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SESSION OF 1898.

The Right Reverend
Thomas March Clark, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Rhode Island. Providence, Rhode Island.
William Hobart Hare, D.D., Bishop of South Dakota. Sioux Falls, South Dakota.
HOUSE OF BISHOPS.


George Worthington, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Nebraska. Omaha, Nebraska.


Abiel Leonard, D.D., Bishop of Nevada, Utah, and Western Colorado.* Salt Lake City, Utah.


Anson Rogers Graves, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of The Platte.† Kearney, Nebraska.


Cleland Kinloch Nelson, D.D., Bishop of Georgia. Atlanta, Georgia.

*Title changed at this Convention to Bishop of Salt Lake.
†Title changed at this Convention to Bishop of Laramie.
Cairo, Illinois.

George Herbert Kinsolving, D.D., Bishop of Texas. Austin, Texas.


Francis Key Brooke, D.D., Bishop of Oklahoma and Indian Territory.
Guthrie, Oklahoma.


John McKim, D.D., Bishop of Tokyo. Tokyo, Japan.

Frederick Rogers Graves, D.D., Bishop of Shanghai. Shanghai, China.

Ellison Capers, D.D., Bishop of South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina.


Joseph Horsfall Johnson, D.D., Bishop of Los Angeles. Los Angeles, California.


The Bishops of Connecticut, Rhode Island, Long Island, Central New York, Quincy, Cape Palmas, and Fond du Lac, and Bishop C. M. Williams were not present at this Convention.
OFFICERS
OF THE
HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

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PRESIDING BISHOP.
The Right Rev. John Williams, D.D., LL.D.,
Bishop of Connecticut.

CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE.
The Right Rev. William Croswell Doane, D.D., LL.D.,
Bishop of Albany.

SECRETARY.
The Rev. Samuel Hart, D.D.,
Hartford, Conn.

ASSISTANT SECRETARIES.
The Rev. George Francis Nelson, D.D.,
New York, N. Y.
The Rev. Thomas J. Packard,
Rockville, Md.

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FIRST DAY.

EPHPHANY CHURCH,
WASHINGTON, D. C.,
WEDNESDAY, October 5, 1898.

This being the day designated in the Constitution and the place appointed by the last General Convention, the Bishops attended Divine Service with the Clerical and Lay Deputies in Epiphany Church.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishop of Maine reading the Epistle, and the Bishop of Alabama reading the Gospel.

The Sermon was preached by the Bishop of Missouri.

The Offertory was begun by the Bishop of Washington, and the offerings were devoted to the Domestic and Foreign Missions of the Church.

The Bishop of Minnesota was assisted in the administration of the Holy Communion by several of the Bishops.

The House of Bishops met for business at 3:30 o'clock in the Sunday School room of the Church, the Bishop of Minnesota, as the senior Bishop present, in the Chair.

Six Bishops consecrated since the last meeting of the General Convention were presented to the House:

The Right Rev. Dr. Joseph Horsfall Johnson, Bishop of Los Angeles, presented by the Bishop of Michigan;

The Right Rev. Dr. James Dow Morrison, Bishop of Duluth, presented by the Bishop of Albany;

The Right Rev. Dr. Chauncey Bunce Brewster, Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut, presented by the Bishop of Albany;
The Right Rev. Dr. Robert Atkinson Gibson, Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia, presented by the Bishop of Virginia;

The Right Rev. Dr. William Neilson McVickar, Bishop Coadjutor of Rhode Island, presented by the Bishop of Pennsylvania;

The Right Rev. Dr. William Montgomery Brown, Bishop Coadjutor of Arkansas, presented by the Bishop of Springfield;

And the Bishops presented were welcomed by the Bishop presiding.

The Bishop presiding announced the death, since the last meeting of the House, of the following named Bishops, to wit:

The Right Rev. Dr. John Brockenbrough Newton, Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia, died May 28, 1897;

The Right Rev. Dr. Nelson Somerville Rulison, Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, died September 1, 1897;

The Right Rev. Dr. Charles Todd Quintard, Bishop of Tennessee, died February 15, 1898;

The Right Rev. Dr. William Stevens Perry, Bishop of Iowa, died May 13, 1898;

The Right Rev. Dr. John Henry Ducachet Wingfield, Bishop of Northern California, died July 27, 1898;

And he thereupon bade the House to prayer, using the form prescribed in the Rules of Order.

The roll was called, and it was found that sixty-eight members of the House were present, to wit:

The Bishop of Minnesota, Bishop of Alabama, Bishop of Maine, Bishop of Missouri, Bishop of Virginia, Bishop of Oregon, Bishop of Albany, Bishop of Pennsylvania, Bishop of South Dakota, Bishop of Colorado, Bishop of Kentucky, Bishop of New Jersey, Bishop of Western Michigan, Bishop of Southern Ohio, Bishop of Chicago, Bishop of West Virginia, Bishop of Springfield, Bishop of Newark, Bishop of Montana, Bishop of Pittsburgh, Bishop of Mississippi, Bishop of New York, Bishop of Southern Virginia, Bishop of Western New York, Bishop of East Carolina, Bishop of Maryland, Bishop of Nebraska, Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, Bishop of Easton, Bishop of Western Texas, Bishop of Nevada, Utah, and Western Colorado, Bishop of Delaware, Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona, Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, Bishop of Ohio, Bishop of Michigan, Bishop of The Platte, Bishop of California,
The Bishop of West Missouri, Bishop of North Carolina, 
Bishop of Louisiana, Bishop of Vermont, 
Bishop of Milwaukee, Bishop of Indiana, 
Bishop of Georgia, Bishop of Kansas, 
Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield, Bishop of Alaska, 
Bishop of Texas, Bishop of Lexington, 
Bishop of Spokane, Bishop of Los Angeles, 
Bishop of Southern Florida, Bishop of Washington, 
Bishop of Oklahoma and Indian Territory, Bishop of Marquette, 
Bishop of Dayton, Bishop of Duluth, 
Bishop of Tokyo, Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut, 
Bishop of Shanghai, Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia, 
Bishop of South Carolina, Bishop Coadjutor of Rhode Island, 
Bishop of Tennessee, Bishop Coadjutor of Arkansas, 
Bishop of Massachusetts, 

The House proceeded to the election of a Secretary; and the Bishop of Albany having nominated the Rev. Samuel Hart, D.D., of Connecticut, and there being no other nominations, a vote was taken, and the Rev. Dr. Hart was elected Secretary.

The Bishop presiding announced that the Secretary, with his approval, had appointed the Rev. George F. Nelson, D.D., of New York, and the Rev. Thomas J. Packard, of Washington, as Assistant Secretaries.

The House proceeded to the election of a Chairman; and the Bishop of Maine having nominated the Bishop of Albany, and there being no other nominations, by order of the House a ballot was cast for the Bishop of Albany, who was thereupon declared to be elected Chairman of the House.

The Chairman, on taking the chair, briefly addressed the House.

The Secretary was instructed to notify the House of Deputies that this House had completed its organization by the election of a Chairman and a Secretary, and that it was ready to proceed to business. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 1.]

The Bishop of Washington, in behalf of himself and Mrs. Satterlee, extended to the members of the House an invitation to a reception at the Episcopal residence on Thursday evening next.

The Bishop of Washington presented an invitation to the Convention from the Churchman's League of Washington to take part in a visit to Jamestown; and he offered the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention accept the invitation of the Churchman's League of Washington to a pilgrimage to Jamestown, Virginia, on Saturday, the fifteenth instant;
which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 2. See p. 14.]

The Chairman laid before the House the following communication from the Secretary:

To the House of Bishops:

The Secretary begs leave to report that, in reply to a request made by him for copies of the Pastoral Letters of the House, needed to complete the set begun by the late Secretary, he has received from the Dean of the General Theological Seminary a copy of the Letter of 1823, from the Bishop of Western Michigan those of 1847 and 1880, from the Archives of the Diocese of Connecticut those of 1871 and 1880 together with the Lay Letter of 1859 and the Letter on Rationalism of 1865, and from his own collection those of 1874 and 1877. There is now needed to complete the set only a copy of the original edition of the Letter of 1811; the Letter is included in the volume of reprints of the Pastoral Letters to the year 1844 inclusive, of which there is a copy among the papers of the House.

The Bishop of Western Michigan has also sent to the Secretary copies of the Journals of General Convention (original editions) for October 1789, 1792, 1795, and 1817; this last has enabled the Secretary to complete a duplicate set of Journals for the use of the House, including the Bioren reprint to 1814 inclusive, part of which were obtained by purchase, while part were the gift of Mr. John C. Hollister, of New Haven, Connecticut.

The Secretary has also received from Mr. Thomas Whittaker, of New York, a copy of the List of Persons ordained Deacons in the years 1858 to 1885, compiled by the Rev. E. H. Downing; and from the Rev. P. H. Whaley, of Florida, copies of the following-named publications of the Church in the Confederate States: Proceedings of meeting, July 1861; Journal of adjourned Convention, October 1861; Pastoral Letter, 1862; Proposed Constitution and Canons, 1861; Constitution and Canons, 1862. A copy of the Memorial of the Rev. William Tatlock, D.D., has been sent to the Secretary, as have also sundry Journals of Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions.

Through the thoughtfulness and generosity of Mr. Beverly Chew and Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan of New York, one of whom saved the papers from being scattered or lost, while the other purchased them and sent them to the Secretary, there have been added to the papers of the House of Bishops two volumes containing original documents relating to the consecrations of Bishops of this Church from 1795 to 1834, which are evidently portions of Bishop White's official collection of papers. The first volume contains papers relating to each of the Bishops consecrated in this country before 1819, thirteen in number, except Bishop Claggett (the first) and Bishop Parker (the sixth); the second volume contains papers relating to the consecrations of seven Bishops in 1830, 1831, 1832, and 1834.

It may be proper for the Secretary to report that the Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishops in 1895 was published, not only in English, but also in Swedish under the title of "Biskoparnes Herdabref." The translation was made under the direction of the Rev. Gottfried Hammarsköld.

A committee from the House of Deputies, consisting of the Rev. Randolph H. McKim, D.D., of Washington, and Mr. S.
In General Convention,
Washington, 1st day of the Session,
October 5, 1898.

Message No. 1.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed the Rev. R. H. McKim, D.D., and Mr. S. M. Curtis a committee to wait upon the House of Bishops and inform that House that the House of Deputies has organized by the election of the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., as President and the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins as Secretary, and is ready to proceed to business.

Attest:
CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The Bishop of Indiana offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed by the Chairman to send a message of greeting to the Presiding Bishop;

which was adopted.

The Chairman appointed as such committee, the Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishop of Maine, and the Bishop of Kentucky.

The greeting was sent in the following words:

To Bishop Williams, Middletown, Connecticut.
The House of Bishops in session sends you cordial greetings, and the assurance of their undiminished veneration and affection. They deplore your absence and still more the illness which occasions it. Dominus tecum.

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.
The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.
On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning.
The Bishop of Oregon pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

Second Day.

Thursday, October 6, 1898.
The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.
On motion, the Secretary was instructed, in calling the roll, to omit the names of members who were present at yesterday's session; which was accordingly done.
The Bishop of Arkansas appeared and took his seat.
On motion, the Secretary was instructed to express to the Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of Quincy, and the Bishop of New
Hampshire the sincere regret of this House at their absence, with the assurance of affectionate esteem on the part of their brethren.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop Coadjutor of Rhode Island, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Chairman laid before the House a communication from the Presiding Bishop, being the statement of his official acts during the recess of the General Convention, as follows:

To the House of Bishops:

Right Reverend and Dear Brethren:—Still prevented, to my great regret, from taking my place in the House of Bishops, I report to you my official acts as Presiding Bishop since October 1, 1896.

I have taken order for the ordination and consecration of ten Bishops, viz.:

The Right Rev. Peter Trimble Rowe, D.D., Bishop of Alaska, consecrated in St. George's church, New York, on St. Andrew's Day, 1895, the Bishop of Albany presiding.

The Right Rev. Lewis William Burton, D.D., Bishop of Lexington, consecrated in St. Andrew's Church, Louisville, on the thirtieth day of January, 1896, the Bishop of Kentucky presiding.

The Right Rev. Joseph Horsfall Johnson, D.D., Bishop of Los Angeles, consecrated in Christ Church, Detroit, on St. Matthias's Day, 1896, the Bishop of Michigan presiding.


The Right Rev. Gershom Mott Williams, D.D., Bishop of Marquette, consecrated in Grace Church, Detroit, on St. Philip and St. James's Day, 1896, the Bishop of Missouri presiding.

The Right Rev. James Dow Morrison, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Duluth, consecrated in All Saints' Cathedral, Albany, on the feast of the Purification of St. Mary the Virgin, 1897, the Bishop of Albany presiding.


The Right Rev. Robert Atkinson Gibson, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia, consecrated in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Richmond, on the third day of November, 1897, the Bishop of Virginia presiding.

The Right Rev. William Neilson McVickar, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Rhode Island, consecrated in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia, on the twenty-seventh day of January, 1898, the Bishop of Albany presiding.

The Right Rev. William Montgomery Brown, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Arkansas, consecrated in Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland, on the feast of the Nativity of St. John Baptist, 1898, the Bishop of Chicago presiding.

In accordance with the provisions of Title I., Canon 19, § xvi., and in conformity with Rule XXII. of the Rules of Order of this House, I called a special meeting of the House, which was held in the city of New York on the twentieth and twenty-first days of October, 1896.

Having accepted in the summer of 1896, the resignation by the Bishop of Albany of his commission assigning to him the full Episcopal charge
of our Churches and Congregations on the Continent of Europe, I issued a commission in July, 1897, to the Bishop of Ohio, assigning to him for three years the full Episcopal charge of said Churches and Congregations, in accordance with the provisions of Title III., Canon 3, § iii. [8]. The Bishop of Pittsburgh, at my request, made some visitations to these Churches in the interim.

Until the consecration of the Bishop of Duluth, the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota acted, under my appointment, as my substitute in charge of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Duluth.

The Bishop of North Dakota having become Bishop of Western New York, I appointed the Bishop of Duluth as my substitute to the charge of the Missionary Jurisdiction of North Dakota; and the Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho having become Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, I appointed him as my substitute to the charge of his former Missionary Jurisdiction.

The Bishop of Northern California being disabled by mental infirmity from the discharge of his duties, after I had taken your advice as to the construction of the language of Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [3], I appointed the Bishop of The Platte to the charge of the Missionary District of Northern California, which charge he continues to hold since the death of the said Bishop of Northern California.

The Bishop of North Dakota having become Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho having become Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, and the Bishop of Northern Texas having become Bishop of Dallas, I have instructed the Secretary to enter the names of these Bishops on the roll with their new titles.

The Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona has continued, under appointment from me as Provisional Bishop, to act as my Commissary in charge of the Reformed Church in Mexico; and I have from year to year nominated the Rev. Henry Forrester to the supervision of the work in Mexico, and the nomination has been confirmed by the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society of this Church.

I have appointed, on the recommendation of the Bishops at Lambeth, the Bishops of Iowa, Springfield, Ohio, and Coadjutor of Springfield, and the Rev. Edward Goodridge, D.D., as representatives of this Church to the International Congress of Old Catholics in Vienna.

Again expressing my sincere regret that my infirmities prevent my attending the Convention, and praying God to bless you in your work,

I am,

Your affectionate brother,

J. WILLIAMS.
I beg also to call attention to the fact that, acting under the fifth resolution of the last Conference, the Archbishop proposes to create a Consultative Body, to be composed of the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, the Bishops of London, Durham, and Winchester, the Archbishop of Armagh, the Primus of Scotland, and of such other members, two being suggested for the United States, as may be appointed by such Churches and separate Dioceses as think fit to make such appointment, the mode of appointing these representative Bishops being left to the churches that appoint.

J. WILLIAMS, Presiding Bishop.

[See pp. 31, 36.]

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Indiana presented a Memorial from the Convention of the Diocese of Indiana, asking for the erection of a new Diocese and a Missionary Jurisdiction within the limits of the present Diocese of Indiana; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on New Dioceses. [See p. 74.]

The Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona presented a Memorial from the Convocation of the Missionary District of New Mexico, asking for a change in the title of the District; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions. [See p. 50.]

The Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona presented a further Memorial from the said Convocation, asking for a change in the boundaries of the District; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions. [See p. 50.]

The Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona presented a further Memorial from the said Convocation, asking for an amendment of the Canon of Marriage and Divorce; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 28.]

The Bishop of Tokyo presented a Memorial from the Missionary District of Tokyo, asking for the erection of a new Missionary District of this Church in the Empire of Japan; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions. [See p. 35.]

The following message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 9]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,  
WASHINGTON, 1st day of the Session,  
October 5, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 2.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it concurs with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 2, accepting the invitation to a pilgrimage to Jamestown.

Attest:   CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.
The following message was received from the House of Deputies:

**MESSAGE NO. 3.**

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Deputation from the Church of England in Canada be received by the two Houses, sitting together, on Friday at 10:30 A.M.; And the House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Green of Iowa, the Rev. Dr. Sills of Maine, Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska, and Mr. White of Marquette, to notify said Deputation of the time fixed to receive them, and to escort them to the House.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution contained in the foregoing message; and it was voted that this House appoint a Committee to act with the Committee of the House of Deputies in the matter.

The Chairman appointed the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota and the Bishop of Marquette as members of the Committee on the part of this House. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 3.]

The Bishop of Maryland presented the Report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons; which, on motion, was made the order of the day immediately after the completion of the action of this House on the Revision of the Constitution. [See Appendix XIII. and p. 21.]


The Bishop of Vermont presented the following Report of the Special Committee appointed to suggest subjects to the Archbishop of Canterbury for discussion at the Lambeth Conference of 1897:

A special committee was appointed by the House of Bishops at its meeting in Minneapolis in 1895, "to effect some joint action by the members of this House upon so much of the Archbishop of Canterbury's recent letter to the Bishops of this Church as relates to the suggestion of subjects to be discussed at the Lambeth Conference in 1897."

The following were appointed members of the Committee: the presiding Bishop, the Bishops of Long Island, Iowa, New York, and Vermont. [Journal, pp. 26, 36, 184.]

Communications were had with all our Bishops, inviting the suggestion of subjects for consideration, such as might be forwarded to the
Archbishop of Canterbury on behalf of the American Bishops collectively. After receiving replies from a large number of the Bishops, the Committee forwarded to his Grace, through the Presiding Bishop, a list of eleven subjects which were so recommended, the greater number of which were included in the programme of the Conference.

On behalf of the Committee,

ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

The Bishop of Kentucky offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change in the Constitution, proposed in the last General Convention and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, be finally agreed to and ratified, in accordance with Article 8 of the Constitution:

Strike out the Title and insert in place thereof the following:

"Constitutions and Canons for the Government of that Portion of the Catholic Church known in Law as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America"; adding thereto the sub-title, "Constitutions";

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 4. See p. 23.]

The Bishop of Kentucky offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change in the Constitution, proposed in the last General Convention and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, be finally agreed to and ratified, in accordance with Article 8 of the Constitution:

Insert in place of Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution the following:

I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and, in all deliberations, freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, but every act of the General Convention must be adopted by both Houses, and be certified by the signatures of the Presiding Officer and of the Secretary of each House.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop whose resignation of jurisdiction shall have been accepted, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of those who have resigned their jurisdictions, and those who are Bishops in foreign lands, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitutions and Canons of the General Convention, or, for its own needs, by the House of Bishops, and shall hold office for life, unless he resign or be relieved from that office by a vote of a majority of the Bishops entitled to a vote in the House of Bishops.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which shall have been admitted to the General Convention shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this
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Church, and having domicile in the Diocese. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen. 

A majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation shall be represented by Clerical Deputies, and also a majority of the Dioceses so entitled shall be represented by Lay Deputies, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The absence of a majority of the Deputies of either order of any Diocese shall not invalidate the representation of such Diocese, so long as there be present one or more Deputies of either order. If any Diocese be not represented, or be represented in one order only, such Diocese shall, nevertheless, be bound by the acts of the General Convention. 

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by these Constitutions, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote for its Clerical and one for its Lay representation, if present; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House; Provided, however, that if it shall appear that a constitutional quorum of the House has not voted, the Presiding Officer shall declare that there has been no vote of the House; and in such a case the question may be again put to the House when a quorum shall be present, at any time before the final adjournment of the Convention then in session. 

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House during the session of the General Convention shall adjourn without the consent of the other for more than three days, nor to any place other than that in which the Convention shall be sitting. 

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands, convened by proper Ecclesiastical Authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies except the right to vote. 

SEC. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at such place as shall have been determined on by the Convention; and if there shall appear to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be called in accordance with canonical provisions of the Convention; which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 5. See p. 23.]

The Bishop of Tokyo presented his report; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions. 

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies: 

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, 
WASHINGTON, 21 Day of the Session, 
October 6, 1898. 

MESSAGE NO. 4. 

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

...
Resolved, That the communication herewith transmitted from Mr. Felipe Agoncillo, representative from the Philippines, being addressed to the American Episcopate, be sent to the House of Bishops.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

[See p. 20.]

The Chairman appointed the Standing Committees of the House as follows:

**STANDING COMMITTEES.**

1. **On the Prayer Book.** — The Bishops of Maine, Arkansas, Pittsburgh, Georgia, and Coadjutor of Springfield.
3. **On Canons.** The Bishops of Missouri, Chicago, East Carolina, Maryland, Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, North Carolina, and Vermont.
4. **On the Pastoral Letter.** — The Presiding Bishop, the Bishops of Alabama, New York, California, and Tennessee.
7. **On Foreign Missions.** — The Bishops of New Jersey, South Dakota, West Virginia, Coadjutor of Minnesota, and New Mexico and Arizona.
8. **On Christian Education.** — The Bishops of Minnesota, Kentucky, Spokane, Massachusetts, and Indiana.
9. **On the Consecration of Bishops.** — The Bishops of Newark, Southern Virginia, Central Pennsylvania, Western Texas, and Nevada and Utah and Western Colorado.
10. **On the Nomination of Missionary Bishops.** — The Bishops of Montana, Mississippi, Easton, Georgia, and Texas.
11. **On the Admission of New Dioceses.** — The Bishops of West Virginia, Nebraska, New Mexico and Arizona, Los Angeles, and Coadjutor of Arkansas.
12. **On the General Theological Seminary.** — The Bishops of Springfield, Western Michigan, Delaware, Oklahoma, and Shanghai.

The Chairman also appointed the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota and the Bishop of Washington as the Committee to act with the Secretary in preparing daily reports of the action of the House for the public journals.

The Chairman also announced that he had appointed the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota a member of the Committee on the Rearrangement of Missionary Jurisdictions, in place of the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, deceased; and the Bishop of New
Hampshire a member of the Committee on Marginal Readings in the Bible, in place of the Bishop of Western New York, deceased.

On motion of the Bishop of Maryland, the House proceeded to the consideration of the Constitutions, as proposed by this House at the last General Convention. [See Journal, 1895, pp. 42, 44, 45, 61, 66, 70, 71.]

On motion of the Bishop of Kentucky, the whole subject was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 21.]

The hour of noon having arrived, the Chairman bade the House to prayer for Missions.

The Chairman presented the Report of the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer. [See Appendix IX.]

On motion, the resolutions contained in the Report of the Custodian were referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book. [See p. 42.]

The Bishop of Missouri offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed, to whom shall be referred the question of the Increased Responsibilities devolved, or to be devolved, upon this Church by the extension of the sovereignty of the flag to new regions, and also the question of the obligations to Missions in Christian countries of the western hemisphere with which this Church may be charged; and that the number of members on the part of this House be five.

The Bishop of New York moved to strike out the words "by the extension of the sovereignty of the flag in new regions"; which was adopted.

The question being on the resolution as amended, it was adopted.

The Chairman appointed, as members of the Committee on the part of this House, the Bishop of Missouri, the Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of California, and the Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 6. See p. 26.]

The Bishop of New York presented two communications from Mr. W. N. Hammond, dated at Havana, September 12 and 27, 1898; which, on motion, were referred to the Committee appointed under the resolution just adopted.

The Bishop of New York presented a communication from the
Rev. Karl Schwartz, Chaplain of the First Regiment New York Volunteers, dated Honolulu, September 10, 1898; which, on motion, was referred to the same Committee.

On motion, the communication transmitted to this House by Message No. 4 from the House of Deputies [see p. 17] was referred to the same Committee. [See p. 26.]

On motion of the Bishop of East Carolina, it was ordered that the House take a recess daily from one to three o'clock.

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The Chairman read the following despatch from the Presiding Bishop:

MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT, October 6, 1898.

Hearty thanks for message, with affectionate regards and prayers that God may bless all the work of the Convention. J. WILLIAMS.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, § i., Article IV. (p. 135 of the Digest), be amended by striking out the first paragraph and substituting the following:

There shall be Missionary Councils of this Church, which shall be held as hereinafter provided.

After each triennial meeting of the Board of Missions the whole territory of the United States shall be divided, by the Board of Managers, into not more than four divisions, for the purpose of holding Missionary Councils. Said Council in each of said divisions shall consist of all the Bishops of this Church residing in said division, all the members of the Board of Managers residing in said division, three presbyters and three laymen from each Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction within said division, to be chosen by the Convention or Convocation of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and in addition thereto such other clergymen or laymen as may be selected by the General Convention at its triennial meeting.

Said Missionary Councils shall be held annually in each of said divisions, except in those years appointed for the meetings of the Board of Missions; the times and places of the meetings of said Councils to be determined by the Board of Managers with the approval of the presiding officer of the House of Bishops.

Said Councils shall be competent to consider the missionary work of the Church and to make such suggestions and recommendations to the Board of Managers as may be deemed expedient to increase interest in Missions. If any presbyter or layman elected by any Convention or Convocation shall die, resign, or remove from the Diocese between the meetings of the Convention or Convocation, it shall be competent for the Bishop of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to appoint a substitute to hold office until the election of a successor by the Convention or Convocation.

And that said Canon 7 be further amended by changing the words "Missionary Council" to "Missionary Councils" wherever they occur;
which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 29.]

The Bishop of East Carolina presented a petition from the Clerical and Lay Deputies of the Diocese of East Carolina, praying that a Bishop be not elected for the Missionary Jurisdiction of Asheville; which, on motion, was referred to the Special Committee on the Redistribution of Missionary Districts, appointed at the last General Convention. [See p. 35.]

The Bishop of New York offered the following Resolution:

Resolved, That, in view of the technical difficulties at present encompassing the matter of constitutional revision, the subject of the consideration of the amendments reported by the Joint Commission be indefinitely postponed;

which was adopted. [ Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 7.]

The Bishop of West Virginia presented a Memorial from the Reformed Church in Brazil, asking for the consecration of a Bishop for said Church under the provisions of Article 10 of the Constitution, accompanied by a copy of a translation of the Book of Common Prayer in the Portuguese language; which, on motion, was referred to a Special Committee of five members of the House.

The Chairman appointed as such Committee the Bishop of Oregon, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Montana, the Bishop of Oklahoma, and the Bishop of Massachusetts. [See p. 97.]

On motion, the House proceeded to the order of the day, being the consideration of the Report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons. [See Appendix XIII.]

The question being on the proposed Canon 1, § I. [i.], the Bishop of Missouri moved to strike out the words "or Missionary Jurisdiction."

The question being on the amendment proposed by the Bishop of Missouri, the Bishop of Virginia offered as a substitute for the proposed Canon 1, § I. [i.], and for the proposed amendment, the language of the present Canon 2, § i. [1] of Title 1.

The question being on the proposed substitute, it was adopted.

The question being on the proposed Canon 1, § I. [ii.], the Bishop of Vermont moved that § i. [2] of the existing Canon 2 be added as an additional paragraph to the paragraph already
adopted as a substitute for § I. [i.] of the new Canon 1; which was adopted.

The Bishop of East Carolina moved to add the words, "The Bishop may dispense with the provisions of this section, and receive the application directly"; which was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Maryland, the word "Jurisdiction," wherever it occurs in the Canon already acted upon, was stricken out, and the word "District" was substituted therefor.

The question recurring upon [ii.] of § I. of the proposed Canon 1, the Bishop of Montana moved to substitute § ii. of the present Canon 2 of Title I.; which was not adopted.

The Bishop of East Carolina moved to insert after the words "in writing" the words "as accurately as possible"; which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Springfield moved to add to the words under (c) the words "and with what matter and form"; which was not adopted.

The Bishop of South Dakota offered the following substitute:

[iii.] He shall then present himself personally to the Bishop, and also satisfy him in writing as to the following particulars, viz.: his age and antecedents, his baptism, his confirmation, his first communion, the length of time he has been a resident in the Diocese or Missionary District; clauses marked (f) and (g) to remain as proposed by the Committee;

which was not adopted.

The question recurring on [ii.] of § I. of the proposed Canon 1, the Bishop of Chicago offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the further consideration of the Report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons of Ordination and Consecration be postponed for the present;

which was adopted. [See p. 30.]

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont, the proposed Canon on Marriage and Divorce was made the order of the day for Monday next immediately after mid-day prayers.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, the question of the election of Missionary Bishops for the vacant Missionary Districts of North Dakota, Wyoming and Idaho, and Northern California was made the order of the day for Wednesday next at 11 o'clock.
The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 16]:

**MESSAGE NO. 5.**

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it declines to adopt and ratify the following amendment to the Constitution proposed at the last General Convention, to wit:

Strike out the Title and insert in place thereof the following:—

"Constitutions and Canons for the Government of that Portion of the Catholic Church known in Law as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America"; adding thereto the sub-title, "Constitutions"; and non-concurs in Message No. 4 from the House of Bishops, relating to that subject.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 17]:

**MESSAGE NO. 6.**

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it declines to adopt and ratify the following change in the Constitution, proposed at the last General Convention, to wit:

Insert in place of Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution the following:

I.

**SECTION 1.** There shall be a General Convention of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and, in all deliberations, freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, but every act of the General Convention must be adopted by both Houses, and be certified by the signatures of the Presiding Officer and of the Secretary of each House.

**SEC. 2.** Every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop whose resignation of jurisdiction shall have been accepted, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of those who have resigned their jurisdictions, and those who are Bishops in foreign lands, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

**SEC. 3.** The Senior Bishop of this Church in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitutions and Canons of the General Convention, or, for its own needs, by the House of Bishops, and shall hold office for life, unless he resign or be relieved from that office by a vote of a majority of the Bishops entitled to a vote in the House of Bishops.

**SEC. 4.** The Church in each Diocese which shall have been admitted to the General Convention shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, and having domicile in the Diocese. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

A majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation shall be represented by Clerical Deputies, and also a majority of the Dioceses so
entitled shall be represented by Lay Deputies, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The absence of a majority of the Deputies of either order of any Diocese shall not invalidate the representation of such Diocese, so long as there be present one or more Deputies of either order. If any Diocese be not represented, or be represented in one order only, such Diocese shall, nevertheless, be bound by the acts of the General Convention.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by these Constitutions, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote for its Clerical and one for its Lay representation, if present; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House; Provided, however, that if it shall appear that a constitutional quorum of the House has not voted, the Presiding Officer shall declare that there has been no vote of the House; and in such a case the question may be again put to the House when a quorum shall be present, at any time before the final adjournment of the Convention then in session.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House during the session of the General Convention shall adjourn without the consent of the other for more than three days, nor to any place other than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands, convened by proper Ecclesiastical Authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies except the right to vote.

SEC. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at such place as shall have been determined on by the Convention; and if there shall appear to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be called in accordance with canonical provisions of the Convention;

and non-concurs in Message No. 5 from the House of Bishops, relating to that subject.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of New York, the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield and the Bishop of Lexington were added to the Commission on a German Version of the Prayer Book, to fill vacancies caused by the death of the Bishop of Western New York and the Bishop of Iowa.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of three Bishops be appointed to advise the Bishop of Louisiana of his duty in the matter of his contemplated absence from this House;

which was adopted.
The Chairman appointed as such Committee the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of Southern Virginia, and the Bishop of Georgia. [See p. 26.]

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning.

The Bishop of Virginia pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, October 7, 1898.

The House met after Morning Prayer and Litany, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop Coadjutor of Arkansas, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Secretary was instructed, in calling the roll, to omit the names of members who were present at yesterday's session; which was accordingly done.

The Bishop of Dallas and the Bishop Coadjutor of Alabama appeared and took their seats.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Duluth offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following be adopted:

1. Missionary Bishops at the age of sixty-five years shall cease to exercise mission or jurisdiction.
2. They shall retain their seats in the House of Bishops, without the right to vote.
3. If it be certified to the satisfaction of the Managers of the Board of Missions that the Missionary Bishop retired on account of age is in necessitous circumstances, they shall assign to him a pension of $1,000 per annum.
4. The Missionary Bishop accepting this pension shall be at the disposal of the Presiding Bishop, to perform such Episcopal duties as his strength may permit.
5. This Canon shall apply to all Missionary Bishops consecrated after January 1, 1897.
6. Missionary Bishops consecrated prior to the above date may avail themselves of its provisions by signifying to the Presiding Bishops their desire so to do, within twelve months after the enactment of the Canon.
7. The right of the Missionary Bishop to retire at the age of sixty-five years shall not be affected if his Jurisdiction shall have become a Diocese in the meanwhile;
which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 28.]

The Bishop of Duluth offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Canons of Ordination be amended as follows:

1. All Canons exempting Candidates for Deacons' or Priests' Orders from passing any portion of the regular examination are hereby repealed.

2. The office of Examining Chaplain is hereby abolished.

3. There shall be a Central Board of Examiners appointed at each General Convention by the Chairman of the House of Bishops, which shall continue in office until the succeeding General Convention. It shall be the duty of this Board to prepare, two months before each Ember season, examination papers for all candidates for Deacons' and Priests' Orders. Copies of these papers shall be transmitted under seal to any Bishops requiring them, and Candidates for Orders shall, under the personal supervision of the Bishop or some person acting as his authorized representative, pass a written examination on the papers prepared by the Board of Examiners. The results shall be transmitted under seal by the Bishop to the Central Board of Examiners, who shall examine the papers of the candidates and shall publish a list of those who have passed successfully, classifying them as first, second, and third class according to proficiency, and bracketing with the name of the candidate the name of the Seminary or College in which he received his training. No Bishop shall ordain any person Deacon or Priest without the certificate of the Central Board, certifying that he has successfully passed the canonical examinations. The expenses incident to the work of the Central Board of Examiners shall be assessed on the several Dioceses pro rata to the number of clergy;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 28.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 19.]

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 2d day of the Session,
October 6, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 7.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 6, concerning the appointment of a Joint Committee on Increased Responsibilities, etc., and has appointed, on the part of the House of Deputies, as members of said Joint Committee, the Rev. Mr. Seabreeze of Indiana, the Rev. Dr. Lobdell of Western New York, the Rev. Mr. Grimes of Colorado, Mr. Pierpont of Long Island, and Mr. Baldwin of Washington.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

[See p. 135.]

The Bishop of New York, from the Committee appointed to advise the Bishop of Louisiana as to his contemplated absence, presented a report recommending that the Bishop of Louisiana be granted leave of absence from the sessions of the House; and, on his motion, such leave of absence was granted. [See p. 112.]
At half past ten o'clock, the House met with the House of Deputies in Epiphany Church for the reception of the delegation from the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada.

At half past eleven o'clock, the House met with the House of Deputies in the Board of Missions.

The Board of Missions having completed its session for the day, the House resumed its session.

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

FOURTH DAY.

Saturday, October 8, 1898.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

On motion, the Committee on Rules of Order was desired to consider and report to the House what amendment of the Rules of Order, if any, is necessary to provide for the chairmanship of the Bishops sitting in Council. [See p. 39.]

The Bishop of Western Michigan offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following words be inserted at the end of Title I., Canon 7, § vii. (page 36 of the Digest):

In case the Candidate has attended a Theological Seminary of the Church, he shall present from the Faculty a certificate attesting that there are no known objections on grounds physical, intellectual, or moral to the ordination of the candidate;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 92.]

On motion of the Bishop of North Carolina, the consideration of the subject of the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Asheville was made the order of the day at 11 o'clock on Wednesday next, in connection with the order of the day already made for that hour.
The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 14]:

REPORT NO. 1.
The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a Memorial from the Convocation of the Missionary District of New Mexico, requesting the General Convention to amend Title II., Canon 13, "Of Marriage and Divorce," respectfully reports that it deems it unnecessary for the Committee to take any action on the Memorial, since the House has made the whole subject of the canon the order of the day for Monday next. The Committee therefore asks to be discharged from further consideration of the Memorial.

W. E. McLAREN, Chairman.

Attest:
ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

On motion, the Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the Memorial.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 25]:

REPORT NO. 2.
The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution proposed by the Bishop of Duluth concerning the resignation of Missionary Bishops, respectfully reports that it deems it inexpedient to take any action on the resolution, and requests to be discharged from the further consideration thereof.

W. E. McLAREN, Chairman.

Attest:
ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

On motion, the report of the Committee was laid upon the table. [See p. 48.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 26]:

REPORT NO. 3.
The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution proposed by the Bishop of Duluth concerning a Central Board of Examiners for candidates for Holy Orders, respectfully reports that it deems it inexpedient to take any action on the resolution, and requests to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. E. McLAREN, Chairman.

Attest:
ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of New York, the resolution referred to in the above report was recommitted to the Committee on Canons, with the request that opportunity be given for Bishops interested in the question to appear before them. [See p. 69.]
The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 20]:

**REPORT No. 4.**

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred the canon proposed by the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, concerning the Missionary Council, recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, that Title III., Canon 7, § 1., Article IV., be amended by the substitution of the following for the first paragraph ("There shall be a Missionary Council . . . his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction"): "Missionary Councils of this Church shall be held as hereinafter provided. For this purpose, after each triennial meeting of the Board of Missions, the whole territory of the United States shall be divided by the Board of Managers into not more than four divisions. The Council in each of these divisions shall consist of all the Bishops of this Church residing in said division, and of three presbyters and three laymen from each Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction within said division, to be chosen by the Convention or Convocation of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, said delegates to serve for one year and until their successors are elected. The Missionary Councils shall be held annually in each of such divisions, except in those years appointed for the meetings of the Board of Missions; the times and places of the meetings of said Councils to be determined by the Board of Managers, with the approval in each case of the Bishop in whose Diocese it is proposed to hold the Council. The object of such Councils shall be to consider the missionary work of the Church, to increase interest in the same, and to make such suggestions and recommendations as they may deem expedient to the Board of Managers. It shall be competent for the Bishop of a Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to fill vacancies in the representation of his Diocese or Jurisdiction, occurring by removal, resignation, or death, between the sessions of the Convention or Convocation of his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction."

*Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, that said Canon 7 be further amended by changing the words "Missionary Council" to "Missionary Councils" wherever they occur.

W. E. McLaren, Chairman.

Attest:

Arthur C. A. Hall, Secretary.

On motion, the resolutions contained in the report of the Committee were adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 8. See p. 94.]

The Bishop of Western Texas presented the following communication:

To the House of Bishops:

I hereby request the permission of the House of Bishops to organize the Missionary District of Western Texas into a Diocese. I desire to go before the Committee on New Dioceses in order to explain to them the grounds upon which I base this application.

J. S. Johnston,
Bishop of Western Texas;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [See p. 149.]
The Bishop of Virginia offered the following resolution [see p. 22]:

Resolved, That the Report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons be referred to a Special Committee of three Bishops, to report to this House, as speedily as may be, such changes in the Canons as in their judgment require the immediate attention of the General Convention;

which was adopted. The Chairman appointed as such Committee the Bishop of East Carolina, the Bishop of Ohio, and the Bishop of Vermont. [See p. 61.]

The Bishop of Springfield presented a Memorial on the subject of anti-vivisection; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions. [See p. 30.]

The Bishop of Albany presented the Report of the Prayer Book Distribution Society, as follows:

At a meeting of the Prayer Book Distribution Society held on the sixth day of October, the following report was ordered to be presented to the two Houses of the General Convention:

The Prayer Book Distribution Society comes with thinned ranks to make its Triennial Report. The absence from home and consequent resignation of office of its Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Arthur Lawrence, withdrew its most able and active officer. And before that the death of the Rev. Dr. Langford had deprived the Society of its real head and of its real heart. Due to Dr. Langford's deep missionary earnestness, and to his conviction that the Book of Common Prayer is the best missionary, the activities of this Society centred in him. It is not too late for the Trustees to add their word of appreciation to the many voices which have mourned his loss.

The Trustees have no story to tell of any recent service rendered to the Church. They believe that they discharged their office and fulfilled their function when they secured the first publication of the Revised Prayer Book at cost price, and so brought about a reduction in the price of all Prayer Books of that size and character of printing.

Looking toward the future, realizing the activity of the various Prayer Book Societies and Diocesan Committees, feeling the unwisdom of multiplied organizations, and convinced that they have really done their work, the Trustees submit to the body which created them the suggestion that the Society shall now be dissolved by the repeal of Title III., Canon 9, of the Digest.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE, Chairman;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 33.]

The Bishop of Missouri presented the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title III., Canon 9, § 1., Article IV., be amended as follows: Strike out the first two sentences of paragraph two, and insert, "There shall be appointed by the General Convention at its triennial meetings a Board of Managers"; so that the paragraph shall read, "There shall be appointed by the General
Convention at its triennial meeting a Board of Managers comprising," etc. (as in present Canon).

In fifth paragraph change "Council" to "Councils," and "its" to "their."

In the last paragraph of Article IV. strike out "and of the Missionary Council," and "meeting of the Board of Missions or of the Missionary Council," and insert "meetings of the Board of Missions and of the Missionary Councils"; so that the paragraph shall read, "There shall be appointed at each meeting of the General Convention a Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, together with the General Secretary of the Board of Missions, whose duty it shall be to arrange an order of work for the ensuing meetings of the Board of Missions and of the Missionary Councils."

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 34.]

The Bishop of Delaware offered the following resolution [see p. 13]:

Resolved, That the communication from the Presiding Bishop relative to the action of the recent Lambeth Conference and of the Archbishop of Canterbury relative to the proposed Consultative Body, be referred to a special committee of five Bishops, to report to this House as early as practicable;

which was adopted. The Chairman appointed as such Committee the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of Springfield, the Bishop of New York, and the Bishop of Michigan. [See p. 62.]

The Bishop of Olympia offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be requested to give their opinion whether the Constitution and Canons chosen for the government of a Missionary Jurisdiction under Title I., Canon 19, § 6, are to be understood as meaning the Constitution and Canons in the form in which they stood at the time of choice by the first Missionary Bishop, or as they may be changed from year to year by the Diocese which formulated them; and also their opinion as to what authority is to determine how far applicable such Constitution and Canons are to the circumstances of such Missionary Jurisdiction;

which was adopted. [See p. 33.]

The hour of noon having arrived, at the request of the Chairman, the Bishop of The Platte bade the House to prayer for Missions.

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session, the Bishop of Maine in the Chair.

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until Monday morning.

The Bishop of Maine pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.
FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 10, 1898.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding. A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of Saturday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Chairman presented a communication from the Secretary of the Annual Convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, transmitting the following resolution, unanimously adopted by said Convention:

Resolved, That the Brotherhood of St. Andrew assembled in its thirteenth Annual Convention, accepting the responsibility involved in the inevitable expansion of its own work, hears with joy the cry for an enlarged and more aggressive missionary policy in the Church, and pledges to the Church its loyal sympathy therein;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Increased Responsibilities. [See p. 26.]

The Bishop of Marquette presented a Memorial on Swedish Orders; which, on motion, was referred to the Joint Commission on Swedish Orders. [See p. 146, and Appendix XVI.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota presented a Memorial from Swedish clergymen in the United States; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions. [See p. 46.]

The Bishop of The Platte offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 18, § vii. [3] (p. 69 of the Digest), be amended by the addition of the following words:

Provided, That the Bishop, if he thinks the person presenting such letters unfit for the position to which he is called, is not compelled to accept his letters, unless so advised by the Standing Committee after hearing the Bishop's reasons and the answers of the minister or his friends;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 67.]

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution:
Resolved, That the proviso in Article 5 of the Constitution, to wit, "Provided, That no city shall form more than one Diocese," be referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, in order that it may recommend such action as may relieve the present situation in the Dioceses of New York and Long Island;

which was adopted. [See p. 47.]

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia, the Secretary was instructed to communicate to the Bishop of Florida assurances of the sincere sympathy of this House and its regret at his enforced absence from its sessions.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Report [see p. 30].

REPORT No. 5.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a request of the Prayer Book Distribution Society for the repeal of Title III., Canon 9 (page 142 of the Digest), recommends that the request be granted and that the following resolution be adopted:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title III., Canon 9, be repealed.

W. E. McLAREN, Chairman.

Attest:
ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 10. See p. 42.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 31]:

REPORT No. 6.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred the request of the Bishop of Olympia for an interpretation of certain points in Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [5] (p. 65 of the Digest), respectfully reports:

First, That, in the judgment of the Committee, the diocesan Constitution and Canons selected by the Bishop for the government of a Missionary Jurisdiction remain in force, as far as applicable to the circumstances of such Missionary Jurisdiction, as originally selected, until the Missionary Jurisdiction shall be erected into a Diocese; and that no subsequent modifications meanwhile made by the Diocese from which the Canons were taken are of force in the Missionary Jurisdiction.

Second, That, in the judgment of the Committee, it belongs to the Bishop of the Missionary Jurisdiction, subject to the advice of the House of Bishops, to decide how far the Constitution and Canons selected from a Diocese are applicable in any given case to the circumstances of his Missionary Jurisdiction. (See subsection [2] in the same § vi. of this Canon.)

Respectfully submitted,
W. E. McLAREN, Chairman.

Attest:
ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

On motion, the report of the Committee was accepted.
The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 30]:

REPORT NO. 7.
The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution proposed by the Bishop of Missouri to amend Title III., Canon 7, Article IV., concerning Missionary Councils, so as to make the whole article conform to the amendments already adopted by the House, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, Article IV., be amended by striking out the words, "There shall also be appointed in like manner a Board of Managers, to be selected from the Missionary Council," and by substituting therefor the words, "There shall be appointed by the General Convention at its triennial meeting a Board of Managers"; and by substituting the following for the last paragraph of the Article:

"There shall be appointed at each meeting of the General Convention a committee, consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, together with the General Secretary of the Board of Missions, whose duty it shall be to arrange an order of work for the ensuing meetings of the Board of Missions and of the Missionary Councils"; and that the word "its," in line 12, page 137, be changed to "their."

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLaren, Chairman.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies in Message No. 8. See p. 94.]

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Peter Trimble Rowe, Bishop of Alaska, present in the House for the first time since his consecration, was presented to the House by the Bishop of New York and the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, and welcomed by the Chairman; and he thereupon took his seat.

The Bishop of Dallas, from the Committee on Religious Services, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 1.
The Committee on Religious Services respectfully report:

1. They have arranged with the Rector of St. John's Church for a celebration of the Holy Communion on each Thursday morning during the session, for the House of Bishops, at 9 o'clock.

2. They respectfully suggest that the House will, if possible, so arrange its business, as to have elections of Bishops take place immediately after the celebration of the Holy Communion on the Thursdays.

3. Your Committee have arranged with the President of the House of Deputies for a celebration of the Holy Communion on St. Luke's Day, October 18, in the Church of the Epiphany, at 9 o'clock, the service to be instead of the ordinary Matins.

Alex. C. Garrett, Chairman.
On motion of the Bishop of North Carolina, the hour for the celebration of the Holy Communion on Thursdays was changed from 9 to 7:30 o'clock.

On motion, the report of the Committee, as amended, was accepted.

The Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona, from the Committee on Foreign Missions, offered the following resolution [see p. 14]:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a new missionary district be created in the Islands of Japan, within the Missionary District of Tokyo, to be called the Missionary District of Kyoto, to consist of the following provinces: Kishu, Yamato, Kawachi, Settsu, Yamashiro, Omi, Echizen, Tango, Tamba, Wakasa, Kaga, Noto, Idzumi, Iga, and Ise; which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 9. See p. 130.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, from the Committee on the Rearrangement of Missionary Jurisdictions, presented the following report [see p. 21]:

The Committee on Boundaries of Missionary Districts, to which was referred the Memorial of the Diocese of East Carolina requesting action in certain matters pertaining to the well-being of the Church in the State of North Carolina, respectfully asks the House of Bishops to take this Memorial back from the Committee on Boundaries of Missionary Districts and refer it to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, with permission to sit with the like Committee of the House of Deputies, in order that the constitutional questions involved therein may be considered, especially (a) as to whether the action of the last General Convention constituting the Missionary District of Asheville can be rescinded; (b) as to whether a Missionary District can be reincorporated into an existing Diocese.

On motion, the recommendation of the Committee was adopted, and the Memorial mentioned was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, with leave to sit with the like Committee of the House of Deputies on the same subject. [See p. 47.]

The Bishop of Minnesota offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops will go into Council at such time as the Chairman may designate, to consider the grave questions which are before us, affecting the welfare of our Church and country and the salvation of all for whom Our Blessed Saviour died;

which was adopted; and the Chairman appointed Thursday next at 3 o'clock as the time for the sitting of the Bishops in Council under the resolution.

The following message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 13]:

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HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

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IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 4th day of the Session,
October 8, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 8.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the resolutions of the Lambeth Conference be referred to a Joint Committee of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen:
And the House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed as members of said Joint Committee, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Waterman of New Hampshire, the Rev. Dr. Cobb of Alabama, the Rev. Dr. Harris of Pennsylvania, Mr. Westfeldt of Louisiana, Mr. Sewell of Maine, and Mr. Temple of Vermont.
Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in the foregoing message.

On motion of the Bishop of Kentucky, the Chairman was appointed a member of the Committee on the part of this House; and the Chairman appointed as the other members of the Committee the Bishop of Pennsylvania and the Bishop of Kentucky.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 13. See p. 172.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE NO. 9.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:
Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:
Strike out Articles 4 and 10 of the Constitution, and insert the following as Article 2 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 2.

SECTION 1. In every Diocese the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor shall be chosen agreeably to rules prescribed by the Convention of that Diocese. Missionary Bishops shall be chosen in accordance with the Canons of the General Convention.

SEC. 2. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop until he shall be thirty years of age; nor without the consent of a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses, and the consent of a majority of the Bishops of this Church, exercising jurisdiction in the United States. But if the election have taken place within three months next before the meeting of the General Convention, the consent of the House of Deputies shall be required in place of that of a majority of the Standing Committees. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop by less than three Bishops.
SEC. 3. A Bishop shall confine the exercise of his office to his own Diocese or Missionary District, unless requested to perform episcopal acts in another Diocese or in a Missionary District by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, or unless authorized and appointed by the House of Bishops to act temporarily, in case of need, beyond the territorial limits of the United States.

SEC. 4. A Bishop may not resign his jurisdiction without the consent of the House of Bishops.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article 3 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 3.

Bishops may be consecrated for Churches in foreign lands, upon due application therefrom, under such conditions as may be prescribed by Canons of the General Convention. No such Bishop shall be entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, nor shall he perform any act of the episcopal office in any Diocese or Missionary District of this Church, unless requested to do so by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the resolutions contained in the foregoing Message were referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 44.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 10.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a committee of five be appointed to act with a similar committee of the House of Bishops, on the selection of the place of meeting for the General Convention of 1901;

And the House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed as members of said committee, on its part, Mr. Morgan of New York, the Rev. Mr. Spalding of California, the Rev. Dr. Mann of West Missouri, the Rev. Dr. Lindsay of Massachusetts, and the Rev. Dr. Waters of Louisiana.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in the foregoing Message; and the Chairman appointed as members of the Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of Southern Virginia, the Bishop of Nebraska, the Bishop of Massachusetts, and the Bishop of Duluth. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 11. See p. 51.]
The Bishop of California presented the following resolutions of the Convention of the Diocese of California:

Resolved, That the Diocese of California, in Convention assembled, hereby extends a cordial invitation to the General Convention to meet in San Francisco in the year 1901;

Resolved further, That our deputies to the approaching session of the General Convention be and they are hereby requested to present this invitation, on behalf of the Diocese, to that body;

which, on his motion, was referred to the Joint Committee on that subject. [See p. 51.]

The Bishop of Missouri offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Title II., Canon 9, § 1 (page 101 of the Digest), be amended by adding thereto the following words: "6. And for conduct unbecoming a Bishop of this Church," making the Canon in agreement with the Canon on offences for which clergymen may be tried;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 68.]

The Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona reported to the House that, at the time of his entrance upon his jurisdiction, he had selected for the government of said jurisdiction the Constitution and Canons of a Diocese different from that which had been selected at the first; which action, on the motion of the Bishop of Maryland, was approved and confirmed.

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The hour of noon having arrived, at the request of the Chairman, the Bishop of Alabama bade the House to prayer for Missions.

The Chairman presented the Report of the Recorder of Ordinations; and, on motion, it was ordered, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Report, with accompanying lists of Ordinations, etc., be printed as an appendix to the Journal. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 12. See p. 45 and Appendix VI.]

The House proceeded to the order of the day, being the consideration of Canon 34, "Of Marriage," as reported by the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons. [See Appendix XIII.]

The question being on § I., the Bishop of Springfield moved to strike out the words, "defined in the eighteenth chapter of the
book Leviticus," and insert the words, "as set forth in the follow­ing table," and then to add the table of prohibited degrees (published in the Appendix to the Journal of the General Convention of 1880) now in force in the Church of England.

The Bishop of East Carolina moved to omit the one degree of "wife's sister"; which was not adopted.

The question being on the amendment offered by the Bishop of Springfield, it was not adopted.

The question recurring on § I., as recommended by the Joint Commission, it was, on motion of the Bishop of Nebraska, laid upon the table.

The question being on § II. [i.], it was not adopted.

The question being on § II. [ii.], the Bishop of Duluth moved to strike out the words "or is permanently resident in a foreign country."

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

On motion, the consideration of the Canon of Marriage was postponed for the present. [See next page.]

The Bishop of Delaware, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report [see p. 27]:

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on Rules of Order, to whom was referred the question as to the presidency of the House of Bishops when sitting in Council, beg leave to report and recommend for adoption by this House the following, as an addition to General Rule XX.: "Should neither the Presiding Bishop nor the Chairman of the House act as the presiding officer of the Council, such officer shall be elected pro tempore"; so that the Rule shall read as follows:

"XX. It shall be competent for the House of Bishops to convene as, or being convened to resolve itself into, a Council of Bishops, at which only members of the House of Bishops and elected officers of the Council shall be present. Should neither the Presiding Bishop nor the Chairman of the House act as the presiding officer of the Council, such officer shall be elected pro tempore. One of the members of the Council, chosen for that purpose, shall act as Clerk."

Your Committee would further suggest, the matter having been brought under their notice, that, following the example of many legislative bodies, the Chairman of the House should be, ex officio, a member of the Committee on Rules of Order. They would therefore recommend the adoption of the following as an additional sentence at the close of General Rule III., viz.:

"The Chairman of the House shall be, ex officio, a member of the Committee on Rules of Order."

On behalf and by order of the Committee,

LEIGHTON COLEMAN, Chairman.
On motion, the amendments of the Rules of Order recommended by the Committee were adopted.

The House proceeded to the further consideration of the proposed Canon of Marriage.

The question being on § II. [ii.] of Canon 34, as recommended by the Joint Commission, its consideration was, on motion of the Bishop of Tennessee, postponed for the present.

The question being on § II. [iii.], the Bishop of Massachusetts moved to strike out the words "himself or the witnesses being personally acquainted with the parties"; which was not adopted.

The question recurring on § II. [iii.], it was adopted.

The question being on § II. [iv.], the Bishop of Maryland moved to insert the words "or congregation" after the word "parish"; which was adopted.

The Bishop of New York moved to insert after the words "takes place" the words "or some other church register"; which was adopted.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota moved to insert after the words "residence of each party" the words "and the names and residences of two witnesses to the marriage"; which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Newark moved to insert after the words "performs the ceremony" the words "and by the persons married"; which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Nevada, Utah, and Western Colorado moved to strike out the words "at the time of the marriage"; which was not adopted.

The question being on § II. [iv.] as amended, it was adopted.

The House resumed the consideration of § II. [ii.].

The Bishop of Tennessee moved to insert in place of the words following "is present" the words "or, where it is practicable, shall have given written consent to the marriage"; which was adopted.

The question being on § II. [ii.] as amended, it was adopted.

The question being on § III., the Bishop of New York, for the minority of the Committee, presented the following recommendation and moved its adoption in lieu of the recommendation of the Committee:
No Minister of this Church shall solemnize the marriage of any person who has a divorced husband or wife living. This shall not apply to the innocent party in a divorce suit on his or her filing with the Minister, as evidence of such innocence, a legally certified transcript of the record, showing a final judgment or decree of a Court of Record having jurisdiction on the subject-matter, awarding him or her a divorce a vinculo matrimonii on the ground of adultery.

The Bishop of Springfield moved to amend by substituting the following:

No Minister after due inquiry shall solemnize the marriage of any person who has a divorced husband or wife still living, if such husband or wife has been put away for any cause arising after marriage. But this canon shall not be held to apply to parties once divorced seeking to be united again, and in all such cases the officiating minister shall use only so much of the marriage service as shall satisfy the legal requirement as to the proclamation that the parties are in the eyes of the law man and wife, and invoke upon them the nuptial benediction; which was not adopted.

The question being on the amendment offered by the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of Chicago moved to strike out all the words after the words “husband or wife living” and to insert the following:

No person re-married after divorce shall be admitted to the sacraments of the Church without reference of the case to the decision of the Bishop after investigation of the facts and circumstances; provided that the marriage of the innocent party to a divorce granted for the cause of adultery shall not be regarded as a bar to admission to the sacraments.

Pending the question upon the proposed amendment [see p. 49], on motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning.

The Bishop of Minnesota pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

SIXTH DAY.

Tuesday, October 11, 1898.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Duluth, after which the House was bid to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday’s session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The following message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 33]:
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 10 of that House, repealing Title III., Canon 9, "Of the Distribution of the Book of Common Prayer."

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, Washington, 5th day of the Session, October 10, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 12.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Memorial from the Convocation of the American Churches on the Continent of Europe, concerning episcopal oversight, be referred to a Joint Committee, composed of five members from each House:

And the House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed as members of such Committee, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Richards of Rhode Island, the Rev. Dr. Parks of Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York, Mr. Davis of Washington, and Mr. Fuller of Chicago.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Ohio, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in the foregoing message, and appointed the Chairman as a member of the Committee on the part of this House; and the Chairman appointed as the other members the Bishop of Pittsburgh, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of Ohio, and the Bishop Coadjutor of Rhode Island. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 17. See p. 124.]

The Bishop of Maine, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following report [see Appendix IX. and p. 19]:

REPORT No. 1.
Your Committee, having considered the referred report of the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, respectfully offers the following resolutions, and recommends their adoption, to wit:

1. That on page 262 of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, in the first line of the text, the word 'Question' be substituted for 'Minister,' the latter word being due to a typographical error.

