

JOURNAL

OF THE

THIRD

ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

Diocese of Northern New Jersey,

HELD IN

TRINITY CHURCH, NEWARK,

Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 20th and 21st, 1877.

PUBLISHED BY THE CONVENTION.

1877.

TITLE I., CANON 1, § 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 Wardens subscribe, *we have set our hands*), the 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 in full 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 and Canons, the Deputies must be *members of the congregation and communicants of the Church, also contributors to its support, and worshippers in the Church of the Parish which elects them, for six calendar months next before the election; and in Free Churches, must also have handed in their names as such to the Rector or Minister, in writing, six months before the election.* (See Title I., Canon 6, § II.)

Diocese of Northern New Jersey.

Officers of the Diocese.

THE CONVENTION.

President.

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

Secretary.

The Rev. EDWARD B. BOGGS, D.D., Newark.

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The Rev. JAMES A. WILLIAMS, D.D., *President*, Orange.

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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,
The Rev. WM. G. FARRINGTON, D.D.,	Mr. HENRY MEIGS,
The Rev. J. N. STANBURY, B.D.,	Mr. CORTLANDT PARKER,
The Rev. WM. H. HARRISON, D.D.,	Mr. ALFRED MILLS.

SUPPLEMENTARY DEPUTIES.

The Rev. JOSEPH H. SMITH,	Hon. CHARLES H. VOORHIS,
The Rev. J. BLOOMFIELD WETHERILL,	Mr. F. B. OGDEN,
The Rev. WM. WELLES HOLLEY,	Mr. CHARLES HAYES,
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The Rev. J. N. STANBURY, B.D.,	Dean of the Convocation of Newark.
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The Rev. R. M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D.,	The Rev. S. P. SIMPSON,
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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.

The Rev. JAMES A. WILLIAMS, D.D., Orange.

COMMITTEE ON THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

The Rev. ANTHONY SCHUYLER, D.D.,	Mr. HENRY MEIGS,
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Special Committees.

To report at the next Convention.

ON RULES OF ORDER.

The Rev. WILLIAM G. FARRINGTON, D.D.,	Mr. E. H. STEPHENSON,
The Rev. LEIGH B. DICKINSON,	Mr. E. A. WALTON,
The SECRETARY, <i>ex officio</i> .	

TO AUDIT THE TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS.

The Rev. JOSEPH H. SMITH,	Dr. WILLIAM T. MERCER.
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ON SECURITIES IN THE HANDS OF THE TREASURER.

Mr. DANIEL DODD,	Mr. HENRY G. DARCY.
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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. BODMAN,
Mr. J. C. GARTHWAITHE,	Mr. GEORGE C. HANCE,
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ON EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE.

The Rev. TELFAIR HODGSON,	Mr. JEREMIAH C. GARTHWAITHE,
The Rev. R. M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D.,	Mr. ALFRED MILLS,
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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.

Mr. CORTLANDT PARKER,	Mr. ALFRED MILLS,
Mr. WILLIAM A. WHITEHEAD.	

ON THE ALIENATION AND ENCUMBRANCE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

Mr. JONATHAN EDGAR,	Mr. CORTLANDT PARKER,
Mr. ALFRED MILLS.	

The Fourth Annual Convention of the Diocese will meet on Tuesday, May 21, 1878, 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,
Orange.

CONVOCATION OF NEWARK.

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

TRETTOW, CARL F. W., *m.* St. Matthew's Church, Newark.
 VANDERPOOL, WYNANT, *a.m.* Grace Church, Newark.
 VAN HORN, GARRET, *m.* Newton.
 WEBBE, WILLIAM T., *r.* St. Philip's Church, Newark.
 WESTON, D.D., D. C., *r.* Grace Church, Madison.
 WETHERILL, J. BLOOMFIELD, Newark.
 WILLIAMS, D.D., JAMES A., *r.* St. Mark's Church, Orange.
 WILSON, WILLIAM WHITE, *r.* St. Paul's Church, East Orange.
 WOOD, ALONZO L., *a.m.* House of Prayer, Newark.

Number of Clergy, 86.

CONVOCATION OF JERSEY CITY.

ABERCROMBIE, D.D., R. M., *r.* St. Matthew's Church, Jersey City.
 BROOKS, M.D., GEORGE L., Jersey City.
 CAMERON, JAMES, *r.* Church of the Mediator, Edgewater, P. O., Fort Lee.
 CHAPMAN, C. D., *in charge*, Grace Church, Greenville.
 COE, JAMES W., Greenville.
 DEALBY, A. SIDNEY, *r.* St. John's Church, Passaic.
 DENNISTON, JOHN A., *m.* Church of the Ascension, Jersey City Heights.
 DICKINSON, LEIGH R., *r.* Christ Church, Ridgewood.
 HARRIMAN, ORLANDO, Jersey City.
 HARTMANN, PH.D., HENRY F., Cologne, Germany.
 HEWES, CHARLES M. A., *r.* Church of the Holy Communion, Paterson.
 HODGSON, TELFAIR, *r.* Trinity Church, Hoboken.
 HOLLEY, WILLIAM W., *r.* Christ Church, Hackensack.
 HOYT, RALPH B., *r.* Church of the Holy Trinity, Jersey City Heights.
 MARTIN, H. B. STUART, *r.* in Florida.
 MEANS, STEWART, *r.* St. John's Church, Bayonne.
 MOMBERT, D.D., J. ISIDOR, *r.* Christ Church (Bergen), Jersey City.
 PARSONS, JOHN A., Hackensack.
 PAYNE, JOHN W., *r.* St. Paul's Church, Englewood.
 PUTNAM, FERNANDO C., *r.* St. Paul's Church (Bergen), Jersey City.
 RICE, D.D., SPENCER M., *r.* Grace Church, Jersey City.
 SPRAGUE, PHILO W., *r.* Calvary Church, Bayonne, P. O., Pamrapo.
 STARKEY, D.D., THOMAS, St. Paul's Church, Paterson.
 STERLING, GILBERT HENRY, *c.* St. Matthew's Church, Jersey City.
 STODDARD, EDWARD L., *r.* St. John's Free Church, Jersey City Heights.
 SWORD, JOHN, *c.* Church of the Holy Innocents, Hoboken.
 VAN WINKLE, EDWARD H., *m.* Tenafly, P. O., New York.
 WALSH, D.D., GEORGE H., *r.* Trinity Church, Bayonne, P. O., Bergen Point.
 WARDLAW, WILLIAM, *r.* St. John's Church, West Hoboken.

Number of Clergy, 29.

List of the Clergy,

IN ORDER OF CANONICAL RESIDENCE.

NOVEMBER 20, 1877.

*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. ROSÉ, 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., Rector of Christ Church, Bloomfield.

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, Registrar of the Diocese, and Secretary of the Convention.

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, and Examining Chaplain.

The Rev. *HANNIBAL GOODWIN, Rector of The House of Prayer, Newark.
 The Rev. *SAMUEL HALL, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Morris-
 town.

The Rev. *WM. W. HOLLEY, Rector of Christ Church, Hackensack.

The Rev. *ANTHONY SCHUYLER, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Orange.

The Rev. *T. JEFFERSON DANNER, Missionary in charge of the Church
 of the Holy Innocents, West Orange.

The Rev. HENRY B. STUART-MARTIN, Florida.

The Rev. JOHN A. PARSONS, Hackensack.

The Rev. *JOHN F. BUTTERWORTH, Rector of Calvary Church, Sum-
 mit.

The Rev. *WILLIAM T. WEBER, 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. *HENRY V. DRIGEN, Rector of the Church of the Holy Com-
 munion, 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, New-
 ark, and Examining Chaplain.

The Rev. JAMES W. COB, Greenville.

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. J. BLOOMFIELD WETHERILL, Newark.

The Rev. *LEVI JOHNSTON, Missionary to the Newark Convocation, in
 charge of St. James' Church, Hackensack; St. Thomas' Church, Ver-
 non, etc.

The Rev. *WYNANT VANDERPOOL, Assistant Minister of Grace Church,
 Newark.

The Rev. *CORNELIUS S. ABBOTT, Rector of Christ Church, Belleville.

The Rev. *JOHN A. DENNISTON, Missionary at the Church of the Ascen-
 sion (Hudson), Jersey City.

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

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

The Rev. JOHN HEBER McCANDLESS, Missionary, Newark.

The Rev. *EDWARD H. VAN WINKLE, Missionary at Tenafly.

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

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. REUBEN W. HOWES, in England.

The Rev. *STEWART MEANS, Rector of St. John's Church, Bayonne.

The Rev. *J. H. HOBART DE MILLE, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Philipsburgh.

The Rev. *J. HOUSTON ECCLESTON, D.D., Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.

The Rev. *J. ISIDOR MOMBERT, D.D., Rector of Christ Church (Bergen), Jersey City.

The Rev. *EDWARD L. STODDARD, Rector of St. John's Free Church, Jersey City Heights.

The Rev. *THOMAS A. STARKEY, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Paterson.

The Rev. *A. SIDNEY DEALEY, Rector of St. John's Church, Passaic.

The Rev. *JOHN SWORD, in charge of the Church of the Holy Innocents, Hoboken.

DEACONS.

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

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. *CHALMERS DURAND CHAPMAN, in charge of Grace Church, Greenville.

Number of Clergymen belonging to the Diocese..... 67

Number present in this Convention..... 54

List of Candidates for Holy Orders.

FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

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

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

Whole number, 2.

FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

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

CHALMERS DURAND CHAPMAN, received February 26, A.D. 1877.

Whole Number, 2.

List of the Parishes of the Diocese

IN UNION WITH THE CONVENTION,

AND OF THE

Leg. Deputies to this Convention.

November 20, 1877.

Those marked * were present.

The letters N. and J. C. stand for the Conventions.

Churches.	Deputies.
<i>Bayonne, Calvary, J. C.</i>	{ *A. Cary Smith, George W. Yates, W. F. Moody.
<i>Bayonne, St. John's, J. C.</i>	{ Nelson Stafford, E. Taggart, James W. Ford.
<i>Bayonne (Bergen Point), Trinity, J. C.</i>	{ *Jacob B. Schuyler, *Henry Meigs, *John T. Gilchrist.
<i>Belleville, Christ, N.</i>	{ Richard Kingsland, *Henry K. Schuyler, John Eastwood.
<i>Bévidere, Zion, N.</i>	Wm. L. Anderson.
<i>Bloomfield, Christ, N.</i>	{ *Henry Godby, E. S. Wilde.
<i>Boonton, St. John's, N.</i>	{ *David C. Ely, *Charles D. Fuller, Joseph Milner.
<i>Dover, St. John's, N.</i>	{ *Henry McFarlan, Richard George.

<i>East Orange, Christ, N.</i>	{ *Edward H. Stephenson, *Theodore B. McIlwain, *Peter M. Reynolds.
<i>East Orange, St. Paul's, N.</i>	{ *John Sherman, *John A. Ely, Julius Molter.
<i>Edgewater, Mediator, J. C.</i>	{ George W. Laird, Charles E. Townsend, *Henry W. Derby.
<i>Englewood, St. Paul's, J. C.</i>	{ *Edmund S. Munroe, Leroy B. Haff, *William E. Tillinghast.
<i>Franklin, Grace, N.</i>	{ Joseph R. Kingsland, Jr., *Thomas W. Satterthwaite, *Charles G. Hanks.
<i>Fort Lee, Good Shepherd, J. C.</i>	
<i>Greenville, Grace, J. C.</i>	{ John B. Irving, M.D., John H. Nantz, John McNiel.
<i>Hackensack, Christ, J. C.</i>	{ *Henry F. Kent, *Theodore Hallett, *Leveritt H. Sage.
<i>Hackettstown, St. James', N.</i>	
<i>Hoboken, Atonement, J. C.</i>	
<i>Hoboken, Holy Innocents, J. C.</i>	
<i>Hoboken, St. Paul's, J. C.</i>	{ E. C. Perry, F. B. Hall, J. C. Besson.
<i>Hoboken, Trinity, J. C.</i>	{ *Frederick B. Ogden, John M. Livingston, *Professor A. Kroch.
<i>Hope, St. Luke's, N.</i>	
<i>Irvington, Trinity, N.</i>	{ *Peter M. Schenck, James D. McConochie, Joshua Birken.
<i>Jersey City (Bergen), Christ, J. C.</i>	{ Bruce E. Chilton, George C. Parker, John E. Haywood.

<i>Jersey City, Grace, J. C.</i>	{ *Paul Babcock, *Detlef Lienau, *Herbert R. Clarke.
<i>Jersey City (Hudson), Holy Trinity, J. C.</i> ..	{ Thomas Hopper, R. G. Dudley, Henry Stiff.
<i>Jersey City, St. John's Free Church, J. C.</i> ..	{ Eliazur Ward, John Schureman Sutphen, *Thomas W. James.
<i>Jersey City, St. Mark's, J. C.</i>	{ George H. Haight, Thomas B. Kiasam.
<i>Jersey City, St. Matthew's, J. C.</i>	{ *Wm. L. Marsh, Charles R. Laidlaw, Austin Dail.
<i>Jersey City (Bergen), St. Paul's, J. C.</i>	*James A. Alexander.
<i>Jersey City (Hudson), St. Paul's, J. C.</i>	*James A. Alexander.
<i>Jersey City, Trinity, J. C.</i>	
<i>Johnsonburgh, Christ, N.</i>	
<i>Knowlton, St. James', N.</i>	{ Levi Albertson, William H. Hartung, Benjamin F. Howey.
<i>Madison, Grace, N.</i>	{ *Nathaniel Niles, *Ellis Potter, *Edward Todd. .
<i>Millburn, St. Stephen's, N.</i>	{ *Israel D. Condit, *J. Lawrence Benedict, *Edward S. Benwick.
<i>Montclair, St. Luke's, N.</i>	{ *C. St. John Seymour, *Henry D. King.
<i>Morristown, Redeemer, N.</i>	{ John Edward Taylor, George W. Colles, Richard D. Wood.
<i>Morristown, St. Peter's, N.</i>	{ *Alfred Mills, *Joseph Lovell Canfield, *Henry W. Miller.
<i>Newark, Christ, N.</i>	{ Louis P. Carter, *J. J. Hall, Eugene B. Williams.

<i>Newark, Grace, N.</i>	{ *J. O. Garthwaite, F. W. Stevens, *Thomas T. Kinney.
<i>Newark, St. Barnabas', N.</i>	{ *John D. Toppin, Thomas W. Jackson, *A. P. Young.
<i>Newark (Woodside), St. John's, N.</i>	{ William Speiden, *John V. Cox, *John H. Hall.
<i>Newark, St. Matthew's, N.</i>	{ *Peter Gegenheimer. *Charles Schmull, Jr.
<i>Newark, St. Mark's, N.</i>	
<i>Newark, St. Paul's, N.</i>	{ *John H. Barlow, *Julius Van Wagenen, Charles Hayes.
<i>Newark, St. Peter's, N.</i>	
<i>Newark, St. Philip's, N.</i>	{ *Elias S. Ray, *P. P. O'Fake, Adam Ray.
<i>Newark, St. Stephen's, N.</i>	{ *A. Q. Keasbey, *John L. Young, John P. Nessle.
<i>Newark, The House of Prayer, N.</i>	{ *James E. Learned, *Albert F. Sharp, *Egbert Ward.
<i>Newark, Trinity, N.</i>	{ *Cortlandt Parker, *Daniel Dodd, *William A. Whitehead.
<i>Newton, Christ, N.</i>	{ Robert Hamilton, *Israel L. Hallock, *Richard F. Goodman.
<i>Orange, Grace, N.</i>	{ *Francis Randall, *Z. E. Carrington, *L. A. Sykes.
<i>Orange, St. Mark's, N.</i>	{ *Charles Williams, *John B. Van Wagenen, Charles A. Lighthipe.
<i>Passaic, St. John's, J. O.</i>	{ S. B. Roe, N. O. Ricardo.

<i>Paterson, Holy Communion, J. C.</i>	{ J. W. Shippey, George Wurts, *A. J. Derbyshire.
<i>Paterson, St. Paul's, J. C.</i>	{ *P. Edwards Johnson, *George Barnes, George L. Catlin.
<i>Phillipsburg, St. Luke's, N.</i>	{ Joseph C. Kent, John Newman, *George Ehrhart.
<i>Pompton, Christ, J. C.</i>	{ Frederick Pettit, Jacob Wennagel, Joseph W. McKelroy.
<i>Ridgefield, St. James', J. C.</i>	{ Wm. Pollock, Geo. H. Ward, John Lane.
<i>Ridgewood, Christ, J. C.</i>	{ Alexander J. Cameron, *Thomas Watlington, *Edward A. Walton.
<i>Rutherford Park, Grace, J. C.</i>	{ *F. W. Tomkins, *A. P. Williams, M.D., G. R. Blakiston.
<i>South Orange, Holy Communion, N.</i>	{ *William Bispham, *James G. Osborne, *Russell D. Tyng.
<i>Summit, Calvary, N.</i>	{ *William C. Hicks, *Jonathan Edgar, *J. Conover Hinchman.
<i>Tenafly, Atonement, J. C.</i>	{ George B. Jellison, Wm. H. Myers.
<i>Vernon, St. Thomas', N.</i>	*Hugh T. Lawrence.
<i>West Hoboken, St. John's, J. C.</i>	{ William S. Flippin, J. R. Gallagher.

Number of Parishes entitled to representation, - - - - 67

Number represented in this Convention, - - - - 44

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 3, § 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

herein named. The motion to lay upon the table and to adjourn shall be decided without debate. The motion to adjourn shall always be in order, unless some member is speaking.

18. If any member, in speaking or otherwise, transgresses the rules of the Convention, the President shall, or any member may, call him to order; if decided to be out of order, he shall immediately take his seat, unless permitted by the Convention to explain or proceed in order.
19. All questions of order shall be determined by the President, without debate, but any member may appeal from the decision, and on such appeal, no member shall speak more than once without leave of the Convention.
20. All motions to reconsider, or notices, shall be made on the day the vote is taken.
21. The Convention shall commence its daily session at 9 A.M., and adjourn at 8 P.M. The Evening Session shall commence at 7.30.
22. At the close of each Convention, the minutes shall be corrected and approved.

Journal.

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TRINITY CHURCH, NEWARK, N. J., *November 20, 1877.*

THIS being the time appointed by the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Northern New Jersey for the meeting of the Annual Convention of said Church, the Bishop and a number of the Clergy and Lay Deputies assembled for Divine Service in Trinity Church, Newark, at 9 o'clock A.M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. C. S. Abbott and the Rev. E. B. Boggs, D.D., the Lessons being read by the Rev. Samuel Hall and the Rev. William White Wilson. The Ante-Communion Service was said by the Rev. A. Schuyler, D.D., the Rev. J. H. Eccleston reading the Epistle, and the Rev. F. C. Putnam the Gospel.

The Sermon was preached by the Rev. D. C. Weston, D.D., from the words, "Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace."—ROMANS, xiv. 19.

The Bishop then proceeded with the celebration of the Holy Communion, being assisted in the service and distribution by the Rev. J. H. Eccleston, D.D., and the Rev. A. Schuyler, D.D.

After Divine Service, the Bishop took the Chair, and the Convention came to order.

The Secretary then called the names of the Clergy* entitled to seats in the Convention, and the names of the Lay Deputies† from

* For the names of the Clergy present at this Convention, see List of the Clergy, page 9.

† For the names of the Lay Deputies present, see List of Lay Deputies, page 12.

Parishes which had sent in the Certificates of Election in accordance with the requirements of the Canon, and reported that there was present a Constitutional Quorum, both of the Clergy and of the Laity.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Telfair Hodgson and Messrs. Detlief Lienau and Egbert Ward a Committee on the Certificates of Lay Deputies which had not been sent to the Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Hodgson reported that the Certificates examined by the Committee were in due canonical form, and the Secretary called the names on the Certificates passed by the Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Boggs reported the Rules of Order of the previous Convention, and the Rules were adopted.

On motion of the Rev. William T. Webbe,

Resolved, That Clergymen of other Dioceses, Clergymen of this Diocese not otherwise entitled to seats, and Candidates for Holy Orders, who may be present, be admitted to honorary seats in this Convention, and that they be requested to hand their names to the Secretary.

Under this resolution, the following Clergy were present: The Rev. Albert R. Walker and the Rev. N. Pettit, of the Diocese of New Jersey; the Rev. Benjamin R. Phelps, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania; the Rev. D. D. Chapin, of the Diocese of California; the Rev. Edwin Coan, of the Diocese of Albany; and the Rev. E. de Zeng, of the Diocese of Central New York.

The election of a Secretary being in order, the Rev. WILLIAM G. FARRINGTON, D.D., was nominated by the Rev. Joseph H. Smith, and the Rev. EDWARD B. BOGGS, D.D., by the Rev. John F. Butterworth.

The Bishop appointed, as Tellers for the *Clerical Vote*, the Rev. DR. WALSH and Mr. H. R. CLARKE, and for the *Lay Vote*, the Rev. E. L. STODDARD and Mr. J. C. HINCHMAN.

Before the vote was taken, the Rev. Mr. Cameron called upon the Secretary to read the list of Parishes not entitled to vote, under

Section 4 of Article 4, of the Constitution, as required by a General Resolution of the last Diocesan Convention, to be found on page 48 of the Journal of 1876.

Whereupon the names of the following Parishes were read as delinquent in payments due the Episcopal Fund and the Convention Expenses for two successive years :

Calvary, Bayonne; St. John's, Bayonne; Grace, Greenville; St. Paul's, Hoboken; Trinity, Irvington; Christ, Jersey City; St. Mark's, Jersey City; Christ, Newark; St. John's, Passaic; Christ, Pompton; Atonement, Tenafly; St. John's, West Hoboken.

Parishes debarred from voting for non-payment for two years of interest on Parish Bonds are :

St. Mark's, Jersey City; Christ, Jersey City; Grace, Greenville; St. John's, Passaic; St. Stephen's, Newark.

Mr. Alfred Mills, from the Joint Committee appointed by the last Convention, with "power to adjust, compromise, or remit" arrearages of interest, etc., reported that the Committee had remitted the arrearages of the following Parishes in this Diocese, viz. :

St. John's, Bayonne; Grace, Greenville; Christ, Jersey City; St. Barnabas', Newark; St. John's (Woodside), Newark; Trinity, Irvington; St. Paul's, Hudson; St. Luke's, Phillipsburgh; Atonement, Tenafly; Holy Innocents, West Orange.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hodgson, the Convention proceeded to ballot for Secretary.

The vote of the Rev. Wynant Vanderpool, Assistant Minister of Grace Church, Newark, being challenged on the ground that Assistant Ministers are not under the Constitution entitled to vote, it was referred to the Committee on the Rights of Clerical Members.

The Bishop appointed as such Committee, the Rev. R. N. Merritt, the Rev. Horace S. Bishop, and Mr. William A. Whitehead.

The said Committee reported, that the Rev. W. Vanderpool was not, under the Constitution, entitled to a vote.

On motion, the Convention adopted the report of the Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Walsh reported that the Rev. Dr. Farrington had received a majority of the Clerical votes cast for Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Stoddard reported that the Rev. Dr. Boggs had received a majority of the Lay votes cast for Secretary.

There being no election, the Convention proceeded to ballot again for Secretary, the same Tellers being appointed.

The Rev. Dr. Walsh reported that Dr. Boggs had received a majority of the Clerical votes.

The Rev. Mr. Stoddard reported that Dr. Boggs had received a majority of the Lay votes.

Whereupon the Rev. Edward B. Boggs, D.D., was declared duly elected.

The Secretary announced that he appointed the Rev. James Cameron Assistant Secretary.

The President then appointed the following Committees :

ON NEW PARISHES.

The Rev. FERNANDO C. PUTNAM, the Rev. J. H. ECCLESTON, D.D., and Mr. HERBERT R. CLARKE.

ON FINANCE.

Messrs. EDMUND S. MUNROE, A. Q. KEASBEY, DANIEL DODD, ALFRED MILLS, JONATHAN EDGAR, and HENRY HAYES, TREASURER, *ex officio*.

ON RULES OF ORDER.

The Rev. W. G. FARRINGTON, D.D.; the Rev. LEIGH R. DICKINSON, the SECRETARY *ex officio*, and Messrs. E. H. STEPHENSON and E. A. WALTON.

ON SECURITIES.

Messrs. DANIEL DODD and HENRY G. DARCY.

ON THE CHARACTER AND VALUE OF CONVENTION PROPERTY.

The Rev. GEORGE H. WALSH, D.D., Mr. HENRY MCFARLAN, and Mr. WILLIAM C. HICKS.

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Rev. JOHN F. BUTTERWORTH, the Rev. JAMES CAMERON, and Mr. NATHANIEL NILES.

ON TRUSTEES OF GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Rev. JOSEPH H. SMITH, the Rev. THOMAS A. STARKEY, D.D., and Mr. W. L. MARSH.

The election of a Standing Committee on the Constitution and Canons being in order, the Chair appointed the Rev. CHARLES DOUGLAS and Mr. HENRY MCFARLAN to act as Tellers for the Clerical vote, and the Rev. H. V. DEGEN and Mr. H. W. MILLER as Tellers for the Lay vote.

The following nominations were made:

Rev. A. SCHUYLER, D.D., Rev. R. M. ABERCROMBIE, D.D., Rev. D. C. WESTON, D.D., Rev. W. H. HARISON, D.D., Hon. HENRY MEIGS, Mr. F. B. OGDEN, and Mr. GEORGE WURTS.

The ballot having been cast, and the Tellers having retired to count the votes, the Committee on New Parishes reported:

That they had examined the papers presented on behalf of the Church of the Holy Innocents, Hoboken; found the same to be correct, and recommend that said Parish be admitted into union with this Convention.

Whereupon, on motion of the Secretary, THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS, HOBOKEN, was admitted into union with the Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Boggs then presented and read his report as Registrar, as follows :

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR.

The Registrar respectfully reports that he has received during the year a number of Journals of the Diocesan Conventions for 1877, the Charges of some of the Bishops, and several Sermons and Pamphlets.

He desires to obtain a set of the Pastoral Letters of the House of Bishops, and invites those who have copies to spare to give them to the Diocese.

We need, to complete the set, journals of the Convention of New Jersey, all previous to 1798 ; those for the years 1799, 1800, 1801, 1812, 1814, 1815, and 1842-1847 inclusive.

It would be advisable that some of the Journals be bound, both for preservation and convenience of reference. A resolution to that effect is appended.

Resolved, That the Registrar shall have bound such Journals and Pamphlets as he may deem expedient, provided that not more than twenty dollars (\$20) be expended therefor, and the Treasurer of the Diocese is hereby authorized to pay for such binding the sum of twenty dollars (\$20).

EDWARD B. BOGGS, *Registrar*.

On motion, the resolution appended to the above report was adopted.

Mr. Henry Hayes, Treasurer of the Convention, presented and read his Annual Report, as follows :

HENRY HAYES, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE CONVENTION, DIOCESE OF NORTHERN NEW JERSEY.

DR.

To balance, as by last report.....	\$12,604 66
To cash received :	
For the Bishop's salary, assessments, etc.....	854 00
" " Convention expenses.....	1,188 50
" " Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund ; interest.....	897 58
" " " " " " contributions.....	897 58
" " Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews.....	1,288 10
" interest on the Kempton Legacy.....	86 97
" " " Hanford Smith Legacy.....	14 00
" " " Missionary Fund.....	140 00
	21 97
	178 97
	<u>\$14,709 20</u>

OR.

