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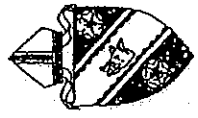
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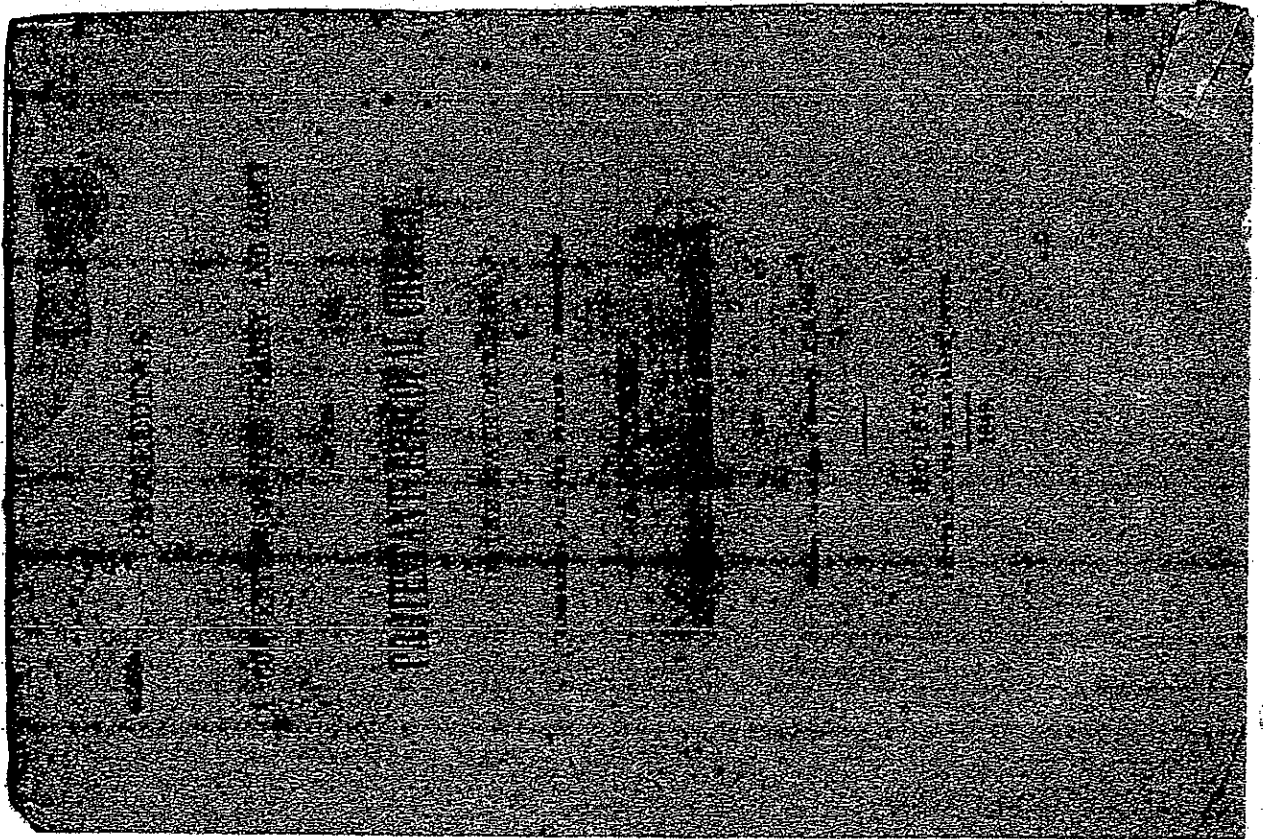
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PROCEEDINGS, &c.

MATAGORDA, JAN. 1, 1849.

At a meeting of the Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Texas, called by the Right Rev. G. W. Freeman, D. D., Missionary Bishop, exercising Episcopal functions in the said State, at their request, and held in Christ Church, in the city of Matagorda, on Monday, the first day of January, 1849, for the purpose of considering the propriety of organizing the Church in said State into a Diocese: there were present of the Clergy, Rev. C. S. Ives, Rev. C. Gillett, Rev. J. F. Young; of the Laity, Matthew Talbot, Esq., James Dennison, Esq., Thomas C. Stewart, Esq., W. L. Sartwell, Esq., and Dr. P. A. Davenport. The Rt. Rev. the Bishop took the Chair, and opened the meeting with prayers; after which, the Rev. C. Gillett was elected Secretary. C. S. Ives,

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a committee, consisting of one Clergyman and one Layman, to ascertain what persons are properly delegated to attend this Convention.

The Chair appointed the Rev. J. F. Young, and Dr. P. A. Davenport, said committee, who, after examination had, presented the following report, which was adopted:

The committee appointed to ascertain who are properly delegated to attend this Convention, report the following gentlemen as having presented certificates of their election from various parishes in this State:—Matthew Talbot, Esq., James Dennison, Esq., Thomas C. Stewart, Esq., and William L. Sartwell, Esq., from Christ Church, Matagorda; Dr. P. A. Davenport, Todd Robinson, Esq., Guy M. Bryan, Esq., and William L. Busb, Esq., from St. John's Church, Brazoria County; and Col. Geo. Fisher, and W. M. Taylor, Esq., from Christ Church, Houston, of whom the following were present; Matthew Talbot, Esq., James Dennison, Esq., Thomas C. Stewart, Esq., William L. Sartwell, Esq., and Dr. P. A. Davenport.

The Chair then declared the meeting duly organized, and ready to consider the question of organizing the State into a Diocese.

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The Chair stated briefly, but briefly, our present position, and the nature of the step proposed; after which, the following preamble and resolution, moved by Rev. C. Gillett, were adopted:

Whereas the Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States, living in Texas, have been for some time past, desirous of uniting themselves into a Diocese, to be represented in the General Convention of said Church; and for other purposes, not attainable without such Ecclesiastical organization: And whereas, the present meeting of the Clergy and Laity of said Church, was called by the Right Rev. Bishop, Presiding, at their request; And, although some of our brethren have been detained, as is believed, by the rumor of an epidemic, or by high waters; yet this meeting having been called by their approbation, it is deemed necessary by the Clergy and Lay Delegates here assembled, that they proceed to organize a Diocese:—Therefore,

Be it resolved by this meeting, That the Clergy and Laity of said Church, living in Texas, are hereby united and formed into a Diocese, to be styled and known as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Texas, and to be in union with the General Convention of said Church, when admitted to a representation therein.

On motion of Rev. C. S. Ives, the Chair then appointed the following committees:

I. To report a Constitution of the Diocese of Texas,

Rev. C. S. Ives.

JAMES DENNISON, Esq.

II. To report such Canons as may be necessary to carry into effect the organization,

Rev. C. Gillett.

Wm. L. SAWYER, Esq.

After retiring and consultation, the committee on the Constitution reported the following (see appendix A.) when, on motion of Rev. J. F. Young, the articles of the Constitution were considered, and adopted *seriatim*; and, on motion of T. C. Stewart, Esq., the Constitution was then adopted as a whole.

The committee on Canons, reported the following, (see appendix B.) which, on motion of Rev. J. F. Young, were considered, and adopted *seriatim*; and, on motion of T. C. Stewart, Esq., they were then adopted collectively as our present Canons.

On motion of Rev. J. F. Young, the Chair appointed Rev. J. F. Young, and Dr. P. A. Davenport, a committee to report a form of articles of association, to be recommended for the organization of new parishes in this Diocese. The committee reported the following, (see appendix C.) which, on motion of James Dennison, Esq., was adopted as a whole.

On motion of Dr. P. A. Davenport, the Convention then adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M. C. GILLETT, Secretary.

JAN. 1, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Right Rev. the Bishop, in the Chair.

Minutes of the morning session read and adopted.

On motion of Rev. C. S. Ives,

Resolved, That the present standing committee consist of three.

On motion of Rev. C. S. Ives,

Resolved, That we now proceed to elect the standing committee.

The balloting then took place, which resulted in the election of Rev. C. S. Ives, Rev. C. Gillett, and Rev. J. F. Young.*

On motion of Rev. C. Gillett, the Convention then proceeded to the election of Delegates to the General Convention, which resulted as follows:

Clergymen.

Rev. Messrs. Ives,

Evans,

Gillett,

Young.

Laymen.

Messrs. P. A. DAVENPORT,

E. S. PERKINS,

R. D. JOHNSON,

W. L. SAWYER.

On motion of Rev. C. Gillett, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we place the Diocese of Texas "under the full Episcopal charge, and authority" of the "Right Rev. G. W. Freeman, D. D., Missionary Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, appointed to exercise Episcopal functions in the States of Arkansas and Texas, and in the Indian Territory South of 36 1-2 deg. parallel of latitude."

* The Standing Committee met immediately after the adjournment for the Convention, and organized by the election of Rev. C. S. Ives, Chairman, and the Rev. J. F. Young, Secretary.

Resolved, That, inasmuch as the exigencies of the Church in Texas require organization, and it is still too feeble to support a Bishop, that the Board of Missions be, and hereby are, respectfully requested to continue to us the aid hitherto extended.

On motion of Dr. P. A. Davenport,
Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to transmit the foregoing resolutions to the Board of Missions.

On motion of Rev. J. F. Young,
Resolved, That the Secretary of the Convention be authorized and instructed to have printed 500 copies of the minutes of this Convention, and that he forward 12 copies of the same to each Clergyman of this Diocese.

On motion of Rev. C. S. Ives,
Resolved, That the Deputies to the General Convention be authorized and requested, to apply for the admission of this Diocese to representation in that body.

Wm. M. Taylor, Esq., Delegate from Christ Church, Houston, appeared at this point in the proceedings, presented his certificate of election, and took his seat as a member of the Convention.

On motion of Rev. C. S. Ives,
Resolved, That the next meeting of the Convention be held at the city of Houston, on the second Thursday of Dec., 1849; but the Bishop, if he see good reason, may change the time of meeting.

On motion of J. F. Young,
Resolved, That, as the Lay Delegation from Houston has been prevented from reaching here until a late period in our session, that the minutes of all our proceedings, together with the Constitution and Canons, be read, before adjournment; that opportunity may be had, for re-consideration, should not all our proceedings meet the views of that delegation.

Whereupon the Secretary proceeded to read as directed.
On motion of Rev. J. F. Young, the minutes of the entire Convention were approved.

On motion of Rev. C. S. Ives,
Resolved, That after prayers, by the Bishop, this Convention adjourn *sine die*; whereupon, the Bishop having concluded the proceedings by prayer and benediction, the Convention adjourned.

CHARLES GILLET, Secretary.

APPENDIX.

[A]

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE FIRST.

The Church in the State of Texas accedes to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and acknowledges its authority.

ARTICLE SECOND.

There shall be a convention of the Church in this State every year, at such time and place as may be fixed upon by the preceding Convention. The Bishop shall be "*ex officio*" President of the Convention; but in case of his absence, or a vacancy in the Episcopate, a President "*pro tempore*" shall be elected from among the clerical members present. A Secretary and Treasurer shall be chosen at the Annual Convention, who shall continue in office until the next Convention, or until others are elected to succeed them. Special meetings of the Convention may be called by the Bishop, when in his judgment the good of the Church may require it, or when the standing committee shall request it, and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the standing committee, for urgent reasons, may call a special Convention.

ARTICLE THIRD.

The Convention shall be composed of both Clergymen and Laymen. Every Clergyman of the Church, in regular standing who shall have been canonically resident, officiating within some Parish in this State, for the space of six calendar months, next preceding the assembling of the Convention, or a President

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*Ordered, That the Committee on the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society consist of—*Rev. Thomas Atkinson, D.D., Rev. John V. Van Ingen, D.D., Rev. John L. Watson, Rev. W. Bacon Stevens, D.D., Rev. Daniel L. B. Godwin, Messrs. Edward A. Newton, Robert H. Gardiner, J. N. Conyngham, N. G. Pendleton.

*Ordered, That the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses consist of—*Rev. Samuel Seabury, D.D., Rev. Levi Bull, D.D., Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., Rev. John A. Hicks, D.D., Rev. Chas. Burroughs, D.D., Messrs. Jonathan Burnet, Herman Cope, William F. Bullock, Samuel Oldham.

*Ordered, That the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, consist of—*Rev. Richard S. Mason, D.D., Rev. M. A. De W. Howe, D.D., Rev. George M. Randall, Rev. Almon D. Corbyn, Rev. Paul Trapier, Messrs. P. E. Demill, Philip Williams, David Creel, George Parrott.

*Ordered, That the Committee on Canons consist of—*Rev. Samuel F. Jarvis, D.D., T.L.D., Rev. William Cooper Mead, D.D., Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, D.D., Rev. Edward Y. Higbee, D.D., Rev. Samuel Seabury, D.D., Messrs. Hugh Davy Evans, Edward A. Newton, Ezekiel F. Chambers, Samuel Jones.

*Ordered, That the Committee on Expenses consist of—*Rev. P. A. Proal, D.D., Rev. Alfred Stubbs, Rev. John Wiley, Rev. Joseph R. Walker, Messrs. Robt. B. Aertsen, Herman Cope, M. G. Mitchell, C. C. Trowbridge, G. B. Duncan.

*Ordered, That the Committee on Unfinished Business consist of—*Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., Rev. William Armstrong, Rev. William Sparrow, D.D., Rev. Edward Ingersoll, Rev. A. A. Watson, Messrs. Benj. Fringie, J. J. Chetwood, W. T. Lee, A. E. Churchill.

*Ordered, That the Committee on Elections consist of—*Rev. John V. Van Ingen, D.D., Rev. W. Bacon Stevens, D.D., Rev. N. O. Preston, Rev. Thomas F. Scott, Rev. Charles Tomes, Messrs. John Ferguson, G. T. Hodges, George S. Yerger, James Morrison.

*Ordered, That the Committee on the Prayer Book, consist of—*Rev. H. M. Mason, D.D., Rev. Henry Gregory, D.D., Rev. John L. Watson, Rev. Joel Clap, D.D., Rev. Joseph Muenscher, D.D., Rev. Francis J. Clere, Rev. S. C. Millet, Messrs. Edward A. Newton, Ezekiel F. Chambers.