2. That on page 263 of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, in the first rubric, a comma be inserted between the words 'him' and the word 'saying,' the omission being a typographical error.

3. That final action be now taken in accordance with the resolution of 1896, passed in both Houses (Journal, pp. 230, 68), and the needed alteration be made in the place of the Golden Numbers on the first day of January, 1900; the form of the resolution being as follows:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change in the Book of Common Prayer, having been proposed in the last General Convention and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, be finally approved and adopted, in accordance with Article 8 of the Constitution:

That, on the first day of January in the year of our Lord 1900, the place of the Golden Numbers prefixed to several days in the Calendar, between the twenty-first day of March and the eighteenth day of April, both inclusive, be changed, and that the Golden Numbers be prefixed to days in the Calendar in March and April as in the following table:

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and that in the fifth line of page xxv, the figures '1899' be changed to '2199.'

4. That, the House of Deputies concurring, a copy of the large paper edition of the Book of Common Prayer from the plates of the Standard be presented to the University of Virginia, and a copy to Rutgers College.

5. That, the House of Deputies concurring, the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer be authorized to sell a copy of the large paper edition of the Book to a Bishop of this Church whose copy was destroyed by fire.

For the Committee,

H. A. NEELY, Chairman.

The question being on the resolutions recommended by the Committee, on motion,

The first resolution was adopted.

The second resolution was adopted.

The third resolution was adopted by a constitutional vote.

The fourth resolution was adopted.

The fifth resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Messages 14, 15, and 16. See pp. 55, 56.]
The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 36]:

REPORT No. 1.
The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to whom was referred Message No. 9 of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, respectfully report that they have considered the amendments to the Constitution presented in that report, and recommend to the House of Bishops to concur in the resolution striking out Article 4 of the Constitution and inserting the proposed Article 2, but with an alteration in Section 3.

They recommend that the House of Bishops concur in Section 1 of the proposed Article 2, also in Section 2.

They recommend that Section 3 be amended by the insertion in line 4 after the word "thereof" of the following words, "or in a vacant Missionary District by the Senior Bishop of the Church; or unless authorized and appointed by the House of Bishops, or the Senior Bishop by its direction, to act temporarily in case of need within any territory not yet organized into Dioceses or Missionary Districts."

They recommend concurrence in Section 4.

With regard to the proposed Article 3, the Committee recommend that the House of Bishops do not concur with the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, on the ground that the present Article 10 of the Constitution, for which it is proposed as a substitute, is more comprehensive, simple, and complete.

O. W. WHITAKER.
Chairman.

THOS. F. DAVIES, Secretary.

The question being on the adoption of the recommendations of the Committee, the Bishop of Pittsburgh offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House does not concur with the resolution contained in Message No. 9 from the House of Deputies in respect to the proposed Section 1 and Section 2 of Article 2 of the Constitution, for the reason that it is considered inexpedient to transfer to the Constitution a matter already defined in the Canons, and also because the questions involved are too many and too important to permit of due consideration by this House within the time allowed;

which was adopted.

The question being on the recommendation of the Committee in respect to Section 3, the Bishop of Tennessee offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops does not concur in the resolutions contained in Message No. 9 from the House of Deputies, and asks for a Committee of Conference on the proposals of amendment to the Constitution contained in said Message.

Pending action upon the resolution [see p. 47], at 11 o'clock the House took a recess to meet with the House of Deputies in the Board of Missions.
The Board of Missions having adjourned for the day, the House resumed its session.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 38]:

MESSAGE No. 13.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 13 of that House, concerning the Report of the Recorder of Ordinations.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The Chairman presented the Report of the Church University Board of Regents, with its Treasurer's Report, submitting the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the organization created by the General Convention in 1889, known as The Church University Board of Regents, be and is hereby dissolved.

The Bishop of Delaware offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That, in consenting to the dissolution of the organization known as "The Church University Board of Regents," the General Convention would record its grateful appreciation of the earnest and valued services rendered to the cause of Christian Education by the members of said organization;

both which resolutions were adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 18. See p. 56.]

The Bishop of Nebraska offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That His Grace the Archbishop of Ontario and Primate of Canada be invited to be present at the sessions of this House, and to take a seat at the right of the Chairman;

which was adopted; and the Bishop of Nebraska and the Bishop of Washington were desired to convey to His Grace the invitation of the House.

The Bishop of The Platte, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, presented the following report:

Your Committee, having examined the Journal of the House of Bishops during the session of 1895, find the following unfinished business:
1. The final passage of the Constitutions adopted by the last General Convention.
2. The consideration of the body of Canons presented by the Joint Commission on Revision of the Constitution and Canons.
   Consideration of reports from the following Committees and Commissions:
3. Commission on Moravian Orders.
4. Committee on Vestments.
Committee on Publication of Journal.

Committee on a Canon for the Governance of Brotherhoods, Mission Priests, and Sisterhoods.

Commission on a German Version of the Prayer Book.

Committee on the Standard Bible.

Committee on Rearrangement of Missionary Jurisdictions.

Committee to suggest Subjects for the Lambeth Conference.

Custodian of the Standard Bible.

Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations.

Commission on Christian Unity.

Committee on the Provincial System.

Commission on the Hymnal.

Commission on a Uniform Pointing of the Canticles and Psalter.

Committee on the Orders of the Church of Sweden.

Commission on Marginal Readings in the Bible.

Commission on Archives.

Committee to arrange an Order of Work for the Missionary Council.

Committee to certify Changes in the Canons.

Deputation to attend the next General Synod of the Canadian Church.

Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen.

Trustees of the Prayer Book Distribution Society.

Church University Board of Regents.

Standing Committee on Churches in Foreign Lands.

Registrar of the Convention.

Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book.

Recorder of Ordinations.

Historiographer.

For the Committee,

A. R. GRAVES, Chairman.

The Bishop of Lexington, from the Committee on Memorials and Petitions, presented the following report [see pp. 30, 32]:

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on Memorials and Petitions respectfully reports:

Two memorials have been referred to us:

(1) In behalf of Antivivisection.

While we feel that the individual Christian should compassionately endeavor to redeem the brute creation from all unnecessary suffering, your Committee are of the opinion that it would not be germane to the business for which we are organized as a House of Bishops to pass the resolutions which in the petition are presented to us. We therefore ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

(2) From ten Swedish Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

After conference with the Bishop presenting this Memorial, your Committee would recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS W. BURTON, Secretary.

On motion, action on the former part of the foregoing report was postponed. [See p. 48.]
On motion, the resolution contained in the latter part of the report was adopted.

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The question recurring upon the resolution offered by the Bishop of Tennessee, that this House does not concur in the resolutions contained in Message No. 9 from the House of Deputies, and asks for a Committee of Conference [see p. 44], it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 19. See p. 56.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 33]:

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred the resolution offered by the Bishop of New York, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out the proviso in Article 5 of the Constitution, viz.: "Provided, that no city shall form more than one Diocese."

O. W. WHITAKER, Chairman.

The question being on the resolution recommended by the Committee, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 20.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 35]:

REPORT NO. 3.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred the petition of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of the Diocese of East Carolina to the House of Bishops, respectfully reports that it has considered the constitutional questions therein contained, and finding:

First, That there is no constitutional or canonical provision for the retrocession of a Missionary District to a Diocese from which it has been cut off; and

Second, That the Diocese of North Carolina has not given its consent to the retrocession of the Missionary District of Asheville, except upon a condition which has not been fulfilled; it is the opinion of the Committee that the action of the last General Convention constituting the Missionary District of Asheville cannot be rescinded under existing conditions; and the Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

O. W. WHITAKER, Chairman.
The question being on the acceptance of the report of the Committee, the Bishop of Tennessee offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the action proposed in the petition of the Diocese of East Carolina is not in violation of any provision of the Constitution.

The Bishop of Oklahoma and Indian Territory offered the following as an amendment:

Resolved, That, the matter of the creation of a Missionary District from a Diocese being extra-constitutional in its nature, the rescinding of such action is of the same character;

which was not adopted.

The question being on the resolution offered by the Bishop of Tennessee, the Bishop of New York offered the following resolution as a substitute:

Resolved, That this House does not concur in the Report of the Committee;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Easton offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, there is no constitutional power to force new territory upon any Diocese of this Church without its official consent;

which was not adopted.

The Bishop of East Carolina offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That there is nothing in the Constitution to forbid the revoking of the action of the General Convention in erecting the Missionary Jurisdiction of Asheville;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the petition be recommitted to the Committee on the Rearrangement of Missionary Jurisdictions, together with a report of the action of this House;

which was adopted. [See p. 110.]

On motion, the House proceeded to the consideration of the former part of the report of the Committee on Memorials and Petitions presented this morning. [See p. 46.]

On motion, the Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

On motion of the Bishop of Duluth, the proposed plan for the retirement of Missionary Bishops [see p. 28] was taken from
the table and recommitted to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 69.]

The Bishop of Nebraska offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of three Bishops be appointed to consider the question of according to members of the Woman's Auxiliary sittings at the meetings of the Board of Missions; and to consider also the suggestion of the Bishop of Tennessee in reference to securing a proper hall for the meetings;

which was adopted.

On motion, the Chairman of this House, the Bishop of New Jersey, and the Bishop of Nebraska were appointed as such Committee. [See p. 60.]

The House having proceeded to the further consideration of § III. of the proposed Canon 34 on Marriage [see p. 41], the Bishop of Chicago offered his amendment in the following form:

Strike out, in § III., all after the words "marriage of," and insert "either party to a divorce during the lifetime of the other party. No person remarried after divorce, during the lifetime of the other party, shall be admitted to the sacraments of the Church without reference of the case to the decision of the Bishop after investigation of the facts and circumstances; but this shall not apply to the innocent party in a divorce suit on his or her filing with the minister, as evidence of such innocence, a legally certified transcript of the record, showing a final judgment or decree of a Court of Record having jurisdiction on the subject-matter, awarding him or her a divorce a vinculo matrimonii on the ground of adultery."

On motion, the subject was made the order of the day for 3 o'clock to-morrow. [See p. 57.]

On motion of the Bishop of Maryland, the Committee on Rules of Order was requested to take into consideration the propriety of establishing some rule in regard to the time of transmitting messages of this House to the House of Deputies. On motion of the Bishop of New York, the Secretary was associated with the Committee in the consideration of this matter. [See p. 50.]

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning.

The Bishop of Arkansas pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.
SEVENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 12, 1898.

The House met after Morning Prayer and Litany, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Marquette, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Western Michigan offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to consider the desirability of amending Title I., Canon 26, § ii. (p. 89 of the Digest), by adding after the words in line 5, "any consecrated Church or Chapel," the words, "or any Church or Chapel which has been constantly used for Divine Services"; which was adopted. [See p. 68.]

The Bishop of Western Michigan, from the Committee on Domestic Missions, presented the following report [see p. 14]:

REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on Domestic Missions, to which was referred a memorial of the Convocation of the Missionary District of New Mexico, asking that the present title of said District be changed to The Missionary District of New Mexico with El Paso, Texas;

Also, that an error in the boundaries of the District be corrected by adding the County of Brewster in the State of Texas to the District as constituted by the former action of this House; recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That the present title of the Missionary District of New Mexico be changed to "The Missionary District of New Mexico with El Paso, Texas."

2. Resolved, That an error in the boundaries of the District be corrected by adding the County of Brewster in the State of Texas to the District as constituted by the former action of this House. [See Journal of 1895, p. 94.]

B. WISTAR MORRIS, Chairman.

On motion, the consideration of the report was postponed until after the report of the Committee on the Redistribution of Missionary Territory shall have been made. [See p. 63.]

The Bishop of Delaware, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report [see p. 49]:

REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on Rules of Order to whom was referred the consideration of the propriety of establishing some rule in regard to the time
of transmitting messages of this House to the House of Deputies, beg leave to report that, in their judgment, it is proper that such a rule should be established.

They therefore would recommend for adoption the following as General Rule XVII., the other subsequent General Rules being renumbered accordingly, namely:

RULE XVII. All resolutions which are to be communicated to the House of Deputies, unless they contain information of action incomplete in this House or be temporarily withheld by order of this House at the time of their passage, shall be transmitted to the House of Deputies as soon as conveniently may be, under the direction of the Chairman of the House.

By order and on behalf of the Committee,

LEIGHTON COLEMAN, Chairman.

The question being on the adoption of the Rule of Order as recommended by the Committee, it was adopted.

The Bishop of New York, from the Joint Committee on the place of meeting of the next General Convention, presented the following report [see p. 37]:

The Committee of this House, on the part of the Joint Committee on the place of meeting of the next General Convention, begs leave to report that the Joint Committee has united in recommending, as such place of meeting, the city of San Francisco. The Committee would also report that it has received cordial invitations from representatives of Kansas City, Missouri; Boston, Massachusetts; New Orleans, Louisiana; and New York, New York.

HENRY C. POTTER, Chairman.

On motion, the recommendation of the Committee was adopted; and it was

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the next triennial meeting of the General Convention be held in the City of San Francisco, in the State of California.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 21. See p. 76.]

The Bishop of Kentucky presented a Memorial from a Conference of Church Workers among Colored People, held at Richmond, Virginia, September 29–30, 1898; which, on motion, was referred to a special committee.

The Chairman appointed as such Committee the Bishop of West Virginia, the Bishop of Pittsburgh, the Bishop of Easton, the Bishop of South Carolina, and the Bishop of Kansas. [See pp. 78, 79.]

The Bishop of South Dakota presented his report; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.
On motion, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Penick was invited to occupy an honorary seat in the House.

Bishop Penick thereupon took a seat in the House.

The House proceeded to fill the vacancy in the Commission on Christian Unity, caused by the death of the late Bishop of Western New York; and the Bishop of Delaware having been nominated, and there being no other nomination, it was ordered that a ballot be cast for the Bishop of Delaware; which being done, the Bishop of Delaware was declared elected a member of the Commission on Christian Unity.

The House proceeded to fill the vacancy in the Commission on Swedish Orders, caused by the death of the late Bishop of Iowa; and the Bishop of Georgia and the Bishop of Marquette having been nominated, the House proceeded to a vote.

The roll being called, the Bishops deposited their ballots; and the Bishop of Marquette was found to have received a majority of the votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been elected to fill the vacancy in the Commission on Swedish Orders. [The two elections communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 24.]

The hour of 11 o'clock having arrived, the order of the day was, on motion, postponed until after the consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Rearrangement of Missionary Jurisdictions.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, from the Committee on the Rearrangement of Missionary Jurisdictions, presented the following report:

At the General Convention of 1895 a Committee was appointed under the following resolution, viz.: Resolved, That the whole subject of Missionary Jurisdictions, as regards their territorial extent and boundaries, be referred to a special Committee to be appointed by this House, to report at the next General Convention any recommendations as to readjustment and rearrangement of said Jurisdictions which in their judgment may be advisable after consultation with the Missionary Bishops concerned and any other persons whom they may wish to consult.

The Chairman of the House of Bishops appointed as such Committee the Bishops of Springfield, Central Pennsylvania, and California. In January, 1898, to fill the vacancy on said Committee caused by the death of the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, the Chairman of the House of Bishops appointed the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota.

Acting under the direction and authority of said resolution of the General Convention of 1895, your Committee herewith respectfully submits the following report, and requests formal consideration of the same at this Convention.
Communications bearing on the whole subject have been received from Missionary Bishops and several Diocesan Bishops, which are submitted with this report. These letters have been drawn upon largely for data in our work, and also, in addition, facts and statistics derived from annual Convention Reports.

To secure definite information as to opinions and facts, the following series of questions was sent to each Missionary Bishop in the Domestic field:

1. Do you think any change in the boundaries of your District would help your work?
2. If so, please state what changes you would recommend in the way of (a) surrendering to others what you now hold, and (b) taking from others what is now under their care.
3. With our rapidly increasing and shifting population in the West, would you suggest a division of your Jurisdiction or its being added to some other neighboring Jurisdiction?
4. Does your experience lead you to conclude that it is necessary in all cases to observe State or Territorial lines in bounding our Missionary Districts?

To these questions, in almost every instance, categorical replies were received.

Your Committee is of the opinion that in the event of the establishment of a Provincial system for the Church, the subject-matter assigned to them can, as a whole, be more fully and effectively treated in connection with the grouping of Dioceses, as well as of Missionary Jurisdictions, which such a system will involve.

Your Committee, meanwhile, deems it expedient to confine, with some exceptions to be hereinafter noted, its recommendations to the area covered by the present Missionary Jurisdictions of The Platte, Wyoming, Idaho, Western Colorado, Nevada and Utah, Northern California, and Spokane. They have asked each of the Bishops now having jurisdiction within that area to submit in writing any readjustment and rearrangement of the boundary lines of his jurisdiction, which in his judgment and detailed knowledge of his field, its centres of population, its railroad and other facilities, will best serve the interests of economical and compacted administration. All the said Bishops have submitted such suggestions. The result has been a somewhat striking one. Each one, independently of the others, presented his own definition of boundary lines for what he felt to be the revision of his field best calculated to promote the efficiency of its administration. When such boundaries were outlined on the map it was found that they practically constituted a perfect mosaic, each fitting in almost exactly with the other, and all covering the whole of the area named above, included in the same existing Jurisdictions. The difference is that the new mosaic represents the ecclesiastical map-making of the very best experts, the experienced Missionary Bishops themselves, who have the full visitation knowledge of the local topography and conditions up to the present date.

The Committee presents those boundary lines practically as they were submitted, wishing to make it entirely clear, however, that the suggestions were presented at the direct initiation and request of the Committee itself.

Under the provisions of Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [2], the Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolutions, viz.:

1. Resolved, That the bounds of the Missionary District now known as the Missionary District of The Platte, and under the charge of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Anson Rogers Graves, be changed by the addition of all that portion of the State of Wyoming lying east of the west lines of the counties of Sheridan, Johnson, Natrona, and Carbon; the district to be
hereafter called the Missionary District of Laramie, and the title of the Bishop to be the Missionary Bishop of Laramie.

2. Resolved, That the bounds of the Missionary District now known as the Missionary District of Nevada and Utah, and under the charge of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Abel Leonard, be so changed as to include the State of Utah, with all that portion of the State of Nevada lying east of the west lines of the counties of Elko, White Pine, Eureka, Lincoln, Lander, and Nye, together with that portion of the county of Uintah, in the State of Wyoming, lying south of the 41½ degree of latitude; and that there be added to it the mission district now known as the Missionary District of Western Colorado, and under the charge of the said Rt. Rev. Dr. Abel Leonard; the district to be hereafter called the Missionary District of Salt Lake, and the title of the Bishop to be the Missionary Bishop of Salt Lake.

3. Resolved, That the bounds of the Missionary District now known as the Missionary District of Northern California be changed by the addition of all that portion of the State of Nevada lying west of the west lines of the counties of Elko, White Pine, Eureka, Lincoln, Lander, and Nye; the district to be hereafter called the Missionary District of Sacramento, and the title of the Bishop to be the Missionary Bishop of Sacramento.

4. Resolved, That the bounds of the Missionary District now known as the Missionary District of Idaho be changed, so that it shall include all that portion of the State of Idaho lying south and east of the southern and eastern lines of the county of Idaho; and that the bounds of the Missionary District now known as the Missionary District of Wyoming be changed so that it shall include all that portion of the State of Wyoming lying west of the west lines of the counties of Sheridan, Johnson, Natrona, and Carbon, except so much of the county of Uintah as is attached to the Missionary District of Salt Lake; and that the two Districts thus modified be united in one District, to be hereafter called the Missionary District of Boise, and the title of the Bishop to be the Missionary Bishop of Boise.

5. Resolved, That the bounds of the Missionary District now known as the Missionary District of Spokane, and under the charge of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Lemuel Henry Wells, be changed by the addition of that portion of the State of Idaho lying north of the south line of the county of Idaho, the district to be called as heretofore the Missionary District of Spokane, and the title of the Bishop to be the Missionary Bishop of Spokane.

Your Committee recommends the transfer of that portion of the Missionary District of North Dakota lying north of the Cannon-Ball River, and now known as the Standing Rock Indian Reservation, to the Missionary District of South Dakota.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE F. SEYMOUR,
MAHLON N. GILBERT,
WILLIAM F. NICHOLS,
Committee.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the recommendation of the Committee.

The Bishop of Duluth offered the following amendment:

That the State of Wyoming be added to the Jurisdiction of the Bishop of The Platte, and the State of Idaho to the Jurisdiction of Utah, with the exception of the portion of the State designated as the "pan-handle," which is added to the Jurisdiction of Spokane;

which was not adopted.
The Bishop of Duluth offered the following amendment:

That the consideration of the portion of the report of the Committee on the Redistribution of Missionary Territory, referring to North Dakota, be deferred until the next General Convention;

which was not adopted. [For reconsideration, see p. 62.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Rhode Island moved that the report be recommitted to the Special Committee for a further report, after giving an opportunity to members of the House to express their views on the subject; which was not adopted. [See p. 62.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 6th day of the Session,
October 11, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 14.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has given leave to its Committee on Christian Education to sit with the Committee of the House of Bishops on the same subject.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, this House concurred with the House of Deputies in giving permission to its Committee on Christian Education to sit with the Committee of the House of Deputies on the same subject. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 23.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 43]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 6th day of the Session,
October 11, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 15.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 14 of that House, concerning change in Golden Numbers in the Calendar in the Book of Common Prayer.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 42]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 6th day of the Session,
October 11, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 16.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolutions contained in Message No. 15 from that House, concerning the correction of typographical errors on pages 262 and 263 of the Book of Common Prayer.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.
The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 43]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 6th day of the Session,
October 11, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 17.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolutions contained in Message No. 16 from that House, concerning the disposition of copies of the large paper edition of the Book of Common Prayer.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 45]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 6th day of the Session,
October 11, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 18.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolutions contained in Message No. 18 from that House, concerning the Church University Board of Regents.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 47]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 6th day of the Session,
October 11, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 19.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it accedes to the request contained in Message No. 19 from the House of Bishops for a Committee of Conference on the resolutions contained in Message No. 9 from the House of Deputies, concerning new proposed Articles 2 and 3 of the Constitution; and appoints as members of such Committee of Conference, on the part of the House of Deputies, the Rev. Dr. Fiske of Rhode Island, Mr. Andrews of Central New York, and Mr. Earl of Albany.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The Chairman appointed as members of the Committee of Conference, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Western Michigan, the Bishop of Chicago, and the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 22. See p. 73.]

His Grace the Archbishop of Ontario and Primate of Canada entered the House, and was welcomed to a seat at the right of the Chairman.

The hour of noon having arrived, the Bishop of Southern Ohio, at the request of the Chairman, bade the House to prayer for Missions.
The Bishop of Dallas offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed to nominate members of the Missionary Council and of the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions;

which was adopted.

The Chairman appointed as members of the Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Dallas, the Bishop of Southern Ohio, the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Milwaukee, and the Bishop of Tokyo. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 25. See p. 64.]

The House proceeded with the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Rearrangement of Missionary Jurisdictions. [See pp. 55, 62.]

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The House proceeded to the order of the day for three o'clock, namely, the further consideration of §III. of the proposed Canon 34, of Marriage. [See p. 49.]

The question being on the amendment offered by the Bishop of Chicago at the close of yesterday's session, to wit:

Strike out all after the words "marriage of" and insert the words "either party to a divorce during the lifetime of the other party.

"No person remarried after divorce, during the lifetime of the other party, shall be admitted to the sacraments of the Church without reference of the case to the decision of the Bishop after investigation of the facts and circumstances; but this shall not apply to the innocent party in a divorce suit on his or her filing with the minister, as evidence of such innocence, a legally certified transcript of the record, showing a final judgment or decree of a Court of Record having jurisdiction on the subject-matter, awarding him or her a divorce a vinculo matrimonii on the ground of adultery ";

A division of the question being called for, it was voted that the question be not divided.

The yeas and nays were ordered, and the roll was called.

Twenty-eight Bishops voted in the affirmative, and thirty-six in the negative; and the amendment was not adopted.

Those who voted in the affirmative were: The Bishops of Minnesota, Maine, Albany, Dallas, Western Michigan, Chicago, Springfield, Newark, Western New York, Maryland, Nebraska, Central Pennsylvania, Delaware, Ohio, Michigan, California, Milwaukee, Georgia, Coadjutor of Springfield, Southern Florida,
Olympia, Tokyo, North Carolina, Indiana, Los Angeles, Washington, Duluth, Coadjutor of Arkansas—twenty-eight.

Those who voted in the negative were: The Bishops of Missouri, Pennsylvania, Arkansas, South Dakota, Colorado, Kentucky, New Jersey, Southern Ohio, West Virginia, Montana, Pittsburgh, Mississippi, New York, Southern Virginia, East Carolina, Coadjutor of Minnesota, Easton, Western Texas, Nevada and Utah and Western Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona, Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, The Platte, West Missouri, Texas, Spokane, Oklahoma and Indian Territory, Shanghai, South Carolina, Tennessee, Massachusetts, Vermont, Kansas, Lexington, Marquette, Coadjutor of Virginia, Coadjutor of Rhode Island—thirty-six.

The question recurred upon the amendment offered by the Bishop of New York [see p. 41], as modified by him, as follows:

Substitute for the proposed § III. these words: "No minister of this Church shall solemnize the marriage of either party to a divorce during the lifetime of the other party, if the divorce has been granted for any cause arising after marriage. This shall not apply to the innocent party in a divorce suit on his or her filing with the Minister, as evidence of such innocence, a legally certified transcript of the record, showing a final judgment or decree of a Court of Record having jurisdiction on the subject-matter, awarding him or her a divorce a vinculo matrimonii on the ground of adultery."

The yeas and nays were ordered, and the roll was called.

Thirty-two Bishops voted in the affirmative, and thirty-one in the negative; and the amendment was adopted.

Those who voted in the affirmative were: The Bishops of Missouri, Arkansas, South Dakota, Colorado, Kentucky, Southern Ohio, West Virginia, Springfield, Montana, Mississippi, New York, Southern Virginia, East Carolina, Nebraska, Coadjutor of Minnesota, Easton, Western Texas, Nevada and Utah and Western Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona, The Platte, West Missouri, Texas, Spokane, Oklahoma and Indian Territory, South Carolina, Tennessee, Massachusetts, Vermont, Kansas, Lexington, Marquette, Coadjutor of Virginia, Coadjutor of Rhode Island—thirty-two.

Those who voted in the negative were: The Bishops of Minnesota, Maine, Albany, Dallas, New Jersey, Western Michigan, Chicago, Newark, Pittsburgh, Western New York, Maryland, Central Pennsylvania, Delaware, Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, Ohio, Michigan, California, Milwaukee, Georgia, Coadjutor of Springfield, Southern Florida, Olympia, Tokyo, Shanghai, North
Carolina, Vermont, Indiana, Los Angeles, Washington, Duluth, Coadjutor of Arkansas—thirty-one.

The question being on § III. of the proposed Canon 34, of Marriage, as thus amended, it was adopted.

[For action upon the Canon as a whole, see p. 88.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 7th day of the Session.
October 12, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 20.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following preamble and resolution:


Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Secretary of this House be requested to express to the Council of the Corporation of the Church House, London, the profound thanks of the General Convention of this Church for the thoughtful and generous gift which has placed in its possession a complete set of the Records of the venerable and distinguished body which represents the Province of Canterbury.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the preamble and resolution contained in the foregoing Message. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 26.]

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning.

The Bishop of South Dakota pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.
EIGHTH DAY.

THURSDAY, October 13, 1898.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Los Angeles, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of West Virginia presented a Memorial from the Church Students' Missionary Association; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions. [See p. 93.]

The Bishop of Indiana offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Report of the Joint Committee on Christian Education be made the special order for Saturday, October 22, at 11 o'clock, the two Houses sitting as one body; which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 28. See p. 77.]

The Bishop of North Carolina presented a Memorial from the Trustees of St. Augustine's School, Raleigh; which, on motion, was referred to the Special Committee on the Memorial from Church Workers among Colored People. [See p. 79.]

The Bishop of Nebraska presented the following report [see p. 49]:

The Committee appointed by the House of Bishops to consider the propriety of providing in some way for the admission of the general Diocesan officers and other members of the Woman's Auxiliary to the sessions of the Board of Missions, respectfully suggests that, when the Board of Missions meets, the members of the Board be asked to sit in the seats assigned to the Diocesan deputies until they are filled, and that the seats in the rear of the deputies' seats, and one of the galleries, be reserved for officers and members of the Woman's Auxiliary, and that on all matters of legislation by the Board of Missions those authorized to vote shall vote by standing.

The Committee suggests that this recommendation be communicated to the President of the House of Deputies with the request that the consent of that House be given to this proposal.

WM. CROSSELL DOANE,
JOHN SCARBOROUGH,
GEO. WORTHINGTON,
Committee.

The question being on the adoption of the recommendation of the Committee, it was adopted.
The Bishop of East Carolina presented the following report [see p. 30]:

The Special Committee to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Virginia begs leave to report: That in the opinion of the Committee it is undesirable for the House in present circumstances to attempt a general revision of the whole body of Canons. But in our judgment there are certain matters concerning which the existing canonical regulations require the immediate attention of the General Convention. We respectfully suggest the following subjects for consideration:

I. The Canon on Letters Dimissory, Title I., Canon 18, § vii. (p. 58 of the Digest), with special reference to the protection of a Diocese from the return thereto, without the permission of the ecclesiastical authority, of a person who has been refused ordination therein.

II. The grouping of neighboring Dioceses, with special reference to the establishment of Courts of Appeal, Title III., Canon 6 (p. 134 of the Digest).

III. The government of Missionary Jurisdictions, Title I., Canon 19, § vi. (p. 65 of the Digest), with special reference to the Constitution and Canons selected by the Bishop for this purpose.

IV. Extension of the Bishop's influence in the selection of a clergyman for a vacant Parish, Title I., Canon 18 (pp. 52, 53 of the Digest).

V. Time of candidateship required before Ordination, with special reference to Ordination of ministers from other religious bodies; and acceptance of the academic year for a calendar year, Title I., Canon 7, §§ ii. and iii. (p. 33); see also Report of Joint Commission, Canon 5, § II. (p. 18).

VI. Rights of resigned Bishops to seats in the House of Bishops, Title I., Canon 19, § xv. (p. 78 of the Digest).

VIII. Definition of what constitutes a Communicant, Title I., Canon 20, § i. (pp. 80, 81 of the Digest).

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. A. WATSON,
W. A. LEONARD,
ARTHUR C. A. HALL,
Committee.

On motion, the consideration of the matters mentioned in the foregoing report was made the order of the day for 11 o'clock to-morrow. [See p. 73.]

On motion of the Bishop of Kentucky, the report of the Committee on Marginal Readings of the Bible was made the order of the day for 3 o'clock on Monday next.

The Bishop of New York presented the Triennial Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen [Appendix X.], and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed, in accordance with Title III., Canon 8, to nominate seven persons for election to serve as Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen;
which was adopted; and the Chairman appointed, as members of such Joint Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishop of South Dakota, the Bishop of Newark, and the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 27. See p. 77.]

The Bishop of New York presented a letter received by him from the Rt. Rev. Dr. H. Saradjian, Armenian Bishop, dated New York, October 11, 1898; which, on motion, was referred to a Committee of three Bishops.

The Chairman appointed, as such Committee, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield, and the Bishop of Alaska.

The Bishop of Georgia offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following section be added to the Canon on Marriage:

§ III. [ii.] No minister of this Church shall be obliged, under the previous paragraph of this Canon, to solemnize the marriage of any divorced person;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 69.]

On motion of the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Committee of five Bishops, to which were referred the resolutions of the Lambeth Conference [see p. 31], was discharged, the same matter having been referred to a Joint Committee [see p. 36].

The House proceeded to the further consideration of the report of the Committee on the Rearrangement of Missionary Jurisdictions. [See pp. 52, 55.]

The Bishop of Missouri offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to change at this time the boundaries of the Domestic Missionary Districts;

which was not adopted.

The question being on the Resolutions 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, contained in the report of the Committee, they were adopted. [See p. 67.]

On motion, the action of the House at yesterday's session, in not adopting the second resolution of amendment offered by the Bishop of Duluth [see p. 55], was reconsidered.

The question recurring on the resolution, to wit:

Resolved, That the consideration of the portion of the report of the Committee on the Rearrangement of Missionary Jurisdictions referring to North Dakota be deferred until the next General Convention;

it was adopted.
The hour of noon having arrived, the Chairman bade the House to prayer for Missions.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That any questions arising under the changes of boundaries of Missionary Jurisdictions, which have been effected by the recent action of this House, be referred to the Committee on the Rearrangement of Missionary Jurisdictions for report to this House;

which was adopted. [See p. 66.]

The Bishop of Chicago offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Rearrangement of Missionary Jurisdictions be desired to present a subsidiary report, containing a recommendation as to the time when the changes adopted by this House should go into effect;

which was adopted. [See p. 66.]

The House proceeded to the consideration of the report of the Committee on Domestic Missions, presented at yesterday's session [see p. 50]; and the question being on the first resolution recommended by the Committee, viz.:

Resolved, That the present title of the Missionary District of New Mexico be changed to "The Missionary District of New Mexico with El Paso, Texas";

it was, on motion, laid on the table.

The question being on the second resolution recommended by the Committee, viz.:

Resolved, That an error in the boundaries of the Missionary District of New Mexico be corrected by adding the County of Brewster in the State of Texas to the District as constituted by the former action of this House [see Journal of 1895, p. 94];

it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 29.]

The Bishop of Chicago presented the following report:

The Committee on a Canon for the Governance of Brotherhoods, Mission Priests, and Sisterhoods begs leave to offer the following resolution: Resolved, That the above-named Committee be continued.

The question being on the resolution contained in the report of the Committee, it was adopted.

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 57]:
IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 8th day of the Session,
October 13, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 21.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 25 from that House, concerning the appointment of a joint committee to nominate members of the Missionary Council and of the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions;
And that it has appointed as members of the Committee, on its part, the Rev. Dr. Eccleston of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Christian of Newark, the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany, the Rev. Dr. Prall of Michigan, the Rev. Dr. Roberts of New Hampshire, Mr. Biddle of Pennsylvania, Mr. Brown of Rhode Island, Mr. Bryan of Virginia, Mr. Goodwin of Connecticut, and Mr. Wells of Colorado.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

[See p. 118.]
The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 8th day of the Session,
October 13, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 22.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed to fill vacancies in the Joint Commission on Christian Unity, on its part, the Rev. Dr. McBryde of Southern Virginia, the Rev. Mr. Harding of Washington, the Rev. Dr. McConnell of Long Island, the Rev. G. Woolsey Hodge, Mr. Carter of Maryland, and Mr. Mahan of New York.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 8th day of the Session,
October 13, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 23.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article 4 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 4.

In every Diocese a Standing Committee shall be appointed by the Convention thereof. When there is a Bishop in charge of the Diocese, the Committee shall be his Council of Advice; and when there is no such Bishop, it shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese for all purposes declared by the General Convention; and the rights and duties of the Standing Committee, except as provided in the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made
known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article 6 of the Constitution, viz.:

**ARTICLE 6.**

**SECTION 1.** The House of Bishops may establish Missionary Districts in States or Territories or parts thereof not organized into Dioceses. It may also from time to time change, increase, or diminish the territory included in such Missionary Districts in such manner as may be prescribed by Canon.

**SEC. 2.** The General Convention may accept a cession of the territorial jurisdiction of a part of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese shall propose such cession, and three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory and also the same proportion of the parishes within the remaining territory shall consent thereto.

**SEC. 3.** Missionary Districts shall be organized as may be prescribed by Canon of the General Convention.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article 7 of the Constitution, viz.:

**ARTICLE 7.**

Dioceses and Missionary Districts may be united into Provinces in such manner, under such conditions, and with such powers, as shall be provided by Canon of the General Convention; Provided, however, that no Diocese shall be included in a Province without its own consent.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 7 of the Constitution, and insert the following as Article 8 of the Constitution, viz.:

**ARTICLE 8.**

No person shall be ordered Priest or Deacon until he shall have been examined by the Bishop and two Priests and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons in that case provided may direct. No person shall be consecrated Bishop, or ordered Priest or Deacon, unless he shall at the time subscribe and make, in the presence of the ordaining Bishop or Bishops, the following declaration:

"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop, or by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided and shall have also subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.
On motion, the resolutions contained in the foregoing Message were referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See pp. 70–72.]

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The Bishop of California, from the Committee on the Re-arrangement of Missionary Jurisdictions, presented the following supplementary report [see p. 63]:

Your Committee, having considered the special matter referred to it as to the time when acts of the House of Bishops reconstituting Missionary Districts under Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [2], take effect, begs leave to report that, by the terms of said Canon and by the usage of the House, as in the case of Nevada and Utah in 1886, not to mention others, it is the judgment of the Committee that such acts take effect immediately; while, however, clear as to this, the Committee is of the opinion that by the change of status effected by such acts there is not meant to be any such violent and abrupt disturbance of existing machinery of administration, or of existing conditions of the field, its plans, or its funds, as to cause undue hardship or confusion to those concerned. The Bishops of the re-constituted Districts are entitled to all the time they may need to adjust details of administration to the new status, on the principle that the law itself must assert in the re-arrangement of any funds, that is, of deliberate and careful process in interpretation of the bearing of the change of status. The change of boundaries and of title is effected at once by the canonical act of the House of Bishops; the bearing of that in many directions can only be wisely determined after due time for patient and full study of the situation. Meanwhile, in the opinion of the Committee, the simple status quo of administrative detail, so far as possible, may be maintained. This, your Committee believes, is practically what has been done in the past.

In accordance with the suggestion of one of the Bishops concerned, your Committee recommends that each of the Bishops of the Missionary Districts of Laramie, Boise, Salt Lake, Spokane, and Sacramento should by resolution of the House of Bishops be authorized to select, de novo, at as early a date as practicable, the Constitution and Canons of one of the Dioceses of the Church which shall remain in force until the Missionary District over which he has jurisdiction shall be erected into a Diocese and shall have adopted its own Constitution and Canons.

In the judgment of the Committee, therefore, the Missionary Districts of Laramie, Boise, Salt Lake, Spokane, and Sacramento are duly constituted by the act of the House of Bishops as taken October 12th, 1898, and it is competent for said House to proceed to the nomination and election of Bishops to fill vacancies in the Missionary Districts of Boise and Sacramento.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE F. SEYMOUR,
M. N. GILBERT,
W. F. NICHOLS,
Committee.

On motion, the report of the Committee was accepted. [See p. 75.]

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rearrangement of Missionary Districts to the House of Deputies. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 30. For return of this Message for correction, see below and p. 77; the resolutions in corrected form, as given on pp. 53, 54, were communicated by Message No. 63.]

The Chairman presented a report from the Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona in reference to his visit, as Commissary of the Presiding Bishop, to the Church in Mexico in 1898. [Appendix II. 3.]

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the nomination of Presbyters for the vacant Bishoprics of the Missionary District of Sacramento, the Missionary District of Boise, and the Missionary District of North Dakota was made the order of the day, immediately after the order of the day appointed for eleven o'clock to-morrow.

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

NINTH DAY.

FRIDAY, October 14, 1898.

The House met after Morning Prayer and Litany, the Chairman presiding.

A lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Lexington, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday’s session were read, and, on motion, approved.

On motion of the Bishop of New York, it was voted that the House of Deputies be requested to return Message No. 30 for correction. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 31. See above and p. 77.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 32]:

REPORT No. 8.
The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of The Platte, proposing to add to Title I, Canon 18, § vii. [3] (p. 69 of the Digest), the following:

[...]

...)
Provided, that the Bishop, if he think the person presenting such letter unfit for the position to which he is called, be not compelled to accept his letter, unless so advised by the Standing Committee after hearing the Bishop's reasons and the answers of the minister or his friends," respectfully reports that in its judgment the proposed addition is inexpedient, because in the opinion of the Committee the end aimed at can be better secured in some other way.

The Committee begs to be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution.

W. E. McLaren, Chairman.

Attest: Arthur C. A. Hall, Secretary.

On motion, the Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 38]:

Report No. 9.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Missouri, having considered the same, respectfully recommends the adoption of the following resolution, thus making the Canon concerning the Trial of a Bishop conform to the Canon concerning offences for which ministers may be tried:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title II., Canon 9, § I. (p. 101 of the Digest), be amended by adding the following words: "6. And for conduct unbecoming a Bishop of this Church."

W. E. McLaren, Chairman.

Attest: Arthur C. A. Hall, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 35. See p. 95.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 50]:

Report No. 10.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Western Michigan, respectfully recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 26, § II. (page 88 of the Digest), be amended by adding after the words, in line 5, "any consecrated Church or Chapel," the words, "or any Church or Chapel which has been solely used for Divine services."

W. E. McLaren, Chairman.

Attest: Arthur C. A. Hall, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the Report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 36. See p. 95.]

On motion, it was voted, That this House will adjourn at two o'clock to-day until Monday morning.
The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 48]:

REPORT No. 11.
The Committee on Canons, to which was recommitted a resolution offered by the Bishop of Duluth, concerning the resignation of Missionary Bishops, respectfully reports that, after further consideration of the subject, the Committee adheres to its former judgment, for the reason that the subject is so large and important, and so beset with difficulties, that it would seem to be desirable to give the Church generally the opportunity to consider it before canonical action is taken.

W. E. McLaren, Chairman.

On motion, the Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 62]:

REPORT No. 12.
The Committee on Canons, to which was referred an amendment to the Canon of Marriage offered by the Bishop of Georgia, by adding the following section:

"§ III. (ii.) No minister of this Church shall be bound under the previous section of this Canon to solemnize the marriage of any divorced person;" respectfully reports that in its judgment the proposed amendment to a Canon not yet finally adopted by the House does not come within the scope of the Committee on Canons; but that it is competent for the Bishop of Georgia to offer his resolution as an amendment to the Canon of Marriage now before the House.

W. E. McLaren, Chairman.

On motion, the Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject. [See p. 89.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 28]:

REPORT No. 13.
The Committee on Canons, to which was recommitted a resolution offered by the Bishop of Duluth, concerning a Central Board of Examiners for Candidates for Holy Orders, respectfully reports that, after further consideration of the subject, the Committee adheres to its former judgment, for the reason that the Committee is convinced that, even if the great changes proposed were in any way desirable, the provisions of the proposition are impracticable.

W. E. McLaren, Chairman.

On motion of the Bishop of New York, the resolution offered by the Bishop of Duluth was referred to a special committee of three Bishops, to report at the next General Convention.
The Chairman appointed as such Committee the Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of New York, and the Bishop of Vermont.

On motion, the order of the day appointed for eleven o'clock was postponed.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see pp. 64, 65]:

REPORT No. 4.
The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred Message No. 23 from the House of Deputies, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concurs with the House of Deputies in adopting the following resolution contained in its Message No. 23:

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article 4 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 4.

In every Diocese a Standing Committee shall be appointed by the Convention thereof. When there is a Bishop in charge of the Diocese, the Committee shall be his Council of Advice and when there is no such Bishop, it shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese for all purposes declared by the General Convention; and the rights and duties of the Standing Committee, except as provided in the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses.

O. W. WHITAKER, Chairman.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 32.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented a further report, as follows:

REPORT No. 5.
The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution recommends that the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in adopting Sections 1 and 3 of the proposed Article 6 of the Constitution, as communicated in Message No. 23, and adopt the proposed Section 2 with the addition of the words: "Provided, that such action of the General Convention shall be by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops present and voting, and of two-thirds of the House of Deputies voting by orders," in the form following, viz.:

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Add to the Constitution the following, as Article 6 of the Constitution, viz.:
ARTICLE 6.

SECTION 1. The House of Bishops may establish Missionary Districts in States or Territories, or parts thereof not organized into Dioceses. It may also from time to time change, increase, or diminish the territory included in such Missionary Districts in such manner as may be prescribed by Canon.

SEC. 2. The General Convention may accept a cession of the territorial jurisdiction of a part of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese shall propose such cession and three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory and also the same proportion of the parishes within the remaining territory shall consent thereto; Provided, that such action of the General Convention shall be by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops present and voting, and by a vote of two-thirds of the House of Deputies voting by orders.

SEC. 3. Missionary Districts shall be organized as may be prescribed by Canon of the General Convention.

O. W. WHITAKER, Chairman.

On motion, Sections 1 and 3 of the proposed Article 6 were approved.

On motion, Section 2 of the proposed Article was recommitted to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 85.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented a further report, as follows:

REPORT No. 6.
The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution offers the following resolution:
Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the following resolution contained in its Message No. 23:
Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:
Add to the Constitution the following as Article 7 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 7.

Dioceses and Missionary Districts may be united into Provinces in such manner, under such conditions, and with such powers as shall be provided by Canon of the General Convention; Provided, however, that no Diocese shall be included in a Province without its own consent.

O. W. WHITAKER, Chairman.

The question being on the resolution contained in the report of the committee, the Bishop of Maryland moved, as an amendment, to strike out the proviso; which was adopted.

The question being on the resolution as amended, it was adopted.
On motion of the Bishop of Maryland, it was voted that the House of Deputies be desired to grant a Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two Houses in regard to the proposed Article 7 of the Constitution; and the Chairman appointed as members of such Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, and the Bishop of Kansas. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 33. See p. 90.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented a further report, as follows:

REPORT No. 7.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the following resolution contained in its Message No. 23:

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Strike out Article 7 of the Constitution, and insert the following as Article 8 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 8.

No person shall be ordered Priest or Deacon until he shall have been examined by the Bishop and two Priests and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons in that case provided may direct. No person shall be consecrated Bishop, or ordered Priest or Deacon, unless he shall at the time subscribe and make, in the presence of the ordaining Bishop or Bishops, the following declaration:

“I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.”

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop, or by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided and shall have also subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

O. W. WHITAKER, Chairman.

The question being on the resolution contained in the report of the Committee, the Bishop of Maryland moved to insert the word “by” before the words “two Priests”; which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Missouri moved to insert the words “ordained and” immediately before the words “consecrated Bishop”; which was adopted.

The Bishop of Nebraska moved to substitute the word “Doc-
trines" in place of the word "Doctrine"; which was not adopted.

The Bishop of East Carolina moved to insert after the word "Doctrine" the words "as set forth in the Nicene Creed"; which was not adopted.

The question being on the resolution as amended, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 34. See p. 95.]

On motion, permission was given to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution to sit during the remainder of to-day's session of this House.

On motion of the Bishop of East Carolina, the House, in accordance with the order of the day, proceeded to the consideration of the report presented by him at yesterday's session. [See p. 61.]

The Bishop of Maryland offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Title I., Canon 18, § vii., be amended by inserting as [4] (page 59 of the Digest), the following:

[4.] No person who has been refused ordination or reception as a candidate in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and who afterwards been ordained in another Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, shall be transferred to the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which such refusal has taken place, without the consent of its Bishop or Ecclesiastical Authority;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 92.]

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont, the further consideration of the subject-matter of the report was made the order of the day for Monday next at 11 o'clock. [See p. 83.]

On motion, the second order of the day, being the nomination of Presbyters for vacant Missionary Bishoprics, was postponed, to permit the Bishop of Western Michigan to present a report from a Committee of Conference on proposed amendments to the Constitution.

The Bishop of Western Michigan presented the following report [see p. 56]:

The Committee of Conference on Amendments to the Constitution proposed in Message No. 9 from the House of Deputies, reports that it has agreed upon the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, That the members of this Committee of Conference on the part of the House of Bishops recommend to the House of Bishops con-
currence with the House of Deputies in the Amendments to the Constitution proposed in Message No. 9 from the House of Deputies.

GEO. D. GILLESPIE, Chairman.

On motion, the recommendation of the Committee of Conference was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to report not later than Monday next. [See p. 80.]

On motion, the order of the day was further postponed.

The Bishop of West Virginia, from the Committee on New Dioceses, presented the following report [see p. 14]:

REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on New Dioceses would respectfully report that it has carefully considered the petition of the Bishop and Convention of the Diocese of Indiana for permission so to divide said Diocese that there shall be two Dioceses and one Missionary Jurisdiction.

A letter signed by the Bishop of Indiana, four clergymen, and three laymen, all delegates to this General Convention, stated that the Diocese of Indiana, by the unanimous vote of its sixty-first annual Convention, held in the city of Indianapolis on June 7 and 8, 1898, instructed its delegates to pray the General Convention, to be held in Washington in October, 1898, to give its consent to such a division. Their letter was accompanied by the following documents, namely:

1. Reports and resolutions adopted unanimously by the sixty-first Convention of the Diocese of Indiana.
3. An exhibit of the state of the Church in the Northern Convocation.
4. An exhibit of the state of the Church in the Central Convocation.
5. An exhibit of the state of the Church in the Southern Convocation.
6. A proposition from the Wardens and Vestrymen of Trinity Church, Michigan City.
7. An exhibit for the provision of the Northern Diocese.
8. An exhibit of the financial condition of the old Diocese should the division be approved.
9. A letter from Mr. N. F. Dalton, Secretary of the Trustees of the Diocese of Indiana.
10. A letter from Mr. Charles E. Brooks, Treasurer of the Diocese of Indiana.
11. A map of the State of Indiana, on which the lines of the proposed divisions are indicated.

By invitation of the Committee, the Bishop of Indiana was present at one of the meetings of your Committee. From his address and answers to questions it appeared:

First, That the railway systems of the State are so distributed that Indiana may naturally be divided into three jurisdictions.

Second, That in case the present Diocese be so divided that there shall be two Dioceses and one Missionary District, the Dioceses would be able to provide for the support of their Bishops respectively, and that the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society would not be asked to make any appropriations for work in those Dioceses. This would leave the Board of Managers free to appropriate the $2,000 now appropriated to the Diocese of Indiana to the new Missionary District, should it be created. Thus, in order to provide for the support of the Bishop for the proposed new Missionary District, the Board would be obliged to appropriate only $1,000 of the expenses. One of the Dioceses would have an Episcopal endowment fund of $38,000 and the other of $36,000.
Third, it appeared further, from what the Bishop said, that Indiana has an estimated population of three million, and that this population is distributed with an unusual evenness over the whole State, so that there would be about one million souls in each of the three jurisdictions.

Fourth, it also appeared from the Bishop's representations that the Missionary District would have about 1,400 of the 6,770 communicants of the present Diocese, and that they could and would raise about five hundred dollars for Church extension work within the District.

Fifth, an examination of the tabulated documents submitted by the Bishop and delegates of the Diocese of Indiana shows that the proposed Northern Diocese would have twenty clergymen and twenty-six parishes, the Central Diocese would have twenty clergymen and eighteen parishes, and the Missionary District would have thirteen clergymen and fifteen parishes.

In view of this showing by the Bishop and delegates of Indiana, your Committee would respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolutions, viz.:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, that the House of Bishops consent to the division of the present Diocese of Indiana, according to the line proposed between the Northern and the Central Convocations.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, that the Southern Convocation of Indiana be set apart as a Missionary District, according to the lines proposed.

For the Committee,

GEO. W. PETERKIN, Chairman.

[See pp. 77, 84.]

The Bishop of California offered the following resolutions [see p. 66]:

Resolved, that each of the Bishops of the Missionary Districts of Laramie, Boise, Salt Lake, Spokane, and Sacramento be authorized to select, de novo, at as early a date as practicable, the Constitution and Canons of one of the Dioceses of this Church, which shall remain in force, as far as applicable to the circumstances of the Missionary District over which he has jurisdiction, until it shall be erected into a Diocese and shall have adopted its own Constitution and Canons;

Resolved, that all action of this House bearing upon the readjustment of the boundaries of the Missionary Districts be communicated to the House of Deputies and the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church;

which were severally adopted.

In accordance with the order of the day, the House proceeded to receive nominations of a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of North Dakota.

The roll was called; and nominations having been made, they were referred to the Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops. [See p. 111.]

The House proceeded to receive nominations of a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Sacramento.
The roll was called; and nominations having been made, they were referred to the Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops. [See p. 111.]

The House proceeded to receive nominations of a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Boise.

The roll was called; and nominations having been made, they were referred to the Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops. [See p. 111.]

The Chairman presented the Report of the Registrar, with copies of Letters of consecration of Bishops; which were ordered printed in the Appendix to the Journal. [Appendix VII.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 8th day of the Session,
October 13, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 24.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a deputation be appointed to attend the next General Synod of the Church of England in Canada;

And that it has appointed, as members of said deputation on its part, the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany, the Rev. Mr. Nichols of Minnesota, Mr. Ryerson of Chicago, and Mr. Sidney D. Miller of Michigan.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in the foregoing Message; and the Chairman appointed as members of the Deputation, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Kentucky and the Bishop of Vermont. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 37.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 51]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 8th day of the Session,
October 13, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 25.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 21 from that House, naming San Francisco as the place for holding the next triennial meeting of the General Convention.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.
The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 60]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 8th day of the Session,
October 13, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 26.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 28 from that House, concerning the two Houses sitting as one body to hear the report of the Joint Committee on Christian Education, etc.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 61]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 8th day of the Session,
October 13, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 27.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 27 from that House, concerning the appointment of a Joint Committee to nominate Trustees of the General Clergy Relief Fund; And has appointed, as members of said Joint Committee on its part, the Rev. Dr. Bodine of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Mr. Saltonstall of Connecticut, the Rev. Dr. Reed of Central New York, Mr. Brown of Rhode Island, Mr. Merrick of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Davis of Massachusetts.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

[See p. 125.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 9th day of the Session,
October 14, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 28.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That consent be given to the erection of a new Diocese containing all the counties north of the southern limit of Benton, White, Carroll, Howard, Grant, Blackford, and Jay Counties, within the limits of the existing Diocese of Indiana.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

[See p. 84.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 67]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 9th day of the Session,
October 14, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 29.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it consents to the request contained in Message No. 31 from the House of Bishops, and hereby returns to the House of Bishops its Message No. 30.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.
The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION.
WASHINGTON, 9th day of the Session,
October 14, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 30.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, That this House respectfully requests of the House of Bishops that the two Committees on the Memorial of Church Workers among the Colored People be permitted to sit as a Joint Committee.
Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House acceded to the request of the House of Deputies. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 38. See p. 79.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 9th day of the Session,
October 14, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 31.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following preamble and resolution:
WHEREAS, It is stated from what appear to be official sources this morning that the Government will take full possession of Porto Rico under the protocol on Tuesday, October 18, St. Luke's Day; therefore,
Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That in the usual service held on that day at 9 o'clock it be recommended that a suitable reference be made to the same at that time by a prayer or prayers for that purpose.
Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the preamble and resolution contained in the foregoing Message were referred to the Committee on Religious Services. [See p. 82.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota presented the following report:

The Deputation appointed by the last General Convention to convey the fraternal greetings of this Church to the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada, respectfully report that they proceeded to the city of Winnipeg in Manitoba. The Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Marquette was substituted in the place of the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Milwaukee, who was unable to attend.

On the second day of September, 1896, after having been most cordially received and welcomed to the city as the guests of the local Committee appointed for the purpose, your Deputation were formally received by His Grace the Archbishop of Rupert's Land, Metropolitan, and Primate of All Canada, and were by him presented to the Bishops and to the Lower House in a session specially convened for the purpose.

Your Deputation thereupon performed the most delightful task laid upon them by this Church, conveying to our Canadian brethren our most cordial greetings and our hearty felicitations upon the apparent growth and prosperity of Christ's Kingdom in their midst.
To these words of ours most feeling and gracious response was made by His Grace the Primate and by the Very Rev. James Carmichael, the Prolocutor of the House of Deputies.

The remaining days of our stay were spent in the midst of the most delightful hospitality. We were permitted to listen to the debates and note the advancing steps taken by the Synod of this aggressive and loyal daughter of our common Mother. Possessed of a vast domain whose advancing settlement and population lay upon her equally vast responsibilities of missions and Church extension, we found her work and her difficulties so nearly akin to ours as to make us forget the thin boundary line we had crossed.

Nor were we less delighted to find among our brethren of Canada a feeling of interest and sympathy with us and with our labors, that bred about us the continual atmosphere of kinship.

On parting with our brethren, it was again our privilege on behalf of this American Church to wish them "good luck in the Name of the Lord."

We recommend that a Deputation be appointed to attend the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada to be held in September, 1899.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. N. Gilbert.
G. Mott Williams.
Thos. E. Green.
J. M. Woolworth.
Peter White.

The Bishop of South Carolina presented the following report

[see pp. 51, 78]:

The Committee to which was referred the Memorial of Church Workers among Colored People, has had the same under consideration, and respectfully submits the following report:

The Memorial is presented in behalf of a Conference of Colored Clergy and Laity, recently held in St. Philip's Church, Richmond, and submits to the General Convention three requests, upon which the Memorialists ask the action of Convention.

In the first request, we are asked to consider "the absolute need of a General Institution of Learning, founded and controlled by the Church," in which large numbers of colored youth may be taught and trained.

In the second request, we are asked to consider the advisability of appointing a "Field Secretary," who shall be a general Agent for the Work among Colored People, travel over the Church in its interests, stimulate offerings in its behalf, and, "in connection with the regular constituted authorities of the Church," promote the work among colored people.

In the third request, the Memorialists ask us, whether, in our opinion, anything further can be done to adapt the Episcopate to the needs of the Colored People, by bringing the Bishop into closer and more sympathetic relations with them.

The Committee of Colored Clergymen who presented the Memorial has been before your Committee, and has fully explained the wishes and declared the convictions of the Memorialists. While expressing the heartiest gratitude for all that has been done for the spiritual welfare of the Colored People, the Memorialists were most emphatic and earnest in assuring your Committee that the requests of the Memorial express the urgent and immediate needs of their people.

Your Committee has come to the following conclusions upon the requests of the Memorial:
First, That the request for the establishment of a General Institution of Learning, under the control of the Church, is reasonable and practicable, provided that the existing institutions of this character could be united for the purpose desired; or, any one of them could be taken for the founding of such an institution, as for instance the admirable School at Raleigh, which the Bishop of North Carolina would gladly see converted into a great Church School for the whole Church in the South. This School at Raleigh has been in active and useful operation for thirty years, and has an endowment in lands, buildings, and money, which would form the basis of a noble Church School for large numbers of colored youth.

Second, That the request for the appointment of a “Field Secretary,” as expressed in the Memorial, is impracticable, the duties of such an officer being already provided for by the appointment of the Commission for Church Work among Colored People, to whom this request of the Memorial should be addressed.

Third, That the request that some legislation should be had which would bring the Episcopate into more effective and sympathetic relations with the colored people, involving, as it does, the unqualified request for the consecration of Colored Suffragan Bishops, is a matter so radical in its nature and of so much moment to each Diocesan concerned, that your Committee ask to be discharged from its further consideration. The following resolution is respectfully submitted for adoption:

Resolved, That so much of the Memorial before us as refers to the establishment of a General Institution of Learning for Colored People, be referred to the Committee on Christian Education to report at the earliest practicable moment.

