean of the Convocation of Jersey City, will give the details of the Mission work in their respective departments. I urge upon the Parochial Clergy the necessity of regular and systematic attention to the appeals of the Deans in the contribution of funds to our Diocesan Missions. And I also urge upon the Laity the absolute importance of laying aside, without fail, a fixed sum for their gifts to the Treasury of the Lord, to be used in the Church work of this jurisdiction. Our Diocese is, comparatively, small; we can have ample information concerning the Missions within its limits; and I trust that with the knowledge of our necessities duly made known by the Pastors, our Christian men, women, and children will not suffer the good work to be crippled. But to succeed, I repeat it, there must be a thoroughly conscientious and business-like sys-

tem adopted in the setting apart of a definite sum, and its regular contribution at the appointed time. Not only in the department of Diocesan Missions, but in all departments, Foreign and Domestic, of Church work,—in our contributions to Indians and Freedmen, let there be adopted a deliberate and systematic plan of giving, and be the amount great or small, it will be regular, and, what is more, it will increase year after year.

PAROCHIAL WORK IN THE SEVERAL PARISHES AND MISSIONS.

In addition to my inquiries and observations at my visitations of the Parishes and Missions, I have received information of interest from the Parochial Reports, which have been sent to me, in many cases, before the meeting of the Convention. I shall be much pleased if the Reverend Clergy will endeavor to place their Reports in my hands, "*before*" the actual meeting of our Annual Council, in accordance with the suggestions of the Canons of both the General and our own Diocesan Conventions.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HOBOKEN.—Under the faithful work of the Rector and his people, this Parish has raised \$20,000 for the reduction of the bonded debt, in addition to \$4,800 extra for other parochial purposes. When I recall the almost desperate condition of this Parish, at the time the present Rector took charge, I must express thus publicly my appreciation of the faithful and most liberal spirit that has succeeded, with God's blessing, in placing the Church on its present firm foundation.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ENGLEWOOD.—Notwithstanding my apprehensions, lest the schismatical action of some of the former officers and members of this Parish should embarrass, for a time, the efforts of the Rector and his Congregation, I found, on my visitation, the largest attendance of earnest-hearted people I have ever met there, and held the largest confirmation (21 persons), I think, ever held in the Parish. The total amount of Offerings during the year has been \$7,605.37. I trust that the success thus exhibited may be helpful to us all in our different departments of work, especially in view of the efforts to continue the schism begun under the name of a "Reform" in the Church. If we will work on cautiously,

earnestly, in faith and love, avoiding controversy whilst teaching our people, and especially the children, the scriptural and catholic truth as to the history and authority of the Church, we may leave results where they properly belong, in the hands of God, and possess our souls in peace.

MISSION AT SCHOOLLEY'S MOUNTAIN.—We have no place of worship of our own on the Mountain; but I have generally held a service in the summer, and have often provided for a few other services during the season. This last year I requested the Rev. Dr. Clerc to act during a month; and his Report, which will be published among the Parochial Reports, will be found to be full of interest. The time must come when a small building of our own will be necessary, if our Mission is to have more than a name to mark it.

THE GERMAN MISSION OF ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, NEWARK.—I was much pleased with my annual visitation to this Mission Parish. It had almost ceased to exist; but the labors of the Missionary, the Rev. C. F. W. Treptow, who has been appointed within the last year, have been successful in reviving it. Everything seemed to indicate a real revival in the work; and I trust that the liberality of churchmen will not be wanting to sustain the Missionary and his faithful co-workers in this important mission. I confirmed 8 persons.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, NEWARK.—The Rector, the Rev. Dr. Boggs, has begun the erection of a temporary church building on the foundations laid some time ago for a permanent stone edifice. The money has been raised to cover the expected outlay, and the frame building will be ready for occupation in the spring. Its completion will be a great gain to the Parish.

CHRIST CHURCH, NEWARK.—By the indefatigable exertions of the Rector, the Rev. J. N. Stansbury, a portion of the enlargement made to the stone church has been finished in the interior, and is now occupied. It affords much needed rooms for Parish purposes.

MISSION CHAPEL, ALLENDALE.—The Rev. L. R. Dickinson, Rector of the Parish at Ridgewood, has been successful in com-

pleting the Chapel of the Epiphany. The cost has been \$2,000, of which over \$1,600 have been already secured.

GRACE CHURCH, JERSEY CITY.—While commending the congregation of this Parish for the large amount contributed for Parochial and Diocesan objects, I desire to notice the admirable arrangements which have been made for the comfort and convenience of the members of the present Convention. The music and all the preparations made for the services have given me great satisfaction.

GRACE CHURCH, ORANGE.—I note with much pleasure the large offerings of this Parish—of which the Rev. Dr. Schuyler is Rector—for Domestic and Foreign Missionary work, and trust the example thus set will be followed by all the Parishes of the Diocese.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, JERSEY CITY.—In this Parish, under the leadership of the Rev. Dr. Abercrombie, the goodly sum of \$12,000 has been raised for Church purposes in general.

THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMMUNION, SOUTH ORANGE, the Rev. Henry V. Degen, Rector.—I am gratified to find that this Parish has reduced its debt by \$1,000.

CALVARY CHURCH, SUMMIT, the Rev. John F. Butterworth, Rector, has also been successful in materially reducing its indebtedness. The men, who in times like these, undertake and successfully carry through the work of relieving Church property from encumbrances of this nature are deserving of all honor.

CHRIST CHURCH, BELLEVILLE, the Rev. C. S. Abbott, Rector.—The Church has been refurnished, the Sunday-school rooms decorated, and other needed improvements made.

THE HOUSE OF PRAYER, NEWARK, the Rev. Hannibal Goodwin, Rector.—This Parish has celebrated its Quarto-centennial Anniversary during the past year. The Parish is prosperous, and its Sisterhood shows a remarkable degree of trained intelligence and devotion in the prosecution of its all-important work.

ST. JOHN'S, WOODSIDE, NEWARK.—Under its new Rector, the Rev. J. Bloomfield Wetherill, I have much confidence that this Parish will be speedily relieved from its embarrassments, and enter upon a new era of prosperity.

TRINITY CHURCH, BERGEN POINT, the Rev. G. H. Walsh, D.D., Rector.—The great need of this important Parish is a new church edifice. If this could be provided, the present Church, with some slight alterations, would be admirably adapted to Sunday-school purposes and other Church work. Without the proper machinery, it is impossible that the Parish work can be carried on effectively; and I earnestly hope that, with the anticipated improvement of the financial times, some steps may be taken to erect such a Church at Bergen Point as shall be worthy of the Parish, and shall fully develop its strength and influence.

ENGLISH CHAPEL AT COLOGNE, GERMANY.—This Mission, since the first of last May, has been in full charge of one of our Presbyters, the Rev. Dr. Henry F. Hartman, by the special license of the Lord Bishop of London, and with my own permission. He writes to me of his success, and especially in connection with the care of children, who have been sent without sufficient inquiry to improper schools in Cologne. I commend Dr. Hartman to the attention of those who may need Clerical advice for themselves and their children during their travels abroad. His Chapel is "*Temple House in the Rheingasse, No. 8.*"

THE CLERGYMEN'S MUTUAL INSURANCE LEAGUE

In regard to this most excellent Institution, whose President, the Rev. F. C. Putnam, is a Presbyterian of my Diocese, and whose Treasurer, the Rev. Wm. N. Dunnell, was so at the time of its organization under an Act of Incorporation of the Legislature of this State, I have much gratification in being able to report that its benevolent work continues unabated; that during the past year it has distributed \$45,000 to the families of 24 deceased Clergymen, and during the past 8 years not less than \$195,000 to the families of 102 deceased members. I heartily commend this Institution to the confidence of the Clergy of my Diocese.

THE NEW TRANSLATION OF THE GERMAN PRAYER BOOK.

As one of the Committee of the General Convention on the Translation of the Prayer-book into German, it may be well to state that the work is progressing, under the direction, chiefly, of the learned Mr. Siegmund, and at the expense, I think, of the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society. I have introduced the Rev. Dr. Rosé, of this Diocese, to Mr. Siegmund; and the following note will show that Dr. Rosé is rendering acceptable assistance.

NEW YORK, *Aug. 7, 1876.*

RT. REV. AND DEAR SIR:—I beg leave to send you, with to-day's mail, another portion of the new version of the German Prayer Book. It is my translation of the Family Prayers. You are respectfully requested to return the same with your corrections to my address.

The Rev. Dr. Rosé's emendations to the former portions of my translation have been carefully compared with the suggestions of the other members and advisers of the Committee, and are as far as feasible embodied in the "Proof Sheet Edition" of the N. Y. Bible and Common Prayer Book Society. I hope to see Dr. Rosé in the course of this month, and to have a thorough exchange of views with him with regard to this matter. I beg leave to remain, Right Rev. Sir,

Your obedient servant,
G. F. SIEGMUND.

ST. BARNABAS' HOSPITAL, NEWARK.

St. Barnabas' Hospital has continued with increasing energy its unselfish work of medical benevolence. The past year's Report of the Medical Staff states that "never before have their efforts been more successful or their work equalled." They also add, and I direct most affectionately the attention of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese to the suggestion, that "we feel constrained to speak of the daily increasing necessity of making a renewed and greater effort to provide a more suitable building for our work. No one can appreciate the wants of those working in the Hospital, without a personal and minute inspection. And while to any one visiting the Hospital all may appear clean, neat, well-regulated, and perhaps easily managed, they cannot realize the many hours of work, and the great task it is to do this:

"We end our Report by congratulating the gentlemen of the Board of Trustees upon the step taken in placing the management of the Hospital in the hands of Sisters. During the last few

months the Medical Staff have been witnesses many times of the wisdom of this step. And here we take occasion to speak of our appreciation of the work of the Sisters, and to pay a tribute to the zeal, efficiency, and untiring energy with which they have performed their duties, and most gladly share with them our success."

There is also a most interesting and very pressing want, which I commend earnestly to the generous hearts of our people, viz., a *children's Ward*. The Rev. Joseph H. Smith, the devoted Chaplain of St. Barnabas, says on this point:

"It is hard to refuse admission to diseased and needy children; and yet it is harder still to be compelled to take tender and impressible childhood into common wards, crowded with various forms of adult suffering and dissolution, to expose the little ones to the terror and apprehension of such scenes.

"We have absolutely no proper place in which to treat wisely and judiciously the peculiar ailments of children; and yet the need of such a place, in a city with the population of Newark, cannot be questioned.

"The expenditure of a few hundred dollars will afford us this much needed accommodation. Who will begin a fund for this purpose? Who will make generous contributions towards it?"

The ladies of Newark, and the Church in its vicinity, have been most zealous in their work for the Hospital, and have collected nearly sixteen hundred dollars for the current expenses of the Institution. May God's blessing rest upon them and their co-workers in the Diocese in all departments of Church effort. The practical result of woman's work in Missionary, Educational, and Hospital efforts, must win the grateful acknowledgments of all. I notice in the Report of Mrs. E. L. Keasbey, First Directress of the Ladies' Co-operative Society, the statement, most encouraging:

"We have been able, with the timely help of St. Barnabas' Guild, to meet all the internal expenses of the Hospital, and to hold a balance of three hundred dollars towards our summer expenses. If, in making these suggestions, we seem to forget the modesty which should always rule all woman's work, we can only plead our zeal for the Hospital as our excuse."

During the past year, after matured deliberation and consultation with judicious advisers, I established the "COMMUNITY OF ST. BARNABAS," and the Board has placed the internal administration of the Institution under the care of this community of pious women, organized into a religious society for pious and charitable purposes. The efficiency and economy with which these sisters of St. Barna-

bas have performed their duties, deserve the thanks of the Church, as they have secured the comfort of the patients of the Hospital.

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE OF NORTHERN NEW JERSEY

Was first formed last fall, with the Bishop's approval, as an Indian Aid Association, and extended itself later in the season to a General Missionary Society, embracing all departments of work. The Treasurer reports the sum of \$2,262.58 contributed in money and boxes during the year; and its members trust that their modest beginning will steadily develop into a vigorous association, extending a ready hand wherever there is a call for help. In many Parishes the good work has long been going on, and this organization of a Diocesan Association need make no change in these earlier established agencies. The hope is, that by systematizing the work, and uniting many in the good cause, sympathy and good will may be increased and the bond of fellowship be strengthened among the Christian women of the Diocese.

THE EXAMINING CHAPLAINS AND CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

I am happy to know that the three Ordinations that have been held, one to the Diaconate and two to the Priesthood, have been marked by the excellent attainments of the candidates. In one of these cases, a letter from the newly-ordained Priest contains the following passage: "Let me thank the Bishop for the kind encouragement to prove myself superior to 'dispensations.'" It is not often that such an acknowledgment as this is made, and it leads one to express the conviction that *dispensations* of time or studies, should be granted to persons preparing for Holy Orders in very rare cases, and only for imperative reasons. In these days, when the Laity are, in many cases, remarkable for their literary, scientific, and even theological attainments, it is undignified, to say the least, for a Christian student, looking forward to leadership in the Church's hosts, to talk about "dispensations." And the Examining Chaplains of this Diocese, with no disposition to be unjust, are of one mind with the other ecclesiastical authorities of the Diocese, in endeavoring to exalt the general tone of scholarship in the candidates.

The following letter is an evidence of their desire :

ST. MATTHEW'S RECTORY,
JERSEY CITY, July 17, 1878.

MY DEAR BISHOP :—The Examining Chaplains met here on the 17th inst. It was resolved to ask your permission to classify the Chaplains as follows :

First Examination.

ROBERT N. MERRITT, R. M. ABERCROMBIE.

Second Examination.

J. N. STANSBURY, F. C. PUTNAM.

Third Examination.

N. S. RULISON, W. H. CARTER.

Are you willing to sanction this arrangement, which will be convenient and secure better service in the several departments? It was also resolved that each class of Examiners should prepare schedules of questions and submit to the other classes for review, and that a higher standard of examination should be determined. We may thus help to defend the Church from a loose and incompetent Ministry.

Yours, faithfully and devotedly,
R. M. ABERCROMBIE.

I heartily concur with the Chaplains, and shall be glad to second, in every way in my power, their efforts to fulfil the arduous duties of their canonically regulated office, to the edification of the Church, in the due preparation of candidates for the Holy Ministry.

PUBLIC LETTER OF GREETINGS TO REV. DR. VON DÖLLINGER.

In answer to a letter, which is here presented, I gave my name, with great cordiality, believing that the devoted efforts of the most illustrious and learned theologian, Dr. von Döllinger, deserve the thanks of the Church, and tend to the peace and union of the whole Catholic body. I have no intemperate views on this subject of Christian Union, nor do I undertake to embarrass the progress of God's work, waiting in faith His time and will; but when men of profound learning, of acknowledged gravity of character, and mature judgment, devote themselves to the preliminaries of the great work, for which the Divine Master prayed, they deserve our hearty sympathy.

RIGHT REVEREND AND DEAR BROTHER :

Should you desire to append your signature to the letter to Dr. von Döllinger which follows, and which has already received the names of the three senior Bishops, be so good as to fill up the accompanying blank, and transmit the same in the envelope enclosed with this. The Rev. Charles R. Hale, the Clerk of the Commission of Bishops appointed to correspond with the

Old Catholics, will attend to having the filled-up blanks duly affixed to an engrossed copy of the letter, and properly forwarded.

Yours faithfully,

WM. CROSWELL DOANE, *Bishop of Albany*,
ALBANY, March 28, A. D. 1876.

THE RIGHT REVEREND,

THE BISHOP OF NORTHERN NEW JERSEY.

The Public Letter is as follows :

The undersigned, Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, desire to convey to the Rev. Dr. von Döllinger our loving greetings :—

We have read, with the most intense interest, the proceedings of the Second Conference at Bonn, and have watched, with increasing confidence, the progress of the great movement, which combines in its purpose the Reformation, from within, of the Latin Communion, and a real and recognized Inter-communion among parted portions of the Holy Catholic and Apostolical Church of our Lord JESUS CHRIST.

And we bless God for the manifest guidance of His HOLY SPIRIT, which has led the Old Catholics, by careful and well-considered steps, towards a return to the primitive purity of discipline and doctrine : and for the manifest outpouring of His HOLY SPIRIT, which made of one mind, as dwellers together in unity, the representatives gathered together at Bonn, from the distant and divided portions of the Church.

Whatever action may be deemed wise and best in the future, in dealing with the difficult question of the altered Creed of Nice and Constantinople, at the present it is a great advance and gain to have now, from East and West, in the persons of truly representative men, an agreement as to the Faith, and a mutual understanding as to the force of language in the great Theological Statement of the Procession of the HOLY GHOST.

To you, Reverend and Beloved Brother, called as Moses was, in the fullness and ripeness of your age, to be a leader in the Israel of GOD, we are glad to convey, not our empty congratulations merely, but the assurance of our grateful sympathy and affection, and the promise of our prayers.

THE CHURCH SOCIETIES.

I assume that contributions have been made, under Pastoral direction, for the various Church Societies that help the Parishes of the Diocese ; but I take occasion to urge the importance of aiding liberally these valuable institutions, and especially those whose appeals are urgent.

THE NEW YORK BIBLE AND COMMON PRAYER BOOK SOCIETY has especial claims on us. We have received their gifts ; let us not fail to return our contributions. I make the following extract from their appeal :

“ Since the year 1806 the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society has been engaged in the work of distributing Bibles, Prayer Books,

and Testaments. During the year just past, it has distributed 1,670 Bibles, 1,168 Testaments, and 81,882 Prayer Books, making a total of 84,170 volumes.

"In common with all other institutions, we have experienced a falling off in our receipts, compelling us to curtail our benefactions. Having no special agents to present our claims, we rely upon a simple statement of our work from year to year, and upon the recognition of its importance, in order to secure for it the needed sympathy and support.

"We trust that this year may prove no exception to those which are passed, but that willing friends will be found ready to supply our needs."

THE MEXICAN CHURCH work deserves especial notice, as a subject of charity and church interest.

The following appeal from our Bishops, representing the entire House of Bishops, is here presented :

BALTIMORE, *Feb. 1st, 1878.*

The undersigned members of the "Mexican Commission," appointed by the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church, cordially approve the formation, by the women of the Church, of a Mexican League, for the purpose of obtaining the means required for carrying forward the work of "The Mexican Branch of the Catholic Church of our Lord Jesus Christ militant upon earth;" and otherwise aiding the same.

W. R. WHITTINGHAM, Bishop of Maryland,
Chairman of the Mexican Commission.
 ALFRED LEE, Bishop of Delaware,
 G. T. BEDELL, Bishop of Ohio,
 WM. BACON STEVENS, Bishop of Pennsylvania,
 A. CLEVELAND COXE, Bishop of Western New York,
 JOHN B. KERFOOT, Bishop of Pittsburgh.

The Rev. Dr. Henry Chauncey Riley, who has the especial charge of the Mexican Church Work, says :

"This Church of Jesus in Mexico, in seeking to follow the model of the primitive Church, has naturally drawn very near to the Church of England, and to the Protestant Episcopal Church.

"From personal observation, I can state that this "Old Catholic" movement in Mexico deserves earnest attention. It is rapidly developing into a very influential organization. Congregations connected with it have for years regularly met in the Church of San José de Gracia, and in the Chapel of St. Francis in the City of Mexico. The great Church of St. Francis in that capital—a building two hundred and fifty feet in length, with a most beautiful and noble interior—is expected to be opened as the Metropolitan Cathedral of the Church of Jesus, in Mexico, in the course of the next few months. A former Roman Catholic Presbyterian, named José M. Gonzalez, a man of great power and learning, who has joined this "Old Catholic" movement, now preaches to large congregations, and is exerting a great influence in Mexico. Many among the Roman Catholic Clergy are watching this Church of Jesus with deepest interest and sympathy. The laws of

Mexico offer entire liberty of worship. The fact that the fine old Church of San José de Gracia, in the City of Mexico, was bought directly from the Mexican Government for this "Old Catholic" movement, as well as many other facts, some of which I cannot yet publish, show what sympathy it already has."

THE BOARD OF MISSIONS has issued the following appeal, which I earnestly commend to the consideration and generous contributions of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese.

Resolutions appended to the Report of the Special Committee on the Subject of Offerings for Missions:

1. *Resolved*, That it is the bounden duty (a duty formally recognized by this Church) of every one "baptized in the Name of the LORD JESUS," systematically to give a due portion of the substance which a gracious Providence intrusts to his keeping, for the spread of the Gospel, and the salvation of men.

2. *Resolved*, That it is incumbent on those who are ordained to preach the Gospel, to practise, and in their public and private teachings to insist on this, as on other duties of a Christian life, "whether men will hear or whether they will forbear."

3. *Resolved*, That while it may not be practicable to introduce the "Pledge and Envelope system" into all the Parishes of the land, as the one method of drawing forth the periodical contributions of the people for the Domestic and Foreign Missions of the Church, yet the efficiency of that system is so apparent, in the localities where it has been faithfully tried, that its adoption is earnestly recommended in every place where it can be employed without conflict with the same system in use for other objects of local and paramount importance, and that in such cases, the device and immediate use of some other harmonious system adapted to engage the people of every age and condition in the support of the General Missions of the Church, is urgently demanded by the wants of this Board, and by the word of Him Who is Head over all things to His Church.

4. *Resolved*, That on the Clergy who are engaged in the cure of souls, is devolved, by Divine appointment, the duty of stirring up those who are committed to them for guidance, to the acceptance of some systematic plan of making offerings for the LORD's work in all the world; and of taking the lead in the introduction, and subsequent operation, of some local agency by which Missionary interest shall be kept alive; and regular contributions for Missions shall be made by all their Parishioners.

THE INDIAN COMMISSION, through the Bishop of Niobrara and his devoted fellow workers, asks for, and deserves a most liberal addition to the means now at their disposal. I urge you to make this appeal the subject of your especial influence. The Committee tells us that:

"All of the Schools are full—some of them overcrowded—and the Chapel Services are well attended. At the Spotted Tail Agency, where work has been but recently commenced, the School already numbers 170, and everything is most encouraging. From every part of the field the Reports indicate an unwonted interest and an increasing degree of temporal and spiritual prosperity,

"Our Missions among the Indians, we are very confident, have been conducted with great economy and good judgment, and the undersigned feel that but for the breaking down of Bishop Hare's health, chiefly by his many labors, this appeal would have been unnecessary. Under the circumstances, therefore, we submit it to all classes of our Church, believing that in this way the desired relief may be made ample and easy.

"The laborers now carrying on the work have already made great self-sacrifices, but they are ready to make still greater, rather than have the work diminished or broken up. One hard-working Missionary writes requesting the Committee to diminish his moderate stipend one-half if necessary. Surely the friends of Indian Missions will not allow the men and women now in the field to make all the sacrifices which the necessities of the case may require; nor will they compel the Executive Committee to withdraw their Missionaries and laborers from a field so inviting. We cannot but believe that there will be a ready and cordial response; and with this feeling and hope the Committee submit the case to their brethren.