An invitation was received from the Young Men's Mercantile Library Association of Cincinnati, tendering to the members of this House the use of their Library, and Reading-rooms, during its sessions in this city.

Also an invitation, from the Officer in charge, to visit the Observatory at such time as the House may select, and signify to the said Officer.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the House accept the courtesies extended to them in these communications, and instruct their Secretary to return the thanks of this House for the same.

Documents from the Diocese of Texas asking that it be admitted into union with this Convention were presented. On motion, ordered, that the said documents be referred to the Committee on New Dioceses. [See pp. 18, 23.]

On motion, *Ordered*, That the afternoon session of this day be dispensed with.

On motion, the House adjourned.

Resolved, That all matters intended to be introduced for the consideration of this House, and requiring to be referred to any of its Committees, except such as may be transmitted to it by the House of Bishops, must be presented on or before Wednesday, the 9th inst., after which, no measure subsequently introduced shall be acted upon, until all previously introduced shall have been considered and disposed of. [See p. 23.]

On motion, *Ordered*, That this Resolution be referred to the Committee on Rules.

The Committee on New Dioceses, presented the following report:—

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the application of the Clerical and Lay Deputies from the Diocese of Texas, to be admitted into union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, [see p. 11] beg leave to report:

That they have examined an attested copy of the "Proceedings of a Convention of the Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Texas, assembled for the purpose of organizing a Diocese, in Christ Church, Matagorda, on Monday, the first day of January, A. D. 1849;" that at the said meeting it was resolved, "That the Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church living in Texas, are hereby united, and formed into a Diocese to be styled and known as the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Texas, and to be in union with the General Convention of said Church, when admitted to a representation therein; and that a Constitution was also adopted at the same Convention, the first Article of which declares that the Church in the State of Texas accedes to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and acknowledges its authority."

As these proceedings are in accordance with the provisions of the fifth Article of the Constitution of the Church in these United States, the Committee recommend the adoption of the following Resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, [see p. 23] that the Diocese of Texas be admitted into union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

SAMUEL SEABURY, *Chairman*.
J. T. BROCKE.
LEVI BULL.
CHARLES BURROUGHS.
HERMAN COPE.
W. F. BULLOCK.
JOHN A. HYCKS.

The President put the question on adopting the Resolution contained in the foregoing Report, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The following Resolution was presented and referred to the Committee on Canons:—

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing, by canon or

The motion to refer was decided in the negative.
 The Committee on Canons presented the following Report.
 [See pp. 19, 27, 37, 53, 88.]

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the proposition to provide what should be the character of evidence to be required in Ecclesiastical trials, beg leave to report, that they deem it inexpedient to legislate on the subject, and they therefore beg to be discharged from the further consideration thereof.

S. FARMAR JARVIS, *Chairman*.

On motion, *Ordered*, That the Report be laid on the table for the present, with a view to bring in a proposed Canon, on the subject, of which a member gave notice.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:—

The House of Bishops informs the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, that it has concurred with it, in admitting the Diocese of Texas, into union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. [See pp. 11, 18.]

The Committee on Elections reported that the certificates of the Deputies from the Diocese of Texas are in regular form, and that they are accordingly entitled to their seats.

Whereupon the Rev. Benjamin Eaton and the Rev. Charles Gillette appeared, and took their seats as Clerical Deputies from the Diocese of Texas.

The following proposed Canon was presented, and on motion referred to the Committee on Canons. [See pp. 41, 57, 60, 70, 90, 92, 93.]

Of Assistant Bishops.

SECTION 1. When a Bishop of a Diocese, by reason of old age or other permanent cause of infirmity, or because of a judicial sentence of suspension, either definite or indefinite, having been heretofore pronounced against him, or which may be hereafter pronounced against him, is unable to discharge his Episcopal duties, one Assistant Bishop may be elected by and for said Diocese, who shall in all cases succeed the Bishop in case of surviving him, or in case of the resignation of the Bishop. Provided, that when said Assistant Bishop is elected, because of old age or other permanent infirmity of the incumbent, he shall perform such Episcopal duties, and exercise such Episcopal authority in the Diocese as the Bishop shall assign him; but where the Convention of the Diocese declares the Bishop's inability to discharge such duties, or where such Assistant Bishop is elected by reason of a sentence of suspension having been pronounced against the Bishop, then and in either of said cases, the said Assistant Bishop shall, during such inability, or during such suspension, perform all the duties, and exercise all the authority which appertains to the authority and office of a Bishop. Provided further, that no person shall be elected or consecrated a suffragan Bishop.

SECTION 2. The sixth Canon of 1832 is hereby declared to be repealed.

Canons.—Bishops McDivaine, Gadsden, and Elliott.

General Theological Seminary.—Bishops Polk, Eastburn, and Burgess.

Domestic and Foreign Missions.—Bishops Doane, Johns, and Henshaw.

Unfinished Business.—Bishops Smith and Lee.

Prayer Book.—Bishops Hopkins and Whittingham.

Pastoral Letter.—Bishops Chase, (of Illinois,) Brownell, and Meade.

On motion of Bishop McCoskry, seconded by Bishop Gadsden,

Resolved, That two members be added to the Committee on Canons, and that the Presiding Bishop be requested to appoint them.

On motion of Bishop Upfold, seconded by Bishop Brownell,

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so altering Canon XXXVIII. of 1832, as to leave it discretionary with the Bishop to displace a Minister who may signify his intention not to officiate any longer as a Minister of this Church, and to report such alterations, and also such other alterations and amendments to said Canon, as may appear to be required.

The Presiding Bishop announced, that in pursuance of the Resolution passed this morning, he had added Bishops Hopkins and Potter to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of Bishop Gadsden, seconded by Bishop Whittingham,

Resolved, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, That the alteration of Article I. of the Constitution, to wit, the substitution of the word "September," for the word "October," proposed in the last General Convention, be, and hereby is agreed to and ratified.

On motion, the House then resolved itself into a Council as Bishops.

The Bishops as a Council having risen, the House resumed its ordinary business.

→ The following Message was received:

"The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has passed the following Resolution, connected with the accompanying documents: '*Resolved,* the

House of Bishops concurring, That the Diocese of Texas be admitted into union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

On motion of Bishop Freeman, seconded by Bishop Henshaw,

Resolved, That the above Message, together with the documents, be referred to the Standing Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses.

The House then took a recess.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Bishop Brownell, in behalf of the Standing Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, offered the following Report:

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the Resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, viz: that "the House of Bishops concurring, the Diocese of Texas be admitted into union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America"—have examined the Canons and Constitution of the same—and recommend that the House of Bishops concur in said Resolution, and that the Diocese of Texas be admitted into union with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

T. C. BROWNELL.

JACKSON KEMPER.

SAM'L. A. MCCOSKEY.

Oct. 2d, 1850.

On motion of Bishop Henshaw, seconded by Bishop De Lancey.

Resolved, That the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies be informed by Message of the above concurrence.

The following Message was received:

"The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies informs the House of Bishops, that it has not concurred in the alteration of Article I. of the Constitution, to wit: the substitution of the word 'September' for the word 'October,' proposed at the last General Convention."

On motion of Bishop DeLancey, the House resolved itself into a Council as Bishops.

The Council having risen, the House then adjourned.

TEXAS.

The Church in this State was organized into a Diocese on the first day of January, 1849. The first Annual Convention met at Christ Church, Houston, on the 9th of May, A. D. 1850; from the Journal of which we learn that there are eight Clergymen, besides the Provisional Bishop, connected with this field, and that ten organized parishes have been admitted into union with the Convention of the Diocese. In seven of these parishes, since the Primary Convention, there have been 192 infants and 19 adults baptized; 80 persons confirmed; 14 marriages celebrated; and 31 funerals attended. In six parishes, the whole number of communicants is 262; and in three, the number of Sunday School Teachers amounts to 33, and of Scholars to 210.

One Candidate for Orders has been admitted to the Diaconate, and one Deacon has been ordained Priest.

There are some important places within our vast territory where our Church may be established, had we Clergymen qualified for the work. The persevering and consistent Minister of Christ can soon gather around him a congregation of respectful worshippers, if not of devoted Churchmen; and our prayer is that the Great Head of the Church will direct the attention of some of our brethren, who may be suited, to labor amongst a community remarkable for general intelligence, towards those places in our State where their work, under God, would be ultimately crowned with success.

In complying, now, with the former of these requisitions, I beg to refer, for the details of my "proceedings," to my three Annual Reports, made in obedience to the latter, to the Board of Missions, and published in the Spirit of Missions for July and August, in the years 1848, 1849 and 1850, which are herewith submitted.

From these Reports it will be seen that, since my last Triennial report, I have performed *three* several Visitations through the States and Territory assigned as the field of my labors; so far, at least, as the great extent of the field allowed and the immediate needs of the Church required. Besides the settled parishes, and the stations occupied by Missionaries, which have all been regularly visited, I have extended my labors to other parts, and done what I could to prepare the way for the future labors of Missionaries in new stations, as well as to feed the flock scattered abroad. Since the date of my last Report to the Board, which was forwarded from Galveston, I have visited Little Rock, and the stations on the western frontier in Arkansas, viz: Fort Smith, and Van Buren, and Fayetteville and Cape Hill. At Little Rock, I preached, administered the Holy Communion, and confirmed *two* persons. At Fort Smith I confirmed *three* persons, preached *three* times and administered the Communion. At Van Buren I confirmed *one* person, preached *three* times, and baptized one child. At Cape Hill I preached *once*. And at Fayetteville, I confirmed *five* persons and administered the Communion. Thus was completed the last of the three Visitations referred to.

In these Visitations I have confirmed in all, two hundred and twenty persons; baptized twenty adults and fifty-nine children; administered the Holy Communion thirty-three times; preached in thirty-five different places within my own jurisdiction, two hundred and seventy-five sermons; ordained three deacons and two priests; and travelled more than twenty-eight thousand miles.

Of the "state and condition" of the Church in the Missionary field entrusted to my charge, I regret that it is not in my power to give a more favorable account. But, considering the peculiar difficulties of the field arising from the want of a competent number of Missionaries, the vastness of the territory and the sparseness of the population, it may be regarded as, on the whole, encouragingly prosperous. The word of life is every where kindly received, and many are the evidences that it has not been always received in vain. Under the ministrations of our faithful Missionaries and other Clergy the Gospel of salvation has, by the blessing of Almighty God, found its way to the hearts of numbers who once were noted as standing in the way of sinners, or sitting in the seat of the scornful. And little as has been accomplished of the Lord's work, enough has been effected to repay a thousand fold the small pittance which has been expended by the Church for the support of the Mission.

In Texas, at the close of my last Visitation, there were *two* Clergymen settled in Parishes self-supporting, *four* employed as Missionaries, *one* just admitted to Deacon's Orders, officiating temporarily for an absent Clergyman, and *one* engaged as U. S. Chaplain, at a Military Post; making, in all, Eight Clergymen in the field. Since then, two of the Missionary Stations, Matagorda, and Brazoria, have become vacant by resignation; so that the actual number of laborers in that vast and interesting field is now reduced to six. The number of communicants reported from six parishes at the late Convention is two hundred and sixty-two. The whole number in the Diocese may be safely estimated at something over three hundred.

Besides the two Missionary Stations, reported above as vacant, there are several important points at which there is an urgent call for Clergymen of the Church, and where earnest, self-denying, and efficient men would, it is believed, find much to encourage their labors, and realize at once something like an adequate support. Such are Marshall in Harrison county, and Clarksville in Red River county, containing each a population of about fifteen

hundred souls; Huntsville in Walker county (a beautiful and growing town) in connection with Fireman's Hill on Trinity River, in Polk county; Austin, the seat of Government; La Grange in connection with Columbus and Bastrop on the Colorado; Victoria on the Guadalupe with Port Lavacca; and Brownsville on the Rio Grande. The prospects of the Church in Texas are, indeed, at this moment every where brightening, so far as the manifestation of a deep and increasing interest in, and an earnest desire for her ministrations may be regarded as an indication, and nothing is wanting to her very great advancement and success, but an adequate accession to the present band of faithful clergy. The prospect is bright and encouraging now. But let a few, a very few more years pass before this pleasant and beautiful land is taken possession of by the Church, and our way will be hedged up, the favorable season will have passed, and our most strenuous efforts to advance the Banner of the Church may be unavailing.

In *Arkansas*, I am sorry to say, there is less to encourage hope. There has been no increase in the number of Missionaries during the last five years, although there are several places where they are much needed, and have been long and loudly called for, and where they might count, with the aid of a small stipend from the Missionary treasury, on obtaining a comfortable subsistence. But all efforts to procure them have been hitherto ineffectual. The most prominent of the unoccupied stations at present, are El Dorado in Union county in connection with Camden in Ouachita county, embracing from fifteen to twenty communicants; Batesville on White River, a beautiful Town of some seven hundred and fifty inhabitants, where we have some five or six communicants, and eight or ten families attached to the Church; and Helena on the Mississippi with the adjacent county, where there are at least six communicants. Besides these, Missionaries might be most usefully employed at Columbia and other parts of Chicot county; Louisville in La Fayette county, united with Spring Hill in Hempstead county; and Clarkesville in Johnson county, in connection with the surrounding country. The number of communicants embraced in the Missionary stations is about one hundred. The whole number in the State is not far from one hundred and fifty. Notwithstanding the discouragements arising from the want of laborers in this part of the field, which have so long been felt and lamented, there is a gradual advancement of the cause of Christ and his Church; and it is confidently believed that the disbursements from the Missionary Treasury for the support of the Mission have not been made without an adequate return. Great good has been done. The truth of God has been widely spread. The scattered sheep of the flock have been folded. The ungodly and sinners have been awakened and brought to repentance; and the number of the faithful has been multiplied. The return for our money and our labor may seem small, but who shall say that it has not been fully commensurate with the means employed?