For the Committee,

EILLISON CAPERS, Chairman.

On motion, the Committee was discharged, in accordance with its request, from the further consideration of the subject of Colored Suffragan Bishops.

The question being on the resolution contained in the report of the Committee, it was adopted.

The Bishop of South Dakota, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 74]:

REPORT No. 8.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred for the second time Message No. 9 from the House of Deputies, respectfully report that they recommend adherence to the amendment made by the House of Bishops to Section 3 of Article 2 contained in the Message, and non-concurrence in the proposed Article numbered 3, and ask for a Committee of Conference. On behalf of the Committee,

W. H. HARE.

The question being on the recommendation of the Committee, it was adopted; and the Chairman appointed the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, and the Bishop of Kansas as members of the Committee of Conference, on the part of
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HOUSE OF BISHOPS.  

this House. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 39. See p. 90.]

The Bishop of Duluth offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the question of the retirement and resignation of Bishops be referred to a Special Committee with instructions to report to this House at the next General Convention;

which was not adopted.

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until Monday morning.

The Bishop of Colorado pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

TENTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 17, 1898.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Alaska, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of Friday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

On motion, the matter of arranging for special Religious Services on St. Luke's Day was referred to the Committee on Religious Services; and it was voted, That, the House of Deputies concurring, the celebration of the Holy Communion take place at St. John's Church, at half past seven o'clock on the morning of that day.

On motion of the Bishop of Indiana, the resolution contained in Message No. 28 from the House of Deputies, together with the report of the Committee on the division of the Diocese of Indiana, was made the order of the day immediately after that appointed for to-day at 11 o'clock.

The Bishop of Shanghai offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Missionary District of Shanghai and the Lower Yangtse Valley is hereby defined to consist of the provinces of Kiangsu, Nganhwui, and Hupeh, and those parts of the provinces of Kiangsi and Hunan adjacent to the Yangtse River;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions. [See p. 102.]
The Bishop of Virginia offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 6, § xi. [1] and [2], is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

§ xi. [1]. All the examinations of a candidate for Priest's Orders may take place, if desired by the Bishop, before his ordination to the Diaconate.

[2]. It shall suffice for his admission to Deacon's Orders, if he shall have passed an examination on the Book of Common Prayer, its history and contents, and the first examination for Priest's Orders;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See pp. 92, 102.]

The Bishop of Dallas, from the Committee on Religious Services, presented the following report [see p. 78]:

REPORT NO. 2.

Your Committee, to which was referred the request of the House of Deputies that some suitable prayer of thanksgiving and petition for guidance in view of recent events be used on St. Luke's Day at the opening of Convention, respectfully reports:

1. That the circumstances of our relations to countries outside the United States with which the Hispano-American war has brought us into connection being as yet undefined, it is inexpedient to take any action of a definite character.

2. As prayer and praise are always in order, your Committee recommend the use of the following prayer at the service to-morrow:

O God, whose Providence ordereth all things in heaven and earth, and whose will controls the issues and events of the life of nations; We acknowledge Thy goodness which has guided and blessed the counsels and the arms of our nation, to the relief of an oppressed people, and to the victories of peace. Guard us from the sins of self-seeking and vain-glory. Fill us with the spirit of wisdom and of Thy holy fear. Humble us under the burden of the new duties with which our government is charged. Strengthen the hands and sanctify the hearts of those upon whom must come the solemn decisions of this hour. And in the new countries and among the alien races, to which on this day and from this day our rule is to extend, grant us grace to establish, upon the best and surest foundations, the sovereignty of good government, true liberty, justice and righteousness and love; that seeking in all things to do Thy will, we may be instruments of Thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

On behalf of the Committee,

ALEX. C. GARRETT, Chairman.

On motion, the recommendation contained in the report of the Committee was adopted.

The Bishop of Southern Florida, from the Committee on the Despatch of Business, presented the following report:

The proposed Article 6 of the Constitution, received from the House of Deputies on 8th day of session, requires action to-day or to-morrow.

WM. CRANE GRAY, Chairman.
The Bishop of Pittsburgh offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Rules of Order to consider whether a rearrangement of the order of business be expedient; which was adopted. [See p. 88.]

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the House proceeded to consider the question of filling the vacancy in the office of Historiographer of this Church.

The Bishop of New York nominated the Rev. Samuel Hart, D.D.; and there being no other nomination, it was ordered that a ballot be cast for Dr. Hart; which being done, the Chairman declared that the Rev. Samuel Hart, D.D., had been elected; whereupon the Bishop of Missouri offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the vacancy in the office of Historiographer of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, occasioned by the lamented death of the Rt. Rev. William Stevens Perry, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., be filled by the appointment to the same of the Rev. Samuel Hart, D.D.; which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 40. See p. 94.]

The House proceeded to the order of the day; and the Bishop of Vermont, on behalf of the Special Committee appointed to advise what Canons require immediate attention [see pp. 30, 61, 73], presented a recommendation that the following matters be severally referred to the Committee on Canons:

2. The amendment to Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [5] (p. 65 of the Digest), proposed by the Joint Commission in Canon 13, § V. [i.] (p. 29 of the Report).
3. The amendment to Title I., Canon 18, § i. (pp. 52, 53 of the Digest), proposed by the Joint Commission in Canon 14, § I. [i.] and [ii.] (p. 29 of the Report).
4. The amendment to Title I., Canon 7, § iii. (pp. 33, 34 of the Digest), proposed by the Joint Commission in Canon 5, § II. (p. 19 of the Report), [a] extending the length of time required before ordination under special circumstances, [b] allowing in the computation of time the reckoning of an academic year as a calendar year.
5. The recasting of Title I., Canon 19, § xv. [4] (p. 78 of the Digest), and the consideration in connection therewith of Article 3 of the existing Constitution and of the proposed amendments to the Constitution, touching this subject, now before the General Convention (Report of Committee of House of Deputies, pp. 19, 33, Article 1, Sect. 2, and Articles 10 and 11).
6. The question as to the definition of a communicant, in connection with Title I., Canon 18, § v. [i.] (p. 55), and Title II., Canon 12, § ii. [3] (p. 119).
On motion, the matters mentioned in the report of the Committee were severally referred to the Committee on Canons. [See pp. 92, 94, 96, 102, 108, 145.]

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following amendment of Title I., Canon 8, § ii., to wit, to insert after the words “Priests' Orders” in the second line, “nor priest ordained under any other dispensation than that from Hebrew,” be referred to the Committee on Canons;

which was adopted. [See p. 92.]

On motion, the Registrar of the General Convention was invited to occupy a seat at a desk in the House, to enable Bishops to append their signatures to the certificates in the Register of Episcopal Consecrations.

The hour of noon having arrived, the Bishop of West Virginia, at the request of the Chairman, bade the House to prayers for Missions.

The House proceeded to the next order of the day, being the proposed division of the Diocese of Indiana.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 28 from the House of Deputies [see p. 77], viz.:

Resolved, That consent be given to the erection of a new Diocese containing all the counties north of the southern limit of Benton, White, Carroll, Howard, Grant, Blackford, and Jay counties, within the limits of the existing Diocese of Indiana;

it was adopted, in concurrence with the action of the House of Deputies. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 41.]

The Bishop of Indiana offered the following preamble and resolution [see p. 75]:

WHEREAS, the Diocese of Indiana, by deliberate action of the Bishop and the Convention thereof, has for urgent and sufficient reasons declared its desire to establish its southern limits on the southern lines of the counties of Vigo, Clay, Owen, Morgan, Johnson, Shelby, Rush, and Franklin, by a line running from the State of Ohio on the east to the State of Illinois on the west, and has proposed to transfer to the General Convention all that portion of the State lying south of said line, in order that the same may be erected into a Missionary Jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, this House is sufficiently advised of the consent of the parishes lying on either side of the line to the proposed cession of said territory for the purpose aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, doubts are entertained by many of the power, under our Constitution, permanently to alter the territorial extent of a Diocese in this form, yet impressed with the great necessities of the Church in that Diocese, and of the justice of her claims to prompt relief, and following repeated precedents in like cases; 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 Indiana 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 south of the limits aforesaid, and within the State of Indiana, be held and treated as Missionary territory and subject to Missionary jurisdiction;

which were adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 42. See p. 109.]

On motion, further action on the proposed Canon 34, of Marriage, as amended, was made the order of the day for 4 o'clock this afternoon.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 71]:

REPORT No. 9.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred back the portion of Message No. 23 from the House of Deputies, contained in Section 2 of Article 6, with a view to amending the section so as to provide for the possible return to the territorial jurisdiction of a Diocese of a part of its territory which had been accepted by the General Convention, respectfully recommends that the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in adopting Section 2 of Article 6, amended by adding the following words: "Any territorial jurisdiction or any part of the same, which may have been accepted from a Diocese by the General Convention under the foregoing provisions, may be retroceded to the said Diocese by such joint action of all the several parties as is herein required for its cession; Provided, that such action of the General Convention, whether of cession or retrocession, shall be by a vote of two-thirds of the Bishops present and voting, and of two-thirds of the House of Deputies voting by orders," the resolution to read as follows:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article 6 of the Constitution, to wit:

ARTICLE 6.

SECTION 1. The House of Bishops may establish Missionary Districts in States and Territories or parts thereof not organized into Dioceses. It may also from time to time change, increase, or diminish the territory included in such Missionary Districts in such manner as may be prescribed by Canon.

SEC. 2. The General Convention may accept a cession of the territorial jurisdiction of a part of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese shall propose such cession and three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory and also the same ratio of the parishes within the remaining territory shall consent thereto.
Any territorial jurisdiction or any part of the same, which may have been accepted from a Diocese by the General Convention under the foregoing provision, may be retroceded to the said Diocese by such joint action of all the several parties as is herein required for its cession; Provided, that such action of the General Convention, whether ofcession or retrocession, shall be by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops present and voting, and of two-thirds of the House of Deputies voting by orders.

SEC. 3. Missionary Districts shall be organized as may be prescribed by Canon of the General Convention.

For the Committee,

O. W. WHITAKER, Chairman.

Sections 1 and 3 having been already adopted in the form recommended [see p. 71], the question was on Section 2; which, on motion, was adopted.

The question being on the adoption of the entire resolution contained in the report of the Committee, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 48. See p. 113.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 10th day of the Session,
October 17, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 32.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Committee on Canons of the House of Bishops and the Committee on Canons of the House of Deputies have leave to sit in joint session.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in the foregoing Message. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 44.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 10th day of the Session,
October 17, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 33.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 8 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article 10 of the Constitution, viz.:
ARTICLE 10.

The Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David, the Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, the Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be in use in all the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of this Church. No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Convention, and by a resolve thereof sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders. Provided, however, that the General Convention shall have power at any meeting to amend the Tables of Lessons by a majority of the whole number of the Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to Article 10 of the Constitution, as proposed in the foregoing resolution, the following words:

But provision may be made by Canon for the temporary use of other forms and directories of worship by congregations not already in union with this Church who are willing to accept the spiritual oversight of the Bishop of the Diocese.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the resolutions contained in the foregoing Message were referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 105.]

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The House proceeded to the order of the day, being the report of the Joint Commission on Marginal Readings for the English Version of the New Testament [see p. 15].

On motion, it was voted, That, the House of Deputies concurring, the Commission be continued. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 45. See p. 109.]
The Bishop of Delaware, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report [see p. 83]:

REPORT NO. 3.
The Committee on Rules of Order, to whom was referred the question of the expediency of the rearrangement of the present order of business, beg leave to report that, in their judgment, such a rearrangement is expedient, and would recommend for adoption by this House the following, as the order in which the Standing Committees of this House shall be appointed and be called upon for their reports, namely:
1. On Christian Education.
2. On the General Theological Seminary.
3. On the Consecration of Bishops.
4. On the Conduct of all Religious Services connected with the Convention.
5. On Memorials and Petitions.
6. On Despatch of Business.
7. On Rules of Order, of which the Chairman of the House shall be a member, ex officio.
8. On Amendments to the Constitution.
11. On Domestic Missions.
12. On Foreign Missions.
13. On the Pastoral Letter, of which the Presiding Bishop shall be Chairman.
14. On the Admission of New Dioceses.
15. On the Nomination of Missionary Bishops.

On behalf and by the order of the Committee, LEIGHTON COLEMAN, Chairman.

The question being on the recommendation contained in the report of the Committee, it was adopted.

The House proceeded to the next order of the day, being the further consideration of the proposed Canon 34, of Marriage. [See p. 59.]

The Bishop of Nebraska moved that § I. be taken from the table; which was not adopted.

The Bishop of South Dakota moved that the words "of this Church" be added to the words "No minister," in § II. [ii.] and [iii.]; which was adopted.

The Bishop of Maine moved that § i. of the present Canon be substituted for the proposed § I.; which was not adopted.

The question being on the adoption of the Canon as amended, as a whole, the Bishop of Nebraska moved to omit all of § III. after the words "arising after marriage."

It being decided that the amendment was not in order, the motion was not put.
The Bishop of Springfield moved to reconsider the former vote on § III.; which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Vermont moved to add to § III. the following [see p. 69]:

[II.] No minister of this Church shall be obliged, under the previous paragraph of this Canon, to solemnize the marriage of any divorced person;

which was adopted.

The question being upon the adoption of the Canon as amended, in the form following:

§ II. [II.] No Minister of this Church shall solemnize the marriage of any person who is a minor under the law of the place of marriage, unless the parent or guardian of such minor is present, or, where it is practicable, shall have given written consent to the marriage.

[III.] No Minister of this Church shall solemnize a marriage except in the presence of at least two witnesses, himself or the witnesses being personally acquainted with the parties.

[IV.] Every Minister of this Church shall, at the time of the marriage, record in the register of the parish or congregation in which the marriage takes place, or some other church register, the name, birthplace, age, and residence of each party, and such record shall be signed by the Minister who performs the ceremony, and by at least two witnesses of the marriage.

§ III. [I.] No Minister of this Church shall solemnize the marriage of either party to a divorce during the lifetime of the other party, if the divorce has been granted for any cause arising after marriage. This shall not apply to the innocent party in a divorce suit on his or her filing with the Minister, as evidence of such innocence, a legally certified transcript of the record, showing a final judgment or decree of a Court of Record having jurisdiction on the subject-matter, awarding him or her a divorce a vinculo matrimonii on the ground of adultery.

[II.] No Minister of this Church shall be obliged, under the previous paragraph of this Canon, to solemnize the marriage of any divorced person;

The yeas and nays were ordered, and the roll was called.

Twenty-four Bishops voted in the affirmative, and thirty-one in the negative; and the proposed Canon was not adopted.

Those who voted in the affirmative were: The Bishops of Missouri, South Dakota, Kentucky, Southern Ohio, West Virginia, Montana, Mississippi, New York, Southern Virginia, East Carolina, Easton, New Mexico and Arizona, The Platte, California, West Missouri, Texas, Spokane, Oklahoma and Indian Territory, South Carolina, North Carolina, Vermont, Lexington, Coadjutor of Virginia, Coadjutor of Rhode Island—twenty-four.

Those who voted in the negative were: The Bishops of Minnesota, Maine, Virginia, Albany, Dallas, New Jersey, Western
Michigan, Chicago, Springfield, Newark, Pittsburgh, Western New York, Maryland, Nebraska, Central Pennsylvania, Delaware, Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, Ohio, Michigan, Coadjutor of Springfield, Southern Florida, Olympia, Shanghai, Indiana, Alaska, Los Angeles, Washington, Marquette, Duluth, Coadjutor of Connecticut, Coadjutor of Arkansas — thirty-one.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 72, 80] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 10th day of the Session,
October 17, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 34.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it accedes to the request of the House of Bishops, conveyed in its Message No. 33, for a Committee of Conference on resolutions contained in Message No. 23 from the House of Deputies, and appoints, as members of such Committee of Conference on its part, the Rev. Dr. Fiske of Rhode Island, Mr. Andrews of Central New York, and Mr. Earl of Albany.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it accedes to the request of the House of Bishops conveyed in its Message No. 39, for further Committee of Conference on resolutions contained in Message No. 9 of the House of Deputies, and appoints, as members of such Committee of Conference on its part, the Rev. Dr. Egar of Central New York, Mr. Gilbert of Springfield, and Mr. Earl of Albany.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

[See pp. 106, 107.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 10th day of the Session,
October 17, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 35.
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 change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 9 of the Constitution, and insert the following as Article 11 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 11.

No alteration or amendment of this Constitution shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed at one triennial meeting of the General Convention, and by a resolve thereof sent to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.
On motion, the resolution contained in the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 104.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 10th day of the Session,
October 17, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 36.
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 change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out the Title "Constitution, adopted in General Convention, in Philadelphia, October, 1789," and insert "Constitution, adopted in General Convention in Philadelphia, October, 1789, as amended in subsequent General Conventions."

Attest:
CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 104.]

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning.

The Bishop of New York pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

ELEVENTH DAY.

ST. LUKE’S DAY, TUESDAY, October 18, 1898.

The House met after the Celebration of the Holy Communion, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Shanghai, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday’s session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Maryland moved that the action of the House yesterday in adopting the resolution contained in the report of the Committee on Rules of Order be reconsidered; which was not adopted.
The Bishop of East Carolina, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 82]:

**REPORT NO. 14.**

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Virginia, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 6, § xi. [3] (p. 33 of the Digest), be amended so as to read:

"It shall suffice for his admission to Deacon's Orders, if he shall have passed an examination on the Book of Common Prayer, its history and contents, and the first examination for Priest's Orders."

Respectfully submitted.

A. A. WATSON, Chairman pro tem.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 46. See p. 116.]

The Bishop of East Carolina, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 27]:

**REPORT NO. 15.**

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Western Michigan, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 7, § vii. (p. 36 of the Digest), be amended by the addition of the following subsection:

"In case the candidate has attended a Theological Seminary of the Church, he shall present from the faculty a certificate attesting that, to the best of their knowledge, there are no objections on grounds physical, intellectual, or moral to the ordination of the candidate."

Respectfully submitted,

A. A. WATSON, Chairman pro tem.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution contained in the report of the Committee, it was not adopted.

The Bishop of East Carolina, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see pp. 83, 84, 73]:

**REPORT NO. 16.**

The Committee on Canons, to which were referred several resolutions offered by the Bishops of Maryland, New York, and Vermont, recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 18, § vii. [3] (p. 59 of the Digest), be amended by the addition of the following clauses:

1. Provided, that no Deacon who shall not have passed all the examinations for Priest's Orders shall be transferred to another Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction without the written request of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the said Diocese or Jurisdiction.
This clause being stricken out from Title I., Canon 8, § 2 (p. 38.)

(2) Provided, also, that no Priest ordained under any dispensation other than a dispensation from the knowledge of the Hebrew language, shall be transferred to any other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction without the written consent of the Ecclesiastical Authority.

(3) Provided, also, that no person who has been refused ordination or reception as a candidate in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and who has afterwards been ordained in another Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, shall be transferred to the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which such refusal has taken place, without the consent of its Bishop or Ecclesiastical Authority.

Respectfully submitted.

A. A. WATSON, Chairman pro temp.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

On motion, the entire resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 47. See p. 116.]

The Bishop of Lexington, from the Committee on Memorials and Petitions, presented the following report [see p. 60]:

REPORT No. 2.

Your Committee has duly considered the Memorial of the Church Students' Missionary Association to the General Convention. The request was a two-fold one: first, that its objects should be commended to the Church; and, second, that plans should be suggested by which the study of Missions may be introduced into the course of preparation for Holy Orders. The petition was addressed to the General Convention, and we understand that a copy was presented to the House of Deputies. Concurrent action seems therefore to be expected.

Your Committee recognizes with satisfaction the impulse to missionary zeal and self-devotion which has swept through our colleges and theological seminaries. That the influence is not a spasmodic wave, but a steadily rising tide, is due to the fact that the movement began among the students themselves of our various colleges and theological seminaries, and that they have organized themselves into an association for the continuance and development of this spirit of Missions.

We therefore have no hesitation in offering a resolution commending the objects of the Church Students' Missionary Association. But we feel that, so far as plans for the study of Missions are concerned, we must be content for the present to urge provision therefor upon the authorities of our theological seminaries. We recommend the passage of the following:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention commends to the sympathetic and prayerful interest and co-operation of the whole Church the endeavor of the Church Students' Missionary Association. And we urge upon the trustees and faculties of our several theological seminaries, that they promote the purpose aimed at by this organization, and direct its intelligent progress by arranging for the study of Missions, and, so far as possible, also for the preparation for their missionary labors of those students who have determined to devote themselves to such a field, whether domestic or foreign.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN F. SPALDING, Chairman.

LEWIS W. BURTON, Secretary.
On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 48. See p. 109.]

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The hour of noon having arrived, the Bishop of West Missouri bade the Bishops to prayer for Missions.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The Bishop of East Carolina, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 83]:

REPORT No. 17.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Vermont, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § vi. (p. 65 of the Digest), be amended by substituting for the present [5] the following words recommended by the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons (Report, p. 29):

Upon the creation of a Missionary Jurisdiction and the consecration of a Bishop therefor he shall, for the due administration of his Jurisdiction, select the Constitution and Canons of one of the Dioceses of this Church. Such Constitution and Canons when once selected shall remain in force, so far as applicable to the circumstances of such Missionary Jurisdiction, with such alterations as may be made from time to time by the Missionary Bishop with the consent of the House of Bishops, until the Missionary Jurisdiction shall be erected into a Diocese, and shall have adopted its own Constitution and Canons.

Respectfully submitted.

A. A. WATSON, Chairman pro tem.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

Pending action on the foregoing report [see p. 96], the following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 83]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 11th day of the Session,
October 18, 1898.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 40 from the House of Bishops, filling the vacancy in the office of Historiographer by the appointment of the Rev. Dr. Hart.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 29, 34]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 11th day of the Session,
October 18, 1898.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:
Resolved, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 8; and further
Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the whole subject of the Missionary Council be referred to the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, to report at the next General Convention.
Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House receded from its former action, and concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the second resolution contained in the foregoing Message. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 49.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 68] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 11th day of the Session,
October 18, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 39.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 36 from that House, concerning proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 26, § ii.
Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 68] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 11th day of the Session,
October 18, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 40.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 35 from that House, concerning proposed amendment of Title II., Canon 9, § 1.
Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 73] :

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 11th day of the Session,
October 18, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 41.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops, in the insertion of the words "ordained and" in Article 8 of the Constitution, as proposed in Message No. 34 from the House of Bishops.
Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The Chairman presented a communication from the Board of Trustees of the Corcoran Gallery of Art, inviting the Bishops and ladies accompanying them to visit the Gallery on Thursday evening next; and, on motion, the Bishop of Washington was desired to
convey to the Trustees an acceptance of the invitation with the
thanks of this House.

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The House resumed the consideration of Report No. 17 of the
Committee on Canons. [See p. 94.]

The question being on the adoption of the resolution contained
in the report of the Committee, it was not adopted.

The Bishop of East Carolina, from the Committee on Canons,
presented the following report [see p. 83]:

REPORT No. 18.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered
by the Bishop of Vermont, concerning the extension of a Bishop's influ­
ence in the selection of a Rector for a vacant Parish, recommends the
adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring. That Title J., Canon 18
(pp. 52, 53 of the Digest), be amended by substituting for § 1. [1] and
[2] the following paragraphs, as recommended by the Joint Commission
on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons (Report, p. 29):

When a Parish or Congregation becomes vacant, it shall be the duty
of the Churchwardens, or other proper officer, to notify the fact to the
Bishop, who, with the concurrence of the authorities of the Parish, shall
take such measures as he may deem expedient for the temporary main­
tenance of Divine service therein.

No election of a Rector shall be had until thirty days after his nomi­
nation by the body empowered to elect, which nomination shall at once
be notified to the Bishop by the officers of the Parish; except that such
election may follow at once upon an acknowledgment by the Bishop of
the foregoing notification with his consent to an immediate election.
Written notice of the election, signed by the Churchwardens, shall be
sent to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese.

If the Ecclesiastical Authority be satisfied that the person so chosen
is a duly qualified Minister, and that he has accepted the office, the notice
shall be sent to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it.
And such record shall be sufficient evidence of the relation between the
Minister and the Parish.

Respectfully submitted.

A. A. WATSON, Chairman pro tem.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Com­
mittee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies
by Message No. 50. See p.178.]

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

On motion of the Bishop of Montana, the consideration of the
report of the Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops
was made the order of the day for three o'clock to-morrow.
The Bishop of Kentucky presented the following report [see p. 21]:

The Committee to whom was referred the Memorial presented to the House of Bishops by the Clerical and Lay Deputies of the Special Convocation of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of Brazil, assembled in the City of Porto Alegre, May 31, 1898, having carefully considered the same, respectfully report:

That in their judgment the prayer of the petitioners for the consecration of a Bishop to have charge of the Church in the United States of Brazil should be granted, for the following reasons:

1. This Memorial to the House of Bishops is an application duly made for the consecration of a Bishop for a foreign country, authorized by Article 10 of the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

2. Of the signatories of this Memorial, ten in number, five are Priests, duly ordained, of whom three are native Brazilians, and five are laymen, all native Brazilians. To them must be added the accredited representative who brings the Memorial, the Rev. John G. Meem, an American Priest.

3. By the statistics of growth, numerical and financial, presented to the Committee; and by the testimony as to the arena of possible development, the character of the people among whom this Church has been established, and of the citizens who have already become its adherents; and above all, as to the fulness of the opportunity and the crying need for such ministration, given by the Bishop of West Virginia, who, as Commissary of the Presiding Bishop, has overseen the work for the past five years, and by the Bishop of the Falkland Islands, who, at the request of the Bishop of West Virginia, visited Brazil in 1897, your Committee are persuaded that the action asked for should not be delayed, but taken at once.

For these reasons your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That the House of Bishops hereby authorizes the Presiding Bishop to take action under Article 10 of the Constitution upon the request received from the Dean and Convocation of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of Brazil, so soon as a Covenant shall have been executed by the accredited representative of the aforesaid Church of Brazil in terms approved by a Commission of Bishops to be chosen by this House for that purpose.

2. Resolved, That the House of Bishops proceed to elect four Bishops to approve, and when approved to execute, the Covenant above specified, and thereafter to constitute, with the Bishop consecrated under its terms, the Board of Administration which may be called for by said Covenant.

B. WistAR Morris, T. u. dudley, L. R. BReWeR, F. k. brooke,

Committee.

The question being on the resolutions contained in the report of the Committee, the Bishop of Chicago offered the following resolutions as a substitute therefor:
1. Resolved, That the Bishops of this Church approve of the consecration of a Bishop for Brazil under the provisions of Article 10 of the Constitution, upon conditions to be hereafter provided by this House; and that this approbation be signified to the Presiding Bishop, provided a majority of the Bishops of this Church consent to the same.

2. Resolved, That this House expresses its belief that it would be inexpedient to organize a national branch of the Church in Brazil until three Bishops shall have been consecrated for Brazil by the Bishops of this Church.

3. Resolved, That this House of Bishops will proceed at this session of the General Convention to receive nominations and elect a Bishop for Brazil under Article 10 of the Constitution, as hereinafter provided.

The question being on the first resolution offered by the Bishop of Chicago, it was adopted.

The question being on the second resolution, it was adopted.

The question being on the third resolution, the Bishop of Vermont offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the consideration of the third resolution offered by the Bishop of Chicago be postponed until the conditions and regulations referred to in the foregoing resolution have been considered and enacted; which was adopted.

On motion, the action taken on the three resolutions offered by the Bishop of Chicago was reconsidered.

On motion of the Bishop of Maryland, it was voted that the whole matter be referred to a Committee of five Bishops, to report to this House as soon as practicable; and the Chairman appointed as such Committee the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of West Virginia, the Bishop of Maryland, and the Bishop Coadjutor of Rhode Island. [See p. 110.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 11th day of the Session,
October 18, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 42.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:
Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:
Strike out Articles 1, 2, and 3, and insert the following, to be known as Article 1 of the Constitution:

ARTICLE 1.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and, in all deliberation, free-
dom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, and all acts of the Convention shall be adopted and authenticated by both Houses.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop who has resigned his jurisdiction by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of Foreign Missionary Bishops and Bishops who have resigned their jurisdictions, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church, in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Bishop of the Church. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which has been admitted to union with the General Convention shall be entitled to representation in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, having domicile in the Diocese; but the General Convention may by Canon reduce the representation to not less than two Deputies in each order. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

To constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, the Clerical Order shall be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation, and the Lay Order shall likewise be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by this Constitution, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote in the Clerical Order and one in the Lay Order; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House shall adjourn without the consent of the other for more than three days, nor to any other place than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church, or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands, convened by proper Ecclesiastical Authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies except the right to vote when the vote shall be taken by Orders.

SEC. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at the place designated by such Convention; and if there shall appear to the Presiding Bishop of the Church sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be provided for by Canon.
Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 5 of the Constitution, and insert the following as Article 5 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 5.

SECTION 1. A new Diocese may be formed (1) by the erection into a Diocese of the whole or of any part of one or more Missionary Districts lying within the boundaries of a single State or Territory; (2) by the division of an existing Diocese; or (3) by the junction of two or more Dioceses in the same State, or of parts of two or more such Dioceses, under such conditions as the General Convention shall prescribe by a general Canon or Canons. The proceedings shall originate in a Convocation of the Clergy and Laity of the District called by the Bishop for that purpose; or, with the approval of the Bishop, in the Convocation of the Diocese to be divided; or (when it is proposed to form a new Diocese by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or of parts of two or more Dioceses) by mutual agreement of the Conventions of the Dioceses concerned, with the approval of the respective Bishops or the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese. In case the Episcopate of a Diocese be vacant, no proceedings toward its division shall be taken until the vacancy is filled. During a vacancy in a Missionary District, the consent of the Presiding Bishop must be had before proceedings to erect it into a Diocese are taken. When it shall appear to the satisfaction of the General Convention, by a certified copy of the proceedings and other documents and papers laid before it, that all the conditions for the formation of the new Diocese have been complied with and that it has acceded to the Constitution of this Church, and the General Convention shall have so declared and shall have ratified such proceedings, the formation of the new Diocese shall be complete, and it shall thereupon be admitted to union with the General Convention.

SEC. 2. In case one Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Bishop of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and he shall thereupon become the Bishop thereof; and the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached, and (if it be not the one elected by the Bishop) he shall be the Bishop thereof.

SEC. 3. In case a Diocese shall be formed out of parts of two or more Dioceses, each of the Bishops and Bishops Coadjutor of the several Dioceses out of which the new Diocese has been formed shall be entitled, in the order of seniority of consecration, to the choice between his own Diocese and the new Diocese so formed. In case the new Diocese shall not be so chosen, it shall have the right to choose its own Bishop.

SEC. 4. Whenever a new Diocese is formed and erected out of an existing Diocese, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese out of which it was formed, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese. And whenever a Diocese is formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.
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SEC. 5. A Diocese formed out of a Missionary District shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons to which the Missionary District was subject, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.

SEC. 6. No new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain fewer than six self-supporting Parishes, or fewer than six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain fewer than twelve self-supporting Parishes and twelve Presbyters who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above specified.

Attest:  CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the resolutions contained in the foregoing Message were referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 121.]

The Bishop of Olympia offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Title I., Canon 19, § vi.[5] (p. 65 of the Digest), be amended by inserting in the fifth line, after the words, "Missionary Jurisdiction," the words, "until his successor in charge of said Missionary Jurisdiction is elected and consecrated, or";

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 119.]

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until tomorrow morning.

The Bishop of Alabama pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

TWELFTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 19, 1898.

The House met after Morning Prayer and Litany, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Kansas, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Western Michigan offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Despatch of Business, to report to this House at an early day such rules as may facilitate debate, and enable the House to complete its business within the usual period of its session;

which was adopted. [See p. 120.]
The Chairman called the attention of the House to the Secretary's report that resolutions from the House of Deputies proposing Article 10, Article 11, and Title of Constitution, require action to-day or to-morrow.

The Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona, from the Committee on Foreign Missions, presented the following report [see p. 81]:

REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on Foreign Missions, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Shanghai, recommends the adoption of the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, Questions have arisen as to the territory in China under the Missionary Bishop of Shanghai and the Lower Yangtse Valley; and

WHEREAS, The title of the Missionary Bishop does not define that territory with sufficient definiteness; therefore be it

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the territory in China under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Shanghai and the Lower Yangtse Valley is hereby defined to consist of the provinces of Kiangsu, Nganhwui, and Hupeh, and those portions of Kiangsi and Huunan adjacent to the Yangtse River;

and that this action be communicated to the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishops of the Church of England in China.

J. M. KENDRICK, Chairman.

On motion, the preamble and resolution contained in the report of the Committee were adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 51. See p. 115.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 82] :

REPORT No. 19.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Virginia, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 6, § xi. [1.] (p. 33 of the Digest), be amended by substituting the words "if desired by the Bishop" for the words "if desired by the candidate."

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, Chairman.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 52. See p. 117.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 83] :

REPORT No. 20.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Vermont, concerning the length of time required for candidature before ordination, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 7, § iii. (pp. 33, 34 of the Digest), be amended by substituting the words "one year" for "six months," in line 7 of the section; and by substituting the words "admit him to Deacon's Orders after six months" for "admit him at once to Deacon's Orders," in lines 3 and 4 from the end of the section.

The Committee further recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 7 (p. 34 of the Digest), be amended by inserting the following additional section after § iii.:

"In the computation of the time required to elapse between a candidate's admission and his ordering as a Deacon, the successful completion of three academic years in any incorporated seminary of the Church may be reckoned as three calendar years."

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, Chairman.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

On motion, the first resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 53. See p. 131.]

On motion, the second resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 54. See p. 117.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 83]:

REPORT No. 21.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Vermont, for the amendment of Title I., Canon 19, § xv. [4] (p. 78 of the Digest), concerning the rights of Resigned Bishops, respectfully reports that in its judgment the consideration of this matter should be deferred; and the Committee therefore recommends that it be deferred until the amendments to the Article of the Constitution dealing with the same subject, now before the General Convention, have been dealt with by both Houses.

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, Chairman.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

On motion, the recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

The Bishop of North Carolina offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Title III., Canon 7, Article VI. (p. 138 of the Digest), be amended as follows:

Add the following paragraph to Article VI.:

In Missionary Jurisdictions, both Foreign and Domestic, the title to all Church property and funds, not distinctly parochial, shall be held by such Trustees or Body Corporate as shall be prescribed by the Board of Managers; and copies of all deeds conveying or affecting such property or funds shall be forwarded to the Board of Managers by the Bishop of the Jurisdiction. And every Missionary Bishop shall annually report to the Board of Managers all contributions received by him for his work, except such as shall come through the Treasurer of the Board;
which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 148.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 90]:

REPORT NO. 10.
The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred Message No. 35 of the House of Deputies, respectfully reports that it recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in Message No. 35, as follows:

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 9 of the Constitution, and insert the following as Article 11 of the Constitution:

ARTICLE 11.

No alteration or amendment of this Constitution shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Convention, and by a resolve thereof sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders.

O. W. WHITAKER, Chairman.

On motion, the resolution contained in the Report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 56.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 91]:

REPORT NO. 11.
The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred Message No. 36 of the House of Deputies, respectfully reports that it recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the amendment contained in Message No. 36, as follows:

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out the Title "Constitution, adopted in General Convention, in Philadelphia, October, 1789." and insert "Constitution, adopted in General Convention in Philadelphia, October, 1789, as amended in subsequent General Conventions."

O. W. WHITAKER, Chairman.
On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 57.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 86]:

REPORT No. 12.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred Message No. 33 of the House of Deputies, respectfully reports that it recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the Amendment contained in Message No. 33, as follows:

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 8 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article 10 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 10.

The Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David, the Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, the Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be in use in all the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of the Church. No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Convention, and by a resolve thereof sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders. Provided, however, that the General Convention shall have power at any meeting to amend the Tables of Lessons by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders.

O. W. WHITAKER, Chairman.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated by the House of Deputies by Message No. 58.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 87]:

REPORT No. 13.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred Message No. 33, containing a proposed amendment, to add to
Article 10 of the Constitution, as proposed in the foregoing resolution, the following words:

"But provision may be made by Canon for the temporary use of other forms and directories of worship by congregations not already in union with this Church who are willing to accept the spiritual oversight of the Bishop of the Diocese,"

recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the foregoing proposed amendment, but with the addition of the words "or Missionary District," thus making the provision applicable to Missionary Districts as well as Dioceses.

O. W. WHITAKER, Chairman.

The question being on the resolution contained in the report of the Committee, the Bishop of Maryland moved to strike out the word "already."

The hour of noon having arrived, the Bishop of Springfield, at the request of the Chairman, bade the House to prayer for Missions.

The question being on the amendment offered by the Bishop of Maryland, it was adopted.

The question being on the resolution as amended, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 58. See p. 116.]

The Bishop of Kentucky presented the following report [see p. 90]:

The Committee of the House of Bishops appointed to confer with a like Committee of the House of Deputies, as to the divergent action of the two Houses on the proposed Article 7 of the Constitution, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops recede from its former action, and concur with the House of Deputies in its adoption of Article 7 of the Constitution as communicated in Message No. 23.

T. U. DUDLEY, Chairman.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 59.]

The Bishop of Kentucky presented the following report [see p. 90]:

The Committee of the House of Bishops appointed to confer with a Committee of the House of Deputies, as to the divergent action of the two Houses on the proposed Article 2 of the Constitution, recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That the House of Bishops recede from its former action, and concur with the House of Deputies in the adoption of Sec. 2 of Article 2, as communicated to this House in Message No. 9.
2. Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of
Deputies in adopting Sec. 3 of Article 3, communicated in Message No. 9, with the following amendment: Insert after the word "thereof," in line 4 of Sec. 3, the words "or in a vacant Missionary District by the Presiding Bishop of the Church, or unless authorized and appointed by the House of Bishops, or the Presiding Bishop by its direction, to act temporarily in case of need within any territory not yet organized into Dioceses or Missionary Districts of this Church."

T. U. DUDLEY, Chairman.

The question being on the first resolution contained in the report of the Committee, it was adopted.

The question being on the second resolution, it was adopted.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 60. See p. 114.]

The Bishop of Kentucky presented the following report [see p. 90]:

The Committee of the House of Bishops appointed to confer with a Committee of the House of Deputies as to the divergent action of the two Houses on the proposed Article 3 of the Constitution, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:
Resolved. The House of Deputies concurring, That the present Article 10 of the Constitution be omitted from its place and made Article 3 of the Constitution.
For the Committee,
T. U. DUDLEY, Chairman.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 61. See p. 115.]

The Bishop of Dallas offered the following resolution:
Resolved. The House of Deputies concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, § 1., Article IV. (p. 136 of the Digest), be amended by striking out the words "to be selected from the Missionary Council"; and that this amendment take effect immediately;
which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 55. See p. 115.]

The Bishop of Delaware, from the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, presented the following report:

The Committee on the General Theological Seminary have had before them the Triennial Report of the Board of Trustees of that institution, and the proceedings of the same Board during the past three years.
From these documents it appears that the Seminary has been, by God's blessing, vouchsafed great prosperity in every direction, both as to the number of undergraduates and as to its financial condition.
The number of students in attendance during the past three years has been as follows:

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Gifts and legacies have been received during this period to the amount of something like $350,000.

In addition to these gifts, many very valuable works have been presented to the library, which now numbers over twenty-eight thousand volumes. The large increase in the number of undergraduates, however so gratifying, is proving an embarrassment, inasmuch as the present accommodations of the Seminary are insufficient to provide for the comfort and proper care of those who are seeking its advantages.

Plans have been adopted for a new building—to be named after the munificent Dean of the Seminary—and about one-half of the requisite amount for its erection has been subscribed. This building is intended to be used as a gymnasium, a refectory, a laundry, and as an apartment for forty servants. When erected, it will release the West Building for use as an additional dormitory for students, which is now greatly needed. It is earnestly hoped that the Church will very soon provide what is yet required of the funds for its inauguration. Thus a worthy memorial will be in evidence of the noble work which the present Dean has been able, by God's favour, to accomplish.

The value of real estate held by the Seminary is $1,914,921.22. The value of personal property is $1,194,066.97. The value of trust funds is $1,260,986.97; or, in all, $4,369,975.16.

As the Triennial Report of the Trustees will be found in the forthcoming Journal of the General Convention, your Committee does not think it necessary to repeat the very interesting details with which that Report abounds, but will content itself by asking this House, through the present Report, to put upon record its grateful satisfaction at the continued and increasing efficiency with which this most important institution is fulfilling its great mission in the Church.

GEORGE F. SEYMOUR, Chairman.

The Bishop of Delaware presented a Memorial from the Daughters of the King, in reference to fallen women and prisoners; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions. [See p. 119.]

The Bishop of New York presented a Memorial from Clergymen and Laymen in reference to the importance of approaching the President of the United States with a request to consult the chief authorities of the Church before appointing Presbyters of this Church as Chaplains for the Army and Navy; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions. [See p. 127.]

The Chairman announced that he had appointed the Bishop of Delaware to fill the vacancy in the Commission on Archives caused by the death of the late Bishop of Iowa. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 62.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 87]:
IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 43.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has con­curred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 45 from that House, that vacancies in the Joint Commission on Marginal Readings be filled.
Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 93]:

MESSAGE No. 44.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has con­curred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 48 from that House, commending The Church Students' Missionary Association.
Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 85]:

MESSAGE No. 45.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, That the House of Deputies non-concurs in the resolution appended to Message No. 42 of the House of Bishops, erecting a new Missionary Jurisdiction in the southern portion of the Diocese of Indiana.
Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

[See p. 118.]
The House took a recess.
The House met after the recess.
The Bishop of Missouri offered the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Committee to be appointed to certify the changes made in the Canons at this session of the General Convention be and it is hereby instructed to substitute in the Digest the word "District" for the word "Jurisdiction," wherever the reference is simply to the extent of area constituting the territorial cure of a Missionary Bishop;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 120.]

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.
The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.
The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, from the Committee on the
Rearrangement of Missionary Jurisdictions, presented the following report [see p. 48]:

The Committee on the Rearrangement of the Boundaries of Missionary Districts, to which was referred the Memorial from the Diocese of East Carolina regarding the question of redistribution of diocesan lines in the State of North Carolina, and also requesting that the election of a Bishop of Asheville be postponed, begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee is satisfied, after carefully hearing the statements of representatives of the Dioceses of East Carolina and North Carolina and the Missionary District of Asheville, that it would be unwise and useless to refer this matter back for consideration by the Dioceses and Missionary District indicated. While there is a general agreement that the original lines of division of the State were not for the best interests of the Church in the whole State, yet it would seem that there is no reason to hope that there can be any revision of these lines, and that further discussion would only produce ill-will and detriment to the Church.

Your Committee therefore recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops deems it inexpedient to consent to the Memorial of the Diocese of East Carolina.

Resolved, That on the guarantee now in the possession of the Committee, that the Missionary District of Asheville is pledged to raise and pay to its Bishop the sum of fifteen hundred dollars ($1500) annually for the next three years, including the present current year, the House of Bishops consents to the election of a Missionary Bishop for the said District of Asheville, and will proceed to such election as soon as practicable.

GEORGE F. SEYMOUR, Chairman.

The question being on the first resolution recommended by the Committee, it was adopted.

The question being on the second resolution recommended by the Committee, it was, on motion, recommitted for further report. [See p. 118.]

The Bishop of Kentucky presented the following report [see p. 98]:

The Committee to which was referred the whole question presented by the Memorial from Brazil respectfully recommends the adoption of the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, the House of Bishops has received a Memorial from certain Presbyters and Laymen, in communion with this Church, and resident in the State of Rio Grande do Sul in the foreign country known as the United States of Brazil, making application for the consecration of a Bishop, as provided in Article 10 of the Constitution, to exercise episcopal functions in the oversight of certain congregations already gathered or to be gathered in the said State of Rio Grande do Sul and the territory thereto adjacent; therefore

Resolved, That the House of Bishops consents to grant this application, and will at once proceed to elect and will request the Presiding Bishop to take order for the consecration of a Bishop for said foreign country; Provided, that a majority of the Bishops of this Church consent to the said consecration; and Provided further, that the person so elected shall before his consecration bind himself to the Presiding Bishop, as representing
for this purpose the House of Bishops, to be amenable to the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, both as to his personal conduct and as to his episcopal government of the territory under his charge; which obligation shall terminate when there shall be three Bishops consecrated by this House of Bishops resident and exercising jurisdiction in the United States of Brazil, and by their joint action a national Church shall have been organized.

T. U. DUDLEY,
W. E. McLAREN,
GEO. W. PETERKIN,
WILLIAM FARET,
W. N. McVICKAR,
Committee.

On motion, the preamble and resolution contained in the report of the Committee were adopted.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to communicate to the House of Deputies, for its information, the action taken by this House in the adoption of this resolution. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 63.]

The Bishop of Montana, from the Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops, presented a report on the nominations which had been made for the Bishoprics of North Dakota, Boise, and Sacramento [see pp. 75, 76].

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The House received a nomination for the Bishop for Brazil.

The Bishop of Delaware offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Bishops assemble in St. John's Church to-morrow, at nine o'clock, for the celebration of the Holy Communion; and that immediately after Divine Service this House meet in St. John's Church, and proceed to ballot for Presbyters to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election respectively to the Bishoprics of the Missionary District of North Dakota, the Missionary District of Boise, and the Missionary District of Sacramento, and also to ballot for a Presbyter to be nominated to the Presiding Bishop to be consecrated, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church, under the provisions of Article 10 of the Constitution, as a Bishop for the United States of Brazil;

which was adopted.

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning.

The Bishop of New Jersey pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.
THIRTEENTH DAY.

THURSDAY, October 20, 1898.

The Bishops assembled at St. John's Church, at nine o'clock, for the Celebration of the Holy Communion.

Divine service being ended, the House met in the church.

The Bishop of New Hampshire, not present before, appeared and took his seat; and the Bishop of Louisiana, who had been excused from attendance, resumed his seat.

The Bishop of South Dakota read one of the appointed Lessons of Holy Scripture, and the Chairman bade the House to prayer, using the form prescribed for use before balloting for Presbyters to be nominated for election to Missionary Bishoprics.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia and the Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut having been appointed tellers, the House proceeded to ballot for a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Boise.

The roll being called, the Bishops deposited their ballots; and the Rev. James Bowen Funsten, a Presbyter of the Diocese of Southern Virginia, was found on the third ballot to have received a majority of the votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen to be nominated for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Boise. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 65. See p. 155.]

The Bishop of Lexington and the Bishop of Marquette having been appointed tellers, the House proceeded to ballot for a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Missionary Bishop of Sacramento.

The roll being called, the Bishops deposited their ballots; and the Rev. William Hall Moreland, a Presbyter of the Diocese of California, was found to have received a majority of the votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen to be nominated for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Sacramento. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 66. See p. 155.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Arkansas and the Bishop Coadjutor of Rhode Island having been appointed tellers, the House proceeded
to ballot for a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Missionary Bishop of North Dakota.

The roll being called, the Bishops deposited their ballots; and the Rev. Samuel C. Edsall, D.D., a Presbyter of the Diocese of Chicago, was found to have received a majority of the votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen to be nominated for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of North Dakota. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 67. See p. 156.]

The Bishop of Washington and the Bishop of Los Angeles having been appointed tellers, the House proceeded to ballot for a Presbyter to be nominated to the Presiding Bishop for consecration, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church, under the provisions of Article 10 of the Constitution, as a Bishop for the United States of Brazil.

The roll being called, the Bishops deposited their ballots; and the Rev. Lucien Lee Kinsolving, a Presbyter of the Diocese of West Virginia, was found to have received a majority of the votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen to be nominated to the Presiding Bishop to be consecrated, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church, under the provisions of Article 10 of the Constitution, as a Bishop for the United States of Brazil. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 68.]

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to communicate to the House of Deputies the nominations made for Missionary Bishoprics, and to communicate to the House of Deputies for its information the nomination made for a Bishopric for the United States of Brazil.

Before the close of the balloting, the House removed from St. John's Church to its usual place of meeting.

The hour of noon having arrived, the Chairman bade the House to prayer for Missions.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 86].

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 46.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the action communicated in
Message No. 43 from that House, and has adopted, by a constitutional majority, Article 6 of the proposed Constitution, as communicated in Message 43 from the House of Bishops.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 107]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 47.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has accepted the report of the Committee of Conference on Message No. 9 from the House of Deputies, and has adopted, by a constitutional majority, the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Articles 4 and 10 of the Constitution, and insert the following as Article 2 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 2.

SECTION 1. In every Diocese the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor shall be chosen agreeably to rules prescribed by the Convention of that Diocese. Missionary Bishops shall be chosen in accordance with the Canons of the General Convention.

SEC. 2. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop until he shall be thirty years of age; nor without the consent of a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses, and the consent of a majority of the Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction within the United States. But if the election have taken place within three months next before the meeting of the General Convention, the consent of the House of Deputies shall be required in place of that of a majority of the Standing Committees. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop by fewer than three Bishops.

SEC. 3. A Bishop shall confine the exercise of his office to his own Diocese or Missionary District, unless requested to perform episcopal acts in another Diocese or in a Missionary District by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, or in a vacant Missionary District by the Presiding Bishop of this Church, or unless authorized and appointed by the House of Bishops, or the Presiding Bishop by its direction, to act temporarily in case of need within any territory not yet organized into Dioceses or Missionary Districts of this Church.

SEC. 4. A Bishop may not resign his jurisdiction without the consent of the House of Bishops.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in the foregoing Message. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 69.]
The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 102]:

**MESSAGE NO. 48.**

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the preamble and resolution contained in Message No. 51 from that House, concerning the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Shanghai.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 107]:

**MESSAGE NO. 49.**

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 55 from that House, to amend Title III., Canon 7, § 1., Article IV.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

**MESSAGE NO. 50.**

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 change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Insert after the Title and before Article 1 these words: "In the Name of God. Amen."

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. [See p. 122.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 107]:

**MESSAGE NO. 51.**

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 61 from that House, to omit the present Article 10 of the Constitution from its place and to insert it as Article 3 of the Constitution.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

[See p. 125.]
The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 106] :

**MESSAGE NO. 52.**

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendment of proposed Article 10 of the Constitution, communicated to this House in Message No. 58 from the House of Bishops.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 92] :

**MESSAGE NO. 53.**

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 46 from that House, amending Title I., Canon 6, § xi. [3].

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 92, 93] :

**MESSAGE NO. 54.**

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

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

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concur with the House of Bishops in its proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 18, § vii. [3], by the insertion of the provisos numbered (1) and (3) in Message No. 47 from the House of Bishops.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 8, § ii., be and is hereby repealed.

Resolved, That the House of Deputies does not concur in proviso numbered (2) in Message No. 47 from the House of Bishops.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the second resolution contained in the foregoing Message. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 74.]

On motion, the House adhered to its former action in regard to proviso (2), and asked for a Committee of Conference; and the Chairman appointed, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield, and the Bishop of Vermont. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 70. See p. 129.]
The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 102]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 55.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies does not concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 52, amending Title I., Canon 6, § xi. [1].

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

A motion that the House adhere to its former action, and ask for a Committee of Conference, was not adopted.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 103]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 56.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 54 from that House, amending Title I., Canon 7.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 57.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That a copy of the report of the Committee on the State of the Church be transmitted to our Reverend Fathers in God, the House of Bishops, with the request that they issue a Pastoral Letter, and asking their united prayers and episcopal benediction.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the foregoing Message and the accompanying report were referred to the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 58.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention of 1898 adjourn without day on Tuesday, October 25, the hour for
the closing service and the reading of the Pastoral Letter being eight o'clock of the same evening.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on the Despatch of Business. [See p. 120.]

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, it was voted that this House ask for a Committee of Conference on Message No. 45 from the House of Deputies, with reference to the erection of a Missionary District within the limits of the Diocese of Indiana [see p. 109]; and the Chairman appointed, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Indiana, and the Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 71. See p. 129.]

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That in the judgment of this House there is no constitutional, canonical, or other obstacle to the conduct of the business of this House (when not sitting as a Council) with open doors; the admission of others than members being limited by such restrictions as may from time to time be deemed expedient;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order. [See p. 127.]

The Bishop of California, from the Committee on the Rearrangement of Missionary Jurisdictions, to which was recommitted the second resolution contained in the Report of the Committee presented yesterday [see p. 110], presented a report, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That on the guarantee now in the possession of the Committee, that the Missionary District of Asheville is pledged to raise and pay to its Bishop the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars ($2,500) annually for the next three years, including the present current year, the House of Bishops consents to the election of a Missionary Bishop for the said District of Asheville, and will proceed to such election as soon as practicable.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [See p. 128.]

The Bishop of Dallas, from the Joint Committee of Nomination [see p. 64], presented a report containing nominations for the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; which, on motion, was recommitted to the Joint Committee. [See p. 128.]

On motion, the presentation of nominations for the Bishopric of
the Missionary District of Asheville was made the order of the day for this afternoon at half past four o'clock.

On motion, the House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Maryland offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Title I., Canon 4, § vii. [2] (p. 27 of the Digest), be referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider and report on the question of substituting the word "receive" in place of the word "decline" in the twelfth line;

which was adopted. [See p. 144.]

The Bishop of Georgia offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following alteration be made in Title II., Canon 13, § ii. (p. 120 of the Digest): That in said section, sixth and seventh lines, the words "to the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery, or" be stricken out;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 145.]

The Bishop of Lexington, from the Committee on Memorials and Petitions, presented the following report [see p. 108]:

REPORT No. 3.
Your Committee has considered the Memorial of the Daughters of the King, and understand we are carrying out the wish of the Bishop presenting the same in offering the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Memorial of the Daughters of the King be referred to the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN F. SPALDING, Chairman.

L. W. BURTON, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 101]:

REPORT No. 22.
The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Olympia concerning the government of Missionary Jurisdictions, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee of five Missionary Bishops be appointed to prepare and report to this House at its next triennial meeting a draft of Constitution and Canons for the government of the Domestic Missionary Jurisdictions of this Church.

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, Chairman.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.
On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted.

The Chairman appointed as such Committee the Bishop of South Dakota, the Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona, the Bishop of the Platte, the Bishop of Spokane, and the Bishop of Duluth.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 109]:

**REPORT No. 23.**

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Missouri, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Committee to be appointed under Title IV., Canon 3, § ii. (p. 141 of the Digest), to certify the changes made in the Canons in this session of the General Convention, be and it is hereby instructed to substitute in the Digest the word “District” for the word “Jurisdiction” wherever the reference is simply to the extent of area constituting the territorial cure of a Missionary Bishop.

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. McCLAREN, Chairman.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was recommitted to the Committee. [See p. 148.]

The Bishop of Southern Florida, from the Committee on the Despatch of Business, presented the following report [see p. 118]:

The Committee on Despatch of Business respectfully reports that they do not deem it practicable to concur with the House of Deputies in their resolution looking to adjournment on Tuesday next, but respectfully suggest that we may be able, by diligent attention to business, to reach an adjournment by Thursday; and would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House non-concur as to adjournment on Tuesday, and ask for a Committee of Conference.

In consideration of the session now drawing to its close, and the large amount of business not yet disposed of, for the remainder of this session, usual rules of debate in large assemblies:

1. A speaker shall not be allowed to address the House more than twice without express permission of the House;
2. The fixing of an hour for closing a protracted debate;
3. The limitation of a speaker to amount of time under the same circumstances;
are commended to the attention of the House. [See p. 101.]

WM. CRANE GRAY, Chairman.

The question being on the resolution contained in the foregoing report, the Bishop of New York offered the following amendment:

Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 58, in reference to adjournment, sine die, on Tuesday, October 25;
which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 72. See p. 126.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see pp. 98, 100]:

REPORT No. 14.
The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred Message No. 42 of the House of Deputies, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

1. Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in adopting Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7 of amendment proposed as Article 1 of the Constitution, and also concur in Section 6 with an amendment striking out the words "or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands." This amendment is proposed because, in the opinion of the Committee, this provision should be canonical rather than constitutional.

2. Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in adopting Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of the amendment proposed in the second resolution contained in Message No. 42 of the House of Deputies, and also in Section 1, amended by inserting the word "Missionary" before "District" and after the words "Convention of the Clergy and Laity of the," so that it shall read "Missionary District."

O. W. WHITAKER, Chairman.

The question being on the resolution recommended by the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution in reference to Section 1 of the amendment proposed as Article 1 of the Constitution, it was adopted.

The question being on the resolution in reference to Section 2, it was adopted.

The question being on the resolution in reference to Section 3, it was adopted.

The question being on the resolution in reference to Section 4, the Bishop of Maryland moved to insert after the word "Constitution" the words "or by the Canons;" which was adopted.

The question being on the resolution in reference to Section 4, as amended, it was adopted.

The question being on the resolution in reference to Section 5, it was adopted.

The question being on the resolution in reference to Section 6, it was adopted.

The question being on the resolution in reference to Section 7, it was adopted.

The question being on the proposed Article 1 as a whole, as
amended, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 75. See p. 132.]

The question being on the second resolution recommended by the Committee, it was, on motion, recommitted to the Committee to report again to-morrow. [See p. 153.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 115]:

REPORT NO. 15.
The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred Message No. 50 of the House of Deputies, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in the amendment of the Constitution, inserting after Title and before Article 1 the words “In the name of God. Amen.”

O. W. WHITAKER, Chairman.

The question being on the resolution recommended by the Committee, the Bishop of Delaware moved to substitute the words “In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen,” in place of the words “In the Name of God. Amen.”

The question being on the amendment offered by the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of Vermont offered the following resolution as a substitute:

Resolved, That this House does not concur with the House of Deputies in inserting the words “In the name of God. Amen,” between the Title and Article 1 of the Constitution, for the reason that this House deems it preferable not to insert any prefix;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 76.]

The Bishop of Montana offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [8] (p. 66 of the Digest), be amended so as to read as follows: “Every such Bishop shall report to the Board of Missions, at least once a year, his proceedings and the state and condition of the Church within his Missionary Jurisdiction”; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 145.]

The House proceeded to the order of the day; and, the roll being called, nominations were received for the Bishopric of the Missionary District of Asheville; which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Nomination of Missionary Bishops, to report to the House to-morrow at eleven o’clock. [See p. 128.]
The Bishop of Maine in the chair.
The Bishop of Colorado offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to consider and report what, in their opinion, is the meaning of the words "and in any such case" and "at any time" in Title I., Canon 19, § x. [1], lines 23 and 25 (p. 73 of the Digest);

which was adopted. [See p. 141.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 59.
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 letter be sent, duly attested by the Presidents and Secretaries of both Houses:

To His Imperial Majesty Nicholas II., Czar of all the Russias:
The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, composed of Bishops, Presbyters, and Laymen, hail with joy the great Peace Manifesto which your Majesty has issued. We earnestly hope that the Conference may result in a reduction of the excessive armaments, which are a crushing burden on the peoples, and in the establishment of some method of judicial arbitration for the settlement of international difficulties, by which may be preserved "the principles of equity and right whereon rest the security of states and the welfare of peoples."