"Contributions may be sent to the Secretary of the Indian Commission, No. 80 Bible House, New York."

COMMISSION OF HOME MISSIONS TO COLORED PEOPLE.—Another unobtrusive but most important agency of the Church for extending the Faith and Kingdom of Christ is Home Missions to our Southern colored brethren. From a Report, issued by the Commission, I make the following extract.

"For the last ten years it has been generally admitted that the colored people of the Southern States have presented a field for educational and missionary labor of surpassing interest. Love of our common country, philanthropy, religion, all conspire to awaken the energy and solicitude of the public mind.

"* * * * * Our Commission is at this time sadly in need of money. Will not our friends, therefore, who have hitherto not forgotten us in their annual offerings, remember us this year, and that speedily? Grant all that may be urged in depreciation of the work, and more; that these people are among the least of those for whom the Saviour died, then, all effort in their behalf must be deemed the offspring of truest love and purest faith. All Christians may well covet the opportunity of giving to a cause in which it is so improbable that selfishness can prevail.

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

THE FOREIGN COMMITTEE, having in charge the conduct of the Foreign Missions of the Church, are in serious distress for the want of funds, and I trust that every Parish in the Diocese will make its collection for both Foreign and Domestic departments of the Church's work.

I commend this subject to the especial attention of you, my Brethren, Clerical and Lay, who represent our Diocese in this our Annual Convention.

I extract the following passage from the Report of the Committee :

"The Committee to whom it was referred to consider and report upon the condition and work of the Foreign Committee, beg leave to present the result of their deliberations under the following heads :

"*The Financial Condition.*—We find that the cash receipts for last year—the year closing with September—were \$89,724.74, while the cash disbursements were \$106,198.76, showing an excess of payments over receipts of \$16,474.02. This excess, added to \$16,281.46—the excess of payments over receipts for the preceding year, makes an aggregate of indebtedness at the commencement of the present financial year of \$32,755.48. Ordinarily a moderate arrearage on the first of January has occasioned no anxiety, as the receipts by the first of June have removed it, leaving a balance in the Treasury. But when for two years and more the expenses of the Committee have exceeded its income at the rate of over \$16,000 per annum, it is made painfully evident that the financial condition of the Committee claims special attention. The Church has devolved upon the Foreign Committee the responsibility of administering the affairs of its Foreign Missions. But in the discharge of this responsibility, we think the Foreign Committee should not, as a rule, embarrass itself, or those whom they represent, by debt. The Committee are but Trustees, to use, to the best of their ability, such funds as may be intrusted to them. We therefore recommend that it be made a special and primary object with the Committee to free itself at the earliest practical moment of its pecuniary indebtedness."

CHRISTIAN WORK ON THE ISLAND OF CUBA.

It is a special work for Christ, commended by the House of Bishops, which the Rev. Edward Kenney has charge of in the Island of Cuba. Bishop Whipple has visited the place and seen the details of the work, and, in common with the Bishop of Huron, Canada, has made a statement, of which the following is an extract.

Bishop Whipple sent out the Rev. Edward Kenney in 1871. He is a devout, earnest, and prudent man. Under great difficulties and some opposition, he has gone on quietly with his work. He has been at death's door by the yellow fever. His work has been confined to the foreign population. Public services are held every Sunday in the saloon of one of the hotels. One of the largest hospitals is under his spiritual care. He has baptized thirty persons, buried one hundred and twenty-five persons, and made over four thousand visits to the sick and dying. The time has come when this work ought to be placed upon a more secure foundation. We must rent a suitable building, and provide for the support of the Pastor. We must soon provide for similar services in other cities. The Consul-General of Great Britain, Mr. Dunlop, the Consul-General of the German Empire, Mr. Zach, the Consul-General of the United States, Mr. Hale, and Mr. Beck and Mr. Lawton, have consented to act as a committee to receive and expend contributions.

NEW YORK CITY, Oct 25th, 1875.

To GEORGE H. FITZWILSON, Esq., New York City.

MY DEAR SIR :—You are hereby authorized and requested to solicit and receive subscriptions to the Havana Church and Hospital, and in every way to act in my stead in the United States.

Enclosed you will find letters from Bishop Whipple, of Minnesota, and the Rev. Edward Kenney, of Havana.

Very truly your obedient Servant,
W. H. GILSON.

In reference to the above letter giving you the authority to solicit money and aid for this important work—

I ask you to give the matter as much of your time as you conveniently can. We are greatly in need of funds.

I am very grateful to you for your kindness. I remain

Sincerely yours,

EDWARD KENNEY."

New York, Oct. 25th, 1875.

To GEORGE H. FITZWILSON, Esq.

THE "OLD CHURCH" OF ST. MARY IN BURLINGTON.

On the Feast of the Purification, February 2d, I assisted in the benedictory services at the restoration and re-opening of the Old Church of St. Mary, in Burlington, founded in 1703, disused in 1854.

When I recall the Holy Services that have been held in this Old Church, many of which the former Bishops of New Jersey conducted, and in which all the members of the Dioceses of the State of New Jersey have assisted, we may all rejoice in the restoration of the Old Church, and adopt with hearty reality the prayer used on the occasion of the re-opening :

O most glorious Lord, we acknowledge that we are not worthy to offer unto Thee anything belonging unto us; yet we beseech Thee, in Thy great goodness, graciously to accept the renewed Dedication of this place to Thy service; receive the prayers and intercessions of all who shall call upon Thee in this house; that coming before Thee with clean thoughts and pure hearts, with bodies undefiled, and minds sanctified, they may always perform a service acceptable to Thee; through Jesus Christ, our LORD. *Amen.*

In connection with this reference to the Old Church at Burlington, allow me to commend to you, as a valuable collection of important historical facts in the history of New Jersey, the work of the Rev. Dr. George Morgan Hills, Rector of St. Mary's Church,

entitled "History of the Church in Burlington." The scholarly manner in which all the facts embodied have been grouped, gives the book a prominent historic value, which the general student of American ecclesiastical history, as well as the Burlington churchman, will appreciate. The book is worthy of a place in the public Libraries, as it is essential to the private libraries of all New Jersey churchmen.

JOINT LETTER IN BEHALF OF ST. MARY'S HALL.

On the 25th of last January, I united with the Bishop of New Jersey in issuing a letter to the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese, touching the interests of St Mary's Hall. The entire renovation of the building in every department, at great pecuniary outlay, and the perfect character of the Institution, both in material and spiritual agency, to preserve and improve the physical, intellectual, and spiritual health of its pupils, compel me to present the matter to your conscientious attention as representatives of the Church in this jurisdiction.

I append the Pastoral Letter in this my Annual Address, as giving, I trust, increased circulation and efficiency to the appeal:

Dear Brethren of the Clergy of the Dioceses of New Jersey and Northern New Jersey:

We ask your earnest and thoughtful attention to the following considerations, touching the present position and work of St. Mary's Hall.

It is now completing its thirty-ninth year. It has graduated 571 pupils, and probably not less than 3,500 have received instruction within its walls. Not a few of these have been called to occupy places of influence and importance in the work of the Church; and all, it is confidently believed, were the better fitted for their place and duty in life, by the nurture and training here received. St. Mary's Hall has fully done—and is now doing—all that its devoted and sanguine Founder predicted for it.

But this very success, which has prompted the establishment of many similar schools, far and near, may work harm to it, by diminishing its sources of patronage and support. Indeed, the circle from which the larger number of pupils formerly came, has been gradually contracting, till the conviction forces itself upon us that every year St. Mary's must become *more and more exclusively* A NEW JERSEY SCHOOL, depending mainly on home patronage.

It is for this reason that we would now formally lay its claims before you, and state a few of the many advantages it has, to commend it specially to the Clergy.

I.—Its position is central, and easily accessible from all parts of the State; while in healthfulness it fearlessly challenges comparison with any other similar Institution.

II.—It is not too much to say that it is now more thoroughly prepared and equipped for doing its work than ever before. In the past year, a large outlay of money has put its buildings in complete repair, supplying to the inmates the comforts of a refined home. None of the modern appliances of education are wanting. The teachers, most of them tested by long and successful service in their several departments, are fully competent, and, we believe, at least the equal of those who gave St. Mary's its early fame.

III.—For the advantages offered, and as compared with the rates of other schools, the charges for tuition are very moderate. There are literally no "extras," to swell the school bill. The single charge of \$450 a year covers everything: board, washing, and the whole curriculum of study—music, instrumental and vocal—painting and drawing—ancient and modern languages: all are included. Even the use of text-books and pianos is free. Any parent who has educated a daughter at a fashionable boarding-school, knows what an item of cost are the "extras," every term. This feature of St. Mary's is one that should strongly commend it. Every branch of learning taught in the best schools, is here afforded, at one uniform rate; and the course of instruction is most thorough and complete.

IV.—A large deduction is made, in favor of the daughters of the Clergy, reducing the charge to the bare cost of maintenance, or less; while the orphans or half-orphans of Olergymen have always been admitted at nominal rates, and often as free pupils. None but those intimately acquainted with the past or present working of the School, can know how large and frequent its benefactions are, in this direction.

And these benefactions will be gladly increased, as there is ability. It is earnestly wished by the Bishops, as well as by the authorities of the School, that *parochial scholarships* should be founded, in every Parish in New Jersey, for the education of girls as Parish school-teachers. Pupils might be nominated to such foundations by Rectors, Parish Guilds, or Sunday-schools. They would be received into the Hall on very liberal terms, and educated with special reference to their intended vocation as Parish school-teachers.

V.—The School is in no sense a money-making Institution. Its affairs are managed by those who labor without compensation, who give both time and money for the privilege of thus serving the Church.

VI.—St. Mary's is thoroughly a Church School; and, although others have availed themselves of its privileges, it looks to the Church mainly for its patronage and support.

The Chapel is—as it ought to be—the centre of household life; and its bright morning, evening, and noon-day services have stamped indelibly, on many a soul, the beauty of holiness.

By all these considerations, and many that we cannot here enumerate, we beg leave most earnestly to urge upon the Clergy the claim of our home School for girls—a school whose past history has done much to make the name of New Jersey honored among her sister Dioceses.

We ask them, as Pastors, to turn the thoughts of their people who have daughters to educate, to the advantages here offered. And we ask their confidence and support, not for a vague experiment, but, for an Institution which is their own, and which has fairly earned its right to all we ask for it.

Your brethren in the Faith and Church of Christ,

WM. H. ODENHEIMER,
Bishop of Northern New Jersey.

JOHN SCARBOROUGH,
Bishop of New Jersey.

BURLINGTON, Jan. 25, 1876.

HUDSON COUNTY CHURCH HOSPITAL AND HOME.

This institution, which I visited, and in which I held a Confirmation, is doing a good work under peculiar difficulties. The ladies here, as at St. Barnabas, Newark, have been untiring in their efforts, and have raised money, and given their personal influence to maintain the efficiency of its benevolent work. God bless all who have here, and elsewhere, in the Diocese, remembered the Master's words, "Whatsoever ye have done unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

The Rev. Dr. Abercrombie is President, and the Rev. F. C. Putnam is Chaplain, and Mr. John M. Welsh, 19 Sussex Row, Jersey City, is Treasurer.

I make the following extract from the Report for 1875 :

The council of the Hudson County Church Hospital and Home present their Annual Report with the Treasurer's account of income and expenditure, and congratulate the friends of this Institution upon its prosperity.

Nothing has disturbed the harmony of its proceedings, while an increased interest on the part of the Public has been manifested in the welfare of our enterprise, and we have reason to believe that this interest will continue.

The Hudson County Hospital has been leased for another year. The alterations and repairs made last year have proved eminently serviceable, and no more are required.

The number of patients during the year has been 118, of whom 96 have been discharged, and 14 died.

The expenses of the Institution have increased in proportion to the number of patients, but have been met by a correspondent liberality on the part of the humane.

Over \$7,000 has been raised and expended during the past year.

A fair was held in April, and the receipts amounted to \$1,800 plus.

We desire to express our indebtedness to the Medical Staff, not only for faithful attendance;—but also for their kind and skilful ministrations. The same Staff has been reappointed by the Board of Regents for the ensuing year.

It was found necessary to have a Home Physician, and under the advice of the Staff, Dr. Crocker was appointed to this office, and has been assiduous in the performance of his duties.

Under the care and economical management of the Superintendent, the Institution has been preserved from any embarrassment, while her courteous and praiseworthy attentions have raised up many friends to the cause.

The Chapel services have been regularly conducted under the efficient Chaplain, aided by several of the Clergy of Jersey City; and full provision made for the spiritual interests of the patients, who constantly testify their gratitude. This is one of the most holy and attractive features of our Institution, bringing down a blessing upon our endeavors.

THE CLERGYMEN'S RETIRING FUND SOCIETY, AND OTHER CORPORATIONS.

This is an institution, unobtrusive, but working on in faith, established by the loving and generous agency of members of the Diocese. It does not intend to interfere with the established and most important corporation for the "*Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergy*," which I trust will annually receive from the Clergy and Laity the canonically appointed collection. Neither is it possible that the Clergymen's Retiring Fund Society can interfere with the venerable corporation for the "*Relief of the Widows and Children of Deceased Clergymen*," of the Diocese, the Treasurer of which is the Rev. Dr. Williams, of Orange. But it is intended to help now, in the hour of pressing need, overworked and necessitous cases among the Clergy. The following extract from the Report of the President, Rev. Dr. Abercrombie, of Jersey City, will give information of its objects:

"All praise to the Relief Funds already in existence; but not one has yet been organized to satisfy the consciences of many, respecting the self-sacrificing veterans in the ministry of the Church. Until the Church at large shall rouse up to this duty, we see no other way of accomplishing the object than by mutual benefit association. This mode has been tried for many years, in different corporate bodies, with great success. Let the Clergy who shall contribute monthly to the fund of this association from the altar offerings of the church where they serve, claim and receive, at sixty years of age, a quota of the interest of the fund, which interest may be equally divided among the members who have reached or exceeded that age. This quota could be returned by those who have sufficient private means of support, and be added to the general fund for the benefit of those less favored. Thus, by proportionate distribution among the claimants, no liabilities would be incurred which could not be met by immediate payment.

"The interest of the Fund, after the accumulation of the contributions for five years, shall be equally divided among those members who shall have reached the age of sixty years; and the amount of succeeding annual interest shall be divided in like manner.

"As a safe, feasible, and equitable scheme, we commend it to the sympathies and co-operation of the Bishops, Clergy, and Laity of our Church, who, we trust, will give practical effect to these fundamental principles and conditions."

QUARTO-CENTENNIAL OF THE HOUSE OF PRAYER, NEWARK.

On November 26, A. D. 1875, the twenty-fifth anniversary of the House of Prayer was held, and a full and most interesting state-

ment of the event and of all the important facts connected with this Church has been carefully prepared and published.

Referring you to that pamphlet for information on many important points, I take occasion to extract a passage which records without name the noble gifts of the generous but retiring Layman well known to us all, and the hard-working friend of the Church in this and the other Diocese of the State of New Jersey, for many long years.

The House of Prayer pamphlet, alluding to the founding of the Parish, uses these words :

"A large part of the material of this portion of the work has been kindly furnished by a distinguished Layman, whose prominent connection with the origin of the enterprise, and whose intimate acquaintance with all those who took any part or interest therein, will be a sufficient guarantee for the accuracy of his statements.

"Were one to attempt to write a history of the United States without referring, even incidentally, to George Washington, he would be considered a venturesome man; and the usefulness of his history as a book of reference would be materially impaired by the omission. And yet we have ventured to record the history of the House of Prayer without alluding by name to the distinguished Layman above referred to, who was no doubt the chief instrument in the establishment of the Parish, and was by far the largest contributor to the enterprise, of his time, his counsel, and his money. Of him we think it may be truly said, that without him the House of Prayer would not have existed. And yet this gentleman, whose public benefactions are equalled only by his innate modesty and his love of doing good in secret, positively declines to allow his name to appear in this sketch.

"Under the careful, able, and zealous administration of the Rev. Mr. Goodwin, the present incumbent, the Parish has made rapid progress, and is now in an unprecedentedly excellent condition, financially and otherwise.

"That its progress in spiritual things has been great, we think may be truly affirmed, presumptuous though it may be to boast of what can be known to One alone. The might of the sea is not to be sought in the tempest that overwhelms the ship, and piles the angry billows 'mountain-high,' and, passing by, leaves no trace of its power; but in the unseen currents in the great depths below, which mingle the icy waters of the pole with the sun-warmed waters of the line, thus keeping up a never-ending motion in the vast chambers of the ocean, preserving its purity and making it a living thing.

"Just so it is with the spiritual life of a Parish. As it was written by the inspired Apostle: 'We look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal.'—2d Cor. iv. 18."

THE EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE.

During the past year I have occupied the residence of the late Mr. Fautoute, No. 37 Washington Street, Newark, the rent having

been secured by the liberality of those who contributed to the appeal of the Committee appointed at the last Annual Convention. My lease expires on the 1st of April next; but I hope that it may be renewed.

THE CENTENNIAL YEAR OF OUR COUNTRY.

I have neither the heart nor the wish to omit an emphatic allusion to the great event that marks out upon the calendar of time the year 1876 as the Centennial Anniversary of our country. In every way the Church and the State have done justice to the event, and from the 10th of May to the 10th of November the grand celebration has taken place in the City of Philadelphia—the place of all others, in our vast country, for recalling the especial event of the century. The wonderful success—financial, mechanical, intellectual, and moral—of the Philadelphia Exhibition is an honorable testimonial to the attainments of our country, as represented in the unselfish and unfaltering efforts of the leaders and assistants of the grand agency for the civilization and Christianization of the world. May God grant His blessings on the work so happily accomplished, and on those, of all degrees, from the highest to the humblest, who have had a share in the Centennial observances of our beloved country. It becomes the Church of Christ to enter upon the new period with the determination to fulfil to the uttermost, if possible, the Master's words, her law of work—"Go preach the Gospel to every creature; and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

REPLY TO THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY'S LETTER ON SUBJECT OF A SECOND LAMBETH CONFERENCE.

I received, in common with the other Bishops, a letter from His Grace, the Primate of all England, dated Lambeth Palace, 28th of March, 1876, asking an opinion upon the expediency of convening a second Conference at Lambeth, about the month of July, 1878. To which, after due reflection, I made the following reply: .

NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, *May 27th*, A.D. 1876.

MY LORD ARCHBISHOP:—In reply to your letter of March 28th, I beg

most respectfully to say that it does not seem to me to be expedient to assemble a second Conference at Lambeth in A.D. 1878.

With sincere regard,

I am Your Grace's loving and faithful Brother in Christ,

W. H. ODENHEIMER,

Bishop of Northern New Jersey.

THE ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY'S LETTER ON DAY OF INTERCESSION FOR MISSIONS.

I have received, in common with all the Bishops, a letter, asking us to join in the Day of Intercession for Missions, which for the last four years has been annually observed. I will only say that my personal preference is for a different day from that appointed, the Feast of St. Andrew, November 30, and while I ask that all who can will unite this year in the observance of the day named, by using one or more of the prayers appointed last year, I trust that in the future one of the Ember seasons of the year may be selected.

LAMBETH PALACE, LONDON, S.E., 24th April, 1876.

MY DEAR LORD :—A desire has been generally expressed that the observance of a Day of Intercession for Missions, which has been maintained for the last four years, should not be discontinued. It is felt almost everywhere that a blessing from God has followed our prayers. The general opinion appears to be that, for the present, as was suggested by the Convocation of the Province of Canterbury, St. Andrew's Day is the most suitable day to set apart. It has been recommended, accordingly, that Thursday, 30th November, 1876, St. Andrew's Day, be kept for that purpose; or if, for local reasons, that day be inconvenient in some districts, then any of the following seven days.

I have reason to hope that the day will be generally observed in England; and it will greatly add to the solemnity of the occasion, as well as strengthen our unity in Christ, if our brethren throughout the world will unite in prayer with us.

I beg leave to assure you that, with respect to the Day of Intercession in future years, the fullest consideration will be given to the suggestion recently offered by the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States.

Believe me to be,

Your faithful Brother in Christ,

A. C. CANTUAR.

CONCLUSION.

I cannot close my Annual Address without an expression of devout thanks to God who, during the past year, has preserved me in health, to discharge the essential duties of my Episcopal office. I

have endeavored to observe the kind and publicly expressed wish of the Standing Committee, to refrain from unnecessary work, and I have also continued the use of medical remedies, as sanctioned by competent authority. I have also to acknowledge, with heartfelt gratitude, my appreciation of the unceasing attentions of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese to my personal comfort, assisting me in every way, and making the most generous arrangements for my locomotion in the various visitations. I especially thank my Reverend Brother, the Rev. J. Bloomfield Wetherill, who has acted, with untiring fidelity and generous devotion, as my Chaplain during the past year, in addition to his other important duties.

The changes and chances of this mortal life, which have pressed heavily upon my heart and home, make me conscious of the necessity of "working while it is day." The night cometh when no man can work, and then shall we rest. Oh, brothers of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Northern New Jersey, let us be more determined than ever to devote ourselves, body, soul, and spirit, to the gracious work of our Ministry, as God hath assigned it to us, that we may meet in peace and hope the Divine Head of the Church, when He cometh, with His holy angels, to take account of our doings, and to judge the quick and the dead.

Affectionately, your Bishop,

W. H. ODENHEIMER,

Bishop of Northern New Jersey.

DIocese of Northern New Jersey.

November 20th, A. D. 1876.

Appendix

TO THE EPISCOPAL ADDRESS.

VISITATION LIST FOR 1875-76.*

BERGEN COUNTY.

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Allendale.....	Epiphany Mission.....	L. B. Dickinson.....	4
Oloster.....	Mission.....		
EDGEWATER.....	†MEDIATOR.....	James Cameron.....	6
ENGLEWOOD.....	†ST. PAUL'S.....	John W. Payne.....	21
FORT LEE.....	GOOD SHEPHERD.....	Ralph Hoyt.....	10
HACKENSACK.....	†CHRIST.....	William W. Holley... 9	
Kingsland.....	Mission.....		
Norwood.....	Mission.....	E. H. Van Winkle... 9	
RIDGEWOOD.....	CHRIST.....	L. B. Dickinson.....	9
RIDGEFIELD.....	ST. JAMES'.....	James Cameron.....	2
RUTHERFORD PARK..	GRACE.....	E. H. Saunders.....	5
TENAFLY.....	ATONEMENT.....	E. H. Van Winkle... 6	

ESSEX COUNTY.