In the Indian Territory, we have one Clergyman, a Chaplain at a Military Post, but no Mission, nor is there any immediate prospect of our being able to establish one. The hope arising from the proposition made to the Church to undertake the establishment of a school among the Chickasaws has, for the present, passed away.

The terms of contract proposed by the Indian Department of our Government, acting in behalf of the Indians, were thought, both by the Domestic Committee and myself, to be such as we ought not, and cannot, as a Church, consistently accept. Besides objections arising from the control reserved to be exercised, by the Trustees and the Department, over our operations, which might, and, probably would have interfered materially, with what I suppose to be our main design in engaging in such an enterprise, viz: that of propagating our Holy Religion, as understood and taught by the Church, among the Indian Tribes; and the very great annual expense which the acceptance of the terms prescribed must have imposed on the Church—the last of the articles, by which the Department reserved to itself the power to

Rev. Stephen McHugh, Rector of Christ Church, Delaware, Walworth county.
 Rev. William Markoe, Rector of St. Sylvanus' Church, Delafield.
 Rev. Stephen C. Millett, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Beloit.
 Rev. Thomas J. Ruger, Rector of Trinity Church, Janesville.
 Rev. Martin F. Sorensen, Rector of the Scandinavian parish, Pine Lake, and
 of St. Olof's Church, Asheppen. P. O. Delafield.
 Rev. Joshua Sweet, officiating at Fond du Lac.
 Rev. Ebenezer Williams, officiating in Grant county. P. O. Mount Fort.
 Rev. William H. Woodward, officiating at Madison.

JACKSON KEMPER, *Bishop.*

IOWA.

Rev. John Batchelder, Missionary at Burlington.
 Rev. Zachariah H. Goldsmith, residing at Davenport.
 Rev. Otis Haoket, Deacon, Missionary at Keokuk.
 Rev. James Keeler, Missionary at Cedar Rapids, Linn county.
 Rev. Alfred Louderback, Missionary at Davenport.
 Rev. Solon W. Manhey.

JACKSON KEMPER, *Bishop.*

MINNESOTA.

Rev. James Lloyd Breck, officiating at St. Paul's, Stillwater, Cottage Grove;
 Point Douglas, Marine Mills, St. Anthony's, &c. P. O. St. Paul's.
 Rev. E. G. Gear, Chaplain to the garrison at Fort Snelling, St. Peter's.
 Rev. John A. Merrick, Deacon, associated with the Rev. J. L. Breck. P. O.
 St. Paul's.
 Rev. Timothy Wilcoxson, associated with the Rev. J. L. Breck. P. O. St.
 Paul's.

JACKSON KEMPER, *Bishop.*

ROUTE TO OREGON.

Rev. William Vaux, Chaplain at Fort Laramie.

JACKSON KEMPER, *Bishop.*

DIOCESE OF TEXAS.

Right Rev. GEORGE WASHINGTON FREEMAN, D.D., Provisional Bishop. P. O.
 Little Rock, Arkansas.
 Rev. Benjamin Eaton, Rector of Trinity Church, Galveston.
 Rev. Charles Gillett, Rector of Christ Church, Houston.
 Rev. Henry Niles Pierce, Missionary at Washington, Independence, and
 Brenham.
 Rev. Lindsey P. Rucker, Deacon, Missionary at
 Rev. Henry Sansom, Missionary at San Augustine and Vacogdoches.
 Rev. John F. Fish, (of the Diocese of New York,) Chaplain in the United
 States Army, officiating at San Antonio.

SOUTH-WESTERN MISSION.

Rt. Rev. GEORGE WASHINGTON FREEMAN, D.D., Bishop for Arkansas and the
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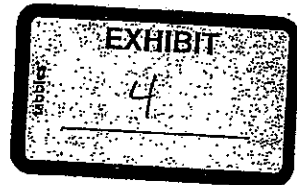


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Dr. Haynie withdrew the name of Mr. Raymond, and nominated Dr. L. S. Kayfield. Several other names, clerical and lay, were put in nomination.

Rev. Mr. Waddill and Mr. Anderson were re-appointed tellers, and on the 1st ballot Dr. Kayfield was elected the fourth Lay Deputy. There being still no election of the Clerical Deputy, the balloting was continued. On the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th ballots, there was no election. The name of the Rev. Mr. Benner was then withdrawn, and on the 6th ballot the Rev. Mr. Davenport was elected the fourth Clerical Deputy.

On motion, the Council proceeded to the election of Alternates. The Rev. Messrs. Rucker, Starr, Patrick and Wagner and Messrs. Dashiell, Raymond, Baker and Maxey were put in nomination. On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and the above-named were elected by acclamation.

The following additional elections were then held:

For Trustees of the General Theological Seminary: On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and the Rev. Mr. Rucker and Peter W. Gray were re-elected.

The election of Trustees of the University of the South was, by consent, postponed for the present.

Trustees of St. Paul's College: The former Board was re-elected, with the Rev. Mr. Birl, in place of the Rev. Mr. Traylor, absent from the Diocese; and Mr. James Arbnuckle, in place of Mr. H. E. Perkins, deceased.

The Historical Committee: On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and the former Committee re-elected.

The Committee on General Education: On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and the former Committee re-elected.

The Rev. Mr. Rogers then presented the following:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON REDUCTION OF DIOCESE.

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to increased Episcopal supervision for, and a reduction of the territory of the Diocese of Texas, report that, after

a careful examination thereof, they fully coincide with his opinions therein expressed. We believe that the interests of the Church do imperatively demand such legislation as shall give to the Church far more Episcopal supervision than it is possible for any one Bishop to render. Our territory is about 260,000 square miles, with 106 counties. Our railroads accommodate but three scattered threads of counties. Our population is some eleven or twelve hundred thousand souls and to us it is clear that our obligations as a Church are utterly beyond our ability as a Diocese. The services of our Church should be carried to hundreds, perhaps thousands of villages, hamlets and neighborhoods within our borders where now they are never heard.

Our records show that to divide our Diocese into two or more is customarily impossible. To avail ourselves of the services of an Assistant Bishop and support him, is equally impossible, and if that could be done, it is not desirable.

To meet these urgent wants, our Bishop recommends that the next General Convention be petitioned by this Diocese to set off all that portion of this Texan territory that lies westerly and northerly of the following described lines, miles and bounds, to-wit: Beginning on Matagorda bay, at the southwesterly corner of Matagorda county; thence northwesterly on the westerly line of the counties of Matagorda, Wharton, Colorado, Fayette, Bastrop and Travis to its point of contact with the Colorado river; thence up the middle of said river to the northwesterly corner of Lampasas county; and thence northerly to the eastern boundary of the State, running along the northerly lines of Lampasas, Coryell, McLennan, Limestone, Frustone, Anderson, Smith, Gross, Rusk, Harrison and Marion counties; and thence following the easterly boundary line of the State of Texas southerly to the Gulf of Mexico; along said Gulf westerly to the place of beginning on the southwesterly corner of Matagorda county, and that the territory lying outside the aforesaid line, be taken under the care of the General Church; and that the House of Bishops be further petitioned to erect the same into missionary jurisdictions and to elect missionary Bishops therefor.

Your Committee therefore recommend the passage of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Bishop of the Diocese be requested, and our deputation to the next General Convention be instructed to petition that body in the premises. Seeing forth that the territory of this Diocese is too large for the due Episcopal supervision of the Bishop of this diocese; and praying that said Convention will set off all

that portion of the territory of this Diocese outside the lines above described, the notes and headings as above set out.

Resolved, That the Bishop and said deputation are hereby empowered in behalf and in the name of this Diocese to do any and everything necessary to carry out the foregoing purposes.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

B. A. ROGERS,
S. M. BIRD,
S. D. DAVENPORT,
W. R. RICHARDSON,
J. Y. DASHIELL,
GEO. W. JACKSON,
E. JOUVENAT.

After a full and free debate, participated in by both Clergy and Laity, and during part of which the Bishop, by request, left the chair, calling the Rev. Mr. Racker to preside, the report was received and adopted.

On motion, the Council adjourned to 9 A. M., Saturday.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, May 29.

Early Celebration 6½ A. M. Morning Prayer 9 A. M. Divine Services being concluded, the Council was called to order by the Bishop, in the chair. Roll called; quorum present; minutes read, amended and approved.

The Rev. Mr. Waddill presented the following:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Your Committee beg leave to report that they have examined the Journal of the last Council, and find nothing to be brought before this Council.

J. COOPER WADDILL, for Committee.

On motion, the Report was received.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Bird,

Resolved, That that part of the Bishop's Address so admirably referring to the disturbing influences of medicinal licence and schismatical enterprise, now operating within

the borders of our Holy Communion, be referred to a Special Committee of three, to be composed of two Clergymen and one Layman, to be appointed by the Chair.

The Rev. Messrs. Bird and Benners, and Mr. Jackson, were appointed such Committee.

The Treasurer then presented his Report, which, on motion, was received, and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Rev. Mr. Rogers then presented the following:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON NICENE CREED.

The Special Committee, to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to a revision of the translation of the Nicene Creed, beg leave to recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Council recommend to the next General Convention a careful consideration of this very important subject, hereby declaring our hope that the time is near at hand when the Church shall have a complete, authentic and authoritative translation of that symbol in exact accord with the original text.

B. A. ROGERS,
J. COOPER WADDILL,
EDWIN A. WAGNER.

On motion, the Report was received and adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Rogers also presented the following:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

Your Committee to whom was referred Canon IV. "Of Parochial Reports," for revision, beg leave to recommend that said Canon be amended, by striking out, in the second line, the words "in the following form, viz," and inserting instead the words "in substance as follows, as nearly as practicable." In the fourth line, strike out the word "Council," and insert the words "Standing Committee." Insert after the term "(confirmations); these terms, to-wit: "Marriages,..... Banns,—Punishers,..... others,..... total,..... [These items were in the Canon as adopted in 1872, but omitted by mistake from the Canon as printed in 1878.—Sec.] The rest of the Canon to remain as before.

Respectfully submitted,

B. A. ROGERS,
GEO. E. MANN.

On motion, the Report was received and adopted.

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BISHOPS WHO HAVE RESIGNED THEIR SEES.

Horatio Southgate, D.D., late Missionary Bishop at Constantinople. *Morrisania, N. Y.*
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BISHOPS ELECTED DURING THE SESSION,
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→ Robert Woodward Barnwell Elliott, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Western Texas.
 John Henry Ducachet Wingfield, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Northern California. *Sacramento, Cal.*
 → Alexander Charles Garrett, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Northern Texas. *Dallas, Tex.*
 William F. Adams, D.D., Missionary Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona.

BISHOP OF THE CHURCH IN HAITI,

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Elected since the Session of the General Convention.

Thomas Underwood Dudley, Jr., D.D., Assistant Bishop of Kentucky.
 John Scarborough, D.D., Bishop of New Jersey.
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 Thomas A. Jaggat, D.D., Bishop-elect of Southern Ohio.

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any resolution or measure reported for adoption by any committee of the House. In debating such motion, the members shall not speak more than ten minutes each unless leave be granted by the House.

Which was lost.

The twelfth rule as reported being under consideration, Mr. Sheffey, of Virginia, moved to transpose the last sentence, which is in these words: "But the member who offers such resolution or motion may speak five minutes, for the purpose of explaining its object," so as to insert it after the word "Committee" in the third line of the text, so that the rule would read:

12. There shall be no debate upon a resolution which proposes to refer any matter to a committee, or upon a motion to recommit any subject which has been before a committee. But the member who offers such resolution or motion may speak five minutes, for the purpose of explaining its object. And if objection be made to the consideration of a resolution designed for the action of the House, without a reference to a committee, it shall lie over and come up the next day as unfinished business.

The Chair announced the members on the part of the House of the Joint Committee on the resolution expressing the gratification of the Convention at the presence of the Lord Bishop of Lichfield, as follows:

The Rev. Drs. Breck, of Central Pennsylvania, and Vinton, of Massachusetts; Messrs. Waite, of Ohio, and Race, of Louisiana.

On motion of Mr. Walsh, of Pennsylvania, the House took a recess of half an hour.

The President having resumed the chair, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Rogers, of Texas, the consideration of the Order of the Day was suspended, whereupon, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Rogers, the Memorial of the Diocese of California and one of a similar nature from the Diocese of Texas, respecting the creation of missionary jurisdictions within the limits of dioceses, were referred to the Committee on Canons, with instructions to print the same.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, of Connecticut, it was

Resolved, That a Committee of three on the part of this House be appointed by the Chair to confer with the Metropolitan of Canada, the Prolocutor of the Provincial Synod, and the other Canadian Clergy present, concerning the memorial of the Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, to be presented by them to the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

The Chair appointed as the members of the Committee, the Rev. Dr. Rudder, of Pennsylvania, and Messrs. Fish and Ruggles, of New York.

The Rev. Dr. Farrington, of New Jersey, presented certain documents relating to the proposed division of the Diocese of

[No. 3.] The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred certain Memorials from the Dioceses of California and Texas, respectfully report that, before discharging fully the duty devolved upon them, it will be necessary to have acted upon a preliminary question, referred to in the following resolution, which they respectfully submit for the consideration of the House:

Resolved, That the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution be requested to inquire and report whether the suggested amendment of the Constitution found on page 201 of the Journal of this House, and in Message No. 67, page 360 of the Journal of the House of Bishops, has been proposed to the Dioceses, according to the Constitution; and whether, if so proposed, due notice of such amendment has been given to the Diocesan Conventions in pursuance of Article 9 of the Constitution, and of § III. of Canon 1, Title III. of the Digest.

By order of the Committee,
(Signed) WM. COOPER MEAD, *Chairman*.

October 10, 1874.

The Rev. Mr. Hall, of Wisconsin, presented a Memorial from the Diocesan Council of Wisconsin, praying for the division of that Diocese, which Memorial, together with the papers accompanying the same, were, on motion, referred to the Committee on New Dioceses.