Your Majesty's appeal to international discussion will stimulate the consciences of civilized nations, and the inauguration of this noble movement may well be considered "a happy presage for the century which is about to open," and mark an epoch in the progress of the world. We earnestly invoke upon it the blessing of Almighty God, and pray that it may help greatly to hasten the coming of the Kingdom of the Prince of Peace on earth.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in the foregoing Message. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 77.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 60.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention places on record its sense of deep gratification at the many manifestations of friendly feeling to our Nation which have been so freely and cordially shown by the Government and People of the British Empire in the late war with Spain, and expresses the sincere hope that the time may speedily arrive when these two great nations of the Anglo-Saxon
family, the United States of America and the British Empire, shall stand
together in defence of the rights and liberties of mankind and for the
promoting of Christian civilization among the nations of the earth.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in
the adoption of the resolution contained in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 78.]

The Bishop of Delaware presented the following report [see p.
42]:

The Joint Committee to whom was referred the Memorial and resolu­
tion of the Clergy and Laity of the American Churches on the Continent
of Europe, convened by the authority of the Bishop in charge at Nice in
France, May 25, 1898, and also a resolution offered by Mr. Butler of
Central Pennsylvania, desiring closer co-operation on the Continent with
the English Church, respectfully report: That, under the oral compact
made by the Bishop in charge of the English Chapels on the Continent
with the Bishop of Ohio, this Church desires and expects to co-operate
with the English Church in maintaining services in Europe. By this
understanding no American Church is to be built, nor congregation
gathered, where at present an English Chapel is in operation. Yet by
this same understanding, should a large colony of Americans in any
Capital desire a church of their own, it is competent under present pro­
visions to inaugurate a service for their spiritual comfort. This matter
therefore should be left to the discretion of the Presiding Bishop, who
has these churches in his care; the Joint Committee would therefore
recommend the adoption of the first of the resolutions that follow.

With reference to the matter of the Memorial from the Clergy and
Laity of the American Churches in Europe, your
Committee are satisfied
that no change in the existing provisions of the American Churches on
the Continent is at the present time desirable: yet, with a view to fuller
consideration of the subject, they ask leave to sit during the recess and
report to the next General Convention, and recommend the passage of
the following resolutions:

[For the resolutions, see the following Message.]

For the Committee, on the part of the House of Bishops,
WM. CROSWELL DOANE
[disagreeing with the first resolution].
CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD.
LEIGHTON COLEMAN.
W. A. LEONARD.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

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WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 61.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has
adopted the following resolutions, reported by the Joint Committee to
whom was referred the Memorial and resolution of the Clergy and Laity
of the American Churches on the Continent of Europe:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee
have leave to sit during the recess and make report to the next General
Convention.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 3,
§ iii. [7], be amended by striking out after the word "arise" in the fourth line, all that follows to the end of the subsection, and inserting as follows:

A Standing Committee, consisting of four clergymen and four laymen, shall be constituted as follows, and shall act as a Council of Advice to the Bishop in charge of the foreign Churches. They shall be chosen annually, to serve until their successors are chosen, by a Convocation duly convened of all the Clergy of the foreign Churches or Chapels and of one lay representative of each Church or Chapel, chosen by its Vestry or Committee. The Standing Committee shall be convened on the requisition of the Bishop whenever he may desire their advice, and they may meet of their own accord when they may wish to advise the Bishop. When a meeting is not practicable, the Bishop may ascertain their mind by letter.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the first resolution contained in the foregoing Message was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution contained in the Message was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 88.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 77, 140]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 62.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution, reported by the Joint Committee to nominate Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, etc.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following persons be elected Trustees for the ensuing three years of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen: The Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut, the Rev. Reese Alsop, D.D., Mr. William Alexander Smith, Mr. Elihu Chauncey, and Mr. George C. Thomas.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in the foregoing Message. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 79.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 115]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 63.
The House of Deputies, having reconsidered its action on the resolution contained in Message No. 61 from the House of Bishops, omitting the present Article of the Constitution from its place and inserting it as Article 3 of the Constitution, respectfully requests the House of Bishops to return to the House of Deputies its Message No. 51.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.
On motion, it was voted that this House accede to the request of the House of Deputies, and return its Message No. 51. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 73. See p. 143.]

The Bishop of Ohio presented his report as Bishop in charge of Churches on the continent of Europe. [See Appendix II., 5.]

On motion, it was voted that this House adjourn until to-morrow morning.

The Bishop of Maine pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

FOURTEENTH DAY.

Friday, October 21, 1898.

The House met after Morning Prayer and Litany, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Oklahoma and Indian Territory, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution [see p. 120]:

Resolved, That the concurrence of this House with the House of Deputies in fixing a time for the final adjournment of this Convention be reconsidered; and that the House of Deputies be respectfully asked for a Committee of Conference with a similar Committee on the part of this House, on that subject;

which was adopted. The Chairman appointed, on the part of this House, the Bishop of California, the Bishop of Southern Florida, and the Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 80. See p. 133.]

The Bishop of Duluth offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Rules be requested to consider the propriety of an additional rule: "That if objection is made to the immediate consideration of any resolution, it shall lie over until the next day as unfinished business, but by a vote of two-thirds the House may at once consider the resolution";

which was adopted. [See p. 147.]

The Bishop of Easton offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Rules be requested to consider the propriety of striking out of Rule 7th of the Standing Orders all that part of said Rule after the word "himself" in line 10;

which was adopted. [See p. 147.]
The Bishop of Lexington, from the Committee on Memorials and Petitions, presented the following report [see p. 108]:

REPORT NO. 4.
The Memorial in the matter of appointment to the position of Chaplain in the Army and Navy has been deemed by your Committee important, not only because of the subject referred to, but also because of the weighty names attached.
There can be no question as to the desirability of the end in view. It is that, before an appointment of a Clergyman of this Church to a Chaplaincy is made, communication should be had with his Diocesan.
After due deliberation and inquiry as to the best method by which to attain this end, we respectfully recommend the passage of the following resolutions:
Resolved, That it be referred to three Bishops of this House to take such action as may seem to them expedient in order to secure that, in the appointment of Chaplains in the Army and the Navy of the United States of America, no such appointment shall be made until the Bishop of any Minister nominated to the authorities of the United States for such appointment may be advised of such nomination and heard by said authorities of the United States in regard to the person nominated.
Resolved, That the Bishops appointed under the foregoing resolution have power to associate with themselves for the more efficient discharge of the duty therein assigned to them at least two Presbyters and two Laymen, qualified by locality or otherwise to assist them.

JOHN F. SPALDING, Chairman.

LEWIS W. BURTON, Secretary.

On motion, the resolutions contained in the report of the Committee were adopted. The Chairman appointed the Bishop of Southern Virginia, the Bishop of Maryland, and the Bishop of Washington, to act under the foregoing resolutions; and this Committee added to their number the Rev. Dr. McKim, the Rev. Dr. Mackay-Smith, and Rear-Admiral Walker.

The Bishop of Delaware, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report [see p. 118]:

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REPORT NO. 4.
The Committee on Rules of Order, to whom was referred the following resolution, namely;
Resolved, That in the judgment of this House there is no constitutional, canonical, or other obstacle to the conduct of the business of this House (when not sitting as a Council) with open doors; the admission of others than members being limited by such restrictions as may from time to time be deemed expedient;
the Committee beg to report: That, while it is undoubtedly true that there is no constitutional nor canonical obstacle to the conduct of the business of this House (when not sitting as a Council) with open doors, it is equally evident to the minds of your Committee that there are other obstacles of a most plain and grave character. In the absence of any reasons for this proposed change, it may suffice to cite the usages and traditions of this House, which have been from the beginning so clearly opposed to such a wide departure from a rule whose operation, it is believed, has served
to safeguard those features of the sessions of this House most desirable to preserve in all their integrity.

With this view of the matter, your Committee unanimously and most earnestly agree; and they would therefore offer for adoption the following resolution, namely:

Resolved, That in the judgment of this House it is not expedient that its business be conducted with open doors.

LEIGHTON COLEMAN,
W. A. LEONARD,
ELLISON CAPERS,
WM. CROSWELL DOANE,
Committee.

The hour of noon having arrived, the Chairman made the House to prayer for Missions.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution contained in the report of the Committee on Rules of Order, it was adopted.

The Bishop of California offered the following resolution [see p. 118]:

Resolved, That the Bishop of North Carolina be requested to file with the Treasurer of the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, the guarantees made through him, providing twenty-five hundred dollars ($2,500) a year for three years for the support of the Episcopate in the Missionary District of Asheville;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Montana, from the Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops, presented a report on the nominations for the Bishops of Asheville. [See p. 122.]

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

On motion, the choice of a Presbyter to be nominated for election to the Missionary Bishopric of Asheville was made the order of the day for to-morrow at ten o'clock. [See p. 138.]

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The Bishop of Dallas presented the following report [see p. 118]:

The Joint Committee on the Nomination of the Board of Managers and the Missionary Council, to which the list presented was referred back with suggested amendments, respectfully report:

That they agree to the substitution of the name of the Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut for that of the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, resigned; but they decline to erase the name of the layman referred to them for reconsideration, for the reason that, in the list as presented, sufficient provision has been made for the due care of the interests sought to be conserved by the substitution suggested; and they ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

On behalf of the Committee,
ALEX. C. GARRETT, Chairman.
The Bishop of Maryland offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the report of the Joint Committee on the Nomination of the Board of Managers be referred back to that Committee, with the request from the House of Bishops that such rearrangement of the lay membership of the Board be made as shall include the name of Mr. Henry E. Fellows among the lay members of the Board of Managers;

which was adopted. [See p. 142.]

On motion, so much of the recommendation of the Joint Committee as relates to the appointment of members of the Missionary Council was adopted. [See Appendix II., 2.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session, October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 64.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring. That the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons be continued, and that so much of the subject-matter of the report of the Joint Commission as shall not have been otherwise disposed of at the present meeting of the General Convention be recommitted to the Joint Commission for report to the General Convention at its meeting in 1901.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in the foregoing resolution. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 81.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 116]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session, October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 65.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has acceded to the request of the House of Bishops, communicated in its Message No. 70, for a Committee of Conference on Message No. 54 from the House of Deputies, and has appointed, as members of such Committee of Conference on its part, the Rev. Dr. Davenport, the Rev. Dr. Olmsted, and Mr. Lyman.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

[See p. 139.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 118]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session, October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 66.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has acceded to the request of the House of Bishops, communicated in its Message No. 71, for a Committee of Conference on Message No. 46 from
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the House of Deputies, and has appointed, as members of such Committee of Conference on its part, the Rev. Dr. Richards, Mr. Wilmer of Maryland, and Mr. Paine.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

[See p. 139.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 35]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session,
October 21, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 67.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concur with Message No. 9 from the House of Bishops, setting apart the Missionary Jurisdiction of Kyoto.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago, the action of the House in referring the resolution to the Committee on Foreign Missions was reconsidered.

On motion of the Bishop of Tokyo, it was voted that the House proceed at the earliest opportunity to nominate a Presbyter for the Missionary Bishopric of Kyoto. [See p. 138.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session,
October 21, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 68.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 8, § 1. [1], be amended so as to read as follows:

§ 1. [1.] The General Convention at each Triennial Meeting shall elect, on the nomination of a Joint Committee thereof, seven persons to serve as Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, instituted by the General Convention in 1853, and incorporated in Chapter 459 of the laws of the State of New York in 1855. Said Trustees shall hold office until, the succeeding General Convention, or until their successors shall be elected, and shall have power to fill vacancies occurring in their own board, and to appoint officers and agents.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 8, § 1. [2], be and the same is hereby repealed.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolutions contained in the foregoing Message. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 82.]
The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session,
October 21, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 69.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed, to fill the vacancy in the Commission on Archives caused by the retirement of the Rev. E. Harwood, D.D., the Rev. C. C. Tiffany, D.D., Archdeacon of New York.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 103]:

MESSAGE NO. 70.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies does not concur with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 68, proposing amendment in Title I., Canon 7, § iii.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 7, § iii., be amended so as to read as follows:

§ iii. A Candidate for Priest's Orders shall not be made Deacon within three years from his admission as such Candidate, unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons, with the advice and consent of three-fourths of the whole Standing Committee, shall shorten the time of his candidature, but in no case shall the time be shortened to less than one year; Provided, that in case a person who has attained the age of thirty-five years, and who has been duly confirmed and admitted to the Holy Communion in this Church, desires to become a Candidate for Priest's Orders with a dispensation from the usual period of candidature, but not from any canonical examination prescribed for the Diaconate and Priesthood, and applies for this dispensation on the ground of mature age and experience in speaking and teaching publicly, he being also a graduate in Arts in some reputable college or university, the Bishop may, by and with the advice and consent of three-fourths of the Standing Committee, admit him to Deacon's Orders after six months.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the resolutions contained in the foregoing Message were referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 148.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session,
October 21, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 71.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the present situation of the Church in Hawaii is such as to render it inexpedient that the Church in the United States should interfere at this time with the exist-
ing status; and the consideration of spiritual jurisdiction therein should be postponed until conference shall be had, through the Presiding Bishop, with the authorities of the Church of England.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That, in behalf of Porto Rico, the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions be requested to take such action as, after conference with the Bishop of Antigua, may be deemed practicable and desirable.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the matter of the care of English-speaking people in Mexico be referred to the members of this Joint Committee (the Bishop of Chicago and the Bishop of New York) who are members of the Provisional Committee for Church work in Mexico, with instructions to bring the subject to the notice of said Provisional Committee.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission, to consist of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen, be appointed, to whom shall be referred the question of responsibilities growing out of increased territory assumed or to be assumed by this Government, with instructions to ascertain by correspondence, and, if practicable, personal visitation, all available facts in the case, and to report to the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions such facts, with any recommendations which they may think it expedient to make.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the consideration of the resolutions contained in the foregoing Message was postponed. [See p. 137.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 121]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session,
October 21, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 72.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it does not concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendments of the proposed Article 1 of the Constitution communicated to this House in Message No. 75 from the House of Bishops.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it requests a Committee of Conference on said non-concurrence, and appoints, as members of the Committee of Conference on its part, the Rev. Dr. Fiske, Mr. Earl, and Mr. Andrews.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House acceded to the request contained in the foregoing Message No. 72 from the House of Deputies; and the Chairman appointed, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, and the Bishop of Kansas. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 83. See p. 151.]

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:
IN GENERAL CONVENTION,  
WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session,  
October 21, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 73.  
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on the Hymnal, having completed the duties for which it was organized, be now discontinued.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, it was voted That this House do not concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in the foregoing Message, for the reason that the continuance of the Commission on the Hymnal is deemed advisable in order that the experience of the Commission may be available in case new questions in reference to changes in the Hymnal should arise. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 84.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 126]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,  
WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session,  
October 21, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 74.  
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it grants a Committee of Conference on the time of final adjournment, as requested in Message No. 80 from the House of Bishops, and has appointed, as members of such Committee on the part of the House of Deputies, the Rev. Dr. Lindsay, the Rev. Mr. Spalding, and Mr. Cutting.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

[See p. 140.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report No. 16 [see p. 122]:

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred back the resolution recommending the adoption of Article 5 of the Constitution, respectfully offers the following resolution:
Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in adopting Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of the amendment proposed in the second resolution contained in Message No. 43 of the House of Deputies.

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in the adoption of Section 1, with the following amendments: in line 5, strike out the words "lying within the boundaries of a single State or Territory"; in line 7, strike out the words "in the same State"; strike out the word "such" at the end of line 7; and in line 10, insert the word "Missionary" before the word "District"; so that the section shall read: "A new Diocese may be formed (1) by the erection into a Diocese of the whole or any part of one or more Missionary Districts; (2) by the
division of an existing Diocese; or (3) by the junction of two or more Dioceses or of parts of two or more Dioceses, under such conditions as the General Convention may prescribe by a general Canon or Canons. The proceedings shall originate in a Convocation of the Clergy and Laity of the Missionary District," etc.

The reasons for proposing the amendments are:
1. The House of Bishops having redistricted the Missionary Territory of the Church, irrespective of State and Territorial boundaries, it would seem unwise to adopt any constitutional provision which would prevent the erection of any Missionary District into a Diocese unless by revision of its boundaries; and
2. The conditions of erecting Missionary Districts into Dioceses are sufficiently provided for by another part of this section.

O. W. WHITAKER, Chairman.

The question being on Section 1, as reported by the Committee, it was adopted.

The question being on Section 2, it was adopted.

The question being on Section 3, it was adopted.

The question being on Section 4, it was adopted.

The question being on Section 5, it was adopted.

The question being on Section 6, the Bishop of Montana moved to strike out the word "self-supporting" between the word "six" and the word "Parishes"; which was not adopted.

The Bishop of New Hampshire having appealed from the decision of the Chairman on the vote, the decision of the Chairman was sustained.

The Bishop of Marquette moved to strike out the word "self-supporting" between the word "twelve" and the word "Parishes"; which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Duluth moved to substitute the words "six months" in place of the words "one year"; which was not adopted.

The question recurring on Section 6, as reported by the Committee, it was adopted.

The question being on Article 5, as a whole, it was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 85. See p. 144.]

The Bishop of New Jersey offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops does not approve of the appointment, or continuance in the field, of any missionary of this Church who avowedly holds or teaches the distinctive doctrines of the body commonly known as "The Irvingites," or "Catholic Apostolic Church";

which was adopted.
The Bishop of Missouri, from the Joint Committee on the Increased Responsibilities of the Church, presented the following report [see p. 26]:

On the third day of the Session a Joint Committee of five Bishops, three Presbyters, and two Laymen was appointed, to whom was referred the question of the increased responsibilities devolved or to be devolved upon this Church, and also the question of the obligations to Missions in Christian countries of the Western Hemisphere with which this Church may be charged.”

The Committee was organized by the election of the Bishop of Missouri as Chairman, and the Rev. A. W. Seabrooke as Secretary.

The Committee gratefully recognizes, in a resolution of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, assembled in its thirteenth Annual Convention, referred to them, the ready sympathy existing among earnest Churchmen towards a response to the calls for an enlarged and more aggressive missionary policy in the Church.

The Committee have had under consideration various Memorials, and information from several sources, concerning the responsibilities of the American Church in Hawaii, Porto Rico, the Philippine Islands, and Cuba, and also with reference to the English-speaking people in Mexico.

In regard to the present status of the Church in Hawaii, the Committee would respectfully report that they have examined the various documents submitted to them, and find that the status of the Church in Hawaii is not the simple one that might be supposed to supervene upon the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands by the United States. It appears that as a matter of good faith there should be recognized a joint relationship entered into by the late Bishop of California, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Kip, with the authorities of the Church of England, in the establishment of the Church in Hawaii. While not being in a position to express an opinion as to the extent of the present obligation of such joint relationship, or to forecast its adjustment to what the Committee believes should be the ultimate, unqualified, spiritual jurisdiction of the Church in the United States over all the territory of the United States, your Committee feel that, in view of the said joint relationship, there should be conference with the authorities of the Church of England before taking any final and decisive action on the part of this Church. Having due regard for this and for other considerations involving careful and deliberate procedure, your Committee have drafted a resolution touching this matter, which is appended to this report.

The Committee find from written and personal information that the present political, social, and religious condition in the Island of Porto Rico is such as to warrant immediate action on the part of this Church. There is a Church building and congregation at Ponce, under the control of the Church of England and the supervision of the Bishop of Antigua, who has informed an officer of the United States army now stationed there that there would be no objection to the transfer of this congregation to the American Church, if made on consultation between the ecclesiastical authorities of the English and American Churches.

It is reported that the educated classes have broken away from the Church of Rome and are antagonistic to its priesthood. Seventy-five per cent. of the population of the island is illiterate. There seems to be a general desire on the part of the people to adopt, as rapidly as possible, the institutions and customs of the United States. The liturgical worship of the Church would be welcomed by them, and, in the opinion of your Committee, it would be wise to favor the early establishment of Missions among them. A resolution touching such action is appended to this report.
Testimony comes to the Committee from Cuba that the same condition is found there touching the fitness of this Church to meet in the best way the religious needs of the inhabitants. The Committee understand that under the auspices of the American Church Missionary Society some help has already been ministered to the Cuban people.

After careful consideration of the increased responsibilities devolved or to be devolved upon this Church touching its missionary work, and in view of the manifest need of securing information and avoiding hasty action, especially in matters growing out of the relations of this Church to the Church of England, it has seemed best to your Committee to advise the appointment of a Joint Commission, as provided for in one of the resolutions submitted herewith.

The second portion of the resolution under which your Committee is acting, namely, the "question of the obligations to Missions in Christian countries of the Western Hemisphere, with which this Church may be charged," seems to invite consideration of such efforts of missionary enterprise and support as have been made in Hayti, Mexico, Cuba, and Brazil. Cuba is here mentioned because, whatever may be the relations of sponsorship now actually exercised by our own nation in that island, it may after a time settle itself into an independent self-governing country.

These, therefore, are nationalities independent of the United States. And they are Christian countries, not heathen. The standard of the Cross was set up in them centuries ago. Your Committee entertains no doubt that in them the Historic Episcopate will be found to be an established institution.

When this Church, or any portion of it, is asked to send clergymen to these countries, or to support Missions in them, what answer should be given? It seems to your Committee that it would be wise in this Church carefully to consider before venturing on a line of action in violation of primitive catholic discipline. A Nicene prohibition forbade a Bishop to exercise his authoritative episcopal functions within the limits of the Diocese of another Bishop.

Where the Historic Episcopate exists in active exercise, the entering-in of an extraneous Bishop to act, or of a collection of extraneous Bishops as of some other national Church, could only be justified, it would seem, by the gravest of reasons.

Yet such gravest of reasons may be considered to be apparent if by the Historic Episcopate, wherever existing, unscriptural terms of communion are exacted, departures from primitive catholic doctrine which are unauthorized and unsound are inculcated, unhistoric domination of an alien episcopal authority is imposed, and unwholesome and immoral practices in the discipline of daily life are permitted and encouraged. If believing souls call aloud for relief from such encompassing error and wrong, then the entering-in for help would seem to be rather a rightful catholic protection of oppressed orthodoxy, than an uncatholic intrusion into a prohibited cure.

The practical aspect of the matter, in the opinion of your Committee, would make the rightfulness of the seeming intrusion to hinge largely upon the question of the number of souls seeking relief.

If a considerable number, protesting against usurpation, tyranny, error, and sln, join together and seek to reform their own lives and their Church on scriptural and primitive lines, then it would seem to your Committee that this Church is charged with obligations of duty to extend help.

In the action of this Church in past years in the cases of Hayti and Mexico, and in the present session of the House of Bishops in the case of
Brazil, the mind of the Church seems to proclaim itself satisfied that there are times and circumstances in which it is right and proper, and indeed a duty, to enter for missionary work, though it be an apparent intrusion, into fields already occupied by the Historic Episcopate.

Begging leave to present these observations upon the question submitted, your Committee does not feel called upon to suggest any resolution for adoption by the General Convention in a matter wherein action already taken suffices for a rule of determination.

The Committee recommends to the House of Bishops the following resolutions for adoption:

1. Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the present situation of the Church in Hawaii is such as to render it inexpedient that the Church in the United States should interfere at this time with the existing status; and the consideration of spiritual jurisdiction therein should be postponed until conference shall be had, through the Presiding Bishop, with the authorities of the Church of England.

2. Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That, in behalf of Porto Rico, the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions be requested to take such action as, after conference with the Bishop of Antigua, may be deemed practicable and desirable.

3. Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the matter of the care of the English-speaking people in Mexico be referred to the members of this Joint Committee (the Bishop of Chicago and the Bishop of New York) who are members of the Provisional Committee for Church work in Mexico, with instructions to bring the subject to the notice of said Provisional Committee.

4. Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Commission, to consist of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen, be appointed, to whom shall be referred the question of responsibilities growing out of increased territory assumed or to be assumed by this Government, with instructions to ascertain by correspondence, and, if practicable, personal visitation, all available facts in the case, and to report to the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions such facts, with any recommendations which they may think it expedient to make.

On behalf of the Committee,

DANIEL S. TUTTLE, Chairman.

ALEXANDER W. SEABREASE, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolutions contained in the report of the Committee, concurring with the action of the House of Deputies as communicated in its Message No. 71. [See p. 131. Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 86. See p. 138.]

The Bishop of Mississippi offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House appoint a Committee of three Bishops, of whom the Bishop of California shall be one, to inquire and report to the Presiding Bishop concerning the condition of the Church in the Hawaiian Islands, and what, in their opinion, may be the duty of this Church in regard to that new Territory of the United States;

which was adopted.

The Chairman appointed the Bishop of Mississippi, the Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona, and the Bishop of California.
On motion, the House proceeded to fill a vacancy in the Commission on Swedish Orders caused by the resignation of the Bishop of Chicago. The Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield was nominated; and there being no other nomination, it was ordered that a ballot be cast for him; which being done, the Chairman declared that the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield had been elected a member of the Commission. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 87.]

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning.

The Bishop of New Hampshire pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

FIFTEENTH DAY.

Saturday, October 22, 1898.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding. A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of North Carolina, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware, the Chairman of the House was appointed a member of the Joint Commission on Increased Responsibilities [see p. 137]; and the Chairman appointed, as the other members of the Committee, the Bishop of Chicago and the Bishop of New York. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 99. See p. 154.]

On motion, the House proceeded to receive nominations of a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Kyoto. [See p. 130.]

The roll of the Bishops was called; and, nominations having been received, they were referred to the Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops. [See p. 156.]

The House proceeded to the order of the day, being the nomination of a Presbyter for election to the Missionary Bishopric of Asheville. [See p. 128.]

The Bishop of East Carolina read one of the appointed Lessons
of Holy Scripture, and the Chairman bade the House to prayer, using the form prescribed.

The Bishop of Lexington and the Bishop of Alaska having been appointed tellers, the House proceeded to ballot for a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Asheville.

The roll being called, the Bishops deposited their ballots; and the Rev. Junius Moore Horner, a Presbyter of the Diocese of North Carolina, was found to have received a majority of the votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen to be nominated for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Asheville.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to communicate the nomination to the House of Deputies. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 89. See p. 182.]

The Chairman presented a Memorial on the subject of the Public School System in the United States; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions. [See p. 171.]

The Bishop of Kentucky, from the Committee of Conference on the proposed Missionary District in Southern Indiana, presented the following report [see p. 129]:

The Committee of the House of Bishops, appointed to confer with a Committee of the House of Deputies touching the divergent action of the two Houses in the matter of the proposed Missionary District in Southern Indiana, respectfully report that they have found it impossible to reach any agreement with the Committee of the House of Deputies, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

For the Committee,
T. U. DUDLEY, Chairman.

On motion, the Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Bishop of Kentucky, from the Committee of Conference on a proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 18, § vii. [3], presented the following report [see p. 129]:

The Committee of the House of Bishops, appointed to confer with a Committee of the House of Deputies concerning the divergent action of the two Houses in the matter of the proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 18, § vii. [3], which relates to Letters Dimissory, respectfully report that they find no possibility of the agreement of the two Houses, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

For the Committee,
T. U. DUDLEY, Chairman.
On motion, the Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Bishop of California, from the Committee of Conference on the date of adjournment, presented the following report [see p. 133]:

The Committee of the House of Bishops, appointed to confer with a Committee of the House of Deputies as to the matter of the date of the adjournment of this Convention, begs leave to report as follows:

In view of the fact that a concurrent resolution had been passed by this Convention three days ago to adjourn on Tuesday next, and that many of the Deputies have already made arrangements to leave the city on that evening, and hence, in addition to the usual thinning out of the Convention at the close of the session, there is danger of the failure of a quorum in the House of Deputies, for the reason above stated, the Committee recommends that this Convention should adjourn, as previously decided, upon Tuesday evening next.

For the Committee,

WM. F. NICHOLS, Chairman.

On motion, the House adopted the recommendation of the Committee. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 92.]

The Bishop of South Dakota offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That it be referred to a Committee of three to consider and report to this House what provision can be made whereby prompt and effective action can be secured, during the recess of the House of Bishops, for the nomination and election of Missionary Bishops, Domestic and Foreign;

Resolved, That said Committee be requested to report, if possible, on Monday next;

which were adopted; and the Chairman appointed as such Committee the Bishop of South Dakota, the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, and the Bishop of North Carolina. [See p. 171.]

The Bishop of Central Pennsylvania presented the following report:

The Joint Committee to nominate fifteen Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, respectfully report: That at the last General Convention the Trustees of the Fund were directed to obtain an amendment of the Charter, by which the number of Trustees should be increased from seven to fifteen, the first-named seven to act as Trustees until such changes were made; and a Canon was adopted providing therefor.

The Trustees have reported that, for reasons which they deemed sufficient, it was inexpedient to ask for a change in the Charter.

The Committee, therefore, propose the election of seven Trustees, as follows: The Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut, the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., the Rev. Reese F. Alsop, D.D.,
1898.]  

Mr. Wm. Alexander Smith, Mr. Elihu Chauncey, and Mr. George C. Thomas.

They offer the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That the persons named be elected Trustees of the Fund for the ensuing three years.

2. Resolved, That Title III., Canon 8, Section 1, be amended by substituting the word "seven" for the word "fifteen"; and that Section 2 be repealed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ETHELBERT TALBOT, Chairman.

[For the adoption of the resolutions contained in the report of the Committee, in concurrence with the House of Deputies, see pp. 125, 150.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 123]:

REPORT No. 24.

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a question submitted by the Bishop of Colorado, as to the meaning of the words "and in any such case" and "at any time," in Title I., Canon 19, § x. [1] (lines 23 and 25 of p. 73 of the Digest), respectfully reports: That, in its judgment, the words "at any time" are limited by the preceding words "in any such case," which restrict the application of the provision for a Council of Conciliation to the case of a Bishop having declined for more than three years to visit a Parish or Congregation within his cure.

In the judgment of the Committee, the words "at any time" give to the Bishop the privilege of applying for a Council of Conciliation at any time after the expiration of the three years, at the end of which it is the duty of the Minister or Vestry to make application.

Further, it is the opinion of the Committee that, in order to enable a Bishop to apply for a Council of Conciliation before the end of three years, it will be necessary to amend the Canon as it stands at present.

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, Chairman.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § x. [1] (p. 73 of the Digest), be amended by striking out the words, "And in any such case," etc., down to and including the words, "if he please," and inserting in their place as follows, viz.: "And in any case of a Bishop's formal refusal to visit a parish or congregation in his Diocese, he may at any time within three years thereafter; so that the paragraph shall read: "And in any case of a Bishop's formal refusal to visit a parish or congregation in his Diocese, he may, at any time within three years thereafter, apply himself to the Presiding Bishop, for a Council of Conciliation; Provided," etc.;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 90. See p. 163.]
The Bishop of Dallas, from a Joint Committee of Nomination, presented the following report [see p. 129]:

The Joint Committee on the nomination of the Board of Managers, etc., respectfully reports:

While entertaining serious objections to the proposed method of revising the list of the Board of Managers prepared by them, they accede to the request of the House of Bishops by revising the list in the manner suggested, and present the amended list for action.

On behalf of the Committee,

ALEX. C. GARRETT, Convener.

On motion, the persons named in the report of the Committee were elected, the House of Deputies concurring, to be the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, as follows:


[Communicated, with election of Missionary Council, to the House of Deputies by Message No. 91. See p. 154.]

The Bishop of Dallas, from the same Committee, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, of the Board of Managers, be appointed to arrange an order of work for the next meeting of the Missionary Council;

which was adopted; and the Chairman appointed as members of the Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Washington and the Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 93. See p. 160.]

On motion, the choice of a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Kyoto was made the order of the day for Monday at twelve o'clock. [See p. 156.]

On motion of the Bishop of Tennessee, the Chairman of this House was desired to act with the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.
The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session,
October 21, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 75.
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 change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:
Strike out Article 6 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article 9 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 9.
The General Convention may, by Canon, establish a Court for the trial of Bishops, which shall be composed of Bishops only.
Presbyters and Deacons shall be tried by a Court instituted by the Convention of the Diocese or by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Missionary District to which they belong.
The General Convention may, in like manner, establish or provide for the establishment of Courts of Review of the determinations of Diocesan or other trial Courts.
The Court for the review of the determination of the trial Court, on the trial of a Bishop, shall be composed of Bishops only.
The General Convention may, in like manner, establish an ultimate Court of Appeal, for the review only, of the determination of any Court of Review on questions of doctrine, faith, or worship.
None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, or of suspension, deposition, or degradation from the ministry, on any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.
A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms or conditions and at what time the suspension shall cease.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.
[See p. 153.]
The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 115, 125]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session,
October 21, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 76.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it non-concurs with the House of Bishops in the resolution contained in Message No. 61 from that House, concerning the substitution of present Article 10 for proposed Article 3 of the Constitution; requests a Committee of Conference on said non-concurrence; and appoints, as members on its part of such Committee of Conference, the Rev. Dr. Eggar of Central New York, Mr. Earl of Albany, and Mr. Gilbert of Springfield.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.
On motion, the House acceded to the request for a Committee of Conference; and the Chairman appointed as members of such Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio, and the Bishop of Kansas. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 94. See p. 149.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 184]:

**Message No. 77.**

**IN GENERAL CONVENTION,**

**WASHINGTON, 15th day of the Session,**

**October 22, 1898.**

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it does not concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the amendments of Section 1 of Article 6 of the proposed Constitution, as communicated in Message No. 85 from the House of Bishops; requests a Committee of Conference on said non-concurrence; and appoints, as members of such Committee of Conference on its part, the Rev. Dr. Egar of Central New York, Mr. Earl of Albany, and Mr. Gilbert of Springfield.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

At eleven o'clock the Bishops met in joint session with the Deputies in Epiphany Church to hear the report of the Joint Committee on Christian Education. [See Appendix V.]

The joint session being ended, the House resumed its session.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 119]:

**Report No. 25.**

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Maryland, calling attention to an evident misprint on page 27 of the Digest, line 3 from the end, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 4, § vii. [2], be amended by the substitution of the word “receive” for the word “decline” in the third line from the end of the Canon, so that the last sentence shall read: “In any case where the application of a Candidate for Holy Orders shall have been rejected by any Bishop of this Church, it shall be competent to any other Bishop to receive an application made to himself, if, having duly informed himself of the facts of the case, he shall deem it expedient so to do.”

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, Chairman.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.
The question being on the resolution contained in the report of the Committee, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 95. See p. 167.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 122]:

REPORT No. 26.
The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Montana, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § vi.[8] (p. 66 of the Digest), be amended, so as to read as follows:

"Every such Bishop shall report annually to the Presiding Bishop his proceedings and the state and condition of the Church within his Missionary District, such report to be transmitted by the Presiding Bishop to the Board of Managers."

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLaren, Chairman.

Attest: Arthur C. A. Hall, Secretary.

The question being on the resolution recommended by the Committee, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 96. See p. 166.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 119]:

REPORT No. 27.
The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of Georgia, proposing an amendment to Title II., Canon 13, § ii., "Of Marriage and Divorce," respectfully reports that in its judgment it is inexpedient to introduce this subject afresh into the House at this session.

W. E. McLaren, Chairman.

Attest: Arthur C. A. Hall, Secretary.

On motion, the report of the Committee was accepted as expressing the judgment of the House.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 83]:

REPORT No. 28.
The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a question as to the definition of a "communicant" in connection with Title I., Canon 18, § v.[1] (p. 55), and Title II., Canon 12, § ii. [3] (p. 119), respectfully reports that in its judgment such a definition by the General Convention is inexpedient, the matter being better left to Diocesan legislation.

W. E. McLaren, Chairman.

Attest: Arthur C. A. Hall, Secretary.

On motion, the report of the Committee was accepted as expressing the judgment of the House.
The Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield presented a Memorial on the subject of Swedish Orders; which, on motion, was referred to the Joint Commission on that subject.

It was ordered that the Memorial, together with that presented on the fifth day of the session [see page 32], be printed as an Appendix to the Journal. [See Appendix XVI.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield presented the report of the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations and offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations be continued.

Resolved, That the following be members of the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations, on the part of the House of Bishops: The Bishops of Long Island, Central New York, Springfield, Delaware, Fond du Lac, Michigan, California, Coadjutor of Springfield, Washington.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the report of the Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations be printed as an Appendix to the Journal;

which were adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 97. See p. 163 and Appendix XVII.]

The Bishop of East Carolina offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution to report the true force of the word “Dioceses,” in Article 9 of the Constitution as it stands in the present Digest;

which was adopted. [See p. 182.]

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until Monday morning.

The House adjourned.

SIXTEENTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 24, 1898.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.

A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Massachusetts, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.

The Minutes of Saturday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

The Bishop of Springfield offered the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee of five Bishops, five Presbyters, and five Laymen be appointed to consider and report to the next General Convention the advisability of selecting one permanent place for the meeting of the General Convention, and to submit whatever in their wisdom they may think calculated to aid the Convention in reaching a satisfactory conclusion in the premises.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on the Despatch of Business; which was not adopted.

The question being on the resolution offered by the Bishop of Springfield, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 99. See p. 161.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota presented a communication from the Assistant Librarian of the Library of Congress in charge of the Pavilion for the Blind, in reference to printing the Psalter in New York Point for use of the blind; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book. [See p. 167.]

The Bishop of Delaware, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report [see p. 126]:

**REPORT No. 5.**

The Committee on Rules of Order, to whom were referred the following resolutions, namely:

1. **Resolved,** That the Committee on Rules be requested to consider the propriety of an additional rule: That, if objection is made to the immediate consideration of any resolution, it shall lie over until the next day as unfinished business; but by a vote of two-thirds the House may at once consider the resolution;

2. **Resolved,** That the Committee on Rules be requested to consider the propriety of striking out of Rule VII. of the Standing Orders all that part of said Rule after the word "himself," in line 10;

beg leave to report, as to the first resolution, that, in their judgment, it is not expedient for this House to adopt any such rule as is therein proposed, for the following reasons, among others: (1) That it is too inclusive and too restrictive: too inclusive, as referring to all resolutions of whatever nature they may be and whensoever they may be offered; too restrictive, inasmuch as, while protecting one individual member in the exercise of his judgment, it fetters the freedom of another individual member in the exercise of his judgment; (2) That it is contrary to the long-established usages and traditions of this House, the operation of which, in this respect has not, so far as your Committee are informed, proved at all inconvenient to the conduct of its business; and further, as to the second resolution, that in their judgment it would be well that the amendment proposed should be adopted, inasmuch as thereby the Standing Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops would be relieved of the necessity of performing a duty the discharge of which may frequently be attended with much difficulty and embarrassment. It may not be amiss to add that this is also the opinion of the present Committee, based upon their experience in the matter. They would therefore offer for adoption the following Resolutions:

1. **Resolved,** as the sense of this House, That it is not expedient to
adopt any rule whereby it shall require the vote of two-thirds of its members to consider immediately any resolutions that may be offered, in case a single member should object to such immediate consideration. (2.) \textit{Resolved}, That Rule VII. of the Standing Orders be amended by striking out all now therein contained that follows the word "himself" in line 10.

LEIGHTON COLEMAN, \textit{Chairman}.

On motion, the resolutions contained in the Report of the Committee were adopted.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 131]:

\textbf{REPORT No. 29.}

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred the resolution contained in Message No. 70 from the House of Deputies, concerning the amendment of Title I., Canon 7, § iii. (p. 34 of the Digest), recommends that this House concur with the action of the House of Deputies.

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, \textit{Chairman}.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, \textit{Secretary}.

On motion, the recommendation contained in the Report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 100.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 120]:

\textbf{REPORT No. 30.}

The Committee on Canons, to which was recommitted a resolution offered by the Bishop of Missouri concerning the substitution of the word "District" for the word "Jurisdiction" in the Digest, recommends the reference of said resolution to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons.

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, \textit{Chairman}.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, \textit{Secretary}.

On motion, the recommendation contained in the Report of the Committee was adopted.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 103]:

\textbf{REPORT No. 31.}

The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop of North Carolina, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

\textit{Resolved}, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, Article VI. (p. 138 of the Digest), be amended by the addition of the following paragraphs:

"In Missionary Jurisdictions, both Foreign and Domestic, the titles to all Church property and funds, not distinctly parochial, shall be reported to the Board of Managers; and copies of all deeds conveying or affecting
such property or funds shall be forwarded to the Board of Managers by the Bishop of the Jurisdiction.

"Every Missionary Bishop shall annually report to the Board of Managers all contributions received by him for his work, except such as shall come to him through the Treasurer of the Board."

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLaren, Chairman.

Attest: Arthur C. A. Hall, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 101. See p. 167.]

The Bishop of West Virginia, from the Committee on New Dioceses, presented the following report [see p. 29]:

Report No. 2.
The Committee on New Dioceses, to whom was referred the request of the Bishop of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Western Texas for the formation of a Diocese out of said Jurisdiction, having considered the statements made to them by the Bishop, desire to report that, in the absence of any documents in reference to this matter, and in view of the fact that several years must, in any event, elapse before action could be taken, they respectfully request to be relieved from further consideration of the subject. For the Committee, Geo. W. Peterkin, Chairman.

On motion, the Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Bishop of New York, from the Commission on a German Version of the Book of Common Prayer, presented a report, proposing the appointment of a sub-committee with power to associate with themselves persons learned in the German language and in Liturgics, who, with the approval of the Commission, shall prepare and have printed a new version of the Prayer Book in the German language, based, so far as possible, on the version made by the late Rev. Dr. Siegmund; and offered the following resolution:


which was adopted.

The Bishop of Kentucky, from a Committee of Conference, presented the following report [see p. 143]:

The Committee of the House of Bishops appointed to confer with a Committee of the House of Deputies concerning the divergent action of
the two Houses in the matter of the adoption of the proposed Article 5 of the Constitution, to take the place of Article 10 of the existing Constitution, respectfully recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concurring, strike out Article 10 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article 3 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 3.

Bishops may be consecrated for foreign lands upon due application therefrom, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, certified to the Presiding Bishop, under such conditions as may be prescribed by Canons of the General Convention. Such Bishops shall not be entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, nor shall they perform any act of the episcopal office in any Diocese or Missionary District of this Church, unless requested to do so by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

The question being on the resolution recommended by the Committee, the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield moved to substitute for the words "Such Bishops shall not" the words "Bishops so consecrated shall not be eligible to the office of Diocesan or Bishop Coadjutor of any Diocese in the United States, nor"; which was adopted.

The Bishop of Tennessee moved to insert a semicolon between the words "Presiding Bishop" and the word "under"; which was adopted.

The question being on the resolution as amended, it was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 102. See p. 161.]

The Bishop of Kentucky, from the Committee of Conference, presented the following further report [see p. 144]:

The Committee report further, in reference to the divergent action of the two Houses concerning the proposed Article 5, communicated in Message No. 77 from the House of Deputies, that they respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House adhere to the amendments in said Article 5 as proposed by it, to wit: to strike out in line 5 the words "lying within the boundaries of a single State or Territory"; to strike out in line 7 the words "in the same State," and in the same line the word "such" at the end; and to insert in line 10 the word "Missionary" before the word "District."

The question being on the recommendation of the Committee, it was adopted. [See p. 155.]
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The Bishop of Kentucky, from the Committee of Conference, presented the following further report [see p. 132]:

The Committee report further, in reference to the divergent action of the two Houses concerning the proposed Article 1 of the Constitution, the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House adhere to the amendments proposed in Article 1 as communicated to the House in Message No. 42 of the House of Deputies, to wit: In paragraph 3 of section 4, insert the words "or by the Canons" after the word "Constitution"; and strike out from lines 2 and 3 of section 6 the words "or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands."

Respectfully submitted for the Committee.

T. U. DUDLEY, Chairman.

The question being on the recommendation of the Committee, it was adopted. [See pp. 160, 157.]

The Bishop of Dallas, from the Committee on the Conduct of Religious Services, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 3.

The Committee on Religious Services recommend the adoption of the following order for the closing service of the General Convention:

Hymn 515, "Brightly gleams our banner," etc.; the Nicene Creed; "Lord, have mercy upon us," etc.; the Lord's Prayer; the Collect for the week; the Collect "Direct us, O Lord," etc.; the Collect for the fifth Sunday after Trinity, "Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance," etc.; the Prayer before the laying on of hands in the Ordination of Priests (slightly altered); Hymn 621, "Through the night of doubt and sorrow, Onward goes the pilgrim band," etc.; the reading of the Pastoral Letter; Te Deum; the Prayer for Missions, "O God, who hast made of one blood," etc.; Thanksgiving for Missions, "Almighty God, whose compassions fall not," etc.; the Prayer at the end of the Institution Office (slightly altered); the Blessing; Hymn 408, "Jerusalem the Golden," etc.

For the Committee,

ALEX. C. GARRETT, Chairman.

On motion, the recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota offered the following:

Resolved, That Title III., Canon 7, Article IX. (p. 119 of the Digest), be amended by striking out the word "local" in the second line;

which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 177.]

The Bishop of Delaware presented a communication from the President of the Girls' Friendly Society; which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.

The hour of noon having arrived, the Chairman bade the House to prayer for Missions.
The Bishop of Kentucky having resigned as a member of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, and his resignation having been, on motion, accepted, the Bishop of North Carolina was nominated. There being no other nomination, it was ordered that a ballot be cast for the Bishop of North Carolina; which being done, the Bishop of North Carolina was declared elected a member of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons.

The Bishop of Quincy having resigned as a member of the same Joint Commission, and his resignation having been, on motion, accepted, the Bishop of Vermont was nominated. There being no other nomination, it was ordered that a ballot be cast for the Bishop of Vermont; which being done, the Bishop of Vermont was declared elected a member of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago, the House proceeded to fill the vacancy in the same Joint Commission, caused by the decease of the late Bishop of Western New York; and the Bishop of East Carolina having been nominated, and there being no other nomination, it was ordered that a ballot be cast for the Bishop of East Carolina; which being done, the Bishop of East Carolina was declared elected a member of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons.

The Bishop of West Virginia offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons be hereafter designated as the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons;

which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies, with notification of the elections to fill vacancies, by Message No. 103. See p. 164.]

The Bishop of Chicago offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House recommend to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons to select for the meetings of the Commission such a locality as shall conduce to the greater convenience of the members;

which was adopted.

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.
The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee of Conference, on the part of this House, on Amendments to the Constitution, be authorized to consider also the amendment of the last section of Article 1 of the Constitution; which was adopted. [See p. 157.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report [see p. 143]:

REPORT No. 17.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which was referred the resolution contained in Message No. 75 from the House of Deputies, as follows:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 6 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article 9 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 9.

The General Convention may, by Canon, establish a Court for the trial of Bishops, which shall be composed of Bishops only.

Presbyters and Deacons shall be tried by a Court instituted by the Convention of the Diocese or by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Missionary District to which they belong.

The General Convention may, in like manner, establish, or provide for the establishment of Courts of Review of the determinations of Diocesan or other trial Courts.

The Court for the review of the determination of the trial Court, on the trial of a Bishop, shall be composed of Bishops only.

The General Convention may in like manner, establish an ultimate Court of Appeal for the review only, of the determination of any Court of Review on questions of doctrine, faith, or worship.

None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, or of suspension, deposition, or degradation from the ministry, on any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms or conditions and at what time the suspension shall cease; has considered the proposed amendment, and recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the amendment proposed in Message No. 75.

O. W. WHITAKER, Chairman.

On motion, the consideration of the report was postponed.

[See p. 168.]

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the report of the Committee on the Pastoral Letter was made the order of the day for three o'clock this afternoon.
The Bishop of Delaware offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the question of what, so far as this House is concerned, constitutes a majority of the Dioceses in votes upon amendments to the Constitution, be referred for advice to the Bishops of Minnesota, Maine, Missouri, Oregon, and Pennsylvania;

which was adopted.

On motion, the House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 78.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That all Joint Commissions and Joint Committees existing at the close of this Convention be continued until the next Convention;
and the President of this House has been empowered to fill all vacancies upon the part of this House in these Commissions and Committees.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, it was voted that this House concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in the foregoing Message; and that the Chairman be empowered to fill vacancies upon the part of this House not already filled. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 105.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 138]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 79.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed, as members on its part of the Joint Committee on Increased Responsibilities, the Rev. Dr. Greer of New York, the Rev. Dr. Jones of Central Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Mann of West Missouri, Mr. Morgan of New York, Mr. Goodwin of Connecticut, and Mr. Packard of Maryland.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 142]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 80.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 91, concerning the election of persons nominated by the Joint Committee to be members of
the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and the Missionary Council; and has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Associate Secretary of the Board be and is hereby empowered to call together the newly-elected Board of Managers for organization.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in the foregoing Message. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 106.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see pp. 144, 150]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 81.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has received the report of the Committee of Conference, and has adopted by a constitutional majority the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concurs with the House of Bishops in the adoption of Article 5 of the proposed Constitution, as amended by the House of Bishops and communicated in Message No. 85 from that House.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 112]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 82.
The House of Deputies herewith transmits to the House of Bishops the testimonials in favour of the Rev. James Bowen Funsten, Missionary Bishop elect of Boise.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the testimonials transmitted with the foregoing Message were referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops. [See p. 169.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 112]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 83.
The House of Deputies herewith transmits to the House of Bishops the testimonials in favour of the Rev. William Hall Moreland, Missionary Bishop elect of Sacramento.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the testimonials transmitted with the foregoing Message were referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops. [See p. 170.]
The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 113]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 84.
Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the testimonials transmitted with the foregoing Message were referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops. [See p. 170.]
The Bishop of Alabama, from the Committee on the Pastoral Letter, presented a draft of the Pastoral Letter.
On motion, the Bishops went into Council.
The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.
On motion, the draft of the Pastoral Letter was referred back to the Committee. [See p. 174.]
The House proceeded to the order of the day; and the Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops presented a report [see p. 138.]
The Bishop of Tokyo read one of the appointed Lessons of Holy Scripture, and the Chairman bade the House to prayer, using the form prescribed for use before balloting for Presbyters to be nominated for election to Missionary Bishoprics.
The Bishop of Vermont and the Bishop of Indiana having been appointed tellers, the House proceeded to ballot for a Presbyter to be nominated to the House of Deputies for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Kyoto.
The roll being called, the Bishops deposited their ballots; and the Rev. George Calvin Hall, a Presbyter of the Diocese of Delaware, was found to have received a majority of the votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen to be nominated for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Kyoto.
On motion, the Secretary was instructed to communicate the nomination to the House of Deputies. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 104. See p. 176.]
The Bishop of New York presented the following report:
The Committee to which was referred the Memorial of a Presbyter of the Diocese of Michigan, regarding ordinations to the Diaconate in the Reformed Episcopal Church, begs leave to report: That, having given its best consideration to the Memorial in question, the Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the particular case presented in connection with the Memorial referred to the Committee be committed to the Bishop of Michigan in connection with three neighboring Bishops whom he may invite to advise him in the matter.

Resolved, That a Commission of five Bishops be elected by this House, to which the general subject of the reconciliation to this Church of congregations now separated from the same is hereby referred, with instructions to report at a future meeting of this House.

O. W. WHITAKER,  
H. C. POTTER,  
WM. PARET,  
Committee.

On motion, the first resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted.

On motion, the second resolution contained in the report was adopted. [See p. 173.]

The Bishop of Maryland offered the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, Some doubt has been expressed as to the full regularity of the action taken in regard to the amendments to the Constitution in the cases where concurrence has been declared to the House of Deputies;

Resolved, That the House of Bishops hereby, by an unquestioned majority, ratifies and confirms in each instance the action so made known to the House of Deputies;

which was adopted by a vote of forty-one Bishops qualified to vote.

The Bishop of Kentucky, from the Committee of Conference, presented the following further report [see pp. 151, 160]:

The Committee appointed to confer with a Committee of the House of Deputies, concerning proposed amendments to the proposed Article 1 of the Constitution, respectfully reports for adoption the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That paragraph 3 of Section 4 of the proposed Article 1 be amended by the insertion, after the word "Constitution" in line 2 of said paragraph, of the following words, viz.: "or by the Canons requiring more than a majority, in cases not specially provided for by the Constitution."

2. Resolved, That the House of Bishops recedes from its action in amending Section 6, in lines 2 and 3, by the striking out of the words "or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands."

3. Resolved, That Section 6 be amended by striking out in the last line all the words after the words "right to vote."

Respectfully submitted for the Committee,  
T. U. DUDLEY, Chairman.
The question being on the first resolution as recommended by the Committee, it was adopted.

The question being on the second resolution, it was not adopted.

The question being on the third resolution, the Bishop of Maryland offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House decline to concur with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the proposed Section 6 of Article 1 of the Constitution, for the reason that its purpose is amply provided for by a Standing Order, and that it should not be placed in the Constitution;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Georgia moved to reconsider the vote on the foregoing resolution; which was not adopted.

The House therefore adopted the proposed resolution of amendment in the following form:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Articles 1, 2, and 3, and insert the following, to be known as Article 1 of the Constitution:

**ARTICLE 1.**

**SECTION 1.** There shall be a General Convention of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, and all acts of the Convention shall be adopted and authenticated by both Houses.

**SEC. 2.** Every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop who has resigned his jurisdiction by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of Foreign Missionary Bishops and Bishops who have resigned their jurisdictions, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

**SEC. 3.** The Senior Bishop of this Church in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Bishop of the Church. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention. But if the Presiding Bishop shall resign his office as such, or if he shall resign his episcopal jurisdiction, or if he shall become disabled by reason of infirmity, the Bishop next in seniority by consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall thereupon become the Presiding Bishop.

**SEC. 4.** The Church in each Diocese which has been admitted to union with the General Convention shall be entitled to representation in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, having domicile in the Diocese; but the General Con-
vention may by Canon reduce the representation to not fewer than two Deputies in each order. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

To constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, the Clerical order shall be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation, and the Lay order shall likewise be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by this Constitution, or by the Canons requiring more than a majority in cases not specially provided for by the Constitution, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote in the Clerical order and one in the Lay order; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House shall adjourn without the consent of the other for more than three days, nor to any other place than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at the place designated by such Convention; but if there shall appear to the Presiding Bishop of the Church sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be provided for by Canon.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 107. See pp. 164, 175.]

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The Chairman presented the report of the Joint Commission on Archives; which was ordered, the House of Deputies concurring, to be printed as an Appendix to the Journal. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 108. See p. 175 and Appendix VIII.]

The Bishop of Georgia moved that the subject of Christian Education be referred to the Committee on the Pastoral Letter; which was adopted.

On motion, it was voted that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning.

The Bishop of Newark pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.
SEVENTEENTH DAY.

Tuesday, October 25, 1898.

The House met after Morning Prayer, the Chairman presiding.
A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Indiana,
after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.
The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion,
approved.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 151]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 85.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, That the House of Bishops be informed that the House of Deputies has declined to accept the report of the Joint Committee of Conference upon the proposed Article 1 of the Constitution, and asks the House of Bishops for a further Conference with the Committee heretofore appointed in behalf of this House, which hereby is continued.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House acceded to the request contained in the foregoing Message; and the Chairman appointed, as members of the Committee on the part of this House, the Bishops who had acted in the former Conference. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 107. See p. 157.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 142]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th Day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 86.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the Resolution contained in Message No. 93 from that House, concerning a Joint Committee to arrange for the next meeting of the Missionary Council; and has appointed, as members of such Joint Committee on its part, the Rev. Dr. Eccleston of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Vibbert of New York, Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Brown of Rhode Island.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 150]:
IN GENERAL CONVENTION,  
WASHINGTON, 16th Day of the Session,  
October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 87.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 102, striking out Article 10 of the Constitution, and inserting Article 3 as reported in said Message from the House of Bishops.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 147]:

MESSAGE NO. 88.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in Message No. 99 from that House, concerning a Joint Committee to consider and report upon the advisability of selecting one permanent place for the meeting of the General Convention; and appoints, as members of such Joint Committee on its part, the Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York, the Rev. Dr. Lindsay of Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. Harris of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Stone of Chicago, the Rev. Mr. Foote of California, Mr. Forsyth of Louisiana, Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska, Mr. Davis of Washington, Mr. Bryan of Virginia, and Mr. Triplett of Missouri.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The Chairman appointed as members of the Joint Committee, on the part of this House, the Bishop of Springfield, the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, the Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona, the Bishop of Ohio, and the Bishop of Louisiana. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 111.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE NO. 89.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:
1. Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 1 of Title I. of the Digest be and is hereby repealed.
2. Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 1, as follows, be and is hereby enacted:

CANON 1.

OF POSTULANTS.

§ 1. [1.] A person desiring to prepare for the Sacred Ministry of the Church shall make his desire known to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he is a resident, and shall give the Bishop the name of his Rector, or if he have no Rector, the name, if possible, of
some other Presbyter, knowing him well and known by the Bishop, from whom the Bishop shall ask the Rector's or the Presbyter's judgment of his qualifications, physical, mental, moral, and spiritual, for the work of the Ministry, in order to enable the Bishop to advise him wisely whether to pursue his purpose or not.

(ii.) He shall then present himself personally to the Bishop, and also state to him in writing:

(a) His age and antecedents.
(b) The length of time he has been resident in the Diocese or Missionary District.
(c) When, where, and by whom, he was baptized.
(d) When, where, and by whom, he was confirmed.
(e) When, where, and by whom, he was admitted to the Holy Communion.
(f) Whether he has ever before applied for admission as a Postulant or as a Candidate for Holy Orders.
(g) On what grounds he trusts that he is moved to seek the Sacred Ministry.

§ II. The Bishop, in a book to be kept for that purpose, shall enter the name of each applicant, with the fact of his approval or disapproval of the application, and the date of such entry. If he approve of the application, he shall inform the applicant of the fact, and of the date of his admission as Postulant.

§ III. (i.) No Bishop shall accept as a Postulant any person who has been refused admission as a Postulant or as a Candidate for Holy Orders in any other Diocese or Missionary District, or who, having been admitted, has afterwards ceased to be a Postulant or a Candidate, until he shall have produced a certificate from the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he has been refused admission, or in which he has been a Postulant or a Candidate, declaring the cause of refusal or of cessation.

(ii.) Should the Bishop accept the applicant as a Postulant, he shall send the said certificate, or a copy thereof, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, to be considered by them if the said Postulant should apply to be recommended for admission as a Candidate.

§ IV. A Standing Committee, acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority of a Diocese, shall be competent to receive and act upon applications under this Canon from persons desiring to be received as Postulants.

3. Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 2 of Title I. of the Digest be and is hereby repealed, the subject-matter thereof being covered by the Canon hereby enacted.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The Bishop of Chicago moved that this House do not concur with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolutions contained in the foregoing Message, for the reason that this House wishes to refer the proposed Canon 1, with other canonical matters, to the Joint Committee on the Revision of the Canons; which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 112.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:
IN GENERAL CONVENTION,  Washington, 16th day of the Session, October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 90.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has postponed further consideration at this session of the report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, relative to the Canons, and has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons be continued, and that so much of the subject-matter of the report of the Joint Commission as shall not have been otherwise disposed of at the present meeting of the General Convention be recommitted to the Joint Commission for report to the General Convention at its meeting in 1901.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in the foregoing Message. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 109.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 146]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,  Washington, 16th day of the Session, October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 91.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the first and third resolutions contained in Message No. 97 from that House, concerning the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations; and appoints, to fill vacancies in said Joint Commission on its part, the Rev. Dr. Lucius Waterman of New Hampshire and the Rev. Carroll M. Davis of Missouri.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 141]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,  Washington, 16th day of the Session, October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 92.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies does not concur with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 90.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 19. § x. [1], be amended so as to read as follows:

§ x. [1.] Every Bishop in this Church shall visit the Churches within his Diocese at least once in three years, for the purpose of examining the state of his Church, inspecting the behaviour of his Clergy, administering the Apostolic rite of Confirmation, ministering the Word, and, if he think fit, administering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper to the people committed to his charge. If a Bishop shall fail or neglect for more than three years to visit a Parish or Congregation, or shall fail or decline to visit a Parish or Congregation within a reasonable time after receiving from such Parish or Congregation a formal request in writing to visit the same, or shall in writing at any time formally notify to any Parish or Congregation his intention,
for reasons by him to be stated in such notice, not to visit such
Parish or Congregation, then and in every such case the Rector or
Minister, and the Vestry, or either of them, may apply to the Presiding
Bishop, to appoint the five Bishops in charge of Dioceses, who live
nearest to the Diocese in which such Church or Congregation may be
situated, to act as a Council of Conciliation, who shall amicably determine
all matters of difference between the parties, and each party shall con­
form to the decision of the Council in the premises. If the Presiding
Bishop shall be the party within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Con­
gregation may be, then the application shall be made to the Bishop next
in seniority. And in any such case as is above mentioned, the Bishop
within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation may be, may, at
any time, if he please, apply himself to the Presiding Bishop, for a
Council of Conciliation; Provided, that if, by the action of the General
Convention, any Canon shall hereafter be made for the establishment of a
Council or Councils of Conciliation, for the general purpose of amicably
reconciling differences of this or any other kind, then such a case as is
above named shall be referred to such general Council of Conciliation,
and the parties shall abide by its decision.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the foregoing Message
was referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 177.]

The following Message was received from the House of Depu­
ties [see p. 152]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 93.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has con­
curred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained
in Message No. 103 from that House, concerning the title of the Joint
Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons.
Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Depu­
ties [see p. 158]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 94.
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
change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration
be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be
adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of
the Constitution, as follows:
Strike out Articles 1, 2, and 3, and insert the following, to be known
as Article 1 of the Constitution:

ARTICLE 1.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church con­
sisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which
Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and, in all deliberations,
 freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and
propose legislation, and all acts of the Convention shall be adopted and authenticated by both Houses.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop who has resigned his jurisdiction by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of Foreign Missionary Bishops and Bishops who have resigned their jurisdictions, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church, in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Bishop of the Church. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention. But if the Presiding Bishop shall resign his office as such, or if he shall resign his episcopal jurisdiction, or if he shall become disabled by reason of infirmity, the Bishop next in seniority by consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall thereupon become the Presiding Bishop.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which has been admitted to union with the General Convention shall be entitled to representation in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, having domicile in the Diocese; but the General Convention may by Canon reduce the representation to not less than two Deputies in each order. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

To constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, the Clerical Order shall be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation, and the Lay Order shall likewise be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by this Constitution or by the Canons requiring more than a majority in cases not specially provided for by the Constitution, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote in the Clerical Order and one in the Lay Order; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House shall adjourn without the consent of the other for more than three days, nor to any other place than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church, or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands, convened by proper Ecclesiastical Authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies except the right to vote.

SEC. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at the place designated by such Convention; and if there shall appear to the Presiding Bishop of the Church sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be provided for by Canon.

Attest:  CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.
On motion, it was voted that this House do not concur with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 94, for the reason that this House has already acted upon the subject-matter. [See pp. 158, 175. Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 107.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session, October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 95.
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 be appointed, consisting of one Bishop, one Clergyman, and one Layman, who, with the Secretaries of the two Houses, shall examine all action on the proposed Constitution, and shall report before adjournment to-morrow whether the action of the two Houses is in all respects complete and in proper constitutional form.

And the House of Deputies has appointed, as members of said Joint Commission on its part, the Rev. Dr. Eggar of Central New York and Mr. Stetson of New York.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in the foregoing Message; and the Chairman appointed the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, on the part of this House, a member of that Committee. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 110. See p. 179.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session, October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 96.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 145]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session, October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 97.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops in the amendment of Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [8], as communicated to this House in Message No. 96 from the House of Bishops.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 144]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session,
October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 98.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops in the amendment of Title I., Canon 4, § vii. [2], as communicated to this House in Message No. 95 from the House of Bishops.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 148]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session,
October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 99.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops in the amendment of Title III., Canon 7, Article VI., as communicated to this House in Message No. 101 from the House of Bishops.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The Bishop of Pittsburgh presented the following report:

The Joint Commission on the Pointing of the Canticles and Psalter, having fulfilled the duty assigned them, and their report having been adopted, and the Psalter and Canticles, as thus pointed, placed in the hands of the Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer, respectfully ask to be discharged.

On motion, the Joint Commission was discharged.

The Bishop of Pittsburgh offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer be authorized to make, in the Canticles and Psalter as pointed, corrections of any literal or typographical departure from the Standard Book;

which was adopted. [Communicated, with action on the preceding report, to the House of Deputies by Message No. 113. See p. 176.]

The Bishop of Pittsburgh, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following report [see p. 147]:

REPORT No. 2.
The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom was referred a memorial asking for the printing of the Book of Common Prayer in what is
called "New York Point," for the use of the blind, having considered
the said memorial, offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the printing of the Book of Common Prayer for the
use of the blind be commended to the attention of the Committee, and
that they report to this House at the next Convention.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Com-
mittee was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of New York, the Committee on Vest-
ments was discharged.

On motion, the Commission on Moravian Orders, appointed in
1880, was discharged.

On motion, the Committee to suggest subjects for the Lambeth
Conference of 1895 was discharged.

On motion of the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the House proceeded
to the consideration of the report of the Committee on Amendments
to the Constitution, presented at yesterday's session, on Message
No. 75 from the House of Deputies. [See p. 153.]

The question being on the resolution contained in Message No.
75, being a proposed amendment to Article 9 of the Constitution,
a motion of concurrence was not adopted; and the Bishop of
Maryland offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House does not concur with the House of Deputies
in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 75, for the reason
that a matter of so great importance requires much fuller consideration
than it is possible, at this time, to give it;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Maryland offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following
change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be
made known to the several Dioceses, in order that it may be finally
agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with
the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Strike out Article 6 of the Constitution from its present place, and
insert the same as Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

ARTICLE 9.

The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Conven-
tion. The Court appointed for that purpose shall be composed of
Bishops only. In every Diocese, the mode of trying Presbyters and
Deacons may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese. None but
a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degra-
dation from the ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter,
or Deacon;

which was adopted. [The two resolutions communicated to the
House of Deputies by Message No. 114. See p. 176.]
The Bishop of Springfield offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Pastoral Letter shall consist of five members, four of whom shall be elected by the House of Bishops, and the fifth shall always be the Chairman of the House.

Resolved, That the draft of the Pastoral Letter, as far as practicable, shall be submitted to the House for its consideration not later than the twelfth day of the Session;

which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Rules of Order. [See p. 174.]

The Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Joint Commission on Christian Unity, presented the following report:

The Commission on Christian Unity respectfully report, that during the last three years there has come to them no invitation for fraternal conference with the official representatives of any Christian body. Nevertheless, they are not without hope that their services may be required in the immediate future.

It is also a matter of importance that the attitude of the Church, ever ready for conference on questions of organic unity, should be maintained. The following resolution is therefore offered, and its adoption asked:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Christian Unity be continued, under instructions to hold itself ready for fraternal correspondence with any other organized body of Christians of this land who seek to heal the wounds of the Body of Christ, and to report to the next General Convention all such correspondence, for such action as said General Convention may deem proper.

The Bishop of Delaware moved to insert after the word "correspondence," in line 3 of the resolution, the words "or otherwise"; which was not adopted.

The question being on the resolution contained in the report of the Committee, it was adopted. [See p. 183.]

The Bishop of Newark, from the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, presented the following report [see p. 155]:

REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom was referred Message No. 82 from the House of Deputies, transmitting the testimonials in favor of the Rev. James Bowen Funston, Bishop elect of the Missionary District of Boise, report that such testimonials are in conformity with the canonical requirements, and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions, to wit:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops consents to the consecration of the Rev. James Bowen Funston as Bishop of this Church, to exercise episcopal functions in the Missionary District of Boise, for which he has been elected, and requests the Presiding Bishop to take order for his consecration.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to communicate to the Board of Managers information of the election of the Rev. James Bowen Funston to be Missionary Bishop of Boise.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to inform the Bishop elect of his election. THOMAS A. STARKEY, Chairman.
On motion, the resolutions contained in the report of the Committee were adopted; and the Chairman appointed the Bishop of Southern Virginia and the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania to inform the Bishop elect of his election.

The Bishop of Newark, from the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, presented the following report [see p. 155]:

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom was referred Message No. 83 from the House of Deputies, transmitting the testimonials in favor of the Rev. William Hall Moreland, Bishop elect of the Missionary District of Sacramento, report that such testimonials are in conformity with the canonical requirements, and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions, to wit:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops consents to the consecration of the Rev. William Hall Moreland as Bishop of this Church, to exercise episcopal functions in the Missionary District of Sacramento, for which he has been elected, and requests the Presiding Bishop to take order for his consecration.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to communicate to the Board of Managers information of the election of the Rev. William Hall Moreland to be Missionary Bishop of Sacramento.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inform the Bishop elect of his election.

THOMAS A. STARKEY, Chairman.

On motion, the resolutions contained in the report of the Committee were adopted; and the Chairman appointed the Bishop of California and the Bishop of Los Angeles to inform the Bishop elect of his election.

The Bishop of Newark, from the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, presented the following report [see p. 156]:

REPORT NO. 3.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom was referred Message No. 84 from the House of Deputies, transmitting the testimonials in favor of the Rev. Samuel Cooke Edsall, D.D., Bishop elect of the Missionary District of North Dakota, report that such testimonials are in conformity with the canonical requirements, and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions, to wit:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops consents to the consecration of the Rev. Samuel Cooke Edsall, D.D., as Bishop of this Church, to exercise episcopal functions in the Missionary District of North Dakota, for which he has been elected, and requests the Presiding Bishop to take order for his consecration.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to communicate to the Board of Managers information of the election of the Rev. Samuel Cooke Edsall, D.D., to be Missionary Bishop of North Dakota.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to inform the Bishop elect of his election.

THOMAS A. STARKEY, Chairman.
HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

On motion, the resolutions contained in the report of the Committee were adopted; and the Chairman appointed the Bishop of Mississippi and the Bishop of Duluth to inform the Bishop elect of his election.

The Bishop of Lexington, from the Committee on Memorials and Petitions, presented the following report [see p. 139]:

REPORT No. 5.
Certain papers, containing a "Platform of American Principles," were referred to your Committee on Saturday last, which were hardly in the shape of a Memorial and which bore no signature to indicate their source.
Your Committee find themselves unable to recommend consideration of the resolutions embraced in the said papers, partly because on one of them the Church has already expressed her mind in a practical way; partly because the other opens up too large a subject for this late hour of the Convention.
We therefore respectfully ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

LEWIS W. BURTON, Secretary.

On motion, the Committee was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Bishop of South Dakota presented the following report [see p. 140]:

The Committee to which was referred the resolution in regard to the election of Missionary Bishops during the recess of the General Convention begs leave to present the following report, and asks its reference to the Committee on Canons.
While recognizing the difficulties in the way of any satisfactory provision to meet the necessities of the case, your Committee thinks that it ought to be possible to provide for such election otherwise than by the very costly, troublesome, and often ineffective method of calling all the Bishops together from all parts of our immense territory. Besides other evils attending them, our present methods have not infrequently resulted in serious injury to the missionary work and to the missionary spirit of the Church.
Your Committee ventures therefore to recommend the following amendments to the Canons, which, in its judgment, present the essential principle of the only reform in our procedure which can bring the desired relief:
Repeal Section 16 of Canon 19 of Title I. (see pp. 79 and 80 of the Digest), and insert in Section vi. and Section vii. of the same Canon (see pp. 64 and 66) as follows:
(a) Insert in Section vi. the following subsection between subsections 1 and 2, renumbering the following sections to correspond:
The House of Bishops shall, at each triennial meeting, elect a Nominating Committee of five Bishops to represent it, during the recess of the House of Bishops, in the nomination of a Domestic Missionary Bishop, under such regulations as it may prescribe. Any nomination made by this Committee shall follow the course provided in the case of
the election of a Bishop by a Diocese during the recess of the General Convention.

(b) Insert in Section vii. the following subsection between subsections 1 and 2, renumbering the following sections to correspond:

The House of Bishops shall, at each triennial meeting, elect a Nominating Committee of five Bishops to represent it, during the recess of the House of Bishops, in the nomination of a Foreign Missionary Bishop, under such regulations as it may prescribe. Any nomination made by this Committee shall follow the course provided in the case of the election of a Bishop by a Diocese during the recess of the General Convention.

On behalf of the Committee,

WILLIAM H. HARE, Chairman.

On motion, the recommendations contained in the foregoing report were referred to the Committee on Canons. [See p. 177.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested to consider the convenience of Bishops living at a distance from the place of meeting by arranging for the opening of special sessions of this House on Wednesdays;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Kentucky presented the following report [see p. 36]:

The Joint Committee to whom were referred the letters of the Presiding Bishop, communicating the resolutions of the last Lambeth Conference to our National Church, as requested by a resolution of that Conference, and communicating also the request of the Archbishop of Canterbury that this Church should take action with regard to the formation of a Consultative Body, begs leave to report: That, as this General Convention is an organized Body, and the Lambeth Conference only a voluntary meeting of Bishops of the Church of England and the Churches in communion with her, the Committee cannot recommend any formal action upon any of the resolutions.

The Committee calls special attention to certain points contained in them, as worthy of our careful consideration: the call to more earnest missionary zeal; the suggestion as to letters of commendation to be given to emigrants, and as to our care for them when they come to our shores; the adherence of the various legislative bodies of the different portions of the Church to the principle of consultation in the establishing of foreign Missionary Jurisdictions, in order to avoid conflict and confusion between Bishops of the one Communion in the same place; the recognition of the rightfulness and value of the reform movements in Roman Catholic countries, and especially, as chiefly concerning us, in Mexico and Brazil; the warm endorsement of the principle of international arbitration; the urgency to appoint committees of Bishops, where they have not been appointed, to watch for opportunities of united prayer and mutual conference among representatives of different Christian bodies; and, above all, the recognition of the Divine purpose of visible unity as a fact of revelation, and of the duty of special intercession for the unity of the Church in accordance with our Lord’s own prayer.

Referring to the proposal of the Archbishop as to the Consultative Body, your Committee would report:
First, That any recognition of the absolute unity of all portions of the Church of England and all the Churches in union with her is complementary, and in no wise antagonistic, to the other fact of equally catholic and primitive importance, namely, the autonomy of national Churches.

Secondly, That, although no questions have arisen in the hundred years and more of our independent existence as a national Church, when we have had need to ask advice or information about ecclesiastical affairs, the time might come when, in some matter connected with the interest of the entire Church, or in some matter bearing upon the new openings of Christian enterprise and work which confront the Church in America today, we might gladly avail ourselves of a Committee representing the Church which, more than any other Christian body in the world, has had to do with grave questions relating to racial and colonial differences and difficulties.

Thirdly, That, inasmuch as the need of such Consultative Body has been deeply felt by Bishops of the colonial and missionary Dioceses of the Church of England, it would be ungracious in us not to recognize their need, even though we have no sense of it among ourselves. At a time when, without any formal concordat or covenant, these two great English-speaking nations of the world are plainly drawing nearer and nearer to each other in sympathy and sense of common duty to the world; and when, in the providence of God, we are likely to be called upon to have a share in that advance movement by which the English peoples, the English language, and English civilization, the religion, the liberty, the system of law, which we hold in common with England, are to be potent factors in the advancement and advantage of the human race; it would seem especially unwise not to recognize the spirit of a proposal which is based upon the closeness of our union, as a Church, with the Church of our mother country.

But, inasmuch as the suggestion emanates from a voluntary Conference of Bishops only, which neither claims nor asks recognition as an organic representative of the Church, the Committee thinks that no action of this General Convention should be taken in regard to it, feeling that if the Bishops of this Church desire any of their number to be members of this Consultative Body, they will undoubtedly arrange among themselves some method of accepting the courteous invitation of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The Committee presents the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That this Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. U. DUDLEY, Chairman.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 121.]

On motion of the Bishop of New York, the House proceeded to the nomination and election of five Bishops to serve on the Committee on the Reconciliation of Alienated Congregations [see p. 157]. Nominations having been received, and the Bishop of Olympia and the Bishop of Oklahoma having been appointed tellers, the roll was called and the Bishops deposited their ballots; and the Bishop of Missouri, the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Western Michigan, and
the Bishop of New York were found to have received a majority of the votes, and were thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen as members of the Committee on the Reconciliation of Alienated Congregations. [See p. 175.]

The hour of noon having arrived, the Bishop of Southern Florida, at the request of the Chairman, bade the House to prayer for Missions.

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The Bishop of Tennessee, from the Committee on the Pastoral Letter, presented a draft of a Pastoral Letter; which, on motion, was accepted.

The House took a recess.

The House met after the recess.

The Bishop of Delaware offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the members of this House express to the Bishop of Washington their earnest congratulations upon the happy inauguration of his Cathedral project and their hearty prayers for God's constant and abundant blessing upon this part of his important work;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of Delaware, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report [see p. 169]:

REPORT No. 6.

The Committee on Rules of Order, to whom were referred the following resolutions, viz.:

1) Resolved, That the Committee on the Pastoral Letter shall consist of five members, four of whom shall be elected by the House of Bishops, and the fifth shall always be the Chairman of the House;

2) Resolved, That the draft of the Pastoral Letter, as far as practicable, shall be submitted to the House for its consideration not later than the twelfth day of the session;

would recommend the adoption of the following resolution, viz.:

Resolved, That there be added the following as General Rule number XXV. (the other General Rules being renumbered accordingly): At every General Convention there shall be elected a Committee of three Bishops, to be known as the Standing Committee on the Pastoral Letter, to which shall be referred all matters appertaining to such Letter and to its preparation. If practicable, a draft of the Letter shall be submitted to the House for its consideration not later than the twelfth day of its session.

LEIGHTON COLEMAN. Chairman.

On motion, the resolution contained in the Report of the Committee was adopted. [See p. 181.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 159]:
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In General Convention, Washington, 17th day of the Session, October 25, 1898.

Message No. 100.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 108, concerning the report of the Joint Commission on Archives.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 158]:

In General Convention, Washington, 17th day of the Session, October 25, 1898.

Message No. 101.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 107, concerning the proposed Article 1 of the Constitution, and has adopted by a constitutional majority the proposed Article 1 of the Constitution as communicated to this House in Message No. 107 from the House of Bishops.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

In General Convention, Washington, 17th day of the Session, October 25, 1898.

Message No. 102.
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 of five Bishops and five members of this House be appointed to take into consideration the question of the validity of the Orders of the Reformed Episcopal Church, and whether re-confirmation of the members of said Church, when they come into this Church, be necessary and desirable, and report their findings to the next General Convention of the Church.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in the foregoing Message; and it was voted, That the members of the Joint Committee, on the part of this House, be the Bishop of Missouri, the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Western Michigan, and the Bishop of New York, elected at this morning's session for a like purpose. [See p. 173. Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 117.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 167]:


IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session,
October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 103.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolutions contained in its Message No. 113, discharging the Joint Commission on a Uniform Pointing of the Canticles and Psalter, and authorizing the Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer to make corrections in the Canticles and Psalter.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 156]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session,
October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 104.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has declined to elect as Bishop of the Missionary District of Kyoto the Rev. George Calvin Hall, nominated to this House in Message No. 104 from the House of Bishops.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of West Virginia, the action of this House at this morning's session in non-concurring with the House of Deputies in regard to the resolution contained in Message No. 75 from that House, concerning the proposed Article 9 of the Constitution [see p. 168], was reconsidered.

The Bishop of Maryland offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The resolution containing Article 9 of the Constitution, as proposed by the House of Deputies, has reached this House at a time too late for proper consideration; therefore, without expressing full approval, and in order to secure time for further consideration, it is

Resolved, That this House concurs with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in Message No. 75 from that House;

which was adopted. [ Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 115. ]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report:

REPORT No. 32.
The Committee on Canons respectfully reports: That, in accordance with the provision of Title IV., Canon 2, § ii., it has appointed the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio and the Bishop of Vermont to certify, in connection with a Committee of the House of Deputies, the changes made in the Canons during this session of the General Convention. The Committee further requests that its appointments be communicated to the House of Deputies.

W. E. MCLAREN, Chairman.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.
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[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 124.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 164]:

REPORT No. 33.
The Committee on Canons, to which was referred Message No. 92 from the House of Deputies concerning the amendment of Title I., Canon 19, § x. [1] (p. 73 of the Digest), recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops does not concur with the House of Deputies in its Message No. 92, for the reason that certain portions of the amendment proposed in Title I., Canon 19, § x. [1], involve important changes in the intention of the Canon, and would, in the judgment of this House, rather furnish occasion for dissension than tend to conciliation.

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, Chairman.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 119.]

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 172]:

REPORT No. 34.
The Committee on Canons, to which was referred the report and accompanying resolution presented by the Special Committee concerning the election of Missionary Bishops, respectfully reports: That, in its judgment, the matter is too important for consideration by the House at this time; and recommends that the report and resolution be referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons.

W. E. McLAREN, Chairman.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.

The question being on the recommendation of the Committee, it was adopted.

The Bishop of Chicago, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report [see p. 151]:

REPORT No. 35.
The Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution offered by the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, Art. IX. (p. 139 of the Digest), is hereby amended by striking out the word "local" in the second line of the Article, so that it shall read: "The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint agents to represent the Society in different parts of the country," etc.

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. McLAREN, Chairman.

Attest: ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Secretary.
On motion, the resolution contained in the report of the Committee was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 118. See p. 183.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 96]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session, October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 105.

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

Resolved, That the House of Deputies does not concur with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 50.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 18, § 1., be amended so as to read as follows:

[1.] Whenever a Parish or Congregation shall be without a Minister, the Church Wardens, or other proper authority, without delay, shall notify the fact to the Ecclesiastical Authority, and shall take due measures for the maintenance of Divine Service in such Parish or Congregation until the election of a permanent Minister.

[2.] No election of a Rector or Minister shall be had until thirty days after his nomination by the body empowered to elect, which nomination shall at once be notified to the Bishop by the officers of the Parish or Congregation; Provided, however, that, with the consent of the Bishop, such election may take place immediately after such notification.

[3.] Written notice of such election, signed by the proper officers of the Parish or Congregation in the form hereinafter set forth, shall, without delay, be sent to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese. If the Ecclesiastical Authority be satisfied that the person so chosen is a duly qualified Minister, and that he has consented to accept the office, and that the Parish or Congregation has complied with the requirements of the laws of the State, if there be any, governing such an election, then, without delay, such notice shall be sent to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record the same. Such record shall be sufficient evidence of the relation between the Minister and the Parish or Congregation.

[4.] It is hereby required that, on the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form, or to this effect:

We, the Churchwardens [or, in case of an Assistant Minister, We, the Rector and Churchwardens], do certify to the Rt. Rev. [naming the Bishop], or to the Rev. [naming the President of the Standing Committee], that [naming the person] has been duly chosen Rector [or, Assistant Minister, as the case may be] of [naming the Parish or Church].

Which certificate shall be signed by the proper officers of the Parish or Congregation.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, it was voted, That this House do not concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the second resolution contained in the foregoing Message, for the reason that this House desires to refer the Message to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the
Canons. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 120.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio presented the following report [see p. 166]:

To the House of Bishops:

The Joint Committee appointed to examine all action on the proposed Constitution, and to report whether the action of the two Houses is in all respects complete and in proper constitutional form, begs leave to report: That it has attended to the duties imposed upon it, and finds that the action of the two Houses is in all respects complete and in proper constitutional form, and sufficient so far as concerns this General Convention for the repeal of the Title and of each and every Article of the present Constitution, and for the adoption of a new Title and of each and every of the eleven Articles of the proposed Constitution.

All which is respectfully submitted.

BOYD VINCENT.

JOHN H. EGAR.

FRANCIS LYNDE STETSON.

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,

Secretary House of Deputies.

SAMUEL HART,

Secretary House of Bishops.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session,
October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 106.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That, with the approval of the Presiding Officer of each of the two Houses of the General Convention of 1898, the Secretaries of the two Houses jointly correct and supply any errors or omissions which in their judgment are merely clerical or formal in the several resolutions amendatory of the Constitution adopted by the final concurrent action of the two Houses of the General Convention of 1898.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in the foregoing Message. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 122.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session,
October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 107.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Presiding Officer and the Secretary of each of the two Houses of the General Convention
of 1898 be and hereby they are authorized and directed to certify the final concurrent action of the two Houses of this Convention in respect of each of the Articles of the Constitution to be proposed for ratification by the General Convention of 1901, and in alteration, amendment, or repeal of any Article of the present Constitution, and that such certification shall be conclusive evidence that the action so certified is the final concurrent action in the premises of both of the Houses of the General Convention of 1898.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in the foregoing Message. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 122.]

The Bishop of Maryland offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That consent be given for the election of a Bishop of Kyoto during the recess of the General Convention, under the provisions of the Canons; which was adopted. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 116. See p. 182.]

The Bishop of Maryland offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That until the election and consecration of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Kyoto, that District shall be under the charge of the Bishop of Tokyo; which was adopted.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this House gratefully acknowledges the efficient, courteous, and always patient services of its Chairman, and recognizes their valuable contribution to the more prompt and careful accomplishment of its business.

Resolved, That to the Secretary and the Assistant Secretaries of this House our united thanks are due for services, always punctual, accurate, and obliging, for which we desire to express our cordial admiration.

Resolved, That to our dear brother, the Right Reverend the Bishop of Washington, his Clergy, and his People in this city, and to many others in Washington, to whom we are grateful debtors, we desire to express our heartfelt sense of manifold kindnesses, always to be cherished as among the most happy memories of the members of this House; which were adopted.

The Bishop of Kentucky offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, it has been represented to some of the Bishops attending this session of the General Convention that the grave of the first Bishop of Maryland, the Rt. Rev. Thomas John Claggett, is not guarded by a monument appropriate to perpetuate the memory of a man who bore such relation to the very beginnings of our ecclesiastical life; and
Whereas, there is eminent propriety that his remains shall rest within the precincts of the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul in this city; therefore,

Resolved. That a Committee of five Bishops shall be appointed by this House, to whom shall be entrusted the work of raising a sufficient fund and providing for the removal and reinterment of the remains at such place as may be agreed upon in consultation with the Bishop of Washington and the erection of a monument fitting to mark the grave of this Father of our Church, the first Bishop consecrated on the American Continent;

which was adopted; and the Chairman appointed the Bishop of West Virginia, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Maryland, the Bishop of Massachusetts, and the Bishop of Washington, as such Committee.

On motion, the House proceeded to the election of three Bishops to prepare the Pastoral Letter to be reported to this House at the next General Convention. [See p. 174.]

Nominations having been received, and the Bishop of Southern Florida and the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield having been appointed tellers, the roll was called and the Bishops deposited their ballots; and the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of New York, and the Bishop of Albany were found to have received a majority of the votes, and were thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen as members of the Committee.

On motion, the Chairman was authorized and empowered to fill any vacancy that may occur in this Committee before the meeting of the next General Convention.

A Committee of the House of Deputies, consisting of the Rev. Dr. Frederick P. Davenport of Tennessee and Mr. John A. King of Long Island, attended upon the House, and presented the following Message:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 17th Day of the Session, October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 108.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has completed its business, and, unless further communications are to be expected from the House of Bishops, stands ready to take a recess until eight o'clock this evening, when it will assemble with the House of Bishops to hear the Pastoral Letter and for the concluding devotions of the Convention.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 139]:
IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session,
October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 109.
The House of Deputies hereby transmits to the House of Bishops the testimonials in favor of the Rev. Junius Moore Horner, Missionary Bishop elect of Asheville.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the testimonials transmitted with the foregoing Message were referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops. [See below.]

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The Bishop of Southern Virginia, from the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, presented the following report:

REPORT No. 4.
The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom was referred Message No. 109 from the House of Deputies, transmitting the testimonials in favor of the Rev. Junius Moore Horner, Bishop elect of the Missionary District of Asheville, reports that such testimonials are in conformity with the canonical requirements, and recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops consents to the consecration of the Rev. Junius Moore Horner as Bishop of this Church, to exercise episcopal functions in the Missionary District of Asheville, for which he has been elected, and requests the Presiding Bishop to take order for his consecration.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to communicate to the Board of Managers information of the election of the Rev. Junius Moore Horner to be Missionary Bishop of Asheville.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to inform the Bishop elect of his election.

For the Committee,

A. M. RANDOLPH, Chairman pro tem.

On motion, the resolutions contained in the report of the Committee were adopted; and the Chairman appointed the Bishop of East Carolina and the Bishop of North Carolina to notify the Bishop elect of his election.

On motion of the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution was discharged from the further consideration of the resolution of the Bishop of East Carolina in reference to the meaning of the word "Diocese." [See p. 146.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 180]:

MESSAGE No. 110.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution con-
in its Message No. 116, concerning provision for the election of a Bishop for the Missionary Jurisdiction of Kyoto during the recess of the General Convention.

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies [see p. 177]:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, 
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session, 
October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 111.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 118 amending Title III., Canon 7, Article IX.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, 
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session, 
October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 112.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Christian Unity be continued, under instructions to hold itself ready for fraternal correspondence with any other organized body of Christians of this land who seek to heal the wounds of the Body of Christ, and to report to the next General Convention all such correspondence, for such action as said General Convention may deem proper.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in the foregoing Message. [See p. 169. Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 123.]

The Bishop of Chicago offered his resignation as a member of the Joint Committee on the Revision of the Canons; which, on motion, was not accepted.

The Chairman appointed, as the Committee to act with the Secretary in publishing the Journal, the Bishop of New York and the Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut.

The Secretary was instructed to notify the House of Deputies that this House has completed all its business requiring concurrent action, and is ready to take a recess until eight o'clock, and to adjourn without day after Divine service and the reading of the Pastoral Letter. [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 125.]
On motion, it was voted, That the House take a recess after the reading of the Minutes and the Benediction, until eight o'clock this evening; and that at that hour the House meet with the House of Deputies in the Church of the Epiphany for the closing service of the Convention and to hear the Pastoral Letter.

The Minutes of the day's session were read.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction, and the House took a recess.

The House met with the House of Deputies in Epiphany Church at eight o'clock, when the closing service of the Convention was held and the Pastoral Letter was read.

Divine service being ended, the House met in its own room.

On motion, the Minutes of the day's session were approved.

The Chairman briefly addressed the House.

The Chairman then pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned without day.

WILLIAM CROSWELL DOANE, Chairman.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.
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J. H. Denison,  
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1Taking the place of Mr. Mercur on the 12th day of the session.  
2Taking the place of Mr. Butler on the 14th day of the session.  
3Taking the place of Mr. Clement on the 13th day of the session.  
4Taking the place of the Rev. Dr. Stone on the 14th day of the session.  
5Taking the place of Mr. Brower on the 9th day of the session.
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* Taking the place of Mr. Bradford on the 17th day of the session.

* Taking the place of Mr. Bryan on the 7th day of the session.

* Taking the place of Mr. Stark on the 8th day of the session.
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    Milwaukee, Wis.               Milwaukee, Wis.

MINNESOTA.

The Rev. John J. Faudé, Mr. E. T. Wilder,
    Minneapolis.                  Redwing.
" Harry P. Nichols, " William H. Lightner,
" William P. Ten Broeck, " Hector Baxter,
    Faribault.                    Minneapolis.
" Charles C. Rollit, " Charles Horton,
    Redwing.                      Winona.

1Taking the place of the Rev. Dr. Jewell on the 13th day of the session.
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MISSISSIPPI.
“ Ebenezer Thompson, William W. Moore, Port Gibson.
“ George C. Harris, D.D., Marcellus Green, Jackson.
“ De Bernierre Waddell, Columbus.

MISSOURI.
The Rev. William Short, Mr. F. J. McMaster, St. Louis.
“ Carl N. Moller, John R. Triplett, St. Louis.
“ J. D. Ritchey, H. H. Denison, St. Louis.

NEBRASKA.
The Rev. John Williams, Mr. James M. Woolworth, LL.D., Omaha.
“ H. Percy Silver, Theodore L. Ringwalt, Omaha.
“ Robert Doherty, Clement Chase, Omaha.

NEWARK.
The Rev. George S. Bennitt, Mr. Cortlandt Parker, Newark, N. J.
“ William W. Davis, Henry Hayes, Newark, N. J.
“ Hackensack, N. J.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.
The Rev. Daniel C. Roberts, D.D., Mr. George L. Balcom, Claremont.
“ Luclus Waterman, D.D., James Garvin, Sanbornville.
“ James Goodwin, Nashua.

1 Taking the place of the Rev. Dr. Harris on the 6th day of the session.
2 Taking the place of Mr. Lesueur on the 11th day of the session.
3 Taking the place of the Rev. Dr. Colt on the 12th day of the session.
NEW JERSEY.

The Rev. Alfred B. Baker, D.D., Mr. John N. Carpender,

" Otis A. Glazebrook, D.D., " J. Howard Pugh, M.D.,
Elizabeth. Burlington.

" Alexander J. Miller, " Richard S Conover,
Asbury Park. South Amboy.

" Charles M. Perkins, " Edward R. Shubrick,
Salem. Camden.

NEW YORK.

The Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan,

" E. A. Hoffman, D.D., " W. Bayard Cutting,

" W. R. Huntington, D.D., " Francis L. Stetson,

" David H. Greer, D.D., " Cornelius Vanderbilt,

NORTH CAROLINA.

The Rev. Matthias M. Marshall, D.D., Mr. Richard H. Battle, LL.D.,
Raleigh. Raleigh.

" Francis J. Murdock, D.D., " John Wilkes,
Salisbury. Charlotte.

" Isaac McK. Pittenger, D.D., " Samuel S. Nash,
Raleigh. Tarboro.

" Junius M. Horner, " William L. London,

" Julius E. Ingle, " Henderson.

OHIO.

The Rev. E. W. Worthington, Mr. Samuel Mather,
Cleveland. Cleveland.

" C. S. Aves, " Thomas M. Sloane,
Cleveland. Sandusky.

" C. D. Williams, " J. O. Moss,
Norwalk. Sandusky.

" H. W. Jones, D.D., " H. C. Ranney,
Cleveland. Cleveland.

" Gambier.

OREGON.

The Rev. D. C. Garrett, Mr. George H. Hill,
Portland. Portland.

" W. E. Potwine, " R. Weeks,
Pendleton. Portland.

" William S. Short, " James Laidlaw,
Astoria. Portland.

" George B. Van Waters, " Frank Spittle,
Portland. Astoria.

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Pennsylvania.
" J. DeWolf Perry, D.D., Germantown, Philadelphia.
" H. Richard Harris, D.D., Philadelphia.
Mr. George C. Thomas, Philadelphia.
" James S. Biddle, Andalusia.
" J. Vaughan Merrick, Roxborough, Philadelphia.
" Francis A. Lewis, Philadelphia.

Pittsburgh.
" Robert W. Grange, Pittsburgh, Pa.
" Franklin S. Spalding, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mr. John W. Reynolds, Erie, Pa.
" Herbert Du Puy, Pittsburgh, Pa.
" George C. Burgwin, Pittsburgh, Pa.
" William D. Corcoran, Pittsburgh, Pa.
" James W. Brown, Erie, Pa.

Quincy.
" Walter H. Moore, Quincy, Ill.
" Sydney G. Jeffords, Peoria, Ill.
Mr. John W. Reynolds, Erie, Pa.
" W. H. Bouiface, Peoria, Ill.
" T. B. Martin, Galesburg, Ill.
" Edward J. Parker, Quincy, Ill.

Rhode Island.
" Emery H. Porter, Newport.
" George McClellan Fiske, D.D., Providence.
" Frederick J. Bassett, D.D., Providence.
Mr. John H. Stiness, Providence.
" John Nicholas Brown, Providence.
" Winslow Upton, Providence.
" George Gordon King, Newport.
" John H. DeWolf, Providence.

South Carolina.
The Rev. John Kershaw, Charleston.
" A. Toomer Porter, D.D., Charleston.
" Theodore DuB. Bratton, Spartanburg.
" Byron Holley, Greenville.
Mr. Robert W. Shand, Columbia.
" A. Markley Lee, Charleston.
" James Aldrich, Aiken.
" John R. London, Rock Hill.
" J. P. Kennedy Bryan, Charleston.

Taking the place of the Rev. Dr. McLure on the 16th day of the session.
Taking the place of Mr. Corcoran on the 11th day of the session.
Taking the place of Mr. King on the 12th day of the session.
Taking the place of Mr. Aldrich on the 4th day of the session.
SOUTHERN OHIO.

The Rev. Frank W. Baker, 
Cincinnati, O.  
Mr. E. Morgan Wood,  
Dayton, O.

" Y. Peyton Morgan,  
Dayton, O.  
" John L. Stettinium,  
Cincinnati, O.

" John H. Ely,  
Cincinnati, O.  
" John D. Van Deman,  
Delaware, O.

" Edwin F. Small,  
Clifton, Cincinnati, O.  
" Charles W. Short,  
Fern Bank, Hamilton Co., O.

" Alexander C. McCabe,  
Springfield, O.  
" Tasker Bosworth,  
Marietta, O.

SOUTHERN VIRGINIA.

The Rev. Beverley D. Tucker, D.D.,  
Norfolk, Va.  
Mr. W. W. Old,  
Norfolk, Va.

" John J. Lloyd, D.D.,  
Lynchburg, Va.  
" R. E. Withers,  
Wytheville, Va.

" R. J. McBryde, D.D.,  
Lexington, Va.  
" C. M. Blackford,  
Lynchburg, Va.

" Mercer P. Logan, D.D.,  
Wytheville, Va.  
" C. J. Faulkner,  
Boydton, Va.

SPRINGFIELD.

The Rev. Frederick W. Taylor, D.D.,  
Springfield, Ill.  
Mr. Miles F. Gilbert,  
Cairo, Ill.

" David W. Dresser, D.D.,  
Champaign, Ill.  
" William J. Allen,  
Springfield, Ill.

" Frederick A. DeRosset,  
Cairo, Ill.  
" Stephen A. Foley,  
Lincoln, Ill.

" Joseph G. Wright,  
Greenville, Ill.  
" Bluford Wilson,  
Springfield, Ill.

TENNESSEE.

The Rev. Frederick P. Davenport, D.D.,  
Memphis.  
Mr. G. M. Darrow,  
Murfreesboro.

" Samuel Ringgold, D.D.,  
Knoxville.  
" J. W. Caldwell,  
Knoxville.

" T. F. Martin,  
Nashville.  
" E. G. Richmond,  
Chattanooga.

" George Patterson, D.D.,  
Memphis.  
" B. L. Wiggins,  
Sewanee.

TEXAS.

The Rev. Charles M. Beckwith,  
Galveston.  
Mr. Alfred S. Richardson,  
Houston.

" George L. Crockett,  
San Augustine.  
" H. D. Nugent,  
Galveston.

" Henry D. Aves,  
Houston.  
" E. G. Hanricks,  
Waco.

" Benjamin A. Rogers,  
Houston Heights.  
" T. S. Maxey,  
Austin.

" William M. Jeffers, D.D.,  
Houston.  

Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Morgan on the 17th day of the session.

* Taking the place of Mr. Van Deman on the 9th day of the session.

* Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Beckwith on the 15th day of the session.
LIST OF MEMBERS.

VERMONT.

Mr. Henry Wells, Burlington.

Theodore B. Foster, Rutland.
Edward L. Temple, Rutland.

David L. Sanford, Bellows Falls.
Charles E. Parker, Vergennes.

William H. Collins, Brandon.
George Briggs, Brandon.

VIRGINIA.

Mr. Joseph Bryan, Richmond.

L. M. Blackford, Theological Seminary.

L. R. Mason, Richmond.
John G. Williams, Orange.

William Meade Clark, Richmond.
Joseph Wilmer, Theological Seminary.

WASHINGTON.

Mr. J. C. Bancroft Davis, Washington, D. C.

Randolph H. McKim, D.D., Washington, D. C.
Charles H. Stanley, Laurel, Md.

Alfred Harding, Washington, D. C.
William D. Baldwin, Washington, D. C.

Alexander Mackay-Smith, D.D., Washington, D. C.
Arthur S. Browne, Washington, D. C.

WEST MISSOURI.

The Rev. Cameron Mann, D.D., Kansas City, Mo.
Mr. George H. McCann, Springfield, Mo.

Robert Talbot, Kansas City, Mo.
John D. Richardson, Jr., St. Joseph, Mo.

John Henry Hopkins, St. Joseph, Mo.
Henry D. Ashley, Kansas City, Mo.

James Stewart-Smith, Kansas City, Mo.
Benjamin W. Zimmerman, Sedalia, Mo.

Taklng the place of Mr. Williams on the 11th day of the session.
Taking the place of Mr. Bryan on the 11th day of the session.
Taking the place of Mr. McCann on the 6th day of the session.
Taking the place of Mr. Richardson on the 6th day of the session.
WES T VIRGINIA.

The Rev. G. A. Gibbons, Romney.
" " S. S. Moore, D.D., Parkersburg.
" " J. Brittingham, Wheeling.
" " B. M. Spurr, Moundsville.
" " John S. Gibson,

Mr. Joseph Trapnell, Charles Town.
" G. A. Aschman, M.D., Wheeling.
" " John H. Peyton, Charleston.
" " William G. Peterkin, Parkersburg.

WESTERN MICHIGAN.

The Rev. Lewis Brown, Battle Creek, Mich.
" " James E. Wilkinson, Grand Haven, Mich.
" " John Newton Rippey, M.D., Mount Pleasant, Mich.

Mr. George Willard, Battle Creek, Mich.
" J. Davidson Burns, Kalamazoo, Mich.
" Horatio B. Lewis, Elk Rapids, Mich.
" Jacob Kleinhaus, Grand Rapids, Mich.

WESTERN NEW YORK.

" " Francis Lobdell, D.D., Buffalo, N. Y.
" " W. D'Orville Doty, D.D., Rochester, N. Y.
" " Charles H. Smith, D.D., Buffalo, N. Y.

Mr. Rufus A. Sibley, Rochester, N. Y.
" " William H. Walker, Buffalo, N. Y.
" " W. H. Adams, Canandaigua, N. Y.
" " Harlow C. Curtis, Buffalo, N. Y.

Selden S. Brown,

Scottsville, N. Y.

DELEGATES FROM MISSIONARY JURISDICTIONS.

ARIZONA.

The Rev. Edwin A. Penick, Mr. John J. Hawkins,
" Henry A. Brown,

Phoenix.

Prescott.

ASHEVILLE.

The Rev. Rodney R. Swope, D.D., Mr. Silas McBee,
" Churchill Satterlee,

Biltmore, North Carolina. New York, N. Y.

Morganton, North Carolina.

¹Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Spurr on the 8th day of the session.
²Taking the place of Mr. Curtis on the 9th day of the session.
³Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Penick on the 8th day of the session.
⁴Taking the place of the Rev. Dr. Swope on the 18th day of the session.
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DULUTH.
The Rev. Albert W. Ryan, Mr. J. Eton Bowers, M.D.,
Duluth, Minn. Duluth, Minn.

IDAHO.
The Rev. Charles E. Deuel, Mr. G. H. Durbrow,
Boise. Pocatello.

MONTANA.
The Rev. S. C. Blackiston, Mr. W. G. Conrad,
Butte. Great Falls.

NEVADA AND UTAH.
The Rev. W. Emott Maison, Mr. J. F. Kent,
Ogden, Utah.

NEW MEXICO.
The Rev. M. Cabell Martin, Mr. L. Bradford Prince, LL.D.,
El Paso, Tex. Santa Fe.

NORTH DAKOTA.
The Rev. T. H. M. V. Appleby, Mr. B. S. Russell,
St. Paul, Minn. Jamestown.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA.
The Rev. William Boillard, Mr. A. A. Van Voorhies,
Vallejo, Cal. Sacramento, Cal.

OKLAHOMA AND INDIAN TERRITORY.
The Rev. Albert B. Nicholas, Mr. C. A. Morris,
Guthrie, Okla. T. Perry, Okla. T.

OLYMPIA.
The Rev. J. P. D. Llwyd, Mr. Charles McCutcheon, M.D.,
Seattle, Wash. Tacoma, Wash.

SOUTH DAKOTA.
The Rev. Edward Ashley, Mr. D. W. C. Fowler, M.D.,
Cheyenne River Agency. Aberdeen.

SOUTHERN FLORIDA.
The Rev. Gilbert Higgs, D.D., Mr. W. C. Comstock,
Key West, Fla. Winter Park, Fla.

SPOKANE.
The Rev. Francis L. Palmer, Mr. William Goodyear,

THE PLATTE.
The Rev. George A. Beecher, Mr. Oswald Oliver,
WESTERN COLORADO.

The Rev. O. E. Ostensen, Mr. S. J. DeLau,

WESTERN TEXAS.

The Rev. A. W. Burroughs, Mr. W. O. Hutchison,
Victoria, Tex. San Marcos, Tex.

WYOMING.

The Rev. George C. Rafter, D.D., Mr. John W. Angus,
Cheyenne, Wyo. Pasadena, Cal.

TOKYO.

The Rev. J. Lindsay Patton. Mr. Henry Laning, M.D.

CHURCHES IN EUROPE.

Rome, Italy. " F. W. Rhinelander."

"Taking the place of Mr. Whitehouse on the 6th day of the session."

First Day.

Church of the Epiphany, Washington, D. C.,
Wednesday, October 5, 1898.

This being the day designated by the Constitution for holding a meeting of the General Convention, the Bishops and Deputies elect assembled, agreeably to the appointment of the last triennial meeting of the Convention, in the city of Washington, in the Church of the Epiphany.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop of Minnesota, assisted by the Bishop of Maine, and others. The sermon was preached by the Bishop of Missouri.

3.30 P.M.

The credentials of those who attended as members-elect of the House of Deputies were received and recorded by the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins, Secretary.

Whereupon the names were called, and the following members took their seats:

Clerical Deputies.

Alabama. — The Rev. Dr. Cobbs, and The Rev. Mr. Whittaker.


HOUSE OF DEPUTIES.

TENNESSEE. — The Rev. Dr. Davenport and the Rev. Mr. Martin.
VERMONT. — The Rev. Dr. Bles, and the Rev. Messrs. Foster, Sanford, and Collins.
VIRGINIA. — The Rev. Mr. Nelson, the Rev. Dr. Walker, and the Rev. Mr. Clarke.
WASHDINGTON. — The Rev. Drs. Elliott, McKim, and Mackay-Smith, and the Rev. Mr. Harding.

LAY DEPUTIES.

ALABAMA. — Messrs. Fitts and Tyler.
ALBANY. — Messrs. Pell-Clarke, and Hasbrouck.
ARKANSAS. — Messrs. Roots, Reeves, and Trulock.
CALIFORNIA. — Messrs. Droun and Neale.
CENTRAL NEW YORK. — Messrs. Moss, McWhorter, Hubbard, and Andrews.
CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA. — Messrs. Butler, Mercur, and Clement.
CHICAGO. — Messrs. Lyman, Fuller, Brower, and Ryerson.
COLORADO. — Mr. Trimble.
CONNECTICUT. — Messrs. Mansfield, Goodwin, and Seymour.
DALLAS. — Mr. Sparrow.
EAST CAROLINA. — Messrs. Lamb, Roberts, Calder, and Bryan.
EASTON. — Messrs. Walker and Collins.
FLORIDA. — Messrs. Fairbanks, Knight, and Hampton.
FOND DU LAC. — Mr. Pradt.
GEORGIA. — Messrs. Miller, Bullock, and Estill.
IOWA. — Messrs. Henry and Thomas.
KANSAS. — Messrs. Stimpson and Skinner.
KENTUCKY. — Messrs. Covington, Robinson, and Rankin.
LEXINGTON. — Messrs. Hewitt, Wolcott, and Dudley.
LONG ISLAND. — Messrs. King, Pierrepont, and Rapelye.
LOS ANGELES. — Mr. Phillips.
LOUISIANA. — Messrs. Forsyth, McConnell, and Westfeldt.
MARQUETTE. — Mr. White.
MISSIONARY JURISDICTIONS.

CLERICAL DELEGATES.

ASHVILLE. — The Rev. Dr. Swope.
DULUTH. — The Rev. Mr. Ryan.
IDAHO. — The Rev. Mr. Deuel.
NEW MEXICO. — The Rev. Mr. Martin.
NORTH DAKOTA. — The Rev. Mr. Appleby.
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. — The Rev. Mr. Bollard.
OKLAHOMA. — The Rev. Mr. Nicholas.
OLYMPIA. — The Rev. Mr. Llwyd.
SOUTH DAKOTA. — The Rev. Mr. Ashley.
WESTERN COLORADO. — The Rev. Mr. Ostensen.
WESTERN TEXAS. — The Rev. Mr. Burroughs.
TOKYO. — The Rev. Mr. Patton.

LAY DELEGATES.

ASHVILLE. — Mr. McBee.
DULUTH. — Mr. Bowers.
OKLAHOMA. — Mr. Morris.
OLYMPIA. — Mr. McCutcheon.
SOUTH DAKOTA. — Mr. Fowler.
SOUTHERN FLORIDA. — Mr. Comstock.
WYOMING. — Mr. Hugus.
The Secretary having declared that a majority of the Dioceses were represented, agreeably to the requirement of Article 1 of the Constitution, on motion, the House proceeded to the election of a President.

The Rev. Dr. McKim of Washington nominated the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., of New York. No other nominations being received, on motion of Mr. Fairbanks of Tennessee, the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the House for the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., as President.

The Secretary, having executed the order of the House, declared the Rev. Dr. Dix to have been elected President, and the Rev. Dr. Mackay-Smith of Washington and Mr. Neale of California were appointed to conduct the President to the Chair. The President, on taking his seat, addressed the House, as follows:

"Brethren and Gentlemen of the House of Deputies:

For five successive Conventions, and twice, I think, by a unanimous vote, you have chosen me to preside over the sessions of this House. I cannot adequately express my gratitude for your kindness, nor can I too highly appreciate this proof of your esteem and regard. As heretofore, so now, I shall endeavour, with the help of God, to discharge the duties of this office in such manner as to retain what has been for years a valued possession—the assurance of the confidence of these my beloved brethren and friends.

Anticipating my selection for the office of President as a possible result of your action to-day, I long deliberated with myself whether it would be best to accept the nomination once again. There were reasons why it would not have been discourteous to decline to serve; but, after due consideration, I concluded to accept the office on one condition, that this should be for the last time. I am quite sure that it will be better that some one else should be chosen hereafter to take my place; and I now wish it to be understood distinctly, that if we meet three years hence, another must be your presiding officer.

Looking around me upon this body, I think that no one could fail to be impressed by the great changes that have taken place in its make-up. The Secretary informs me that the number of new members is unusually large. Some of our brethren of the Clergy have been elevated to higher positions in the Church; many others of the Clergy and Laity have passed into the spiritual city. But you who are here present have the

1 The President's address is printed in full at the request of the House. (see p. 306.)
same thoughts that were in their hearts; the same love for the Church of Christ; the same grave sense of responsibility for the trust committed to your charge; the same desire to do your duty as loyal and faithful men, to God, to the Church, to the brethren.

We meet in a notable place,—in the capital of this great nation; in the city on which the eyes of the whole people are fixed during a great part of every year; towards which the nations of the world are now looking with an interest not hitherto felt, nor altogether without apprehension, and in wonder what is to come; in a city where the symbols of supreme power—legislative, executive, and judicial—are before us on every hand. The circumstances by which we are surrounded may well arouse, stimulate, inspire. We feel that this Convention must not adjourn before it has done something distinctly for the Kingdom of the Lord, the benefit of our fellowmen, the glory of Almighty God. It would never do for us to waste these precious weeks in idle talk, in discussions leading to no practical results, in the ventilation of individual opinions and personal ideas of no value in the sight of God or man.

I have always thought, and now desire to emphasize the view, that a presiding officer, elected as your President is, should never attempt, by word or deed, to influence the deliberations of the House. Absolute impartiality, and so far as is possible, sequestration from the currents which flow through this House, are his first and bounden duty. But yet there are points on which the President may say a few words without impropriety. He may call your attention to the value of time. He may remind you that there are deputies here who have come from great distances, and with risk to their business interests. He may refer to the charm of modesty on the part of new members, who, though with the best intentions, have been known to retard the progress of business merely through want of acquaintance with our methods of procedure. He may urge the importance of a rigid adherence to our rules of order and our old traditions. Bearing these things in mind, let us hope that this will be a thorough, business-like Convention, one which may take rank with the most useful in our history.

With renewed expression of gratitude and esteem, I accept the election which you have so courteously renewed, and in reliance on the help of God, I now, once more, take my place as your President.

The House proceeded to the election of a Secretary.

Mr. Roots of Arkansas nominated the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins of Massachusetts. No other nominations being received, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Trew of Los Angeles, the first Assistant Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the House for the Rev. Charles L. Hutchins, as Secretary. The Assistant Secretary having executed the order of the House, the President declared the Rev. Mr. Hutchins to have been elected Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Fairbanks of Florida, it was

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to wait upon the House of Bishops and inform that House of the organization of this House and its readiness to proceed to business.
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The President appointed, as members of such committee, the Rev. Dr. McKim of Washington and Mr. Curtis of Delaware.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Elliott of Washington, it was

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops, relating to the revision of the Constitution, appointed at the last Convention, be made the order of the day immediately after Constitution 1, proposed in the last Convention and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, shall have been disposed of.

[For the report of the Committee, see Appendix XIII.]
[For the consideration of the report, see p. 224, etc.]

On motion of the same gentleman, it was

Resolved, That Constitution 1, proposed in the last Convention, be made the order of the day for to-morrow at 11 A.M., and continue the order of the day until disposed of.

[For the consideration of the amendment, see p. 219.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 1st day of the Session, October 5, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 1.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has completed its organization by the election of the Bishop of Albany as Chairman and the Rev. Samuel Hart of Connecticut as Secretary, and that it is ready to proceed to business.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The President presented a communication from the representative of the Philippine Islands, which, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Fulton of Pennsylvania, was referred to a committee consisting of the Rev. Mr. Forrester of Mexico and Mr. McConnell of Louisiana. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 217.]

The Rev. Dr. Elliott presented the Report of the Committee (appointed at the last meeting of the Convention) on the Messages of the House of Bishops relating to the revision of the Constitution. [See Appendix XIII.]

The Secretary presented an invitation from the Bishop of Washington and Mrs. Satterlee to a reception at the Episcopal residence on Thursday evening, October the sixth.

The Secretary presented an invitation from the Churchman's League of the District of Columbia to a pilgrimage to Jamestown, the cradle of the American Church.
On motion of the Rev. Dr. McKim of Washington, it was

Resolved, That to enable members of this House to attend a commemorative service at the Old Church at Jamestown, Virginia, the cradle of the American Church, this House will hold no session on Saturday, October 15.

Resolved, That the thanks of the House be tendered the Churchman's League of the District of Columbia for their invitation.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Crockett of Texas, it was

Resolved, That the President communicate to the Presiding Bishop the deep regret of the House of Deputies that he is unable to be present at the General Convention, with their sincere wishes for his recovery to health.

On motion of Mr. Wilmer of Maryland, it was

Resolved, That the House of Deputies hold daily sessions from nine o'clock A.M., to five o'clock P.M., with a recess of two hours beginning at one o'clock; but that on each Saturday the session shall close at one o'clock.

The Secretary announced his appointment of the Rev. Henry Anstice, D.D., of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Edward W. Worthington of Ohio, the Rev. Carroll M. Davis of Missouri, and the Rev. William C. Prout of Albany, as Assistant Secretaries. On motion, the appointments were approved.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 1st day of the Session,
October 5, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 2.
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 accept the invitation of the Churchman's League of Washington to a pilgrimage to Jamestown, Virginia, on Saturday, the fifteenth instant.

Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Biddle of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the Rules of Order, as printed in the Appendix to the Journal of the last Convention, be adopted as the rules of this House.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Worthington of Ohio, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Deputation from the Canadian Church to this Convention be received by the two Houses, sitting together, on Friday at 10.30 A.M.

The President appointed as members, on the part of this House, of the Committee to wait upon the Deputation from the Canadian
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Church and escort them to the House, the Rev. Dr. Green of Iowa, the Rev. Dr. Sills of Maine, Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska, and Mr. White of Marquette. [See p. 229.]

On motion, the House adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, October 6, 1898.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. McKim of Washington, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Lobdell of Western New York, it was

Resolved, That the calling of the roll be dispensed with for the remainder of the session, and members who have not yet responded to the roll-call may hand their names to the Secretary.

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

The following members, not present at yesterday's session, appeared and took their seats:

Messrs. Earl and Trask of Albany; Mr. North of Central Pennsylvania; the Rev. Mr. Wickens of Dallas; Mr. Fleming of Florida; the Rev. Mr. Pise of Georgia; Mr. Macomb of Kansas; Mr. Johnson of Kentucky; the Rev. Mr. McCready of Lexington; the Rev. Mr. Moore of Louisiana; the Rev. Mr. Jewell of Marquette; Mr. Carter of Maryland; the Rev. Mr. Ten Broeck and Mr. Baxter of Minnesota; the Rev. Mr. Aves and the Rev. Dr. Jones of Ohio; Mr. Parker of Newark; Mr. Faulkner of Southern Virginia; the Rev. Dr. Patterson of Tennessee; the Rev. Mr. Mason of Virginia; Mr. Ashley of West Missouri; and Mr. Peterkin of West Virginia; and the following delegates from Missionary Jurisdictions: Mr. Durbrow of Idaho; the Rev. Mr. Blackiston of Nevada and Utah; and the Rev. Dr. Rafter of Wyoming.