By cash paid:

Trustees of Episcopal Fund, for the Bishops' salaries.....		\$384 00
The Secretary of the Convention.....	\$250 00	
J. F. Trow & Son, for Journal.....	407 48	
Newark Daily Advertiser, for printing Constitution, etc.....	98 55	
N. Matthews, Esq., Treas. General Convention.....	204 00	
Rev. G. M. Hills, D.D.....	5 00	
J. Jelliff & Co., for book-case for the Registrar.....	50 00	
A. Bassiere.....	15 00	
Printing, postage, stationery, and stamps.....	51 61	
		1,075 64
Dr. J. H. Pugh, Treas., one-half income of Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.....		411 79
Dr. J. H. Pugh, Treas., one-half income of the Missionary Fund.....	10 99	
By order of the Bishop, the income of the Missionary Funds, as follows:		
Rev. R. M. Abercrombie, D.D., Dean.....	57 49	
" G. Van Horn.....	57 49	
" J. B. Wetherill, for St. Mark's Mission, West Newark.....	50 00	
		175 97
Richard Ashhurst, Esq., Treas. Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews.....		95 97
Balance.....		14,595 88
		<u>\$16,709 20</u>

NEWARK, N. J., November 1, 1877.

The Committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's accounts reported as follows:

The undersigned, appointed a Committee to examine and audit the Treasurer's accounts, beg leave to report that they have examined them, compared them with the vouchers, and have found them to be correct. The following balances remained, at the date of his report, in the hands of the Treasurer, viz.:

Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund (Old Diocese).....	\$11,765 85
" " " " Dio. N. N. J.....	2,369 13
Kempton Legacy.....	100 00
Missionary Fund.....	314 01
Convention Expenses.....	47 05
	<u>\$14,596 88</u>

JOSEPH H. SMITH, }
WM. T. MERCER, } Committee.

NEWARK, N. J., November 16, A.D., 1877.

The Committee on Securities, in the hands of the Treasurer, presented the following Report:

The Committee on Securities in the hands of the Treasurer respectfully report that they have examined said securities, and find them to consist of

first liens on property worth at least double the encumbrances, to the amount of thirteen thousand eight hundred and fifty-four dollars; also one share Philadelphia National Bank stock of one hundred dollars; also cash awaiting investment amounting to six hundred dollars.

DANIEL DODD, }
HENRY G. DARCY, } *Committee.*

NEWARK, N. J., *November 19, 1877.*

The Joint Committee on Arrearages of Interest on Parish Bonds and Assessments presented, through Mr. Alfred Mills, the following:

REPORT.

The Joint Committee, consisting of one Clergyman and two Laymen from each of the Dioceses of New Jersey and Northern New Jersey, appointed by the respective Conventions of those Dioceses, with power to adjust, compromise, or remit such arrearages of interest or assessments as might be due from Parishes that are unable to pay, and to make recommendations about any Parish Bonds that may have become comparatively worthless, respectfully report to the Convention of Northern New Jersey:

That having, prior to the 29th day of May last, had two meetings at Newark, and one at Elizabeth, at which the matters referred to them were considered and discussed, and having communicated with a number of Parishes which were in arrears, they made, on the 29th day of May last, the following report to the Convention of the Diocese of New Jersey, which was then in session:

"They have remitted arrears of unpaid interest on Parish Bonds, and arrears of assessments for payment of the Bishop's salary, due at this time, as follows, viz.:

FOR INTEREST ON BONDS.

St. John's Church, Bayonne.....	\$140 00
Grace " Greenville.....	808 00
Christ " Jersey City.....	420 00
St. Peter's " Spotswood.....	70 00
St. Paul's " Trenton.....	105 00

And also on the following bonds (to October 1, 1876):

St. Barnabas' Church, Newark.....	222 40
St. John's " " (Woodside).....	175 00

FOR ASSESSMENTS.

St. John's Church, Bayonne (an old error).....	\$28 00
Trinity " Irvington.....	210 00
St. Paul's " Hudson.....	285 00

Christ	Church	Millville.....	\$84 00
St. Luke's	"	Metuchen (an old error).....	42 00
St. John's	"	New Brunswick (an old error).....	14 00
St. Luke's	"	Phillipsburg.....	45 00
Atonement	"	Tenafly.....	122 50
Trinity	"	Vincenttown (an old error).....	31 50
Trinity	"	Vineland.....	78 50
Holy Innocents'	"	West Orange.....	88 00
St. Andrew's	"	Lambertville.....	183 00
St. Peter's	"	Clarksboro.....	16 00

"The Committee have created a suspense list for the purpose of transferring thereto temporarily a number of the Parish Bonds in arrears of interest, and assessed Parishes in arrears of assessments.

"They place in this suspense list the following :

BONDS.

St. John's Church,	Bayonne.....	Bond for \$800 00
St. John's	" Camden... ..	" 800 00
Grace	" Greenville.....	" 800 00
St. Mark's	" Jersey City.....	" 1,500 00
Christ	" ".....	" 800 00
St. Peter's	" Spotswood.....	" 500 00

ASSESSED PARISHES.

Calvary Church,	Bayonne.....	Assessed on \$800 00
St. Paul's	" Hoboken.....	" 1,200 00
Trinity	" Irvington.....	" 800 00

"The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

"*Resolved*, That there be dropped from the list of Parishes to be assessed, ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, Hudson, and HOLY INNOCENTS' CHURCH, West Orange."

The Committee now make the same report to this Convention, with the statement that the Convention of the Diocese of New Jersey, held in May last, adopted the resolution above recommended.

The Committee recommend that that resolution be adopted by this Convention.

The Committee further report that, at their meeting held in Newark, on the 5th day of November, instant, they placed on the suspense list the Parish of Christ Church, Pompton, assessed on \$500.

All of which is respectfully submitted this 20th day of November, 1877.

ERSKINE M. RODMAN,
 GEORGE C. HANCE,
 F. S. CONOVER,
 R. M. ABERCROMBIE,
 J. O. GARTHWAITE,
 ALFRED MILLS.

The resolution recommended for adoption in the above report, viz., that St. Paul's Church, Hudson, and Holy Innocents' Church, West Orange, be dropped from the list of Parishes to be assessed, was then passed.

The Rev. R. N. Merritt presented and read the report of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

The STANDING COMMITTEE of the Diocese of Northern New Jersey respectfully report :

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

Candidate for Holy Orders,
CHALMERS DURAND CHAPMAN.

For Deacon's Orders,
CHALMERS DURAND CHAPMAN.

For Priest's Orders,
JAMES B. SHARP, JR.

In accordance with the amendment to Article 5, of the Constitution of this Diocese, the Committee have advised the Bishop to assent to the formation of the Parish of the Holy Innocents, Hoboken, Hudson County.

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

ROBERT N. MERRITT, *Secretary.*

The Rev. Charles Douglas, on behalf of the Tellers appointed to receive the votes of the Convention for the election of a Committee on the Constitution and Canons, reported that the following persons had received a majority of the votes cast, viz.: the Rev. A. SCHUYLER, D.D.; the Rev. D. C. WESTON, D.D.; the Rev. WM. H. HARISON, D.D.; and Messrs. HENRY MEIGS and F. B. OGDEN, who were thereupon announced by the Chair as the *Committee on the Constitution and Canons.*

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Convention then took a recess until 7.30 P.M.

TRINITY CHURCH, NEWARK, 7.30 P.M.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. J. I. Mombert, D.D., and the Rev. S. M. Rice, D.D., assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. W. W. Holley.

At the request of the Bishop, the Rev. R. M. Abercrombie, D.D., took the Chair.

The Deans of the Convocations of Newark and Jersey City read their Annual Reports to the Bishop. (*See Appendix to the Episcopal Address.*)

Addresses were then made by the Rev. J. I. Mombert, D.D., the Rev. J. H. Eccleston, D.D., and the Rev. Messrs. Putnam, Treptow, Stansbury, Butterworth, and Moffatt, on the Mission Work of the Diocese, and on the following preamble and resolution presented by the Rev. Dr. Mombert:

Whereas, It is of the utmost importance to society at large, and more especially to the Church, that prisons, reformatory institutions, hospitals, poor-houses, orphan asylums, and other public charities, should feel the beneficent influence of regular and well-directed Christian ministrations; therefore,

Resolved, That the Convocations of the Diocese take this matter in hand, and, if feasible, appoint Missionaries or Chaplains to work in such institutions; or, if that should prove impracticable, that the different Clergy severally volunteer their services in that direction.

Which resolution was adopted.

The Rev. Telfair Hodgson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Constitution and Canons be instructed to report to this Convention a Canon re-establishing a Board of Missions to supersede the present system of the management of the Missions of the Diocese by the Deans and Convocations, as now provided for in Canon 5, Title I., of the Code of Canons.

The Rev. Dr. Mombert moved, as a substitute for the above, the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Constitution and Canons consider the expediency of making any change in the present mode of conducting

the Missions in this Diocese, and report at the present session of this Convention.

Which substitute was not adopted.

A motion was then made to adjourn, which being put to vote was lost.

The Rev. Dr. Weston then offered the following amendment to the original resolution of the Rev. Mr. Hodgson, which was accepted by the mover, and the resolution thus amended was adopted, as follows :

Resolved, That with the view of bringing the matter before this Convention, and without any implied disapproval of the present system, the Committee on the Constitution and Canons be instructed to consider the expediency of altering Canon 5, Title I., so as to re-establish a Board of Missions in this Diocese to supersede the present system of the management of the Missions by the Deans and Convocations, as provided for in said Canon.

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

TRINITY CHURCH, NEWARK, *November 21, 1877.*

Morning Prayer was offered by the Rev. W. T. Webbe and the Rev. T. J. Danner.

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

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Bishop then read his *THIRD ANNUAL ADDRESS*.*

On motion of Mr. J. C. Garthwaite, it was *Ordered* that the following amendment to Article 4, Section 2, of the Constitution, "after the word *Minister* insert the words *in charge of, or Assistant Minister one year,*" be referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to report to this Convention.

* See page 49.

Mr. Daniel Dodd then presented and read the

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND, FOR THE YEARS 1876-77.

The Trustees respectfully present the following statement of their proceedings for the term commencing November, 1876, and ending November, 1877, to the Convention of the Diocese of Northern New Jersey, held at Newark, November 20, 1877.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF THE INCOME OF THE FUND.

RECEIPTS.

1876.		
To cash on hand at date of last report		\$681 59
" " received from J. H. Pugh, Treas., Diocese of N. J., for assessments, \$339.63, \$452, and \$182.....		973 63
" " from O. E. Merritt, Treas., for assessments, \$170.75, \$114.50, \$89.25.....		374 50
" " from H. Hayes, Treas., of N. N. J., for assessments, \$42, \$118.50, \$81, \$108.50.....		354 00
" " for interest on Parish bonds.....		5,461 18
" " " coupon bonds.....		1,327 00
" " " bonds and mortgages.....		805 00
" " " individual bonds.....		73 75
Total receipts of interest.....		\$10,600 65

DISBURSEMENTS.

1877.		
By amount paid Bishop Odenheimer on account of salary.....		\$5,000 00
" Bishop Scarborough.....		5,000 00
for paid envelopes.....		3 64
" J. H. Pugh, Treas., for amounts sent me erroneously by him, \$25 and \$21.....		46 00
Balance, interest on hand.....		551 01
Total disbursements.....		\$10,600 65

PRINCIPAL.

Amount of principal as per last report.....		\$13 63
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No additions have been made to the Fund during the year.

ARRARAGES.

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

PARISH BONDS.

Allentown, Christ Church.....	\$200 unpaid since April, 1877.....	\$7 00
Bloomfield, Christ Church.....	800 " Oct., 1876.....	56 00
Bridgeton, St. Andrew's Church.....	600 " April, 1877.....	21 00
Camden, St. John's Church.....	300 " April, 1878.....	94 50
Crosswicks, Grace Church.....	\$25 " April, 1877.....	7 87
Eatonstown, St. James's Church.....	300 " Oct., 1876.....	21 00
Elizabeth, Trinity Church.....	800 " April, 1878.....	140 00

Elizabethport, Grace Church.....	\$300 unpaid since April, 1875.....	\$35 00
Greenville, Grace Church.....	800 " April, 1877.....	28 00
Hackensack, Christ Church.....	1,500 " April, 1877.....	53 50
Highlands, All Saints' Church.....	800 " April, 1877.....	10 50
Jersey City, St. Mark's Church.....	1,500 " April, 1875.....	263 50
" Christ Church.....	800 " April, 1877.....	28 00
" St. Paul's Church.....	1,500 " April, 1877.....	53 50
" Holy Trinity Church.....	1,000 " April, 1877.....	35 00
Long Branch, St. James's Church.....	400 " April, 1875.....	70 00
Metuchen, St. Luke's Church.....	600 " April, 1875.....	105 00
Millville, Christ Church.....	300 " April, 1875.....	31 50
Newark, Christ Church.....	1,300 "	98 00
" House of Prayer.....	500 " April, 1877.....	17 50
" St. Barnabas Church.....	880 " April, 1877.....	29 00
" St. Paul's Church.....	1,200 " Oct., 1875.....	84 00
" St. Philip's Church.....	800 " April, 1875.....	84 00
" St. Stephen's Church.....	2,000 " Oct., 1875.....	290 00
Newton, Christ Church.....	1,000 " April, 1875.....	105 00
New Brunswick, St. John's Church.....	1,000 " April, 1877.....	35 00
Passaic, St. John's Church.....	900 " Oct., 1875.....	94 50
Plainfield, Grace Church.....	1,500 " April, 1875.....	137 50
Rahway, St. Paul's Church.....	1,500 " Oct., 1875.....	420 00
Red Bank, Trinity Church.....	900 " April, 1877.....	31 50
Trenton, St. Paul's Church.....	500 " April, 1877.....	17 50
" Trinity Church.....	1,350 " April, 1877.....	47 25
Vincentown, Trinity Church.....	800 " April, 1875.....	53 00

Total arrearages on Parish bonds\$2,611 67

INDIVIDUAL BONDS.

William S. Sharp.....	\$50 unpaid since April 1, 1867.....	\$31 50
T. Sinnickson, Jr.....	100 " April 1, 1869.....	51 00
Maris Dick.....	25 " April 1, 1877.....	88
Josiah Harrison.....	100 " April 1, 1877.....	3 50
J. P. Thompson.....	200 " April 1, 1877.....	6 00
John H. Sinnickson.....	25 " April 1, 1877.....	75

Total arrearages on individual bonds\$98 68

COUPON BOND.

State of Tennessee bond, unpaid since July 1, 1875.....	120 00
Total arrearages.....	\$2,825 20

TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE FUND.

PARISH BONDS.

Amount reported to the last Convention.....	\$76,505 00
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INDIVIDUAL BONDS.

Reported to last Convention.....	1,000 00
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COUPON BONDS.

Newark City Bonds.....	\$9,000 00
Union County Bonds.....	9,000 00
Elizabeth City Bonds.....	4,000 00
Essex County Bonds.....	1,000 00
Morris and Essex Railroad Bonds.....	4,000 00
Joint Railroad and Canal Co. Bonds.....	500 00
Warwick Valley Railroad Bonds.....	200 00
State of Tennessee Bonds.....	1,000 00
Total Coupon Bonds.....	\$28,700 00

BONDS AND MORTGAGES.

Halsey & Tucker's.....	\$5,000 00
Edward Q. Keasbey's.....	3,500 00
Eliz. Hayes (now Thomas Slater's).....	6,000 00
	\$14,500 00

CASH.

Balance on hand.....	\$13 82
Total amount of the Fund.....	\$120,718 82

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN KRAV,
A. Q. KEASBEY,
WM. VANDERPOOL,
DANIEL DODD,
B. WILLIAMSON, } Trustees.

The election of a **STANDING COMMITTEE** being in order, the Bishop appointed the following Tellers:

For the Clerical Vote.—The Rev. Samuel Hall and Mr. T. W. Satterthwaite.

For the Lay Vote.—The Rev. L. P. Clover, D.D., and Mr. Henry Meigs.

The ballot having been cast, and the Tellers having retired to count the votes,

On motion of Mr. Daniel Dodd, it was *ordered*, that the following proposed alteration in the Constitution be referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, viz.: *In Art. 4, strike out the last six lines.*

Mr. E. S. Renwick moved that it be referred to the same committee, to consider these additions to the Constitution:

Article 4, sec. 4. In subsection 1, after the word "*years*" insert "*next preceding such session*;" also in subsections 2 and 3 respectively, after the word "*years*" insert "*next preceding*."

The Rev. L. P. Clover, on behalf of the Tellers for the Lay Vote for members of the Standing Committee, reported that the following had received a majority of the votes cast, viz.: Messrs. D. Dodd, J. C. Garthwaite, A. Mills, and Jonathan Edgar; and, on motion, their election was approved by the clergy.

The Rev. Dr. Schuyler then moved that the Constitution approved last year, be now adopted.

The Rev. Samuel Hall reported that the Rev. James A. Williams, D.D., the Rev. R. N. Merritt, the Rev. Spencer M. Rice, D.D., and the Rev. F. C. Putnam, had received a majority of 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,	Mr. JONATHAN EDGAR.

On motion of Messrs. Garthwaite and Renwick, it was resolved to reconsider the resolutions offered by them in regard to certain amendments to the Constitution, which had been referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons.

The proposed Constitution, which had been approved by a majority of the last Annual Convention, was then unanimously adopted, and so became "valid and obligatory."

Messrs. Garthwaite and Renwick then renewed their motions to refer to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, the alterations of the Constitution proposed by them (see pages 32 and 35), which was so ordered.

The Rev. Dr. Schuyler, Chairman of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, made the following

REPORT.

In obedience to the resolution instructing the Committee on the Constitution and Canons to report a Canon re-establishing a Board of Missions in place of the present Convocational system, the Committee accordingly, and without committing themselves to the contemplated change, either in principle or detail, report, for the consideration of the Convention, the Canon XL of 1866, in force when the present system was introduced in the year 1870. As follows :

OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

SEC. 1. At every Annual Convention there shall be chosen a Board of Missions, consisting of the Bishop, six clergymen and six laymen.

SEC. 2. This Board shall annually appoint its own Secretary and Treasurer.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of this Board to receive and apply all collections, appropriations, donations, and offerings for the support of missions under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese—including the interest of the Missionary Fund—and to receive specific donations from any individual or church, which shall be appropriated as designated by the donor.

SEC. 4. When any mission station, under the direction of the Board, shall furnish, for the support of its own missionary, the sum of \$300 per annum, it shall be allowed the privilege of proposing to the Bishop one who, if approved by the Bishop, shall be considered as Missionary to that station.

SEC. 5. The basis of all appropriations by the Board shall be the money contributed and in hand for the preceding year ; and after the expiration of one year no money shall be appropriated for any year exceeding such amount.

SEC. 6. The interest of the Missionary Fund shall be applied to the support of Missions under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, under the direction of the Board of Missions.

SEC. 7. The Tuesday evening of each Annual Convention shall be devoted to Missionary purposes, at which time the Annual Report of the Board shall be read, such services held as may be appointed by the Board, and the members of the Board for the ensuing year elected.

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

The Rev. JOSEPH H. SMITH and WILLIAM T. MERCER, M.D., were elected the *Auditing Committee.*

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

The Rev. Philo W. Sprague then presented and read the Report of the Committee appointed by the Convention of 1876, on "The Spread of Intemperance."

REPORT.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting of this Convention to "suggest measures for an organized effort on the part of the Diocese to check the spread of Intemperance," beg leave to submit the following report.

Your Committee would, first of all, call attention to the basis of any action which they would recommend to the Convention, as likely in their opinion, to be conducive to good.

It is not unknown to any of your Committee, as it probably is not to any member of this Convention, that many unsuccessful efforts have been from time to time put forth by earnest and well-minded persons to deal with this question. It is not attempted to disguise the fact that many of the agitations on this subject, going under the head of Temperance movements, have tended rather to harm than good. No apology will here be made for the wild fanaticism, the illiberal spirit, the perversion of truth, the intemperate words and actions—the blinding of the moral sense to all but one form of sin—which go among men under the name of Temperance, till the name has become, to the ears of many, synonymous with ignorance, intolerance, and bigotry. These are things for a man rather to weep over than to deride, to weigh well, and reflect upon, rather than to abuse and decry. And they should make every earnest man, who has the good of his fellow-men close to his heart, consider that so many attempts, futile and misguided as some of them are, accomplish some good and then degenerate into negative influences, if not into those that are positively harmful, as others often do. Yet so many efforts must point to a great need somewhere; and to the fact that most of such unsuccessful efforts fail by endeavoring to work upon a radically wrong basis.

No effort to promote true Temperance (such temperance as the word of God means when it classes it among the fruits of the Spirit: when it bids Christians "Add to knowledge temperance," and "Let your moderation be known unto all men" such temperance as the Church means, when she bids all her children to keep their bodies in "temperance, soberness, and chastity"); no effort to promote such temperance among men can hope to be productive of permanent good which does not recognize the difference between temperance and total abstinence. To say that the man, who knowing that all things are given to men, knows also how to use them within the bounds of moderation, conscience, and common sense, is to be classed with the man who, perverting the gifts of God, abuses them to the defilement of his body, the debasement of his mind, the destruction of his soul, is not only to advocate a false and unreasonable opinion, but because perverted truth is more potent for evil than simple falsehood, it is to take sure means for finally producing the very evils we desire to eradicate. Your Committee desires, therefore, to bring before the Convention, as the basis of its recommendations, that they use the word Temperance in its true, etymological, and not in its perverted though common acceptation.

With this basis, your Committee beg leave to call attention to three facts.

1. That there is urgent need at the present time that something be done in this matter. It is not proposed here to give the appalling statistics which might be given to show the wide spread of the vice of intemperance all over our land, and especially in our larger cities. Every parish priest is brought face to face with the evil everywhere. If he goes among the poorer classes, he finds that the fruitful mother of the want, squalor, and wretchedness to be found among them is their habitual intemperate use of strong drink. And when he looks in at the wealthier classes, what fearful instances present themselves of unhappy homes, alienated affections, blighted hopes, caused by intemperance. Or if any one is not convinced by these facts that intemperance is a sin, to which the attention of the Church should specially be called, let him visit our poor-houses, prisons, penitentiaries, and mad-houses, and see how large a part of their inmates may trace their sad condition directly to intemperance. It may pass without argument that something should be done.

2. Something can be done by organized effort. As a sufficient proof of this your Committee call attention to the marked success of the Church of England Temperance Society, at the head of which are the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, and which has diocesan and parochial branches over a large part of England.

3. If anything should and can be done, the Church is the one that should and can do it. The Church is not only called upon to preach the Gospel for the healing of the nations, but to preach that Gospel, as directed, against particular sins of whatsoever kind they may be. May not the Church herself be somewhat to blame for the extravagances and fanaticism and erroneous teaching which have prevailed in this respect, in that she has kept herself aloof when she should have applied herself to the task? The Church and the Church only has the commission to cast out devils. May not the fact that the devils are not cast out be somewhat attributable to the fact that she has left the casting out to others, instead of doing it herself? Surely, if to the Church has been entrusted the cure of souls, no task can be more befitting her high and holy mission than, as the Church, to make a valiant effort to remove an evil which daily experience shows is bringing so many souls to destruction. In the eyes of many no doubt the task will seem a hopeless one. None the less, for all that, should the Church undertake it as a work she is called to do. Let her persevere in the task, learning wisdom by experience. Proteus-like, the evil with which we have to do will change itself from one shape to another; only let the Church, like Menelaus of old, lay hold upon the monster under whatever form it assumes, and sooner or later we shall be able to master its hidden power.

Upon this basis, therefore, and with these facts in view, your Committee beg leave to make the following

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I. That this Convention, as representing the Diocese of Northern New Jersey, make some organized effort to check the spread of intemperance.

II. That this Convention take steps for the organization of a Diocesan Church Temperance Society—an outline of which here follows.

Such Society to be known as "THE CHURCH TEMPERANCE LEAGUE OF NORTHERN NEW JERSEY."

The Bishop of the Diocese to be *ex officio* President of the League.

The Bishop of the Diocese to appoint at each annual Convention a Committee consisting of two Clergymen and three Laymen, to be known as the Temperance General Committee, who shall be the Board of Directors of such League; such Committee to report to the Convention whenever required by a majority vote of the Convention to do so.

The members of this League shall consist of (1) all Rectors or Ministers in charge of Parishes in this Diocese, who shall (a) express their desire in writing to the General Committee to become members of the League, and (b) shall appoint a Temperance Committee of three Lay communicants (male or female) of their respective Parishes (to be known as the Temperance Committee of such Parish) to carry on the work of the League.

(2.) Of all members of such Parish Temperance Committees.

(3.) Of all members of such guilds or other organized parochial instrumentalities for doing Church work as shall be formed, with such Temperance Committee as a nucleus.

III. That, on the evening of the second day's session of each Convention, a temperance meeting be held at such hour and place as the Bishop may appoint, at which meeting the members of the Convention shall be expected, and the public in general invited to be present; where suitable services shall be held, and addresses made setting forth the true Church teaching on the subject of temperance and inculcating its practice.

In conclusion, your Committee have only to express their earnest wishes that whether these recommendations, made by them after carefully studying the matter, shall be adopted, or others such as shall seem to the wisdom of this Convention better adapted to work the desired aim; yet that at all events the Diocese of Northern New Jersey will at once put forth some vigorous, united effort in a matter where there is such urgent need of action, and thereby take the lead in doing a glorious work for the Church of Christ.

P. W. SPRAGUE (Chairman), } Committee.
H. MEIGS, }

The Rev. W. W. Wilson moved that this Convention do adopt the recommendations appended to the above Report.

The Rev. Dr. Farrington moved to divide the recommendations, and that they be taken up and considered separately.

The Rev. T. Hodgson moved that the whole subject be referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to report to the next Convention.

Mr. F. Randall moved to lay the whole matter upon the table, which was not agreed to.

The vote was then taken upon the motion to refer to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, which also was decided in the negative.

Mr. Renwick then called for the reading of the first recommendation, and moved that it be adopted, and that the other recommendations appended to the Report be referred to a Special Committee, which motion was carried, and the first recommendation of the Committee was adopted as follows :

Resolved, That this Convention, as representing the Diocese of Northern New Jersey, make some organized effort to check the spread of Intemperance.

The Chair appointed as the Special Committee to whom the remaining recommendations of the Report are referred, the Rev. Drs. Schuyler and Starkey, the Rev. W. W. Wilson and Messrs. E. S. Renwick and Daniel Dodd.

The Rev. W. W. Wilson then offered the following Preamble and Resolution, which on motion of Mr. Renwick was referred to the same Special Committee.

Whereas, The use of intoxicating drinks as beverages, has become a great evil in the community, and a grievous hindrance to the development of Christian character, and,

Whereas, The ministry of the church should present an example of self-sacrifice and purity of life to all people, therefore, be it

Resolved, That, in the judgment of this Convention, the clergy of this Diocese should practice Total Abstinence.

The Rev. R. N. Merritt, on behalf of the Committee to prepare Blank Forms, reported progress, and asked to be continued, which was so ordered.

The Rev. Telfair Hodgson then called up the Report of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, proposing a new Canon in place of the present Canon on Missions (see page 37), and moved to alter the first section of the proposed Canon, so as to read,

The Standing Committee shall be a Board of Missions.

Mr. William A. Whitehead moved as an amendment to this amendment, to retain the original and add to it "*of whom the Standing Committee shall be members.*"

The Rev. H. Bishop moved that the whole subject be re-committed to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, to report to the next Convention.

The Rev. H. Goodwin moved that it be laid upon the table, which motion was not carried.

The vote being then taken upon the motion of the Rev. Mr. Bishop to re-commit, it was so ordered.

The Secretary read the following telegram, just received:

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Nov. 21, 1877.

The Secretary is directed to send the greetings of the "Convocation of New Brunswick" to the Bishop and Clergy of Northern New Jersey.

C. M. PARKMAN, *Secretary*.

On motion it was ordered that the Secretary return to the Convocation of New Brunswick, the brotherly greetings of this Convention.