The following messages were received from the House of Bishops:

CITY OF NEW YORK, 4th day of the Session,
October 10, 1874.

MESSAGE No. 5.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs in Message No. 2, from the House of Deputies (relating to a Committee to wait upon the Lord Bishop of Lichfield), and that it has appointed as the Committee on the part of this House, the Bishops of Michigan and Maryland.

Attest: HENRY C. FOTTER, *Secretary*.

CITY OF NEW YORK, 4th day of the Session,
October 10, 1874.

MESSAGE No. 6.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention hereby consents to and ratifies the formation of a new Diocese within the limits of the Diocese of New Jersey, to be composed of the seven northern counties of the State, viz.: the counties of Sussex, Warren, Morris, Passaic, Bergen, Hudson, and Essex, together with the township of Summit, in Union county.

Attest: HENRY C. FOTTER, *Secretary*.

On motion of Mr. Otis, of Illinois, it was

Resolved, That this House concurs in the resolution communicated in Message No. 6, from the House of Bishops.

The Rev. Dr. Burgess, on behalf of the Deputation from Massachusetts, presented the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, by the Convention of the Diocese of Massachusetts, That the Deputies to the General Convention be instructed to request the General Convention to consider whether any modification of Canon 4, Title II. of the General Canons, is necessary or desirable.

finally agreed to and ratified, as provided by Article 9 of the Constitution.
All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee,
CHARLES A. HALL, *Chairman.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Williams, of Georgia, Message No. 33, from the House of Bishops, was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

Mr. Parker, of New Jersey, presented a proposed Canon on Ritual, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Dr. Beach, of New York, presented the report of the Joint Committee on Providing a Table of Lessons for Week-days in Lent, which was placed on the Calendar.

The following message was received from the House of Bishops:

CITY OF NEW YORK, 14th day of the Session,

Message No. 34.

October 22, 1874.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, The Diocese of Texas, by constitutional action of the Bishop and Convention, has, for urgent and sufficient reasons, declared its desire to establish its northern and western limits on the northern lines of Lampasas, Coryelle, McClellan, Limestone, Freestone, Anderson, Smith, Gregg, and Marion Counties, and on the western lines of Matagorda, Wharton, Colorado, Fayette, Bastrop, Travis, Burnet, and Lampasas Counties; and

WHEREAS, This Convention is sufficiently assured of the consent of the parishes lying north and west of the aforesaid limits to the proposed limitation of the Diocese:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this General Convention hereby signifies its consent and agreement to the limitation of the Diocese of Texas, as hereinbefore described, and that so much and no more of the State of Texas as lies within the aforesaid limits is to be hereafter regarded and known as the Diocese of Texas.

Attest:

HENRY C. POTTER, *Secretary.*

The House resumed the consideration of the Order of the Day.

The hour having arrived for taking the vote on the resolutions reported by the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, touching the confirmation of the Rev. George F. Seymour, D.D., as Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Illinois, the President offered the Lord's Prayer and suitable Collects, and space was given for silent prayer.

The Clerical Deputation from Virginia called for a vote by Dioceses and Orders.

Of the Clergy there were 41 Dioceses represented—ayes 19; nays 10; divided 12.

SIXTEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

OCTOBER 24, 1874.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Dr. Minnigerode, of Virginia, and the Rev. Messrs. Mann, of Western New York, and Ten-Brock, of Wisconsin.

The Benediction was pronounced by the Missionary Bishop of Arizona and Nevada.

The Minutes were read and approved.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Williams, of Georgia, Message No 36, from the House of Bishops, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Mr. Shipman, of Kentucky, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

The Committee on Elections beg leave to report that leave of absence for the remainder of the session has been granted to the Rev. Henry A. Coit, D.D., of New Hampshire, and to Mr. J. L. Adkins, a Lay Deputy from Easton.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee,

J. S. SHIPMAN, *Chairman.*

New York, October 24, 1874.

The Rev. Dr. Hall, of Long Island, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report:

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred Message No. 84, from the House of Bishops, with instructions to conform the terms of the same to the former report of the Committee, respectfully report the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House does not concur in Message No. 84, from the House of Bishops, and proposes the following substitute for the same:

WHEREAS, The Diocese of Texas, by constitutional action of the Bishop and Convention, has for urgent and sufficient reasons, arising from the great extent of its unoccupied territory, declared its desire, that all that portion of said Diocese lying north of Lampasas, Coryell, McLennan, Limestone, Freestone, Anderson, Smith, Gregg, and Marion counties; and west of Matagorda, Wharton, Colorado, Fayette, Bastrop, Travis, Barnett, and Lampasas counties, be set apart as a Missionary District; and

WHEREAS, The General Convention is sufficiently assured of the consent of the parishes lying north and west of the aforesaid counties to the occupation of said territory as missionary ground:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention hereby signifies its consent and agreement to the setting apart and occupying as missionary ground, that portion of the Diocese of Texas hereinbefore described.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee,

CHARLES H. HALL, *Chairman.*

New York, October 24, 1874.

That, on account of the late period of the session which has been reached, they are of the opinion that it is inexpedient to proceed with the consideration of the subject, and they therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the consideration of the proposed Canon, "Authorizing the Formation of Synods of Dioceses."

By order of the Committee,
A. A. WATSON, *Acting Chairman*.

October 26, 1874.

[No. 22.] The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred the amendments to Canon 15 of Title I, proposed by the Committee on the State of the Church, respectfully report that they have considered the same, and recommend their adoption, as contained in the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That §§ IV. and V. of Canon 15 of Title I. be amended so as to read as follows:

§ IV. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, or of the person or persons with whom the Journals or other ecclesiastical papers are lodged, to forward to the House of Deputies, at every General Convention, on or before the first Monday of the session, the documents and papers specified in this Canon.

§ V. It shall be the duty of the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Church in every Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee only, to prepare, previously to the meeting of every General Convention, a condensed report and a tabular view of the state of the Church in their Diocese, comprising therein a summary of the statistics from the parochial reports and from the Bishops' addresses, specifying the capital and proceeds of the Episcopal Fund, and of all Benevolent and Missionary Associations of Churchmen within the Diocese, and present the same to the Secretary of the House of Deputies on or before the first Monday of the session, for the purpose of aiding the Committee on the State of the Church appointed by the House of Deputies in drafting their reports.

By order of the Committee,
A. A. WATSON, *Acting Chairman*.

October 26, 1874.

Mr. Wilder, of Minnesota, presented the following report from the Joint Committee of Conference on the Memorial of the Diocese of Texas, together with the action of the two Houses of Convention thereon, and, on his motion, the resolution reported by the Committee of Conference was adopted:

The Committee of Conference, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Diocese of Texas, together with the action of the House of Bishops and of the House of Deputies thereon, having had the same under consideration, respectfully report that,

WHEREAS, The Diocese of Texas, by deliberate action of the Bishop and Convention thereof, has, for urgent and sufficient reasons, declared its desire to establish its northern and western limits on the northern lines of Lampasas, Coryell, McLennan, Limestone, Krestone, Anderson, Smith, Gregg, and Marion counties, and on the western lines of Matagorda, Wharton, Colorado, Fayette, Bastrop, Travis, Burnett, and Lampasas counties; and

WHEREAS, This Convention is sufficiently assured of the consent of the Parishes lying north and west of the aforesaid limits to the proposed limitation; and

WHEREAS, While grave doubts are entertained by many of the power under our Constitution to permanently alter the territorial extent of a Diocese in this

form, yet, impressed by the great necessities of the Church in that Diocese, and of the justice of her claim for prompt relief; therefore

Resolved, the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention hereby signifies its consent and agreement to the limitation of the jurisdiction of the Bishop and Convention of the Diocese of Texas to, and within, the limits above indicated until such constitutional amendment and legislation thereunder can be secured as are necessary to remove the doubts aforesaid; and that, in the meantime, the territory outside the limits aforesaid and within the State of Texas be held and treated as Missionary territory and subject to Missionary jurisdiction.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee,
WILLIAM B. WHITTINGHAM,
Bishop of Maryland.

CHARLES H. HALL,
Chairman on part of the House of Deputies.

The House resumed the consideration of the Order of the Day.

Mr. Blanchard, of Maryland, offered the following amendment to the resolution reported by the Committee on Canons, to wit, to strike out all after the word "*Resolved*," and to insert instead thereof the words following, so that the resolution shall read:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following additional section be added to Canon 20 of Title I, "*Of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer*:"

The following ceremonies or practices during the celebration of the Holy Communion are hereby prohibited:

1. The use of incense.
2. The placing, or carrying or retaining a crucifix in any part of the place of public worship.
3. The elevation of the Elements in the Holy Communion in such manner as to expose them to the view of the people as objects to which adoration is to be offered.

4. Any act of adoration of or toward the Elements in the Holy Communion.

§ II. If any Bishop have reason to believe that the ceremonies or practices hereby prohibited have been introduced into any Parish or Congregation within his jurisdiction, it shall be his duty to admonish in writing the Minister of the Parish or Congregation aforesaid to discontinue such ceremonies or practices; and if the Minister shall disregard such admonition, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to cause him to be tried before the proper Ecclesiastical Court of the Diocese having jurisdiction of the offences for which Ministers may be tried and punished.

The Rev. Dr. DeKoven, of Wisconsin, offered the following amendment to the amendment before the House, to wit:

Proposed amendment to the proposed Canon on Ritual.

Leave out, in lines one and two, "Or, if complaint be made to him in writing, by two or more of his Presbyters." In lines five and six, instead of the words "erroneous or doubtful doctrines," read "doctrines not in accordance with those of this Church." Leave out all within the parentheses in page three. In line sixteen, page three, for "erroneous or doubtful doctrines," read "doctrines not in accordance with those of this Church."

The following messages were received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Rogers, of Texas, the

House concurred in the resolution communicated in Message No. 45:

MESSAGE No. 44. CITY OF NEW YORK, 17th day of the Session,
October 26, 1874.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, That this House concurs in the resolution communicated to it in Message No. 25, from the House of Deputies (relating to the discipline of communicant members), with the addition, the House of Deputies concurring, of the following proviso: *Provided*, That the action of this present Convention be not affected by such appointment.
Attest:

HENRY C. POTTER, *Secretary*.

MESSAGE No. 45. CITY OF NEW YORK, 17th day of the Session,
October 26, 1874.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, The Diocese of Texas, by deliberate action of the Bishop and Convention thereof, has, for urgent and sufficient reasons, declared its desire to establish its northern and western limits, on the northern lines of Lampasas, Coryell, McLennan, Limestone, Freestone, Anderson, Smith, Gregg, and Marion counties, and on the western lines of Matagorda, Wharton, Colorado, Fayette, Bastrop, Travis, Burnett, and Lampasas counties; and

WHEREAS, This Convention is sufficiently assured of the consent of the Parishes lying north and west of the aforesaid limits to the proposed limitation; and

WHEREAS, While grave doubts are entertained by many of the power, under our Constitution, to permanently alter the territorial extent of a Diocese in this form,—yet, impressed by the great necessities of the Church in that Diocese, and of the justice of her claim for prompt relief; therefore

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention hereby signifies its consent and agreement to the limitation of the jurisdiction of the Bishop and Convention of the Diocese of Texas to and within the limits above indicated, until such constitutional amendment and legislation thereunder can be secured, as are necessary to remove the doubts aforesaid,—and that, in the meantime, the territory outside the limits aforesaid, and within the State of Texas, be held and treated as Missionary territory and subject to Missionary jurisdiction.

Attest:

HENRY C. POTTER, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Shipman, of Kentucky, the House concurred in adopting the proviso communicated in Message No. 44.

On motion, the House adjourned.

venient and efficient action, the evil may be promptly remedied without any fundamental change in the character of our ecclesiastical structure, by constitutional amendments from time to time reducing the number of Deputies from each of the Dioceses, whenever rendered necessary by their increase in number.

9. No intermediate Provinces are needed for exercising any powers already possessed by the Diocesan Conventions, while any other powers granted to Provinces must necessarily be subtracted from the General Convention, which would be thereby enfeebled to the same extent.

10. Any institution of Provinces or Provincial Synods with powers subject at all times to revocation by the General Convention, would be useless and illusory. The Provinces, if invested with irrevocable powers, and discharged from the constant and necessary authority and supervision of the General Convention, certainly might, and probably would, soon diverge into widely-differing practices and opinions, engendering ecclesiastical conflicts threatening the unity of our Church.

11. Apart from these fearful consequences in the future, reaching far down the coming ages, the separation of our Church into geographical and sectional provinces would work immediate injury in discontinuing or rendering less frequent the General Conventions (now triennial) of the Bishops and the representatives of the Clergy and Laity, in which fraternal assemblies the efforts of all to advance the highest interests of the Church, and especially its widespread missionary labors, are encouraged and invigorated, thereby more closely uniting our now undivided Church in a perpetual bond of Christian sympathy and affection.

Fully impressed with the convictions now expressed, the Committee recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That, in the judgment of the House of Deputies, it is not expedient to establish a Provincial system for this Church.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee,

CHARLES H. HALL, *Chairman*.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the Order of the Day, to wit, the resolutions touching the subject of the Hymnal, and, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Huntington, of Massachusetts, the House took up the consideration of Message No. 32, from the House of Bishops.

Mr. Stark, of Connecticut, moved to limit the speakers on the question before the House to fifteen minutes.

The Rev. Dr. DeKoven moved to amend the resolution by striking out the word "fifteen," and inserting instead thereof the word "ten," which was adopted.

The resolution as amended was adopted.

The following message was received from the House of Bishops:

CITY OF NEW YORK, 19th day of the Session,

October 23, 1874.

MESSAGE No. 52.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House does hereby constitute the counties of Cass, Titus, Upshur, Wood, Rains, Yanzand, Henderson, Navarro, Hill, Bosque, Hamilton, Brown, Coleman, and Runnels, together with all the counties lying north and northwesterly thereof in the State of Texas; and also, all territory north of the

county of Tom Green, in said State, a Missionary District to be known as the Missionary District of Northern Texas.