BELLEVILLE.....	†CHRIST.....	C. S. Abbott.....	6
BLOOMFIELD.....	††CHRIST.....	T. J. Danner.....	9
FRANKLIN.....	GRACE.....		14
IRVINGTON.....	TRINITY.....	S. P. Simpson.....	6
MILLBURN.....	†ST. STEPHEN'S.....	Lewis P. Clover, D.D.	8
MONTCLAIR.....	ST. LUKE'S.....	James L. Maxwell... 14	
NEWARK.....	††CHRIST.....	J. Nicholas Stansbury	9
".....	††GRACE.....	Wm. H. Harison, D.D.	28
".....	††ST. BARNABAS'.....	George F. Flichtner.. 10	
".....	†ST. JOHN'S.....	J. Bloomfield Wetherill	
".....	ST. MARK'S.....	J. Bloomfield Wetherill	
".....	ST. MATTHEW'S.....	C. F. W. Treptow ... 8	

* Parishes in union with Convention are printed in capitals.

† Parishes thus marked have a Parsonage.

†† Parishes thus marked have a School-house, or room.

<i>Places.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Clergy.</i>	<i>No. Confirmed.</i>
NEWARK	††ST. PAUL'S.....	Joseph H. Smith.....	86
"	ST. PHILIP'S.....	William T. Webbe... 1	
"	ST. STEPHEN'S.....	Edward B. Boggs, D.D. 11	
"	††HOUSE OF PRAYER..	Hannibal Goodwin... 61	
"	††TRINITY.....	Wm. W. Newton.... 25	
"	St. Barnabas' Hospital.	Joseph H. Smith.... 1	
Northfield.....	Mission.....		6
ORANGE.....	†GRACE.....	A. Schuyler, D.D.... 16	
"	†ST. MARK'S.....	Jas. A. Williams, D.D. 15	
" (EAST).....	CHRIST.....	Horace S. Bishop.... 15	
" ".....	ST. PAUL'S.....	Wm. White Wilson... 7	
" (SOUTH).....	†HOLY COMMUNION...	Henry V. Degen.....	
" (WEST).....	Holy Innocents'.....	W. G. Farrington, D.D. 4	

HUDSON COUNTY.

BAYONNE.....	CALVARY	Philo W. Sprague.... 12	
"	ST. JOHN'S.....	Stewart Means.....	
"	†TRINITY.....	Geo. H. Walsh, D.D.	
East Newark.....	Rutherford Memorial..	Louis Zahner..... 15	
GREENVILLE.....	GRACE.....	James W. Coe..... 10	
HOBOKEN.....	†Holy Innocents'.....	J. B. Wetherill..... 50	
"	"	R. G. Lewis.....	
"	ST. PAUL'S.....	J. Edgar Johnson.... 14	
"	††TRINITY.....	Telfair Hodgson.... 26	
" (WEST).....	ST. JOHN'S.....	Wm. Wardlaw.....	
JERSEY CITY.....	Ascension.....	John A. Denniston... 15	
"	CHRIST.....	J. R. Sharp, Jr.... 11	
"	†GRACE.....	Spencer M. Rice, D.D. 54	
"	HOLY TRINITY.....	Ralph B. Hoyt..... 26	
"	ST. JOHN FREE.....	Nelson S. Rutison... 36	
"	St. Luke's.....	D. G. Gunn..... 10	
"	ST. MARK'S.....	H. B. Stuart-Martin. 5	
"	ST. MATTHEW'S.....	R. M. Abercrombie, D.D. 34	
"	ST. PAUL'S.....	F. C. Putnam..... 28	
"	Hudson Co. Hospital..	F. C. Putnam..... 6	
Union Hill.....	St. Justin Martyr Mission	J. B. Wetherill..... 22	

MORRIS COUNTY.

BOONTON.....	†ST. JOHN'S.....	John P. Appleton... 17	
DOVER	ST. JOHN'S.....	E. E. Butler..... 10	
MADISON.....	†GRACE.....	D. C. Weston, D.D... 17	
Mendham.....	St. Mary's Mission.....		5
MORRISTOWN.....	†REDEEMER.....	Samuel Hall..... 14	
"	†ST. PETER'S.....	R. N. Merritt..... 20	
Schooley's Mountain..	Mission.....		

PASSAIC COUNTY.

<i>Places.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Clergy.</i>	<i>No. Confirmed.</i>
Haledon	St. Mary's	C. M. A. Hewes.....	15
PASSAIC	†St. JOHN'S	Wm. H. Carter, D.D. 7	
Paterson	Calvary Mission.....	C. M. A. Hewes.....	18
PATERSON	HOLY COMMUNION.....	C. M. A. Hewes.....	16
PATERSON	ST. PAUL'S.....	John M. Heffernan..	11
POMPTON	CHRIST		14
Ringwood	Mission.....		

SUSSEX COUNTY.

Andover	Mission.....		
Hamburg	Good Shepherd Mission.	Levi Johnston.....	4
Johnsonburg.....	Christ Mission.....	G. Van Horn.....	4
NEWTON.....	†CHRIST	Wm. H. Moffett.....	15
VERNON.....	ST. THOMAS'.....	Levi Johnston.....	3

UNION COUNTY.

SUMMIT	†CALVARY	John F. Butterworth.	5
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WARREN COUNTY.

BELVIDERE	†ZION	Charles Douglas.....	2
HACKETTSTOWN	†ST. JAMES'	Levi Johnston.....	
HOPE	†ST. LUKE'S	Charles Douglas.....	
KNOWLTON	ST. JAMES'	Charles Douglas.....	3
Oxford Furnace.....	Mission.....	Levi Johnston.....	
PHILLIPSBURG.....	†ST. LUKE'S.....	Joseph S. Mayers....	16
Washington.....	Mission.....	Levi Johnston.....	

ORDINATIONS.

On March 14, 1876, in Calvary Church, Bayonne (Pamapo), I admitted the Rev. P. W. SPRAGUE to the Order of Priesthood, the Rev. Dr. B. M. Abercrombie preaching the sermon, and uniting with Dr. G. Z. Gray, the Rev. Dr. W. H. Carter, and the Rev. Messrs. F. O. Putnam and F. M. Gray in the imposition of hands.

On June 10, 1876, at the House of Prayer, Newark, I admitted ALONZO L. WOOD to the office of a Deacon in the Church of God, the Rev. Wynant Vanderpool preaching the sermon.

On September 24, 1876, at St. Matthew's Church, Jersey City, the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Arkansas, acting at my request, admitted GILBERT HENRY STERLING to the office of a Deacon in the Church of God.

On October 4, 1876, at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Jersey City Heights, I admitted the Rev. RALPH BYRON HOLT to the Order of Priesthood, the Rev. Dr. Abercrombie preaching the sermon, and uniting with the Rev. Dr. Carter and the Rev. Messrs. F. O. Putnam, Holley, and Wetherill, in the imposition of hands.

CLERGYMEN RECEIVED.

The Clergymen named below have been received into the Diocese upon the Letters Dimissory of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Dioceses respectively mentioned :

A.D. 1875.

November 19. The Rev. MARTIN ALBERT, from Southern Ohio.

December 28. The Rev. CORNELIUS S. ABBOTT, (Presbyter,) from Illinois.

A.D. 1876.

January 12. . . . Rev. JOHN A. DENNISTON, (Presbyter,) from New Jersey.

April 17. Rev. C. F. W. TREPTOW, (Presbyter,) from Missouri.

May 13. Rev. J. H. MCCANDLESS, (Presbyter,) from Pittsburgh.

" 15. Rev. E. H. VAN WINKLE, (Presbyter,) from New York.

" 24. Rev. G. H. WALSH, D.D., (Presbyter,) from Albany.

August 6. Rev. WM. WHITE WILSON, (Presbyter,) from Long Island.

July 8. Rev. FRANCIS A. HENRY, (Presbyter,) from New York.

" 30. Rev. WILLIAM WARDLAW, (Presbyter,) from New Jersey.

October 8. Rev. STEWART MEANE, (Deacon,) from Ohio.

" 20. Rev. E. HUNTINGTON SAUNDERS, (Presbyter,) from New York.

LETTERS DIMISSORY.

Letters Dimissory have been granted, at their request, to the Clergymen named below, and notice of the acceptance of the same has been received from the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Dioceses respectively mentioned :

A.D. 1875.

November 29. Rev. GEORGE T. PACKARD, (Presbyter,) to Maine.

A.D. 1876.

January 10...Rev. H. M. BARBOUR, (Presbyter,) to New Jersey.

March 1.....Rev. ANSELAN BUCHANAN, (Presbyter,) to New York.

" 18.....Rev. ZINA DOTY, (Presbyter,) to New York.

May 16.....Rev. SAMUEL W. SAXES, (Presbyter,) to Long Island.

" 17.....Rev. G. Z. GRAY, D.D., (Presbyter,) to Massachusetts.

June 1.....Rev. CHARLES C. PARSONS, (Presbyter,) to Tennessee.

November 4..Rev. J. S. MAYERS, (Presbyter,) to Maryland.

" 18..Rev. N. S. EULISON, (Presbyter,) to Ohio.

INSTITUTION:

November 28, 1875.—The Rev. HANNIBAL GOODWIN instituted as Rector of the House of Prayer, Newark, by the Rev. John W. Shackelford, acting at my request.

MISSIONARY APPOINTMENTS.

A.D. 1876.

January 8....Rev. JOHN A. DENNISTON, in charge of the Church of the Ascension, Jersey City Heights.

" 31....Rev. J. N. STANBURY, to revive the Parish of St. Peter's, Newark.

February 16..Rev. G. VAN HORN, to revive Christ Church, Johnsonburg.

" 18..Rev. S. M. RICE, D.D., to revive Trinity Church, Jersey City.

May 26.....Rev. J. BLOOMFIELD WETHERILL, in charge of the Church of the Holy Innocents, Hoboken.

" 26.....Rev. J. H. MCCANDLESS, to assist at St. Mark's Mission Newark.

POSTULANTS.

JOSEPH A. TIDEY, admitted April 1, 1876, on the recommendation of the Rev. Hannibal Goodwin.

C. D. CHAPMAN, admitted June 1, 1876, on the recommendation of the Rev. S. P. Simpson.

GEORGE H. JONES, M.D., admitted June 21, 1876, on the recommendation of the Rev. Joseph S. Mayers.

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Deacon's Orders.

STEPHEN W. WILLIAMS, received December 10, A.D. 1868.

FRANCIS PENNINGTON MACKALL, A.M., received September 26, A.D. 1873.

JOSEPH ALBERT TIDEY, received September 20, A.D. 1876.

Priest's Orders.

STEPHEN W. WILLIAMS, received September 28, A.D. 1871.

ERNEST AUGUSTUS HARTMAN, received May 31, A.D. 1874.

FRANCIS PENNINGTON MACKALL, A.M., received July 1, A.D. 1874.

LAY READERS.

Licences to Lay-read have been granted to the following persons, viz. :

A.D. 1875.

December 2, ALONZO L. WOOD, under Rev. Hannibal Goodwin.

" 15, J. B. GRAY, at Mendham, under Rev. B. N. Merritt.

A.D. 1878.

February 29, P. A. GIFFORD, at East Newark, under Rev. W. W. Newton.

April 7, L. A. ARTHUR, under Rev. C. O. Parsons.

May 16, D. A. SMITH, under Rev. L. R. Dickinson.

June 5, GEORGE LETHBRIDGE, under Rev. W. G. Farrington, D.D.

June 5, JOSHUA O. WARD, under Rev. W. G. Farrington, D.D.

June 21, R. O. SEABING, under Rev. J. A. Williams, D.D.

July 15, A. P. YOUNG, under Rev. G. F. Flichtner.

July 26, H. COOKE, under Rev. J. E. Johnson.

November 6, P. C. WOLCOTT, under Rev. J. M. Haffernan.

November 6, T. F. TAYLOR, under Rev. Telfair Hodgson.

November 8, H. E. THOMPSON, under the Bishop.

November 20, JOHN WESLEY HALL, under the Rev. Joseph H. Smith.

The following is a complete LIST OF THE LAY READERS in this Diocese, being in all 35 :

GEORGE C. EYLAND..... Succasunna.
JOSEPH COYTE..... Fort Lee.
JULIUS VAN WAGENEN..... St. Paul's Parish, Newark.
CHARLES HAYES..... St. Paul's Parish, Newark.
ELIAS S. BAY..... St. Philip's Parish, Newark.
JOSEPH C. KENT..... Phillipsburg.
FREDERICK HOYT..... Fort Lee and Parts adjacent.
FRED. FRELINGHUYSEN MERCEUR... East Newark.
STEPHEN W. WILLIAMS..... St. Mark's Parish, Orange.
M. H. B. VAN HOVENBERG..... Holy Communion, Paterson.
FRANCIS M. TAYLOR..... Ringwood.
DAVID THOMPSON..... St. Luke's, Jersey City Heights.
EDWARD Q. KEASBEX..... St. Barnabas' Hospital, Newark.
EDWARD B. WEBBE..... St. Paul's Mission, Newark.
WILLIAM F. CHENEY..... Haledon.
HUGH TAYLOR LAWRENCE..... Hamburg and Vernon.
A. G. ROGERS..... St. Paul's, Jersey City Heights.
J. SEWELL REES..... St. Stephen's Church, Newark.
CHARLES E. TOWNSEND..... Edgewater and Fort Lee.
THOMAS SIBBERSON..... St. Mark's Church Mission.
ARCHIBALD MERCEUR, M.D..... St. Barnabas' Hospital.
F. P. MACKALL..... Holy Innocents', Hoboken.
J. R. GRAY..... St. Mary's Mission, Mendham.
P. A. GIFFORD..... East Newark.
L. A. ARTHUR..... Holy Innocents', Hoboken.

D. A. SMITH.....	Allendale.
GEORGE LETHBRIDGE.....	Holy Innocents', St. Cloud.
JOSIAH O. WARD.....	Holy Innocents', St. Cloud.
R. C. SEARING	Northfield, etc.
A. P. YOUNG	St. Barnabas', Newark.
H. COOKS.....	St. Paul's, Hoboken.
P. C. WOLCOTT.....	Ringwood.
T. F. TAYLOR.....	Trinity, Hoboken.
H. E. THOMPSON.....	Pompton.
JOHN WESLEY HALL.....	St. Mark's Mission, Newark.

* * When a person ceases to act as Lay-reader, notice should be sent to the Bishop.

All Licenses terminate with the separation of the Rector from the Parish in which the Lay-reader officiates, but may be renewed after consultation with the Bishop.

CONSENT TO THE FORMATION OF NEW PARISH.

Consent has been given, according to § 2, Canon V., Title III., of the Digest, to the formation of the following Parish:

Nov. 20, 1876. St. Paul's Church, East Orange.

NOTICES OF DISCIPLINE.

I have received canonical notice of the deposition from the Sacred Ministry of the following clergymen:

JOHN ROBERTSON, (Presbyter,) of Diocese of Massachusetts.
 G. A. REDLES, (Presbyter,) of Diocese of Pennsylvania.
 A. M. MORRISON, (Presbyter,) of Diocese of Pennsylvania.
 JOHN B. SAYE, (Deacon,) of Diocese of Indiana.
 M. MAURY, (Presbyter,) of Diocese of Virginia.
 P. E. STEVENS, (Presbyter,) of Diocese of South Carolina.
 E. C. COLMAN, (Deacon,) of Diocese of Ohio.
 G. B. COGGESHALL, (Presbyter,) of Diocese of Rhode Island.
 J. B. DUNN, (Presbyter,) of Diocese of Kansas.
 C. J. GREEN, (Deacon,) of Diocese of Huron.
 WM. J. LYND, (Presbyter,) of Miss. District of Colorado.
 J. B. FURRY, (Deacon,) of Diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

* * Notice also received of the rejection of N. B. Lewis (colored) as a candidate for Holy Orders in Diocese of Kentucky.

Reports.

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I HAVE received the following Reports from the Rev. the DEANS of the two Convocations :

CONVOCAION OF NEWARK.

The Dean of the Convocation of Newark reports as follows for the year ending November 1, 1876 :

The income of the Convocation of Newark, for the year just ended, amounts for general purposes to \$1,710.21, a decrease from the preceding year of \$389.48.

The treasurer's account shows a deficit on the 15th inst. of \$70.65 in the funds for the payment of salaries to missionaries.

The great falling off in the receipts will compel the new Executive Board to reduce the missionary appropriations for the coming year at least ten per cent. on \$1,950, the amount now expended, in accordance with Section 5 of Can. XI.

The names of stations and missionaries, the annual receipts and expenditures, a tabular list of contributing and of non-contributing parishes will be found appended to this report.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT N. MERRITT, *Dean.*

NOVEMBER 21, 1876.

Names of Stations and Missionaries, the Receipts and Expenditures, etc., from November 1, 1875, to November 1, 1876.

To Hackettstown, Washington, Oxford Furnace,	
Vernon and Hamburg, Rev. LEVI JOHNSTON..	\$1,200 00
" Belvidere, Hope and Knowlton, Rev. CHARLES	
DOUGLAS	450 00
" St. Philip's Church, Newark, Rev. W. T. WEBB,	200 00
" St. Mark's Church, Mendham, Mrs. C. G. BAR-	
TOW	100 00
Postage, printing, etc.	12 41 \$1,952 41

FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES.

Rev. CHAS. DOUGLAS, for St. Luke's Church, Hope...	\$25 00	
Rev. S. P. SIMPSON, for Irvington.....	5 00	
Mr. MORGAN BARKER, for Brookside.....	15 00	
Mr. R. O. SEARING, for Northfield.....	25 00	
Mrs. C. G. BARTOW, for Mendham.....	33 64	
St. James' Church, Hackettstown.....	54 64	
St. Thomas' Church, Vernon.....	8 64	166 82

\$2,129 82

RECAPITULATION.

Balance, November 1, 1875.....	\$910 50	
Schedule receipts for general purposes.....	1,732 91	
" " special ".....	216 82	2,860 33
Deduct amount paid as above.....		<u>2,129 82</u>
Balance November 1, 1876.....		\$781 00
For general purposes.....	\$416 85	
" special ".....	82 50	
" Washington.....	170 88	
" Hamburg.....	4 77	
" Mandham.....	5 00	<u>781 00</u>

CHURCHES CONTRIBUTING OR NOT CONTRIBUTING TO DIOCESAN MISSIONS, CONVOCAATION OF NEWARK.

CHURCHES.		COLLECTIONS.		
		General.	Special.	Total.
Belleville.....	Christ.....	\$78 75		
Belvidere.....	Zion.....	8 00		
Bloomfield.....	Christ.....	6 70		
Boonton.....	St. John's.....	21 00		
Dover.....	St. John's.....	6 00		
Franklin.....	Grace.....			
Hackettstown.....	St. James.....		25 00	
Hope.....	St. Luke's.....			
Irvington.....	Trinity.....	7 00		
Knowlton.....	St. James.....	25 00		
Madison.....	Grace.....	121 98		
Millburn.....	St. Stephen's.....			
Montclair.....	St. Luke's.....	30 00	5 00	
Morristown.....	Redeemer.....	228 28	140 98	
".....	St. Peter's.....	58 00		
Newark.....	Christ.....	148 00	21 00	
".....	Grace.....			
".....	House of Prayer.....	59 00		
".....	Trinity.....			
".....	St. Barnabas.....			
".....	St. Matthew's.....	98 00		
".....	St. Paul's.....			
".....	St. Philip's.....	20 10		
".....	St. Stephen's.....	17 00		
Newton.....	Christ.....	186 08	25 00	
Orange.....	Grace.....	175 00		
".....	St. Mark's.....	188 21		
" East.....	Christ.....	15 68		
" West.....	Holy Innocents.....	75 00		
" South.....	Holy Communion.....			
Phillipsburg.....	St. Luke's.....			
Summit.....	Calvary.....			
Woodside.....	St. John's.....	5 00		
Missions at Brookside and Mendham.....		95 00		
" Hamburg and Vernon.....				
" Oxford Furnace.....				
" Washington.....				
Totals.....		\$1,710 21	\$216 98	\$1,927 19

CONVOCAATION OF JERSEY CITY.

In accordance with the Canon, I beg leave to present the following Report:

Convocation, having experienced the benefit of more frequent meetings for communion, discussion on Church work, and social greeting, has met every month since the last Diocesan Convention, except during August.

The attendance and active interest of the members have increased. Between 80 and 40 of the Clergy were present at the last meeting, including some of our beloved brethren of the Newark Convocation. Two joint meetings of the Convocations were held, pursuant to resolution of the last Diocesan Convention, alternately in Jersey City and Newark, and were ani-

mated with the same *esprit du corps* which had existed when we formed one Convocation.

Our financial status and prospects are as encouraging as we could expect in view of the general depression in business circles. Many of the Parishes are embarrassed by the stringency of the times, and yet we cannot deny that more exertion might have been made by some delinquents in behalf of the sacred cause of Diocesan Missions.

If the Parishes would fulfil the recommendation of the Convocation and pay one dollar for each communicant, which can certainly be done by forcible appeal to the consciences of the laity, we would receive ample funds to support our present Missions and enter upon new fields. Often where the ability is greatest the contributions are the smallest.

All moneys for Diocesan Missions are appropriated under direction of Convocation, on the basis of the money contributed and in hand for the preceding year.

For efficient and aggressive work we would heartily recommend the Associate Mission plan which has been before the mind of the Church so long.

What a glorious benevolence it would be if some one would give \$3,000 to secure the purchase of a Clergy house, where three or four Clergymen could live on small stipends, and go forth two by two, as Christ sent his disciples.

We will never succeed as we ought till some such plan is adopted. One or two of our best men are ready to engage in this enterprise when the Clergy house can be secured. God speed the day when it may be done. Who will immortalize themselves by the offer of means to accomplish the proposed plan?

Services are supplied at Fort Lee, St. Luke's, Jersey City Heights, Pompton, Allendale, Franklin, Little Falls, Marion, and West Hoboken, and progress is reported.

Some of the heavy liabilities on the Church of the Ascension have been paid off, and under the ministry of the Rev. Mr. Dexamston the congregation and Sunday-school have increased.

The Chapel of St. Justin Martyr, under the care of the Church of the Holy Innocents, is supplied with services.

The Rev. Mr. Van Winkle has suspended services in Norwood, and has been placed by the Bishop in charge of the Church of the Atonement, Tenafly. Proper accommodations for Divine Service could not be had at Norwood for the present. Additional contributions have been made to the Building Fund of \$2,500, reported at last Convention, and it is expected that a suitable Church will be begun next spring. Mr. Van Winkle expects to hold services at Closter during the ensuing season.

A new Missionary station has been served at Kingsland. A Committee appointed by Convocation have visited the place and guaranteed to supply services on every Lord's day in the afternoon, the members of the congregation pledging themselves to pay the expenses of rent of hall, and furnishing

the same. We have thus preoccupied the ground, and intend, with God's help, to hold it.