The Rev. J. L. Maxwell offered the following Preamble and Resolution:

Whereas, In the ancient history of the Church in New Jersey, it appears that there was at an early day a regularly organized Parish at Johnsonburgh, in the County of Sussex, possessed of a Church building and considerable real estate, and

Whereas, It has been made known to the Convocation of Newark that the said property has been sold, and that the proceeds of said sale are in possession of Christ Church, Newton; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Committee on the Alienation and Encumbrance of Church Property is hereby instructed to inquire by what legal right the said Christ Church, Newton, holds such proceeds of sale, and report to the next Convention.

Which resolution was adopted.

Mr. Jonathan Edgar presented and read the following

REPORT.

The undersigned, a Committee appointed at the Convention of 1876, to consider the subject of legislation in reference to alienation and encumbrance of Church property, beg leave to report,

That while there is a difference of opinion among its members as to the propriety of the law of the State now in force on this subject, they concur in stating that they see no necessity for action by the Committee at this time, and respectfully ask to be discharged.

J. EDGAR,
CORTLANDT PARKER,
ALFRED MILLS.

The request of the Committee to be discharged was not granted, but the Committee was ordered to be continued.

On motion of Mr. W. A. Whitehead, the following proposed alteration of the Constitution was referred to the Committee on the Constitution and Canons:

In Article 13, second line, after the word "alteration," strike out, *or the modification of it deemed advisable*, and in the fifth line after the word "majority," insert, *or a modification thereof, if deemed advisable, so approved*.

On motion of Mr. Edgar,

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, Messrs. Cortlandt Parker, Alfred Mills, and W. A. Whitehead.

On motion of Mr. J. C. Garthwaite, the Committee on Additional Episcopal Support, to act jointly with a similar Committee of the Diocese of New Jersey, was continued, and the same Committee was reappointed by the Chair, viz., the Rev. R. M. Abercrombie, D.D., Messrs. J. C. Garthwaite, and Alfred Mills.

Mr. Mills, on behalf of Mr. Edmund S. Monroe, read the following Report of the Committee on Finance.

The Committee on Finance respectfully recommend,

That an assessment of two per cent., for Convention expenses and liabilities, 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 that all arrears of assessments against CHRIST CHURCH, NEWARK, for the Convention expenses, be remitted.

E. S. MUNROE, *Chairman*.

The Rev. Dr. Weston moved to amend by substituting *one and a half per cent.* for "two per cent." in the first recommendation; which was agreed to, and on motion, the recommendations of the Committee thus amended, were adopted.

On motion, it was ordered that the Twenty-first Rule of Order be suspended, and that the Convention continue in session until the business be finished.

The Rev. Dr. Schuyler, Chairman of the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, reported favorably on the amendment to the

Constitution allowing Assistant Ministers to vote, which had been referred to said Committee, and proposed the following :

Resolved, That Article 4, Sec. 2, of the Constitution, be amended by adding in the fourth line, after the word "Convention," the words, *or who has been for one year, and is an Assistant Minister of such Church or Parish upon a call or engagement by the Vestry thereof.*

The Rev. Dr. Farrington moved to amend this Resolution by inserting after the word "Rector," the words *or as Minister in charge, or as Assistant Minister, etc.*

The Rev. H. Bishop moved as an amendment to this amendment to add after the words, "Minister in charge," these words, *or who has been and is an Assistant Minister for the space of one year, etc.* Which was agreed to.

The vote was then taken on Dr. Farrington's amendment as so amended, which was lost.

The question being then put on the original Resolution as reported by the Committee, it was carried, and the proposed alteration to the Constitution having been approved by a majority of this Convention, lies over to the next Convention for adoption, as follows, the alteration being in italics :

Art. 4, Sec. 2. Every Presbyter six months canonically resident in the Diocese, who is regularly settled as Rector or Minister in some church or parish in union with this Convention, *or who has been for one year, and is an Assistant Minister of such Church or Parish upon a call or engagement by the Vestry thereof, or who is a Missionary, etc.*

The Rev. Dr. Schuyler reported from the Committee on the Constitution and Canons, that it does not recommend the proposed change, by striking out the last six lines of Article 4, section 3, of the Constitution.

On motion the Convention concurred in the Report of the Committee, so the proposed alteration was not approved.

The Rev. Dr. Mombert offered the following Preamble and Resolution :

Whereas, The General Convention at their last session adopted the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is the solemn conviction of this General Convention, in both houses, that it is the duty of the clergy and laity of the Church to take, so far as the opportunity is afforded them, an active interest in the public schools provided by the State for the purpose of extending the important benefits of a secular education to all our citizens, and of diffusing side by side with these as much of religious influence and instruction as possible ; to supplement them with thorough Christian teaching elsewhere, and to add proper Church schools and institutions for the whole and more complete work of education wherever they are needed, and the means for their support can be commanded ;

Resolved, That with the concurrence of the House of Deputies, a joint committee, consisting of one Bishop, one Presbyter, and one Layman, be appointed to consider the whole matter during the recess of the Convention, to collect facts and prepare suggestions for the next General Convention, and to promote, by any means deemed advisable, the general work of Christian education."

Therefore, *Resolved*, That this Convention appoint a committee of three clergymen and two laymen, charged with the duty of considering the whole question of Christian education, of gathering statistics, and of submitting suggestions to the next Convention.

Which Resolution was lost.

On motion of the Rev. W. G. Farrington, D.D., it was

Resolved, that the Secretary publish as an Appendix to the JOURNAL the amendment, passed by the Legislature last March, to the law touching Religious Societies, and also the present law of the State on the subject of marriage.

On motion of the Rev. H. Goodwin it was ordered that the Secretary also print with the above a form of oath which may be administered by the Clergy to parties asking to be married.

The Rev. R. M. Abercrombie, D.D., offered the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby tendered to the Rev. D. C. Weston, D.D., for the admirable sermon delivered by him at the opening service, and that he be requested to furnish a copy for publication.

Which was unanimously adopted,

The Rev. Dr. Weston, while expressing his deep sense of the honor done him by the above request, respectfully declined acceding thereto.

On motion of the Secretary,

Resolved, That this Convention returns its thanks to the citizens of Newark 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 Trinity Church, Newark, 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 of Dr. Farrington,

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

On motion,

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

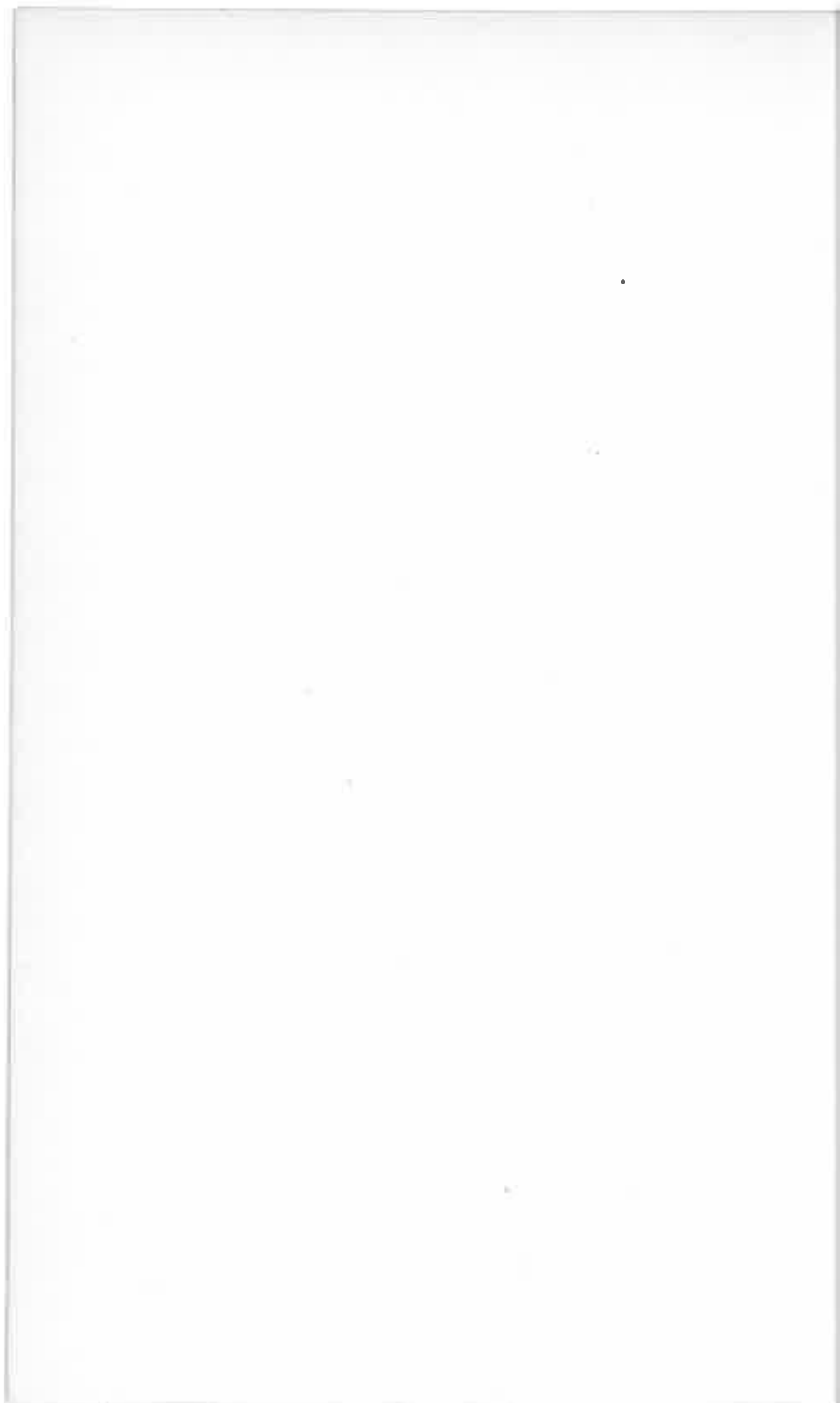
The Minutes of this day's proceedings were read and approved.

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*.

WILLIAM HENRY ODENHEIMER, D.D.,
President.

Attest :

EDWARD B. BOGGS, D.D.,
Secretary.



THE THIRD 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 Third Annual Convention :

BRETHREN BELOVED IN THE LORD :

I WELCOME you, in the Thrice Holy Name, to the deliberations and duties of our Third Annual Council. Compared with my former jurisdiction, which embraced the entire State of New Jersey, our Diocese seems to be small. In its geographical conditions it is small; but in its spiritual claims, in the number of souls to be watched over, in the care to be taken of missions, and in the daily vigilance and prayer which in all departments of parochial and general work it demands from Pastors and Bishop, the Diocese is large enough to occupy all our attention. Living, as I have been, during the last few months at Orange, within a very short distance from the great railroad that runs through the State from Jersey City to Phillipsburg, I have been daily impressed with the important aid which we receive from our proximity to the metropolis of trade and influence, the city of New York. From daylight, trains, large and well filled, convey our business men to their place of daily work, and again, at the close of the day, the same trains return the people to their homes. This is, of course, independent of the tide of general travel that sweeps across the State. It seems to me that we are growing in strength every year as to

the number and character of our population, and that, no matter what may be the financial condition of the country, the necessity for care and constant superintendence of Church work annually increases.

During the past year, I have seen enough in all parts of the Diocese to encourage my heart, and to assure me, as a general fact, of the indomitable labors of my reverend brethren and their lay coadjutors. The number of candidates presented to me for confirmation has been 749.

THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Within the last few weeks the Triennial General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America has been held in the city of Boston. The session lasted about three weeks, and was very largely attended. In the House of Bishops, out of 60 Bishops (two of whom have no seat in the House), there were present 51. The general result of the Convention's legislation, both in what was not done as well as in what was done, has given satisfaction to the large majority of the members of the Church; whilst the singular moderation, peace, and harmony that marked all its proceedings have contributed greatly, I think, to the permanent prosperity of the Church. I feel free to add that from the venerable Presiding Bishop down to the newest member of the House of Bishops, I have never listened to more judicious, able, and eloquent discussions on Church and Canonical questions. In reference to the extension of the Church, the General Convention, besides other practical measures, prepared for the division of the Diocese of Virginia into two, and of Illinois into three Dioceses. It elected the Rev. Dr. Knickerbacker Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona, in place of Bishop Adams, whose resignation of that jurisdiction was accepted by the Church, in consequence of his utter physical inability to discharge the requirements of the office. The Rev. Dr. Schereschewsky, after twice declining to be Bishop in China, accepted the office, and was consecrated in New York on the 31st of October last. He is deeply interested in establishing in China a College, and for this purpose requires at least one hundred thousand dollars. He has succeeded in collect-

ing forty thousand dollars, and I trust that it will not be long before his heart will be encouraged by the completion in full of the desired amount. I bespeak for him the practical interest and generous contributions of all the members of my Diocese, to aid in the great work he has undertaken in raising the sum required for his college. Bishop Schereschewsky makes the number of our Bishops sixty-one, and with the consecration of the Bishop-elect of New Mexico, and the two Bishops to be elected for the two new sees in the Diocese of Illinois, and one for West Virginia, we shall have, perhaps, with the opening of the new year, sixty-five members of the Episcopal College of the Church in the United States. With the exception of two (Bishops Southgate and Adams), they will all have their seats in the House of Bishops, and be in active work for Christ and His Church in their respective jurisdictions. The number of Bishops, especially of Missionary Bishops, will give a fair view of the extent of work for which the Church is practically responsible, and urge on all, Clerical and Lay, the importance of faithfully and systematically making the collections for the financial support of these representatives of the Church. Besides our foreign missions in Africa, China, Japan, and Haiti, our whole country is covered with an Episcopal net-work of jurisdictions, from Maine to California, from the Lakes to the Gulf of Mexico, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean.

SUMMARY OF DIOCESAN EPISCOPAL WORK,

FROM THE SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION, NOVEMBER 31ST, A.D. 1876, TO
THE THIRD ANNUAL CONVENTION, NOVEMBER 20TH, 1877.

CONFIRMED, 749 persons.

(Total during the three years of my Episcopate in Northern New Jersey, 2,145.)

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

CLERGYMEN RECEIVED FROM OTHER DIOCESES, 8.

CLERGYMEN DISMISSED TO OTHER DIOCESES, 8.

CLERGYMAN DECEASED, 1.

CLERGYMAN RENOUNCED THE MINISTRY, 1.

NUMBER OF CLERGY IN THE DIOCESE:

Bishop	1
Priests	62
Deacons	4
Total.	<hr/> 67

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. W. H. Platt, St. Mark's Church, Jersey City; the Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, 2d, Holy Communion Mission, Norwood; the Rev. S. S. Lewis, assistant at Holy Innocents, Hoboken.

ADMITTED AND RECEIVED AS CANDIDATE FOR HOLY ORDERS, 1.

TOTAL NUMBER OF CANDIDATES, 2.

LICENSED TO LAY READ, 8 persons; total number, 42.

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

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

THERE ARE 66 INCORPORATED PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE.

THERE ARE 19 MISSIONS.

BAPTIZED (infant), 1.

SOLEMNIZED FIVE MARRIAGES.

ATTENDED AT ONE FUNERAL.

RECEIVED ELEVEN NOTICES OF SENTENCES OF DEPOSITION.

CLERGYMAN DECEASED.

During the past year the Diocese has lost by death from its clerical ranks the Rev. John M. Heffernan, the devoted and most successful Rector of St. Paul's Church, Paterson. After bravely struggling with disease for years, he went South, in hope of recovering his strength in a more genial atmosphere. But his work was finished, and it pleased the Lord of the Harvest to summon his servant from work to rest. He died in Charleston, South Carolina, on the 21st of March, A. D. 1877. I never met with a more earnest and faithful priest; at all times full of his pastoral work, and contriving plans for its extension. The young as well as the

old were the objects of his tenderest care, and the school-house and rectory, as well as other departments of the Parish, will testify to his successful labors in his work. May we be encouraged by these gratifying results of diligent and at times difficult labors, to work on in our respective places in the Master's vineyard, looking for His blessing when He cometh—we know not at what hour—to take account of our stewardship.

THE MISSIONS OF THE DIOCESE.

The Missionary work of the Diocese has been faithfully sustained by the Missionaries, chiefly under the efforts of the Deans and Clergy, with the Laity to provide for the pecuniary expenses. Belvidere and Knowlton (Delaware Station) are improving. At Hamburg, where there is a beautiful stone church, I confirmed two persons. In consequence of inadequate support, the Missionary Parish of St. John's Church, Woodside, has not been permanently supplied, although excellent work has been done there by those who have had the charge. The Rev. George C. Pennell, D.D. has been called, and has accepted from Jan. 1, 1878.

The Mission at Mendham holds its place, and presented candidates for confirmation at my visitation. This is one of the points in my Diocese where, from the beginning of the work to its present successful position, we have cause to acknowledge the invaluable services of the daughters of the Church. Here, as at Pompton, Calvary Chapel, Paterson; Haledon, Norwood, and Holy Innocents, Hoboken, the gracious work is chiefly due, under God, to the labors of the daughters of the Church; whilst in the Hospital of St. Barnabas, the Hudson County Hospital, and the Aged Women's Home, Hoboken, their share in the work of providing money, and personally supervising the nursing and other departments, have essentially promoted the efficiency of the Institutions. It was the declaration of Christ, "Mary hath chosen that better part;" and it remains, in this day and in our Diocese, the characteristic of the liberal and self-sacrificing labors of Christian Church women.

The financial condition of the Diocese has not been satisfactory during the past year, and I have been affected by it in my personal

and official relations. Without dwelling on details, I do most earnestly ask for enlarged and regular contributions to all the departments of Diocesan duty. The salaries of the parochial Clergy and Missionaries should not be allowed to fail. The amount of funds in the hands of the Executive Committees of the two Convocations should be largely increased. The greatest care is taken by the Deans and their committee-men in the distribution of funds, and there is no safer or more satisfactory way of securing the greatest good for the extension of Christ's holy Gospel than by contributing largely and systematically to the missionary cause. The reports of the Deans of the two Convocations will show that, if we had the means, we might double our expenditure with advantage. There are many places in which our services would be gladly received. We need an increase of itinerant and stationed missionaries. For this offerings are asked from all Church people. Each one is solicited to contribute something quarterly, if only five cents. A *certain* sum is thus secured for the aggressive work of the Church within the Diocese. In all its departments—Diocesan, Domestic, and Foreign—the cause of Missions is the avowed cause of Christ, and deserves our most loving support.

CHURCH INSTITUTIONS.

In my last Annual Address, I took occasion to specify with appropriate remarks nearly all the institutions of the Church that required the attention of Clergy and Laity to their support. Without repeating the details, I again remind my Diocese, through you, its representative Clergy and Laity, of the essential importance of regular and systematic collections for all these Church Institutions. If the amount given by the people be small, still let the preliminary announcement be made, and the collection taken. If this be done regularly and conscientiously, and due information be fairly given, the different agencies for Church work will be helped, and year after year the amount of the collections will be increased. Let there be regularity as to time, with a reminder of the necessities of the collection to be made, and let this be done by every Parish, humble or strong, and the Church's treasury will be increased and ultimately filled.

DIOCESAN IMPROVEMENTS.

Notwithstanding the financial state of the times since we last met in Convention, I have been gratified to perceive that Church zeal has manifested itself vigorously in various directions.

In ORANGE, both Parishes, ST. MARK'S and GRACE, have erected and duly set apart, with appropriate solemnities, attractive chapels for Sunday-school and other Church purposes.

The interior, especially the chancel, of ZION CHURCH, BELVIDERE, has been greatly improved.

The missionary chapel of HOLY COMMUNION, NORWOOD, is one of the most beautiful and architecturally attractive structures in the Diocese.

CALVARY CHAPEL, RIVERSIDE, PATERSON, is a missionary work in full success, and I mention it chiefly to give credit to the influence of the Church women who took an active part in its organization.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, EAST ORANGE, reports, "During the year the Church building has been enlarged to twice its original size, and the whole has been repainted, the interior being ornamented in simple design."

CALVARY CHURCH, SUMMIT.—The Rector expresses gratification at "a practical reduction of the Church debt."

GRACE CHURCH, NEWARK, reports that \$790 have been contributed towards the increase and improvement of Church property.

CHRIST CHURCH, HACKENSACK, reports that "the Guild has paid \$500 upon the principle of the Church debt."

ST. BARNABAS, NEWARK.—"Payment has been made upon interest and reduction of Church debt, \$516.86; and further, during the rectorship of the present incumbent, the entire debt of the Parish

has been reduced from \$30,000 (which it was four years ago) to \$13,000, where it stands at present."

GRACE CHURCH, ORANGE.—The Rector reports the laying of the corner-stone for a chapel and Sunday-school building, which is expected to be finished for use by the first of December, 1877, at a cost of \$5,000. Of this sum \$1,900 is already raised.

THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMMUNION, SOUTH ORANGE.—The payment of \$1,500 toward the extinguishment of Church debt has been made, leaving a balance of only \$2,500.

GRACE CHURCH, MADISON, has received, during the past year, "nine beautiful stained glass windows, which were placed in the Church on Easter Eve."

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, NEWARK.—During the year \$4,278 have been paid for the improvement of Church property. The new building is enclosed, and they hope to occupy it next year.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ENGLEWOOD, has paid for increase and improvement of Church property \$509.78.

ST. PAUL'S, PATERSON, has paid for increase and improvement of Church property \$340.

CHRIST CHURCH, NEWTON, for the same object, has paid \$235.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, ORANGE.—During the past year a commodious Chapel or Sunday School edifice has been erected at the cost of \$9,000.

HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE FOR MISSIONS.

The Bishop of the Diocese has been furnished for himself and successors a beautiful silver service for the Holy Communion in missionary stations and feeble parishes. To all who have aided in

securing this most desirable addition to the working agencies of our Diocesan Missions I return my sincere thanks, and add my blessing.

THE CHURCH ASSOCIATIONS OF NEWARK.

NEWARK, N. J., *Nov. 20, A.D. 1877.*

RIGHT REVEREND FATHER IN GOD :—In compliance with your request, I submit to you a brief statement of the work of the General Committee of the Church Associations of Newark. The Committee is composed of the clergy of each of the parishes of Newark, and two lay delegates from the guild of each parish, or from the parish where no guild exists. The object of the Committee is to promote a spirit of unity and Christian fellowship among the various parishes, to render aid to St. Barnabas' Hospital, and to do such other work as may be suggested from time to time. During the past year the Committee, owing to the difficulty in raising funds, and the fact that their meetings have unavoidably been very irregular, have been able to do little or nothing for St. Barnabas' Hospital. Their efforts have been chiefly directed to carrying on the Sanitarium for poor children, established under their auspices on the shore of Greenwood Lake, in the summer of 1876. This excellent charity is under the supervision of a sub-committee of the General Committee, of which Rev. J. N. Stansbury is Chairman. This Committee have associated with them several prominent gentlemen not members of our Church, to whose kindly interest in the work, as well as to their untiring efforts in its behalf, the success of this charity is greatly due. The purpose of the Sanitarium is to accommodate a limited number of children for about a week, give them a change of air and scenery and plenty of wholesome food, and thus brighten the lives of many little ones, whose lot in life is dark and sad indeed.

Respectfully submitted,

J. AUSTIN WILLIAMS,

Secretary.

THE CLERGYMEN'S MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE LEAGUE.

This most valuable institution, for the comfort of a clergyman and his family, deserves your continued support. If the laity will subscribe, so that two dollars shall be paid on the death of a clerical member, the funds will be largely increased and the strength of the League secured. I ask especial attention to this provision of the League, and beg the laity to examine the particulars of the provision. The Rev. Wm. N. Dunnell, New York (whose letter is herewith given), will supply ample information to all who may write to him on the subject.

ALL SAINTS RECTORY, N. Y., *Nov. 16, 1877.*

DEAR BISHOP :—The "Clergymen's Mutual Insurance League" enters upon the tenth year of its corporate existence with indications of increased efficiency and stability.

Its work has been quiet but effective. It has already conveyed to the widows and orphans of its deceased members upwards of two hundred and thirty thousand dollars.

As the long-continued financial depression has operated to diminish its membership somewhat, it is not unreasonable to expect that it will experience the effect of returning prosperity in the enlargement of its area of usefulness.

Any sum, from any source, can be employed in its beneficent work, and through it any individual, Sunday School, or Society, may insure their own Rector or any other clergyman of our Church, while they contribute to the immediate needs of the families of those "who rest from their labors."

Very affectionately your Son in Christ,

WILLIAM N. DUNNELL.

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE OF NORTHERN NEW JERSEY,

Established in 1875, is increasing, and gradually including more Parishes within the circle of its co-workers. The League has sent, in the past year, 29 boxes and packages to different missions, the value of which amounts to \$2,228.32, besides cash receipts of \$705.64. Total aggregate of boxes and cash being \$2,933.96. It is encouraging to find that this year shows an increase of nearly \$700 in the amount contributed, as well as a larger number of Parishes in union with it, and it is hoped that before long all churchwomen throughout the Diocese will claim the privilege of fellowship in this loving work for Christ and His Church.

THE APPEALS OF THE FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC COMMITTEES ON MISSIONS.

The large amount of indebtedness in both departments of our Missions led me to address to the members of the Diocese the following brief appeal for help :

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

BRETHREN BELOVED IN THE LORD:—The Epiphany Statement and Appeal of the Foreign Committee are before you. They are clear, emphatic, and deeply earnest. For Christ's sake, I beseech you to give practical heed to both the Statement and the Appeal. Let each Parish in the Diocese give an honest and generous contribution, the Pastors enforcing the subject by their words and personal influence, we shall be enabled to do our duty and help the Foreign Committee in this hour of their extreme need.

Affectionately your Bishop,

WILLIAM HENRY ODENHEIMER.

EPIPHANY, A.D. 1877.

The Advent Appeal in 1876 of the DOMESTIC COMMITTEE was even more urgent.

The Rev. Dr. Twing says:—

“Every year the calls for aid are in excess of the means contributed by the Church for this work; and the urgency of these calls is often such as to move the Committee, depending on the good will and liberality of their brethren, to make pledges which they find it difficult to redeem. All pledges are made in advance of means in hand to meet them; otherwise the Bishops would be in constant uncertainty as to what they might depend upon.”

I have not heard what is the exact financial condition of the Committees at this date, but I trust that my Diocese will faithfully do its duty in the support of these representative Boards of our Church Mission work.

In this connection I deem it important to keep before your minds and hearts the following report of

THE TRUSTEES OF THE MISSIONARY BISHOPS' FUND.

NEW YORK, December 1, 1876.

To the Rectors of Parishes of the Protestant Episcopal Church:

DEAR BRETHREN:—The undersigned, Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund, appointed by the last General Convention, beg leave respectfully to invite your attention to the following resolution adopted by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of that body, and approved by the House of Bishops, viz.:

“Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Trustees of the Missionary Bishops' Fund are requested to issue a Circular, annually, to the Rectors of all our Parishes, asking an offering for this fund.”

The rapid and large increase in the number of Missionary Bishops, admonishes the Church of the growing importance of some financial action, of a permanent nature, to meet the serious obligations resting upon it in regard to the proper support of that band of earnest and devoted men, who, leaving kindred, friends, and comfortable homes, go forth to meet hardships, trials, labor and privations, to preach the Gospel of our Lord.

The number now in the field, looking to the Church entirely for the means of subsistence, and for power to extend their usefulness, is as follows, viz.:

ROBERT HARPER CLARKSON, D.D., Bishop of Dakota.
CHAUNCEY MOORE WILLIAMS, D.D., Bishop of Jeddo, Japan.
DANIEL SYLVESTER TUTTLE, D.D., Bishop of Montana, Idaho, and Utah.
BENJAMIN W. MORRIS, D.D., Bishop of Oregon and Washington Territory.
OZI WILLIAM WHITTAKER, D.D., Bishop of Nevada.