Also, the counties of Calhoun, Jackson, Lavacca, Gonzales, Caldwell, Hays, Blanco, Llano, San Saba, McCullough, Concho, Tom Green, Pecos, and El Paso, together with all the counties and territory in said State south and southwesterly thereof, into a Missionary District to be known as the Missionary District of Western Texas.

And the House of Bishops farther informs the House of Deputies that it has nominated as Missionary Bishop of Northern Texas, the Rev. Alexander Charles Garrett, D.D., of the Diocese of Nebraska, Dean of Trinity Cathedral, Nebraska; and as Missionary Bishop of Western Texas, the Rev. Robert Woodward Barnwell Elliott, of the Diocese of Georgia, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Atlanta, in said Diocese.

Attest:

HENRY C. POTTER, *Secretary.*

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day.

The Rev. Dr. Hall, of Long Island, called up the resolution reported by the Joint Committee, asking to be discharged, which, on his motion, was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Hall, on behalf of Mr. Pierrepont, of Long Island, offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this House concurs in Message No. 32, from the House of Bishops.

Resolved, That, if the House of Bishops concur, the Hymnal now revised and adopted is free to be printed and published by all responsible publishers who shall obtain a license to that effect from the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged and Infirm and Disabled Clergymen, and who shall assure to such Trustees a payment, to be applied for the uses of said Fund, equivalent to ten per cent. upon the retail selling price; and that the copyright of the revised Hymnal shall vest in said Trustees, subject, however, to the further order of the General Convention. Also, that the Trustees be authorized to superintend the revision and publication of the revised editions of the Hymnal, with power to make the typographical and literary changes necessary to conform it to the Committee's report made to this Convention. Also,

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that the revised Hymnal now set forth is not regarded as a finality, but that it is authorized for the time being as a tentative process and contribution toward a more perfect and acceptable Hymnal of the future.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington offered the following amendment to the resolution before the House, to wit, to strike out all after the word "*Resolved*," and insert instead thereof the words following, so that the resolution as amended should read:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That, in place of the certificate and attestation printed on the third page of the revised edition of the Hymnal, the following authentication, duly certified by the proper officers, be substituted, namely:

By the Bishops, the Clergy, and the Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America in General Convention in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, this revised Hymnal is set forth and allowed to be used in all congregations of the said Church. This Hymnal, as now revised, is free to be printed and published by all responsible publishers who shall obtain a license to that effect from the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm,

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Birdsall, it was

Resolved, That the House proceed to the election of the Rev. Dr. Alexander C. Garrett, D.D., as Missionary Bishop of Northern Texas.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Chase and Mr. Otis, of Illinois, tellers.

Of the Clergy, there were 41 Dioceses represented—ayes 30; nays 10; divided 1.

Of the Laity, there were 36 Dioceses represented—ayes 26; nays 8; divided 2.

The President announced the election of the Rev. Dr. Garrett to the Missionary Episcopate of Northern Texas.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stringfellow, of Alabama, it was

Resolved, That the House proceed to the election of the Rev. Robert W. B. Elliott as Missionary Bishop of Western Texas.

The President appointed the Rev. Dr. Burgess, of Massachusetts, and Mr. Meigs, of New Jersey, tellers.

Of the Clergy, there were 41 Dioceses represented—ayes 41.

Of the Laity, there were 35 Dioceses represented—ayes 35.

The President announced the unanimous election of the Rev. Robert Woodward Barnwell Elliott, to the Missionary Episcopate of Western Texas.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Girault, of Louisiana, it was

Resolved, That the House proceed to the election of the Rev. John H. D. Wingfield, D.D., as Missionary Bishop of Northern California.

The President appointed the Rev. Dr. Corbett, of Illinois, and Mr. Wilder, of Minnesota, tellers.

Of the Clergy, there were 40 Dioceses represented—ayes 39; nay 1.

Of the Laity, there were 34 Dioceses represented—ayes 34.

The President announced the election of the Rev. John H. D. Wingfield, D.D., to the Missionary Episcopate of Northern California.

The following message was received from the House of Bishops :

CITY OF NEW YORK, 20th day of the Session,
 MESSAGE No. 62. October 29, 1874.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions :

Resolved, That this House concurs in Message No. 48, from the House of Deputies, so far as relates to the first resolution contained therein (concerning the Hymnal).

Resolved, That the House of Bishops does not concur in the second resolution of Message No. 48, from the House of Deputies, for the reason that in their

judgment it is inexpedient at this time to suggest a revision of the Hymnal at an early day.

Attest: HENRY C. POTTER, *Secretary.*

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Mead, it was

Resolved, That this House adheres to its action as communicated in Message No. 48, from this House (relating to the Hymnal), and requests of the House of Bishops a Committee of Conference.

The President announced as the members of the said Committee, the Rev. Drs. Rudder, of Pennsylvania, and Schenck, of Long Island, and Mr. Trowbridge, of Michigan.

The Rev. Dr. Cady, of New York, on behalf of the Joint Committee on the Closing Services, presented the following report:

The Committee on the Closing Exercises of the General Convention on the part of this House, to whom was referred the invitation of the Rector and Corporation of the Church of the Holy Trinity to meet in the edifice in which that congregation worship, offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House returns its grateful acknowledgments to the Rector and Corporation of the Church of the Holy Trinity for their courteous invitation, but this House is unwilling to leave the chapel in which its deliberations have been held, most generously placed at its disposal by the vestry of Trinity Church, which, it is believed, will be sufficiently convenient for the final exercises of the General Convention.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Committee,
THOMAS F. DAVIES, *Chairman.*

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Girault, it was

Ordered, That the injunction of secrecy be removed so far as relates to the election of the Missionary Bishops of Northern and Western Texas and Northern California.

On motion, the House adjourned.

TWENTY-FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

OCTOBER 30, 1874.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Messrs. Spencer, of Delaware, Barber, of Easton, and Clarke, of Georgia.

The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Albany.

The Minutes were read and approved.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Williams, of Georgia, it was

Ordered, That this House do now proceed to sign the testimonials of the Missionary Bishops-elect of Northern and Western Texas and Northern California.

to report that they consider that it is inexpedient to pass the proposed Canon.

Respectfully submitted,
October 13, 1874. J. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*.

The Bishop of Connecticut, from the Standing Committee on Canons, presented the following report, viz. :

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the resolution offered by the Bishop of Maryland, touching § III. of Canon 12 of Title I, having had the same under consideration, beg leave to report that they consider any action on the proposed amendment inexpedient.

Respectfully submitted,
October 12, 1874. J. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*.

The Bishop of Texas presented a Memorial from the Diocese of Texas, in relation to the establishment of a Missionary Jurisdiction in the present Diocese of Texas, which, on his motion, was referred to the Standing Committee on Memorials.

The Secretary read a Memorial from the Diocese of California, in relation to the establishment of missionary jurisdictions in the present Diocese of California, which, on motion of the Bishop of Western New York, was referred to the Standing Committee on Memorials.

The Bishop of Texas presented a Memorial from the Diocese of Texas, in relation to the appointment of a Suffragan Bishop for the supervision of the colored people in the Diocese of Texas, which, on his motion, was referred to the Standing Committee on Memorials.

The Bishop of Montana offered the following resolution, viz. :

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be requested to inquire and report upon the expediency of amending Canon 13, Title I, by striking out the word "Jurisdiction," and inserting the word "District" wherever the territorial area supervised by a Missionary Bishop is meant.

Which was adopted.

The Missionary Bishop of Nebraska and Dakota presented his Triennial Report, which, on his motion, was referred to the Standing Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Order of the Day being called, which was the report of the Standing Committee on Canons on the proposed amendment of Canon 19, "*Of Parochial Instruction*," pending the discussion of it, the hour for recess having arrived, the House took a recess of half an hour.

The House assembled after recess.

The following message was received from the House of Deputies, viz. :

The Roll being called, the Bishops were present as yesterday, with the addition of the Bishop of Texas.

The House being bidden to prayer, the Bishop of New Hampshire read a portion of Scripture, and the Presiding Bishop offered prayers.

The Minutes were read, and, on motion, approved.

On motion of the Bishop of Florida, it was

Resolved, That the House go into Council immediately after recess to-day.

The Bishop of Delaware, from the Standing Committee on Memorials, presented the following report, viz.:

The Committee on Memorials and Petitions, to whom was referred the Memorial from the Committee of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, asking the House of Bishops to prepare and recommend a Form of Prayer to be used in all the Churches throughout the United States on the 4th day of July, 1876, report that inasmuch as Canon 13, § XIV., Title I, authorizes each Bishop to set forth forms of prayer and thanksgiving for extraordinary occasions, there appears to be no necessity for the action requested of this House, neither do we think it expedient.

The Committee therefore ask to be discharged from further consideration of this Memorial.

For the Committee,

ALFRED LEE, *Chairman*.

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware, the Committee was discharged accordingly.

The Bishop of Delaware, from the Standing Committee on Memorials, presented the following report, viz.:

The Committee on Memorials and Petitions, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Convention of the Diocese of Albany, and from the Diocese of Pittsburgh, asking for an English version of the Nicene Creed, recommend that, as the Memorial desires changes in Public Worship, the consideration of the same be referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

ALFRED LEE, *Chairman*.

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware, the Memorials from the Dioceses of Albany and Pittsburgh were referred to the Standing Committee on the Prayer Book.

The Bishop of Delaware, from the Standing Committee on Memorials, presented the following report, viz.:

The Committee on Memorials and Petitions, to whom was referred the Memorial from the Bishop and Council of the Diocese of Texas, and also the Memorial from the Diocese of California, asking that certain territorial districts of those Dioceses, respectively, be made districts under the charge of Missionary Bishops, recommend that said Memorials be referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

ALFRED LEE, *Chairman*.

On motion of the Bishop of Easton, this report of the Committee was laid on the table for the present.

posed changes in certain Missionary Jurisdictions having been read by the Secretary,

On motion of the Missionary Bishop of Montana, the communication was referred to the Special Committee on the Increase of the Missionary Episcopate.

The Missionary Bishop of Niobrara presented his Triennial Report, which, on his motion, was referred to the Standing Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Bishop of North Carolina offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending § I. of Canon 2, Title II. of the Digest, by inserting after the words "Ordination Vows;" these words: "And if presented for any of these offences, the Bishop may, if he see fit, suspend from the exercise of the functions of his ministry the Minister thus presented, until he shall be tried and acquitted or found guilty, as the case may be." And that the words "on being found guilty," be stricken out, and the words "if found guilty" be inserted.

Which was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Western New York, the report of the Standing Committee on Foreign Missions in relation to the proposed Haitien Episcopate was made the Order of the Day at 2 P.M.

The hour of recess having arrived, the House took a recess of half an hour.

The House assembled after recess, the Bishop of Delaware in the chair.

→ The Bishop of Texas offered the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, That in accordance with the request of the Council and Bishop of the Diocese of Texas, duly made known to this House, desiring to be relieved from the care and supervision of certain described territory within the limits of said Diocese, because of its great extent, and the impossibility of due Episcopal supervision thereof by its said Bishop—said territory being the same herein described—this House does hereby establish, from and after November 1, 1874, two Missionary Districts within the limits of said Diocese, as follows, viz.: The first to consist of the counties of Davis, Titus, Upshur, Wood, Kains, VanZandt, Henderson, Navarro, Hill, Bosque, Hamilton, Brown, Coleman, and Runnels, together with all other counties and territory within said Diocese lying northerly of said named counties; and also all territory within said Diocese lying north of the county of Tom Green; and the second to consist of the counties of Calhoun, Jackson, Lavacca, Gonzales, Caldwell, Comal, Blanco, Llano, San Saba, McCullough, Concho, Tom Green, and El Paso, together with all the counties and territory within said Diocese lying southerly of said counties.

Resolved, That the style of the Bishop of said first described District shall be "Missionary Bishop of Northern Texas," and that the style of the Bishop of the second described District shall be "Missionary Bishop of Western Texas."

The Bishop of Maryland offered the following preamble and resolution as a substitute for the resolution offered by the Bishop of Texas:

WHEREAS, The Diocese of Texas, by constitutional action of the Bishop and Convention, has for urgent and sufficient reasons declared its desire to establish its northern and western limits on the northern lines of Lampasas, Coryelle, McClellan, Limestone, Freestone, Anderson, Smith, Gregg, and Marion counties, and on the western lines of Matagorda, Wharton, Colorado, Fayette, Bastrop, Travis, Burnett, and Lampasas counties; and

WHEREAS, This Convention is sufficiently assured of the consent of the parishes lying north and west of the aforesaid limits to the proposed limitation of the Diocese:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this General Convention hereby signifies its consent and agreement to the limitation of the Diocese of Texas as hereinbefore described, and that so much and no more of the State of Texas as lies within the aforesaid limits is to be hereafter regarded and known as the Diocese of Texas.

Which was adopted—ayes 28; nays 12.

The Order of the Day being called, being the report of the Standing Committee on Foreign Missions in relation to a Missionary Jurisdiction in Haiti, the Bishop of Long Island presented the following report on the subject, viz.:

The Standing Committee on Foreign Missions, to whom was referred the resolution adopted by the Board of Missions, asking the immediate establishment of the Episcopate in Haiti, would respectfully report that they have unanimously agreed to recommend for adoption by this House the following resolutions:

Resolved, That a Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church be created in the Island of Haiti.

Resolved, That this House will proceed to the nomination of a Missionary Bishop for Haiti on Saturday next at 12 o'clock.

The Bishop of Long Island moved the adoption of the first resolution.

The Bishop of Maryland offered as a substitute the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, That in view of all the circumstances of the case, this House hereby authorizes the Presiding Bishop to take action under Article 10 of the Constitution so soon as a request and covenant shall have been received from the Dean and Convocation of Haiti, which shall have been approved by the five next Senior Bishops of this Church, and the Bishop of Western New York.

Which was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Western New York, it was

Resolved, That when the House of Bishops is in session, then, of the Bishops actually present, the first five in seniority, with the Bishop of Western New York, shall be competent to act according to the aforesaid resolution.