Stations, Missionaries, and Expenditures for the year have been as follows:

Church of the Ascension, Jersey City Heights, Rev. J. A. DENNIS-TON.....	\$886 41
St. John's, West Hoboken, Rev. WM. WARDLAW.....	180 75
Christ Church, Pompton.....	78 00
Good Shepherd, Fort Lee, Rev. R. HOYT.....	100 00
St. Luke's, Jersey City Heights, Rev. D. G. GUNN.....	28 00
Ringwood Mission.....	
St. John's, Bayonne.....	45 00
Kingsland Mission.....	
Allendale Mission.....	25 00
Secretary, for printing, etc.....	30 00
Total receipts.....	\$1,334 65
Disbursements.....	1,373 16
Amount due Treasurer.....	\$38 51

Annexed is a tabular list of the contributing Parishes in the Convocation of Jersey City.

The non-contributing Parishes are St. Paul's, Paterson; Christ Church, Jersey City; Grace, Rutherford Park; Atonement, Tenafly.

Respectfully submitted

R. M. ABERCROMBIE, *Dean.*

JERSEY CITY, Nov. 21, 1916.

CHURCHES CONTRIBUTING TO DIOCESAN MISSIONS, CONVOCATION OF JERSEY CITY.

CHURCHES.		COLLECTIONS.		
		General.	Special.	Total.
Bayonne.....	Trinity.....	\$27 60		
".....	Oakvary.....	25 54		
".....	St. John's.....	14 48		
Edgewater.....	Mediator.....	20 00		
Englewood.....	St. Paul's.....	16 02		
Fort Lee.....	Good Shepherd.....	15 00		
Greenville.....	Grace.....	1 21		
Hackensack.....	Christ.....	100 00		
Hoboken.....	Trinity.....	20 28	28 00	
".....	St. Paul's.....	27 58		
".....	Hol. Innocents.....	20 00	100 00	
Jersey City.....	Grace.....	111 50		
".....	St. Matthew's.....	280 42		
".....	St. Paul's.....	28 00		
".....	Holy Trinity.....	110 00		
".....	St. John Free.....	29 29		
".....	St. Luke's.....	7 02		
".....	St. Mark's.....	12 25		
Norwood.....		7 40		
Passaic.....	St. John's.....	60 00		
Paterson.....	Holy Communion.....	12 75		
Pompton.....	Christ.....	20 00		
Ridgfield.....	St. James'.....	12 25		
Ridgewood.....	Christ.....		25 00	
West Hoboken.....	St. John's.....	8 64		

Appendix.

No. 1.

PAROCHIAL, MISSIONARY AND CLERICAL REPORTS.

The following portions of the Parochial, Missionary and Clerical Reports, made to the Bishop of the Diocese, are published by his direction, in accordance with Canon 17, Title I., of the Digest of the Canons of the General Convention, and Canon 8, Title I., of the Code of Canons, to which attention is respectfully requested.

The Convocation of Newark.

BELLEVILLE, CHRIST CHURCH.

THE REV. CORNELIUS S. ABBOTT, RECTOR.

Baptisms, infants, 18; confirmed, 6; communicants: admitted, 6; added by removal, 14; lost by removal, 7; died, 1; present No., 100; marriage, 1; burials, 7; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; other days, 57; total, 161; Holy Communion: public, 18; private, 1; catechising: No. of children, 100; No. of times, 12; Sunday School: teachers, 12; pupils, 100.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$80.03; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$2,646.56; Sunday-School, \$185; increase and improvement of Church property, (painting etc.,) \$50. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund, \$28; Convention expenses, \$18; Diocesan Missions, \$75; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$10.82. General—Missions: Domestic, \$22.84; Jews, \$6.42; total, \$3,121.67.

The church has been recarpeted throughout, the Sunday School-room has been painted and decorated, and several other things of like nature, to add to the general appearance and comfort of the Church property, have marked the past year.

BELVIDERE, ZION CHURCH.

THE REV. CHARLES DOUGLAS, RECTOR.

Families, 11; baptism, (infant,) 1; confirmed, 2; communicants: admitted, 2; added by removal, 8; lost by removal, 1; present No., 22; marriage, 1; burials, 8; Divine Service: Sundays, 60; Holy Days, 11; other days, 22; total, 98; Holy Communion: public, 18; catechising: No. of children, 26; No. of times, 88; Sunday School: teachers, 5; pupils, 28.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communionals, \$18.80; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$112; Sunday School, 28.51; repairs on Church property, \$89.25; Christmas Tree, \$15; Parish purposes, \$86.88. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$15.78; total, \$311.17.

The effects of the financial depression show themselves in a very decided manner in this Missionary Parish, yet the few workers do not yield to despair, but continue working and hoping; realizing that in God's good time better days may come, and "Zion" appear in all her beauty, crowned by the unspeakable blessing of the great Head of the Church.

BLOOMFIELD, CHRIST CHURCH.

THE REV. T. JEFFERSON DANNER, RECTOR.

Baptisms, (ads. 3, inf. 18,) 15; confirmed, 16; communicants: admitted, 18; added by removal, 17; lost by removal, 20; died, 8; transferred, 40; present No., about 70; marriages, 4; burials, 5; Divine Service: Sundays, all; Holy Days, all; other days, Fridays; Holy Communion: public, all Sundays and Holy Days; private, 8.

OFFERINGS.—Total for all purposes, \$2,436.54.

Owing to the peculiarly unsettled and unsatisfactory condition of Parochial affairs, but a general report is here given. A number of the Communicants above reported are only *nominal* such. The "Chapel," hitherto constituting a part of the Parish, has been set apart as an independent organization, the building having been removed to a more eligible site in E. Orange. I have transferred to it forty communicants. Of the sum above reported, \$1,156.88 were raised and used for "Chapel" purposes.

BOONTON, ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

THE REV. JOHN P. APPLETON, RECTOR.

Baptisms, (ads. 5, inf. 26,) 81; confirmed, 17; communicants: admitted, 18; added by removal, 1; lost by removal, 5; died, 1; present No., 77; marriages, 4; burials, 7; Divine Service: Sundays, 108; Holy Days, 35; other days, 45; total, 188; Holy Communion: public, 14; catechising: No. of children, 85; No. of times, 12; Sunday School: teachers, 12; pupils, 85.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$72.18; additional for the poor, \$15; for current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$1,275.87; for Sunday School, \$54; debt on rectory, \$126.80. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$70; Diocesan Missions, \$21. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$6; Foreign (Haiti), \$71.81; total, \$1,708.11.

DOVER, ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

THE REV. EDWIN E. BUTLER, RECTOR.

Baptisms, (infants,) 15; confirmed, 10; communicants: present No., 55; marriages, 2; burials, 7; Divine Service: twice every Sunday; Holy Days, 9; other days, 86; total, 199; Holy Communion: public, 17; catechising: No. of children, 87; No. of times, every Sunday; Sunday School: teachers, 10; pupils, 87.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$63.08; for current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$1,587; Sunday School, \$104.56. **Diocesan**—Diocesan Missions, \$8.14; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$12.84; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$6.07. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$2.13; Foreign, \$8.69; total, \$1,736.96.

EAST NEWARK, RUTHERFORD MEMORIAL CHURCH.

THE REV. LOUIS ZÄHNER, MISSIONARY.

Families, 89; baptisms, (infants,) 11; communicants: died, 2; present No., 42; burials, 2; Divine Service: Sundays, 60; Holy Days, 1; other days, 12; total, 73; Holy Communion: public, 8; private, 2; Sunday School: teachers, 11; pupils, 145.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$16; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$511; Sunday School, \$50; increase and improvement of Church property, \$250; total, \$827.

The above report, with the exception of the item "current expenses, (including Rector's salary)," dates only from the first day of May last, the beginning of my ministry in this Mission. The amount given opposite the item "increase and improvement of Church property," has been secured through private subscription outside the Parish.

EAST ORANGE, ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

THE REV. WM. WHITE WILSON, MINISTER IN CHARGE.

Families, 46; baptisms, (infants,) 23; communicants: present No., (24 males, 36 females,) 60; marriage 1; Divine Service: Sundays, 56; other days, 5; total, 61; Holy Communion: public, 5; Sunday School: teachers, 8; pupils, 75.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—For current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$890.46.

St. Paul's Chapel, East Orange, was under the direction and control of the Rector of Christ Church, Bloomfield, up to and including Easter, (April 16,) 1878, and is included in the Parochial Report of that parish up to that time. The above report commences with the time the said Chapel took an independent position and employed a separate minister to take charge of the work. A new parish is organizing, and will apply for admission to the approaching Convention.

FRANKLIN, GRACE CHURCH.

THE WARDEN'S REPORT.

Families, 42; baptisms, (ads. 8, infs. 15,) 18; confirmed, 14; communicants: present No., 55; burials, 8; Divine Service: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 8; other days, 6; total, 64; Holy Communion: public, 14; private, 4; catechising: No. of children, 180; No. of times, 10; Sunday School: teachers, 8; pupils, 180.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$41.28; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$784.57; Sunday School, \$188; new organ, \$500; Bishop's residence, \$11. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$56; Convention expenses, \$8. **General**—Missions: Jews, \$8; total, 1,586.80.

From November till April the Parish was under the charge of Rev. Dr. W. H. Carter.

From April till October Rev. B. S. Huntington held services.

It is now under the care of Mr. Pendleton, of General Theological Seminary.

HACKETTSTOWN, ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

THE REV. LEVI JOHNSTON, MISSIONARY.

Families, 14; baptisms, (infants), 8; communicants: lost by removal, 6; present No., 22; Divine Service: Sundays, 28; Holy Days, 1; total, 24; Holy Communion: public, 4; Sunday School: teachers, 2; pupils, 12.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—For current expenses, \$110.

This report includes the statistics for the Missions at Washington and Oxford Furnace.

HAMBURGH, GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH.

THE REV. LEVI JOHNSTON, MISSIONARY.

Families, 9; baptism, (adult,) 1; confirmed, 4; communicants: admitted, 4; died, 2; present No., 23; burials, 2; Divine Service: Sundays, every other Sunday; Holy Days, Good Friday; other days, Thursdays in Lent; total, 31; Holy Communion: public, 9; Sunday School: teachers, 6; pupils, 40.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—For current expenses, \$88.18; Christmas Tree, \$16.86. **Diocesan**—Diocesan Missions, \$95.50. **General**—Missions: Domestic, (from Sunday School,) \$10; total, \$207.54.

HOPE, ST. LUKE'S CHURCH.

THE REV. CHARLES DOUGLAS, MISSIONARY.

Families, 12; communicants: lost by removal, 2; present No., 18; Divine Service: Sundays, 12; Holy Days, 1; other days, 1; total, 14; Holy Communion: public, 4.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Missionary's carriage hire, \$58.02. **Diocesan**—Diocesan Missions, (special,) \$25; total, \$83.02.

The services for the most part have been very well attended; and a deeper interest manifested in keeping them up.

To make the Church effective in these weaker portions of the "Diocese," we need an "Associate Mission," with its body of Clergy and "Lay Readers," and its "Sisterhood," that we may be able to reap where we sow so much seed; and garner where we bestow so much labor.

IRVINGTON, TRINITY CHURCH.

THE REV. S. P. SIMPSON, RECTOR.

Families, 80; individuals, 78; baptisms, (ads. 4, infs. 11,) 15; confirmed, 8; communicants: present No., 48; marriages, 2; burials, 5; Divine Service: Sundays, all; Holy Days, all; other days, Fridays; Holy Communion: public, Sundays and Holy Days; private, 2; catechising: No. of children, 70; No. of times, Sundays; Sunday School: teachers, 6; pupils, 70.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$88.11; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$1,268.18; reduction of Church debt \$700. **Diocesan**—St. Barnabas Hospital, \$5; total, \$2,056.29.

KNOWLTON, ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

THE REV. CHARLES DOUGLAS, RECTOR.

Families, 24; baptisms, (adults,) 2; confirmed, 3; communicants: admitted, 3; lost by removal, 2; died, 1; present No., 45; marriage, 1; burials, 5; Divine Service: Sundays, 52; Holy Days, 3; other days, 12; total, 67; Holy Communion: public, 16; Sunday School: teachers, 5; pupils, 85.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$29.21; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$867.67. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$45.75; Convention expenses, \$6.25; Diocesan Missions, \$7; Episcopal Fund, (special,) \$30. **General**—Midnight Mission, \$1; total, \$486.88.

MADISON, GRACE CHURCH.

THE REV. D. C. WESTON, D.D., RECTOR.

Families, 55; baptisms, (ads. 3, inf. 7,) 10; confirmed, 17; communicants: admitted, 17; added by removal, 1; lost by removal, 10; died, 2; present No., 79; marriages, 2; burials, 5; Sunday School: teachers, 10; pupils, 75.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$100.76; Weekly offertory, \$172.08; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$2,497.60; Sunday School Anniversary, library, etc., \$187.54; proceeds of sacred concert for the Chapel Fund, \$220.15; gift of "Little Helpers" for same, \$25.10; contributed by Henry S. Pierson, Jr., Esq., for same, \$25; raised by the Rector's Aid Society, \$87.60; Easter offering for the Rectory Fund, \$32.55. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$56; Convention expenses, \$15; Diocesan Missions, \$25; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$5. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$60.22; Foreign, \$38; Colored People, (in the South,) \$12.40; Indians, \$20; Bible and Prayer-Book distribution, \$18.45; for Domestic Missions from mite chests, \$51.18; to the Rev. Doctor Hoyt for the purchase of a *horse* for the Dakota Mission, by Sunday School, \$40; for the orphan children of the late Rev. Mr. Hoffman, Missionary to Africa, \$50; total, \$3,682.68.

There was also sent by the "Rector's Aid Society," to a Western Missionary, a box containing a complete Communion service, a surplice, and eighty articles of clothing, valued at \$185; also a box to the Niobrara Store-room, valued at \$25.

MILLBURN, ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH.

THE REV. LEWIS P. CLOVER, D.D., RECTOR.

Families, 100; baptisms, (ad. 2, inf. 22,) 24; confirmed, 8; communicants: admitted, 8; lost by removal, 6; died, 5; present No., 125; marriages, 6; burials, 22; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 4; other days, 14; Holy Communion: public, 18; private, 8; catechising: No. of times, 21; Sunday School: teachers, 15; pupils, 116; Parish School: teachers, 2.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$96.08; private charity, \$38; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$2,482.24; Sunday School, \$67; present to Rector's family, \$150; Christmas Tree, \$84.50; receipts from sale of plots in St. Stephen's Cemetery, \$17.87; expenditures, \$68.85. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$56; Convention expenses, \$15; Diocesan Missions, \$131.92; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$58.98; to Rev. Mr. Simpson to aid in paying debt on the Church at Irvington, \$50. **General**—Bishop Tuttle's Mission work, (from Sunday School,) \$40; American Church Missionary Society, \$119.54; total, \$3,475.43.

The Rector would add to the above report that the ladies of "St. Stephen's Mite Society" have expended about \$180 for painting the interior of the Church; and are now making an effort to pay the accumulated interest due on the bond given by this parish to the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund. The gentlemen of the parish have substituted for the gas fixtures in the Church large reflectors and side lamps, at a cost of \$150.

The Rector acknowledges the kind assistance rendered him by the Rev. Dr. Rosé, Principal of St. Stephen's School.

MONTOLAIR, ST. LUKE'S CHURCH.

THE REV. J. L. MAXWELL, RECTOR.

Baptisms, (ads. 3, infs. 10,) 13; confirmed, 14; communicants: present No., 151; marriages, 8; burials, 8; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 4; other days, 20; total, 128; Holy Communion; public, 14; catechising: the whole school at sundry times; Sunday School: teachers, 10; pupils, about 100.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$145.59; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$3,862.07; Sunday School, \$100; other parochial objects, \$252.88. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund, \$70; Convention expenses, \$30. General—Missions: Domestic, \$15.36; Indians, (from Sunday School, an Easter offering,) \$97.86; total, \$4,078.26.

MORRISTOWN, CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

THE REV. SAMUEL HALL, RECTOR.

Families, 50; baptisms, (ad. 1, infs. 18,) 19; confirmed, 14; communicants: admitted, 4; added by removal, 18; lost by removal, 13; died, 4; present No., 75; marriages, 5; burials, 10; Divine Service: Sundays, 118; Holy Days, 10; other days, 50; total, 178; Holy Communion: public, 17; private, 3; catechising: every Sunday; Sunday School: teachers, 8; pupils, 60.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$114.65; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$2,012.48; Sunday School, \$60, for Crosby, \$15. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund, \$105; Convention expenses, \$22.50; Diocesan Missions, \$30; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$9; Newark Convocation, (specials,) \$15; Vineland, \$5. General—Missions: Domestic, \$76; Bishop Tuttle, \$40; colored people, (in the South,) \$10; total, \$2,514.13.

Frequent services are held in the village of Munroe. The Rector is occasionally invited to officiate at the Morristown Insane Asylum.

MORRISTOWN, ST. PETER'S CHURCH.

THE REV. ROBERT NORRIS MERRITT, RECTOR.

Families, 90; baptisms, (ad. 1, infs. 11,) 12; confirmed, 20; communi-

cants: present No., 180; marriages, 6; burials, 12; Divine Service: Sundays, twice; Holy Days, once; other days, Wednesdays and Fridays, and daily in Advent and Lent; Holy Communion: weekly in Advent and Lent, on the greater festivals, and thrice a month for the rest of the year; Sunday School: teachers, 15; pupils, 112.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$201.07; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$4,129.63; increase and improvement of Church property, \$563.89; Local charities from Minard Fund, \$52.77; Christmas Tree, and clothing for the poor, \$151. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$175; Convention expenses, \$37.50; Diocesan Missions, \$467.88; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$65.37. **General**—Missions: Domestic, (of which, \$80 from Sunday School for Bishop Tuttle's Scholarship Fund,) \$350.10; Foreign, \$10; colored people, (in the South,) \$57; Indians, (from Sunday School,) \$120; New York Bible and Prayer-Book Society, \$15; a box of clothing to a Missionary in North Carolina, from the "Parish Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to Board of Missions," valued at \$162.42; total, \$6,557.18.

NEWARK, CHRIST CHURCH.

THE REV. J. NICHOLAS STANSBURY, B.D., RECTOR.

Families, 120; baptisms, (adts. 2, infs. 35,) 87; confirmed, 9; communicants: admitted, 29; added by removal, 10; lost by removal, 7; died, 4; present No., 128; marriages, 6; burials, 18; churched, 2; Divine Service: Sundays, 208; Holy Days, 42; other days, 281; total, 531; Holy Communion: public, 70; private, 12; catechising: No. of children, 129; No. of times, 60; Sunday School: teachers, 18; pupils, 180; Parish School: teacher, 1.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Poor, \$40; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$1,899.70; Sunday School, \$43.50; increase and improvement of Church property, \$900; other parochial objects by societies, \$110; special offerings, \$118. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$78; Diocesan Missions, \$50; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$3; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$45; total, \$2,787.20.

This has been a hard year for the laboring people. The small amount collected for current expenses, and the little we have given for mission work, tell the story. We have been enabled to finish the south transept and chancel aisle. This gives us, until the enlargement is completed, two rooms in which to hold parish assemblies, etc. They were opened September 18th by the Bishop of New Jersey. The amount paid for this work came chiefly from the help of the women of the Parish, and the assistance of kind neighbors and friends, who, although they do not worship with us, have contributed generously in material and labor for this court of the Lord's House.

NEWARK, GRACE CHURCH.

THE REV. W. H. HARRISON, D.D., RECTOR; THE REV. WYNANT VANDERPOOL, CURATE.

Baptisms, (adts. 8, inf. 55,) 63; confirmed, 29; communicants: admitted, 27; added by removal, 16; lost by removal, 22; died, 9; present No., 327; marriages, 14; burials, 20; Divine Service: Sundays, 261; Holy Days, 121; other days, 611; total, 993; Holy Communion: public, 164; private, 15; catechising: No. of children, 225; No. of times, 52; Sunday School: teachers, 24; pupils, 225; Parish School: teachers, 2; pupils, 80.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$363.57; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$5,074.38; Sunday School, \$298.49; increase and improvement of Church property, \$4,318.78; St. Mark's Guild, \$140; St. Agnes Guild, \$100; Altar Society, \$481.85; Employment Society, \$150.77; Sewing School, \$11. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund, \$175; Convention expenses, \$87.50; Diocesan Missions, \$168; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$384; other objects within the Diocese, \$51.47. General—Missions: Domestic, \$8.92; Foreign, \$16; Indians, \$17.02; Diocese of Wisconsin, \$72; total, \$11,918.75.

NEWARK, ST. BARNABAS CHURCH.

THE REV. GEO. FREDK. FLICHTNER, RECTOR.

Families, 95; baptisms, (adts. 2, inf. 12,) 14; confirmed, 10; communicants: admitted, 10; added by removal, 14; lost by removal, 12; died, 2; present No., 120; burials, 7; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 25; other days, 41; total, 170; Holy Communion: public, 16; catechising: No. of children, 125; No. of times, 10; Sunday School: teachers, 15; pupils, 137; Parish School: teacher, 1; pupils, 15.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$87.56; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$1,850.75; Sunday School, \$69.09; increase and improvement of Church property, \$325; interest and reduction of debt, \$471.45; sundries, \$22.52. Diocesan—Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$7.37; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$129.74. General—Nashota, by Sunday School, \$10; total, \$2,978.48.

NEWARK, (WOODSIDE,) ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

THE REV. J. B. WETHERILL, RECTOR.

Families, 32; baptisms, (ads. 2, inf. 1,) 3; communicants: added by removal, 1; died, 2; present No., 78; burials, 2; Divine Service: Sundays, 140; Holy Communion: public, 15; catechising: No. of children, 35; Sunday School: teachers, 7; pupils, 40.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$1,623.59; Sunday School, \$40; total, \$1,663.59.

NEWARK, ST. MARK'S CHURCH MISSION.

THE REV. J. B. WETHERILL, IN CHARGE.

Families, 25; baptisms, (ads. 8, inf. 6,) 9; confirmed, 5; communicants: admitted, 2; present No., 12; Divine Service: Sundays, all, 116; other days, 4; total, 120; Holy Communion: public, 3; catechising: No. of children, 89; Sunday School: teachers, 4; pupils, 86.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Sunday School, \$11.89; increase and improvement of Church property, \$450; rent, light, etc., \$101.81; total, \$562.70.

The up-stairs room, where the services are held (cor. 14th av. and S. 10th st.) has lately been furnished for the celebration of the Holy Communion.

NEWARK, ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH.

THE REV. WILLIAM TREPTOW, RECTOR.