WILLIAM HOBART HARR, D.D., Bishop of Nebraska.
 JOHN FRANKLIN SPALDING, D.D., Bishop of Colorado and Wyoming.
 ROBERT W. B. ELLIOTT, D.D., Bishop of Western Texas.
 ALEXANDER CHARLES GARRETT, D.D., Bishop of Northern Texas.
 JOHN H. D. WINGFIELD, D.D., Bishop of Northern California.
 HENRY NILES PIERCE, D.D., Bishop of Arkansas and the Indian Territory.
 WILLIAM F. ADAMS, D.D., Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona.

These are now sustained chiefly through the earnest and unremitting appeals of our zealous and faithful Secretaries of the Domestic and Foreign branches of our Board of Missions; but the supplies thus obtained are, at the best, irregular and unreliable, as to the amount, and are frequently inadequate.

The purpose of Canon 8, Title III. of the Digest, under which we are acting, is to create a large permanent fund, the income of which is to be applied to the support of the Missionary Bishops of our Church, supplementing the spasmodic and uncertain methods now used for that purpose, and providing, partially at least, a more reliable source to meet these certain and always pressing obligations.

Donors are at liberty to designate whether their contributions shall be applied to the support of any particular Bishop. If they do not, the amount will be placed in the permanent fund.

It cannot require any argument on our part to impress the action of our whole Church, in Convention assembled, upon the attention of each Rector in charge of a Parish; and we will only request you earnestly and affectionately to give the subject such consideration and action as will result in your sending an annual offering, however small, to this fund, addressed to its Treasurer, HENRY MEIGS, Post-Office Box No. 1,195, or 51 Liberty Street, New York.

Respectfully yours, &c.,

CAMBRIDGE LIVINGSTON, of New York,
 HENRY MEIGS, of New Jersey, TREASURER,
 JOHN B. STEBBINS, of Springfield, Mass.,
 WILL. H. BATTLE, of Raleigh, North Carolina,
 L. N. WHITTLE, of Macon, Georgia,

Trustees.

If every Parish in our Church will contribute, annually, the small sum of only Five Dollars, this fund will become an important aid.

PROMOTION OF CHRISTIANITY AMONG THE JEWS.

I have received from the Rev. RICHARD NEWTON, Chairman "of the Committee appointed to confer with the Bishops upon this subject," a letter from which I give the following extract:

"The Society for the Promotion of Christianity among the Jews," respectfully desires to call your attention to its labors, and to plead with you for such a recognition and approval of its work, as you may deem it right to give. In the Diocese of Pennsylvania, it has been the custom for many years to designate GOOD FRIDAY as a suitable time to secure an offering

on this behalf; the prayers and alms of the people being moved thereto by Pastoral letters issued by our Bishop.

On consideration, would you be willing to pursue a similar course, whereby the interests of the Society would be *greatly* advanced in your Diocese?

This is a subject in which I have always taken the most sincere interest, and I trust that the Clergy and Laity of my Diocese may on GOOD FRIDAY, remember especially, in their prayers and gifts, the ancient people of God.

THE CHURCH MISSION TO DEAF-MUTES.

This work which is truly Catholic, and not limited in its benevolence to the city of New York, is steadily growing on the hands of those in charge. They are supporting a Home for Aged and Infirm deaf-mutes, extending religious services through the country, and in various other ways striving to promote the temporal and spiritual welfare of adult deaf-mutes. I commend this work most cordially to the Clergy of my Diocese, and ask them, as they arrange their offerings for different objects, to have "The Church Mission to Deaf-mutes" remembered on the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, Sept. 8th, 1878, as the Gospel on that day recites the miracle of our LORD healing the deaf and dumb man. Any contributions will be received by Rev. Dr. GALLAUDET, No. 9 West 18th Street, New York.

INTERCESSION FOR MISSIONS.

I place on record the following letter from his Grace the ARCH-BISHOP OF CANTERBURY:

LAMBETH PALACE, LONDON, S. E., *May, 1877.*

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 five 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 Friday, 80th November, 1877, 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 in the United States.

Believe me to be,

Your faithful Brother in CHRIST,
A. C. CANTUAR.

THE HOSPITAL OF ST. BARNABAS, NEWARK.

I was highly gratified on my visitation to St. Barnabas' Hospital to notice the perfect order, and evident improvement in every department of the institution. The following letter from the Chaplain will interest the members of the Diocese :

RIGHT REVEREND FATHER IN GOD :—I herewith offer a brief statement of what has been done the past year in the Hospital of St. Barnabas.

The Medical Superintendent, in his recent report, expresses pleasure in recalling the operations of the Hospital during the twelve months under review, saying, "No previous year shows so great a number of serious and important cases treated, and none such satisfactory results achieved."

He reports gratifying improvements in the completion of a new surgical ward, and in the fitting up of a very well arranged "Children's ward."

During the year 804 cases have been under treatment.

The spiritual interests of the household are under charge of the Chaplain, who is also by your appointment the Pastor of the Sisterhood of St. Barnabas. His duties call him to the Hospital five or six times each week, for the regular services in chapel, and at other times for private ministrations when necessary.

During the year the Sacrament of Holy Baptism has been administered to four (4) candidates, of whom one was a Chinese youth that had been in this country for a dozen years, and had acquired some knowledge of religion, but had not personally embraced the faith of Christ until the approach of death led him to the Saviour of all, and induced him to give his heart to the Lord, and to desire baptism at the hands of the Chaplain.

There have been thirteen (13) burials.

The Holy Communion has been administered thirty (30) times.

Within a few months a much-needed improvement has been made in the Chapel, whereby our place of prayer has been somewhat enlarged and greatly beautified.

This was done through the liberality of a well-known citizen of Newark, who furnished the funds for this purpose, and now our sacred associations with this holy place are closely connected with tender memories of the saintly departed, and with grateful acknowledgments of merciful deliverance afforded to the living.

I cannot close this report without making thankful acknowledgments to you, Right Reverend Sir, for that you have been pleased to establish in your Diocese the Community of St. Barnabas. The Sisters of that order (as yet but two in number) have won golden opinions from all who know their work in the hospital. Patient, gentle, refined, and competent, they labor with the

fervor and devotion which only holy women can for the welfare of all the inmates of the institution.

I am looking forward with hope to the time when their ranks shall be increased to such an extent that some of their members may be spared for service in the Parishes of the city.

Another very welcome and appropriate *gift* has just been placed in the chapel: a MARBLE FONT of chaste design; a mother's memorial of her only son, who ~~is~~ not, for God took him.

His lovely traits of character as a Christian youth of noble promise will here be kept in lasting memory in the use of this beautiful addition to the furniture of the Lord's house.

Respectfully and filially,

JOSEPH H. SMITH, *Chaplain.*

THE HUDSON COUNTY CHURCH HOSPITAL.

I gather from the Report for 1876 that this institution of enlarged Christian benevolence has been successful during the past year.

The Hudson County Hospital has been leased for another year. Only slight repairs have been necessary.

The number of patients during the year has been 120, of whom 100 have been discharged; 12 died.

Six thousand five hundred dollars have been raised and expended during the past year, including one thousand and sixteen dollars and seventy-four cents, proceeds from fair. The medical staff have shown their accustomed faithful attendance and skill, and have been reappointed by the Board of Regents for the ensuing year.

I insert the following letter from the Rev. F. C. Putnam, the Chaplain.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BERGEN.

November 16, 1877.

MY DEAR BISHOP,—In response to your request for some notice of Christ's Hospital, in Jersey City, as one of our Diocesan Institutions, I have great satisfaction in being able to say that its work of benevolence and holy charity has been unintermitted through the past year. A number of patients of both sexes have been taken under our care, a large proportion of whom were discharged healed of their various maladies, while others we trust, found in its quiet religious atmosphere a help in preparing themselves to meet the supreme crisis of human life. Many of these have died in our arms, and have been buried by our charity.

The situation of this Hospital—on the crest of Jersey City Heights, in Magnolia Avenue, with ample grounds kept in perfect order, made attractive by fruit and ornamental trees, by shrubbery and flowers in their season—for healthfulness could not be surpassed anywhere in the county. The large

proportion of patients who have been cured or benefited under its roof is proof at once of good medical care, attentive nursing, and a wholesome atmosphere. The benefits are as free as Christian charity. Persons of every color, race, or creed are received and cared for with equal solicitude. Those who are without means are maintained from our charity fund; and liberal deductions are made in all cases to those whose means are limited. The staff of physicians comprises the most experienced of Jersey City and Hoboken. The Chaplain maintains public worship in the chapel on every Thursday and Sunday. Some excellent ladies aid him in his ministrations to the sick, every effort being made to care for the souls as well as for the bodies of those who are entrusted to our care.

Your dutiful and affectionate Presbyter,
F. O. PUTNAM,
Chaplain, etc.

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

I received the following letter from his Grace of Canterbury on the 17th of December, 1877, and forwarded the same day the reply which is appended.

LAMBETH PALACE, LONDON, 10th July, 1877.

RIGHT REVEREND AND DEAR BROTHER,

It is proposed to hold a Conference of Bishops of the Anglican Communion, at this place, beginning on Tuesday, the Second day of July, Eighteen Hundred and Seventy-eight.

The Conference, it is proposed, shall extend over four weeks; the first week, of Four Sessions, to be devoted to discussions, in Conference, of the subjects submitted for deliberation; the second and third weeks to the consideration of these subjects in Committees; and the fourth week to final discussions, in Conference, and to the close of the Meeting.

The subjects selected for discussion are the following:

1. The best mode of maintaining Union among the various Churches of the Anglican Communion.
2. Voluntary Boards of Arbitration for Churches to which such an arrangement may be applicable.
3. The relations to each other of Missionary Bishops and of Missionaries, in various branches of the Anglican Communion, acting in the same country.
4. The position of Anglican Chaplains and Chaplaincies on the Continent of Europe and elsewhere.
5. Modern forms of infidelity, and the best means of dealing with them.
6. The condition, progress, and needs of the various Churches of the Anglican Communion.

I shall feel greatly obliged if, at your early convenience, you will inform me whether we may have the pleasure of expecting your presence at the Conference.

I am,
Right Reverend and Dear Brother,
Yours faithfully in Christ,
A. C. CANTUAR.

The following reply was sent :

DIOCESE OF NORTHERN NEW JERSEY,
ORANGE, N. J., *December 17, 1877.*

MY DEAR LORD ARCHBISHOP,—Your letter of the 10th of July reached me this morning, and I hasten to say that, much as I desire to be present with the Bishops at the Conference in July next, it is hardly possible, at this period, to say whether I shall be able to come.

I am,

Your Grace's faithful brother in Christ,

W. H. ODENHEIMER,

Bishop of Northern New Jersey.

TO HIS GRACE, THE LORD ARCHBISHOP,
PRIMATE OF ALL ENGLAND
AND METROPOLITAN, LONDON.

CONCLUSION.

In closing this Address I desire to express to the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese my thanks for their loving attentions as I have passed in and out of the Parishes, in the course of my visitations. Although by strict attention to medical directions I feel myself stronger than during the last few years, nevertheless I am still under restrictions, which require fraternal kindness from the beloved people of my jurisdiction. All this I have received, and I return my thanks, as in past years, with my blessing.

In the work for the efficiency of the Diocese which this Convention may do, I invoke the presence and guidance of God, the Holy Ghost. May He illuminate all minds, and guide all hearts, so that the most judicious and harmonious results may attend our deliberations.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost be with us all evermore. Amen.

W. H. ODENHEIMER,

Bishop of Northern New Jersey.

NEWARK, N. J.,
November 20th, A.D. 1877.

Appendix

TO THE EPISCOPAL ADDRESS.

VISITATION LIST FOR 1876-77.*

BERGEN COUNTY.

<i>Places.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Clergy.</i>	<i>No. Confirmed.</i>
Allendale.....	Epiphany Mission.....	L. R. Dickinson.....	
Closter.....	Mission.....		
EDGEWATER.....	†MEDIATOR.....	James Cameron.....	5
ENGLEWOOD.....	†ST. PAUL'S.....	John W. Payne.....	18
FORT LEE.....	GOOD SHEPHERD.....	Ralph Hoyt.....	4
HACKENSACK.....	†CHRIST.....	William W. Holley... 10	
Kingsland.....	Mission.....		
Norwood.....	Mission.....	A. H. Vinton, 2d.... 15	
RIDGEWOOD.....	CHRIST.....	L. R. Dickinson.....	
RIDGEFIELD.....	ST. JAMES'.....	James Cameron.....	1
RUTHERFORD PARK...	GRACE.....	E. H. Saunders.....	8
TENAFLY.....	ATONEMENT.....	E. H. Van Winkle... 5	

ESSEX COUNTY.

BELLEVILLE.....	†CHRIST.....	O. S. Abbott.....	8
BLOOMFIELD.....	††CHRIST.....	T. J. Danner.....	5
FRANKLIN.....	GRACE.....		19
IRVINGTON.....	TRINITY.....	S. P. Simpson.....	12
MILLBURN.....	†ST. STEPHEN'S.....	Lewis P. Clover, D.D. 11	
MONTCLAIR.....	ST. LUKE'S.....	James L. Maxwell... 15	
NEWARK.....	††CHRIST.....	J. Nicholas Stansbury 15	
".....	†GRACE.....	Wm. H. Harrison, D.D. 24	
".....	†ST. BARNABAS'.....	George F. Flichtner.. 7	
".....	†ST. JOHN'S (Woodside).	J. H. McCandless... 18	

* 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. MARK'S .....	.....	.....
"	ST. MATTHEW'S	C. F. W. Treptow ...	8
"	††ST. PAUL'S	Joseph H. Smith ...	18
"	ST. PHILIP'S	William T. Webbe ...	12
"	ST. STEPHEN'S	Edward B. Boggs, D.D.	11
"	††HOUSE OF PRAYER ..	Hannibal Goodwin ...	46
"	††TRINITY	Wm. W. Newton ...	14
"	St. Barnabas' Hospital.	Joseph H. Smith ...	.....
Northfield	Mission .....	.....	.....
ORANGE	††GRACE	A. Schnyler, D.D. ...	7
"	††ST. MARK'S	Jas. A. Williams, D.D.	6
" (EAST)	CHRIST	Horace S. Bishop ...	9
" "	ST. PAUL'S	Wm. White Wilson ...	27
" (SOUTH)	†HOLY COMMUNION ...	Henry V. Degen ...	19
" (WEST)	Holy Innocents'	W.G. Farrington, D.D.	.....

HUDSON COUNTY.

BAYONNE	CALVARY	Philo W. Sprague ...	.....
"	ST. JOHN'S	Stewart Means	9
"	†TRINITY	Geo. H. Walsh, D.D. .	19
East Newark	Rutherford Memorial ..	Louis Zahner .....	.....
GREENVILLE	GRACE	James W. Coe	11
HOBOKEN	†HOLY INNOCENTS' ...	J. B. Wetherill	81
"	ST. PAUL'S .....	.....	5
"	††TRINITY	Telfair Hodgson	28
" (WEST)	ST. JOHN'S	Wm. Wardlaw ...	16
JERSEY CITY	Ascension	John A. Denniston ...	28
" (Claremont) ..	CHRIST	J. I. Mombert, D.D. .	7
"	†GRACE	Spencer M. Rice, D.D.	14
"	HOLY TRINITY	Ralph B. Hoyt	12
"	ST. JOHN FREE	Nelson S. Bulison ...	20
"	ST. MARK'S	H. B. Stuart-Martin ..	5
"	ST. MATTHEW'S	R.M. Abercrombie, D.D.	88
"	ST. PAUL'S	F. C. Putnam	29
"	Hudson Co. Hospital ..	F. C. Putnam .....	.....
Union Hill	St. Justin Martyr Mission	.....	.....

MORRIS COUNTY.

BOONTON	†ST. JOHN'S	John P. Appleton ...	8
DOVER	ST. JOHN'S	E. E. Butler	13
MADISON	†GRACE	D. C. Weston, D.D. .	7
Mendham	St. Mary's Mission .....	.....	3

<i>Places.</i>	<i>Churches.</i>	<i>Clergy.</i>	<i>No. Confirmed.</i>
MORRISTOWN.....	†REDEEMER.....	Samuel Hall.....	4
".....	†ST. PETER'S.....	R. N. Merritt.....	5
Schooley's Mountain..	Mission.....		

PASSAIC COUNTY.

Haledon.....	St. Mary's.....	O. M. A. Hewes.....	
PASSAIC.....	†ST. JOHN'S.....		11
Paterson.....	Calvary Mission.....	O. M. A. Hewes.....	
PATERSON.....	HOLY COMMUNION.....	O. M. A. Hewes.....	28
".....	ST. PAUL'S.....	John M. Heffernan..	35
POMPTON.....	CHRIST.....		4
Ringwood.....	Mission.....		

SUSSEX COUNTY.

Andover.....	Mission.....		
Hamburg.....	Good Shepherd Mission.	Levi Johnston.....	2
Johnsonburg.....	Christ Mission.....	G. Van Horn.....	
NEWTON.....	†CHRIST.....	Wm. H. Moffett.....	
VERNON.....	ST. THOMAS'.....	Levi Johnston.....	

UNION COUNTY.

SUMMIT.....	†CALVARY.....	John F. Butterworth.	6
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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.....	1
Oxford Furnace.....	Mission.....	Levi Johnston.....	
PHILLIPSBURG.....	†ST. LUKE'S.....	Joseph S. Mayers....	6
Washington.....	Mission.....	Levi Johnston.....	

ORDINATIONS.

On December 10, 1876, in Trinity Church, Newark, I admitted FRANCIS PENNINGTON MACKALL to the office of a Deacon in the Church of God, the Rev. W. W. Newton preaching the sermon.

On December 17, 1876, in St. John's Church, Bayonne, I admitted the Rev. S. MEANS to the Order of Priesthood, the Rev. Dr. G. Z. Gray preaching the sermon and uniting in the imposition of hands.

On February 25, 1877, in St. Paul's Church, Hoboken, I admitted the Rev. JAMES R. SHARP, Jr., to the Order of Priesthood, the Rev. J. M. Johnson preaching and uniting with others in the imposition of hands.

On September 30, 1877, in Trinity Church, Irvington, I admitted CHALMERS DURAND CHAPMAN to the Order of Deacon in the Church of God, the Rev. S. P. Simpson, the Rector, preaching and presenting the candidate.

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. 1876.

December 2....Rev. REUBEN W. HOWES, Jr. (Presbyter), from New York.

" 27....Rev. JAMES R. SHARP, Jr. (Deacon), from Albany.

A.D. 1877.

February 14...Rev. J. H. HOBART DE MILLE (Presbyter), from Albany.

" 15...Rev. J. HOUSTON ECCLESTON, D.D. (Presbyter), from Pennsylvania.

April 25.....Rev. EDWARD L. STODDARD (Presbyter), from Central Pennsylvania.

May 4.....Rev. THOS. A. STARKNY, D.D. (Presbyter), from Maryland.

October 9.....Rev. JOHN SWORD (Presbyter), from New York.

" 20.....Rev. A. SIDNEY DEALBY (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. 1876.

December 30...Rev. MARTIN ALBERT (Presbyter), to Central New York.

A.D. 1877.

January 8.....Rev. W. W. NEWTON (Presbyter), to Massachusetts.

February 16 ...Rev. D. G. GUNN (Presbyter), to New York.

" 28 ...Rev. EARNEST A. HARTMAN (Deacon), to Albany.

April 14.....Rev. W. H. CARTER, D.D., LL.D. (Presbyter), to Florida.

May 24.....Rev. J. R. SHARP (Presbyter), to New York.

" 29.....Rev. LUCIUS SWEETLAND (Presbyter), to Wisconsin.

June 18Rev. J. EDGAR JOHNSON (Presbyter), to Pennsylvania.

November 8....Rev. E. H. SAUNDERS (Presbyter), to New York.

MISSIONARY APPOINTMENT.

Oct. 9, 1877....Rev. JOHN SWORD (Presbyter), to act as Missionary in charge of the Church of the Holy Innocents, Hoboken.

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Deacon's Orders.

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

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

Priest's Orders.

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

Rev. CHALMERS DURAND CHAPMAN, received February 26, A.D. 1877.

CLERGYMAN DECEASED.

March 21, 1877. At Charleston, S. C., Rev. JOHN M. HEFFERNAN (Presbyter), Rector of St. Paul's Church, Paterson.

LAY READERS.

The following is a complete LIST OF THE LAY READERS in this Diocese, being in all 48 :

GEORGE O. EYLAND.....	Successanna.
JOSEPH COYTE.....	Fort Lee.
JULIUS VAN WAGENEN.....	} St. Paul's Parish, Newark.
CHARLES HAYES.....	
THOMAS M. SIBBERTSON.....	
ELIAS S. RAY.....	St. Philip's Parish, Newark.
JOSEPH C. KENT.....	Phillipsburg.
FREDERICK HOYT.....	Fort Lee and parts adjacent.
FRED. FREELINGHUYSEN MERCER ..	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. KEASBEY.....	St. Barnabas' Hospital, Newark.
ARCHIBALD MERCER, M.D.....	St. Barnabas' Hospital, Newark.
EDWARD B. WEBER.....	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.
J. R. GRAY.....	St. Mary's Mission, Mendham.
P. A. GIFFORD.....	East Newark.
L. A. ARTHUR.....	Holy Innocents', Hoboken.
D. A. SMITH.....	Allendale.
GEORGE LETHERIDGE.....	Holy Innocents', St. Cloud.
JOSIAH O. WARD.....	Holy Innocents', St. Cloud.
R. O. SEARING.....	Northfield, etc.
A. P. YOUNG.....	St. Barnabas', Newark.
H. COOKE.....	St. Paul's, Hoboken.
P. O. WOLCOTT.....	Ringwood.
T. F. TAYLOR.....	Trinity, Hoboken.

H. E. THOMPSON.	Pompton.
JOHN WESLEY HALL.	St. Paul's Mission, Newark.
EUGENE J. BABCOCK.	Pompton.
A. B. DILLER.	St. John's Free Church, Jersey City.
C. PARKER, LL.D.	Mission, Newark.
R. WAYNE PARKER.	" "
B. R. KIRKBRIDE (of Albany).	Grace, Rutherford Park.
ANDREW PRACK.	St. Matthew's, Newark.
HARRISON CRUIKSHANK, M.D.	Kingsland.
DANIEL S. SANDFORD.	Hackettstown.
HENRY F. KENT.	Christ, Hackensack.

* * 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.

LICENSE WITHDRAWN.

Feb. 24, 1877. At the request of the Trustees of the Church of the Holy Innocents, Hoboken, the license of the Rev. R. W. LEWIS to act as Missionary in that Church was withdrawn.

CONSENT TO THE FORMATION OF NEW PARISH.

Consent has been given, according to Section II., Canon 5, Title III., of the Digest, to the formation of the following Parish:

Nov. 20, 1877. CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS, HOBOKEN.

NOTICES OF DISCIPLINE.

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

ROBERT TREWARTHA (Deacon), by the Bishop of Iowa.

ALONZO M. MAY (Presbyter), by the Bishop of Iowa.

EDWARD H. HARLOW (Presbyter), suspended by the Bishop of Iowa.

WILLIAM THOMAS CAMPBELL (Deacon), by the Bishop of Iowa.
GIDEON D. SIMMONS (Deacon), by the Bishop of Iowa. .
JOHN FLANEGAN (Deacon), by the Bishop of Indiana.
WM. S. HELM (Presbyter), by the Bishop of North Carolina.
PERCIVAL BECKETT (Presbyter), by the Bishop of Pittsburgh.
BENJAMIN S. SEYMOUR (Deacon), by the Bishop of Pittsburgh.
SAMUEL J. CORNELL (Presbyter), by the Bishop of Central New York.
LUTHER H. STRYKER (Presbyter), by the Miss. Bishop of Colorado.
LORENZO D. FERGUSON (Presbyter), by the Bishop of Western Michigan.
ISAIAH J. BABCOCK (Deacon), by the Bishop of Western Michigan.
J. GODFREY JONES (Presbyter), by the Bishop of Southern Ohio.
R. J. SWANCOAT (Deacon)), by the Bishop of Texas.
HENRY JUSTUS BROWN (Presbyter), by the Bishop of Texas.
CHARLES THORP, by the Bishop of Quebec.

* * * Notice also has been received of the rejection of THOMAS J. WATT as a candidate for Holy Orders by the Bishop of Pittsburgh.

CONSENT TO CONSECRATION.

I have given my consent to the consecration, as Bishops :

December 27, 1876. Of the Rev. SAMUEL I. J. SCHERESCHESKY, D.D.,
to be Missionary Bishop of Shanghai, having jurisdiction in China.

January 8, 1877. Of the Rev. C. OLIFTON PENICK, to be Missionary
Bishop of Cape Palmas, Africa.

Reports.

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

CONVOCATION OF NEWARK.

The Dean of the Convocation of Newark respectfully reports that, for the year ending Nov. 1, 1877, the following amounts have been received by the Treasurer :

For general purposes.....	\$1,854 92	
“ special “	850 61	
Total.....		\$2,705 53
To which should be added money spent for local Missions, which did not pass through the hands of the Treasurer, but has been kindly reported, and is given to show amount spent in Diocesan Mission work, viz :		
For Missions of Trinity Church, Newark.....	\$1,100 00	
“ Mission of St. Paul's “	105 00	
“ Mission of Mark's “ Orange.....	180 00	
Hackettstown, \$65 ; Oxford Furnace, \$86 ; Vernon, \$20 ; Hamburg, \$16.60 ; Washington, \$3 ; Stanhope, \$2.....	142 60	
		\$1,507 60
Total amount raised for Diocesan Missions within the Convocation of Newark.....		\$4,213 13

The amount for the General Fund (\$1,854.92) is \$144.71 more than contributed last year. The amount for Special Fund is \$683.69 in excess of last year. This excess in special offerings is due to the efforts of a faithful woman. I ought to add, that a large amount of the Trinity Church, Newark special offering, is given by a layman, in addition to his own ear-

nest work. A contribution from another Newark layman has enabled the Rector of St. Luke's, Phillipsburg, to carry on a new mission at Hughesville.

The usual detailed report of funds, contributing and non-contributing parishes, etc., is herewith respectfully submitted.

J. NICHOLAS STANSBURY, *Dean*.

Names of Stations, Missionaries, the Receipts, and Expenditures, from November 1, 1876, to November 1, 1877.

To Hackettstown, Washington, Oxford Furnace, Vernon and Hamburg, Rev. LEVI JOHNSTON.....	\$1,100 00
" Belvidere, Knowlton and Hope, Rev. CHARLES DOUGLASS.....	412 00
" St. Philip's Church, Newark, Rev. WM. T. WEBBE.....	185 00
" St. Mark's Church, Mendham, Rev. FRED. BURGESS.....	81 25
Travelling expenses.....	11 40
Postage, printing, etc.....	7 15
	\$1,797 80

FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES.

St. James's Church, Hackettstown.....	\$31 00
Rev. CHARLES DOUGLASS.....	50 00
Rev. WM. T. WEBBE.....	27 50
Rev. FRED. BURGESS.....	677 11
St. Mark's Church, Mendham.....	22 50
Rev. S. P. SIMPSON.....	10 00
Rev. J. H. H. De MILLE.....	12 50
Rev. J. N. STANSBURY.....	60 00
	\$890 61
	<hr/> \$2,687 91

RECAPITULATION.

Balance, November 1, 1876.....	\$731 00
Schedule receipts for general purposes.....	1,854 92
" " special purposes.....	850 61
Deduct amount paid as above.....	2,687 91
	<hr/> \$748 62
Balance, Nov. 1, 1871.....	
For general purposes.....	444 47
" Hamburg.....	89 77
" Washington.....	176 88
" Mendham.....	50 00
" Hughesville.....	87 50
	<hr/> \$748 62

PARISHES CONTRIBUTING TO DIOCESAN MISSIONS, CONVOCAION OF NEWARK.