The President announced the appointment of the following Standing Committees:

ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Rev. Dr. Duncan of Louisiana; the Rev. Dr. Barnwell of Alabama; the Rev. Mr. Lockwood of Arkansas; the Rev. Dr. Enos of Albany; the Rev. Mr. Moreland of California; the Rev. Dr. Brunhard of Central New York; the Rev. Dr. Powers of Central Pennsylvania; the Rev. Mr. Keator of Chicago; the Rev. Mr. Ohl of Colorado; the Rev. Mr. Raftery of Connecticut; the Rev. Mr. Wickens of Dallas; the
Rev. Mr. Hall of Delaware; the Rev. Mr. Harding of East Carolina; the Rev. Dr. Murphy of Easton; the Rev. Dr. Shields of Florida; the Rev. Mr. Weller of Fond du Lac; the Rev. Mr. Reese of Georgia; the Rev. Mr. McKenzie of Indiana; the Rev. Dr. Cathell of Iowa; the Rev. Mr. Watkins of Kansas; the Rev. Dr. Minnigerode of Kentucky; the Rev. Mr. Lewis of Lexington; the Rev. Mr. Breed of Long Island; the Rev. Dr. Easter of Los Angeles; the Rev. Dr. Sills of Maine; the Rev. Mr. Curzon of Marquette; the Rev. Dr. Harrison of Maryland; the Rev. Dr. Vinton of Massachusetts; the Rev. Mr. MacLean of Michigan; the Rev. Dr. Jewell of Milwaukee; the Rev. Mr. Ten Broeck of Minnesota; the Rev. Mr. Thompson of Mississippi; the Rev. Mr. Hatch of Missouri; the Rev. Mr. Williams of Nebraska; the Rev. Dr. Holley of Newark; the Rev. Dr. Waterman of New Hampshire; the Rev. Dr. Glazebrook of New Jersey; the Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York; the Rev. Dr. Murdock of North Carolina; the Rev. Mr. Worthington of Ohio; the Rev. Mr. Potwine of Oregon; the Rev. Dr. Perry of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Mr. Grange of Pittsburgh; the Rev. Mr. Moore of Quincy; the Rev. Dr. Fiske of Rhode Island; the Rev. Dr. Porter of South Carolina; the Rev. Mr. Ely of Southern Ohio; the Rev. Dr. Lloyd of Southern Virginia; the Rev. Dr. Dresser of Springfield; the Rev. Dr. Ringgold of Tennessee; the Rev. Mr. Beckwith of Texas; the Rev. Mr. Collins of Vermont; the Rev. Dr. Walker of Virginia; the Rev. Dr. Mackay-Smith of Washington; the Rev. Mr. Talbot of West Missouri; the Rev. Mr. Gibbons of West Virginia; the Rev. Mr. Brown of Western Michigan; the Rev. Dr. Smith of Western New York.

ON THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Rev. Dr. Carey of Albany; the Rev. Dr. Prall of Michigan; the Rev. Dr. Baker of New Jersey; the Rev. Dr. Leffingwell of Quincy; the Rev. Dr. Cooper of Long Island; the Rev. Dr. McLure of Pittsburgh; the Rev. Dr. Bodine of Pennsylvania; Mr. King of Long Island; Mr. Merrick of Pennsylvania; Mr. McWhorter of Central New York; Mr. Hayes of Newark; Mr. Parker of Colorado; Mr. King of Rhode Island.

ON MISSIONS.

The Rev. Mr. Leffingwell of Maine; the Rev. Mr. Seabrease of Indiana; the Rev. Dr. McKim of Washington; the Rev. Dr. McConnell of Long Island; the Rev. Mr. Short of Oregon; the Rev. Mr. Short of Virginia; the Rev. Dr. Bratton of South Carolina; the Rev. Dr. Lobdell of Western New York; Mr. Brown of Rhode Island; Mr. Mcbee of Asheville; Mr. Bryan of Virginia; Mr. Pierrepoint of Long Island; Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania; Mr. Reynolds of Pittsburgh.

ON THE ADMISSION OF NEW DIOCESES.

The Rev. Dr. Richards of Rhode Island; the Rev. Dr. Carmichael of East Carolina; the Rev. Dr. Lindsay of Massachusetts; the Rev. Mr. Restarick of Los Angeles; the Rev. Dr. McBryde of Southern Virginia; the Rev. Mr. Short of Oregon; the Rev. Mr. Nichols of Minnesota; Mr. Wilson of Maryland; Mr. Perry of Fond du Lac; Mr. Peil-Clarke of Albany; Mr. Paine of Massachusetts; Mr. Alleu of Springfield; Mr. Mercier of Central Pennsylvania.

ON THE CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York; the Rev. Dr. Jones of Central Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Western New York; the Rev. Mr. Strong of Georgia; the Rev. Dr. Tucker of Southern Virginia; the Rev. Dr. Cornell of Iowa; the Rev. Dr. Harris of Pennsylvania; Mr. Robinson of Kentucky; Mr. Bradford of Delaware; Mr. Goldsborough of
Easton; Mr. Shand of South Carolina; Mr. Caldwell of Tennessee; Mr. Burgwin of Pittsburgh.

ON AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.
The Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York; the Rev. Dr. Elliott of Washington; the Rev. Mr. Faudé of Minnesota; the Rev. Dr. Stone of Chicago; the Rev. Dr. Edgar of Central New York; the Rev. Dr. Roberts of New Hampshire; Mr. Wilder of Minnesota; Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska; Mr. Mills of Newark; Mr. Stiness of Rhode Island; Mr. Miller of Georgia; Mr. McConnell of Louisiana; Mr. Trapnell of West Virginia.

ON CANONS.
The Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee; the Rev. Dr. Eccleston of Maryland; the Rev. Dr. Mann of West Missouri; the Rev. Dr. Taylor of Springfield; the Rev. Dr. Fulton of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Mr. Olmsted of Central New York; Mr. Lyman of Chicago; Mr. Battle of North Carolina; Mr. Lightner of Minnesota; Mr. Stetson of New York; Mr. Saunders of Massachusetts; Mr. Earl of Albany; Mr. Stanley of Washington.

ON EXPENSES.
Mr. Sowdon of Massachusetts; the Rev. Mr. Spalding of California; the Rev. Mr. Knight of Georgia; the Rev. Mr. Lines of Connecticut; Mr. Moss of Central New York; Mr. Stettinius of Southern Ohio; Mr. Mather of Ohio; Mr. Roots of Arkansas; Mr. Wilmer of Virginia; Mr. Triplett of Missouri; Mr. Carpenter of New Jersey; Mr. Goodwin of Connecticut; Mr. White of Marquette.

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.
The Rev. Dr. Beatty of Kansas; the Rev. Mr. Bonnitt of Newark; the Rev. Dr. Sweet of Quincy; the Rev. Mr. Short of Missouri; the Rev. Mr. Baker of Southern Ohio; the Rev. Dr. Van Antwerp of Western Michigan; the Rev. Mr. Foley of Central Pennsylvania; Mr. Skiddy of Connecticut; Mr. Hanrich, of Texas; Mr. Lamb of East Carolina; Mr. Walker of Western New York; Mr. Wilkes of North Carolina; Mr. Bullock of Georgia.

ON ELECTIONS.
The Rev. Dr. Marshall of North Carolina; the Rev. Dr. Fair of Nebraska; the Rev. Dr. Parks of Massachusetts; the Rev. Dr. Doty of Western New York; the Rev. Dr. Moore of West Virginia; the Rev. Dr. Waters of Louisiana; the Rev. Dr. Trew of Los Angeles; Mr. Morehouse of Milwaukee; Mr. Davis of Massachusetts; Mr. Withers of Southern Virginia; Mr. Griffin of New Hampshire; Mr. Wood of Southern Ohio; Mr. Droun of California.

ON THE PRAYER BOOK.
The Rev. Dr. Perkins of Kentucky; the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany; the Rev. Dr. Hodges of Maryland; the Rev. Dr. Gold of Chicago; the Rev. Dr. Christian of Newark; the Rev. Mr. Foute of California; the Rev. Dr. Maxon of Pittsburgh; Mr. Biddle of Pennsylvania; Mr. Parker of Newark; Mr. Temple of Vermont; Mr. Morgan of New York; Mr. Davis of Washington; Mr. Upton of Rhode Island.

ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.
The Rev. Dr. Bliss of Vermont; the Rev. Dr. Jones of Ohio; the Rev. Dr. Doherty of Nebraska; the Rev. Dr. Gardner of Fond du Lac; the Rev. Dr. Greer of New York; the Rev. Dr. Hodges of Massachu-
setts; the Rev. Dr. Colt of New Hampshire; Mr. Curtis of Delaware; Mr. Fairbanks of Florida; Mr. Brown of Maine; Mr. Wiggins of Tennessee; Mr. Blackford of Virginia; Mr. Trask of Albany.

ON MEMORIALS OF DECEASED MEMBERS.
The Rev. Dr. Alsop of Long Island; the Rev. Mr. Vaux of Arkansas; the Rev. Mr. De Rosset of Springfield; the Rev. Mr. McKim of Delaware; the Rev. Mr. McCarroll of Michigan; the Rev. Mr. Nelson of Virginia; the Rev. Mr. Chapin of Lexington; Mr. Covington of Kentucky; Mr. Forsyth of Louisiana; Mr. Henry of Iowa; Mr. Morgan of Dallas; Mr. Martin of Indiana; Mr. Williamson of Quincy.

ON RULES OF ORDER.
The President of the House, ex officio; Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska; Mr. Packard of Maryland; Mr. Stetson of New York; Mr. Withers of Southern Virginia; the Rev. Dr. Elliott of Washington.

The President presented to the House the Report of the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer [see Appendix IX.], and, on motion, the resolutions appended thereto were referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 251.]

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York presented the Report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, appointed at a previous meeting of the Convention, which, on his motion, was made the order of the day when the existing orders are disposed of. [For the report, see Appendix XII.]

Mr. Fairbanks of Florida presented a memorial of the late Mr. F. S. Knight of that Diocese; Mr. Carpenter of New Jersey presented a memorial of the late Mr. Clifford S. Sims of that Diocese; Mr. Hubbard of Central New York presented a memorial of the late Mr. W. M. White of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Maxon of Pittsburgh presented a memorial of the late Mr. Hill Burgwin of that Diocese; Mr. McConnell of Louisiana presented a memorial of the late Mr. H. C. Minor of that Diocese; the Rev. Mr. Knight of Georgia presented a memorial of the late Rev. A. G. L. Dodge, Jr., of that Diocese; the Rev. Mr. Seabrooke of Indiana presented a memorial of the late Rev. J. H. Ranger of that Diocese; the Rev. Mr. Kershaw of South Carolina presented a memorial of the late Rev. James M. Stoney of that Diocese; the Rev. Mr. Knight of Georgia presented a memorial of the late Mr. W. W. Montgomery of that Diocese; all of which memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of
Deceased Members. [For the report of the Committee, see Appendix XI.]

Mr. Fairbanks of Florida presented a memorial from the Council of that Diocese, praying for the amendment of Title I., Canon 19; which memorial was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Canons. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 250.]

The Rev. Dr. Cobbs of Alabama presented a similar memorial on the same subject for the Council of that Diocese, which was referred to the same Committee. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 250.]

Mr. Whitehouse, delegate from the American Churches in Europe, presented a memorial praying for better provision for the episcopal oversight of the American Churches in foreign countries; which memorial was placed on the Calendar. [For the consideration of the memorial, see p. 240.]

The Rev. Mr. Seabrease of Indiana presented a memorial from the Convention of that Diocese, praying for a division of the Diocese, and the setting off a portion of the same as a Missionary District, which memorial was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [For the report of the Committee, see pp. 281, 317.]

The Rev. Dr. Taylor of Springfield offered the following preambles and resolutions, which were placed on the Calendar:

WHEREAS, The wide-spread and increasing evil of divorce is corrupting the social and family life of the American people, and is an offence against good morals and a menace to the stability of the social institutions of this nation; and

WHEREAS, Action by statute or otherwise has been taken in some twenty-nine States and one Territory since 1890, creating Commissions for the promotion of Uniform Legislation in the United States on the subject of divorce; therefore

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church hereby records its solemn denunciation of the rapidly growing corruption of social and family life which has its root in a lax regard for the marriage bond, and in the facility afforded for divorce for a large number of causes in all but two of the States in the Union.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the moral support of this Convention is hereby pledged to all efforts of State Legislatures, or of other bodies to render uniform the Divorce Legislation of the several States, to lessen the number of causes for which divorces may be obtained, and to bring such legislation more into conformity with the principles of pure morality as applied to the marriage relation.

[These resolutions were subsequently referred to a Special Committee, see p. 357.]
The Rev. Mr. Bollard, delegate from the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern California, presented a memorial, praying that said Jurisdiction be constituted a Diocese; which memorial was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 226.]

Mr. Stotsenburg of Indiana offered the following preambles and resolution, which were placed on the Calendar:

WHEREAS, War is cruel, inhuman, and unchristian, and it is the duty of the Church, in obedience to the precepts of Christ, its founder and head, to guide nations into the path of perpetual peace; and

WHEREAS, The Tsar of Russia has asked for a conference of the Christian powers to consider the question of a general disarmament; therefore

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That it is the earnest desire of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in General Convention assembled, that the Government of the United States shall instruct its commissioners or delegates to said Congress of Nations, when appointed, to recommend to said Congress a plan for the establishment of a permanent International Court, to which shall be referred all questions of difference which may arise between nations or between a nation and those in rebellion or revolution against it when such questions cannot be settled by mutual concession, compromise, or arbitration, with power vested in said tribunal as a Court of last resort, to hear and finally determine all such questions, and to enforce its orders, judgments, and decrees, whenever necessary, by the whole power of united Christendom.

[For the consideration of the resolution, see pp. 227, 269, 332.]

The Rev. Dr. Mann of West Missouri offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Special Committee to be appointed on the place of the next meeting of the General Convention:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the next General Convention be held in Kansas City, Missouri.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 273.]

The Rev. Mr. Short of Missouri offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following expression of appreciation be transmitted to the Tsar of Russia;

The Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, in General Convention assembled, hails with joy your Majesty's recent overture for a better understanding among the nations, and earnestly hopes that it may be the means of introducing the law method for the settling of international difficulties, and so to hasten on the universal rule of the Prince of Peace.

[For the consideration of the resolution, see pp. 227, 269, 332.]
The Rev. Dr. McKim of Washington offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be requested to consider and report to this House a new section, to be inserted in Title II., Canon 13, stating what marriages are disallowed by the Word of God and the discipline of the Church Catholic, because of the impediments of consanguinity and affinity.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 371.]

The Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar [see p. 240]:

Resolved, That on the consideration of the Canons on Marriage and Divorce, this House sit with closed doors.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Baker of New Jersey, it was

Resolved, That we do hereby request the Right Reverend the Bishop of Missouri to furnish a copy of the sermon preached by him at the opening service of this Convention, and that fifteen hundred copies of the same be printed for the use of the Convention.

Mr. McConnell of Louisiana, from the special committee appointed yesterday on the communication from the Representative of the Philippine Islands [see p. 209], presented the following report, and the recommendation contained therein was, on motion, adopted:

To the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of the Protestant Episcopal Church:

Your Committee, to whom was referred a communication from Mr. Felipe Agoncillo, representative of the Philippines, with instructions to translate the same, respectfully return it herewith, accompanied with the translation desired; but, as said communication is addressed to the American Episcopate, your Committee recommend that it be sent to the House of Bishops. Respectfully submitted.

HENRY FORRESTER.

JAS. McCONNELL.

TRANSLATION.

To the Honourable and Right Reverend the President, and Members and the Reverend Secretary of the American Episcopate, assembled at Washington in Triennial Convention:

We learn with great pleasure of your meeting on this day of your "Triennial Convention," and availing ourselves of this solemn occasion, we deem it our duty to address you this communication, the genuine expression of our highest consideration and respect.

The high American Clergy, without doubt, stand for Christian morals and holy Christian charity, virtues which give them a high place in the public esteem.

In rendering this tribute of admiration to the high ecclesiastical hierarchy of North America, it is also our object to beseech it not to refuse a part of its prayers to the Most High in behalf of the natives of the Philippines, praying that He who can do all things will protect and help
them in this supreme hour of their history, and that He will grant to them the liberty and the political representation to which, for their loyalty and their services to the American cause, they are entitled.

The humanitarian and noble Republic of the United States of North America comes to our help in our work of political and social redemption. We bless it, and we pray that friendship and union between the Philippines and America may be permanent, and may at this early day be sealed with the seal of evangelical fraternity which the respected prelates assembled to-day have the power to impress upon it.

In the city of Washington, the fifth day of October, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

We are, Right Reverend Prelates, your obedient and humble servants,

FELIPE AGONCILLO,
Representative of the Philippines.
SIXTO LOPEZ, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 2d day of the Session,
October 6, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 3.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 3, and that it has appointed, on its part, the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota and the Bishop of Marquette to notify said deputation of the time fixed for their reception, and to escort them to the place of meeting.
Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The House proceeded to the order of the day, viz.: the consideration of the amendments to the Constitution proposed at the last General Convention.

A motion to adopt and ratify the first amendment, to wit:

"Strike out the Title and insert in place thereof the following: "Constitutions and Canons for the Government of that Portion of the Catholic Church known in Law as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America"; adding thereto the sub-title, "Constitutions";"

was lost by the following vote:

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.**

CLERICAL VOTE. — New Hampshire, — 1.
LAY VOTE. — New York, — 1.

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.**

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Lexington, Long Island, Los Angeles, Louisiana, Maine, Marquette, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukaine, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island,
South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennes­see, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Missouri, West Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, — 55.


DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE.—Dallas, New York, — 2.

LAY VOTE.—Maine, — 1.

Constitution I., to wit:

I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and, in all deliberations, freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either house may originate and propose legislation, but every act of the General Convention must be adopted by both Houses, and be certified by the signatures of the Presiding Officer and of the Secretary of each House.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop whose resignation of jurisdiction shall have been accepted, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of those who have resigned their jurisdictions, and those who are Bishops in foreign lands, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church, in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitutions and Canons of the General Convention, or, for its own needs, by the House of Bishops, and shall hold office for life, unless he resign, or be relieved from that office by a vote of a majority of the Bishops entitled to a vote in the House of Bishops.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which shall have been admitted to the General Convention shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, and having domicile in the Diocese. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

A majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation shall be represented by Clerical Deputies, and also a majority of the Dioceses so entitled shall be represented by Lay Deputies, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The absence of a majority of the Deputies of either order of any Diocese shall not invalidate the representation of such Diocese, so long as there be present one or more Deputies of either order. If any Diocese be not represented, or be represented in one order only, such Diocese shall, nevertheless, be bound by the acts of the General Convention.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall
sufficient, unless otherwise ordered by these Constitutions, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote for its Clerical and one for its Lay representation, if present; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House; Provided, however, that if it shall appear that a constitutional quorum of the House has not voted, the Presiding Officer shall declare that there has been no vote of the House; and in such a case the question may be again put to the House when a quorum shall be present, at any time before the final adjournment of the Convention then in session.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House during the session of the General Convention shall adjourn without the consent of the other for more than three days, nor to any place other than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church, or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands, convened by proper Ecclesiastical Authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies except the right to vote.

SEC. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at such place as shall have been determined on by the Convention; and if there shall appear to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be called in accordance with Canonical provisions of the Convention;

being under consideration, a motion to adopt and ratify it was lost by the following vote:

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.**

**CLERICAL VOTE.**—California, Connecticut, East Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Nebraska, South Carolina. — 8.


**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.**


**LAY VOTE.** — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Dallas, East Carolina, Easton, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Lexington, Long Island, Los Angeles, Louisiana, Marquette, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania,
The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,  
WASHINGTON, 2d day of the Session,  
October 6, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 4.  
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following change in the Constitution proposed in the last General Convention and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, be finally agreed to and ratified in accordance with Article 8 of the Constitution, to wit:

Strike out the title and insert in place thereof the following:

"Constitutions and Canons for the Government of that Portion of the Catholic Church known in Law as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America"; adding thereto the sub-title, "Constitutions."

Attest:  
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

A motion to concur in the adoption of the resolution communicated in the foregoing Message was lost.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House non-concorded in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,  
WASHINGTON, 2d day of the Session,  
October 6, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 5.  
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following change in the Constitution proposed in the last General Convention and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions be finally agreed to and ratified in accordance with Article 8 of the Constitution, to wit:

Insert in place of Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution the following:

I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and, in all deliberations, freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, but every act of the General Convention must be adopted by both Houses, and be certified by the signatures of the Presiding Officer and of the Secretary of each House.

Sec. 2. Every Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop whose resignation of jurisdiction shall have been accepted shall have a seat and a vote in the House of
Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of those who have resigned their jurisdictions, and those who are Bishops in foreign lands, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitutions and Canons of the General Convention, or for its own needs, by the House of Bishops, and shall hold office for life, unless he resign or be relieved from that office by a vote of a majority of the Bishops entitled to a vote in the House of Bishops.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which shall have been admitted to the General Convention shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, and having domicile in the Diocese. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

A majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation shall be represented by Clerical Deputies, and also a majority of the Dioceses so entitled shall be represented by Lay Deputies, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The absence of a majority of the Deputies of either order of any Diocese shall not invalidate the representation of such Diocese, so long as there be present one or more Deputies of either order. If any Diocese be not represented, or be represented in one order only, such Diocese shall, nevertheless, be bound by the acts of the General Convention.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by these Constitutions, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote for its Clerical and one for its Lay representation, if present; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House; Provided, however, that if it shall appear that a constitutional quorum of the House has not voted, the Presiding Officer shall declare that there has been no vote of the House; and in such a case the question may be again put to the House when a quorum shall be present, at any time before the final adjournment of the Convention then in session.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House during the session of the General Convention shall adjourn without the consent of the other for more than three days, nor to any place other than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands, convened by proper Ecclesiastical Authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies except the right to vote.

SEC. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at such place as shall have been determined on by the Convention, and if there shall appear to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be called in accordance with canonical provisions of the Convention.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.
On motion of the Rev. Mr. Spalding of California, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops, relating to the revision of the Constitution (discharged on the presentation of their report), be revived.

The President appointed Mr. Gilbert of Springfield, Mr. McConnell of Louisiana, and Mr. Andrews of Central New York, to fill vacancies on the Committee.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee, it was

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops to present a new Article I of the Constitution for the consideration of the House, including a title to the Constitutions.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 276.]

On motion, the House took a recess.

The House having resumed its session, the President communicated a series of resolutions [see Appendix XVIII.] adopted by the Lambeth Conference, which, with a letter from the Presiding Bishop (see p. 13), on motion, were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 230.]

Mr. Ryerson of Chicago offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That Title III., Canon 7, Article IV., be amended by striking out the first paragraph and inserting the following:

Art. IV. There shall be Missionary Councils of this Church, which shall be held as hereinafter provided.

After each triennial meeting of the Board of Missions, the whole territory of the United States shall be divided by the Board of Managers into not more than four divisions, for the purpose of holding Missionary Councils. Said Council in each of said divisions shall consist of all the Bishops of this Church residing in said division, all the members of the Board of Managers residing in said division, three Presbyters and three Laymen from each Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction within said division, to be chosen by the Convention or Convocation of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction; and in addition thereto, such other clergymen or laymen as may be selected by the General Convention at its triennial meeting.

Said Missionary Councils shall be held annually in each of said divisions, except in those years appointed for the meetings of the Board of Missions, the times and places of the meetings of said Councils to be determined by the Board of Managers, with the approval of the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops.

Said Councils shall be competent to consider the Missionary work of the Church, and to make such suggestions and recommendations to the Board of Managers as may be deemed expedient to increase interest in Missions. If any Presbyter or layman elected by any Convention or Convocation shall die, resign, or remove from the Diocese between the meetings of the Convention or Convocation, it shall be competent for
the Bishop of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to appoint a substitute to hold office until the election of a successor by the Convention or Convocation.

Also amend said Canon 7 by changing the words "Missionary Council" to "Missionary Councils," wherever occurring.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 260.]

The House proceeded (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair) to the order of the day, viz.: the report of the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops, the report being presented by the Chairman of the Committee, the Rev. Dr. Dix. [For the report, see Appendix XIII.]

The question recurring on the adoption of the first resolution appended to the report, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution as follows:

Strike out Articles 4 and 10 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article 2 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 2.

SECTION 1. In every Diocese the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor shall be chosen agreeably to rules prescribed by the Convention of that Diocese. Missionary Bishops shall be chosen in accordance with the Canons of the General Convention.

SEC. 2. No one shall be Ordained and Consecrated Bishop until he shall be thirty years of age; nor without the consent of a majority of the Bishops of this Church, exercising jurisdiction in the United States, and the further consent of a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses. But if the election have taken place within three months next before the meeting of the General Convention, the consent of the House of Deputies shall be required in place of that of a majority of the Standing Committees. No one shall be Ordained and Consecrated Bishop by less than three Bishops.

SEC. 3. A Bishop shall confine the exercise of his office to his own Diocese or Missionary District, unless requested to perform Episcopal acts in another Diocese or in a Missionary District by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, or unless authorized and appointed by the House of Bishops to act temporarily, in case of need, beyond the territorial limits of the United States.

SEC. 4. A Bishop may not resign his jurisdiction without the consent of the House of Bishops;

the Rev. Dr. Taylor of Springfield, offered the following amendment:

Resolved, That Article 2, Section 2, be amended by striking out all the words after "United States" to the words "No one shall be" etc., and by putting a period in place of a comma after the words "United States."
Pending the consideration of the resolution, the following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

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WASHINGTON, 2d day of the Session,
October 6, 1898.

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 a Joint Committee be appointed, to whom shall be referred the question of the increased responsibilities devolved or to be devolved upon this Church, and also the question of the obligations to Missions in Christian countries of the western hemisphere with which this Church may be charged;

And the House of Bishops has appointed, as the members of this Committee on its part, the Bishop of Missouri, the Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of California, and the Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated in the foregoing Message.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 2d day of the Session,
October 6, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 7.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, That, in view of the technical difficulties at present encompassing the matter of constitutional revision, the subject of the consideration of the amendments reported by the Joint Commission be indefinitely postponed.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion, the House adjourned.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, October 7, 1898.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Olmsted of Central New York, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Nebraska.

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

The following persons, not previously present, appeared and took their seats: the Rev. Mr. Strong of Georgia, Mr. Hudgins of Lexington, Mr. Stone of Marquette, Mr. Moore of Mississippi,
Mr. Denison of Missouri, the Rev. Drs. Huntington and Greer of New York, and the Rev. Messrs. Morgan and Ely of Southern Ohio.

The President announced the following appointments upon Committees: On the State of the Church, Mr. W. F. Whitehouse; On the Joint Committee on the Increased Responsibilities of the Church, the Rev. Mr. Seabrease of Indiana, the Rev. Dr. Lobdell of Western New York, the Rev. Mr. Grimes of Colorado, Mr. Pierrepont of Long Island, and Mr. Baldwin of Washington.

The Rev. Dr. Marshall, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report, and, on motion, the recommendation appended to the report was approved:

**REPORT No. 1.**

The Committee on Elections would report that certificates of election of Clerical and Lay Deputies of this House have been received from every Diocese in union with this Convention, and from the Missionary Jurisdictions of Arizona, Asheville, Duluth, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Nevada and Utah, North Dakota, Northern California, Oklahoma and Indian Territory, Olympia, South Dakota, Southern Florida, Spokane, The Platte, Western Colorado, Western Texas, Wyoming, Tokyo, and from the Convocation of American Churches in Europe.

The Committee having under consideration the communication from the congregation of St. Clement's Chapel in the City of Honolulu, referred to it on yesterday, respectfully recommend that the Rev. John Osborne be invited to an honorary seat on the floor of this House, and that the same courtesy be extended to Mr. Burton E. Bennett of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Alaska.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Richards, from the Committee on New Dioceses, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

**REPORT No. 1.**

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the memorial from a clerical delegate from Northern California, requesting its erection into a Diocese, respectfully report that in the absence of documentary evidence of the desire of the Bishop, Clergy, and Laity of that Missionary Jurisdiction to become a Diocese, they would recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses be discharged from further consideration of the memorial of the clerical delegate from Northern California.

C. A. L. RICHARDS, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York presented the Triennial Report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the General Theological Seminary. [For the Triennial Report, see Appendix III.; for the report of the Committee, see p. 269.]
The Rev. Dr. Alsop of Long Island presented a memorial of the late Mr. N. P. Schenck of that Diocese; Mr. Saunders of Massachusetts presented memorials of the late Rev. Dr. G. S. Converse, the Rev. G. W. Durell, and Mr. E. H. Bennett of that Diocese; Mr. Gilbert of Springfield presented a memorial of the late Mr. H. H. Cundee of that Diocese; the Rev. Mr. Harding of East Carolina presented memorials of the late Rev. Dr. Huske and Mr. A. J. DeRosset of that Diocese; the Rev. Mr. Nelson of Virginia presented a memorial of the late Mr. R. T. Scott of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Cooper of Long Island presented memorials of the late Rev. Dr. T. Stafford Drowne and the Rev. Dr. C. R. Baker of that Diocese; the Rev. Mr. Kershaw of South Carolina presented a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. C. C. Pinckney of that Diocese; all of which memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members. [For the report of the Committee, see Appendix XI.]

On motion of Mr. Paine of Massachusetts, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to print for the use of the Convention the pending resolutions relating to the Peace Manifesto of the Emperor of Russia, and to the subject of Marriage and Divorce.

The Rev. Dr. Carey of Albany presented the following report of the Joint Commission on Marginal Readings of the Bible, which, on motion, was made the order of the day as soon as the pending orders are disposed of;

In presenting the recommendations on which we have agreed, we desire to set forth the principles by which we have been guided in our work.

In accordance with what we understood to be the intention of the Convention in appointing the Commission, our object has been to provide such marginal notes and alternate renderings as would make the familiar King James's version of 1611 at once more intelligible and more accurate.

1. The text or body of the version of 1611 is left unaltered. Our recommendations are only of marginal readings and notes.

2. These alternate readings we recommend for authoritative adoption, so that it shall be lawful for the Minister, at his discretion, to use them in the reading of the Lessons in the public services of the Church.

3. Having this purpose before us, we have kept in mind the necessity of alternate renderings being conformable in style to the language of the ordinary text.

4. While, if a fresh translation were being attempted, there are numerous passages which could be more exactly rendered, we have limited our recommendations to cases where a more accurate rendering seemed needed, either to make an obscure passage clear, or to emphasize some important point.

5. To avoid a needless number of marginal readings (which would defeat the object we had in view), we have not been careful to guard
against the charge of inconsistency for not following a strictly uniform rule of translation. For instance, the aorist we have not always noted, but only when the difference between its use and that of the perfect tense seemed to be of real importance. So also in the case of the definite article, and with the exact rendering of prepositions.

6. The more important variations of reading in the Greek text we have noted, as well as differences of rendering. The possibilities of arriving at an approximately original text are, of course, far greater now than when the King James translation was made.

7. We believe that one effect of showing to all what are the important variations or omissions from the ordinarily received text will be distinctively to reassure many persons who have been led to think or fear that the text of Holy Scripture was generally uncertain. It will be seen how comparatively few are the doubtful passages, and how the great truths of the Christian religion are unaffected by any alterations which may be demanded by an honest critical investigation of the text.

8. Our recommendations and notes are derived from various sources, but chiefly from the marginal readings of the translators of 1611 (which were declared to be authorized for use in the services of the Church), and from the Revised Version of 1881.

9. It should be understood that the alternate readings or renderings placed in the margin are not in every case considered by the Commission preferable to the ordinary text. We believe that every alternative which we have suggested has a reasonable claim to consideration.

Our aim has been to furnish both hearers and readers who have not the opportunity for individual research with such marginal notes and alternative readings as will make the version of 1611 a faithful reproduction in all important points of the writings of the Apostles and Evangelists.

The Commission has been deprived of the services of three of its members, by the death of the Right Rev. Dr. Coxe and of the Rev. Dr. Drowne, and by the illness of the Rev. Dr. Harwood. The Bishop of New Hampshire was appointed by the Chairman of the House of Bishops to take the place of the late Bishop of Western New York.

The Commission has in this report limited its recommendations to the New Testament.

T. U. DUDLEY,
Bishop of Kentucky.

WILLIAM W. NILES,
Bishop of New Hampshire.

THOMAS F. DAVIES,
Bishop of Michigan.

THOMAS F. GAILOR,
Bishop of Tennessee.

ARTHUR C. A. HALL,
Bishop of Vermont.

EDWARD A. RENOUF.

JOSEPH CAREY.

GILBERT H. STERLING.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Brand of Maryland, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to consider the propriety of reporting a Canon to the following effect:
The Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood shall be administered in public and in private only as He gave it to His disciples; that is to say, the communicants shall take and eat the Bread and drink the Wine, each separately.

If a communicant be physically incapable of receiving both kinds separately, such person, and none other, may be ministered to in both elements combined, or with either element singly.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 249.]

The order of business was suspended in order to receive the Deputation from the General Synod of the Canadian Church, the House of Bishops being present, and the Bishop of Minnesota presiding. After a brief address of welcome by the Bishop of Albany, addresses were made by the Most Reverend the Archbishop of Ontario, the Very Rev. James Dallas O'Meara, Dean of Rupert's Land, his Honour, Judge Herbert S. McDonald, of Ontario, composing the Deputation. After a brief address by the President of the House of Deputies, the Deputation withdrew.

On motion, the House adjourned to meet with the House of Bishops as the Board of Missions. [See p. 395.]

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY, October 8, 1898.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Hodges of Maryland, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Oklahoma.

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

The following members not previously present appeared and took their seats: the Rev. Mr. Silver of Nebraska; Mr. Moss of Ohio; the Rev. Dr. Ringgold of Tennessee, and Mr. Briggs of Vermont.

The Rev. Dr. Marshall, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on Elections would report that the proper testimonials have been received, entitling Mr. J. P. Kennedy Bryan of South Carolina to a seat in this House, in place of Mr. James Aldrich of that Diocese.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.
The Rev. Dr. Duncan, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

**REPORT NO. 1.**
The Committee on the State of the Church, to whom was referred a communication from the Presiding Bishop, transmitting the resolutions of the last Lambeth Conference, have had the same under careful consideration, and recommend their reference to a Joint Committee of the two Houses. To this end we submit the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the resolutions of the Lambeth Conference be referred to a joint committee of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen. H. C. DUNCAN, Chairman.

[For the report of the Joint Committee, see p.377.] [for the resolutions of the Lambeth Conference, see Appendix XVIII.]

Mr. Morehouse of Milwaukee presented memorials of the late Rev. Fayette Royce and the Rev. Dr. William Adams of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Perkins of Kentucky presented a memorial of the late Mr. R. A. Robinson of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Moore of West Virginia presented a memorial of the late Mr. E. J. Lee of that Diocese; Mr. Brown of Rhode Island presented a memorial of the late Mr. Le Roy King of that Diocese; the Rev. Mr. Williams of Nebraska presented a memorial of the late Rev. C. H. Gardner of that Diocese; all of which memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members.

[For the report of the Committee, see Appendix XI.]

The Rev. Mr. Tayler of Los Angeles offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That this Committee places on record its sense of deep gratification at the many manifestations of friendly feeling to our nation, which have been so freely and cordially shown by the Government and people of the British Empire, in the late war with Spain; and expresses the sincere hope that the time may speedily arrive when these two great nations of the Anglo-Saxon family, the United States of America and the British Empire, shall stand shoulder to shoulder and flag to flag, in the defence of the rights and liberties of mankind, and for the promoting of Christian civilization among the nations of the earth.

[For the consideration of the resolution, see p. 333.]

Mr. Brown of Rhode Island offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, of the Digest, be amended as follows:

Strike out all after the words Canon 7, and insert in place thereof the following:
The Constitution of the said Society, which was incorporated by an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, is hereby amended and established so as to read as follows:

CONSTITUTION OF THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

ARTICLE I. This Society shall be known as "The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

ART. II. This Society shall be considered as comprehending all persons who are members of this Church.

ART. III. There shall be a Board of Missions of such Society, composed of the Bishops of this Church, the Deputies for the time being to the General Convention, and the members of the Board of Managers, as hereinafter described. The Delegates to the House of Deputies from the Missionary Jurisdictions shall have the right to seats without the right to vote. The Board of Missions thus constituted shall convene on the third day of the meeting of the General Convention in the place where the House of Deputies holds its sessions. It shall be called to order by the Presiding Bishop and shall elect a Chairman by a vote of a majority of the members present, and shall sit from time to time as the business of the Board shall demand. The Board shall deliberate as one body under rules of order to be provided by the Board, the members of the House of Bishops, other than the Chairman, being seated with the Deputies from their respective Dioceses. When demanded by any five members, the vote shall be taken by orders, and a majority of the Bishops, and of the Clerical members, and of the Lay members shall concur to insure action. No persons shall occupy seats on the floor of the House who are not members of the Board.

ART. IV. There shall be a Missionary Council of this Church. It shall comprise all the Bishops of this Church, all the members of the Board of Managers, such other Ministers or Laymen as may be selected by the General Convention at its triennial meetings, and, in addition thereto, one Presbyter and one Layman from each Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, to be chosen by the Convention, or Convocation, of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, who shall hold office for one year or until their successors be appointed. This Council, so formed, shall meet annually, except in those years appointed for the meeting of the Board of Missions, at such time and place as may be designated by the Board of Managers, with the approval of the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. Said Council shall be competent to consider the missionary work of the Church, and to make such recommendations to the Board of Managers as may be deemed expedient to increase interest in the work of the Board of Missions. If a Presbyter or Layman elected by any Convention or Convocation shall die, resign, or remove from the Diocese or Jurisdiction between the meetings of the Convention or Convocation, it shall be competent for the Bishop of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to appoint a substitute to hold office until the election of a successor by the Convention or Convocation.

There shall also be elected, at each triennial meeting of the Board of
Missions, a Board of Managers, comprising the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops as President, and fifteen other Bishops, fifteen Presbyters, and fifteen Laymen, who shall have the management of the general missions of this Church, and when the Board of Missions is not in session, shall exercise all the corporate powers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. They shall remain in office until their successors are chosen, and they shall have the power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number.

All other Bishops of this Church, and the Secretary and Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and of the Board of Managers shall be ex-officio members of the Board, and have all the rights and privileges of the elected members, except the right to vote.

Whenever demanded by three of the members present, an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present shall be necessary to any act of the Board. Fifteen members, of whom two must be Bishops, shall constitute a quorum.

The Board of Managers shall make a full and complete triennial report to the Board of Missions at each triennial meeting, and a similar report to the Missionary Council at each annual meeting, comprising such an outline of the missionary work prosecuted during the preceding year as may serve to give a comprehensive view of the progress, prospects, and present condition of the work of the Society in the several parts of the Domestic and Foreign fields.

There shall be appointed at each meeting of the Board of Missions and of the Missionary Council, a Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, together with the General Secretary of the Board, whose duty it shall be to arrange an order of work for the ensuing meeting of the Board, and of the Missionary Council.

ART. V. The Board of Managers is authorized to form such committees as it may deem desirable to promote the missionary work, and to appoint such officers as shall be needful for carrying on such work, and to enact all By-Laws for its own government and the government of its committees and officers.

ART. VI. The Board of Managers is entrusted with power to establish and regulate such missions as are not placed under Episcopal supervision.

In all organized Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions within the United States having Bishops, it is authorized to make annual appropriations to be disbursed by the Bishops, with the approval of the Standing Committee or the Board of Missions of the Diocese or Jurisdiction, or of the Board of Managers, if any of the said Bishops shall so elect. No part of such annual appropriations shall be expended for any other purpose than the support of Missionaries, or the supply of mission stations with Clerical service, without the concurrence of the Board of Managers; and an itemized account of the expenditure of all appropriations shall be made annually by each Bishop to the President of the Board of Managers.

In the management of Missions beyond the United States, the Bishops shall have, as their council of advice for the general schedule of expenditures, the Board of Managers; but for the details of the local work, they may act with the approval of the Standing Committees of their respective Jurisdictions.

ART. VII. The salary of a Missionary Bishop shall be fixed at or before the time of his election, to take effect from the date of his consecration, and shall not be diminished during his official relation to the Board of Missions without his consent except as herein provided. All contributions or assessments for the support of the Episcopate in each Missionary Jurisdiction shall be reported annually on or before the first day of September to the Board of Managers, and accounted for as part of such salary. The Board of Managers shall annually, on or before
the first day of September, by resolution, provide that a specified portion of the salary of each Missionary Bishop shall be raised and paid by the Missionary Jurisdiction of which such Missionary Bishop has charge, and the balance only of said salary shall be paid by the Board of Managers. Such specified portion shall be in each case such an amount as the Board of Managers shall be satisfied is within the ability of the Missionary Jurisdiction.

Whenever the Board shall be satisfied of the ability of a Missionary Jurisdiction to support its Bishop with a salary not less than that provided for at his consecration, the Board of Managers shall no longer be required to pay his salary.

ART. VIII. No person shall be appointed a Missionary who is not at the time a Minister in good standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some Church in communion with this Church; but nothing in this Article shall preclude the Board of Managers from employing laymen or women, members of this Church, or of some Church in communion with the same, to do missionary work.

ART. IX. The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint local agents to represent the Society in different parts of the country, and is authorized to promote the formation of auxiliary Missionary Associations, whose contributions, as well as those specially appropriated by individuals, shall be received and paid in accordance with the wish of the donors, when expressed in writing. It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers to arrange for public Missionary meetings, to be held at such times and places as may be determined upon, to which all auxiliaries approved by the Board of Managers may send representatives.

ART. X. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time by the General Convention of this Church.

(For the report of the Committee, see p. 260.)

Mr. Wilson of Springfield offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were placed on the calendar:

WHEREAS, The Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America is for the first time in General Convention assembled at the National City, the city of Washington; and

WHEREAS, This Convention has properly and unanimously accepted an invitation to make a pious pilgrimage to the Church's first foundation in America, at historic Jamestown; therefore,

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention, as a body, and as a matter of patriotic as well as of pious duty, include in its said pilgrimage a visit to the tomb of George Washington, "the Father of his Country,—first in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen"; and who was also first and through all a faithful, loving son of the Church, born in its fold, baptized in its faith, and who lived and died, sustained, strengthened, and comforted by a faithful observance of its Holy Sacraments.

Resolved, That a Committee of one Bishop, two Presbyters, and two Laymen be appointed, with instructions, if practicable, to include the pilgrimage to the tomb of Washington in the visit to Jamestown; and if not, then to arrange otherwise; and that the said Committee, as part of their duty, shall prepare from authentic historical sources a full memorial of Washington's life as a Churchman, and that the same be spread upon the Minutes of this Convention as part of the permanent and most precious records of the Church in America.

1 As this number on the calendar was not reached until after the visit to Jamestown had been made, these resolutions were not acted upon.
Mr. Stotsenburg of Indiana offered the following preamble and resolution, which were referred to the Committee on Canons:

WHEREAS, in the year 1856, the House of Bishops solemnly declared that "Evangelists are almost indispensable to the complete Apostolic Organization of the Church and unquestionably necessary to its extension"; and
WHEREAS, the history of the Church since that time shows that the declaration of the Bishops was right and ought long since to have been made a part of the fundamental law of the Church; therefore,
Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be, and they are, hereby directed to consider the expediency of reporting to this Convention a Canon providing for the restoration of the office of an Evangelist, authorizing their employment with such restrictions and rules as will make them efficient in carrying the Gospel to those whom the Church with its present missionary appliances does not reach.

[For the Report of the Committee, see p. 250.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee, it was
Resolved, That reports from the Committee on Constitutional Amendments and from the Committee on Canons shall be in order at any time when there is not a special order of the House under consideration.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Fulton of Pennsylvania, it was
Resolved, That the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution be requested to consider the question whether the cession or retrocession of an organized Missionary District to an existing Diocese, in opposition to the will of the people of such Missionary District, would be consistent with the letter or the spirit of the Constitution, and to report thereupon to this House.

[For the Report of the Committee, see p. 257.]

On motion of the same gentleman, it was
Resolved, That the Committee on the Prayer Book be requested to inform this House of their opinion on these questions:
First, Whether this Church has or has not a Standard English Bible;
Second, Whether the exclusive use of such Standard in public worship is obligatory;
Third, Whether the readings of Holy Scripture appointed in the Table of Lessons to be used in public worship are, or are not, part of the Book of Common Prayer; and
Fourth, Whether any change of any kind can be constitutionally made in such lessons, as contained in the Standard Bible, in any other manner than by an amendment of the rubric.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 301.]

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report:

REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on Canons respectfully report, That, on the third day of the session, October 7th, 1898, they met for organization, the Rev. F. P. Davenport, D.D., of Tennessee, being Chairman, and appointed the Rev. F. W. Taylor, D.D., of Springfield, to be their Secretary.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.
On motion of the Rev. Dr. Carey of Albany, it was

Resolved, That a Committee of three presbyters and three laymen be appointed to nominate the persons to be elected by this House as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 282.]

The Secretary presented a communication from the Secretary of the Annual Convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, transmitting the following resolution, unanimously adopted by said Convention:

Resolved, That the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, assembled in its Thirteenth Annual Convention, accepting the responsibility involved in the inevitable expansion of its own work, hears with joy the cry for an enlarged and more aggressive missionary policy in the Church, and pledges to the Church its loyal sympathy therein.

The House proceeded (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair) to the order of the day, viz.: the consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops [see Appendix XIII.], the question being on an amendment offered by the Rev. Dr. Taylor of Springfield. [See p. 224.]

The Rev. Dr. McKim of Washington offered the following substitute, which was not adopted:

Resolved, That, in view of the technical difficulties at present encompassing the matter of constitutional revision, the subject of the consideration of the amendments to the Constitution be indefinitely postponed.

The question recurring on the amendment proposed by the Rev. Dr. Taylor, it was not adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Jewell of Milwaukee moved to amend the second clause of Section 2, so that it should read as follows:

“nor without the consent of a majority of the Standing Committee of all the Dioceses and the consent of a majority of the Bishops of this Church, exercising jurisdiction in the United States”;

which amendment was adopted.

Mr. Fairbanks of Florida moved to amend Section 2, by inserting after the word “Dioceses” the following:

“but when Provinces are created the consent of a majority of the Standing Committees of such Provinces only shall be required”;

which amendment was not adopted.

The question recurring on the resolution of the Committee as amended, it was adopted by the following vote:
DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Arkansas, Fond du Lac, Maryland, Newark. — 4.

LAY VOTE. — Arkansas. — 1.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.


LAY VOTE. — Florida. — 1.

[For action of the House of Bishops, see p. 256.]

The second resolution of the Committee, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article 3 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 3.

Bishops may be consecrated for churches in Foreign Lands, upon due application therefrom, under such conditions as may be prescribed by Canons of the General Convention. No such Bishop shall be entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, nor shall he perform any act of the Episcopal office in any Diocese or Missionary District of this Church, unless requested to do so by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof;

being under consideration, it was adopted by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Dallas, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Lexington, Long Island, Los Angeles, Louisiana,
Maine, Marquette, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Ohio, Springfield, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Missouri, West Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, - 53.


DIOCESE VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. - Southern Virginia, - 1.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.


[For action of the House of Bishops, see p. 256.]

On motion, the House adjourned.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 10, 1898.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Cobbs of Alabama, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Texas.

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

The following members, not previously present, appeared and took their seats: Mr. Skiddy of Connecticut, the Rev. Mr. Whaley of Florida, Mr. Harrison of Georgia, and Mr. Caldwell of Tennessee.

The President announced the appointment of the following Committees:

JOINT COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS OF THE LAMBETH CONFERENCE.

The Rev. Dr. Waterman of New Hampshire; the Rev. Dr. Cobbs of Alabama; the Rev. Dr. Harris of Pennsylvania; Mr. Westfeldt of Louisiana; Mr. Sewall of Maine; and Mr. Temple of Vermont.

COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Rev. Dr. Hodges of Maryland; the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Western New York; the Rev. Dr. Sills of Maine; Mr. King of Long Island; Mr. Hayes of Newark; and Mr. Burgwin of Pittsburgh.
The Rev. Dr. Marshall from the Committee on Elections presented the following reports:

**REPORT No. 3.**

The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that the proper testimonials have been received from the Dioceses severally concerned entitling the Rev. DeB. Waddell of Mississippi to a seat in this House in place of the Rev. Geo. C. Harris; Mr. Selden S. Brown of Western New York in place of Mr. Harlow C. Curtis, and Mr. Edgar Mills of California in place of Mr. Wm. B. Hooper.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.

**REPORT No. 4.**

The Committee on Elections has just received satisfactory evidence of the fact that Mr. W. W. Skiddy of the Diocese of Connecticut is entitled to a seat in this House in place of Mr. Benjamin Stark, unable to attend on account of illness.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.

Mr. Sowdon of Massachusetts presented the Report of the Treasurer of the Convention, Mr. Buchanan Winthrop, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Expenses. [For the Report of the Committee, see p. 283.]

[For the Report of the Treasurer, see Appendix XIX.]

The Joint Commission on the Orders of the Church in Sweden presented the following report which was placed on the Calendar and ordered to be printed:

The Committee on Unfinished Business, having carefully examined the Journal of the Convention of 1885, respectfully reports the following matters awaiting report or final action:

- On Ecclesiastical Relations (continued), page 284.
- Same to report on Degrees of Kindred and Affinity, page 302.
- Same to report on Courts of Appeal, page 315.
  - The state of the work upon amendment of Constitution and Canons will be found in the reports of this Commission and of the House Committee on Canons. It is therefore deemed unnecessary to report the same in detail here.
- On the Hymnal (Commission continued), pages 300, 329, 333.
- On Provincial System (continued), pages 330, 337.
- On Christian Unity (continued), page 331.
- Committee on Messages from the House of Bishops relating to the revision of the Constitution and Canons (report published), page 315.
  - Amendment to Prayer Book by change in certain of the Golden Numbers. Passed last session; must pass again.
- The Joint Commission on the Orders of the Church in Sweden (continued), page 339.
  - All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee,

A. BEATTY, Chairman.
The Rev. Dr. Higgs, delegate from the Missionary District of Southern Florida, presented from that Jurisdiction a memorial, praying that representation in the General Convention be given to Missionary Jurisdictions, with the right to speak and vote, except in case of a vote by Dioceses; which memorial was referred to the Committee on Canons. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 268.]

The Rev. Mr. Patton, delegate from the Missionary Jurisdiction of Tokyo, presented from the Convocation of that Jurisdiction and from the Kyoto Chibokwai, memorials praying for the erection of a new Missionary Jurisdiction to be taken from the present Missionary Jurisdiction of Tokyo, and to be called the Missionary Jurisdiction of Kyoto; which memorials were referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 343.]

The Rev. Mr. Bollard, delegate from the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern California, offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar [see p. 382.]:

_Resolved_, That the Committee on the State of the Church be requested to secure from the Board of Managers of the General Missionary Society of this Church a report of all funds and other property pertaining to the several Missionary Jurisdictions, and place the same before this House.

The Rev. Mr. Spalding of California presented a memorial from members of the Anglican Church in Hawaii, praying that the Anglican Church in the Hawaiian Islands may be received into the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States as a Missionary Jurisdiction; which memorial was referred to the Joint Committee on the Increased Responsibilities of the Church. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 347.]

The Rev. Mr. Aves of Ohio presented a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. C. S. Bates of that Diocese, which was referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members. [For the report of the Committee, see Appendix XI.]

On motion of Mr. Carpender of New Jersey, it was

_Resolved_, That the President of this House be requested to tender to President and Mrs. McKinley our sincere thanks for their great kindness and hospitality in the reception at the White House on Friday evening last.

The Rev. Dr. Perry of Pennsylvania presented the Triennial Report of the Prayer Book Distribution Society. [See p. 30.]
On motion of Mr. Morgan of New York, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a committee of five be appointed to act with a similar committee of the House of Bishops on the selection of the place of meeting for the General Convention of 1901.

The President appointed as members, on the part of this House, of the foregoing committee, Mr. Morgan of New York, the Rev. Mr. Spalding of California, the Rev. Dr. Mann of West Missouri, the Rev. Dr. Lindsay of Massachusetts, and the Rev. Dr. Waters of Louisiana. [For the action of the House of Bishops, see p. 245; for the report of the Committee, see p. 273.]

On motion of Mr. McBee, delegate from the Missionary District of Asheville, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution be instructed to report as to the power of this Convention to add a Jurisdiction to a Diocese without the consent of said Diocese.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 257.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Baker of New Jersey, it was

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Committee on Missions to inquire into the relations of the Church Book and Tract Society to the General Convention of this Church, and especially to inquire whether the Society cannot be made auxiliary to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and furnish it with such tracts and other literature as are needed in the prosecution of Missionary work.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 331.]

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar, viz., the memorial from the American Churches on the Continent of Europe. On motion of the Rev. Dr. McKim, the memorial was referred, the House of Bishops concurring, to a special committee of five members from each House. The President appointed, as members on the part of this House, of said committee:

The Rev. Dr. Richards of Rhode Island, the Rev. Dr. Parks of Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York, Mr. Davis of Washington, and Mr. Fuller of Chicago.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 333.]

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, viz.: the resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Davenport relating to sessions of the House with closed doors. [See p. 217.] On motion of the Rev. Dr. Olmsted, the consideration of the resolution was postponed until immediately before the subject of Marriage and
Divorce should come before the House in the regular order of business.

The House proceeded (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair) to the order of the day, viz., the report of the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops, relating to the revision of the Constitution.

The third resolution, to wit:

Resolved. The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article 4 of the Constitution, viz.:

**ARTICLE 4.**

In every Diocese a Standing Committee shall be appointed by the Convention thereof. When there is a Bishop in charge of the Diocese, the Committee shall be his Council of Advice, and when there is no such Bishop, it shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese for all purposes declared by the General Convention; and the rights and duties of the Standing Committee, except as provided in the Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses; being under consideration, Mr. Paine of Massachusetts offered the following substitute for the Article reported by the Committee:

**ARTICLE 4.**

A Standing Committee shall be appointed in every Diocese by the Convention thereof.

When there is a Bishop in charge of the Diocese it shall be his Council of Advice; and when there is no such Bishop it shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese for all purposes declared by the Canons of the Church.

Its further rights and duties shall be declared by the Canons of the Church, and subject thereto by the Canons of the respective Dioceses; which was not adopted.

On motion of Mr. McConnell of Louisiana, it was

Resolved, That Article 4 as reported be amended by inserting after the words “provided in” the words “Constitution and.”

The resolution, as amended, was then adopted by the following vote:

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.**

**CLERICAL VOTE.** — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Dallas, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Lexington, Long Island, Los Angeles, Louisiana, Maine, Marquette, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Min-

The fourth resolution, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 5 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article 5 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 5.

SECTION 1. A new Diocese may be formed (1) by the erection into a Diocese of the whole or of any part of one or more Missionary Districts lying within the boundaries of a single State or Territory; (2) by the division of an existing Diocese, or (3) by the junction of two or more Dioceses in the same State, or of parts of two or more such Dioceses; under such conditions as the General Convention shall prescribe by a General Canon or Canons. The proceedings shall originate, with the approval of the Bishop, in a convocation of the Clergy and Laity of the District called by the Bishop for that purpose; or in the Convention of the Diocese to be divided, or (when it is proposed to form a new Diocese by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or of parts of two or more Dioceses) by mutual agreement of the Conventions of the Dioceses concerned, with the approval of the respective Bishops. When it shall appear to the satisfaction of the General Convention, by a certified copy of the proceedings, and other documents and papers laid before it, that all the conditions for the formation of the new Diocese have been complied with, and that it has acceded to the Constitutions of this Church, and the General Convention shall have so declared, and shall have ratified such proceedings the formation of the new Diocese shall be complete, and it shall thereupon be admitted to union with the General Convention. Provided, that no city shall form more than one Diocese, except that when the civil authority shall consolidate into one city portions of territory belonging to different Dioceses, each portion of said territory shall remain attached to the Diocese to which it previously belonged, until a change be made with the consent of the General Convention.

SEC. 2. In case one Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Bishop of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and he shall thereupon become the Bishop thereof; and the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, may elect the one to which he
will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Bishop thereof.

SEC. 3. In case a Diocese shall be formed out of parts of two or more Dioceses, each of the Bishops and Bishops Coadjutor of the several Dioceses out of which the new Diocese has been formed shall be entitled in the order of seniority of consecration to the choice between his own Diocese and the new Diocese so formed. In case the new Diocese shall not be so chosen, it shall have the right to choose its own Bishop.

SEC. 4. Whenever a new Diocese is formed and erected out of an existing Diocese, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese out of which it was formed, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese. And whenever a Diocese is formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.

SEC. 5. A Diocese formed out of a Missionary District shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons to which the Missionary District was subject, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese;

reported by the Committee, being under consideration, Mr. Lightner of Minnesota moved to strike out all of Section 1 beginning with the words "Provided, that no city," etc.

Pending the consideration of the proposed amendment the following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 5th day of the Session, October 10, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 8.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, § 1., Article IV., be amended by the substitution of the following for the first paragraph: "There shall be a Missionary Council . . . his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction"

Missionary Councils of this Church shall be held as hereinafter provided.

For this purpose, after each triennial meeting of the Board of Missions, the whole territory of the United States shall be divided by the Board of Managers into not more than four divisions. The Council in each of these divisions shall consist of all the Bishops of this Church residing in said division, and of three Presbyters and three Laymen from each Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction within said division, to be chosen by the Convention or Convocation of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, said delegates to serve for one year and until their successors are elected.

The Missionary Councils shall be held annually in each of such divisions, except in those years appointed for the meetings of the Board of Missions; the times and places of the meetings of said Councils to be determined by the Board of Managers, with the approval in each case of the Bishop in whose Diocese it is proposed to hold the Council.

The object of such Councils shall be to consider the missionary work
of the Church, to increase interest in the same, and to make such suggestions and recommendations as they may deem expedient to the Board of Managers.

It shall be competent for the Bishop of a Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to fill vacancies in the representation of his Diocese or Jurisdiction occurring by removal, resignation, or death, between the sessions of the Convention or Convocation of his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That said Canon be further amended by changing the words "Missionary Council" to "Missionary Councils" wherever they occur.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, Article IV., be amended by striking out the words, "There shall also be appointed in like manner a Board of Managers, to be selected from the Missionary Council," and by substituting therefor the words "There shall be appointed by the General Convention at its triennial meeting a Board of Managers"; and by substituting the following for the last paragraph of the Article: "There shall be appointed at each meeting of the General Convention a Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, together with the General Secretary of the Board of Missions, whose duty it shall be to arrange an order of work for the ensuing meetings of the Board of Missions and of the Missionary Councils, and that the word "its" in line 12, page 137, be changed to "their."