The Bishop of Western New York offered the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That to Article 13 of the Constitution of the "Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant

The Bishop of Delaware, from the Committee on the Increase of the Missionary Episcopate, presented the following report, viz.:

The Committee, to whom was referred the Memorial from the Diocese of California, asking that two districts of such Diocese be set apart, one on the north and the other on the south, and placed under the jurisdiction of Missionary Bishops, whereby the limits of the existing Diocese would be contracted within certain prescribed boundaries, beg leave respectfully to recommend that in furtherance of their expressed wishes, the same mode of relief be granted to the Diocese of California as has already been adopted in behalf of the Diocese of Texas.

They therefore recommend the adoption of the following preamble and resolution, viz.:

WHEREAS, The Diocese of California, by constitutional action of the Bishop and Convention, has, for urgent and sufficient reasons, declared its desire to establish its northern and southern limits, as follows: the northern boundary to extend from the sea-coast along the northern line of Marion County; thence eastwardly along the southern boundary of Sonoma, Napa, Solano, Sacramento, Amador, and El Dorado Counties to the State line; and its southern boundary running from the sea-coast along the southern boundary of Monterey County; thence eastwardly along the southern boundary of San Benito, Tulare, and Inyo Counties; and

WHEREAS, This Convention is sufficiently assured of the consent of the Parishes lying north and south of the aforesaid limits, to the proposed limitation of the Diocese; therefore

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this General Convention hereby signifies its assent and agreement to the limitation of the Diocese of California, as hereinafter described, and that so much and no more of the State of California as lies within the aforesaid limits, is to be hereafter regarded as the Diocese of California.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ALFRED LEE, *Chairman.*

On motion of the Assistant Bishop of North Carolina, the resolution reported by the Committee was made the Order of the Day for Saturday at 12 o'clock.

The Missionary Bishop of Montana presented a communication from the Board of Missions, in relation to the establishment of two Missionary Jurisdictions in Texas, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Increase of the Missionary Episcopate.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Title I, Canon 13, § II, Clause [2] be amended so as to read, "By the House of Bishops, and by a vote of a majority of all the members entitled to seats and votes in the House of Bishops, consent," etc.

Which, on his motion, was referred to the Standing Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Long Island nominated as Missionary Bishop of Shanghai, the Rev. William P. Orrick, Rector of Christ Cathedral, Reading, in the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

ter so presented, from all the functions of his Ministry, until the trial be had and a verdict given."

Which was adopted—ayes 25; nays 6.

On motion of the Bishop of Connecticut, it was

Resolved, That the amendment of the Bishop of Pittsburgh be inserted immediately after the words "crime or immorality" in [1].

On motion of the Bishop of Connecticut, it was

Resolved, That the words "on being found guilty" in Canon 2, § I., [5], be changed, and that the Canon read "If he be found guilty."

On motion of the Bishop of Pittsburgh, the resolution of the Committee, as amended, was adopted.

The following messages from the House of Deputies were received, viz.:

CITY OF NEW YORK, 15th day of the Session,

October 23, 1874.

MESSAGE No. 25.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee, to consist on the part of this House of three Clergymen and three Laymen, be appointed to consider and report to the next General Convention, what action, if any, is desirable, in addition to, or in explanation of, the provisions already enacted by this Church, for the godly discipline of its communicant members.

And in accordance with the foregoing resolution the following persons are appointed as said Committee; the Rev. Jacob S. Shipman, of the Diocese of Kentucky; the Rev. Edward J. Stearns, D.D., of the Diocese of Easton; the Rev. Hiram W. Beers, D.D., of the Diocese of Albany; Mr. N. H. R. Dawson, of the Diocese of Alabama; Mr. George C. McWhorter, of the Diocese of Central New York; Gen. J. E. Simpson, U. S. A., of the Diocese of Missouri.

Attest: WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

CITY OF NEW YORK, 16th day of the Session,

October 24, 1874.

MESSAGE No. 26.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House does not concur in Message No. 34, from the House of Bishops.

And the House of Deputies further informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, The Diocese of Texas, by constitutional action of the Bishop and Convention, has, for urgent and sufficient reasons, arising from the great extent of its unoccupied territory, declared its desire that all that portion of said Diocese lying north of Lampassas, Coryell, MacLennan, Limestone, Freestone, Andover, Smith, Gregg, and Marion Counties; and west of Matagorda, Wharton, Colorado, Fayette, Bastrop, Travis, Burnet, and Lampassas counties be erected into a Missionary District; and

WHEREAS, The General Convention is sufficiently assured of the consent of the parishes lying north and west of the aforesaid counties to the occupation of said territory as missionary ground;

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention hereby signifies its consent and agreement to the setting apart and occupying as missionary ground, that portion of the Diocese of Texas hereinbefore described.

Attest: WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

ions of § I., Canon 11, Title II. of the Digest; and *provided, further*, that no Bishop shall inhibit any ceremony or practice sanctioned by undisputed custom and continuous use in this Church and in the Church of England.

Which, on his motion, was referred to the Standing Committee on Canons.

The following message was received from the House of Deputies, viz.:

MESSAGE No. 33. CITY OF NEW YORK, 17th day of the Session,
October 26, 1874.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee, consisting, on the part of this House, of three Clergymen and three Laymen, be appointed to report to this House an appropriate place or places for holding the next session of the General Convention, and the following persons are appointed said Committee on the part of this House: the Rev. Dr. Davies, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dr. Lambert, of the Diocese of Massachusetts; the Rev. Dr. Cady, of the Diocese of New York; Mr. William Welsh, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania; Mr. Robert M. Mason, of the Diocese of Massachusetts; and Mr. F. W. Brune, of the Diocese of Maryland.

Attest: WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, Secretary.

On motion of the Missionary Bishop of Montana, it was

Resolved, That this House concurs in Message No. 33, from the House of Deputies, and appoints three members of this House as members of such Joint Committee.

The Presiding Bishop announced the following as such Committee, viz.: the Bishops of New York, Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts.

On motion of the Bishop of Texas, the report of the Joint Committee on a Table of Lessons for Lent was made the Order of the Day for Tuesday, at 2 o'clock.

On motion of the Bishop of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Unfinished Business be instructed to prepare a Calendar of Business for the use of this House.

The House went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The Bishop of Maryland, from the Committee of Conference on Message No. 26, from the House of Deputies, in relation to the erection of Missionary Jurisdictions in Texas, presented the following report, viz.:

The Committee of Conference, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Diocese of Texas, together with the action of the House of Bishops and of the House of Deputies thereon, having had the same under consideration, respectfully report that

WHEREAS, The Diocese of Texas, by deliberate action of the Bishop and Convention thereof, has for urgent and sufficient reasons, declared its desire to establish its northern and western limits on the northern lines of

Lampasas, Coryelle, McLennan, Limestone, Freestone, Anderson, Smith, Gregg, and Marion counties, and on the western lines of Matagorda, Wharton, Colorado, Fayette, Bastrop, Travis, Barnett, and Lampasas counties; and

WHEREAS, This Convention is sufficiently assured of the consent of the parishes lying north and west of the aforesaid limits to the proposed limitation; and

WHEREAS, While grave doubts are entertained by many of the power under our Constitution to permanently alter the territorial extent of a Diocese in this form, yet impressed by the great necessities of the Church in that Diocese, and of the justice of her claims for prompt relief; therefore

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention hereby signifies its consent and agreement to the limitation of the jurisdiction of the Bishop and Convention of the Diocese of Texas to, and within, the limits above indicated, until such constitutional amendment, and legislation thereunder, can be secured, as are necessary to remove the doubts aforesaid; and that, in the meantime, the territory outside the limits aforesaid, and within the State of Texas, be held and treated as Missionary Territory, and subject to Missionary jurisdiction.

WILLIAM R. WHITTINGHAM,
Bishop of Maryland.
CHARLES TODD QUINTARD,
Bishop of Tennessee.
HENRY NILES PIERCE,
Missionary Bishop of Arkansas, etc.
CHARLES H. HALL,
BENJ. A. ROGERS,
W. F. BULLOCK,
ISAAC HAZLEHURST,
E. T. WILDER,
J. W. STEVENSON,
E. H. BENNETT,
E. W. McCRADY,
S. B. RUGGLES,
GEO. F. COMSTOCK.

On motion of the Bishop of Indiana, the resolution reported by the Committee was adopted.

The hour of recess having arrived, the House took a recess of half an hour.

The House assembled after recess.

The Presiding Bishop appointed as members on the part of this House of the Committee to be present at the Provincial Synod of Canada in 1877, the Bishops of Michigan, Connecticut, and Western New York.

The Bishop of Delaware, from the Committee on the Increase of the Missionary Episcopate, asked leave to withdraw their former report, which having been granted, the following report was submitted as a substitute therefor, viz.:

The Committee on the Increase of the Missionary Episcopate, to whom was referred the Memorial from the Diocese of California asking that certain portions of that Diocese be set apart as Districts under the care of Missionary Bishops, beg leave to recommend that the same relief which has been extended to the Diocese of Texas, be granted to the Diocese of California, so far as respects the

The following message was received from the House of Deputies, viz.:

CITY OF NEW YORK, 17th day of the Session,
MESSAGE No. 34. October 26, 1874.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That in view of the advanced age and increasing infirmities of the Presiding Bishop and the pressure of duties devolving upon him, a Joint Committee of three Presbyters and three Laymen, on the part of this House, be appointed to consider and report to this Convention some plan by which adequate relief can be afforded him under the circumstances.

And in accordance with the following resolution, the following persons are appointed as said Committee: the Rev. Dr. Schenck, of the Diocese of Long Island; the Rev. Dr. Tucker, of the Diocese of Albany; the Rev. W. O. Leverett, of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania; Mr. J. C. Garthwaite, of the Diocese of New Jersey; Mr. L. N. Whittle, of the Diocese of Georgia; Mr. Montgomery Blair, of the Diocese of Maryland.

Attest: WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Boston, this message was referred to a Special Committee of five Bishops.

The Bishop presiding appointed as such Committee, the Bishops of Rhode Island, Kansas, Nebraska, Long Island, and the Assistant Bishop of North Carolina.

The following message was received from the House of Deputies:

CITY OF NEW YORK, 17th day of the Session,
MESSAGE No. 35. October 26, 1874.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following clause be added to § I. of Canon 1 of Title III. of the Digest:

[4.] The rules and orders of each House of the General Convention shall be in force in the ensuing General Convention until the organization thereof, and until they be amended or repealed.

Attest: WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Missionary Bishop of Montana, this Message was referred to the Standing Committee on Canons.

The following message was received from the House of Deputies:

CITY OF NEW YORK, 17th day of the Session,
MESSAGE No. 36. October 26, 1874.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution appended to the report of the Joint Committee of Conference, viz.:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention hereby signifies its consent and agreement to the limitation of the jurisdiction of the Bishop and Convention of the Diocese of Texas to, and within, the limits above indicated, until such constitutional amendment and legislation thereunder can be secured as are necessary to remove the doubts aforesaid, and that in the meantime the territory outside the limits aforesaid, and within the State of

Texas, be held and treated as Missionary territory, and subject to Missionary jurisdiction.

Attest: WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

The Bishop of Texas offered the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, That this House does hereby constitute the counties of Cass, Titus, Upshur, Wood, Rains, VanSandt, Henderson, Navarro, Hill, Bosque, Hamilton, Brown, Coleman, and Kunnels, together with all the counties lying north and northwesterly thereof, in the State of Texas, and also all territory north of the county of Tom Green, in said State, a Missionary District to be known as the Missionary District of Northern Texas.

Also, the counties of Calhoun, Jackson, Lavaca, Gonzales, Caldwell, Hays, Blanco, Llano, San Saba, McCulloch, Concho, Tom Green, Pecos, and El Paso, together with all the counties and territory in said State south and southwesterly thereof, into a Missionary District to be known as the Missionary District of Western Texas.

Which was adopted.

The Bishop of Delaware, from the Standing Committee on the Increase of the Missionary Episcopate, presented the following report, viz.:

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of the increase of Chief Pastors in our Domestic Missionary field, beg leave to report:

In their consideration of this very important subject, the Committee have had in view, on the one hand, the urgent needs of the rapidly-developing portion of our country for which provision is demanded, and on the other hand, the means and resources upon which we may rely for the support of our operations.

At the Convention of 1871, a resolution was offered and referred to your Committee proposing that there should be a Missionary Bishop in every Territory in the United States. At the present session the action of the General Convention has largely extended the Missionary field by the addition of portions of two great Dioceses. To grant all these requests would require an addition of not less than ten to the number of our Missionary Bishops.

Does the condition or prospects of the treasury of our Domestic Committee warrant so large a claim? While we may anticipate their willingness to meet such demands as the Church shall make, and while we may believe that a pressing demand of this kind will elicit a liberal response, it must not be forgotten that the pecuniary embarrassment which has sensibly affected the income of all our missionary and charitable Boards is not yet relieved. It would be disgraceful and disastrous for the Church to make pledges which should not be redeemed, and unwise to go on disregarding the circumstances in which she is providentially placed. We cannot, therefore, feel ourselves justified in recommending compliance with all these petitions.

In making the discrimination among these different claims, the consideration that has governed your Committee has been the promise of usefulness growing out of population, present and prospective, and openings for Church work, rather than territorial limits. And, from this point of view, there was little difficulty in coming to a decision. To Northern Texas, with a population of 400,000, rapidly increasing, containing already five clergymen and thirteen parishes and stations; to Western Texas, containing 200,000 people, with constant and vast accretions, seven clergymen and eighteen parishes and stations; to Northern California, with a present population of 210,000, fifteen church buildings, seventeen clergymen, and two Church colleges, we have no hesitation in giving the preference. These fields are in themselves full of rich promise, and, under the guiding care of prudent, energetic, and zealous Bishops, would soon develop into flourish-

ing and self-sustaining Dioceses. These, therefore, we recommend as entitled to our first consideration.