CHURCHES.		COLLECTIONS.		
		General.	Special.	Total.
Belleville.....	Christ.....	\$48 65		
Belvidere.....	Zion.....	39 00		
Bloomfield.....	Christ.....	3 35		
Dover.....	St. John's.....	9 94		
East Orange.....	Christ.....	60 48		
Hackettstown.....	St. James'.....	3 00		
Hamburg.....	".....	80 00		
Hope.....	St. Luke's.....	5 00	\$25 00	
Hughesville.....	St. John's.....	50		
Irvington.....	Trinity.....	4 25		
Knowlton.....	St. James'.....	10 00	5 00	
Madison.....	Grace.....	20 00		
Mendham.....	St. Mark's.....		689 61	
Millburn.....	St. Stephen's.....	14 28		
Montclair.....	St. Luke's.....	8 00		
Morristown.....	Redeemer.....	60 00	5 00	
".....	St. Peter's.....	375 00	85 00	
Newark.....	Christ.....	53 90		
".....	" a friend.....		50 00	
".....	Grace.....	208 69	81 00	
".....	St. Matthew's.....	2 00		
".....	St. Philip's.....	2 57		
".....	St. Paul's.....	125 00	10 00	
".....	St. Stephen's; by Mr. J. I. Young.....	25 00		
".....	House of Prayer.....	35 60		
".....	Trinity.....	32 98		
".....	" S. School.....	10 00		
Newton.....	Christ.....	80 00		
Orange.....	Grace.....	221 38		
".....	St. Mark's.....	146 17		
Oxford.....	".....	2 00		
Phillipsburg.....	St. Luke's.....	2 00		
South Orange.....	Holy Communion.....	75 00		
Summit.....	Calvary.....	30 00		
Vernon.....	".....	35 00		
West Orange.....	Holy Innocents.....	7 50		
Collection at the Convention.....		24 68		
Totals.....		\$1,854 93	\$850 61	\$2,705 53

The non-contributing Parishes are St. Paul's, East Orange; Grace, Franklin; St. Barnabas', Newark; St. John's, Newark.

CONVOCAION OF JERSEY CITY.

The Dean of the Convocation of Jersey City reports as follows:

Convocation has met every month since the last Diocesan Convention except during July, August, and October.

Notwithstanding the financial depression of the times, and the failure of several Parishes to contribute their quota to the Missionary fund, the income of the Convocation of Jersey City for the year just ended amounts, for general purposes, to \$1,199.59, an increase over the preceding year. Special contributions, \$632. The total amount of contributions in excess of last year, \$496.94.

Services have been supplied at Pompton, Fort Lee, Allendale, Little Falls, West Hoboken, Norwood, and Kingland.

The congregation and school of the Church of the Ascension continue to increase.

A beautiful church has been erected at Norwood, chiefly by the faithful exertions of one or more devoted Churchwomen, and is free of debt. It is a gem of architecture, and is a shining monument of Christian zeal and perseverance in well doing. The Church is now ready for consecration. Ground has been broken at Kingland for a Church, and services by a Lay Reader are rendered every Sunday. A house, free of rent, has been provided for him till May next. The prospects of the Mission are very promising. Christ Church, Pompton, has secured a Lay Reader; there is a prospect of better times; the steel works have recovered in part, and by next spring it is thought there will be required a large number of employees who will help to build up the Church.

The names of Stations, Missionaries, receipts and expenditures are appended to this Report.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Balance due Treasurer last year.....	\$ 88 51
Church of Ascension, Jersey City Heights, Rev. J. A. DENNISTON	840 88
St. John's, West Hoboken, Rev. W. WARDLAW.....	125 00
Christ Church, Pompton, EUGENE J. BABCOCK.....	80 00
Good Shepherd, Fort Lee, Rev. RALPH HOYT.....	88 00
St. Luke's, West Hoboken.....	100 00
Ringwood Mission.....	
St. John's, Bayonne.....	
Kingland Mission.....	
Allendale Mission.....	
Little Falls.....	
Franklin.....	
Norwood.....	
Secretary, for printing, etc.....	17 50
Disbursements, general.....	\$1,364 89
Total receipts.....	1,199 59
Amount due Treasurer....	\$65 30

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

The non-contributing Parishes are St. John's, Bayonne; Grace, Rutherford Park; Atonement, Tenafly; Good Shepherd, Fort Lee; St. Paul's, Hoboken.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. ABERCROMBIE, *Dean.*

JERSEY CITY, Nov. 20, 1877.

CHURCHES CONTRIBUTING TO DIOCESAN MISSIONS,
CONVOCAION OF JERSEY CITY.

CHURCHES.		COLLECTIONS.		
		General.	Special.	Total.
Allendale.....	.....	\$ 7 00		
Bayonne.....	Trinity.....	25 00		
".....	Women's Miss'y Society..	39 55		
Claremont.....	Christ.....	3 03		
Edgewater.....	Mediator.....	20 00		
Englewood.....	St. Paul's.....	25 46		
Greenville.....	Grace.....	13 24		
Hackensack.....	Christ.....	100 00		
Hoboken.....	Trinity.....	24 14		
".....	Holy Innocents.....	44 28		
Jersey City.....	Grace.....	100 00		
".....	St. Matthew's.....	205 00	\$500 00	
".....	St. Mark's.....	7 00		
".....	St. Paul's.....	80 08		
".....	Holy Trinity.....	123 00		
".....	St. John Free.....	21 21		
".....	Hospital.....	3 00		
Norwood.....	.....	10 00		
Passaic.....	St. John's.....	27 75		
Paterson.....	St. Paul's.....	43 30		
".....	Holy Communion.....	13 39	112 00	
Pompton.....	Christ.....	25 00		
Ridgefield.....	St. James'.....	16 00		
Ridgewood.....	Christ.....		20 00	
Bishop Odenheimer.....	.....	107 49		
Convention offerings, 1876.....	24 68		
West Hoboken.....	St. John's.....	25 00		
Totals.....		\$1,199 59	\$682 00	\$1,881 59

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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 6, Title I., of the Code of Canons, to which attention is respectfully requested.

ALLENDALE, CHAPEL OF THE EPIPHANY.

REV. LEGH R. DICKINSON, MINISTER IN CHARGE.

DANIEL A. SMITH, LAY READER.

Services held, 108; communion celebrated, 3; children catechised, 12 times; teachers in school, 6; scholars in school, 45.

OFFERINGS.—Missions—Foreign, \$7.79; Domestic, \$11. Diocesan—Convo. J. C., \$7; Aged and Infirm Clergy of Diocese, \$6.81; Daisy Bed, Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$8; N. Y. Bible and Prayer-Book Society, \$2. **General Expenses**—Chapel, \$62.57; building fund, \$841.78; total, \$446.95.

This Chapel is the fruit of much self-denying labor on the part of the little flock at Allendale. Led on by their Lay Reader and Superintendent, both young and old have built for the worship of God their beautiful sanctuary. Regular services have been held through all Sundays and on many Holy Days. A devout spirit is manifest. The Minister in Charge is greatly encouraged by the zeal and love of these earnest workers.

BAYONNE, CALVARY CHURCH.

THE REV. F. W. SPRAGUE, RECTOR.

Families, about 90; baptisms (adults, 5, infants, 10), 15; communicants: admitted, 4; added by removal, 5; lost by removal, 8; present No., 52; mar-

riages, 1; burials, 14; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 4; other days, 22; total, 180; Holy Communion: public, 18; catechising: No. of children, 70; No. of times, 10; Sunday School: teachers, 9; pupils, 115.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—For current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$1,051.88; for Sunday School, \$60; for reduction of Church debt, \$94; total, \$1,805.88.

BAYONNE, SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH.

THE REV. STEWART MEANS, RECTOR.

Families, 47; baptisms (adults, 5, infants, 2), 7; confirmed, 9; communicants: added by removal, 5; lost by removal, 21; present No., 58; burials, 1; Divine Service: Sundays, 46; Holy Days, 2; other days, 2; total, 50; Holy Communion: public, 15; private, 1; Sunday School: teachers, 9; pupils, 50.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$85; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$1,100; for Sunday School, \$185; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$369.50; interest on organ, \$68.32. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$56; Convention expenses, \$10. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$9; total, \$1,827.82.

Relieved the Church of nearly \$700 debt.

BAYONNE, TRINITY CHURCH.

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

Families, 188; baptisms (adults, 8, infants, 9), 12; confirmed, 19; communicants: admitted, 19; added by removal, 10; lost by removal, 8; present No., 226; marriages, 1; burials, 4; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 24; other days, 10; total, 188; Holy Communion: public, 18; Sunday School: teachers, 20; pupils, 159.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$296.14; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$3,750; for Sunday School, \$300; other Parochial objects, viz: for Church Building Fund through Ladies' Aid Society, \$744.85; for Trinity Guild, \$787.95. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$85; Convention expenses, \$30; Diocesan Missions, \$64.55; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$50; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$262. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$160.84; Foreign, \$112.83; Colored people (in the South), \$40.56; Indians, \$41.33; for Orphanage in Mexico from Sunday School, \$50; theological education, \$116.89; for scholarships in Africa from Sunday School, \$150; other objects

without the Diocese, viz.: for Missionary-box through Ladies' Aid Society valued at \$186.50; for scholarship, Salt Lake City, \$40; for House of Mercy in N. Y. from Sunday School, \$21.10; for Missions by Sunday School, \$324.69; total, \$7,465.23.

Trinity Guild was organized in December last, and has now upon its roll between fifty and sixty active members, and twenty-five honorary members. It has proved an efficient help to the Rector in the work of the Parish.

BELLEVILLE, CHRIST CHURCH.

THE REV. CORNELIUS S. ABBOTT, RECTOR.

Families, 50; baptisms (adults, 4, infants, 9), 13; confirmed, 8; communicants: admitted, 8; died, 1; present No., 90; marriages, 5; burials, 8; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days and other days, 76; total, 180; Holy Communion: public, 18; private, 4; catechising: No. of children, 100; No. of times, 12; Sunday School: teachers, 13; pupils, 100.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$57.82; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$2,139.21; for Sunday-school, \$100; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$150. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$28; Convention expenses, \$24; Diocesan Missions, \$93.69; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$11.43; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$73.08. General—Missions: Domestic, \$9.67; Foreign, \$12.71; colored people (in the South), \$12.83; Indians (by Ladies' Guild, in clothing, etc.), \$32; Jews, \$7.04; total, \$3,750.97.

BELVIDERE, ZION.

THE REV. CHARLES DOUGLAS, RECTOR.

Families, 12; baptisms: adults, 1; confirmed, 2; communicants: admitted, 2; lost by removal, 2; present No., 19; burials, 2; Divine Service: Sundays, 64; Holy Days, 17; other days, 34; total, 115; Holy Communion: public, 18; Catechising: No. of children, 37; No. of times, 43; Sunday School: teachers, 6; pupils, 37.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—For current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$273.96; Sunday School (offerings), \$33.20; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$151.21; other Parochial objects, viz.: for poor, \$20; for Christmas tree, \$16; for Parish purposes, \$6.19. Diocesan—Convention expenses, \$4; Diocesan Missions, \$29; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$1.50. General—Missions: Domestic, \$32; Indians, \$1; Bible and Prayer Book Distribution, \$2; other objects without the Diocese, viz.: for Midnight Mission, \$1; a Missionary-box from the ladies, \$52; total, \$623.06.

This weak Parish, notwithstanding the stringency of the times, has contributed to Mission objects much more than usual, and according to its numbers does well; but it might, with God's blessing, do greater things, if all were fully alive to their duties as Churchmen.

BLOOMFIELD, CHRIST CHURCH.

THE REV. WILLIAM G. FARRINGTON, D.D., RECTOR.

Baptisms: infants, 6; confirmed, 5; communicants: present No., about 100; marriages, 4; burials, 6; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 17; other days, 50; total, 171; Holy Communion: Public, 40; catechising: No. of children, 40; No. of times, every Sunday; Sunday School: teachers, 6; pupils, 45.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion Fund, \$25.29; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$1,266.84; for Sunday School, \$30.50; for improvement of Church property, \$34. Diocesan—Convention expenses, \$15; Diocesan Missions, \$8.85; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$4.19; total, \$1,378.67.

The statistics above given are for the conventional year, ending Nov. 1st. The Rev. T. J. Danner continued in charge of the Parish until March 31, 1877, and prepared and presented the class for Confirmation.

The present rector entered on his duties on Easter Day, April 1st, and at the end of seven months is glad to report that the condition of the Parish is steadily improving.

A "Ladies' Aid Society" was organized in September, and has already proved itself a valuable auxiliary.

BOONTON, ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

THE REV. JOHN P. APPLETON, RECTOR.

Baptisms (adults 1, infants 7), 8; confirmed, 3; communicants: admitted, 2; lost by removal, 10; died, 1; present No., 68; marriages, 1; burials, 6; Divine Service: twice every Sunday; Holy Days, 35; other days, 80; total, 169; Holy Communion: public, 14; private, 1; catechising: No. of children, 65; No. of times, every Sunday; Sunday School: teachers, 10; pupils, 65.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$76.85; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$954.09; for Sunday School, \$15; other Parochial objects, viz.: for Boonton Poor Relief Committee, \$21.75. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$40; Conventions expenses, \$14. General—Missions: Domestic, \$6.50; Foreign (Haiti, from Sunday School), \$15; total, \$1,152.19.

The year has been a very trying one to the parish. The Boonton Iron Works, the sole dependence of the town, entirely suspended operations nearly a year and a half ago, leaving the inhabitants impoverished, and compelling many to remove. The Parish has consequently had a hard struggle to pay the most necessary expenses, having suffered much by loss of members and in the diminished ability of those remaining to give to religious objects. This fact accounts for the small amount raised for Missionary purposes. The loss of numbers is far more in reality than the statistics show, as many whose names are not removed from the register are earning a living in other places, hoping to return to Boonton.

DOVER, ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

THE REV. EDWIN E. BUTLER, RECTOR.

Families, 55; baptisms (adults, 4, infants, 11), 15; confirmed, 13; communicants: admitted, 6; added by removal, 1; lost by removal, 6; died, 1; present No., 61; marriages, 2; burials, 5; Divine Service: twice on Sundays; Holy Days, 6; other days, Friday evenings; 84 during Lent; Holy Communion: public, 15; catechising: No. of children, 75; No. of times, every Sunday; Sunday School: teachers, 8; pupils, 75.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$50.16; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$1,540.46; for Sunday School Christmas tree, \$73.75; for Sunday School general purposes, \$11.21. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$17.46; Diocesan Missions, \$10.41; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$6.74; St. Barnabas Hospital (from Sunday School, \$7.07; from congregation, \$9.79), \$16.86. General—Missions: Domestic, \$11.06; Foreign, \$5.69; other objects without the Diocese: for increase of Ministry, \$11.84; total, \$1,755.14.

EAST ORANGE, CHRIST CHURCH.

THE REV. H. S. BISHOP, RECTOR.

Families and parts of families, 112; baptisms (infants), 8; communicants: present No. about 220; marriages, 2; burials, 4.

OFFERINGS.—General—For all purposes, including Rector's salary, current expenses, improvement of Church property, and Missions and charities, \$5,700.05.

EAST ORANGE, ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

THE REV. WILLIAM WHITE WILSON, RECTOR.

Families, 63; baptisms (adults, 4, infants, 13), 17; confirmed, 27; communicants: admitted, 30; added by removal, 17; lost by removal, 6; present

No., 101; marriages, 2; burials, 2; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 9; other days, 88; total, 151; Holy Communion: public, 14; private, 1; total, 15; catechising: No. of children, 75; No. of times, 40; Sunday School: teachers, 9; pupils, 75.

OFFERINGS.—*Parochial*—For current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$1,759.97; for Sunday School, \$101.68; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$1,114.66. *Diocesan*—*Episcopal Fund* (interest on bond or assessment), \$70; Convention expenses, \$20; total, \$3,066.81.

During the year the Church building has been enlarged to twice the original size, and the whole has been repainted, the interior being ornamented in simple designs. \$300.81 of the amount contributed towards the improvements was obtained through the ladies of the Parish by organized effort, the balance came from voluntary offerings.

EDGEWATER, CHURCH OF THE MEDIATOR.

THE REV. JAMES CAMERON, RECTOR.

Families, 22; baptisms (adults, 2, infants, 2), 4; confirmed, 5; communicants: admitted, 5; added by removal, 1; lost by removal, 4; died, 1; present No., 39; burials, 6; Divine Service: Sundays, 93; Holy Days, 6; other days, 14; total, 113; Holy Communion: public, 15; private, 3; catechising: No. of children, 80; No. of times, 20; Sunday School: teachers, 5; pupils, 80.

OFFERINGS.—*Parochial*—For current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$1,250.

ENGLEWOOD, ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

THE REV. JOHN WILLIAM PAYNE, RECTOR.

Families, 93; baptisms (adults, 8, infants, 22), 25; confirmed, 18; communicants: admitted, 13; added by removal, 13; died, 1; present No., 184; burials, 6; Divine Service: total, 178; Holy Communion: public, 17; catechising: No. of children, 170; No. of times, monthly; Sunday School: teachers, 16; pupils, 170.

OFFERINGS.—*Parochial*—Communion Alms, \$146.65; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$3,811.96; for Sunday School, \$258.06; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$509.78; other parochial objects, viz.: House of the Good Shepherd, \$451.50; for Industrial School, \$31.54; for Women's Aid Society, \$27.19; *Diocesan*—*Episcopal fund* (interest on bond or assessment), \$175; convention expenses, \$50; diocesan missions, \$28.46; *General*—*Missions*: Domestic, \$50; Foreign, \$35.41;

other objects without the Diocese, viz. : for N. Y. City Mission, \$44.22; for Bishop Whitaker, \$169.97; for gift to Rector, \$200; for gifts to various objects, \$85; total, \$6,019.74.

FRANKLIN, GRACE CHURCH.

THE REV. WILLIAM R. NAIRN, DEACON IN CHARGE.

Baptisms (adults, 2, infants, 14), 16; confirmed, 19; communicants: admitted, 16; added by removal, 19; lost by removal, 3; died, 2; present No., 75; marriages, 1; burials, 5; Divine Services: Sundays, 100; Holy Days, 7; other days, 9; total, 116; Holy Communion: public, 8; private, 2; catechising: No. of children, 142; No. of times, 15; Sunday School: teachers, 10; pupils, 142.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$50.90; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$861.79; for Sunday School, \$117.68; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$224.52; Diocesan—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$112; Convention expenses, \$10; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$6; General—Jews, \$8.50; total, \$1,386.39.

During the past Conventional year, until the 1st of June, Mr. J. P. B. Pendleton, of the General Theological Seminary, conducted the work of the Parish. Heartly services, and a lively interest in the work of the Church, are the results of his zeal and energy. Since the 1st of June the Rev. Wm. R. Nairn has had charge of the services. A Ladies' Aid Society has been organized for the purpose of united effort in Church work.

HACKENSACK, CHRIST CHURCH.

THE REV. WM. WELLES HOLLEY, RECTOR.

Families, about 60; baptisms (adults, 1, infants, 15), 16; confirmed, 10; communicants: admitted, 6; added by removal, 6; lost by removal, 8; present No., 101; marriages, 2; burials, 4; Divine Service: Sundays, 128; Holy Days, 33; other days, 61; total, 222; Holy Communion: public, 45; catechising: No. of children, 70; No. of times, every Sunday; Sunday School: teachers, 6; pupils, 70.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$108.06; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$2,675.07; for Sunday School, \$50.28; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$24; other parochial objects, viz. : for "The Guild of Christ Church," \$707.11; for Christmas expenses, \$25; for music, \$250; present to Rector, \$75; Diocesan—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$52.50; Diocesan Missions, \$100; Christ Hospital, Jersey City, \$104.50; General—Missions: Domestic,

\$38.89; Foreign, \$4.85; Jews, \$12.68; theological education, \$10; other objects without the Diocese, viz.: for a Church in New York, \$10; total, \$4,247.94.

The Guild has paid \$500 upon the principal of the Church mortgage, reducing it to \$4,500. The envelope system has been in use since Easter, with the result of considerably more than doubling the offerings. The Communicants reported are those who have communed during the year: beside them, there are 41 confirmed, non-communicants in the Parish, some of whom are lapsed, and others have never communed at all.

HACKETTSTOWN, ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

THE REV. LEVI JOHNSTON, MISSIONARY.

Families, 15; baptisms (infants), 7; communicants: added by removal, 1; lost by removal, 2; present No., 22; marriages, 1; burials, 2; Divine Service: Sundays, 70; other days, 4; total, 74; Holy Communion: public, 10; Sunday School: teachers, 2; pupils, 15.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—For current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$111; Diocesan—Diocesan missions, \$5; total, \$116.

The above report includes the statistics at Washington and Oxford Furnace.

HAMBURGH, CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

THE REV. LEVI JOHNSTON, MISSIONARY.

Families, 10; confirmed, 2; communicants: admitted, 2; present No., 24; marriages, 2; burials, 2; Divine Service: Sundays, 48; Holy Days, 8; total, 51; Holy Communion: public, 10; Sunday School: teachers, 6; pupils, 40.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$14.88; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$68.88; for Sunday School, \$15; other Parochial objects, viz.: Church debt, \$236.10. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$80. General—Missions: Domestic, \$14.54; total, \$428.40.

HOBOKEN, CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS.

THE REV. JOHN SWORD, MISSIONARY.

THE REV. S. SEYMOUR LEWIS, ASSISTANT.

Baptisms (adults, 2, infants, 68), 70; confirmed, 81; communicants: admitted, 9; added by removal, 1; lost by removal, 12; died, 1; present No., 186; marriages, 6; burials, 19; Divine Service: Sundays, 222; Holy

Days, 102; other days, 596; total, 920; Holy Communion: public, 142; private, 8; total, 145; catechising: No. of children, 200; No. of times, 52; Sunday School: teachers, 19; pupils, 250; Parish School: teachers, 1; pupils, 70.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$203.71; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$5,161.26; for Sunday School, \$50.23. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$350; total, \$5,765.20.

HOBOKEN, TRINITY CHURCH.

THE REV. TELFAIR HODGSON, RECTOR.

Families, 86; baptisms (infants), 14; confirmed, 23; communicants: admitted, 14; lost by removal, 19; died, 5; present No., 110; marriages, 4; burials, 21; Divine Service: Sundays, 132; Holy Days, 26; other days, 51; total, 284; Holy Communion: public, 15; private, 6; catechising: No. of children, 100; No. of times, 28; Parish School: teachers, 23; pupils, 272.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$470.81; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$5,550.22; other Parochial objects, \$57.70. **Diocesan**—Missions, \$30.44. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$98.45; Foreign, \$38.95; Colored People (in the South), \$20; Jews, \$6.97; Theological education, \$23.32; total, \$6,240.86.

HOPE, ST. LUKE'S CHURCH.

THE REV. CHAS. DOUGLAS, MISSIONARY.

Families, 12; communicants, 13; Divine Service: Sundays, 10; Holy Communion: public, 4.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Carriage hire of the Missionary, \$11.51. **Diocesan**—Diocesan Missions, \$30; total, \$41.51.

IRVINGTON, TRINITY CHURCH.

THE REV. S. P. SIMPSON, RECTOR.

Individuals, 98; baptisms (adults, 12, infants, 22), 34; confirmed, 12; present No., 54; marriages, 1; burials, 14; Divine Service: Sundays, 62; Holy Days, all; other days, Fridays; Holy Communion: public, Sundays and Holy Days; private, 6; catechising: No. of children, 100; No. of times, 52; Sunday School: teachers, 6; pupils, 100.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$45; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$1,809.94. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$4.25; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$8.60. General—Missions: Domestic, \$10; total, \$1,465.79.

JERSEY CITY, CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION.

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

Families, 55; baptisms (adults, 4, infants, 30), 34; confirmed, 28; Communicants: admitted, 6; added by removal, 4; lost by removal, 8; died, 1; present No., 80; marriages, 10; burials, 18; Divine Service: Sundays, all; Holy Days, 8; other days, 80; total, 180; Holy Communion: public, 18; private, 7; catechising: No. of children, 200; No. of times, 12; Sunday School: teachers, 14; pupils, 250.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms (not including envelopes), \$16.20; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$1,500; for Sunday School, \$48; other Parochial objects, viz.: for painting the Church and wiring the windows, \$140; for the poor, \$20.09. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$9; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$3.50; other objects within the Diocese, viz.: for the Children's Home Sunday School, \$3. General—Bible and Prayer-Book distribution, \$4; total, \$1,748.79.

When the present pastor took charge the Parish was divided; but through Providence, last January, the congregations of St. Luke's Church and of the Ascension were united under the name of the Memorial Church of the Ascension. With God's blessing they are again striving together for the faith of the gospel, etc. The Guild continues to aid by its zeal, love, and earnestness. The faithful are a unit in their works and labors.

JERSEY CITY, CHRIST CHURCH.

THE REV. J. I. MOMBERT, D.D., RECTOR.

Families, 45; baptisms (adults, 2, infants, 3), 5; confirmed, 7; communicants: admitted, 7; gathered, 44; lost by removal, 2; present No., 51; marriages, 1; burials, 1; Divine Service: Sundays, 86; Holy Days, 2; other days, 8; total, 96; Holy Communion: public, 8; catechising: No. of times, 7.

When I took charge of this Parish last spring the outlook was cheerless and unpromising. The Church had been closed for many months, and the congregation was scattered. The few that were left felt disheartened, and deemed the resuscitation of the Parish well-nigh hopeless; but thanks to the warm interest manifested by my excellent brother, the Rev. Dr. Abercrombie, the people gathered round me with commendable unanimity of sentiment; and, with the blessing of Heaven on our work, I can report ex-

cellent congregations, a list of communicants already exceeding fifty, a flourishing Sunday School, a Parochial Guild, a growing interest in Church work, and laudable generosity.

Pledges amounting to about a thousand dollars, and the payment of the Rector's rent, betoken the people's desire to honor the Lord in their minister, especially when it is borne in mind that, in the great majority of instances, their circumstances are very moderate.

Owing to the shortness of my connection with the Parish, and the utter demoralization of its affairs at the time I took them in hand, the statistics are necessarily incomplete.

JERSEY CITY, GRACE CHURCH.

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

Baptisms (adults, 5, infants, 48), 53; confirmed, 14; communicants: present No., about 200; marriages, 23; burials, 32; 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, 300.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$157.75; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$5,537.42; for Sunday School, \$30. Diocesan—Episcopal fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$70; Convention expenses, \$50; Diocesan Missions, \$111; other objects within the Diocese, viz.: for Children's Friends Society, \$425. General—Colored people (in the South), \$11; Indians, \$12; for sufferers from fever, Fernandina, Florida, \$25; for another object, \$41; total, \$6,469.17.

The Rector was absent from the Parish several months of the year, during which time the Rev. H. L. E. Pratt, of New York, now of St. Mark's, Jersey City, officiated on Sundays ably and acceptably. Grace Church has suffered much from the pecuniary embarrassments of the times.

JERSEY CITY, HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.

THE REV. RALPH BYRON HOYT, RECTOR.

Families and parts of, 140; baptisms (adults, 2, infants, 42), 44; confirmed, 12; communicants: admitted, 16; added by removal, 4; present No., 148; marriages, 6; burials, 27; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 40; other days, 107; total, 251; Holy Communion: public, 18; catechising: No. of children, all; No. of times, 12; Churching of women, 1; Sunday School: teachers, 14; pupils, 180; sewing school, teachers, 8; pupils, 25; Junior Guild: teachers, 3; pupils, 20.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$90.47; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$1,842.02; for Sunday School (including Christmas, Easter, and other entertainments), \$310.91; other Parochial ob-

jects, viz. : for sanctuary fund, \$120 ; for poor (extra), \$12.64 ; for special purposes (Rector, \$160.50), \$218.40. **Diocesan**—Episcopal fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$70 ; Convention expenses, \$72 ; Diocesan Missions, \$90 ; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$78.25 ; other objects within the Diocese, viz. : for Retiring Clerical Fund Association, \$1.67 ; for Bishop's house, \$15. **General**—Indians, \$16 ; Jews, \$5.50 ; total, \$2,987.86.