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p.260.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 5th day of the Session,
October 10, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 9.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a new Missionary District be erected in the islands of Japan within the Missionary District of Tokyo, to be called the Missionary District of Kyoto, to consist of the following provinces: Kishu, Yamato, Kawachi, Yamashiro, Omi, Echizen, Tango, Tsuda, Wakasa, Kaga, Noto, Idzumi, Iga, and Ise, and part of Settsa.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p.343.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 5th day of the Session,
October 10, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 10.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title III., Canon 9, of the Distribution of the Book of Common Prayer, be repealed.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.
The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 5th day of the Session, October 10, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 11.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 10; and that it has appointed, as members on its part of the Committee on the place of meeting of the General Convention of 1901, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of Southern Virginia, the Bishop of Nebraska, the Bishop of Massachusetts, and the Bishop of Duluth.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The House took a recess.

The House, having resumed its session, proceeded to the order of the day (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair) which was under consideration before the hour of recess. (See p. 243.)

The question recurring on the amendment offered by Mr. Lightner, it was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska, the whole Article as amended was recommitted to the Committee. [For the Committee's further report, see p. 277.]

The fifth resolution, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring. That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article 6 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 6.

SECTION 1. The House of Bishops may establish Missionary Districts in States or Territories, or parts thereof, not organized into Dioceses. It may also, from time to time, change, increase, or diminish the territory included in such Missionary Districts in such manner as may be prescribed by Canon.

SEC. 2. The General Convention may accept a cession of the territorial jurisdiction of a part of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese shall propose such cession, and three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory and also the same proportion of the parishes within the remaining territory shall consent thereto.

SEC. 3. Missionary Districts shall be organized as may be prescribed by Canon of the General Convention;

reported by the Committee, being under consideration, it was adopted by the following vote:
DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE.—Southern Virginia, — 1.
LAY VOTE.—Southern Virginia, — 1.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE.—Newark, New Jersey, — 2.

[For action of the House of Bishops, see p. 299.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION.
WASHINGTON, 5th day of the Session,
October 10, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 12.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Recorder of Ordinations, which it herewith transmits to the House of Deputies, and that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concurring, That the report of the Recorder of Ordinations, with the accompanying lists of Ordinations, etc., be printed as an Appendix to the Journal.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report, see Appendix VI.]

The House proceeded with the order of the day, viz.: the report of the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops relating to the revision of the Constitution, Mr. Packard in the chair.
The sixth resolution, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article 7 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 7.

Dioceses and Missionary Districts may be united into Provinces, by the General Convention, in such manner and under such conditions as shall be provided by Canon;

being under consideration, the Rev. Dr. Egion of the Committee was granted permission to present the following minority report:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article 7 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 7.

SECTION 1. In every State there shall be a Convention of the Church in that State. When there is but one Diocese within a State, the said Convention shall be the Convention of the Diocese. When there are two or more Dioceses within a State, the Convention of the Church in that State shall be the Provincial Synod thereof; and each Diocese shall have its own Diocesan Convention. A Missionary District within a State, having its own Missionary Bishop, shall be entitled to the rights of a Diocese in the Provincial Synod.

SEC. 2. The Churches in contiguous States or Territories, in each of which there is but one Diocese, may form for themselves provisionally a Provincial Synod, under the direction, or with the consent, of the General Convention. Provided, that when the Church in any State so united with others shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, it shall become a Province in itself, and shall have its own Provincial Synod, as enacted in Section 1 of this Article.

SEC. 3. The Church in any State having but one Diocese, and not lying contiguous to another State having but one Diocese, may unite itself under the direction or with the consent of the General Convention, with the Provincial Synod of a contiguous State having two or more Dioceses, until such time as it is qualified, under Section 1 of this Article, to have a Provincial Synod of its own.

Pending the consideration of this report, the House, on motion, adjourned.
TUESDAY, October 11, 1898.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany, the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania pronouncing the Benediction.

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

The President communicated to the House the intelligence of the death of Mr. Benjamin Stark of Connecticut, elected a member of this House. After remarks by Mr. Seymour of Connecticut, a memorial of Mr. Stark was referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members. [For the report of the Committee, see Appendix XI.]

The Rev. Dr. Marshall, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

**REPORT No. 5.**

The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that the proper testimonials have been received from the Dioceses and Jurisdictions severally concerned, entitling Mr. C. H. V. Lewis of West Missouri to a seat in this House in place of Mr. George H. McCann; Mr. N. P. Herrington of Iowa in place of Mr. Matt. Parrott; the Rev. Henry A. Brown of Arizona in place of the Rev. Edwin A. Penick, and Mr. F. W. Rhinelander of the American Churches in Europe in place of Mr. William Fitzhugh Whitehouse.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Bliss of Vermont presented a memorial of the late Rev. A. B. Flanders of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Sills of Maine presented memorials of the late Mr. H. Ingalls and the late Mr. James Bridge of that Diocese; Mr. Morgan of New York presented a memorial of the late Mr. S P. Nash of that Diocese; all of which memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members. [For the report of the Committee, see Appendix XI.]

The President communicated to the House, from the Rev. Henry Forrester of the Church in Mexico, assurances from the Clergy of that Church of their sympathy and prayers in behalf of this Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Foute of California presented an invitation from that Diocese to the General Convention to hold its next Triennial Session in the city of San Francisco; and offered the following
resolution, which was referred to the special Joint Committee on Place of Meeting:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the triennial meeting of the General Convention in 1901 be held in the city of San Francisco.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 273.]

The Rev. Dr. Hodges of Massachusetts offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church:

The Whitsunday of 1899, being the three hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the publication of the Book of Common Prayer, Resolved, That the House of Bishops be requested to call the attention of the Church to this fact in their Pastoral Letter, that the occasion may be employed for the better instruction of the people in the history and meaning of the Prayer Book.

[For the report of the Committee, see Appendix I.]

The Rev. Dr. Prall of Michigan offered the following resolution which was placed on the Calendar [see p.382.]:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee, consisting of five Bishops and five members of this House, be appointed to take into consideration the question of the validity of the Orders of the Reformed Episcopal Church, and whether reconfirmation of the members of said Church, when they come into this Church, be necessary and desirable, and report their findings, if possible, to this Convention; and, if not possible, to the next General Convention of the Church.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No.5.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed amendment upon the administration of the Holy Communion, respectfully report: That, while fully appreciating the purpose and spirit of the amendment proposed, in their judgment this matter should be referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book. The Committee offer the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Packard of Maryland, the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Brand [see p. 228], was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 301.]

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted.
REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution looking towards the revival of an order of Evangelists, respectfully report, That, in their judgment, the object sought would better be gained by a memorial to the House of Bishops. While fully in sympathy with the spirit of the resolution referred to them, the Committee consider that the initiative would more appropriately come from the House of Bishops. The following resolution is, therefore, offered:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 4.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a memorial from the Diocese of Florida, proposing certain amendments to Title I., Canon 18, § iii., respectfully report as follows:

The action of the House of Deputies in adopting the second section of Article 2 of the Constitution, as proposed by the Committee of this House on the Messages of the House of Bishops, seems to your Committee to express the convictions of this House upon the proposed amendment. The Committee therefore offer the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Bliss of Vermont, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Christian Education of the House of Deputies have leave to sit with the Committee of the House of Bishops on the same subject.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops, relating to the revision of the Constitution:

Resolved, That the following be inserted as Section 6 of Article 5 of the Constitution:

"If during the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any Diocese should be desirous of the erection of one or more new Dioceses within the limits of the said Diocese, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese shall forward to the Standing Committees of the Church in the different Dioceses the documents and papers required by the Constitution and Canons of the Church. If the major number of the Standing Committees consent to the erection of the new Diocese or Dioceses, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or, in case of his death, to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church.
in the United States, excepting those whose resignations have been accepted. And if a majority of the Bishops consent to the said erection of one or more new Dioceses then they may at once be erected under the provisions of the Canon on the organization of new Dioceses.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 276.]

The Rev. Mr. Spalding of California offered the following preamble and resolution, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church:

WHEREAS, At the last General Convention it was resolved, by the unanimous action of both Houses of this Convention, that Quinquagesima Sunday should be set apart as a time to instruct the members of our Communion regarding the needs of and to take up a collection for an endowment fund for infirm and aged clergy of the Church; therefore,

Resolved, That this House respectfully request the Bishops of our Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions to issue a Pastoral Letter yearly at this time to the Clergy and Laity of their Jurisdictions, to call their attention to this most sacred obligation that rests upon the Church.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 258.]

The Rev. Dr. Perkins, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 1.

The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom were referred the three resolutions appended to the Report of the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, respectfully recommend their adoption.

In behalf of the Committee,

E. T. PERKINS, Chairman.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 5th day of the Session,
October 10, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 13.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 8; and that it has appointed, as members on its part of the Committee on the Resolutions of the Lambeth Conference, the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Pennsylvania, and the Bishop of Kentucky.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Saltonstall of Connecticut offered the following preambles and resolution, which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on Christian Education:

WHEREAS, There are several societies now existing in different sections of this country, whose object is to aid worthy young men seeking to prepare themselves for the work of the Ministry of this Church; and

WHEREAS, These societies receive their funds from necessarily limited areas; and

WHEREAS, It is deemed advisable that this Church should have but
one society for this purpose, to which the offerings of all Churchmen desirous of aiding young men in their preparation for the Ministry may be directed; therefore,

Resolved, That the Committee on Christian Education be requested to consider the practicability and the advisability of consolidating the several societies now existing, and according to the resulting society a place among the permanent institutions of this Church, responsible and reporting to this General Convention.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 258.]

The Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the words "Protestant Episcopal" be stricken from the titlepage of the Prayer Book, so that the title shall read, "The Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church according to the Use of the Church in the United States of America, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David."

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 331.]

At 11 A.M., the House, on motion, adjourned to meet with the House of Bishops as the Board of Missions. [See p. 398.]

The House assembled after the recess and proceeded (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair) to the consideration of the minority report presented by the Rev. Dr. Egar. [See p. 247.]

The question recurring on the motion to adopt the proposed amendment, the motion was lost by the following vote:

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.**

**CLERICAL VOTE.** — Arkansas, Central New York, — 2.

**LAY VOTE.** — Arkansas, Western Michigan, — 2.

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.**


DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Minnesota, Texas, — 2.
LAY VOTE. — Maryland, — 1.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York the following words were added to the Article as proposed by the Committee:

"but no Province shall be so bounded as to contain only a fractional portion of a State or States."

Various amendments having been proposed, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Parks, it was voted to recommit the Article as amended, together with all proposed amendments, to the Committee, to report to-morrow morning. [See p. 263.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 6th day of the Session,
October 11, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 14.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution by a constitutional vote:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change in the Book of Common Prayer, having been proposed in the last General Convention and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, be finally approved and adopted in accordance with Article 8 of the Constitution:

That, on the first day of January in the year of our Lord 1900, the place of the Golden Numbers prefixed to several days in the Calendar, between the twenty-first day of March and the eighteenth day of April, both inclusive, be changed, and that the Golden Numbers be prefixed to days in the Calendar in March and April as in the following table:

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and that in the fifth line of page xxv, the figures "1899" be changed to "2199."

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.
On motion, the House concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution communicated in the foregoing Message, by the following vote:

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.**


The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

**IN GENERAL CONVENTION,**

**WASHINGTON,** 6th day of the Session,

**October 11, 1898.**

**MESSAGE No. 15.**

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

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That on page 262 of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, in the first line of the text, the word "Question" be substituted for the word "Minister," the latter word being due to a typographical error.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That on page 263 of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, in the first rubric, a comma be inserted between the word "him" and the word "saying," the omission being a typographical error.

Attest:

**SAMUEL HART, Secretary.**

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolutions contained in the foregoing Message by the following vote:

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.**

**CLERICAL VOTE.** — Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Connecticut, Dallas, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana,
The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolutions communicated therein:

MESSAGE NO. 16.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a copy of the large paper edition of the Book of Common Prayer from the plates of the Standard be presented to the University of Virginia, and a copy to Rutgers College.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer be authorized to sell a copy of the large paper edition of the Book to a Bishop of this Church whose copy was destroyed by fire.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE NO. 17.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 12; and that it has appointed, as members on its part of the Committee to consider the Memorial from the Convocation of the American Churches on the Continent of Europe, the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Pittsburgh, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of Ohio, and the Bishop Coadjutor of Rhode Island.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolutions communicated therein:
IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 6th day of the Session,
October 11, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 18.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Church University Board of Regents, which it herewith transmits to the House of Deputies together with the Treasurer's report, and that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurs, That the organization created by the General Convention in 1889, known as The Church University Board of Regents, be and is hereby dissolved.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That, in consenting to the dissolution of the organization known as the Church University Board of Regents, the General Convention would record its grateful appreciation of the earnest and valued services rendered to the cause of Christian Education by the members of said organization.

Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the Report, see Appendix IV.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House voted to grant the Committee of Conference called for therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 6th day of the Session,
October 11, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 19.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops non-concurs in the resolution contained in Message 9 of the House of Deputies, and asks for a Committee of Conference on the proposals of amendment to the Constitution contained in said Message.

Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the appointment of the Committee, see p. 262; for the report of the Committee, see p. 272.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops, de revision of the Constitution.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 6th day of the Session,
October 11, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 20.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out the proviso in Article 5 of the Constitution, viz.: "Provided, that no city shall form more than one Diocese."

Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion the House adjourned.
SEVENTH DAY.

TUESDAY, October 12, 1898.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Cathell of Iowa, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Ohio.

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

The following persons not previously present appeared and took their seats: The Rev. Dr. Logan of Mississippi, the Rev. Dr. Coit of New Hampshire, and the Rev. Mr. Aves of Texas.

The Rev. Dr. Marshall, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

REPORT No. 6.

The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that satisfactory evidence has been received that Mr. William B. Shepard of East Carolina is entitled to the seat of Mr. Henry R. Bryan of that Diocese, unable longer to attend the session of the Convention.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington, from the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report; the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, to which were referred the two resolutions relating to the cession or retrocession of a Missionary Jurisdiction to an existing Diocese without the consent of both, begs leave to report that there is no Constitutional provision touching either the cession or the retrocession of any portion of a Diocese or Missionary District. The cession of a portion of a Diocese for the purpose of having it established as a Missionary District has been recommended by this Committee in times past, but only when there had been submitted evidence of the consent of the parties concerned, and similar consent would be required as a condition precedent to even the consideration of the question of retrocession.

The spirit of the Constitution may be gathered from its Article 5, which requires, for the formation of a Diocese, by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned.

The Committee respectfully asks to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

For the Committee,

WM. R. HUNTINGTON, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Duncan, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following report; the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:
REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on the State of the Church, to whom was referred the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Spalding relative to contributions in aid of the aged and infirm Clergy, have carefully considered the same, and report, by way of substitute, the following resolution, asking its adoption:

WHEREAS, The last General Convention did recommend that on Quinquagesima Sunday, or a day near thereto, there should be made offerings in aid of the aged and infirm Clergy; therefore

Resolved, That this House respectfully request the Bishops administering Dioceses and Missionary Districts to issue yearly, previous to that time, Pastoral Letters to the Clergy and Laity of their respective Jurisdictions, calling their attention to this most sacred obligation resting upon the Church.

HERMAN C. DUNCAN, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Bliss, from the Committee on Christian Education, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

The Committee on Christian Education, to whom was referred the resolution requesting such Committee to consider the practicability and advisability of consolidating the several societies now existing for aiding worthy young men seeking to prepare themselves for the work of the Ministry, and according to the resulting society a place among the permanent institutions of this Church, responsible and reporting to the General Convention, having considered the resolution, respectfully report, that, while they sympathize with the object aimed at, they think there are legal and other difficulties so serious in securing the object that they deem the passage of the resolution inexpedient and offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. ISHAM BLISS, Chairman.

The Rev. Mr. Faudé of Minnesota presented a memorial from the Church Workers among the Coloured People, praying for the establishment of a general institution of learning for the training of colored youth; which memorial, on motion of the same gentleman, was referred (the House of Bishops concurring) to a special Committee of five members of each House. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 336.]

Mr. Triplett of Missouri presented a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. Montgomery Schuyler of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Jones of Ohio presented a memorial of the late Mr. Columbus Delano of that Diocese; Mr. Parker of Vermont presented a memorial of the late Mr. Thomas H. Canfield of that Diocese; Mr. Fairbanks of Florida presented a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. J. J. Scott of that Diocese; all of which memorials were referred to the Com-
mittee on Memorials of Deceased Members. [For the report of the Committee, see Appendix XI.]

The Rev. Dr. Nevin, delegate from the American Churches on the Continent of Europe, offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 3, Section iii., of the Digest of Canons be hereby amended to read as follows:

§ iii. [1.] Where the ministrations of the Church are desired, congregations may be organized in foreign countries, other than Great Britain and Ireland and the colonies and dependencies thereof, and not within the jurisdiction of any Missionary Bishop of this Church.

[2.] Such congregations, on giving satisfactory evidence to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops that they recognize and accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, may be formally recognized by him as belonging to this Church, and shall thereupon become subject to and be placed under the Episcopal Government and jurisdiction of such Presiding Bishop for the time being.

[3.] Present [6.]

[4.] A Standing Committee, to consist of four Presbyters and four Laymen resident or travelling abroad, shall be appointed by a Convocation of all the Clergy and representatives of the Laity, of said churches on any one continent, who shall exercise in regard to said churches the ordinary powers and duties committed to Standing Committees in this Church. Said Standing Committee shall remain in office for three years, or until their successors are appointed, and shall have power within that time to fill vacancies in their own body.

[5.] The general legislation of this Church, governing parishes, Clergy, and Laity, shall, in all cases where not rendered impracticable by geographical limitations, apply to the churches in foreign countries.

Subsections 8, 9, and 10, to be numbered respectively 6, 7, and 8. Subsection 11, to be numbered 9, substituting for the last three words, the words "Presiding Bishop."

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 331.]

The Rev. Mr. Bollard, delegate from the Missionary District of Northern California, offered the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following be inserted among the Canons of this Church:

STANDING ORDER.

Missionary Jurisdictions, being in special sense the wards of the Church, are required, in order to obtain as soon as possible Diocesan status, to forward to the Board of Managers of the General Missionary Society, yearly from every congregation, the collection at each visitation of the Bishop, the same to be set apart by the Board of Managers toward an Endowment Fund for the future Diocese. There shall also yearly be a collection taken in each congregation for the General Missionary work. All funds of Missionary Jurisdictions, not distinctly parochial, shall be placed in the keeping of the Board of Managers, and copies of deeds of all property shall be furnished said Board, and all
funds shall be reported to them yearly. No Cathedral erection shall be undertaken in any Missionary Jurisdiction.

If possible, there shall yearly be a Convocation of all the Clergy and representatives of the Laity in each jurisdiction, the right to seat and vote being their inalienable privilege. If five clergymen be canonically resident they shall have power to elect their own Standing Committee or Council of Advice, the same being invariably composed of citizens of the United States.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 328.]

The Rev. Dr. Brand of Maryland offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Prayer Book be requested to consider the following proposed addition to the last rubric in the order for the administration of the Holy Communion.

Nevertheless, if the minister have received due notice that there is a sick person who is not able to come to the Church and yet is desirous to receive the Holy Communion in his house, then the Priest may reserve at the open Communion so much of the Sacrament of the Body and Blood as shall serve the sick person, and so many as shall communicate with him. And so soon as he conveniently may after the open Communion ended in the Church shall go and minister the same first to them that are appointed to communicate with the sick giving to each the Body and the Blood separately.

But if the communicant be physically incapable of thus receiving, such person, and none other, may be ministered with the two elements combined.

When communicating the reserved Sacrament, the Form for the Communion of the Sick shall be observed, with the exception of the Prayer of Consecration, and the ordering that the Priest shall first receive the Holy Communion.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 301.]

The Rev. Dr. Enos of Albany offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the words "Protestant Episcopal" be stricken from Title I., Canon 22, of the Digest.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 307.]

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, which, on motion, was placed on the Calendar:

REPORT No. 3.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred resolutions proposing amendments to Title III., Canon 7, § 1., Article IV., and also Message No. 8 from the House of Bishops, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concur with the House of Bishops in their Message No. 8.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. Davenport, Chairman.

[For consideration of the report, see p. 307.]
The Rev. Dr. Duncan of Louisiana offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order:

Resolved, That Rule 4, Section 1 of the Rules of Order be amended by striking out all after the words "on the State of the Church."

Mr. Paine of Massachusetts offered the following resolutions, which, together with resolutions on the same subject, now on the Calendar, were referred to a Special Committee, to be appointed by the President:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following letter be sent to the Tsar of Russia, duly signed by the President of the House of Bishops and by the President of the House of Deputies, and countersigned by the Secretaries of both of said bodies.

To His Majesty, the Tsar of Russia:

The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, composed of Bishops, Clergymen, and Laymen, are impelled to express to your Majesty the profound satisfaction with which they hail the great Peace Manifesto which your Majesty has issued.

The whole Christian world may well rejoice with the same deep feelings of joy and repeat in solemn prayer the words which you have spoken that "the Conference you propose will be, by the help of God, a happy presage for the century which is about to open." Surely, "excessive armaments should be reduced, together with their crushing burdens" on the peoples.

Your Majesty's recognition of international discussion and of the conscience of civilized nations will stimulate and encourage these great forces of Christian civilization which demand, in place of war, some method of judicial arbitration to preserve "the principles of equity and right whereon rest the security of states and the welfare of peoples."

Your inauguration of this noble movement marks an epoch in the progress of the world. We earnestly invoke on it the blessing of Almighty God to hasten the coming of His Kingdom upon earth.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 332.]

The Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following words be added to Title I., Canon 18, § III. [2]:

"But on the occasion of the official visitation of the Bishop of the Diocese, the Alms and Contributions shall be appropriated as follows: one third to Domestic Missions, one third to Foreign Missions, and the remaining third to Diocesan Missions, or to such object within the Diocese as the Bishop may designate; so that the whole section shall read as follows:

The Alms and Contributions at the administration of the Holy Communion shall be deposited with the Minister of the Parish, or with such Church officer as shall be appointed by him, to be applied by the Minis-
ter, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit.

But on the occasion of the official visitation of the Bishop of the Diocese, the Alms and Contributions shall be appropriated as follows: one third to Domestic Missions, one third to Foreign Missions, and the remaining third to Diocesan Missions, or to such object within the Diocese as the Bishop may designate.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 272.]

The Rev. Dr. Waters of Louisiana offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order:

Resolved, That Rule of Order No. 33 be amended, so that during the sessions of the Board of Missions, after the conclusion of the devotional exercises, visitors may be allowed to occupy seats that may be vacant, so long as they are not claimed by the Deputies entitled to them.

[For the report of the Committee, see 289.]

The President appointed the following persons as members of the Committee of Conference called for in Message 19 from the House of Bishops. The Rev. Dr. Fiske of Rhode Island, Mr. Andrews of Central New York, and Mr. Earl of Albany. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 272.]

The Rev. Dr. Prall of Michigan presented a memorial, together with resolutions from the Tenth Conference of Deaf Mutes; both of which, together with a motion by the Rev. Mr. Israel, to print the petition, were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 280.]

The Secretary presented a communication from the Council of the Corporation of the Church House, London, England, conveying the information that the Council had presented to the General Convention a set of the Chronicles of the Convocation of the Province of Canterbury.

The Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany offered the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, The Council of "The Corporation of the Church House," Westminster, London, has presented to the Library of the General Convention of this Church a complete set of the Chronicles of the "Convocation of the Province of Canterbury," therefore,

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Secretary of this House be requested to express to the Council of the Corporation of the Church House, London, the profound thanks of the General Convention of this Church for the thoughtful and generous gift which has placed in its possession a complete set of the Records of the venerable and distinguished Body which represents the Province of Canterbury.

[For the action of the House of Bishops, see p. 275.]
The House proceeded (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair), to the order of the day, being the report of the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops relating to the revision of the Constitution.

The Rev. Dr. Dix from the Committee presented a new draft of Article 7, and offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article 7 of the Constitution, viz.:

**ARTICLE 7.**

Dioceses and Missionary Districts may be united into Provinces in such manner, under such conditions, and with such powers, as shall be provided by Canons of the General Convention; *Provided, however*, that no Diocese shall be included in a Province without its own consent.

A motion to adopt the resolution reported by the Committee prevailed by the following vote:

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.**


**LAY VOTE.** — Alabama, Albany, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Dallas, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Los Angeles, Louisiana, Maine, Marquette, Maryland, Michigan, Milwaukee, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Springfield, Texas, Vermont, Washington, Western New York, — 42.

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.**

**CLERICAL VOTE.** — Kentucky, Lexington, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Tennessee, Virginia, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 8.

**LAY VOTE.** — Lexington, Long Island, Minnesota, Southern Virginia, Tennessee, Virginia, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 8.

**DIOCESES DIVIDED.**

**CLERICAL VOTE.** — Kansas, Minnesota, Pittsburgh, — 3.

**LAY VOTE.** — Connecticut, Georgia, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Southern Ohio, Western Michigan, — 6.
The House proceeded with the consideration of the seventh resolution in the report of the same Committee, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 7 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article 8 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 8.

No person shall be ordered Priest or Deacon until he shall have been examined by the Bishop and two Priests and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons in that case provided may direct. No person shall be consecrated Bishop, or ordered Priest or Deacon, unless he shall at the time subscribe and make, in the presence of the ordaining Bishop or Bishops, the following declaration:

"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop, or by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided and shall have also subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Easter of Los Angeles, the Article was amended by striking out the letter s in the word "Doctrines" in the second paragraph.

A motion to adopt the resolution, thus amended, prevailed by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Albany, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Dallas, Delaware, East Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Lexington, Long Island, Los Angeles, Louisiana, Maine, Marquette, Maryland, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New York, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio,

The House proceeded with the consideration of the eighth resolution in the report of the same Committee, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 6 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article 9 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 9.

The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Convention. The Court appointed for that purpose shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese, until the General Convention shall provide a uniform judicial system. The decisions of all Courts of First Instance shall be subject to review by Courts of Revision or Appeal, when the same shall be established or provided for by the General Convention. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the Ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon. A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms, or at what time the penalty shall cease.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Richards of Rhode Island, the Article was amended by inserting the word "deposition" after the word "suspension" in the fifth sentence.

Pending the consideration of the resolution, the following message was received from the House of Bishops, and a motion to concur with the House of Bishops in their action was placed on the Calendar [see p. 273]:

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WASHINGTON, 7th day of the Session,
October 11, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 21.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the next triennial meeting of the General Convention be held in the City of San Francisco in the State of California.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 7th day of the Session,
October 11, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 22.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has appointed, as members of the Committee of Conference on the resolutions
The House took a recess.

The House having resumed its session, proceeded (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair) with the order of the day, viz., the report of the Committee on Messages of the House of Bishops, relating to the revision of the Constitution, Article 9 being under consideration.

On motion of Mr. Stetson of New York, the Article was amended by substituting for the sentence beginning with the words "The decisions of all Courts," the following:

From time to time the General Convention by Canon may establish, or may provide for, a Court or Courts of Appeal, with power to review the final determination of an Inferior Court, in the manner and to the extent to be provided by such Canon.

Various amendments having been offered, on motion, the Article, as amended, together with all proposed amendments, was recommitted to the Committee. [For further report of the Committee, see p. 278.]

The House proceeded to the consideration of the next resolution in the Committee's report, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:
Strike out Article 8 of the Constitution, and insert the following as Article 10 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 10.

The Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David, the Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, the Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be in use in all the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of this Church. No alteration thereof, or addition thereto, shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Convention, and, by a resolve thereof, sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a
majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to votes in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, voting by orders. Provided, however, that the General Convention shall have power at any meeting to amend the Tables of Lessons, by a majority of the whole number of the Bishops entitled to votes in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, voting by orders.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York moved to amend the Article by adding the following:

But nothing in this Article shall be so construed as to restrain any Bishop of this Church, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, from taking under his spiritual oversight any congregation of Christian people, not theretofore in communion with this Church, which accepts the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed, and whose Minister, having received Episcopal ordination, shall covenant, as may be prescribed by Canon, to use in public worship such form or directory as the said Bishop shall set forth and authorize;

Provided, such form or directory shall contain or enjoin nothing contrary to the doctrine of this Church, shall make provision for the Apostolic rite of Confirmation, and shall require, in the administration of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Supper of the Lord, the unfalling use of the words and elements ordained by Christ himself; and, provided, further, that no such congregation shall be admitted into union with a Diocesan Convention or Council until it has been organized as a Parish or a Congregation of this Church in accordance with Canonical requirements.

Pending the consideration of the proposed amendment, the following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

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MESSAGE No. 23.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in giving permission to its Committee on Christian Education, to sit with the Committee of the House of Deputies on the same subject.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

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MESSAGE No. 24.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has elected the Bishop of Delaware to fill the vacancy in the Commission on Christian Unity caused by the death of the late Bishop of Western New York; and that it has elected the Bishop of Marquette to fill the vacancy in the Commission on Swedish Orders caused by the death of the late Bishop of Iowa.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.
The following Message was received from the House of Bishops; and, on motion, the House concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein:

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WASHINGTON, 7th day of the Session,
October 11, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 25.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed to nominate members of the Missionary Council and of the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions;
and that it has appointed, as members of the Committee on its part, the Bishop of Dallas, the Bishop of Southern Ohio, the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Milwaukee, and the Bishop of Tokyo.

Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the appointment of Committee on the part of this House, see p. 269.]

The Rev. Dr. Davenport from the Committee on Canons presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 6.
The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a memorial of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Southern Florida asking for representation with right to vote in the House of Deputies, respectfully reports that the memorial demands constitutional amendment, not canonical, and therefore recommends the adoption of the following: Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

On motion of the same gentleman, the memorial was referred to the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops, de revision of the Constitution.

The President announced the appointment of

The Rev. Dr. Faundé of Minnesota, the Rev. Dr. Craik of Kentucky, Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska, and Mr. Lee of South Carolina,
as members of the Joint Committee on the Memorial from the Church Workers among the Coloured People.

On motion, the House adjourned.
EIGHTH DAY.

THURSDAY, October 13, 1898.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said and the Benediction pronounced by the Bishop of Vermont.

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

Mr. Radebaugh of Los Angeles and Mr. Nugent of Texas, not previously present, appeared and took their seats.

The President announced the appointment of the following committees:

COMMITTEE ON THE PEACE MANIFESTO OF THE TSAR OF RUSSIA.

The Rev. Mr. Short of Missouri; the Rev. Dr. Mackay-Smith of Washington; Mr. Paine of Massachusetts; Mr. Earl of Albany; and Mr. Stotsenburg of Indiana.

COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE THE BOARD OF MANAGERS AND MEMBERS OF THE MISSIONARY COUNCIL.

The Rev. Dr. Eccleston of Maryland; the Rev. Dr. Christian of Newark; the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany; the Rev. Dr. Prall of Michigan; the Rev. Dr. Roberts of New Hampshire; Mr. Biddle of Pennsylvania; Mr. Brown of Rhode Island; Mr. Bryan of Virginia; Mr. Goodwin of Connecticut; and Mr. Wells of Colorado.

TO FILL VACANCIES IN THE JOINT COMMISSION ON CHRISTIAN UNITY.

The Rev. Dr. McBryde of Southern Virginia; the Rev. Mr. Harding of Washington; the Rev. Dr. McConnell of Long Island; the Rev. Dr. Hodge of Pennsylvania; Mr. Carter of Maryland; and Mr. Mahan of New York.

The Rev. Dr. Marshall, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 7.

The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that satisfactory evidence has been received that the Rev. John S. Gibson of West Virginia is entitled to the seat of the Rev. B. M. Spurr of that Diocese, unable longer to attend the session of the Convention.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Carey, from the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, presented the following report:

The Committee on the General Theological Seminary, to whom was referred the Triennial Report of the Trustees of this venerable institution, beg leave to report that they find in this seat of theological learning most encouraging conditions of material, scholastic, and spiritual life.
The real estate of the Seminary, consisting of lots and buildings chiefly including the block between Twentieth and Twenty-First streets and the Ninth and Tenth avenues, is valued at $1,978,000, while the amount of funds in the hands of the Finance Committee for lectureships, professorships, scholarships, prizes, and kindred purposes, is $1,260,986.97. During the last three years the sum of $450,360.13 has been contributed, and the fact is disclosed that this amount has come from eleven Dioceses, of which New York has given the chief portion. As the General Seminary is the institution of the whole Church, there should be a recognition of its work in all the Dioceses by liberal gifts.

We note with gratification that the Seminary has received in legacies from the estates of four persons the handsome bequests of $338,274.64, and also, for the founding of five new scholarships, the sum of $21,560.23. The library, which stands for so much in the equipment of the Seminary for its grand work, although it possesses no endowments, has received valuable acquisitions since the last triennial report of the Trustees. Two thousand two hundred and eighty-three volumes have been placed on its shelves, and the great collection of Latin Bibles, the largest in the world, numbering between two and three thousand volumes, has been numerically increased by the generous gifts of friends of the Seminary at a cost of several thousand dollars. It is to be noted also that the Seminary is most fortunate in having become the possessor of a large and varied collection of Babylonian clay tablets of bricks, which were obtained through excavations at various points in the neighbourhood of Babylon. "Many of them are contemporary with the earliest historical data known," and contain the names of kings hitherto unknown to the historian. That these cuneiform writings will shed much light on Biblical history in the far past is evident, and it may be gratifying to note that a volume of translations from these tablets will soon be issued by the Oxford Press, as the fruit of the studies of Hugo Rado, who holds one of the Mayo fellowships in the General Seminary. It will, further, be of special satisfaction to Churchmen to learn that the original portrait of Bishop Ravenscroft of North Carolina, the portrait of Bishop Theodore Dehon of South Carolina, and Inman's full length portrait of Bishop White now adorn the Library Building. In the midst of such surroundings and facilities for study the students possess very great advantages.

The number of persons applying for admission to the Seminary shows the confidence of the Church in its work, which is most efficient and thorough. During the year 1895-96, there were in attendance in the classes 146 students; in 1896-97, 136, and in 1897-98, 156 students. The increase, which is a marked feature, calls for more buildings to accommodate all persons who desire to enter this great seat of godly learning. We urge the friends of the Seminary to show their hearty appreciation of what has been done by making gifts of money for the erection of additional halls for students, and to aid in building Hoffman Hall, whose plan was conceived by the class of 1893, which will have a much-needed Refectory and Gymnasium, together with other important features. Half the sum for the erection of this hall, $50,000, has been subscribed, and it is to be hoped the other half will soon be given, as the work cannot go on until the money is in hand.

Lectures of a varied and interesting character have been delivered at various times during the triennial period by some sixteen Bishops and a score of Presbyters. The chief topic, it may be said, was Missions, and thereby, while the students have been edified, the missionary spirit has been enkindled and cherished among them. Your Committee venture, however, in view of utterances in this Convention, sitting in a Board of Missions, to ask the question whether it would not be to the still greater advantage of the Church to have established in the General
Theological Seminary a special department of Missions, where men could be thoroughly fitted for work, both in the Domestic and Foreign fields?

While we have noted in the triennial report of the Trustees of the Seminary that persons who hold fellowships in this institution have aided in giving instruction to the students in important branches, we may specially emphasize the fact that in the opportunities now afforded by the Seminary for the acquisition of the Oriental languages, it takes rank with the foremost universities of the world. The Reverend Hugo Rado, whose name has been already mentioned, has during the past year given most valuable instruction to the students in Eastern Semitic,—embracing cuneiform inscriptions,—and also in Western Semitic, chiefly Arabic, Syriac, and Western Aramaic, including the Targums and fragments of the old Canaanitish language, profound studies, which all tend to defend and elucidate the Inspired Scriptures.

It would occupy too much of your time for your Committee to mention all the excellent features in the various departments of instruction. Suffice it to say that the aim of the Very Reverend, the Dean, and Members of the Faculty, is to make real in the highest sense the pregnant saying that the priest's lips should keep knowledge. Nor only so. The intellectual life of the students is not all their thought and care. The spiritual character is built up and beautified. The rich and reverent services of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, and the affectionate counsels of those who have the oversight of the students, all tend to deepen and broaden and strengthen the spiritual life.

What may be characterized as a marvellous transformation has taken place in the fortunes of the General Seminary during the past eighteen years. This institution was in a critical condition when the present Dean was chosen to guide its future under God. There was then for the eye of the beholder an unsightly square with only two gray stone buildings to break the monotony of the scene. Now as you walk about Chelsea Square you have a vision of beauty. It is more than a day dream realized in the graceful pile which meets your gaze—deanery, halls for students, professors' dwellings, great library, and noble Chapel dominating all—the prophecy of other glorious things—and all these are evidences of liberal giving, loving service, and wise administration. Surely, every lover of the truth may rejoice in the prosperity of this great School of the Prophets, which has given to the American Church so many of her distinguished bishops and a long array of priests, many of whom have filled highest places of honour, while all have stood for the Faith and have laboured successfully for the extension of the Kingdom of God.

By order of the Committee,
JOSEPH CAREY, Chairman.

The Rev. Mr. Rich of Easton presented a memorial of the late Mr. W. Goldsborough of that Diocese; the Rev. Mr. Knight of Georgia presented a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. R. S. Barrett of that Diocese; Mr. Pell-Clarke of Albany presented a memorial of the late Mr. E. Corning of that Diocese; the Rev. Mr. Beckwith of Texas presented a memorial of the late Mr. E. G. Hankirk of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Western New York presented a memorial of the late Rev. Dr. J. Rankine and the late Rev. Dr. W. A. Hitchcock of that Diocese; the Rev. Dr.
Logan of Mississippi presented a memorial of the late Mr. C. H. Cocke of that Diocese; all of which memorials were referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members. [For the report of the Committee, see Appendix XI.]

The Rev. Dr. Fiske, from the Committee of Conference on proposed amendments to Articles 2 and 3 of the Constitution, presented the following report:

The members, on the part of this House, of the Committee of Conference on amendments to the Constitution proposed in Message No. 9 from the House of Deputies, respectfully report: That the Committee of Conference recommends to the House of Bishops concurrence with the House of Deputies in the amendments to the Constitution proposed in Message No. 9 of the House of Deputies.

G. McC. FISKE
(On the part of this House),
Chairman of the Committee of Conference.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a deputation be appointed to attend the next General Synod of the Church of England in Canada.

The President appointed, as members of the deputation on the part of this House, the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany, the Rev. Mr. Nichols of Minnesota, Mr. Ryerson of Chicago, and Mr. Miller of Michigan.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, which, on motion, was placed on the Calendar:

REPORT No. 7.
The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed amendment to Title I., Canon 18, § iii. [2], respectfully report, that, owing to the varying canons and customs of different Dioceses, any change of the Canon at this time is inexpedient. The Committee, therefore, offer the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

[For the consideration of the report, see p. 382.]

The Rev. Dr. Bodine of Pennsylvania offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, Section 5, be amended by the insertion, after the word duties, in line 4, of the following: "Or when he shall have been duly chosen for leader-
ship in the work of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of this Church, and signified his willingness to undertake and carry on said work; so that the Canon, as amended, will read:

"When a Bishop of a Diocese is unable, by reason of old age or other permanent cause of infirmity, or by reason of the extent of his Diocese, to discharge his Episcopal duties, or when he shall have been duly chosen for leadership in the work of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of this Church, and signified his willingness to undertake and carry on said work, the Bishop Coadjutor may be elected by and for the said Diocese, who shall in all cases succeed the Bishop in case of surviving him; Provided," etc.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 328.]

Mr. Morgan of New York, from the Joint Committee on the place of the next meeting of the General Convention, presented the following report:

The Committee of this House, on the part of the Joint Committee on the place of the next meeting of the General Convention, begs leave to report that the Joint Committee has united in recommending as such place of meeting the City of San Francisco.

The Committee would also report that it has received cordial invitation from representatives of Kansas City, Mo., Boston, Mass., New Orleans, La., and New York.

J. PIERPONT MORGAN, Chairman.

On motion of the same gentleman, the House took from the Calendar the motion [see p. 265] to concur with the House of Bishops in their action on the same subject; and the motion to concur in the action of the House of Bishops was adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Bliss of Vermont, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the report of the Committee on Christian Education be made the order of the day on Saturday, October 22, at eleven o'clock, and that the two Houses sit in joint session.

[See p. 360.]

The Rev. Mr. Bollard, delegate from the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern California, offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Expenses:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That at the close of the sessions of this General Convention, the Treasurer of the Board of Missions be instructed and authorized to refund to the Clerical Delegates from the several Missionary Jurisdictions now in attendance upon this Convention, upon vouchers from the several Bishops in charge, the amount of the necessary expenses incurred by said Clerical Delegates through their attendance at this General Convention.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 307.]

Mr. Spittle of Oregon offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was placed on the Calendar:
Resolved. The House of Bishops concurring, That a Committee consisting of one Bishop, one Presbyter, and one Layman be appointed to draft a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States, providing that Congress shall have power to establish uniform laws on the subject of marriage and divorce throughout the United States and its Territories.

And that said Committee cause said amendment to be introduced at the next session of Congress, or at the earliest session at which they are enabled to get such measure introduced by some member of Congress to be selected by said Committee.

This resolution was subsequently referred to a special Committee, see p. 357.

The House proceeded (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair) to the order of the day, viz., the report of the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops, the resolution proposing the adoption of Article 10 being under consideration. Permission was given to the Rev. Dr. Huntington to present his amendment [see p. 267] after action by the House on the Article proposed by the Committee in their report.

A motion to adopt the resolution reported by the Committee prevailed by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendment offered by the Rev. Dr. Huntington [see p. 267]. Pending the discussion of the amendment, the House took a recess.

The House having resumed its session proceeded (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair) with the consideration of the subject under discussion at the hour of recess.
Pending the discussion, the following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

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**October 13, 1898.**

**MESSAGE No. 26.**
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the preamble and resolution contained in its Message No. 20, conveying the thanks of the Convention to The Corporation of the Church House, Westminster.

Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein:

**IN GENERAL CONVENTION,**
**WASHINGTON, 8th day of the Session,**
**October 13, 1898.**

**MESSAGE No. 27.**
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed in accordance with Title III., Canon 8, to nominate seven persons for election to serve as Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen;
and that it has appointed as members of such Committee on its part, the Bishop of South Dakota, the Bishop of Newark, and the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein.

**IN GENERAL CONVENTION,**
**WASHINGTON, 8th day of the Session,**
**October 13, 1898.**

**MESSAGE No. 28.**
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Report of the Joint Committee on Christian Education be made the special order for Saturday, October 22, at eleven o'clock, the two Houses sitting as one body.

Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

**IN GENERAL CONVENTION,**
**WASHINGTON, 8th day of the Session,**
**October 13, 1898.**

**MESSAGE No. 29.**
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has corrected a clerical error in its action at the last General Convention (see
Journal, p. 94), by adding the County of Brewster, in the State of Texas, and Missionary District of Western Texas to the Missionary District of New Mexico.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 8th day of the Session, October 13, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 30.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions:

1. That the House of Bishops hereby constitutes a new Missionary District, the boundaries of which shall be those of the present Missionary District of The Platte, so changed as to include all that portion of the State of Wyoming lying east of the west lines of the counties of Sheridan, Johnson, Natrona, and Carbon; the district so constituted to be called the Missionary District of Laramie and the title of the Bishop to be the Missionary Bishop of Laramie.

2. That the House of Bishops hereby constitutes a new Missionary District, the boundaries of which shall be those of the present Missionary District of Utah, so changed as to include the present Missionary District of Western Colorado and all that portion of the State of Nevada lying east of the west lines of the counties of Elko, White Pine, Eureka, Lincoln, Lander, and Nye, together with that portion of the county of Uintah, in the State of Wyoming, lying south of 41° N. Lat.; the district so constituted to be called the Missionary District of Salt Lake, and the title of the Bishop to be the Missionary Bishop of Salt Lake.

3. That the House of Bishops hereby constitutes a new Missionary District, which shall include the present Missionary District of Northern California, and all that portion of the State of Nevada lying west of the west lines of the counties of Elko, White Pine, Eureka, Lincoln, Lander, and Nye; the district so constituted to be called the Missionary District of Sacramento, and the title of the Bishop to be the Missionary Bishop of Sacramento.

4. That the House of Bishops hereby constitutes a new Missionary District, which shall include all that portion of the present Missionary District of Idaho lying south and east of the southern and eastern lines of the county of Idaho, together with all that portion of the State of Wyoming lying west of the west lines of the counties of Sheridan, Johnson, Natrona, and Carbon, except so much of the county of Uintah attached to the Missionary District of Salt Lake; the district so constituted to be called the Missionary District of Boise, and the title of the Bishop to be the Missionary Bishop of Boise.

5. That the House of Bishops hereby constitutes a new Missionary District, which shall include the present Missionary District of Spokane, together with that portion of the State of Idaho lying north of the southern line of the county of Idaho; the district so constituted to be called the Missionary District of Spokane, and the title of the Bishop to be the Missionary Bishop of Spokane.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Dix from the Committee on Messages of the House of Bishops, to whom were recommitted certain resolutions of the Committee's report, together with proposed amendments thereof, presented the following report:

The Committee on Messages of the House of Bishops respect-
fully report that they have carefully considered the articles and amendments recommitted to them, and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out the Title "Constitution, adopted in General Convention, in Philadelphia, October, 1789," and insert, "Constitution, adopted in General Convention, in Philadelphia, October, 1789, as amended in subsequent General Conventions."

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following changes be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Articles 1, 2, and 3, and insert the following to be known as Article 1 of the Constitution:

ARTICLE 1.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and, in all deliberations, freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, and all acts of the Convention shall be adopted and authenticated by both Houses.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop who has resigned his jurisdiction by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of Foreign Missionary Bishops and Bishops who have resigned their jurisdictions, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church, in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Bishop of the Church. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention. But if the Presiding Bishop shall resign his office as such, or if he shall resign his Episcopal Jurisdiction, or if he shall become disabled by reason of infirmity, the Bishop next in seniority by consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall thereupon become the Presiding Bishop.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which has been admitted to union with the General Convention shall be entitled to representation in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, having domicile in the Diocese; but the General Convention may by Canon reduce the representation to not less than two Deputies in each order. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

To constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, the Clerical Order shall be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation, and the Lay Order shall likewise be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation.
On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by this Constitution, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote in the Clerical Order and one in the Lay Order; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

Sec. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House shall adjourn without the consent of the other for more than three days, nor to any other place than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

Sec. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church, or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands, convened by proper Ecclesiastical Authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies except the right to vote when the vote shall be taken by Orders.

Sec. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at the place designated by such Convention; and if there shall appear to the Presiding Bishop of the Church sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be provided for by Canon.

Your Committee have considered the amendment offered to Article 5, and are of the opinion that a provision authorizing a Diocese to be divided when there is no Bishop of the Diocese, is inexpedient. They recommend that the part of Section 1, included in lines 1 to 13, as far as the word "Bishop" in line 13, be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1. A new Diocese may be formed (1) by the erection into a Diocese of a Missionary District lying within the boundaries of a single State or Territory; (2) by the division of an existing Diocese; or (3) by the junction of two or more Dioceses in the same State, or of parts of two or more such Dioceses, under such conditions as the General Convention shall prescribe by a general Canon or Canons. The proceedings shall originate in a Convocation of the Clergy and Laity of the District called by the Bishop for that purpose; or with the approval of the Bishop in the Convention of the Diocese to be divided; or (when it is proposed to form a new Diocese by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or of parts of two or more Dioceses) by mutual agreement of the Conventions of the Dioceses concerned, with the approval of the respective Bishops. In case the Episcopate of a Diocese be vacant, no proceedings towards its division or towards the formation of a new Diocese of which it may be a part shall be taken until the vacancy is filled. During a vacancy in a Missionary District the consent of the Presiding Bishop must be had before proceedings to erect it into a Diocese be taken.

The Committee recommend the adoption of Article 9 as follows:

Article 9.

The mode of trying a Bishop shall be provided by the General Con-
vention; but all courts for the trial and for the review of the trial of a Bishop shall be composed of Bishops only.

The mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons shall be instituted by the Conventions of the several Dioceses.

A review of the final determination of every Diocesan court by a court or courts of appeal may be provided for in general Canons of the General Convention.

None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, deposition, or degradation from the ministry on any clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon. A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms and conditions or at what time the suspension shall cease.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Elliott of Washington, it was

Resolved, That there be but one session of the House to-morrow, and that it continue until 2 p.m.

On motion, the House adjourned.

NINTH DAY.

FRIDAY, October 14, 1898.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Western New York, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Kansas.

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

The President announced the appointment of the following persons as members of the Joint Committee to nominate Trustees of the "Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen," etc.:

The Rev. Dr. Bodine of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Mr. Saltonstall of Connecticut; the Rev. Dr. Reed of Central New York; Mr. Brown of Rhode Island; Mr. Merrick of Pennsylvania; and Mr. Davis of Massachusetts.

The President appointed Mr. London of South Carolina to fill a vacancy in the Committee on the Memorial from the Church Workers among Coloured People, in place of Mr. Lee, not present in the Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Marshall, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

REPORT No. 8.

The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that satisfactory evidence has been received that Mr. J. Holdsworth Gordon of the Diocese of Washington is entitled to a seat in this House in the place of Mr. Arthur S. Browne, and that Mr. David B. Sherwood is entitled to the
The Rev. Dr. Duncan, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 3.

The Committee on the State of the Church, to whom was referred the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Israel, authorizing the Committee to print the petition presented by the Rev. Dr. Prall respecting the Missions to Deaf Mutes and the action of this Committee thereon, have had the same under careful consideration. They find that the petition does not ask for any action by this House. Hence your Committee cannot find a justification of the expense involved in the resolution. They submit the following resolution and ask its adoption:

Resolved, That the Committee on the State of the Church be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HERMAN C. DUNCAN, Chairman.

Mr. Fitts of Alabama presented a memorial of the late Mr. Joel White of that Diocese, which was referred to the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members. [For the report of the Committee, see Appendix XI.]

Mr. Old of Southern Virginia offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church:

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to consider whether it is not possible to guarantee a small salary to every missionary of this Church, so that the missionaries may be kept above actual want and mendicancy. For the present the minimum salary should be four hundred dollars.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 346.]

Mr. Butler of Central Pennsylvania offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Joint Committee on the Memorial of the American Churches on the Continent of Europe:

Resolved, As the sense of this Convention, that no congregations be established by this Church at points on the Continent of Europe where the Church of England now maintains regular services, and that where additional Churches are required at such points, this Church shall act in co-operation with the English Church in providing the same.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 383.]

Mr. Trask of Albany offered the following preambles and resolutions, which were placed on the Calendar to be considered with
WHEREAS, Marriage and divorce in the United States are now governed by the laws of the respective States; and,

WHEREAS, The said laws differ in essential particulars in the different States, thereby, in cases of marriages contracted or divorces procured in one State, often giving rise in other States to confusion and uncertainty in the status of the parties affected, and to injustice and hardship to children and innocent persons; and

WHEREAS, The evils and abuses so resulting can only be cured by laws which shall be uniform throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, If Congress has power as it now has to provide for the determination of the financial status of citizens of the various States by establishing "uniform laws on the subject of bankruptcy throughout the United States" there can be no reason why it should not have the power to establish uniform laws on subjects of marriage and divorce;

Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that the interests of the entire country would be subserved, the social order thereof safeguarded, and the existing evils and abuses remedied by the establishment of such laws.

Be it further Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee of the two Houses be appointed to prepare a suitable memorial, to be submitted to the Congress of the United States and to the Legislatures of the several States, expressing the sense of this Convention, and urging that appropriate steps be taken to secure an amendment to the Constitution which shall give power to Congress to establish uniform laws on the subjects of marriage and divorce throughout the United States.

[The foregoing resolutions were referred, by action of the House on the 14th day of the session, to the special Committee appointed to report at the next Convention, see p. 357.]

The Rev. Dr. Richards, from the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses to whom was referred the Memorial of the Diocese of Indiana praying for the division of that Diocese by the erection of a new Diocese in the northern portion, and by setting apart the southern portion as a Missionary Jurisdiction, respectfully report that in the judgment of your Committee all the constitutional requirements have been complied with for the erection of said Northern Diocese. They recommend, therefore, that the House of Deputies adopt the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That consent be given to the erection of a new Diocese containing all the counties north of the southern limit of Benton, White, Carroll, Howard, Grant, Blackford, and Jay counties, within the limits of the existing Diocese of Indiana.

By order of the Committee,

C. A. L. RICHARDS, Chairman.

[For the action of the House of Bishops, see p. 298.]
The Rev. Dr. Marshall of North Carolina presented a memorial from the Trustees of Saint Augustine's School, Raleigh, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Memorial of Church Workers among Coloured People. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 336.]

Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania offered the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, It is stated from what appears to be official sources, this morning, that the Government will take full possession of Porto Rico, under the terms of the protocol, on Tuesday next, October 18, Saint Luke's Day; therefore,

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That in the usual service held on that day at nine o'clock, it be recommended that a suitable reference be made to the same at that time by a prayer or prayers for the purpose.

The Rev. Dr. Hodges, from the Committee to nominate Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, presented the following report:

The Committee appointed to nominate Trustees of the General Theological Seminary beg leave to nominate the following-named gentlemen: The Rev. Heman Dyer, D.D.; the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D.; the Rev. G. Williamson Smith, D.D.; the Rev. J. S. B. Hodges, D.D.; the Rev. J. Wesley Brown, D.D.; the Rev. T. Gardiner Littell, D.D.; the Rev. Edmund D. Cooper, D.D.; the Rev. Wm. Montague Geer; the Rev. A. St. John Chambré, D.D.; the Rev. Thomas R. Pynchon, D.D.; the Mr. J. H. Van Amringe, Ph.D.; Mr. Elbridge T. Gerry; Mr. John A. King; Mr. George C. McWhorter; Mr. Elihu Chauncey; Mr. Henry Hayes; Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont; Mr. Walter H. Lewis; Mr. George Zubriskie; Mr. George J. Gardner; Mr. J. VanVechten Ollcott; Mr. Thomas Egleston; Mr. Henry Budd; Mr. Francis L. Stetson; Mr. Spencer Trask.

Attest: J. S. B. Hodges,
Chairman of Committee.

On motion, the persons nominated in the foregoing report were elected as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary for the ensuing three years.

The Rev. Dr. Green of Iowa presented the following report of the Deputation appointed at the last General Convention to the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada:

The Deputation appointed by the last General Convention to convey the fraternal greetings of this Church to the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada, respectfully report as follows: That they proceeded to the city of Winnipeg in Manitoba. The Right Reverend
the Bishop of Marquette was substituted in the place of the Right Reverend the Bishop of Milwaukee, who was unable to attend.

On the 2d day of September, 1898, after having been most cordially received and welcomed to the city as the guests of the local Committee, appointed for the purpose, your Deputation were formally received by His Grace the Arch-Bishop of Rupert's Land, Metropolitan and Primate of all Canada, and were by him presented to the Bishops and to the Lower House in a session specially convened for the purpose.

Your Deputation thereupon performed the most delightful task laid upon them by this Church, conveying to our Canadian Brethren our most cordial greetings, and our hearty felicitations upon the apparent growth and prosperity of Christ's Kingdom in their midst.

To these words of ours, most feeling and gracious response was made by His Grace the Primate and by the Very Rev. James Carmichael, the Prolocutor of the House of Deputies.

The remaining days of our stay were spent in the midst of the most delightful hospitality. We were permitted to listen to the debates and note the advancing steps taken by the Synod of this aggressive and loyal daughter of our Common Mother. Possessed of a vast domain, whose advancing settlement and population lays upon her equally vast responsibilities of missions and Church extension, we found her work and her difficulties so nearly akin to ours as to make us forget the thin boundary line we had crossed.

Nor were we less delighted to find among our brethren of Canada a feeling of interest and sympathy with us and with our labours, that bred about us a continual atmosphere of kinship.

On parting with our brethren it was again our privilege, on behalf of this American Church, to wish them, "Good Luck in the Name of the Lord."

We recommend that a Deputation be appointed to attend the General Synod of the Church of England in Canada, to be held in September, 1899.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. N. GILBERT,
Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota.

G. MOTT WILLIAMS,
Bishop of Marquette.

THOS. E. GREEN.

J. M. WOOLWORTH.

PETER WHITE.

Mr. Sowdon, from the Committee on Expenses, presented the following report, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, adopted:

Report No. 1.

The Committee begs leave to report that the accounts of the Treasurer which were referred to it have been examined and are found to be correct and properly vouched. The receipts, including a balance from 1895 of $709.29, have been $14,208.10, and the expenditures have been $13,449.54, leaving a balance to new account of $758.56. The receipts, however, include $976.00 paid on account of the assessments for the Convention of 1898, which, being deducted therefrom, leaves an actual deficit of $216.44.

The Committee are happy to report that none of the Dioceses are delinquent in their payments.

The Committee begs leave to renominate Mr. Buchanan Winthrop for
election as Treasurer of the Convention, and to report the following resolutions, which they recommend for adoption:

1. Resolved, That Mr. Buchanan Winthrop be elected Treasurer of the Convention.

2. Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to pay to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, for expenses incident to his office, the sum of four hundred dollars ($400) a year. It is understood that the travelling expenses of the Presiding Bishop are paid by the Diocese or other body at whose instance they are incurred.

3. Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to pay drafts from the Registrar for the expenses of his office, a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars ($100) the first year, and fifty dollars ($50) for each succeeding year.

4. Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to pay only such bills for printing, stationery, binding, postage, or other incidental expenses as have been approved and countersigned by the Chairman of the Committee on Expenses; and that all printing, the expense of which is to be borne by this Convention, required by any Committee or Commission, during the interval between the meetings of the General Convention, be done under the direction of the Secretary of the House of Deputies.

5. Resolved, That the Treasurer and the Secretary of the House of Deputies be authorized to ask for a sum not exceeding one dollar for each clergyman in every Diocese as an additional assessment, should the state of the treasury, at any time before the meeting of the next Convention, be such as to require additional sums.

6. Resolved, That the Secretary of the House of Deputies be instructed to print copies of the Journal and Digest, not exceeding forty-eight hundred (4,800), and to furnish the same to the order of the Bishops or the Ecclesiastical Authority of the various Dioceses, who shall apply for them on or before the first day of December, no Bishop to have copies in excess of his clergy having the cure of souls. Copies may be supplied to Church institutions, and to college and other libraries, to Bishops and Synods of other Churches, in communion with this Church, as may be deemed advisable; also, one copy to the Secretary of each Diocesan Convention and to the Secretaries of Standing Committees, and one copy to each Deputy to the General Convention who has been in attendance upon the present session of this body. An edition of the Digest shall be printed separately, and all copies of the Journal and Digest not disposed of as herein provided may be placed on sale.

7. Resolved, That the salary of the Secretary of the House of Bishops shall be five hundred dollars ($500) for the first year, and one hundred dollars ($100) for each succeeding year.

8. Resolved, That the salary of the Secretary of the House of Deputies shall be twelve hundred dollars ($1,200) for the first year, and five hundred dollars ($500) for each succeeding year.