Families, 30; baptisms, (ads. 2, inf. 5,) 7; by Rev. Mr. Albert, 5; total 12; confirmed, 8; communicants: admitted, 74; lost by removal, 2; died, 1; present No., 74; marriages, 8; burials, 6; Divine Service: Sundays, 86; Holy Days, 7; other days, 11; total, 104; Holy Communion: public, 15; catechising: No. of children, 50; No. of times, 26; Sunday School: teachers, 7; pupils, 75.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$39.46; for current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$1,500; Sunday School, alms given, \$2.69; other parochial objects, viz., for choir and Sunday School hymn books, \$29.88; for different things in the Church, \$24.75; for sexton and poor people, \$69.84. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$1; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$1.50; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$1.50. General—Missions: Domestic, \$1; foreign: Africa, China, and Japan, \$3; colored people, (in St. Louis,) \$2; Indians, (from a little friend of the Indians, S. W. Treptow, 9 years,) \$1; total, \$1,688.12.

Since Good Friday, A.D. 1876, I am in the above Church at work. Only three communicants were found; just so many as have departed. But, lo! *Εὐλογητός Κύριος εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα. Τέλειται, γένοιτο.* Ps. lxxxix. 58. For, God has commenced to fulfil His promise: Et non derelinquet Dominus populum suum propter nomen suum magnum, quia juravit Dominus facere vos sibi populum. 1 Sam. xii. 22. About 150 souls belong to St. Matthew's. More will join. Sunday School, choir, Ladies' and Young Ladies' Society are now organized, and all are going on to my satisfaction.

NEWARK, SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH.

THE REV. JOSEPH H. SMITH, RECTOR.

Baptisms, (ads. 10, inf. 116,) 126; confirmed, 37; communicants: present No., 180; marriages, 87; burials, 93; churchings of mothers, 16; Divine Service: Sundays, 156; Holy Days, all; other days, 448; total, 604;

Holy Communion : public, 87 ; private, 51 ; total, 138 ; catechising : No. of children, 125 ; No. of times, 48 ; Sunday School : teachers, 21 ; pupils, 220.

OFFERINGS.—Total for all purposes, \$3,544.01.

The Hospital of St. Barnabas receives, as it requires, a large share of attendance and of services.

The Lay-readers engaged in such duties as they may be called upon to perform are as follows : In St. Paul's Church, Messrs. Van Wagenen, Hayes, and Sisserson ; at St. Paul's Mission, Mr. J. W. Hall, and at the Hospital, Mr. Edward Q. Keasbey and Dr. Archibald Mercer.

NEWARK, ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH.

THE REV. WILLIAM T. WEBBE, RECTOR.

Families, 35 ; about 150 individuals ; baptisms, (infants,) 6 ; confirmed, 1 ; communicants : admitted, 1 ; lost by removal, 4 ; left the Church, 1 ; present No., 66 ; marriages, 5 ; burials, 4 ; Divine Service : Sundays, all ; Holy Days, many ; other days, occasionally ; total, 180 ; Holy Communion : public, 52 ; private, 8 ; catechising : No. of children, varies ; No. of times, weekly ; Sunday School : teachers, none ; pupils, few.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Current expenses, (including Rector's salary.) \$1,055.49.

This amount includes \$150 from Trinity Church, and over two hundred dollars raised by concerts, fairs, and private subscriptions to pay the Rector and meet other current expenses. The Rector's salary being \$800, and no house.

NEWARK, ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH.

THE REV. EDWARD B. BOGGS, D.D., RECTOR.

Baptisms, (ads. 2., inf. 9,) 11 ; confirmed, 11 ; communicants : present No., about 180 ; marriages, 4 ; burials, 9 ; Divine Service : Sundays, 104 ; Holy Days, 43 ; other days, 25 ; total, 172 ; Holy Communion : public, 15 ; catechising : No. of children, 80 ; No. of times, 42 ; Sunday School : teachers, 14 ; pupils, 88.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$2,855.20 ; Sunday School, \$61.20 ; increase and improvement of Church property, \$409.14. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$20 ; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$256 ; total, \$3,661.54.

We have begun the erection of a wooden edifice, on the foundation of our new Church, so planned that the stone building may be put up around it whenever we have the ability. It will be churchly in appearance, and will seat about 400 ; we hope to be able to finish it in the Spring.

NEWARK, THE HOUSE OF PRAYER.

THE REV. H. GOODWIN, RECTOR.

THE REV. ALONZO L. WOOD, ASSISTANT.

Baptisms, (ads. 35, infs. 145,) 180; confirmed, 68; marriages, 15; funerals, 50; celebration of the Holy Communion, 210; Sunday School: children, 300.

The several organizations connected with the parish have rendered much good service during the year, and Deacon Alonzo Wood and the Sisters of the Community of St. John the Baptist are much beloved for their work's sake.

NEWARK, TRINITY CHURCH.

THE REV. WILLIAM W. NEWTON, RECTOR.

THE REV. LOUIS ZAHNER, ASSISTANT.

Families, 110; baptisms, (ad. 1, infs. 19,) 20; confirmed, 25; communicants: admitted, 25; added by removal, 28; lost by removal, 5; died, 3; present No., about 250; marriages, 2; burials, 20; Divine Service: Sundays, 112; Holy Days, 10; other days, 60; total, 182; Holy Communion: public, 14; private, 2; catechising: No. of children, 180; No. of times, 9; Sunday School: teachers, 20; pupils, 160.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$480.66; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$10,406.87; Sunday School, \$50.98; increase and improvement of Church property, \$817.40; Young Men's Union, \$13; miscellaneous, \$221.15; Female Charitable Society, \$64.56. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund, \$210; Convention expenses, \$75; Diocesan Missions, \$59; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$340.11; salary and insurance, Rutherford Memorial Church, E. Newark, \$618.75; St. Philip's Church, Newark, \$100; St. Barnabas' Church, Roseville, \$720. General—Missions: Domestic, (Am. Church Miss. Society,) \$55.11; Foreign, (Foreign Committee,) \$33.42; Colored People, (in the South,) \$25; Indians, \$30.51; Evangelical Education Society, \$56; Essex Co. Bible Society, \$47; Society for Deaf Mutes, \$82; total, \$14,405.16.

NEWTON, CHRIST CHURCH.

THE REV. WM. H. MOFFETT, RECTOR.

Families, 50; baptisms, 5; confirmed, 15; communicants: admitted, 18; lost by removal, 2; present No., 77; marriages, 5; burials, 5; Divine Service: Sundays, 112; other days, 98; total, 210; Holy Communion: public, 22; private, 2; catechising: No. of times, 12; Sunday School: teachers, 10; pupils, 60.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$17.34; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$1,717.89; Sunday School, \$82.92; increase and improvement of Church property, \$337.09; Christmas decorations, \$28.95; the poor, \$15.04; other charitable uses, \$52.00. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$70; Convention expenses, \$18; Diocesan Missions, \$17.08. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$12.50; box of clothing, books, etc., by the Ladies' Society for Missionary in Texas, valued at \$100; total, \$2,878.29.

ORANGE, GRACE CHURCH.

THE REV. A. SCHUYLER, D.D., RECTOR.

Baptisms, (ads. 2, infs. 18,) 15; confirmed, 16; communicants: admitted, 16; added by removal, 22; lost by removal, 38; died, 2; present No., about 260; marriage, 1; burials, 4; Divine Service: Sundays, twice every Sunday; Holy Days, once each; other days, week days of Lent; total, 334; Holy Communion: public, every month; 4 times during Lent; Ascension Day and Christmas; private, 2; Sunday School; teachers and officers, 28; pupils, 119.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms for poor, \$400.81; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$6,266.80; Sunday School, \$146.09; to Chapel Fund, \$302. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$175; Convention expenses, \$45; Diocesan Missions, \$211.05; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$62.96; Memorial Hospital, Orange, \$52.27; a deceased Clergyman's family, \$50. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$804.87; Foreign, \$272.68; Colored people, (in the South,) \$52.10; Indians: by Ladies through Missionary League, N. N. Jersey, \$100; Jews, \$20.28; Soc. Inc. Ministry, \$38.44; Bible and Prayer-Book Distribution, \$51.75; Seabury Divinity School, \$50; Nashotah, by Sunday School, \$18.82; Missionary clothing and supplies, New Berne, N. C., \$100; total, \$8,764.87.

ORANGE, ST. MARK'S CHURCH.

THE REV. JAMES A. WILLIAMS, D.D., RECTOR.

Families, 100; baptisms, (infants,) 31; confirmed, 21; communicants: admitted, 18; added by removal, 7; lost by removal, 14; died, 4; present No., 237; marriages, 8; burials, 10; Holy Communion: public, monthly; Sunday School: teachers, 25; pupils, 180.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$306.90; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$2,981.20; Sunday School, \$61.66. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$129.50; Convention expenses, \$80; Diocesan Missions, \$175; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$50.34; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$250. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$346.86; Foreign, \$40; Indians, \$151.90; Society for Increase of Ministry, \$89; Bishop Tuttle, \$40; Nashotah, \$35; Faribault, \$35; total, \$4,671.76.

PHILLIPSBURG, ST. LUKE'S CHURCH.

THE REV. JOSEPH S. MAYERS, RECTOR.

Baptisms, (infs.,) 5; confirmed, 10; communicants, 54; burials, 4; Holy Communion: monthly, and on the greater festivals; private, 5; Sunday School: teachers, 8; pupils, 86.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$625.84. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund and Convention expenses, \$52.50; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$4.27. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$10.86; from two members of the congregation for Nashotah, \$5; clothing made by the children of the Sewing School for the Rev. Mr. Swift's Indian Mission, valued at \$40; Foreign, \$4.18; total, \$742.15.

By the efforts of the members of the Parish Aid Society and the contributions of a few friends without the parish, the church has been repaired and improved, and beautified with stained windows, made by Booth, of Orange. The Rector has resigned the charge of the parish, and accepted the Rectorship of All Saints' Church, Baltimore.

SOUTH ORANGE, CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMMUNION.

THE REV. HENRY VASSALL DEGEN, RECTOR.

Families, 78; baptisms, (ad. 1, infs. 11,) 12; communicants: added by removal, 14; lost by removal, 19; present No., 129; marriages, 8; burials, 2; Divine Service: Sundays, 97; Holy Days, 4; other days, 17; total, 118; Holy Communion: public, 14; private, 2; catechising: No. of children, 60; No. of times, 12; Sunday School: teachers, 9; pupils, 60.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$145.58; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$3,927.01; Sunday School, \$100; finishing and furnishing Sunday School room, \$353.90; new furnace for Rectory, \$200; new furniture for Rectory, \$250; reduction of debt, \$1,000. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$35; Convention expenses, \$80; Diocesan Missions, \$75; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$15; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$256.40. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$156; Foreign, \$10; colored people, (in the South,) \$10; Indians, \$25; Jews, \$12.18; Increase of the Ministry, \$10; Bible and Prayer-book distribution, \$10; Trinity Church, Asbury Park, N. J., \$10; Midnight Mission, New York, \$10; total, \$8,641.16.

Notwithstanding the business depression which this parish has felt, in common with others, we are happy to report, besides the offerings made for parochial, diocesan, and general objects, the reduction by \$1,000 of the debt incurred in building. The balance still remaining is \$4,000, which we hope gradually to wear away. The Guild of the Holy Communion has been much enlarged in its operations, and furnishes scope for the religious activities of every member of the parish. The boy choir, introduced a year

ago as a somewhat doubtful experiment, has become, under the faithful and gratuitous training of one of our communicants, a decided success. The congregation is constantly enlarging, and every outward indication is given of earnest and devout worship.

SUMMIT, CALVARY CHURCH.

THE REV. J. F. BUTTERWORTH, RECTOR.

Families and parts of families, 50; individuals, 208; baptisms, (infs.,) 9; confirmed, 5; communicants: admitted, 17; added by removal, 9; lost by removal, 5; died, 2; present No., 80; marriages, 2; burials, 5; Divine Service: Sundays, 112; Holy Days, 27; other days, 61; total, 200; Holy Communion: public, 15; private, 2; Sunday School: Teachers, 6; pupils, 54.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$2,491.52; Sunday School, \$96; reducing mortgage on church, \$800. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50; Convention expenses, \$22.50; Diocesan Missions, \$20; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$25.45; other objects, \$120.45. General—Missions: Domestic, \$4; Foreign, \$3; total, \$3,514.87.

The parish has been prospered throughout the past year. The congregations have been generally very good: and a very successful effort has been made by the congregation to materially reduce the debt upon the church building.

VERNON, ST. THOMAS' CHURCH.

THE REV. LEVI JOHNSTON, MISSIONARY.

Families, 10; baptism, (ad.,) 1; confirmed, 3; communicants: admitted, 3; present No., 12; Divine Service: every other Sunday; total, 21; Holy Communion: public, 9.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Current expenses, \$40. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$50; total, \$90.

WEST ORANGE, CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS.

THE REV. WILLIAM G. FARRINGTON, D.D., IN CHARGE.

Baptisms, (infs.,) 5; confirmed, 4; marriage, 1; Divine Service: Sundays, Christmas, Ash-Wednesday, Good Friday, and Thanksgiving; Holy Communion: monthly, and on the greater festivals; catechising: all the children of the Sunday School; No. of times, every Sunday; Sunday School: teachers, 4; pupils, 40.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$73.86; current expenses, \$1,190.26; Sunday School Christmas Festival, \$68.22; improvement of Church property, (painting, etc.,) \$57.50; Sunday School offerings, \$10;

private contributions for charitable and other objects, \$80. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$15.66; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$17.80; total, \$1,468.30.

The attendance at the services during the summer was much larger than in any previous year. The number of permanent residents on the beautiful Orange Mountain shows no rapid increase, and the growth of the parish is, therefore, necessarily slow.

The Convocation of Jersey City.

BAYONNE, CALVARY CHURCH.

THE REV. P. W. SPRAGUE, RECTOR.

Families, 90; baptisms, (ads. 6, infs. 7,) 18; confirmed, 12; communicants: admitted, 11; added by removal, 8; lost by removal, 3; present No., 51; marriages, 6; burials, 5; Divine Service: Sundays, 103; Holy Days, 8; other days, 84; total, 140; Holy Communion: public, 18; private, 1; catechising: No. of times, 12; Sunday School: teachers, 11; pupils, 130.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$1,040.78; Sunday School, \$60. **Diocesan**—Diocesan Missions, \$25.54; total, \$1,126.32.

BAYONNE, TRINITY CHURCH.

THE REV. GEO. HERBERT WALSH, D.D., RECTOR.

Families, 130; individuals, 500; baptisms, (ads. 5, infs. 23,) 28, communicants: died, 2; present No., 200; marriages, 3; burials, 7; Divine Service: Sundays, 106; Holy Days, 1; total, 106; Holy Communion: public, 15; catechising: No. of children, 150; No. of times, 52; Sunday School: teachers, 17; pupils, 150.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$3,884.46; Sunday School, \$301.21; increase and improvement of Church property, \$520.86; the poor, \$393.94. **Diocesan**—Convention expenses, \$30; Diocesan Missions, \$40; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$340; rent of Episcopal residence, \$50. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$160; Foreign, \$180.83; Colored People, (in the South,) \$40.50; Indians, \$40; for Trinity and Rising Scholarship in Africa, \$150; theological education, \$300.88; Children's Aid Society, \$50; Joppa School, \$27; Bishop Welles' Work in Milwaukee, \$45; Scholarship Salt Lake, \$20; miscellaneous objects \$200; total, \$6,723.98.

The Rev. Geo. Z. Gray, D.D., who was Rector of the Parish for nearly

eleven years, resigned in April last, and the present incumbent assumed charge the 4th of June, Whitsunday. On account of a change of Rectors the above report in some particulars is not as complete as could be desired.

ENGLEWOOD, ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

THE REV. JOHN WILLIAM PAYNE, RECTOR.

Families, 88; baptisms, (ads. 4, inf. 21,) 25; confirmed, 21; communicants: admitted, 21; added by removal, 19; lost by removal, 6; died, 7; present No., 169; burials, 9; Divine Service: Sundays, 116; Holy Days, 17; other days, 56; total, 189; Holy Communion: public, 15; private, 8; catechising: No. of children, 170; No. of times, monthly; Sunday School: teachers, 18; pupils, 170.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$169.16; for current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$4,127.64; for Sunday School, \$212; increase and improvement of Church property, \$537.29; Church adornment, \$266.89; Industrial School, \$158.88; Ladies' Aid Society, \$45; a gift to Rector, \$245. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund. (including interest on Church debt,) \$756; Convention expenses, \$37.50; Diocesan Missions, \$16.02; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$36.01. General—Missions: Domestic, \$59.10; N. Y. City Missions, \$86.35; Bishop Whitaker, \$106.08; House of the Good Shepherd, \$655; an aged and infirm Clergyman, \$98; total, \$7,805.87.

The list of communicants has been thoroughly revised, and only those who have communicated once during the year retained; consequently the whole number has decreased.

FORT LEE, CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

THE REV. RALPH HOYT, IN CHARGE.

Baptisms, (ads. 8, inf. 8,) 11; confirmed, 10; communicants, (monthly,) 25; services twice on Sundays; Sunday scholars, 30; teachers, 7; marriage, 1; funerals, 7.

This Parish can pay only a portion of its current expenses, the Clergyman paying the balance. He has received \$75 from stipend allowed by Convocation, and has paid therefrom all the assessments imposed by Convocation as due from this Parish.

HACKENSACK, CHRIST CHURCH

THE REV. WM. WELLES HOLLEY, RECTOR.

Families, about 60; baptisms, (ads. 3, inf. 18,) 10; confirmed, 9; communicants: admitted, 8; added by removal, 10; lost by removal, 12; died, 1; present No., 97; marriage, 1; burials, 4; Divine Service: Sundays,

105; Holy Days, 34; other pays, 72; total, 211; Holy Communion: public, 38; catechising: No. of children, 61; No. of times, every Sunday; Sunday School: teachers, 5; pupils, 61.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$148.79; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$2,122.28; Sunday School, \$73.34; increase and improvement of Church property, \$200; "The Guild of Christ Church," \$774.86; the Parish debt, \$237.67; Christmas expenses, \$41.44; music, \$250; present to the Rector, \$106. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$52.50; Convention expenses, \$22.50; Diocesan Missions, \$100; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$5; Clergymen's Retiring Fund Society, \$30; Sundry charities, \$15. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$58.48; foreign, \$5.48; Jews, \$11.07; Theological Education, (Bishop Green,) \$100; a Church in Iowa, \$2; total, \$4,356.41.

Last year, through inadvertence, I neglected to mention the fact that this parish furnished a candidate for the ministry in the person of Mr. Charles Wesley Boyd, a convert from Methodism; a college graduate, and a young man of fine promise. It may be worthy of remark also that of the nine persons confirmed this year, two had been brought up in the Dutch Reformed communion, two in the Baptist, and two in the Roman Catholic. The Parish has been very seriously affected by the depression in business.

HALEDON, ST. MARY'S CHURCH.

THE REV. C. M. A. HEWES, MINISTER IN CHARGE.

Families, 15; baptisms, (ads. 2, inf. 2,) 4; confirmed, 15; communicants: lost by removal, 2; present No., 30; burials, 1; Divine Service: Sundays, 103; Holy Days, 4; total, 107; Holy Communion: public, 2; catechising: No. of children, 50; No. of times, 12; Sunday School: teachers, 10; pupils, 70.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—For current expenses, (including Lay-Reader's salary,) \$400; for Sunday School, \$80; organ, \$200; total, \$680.

Mr. M. H. R. Van Hovenberg acts as Lay-Reader.

The field is a hard one, and the work is carried on under many discouragements, arising chiefly from loss of interest on the part of the older people of the neighborhood, caused by previous mismanagements, frequent changes of ministers, and by the fact that the Parish began in too large a way in having a resident minister, and other similar advantages; for being unable to continue these, it has retrograded. It is also in a bad condition financially, its income being about \$200 a year, while the current expenses exceed \$500. The difference up to this time has been made good by Mr. Dimock, but he is now unable to continue his assistance. If necessary, I shall relinquish my allowance, and give my services without compensation. We are also crippled in the Sunday School for want of means. A determined and systematic attempt is being made to build up a Methodist Mission in Haledon by a body of men and women sent out from a very active Methodist Society of Paterson, and this is also discouraging to us, as the neighborhood is not large enough for both. But, on the other hand, the results of my work

among the younger people and children have been most encouraging, and I feel confident that if we can only hold our ground for a while longer, a strong parish can eventually be built up, and to effect this, and as speedily as possible, I shall work to the utmost of my powers.

HOBOKEN, HOLY INNOCENTS' CHURCH.

THE REV. J. B. WETHERILL, PRIEST IN CHARGE.

THE REV. R. W. LEWIS, ASSISTANT.

Families, 110; baptisms (ads. 9, infs. 65,) 74; confirmed, 87; communicants: admitted, 87; added by removal, 1; died, 2; present No., 156; marriages, 2; burials, 14; Divine Service: Sundays, 312; Holy Days, 149; other days, 780; total, 1191; Holy Communion: public, 95; private, 10; catechising: No. of children, 250; No. of times, 12; Sunday School: teachers, 28; pupils, 825; Parish School: teacher, 1; pupils, 50.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$24,782.47; Sunday School, \$250; increase and improvement of Church property, \$19.46. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$350; Diocesan Missions, \$700; other objects within the Diocese, \$700. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$210; Foreign, 85.22; other objects without the Diocese, \$600; total, \$27,627.15.

The services in St. Justin Martyr, which is a Mission of this Church, have been held in a rented building until a recent date. The difficulty of renting this building at the usual rates has for the time suspended the services, but it is believed and earnestly desired that as soon as the building can be secured the services and work will go on.

HOBOKEN, ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

THE REV. JNO. EDGAR JOHNSON, RECTOR.

Families, 70; baptisms, (ads. 5, infs. 19,) 24; confirmed, 18; communicants: lost by removal, 8; present No., 127; marriages, 5; burials, 18; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 2; other days, 1; total, 107; Holy Communion: public, 18; private, 8; Sunday School: teachers, 15; pupils, 200.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$75; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$3,000; increase and improvement of Church property, \$1,200; reduction of debt, \$20,000; Sexton's house, \$500. **Diocesan**—Diocesan Missions, \$20; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$5; total, \$24,800.

The future of the Parish has been unexpectedly assured by the reduction of the bonded debt of the Church. We hope now to bear our share of the burdens of the Diocese, and have offered to give a bond for the purposes of the Episcopal Fund. The church edifice is now completed; about six thousand dollars having been laid out on it during the past four years.

HOBOKEN, TRINITY CHURCH.

THE REV. TELFAIR HODGSON.