This Parish is progressing. Persons who have not communicated in the Parish during the year are not reckoned in the list of communicants, except in special instances.

JERSEY CITY HEIGHTS, ST. JOHN FREE CHURCH.

THE REV. L. STODDARD, RECTOR.

THE REV. G. H. STERLING, ASSISTANT.

Families, 245 ; individuals, 1,100 ; baptisms (adults, 8, infants, 17), 25 ; confirmed, 20 ; communicants : present No., 400 ; marriages, 1 ; burials, 1 ; Sunday School : teachers, 27 ; pupils, 800.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—For current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$6,028.61 ; for Sunday School, \$572.28 ; for Poor, \$132.13 ; for Music Fund, \$160 ; for liquidation of the Church debt, \$677.15 ; for sundry objects, \$300. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$175 ; Convention expenses, \$50 ; Diocesan Missions, \$43.21 ; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$50 ; for Children's Home, \$140. **General**—Missions : Domestic, \$31.30 ; Foreign, \$6 ; Indians, \$2 ; Jews, \$23.24 ; total, \$9,063.87.

The Rector's report is not complete, as he did not enter upon his duties until the first of March, 1877.

JERSEY CITY, ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH.

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

THE REV. EDWARD H. VAN WINKLE.

THE REV. GILBERT HENRY STERLING.

Families, 225 ; baptisms (adults, 12, infants, 64), 76 ; confirmed, 88 ; communicants : present No., 260 ; marriages, 84 ; burials, 62 ; Divine Service : Sundays, all except in August ; Holy Days, all ; Holy Communion : public, every Lord's Day, except in August ; private, 6 ; catechising : No. of children, 356 ; No. of times, 20 ; Sunday School : teachers, 29 ; pupils, 356 ; Parish school : teachers, 1 ; pupils, 42.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$590; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$3,500; for Sunday School, \$260; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$200; other Parochial objects, viz.: Guild, \$250; for altar cloth, etc., \$100; for Parish School, \$525. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$187; Convention expenses, \$25; Diocesan Missions, \$265; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$1,012; other objects within the Diocese, viz.: for Church of Ascension, Jersey City Heights, \$310; for Flower Fund, \$25; for Lafayette Mission, \$120. **General**—Missions: colored people (in the South), 1 box, Freedman's Mission, \$92.50; Indians, \$45.78; other objects without the Diocese, viz.: for Society for Inc. of Ministry, \$20; total, \$10,627.28.

JERSEY CITY (BERGEN), ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

THE REV. F. C. PUTNAM, RECTOR.

Families and parts of families, 140; baptisms (adults, 7, infants, 22), 29; communicants: admitted, 15; lost by removal, 90; died, 8; present No., 197; marriages, 8; burials, 28; Divine Service: Sundays, 143; other days, 65; total, 208; Holy Communion: public, 45; private, 8; catechising: No. of children, 200; Sunday School: teachers, 20; pupils, 200.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$213.52; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$3,600; for Sunday School, \$350; other Parochial objects, viz.: floating indebtedness, \$329. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, \$126; Convention expenses, \$36; Diocesan Missions, \$129; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$300. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$15; Indians, \$10.08; total, \$5,408.60.

KNOWLTON, ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

THE REV. CHARLES DOUGLAS, RECTOR.

Families, 24; baptisms (infants), 3; confirmed, 1; communicants: lost by removal, 2; present No., 44; burials, 1; Divine Service: Sundays, 56; Holy Days, 2; other days, 7; total, 66; Holy Communion: public, 16; private, 1.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$22.34; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$339.41; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$120. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$17.50; Convention expenses, \$5; Diocesan Missions, \$15; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$1.50. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$11.50; other objects without the Diocese, viz.: Midnight Mission, \$1; total, \$532.25.

In this Parish we lose by death and removal every year, and few families come in to supply their places; yet we take courage and make more earnest efforts in our work for Christ and His Church.

MADISON, GRACE CHURCH.

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

Families, 55; baptisms (infants), 4; confirmed, 7; communicants: admitted, 7; lost by removal, 7; died, 2; present No., 77; marriages, 1; burials, 6; Sunday School: teachers, 10; pupils, 70.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$103.74; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$2,469.95; for Sunday School anniversary, \$74; other Parochial objects, viz.: proceeds of sale for Chapel Fund, \$264.48; Sunday School Christmas offerings, \$187.89; Sunday School Easter offering for Parish debt, \$108.87; special offering for Chapel Fund, \$55; raised by the Rector's Aid Society, \$67.27. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund, voluntary donation, \$56; Convention expenses, \$30; Diocesan Missions, \$20; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$10. **General**—Missions: Domestic (\$88.81 being from Mite-chests), \$104.81; Foreign, \$86.27; through the Woman's Missionary League of Northern New Jersey, by the ladies, to the Indians, \$6; to the relief fund of the General Board of Missions, \$20; to Miss Baldwin's school (from Lenten-box), \$15; boxes and packages of clothing of the value of \$196.80; total through the League, \$237.80; other objects without the Diocese, viz.: for the Mrs. Hinman Memorial Fund from Sunday School, \$10; total, \$3,779.53.

Some old friends of the Rector made an Easter offering of nine beautiful stained glass windows, which were placed in the Church on Easter Eve.

MANCHESTER, ST. MARY'S CHURCH.

M. H. B. VAN HOVENBERG, LAY READER, IN CHARGE.

Families, 24; baptisms (infants), 5; communicants present No., 30; burials, 1; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 8; total, 107; Holy Communion: public, 8; catechising: No. of children, 60; No. of times, 15; Sunday School: teachers, 15; pupils, 140.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—For current expenses (including Lay Reader's salary), \$475; for Sunday School, \$40. **General**—For Naahotah, \$10; total, \$525.

A Vestry was organized April 1, 1877 (being the first in several years). Since which time the parish income has equalled its expenditures, and

steady, though slow progress is being made in all departments of parish work. Through a defect of title the congregation is threatened with the loss of the church building and grounds.

MILLBURN, ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH.

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

Families, 99; baptisms (adults, 1, infants, 18), 14; confirmed, 11; communicants: admitted, 12; added by removal, 4; lost by removal, 10; died, 3; present No., 128; marriages, 8; burials, 7; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 4; other days, 14; total, 122; Holy Communion: public, 13; private, 7; catechising: No. of children, 110; No. of times, 48; Sunday-school: teachers, 15; pupils, 110.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$83.86; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$2,250.84; for Sunday-school, \$68.59; other Parochial objects, viz.: private gift to the Rector's family, \$150; for Christmas-tree for Sunday School, \$93.63; for Parish library books, \$21.40; for Sunday School and Parish library books, \$38.92; Thank-offering, \$5. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), including arrears, \$196; Convention expenses, including arrears, \$52.50; Diocesan Missions, \$24.75; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$58.50; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$10. **General**—Missions: Domestic, Bishop Tuttle's Mission, \$22.72; Theological education, \$20.69; total, \$3,100.40.

The arrears of the interest on the bond of this Parish to the Episcopal Fund, amounting to \$112, have been paid by the association of the ladies of the Parish known as St. Stephen's Mite Society. They have also paid the cost of a new furnace for the church, amounting to \$127.60; making a total contribution of \$239.60.

MONTCLAIR, ST. LUKE'S CHURCH.

THE REV. J. L. MAXWELL, RECTOR.

Baptisms (infants), 8; confirmed, 15; communicants: admitted, 15; added by removal, 20; lost by removal, 18; died, 1; present No., 167; burials, 9; Divine Service: total about 180; Holy Communion: public, 14; catechising all the school at various times; Sunday School: teachers, 12; pupils about 125.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$223.98; for current expenses (including Rector's salary) and incidentals, \$4,157.91; for Sunday School (Christmas), \$94.50. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$70; Convention expenses, \$40; Diocesan Missions,

§30. **General**—Missions : Domestic, for Am. Ch. Missionary Society, \$50 ; Foreign, for Mexico, \$27.06 ; Indians, by the Sunday School, \$114.00 ; total, \$4,797.49.

MORRISTOWN, CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.

THE REV. SAMUEL HALL, RECTOR.

Families, 51 ; baptisms : (adults, 1, infants, 19), 20 ; confirmed, 4 ; communicants : admitted, 4 ; added by removal, 10 ; lost by removal, 10 ; died, 1 ; present No., 75 ; marriages, 5 ; burials, 14 ; Divine Service : Sundays, 128 ; Holy Days, 10 ; other days, 50 ; total, 188 ; Holy Communion : public, 16 ; private, 8 ; catechising : every Sunday ; Sunday School : teachers, 8 ; pupils, 61.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$125.88 ; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$1,855.28 ; for Sunday School, \$46.69 ; for special poor, \$21 ; for Charitable Society, \$18.56 ; for water, \$20. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$105 ; Convention expenses, \$20 ; Diocesan Missions (including specials), \$86 ; Infirm Clergy (through Bishop Lay), \$5 ; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$14.10. **General**—Missions : Domestic (including Bishop Tuttle, \$40), \$97.96 ; Foreign, \$24.84 ; Indians, \$0.77 ; Society Inc. Ministry, \$21 ; for Missionary box, \$120 ; total, \$2,581.58.

Church services are sometimes supplied at the Insane Asylum, at Morris Plains, and a Mission-school has been held in a house at Munroe, on Saturdays throughout the year, by a young lady of the Parish.

MORRISTOWN, ST. PETER'S CHURCH.

THE REV. ROBERT N. MERRITT, RECTOR.

Families, 90 ; baptisms : (infants), 12 ; confirmed, 5 ; present No., 185 ; burials, 7 ; Divine Service : all Sundays, twice ; all 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 twice a month for the rest of the year ; Sunday School : teachers, 14 ; pupils, 100.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$251.88 ; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$5,440.25 ; for Sunday School, \$38.80 ; other Parochial objects, viz. : for Christmas tree, and clothing for the poor, \$125.50. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$175 ; Convention expenses, \$50 ; Diocesan Missions, \$400 ; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$60. **General**—Missions : Domestic (of which \$80 from Sunday School for Bishop Tuttle's Scholarship Fund), \$237.97 ; colored

people (in the South), \$41.74; Indians (from Sunday School), \$120; other objects without the Diocese, viz.: a box of clothing to a Missionary in Missouri, from the "Parish Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions," valued at \$144.20; total, \$7,145.88.

NEWARK, CHRIST CHURCH.

THE REV. J. NICHOLAS STANSBURY, RECTOR.

Families, 118; visited and administered to, 198; baptisms: (adults, 4, infants, 42), 46; confirmed, 15; communicants: admitted, 16; added by removal, 6; lost by removal, 7; died, 7; present No., 186; marriages, 10; churchings, 4; burials, 27; Divine Services: Sundays, 8 Services; Holy Days, 2 Services; other days, 1 Service; total, 580; Holy Communion: public, 71; private, 14; catechising: No. of children, 185; No. of times, 54; Sunday School: teachers, 19; pupils, 185.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—For current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$1,980.95; for Sunday School, \$90; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$25; other Parochial objects, viz.: for poor, \$70; for a thank-offering, \$200; for several purposes, \$130. **Diocesan**—Diocesan Missions, \$105; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$2; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$130. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$8; Foreign, \$5; total, \$2,695.96.

The offerings of this congregation, though smaller than for many years, are as large as could be expected in these times. The Sunday congregations are large.

NEWARK, GRACE CHURCH.

THE REV. W. H. HARISON, D.D., RECTOR.

THE REV. WYNANT VANDERPOOL, ASSISTANT.

Baptisms (adults, 5, infants, 49), 54; confirmed, 24; communicants: admitted, 28; added by removal, 7; lost by removal, 16; died, 7; present No., 334; marriages, 8; burials, 22; Divine Services: Sundays, 261; Holy Days, 249; other days, 498; total, 1,008; Holy Communion: public, 202; private, 14; catechising: No. of children, 235; No. of times, 52; Sunday School: teachers, 23; pupils, 235; Parish school: teachers, 2; pupils, 21.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$408.70; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$5,051.48; for Sunday School, \$164.08; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$790; other Parochial objects, viz.: the Guilds of Grace Church, \$225; Altar Society, \$248.41; Employment Society, \$180.50. **Diocesan**—Episcopal (interest on bond or assessment), \$175; Convention expenses, \$37.50; Diocesan Missions,

\$208.69; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$250; other objects within the Diocese, viz.: general guilds, \$42.21. **General—Missions:** Domestic, \$39.41; Foreign, \$19.70; Mexico, \$12; other objects without the Diocese, viz.: Nashedah, \$50; total, \$7,902.68.

NEWARK, ST. BARNABAS CHURCH.

THE REV. GEORGE F. FLICHTNER, RECTOR.

Families, 90; baptisms (infants), 16; confirmed, 7; communicants: admitted, 7; added by removal, 26; lost by removal, 25; died, 1; present No., 127; marriages, 5; burials, 8; Divine Service: Sundays, 111; Holy Days, 81; other days, 45; total, 187; Holy Communion: public, 16; private, 2; catechising: No. of children, 100; No. of times, 10; Sunday School: teachers, 14; pupils, 101.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$88.54; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$2,811.68; for Sunday School, \$46.12; for increase and improvement of Church property by Church Guild, \$162.05; other Parochial objects, viz.: interest and reduction of debt by Ladies' Aid Society, \$232.43; by Sunday School, \$107.73; by offerings, \$66.68 (\$316.86). **Diocesan—Episcopal Fund** (interest on bond), \$20.05; Convention expenses, \$52.50; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$5.05; St. Barnabas Hospital, by children, for Children's Ward, \$35.70; offerings, \$19.06 (\$54.76); total, \$3,261.01.

On January 1, 1877, Trinity Parish, Newark, released the Church of St. Barnabas from all its obligations to it, and dissolved the connection with it, which had then existed during five years. By the liberality of the former parish, combined with our own efforts, the debt of the Church, which was at the beginning of my rectorship upwards of \$80,000, has been reduced to about \$13,000.

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

THE REV. GEORGE C. PENNELL.

Accepted call, but not yet resident at Newark.

Baptisms (adults, 14, infants, 15), 29; confirmed, 18; communicants: added by removal, 8; lost by removal, 6; present No., 55; burials, 1; Divine Service: Sundays, every Sunday; catechising: No. of times, 7; Sunday School: teachers, 6; pupils, 40.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, etc., \$1,284.48. **Diocesan—Episcopal Fund** (interest on bond or assessment), \$70; total, \$1,354.48.

The Rev. Geo. C. Pennell has accepted the Rectorship of this Parish, but will not take charge until January 1, 1878.

NEWARK, ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH.

THE REV. C. F. W. TREPTOW, RECTOR.

Families, 50; baptisms (infants), 22; confirmed, 8; communicants: admitted, 24; added by removal, 15; lost by removal, 14; died, 1; present No., 118; marriages, 1; burials, 5; Divine Service: Sundays, 117; Holy Days, 21; other days, 87; total, 175; Holy Communion: public, 12; private, 8; catechising: No. of children, 50; No. of times, 67; Sunday School: teachers, 12; pupils, 96; Parish School: teachers, 2; pupils, 80.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$51.37; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$925; for a Pulpit Bible, \$7; for Sunday School Library, \$35.25; Sunday School given, \$39.13; for increase and improvement of Church property, school-house, about \$1,000; other Parochial objects, viz.: for Sexton, \$34; for 41 poor families, 41 bibles, \$41; for 58 Prayer-books, distributed, \$26.50; for different poor people, \$237.21. **Diocesan**—Diocesan Missions, \$2; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$1; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$1. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$1.08; Foreign, \$1.08; Colored people (St. Louis), \$1.08; Indians, \$1.08; other objects without the Diocese, viz.: for Relief Fund of the Board of Missions, \$1.08; total, \$2,405.61.

The three communicants found here Good Friday, A.D., 1876, have increased until the last report to 74, and since then to 118, and a class of 15 for confirmation, and a good choir; the Sunday School from none to 12 teachers and 96 scholars. A temporary school-house has been built this summer. In it school commenced June 25, 1877, and 80 pupils are at present instructed. If we had the needed school furniture, we might now have one hundred and sixty scholars. The Ladies' and Young Ladies' Society are doing well.

NEWARK, ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

THE REV. JOSEPH H. SMITH, RECTOR.

Baptisms (adults, 8, infants, 130), 133; confirmed, 18; communicants: admitted, 25; lost by removal, 16; died, 10; present No., 129; marriages, 29; burials, 84; Divine Service: Sundays, 163; Holy Days, all; other days, 458; churchings, 18; Holy Communion: public, 81; private, 51; catechising: No. of children, 180; No. of times, 49; Sunday School: teachers, 28; pupils, 285.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, for charity, etc., \$169.86; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$1,813.72; for Sunday School, \$123; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$185. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$50; Diocesan Missions, \$145; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$266.14; other objects

within the Diocese, viz. : for St. Paul's Mission, \$105. General—Missions : Domestic, \$56; Indians, \$1; total, \$2,864.72.

In addition to this report, I have to state that Saint Paul's Mission is still maintained by the unflagging zeal of the earnest laymen who have thus far carried it on. A change of location for its services has recently been made necessary by the sale of the hired house occupied for several years. This change seriously affects the attendance upon the Sunday School, which now must be held in the mornings only.

NEWARK, ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH.

THE REV. W. T. WEBBE, RECTOR.

Families, 88—about 160 individuals; baptisms (adults, 2, infants, 2), 4; confirmed, 12; communicants: admitted, 6; present No., 72; burials, 2; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Communion: public, every Sunday; private, twice; catechising: No. of children, 80; No. of times, 12; Sunday School: teachers, 6; pupils, 30.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, and for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$450.84; from other sources than the offertory, \$288.76. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$2.57. General—For a new church in Washington, D.C., \$9.13; total, \$751.80.

NEWARK, ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH.

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

Baptisms (adults, 5, infants, 12), 17; confirmed, 11; communicants: present No., about 185; marriages, 1; burials, 9; Sunday School: teachers, 16; pupils, 110.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—For current expenses (including Rector's salary), etc., \$3,298.21; for increase and improvement of Church property \$4,278.42. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$70. Diocesan Missions, \$25; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$15.84; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$800; total, \$7,986.97.

The new church building is enclosed and floored. We hope, with God's blessing, to occupy it next year.

NEWARK, N. J., THE HOUSE OF PRAYER.

THE REV. H. GOODWIN, RECTOR.

THE REV. A. L. WOOD, ASSISTANT.

Baptisms, 195; confirmed, 46; marriages, 25; burials, 41; communicants, 344; celebrations of the Holy Communion, 255; Sunday School

scholars, 800; catechising, every Sunday; St. John the Baptist School for girls and young ladies: pupils, 28; teachers, 4.

OFFERINGS.—For parish purposes, \$4,967.18; by Sunday School, \$258; for St. Luke's Guild, \$717.20; for Altar Society, \$157.60; for other purposes, \$74.78; total, \$6,169.66.

NEWARK, TRINITY CHURCH.

THE REV. J. H. ECCLESTON, D.D., RECTOR.

Families, 208; baptisms (adults, 2, infants, 24), 26; confirmed, 11; communicants: admitted, 11; present No., 250; marriages, 3; burials, 20; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 43; other days, 30; total, 177; Holy Communion: public, 15; catechising: No. of times, 14; Sunday School: teachers, 18; pupils, 150.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$589.45; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$8,673.48; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$811.26; other parochial objects, viz.: for Rutherford Memorial Church, \$771.95; for Trinity Church Benevolent Society, \$66.55. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$210; Convention expenses, \$100; Diocesan Missions, \$82.98; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$347.58; other objects within the Diocese, viz.: for St. Barnabas Church, \$1,508.84; for St. Philip's Church, \$100; for Newark Female Charitable Society, \$52.60. General—Missions: Foreign, \$121.76; Indians, \$90; Jews, \$22.10; Theological education, \$35.97; total, \$18,029.02.

This report is quite, but unavoidably, inaccurate.

NEWTON, CHRIST CHURCH.

THE REV. WM. H. MOFFETT, RECTOR.

Families, 50; baptisms (infants), 10; communicants: lost by removal, 2; died, 1; present No., 74; marriages, 1; burials, 7; Divine Service: Sundays, 110; Holy Days, 8; other days, 75; total, 193; Holy Communion: public, 21; private, 1; Sunday School: teachers, 10; pupils, 60.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$15.57; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$1,471.80; for Sunday School, \$94.96; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$235.86; other parochial objects, viz.: for the poor, \$13.70; for Lectern Bible, \$16; for or-

gan repairs, \$25. **Diocesan**—Convention expenses, \$26.25; Diocesan Missions, \$40. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$30.67; Foreign, \$15; total, \$1,988.81.

ORANGE, GRACE CHURCH.

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

Families, about 110; baptisms (adults, 1, infants, 17), 18; confirmed, 7; communicants: admitted, 7; added by removal, 28; lost by removal, 24; died, 6; present No., 254; marriages, 8; burials, 16; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; other days, 113; total, 217; Holy Communion: public, monthly, three Sundays in Lent, Christmas, and Ascension Day; private, 1; catechising: No. of children, over 100; No. of times, monthly; Sunday School: teachers, 19; pupils, 189.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$496.21; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$5,676.10; for Sunday School, \$32.51; for increase and improvement of Church property, viz., for Chapel and S. S. rooms, \$1,900. **Diocesan**—Episcopal fund (interest on bond or assessment, \$175; Convention expenses, \$60; Diocesan Missions, \$237.38; Diocesan Missions, special for salaries, \$16; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$79.16; towards rent of Episcopal residence, \$75. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$584.84; special for a church in Dacotah, \$300; Foreign, \$250.68; colored people (in the South), \$52.10; special for a church in N. C., \$200; Indians, \$177.73; Jews, \$11.85; other objects without the Diocese, viz.: for Nashotah \$5; for debt of the Board of Missions, \$218.43; for Society for the increase of the Ministry, \$112.75; for Bishop of Kansas, for St. Matthew's Church, Fort Mott, \$10; total, \$9,690.19.

For the first time in several years an entire new list of communicants is made, in which only permanent residents and actual communicants are counted. As was to have been expected, it shows an apparent falling off, though the actual number is increased from last year.

The corner-stone of the new Chapel was laid on the 17th of September last. The building stands in rear of the Church, which opens into it through the transept, and also through the vestry-room. It is enclosed, and is expected to be finished by the 1st of December. It is of stone, and conforms to the architecture of the Church. It consists of a principal room, 30x50 feet, and of two other rooms, 15x20 feet each, designed for mission and class rooms. It is expected to cost nearly five thousand dollars, and to be paid for when completed.

ORANGE, ST. MARK'S CHURCH.

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

Families, 100; baptisms (infants), 81; confirmed, 6; communicants: admitted, 8; added by removal, 4; lost by removal, 7; died, 2; present No.,

280; marriages, 4; burials, 7; Holy Communion: public, 18; Sunday School: teachers, 28; pupils, 255.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$262.05; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$2,826.98; for Sunday School, \$70; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$5,610. **Diocesan**—Episcopal fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$129.50; Convention expenses, \$30; Diocesan Missions, \$146.17; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$250. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$844.34; Foreign, \$50; Indiana, \$110.15; Theological education, Society for Increase of Ministry, \$80; other objects without the Diocese, viz.: for Bishop Tuttle, \$40; for Nashotah, \$25; for Fari-bault, \$25; total, \$9,499.19.

During the past year a commodious Chapel or Sunday School building has been erected, adjoining the Church edifice, at the cost of \$2,000.

PASSAIC, ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

THE REV. A. SIDNEY DEALEY, RECTOR.

Families, 65; baptisms (adults, 1, infants, 16), 17; confirmed, 11; communicants: present No., 65; marriages, 3; burials, 6; Divine Service: Sundays, 88; Holy Days, 3; other days, 4; total (from July 1st), 45; Holy Communion: public, 5; private, 1; Sunday School: teachers, 10; pupils, 75.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms (from July 1st), \$22.81; for current expenses (including Rector's salary, from July 1st), \$244.84; for Sunday School (from Nov. 1, 1876), \$64.68. **Diocesan**—Missions, \$12.75. **General**—Theological Education (from two individuals), \$5; total, \$350.08.

The offerings stated above are those since my taking charge of the Parish four months ago. I find its financial condition very bad. It is not paying its current expenses—about \$1,700 per annum—as the offerings show clearly. I was told, on being called, that, through the sale of the old rectory and adjacent property for \$10,500, the Parish would be out of debt, and with a new rectory. But a considerable portion of that sum was absorbed in the payment of mortgages—some of which had been put on the property to pay yearly recurring deficiencies in the Rector's salary, and in paying an accumulation of arrears to the late Rector of over \$1,200. Of the money accruing from the sale, \$2,000 is yet unpaid, and is not, *strictly*, payable for two years yet. Out of this it was supposed that a mortgage of \$1,700 on the present Church property could be paid off. But bills still unpaid on the new rectory, and some accumulated and accumulating debts will absorb probably two-thirds of it, and I much doubt whether any portion of the \$1,700 will ever be paid out of it. It seems not improbable that, as heretofore, a further sum will have to be borrowed to pay the Rector's salary, which is constantly running behind. The Parish is also two years behind with the interest on its bonds, and with its Convention expenses. A want of unity among the people, and a want of attachment to the Church on principle, has much more to do with this state of affairs than any poverty in the Parish.

PATERSON, CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMMUNION.

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

Baptisms (adults, 6, infants, 49), 55; confirmed, 26; communicants: present No., 100; marriages, 22; burials, 43; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 65; other days, 90; total, 259; Holy Communion: public, 81; private, 1; catechising: No. of children, 180; No. of times, 21; Sunday School: teachers, 21; pupils, 179.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—For current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$2,998.49; for Sunday School, \$196.98; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$101.82; other Parochial objects, viz.: for the poor, \$40.89; for Calvary Chapel, Riverside, \$123.75. Diocesan—Episcopal fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$70; Convention expenses, \$20; Diocesan Missions, \$18.29. General—Missions: Domestic, \$33.60; Foreign, \$19.25; Colored People (in the South), \$10.10; other objects without the Diocese, viz.: for St. Luke's Church, Washington, D. C., \$4.32; for Centennial Relief Fund, \$18.62; total, \$3,650.53.

PATERSON, ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

THE REV. THOMAS A. STARKEY, D.D., RECTOR.

Families, about 150; baptisms (adults 6, infants 49), 55; confirmed, 35; communicants: admitted, 36; added by removal, 3; lost by removal, 3; died, 2; present No., 234; marriages, 2; burials, 21; Divine Service: Sundays, 100; Holy Days, all; Holy Communion: public, on first Sunday of month and principal festivals; catechising: No. of children, 230; No. of times, monthly; Sunday School: teachers, 40; pupils, 235.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$160; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$4,498.12; for Sunday School, \$373.51; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$340.23. Diocesan—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$70; Convention expenses, \$40; Diocesan Missions, \$30. General—Missions: Domestic, \$43.80; total, \$5,545.16.

PHILLIPSBURG, ST. LUKE'S CHURCH.

THE REV. J. H. HOBART DE MILLE, RECTOR.

Families and parts of families, 45; baptisms (infants), 5; confirmed, 6; communicants: admitted, 6; added by removal, 3; lost by removal, 10; died, 1; present No., 55; marriages, 2; burials, 2; Divine Service: Sun-

days (twice), 104; Holy Days, 12; other days, Fridays, from February 1 to July 1, October and November; total, 140; Holy Communion: public, 10; private, 2; catechising: No. of children, 80; No. of times, 8; Sunday School: teachers, 7; pupils, 45.

OFFERINGS.—*Parochial*—For current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$562.10; for Sunday School, \$10; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$20; total, \$592.10. *Diocesan*—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), and Convention expenses, \$55; *Diocesan Missions*, \$2; *St. John's Mission*, Hughesville, 50 cents. *General*—Bible and Prayer-Book Distribution, \$6; total, \$655.60.