Next in order, if the House of Bishops is disposed to make another addition to the number of Missionary Episcopates, we recommend that New Mexico and Arizona be withdrawn from the jurisdiction of their present Bishops, and constitute a separate Missionary District. The remoteness of these Territories renders official duties at present very difficult and laborious, and the peculiar character of the population makes it highly important that they should be cared for by a resident Bishop suited to the country and familiar with its peculiar features and wants, as well as acquainted with the Spanish language.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That at 11 o'clock to-morrow (October 27th) this House will proceed to nominate a Presbyter to the House of Deputies for election as Missionary Bishop of Northern Texas.
2. *Resolved*, That at 11 o'clock to-morrow (October 27th) this House will proceed to nominate a Presbyter to the House of Deputies for election as Missionary Bishop of Western Texas.
3. *Resolved*, That this House will proceed to nominate a Presbyter to the House of Deputies for election as Missionary Bishop of Northern California.
4. *Resolved*, That this House will proceed to nominate a Presbyter to the House of Deputies for election as Missionary Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona.

For the Committee,

ALFRED LEE, *Chairman*.

The Bishop of Nebraska submitted the following minority report, viz.:

The undersigned agrees with the recommendation of the report of the Committee as far as it goes, viz.: the sending of two Missionary Bishops to Texas and one to New Mexico and Arizona, but he further believes that there should be a Missionary Bishop in each organized Territory of the United States.

ROBERT H. CLARKSON.

October 26, 1874.

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware, the first and second of the resolutions reported by the Committee, having relation to Texas, were adopted.

The Bishop of Central Pennsylvania offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to inquire and report whether it be not expedient to amend [4] of § VII. of Canon 12 of Title I., by making the duty therein enjoined compulsory in any case in which a Bishop in whose Diocese a Clergyman of another Diocese continues to reside beyond the period of six months, communicates to his Bishop his desire that he be transferred.

Which was adopted.

The Bishop of Ohio presented to the House a copy of the open letter of the Rev. Dr. Haupt to the Emperor William of Germany, in relation to a German Episcopate, which, on his motion, was ordered to be deposited in the archives of this House.

3. The Territories of New Mexico and Arizona are hereby constituted the jurisdiction of a Missionary Bishop.

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware, this resolution was laid on the table for the present.

The Bishop of Rhode Island, from the Special Committee to whom was referred Message No. 34, from the House of Deputies, presented the following report, viz.:

The Committee to whom was referred Message No. 34, from the House of Deputies, asking for a Joint Committee of Conference with reference to the consideration of some plan by which adequate relief may be provided for the Presiding Bishop, report that, in their opinion, it is expedient to concur in said message, and they recommend that a Committee on the part of this House be appointed accordingly.

THOMAS M. CLARK,
A. N. LITTLEJOHN,
ROBERT H. CLARKSON,
THOMAS H. VALL,
W. B. W. HOWE.

On motion of the Bishop of Western New York, it was

Resolved, That this House concurs in Message No. 34, from the House of Deputies, asking for a Joint Committee with reference to some plan of relief for the Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop presiding appointed as members on the part of this House of such Committee: the Bishops of Ohio, Indiana, and Pennsylvania.

The Third Order of the Day being called, being the Report of the Joint Committee on a Table of Lessons for Lent, it was, on motion of the Bishop of Texas, postponed.

On motion of the Bishop of Western New York, it was

Resolved, That the nomination of Bishops for the Missionary Jurisdictions of Northern Texas, Western Texas, and Northern California be made the Order of the Day immediately after action on the Minutes to-morrow.

On motion, the House adjourned.

NINETEENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

St. JOHN'S CHAPEL, NEW YORK,

Wednesday, October 28, 1874.

The House met and attended Divine Service with the House of Deputies, after which the Bishop of Delaware took the chair.

The Roll was called, and the Bishops were present as yesterday, with the exception of the Bishop of New Jersey.

The House being bidden to prayer, the Bishop of Louisiana.

read a portion of Scripture, and the Bishop presiding offered prayer.

The Minutes were read and, on motion, approved.

The Order of the Day being called, which was the Nomination of a person as Bishop for the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Texas, the Assistant Bishop of North Carolina and the Missionary Bishop of Colorado being appointed tellers, the Bishops cast their ballots, and the tellers announced that the Rev. Alexander Charles Garrett, D.D., of the Diocese of Nebraska, had received a majority of the votes cast, and the Bishop presiding thereupon declared him to be chosen by the House to be nominated to the House of Deputies as Bishop of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Texas.

On motion of the Bishop of Maryland, it was

Resolved, That this nomination be communicated to the House of Deputies.

The Presiding Bishop took the chair.

The House proceeded to ballot for a person to be nominated to the House of Deputies as a Bishop for the Missionary Jurisdiction of Western Texas, and, the same tellers being appointed, they reported that the Rev. Robert William Barnwell Elliott, of the Diocese of Georgia, had received a majority of the votes cast, and the Presiding Bishop thereupon declared him to be chosen by the House to be nominated to the House of Deputies as Bishop of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Western Texas.

On motion of the Bishop of Indiana, it was

Resolved, That this nomination be communicated to the House of Deputies.

The House proceeded to ballot for a person to be nominated to the House of Deputies as a Bishop for the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern California, and, the same tellers being appointed, they reported that the Rev. John H. D. Wingfield, D.D., of the Diocese of Virginia, had received a majority of the votes cast, and the Presiding Bishop thereupon declared him to be chosen by the House to be nominated to the House of Deputies as Bishop of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern California.

On motion of the Bishop of Niobrara, it was

Resolved, That this nomination be communicated to the House of Deputies.

The House being bidden to prayer, the Bishop of Maine read a portion of Scripture, and the Bishop presiding offered prayer.

The Minutes were read, and, on motion, approved.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the testimonials of the Rev. John H. D. Wingfield, D.D., as Missionary Bishop of Northern California, the Rev. Alexander C. Garrett, D.D., as Missionary Bishop of Northern Texas, and the Rev. Robert W. B. Elliott, as Missionary Bishop of Western Texas, received from the House of Deputies [accompanying Message No. 78, from the House of Deputies], were referred to the Standing Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.

The Bishop of Michigan, from the Standing Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, presented the following reports, viz. :

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops respectfully report that all the Canonical provisions and requirements in connection with the nomination and election of the Rev. John H. D. Wingfield, D.D., Presbyter, as Missionary Bishop of Northern California, having been complied with, they therefore submit the following resolution :

Resolved, That the House of Bishops do consent to the consecration of the above-named Presbyter, Bishop-elect of Northern California, and request the Presiding Bishop to take the necessary measures for such consecration. All which is respectfully submitted.

SAM'L A. McCOSKEY,
ALEX'R GREGG,
F. M. WHITTLE

October 31, 1874.

On motion of the Bishop of Maine, the resolution reported by the Committee was adopted.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops respectfully report, that all the Canonical provisions and requirements in connection with the nomination and election of the Rev. Alex'r C. Garrett, D.D., Presbyter, as Missionary Bishop of Northern Texas, having been complied with, they therefore submit the following resolution :

Resolved, That the House of Bishops do consent to the consecration of the above-named Presbyter, Bishop-elect of Northern Texas, and request the Presiding Bishop to take the necessary measures for such consecration. All which is respectfully submitted.

SAM'L A. McCOSKEY,
ALEX'R GREGG,
F. M. WHITTLE

October 31, 1874.

On motion of the Bishop of Maine, the resolution reported by the Committee was adopted.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops respectfully report that the Canonical provisions and requirements in connection with the nomination and election of the Rev. R. W. B. Elliott, D.D., Presbyter, as Missionary Bishop of Western Texas, having been complied with, they therefore submit the following resolution :

Resolved, That the House of Bishops do consent to the consecration of the

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above-named Presbyter, Bishop-elect of Western Texas, and request the Presiding Bishop to take the necessary measures for such consecration. All which is respectfully submitted.

SAML A. MCCOSKRY,
ALEX'R GREGG,
F. M. WHITTLE,

October 31, 1874.

On motion of the Bishop of Maine, the resolution reported by the Committee was adopted.

The following messages were received from the House of Deputies, viz.:

CITY OF NEW YORK, 22d day of the Session,
October 31, 1874.

MESSAGE No. 74.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House concurs in the amendment to its former action communicated to this House in Message No. 77, from the House of Bishops (relating to a Commission concerning the number of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.)

Attest: WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

CITY OF NEW YORK, 22d day of the Session,
October 31, 1874.

MESSAGE No. 75.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in the action communicated to this House in Message No. 79, from the House of Bishops (adopting the Canon on Ritual reported by the Joint Committee of Conference thereon).

Attest: WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

CITY OF NEW YORK, 22d day of the Session,
October 31, 1874.

MESSAGE No. 76.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That another member of that House be added to the Joint Committee on Ecclesiastical Relations and Religious Reform.

Attest: WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

On motion of the Bishop of Connecticut, it was

Resolved, That this House concurs in Message No. 76, from the House of Deputies, and appoints the Bishop of Central New York as the additional member of such Joint Committee.

CITY OF NEW YORK, 22d day of the Session,
October 31, 1874.

MESSAGE No. 77.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has acceded to the request of the House of Bishops, communicated in their Message No. 79 (announcing non-concurrence in Message H. L. No. 63), asking for a Committee of Conference on the proposed Canon of Church Music, and has appointed as the members of said Committee of Conference on the part of this House, the Rev. Drs. Benedict, of Georgia, Burgess, of Massachusetts, and Mr. Otis, of Illinois.

Attest: WILLIAM STEVENS PERRY, *Secretary*.

CITY OF NEW YORK, 22d day of the Session,
October 31, 1874.

MESSAGE No. 78.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in the action communicated in Message No. 78, from the House of

DIOCESE OF TEXAS.

THE Rt. Rev. ALEXANDER GREGG, D.D., BISHOP.

TABULAR DIGEST OF THE TRIENNIAL REPORT.

CLERGY, CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS, AND LAY READERS.

Class, &c.	1872.	1873.	1874.	Total.
Lay Readers licensed during the year.....	0	6	5	20
Whole number holding licenses, October 1, 1874.....				25
Candidates for Holy Orders admitted during the year.....	2	2	4	8
Present number of Candidates, October 1, 1874.....				7
<i>Clergy.</i>				
Deacons ordained on one examination.....	1			1
" " " three ".....		1	1	2
" " received.....	1	1	1	3
" " transferred.....	1			1
" Canonically resident, October 1, 1874.....				6
Presbyters ordained.....			1	1
" " received.....	6	2	2	10
" " deceased.....		1	1	2
" " transferred.....			1	1
" Canonically resident, October 1, 1874.....				26
Whole number of Clergy, October 1, 1874:				
Bishop, 1; Presbyters, 26; Deacons, 6; Total.....				33
Number without Cure.....				9
" engaged in teaching.....				1
" receiving missionary stipends.....				15

REPORT OF PARISHES, AND PAROCHIAL STATISTICS.

PARISHES, &c.	1872.	1873.	1874.	Total.
Parishes organized during Conventional years ending.....	1	2	8	6
" admitted into union with Convention.....	1		6	4
Present number of Parishes in union with Convention.....				26
" " " not in union with Convention.....				2
Whole number of Parishes.....				40
Number of organized Missions.....				21
" unorganized Missions.....				17
<i>Churches and Chapels.</i>				
Corner-stones laid.....	4	4	5	13
Consecrations.....	2	2	1	5
Whole number of Churches.....				24
" " Chapels.....				10
" " Sittings.....				25
Number of free Churches and Chapels.....				7,800
" " Sittings.....				5,800
Whole number of Rectories.....				7
Estimated value of Churches and Chapels.....				\$200,000
" " Rectories.....				28,000
" " other Church property.....				18,000
Total value of Church property.....				246,000
Amount of indebtedness on Church property.....				14,000

COPY: Material located in the Archives of the Episcopal Church

PARISHES, etc.	1872.	1873.	1874.	Total.
<i>Parochial Statistics.</i>				
Number of families reported.....	678	1,099	822
" " not reported.....	526	331	384	1,456
" " individuals not included in families.....	539	580	709	700
Whole number of souls reported.....	6,422	7,690	8,500	8,500
Baptisms—Infants.....	318	515	453
Adults.....	106	111	108
Total number of Baptisms.....	424	626	561	1,611
Confirmations reported.....	271	266	282	823
Marriages.....	38	109	110	317
Burials.....	38	181	167	386
Communicants—Added.....	161	345	416	912
Removed and died.....	78	184	149	411
Present number.....	2,095	2,800	2,567	2,567
Sunday Schools—Teachers.....	228	253	280	260
Scholars.....	1,658	1,630	1,797	1,797
Parish Schools:				
Teacher.....		1		
Pupils.....		91		

DIOCESAN FINANCIAL REPORT.

CAPITALS AND ANNUAL INCOMES.	1872.	1873.	1874.	Total.
Communion—Alms reported and offertory.....	\$1,504 82	\$2,985 89	\$2,000 00	\$6,570 71
Episcopal Fund:				
Annual income from assessments and contributions.....	3,522 28	3,219 60	3,600 00	10,411 88
Diocesan Expenditures (Convention and contingent expenses):				
Annual Expenditures.....	348 70	253 25	120 00	927 05
Diocesan Missions:				
Annual offerings (including income from capital invested, legacies, etc.).....	1,526 41	1,691 00	1,670 05	4,896 46
Domestic Missions:				
Annual offerings.....	53 70	301 10	180 82	515 42
Foreign Missions:				
Annual offerings.....	64 55	15 10	101 00	180 65
Education for the Ministry:				
Annual offerings.....	252 75	331 97	240 76	825 48
Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund and Widows and Orphans of Clergy.....	1,837 32	1,153 00	1,100 00
Other "Benevolent and Missionary Associations of Churchmen within the Diocese:"				
Annual income from investments.....	150 00	125 78	110 00
Total capitals invested for Church purposes, general diocesan, or parochial.....	4,457 32	4,253 00	6,353 32
Total incomes, collections, legacies, offerings, etc. "for pious and charitable uses," for three years last past (not including salaries of Clergymen).....	15,457 33	25,509 83	23,096 34	941,563 49
Total amount of Salaries.....	17,403 32	20,389 10	20,765 45	58,557 87
Number of Parishes not reporting to Convention	15	11	18

the Board of Missions," which seems to have escaped from the general drawback. This less conspicuous and more quiet agency, led on by delicate, yet heroic spirits, has abundantly prospered. Boxes of clothing, contributions in household comforts, medicines and hospital stores—in addition to supplies in money—have been placed at its disposal almost without stint, which have been sent upon occasion to the sick Indian and the naked Afric, as well as to the destitute Pastor and his family. Busy hands have been enlisted by its charity, both far and near, from the Mission Schools of Greece, to little circles of helping women on our Western border. Many a latent energy has it kindly evoked and silent sympathy has it called into play. Too much can hardly be said in commendation of its service, both directly to the cause of Christian beneficence and in the way of a wholesome employment of womanly zeal and love.