Families, 90; baptisms, (ads. 7, infs. 49,) 56; confirmed, 26; communicants: admitted, 20; added by removal, 1; lost by removal 6; died, 2; present No., 119; marriages, 7; burials, 16; Divine Service: Sundays, 109; Holy Days, 22; other days, 66; total, 197; Holy Communion: public, 14; private, 2; catechising: No. of children, 100; No. of times, 48; Sunday School: teachers, 26; pupils, 278.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$386.47; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$5,598.98; Sunday School, \$645.67; increase and improvement of Church property, \$1,051; the poor, \$108.49. **Diocesan**—Diocesan Missions, \$58.88; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$6. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$120.09; Foreign, 16.11; Jews, \$8.55; theological education, \$30.76; total, \$8,080.50.

JERSEY CITY, CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION.

THE REV. JNO. A. DENNISTON, M.A., IN CHARGE.

Families, 45; baptisms, (ads. 2, infs. 15,) 17; confirmed 15; communicants: admitted, 8; added by removal, 2; lost by removal, 12; present No., 20; marriages, 3; burials, 9; Divine Service: Sundays, 137; Holy Days, 6; other days, 28; total, 171; Holy Communion: public, 14; private, 2; catechising: No. of children, 100; No. of times, 7; Sunday School: teachers, 18; pupils, 180.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, (not including the envelopes,) \$10; Current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) about \$1,200; Sunday School, \$30; the poor, \$6.50. **Diocesan**—Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$8. **General**—Missions: Foreign, \$4.80; Bible and Prayer-book distribution, \$3; total, \$1,247.80.

This report is for the last ten months. The congregations have been steadily on the increase. Under God, the Pastor thankfully acknowledges the unity and co-operation of this people, and their readiness for all good works—showing many signs of the Divine blessing. The Guild and Industrial School, by God's favor, continue faithful agencies in their zeal and labors of love.

JERSEY CITY, GRACE CHURCH.

THE REV. SPENCER M. RICE, D.D., RECTOR.

Baptisms, (ads. 24, infs. 56,) 80; confirmed, 52; communicants: present No., about 300; marriages, 24; burials, 37; Divine Service: Sundays, all; Holy Days, all; other days, all Litany days; Holy Communion: public,

weekly, 52; catechising: No. of times, 12; Sunday School: teachers, 40; pupils, 800.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$223.00; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$5,505.85; Sunday School, \$364.25; increase and improvement of Church property, \$292.29; Mite Society, \$425; subscriptions, \$835; Relief Society, \$500. **Diocesan**—Episcopal fund, \$70; Convention expenses, \$87.50; Diocesan Missions, \$100; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$17.25; Convocation, \$11.50. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$24; Foreign, \$10; Colored people, (in the South,) \$10; Indiana, \$66; Jews, \$8; total, \$6,789.14.

JERSEY CITY, (GREENVILLE,) GRACE CHURCH.

THE REV. JAMES WELLS COE, RECTOR.

Baptisms, (infants,) 4; confirmed, 10; communicants: admitted, 7; lost by removal, 8; died, 1; present No., 51; marriages, 5; burials, 6; Divine Service: Sundays, 96; Holy Days, 5; other days, 16; total, 117; Holy Communion: public, 18; Sunday School: teachers, 15; pupils, 180.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) about \$1,500; Sunday School, \$198.29; increase and improvement of Church property, about \$100. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$56; other objects within the Diocese, \$6; total, \$1,855.29.

JERSEY CITY, CHURCH OF HOLY TRINITY.

THE REV. RALPH BYRON HOYT, RECTOR.

Families, 115; Baptism, (ad. 1, inf. 64,) 65; confirmed, 26; communicants: admitted, 27; added by removal, 6; lost by removal, 84; died, 1; present No. 185; marriages, 4; burials, 30; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 40; other days, 107; churching of women, 5; total, 266; Holy Communion: public, 18; Sunday School: teachers, 18; pupils, 180; Sewing School: teachers, 8; pupils, 88.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$108.50; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$1,989.10; Sunday School, \$78.85; sewing school, from its own members, \$10.00; organ, \$500; Easter Festival and other entertainments, \$75; Church furnishing and poor, and Parish sewing school, \$880.84; special purposes, (Rector, \$70,) \$195; the poor, additional, \$38.10. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$140; Diocesan Missions, \$120.81; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, in addition to \$24 from Com. alms, as above given, \$184; Bp. residence, \$10; Retiring Clergy Fund, \$5, (included above in H. Com. alms.) **General**—Indiana, Sewing School, addi-

tional, \$14; (\$12 additional included in Holy Com. alms;) Jews, \$9.25; total, \$3,792.45.

The present number of communicants is as closely as possible that of actual communicants. The money for the organ was contributed before my connection with the Parish, though only paid on the debt the past year. This Parish may be considered as being in healthful condition.

JERSEY CITY, SAINT JOHN FREE CHURCH.

WARDEN'S REPORT.

Families, 200; Baptisms, (ads. 6, infs. 61,) 67; confirmed, 85; communicants: admitted, 48; died, 8; present No., 264; marriages, 6; burials, 19; Divine Service: Sundays, 110; Holy Days, all; other days, 60; Holy Communion: public, 16; private, 8; catechising: No. of times, 52; Sunday School: teachers, 31; pupils, 250.

OFFERINGS. — **Parochial** — Current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$7,180.98; Sunday School, \$286; the poor, \$281.85; Rectory Fund, \$630. **Diocesan** — Episcopal Fund, \$175; Convention expenses, \$37.50; Diocesan Missions, \$11.25; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, (estimated,) \$100; Provisions for the Children's Home, \$300. **General** — Missions: Domestic, \$43.64; Foreign, \$36.00; Colored People, (in the South,) \$12.50; Indians, \$2; Jews, \$12; Theological Education, \$42; Bible and Prayer-Book Distribution, \$5; Saint Mark's School, Salt Lake City, \$40; Clothing sent to Texas Mission, \$100; total, \$9,254.67.

JERSEY CITY, ST. LUKE'S FREE CHURCH.

THE REV. D. G. GUNN, RECTOR.

Families, 70; Baptisms, (ad. 1, infs. 30,) 31; confirmed, 9; communicants: admitted, 11; lost by removal, 8; died, 1; present No., 84; marriages, 6; burials, 11; Divine Service: Sundays, twice, 104; Holy Days, once, 11; total, 115; Holy Communion: public, 12; private, 1; catechising: No. of children, 80; No. of times, 12; Sunday School: teachers, 10; pupils, 80.

OFFERINGS. — **Parochial** — Current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$750.

This Parish is in good condition. About 18 families have moved away. Our expenses have been reduced to suit the times. Minister's salary now \$600. Lease of Church lot \$70; taxes, \$18; water rents, \$6; fuel, etc., about \$50. Our congregation, though large, is very poor; but the future of this Parish is very bright. The neighborhood is improving rapidly, with the population. We have every reason to hope that St. Luke's will be a strong Parish as soon as times are better. The Church has been put in good order by "The Ladies' Mite Society."

JERSEY CITY, ST. MARK'S CHURCH.

THE REV. H. B. STUART MARTIN, RECTOR.

Baptisms, (ads. 1, infs. 48,) 44; confirmed, 5; communicants: admitted, 6; added by removal, 6; lost by removal, etc., 16; present No., 120; marriages, 17; burials, 24; Divine Service: Sundays, 124; Holy Days and other days, 264; total, 888; Holy Communion: public, every Sunday and Holy Day, 78; sick, 15; Sunday School: teachers, 16; pupils, 160.

\$150 were contributed for the Sunday School.

Churchings, 8.

Reception of clinically baptized, 2.

A solid silver, parcel gilt, Communion Service has been presented to the Parish by some parishioners and other friends of the Parish. It was imported at a cost of upwards of \$400.

JERSEY CITY, ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH.

THE REV. R. M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D., RECTOR.

THE REV. EDWARD H. VAN WINKLE, ASSISTANT.

THE REV. GILBERT HENRY STERLING, DEACON.

Families, 228; baptisms, (ads. 6, infs. 94,) 100; confirmed, 86; communicants: present No., 252; marriages, 86; burials, 48; Divine Service: Sundays, all; Holy Days, all; Holy Communion: public, every Lord's Day; private, 5; catechising: No. of children, 801; No. of times, every Lord's Day; Sunday School: teachers, 20; pupils, 801; Parish School: teachers, 1; pupils, 40.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$582.89; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$7,500; Sunday School, \$255; increase and improvement of Church property, \$100; Guild, \$210; two memorial windows, \$1,000; Parish School, \$800. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$187; Convention expenses, \$25; Diocesan Missions, \$252.75; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$998; Church of Ascension, Jersey City Heights, \$160; Flower Fund, \$50. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$85.57; Indians, \$60; Society Inc. Ministry, per Bishop Pierce, \$17.48; total, \$12,263.19.

JERSEY CITY, ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

THE REV. FERNANDO C. PUTNAM.

Families and parts of families, 160; baptisms, (ads. 8, infs. 86,) 89; confirmed, 84; communicants: admitted, 15; lost by removal, 6; died, 6; present No., 220; marriages, 4; burials, 85; Divine Service: Sundays, 154; other days, 105; total, 259; Holy Communion: public, 25; private, 8; catechising: No. of children, 200; Sunday School: teachers and officers, 30; pupils, 200.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$209.64; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$4,190; Sunday School, \$400; reduction of debt on Rectory, \$1,050; paying floating indebtedness, \$1,800. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$126; Convention expenses, \$27; Diocesan Missions, \$100; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$500. **General**—Missions: Jews, \$25; Nashotah, \$19.34; increase of the ministry, \$18.72; total, \$7,965.70.

The above statistics for the year, from November, 1875, to November, 1876, show that there have been upon the average nearly five public services each week; in all 259; in which 154 sermons and other discourses have been delivered. The number of persons under pastoral care is much greater than appears, as is indicated by the large number of funeral services—nearly 40. This indicates that the Rector's ministrations to the sick, the poor, and for the dead, reach a population of nearly 2,000.

PASSAIC, ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

THE REV. W. H. CARTER, D.D., LL.D.

Baptisms, (infants,) 16; confirmed, 7; communicants: present No.; 73; marriages, 4; burials, 9; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 17; other days, 49; total, 170; Holy Communion: public, 16; Sunday School: teachers, 8; pupils, 53.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$47.40; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) about \$2,000; Sunday School, about \$15. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$126; Convention expenses, \$22.50; Diocesan Missions, \$70. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$10; Colored people, (in the South,) \$5; total, \$2,295.90.

In addition to the above, I held services at Grace Church, Franklin, until about the middle of last April. The official acts will be found in the report of that Parish.

The present Rectory has been sold and the proceeds are sufficient to pay the entire indebtedness of the Parish, besides building the new Rectory which is now being erected.

PATERSON, CHURCH OF HOLY COMMUNION.

THE REV. O. M. A. HEWES, RECTOR.

Families, 180; individuals, 422; baptisms, (ads. 5. inf. 68,) 78; confirmed, 16; communicants: present No., 100; marriages, 16; burials, 50; Divine Service: Sundays, 110; Holy Days, 66; other days, 115; total, 291; Holy Communion: public, 25; private, 5; catechising: No. of children, 107; No. of times, 16; Sunday School: teachers, 28; pupils, 163.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$170.26; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$2,326.33; Sunday School, \$264.60; in-

ergase and improvement of Church property, \$555; choir, \$71.88. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$70; Convention expenses, \$15; Diocesan Missions, \$32.26. **General**—Missions: Foreign, \$12.10; colored people, (in the South,) \$3; theological education, \$7.79; Bible and Prayer-book distribution, \$170; total, \$3,529.42.

Mr. Van Hovenberg, Lay-Reader, makes the following return for Calvary Chapel, a Mission of this Parish: "Families, 15; baptisms, 11; confirmed, 13; communicants, 25; Divine Service, 52 times; Sunday School, teachers and pupils, 80. Current expenses, including Sunday School, \$500. The Chapel has never been in a more prosperous and encouraging condition than it now is."

PATERSON, ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

THE REV.-JOHN M. HEFFERNAN, RECTOR.

Baptisms: (ad. 1, inf. 43,) 44; confirmed, 11; communicants: present No., about 200; marriages, 8; burials, 16; Divine Service: Sundays, twice on all; Holy Days, all; Holy Communion: public, 1st Sunday in month and all great festivals; private, 8; catechising: No. of children, the Sunday School; No. of times, monthly; Sunday School: teachers, 88; pupils, 888.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$197.20; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$4,782.88; Sunday School, \$290.58; Rector's Aid Society, \$151.14. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$140; Convention expenses, \$30; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$10.18; Ladies' Hospital of Paterson, \$29; Episcopal residence, \$100. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$67.28; Foreign, \$19.04; Jews, \$4.75; Society for the Increase of the Ministry, \$52.48; total, \$5,878.78.

POMPTON, CHRIST CHURCH.

THE REV. C. M. A. HEWES, IN CHARGE.

Families, 19; baptisms, (ads. 4, inf. 10,) 14; confirmed, 15; communicants: admitted, 15; lost by removal, 8; present No., 27; burials, 8; Divine Service: Sundays, twice every; Holy Days, 5; other days, Fridays in Lent; Holy Communion: public, 6; private, 1; catechising: No. of times, once a month; Sunday School: teachers, 8; pupils, 47.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$25; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$500; Sunday School, \$15. **General**—Missions: Domestic, (for Bp. Spalding,) \$12; Indians, (Paul Masakute scholarship at Cheyenne,) \$40.

Mr. H. E. Thompson acts as Lay-Reader.

The steel works here having been closed during the year, the congregation and Sunday School are diminished in numbers.

RIDGEFIELD, ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

THE REV. JAS. CAMERON, MINISTER IN CHARGE.

Families, 17; baptisms, (infants,) 3; communicants: added by removal, 4; lost by removal, 4; present No., 28; marriages, 1; burials, 8; Divine Service: Sundays, 48; Holy Days, 4; other days, 12; total, 64; Holy Communion: public, 13; catechising: No. of children, 14; No. of times, weekly; Sunday School: teachers, 2; pupils, 14.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$82.02; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$551.79; Sunday School, \$18.55. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$35; Convention expenses, \$7.50; Diocesan Missions, \$18.07; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$20. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$13.82; Foreign, \$5; total, \$751.75.

RIDGEWOOD, CHRIST CHURCH.

THE REV. LEGL. B. DICKINSON, M.A., RECTOR.

Families, 62; baptisms, (ad. 1, inf. 11,) 12; confirmed, 9; communicants: admitted, 12; added by removal, 9; lost by removal, 8; died 2; present No., 101; marriage, 1; burials, 8; Divine Service: total, 133; Holy Communion: public, 13; catechising: No. of children, 20; No. of times, 12; Sunday School: teachers, 15; pupils, 90.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, etc., \$117.86; current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$2,001.74; Sunday School, offerings of and for, (besides Christmas and Easter offerings of \$42,) \$95.42; surplice, \$85; Rector, \$200. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund and Convention expenses included in current expenses; Diocesan Missions (of which from S. S., \$25,) for Allendale, \$61; total, \$2,510.52.

In recording his tenth Parochial Report, the Rector thankfully acknowledges the marked tokens of Divine favor which, notwithstanding its financial straits, have crowned it with a larger ingathering of souls than any preceding. We have lost some valued communicants by death and removal, but the number is now over one hundred, an increase of tenfold since Nov., 1866. The contributions reported for these ten years are nearly \$40,000.

The Chapel of our Mission at Allendale was opened for Divine Service on Trinity Sunday, the 10th of June, the Rector officiating. On the second Sunday after Trinity, June 25th, the Bishop, at his visitation, laid the corner-stone and administered confirmation. The first Sunday School services in the village were those of this Mission, begun in the Epiphany season of 1872, and the first religious worship was that of the Protestant Episcopal Church, on the 14th Sunday after Trinity, September 14th, 1873. Fifteen have been baptized, two of whom have already entered the fold above.

The Report of the Mission is appended:

CHAPEL OF THE EPIPHANY, ALLENDALE.

REV. L. R. DICKINSON, MINISTER IN CHARGE.

Families, 15; baptisms, (ads. 2, infs. 4,) 6; confirmed, 4; burials, 2; Sunday School: teachers, 7; pupils, 46; catechising, monthly; volumes in S. S. Library, 250.

Contributions: for support of S. School, (\$164.29 reported last year,) \$524.57; 1872-1876, in full, \$688.86; 1875-1876, (including \$61 reported above,) for building and furniture in full, \$972.50, total, \$1,661.86; and not elsewhere reported, \$1,486.07.

RUTHERFORD, GRACE CHURCH.

THE REV. E. H. SAUNDERS, RECTOR.

Families, 24; baptisms, (ads. 6, infs. 15,) 21; confirmed, 5; communicants: admitted, 8; added by removal, 7; lost by removal, 5; died, 1; present No., 47; burial 1; Divine Service: Sundays, 9; Holy Days, 2; other days, 6; total, 17; Holy Communion: public, 3; catechising: No. of times, 2; Sunday School: Teachers, 18; pupils, 70.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$773.92; Sunday School, \$99.20. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund, \$42. General—Missions: Domestic, (Naahotah,) \$15; total, \$930.12.

I assumed the Rectorship of this Church on the first Sunday in September. During the greater part of the year services have been conducted by Rev. G. A. Carstensen, Deacon. The sittings are free. Offerings are given each Sunday, as an equivalent for pew rents. The services are well attended, and the people seem united. I have officiated twice at Trinity Mission, Kingeland.

WEST HOBOKEN, ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

THE REV. WM. WARDLAW, RECTOR.

Baptisms, (ads. 2; infs. 10,) 12; confirmed, 1; communicants: died, 1; present No., 40; marriage, 1; burials, 8; Divine Service: Sundays, 96; other days, 50; total, 146; Holy Communion: public, 14; private, 2; catechising: No. of times, 12; Sunday School: teachers, 10; pupils, 90.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Current expenses, (including Rector's salary,) \$490; repairing Church and Rectory, \$200. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund, \$14; Diocesan Missions, \$4.75; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$2.70. General—Missions: Jews, \$2.55; total, \$714.

I am but a short time connected with this parish, and the above report is as near as I can give it.

CLERICAL REPORTS.

The Rev. Dr. FRANCOIS J. CLERC reports as follows in relation to services held at Schooley's Mountain:

By direction of the Bishop, services have been held at Schooley's Mountain during the Sundays in August. The very neat chapel, built there by the contributions of visitors and residents, is at the disposal of the Bishop on alternate Sunday mornings and evenings. It is mostly used, however, by the Presbyterian local organization at all other seasons of the year. The number of Church people resorting thither in the summer is ordinarily large, and their interest has been manifested by liberal offerings these many years. The Prayer-books are still in good condition, which were donated long ago by Mrs. Jacob Le Roy of N. Y., for the free but careful use of the guests at the "Heath House." Occasionally large offerings have been made for Mission work in the neighborhood, and doubtless this will continue to be a favorite resort of Church people. Possibly some arrangements will be made for more frequent services of the Church there in the future.

On the first three Sundays of this month the Rev. Dr. Clerc, of Burlington College, officiated, administering the Holy Communion once. The musical portions of the service were neatly rendered by guests, aiding Mrs. Coleman and her daughter, of the Heath House. A large attendance welcomed the infrequent ministrations of one of our Clergy, and about twenty availed themselves of the opportunity to commune. A parlor service was held also on one Sunday morning and one Sunday evening at Belmont Hall. The pure mountain air and the cooling breeze made even the heated term tolerable there, and some who were present will not soon forget the pleasure of their visit. The Rev. Dr. Boggs officiated, etc., August 27th, the 11th Sunday after Trinity, in the afternoon. The congregation was very small, as most of the visitors had left the mountain.

The Rev. ORLANDO HARRIMAN reports as follows:

My health has been so uncertain during the past year that I have performed comparatively but little clerical work. I have at most only been able to assist occasionally in the offices of Prayer and Holy Communion. I have, of course, no statistics to report.

The Rev. HENRY F. HARTMAN, Ph.D., reports as follows :

I beg leave to report to you as my Bishop that I am in full charge of the English Chapel at Cologne, by the special license of the Lord Bishop of London, in connection with your own, and that the services of the Church are held regularly on every Lord's and festival day, with a weekly celebration of the Holy Communion, all of which have been well attended since I took full charge of the chapel on the first of May last.

The Rev. JULIUS D. ROSÉ, Ph.D., reports as follows :

I beg leave to be permitted to report to you that since the meeting of last Convention I resigned the position of "Curate" in St. Stephen's Church, Millburn. I continue, however, in the duties of my office, as Principal of St. Stephen's Incorporated School.

I preached during the conventional year in Morristown, Madison, Summit, Newark, and Millburn, altogether 22 times; celebrated the Holy Eucharist in public 5 times; in private, with the sick, twice; married one couple; baptized two infants, and officiated at 8 funerals. I assisted the Rev. Dr. Olover in the services at St. Stephen's Church whenever health and circumstances permitted.

The Rev. G. VAN HORN reports as follows for Sussex Co. Mission :

Families, 12; individuals, 42; communicants, 29; death, 1; burial, 1; confirmed, 4; Holy Communion, administered by the Rev. Levi Johnston, 1; No. of pastoral visits, 85; services, every Sunday once; congregations good. Offerings from all sources, \$145.

There is a prospect of gathering many worthy persons into the Church on this Mission, although wholly composed of a rural district.

The Rev. EDWARD H. VAN WINKLE, Assistant of St. Matthew's Church, Jersey City, reports as follows :

That since his transfer from the Diocese of New York, May 18, 1876, he has performed the following services: He has celebrated the Holy Communion 4 times, and assisted thereat 17 times; has read service 30 times, and assisted thereat 48 times; has preached 26 times; has baptized 1 infant, and married 1 couple.

The Mission of the Holy Communion, Norwood, was in his charge from May 21st to Oct. 1st, inclusive, after which time the services of the Church were discontinued, owing to the want of proper accommodations during cold weather. It is hoped that services will be resumed in the spring, when the Church building will probably be completed.

Appendix.

No. II.

STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE, 1875-76.

From the Episcopal Address, Parochial and Missionary Reports.

Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese.....	68
Parishes and Missions.....	84
Parishes in union with the Convention.....	66
Ordinations: Deacons, 2; Priests, 2	4
Clergymen received from other Dioceses.....	12
“ dismissed to other Dioceses.....	9
Candidates for Holy Orders (Deacon's, 3; Priest's, 3).....	6
Lay Readers.....	35
Baptisms (adults, 207; infants, 1,482; not specified, 16).....	1,705
Confirmed.....	961
Communicants.....	6,600
Marriages.....	305
Burials	756
Sunday School Teachers.....	798
“ “ Scholars.....	7,441

INCOMES, OFFERINGS, AND CONTRIBUTIONS.

Convention Expenses.....	\$ 966 75
Diocesan Missions (Income).....	3,449 47
Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen (Income).....	756 85
TOTAL OFFERINGS AND CONTRIBUTIONS.....	\$252,476 99

STATISTICS OF THE CONVOCATIONS, 1875-76.

THE CONVOCATION OF NEWARK.