The Ladies' Parish Aid Society raised about \$140 of the above amount. The present Rector took charge February 1st, and on the first of May began holding monthly services at "The Forge," a little hamlet in the village of Hughesville, which have been well attended, the congregations averaging about 75, while occasionally the number has been nearly 100.

POMPTON, CHRIST CHURCH.

EUGENE J. BABCOCK, LAY READER, IN CHARGE.

Families, 23; baptisms (infants), 6; confirmed, 4; communicants: present No., 29; burials, 2; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; catechising: No. of children, 15; No. of times, 1; Sunday School: teachers, 6; pupils, 21.

OFFERINGS.—*Parochial*—Communion alms, \$32.62; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$398.69; total, \$431.31.

Report imperfect. I have been in charge five weeks.

RIDGEFIELD, ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

THE REV. JAMES CAMERON, MINISTER IN CHARGE.

Families, 13; baptisms (infants), 3; confirmed, 1; communicants: added by removal, 1; present No., 20; Divine Service: Sundays, 48; Holy Days, 3; other days, 14; total, 65; Holy Communion: public, 15.

OFFERINGS.—*Parochial*—For current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$650.

RIDGEWOOD, CHRIST CHURCH.

THE REV. LEIGH R. DICKINSON, RECTOR.

Families, 50; baptisms (infants), 9; communicants: present No., 82; marriages, 1; burials, 8; Divine Services: 2 each Sunday; Holy Days, all Festivals; other days, Wednesday and Friday in Lent, and in Passion week,

daily; Holy Communion: public, 18; private, 2; Sunday School: teachers, 10; pupils, 60.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$91; for current expenses (including the Rector's salary), \$2,381.05; Sunday School (offerings of \$41.65, Festival, \$100), \$141.65; for increase and improvement of Church property (for Sunday School), \$100; other parochial objects, viz.: gifts at Christmas, etc., to Rector, \$185. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), Convention expenses, included in "current expenses;" Diocesan Missions, for Allendale Mission special, \$20; General missions: Domestic, \$4; Foreign, \$4; Colored People (in the South), \$4; Indians, \$4; total, \$2,879.70.

Notwithstanding the severe strain upon the Parish of "hard times," depriving the treasury of offerings and payments, promptly rendered in past years, our record shows an increase over that of last year. The work of a scattered neighborhood, where parishioners are remote from the church, has difficulties unknown to more populous places. The strength of the Parish to meet emergencies is shown from our Easter offerings, which amounted to over four hundred dollars. Six young ladies of the Sunday School, recently, all communicants of the Church, aged from 10 to 14, have proved what childlike faith and zeal can do, by raising a hundred dollars for the Sunday School.

RUTHERFORD, GRACE CHURCH.

WARDENS' REPORT.

Families, 32; baptisms (adults, 1, infants, 4), 5; confirmed, 8; communicants: present No., 47; burials, 1; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 4; other days, 12; total, 120; Holy communion: public, 10; Sunday School: teachers, 9; pupils, 65.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—For current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$941.75; for Sunday School, \$77.74. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$42; Convention expenses, \$12; Diocesan Missions, \$2.91; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$2.75; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$87.50; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$80.64. **General**—Foreign, \$5; total, \$1,152.20.

The Rev. E. H. Saunders resigned the Rectorship at Easter. Since then the services have been regularly kept up by lay readers, students in the General Theological Seminary.

F. W. TOMKINS, }
A. P. WILLIAMS, } *Wardens.*

SOUTH ORANGE, CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMMUNION.

THE REV. HENRY VASSALL DEGEN, RECTOR.

Families, 75; baptisms (adults, 2, infants, 11), 13; confirmed, 19; communicants: admitted, 19; added by removal, 18; lost by removal, 12

present No., 149; marriages, 4; burials, 5; Divine Service: Sundays, 95; Holy Days, 7; other days, 18; total, 120; Holy Communion: public, 17; private, 2; Sunday School: teachers, 14; pupils, 80.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms, \$152.84; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$3,351.98; for Sunday School excursion and Christmas gifts, \$194.08; for increase and improvement of Church property (fence around Rectory), \$140; other Parochial objects, viz.: for reduction of Church debt, \$1,500. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$85; Convention expenses, \$40; Diocesan Missions, \$75; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$25; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$800; other objects within the Diocese, viz.: for Episcopal residence, \$25; for Mission in Northern part of the Diocese through the Woman's League of Northern New Jersey, \$28. **General**—Missions: Domestic (\$15 to Board of Missions, and \$10 St. Andrew's Mission, contributed for clerical suit for Missionary, California, \$12.80), \$37.80; Foreign, \$25; Colored people (in the South), \$25; Indians, \$15; Jews, \$19.80; theological education, \$20; Bible and Prayer-book distribution, \$12; other objects without the Diocese, viz.: for Relief Fund of Board of Missions, \$38.15; for Midnight Mission, \$10; for the Hinman Memorial, \$5; for Missionary in Oregon, one box, valued at \$128; one box to Missionary in Virginia, valued at \$50; one box to Missionary in Texas, \$163; one box to Missionary in South Carolina, \$47; amounting in all to \$388: total, \$6,452.65.

The Rector is happy in being able to report more earnestness and greater system in Church work, and a devout and increased attendance on the means of grace. Fifteen hundred dollars of the Church debt have been paid during the past year, leaving a balance of only \$2,500.

SUMMIT, CALVARY CHURCH.

THE REV. J. F. BUTTERWORTH, RECTOR.

Families and parts of families, 48; baptisms (infants), 8; confirmed, 6; communicants: present No., 85; burials, 4; Divine Service: Sundays, 118; Holy Days, 22; other days, 75; total, 210; Holy Communion: public, 15; private, 4; Sunday School: teachers, 7; pupils, 55.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—Communion alms and for relieving the poor, \$94.05; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$2,078.48; for Sunday School, \$110; other Parochial objects, viz.: for reducing the Church debt, \$204.98; for Sunday School Fund, \$50. **Diocesan**—Episcopal Fund (interest on bond or assessment), \$167.50; Convention expenses, \$30; Diocesan Missions, \$30; St. Barnabas Hospital, \$5; Hudson Co. Church Hospital, \$25.60. **General**—Missions: Domestic, \$16; other objects without the Diocese, viz.: for Society for Increase of Ministry, \$23.25; total, \$2,829.81.

We have great reason to be thankful for the constant interest of the people in the Parish work, the good attendance at the services, and a practical reduction of the Church debt.

TENAFLY, CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT.

THE REV. EDWARD H. VAN WINKLE, MISSIONARY.

Families and parts of families, 22; baptisms (infants), 2; confirmed, 5; communicants: admitted, 5; added by removal, 7; lost by removal, 8; present No., 80; Divine Service: Sundays, 54; Holy Days, 8; other days, 9; Sunday School and Service, 52; total, 118; Holy Communion: public, 12; Sunday School: teachers, 7; pupils, 55.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—For current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$827.88; for Sunday School, \$72.91; other Parochial objects, viz.: from Ladies' Guild, \$90. General—Missions: Domestic, \$0.71; Foreign, \$9.27; total, \$500.77.

VERNON, ST. THOMAS' CHURCH.

THE REV. LEVI JOHNSTON, MISSIONARY.

Families, 10; communicants: present No., 14; marriages, 1; Divine Service, every other Sunday; total, 22; Holy Communion: public, 10.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—Communion alms, \$10; for current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$42. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$50; total, \$102.

WEST HOBOKEN, ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

THE REV. WM. WARDLAW, RECTOR.

Families, 50; baptisms (adults, 4, infants, 12), 16; confirmed, 16; communicants: admitted, 10; added by removal, 4; lost by removal, 5; died, 1; present No., 45; marriages, 5; burials, 8; Divine Service: Sundays, 104; Holy Days, 6; other days, 22; total, 132; Holy Communion: public, 16; private, 6; catechising: No. of children, 80; No. of times, 40; Sunday School: teachers, 12; pupils, 110.

OFFERINGS.—Parochial—For current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$700.65; for Sunday School, \$75; for increase and improvement of Church property, \$860. Diocesan—Diocesan Missions, \$6.75; Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund, \$1.50. General—Missions: Jews, \$8.50; total, \$1,147.40.

Within the past year, this Church has been renovated throughout; new windows having been put in, including a neat chancel window; the Church building and fence were painted, and other necessary repairs made.

WEST ORANGE, CHURCH OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS, ST. CLOUD.

THE REV. T. JEFFERSON DANNER, IN CHARGE.

Baptisms (infants), 8; communicants: added by removal, 1; lost by removal, 4; present No., 13; Divine Service: Sundays, all; Holy Communion: public, monthly, and on the greater festivals; Sunday School: teachers, 4; pupils, 25.

OFFERINGS.—**Parochial**—For current expenses (including Rector's salary), \$604.05; for Sunday School, \$5.80. **Diocesan**—Diocesan Missions, \$7.40; Convocation, Contingent Fund, \$6.96; total, \$624.21.

I assumed charge at Easter (April 1st). The "offerings" are from that date. The donors of the Church property have kindly given a full acre of ground, eligibly situated, in exchange for the lot on which the Church was built. The Church building has been removed to the new lot, enlarged and improved at a cost of \$1,100.

In July, I took charge of Trinity Mission, Northfield. Communicants, 20; baptism, 1; offerings, \$16.84. I hold Service every Sunday afternoon in a school-house. The communicants come to the Church of St. Cloud to partake of the Holy Communion.

CLERICAL REPORTS.

The Rev. ORLANDO HARRIMAN reports as follows:

I have nothing special in the way of ministerial service to report the past year.

I have performed such occasional clerical work as my health and other circumstances have allowed.

The Rev. JULIUS D. ROSÉ, Ph.D., reports:

Permit me to report to you, as my Bishop, that since the last Convention I have administered the Holy Communion in public 4 times; in private, once; assisted thereat 8 times; baptized 1 infant; married 2 couples;

buried 4 persons; assisted the Rev. Dr. Clover in the services at St. Stephen's Church, whenever my health permitted, and preached in South Orange, Madison, Morristown, Summit, and here in Milburn, altogether 21 times.

I continue in my duties as Principal of St. Stephen's Incorporate School.

The Rev. G. H. STERLING reports :

As the Canon requires, I present my report of work done during the year past. I have assisted the Rev. Dr. Abercrombie, at St. Matthew's Church, at morning and evening service up to the first of October, since when I have been assisting at St. John's Church at morning service and at St. Matthew's in the evening. I have also preached several times at Greenville, once at Perth Amboy, and have done various portions of Parish work under Dr. Abercrombie's direction. I have also had the Superintendence of the Sunday School at St. Matthew's during the entire year.

In addition to above I have had entire charge of Trinity Church School, New York City.

The Rev. G. VAN HORN reports as follows for Sussex Co. Mission :

I beg leave to report to you that I have averaged one service each Sunday during the year, made 27 pastoral visits; distributed many tracts, and 12 prayer books; baptized 5 infants, and officiated at 1 funeral.

The members I reported last year have been taken in charge by our worthy Dean as you are aware, and were favorably reported of at the Convocation on Orange Mountain.

Offerings from all sources \$202.50.

The Rev. E. H. VAN WINKLE reports as follows :

Since the last Convention I have read Morning or Evening Service 92 times, and assisted thereat 48 times; have celebrated the Holy Communion 15 times, and assisted thereat twice; have preached 95 times; have presented for Confirmation five persons; baptized three children and married one couple.

During the last conventional year by appointment I have been in charge of the Church of the Atonement, Tenafly. On the 1st Sunday in Lent I revived the mission of the Holy Faith, Closter, at which place services were held until the early part of September, when it was thought advisable to discontinue them for the present, as the Church building at Norwood, a short distance from Closter, was then ready for occupation, in which place there are now regular services.

I have held a Friday evening service on six occasions at the Mission of Little Falls.

Appendix.

No. II.

STATISTICS OF THE DIOCESE, 1876-77.

From the Episcopal Address, Parochial and Missionary Reports.

Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese.	67
Parishes and Missions.	86
Parishes in union with the Convention.	67
Ordinations: Deacons, 2; Priests, 2.	4
Clergymen received from other Dioceses.	8
" dismissed to other Dioceses.	9
Candidates for Holy Orders (Deacon's, 2; Priest's, 2).	4
Lay Readers	43
Baptisms (adults, 150; infants, 1,081; not specified, 196).	1,427
Confirmed.	749
Communicants.	6,988
Marriages.	256
Burials.	690
Sunday School Teachers.	741
" " Scholars.	6,978

INCOMES, OFFERINGS, AND CONTRIBUTIONS.

Convention Expenses.	\$1,188 50
Diocesan Miss's (Income: general, \$8,054.51; special, \$1,482.61)	4,537 12
Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen (Income).	779 81
TOTAL OFFERINGS AND CONTRIBUTIONS.	\$211,387 08

STATISTICS OF THE CONVOCATIONS, 1876-77.

THE CONVOCATION OF NEWARK.

Number of Clergy belonging.....	86
Parishes and Missions.....	46
Baptisms (adults, 71; infants, 558; not specified, 196).....	825
Confirmed.....	858
Communicants reported.....	4,112
Marriages.....	126
Burials.....	356
Sunday School Teachers.....	360
“ “ Scholars.....	8,241
Convocation Missions (General, \$1,854.93; special, \$850.61)..	2,705 58
Total offerings.....	\$122,002 41

THE CONVOCATION OF JERSEY CITY.

Number of Clergy belonging.....	29
Parishes and Missions.....	39
Baptisms (adults, 79; infants, 528).....	602
Confirmed.....	391
Communicants reported.....	2,871
Marriages.....	130
Burials.....	234
Sunday School Teachers.....	381
“ “ Scholars.....	3,788
Convocation Missions (General, \$1,199.59; special, \$682.00)..	1,881 59
Total offerings.....	\$88,384 67

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THE CONVOCATION OF NEWARK.

PARISHES AND MISSIONS.	BAPTISMS.			Confirmed.	Communicants.	Marriages.	S. School			Offerings.
	Families.	Adults.	Infants.				Burials.	Teachers.	Pupils.	
Andover.....	50	4	9	13	90	5	9	18	100	\$2,780 97
Belleville, Christ.....	12	1	6	1	19	2	2	6	37	623 06
Belvidere, Zion.....	1	1	7	8	100	4	6	6	47	1,378 67
Bloomfield, Christ.....	55	4	11	15	68	1	10	10	68	1,153 19
Boonton, St. John's.....	112	4	18	22	61	2	5	8	75	1,755 14
Dover, St. John's.....	63	4	18	27	230	2	2	9	75	5,700 05
East Orange, Christ.....	112	4	18	27	101	2	2	9	75	3,066 31
" " St. Paul's.....	63	4	18	27	101	2	2	9	75	1,356 39
Franklin, Grace.....	15	3	14	19	75	1	5	10	142	116 00
Hackettstown, St. James.....	10	1	7	7	23	1	2	2	15	428 40
Hamburg, Good Shepherd.....	12	1	6	7	24	1	6	10	70	41 51
Hope, St. Luke's.....	12	1	6	7	13	1	7	15	110	1,485 79
Irrington, Trinity.....	12	1	6	7	13	1	7	15	110	533 25
Knowlton, St. James.....	24	3	8	11	44	1	6	10	70	3,779 53
Madison, Grace.....	55	4	18	22	61	2	5	8	75	689 61
Mendham, St. Mary's Mission.....	99	1	18	22	11	128	3	7	15	2,140 40
Millburn, St. Stephen's.....	51	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	4,797 47
Montclair, St. Luke's.....	81	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	2,581 58
Morristown, Redeemer.....	90	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	7,145 88
" " St. Peter's.....	90	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	2,685 96
Newark, Christ.....	118	4	42	46	15	136	10	27	19	7,903 68
" " Grace.....	90	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	8,261 61
" " St. Barnabas.....	90	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	1,304 48
" " St. John's.....	90	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	2,405 61
" " St. Mark's.....	90	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	2,884 72
" " St. Matthew's.....	90	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	751 80
" " St. Paul's.....	90	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	7,986 97
" " St. Philip's.....	90	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	6,169 66
" " St. Stephen's.....	90	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	13,023 03
" " The House of Prayer.....	90	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	1,988 81
" " Trinity.....	90	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	16 84
Newton, Christ.....	90	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	9,639 19
Northfield.....	90	1	19	20	4	76	5	9	12	9,499 19
Orange, Grace.....	110	1	17	18	7	254	3	16	19	2 00
" " St. Mark's.....	100	1	17	18	7	254	3	16	19	9,639 19
Oxford Furnace.....	100	1	17	18	7	254	3	16	19	9,499 19
Phillipsburg, St. Luke's.....	45	1	8	9	6	55	3	2	7	655 60
Schools's Mountain.....	45	1	8	9	6	55	3	2	7	2 00
South Orange, Holy Communion.....	75	3	11	13	19	149	4	5	14	6,453 65
Summit, Calvary.....	45	1	8	9	6	55	3	2	7	2,829 81
Sussex Co. Mission.....	10	1	8	9	6	55	3	2	7	293 50
Vernon, St. Thomas.....	10	1	8	9	6	55	3	2	7	102 00
Washington.....	10	1	8	9	6	55	3	2	7	694 31
West Orange, Holy Innocents.....	10	1	8	9	6	55	3	2	7	
Total.....	1590	71	558	525	358	4112	126	356	390	\$123,003 41

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THE CONVOCATION OF JERSEY CITY.

PARISHES AND MISSIONS.	Families.	BAPTISMS.			Confirmed.	Communicants.	Marriages.	Burials.	S. School.		Orphanage.
		Adults.	Infants.	Total.					Teachers.	Pupils.	
Allendale, Epiphany Chapel.....									6	45	\$446 85
Bayonne, Calvary.....	90	5	10	15		53	1	14	9	115	1,805 88
" St. John's.....	47	5	9	7	9	52		1	9	50	1,237 52
" Trinity.....	138	3	9	12	10	226	1	4	20	159	7,425 23
Closter.....											
East Newark, Rutherford Memorial.....											
Edgewater, Mediator.....	23	2	2	4	5	39		6	5	30	1,250 00
Englewood, St. Paul's.....	28	8	23	25	13	124		6	16	170	8,019 74
Fort Lee, Good Shepherd.....					4						
Hackensack, Christ.....	60	1	15	16	10	101	2	4	6	70	4,247 24
Haledon, St. Mary's.....											
Hoboken, Holy Innocents.....		2	63	70	21	128	6	19	19	250	5,765 20
" St. Paul's.....					5						
" Trinity.....	84		14	14	28	110	4	21	28	272	6,240 88
Jersey City, Ascension.....	55	4	30	34	28	80	10	18	14	250	1,748 79
" (Claremont) Christ.....	45	2	2	5	7	51	1	1			3 02
" Grace.....		5	43	58	14	200	23	23	40	300	6,469 17
" (Greenville) Grace.....					11						12 24
" Holy Trinity.....		2	42	44	12	148	6	27	14	180	2,937 56
" St. John Free.....	245	6	17	25	20	400	1	1	27	300	9,053 87
" St. Luke's.....											
" St. Mark's.....					5						7 00
" St. Matthew's.....	225	12	64	76	22	260	24	62	23	256	10,237 28
" St. Paul's.....	140	7	22	29	29	127	8	26	20	200	5,408 60
Manchester, St. Mary's.....	24		5	5		30		1	15	140	535 00
Norwood.....					15						10 00
Passaic, St. John's.....	65	1	16	17	11	65	3	6	10	75	350 08
Paterson, Calvary Chapel.....											
" Holy Communion.....		6	49	55	28	100	22	22	21	179	3,650 56
" St. Paul's.....	150	6	49	55	25	224	2	21	40	238	5,545 18
Pompton, Christ.....	22		6	6	4	29		2	6	21	431 81
Ridgefield, St. James.....	13		3	3	1	20					650 00
Ridgewood, Christ.....	50		9	9		32	1	8	10	60	2,379 70
Ringwood.....											
Rutherford Park, Grace.....	22	1	4	5	3	47		1	9	65	1,122 29
Tenafly, Atonement.....	22		2	2	5	30			7	55	500 77
Union Hill, St. Justin Martyr.....											
West Hoboken, St. John's.....	50	4	13	16	16	45	5	5	12	110	1,147 40
Total.....	1070	79	523	602	362	2371	120	224	261	2727	\$28,324 07
CONVOCATION OF NEWARK.....	1600	71	533	603	358	4112	123	258	260	2341	\$122,002 41
CONVOCATION OF JERSEY CITY.....	1670	79	523	602	361	2371	120	224	261	2727	28,324 07
Grand Total.....	3260	150	1056	1205	719	6483	243	482	521	5454	\$211,297 08

Appendix.

No. III.

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LEGISLATIVE ACTS.

AN ACT

Concerning Marriages, Births, and Deaths.

I. WHO MAY NOT MARRY.

I. That no man or woman shall intermarry within the degrees hereafter named, that is to say :

No man shall marry his

Grandmother,
Grandfather's wife,
Wife's grandmother,
Father's sister,
Mother's sister,
Son's wife,
Sister,
Son's daughter,
Daughter's daughter,
Son's son's wife,

Daughter's son's wife,
Mother,
Stepmother,
Wife's mother,
Daughter,
Wife's daughter,
Wife's son's daughter,
Wife's daughter's daughter,
Brother's daughter,
Sister's daughter.

No woman shall marry her

Grandfather,	Daughter's husband,
Grandmother's husband,	Brother,
Husband's grandfather,	Son's son,
Father's brother,	Daughter's son,
Mother's brother,	Son's daughter's husband,
Father,	Daughter's daughter's husband,
Stepfather,	Husband's son's son,
Husband's father,	Husband's daughter's son,
Son,	Brother's son,
Husband's son,	Sister's son.

II. WHO MAY SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGE.

2. Every * * * stated and ordained minister of the gospel is hereby authorized to solemnize marriages between such persons as may lawfully enter into the matrimonial relation; and every religious society in this state may join together in marriage such persons as are of the said society, or when one of such persons is of such society, according to the rules and customs of the society, to which they or either of them belong.*

III. MARRIAGE OF MINORS.

3. No * * * minister of the gospel, or other person having or pretending to have authority to join persons together in the holy bands of matrimony, *shall marry any male under the age of twenty-one years, or female under the age of eighteen years*, unless the parent or parents, guardian or guardians, or person or persons under whose care and government such minor or minors shall be, be present, and give their consent thereto, or until the minor applying to be married, whether male or female, shall have produced a certificate in writing, under the hand of the parent or parents, guardian or guardians, or if such minor so applying to be

* Amended by authorizing Judges of Court of Common Pleas also to solemnize marriages. *Vide* Pamp. Laws, 1877, p. 168.

married, have no parent or guardian, then under the hand of the person or persons under whose care and government he or she may at that time be; which certificate shall be proved to be genuine by the oath or affirmation of at least one person of full age and discretion, who was present at the signing of the same, and affixed his or her name as a witness thereto; which oath or affirmation any justice of the peace, or minister of the gospel, authorized to solemnize marriages as aforesaid, is hereby authorized to take, and shall enter upon the back of the certificate; and should the person called upon to solemnize the marriage not be satisfied with the declarations of the parties desiring marriage, that they are of lawful age, he shall administer an oath or affirmation that they are of lawful age, of which oath or affirmation he shall make a certificate and file with the record of the marriage in the office of the clerk of the county, which certificate shall be his justification should said parties deceive him as to their age.*

4. If any * * * minister of the gospel, or other person having or pretending to have authority to join persons together in the holy bands of matrimony, shall marry any minor or minors, without the consent of the parent or parents, guardian or guardians, or person or persons having the care and government of such minor or minors, had and obtained according to the directions of this act, and contrary to the true intent and meaning thereof, every such * * * minister of the gospel, or other person having or pretending to have authority to join persons together in the holy bands of matrimony, shall, for every such offence, forfeit three hundred dollars, to be recovered in an action of debt or information in any court of record of this state, by the parent, guardian or person having charge of such minor as shall be so joined in marriage as aforesaid, the one-half of the said forfeiture to be paid to the treasurer of the state, for the use of the state, and the other half to be for the use of the parent, guardian, or other person having charge of such minor, who shall prosecute the same to effect.

5. Every * * * minister of the gospel, or other person having or pretending to have authority to join persons in marriage, who

* For form of oaths, see p. 138.

shall marry any minor or minors by virtue of certificate had and proved as above directed, shall register the same, or cause it to be registered in a book by him to be kept for the purpose of registering of marriages, and within three months after transmit the original certificate to the clerk of the county in which the marriage was solemnized, to be by him filed in his office.

IV. RECORDS OF MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

6. That * * * minister of the gospel, or other person having authority to solemnize marriages, shall make and keep a particular record of all marriages solemnized before him, and transmit a certificate of every particular marriage (containing both christian names and surnames) within six months after the solemnization thereof, to the clerk of the court of common pleas for the county in which the marriage was solemnized.

8. If any * * * minister of the gospel, or clerk or keeper of the minutes of a religious society, or other person, shall neglect, omit, or refuse to make return to the clerk of the county, as aforesaid, of all such marriages, he shall for every such offence forfeit the sum of fifty dollars, to be recovered with costs by the clerk of the said court of common pleas, or any other person, who shall prosecute for the same, by action of debt or information in any court having cognizance thereof.

11. If any * * * minister of the gospel, mayor, or clerk, or keeper of the minutes of any religious society, shall wilfully and knowingly make a false return of such marriages, or any of them, to the said clerk of the court of common pleas, or if the said clerk of such court shall wilfully and knowingly make a false entry, register, and record, of any return of marriages so to him made, in the said book by him before directed to be kept, or, if any clerk or keeper of the minutes and proceedings of such religious societies as are authorized to solemnize marriages by this act, shall wilfully and knowingly make a false entry, register, and record of such marriages, or any of them, then every such person so offending shall be adjudged guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be

punished by fine or imprisonment, or both, at the discretion of the court.

21. Each sexton, or other person having the charge of any burial ground or cemetery in this state, shall, on or before the tenth day of each month, make returns of all the facts required by the twenty-third section of this act, connected with the death of any person whose burial he may have superintended during the month next preceding, to the clerk of the township in which such deceased person resided at the time of his death, if such death happened in this state; and such sexton or other person shall be entitled to receive from the treasury of the township to which such return is made, ten cents for the return of each death made, agreeably to the provisions of this act.

Approved March 27th, 1874.

[Pamphlet Laws, 1876, page 158. R. S., page 686.]

A SUPPLEMENT

To the Act entitled "An Act concerning marriages, births and deaths," approved March twenty-seventh, eighteen hundred and seventy-four.

1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey, That in any county of this State in which there is now established by law a county board of health and vital statistics, the returns of births, deaths and marriages now required to be made by ministers of the gospel, physicians and other persons, shall hereafter be made to said board of health and vital statistics only and in no other manner whatever; and it shall be the duty of the clerk of such board to make annual returns of such births, deaths and marriages to the secretary of state, for which the same fees shall be allowed and paid to the said clerk as are now allowed by law.**

* Amended as regards the fees of clerk for making such returns. See Pamphlet Laws, 1877, p. 214.

2. *And be it enacted*, That all acts or part of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act, be and the same are hereby repealed, and this act shall take effect immediately.

Approved April 17th, 1876.

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, dona-

tions, 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.

§ 27. The wardens and vestrymen for the time being of every Protestant Episcopal Church, not specially incorporated, shall be trustees of the same, and a body corporate and politic in law, by such name as the trustees shall assume, in manner mentioned in the second section of this act.

§ 28. It shall and may be lawful for the said Protestant Episcopal Churches not 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.

§ 29. 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.

§ 30. The congregation having met at the time and place appointed, the rector or minister, or, if there be no rector or minister, or if 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 nor 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.