In fulfilment of their duty, as appointed by the House of Deputies, to consider and report upon the matter in hand, your Committee herewith submit the results of their inquiries in a few brief notes, prepared by their order in the several subdivisions of their body.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

THE FIELD.—The Church has included within the bounds of Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions all the territory of the United States, except that portion lately acquired from Russia, and commonly called Alaska. The field for Domestic Missions remains therefore the same in respect to dimensions, from year to year, unless new area be brought under the National Government. But the cultivated part of this field may be extended by the zeal and fidelity of the Church, in obedience to her Lord, and beneath His blessing. Thanks to Him, to-day, that as the Territories have been peopled these last few years, Missionary Bishops and Presbyters have pressed forward as rapidly as emigrants before them! In organized Dioceses, too, the Church has not been neglectful, but has sought new places continually for settlement and labor.

The doings of the General Convention at this present session of 1874, all agreeably to the convictions and desires of the Board of Missions, need not be recounted. Suffice it to say, that from the Dioceses of Texas and California large tracts have been set off and given up as Missionary Territory, and that three or more new Domestic Missionary Bishops have been or will be appointed.

THE LABORERS.—The experience of the Church has proved that it is far easier to secure men of ability to fill the Missionary Episcopate than that of the single Missionary. But what can Bishops accomplish single-handed and alone? Without the assistance of clergymen they can only begin the task which they must leave unfinished. Your Committee observe with sorrow, yea, with alarm, how slowly grows the list of the Clerical Order. During the past six years but about seventy-eight candidates have been annually ordained in the whole American Church, while the number looking forward to the Priesthood has actually diminished. Deducting ministers borne to the rest of Paradise, and those who from sickness or age have been laid aside from duty, either wholly or in part, the Church cannot but feel imperatively called upon to address her prayer to the Lord, that "He would send forth more laborers into His harvest." No exertion should she spare by legislation, charity, and active influence, to lift up the ratio of clerical increase to a more just proportion to her needs, and to those of our country. With the failure of the clergy must follow that of the missionaries, and then of missions.

Thus stands the table since 1869, when there were two hundred and eleven Domestic Missionaries: in 1870, 192; in 1871, 209; in 1872, 211; in 1873, 214; in 1874, 208. The missions of the Church have not even secured

CIV.—BISHOP SPAULDING.

IN THE NAME OF GOD. AMEN.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents, that we, Samuel Allen McCoskry, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop of Michigan; Joseph Cruickshank Talbot, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Indiana; John Barrett Kerfoot, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Pittsburgh; Gregory Thurston Bedell, D.D., Bishop of Ohio; and Arthur Cleveland Coxe, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Western New York, under the protection of Almighty God, in St. Paul's Church, in the City of Erie, State of Pennsylvania, and Diocese of Pittsburgh, on the Wednesday of the Octave of Christmas Day, being the thirty-first day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, in the presence of divers of the Clergy and of the faithful Laity, in a public congregation, according to the due and established order of the Holy Catholic Church, and to the form and manner prescribed and used by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, did there and then rightly and canonically ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, John Franklin Spaulding, Doctor of Divinity, Presbyter of the said Diocese of Pittsburgh, and Rector of the said St. Paul's Church, Erie, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, unto the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly elected by the House of Bishops, Missionary Bishop of Colorado, with jurisdiction in Wyoming and New Mexico.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals, in St. Paul's Church, Erie, on the thirty-first day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three,

(Signed)	SAM'L A. MCCOSKRY,	[L.S.]
<i>Bishop of Michigan,</i>	<i>Bishop presiding and Consecrator.</i>	
	G. T. REDELL,	[L.S.]
	<i>Bishop of Ohio.</i>	
	JOS. C. TALBOT,	[L.S.]
	<i>Bishop of Indiana.</i>	
	A. CLEVELAND COXE,	[L.S.]
	<i>Bishop of Western New York</i>	
	JOHN B. KERFOOT,	[L.S.]
	<i>Bishop of Pittsburgh.</i>	

CVL.—BISHOP ELLIOTT.

IN THE NAME OF GOD. AMEN.

To the Faithful of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church throughout the world, Greeting:

Be it known unto you that we, Alexander Gregg, D.D., by the grace of God, Bishop of Texas, assisted by the Right Reverend Richard Hooker Wilmer, D.D., Bishop of Alabama; and the Right Rev. Charles Todd Quintard, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Tennessee; as also by the Right Reverend John Watrus Beckwith, D.D., Bishop of Georgia; and the Right Reverend William Ball White Howe, D.D., Bishop of South Carolina, under the protection of Almighty God, in St. Philip's Church, Atlanta, in the State of Georgia, on the Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity, in the year of our

Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, did then and there, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, according to the due and prescribed order of the Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our beloved in Christ, the Reverend Robert Woodward Barnwell Elliott, D.D., rector of the said St. Philip's Church, Atlanta, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the faith, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly elected Bishop of Western Texas.

Given under our hands and seals, in the City of Atlanta, and State of Georgia aforesaid, and on the day and in the year herein above written.

(Signed) ALEXANDER GREGG, [L.S.]
Bishop of Texas.
 RICH'D H. WILMER, [L.S.]
Bishop of Alabama.
 CHARLES TODD QUINTARD, [L.S.]
Bishop of Tennessee.
 JNO. W. BECKWITH, [L.S.]
Bishop of Georgia.
 W. B. W. HOWE, [L.S.]
Bishop of South Carolina.

CVII.—BISHOP WINGFIELD.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST.
 AMEN.

To the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the world, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents, that the undersigned, Bishops by the grace of God in the Church of Jesus Christ, under the protection of Almighty God, in the City of Petersburg, of the Diocese of Virginia, on the Wednesday after the First Sunday in Advent, being the second day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four, did then and there, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Virginia, according to the due and prescribed order of the Church, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, consecrate our beloved in Christ, the Reverend John Henry Ducahet Wingfield, Doctor in Divinity, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Petersburg, Virginia, of whose sufficiency in good learning, and soundness in the Faith once delivered unto the Saints, and purity of manners, we were fully ascertained, unto the sacred office of Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of the living God; he having been duly elected Bishop of the Missionary Diocese of North California.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals, in the City of Petersburg, Virginia, on the day and in the year herein above written.

(Signed) JOHN JOHNS, [L.S.]
Bishop of Virginia.
 THOMAS ATKINSON, [L.S.]
Bishop of North Carolina.
 HENEY C. LAY, [L.S.]
Bishop of Easton.
 WILLIAM PINKNEY, [L.S.]
Assistant Bishop of Maryland.
 THEO. B. LYMAN, [L.S.]
Assistant Bishop of North Carolina.

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Convocation, and the liability to penalty, if any, incurred by said delinquency, and if in consequence of this, the Parish shall not be entitled to representation, he shall state that fact, and the name of the said Parish shall be omitted by the Secretary in calling the roll of the Churches entitled to representation for the presentation of certificates of Lay Delegates. The names of the delinquent Parishes shall be read after the names of the Lay Delegates, duly appointed, shall have been called, and the Convocation declared duly organized. The Convocation may take such action in each case as they may deem proper.

CANON VIII.

OF PAROCHIAL ASSOCIATION AND INCORPORATION.

SECTION 1. It shall be lawful for any number of persons not less than twelve, males of full age, friendly to the Church, of whom three, at least, shall be communicants, and desirous of concentrating their endeavors, to associate and organize themselves as a Parish in the following manner:

Notice shall first be given to the Bishop of the intention thus to associate and organize. Said notice shall be in writing, and shall contain such information in the premises as may enable the Bishop to judge of the propriety of the act, which paper shall be signed by the persons respectively who propose to organize. If the Bishop approve of the proposed organization, he shall give a written certificate to that effect, which approval shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the Convocation with the other papers.

The approval by the Bishop of the organization shall be essential for the admission of the Parish into union with the Convocation. The notice to the Bishop shall contain the following article:

"We, whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply sensible of the truth of the Christian religion, and earnestly desirous of promoting its holy influences in our own hearts, and in those of our families and neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves under the name of _____, in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and the Missionary District of Northern Texas, the authority of whose Constitution and Canons we do hereby recognize, and to whose liturgy and discipline of worship and discipline we promise conformity."*

On the approval of the Bishop, of the proposed organization the proceeding shall be as follows:

1. Notice shall be given on some occasion of public worship at least two weeks previous to the time of meeting, that the persons belonging to the Protestant Episcopal Church, or desirous of uniting with the same, will meet at a time and place specified

*Forms can be had on application to the Bishop

the purposes of incorporating themselves, and for the Parish, and electing the requisite number of members. This notice shall be given by the persons named, and if not, by some neighboring Clergyman, and give the notice, and also to present at the meeting for organization.

At the time of the meeting, the Clergyman shall preside, a Secretary shall be appointed, and minutes, in which should be first entered the names of the persons who attend and are qualified to vote, the papers and action, previously had in reference to the organization.

The Constitution for the Parish shall then be in the following prescribed form:

CONSTITUTION

of the Parish of the Protestant Episcopal Church
District of Northern Texas.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. THE GENERAL AND DIOCESAN CONSTITUTIONS of this Parish, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Missionary District of Northern Texas, do hereby recognize and adopt the Constitution, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this jurisdiction, and their authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

USE OF CHURCH BUILDING.

The Church building, or house of worship, shall be opened for all services, rites, ceremonies, and ministrations, authorized or approved of by the General Convention of the United States of America, and the Bishop of this District.

ARTICLE III.

RECTOR AND MINISTER.

The Rector is, *ex-officio*, President of the Parish, and has the casting vote, in all matters brought before it. The Minister has the spiritual oversight of the Parish.

the purpose of incorporating themselves, adopting a Constitution for the Parish, and electing the requisite number of Wardens and Vestrymen. This notice shall be given by the Clergyman, if there be one, and if not, by some neighboring Clergyman, invited to hold service, and give the notice, and also to preside on the occasion of the meeting for organization.

2. At the time of the meeting, the Clergyman, as aforesaid, shall preside, a Secretary shall be appointed, a book provided for the minutes, in which should be first entered the names of the persons who attend and are qualified to vote, and a record made of all papers and action, previously had in reference to the association and organization.

3. A Constitution for the Parish shall then be adopted according to the following prescribed form :

CONSTITUTION

Of a Parish of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Missionary District of Northern Texas.

ARTICLE I.

ACCORDING TO THE GENERAL AND DIOCESAN CONSTITUTIONS, CANONS, ETC.

This Parish, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Missionary District of Northern Texas, expressly accedes to, recognizes and adopts the Constitution, Canons, Doctrines, Discipline and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this jurisdiction, and acknowledges their authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

USE OF CHURCH BUILDING.

The Church building, or house of worship, belonging to this Parish, may be opened for all services, rites, ceremonies, or other purposes, either authorized or approved of by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America or the Protestant Episcopal Church in this District.

ARTICLE III.

RECTOR AND MINISTER.

Sec. 1. The Rector is, *ex-officio*, President of the Vestry, and of the congregation, and has the casting vote, in case of a tie, on all questions brought before it.

Sec. 2. The Minister has the spiritual oversight of this Parish;

each Parish or congregation to provide by taking care for the gathering of the offerings in Divine service, or by the procurement and collection of subscriptions, or of pew rents, by committee or otherwise, for the payment of the amount stipulated for the support of the Rector, Minister or Ministers, quarterly. And it shall be the duty of every Rector or Minister, in his annual report to the Bishop, to state distinctly what sum has been agreed upon between the Parish and himself as the annual salary, and what portion, if any, of that salary has been left unpaid.

CANON XXIV.

ORGANIZED MISSIONS.

It shall be competent for any number of adult persons, not less than twelve, of whom three at least shall be males, who are attached to the Protestant Episcopal Church, and desirous of sustaining its services in any village, town, city or district, to be organized as a Mission.

The following shall be the mode of procedure, with the form and obligations:

PLAN OF THE ORGANIZATION.

I. APPLICATION TO THE BISHOP.*

Right Reverend Father in God: We, the undersigned, residents of _____, County of _____, Missionary District of Northern Texas, being desirous of obtaining the services of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and ready, according to our several ability, to sustain the same, do hereby request you to inquire into our estate and provide for us as you may deem proper and expedient.

We do hereby declare ourselves, individually and collectively, ready to do what in us lies to establish and sustain the regular worship of the said Church, and promote its influence in our neighborhood; and we promise conformity to its doctrines, discipline, liturgy, rites and usages. We put ourselves under your charge, and will reverently obey your authority. We promise conformity to the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, and of the Missionary District of Northern Texas, and rules and regulations of its Convocation. In accordance with these obligations and rules, we now ask the privilege of being organized as a Mission, under the name of _____.

Furthermore, we hereby specially stipulate and agree to raise among us, and faithfully pay to the Board of Missions of the District every year, such contribution as may be assumed by us as our *minimum* toward the stated salary of the Missionary who may

*These forms can be obtained from the Bishop on application