Number of Clergy belonging.....	36
Parishes and Missions.....	46
Baptisms (adults, 98; infants, 692; not specified, 5).....	795
Confirmed.....	485
Communicants reported.....	8,419
Marriages.....	144
Burials.....	303
Sunday School Teachers.....	361
" " Scholars.....	8,325
Offerings.....	\$108 525 96

THE CONVOCATION OF JERSEY CITY.

Number of Clergy belonging.....	26
Parishes and Missions.....	38
Baptisms (adults, 109; infants, 790; not specified, 11).....	910
Confirmed.....	526
Communicants reported.....	8,011
Marriages.....	161
Burials.....	398
Sunday School Teachers.....	487
" " Scholars.....	4,116
Offerings.....	\$143,951 03

Abstract of Parochial Reports, 1875-76.

THE CONVOCATION OF NEWARK.

PARISHES AND MISSIONS.	BAPTISMS.				Confirmed.	Communicants.	Marriages.	S. School		Offerings.	
	Families.	Adults.	Infants.	Total.				Burials.	Teachers.		Pupils.
Andover.....			13	13	6	100	1	7	12	100	\$2,121 67
Belle Isle, Christ.....			1	1	2	32	1	3	5	28	311 17
Belvidere, Zion.....	11	2	13	15	16	70	4	5			2,486 54
Bloomfield, Christ.....		5	26	31	17	77	4	7	12	85	1,708 11
Boonton, St. John's.....			16	16	10	55	2	7	10	87	1,736 96
Dover, St. John's.....											
East Newark, Rutherford Memorial.....	39		11	11		43		2	11	145	837 00
East Orange, Christ.....											
" St. Paul's.....	46		23	23		60	1		8	75	800 45
Franklin, Grace.....	49	3	15	18	14	55		3	8	180	1,516 80
Hackettstown, St. James'.....	14		8	8		22			2	13	110 00
Hamburg, Good Shepherd.....	9	1		1	4	22		2	6	40	207 54
Hope, St. Luke's.....	12					18					83 02
Irvington, Trinity.....	50	4	11	15	8	43	2	5	6	70	2,063 23
Knowlton, St. James'.....	24	2		2	3	45	1	5	5	35	466 88
Madison, Grace.....	65	3	7	10	17	79	2	8	10	75	3,632 68
Mendham, St. Mary's Mission.....											
Millburn, St. Stephen's.....	100	3	24	24	8	125	6	23	15	115	2,475 43
Montclair, St. Luke's.....		3	10	13	14	151	3	8	10	100	4,074 26
Morristown, Redeemer.....	50	1	13	14		75	5	10	8	60	2,514 13
" St. Peter's.....	90	1	11	12	20	150	6	12	15	112	6,557 13
Newark, Christ.....	120		35	37	9	128	6	18	18	150	2,767 20
" Grace.....		3	55	58	29	337	14	20	24	325	11,918 76
" St. Barnabas.....	35	2	12	14	10	120		7	15	137	2,973 48
" St. John's.....	32	2	1	3		78		2	7	40	1,063 59
" St. Mark's.....	25	3	6	9	5	12			4	50	562 70
" St. Matthew's.....	30	2	10	12	8	74	3	6	7	75	1,688 12
" St. Paul's.....		10	11	22	37	140	37	23	21	220	3,544 01
" St. Philip's.....	35		6	6	1	68	5	4			1,055 49
" St. Stephen's.....		2	9	11	11	130	4	9	14	88	8,061 54
" The House of Prayer.....		35	145	180	63		15	50		500	
" Trinity.....	110	1	19	20	25	250	2	20	20	180	14,405 16
Newton, Christ.....	60			5	18	77	5	5	10	60	2,373 29
Northfield.....											
Orange, Grace.....		2	13	15	16	200	1	4	23	119	8,764 87
" St. Mark's.....	100		31	31	21	227	5	10	25	180	4,071 76
Oxford Furnace.....											
Phillipsburg, St. Luke's.....			5	5	10	54		4	8	26	742 15
Schooley's Mountain.....											
South Orange, Holy Communion.....	73	1	11	12		129	3	2	9	60	5,641 16
Summit, Calvary.....	50		9	9	5	80	2	5	6	54	3,514 37
Sussex Co. Mission.....	12				4	22		1			145 00
Vernon, St. Thomas.....	10	1		1	3	12					90 00
Washington.....											
West Orange, Holy Innocents'.....			5	5	4		1		4	40	1,463 30
Total.....	1264	98	692	795	429	3419	144	363	361	3327	\$103,525 96

Abstract of Parochial Reports, 1875-76.

THE CONVOCATION OF JERSEY CITY.

PARISHES AND MISSIONS.	Families.	BAPTISMS.			Confirmed.	Communicants.	Marriages.	Burials.	S. School.		Offerings.
		Adults.	Infants.	Total.					Teachers.	Pupils.	
Allendale, Epiphany Chapel...	15	9	4	6	4	...	...	2	3	45	\$1,493 07
Bayonne, Calvary...	90	8	7	13	12	51	6	5	11	120	1,120 83
" St. John's...	180	5	23	28	...	200	3	7	17	160	6,733 98
" Trinity...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Closter...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Edgewater, Mediator...	88	4	21	25	21	169	...	9	18	170	7,605 37
Englewood, St. Paul's...	...	8	8	11	10	25	1	7	7	30	...
Fort Lee, Good Shepherd...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hackensack, Christ...	60	3	13	16	9	97	1	4	...	61	4,358 41
Haledon, St. Mary's...	16	2	3	4	15	30	...	1	10	70	680 00
Hoboken, Holy Innocents...	110	9	65	74	37	156	2	14	23	325	27,627 15
" St. Paul's...	70	5	19	24	13	127	5	13	15	200	24,900 00
" Trinity...	90	7	40	56	28	119	7	16	22	273	8,930 50
Jersey City, Ascension...	45	2	15	17	15	20	3	9	13	130	1,247 80
" Christ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
" Grace...	...	24	56	80	52	300	24	27	4	300	8,739 14
" (Greenville) Grace...	...	...	4	4	10	51	5	6	17	130	1,565 29
" Holy Trinity...	115	1	64	65	29	135	4	30	1	130	3,723 45
" St. John Free...	300	6	61	67	35	284	6	19	37	250	3,254 67
" St. Luke's...	70	1	30	31	9	34	6	11	11	80	750 00
" St. Mark's...	...	1	43	44	5	120	17	24	16	160	...
" St. Matthew's...	328	6	94	100	38	252	36	43	20	301	12,268 19
" St. Paul's...	160	3	38	39	34	220	4	35	30	200	7,905 70
Norwood...	...	...	16	16	7	73	4	9	8	53	2,295 90
Passaic, St. John's...	15	...	11	13	23	...	...	...	8	70	300 00
Paterson, Calvary Chapel...	130	5	68	73	18	100	16	60	23	163	3,529 42
" Holy Communion...	...	1	43	44	11	300	8	16	33	323	5,873 73
" St. Paul's...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pompton, Christ...	19	4	10	14	15	27	...	3	8	47	612 00
Ridgefield, St. James'	17	...	8	8	...	23	1	3	2	14	751 75
Ridgewood, Christ...	63	1	11	12	9	101	1	8	15	90	2,510 53
Ridgewood...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rutherford Park, Grace...	24	6	15	21	5	47	...	1	18	70	930 12
Tenafly, Atonement...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Union Hill, St. Justin Martyr...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
West Hoboken, St. John's...	...	2	10	12	1	40	1	6	10	90	714 00
Total...	1748	109	790	910	446	3011	161	393	437	4118	\$143,951 03
CONVOCATION OF JERSEY CITY	1748	109	790	910	446	3011	161	393	437	4118	\$143,951 03
CONVOCATION OF NEWARK...	1234	98	608	705	429	3419	144	363	161	3335	108,525 98
Grand Total...	3012	207	1428	1705	875	6430	305	756	798	7451	\$252,476 99

Appendix.

No. III.

LEGISLATIVE ACTS.

AN ACT

To Incorporate Trustees of Religious Societies. Approved April 17, 1846. (R. S. 153.)

[The Sections omitted do not apply to the P. E. Church.]

§ 1. Every religious society or congregation of Christians, entitled to protection in the free exercise of their religion by the Constitution and laws of this State, are hereby authorized to assemble at their usual place of meeting for public worship, at any time by them to be agreed upon, giving at least ten days' notice of the time and purpose of assembling, by an advertisement set up in open view at or near such place of meeting, and, when so assembled, may, by plurality of voices of such of the said society or congregation as are present, elect any number, not exceeding seven, of the said society or congregation, to be Trustees of the same; which said Trustees and their successors in office, are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate in law, by whatever name they shall assume, agreeably to the directions of this act.

§ 2. The said Trustees, when they take upon themselves a name, shall certify such name under their hands and seals, and transmit such certificate to the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of the County, whose duty it shall be instantly to record the same, for

which he shall be entitled to receive one dollar ; and thereupon the said Trustees shall be known and distinguished in law by the name of incorporation so taken, certified and recorded.

§ 3. The said Trustees and their successors shall, by such name of incorporation, be able and capable to acquire, purchase, receive, have and hold any lands, tenements, hereditaments, legacies, donations, moneys, goods and chattels, in trust for the use of the said society or congregation, to an amount in value not exceeding two thousand dollars a year, and the same, or any part thereof, to sell, grant, assign, demise, alien and dispose of; to sue or be sued, implead or be impleaded, in any court of law or equity; to make and use a common seal, and the same to alter and renew at their pleasure.

§ 4. For perpetuating a line of succession in the Trustees of every religious society or congregation, it shall and may be lawful for the members of the said society or congregation to assemble at any time they may think proper, giving notice thereof as hereinbefore is directed for the election of the first Trustees, or for the election of any other Trustee or Trustees, in the stead of those or any of those before elected, in case they see cause for the removal of any of the said Trustees, provided such removal shall not be in less than one year after his or their election into office; and also to fill up the vacancy which may be occasioned by the death or resignation of any Trustee, or his moving out of the limits of the said society or congregation.

§ 5. Such corporation may elect, annually, or oftener if necessary or expedient, one of their own members to be their president, who shall keep the minutes, and enter the orders, acts and proceedings of the corporation, in a book to be kept for that purpose; who shall have the custody of the common seal, and the papers, deeds, writings, documents and books of or relating to the said corporation; and who is hereby empowered to convene the said corporation, as occasion may require; and in case of his absence, sickness, death, resignation, refusal to act, or moving out of the limits of the said religious society or congregation, then the said office of president shall devolve on the senior Trustee, for the time being, who shall occupy the same until the return or recovery of the President, or the election of another.

§ 6. Upon application to the president, any member of the said religious society or congregation shall have free access to all the papers, deeds, writings, minutes, documents and books of or belonging to the said corporation.

§ 7. Upon the death, resignation, removal or expiration of the office of president, or election of a new one, the common seal, and all the minutes, papers, deeds, writings, documents and books of or belonging to such corporation, shall be delivered to the successor in office, on the oath of the preceding president, or in case of his death, on the oath of his executors or administrators under such pecuniary penalty as the said corporation shall have previously fixed and ordained; to be recovered, with costs, by action of debt, in the name and for the use of the said corporation.

§ 8. The proceedings, orders and acts of a majority of all the members of the said corporation, but not of a less number, shall be valid and effectual in law.

§ 10. *Whereas*, some religious societies have held property under charters of incorporation granted by the Government of Great Britain, previous to the Revolution, and doubts may arise whether such estate, so held, will descend and vest in the corporation created under the laws of this State, *therefore, be it enacted*, that all the estate, real and personal, held in fee or otherwise, in consequence of any charter granted as aforesaid, shall be vested in and held by the corporation that may have been created in the place thereof, in consequence of the act passed the sixth day of March, in the year of our Lord seventeen hundred and eighty six, or the supplement thereto, passed the twenty-fifth day of November, in the year seventeen hundred and eighty-nine, although no transfer of such property shall have been made by the Trustees incorporated by such charter, to the Trustees of the corporation created under the said laws, any thing in such charter or in any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

§ 24. The wardens and vestrymen, for the time being, of every Protestant Episcopal Church, not especially incorporated, shall be Trustees of the same, and a body corporate and politic in law, by such name as the said Trustees shall assume, in manner mentioned in the second section of this act.

§ 25. It shall and may be lawful for the said Protestant Episco-

pal Churches incorporated under this act, or any of them, to avail themselves of the provisions of the next preceding section of this act, on the certifying their intention so to do, to the clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which said church or churches may be situate; and it shall be the duty of said clerk instantly to record the same.

§ 26. When any congregation of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State, duly organized according to the Constitution, and usages of said Church, desire to form themselves into a body corporate, notice shall be given of such intention ten days previously, by an advertisement set up in open view at or near the place where such congregation usually assemble for divine service, designating the day when and the place where they design to meet for that purpose.

§ 27. The congregation having met at the time and place appointed; the rector or minister, or if there be no rector or minister, or he be necessarily absent, one of the church wardens or vestrymen shall preside at the meeting, and the secretary of the vestry shall record the proceedings of the meeting. The congregation shall then proceed, by a vote of the majority of those present, to designate the corporate name or title by which the church shall be known, which shall be in the manner and form as follows:—"The Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen of ——— Church in ———." The congregation shall then choose two wardens, and not more than ten or less than five vestrymen; and also fix and determine the day, annually, on which new elections of officers shall take place. A certificate of these proceedings, under the hands and seals of the president and secretary of the meeting, shall be transmitted to the clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of the county, whose duty it shall be to record the same, for which he shall be entitled to receive the usual compensation for similar service.

§ 28. The rector, wardens and vestrymen, appointed as aforesaid, shall be a body corporate and politic, in law and in fact, to have continuance for ever, under the same restrictions, and with the same rights, powers and privileges, as are granted to and imposed on trustees in and by the first eight sections and the tenth section of this act; *provided nevertheless*, if at any time the church be without a minister or rector, the same rights and privileges shall be vested in the wardens and vestrymen.

§ 29. The rector, wardens and vestrymen, and their successors, or a majority of them, may make such rules, by-laws and ordinances, and do every thing needful and requisite for the good government and support of the church; all of which shall be entered in a book to be provided and kept for that purpose; *provided*, that the said rules, by-laws and ordinances shall not be repugnant to the Constitution and laws of this State or of the United States.

§ 30. The qualification of voters at the annual elections shall be conformable to the Constitution and principles of the Protestant Episcopal Church in New Jersey.

§ 31. The rector, wardens and vestrymen shall choose a treasurer, who, when called upon for that purpose, shall render a true and just account to the corporation, of all moneys by him received and expended, and pay over the balance which may remain in his hands at the time of settlement, to his successor in office.

§ 32. When a vacancy shall occur in the office of minister or rector, by death, removal, or otherwise, the said wardens and vestrymen (two-thirds of them concurring in the choice) may choose some fit person, duly qualified, to act as minister or rector of said church, agreeably to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America; and the minister or rector so chosen, shall preside at all meetings of the wardens and vestrymen, and have a casting vote, except the business or question to be decided has relation to personal interest of said minister or rector; *provided*, in the absence of the president, the wardens and vestrymen may choose a president *pro tempore*.

§ 33. It shall and may be lawful for any Protestant Episcopal Church in this State, heretofore incorporated, to embrace the privileges of this act, by compliance with and adopting its provisions.

§ 35. It shall be lawful for every religious corporation, which has been created by act of the legislature, or by letters patent, to acquire, purchase, receive, have and hold, any lands, tenements, hereditaments, legacies, donations, moneys, goods and chattels, of the yearly value of two thousand dollars, although such act or letters patent contain a restrictive clause, limiting the annual revenue and income of the said corporation to a less sum.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Trustees for the management and care of the Fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese of New Jersey.

1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey*, That Charles S. Olden, of Princeton, Mercer county; Daniel Dodd, of Newark, Essex county; Denning Duer, of Weehawken, Hudson county; Thomas P. Carpenter, of Camden, Camden county; John Kean, of Union township, Union county; William N. Wood, of Morristown, Morris county; Anthony Q. Keasbey, of Newark, Essex county, and their successors, being members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, be, and they hereby are, constituted a body corporate, by the name of "The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of New Jersey," and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and exercise and be clothed with the powers and privileges enumerated in the first section of the act concerning corporations, approved February fourteenth, eighteen hundred and forty-six; and shall be capable of taking and holding by gift, grant or bequest, such property as may be necessary for the purposes of the corporation: *Provided*, the yearly value thereof shall not exceed the sum of eight thousand dollars.

2. *And be it enacted*, That the object of said corporation shall be the management and care of the fund already provided, together with that which may be hereafter contributed or acquired, and any accumulation accruing thereon, for the support of the Episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New Jersey, and the appropriation of the income of the fund for that purpose, according to the directions to be from time to time given by the Convention of the said Church in the said Diocese.

3. *And be it enacted*, That the management of the affairs and concerns of the said corporation shall be, and hereby is, vested in seven trustees, who shall be citizens of the State, and members of the Protestant Episcopal Church; the persons named in the first section of this act to be the first trustees, a majority of whom shall constitute the necessary quorum for the transaction of business;

they shall hold their first meeting at the call of the trustee first named in this act, and shall appoint a president, secretary, and such other officer and officers as they may deem necessary, and no act of the trustees shall be valid unless authorized by a resolution adopted at a regular meeting by the concurring vote of a majority of the whole number, and entered by the secretary in a book of minutes to be kept as a record of their proceedings, which book shall be open to the inspection of the members, for the time being, of the Convention of said Church in the Diocese.

4. *And be it enacted*, That the trustees shall conform to such instructions as may be given to them by the Convention, not inconsistent with the purpose and design of the contributors to the fund touching the disposition of the income of the fund: *Provided*, such instructions be entered on the Journals of the Convention, and a certified copy of the resolution or resolutions containing the same, be furnished to the trustees.

5. *And be it enacted*, That a statement of the proceedings of the trustees, exhibiting the condition of the funds entrusted to their charge, together with an account of the receipts and disbursements signed by the trustees or by a majority of them, shall be made to each Annual Diocesan Convention, immediately after the organization thereof.

6. *And be it enacted*, That the Trustees may provide By-Laws for the removal of a trustee for good cause; and on such removal may, by a resolution, declare the place vacant.

7. *And be it enacted*, That all vacancies occurring in the Board of Trustees shall be filled by the Diocesan Convention at their next annual meeting thereafter.

Approved February 14, 1860.

A SUPPLEMENT

To the act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Trustees for the management and care of the fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese of New Jersey," approved February 14th, 1860.

1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey*, That the corporation created by the Act to which

this is a Supplement, shall be capable of taking and holding, by gift, grant, devise, bequest, or otherwise, any property in trust for ecclesiastical, charitable or educational objects, appertaining to, or under the control of the Convention, or other ecclesiastical authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of New Jersey; and of executing the trust specified by the grantor or donor thereof: *Provided*, The same be not inconsistent with, or contrary to the Constitution, Canons or Laws of said Church.

2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect immediately.

Approved March 17, 1862.

A FURTHER SUPPLEMENT

To the act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Trustees for the management and care of the fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese of New Jersey," approved February 14th, 1860.

WHEREAS, by reason of the increase of Parishes of the Protestant Episcopal Church of this State, it has been deemed necessary by the representatives of that Church in Convention assembled to take steps towards the division of the Diocese of New Jersey; *and whereas*, in event of division additional Episcopal support will be required, and the fund now held by "The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of New Jersey," for the support of the Episcopate in the State of New Jersey should continue to be equitably applied for that purpose,

1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey*, That "The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of New Jersey," in event of the division of the present diocese of New Jersey into two or more dioceses, shall hold, manage, dispose of and divide the property and funds which may be in their hands and custody for the support of the Episcopate of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the diocese of New Jersey, among the different dioceses of said church, into which this State may be divided, in such manner as the Convention of the present diocese of New Jersey shall in contemplation of division direct for

the support of the Episcopate, in the various parts of the territory now included in the diocese of New Jersey, and the said Convention may also direct the manner in which the reports of said trustees shall be made, and how vacancies occurring in said board of trustees shall be filled.

2. *And be it enacted*, That "The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of New Jersey," shall have power to receive, hold, manage, disburse and dispose of all contributions, funds and property which may be given them by grant or otherwise, for the support of the Episcopate in any part of the State of New Jersey.

3. *And be it enacted*, That the proviso in the first section of the act to which this is a supplement is hereby repealed.

4. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect immediately.

the 1990s, the number of people with a mental health problem has increased by 50% (Mental Health Foundation, 2000).

There is a growing awareness of the need to address the needs of people with mental health problems, and a number of initiatives have been developed to support this. The Mental Health Act (1983) provides a legal framework for the care of people with mental health problems. The Mental Health Act (1983) also provides a legal framework for the care of people with mental health problems. The Mental Health Act (1983) also provides a legal framework for the care of people with mental health problems.

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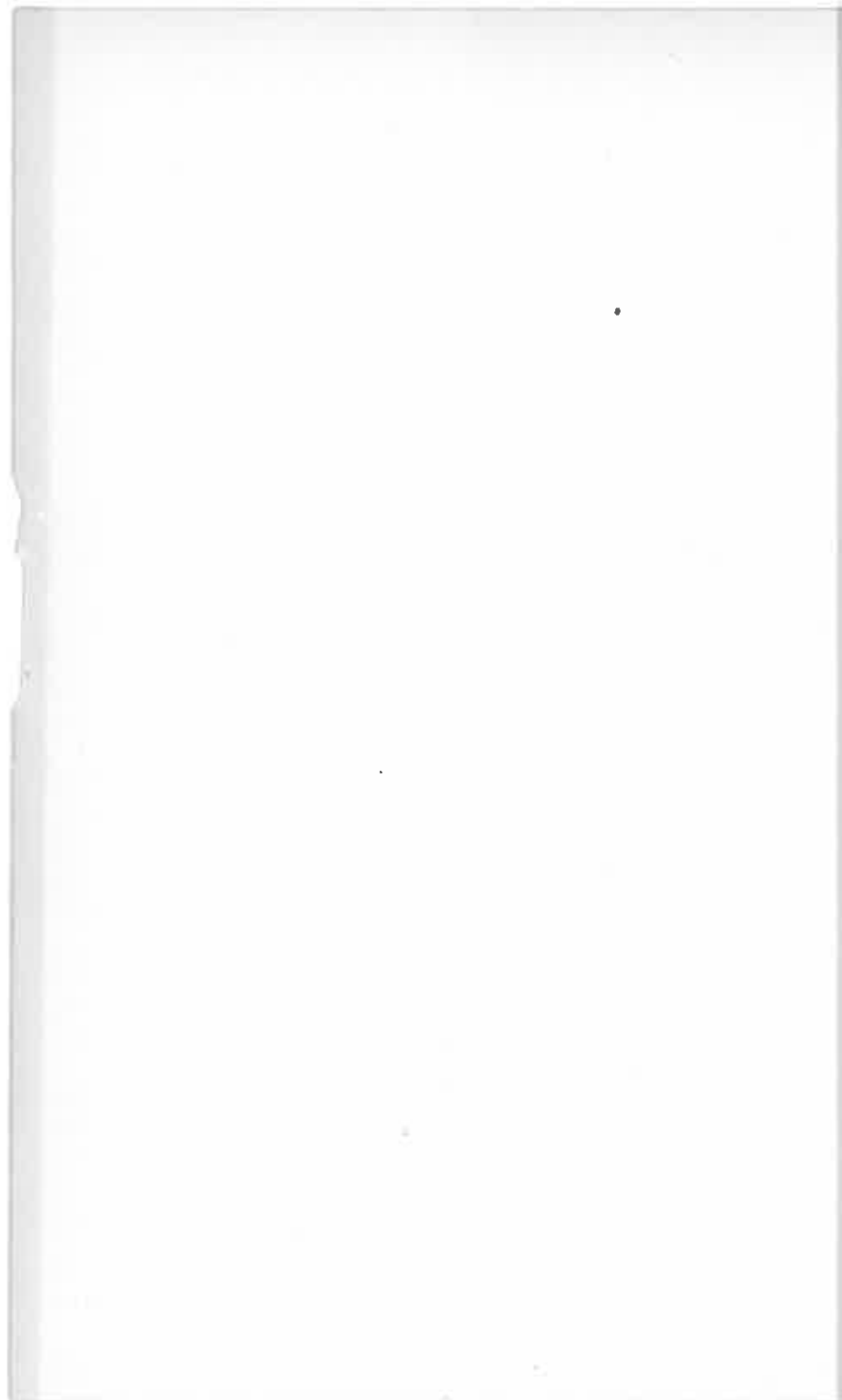
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Communications in regard to work, contributions, etc., may be sent to the directresses at the head of the different departments, from whom advice or information can be obtained.