§ 31. The rector, wardens and vestrymen, appointed as aforesaid, shall be a body corporate and politic, in law and in fact, to have continuance forever 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 twelfth 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. *

§ 32. The rector, wardens and vestrymen, and their successors, or a majority of them, may make such rules, by-laws and ordinances, and do everything 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.

§ 33. The qualifications of voters at the annual elections shall be conformable to the constitution and principles of the Protestant Episcopal Church in New Jersey.

§ 34. 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.

§ 35. 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 the personal interests of said minister or rector; *provided*, in the absence of the president, the wardens and vestrymen may choose a president *pro tempore*.

§ 36. 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.

* 1. Amended—making it unlawful to alien or mortgage church property without consent of Bishop and Standing Committee of Diocese, *vide* post 128. Pamp. Laws 1877, p. 76.

§ 37. Whereas, the legislature of New Jersey, by an act passed on the seventeenth day of February, anno domini eighteen hundred and twenty-nine, granted to Episcopal congregations the privilege of becoming incorporated, according to the "constitution, usages, and customs of the Protestant Episcopal Church" in this state, and did not require any oath to be taken or subscribed by the wardens and vestrymen of such churches; and whereas, under the present revised statutes, doubts have arisen whether the wardens and vestrymen of Episcopal Churches are not required to take and subscribe the oaths specified in the act to incorporate religious societies, which provision would occasion great inconvenience, and be entirely "inconsistent with the constitution, usages, and customs of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this state," therefore the wardens and vestrymen of the Protestant Episcopal Churches, now incorporated, or hereafter to be incorporated in this state, shall not be required to take or subscribe the oaths specified in the thirty-fourth section of the act entitled, "An act to incorporate trustees of religious societies," approved April seventeenth, eighteen hundred and forty-six; and that the acts and proceedings of the wardens and vestrymen of such Episcopal Churches as have omitted to take and subscribe such oaths shall be, and are hereby declared to be as valid and effectual in law as if such oaths had been previously taken and subscribed.

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§ 38. 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.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

§ 58. The provisions of this act, with all the rights, privileges and advantages thereof, are hereby extended to and for the benefit

of all associations which now are, or hereafter may be, organized in this state, the object of which is or shall be to establish and maintain what are commonly known as Mission Sunday Schools.

[Pamphlet Laws 1877, page 148.]

A. SUPPLEMENT

To an act entitled "An Act to incorporate trustees of religious societies" (revision), approved April ninth, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

1. BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey*, That whenever any congregation of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this state, which shall have become incorporated in accordance with the provisions of the act to which this is a supplement, and shall have filed a certificate thereof, therein stating the number of vestrymen to be elected for such congregation, as required by section thirty of said act, shall be desirous of increasing or decreasing the number of said vestrymen, it shall be lawful for said congregation to do so, by a majority vote of those present at any annual election, notice of such contemplated action having been given for the time and in the manner designated in section twenty-nine of said act; *provided*, that no church shall have more than ten nor less than five vestrymen; a certificate of the proceedings of the meeting, and of such change, under the hands and seals of the president and secretary, shall be transmitted to the clerk of the court of common pleas of the county for record, and shall thereafter be considered a part of the act of incorporation of such congregation.

2. *And be it enacted*, That any property, rights, or estates heretofore acquired by any such corporation, shall be in no wise changed, diminished, or defeated by such increase or decrease in the number of its vestrymen.

3. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect immediately.

Approved March 9, 1877.

[Pamphlet Laws, 1877, page 76.]

A SUPPLEMENT

To an act entitled "An Act to incorporate trustees of religious societies," approved April ninth, eighteen hundred and seventy-five.

1. BE IT ENACTED, *By the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey*, That the thirty-first section of the act to which this is a supplement, which reads as follows: "The rector, wardens and vestrymen, appointed as aforesaid, shall be a body corporate and politic, in law and in fact, to have continuance forever, 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 twelfth 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;" which section refers to and adopts the third section and the eighth section of said act, which read as follows:

"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 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."

"8. It shall be lawful for any religious society in this state, however incorporated, to purchase and hold, and also to convey and dispose of, any real estate which they may deem necessary and expedient; *provided*, that the same shall not be used by the religious corporation acquiring the same for any other purpose than the rendering and maintaining in any building now or hereafter erected upon such real estate, the worship of Almighty God, and the furtherance of religion according to the tenets and forms of worship

of the religious denomination to which such religious society belongs, or for education, or the administration of charity to the bodies or souls of men; any conveyance or agreement by and between any religious corporations, intended for the purposes aforesaid by or under the authority of such corporations, now made or hereafter to be made, is hereby declared to be valid and effectual in law; 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," be amended so that the same shall read as follows: The rector, wardens and vestrymen, appointed as aforesaid, shall be a body corporate and politic, in law and in fact, to have continuance forever, 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 twelfth 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; *and provided further*, that it shall not be lawful for the rector, wardens and vestrymen of any Protestant Episcopal Church, or in case the church be without a minister or rector, then for the said the wardens and vestrymen, or for the wardens and vestrymen for the time being, of any Protestant Episcopal Church who are trustees of the same, to alien, grant, assign, demise, let or mortgage any real church property, without the previous written consent of the bishop and of a majority of the standing committee of the diocese within which such real church property may be situated, or in case of a vacancy in the office of bishop, or of his absence from said diocese, then of a majority of the standing committee thereof; which consent shall be acknowledged, or proved and recorded with the deed, lease, mortgage, or instrument of conveyance, and without such consent the alienation, grant, assignment, demise, lease or mortgage shall be void.

2. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect immediately.

Approved March 8, 1877.

[Pamphlet Laws, 1877, page 72.]

A SUPPLEMENT

To an act entitled "An Act to incorporate trustees of religious societies" (revision), approved April ninth, eighteen hundred and seventy-five.

1. BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey, That it shall be lawful for any diocesan convention, presbytery, classis, synod, annual conference, or other governing body having jurisdiction over a number of churches, congregations, or societies of any church or religious denomination in this State, now or hereafter to be constituted or established, and not already incorporated, at any stated meeting thereof, by a plurality of voices, to elect any number of discreet persons, not less than three nor exceeding nine in number, as trustees to take charge of the estate and property belonging to such convention, presbytery, classis, synod, annual conference or other such body, and of other property as hereinafter provided, and to transact all affairs relating to the temporalities thereof; the presiding officer and clerk of such governing body shall immediately thereafter certify, under their hands and seals, the names of the persons elected as trustees as aforesaid, in which certificate the name or title by which the said trustees and their successors shall be known shall be particularly mentioned; which said certificate, being duly acknowledged by the said presiding officer and clerk, shall be recorded by the clerk of one of the counties situated, in whole or in part, within the bounds of the jurisdiction of such governing body, and in the book kept for the record of religious corporations; and such trustees, and their successors, shall thereupon, by virtue of this act, be a body corporate by the name or title expressed in such certificate.

2. *And be it enacted*, That such trustees shall be capable of taking for religious, educational and charitable purposes, by gift, devise, bequest, grant or purchase, and of holding and disposing of the same, any real and personal estate held for the benefit of any such governing body, or of any parish, congregation, society, church, chapel, mission, or religious, benevolent, charitable or

educational institution, existing or acting under such governing body at the time of their election, or which had then or may thereafter be given for any such purposes; *provided*, that the net yearly income received from the said property shall not, at any time, exceed the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars.

3. *And be it enacted*, That whenever any parish, congregation, society, church, chapel, mission, or religious, benevolent, charitable or educational institution in connection with any such governing body owning any property shall become extinct, by reason of the death or removal of its members, it shall be lawful for the trustees elected by such body as aforesaid to take possession of the temporalities and property belonging to such extinct church or other organization, and manage and apply the same to the uses and purposes of the church or religious denomination to which such extinct church or organization belonged in the locality in which such extinct church or organization was located.

4. *And be it enacted*, That the trustees elected by virtue of this act shall hold their offices at the pleasure of the governing body by which they are elected, and all vacancies shall be filled by such body as they occur.

5. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect immediately.

Approved March 8, 1877.

[Pamphlet Laws, 1877, page 177.]

SUPPLEMENT

To an act entitled "An Act to incorporate trustees of religious societies," approved April ninth, eighteen hundred and seventy-five.

WHEREAS, it frequently happens that conveyances of real estate are made to religious societies or corporations, in the deeds whereof the corporate name or designation of such religious societies or corporations, through error or misapprehension of the grantor, are not correctly stated;

1. BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the*

State of New Jersey, That in all cases where a conveyance of any real estate is made to any religious society or corporation, incorporated under or by virtue of any general or special laws of this State, and in the deed of such conveyance the corporate name or designation of such religious society or corporation as the grantees in such deeds of conveyance is not correctly stated, and where the intention of the grantor or grantors in any such deeds is signified by the use of the principal words of the corporate name or designation of any such religious society or corporation, and where such religious society or corporation have entered into possession and occupation of such real estate, it shall be lawful for such religious society or corporation to file, in the office of the clerk or register of the county wherein such real estate is located, a statement setting forth the date of such deed of conveyance, the date of the recording, and the number and page of the book of record thereof; the names of the grantor or grantors, the description of the property conveyed, the erroneous title of such religious society or corporation, as expressed in such deeds, and also the correct title thereof, which statement shall be verified by the affidavit of any duly authorized officer of such religious society or corporation, taken by any person authorized to take the acknowledgment and proof of deeds; and it shall be the duty of such clerk or register to file the said statement so verified as aforesaid in his office, and to record the same in a book to be kept for that purpose, for which such clerk or register shall receive the same fees as are now allowed for the recording of deeds.

2. *And be it enacted*, That upon filing and recording such statement as aforesaid, the said religious societies or corporations shall be deemed to be vested in as good and perfect title to said real estate, so conveyed to them by an erroneous corporate name and designation, as though the same had been conveyed to them by their proper corporate name or designation, and the said verified statements, or duly certified copies thereof, shall be received as evidence in any of the courts of this State.

3. *And be it enacted*, That it shall be lawful for any religious society or corporation, by the votes of two-thirds of all the members of such society or corporation, at a meeting called for the

purpose in the manner that meetings of such society or corporation are called, according to the form of government thereof, to change the name of such society or corporation; and upon the filing of a certificate of such action, verified by the affidavit of any duly authorized officer of such society or corporation, setting forth the change of name so determined upon, with the clerk or register of the county wherein such society or corporation is situate, it shall be the duty of such clerk or register to file such certificate in his office, and to record the same in the book referred to in the first section of this act, and thereafter such society or corporation shall be known by the name determined upon as aforesaid and set forth in such certificate; but the said society or corporation shall be entitled to the same rights and privileges and be subject to the same responsibilities as if no such change of name had been made.

4. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall be deemed a public act, and shall take effect immediately.

Approved March 9, 1877.

[Pamphlet Laws, 1877, page 159.]

AN ACT

To provide for the incorporation of associations for the erection and maintenance of hospitals, infirmaries, orphanages, asylums, and other charitable institutions.

1. BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey*, That any three or more persons of full age, a majority of whom shall be citizens of and residents within this State, who shall desire to associate themselves together for the purpose of the care, cure, nurture or maintenance of sick, injured, infirm, aged, indigent, deaf, dumb, blind, idiotic or insane persons, or of orphans, half orphans or destitute children, or for any two or more of such purposes combined, may make, record and file a certificate, in writing, in manner hereinafter mentioned.

2. *And be it enacted*, That such certificate in writing shall set forth—

I. The name or title assumed to designate such association.

II. The place or places in this State where the purposes of such association are to be carried out.

III. The purposes for which the association shall be formed.

IV. The names of the governors or directors who shall manage its affairs for the first year of its existence.

3. *And be it enacted*, That such certificate shall be approved or acknowledged and recorded, as required of deeds of real estate, in a book to be kept for the recording of certificates of incorporation, in the office of the clerk of the county where the principal purposes of such association are to be carried out, and after being so recorded shall be filed in the office of the secretary of state; the said certificate or a copy thereof, duly certified by said clerk or secretary, shall be evidence in all courts and places.

4. *And be it enacted*, That upon making such certificate and causing the same to be recorded and filed as aforesaid, the said persons so associating, their successors and assigns, shall, by virtue of this act, be a body politic and corporate, in fact and in law, by the name stated in such certificate, and by that name they and their successors shall have perpetual succession, and power to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in all courts and places whatsoever, to make and use a common seal, and the same to use at pleasure, and to purchase and take, have, hold, receive and enjoy, any lands, tenements, or hereditaments, in fee simple, or otherwise, and any goods, chattels, or property of any description, real or personal, and whether acquired by gift, grant, devise, bequest or otherwise, and the same to grant, convey, lease, assign, sell, or otherwise dispose of, for the purposes of said association.

5. *And be it enacted*, That the governors or directors of such association shall have power, from time to time, to make, alter, and amend by-laws, not inconsistent with the constitution or laws of the United States or of this State, fixing and altering the number of its governors or directors for the management of its property, and

the regulation and government of its affairs, and providing for the classification of and the mode of increasing or perpetuating the governors or directors of the association, and the mode of filling vacancies in, and removing any member from their number, and prescribing qualifications for membership of the association, and to appoint one or more superintendents or managers, and such other agents and officers, as shall in their judgment tend to promote or advance any purpose of the association, and to prescribe their expected duties.

6. *And be it enacted*, That no governor or director of any association organized under this act, shall receive, directly or indirectly, any salary or emoluments from such association, nor shall any compensation whatever be voted, allowed, or paid by the governors or directors thereof to any governor or director for services, either as governor or director, or in any other capacity.

7. *And be it enacted*, That the property and effects of any association organized under this act, and held for its purposes to an amount not exceeding five thousand dollars, shall not be liable to the imposition of any taxes.

8. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect immediately.

Approved March 9th, 1877.

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 incon-

sistent 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 intrusted 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 Bishops 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 there-

of: *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 trus-

tees 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.

FORM OF OATH TO BE ADMINISTERED WHEN A MINISTER "IS NOT
SATISFIED WITH DECLARATION OF PARTIES DESIRING MARRIAGE
THAT THEY ARE OF LAWFUL AGE."

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, }
..... COUNTY, } ss.:

Before me, A..... B....., a stated and ordained minister of the gospel, duly authorized to solemnize marriages, personally appeared O..... D....., of full age, who being by me duly sworn, according to law, upon his (*or her*) oath, doth depose and say that he (*or she*) is of lawful age, namely, of the age of..... years.*

(Signature of deponent.)

Sworn and subscribed before me }
this....day of....., A.D. 18.. }

.....,

Stated and Ordained Minister of the Gospel.

* 21 years if male, and 18 if female.

FORM OF OATH TO BE ADMINISTERED WHEN CERTIFICATE OF CON-
SENT OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN IS PRODUCED.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, }
..... COUNTY, } ss.:

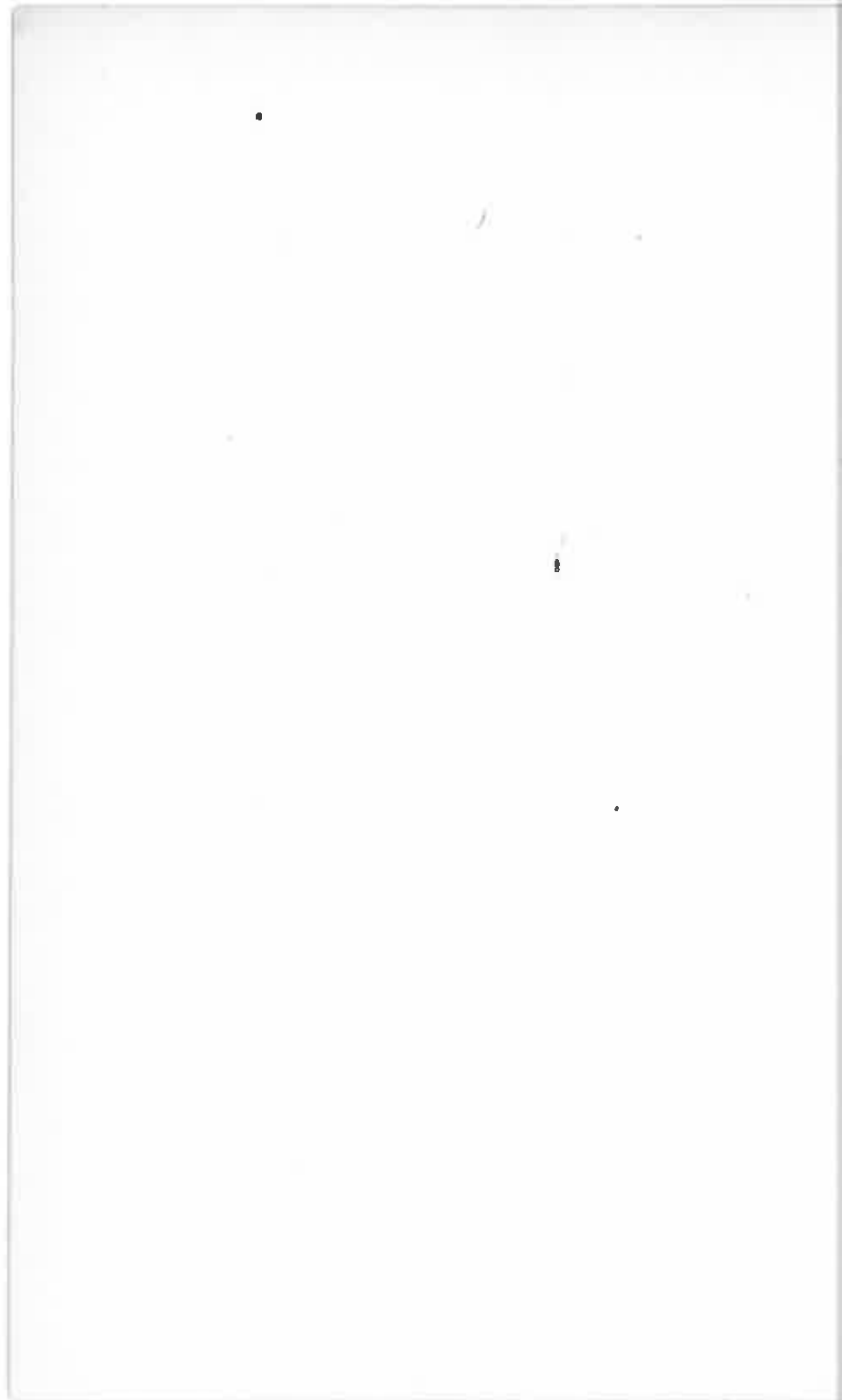
Before me, A..... B....., a stated and ordained minister of the gospel, duly authorized to solemnize marriages, personally appeared O..... D....., of full age and discretion, who, being by me duly sworn according to law, upon his (*or her*) oath, doth depose and say that he (*or she*) was present when the annexed certificate was signed; that he (*or she*) saw (*parent or guardian signing certificate*), to him (*or her*) known to be the person mentioned therein, sign the same; and that thereupon he (*or she*), at his (*or her*) request, signed the same as a subscribing witness thereto.

(Signature of deponent.)

Sworn and subscribed before me }
this....day of....., A.D. 18.. }

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Stated and Ordained Minister of the Gospel.

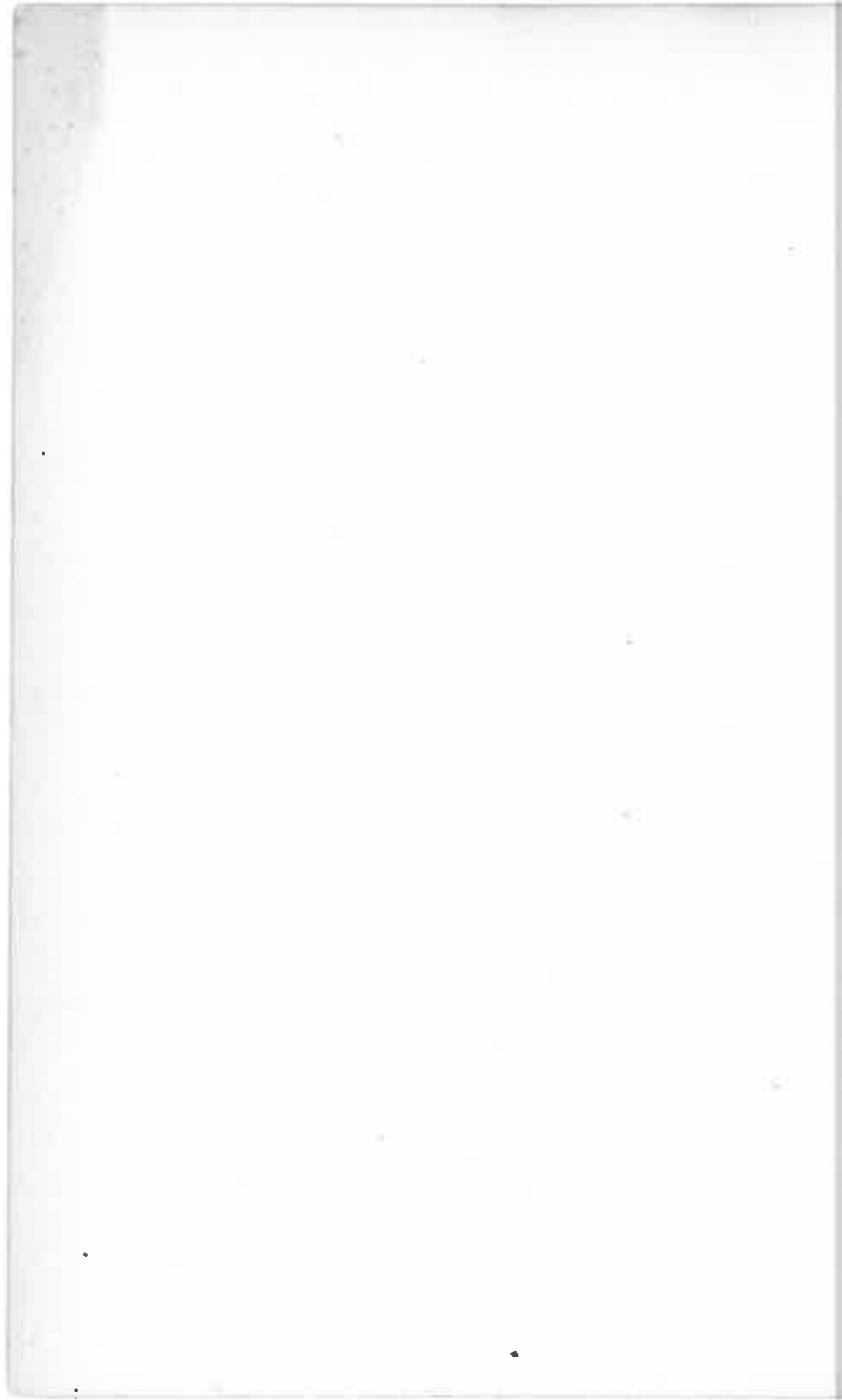


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Communications in regard to work, contributions, etc., may be sent to the directresses at the head of the different departments, from whom advice or information can be obtained.

Memoranda.

1877-'78.

The Treasurer of the Diocese closes his accounts for the Conventional year on the first day of May.

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 DOLD, 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 *eight and a half* 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 *one and a half* per cent. for the expenses of Convention, etc., to be paid on or before the first day of February.

Diocese of Northern New Jersey.

SCHEDULE OF ASSESSMENTS AND RECEIPTS,

FROM NOVEMBER 1, A. D. 1876, TO NOVEMBER 1, A. D. 1877.

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 conditionally by Assessment.	Arrears.	Assessments.	Paid.	Due.	Arrears.	Assessments.	Paid.	Due.		
Calvary.	Bayonne.	\$800	\$800 00		\$287 00	\$56 00		\$343 00	\$62 00	\$16 00		\$78 00		
St. John's.	Bayonne.	800			128 00				52 00	16 00		68 00		
Trinity.	Bayonne.	2000		\$500		35 00	35 00			40 00	40 00		50 00	
Christ.	Belleville.	1200		400		28 00	28 00			24 00	24 00		11 43	7 04
Zion.	Belvidere.									4 00			1 50	
Christ.	Bloomfield.	1000							15 00	20 00		25 00	4 19	
St. John's.	Boonton.	700	700 00		35 00	49 00	84 00		15 00	14 00	28 00		7 00	
St. John's.	Dover.	1000		500	52 50	35 00	17 50	70 00	25 00	20 00		45 00	10 00	
Christ.	East Orange.	1500							30 00	30 00	30 00			
St. Paul's.	East Orange.	1000	1000 00			70 00	70 00		20 00	20 00				
Mediator.	Edgewater.	800							16 00	16 00			13 40	
St. Paul's.	Englewood.	2500							50 00	50 00				
Grace.	Franklin.	500							10 00	10 00			6 00	3 50
Grace.	Greenville.	1000							85 00	20 00		105 00		
Christ.	Hackensack.	1500							30 00	30 00		30 00		12 68
St. Paul's.	Hoboken.	11200	1200 00		355 00	84 00	429 00		84 00	24 00		108 00		
Trinity.	Hoboken.	1200							24 00	24 00	24 00			
Trinity.	Irvington.	1800	800 00		1210 00	56 00	56 00		47 00	16 00		63 00		
Christ.	Jersey City.	800							80 00	16 00		96 00		
Grace.	Jersey City.	2500							37 50	50 00	12 50			
Holy Trinity.	Jersey City.	1200							48 00	24 00	72 00			5 50
St. John's Free.	Jersey City.	2500							50 00	50 00	50 00			
St. Mark's.	Jersey City.	1500							22 50	30 00		52 50		
St. Matthews.	Jersey City.	2500							50 00	50 00				
St. Paul's.	J. C. (Bergen).	1800		300		21 00	21 00		36 00	36 00			10 00	
St. James'.	Knowlton.	250	250 00			17 50	17 50		5 00	5 00			1 50	
Grace.	Madison.	1500		800		56 00		56 00	30 00	30 00			10 00	
St. Stephens'.	Millburn.	1500							22 50	30 00	52 50		58 50	
St. Luke's.	Montclair.	2000							40 00	40 00				
Redeemer.	Morristown.	1000							20 00	20 00				
St. Peter's.	Morristown.	2500							50 00	50 00			60 00	
Christ.	Newark.	1000							51 00	20 00		71 00		
Grace.	Newark.	2500							50 00	50 00	50 00			
St. Barnabas.	Newark.	1500							22 50	30 00	52 50		5 05	
St. John's.	Newark.	500							160 00	10 00		10 00		
St. Paul's.	Newark.	1000							42 00	20 00		62 00		
St. Stephen's.	Newark.	2000							40 00	40 00		40 00	15 34	
The House of Prayer.	Newark.	1500							30 00	30 00			5 20	
Trinity.	Newark.	5000							100 00	100 00				22 10
Christ.	Newton.	1200							24 00	24 00				
Grace.	Orange.	3000							60 00	60 00			79 16	11 85
St. Mark's.	Orange.	2000							40 00	40 00				
St. John's.	Passaic.	1500							15 00	30 00		45 00		3 50
Holy Communion.	Paterson.	1000							20 00	20 00				
St. Paul's.	Paterson.	2000							40 00	40 00				
St. Luke's.	Phillipsburgh.	500	500 00		55 00	35 00	45 00	145 00	10 00	10 00				
Christ.	Pompton.	500	500 00		70 00	35 00		105 00	12 50	10 00		22 50		
St. James'.	Ridgewood.	500	500 00			35 00	35 00		10 00	10 00				
Christ.	Ridgewood.	1200							24 00			24 00		
Grace.	Rutherford Park.	600							12 00	12 00			2 75	
Holy Communion.	South Orange.	2000							40 00	40 00			25 00	19 80
Calvary.	Summit.	1500							30 00	30 00				
Atonement.	Tenafly.				122 50				28 00			28 00		
St. John's.	West Hoboken.								57 00			57 00		
Holy Innocents.	West Orange.						1 00							

*Overpaid.

†Remitted.

‡Placed in Suspense Account.