Memoranda.

1876-'77.

The Treasurer of the Diocese closes his accounts for the Conventional year on the first day of November.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

It shall be the duty of every minister having charge of a congregation within the Diocese to see that there be made and reported at least one annual collection for its missionary fund from the parish or station in his charge.—*Title I, Canon 5, § III. of the Code.*

Send contributions, in Convocation of Newark, to Mr. HENRY HAYES, *Treasurer*, Newark.

Send contributions, in Convocation of Jersey City, to Hon. CHARLES H. VOORHIS, *Treasurer*, Hackensack.

AGED AND INFIRM CLERGY FUND.

It shall be the duty of every minister having charge of a congregation in this Diocese to make at least one annual collection for the relief of clergymen disabled by age or disease.—*Title III., Canon 1, § I. of the Code.*

EPISCOPAL FUND.

The Interest on Parish Bonds is payable semi-annually, on the first days of April and October, to Mr. DANIEL DODD, Newark. Parish Treasurers should remit the interest promptly, and not wait for any notice that the money is due.

CONVENTION ASSESSMENTS.

The assessment, this year, is at the rate of *nine* per cent. on the Rector's salary, viz : *seven* per cent. (if no Parish Bond has been given) for the Bishop's salary, to be paid quarterly on the first days of January, April, July and October, and *two* per cent. for the expenses of Convention, etc., to be paid on or before the first day of February.

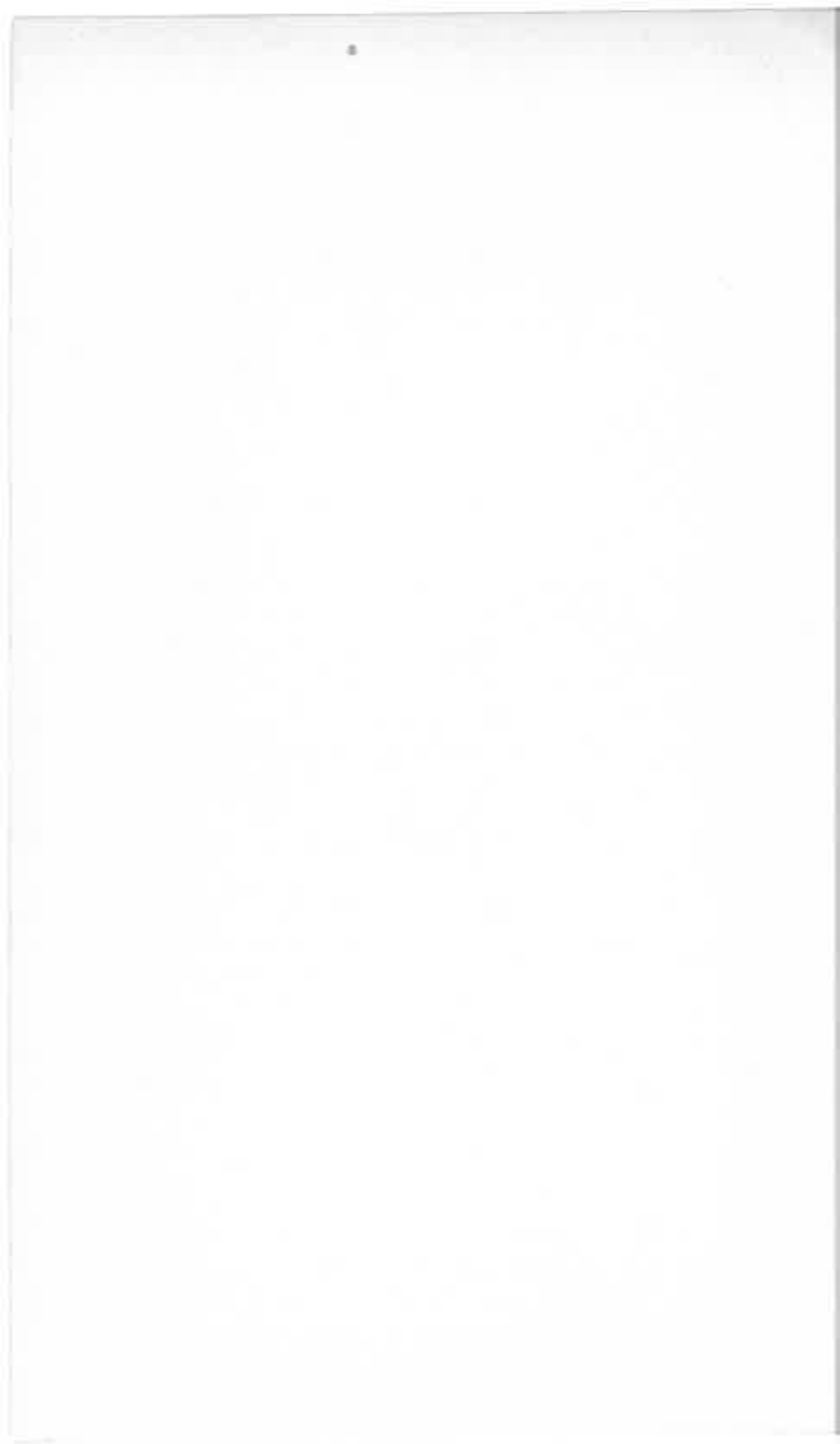
Diocese of Northern New

SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENTS AND

From November 1st, A. D. 1875, to November 1st,

CHURCHES.	LOCATION.	Salaries.	THE BISHOP'S SALARY.						CON
			Amount Assessed for Bishop's salary	Assenting to Contribute additionally by Assessment.	Arrears.	Assessments.	Paid.	Due.	
Calvary.....	Bayonne.....	\$800	\$800		\$231 00	\$56 00		\$287 00	\$50 00
St. John's.....	Bayonne.....	800	800		28 00			28 00	28 00
Trinity.....	Bayonne.....	2000		\$500		25 00	\$25 00		
Christ.....	Belleville.....	1200		400		28 00	28 00		
St. John's.....	Bloomfield.....	1000							
St. John's.....	Boonton.....	1000	1000			70 00	85 00	85 00	
Christ.....	Dover.....	1000		500	17 50	35 00		52 50	10 00
Mediator.....	East Orange.....	1800							
St. Paul's.....	Edgewater.....	800							
Grace.....	Englewood.....	2500							
Good Shepherd.....	Franklin.....	800					5 00		
Grace.....	Ft Lee.....	1000							70 00
Christ.....	Greenville.....	1500							
St. Paul's.....	Hackensack.....	1200	1800		\$71 00	84 00		255 00	66 00
Trinity.....	Hoboken.....	1200							
Trinity.....	Hoboken.....	1200							
Christ.....	Irvington.....	800	800		154 00	56 00		210 00	85 00
Grace.....	Jersey City.....	800							68 00
Holy Trinity.....	Jersey City.....	2500							
St. John's Free.....	Jersey City.....	1200							30 00
St. Mark's.....	Jersey City.....	2500							
St. Matthew's.....	Jersey City.....	1500							
St. Paul's.....	Jersey City.....	2500							25 00
St. Paul's.....	J. C. (Bergen.).....	1800		300		21 00	21 00		
St. James'.....	J. C. (Hudson.).....	1000	1000		215 00	70 00		285 00	75 00
Grace.....	Knowlton.....	250	250		26 25	17 50	43 75		2 50
St. Stephens'.....	Madison.....	1500		800	28 00	56 00	84 00		15 00
St. Luke's.....	Millburn.....	1500		500	35 00	35 00		70 00	15 00
Redeemer.....	Montclair.....	2000							
St. Peter's.....	Morristown.....	1500							
Christ.....	Morristown.....	2500							
Grace.....	Newark.....	1000							36 00
St. Barnabas.....	Newark.....	2500							
St. John's.....	Newark.....	1500							
St. Paul's.....	Newark.....	1500							37 50
St. Stephen's.....	Newark.....	1000							27 00
The House of Prayer.....	Newark.....	2000							
Trinity.....	Newark.....	1500							
Christ.....	Newark.....	5000							
Grace.....	Newton.....	1200							
St. Mark's.....	Orange.....	2000							
St. John's.....	Orange.....	2000							
Holy Communion.....	Passaic.....	1800							15 00
St. Paul's.....	Paterson.....	1000							
St. Luke's.....	Paterson.....	2000							
Christ.....	Phillipsburgh.....	800	500		52 50	35 00	22 50	55 00	12 50
St. James'.....	Pompton.....	500	500		35 00	35 00		70 00	5 00
Christ.....	Ridgefield.....	500	500			35 00	35 00		
Grace.....	Ridgewood.....	1200							
Holy Communion.....	Rutherford Park.....	800			21 00		21 00		6 00
Calvary.....	South Orange.....	2000							
Atonement.....	Summit.....	1500							
St. John's.....	Tenafly.....	700	700		73 50	49 00		122 50	17 50
Holy Innocents.....	West Hoboken.....	800		800					48 00
	West Orange.....	800				56 00		56 00	

* Overpaid.



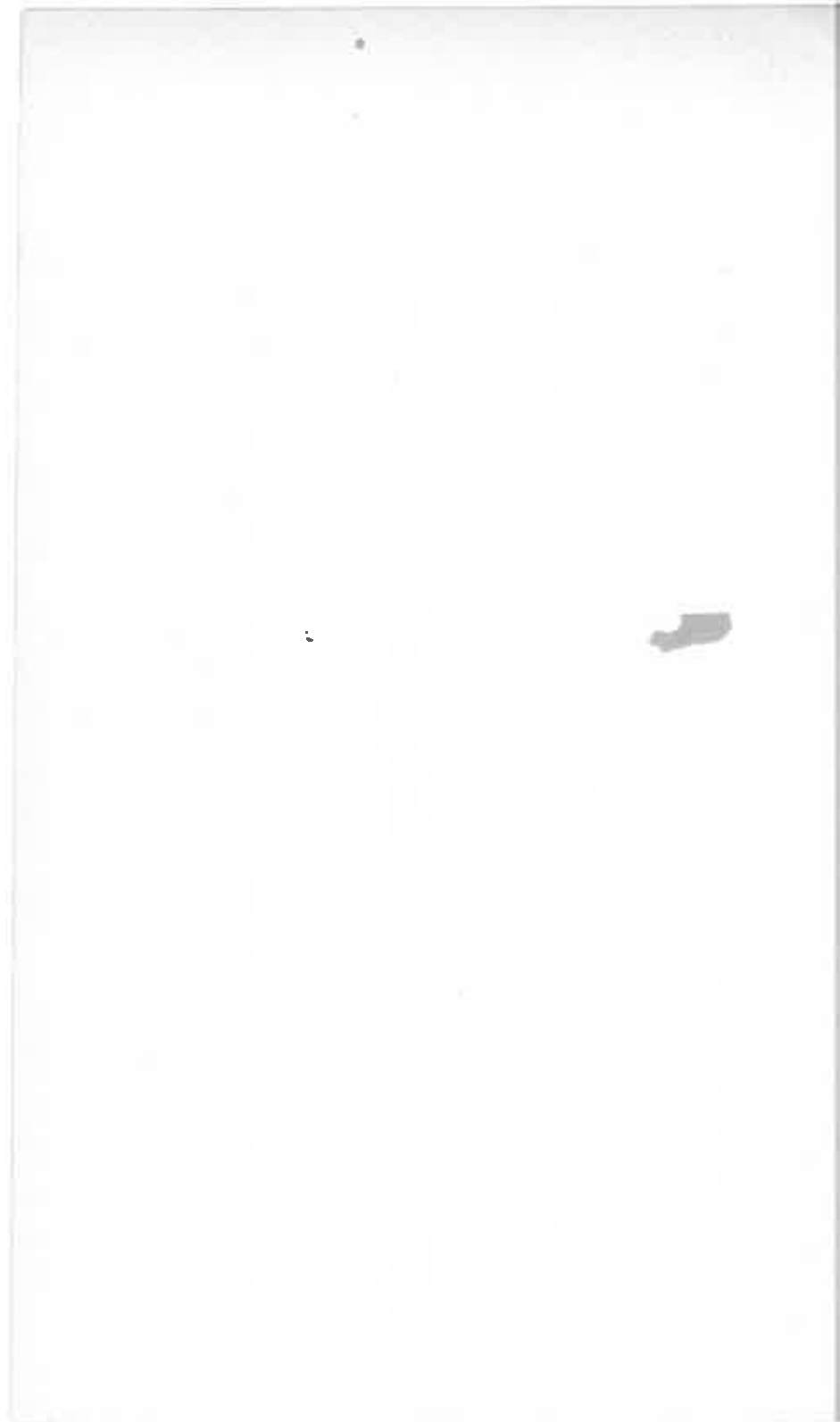
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SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENTS AND

From November 1st, A. D. 1875, to November 1st, .

CHURCHES.	LOCATION.	Salaries.	THE BISHOP'S SALARY.						CON
			Amount Assessed for Bishop's salary	Assenting to Contribute additionally by Assessment.	Arrears.	Assessments.	Paid.	Due.	
Calvary.....	Bayonne.....	\$800	\$800		\$231 00	\$56 00		\$287 00	\$50 00
St. John's.....	Bayonne.....	800	800		28 00			28 00	88 00
Trinity.....	Bayonne.....	9000		\$500		35 00	\$38 00		
Christ.....	Belleville.....	1200		400		28 00	28 00		
Christ.....	Bloomfield.....	1000							
St. John's.....	Boonton.....	1000	1000			70 00	38 00	35 00	
St. John's.....	Dover.....	1000		500	17 50	35 00		52 50	10 00
Christ.....	East Orange.....	1500							
Mediator.....	Edgewater.....	800							
St. Paul's.....	Englewood.....	2500							
Grace.....	Franklin.....	900							
Good Shepherd.....	Ft Lee.....						5 00		
Grace.....	Greenville.....	1000							70 00
Christ.....	Hackensack.....	1800							
St. Paul's.....	Hoboken.....	1200	1200		\$71 00	54 00		\$55 00	66 00
Trinity.....	Hoboken.....	1200							
Trinity.....	Irvington.....	800	800		154 00	56 00		\$10 00	35 00
Christ.....	Jersey City.....	800							69 00
Grace.....	Jersey City.....	2500							
Holy Trinity.....	Jersey City.....	1200							30 00
St. John's Free.....	Jersey City.....	2500							
St. Mark's.....	Jersey City.....	1500							
St. Matthew's.....	Jersey City.....	2500							25 00
St. Paul's.....	J. C. (Bergen.).....	1800		200		21 00	21 00		
St. Paul's.....	J. C. (Hudson.).....	1000	1000		\$15 00	70 00		\$65 00	75 00
St. James'.....	Knowlton.....	250	250		25 25	17 50	43 75		2 50
Grace.....	Madison.....	1500		500	28 00	59 00	84 00		15 00
St. Stephens.....	Millburn.....	1500		500	35 00	35 00		70 00	15 00
St. Luke's.....	Montclair.....	2000							
Redeemer.....	Morristown.....	1500							
St. Peter's.....	Morristown.....	2500							
Christ.....	Newark.....	1000							36 00
Grace.....	Newark.....	2500							
St. Barnabas.....	Newark.....	1800							
St. John's.....	Newark.....	1500							37 50
St. Paul's.....	Newark.....	1000							27 00
St. Stephen's.....	Newark.....	2000							
The House of Prayer.....	Newark.....	1500							
Trinity.....	Newark.....	5000							
Christ.....	Newton.....	1200							
Grace.....	Orange.....	2000							
St. Mark's.....	Orange.....	2000							
St. John's.....	Passaic.....	1500							15 00
Holy Communion.....	Paterson.....	1000							
St. Paul's.....	Paterson.....	2000							
St. Luke's.....	Phillipsburgh.....	500	500		53 50	35 00	38 50	35 00	12 50
Christ.....	Pompton.....	500	500		35 00	35 00		70 00	5 00
St. James'.....	Ridgfield.....	500	500			35 00	35 00		
Christ.....	Ridgewood.....	1200							
Grace.....	Rutherford Park.....	600			21 00		21 00		5 00
Holy Communion.....	South Orange.....	2000							
Calvary.....	Summit.....	1500							
Atoneement.....	Tenafly.....	700	700		78 50	49 00		123 50	17 50
St. John's.....	West Hoboken.....	800							48 00
Holy Innocents.....	West Orange.....	800		800		55 00		55 00	

* Overpaid.



Diocese of Northern New Jersey,

SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENTS AND RECEIPTS.

From November 1st, A. D. 1875, to November 1st, A. D. 1876.

CHURCHES.	LOCATION.	Salaries.	THE BISHOP'S SALARY.					CONVENTION EXPENSES.				Aged and Infirm Clergy.	Society P. C. Jews.	
			Amount Assessed for Bishop's salary	Assenting to Contribute additionally by Assessment.	Arrears.	Assessments.	Paid.	Due.	Arrears.	Assessments.	Paid.			Due.
Calvary	Bayonne	\$800	\$800		\$231 00	\$56 00		\$287 00	\$50 00	\$12 00		\$62 00		
St. John's	Bayonne	800	800		28 00			28 00	38 00	12 00		50 00		
Trinity	Bayonne	2000		\$500		35 00	\$35 00			30 00	\$30 00			
Christ	Belleville	1200		400		28 00	28 00			18 00	18 00		10 32	
Christ	Bloomfield	1000								15 00		15 00		
St. John's	Boonton	1000	1000			70 00	35 00	35 00		15 00		15 00		
St. John's	Dover	1000		500	17 50	35 00		52 50	10 00	15 00		25 00	12 80	
Christ	East Orange	1500								22 50	22 50			11 17
Mediator	Edgewater	800								12 00	12 00		4 32	
St. Paul's	Englewood	2500								37 50	37 50			
Grace	Franklin	800								12 00	12 00		3 06	
Good Shepherd	Ft Lee						5 00				5 00			
Grace	Greenville	1000							70 00	15 00		85 00		
Christ	Hackensack	1500								22 50	22 50			11 07
St. Paul's	Hoboken	1200	1200		271 00	84 00		355 00	66 00	18 00		84 00		
Trinity	Hoboken	1200								18 00	18 00			
Trinity	Irvington	800	800		154 00	56 00		210 00	35 00	12 00		47 00		
Christ	Jersey City	800							68 00	12 00		80 00		
Grace	Jersey City	2500								37 50	75 00	*37 50	17 25	
Holy Trinity	Jersey City	1200							30 00	18 00		48 00	9 25	
St. John's Free	Jersey City	2500								37 50	37 50			
St. Mark's	Jersey City	1500								22 50		22 50		
St. Matthew's	Jersey City	2500							25 00	37 50	62 50			
St. Paul's	J. C. (Bergen.)	1800		300		21 00	21 00			27 00	27 00			
St. Paul's	J. C. (Hudson.)	1000	1000		215 00	70 00		335 00	75 00	15 00		90 00		
St. James'	Knowlton	250	250		26 25	17 50	43 75		2 50	3 75	6 25			
Grace	Madison	1500		800	28 00	56 00	84 00		15 00	22 50	37 50		5 00	
St. Stephens'	Millburn	1500		500	35 00	25 00		70 00	15 00	22 50	15 00	22 50	58 98	
St. Luke's	Montclair	2000								30 00	30 00			
Redeemer	Morristown	1500								22 50	22 50			
St. Peter's	Morristown	2500								37 50	37 50		65 37	
Christ	Newark	1000							36 00	15 00		51 00		
Grace	Newark	2500								37 50	37 50			
St. Barnabas	Newark	1500								22 50		22 50	7 89	
St. John's	Newark	1500							37 50	22 50		60 00		
St. Paul's	Newark	1000							27 00	15 00		42 00		
St. Stephen's	Newark	2000								30 00	30 00			
The House of Prayer	Newark	1500								22 50	22 50		4 80	
Trinity	Newark	5000								75 00	75 00			
Christ	Newton	1200								18 00	18 00			
Grace	Orange	2000								45 00	45 00		62 96	20 28
St. Mark's	Orange	2000								30 00	30 00		50 24	
St. John's	Passaic	1500							15 00	22 50	22 50	15 00		
Holy Communion	Paterson	1000								15 00	15 00			
St. Paul's	Paterson	2000								30 00	30 00		10 18	
St. Luke's	Phillipsburgh	500	500		52 50	35 00	32 50	55 00	12 50	7 50	20 00			
Christ	Pompton	500	500		35 00	35 00		70 00	5 00	7 50		12 50		
St. James'	Ridgefield	500	500			35 00	35 00			7 50	7 50			
Christ	Ridgewood	1200								18 00	18 00			
Grace	Rutherford Park	600			21 00		21 00		6 00	9 00	15 00			
Holy Communion	South Orange	2000								30 00	30 00		15 00	12 18
Calvary	Summit	1500								22 50	22 50			
Atonement	Tenafly	700	700		73 50	49 00		122 50	17 50	10 50		28 00		
St. John's	West Hoboken	600							48 00	9 00		57 00	2 70	
Holy Innocents	West Orange	800		800		56 00		56 00				17 80		

* Overpaid.