9. Resolved, That the sum of two hundred dollars ($200) be paid to each of the Assistant Secretaries of the two Houses.

10. Resolved, That the sum of fifty dollars ($50) be paid to the Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer, for expenses incurred by him during the triennial period.

11. Resolved, That the Secretary of the House of Deputies be added to the Committee on Expenses.

12. Resolved, That the Committee on Expenses be authorized to sit during the interval prior to the next General Convention.

For the Committee,

ARTHUR J. C. SOWDON, Chairman.
The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House granted the request communicated therein:

**IN GENERAL CONVENTION,**

WASHINGTON, 9th day of the Session, October 14, 1898.

**MESSAGE No. 31.**

The House of Bishops respectfully requests the House of Deputies to return its Message No. 30, in order that an error in the resolutions contained therein may be corrected.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. DeRosset of Springfield offered the following preamble and resolution, which were placed on the Calendar:

WHEREAS, The General Convention convenes not only as a body of lawmakers looking to the polity and government of the Church, but also as a body of godly Christian men inspired by the love of God and of His Holy Church; therefore,

Resolved, That we lovingly, cordially, and earnestly urge upon the Clergy in general, and especially upon the Rectors of Parishes, that they, wherever possible, exercise their ministerial functions in their privilege and duty of the daily offices of the Church.

[For the consideration of the resolution, see p.382.]

Mr. Browne of Washington presented a memorial, praying for the abrogation of the Office of Institution, as contained in the Book of Common Prayer; which memorial was, on motion, laid on the table.

Mr. Neale of California offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Commission on the Hymnal:

Resolved, That the hymn "Rock of Ages" by A. M. Toplady be restored to the Standard Hymn Book in its original text in the place of hymn 336 as now printed therein.

Also, In hymn 407, Verse 2, line 1, substitute the word "only" for the word "only," to conform to the original text and meaning.

Also, In same hymn, Verse 3, line 5, substitute the word "bounded" for "bonded," to conform to the original text and to make sense.

Also, In hymn 408, Verse 2, line 2, substitute the word "conjurant" for the words "all jubilant," to conform to the original text and meaning.

[For the report of the Commission, see p.375.]

On motion of Rev. Mr. Faudoa of Minnesota, it was

Resolved, That the House respectfully requests of the House of Bishops, that the two committees on the Memorial of Church Workers among the Coloured People, be permitted to sit as a Joint Committee.

Mr. Old of Southern Virginia offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Memorial of Church Workers among the Coloured People:
Resolved. That some plan for giving assistance to coloured congregations in building churches be adopted and put in operation.

[For the Report of the Committee, see p. 336.]

The House proceeded (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair) to the order of the day, viz., the Report of the Committee on Messages of the House of Bishops, relating to the revision of the Constitution, the pending question being the amendment of the Rev. Dr. Huntington. [See p. 267.]

The Rev. Dr. Egarr of Central New York offered the following amendment which was not adopted:

1. Insert after the words "to use in public worship" in line 9 of the printed copy the words "in the said congregation," so that the clause shall read as follows: "Whose minister, having received Episcopal ordination, shall covenant, as may be prescribed by Canon, to use in public worship in the said congregation, such form or Directory as the said Bishop shall set forth and authorize."

2. Strike out from the Proviso the words "and shall require in the administration of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Supper of the Lord, the unfailling use of the words and elements ordained by Christ Himself"; and insert in the first line after the words "shall contain" the words "the Offices for the Administration of Baptism, and the Order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper or Holy Communion, contained in the Book of Common Prayer, or (if the services be in a foreign language) the said Offices and Order in some translation authorized by this Church, or some traditional Liturgy approved by the House of Bishops, and shall continue so that it shall read,

"Provided, Such form or Directory shall contain the Offices for the administration of Baptism, and the Order for the administration of the Lord's Supper or Holy Communion contained in the Book of Common Prayer, or (if the services be in a foreign language) the said Offices and Order in some translation authorized by this Church, or some traditional Liturgy approved by the House of Bishops, and shall contain or enjoin nothing contrary to the doctrine of this Church, and shall make provision for the Apostolic Rite of Confirmation: and

"Provided, further," etc., as in the printed copy of the Committee's report.

On motion, the Rev. Dr. Huntington was permitted to accept certain amendments, so that his proposed amendment to Article 10 of the Constitution should read as follows:

But any Bishop of this Church, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, may take under his spiritual oversight any congregation of Christian people, not theretofore in communion with this Church, which accepts the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed, and whose Minister, having received Episcopal ordination, approved by this Church, shall covenant, as may be prescribed by Canon, to use in public worship in the said congregation such form or directory as the said Bishop shall set forth and authorize:

Provided, such form or directory shall contain or enjoin nothing con-
mas to the doctrine of this Church, shall make provision for the Apostolic rite of Confirmation, and shall require, in the administration of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Supper of the Lord, the unailing use of the words, acts, and elements ordained by Christ himself; and, Provided, further, that no such congregation shall be admitted into union with a Diocesan Convention until it has been organized as a parish or congregation of this Church, in accordance with canonical requirements, and until it has been duly certified, in such form as shall be provided by Canon, that the Book of Common Prayer is the use of such congregation.

Pending discussion of the proposed amendment, the following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 9th day of the Session,
October 14, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 32.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the following resolution contained in its Message No. 23:

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article 4 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 4.

In every Diocese a Standing Committee shall be appointed by the Convention thereof. When there is a Bishop in charge of a Diocese the Committee shall be his Council of Advice, and when there is no such Bishop, it shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, for all purposes declared by the General Convention, and the rights and duties of the Standing Committee, except as provided in the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House granted the Committee of Conference requested therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 9th day of the Session,
October 14, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 33.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the following resolution contained in its Message No. 23:

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article 7 of the Constitution, viz.:
Dioceses and Missionary Districts may be united into Provinces in such manner, under such conditions, and with such powers as shall be provided by Canon of the General Convention.

And the House of Bishops asks for a Committee of Conference in regard to the proviso attached to the Article as adopted by the House of Deputies.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The President appointed as members of the Committee, the Rev. Dr. Fiske, Mr. Andrews and Mr. Earl.

[For the report of the Committee of Conference, see p. 318.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops and referred to the Committee on Messages of the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 9th day of the Session, October 14, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 34.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the last resolution contained in its Message No. 23, with the insertion of the words "ordained and" before the words "consecrated Bishop," as follows:

Resolved, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Strike out Article 7 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article 8 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 8.

No person shall be ordered Priest or Deacon until he shall have been examined by the Bishop and two Priests, and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons in that case provided may direct. No person shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop, or ordered Priest or Deacon unless he shall at the time subscribe and make, in the presence of the ordaining Bishop or Bishops, the following declaration:

"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop or by a Bishop not in communion with this Church shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church, until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided, and shall have also subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion, the House adjourned.
TENTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 17, 1898.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Lines of Connecticut, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Lexington.

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

The following persons, not previously present, appeared and took their seats:

The Rev. Dr. Beard and the Rev. Mr. Barnwell of Alabama; Mr. Glidden of Maine; Mr. Chase of Nebraska; and Mr. Prince of New Mexico.

The Rev. Dr. Marshall, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

**REPORT No. 9.**

The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that satisfactory evidence has been received that the Rev. S. E. Busser of Kansas is entitled to a seat in this House as a deputy from that Diocese in the place of the Rev. W. W. Ayres, and that Mr. William H. Adkins of Easton is entitled to a seat in the place of Mr. Phillips Lee Goldsborough of the same Diocese.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.

Mr. Woolworth, from the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

The Committee on Rules of Order respectfully report that it is inexpedient in their judgment to alter or amend Rule No. 33, for the reason that the persons other than those enumerated in the said Rule of Order do not request the privilege of occupying seats on the floor of the House during its sessions, but ask to be provided with such seats during the session of the Board of Missions. That Board have adopted the rules of this House as their own rules during their sessions; it is competent for them to modify those rules at their discretion. This House ought not in the opinion of the Committee to change their rule in order to confer a privilege on attendants at the meetings of the Board of Missions which that Board can grant without the action of this House.

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution: Resolved, That the Committee on Rules be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. M. WOOLWORTH, for the Committee.

The President presented the following communication:

The House of Bishops, having considered the propriety of providing in some way for the admission of the General and Diocesan officers and other members of the Woman's Auxiliary to the sessions of the Board of
Missions, suggests that when the Board of Missions meets, the members of the Board be asked to sit in the seats assigned to the Diocesan Deputies until they are filled, and that the seats in the rear of the Deputies' seats and one of the galleries be reserved for officers and members of the Woman's Auxiliary; and that, on all matters of legislation by the Board of Missions, those authorized to vote shall vote by standing.

The Secretary has the honour, as directed by the House of Bishops, of communicating this suggestion to the President of the House of Deputies, with the request that the consent of that House be given to this proposal.

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The President made the following suggestion and presented the appended resolution, which, on motion, was adopted:

The President having communicated to the House a letter from the Secretary of the House of Bishops, written by their direction, suggesting that provision be made for the admission of the General and Diocesan officers and other members of the Woman's Auxiliary to the sessions of the Board of Missions, with the request that the consent of the House be given to this proposal, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the communication be referred to the Presiding Officer of the Board of Missions and the President of this House, with power to take such action thereon as may appear to them to be practicable and expedient.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 8.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution proposing the enactment of canons for the administration of Missionary Jurisdictions, respectfully recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Committee on Canons of the House of Bishops and the Committee on Canons of the House of Deputies have leave to sit in joint session.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Fairbanks of Florida, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members be instructed to report in addition to their report of cases where all the statistics have been furnished, a separate report of all cases where the information is not in all respects complete for the action of the House.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops and referred to the Committee on Canons:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 9th day of the Session,
October 14, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 35.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 9, § 1. (p. 101 of the Digest), be amended by adding the following words: "6. And for conduct unbecoming a Bishop of this Church."

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 308.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops and referred to the Committee on Canons:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,  
WASHINGTON, 9th day of the Session,  
October 14, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 36.  
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:  
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 26, § 11. (p. 88 of the Digest), be amended by adding after the words in line 6, "any consecrated Church or Chapel," the words "or any Church or Chapel which has been solely used for Divine services."

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 308.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,  
WASHINGTON, 9th day of the Session,  
October 14, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 37.  
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 24; and that it appoints, as members on its part of the deputation to attend the next General Synod of the Church of England in Canada, the Bishop of Kentucky and the Bishop of Vermont.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,  
WASHINGTON, 9th day of the Session,  
October 14, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 38.  
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has acceded to the request of the House of Deputies that the two Committees on the Memorial of Church Workers among the Coloured People be permitted to sit as a Joint Committee.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House granted the Committee of Conference requested therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,  
WASHINGTON, 9th day of the Session,  
October 14, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 39.  
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it respectfully asks for a further Committee of Conference on the resolutions contained in its Message No. 9, to consider non-concurrent action on
both Article 2 and Article 3 as proposed by the House of Deputies; and appoints as members of such Committee on the part of this House, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, and the Bishop of Kansas.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The President appointed, as members on the part of this House of the Committee of Conference, the Rev. Dr. Egas of Central New York, Mr. Gilbert of Springfield, and Mr. Earl of Albany.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 319.]

The Rev. Mr. Bollard, delegate from the Missionary District of Northern California, offered the following preambles and resolution, which were referred to the Committee on Canons:

WHEREAS, In our Missionary Jurisdictions the Church's work is a spiritual campaign of supremest import; and
WHEREAS, During the past thirty years the Church's progress therein has been painfully insignificant, — such as would not be tolerated by any secular society; and
WHEREAS, In every parish of importance there are laymen of devotion, zeal, and enthusiasm, from infancy trained in the Prayer Book and the Scriptures, who with proper commission to preach, though lacking special clerical training, could render glorious service for Christ and the Church; therefore,

Resolved, That the canonical requirements for the Diaconate or the Priesthood be deemed in abeyance in the Missionary Jurisdictions, so that for the work therein a call may issue for volunteers, the rectors of our chief parishes being appealed to that among their congregations they may be continually on the lookout for men full of the Holy Ghost and of faith, whose support their own parish would in part provide, the Church being thereby in some better degree enabled to mould and to bless the people of these extensive, promising, yet now sadly unspiritual regions.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 308.]

The Rev. Mr. Stuck of Dallas offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar:

Resolved, That this House views with favour the project of erecting a memorial chapel at Jamestown, Va.

[For the consideration of the resolution, see p. 383.]

Mr. Lewis of Pennsylvania offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title II., Canon 13, be repealed and that in place thereof, the following be enacted:

CANON 13.

SECTION 1. No minister of this Church shall solemnize the marriage of any person who has a husband or wife living divorced for any cause arising after marriage; Provided, that this shall not apply to the innocent party to a suit in divorce, in which a final decree has been entered;
(a) If he or she shall file with the minister as evidence of such innocence, a legally certified transcript of the record, showing a final judgment or decree of a Court of Record having jurisdiction of the subject-matter awarding him or her a divorce a vinculo matrimonii on the ground of adultery, or (b) if the party other than the one desiring to be remarried shall confess that he or she has committed adultery, or shall have already remarried, or shall be openly or notoriously living with another man or woman.

SEC. 2. The divorced person seeking to be remarried under the provisions of Section 1 shall make a solemn affirmation in writing that he or she has not been guilty of adultery or of any collusion or connivance with its commission, which affirmation shall be filed with the minister prior to the solemnization of said marriage.

SEC. 3. From and after the time this Canon shall go into effect, parties whose marriage it is not lawful for a minister of this Church to solemnize and who shall nevertheless be joined together shall not be admitted to the sacraments of this Church (except at the point of death) during the lifetime of the other party to the aforesaid divorce.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 371.]

The Rev. Mr. Lines of Connecticut offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was placed on the Calendar:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops be requested to take into consideration, and to set forth for use where it may be duly licensed, if in their judgment it be for the best interests of the Church, a Book of Offices containing services and prayers for special occasions for which the Book of Common Prayer does not make provision.

[For the consideration of the resolution, see p. 383.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Western New York, it was

Resolved, That at future meetings of the General Convention, provision shall be made, wherever practicable, for holding the sessions of the House of Deputies in an unconsecrated building.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Faudé of Minnesota, Report No. 3 of the Committee on Canons was made the special order of the day when existing orders are disposed of. [See p. 307.]

The Rev. Dr. Renouf of New Hampshire offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That clergymen and lay readers, in the Lessons appointed for the public services of the Church, be allowed to use the alternative readings, proposed by the Joint Commission on the Marginal Readings of the Bible.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 317.]

The House proceeded (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair) to the consideration of the amendment to the Constitution proposed by the Rev. Dr. Huntington, pending at the hour of
adjournment on Friday. [See p. 286.] The Rev. Mr. Faudé of Minnesota offered the following substitute:

"But provision may be made by Canon for the temporary use of other forms and directories of worship by congregations not already in union with this Church."

By permission of the House, the Rev. Dr. Huntington accepted the proposed substitute, with the addition of the following, proposed by the Rev. Dr. Eggar of Central New York:

"who are willing to accept the spiritual oversight of the Bishop of the Diocese";

so that the resolution should read as follows:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to Article 10 as already amended the following:

But provision may be made by Canon for the temporary use of other forms and directories of worship by congregations not already in union with this Church, who are willing to accept the spiritual oversight of the Bishop of the Diocese.

A motion to adopt the resolution, as amended, prevailed by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Newark,—1.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, Long Island, Newark, Springfield,—4.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — New Jersey, West Missouri,—2.
The House proceeded with the consideration of the report of the Committee on Messages of the House of Bishops, relating to the revision of the Constitution, the following resolution being under consideration:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 9 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article 11 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 11.

No alteration or amendment of this Constitution shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Convention, and by a resolve thereof sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to votes in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, voting by orders.

On motion of Mr. Old of Southern Virginia, the proposed Article was amended by striking out the letter s from the word "votes."

On motion of Mr. Stetson of New York, the words "within six months" were stricken out.

A motion to adopt the resolution, as amended, prevailed by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


DI OCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Los Angeles, New Hampshire, — 2.
L AY VOTE. — Los Angeles, Minnesota; New York, Western New York, — 4.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Virginia, Washington, Western New York, — 3.

On motion, the House took a recess.

The House, having resumed its session, proceeded (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the chair) with the consideration of the report of the Committee on Messages of the House of Bishops, on certain articles of the Constitution recommitted to the Committee. [See p. 277.]

A motion to adopt the following resolution reported by the Committee, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following changes be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out the Title "Constitution, adopted in General Convention, in Philadelphia, October, 1789," and insert "Constitution, adopted in General Convention, in Philadelphia, October, 1789, as amended in subsequent General Conventions";

prevailed by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


The Rev. Dr. Huntington offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Insert the following to precede Article 1 of the Constitution:

In the Name of God. Amen.

This Church solemnly affirms that it believes the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God and to contain all things necessary for salvation, and adheres to the faith of the Holy Catholic Church as set forth in the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed.

The question recurring on the adoption of the resolution, it failed by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — California, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Fond du Lac, Kentucky, Marquette, Massachusetts, Milwaukee, Quincy, Southern Virginia, Vermont, West Missouri, West Virginia, — 13.

LAY VOTE. — Alabama, California, Chicago, Fond du Lac, Indiana, Long Island, Louisiana, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Vermont, West Missouri, Western Michigan, — 20.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Colorado, Dallas, Maryland, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pittsburgh, Rhode Island, Springfield, Tennessee, — 13.


On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed not to record individual votes unless specially requested so to do.

The Chairman having declared the proposed amendment of the Rev. Dr. Huntington to have been lost, in its having failed to
receive a constitutional majority as required by Article 9 of the Constitution, Mr. Stetson of New York appealed from the decision of the Chair. [For action on the appeal, see p. 309.]

Mr. Wilder of Minnesota offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution as follows:
Insert after the title the following:
In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Pending the consideration of the resolution, the following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 10th day of the Session,
October 17, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 40.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Attest: GEO. F. NELSON,
Assistant Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 10th day of the Session,
October 17, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 41.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 28, consenting to the erection of a new Diocese within the limits of the existing Diocese of Indiana.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops and referred to the Committee on the Admission of new Dioceses:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 10th day of the Session,
October 17, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 42.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following preamble and resolution:
WHEREAS, The Diocese of Indiana, by deliberate action of the Bishop and the Convention thereof, has, for urgent and sufficient reasons, declared
its desire to establish its southern limits on the southern lines of the counties of Vigo, Clay, Owen, Morgan, Johnson, Shelby, Rush, and Franklin, by a line running from the State of Ohio on the east to the State of Illinois on the west, and has proposed to transfer to the General Convention all that portion of the State lying south of said line, in order that the same may be erected into a Missionary Jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, This House is sufficiently advised of the consent of the parishes lying on either side of the line to the proposed cession of said territory for the purpose aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, Doubts are entertained by many of the power under our Constitution permanently to alter the territorial extent of a Diocese in this form, yet impressed with the great necessities of the Church in that Diocese and of the justice of her claims to prompt relief, and following repeated precedents in like cases; 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 Indiana 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 south of the limits aforesaid and within the State of Indiana be held and treated as Missionary territory and subject to Missionary Jurisdiction.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the Report of the Committee, see p. 317.]

The following message was received from the House of Bishops and referred to the Committee on Messages of the House of Bishops relating to the revision of the Constitution:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 10th day of the Session,
October 17, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 43.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution contained in its Message No. 23, to be Article 6, with an amendment to Section 2, as follows:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article 6 of the Constitution, to wit:

ARTICLE 6.

SECTION 1. The House of Bishops may establish Missionary Districts in States and Territories or parts thereof not organized into Dioceses. It may also from time to time change, increase, or diminish the territory included in such Missionary Districts in such manner as may be prescribed by Canon.

SEC. 2. The General Convention may accept a cession of the territorial jurisdiction of a part of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese shall propose such cession and three-fourths of the Parishes in the ceded territory, and also the same ratio of the Parishes within the remaining territory shall consent thereto.
Any territorial jurisdiction or any part of the same, which may have been accepted from a Diocese by the General Convention under the foregoing provision, may be retroceded to the said Diocese by such joint action of all the several parties as is herein required for its cession. 

Provided, that such action of the General Convention, whether of cession or retrocession, shall be by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops present and voting and of two-thirds of the House of Deputies voting by orders.

SEC. 3. Missionary Districts shall be organized as may be prescribed by Canon of the General Convention.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 319.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 10th day of the Session,
October 17, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 44.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 32, giving permission to the Committees on Canons to sit together.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion, the House adjourned.

ELEVENTH DAY.

SAINT LUKE'S DAY,
Tuesday, October 18, 1898.

The two Houses joined in the observance of S. Luke's Day, by a celebration of the Holy Communion in S. John's Church at 7.30 a. m., the Bishop of Albany being the celebrant, assisted by the Bishop of Michigan and the Rev. Dr. Dix.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Marshall, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 10.
The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that the proper testimonials have been received from the Dioceses concerned, entitling Mr. E. H. Lycett of Missouri to a seat in this House in place of Mr. Alex. A. Lesueur, Mr. James W. Brown of Pittsburgh in place of Mr. W. D. Corcoran, and Mr. Rosewell Page of Virginia in the place of Mr. John G. Williams, unable longer to attend.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.
The Rev. Dr. Perkins, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

**REPORT No. 2.**

The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom were referred two resolutions offered by the Rev. Dr. Brand, proposing amendments to the rubrics of the Communion Office, respectfully report that in their opinion the reopening of the subject of the revision of the Prayer Book is inexpedient at this time; and the Committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

_Resolved_, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

E. T. PERKINS, Chairman.

The same gentleman, from the same Committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

**REPORT No. 3.**

The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom were referred the four questions propounded by the Rev. Dr. Fulton, regarding the Standard Bible and the Table of Lessons to be used in public worship, respectfully present the following report:

I. _Whether this Church has or has not a Standard Bible._

Replying to this question your Committee submit the following statement of the action of the General Convention upon the subject of a Standard Bible, prepared by the Rev. Dr. Gold:

**ACTION OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION ON THE SUBJECT OF A STANDARD BIBLE.**

At the Convention of 1817, the House of Deputies requested the House of Bishops to set forth a Standard Bible. To this the Bishops responded that they would give the matter their serious attention and report to the next General Convention. [This action is given in full in the Journal of 1866, Appendix XXIII., p. 856. In Bishop Perry's edition of the Journals, Vol. I., pp. 482, 488, it is stated that the request for a Standard was occasioned by a corrupt rendering of Acts VI. 3, where the word "ye" was substituted for "we" in the copies commonly read in the Churches.]

In 1820, the Bishops reported that an edition of Eyre and Strahan, published in 1806 and again in 1812, is highly recommended, and may safely be trusted as a Standard. They caution the Church against "very corrupt editions," which are found in circulation, and they recommend a Joint Committee to take measures for the establishment of a Standard Bible (pp. 659-661). This Committee, of which Bishop White was Chairman, presented its report in 1823, which report was "accepted" by both Houses (pp. 54, 70, 95). The report thus accepted recommends as the Standard an edition of the Bible published by Eyre and Strahan, 1812. A Canon was thereupon adopted in reference to the comparison and correction of all new editions of the Bible "by the Standard edition agreed upon by the General Convention." This Canon still stands in our present Digest as Canon 21, Title I. (p. 83).
It is plain, therefore, that in 1823 a Standard Bible was agreed upon by the General Convention, viz., the edition of the English publishers above named. It would seem equally plain that unless that action has been rescinded or superseded, the American Church has a Standard Bible, and that that Standard is the edition published by Eyre and Strahan in 1813.

We next have to inquire whether this Standard has ever been set aside or another adopted in its place.

Attached to the Canon of 1823 was a resolution—what we should now call a Joint resolution—recommending that a Committee be appointed at every future Convention to correct any errors which may be found in the Standard mentioned in the Canon as having been "agreed upon" (p. 73).

In the General Convention of 1826, a Committee was appointed in accordance with this recommendation, consisting of members of both Houses, which was authorized to procure a copy of the Standard edition. It would be interesting to know whether the Committee acted in accordance with this authorization, and if they obtained such a volume as the property of the Convention, what became of it (pp. 121, 137, 180, 185, 186).

This Committee appears to have made no report, and does not appear to have been reappointed in 1829 or 1832. In 1832, the Canons were revised and the Canon on the Standard Bible was retained unaltered. It is now numbered Canon XLIV., and is accompanied by the same joint resolution which was appended to it in 1823 (pp. 358, 451, 644).

The next action upon this subject appears in the Journal of 1835. It is now that the project of preparing a new Standard Bible under the authority of the American Church first assumes distinct shape, a project which was before the General Convention from this time until the year 1868. A resolution offered by the Rev. H. M. Mason was adopted in the House of Deputies, asking for a joint commission "to consider the expediency of publishing an edition of the Bible, corresponding to the Standard Canon, and to act accordingly." The Bishops, however, proposed a substitute in which the House of Deputies concurred. By this action, the Faculty of the General Seminary was appointed a Committee to compare and collate the best accessible editions of the Holy Bible in the English language and to set forth a Standard Bible (pp. 613, 637, 671, 674, 676).

In 1838, the Faculty of the General Seminary reported that there were many of the best editions to which they had no access, and that they had no fund assigned to meet the necessary expenses. Upon this they were by joint action discharged (p. 90). The attempt to prepare a new Standard, was, therefore, unsuccessful, which left the former Standard unchanged.

In 1844, the subject was revived and a Joint Committee was appointed "to prepare a Standard edition of the Bible to be presented to the next General Convention." The Rev. H. M. Mason was appointed Chairman on behalf of the House of Deputies, Bishop Onderdonk of New York on behalf of the House of Bishops (pp. 89, 96, 155).

In 1847, this Committee was re-appointed with the substitution of Bishop Brownell for Bishop Onderdonk (pp. 106, 161).

During the Convention of 1850, a communication was received from the New York Bible and Prayer Book Society, offering its services as publisher of the revised edition of the Holy Bible contemplated in the action of the Conventions of 1844 and 1847. The Committee on the Prayer Book recommended the acceptance of this offer and that a Committee be appointed, (1) to contract with the Society, under certain restrictions; (2) to revise the proof sheets of the Standard edition, and to present the results to the next General Convention for its sanction.
The action thus recommended was taken by the House of Deputies without asking the concurrence of the House of Bishops (pp. 17, 223 [Appendix J], 33, 73).

At the Convention of 1853, this Committee made a long and interesting report, in which the action of 1823 was referred to, and the edition of 1812 by Eyre and Strahan recognized as the Standard Bible of this Church. A letter from the Archbishop of Canterbury, quoted in full in this report, draws attention to the "medium quarto stereotyped edition" recently published at Oxford. The Committee advised, (1) the adoption of this edition as "the recognized Standard of this Church, until an American reprint be made and adopted"; (2) that the New York Bible and Prayer Book Society be the publishers of the Standard reprint; and (3) that a Joint Committee be appointed to supervise the reprint and report to the next General Convention the edition so published, as the American Standard Edition. This report was recommitted. Subsequently a new Committee was appointed to report in 1856. This Committee was of the House of Deputies only. The Bishops took no action (pp. 31-33, 74).

The action of 1856 was as follows: A brief report was presented, recommending, (1) the appointment of a competent person to "revise the Holy Scriptures, with reference to typographical errors"; (2) a Committee of five to approve the revision; (3) that the revision in full be presented to the next General Convention. The recommendations were substantially adopted. The House appointed, as reviser, the Rev. H. M. Mason, with instructions "to correct typographical errors in the authorized translation of the Holy Scriptures, referring to the present Standard edition" (pp. 77, 78, 152). This action was separately taken in the House of Bishops with a slight change in phraseology, Dr. Mason being appointed as "a suitable person to correct the typographical errors in the Standard edition of the Bible." In both instances the existence of a Standard is fully recognized, which, of course, is no other than the Standard of 1823.

In 1859, the Committee report that they have made much progress in their work. They are "of opinion that the present Standard, declared such at the Convention of 1823, being that of Eyre and Strahan, printed by Woodfall, should, with the exception of typographical errors, be the basis of the proposed Standard," and that for the detection of errors, the edition of Oxford, 1852, should be followed. They recommend a Joint Committee to examine the proof sheets of the proposed Standard as they appear from the press, after having undergone the examination of a Typographical Corrector who shall be guided by the present Standard of this Church, except the typographical errors to be corrected by the edition of 1853, printed at Oxford. The recommendations of the Committee were adopted, and Dr. Mason was again appointed Typographical Corrector. This action was concurred in by the House of Bishops (pp. 80, 183).

At the Convention of 1862, Dr. Mason, as Typographical Corrector, and the Joint Committee made separate reports in which they announce that they had been unable to complete the work entrusted to them on account of "causes which have interfered with the action of the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society." "These causes, it may be, will not cease their operation," but it is not considered necessary to explain what they are. The Committee was continued, with authority to contract with any publishing house, upon such terms as they shall deem advisable (pp. 70, 71, 162).

In 1865, the Joint Committee presented a report asking continuance on the same terms as before. Dr. Mason also made a brief report which is noteworthy as being the last report on this subject from his hand. He
renews the expressions of former reports, and repeats the statement
that edition of 1806 (of which that of 1812 was simply a reproduction)
"is still the recognized Standard." The Typographical Corrector was
reappointed and the Committee continued (pp. 51, 533, Appendix H).

The year 1868 brings to an end this long endeavour to provide a
corrected Standard Bible worthy of the American Church. In the Conven-
tion of that year the Joint Committee reported their inability to
accomplish the work entrusted to them, partly on account of the death
of three of their members, especially that of Dr. H. M. Mason, who had
been the soul of the undertaking from the beginning, and partly because
they had been unable to find a publisher willing to engage in so
expensive an undertaking. They are further convinced that "it would
be exceedingly difficult, if not impracticable, to have a work of this
kind executed in this country with the perfection of the best English
editions." They recommend that, till further order be taken, the
British Oxford Quarto Edition of 1852 of the Holy Bible should be rec-
ognized by this Church as the Standard of typography and punctuation.

This is the second time a definite proposition was made in General
Convention to supersede the Standard of 1823, viz., the edition of 1812
(1806), published by Eyre and Strahan, the first being in 1853, as seen
above. But the proposition was not adopted. The Committee was con-
tinued by concurrent action of the two Houses (pp. 120, 121, 251).

1871. The Committee was continued (pp. 230, 251, 386, 387).

1874. The Committee was not reappointed, through failure of the two
Houses to concur (pp. 107, 203, 354).

1877. At this Convention Bishop Whittingham offered a preamble
and resolutions looking to the appointment of a Joint Committee to take
cognizance of the publication of the revised version of the Scriptures
then going forward in England, and to report whether it ought to be
accepted and adopted by this Church (p. 258). Upon this there seems
to have been no action.

1880. At this Convention, a resolution was offered to appoint a Joint
Committee to report to the next General Convention whether the revised
version in process of preparation in England should be adopted as the
Standard Bible of this Church. The resolution was laid upon the table;
but a subsequent resolution for the appointment of a Committee to
report "upon the subject of the expediency of a revision of the author-
ized version," and also in what respects, if any, the revised version, so
far as previously published, is superior to the old version, was adopted
by the House of Deputies. But the House of Bishops refused to concur
(pp. 38, 46, 58, 74, 108, 188, 310).

In 1883, a resolution of the House of Deputies instructed the Com-
mittee on Canons to report such additions to the Canon on the Standard
Bible as shall describe and set forth what is the Standard edition of the
Bible, agreed upon by the General Convention, and what provision has
been made for its custody. The Committee reported that the Standard
edition of the Bible is that agreed upon by the General Convention of
1829, being that of Eyre and Strahan in 1812, but that copies were diffi-
cult to obtain. The Committee further recommends the Bibles published
at Oxford and Cambridge and by the Queen's Printers, as all very care-
fully edited and printed, and "think it would be invidious for this
Convention to select any one of these editions when all are so nearly
equal in merit." They recommended no action.

At this session of the General Convention the House of Bishops
appointed the Rev. Jesse A. Spencer, D.D., "Custodian of the Standard
Bible" (pp. 219, 220, 115).

In 1886, Dr. Spencer reported to the House of Bishops his inability to
determine what are the duties of the Custodian, or what the Standard
Bible of this Church is, or where it is to be found, and asks that some light be thrown upon these questions. Appended to this report is a body of references to the former action of the General Convention. No action was taken, but Dr. Spencer was continued in the office of "Custodian" (p. 885 App. XXIII.).

In 1889, Dr. Spencer again reports that he has no definition of his duty and no clear knowledge as to what edition (if any) is entitled to be called the Standard. It has been suggested to him, not officially, that he was probably appointed to find this much-to-be-desired edition, and then, when found, to "custodize" it. This report was referred to the special Committee on Canonical questions to report to the next Convention (pp. 71, 139, 719).

In the House of Bishops in 1892, the subject was referred to a special Committee. The Committee made no report. but its Chairman, Bishop Coxe, offered a resolution requesting the Custodian to obtain from the Archbishop of Canterbury his opinion as to the best edition to be regarded as a Standard; which resolution was adopted (pp. 31, 48, 154).

1895. Bishop Coxe presented, on behalf of Mr. J. M. Smith, the Oxford reprint of the Bible of 1611 to be in charge of the Custodian, not as a Standard, but only as an aid to the study of any questions which may arise (p. 93).

This is the latest action connected with this important subject which is found recorded in the Journals of the General Convention.

From this survey of the legislation of this Church upon the subject of a Standard Bible, as contained in the Journals of General Convention, it appears: That such a Standard was agreed upon by the action of both Houses in 1823, and that, thereupon, our present Canon 21, Title 1, was passed; that this Standard is defined as an edition of the Bible, published in 1812 by Eyre and Strahan; that attempts were made to subject this Bible to revision for the correction of any errors that might be found in it, and thus produce a new Standard; that a prolonged and earnest endeavour of this kind was made during the period beginning 1850 and ending 1868, but that it was unsuccessful; that it was twice proposed, viz., once in 1853 and again in 1868, to adopt the Oxford Quarto Bible of 1852 as the Standard, but both times the proposal failed to meet with the approval of the Convention. During the whole period from 1823 to 1883, the edition of 1812 is repeatedly referred to as the Standard.

The inevitable conclusion is that this Church has a Standard Bible and that such Standard is an edition of the version of 1611, published by Eyre and Strahan in 1812, further described by Dr. Mason in 1859 "as printed by Woodfall." Whether any copy of this Bible can be had or not, it still remains the legal Standard in this present year of Grace, 1898.

II. Whether the exclusive use of such Standard in public worship is obligatory.

Your Committee is of opinion that the exclusive use of the Standard Bible in public worship is obligatory. This appears to be what is signified in the adoption of a Standard, viz., to provide an edition under the authorization of the Church for use in the services of the Church.

III. Whether the readings of Holy Scripture appointed in the Table of Lessons to be used in public worship are or are not part of the Book of Common Prayer.

Your Committee is of opinion that these selections of Holy Scripture are part of the Book of Common Prayer, since they are integral parts of the services therein contained.
IV. Whether any change of any kind can be constitutionally made in such lessons, as contained in the Standard Bible, in any other manner than by an amendment to the rubric.

Replying to this question, your Committee is of the opinion that two kinds of change are possible.

First, the selections designated by the Tables of Lessons may be changed so as to substitute other selections for those now in use. It is probable that this kind of amendment is that referred to in Article 8 of the Constitution in the paragraph beginning with "Provided, however," and extending to the end of the Article. Such changes or amendments may therefore be made in the Lectionary, without any amendment of the rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer. A second kind of change is that which affects the text itself, by the alteration of readings or the introduction of new translations of verses, clauses, or words. Such changes are alterations in the Standard Bible. Whatever process of legislation is necessary in order to set forth a Standard edition of the Bible, or to substitute a new Standard for the old one, would seem to be the only process necessary in making such changes, or amendments of texts and renderings. We find that the present Standard Bible was adopted as such by the action of a single Convention, and that up to the present time, if our interpretation of Article 8 is correct, no provision for the manner of setting forth a Standard Bible has found its way into the Constitution. We are, therefore, forced to conclude that no amendment of rubrics is necessary in order to accomplish the very serious work of revising or amending the translation contained in the Standard Bible or even to establish an entirely new Standard.

Your Committee recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That in view of the fact, that, while the Book of Common Prayer is guarded by suitable constitutional provision and while there is similar provision for amendments to the Constitution, there is no such provision in the case of the Sacred Scriptures, the matter be referred to the Special Committee of the House of Deputies on amendments to the Constitution with instructions to frame a suitable Article of the Constitution providing for the manner of setting forth a Standard Bible in this Church and of making alterations therein.

Respectfully submitted by the Committee.

E. T. PERKINS, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Fulton of Pennsylvania offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar:

Resolved, That a Committee of thirteen members of this House, of whom the President of the House shall be the Chairman, be appointed by the President to consider and report to the next General Convention such amendments of Title II., Canon 13, of Marriage and Divorce, as in their judgment may be necessary; said Committee to have power to add to its own number, and to print its report at least six months before the meeting of the General Convention of 1901.

[For action on a similar resolution, see p. 357.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Harrison of Maryland, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to enter upon the Journal the address of the President of this House at the opening of the Session.
The Rev. Dr. Nelson of Virginia offered the following preambles and resolutions, which were placed on the Calendar:

WHEREAS, This House has expressed its desire that the meetings of the General Convention be held in other than consecrated buildings, and

WHEREAS, It has been demonstrated that few, if any, of our churches afford sufficient accommodation, or suitable acoustics, therefore

Resolved, That a committee of five laymen be appointed to consider and report to the next General Convention the advisability of erecting a suitable building here in the Nation’s Capital, in which the sessions of the General Convention may be held.

[See action on Message No. 99, from House of Bishops, pp. 367, 368.]

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Faude of Minnesota, it was

Resolved, That the special order upon Report No. 3 of the Committee on Canons be taken up for immediate consideration.

Report No. 3 of the Committee on Canons [see p. 260], being under consideration, on motion of Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That this House does not concur with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 8; and further

Resolved, That the whole subject of the Missionary Council be referred to the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society to report at the next General Convention.

Mr. Sowdon, from the Committee on Expenses, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 2.

The Committee on Expenses, to whom was referred the resolution of the clerical delegate from Northern California, regarding Convention expenses of the clerical delegates from Missionary Jurisdictions, respectfully recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to adopt the proposed resolution, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

Respectfully submitted.

A. J. C. SOWDON, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 9.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution to strike out the words “Protestant Episcopal” from Title I., Canon 22, respectfully report, that, these words occurring in other places in the Canons, the Committee does not consider it wise to take any action at this time, and therefore offer the following:
Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the consideration of this subject.

By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

The same gentleman from the same committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 10.
The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 36 of the House of Bishops, offers the following resolution:
Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops.

By order of the Committee.
F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

The same gentleman from the same committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 11.
The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 35 of the House of Bishops, offers the following resolution:
Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops.

By order of the Committee.
F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

The same gentleman from the same committee presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 12.
The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution proposing to hold in "abeyance in the Missionary Jurisdictions" "the Canonical requirements for the Diaconate or the Priesthood" in the case of men specially gifted for preaching, respectfully report that they deem any action in this line inexpedient, and therefore offer the following:
Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the consideration of this subject.

By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Bishops in its adoption of the resolution communicated to this House in Message No. 34 from that House [see p. 288] by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.
CLERICAL VOTE.—Alabama, Albany, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Dallas, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Lexington, Long Island, Los Angeles, Louisiana, Maine, Marquette, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire,
The Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York presented the following memorial from the Church Students' Missionary Association, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church:

WHEREAS, The students in our schools and colleges represent the leaders of the Church in the future; and
WHEREAS, The time to interest these men in Missions is during their scholastic course;
Therefore, The Church Students' Missionary Association, existing for this very purpose, and desiring to do more aggressive work, prays the General Convention to commend its objects to the Church, and if it should judge it to be expedient, to suggest plans by which the study of Missions shall be introduced into the course of preparation for Holy Orders.

GEO. W. PETERKIN.
ARTHUR C. A. HALL.
E. A. HOFFMAN.
SILAS McBEE.
ROBERT L. Paddock,
General Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 346.]

The House proceeded (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair) to the consideration of the business pending at the hour of adjournment yesterday, viz., the appeal from the decision of the Chair. The question recurring on sustaining the Chair, the affirmative prevailed.

By general consent, Mr. Wilder of Minnesota was granted permission to withdraw his amendment to the Constitution proposed yesterday and to substitute therefor the following:

In the name of God. Amen.

On motion, the further consideration of the proposed amendment was postponed until the remaining Articles reported by the Committee are disposed of. [See p. 324.]
The House proceeded to the order of the day, viz., the report [see p. 277] of the Committee on Messages of the House of Bishops relating to the revision of the Constitution. Article 1 being under consideration, a motion to adopt the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following changes be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Articles 1, 2, and 3, and insert the following to be known as Article 1 of the Constitution:

ARTICLE 1.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and, in all deliberations, freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, and all acts of the Convention shall be adopted and authenticated by both Houses.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop who has resigned his jurisdiction by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of Foreign Missionary Bishops and Bishops who have resigned their jurisdictions, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church, in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Bishop of the Church. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention. But if the Presiding Bishop shall resign his office as such, or if he shall resign his Episcopal Jurisdiction, or if he shall become disabled by reason of infirmity, the Bishop next in seniority by consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall thereupon become the Presiding Bishop.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which has been admitted to union with the General Convention shall be entitled to representation in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, having domicile in the Diocese; but the General Convention may by Canon reduce the representation to not less than two Deputies in each order. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

To constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, the Clerical Order shall be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation, and the Lay Order shall likewise be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by this Constitution, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote in the Clerical Order and
one in the Lay Order; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House shall adjourn without the consent of the other for more than three days, nor to any other place than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church, or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands, convened by proper Ecclesiastical Authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies except the right to vote when the vote shall be taken by orders.

SEC. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at the place designated by such Convention; and if there shall appear to the Presiding Bishop of the Church sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be provided for by Canon;

prevailed by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


DIOCESE DIVIDED.

LAY VOTE.—Indiana,—1.

The House proceeded to the consideration of Article 5, as reported by the Committee. [See p. 278.]

On motion of Mr. Wilmer of Maryland, the proposed Article was amended by the addition of a section—to be numbered Section 6—as follows:
SEC. 6. No new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain fewer than six self-supporting Parishes, and six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain fewer than twelve self-supporting Parishes, and twelve Presbyters who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above mentioned.

Pending the consideration of the Article as amended, the President communicated an invitation from the Corcoran Gallery of Art to the members of the Convention, to visit the Gallery on the evening of Thursday, the 20th inst.

On motion, the invitation was accepted with the thanks of the House.

The Rev. Dr. Marshall, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

REPORT No. 11.
The Committee on Elections has received satisfactory evidence of the fact that Mr. James M. Garnett of Virginia is entitled to a seat in this House in the place of Mr. Joseph Bryan of the same Diocese, unable longer to attend.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.

On motion, the House took a recess.

The House having resumed its session, proceeded (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair) with the consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops relating to the revision of the Constitution, Article 5 being under consideration.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Pettinger of North Carolina, the words "or towards the formation of a new Diocese of which it may be a part" were stricken out; and after the word "Bishops" at the end of the third sentence the words "or the ecclesiastical authority of each Diocese" were added.

A motion to adopt the amended resolution as follows, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 5 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article 5 of the Constitution, viz.: 

SECTION 1. A new Diocese may be formed, (1) by the erection into a Diocese of the whole or of any part of one or more Missionary Districts lying within the boundaries of a single State or Territory; (2) by the division of an existing Diocese; or (3) by the junction of two or more
Dioceses in the same State, or of parts of two or more such Dioceses, under such conditions as the General Convention shall prescribe by a general Canon or Canons. The proceedings shall originate in a Convocation of the Clergy and Laity of the District called by the Bishop for that purpose; or, with the approval of the Bishop, in the Convention of the Diocese to be divided; or (when it is proposed to form a new Diocese by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or of parts of two or more Dioceses) by mutual agreement of the Conventions of the Dioceses concerned, with the approval of the respective Bishops or the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese. In case the Episcopate of a Diocese be vacant no proceedings towards its division shall be taken until the vacancy is filled. During a vacancy in a Missionary District the consent of the Presiding Bishop must be had before proceedings to erect it into a Diocese be taken. When it shall appear to the satisfaction of the General Convention, by a certified copy of the proceedings, and other documents and papers laid before it, that all the conditions for the formation of the new Diocese have been complied with, and that it has acceded to the Constitution of this Church, and the General Convention shall have so declared, and shall have ratified such proceedings, the formation of the new Diocese shall be complete, and it shall thereupon be admitted to union with the General Convention.

SEC. 2. In case one Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Bishop of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and he shall thereupon become the Bishop thereof; and the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Bishop thereof.

SEC. 3. In case a Diocese shall be formed out of parts of two or more Dioceses, each of the Bishops and Bishops Coadjutor of the several Dioceses out of which the new Diocese has been formed shall be entitled in the order of seniority of consecration to the choice between his own Diocese and the new Diocese so formed. In case the new Diocese shall not be so chosen, it shall have the right to choose its own Bishop.

SEC. 4. Whenever a new Diocese is formed and erected out of an existing Diocese, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese out of which it was formed, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese. And whenever a Diocese is formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.

SEC. 5. A Diocese formed out of a Missionary District shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons to which the Missionary District was subject, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.

SEC. 6. No new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain fewer than six self-supporting Parishes and six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in the Parish or Congregation and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain fewer than twelve self-supporting Parishes, and twelve Presbyters who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above mentioned;

prevailed by the following vote:
DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


DIOCESE DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE.—Texas,—1.

[For action of the House of Bishops, see p. 358.]

The House proceeded with the consideration of the same report. Article 9 as proposed by the Committee being under consideration, and various amendments and substitutes having been proposed, it was, on motion, voted to recommit to the Committee the Article as reported, together with all proposed amendments and substitutes. [For further report of Committee, see p. 353.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the resolution communicated therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION.
WASHINGTON, 10th day of the Session.
October 17, 1888.

MESSAGE No. 45.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the vacancies in the Joint Commission on Marginal Readings for the English Version of the Old and New Testaments be filled, and that the Commission be continued.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and referred to the Committee on Canons:
IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 11th day of the Session,
October 18, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 46.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 6, § xi. [2] (p. 33 of the Digest), be amended so as to read:
"It shall suffice for his admission to Deacon’s orders, if he shall have passed an examination on the Book of Common Prayer, its history and contents, and the first examination for Priest’s orders."
Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 329.]
The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and referred to the Committee on Canons:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 11th day of the Session,
October 18, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 47.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 18, § vii. [3] (p. 69 of the Digest), be amended by the addition of the following clauses:
(1) "Provided, that no Deacon who shall not have passed all the examinations for Priest’s orders shall be transferred to another Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction without the written request of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the said Diocese or Jurisdiction [this clause being stricken out from Title I., Canon 8, § 1. (p. 38)];
(2) "Provided, also, that no Priest ordained under any dispensation other than a dispensation from the knowledge of the Hebrew language shall be transferred to any other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction without the written consent of the Ecclesiastical Authority;
(3) "Provided, also, that no person who has been refused ordination or reception as a candidate in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and who has afterwards been ordained in another Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction shall be transferred to the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which such refusal has taken place, without the consent of its Bishop or Ecclesiastical Authority."
Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 329.]
The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the resolution communicated therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 11th day of the Session,
October 18, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 48.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention commends to the sympathetic and prayerful interest and co-
operation of the whole Church the endeavour of The Church Students' Missionary Association. And we urge upon the trustees and faculties of our several theological seminaries that they promote the purpose aimed at by this organization, and direct its intelligent progress, by arranging for the study of Missions and, so far as possible, also for the preparation for their Missionary labours of those students who have determined to devote themselves to such a field, whether domestic or foreign.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 11th day of the Session, October 18, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 49.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has receded from its action in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 8; and that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the second resolution contained in its Message No. 38, referring the whole subject of the Missionary Council to the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, to report at the next General Convention.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion, the House adjourned.

TWELFTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 19, 1898.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Minneperiode of Kentucky, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Olympia.

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

The President presented the Ninth Triennial Report of the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergy men. [See Appendix X.] The Rev. Dr. Marshall from the Committee on Elections presented the following report:

REPORT No. 12.
The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that the proper testimonials have been received from the Dioceses concerned, authorizing the following changes of Deputies entitled to seats in this House:
The Rev. H. H. Sneed of Lexington in place of the Rev. D. D. Chapin, unable longer to attend; the Rev. Dr. L. P. McDonald of Iowa in place of the Rev. Dr. G. H. Cornell, for the same reason; the Rev. J. W. Sykes of Kansas in place of the Rev. S. E. Busser, for the same reason; the Rev. James Goodwin of New Hampshire in place of the Rev. Joseph H. Coit, D.D., and Mr. A. D. Holland of Central Pennsylvania in place of Mr. Rodney A. Mercur, also for the same reason.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.
The Rev. Dr. Perkins, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

**REPORT No. 4.**

The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom was referred the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Renouf, authorizing the use of the alternative readings of the New Testament proposed by the Joint Commission on the Marginal Readings of the Bible, respectfully report: That inasmuch as these alternative readings have not yet been adopted by the General Convention, the present authorization of their use is not advisable. The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

**Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.**

In behalf of the Committee,

E. T. PERKINS, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Richards, from the Committee on New Dioceses, presented the following report:

**REPORT No. 3.**

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the Memorial of the Diocese of Indiana, praying for a tripartite division of that Diocese; and also Message No. 42 of the House of Bishops with a resolution setting off the southern portion of that Diocese as a Missionary Jurisdiction, respectfully report: That, having carefully considered the needs of the Diocese and undisturbed by any scruples as to the power of the General Convention to establish such a provisional jurisdiction as the House of Bishops proposes, your Committee is nevertheless not satisfied that it is expedient at this time to set off such missionary jurisdiction, and therefore recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

**Resolved, That the House of Deputies non-concur in the resolution appended to Message No. 42 of the House of Bishops, erecting a new missionary jurisdiction in the southern portion of the Diocese of Indiana;**

**Resolved, That the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses be discharged from further consideration of the subject.**

By order of the Committee,

C. A. L. RICHARDS, Chairman.

By permission of the House, the Rev. Mr. Restarick, from the same committee, presented the following minority report:

The undersigned, a minority of the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, makes the following report, and offers the appended resolution as a substitute for that offered by the majority of said Committee.

The minority agreed with the first and partial report of the Committee, recommending that consent be given to the erection of a new Diocese in the territory known as the Northern Convocation of the Diocese of Indiana. But it cannot agree in the recommendation now offered, that this House do not concur with the House of Bishops in their Message No. 42 accepting as a Missionary District the territory known as the Southern Convocation of the Diocese of Indiana.

The Southern Convocation, which the Church is asked to take as a Missionary District, has seven self-supporting parishes which are all on
the southern boundaries of the territory comprised in the said Convocation. To the north of this thin fringe of Church life and influence there is a district consisting of thirty-two counties containing a population of about a million people, in which district there is no work of the Church. These thirty-two counties contain scores of towns with five, ten, and fifteen thousand inhabitants, in which there is now no service of the Church, and in many of which there has never been a service of the Church held.

The Diocese of Indiana has been in large measure passed over by the missionary enterprise and aid of the Church. Money has been poured into the West and Northwest, but little has been given to Indiana, and the Southern Convocation of that Diocese remains a great unworked missionary field which cries for the interest and financial assistance of the Church.

From testimony given before this Committee by the Bishop of Indiana and the Clerical and Lay Deputies of that Diocese, it appears that, owing to the peculiar difficulties in railroad communication, the territory of the Southern Convocation is exceedingly difficult to work from the city of Indianapolis as a base. Ten years ago the late Bishop of Indiana advocated division on the lines asked for in the Memorial, on the ground that the Church could not do her work effectively unless such division was made, and the difficulties and the work have greatly increased since then.

We, the minority, believe that the Church should take steps to repair the consequences of her past neglect of this region, lying near the centre of the population of the United States, by granting the full relief asked for in the Memorial.

We believe that we should not consider this matter merely on the basis of statistics and dollars, but that the matter demands a venture of faith, and that the Church is prepared to make the venture in this instance by sending a Bishop to this million of people, who are almost entirely American born, but who have never had an opportunity of knowing anything about the Church.

We, therefore, offer the following as a substitute for the resolution presented by the majority of the Committee:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concur with the House of Bishops in their Message No. 42 accepting the territory of the Southern Convocation of Indiana as a Missionary District.

HENRY B. RESTARICK.
WM. SEYMOUR SHORT.

The question recurring on the resolution appended to the minority report, it was not adopted.

The question being taken on the resolution appended to the report of the Committee, it was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Fiske presented the following report from a Committee of Conference [see p. 288]:

The members, on the part of this House, of the Committee of Conference on the disagreement of the two Houses on the resolution contained in Message No. 23 from this House, respectfully report: That the Committee have recommended that the House of Bishops concur in the action of this House. In behalf of the Committee,

G. McC. FISKE.

[For the action of the House of Bishops, see p. 326.]
The House proceeded (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair) to the order of the day, viz., the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops relating to the revision of the Constitution.

The Rev. Dr. Dix, from said Committee to whom was referred Message No. 43 of the House of Bishops, reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concur with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution communicated in their Message No. 43.

A motion to adopt the resolution reported by the Committee prevailed by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE.—Colorado, Dallas, East Carolina, Vermont, — 4.

LAY VOTE.—East Carolina, Vermont, — 2.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE.—Fond du Lac, Virginia, — 2.

The Rev. Dr. Egar, from a Committee of Conference [see p. 292], presented the following report:

The Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two Houses, relating to Articles 2 and 3 of the revision of the Constitution, respectfully report:

1. The Committee recommends that the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in regard to Article 2, Section 2, of the report of the Committee, because the proposition came originally from the House of Bishops in their Message No. 31 in the Convention of 1885.
2. The Committee recommends that this House concur with the House of Bishops in adopting Article 2 with this following amendment in Section 3:

Strike out the words following “Authority thereof,” in line 17 of the report, and insert the following:

"or in a vacant Missionary District by the Presiding Bishop of this Church, or unless authorized and appointed by the House of Bishops or the Presiding Bishop by its direction, to act temporarily in case of need within any territory not yet organized into Dioceses or Missionary Districts of this Church."

3. The Committee also recommends that this House concur with the House of Bishops in substituting Article 10 of the present Constitution, numbered Article 3, in place of Article 3 as reported by the Committee on Messages of the House of Bishops, and adopted by this House.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN H. EGAR.
ROBERT EARL.
M. F. GILBERT.

The Rev. Dr. Egar offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Articles 4 and 10 of the Constitution, and insert the following as Article 2 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 2.

SECTION 1. In every Diocese the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor shall be chosen agreeably to rules prescribed by the Convention of that Diocese. Missionary Bishops shall be chosen in accordance with the Canons of the General Convention.

SEC. 2. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop until he shall be thirty years of age; nor without the consent of a majority of the Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction in the United States, and the further consent of a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses. But if the election have taken place within three months next before the meeting of the General Convention, the consent of the House of Deputies shall be required in place of that of a majority of the Standing Committees. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop by less than three Bishops.

SEC. 3. A Bishop shall confine the exercise of his office to his own Diocese or Missionary District, unless requested to perform episcopal acts in another Diocese or in a Missionary District by the ecclesiastical Authority thereof, or in a vacant Missionary District by the Presiding Bishop of this Church, or unless authorized and appointed by the House of Bishops, or the Presiding Bishop by its direction, to act temporarily in case of need within any territory not yet organized into Dioceses or Missionary Districts of this Church.

SEC. 4. A Bishop may not resign his jurisdiction without the consent of the House of Bishops.

The question recurring on the resolution, it was adopted by the following vote:
On motion of the Rev. Dr. Eggleston, the consideration of the third recommendation of the Committee was postponed. [Action on Article 3 was subsequently taken by concurrence in Message No. 61 from the House of Bishops. See p. 327.]

On motion, the House took a recess.

The House having resumed its session, the following Message was received from the House of Bishops and referred to the Committee on Canons:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 11th day of the Session,
October 18, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 50.

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

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 18 (pages 52, 53 of the Digest), be amended by substituting for § 1. [2] and [3] the following paragraphs as recommended by the Joint Committee on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons (Report, p. 29):

When a Parish or Congregation becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Churchwardens, or other proper officer, to notify the fact to the Bishop, who, with the concurrence of the authorities of the Parish, shall take such measures as he may deem expedient for the temporary maintenance of Divine service therein.

No election of a rector shall be had until thirty days after his nomination by the body empowered to elect, which nomination shall at once be notified to the Bishop by the officers of the Parish; except that such election may follow at once upon an acknowledgment by the Bishop of the foregoing notification with his consent to an immediate election. Written notice of the election, signed by the Churchwardens, shall be sent to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese.
If the Ecclesiastical Authority be satisfied that the person so chosen is a duly qualified Minister, and that he has accepted the office, the notice shall be sent to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it. And such record shall be sufficient evidence of the relation between the Minister and the Parish.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 385.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 51.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following preambles and resolution:

WHEREAS, Questions have arisen as to the territory in China under the Missionary Bishop of Shanghai and the Lower Yang Tse Valley; and

WHEREAS, The title of the Missionary Bishop does not define that territory with sufficient definiteness; therefore, be it

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the territory in China under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Shanghai and the Lower Yang Tse Valley is hereby defined to consist of the provinces of Kiangsu, Ngauhwui, and Hupeh, and those portions of Kiangsi and Hunan adjacent to the Yang Tse River:

And that this action be communicated to the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishops of the Church of England in China.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops and referred to the Committee on Canons:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th Day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 52.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 6, § xi. [1] (p. 33 of the Digest), be amended by substituting the words "if desired by the Bishop" for the words "if desired by the candidate."

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 330.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and referred to the Committee on Canons:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th Day of the Session
October 19, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 53.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 7, § iii. (pp. 33, 34 of the Digest), be amended by substituting the words
"one year" for "six months" in line 7 of the section, and by substituting
the words "admit him to Deacon's Orders after six months" for
"admit him at once to Deacon's Orders," in lines 3 and 4 from the end of
the section.
Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 345.]
The following Message was received from the House of Bishops,
and referred to the Committee on Canons:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th Day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 54.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has
adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 7
(p. 34 of the Digest), be amended by inserting the following additional
section after § iii.:
"In the computation of the time required to elapse between a can­
didate's admission and his ordering as a Deacon, the successful comple­
tion of three academic years in any incorporated seminary of the Church
may be reckoned as three calendar years."
Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the Report of the Committee, see p. 330.]
The following Message was received from the House of Bishops,
and, on motion, the House concurred in the resolution communi­
cated therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th Day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 55.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has
adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title III., Canon 7,
§1, Article IV. (p. 136 of the Digest), be amended by striking out the
words "to be selected from the Missionary Council"; and that this
amendment take effect immediately.
Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The President introduced to the House the Very Reverend the
Dean of Hereford, who, on motion, was invited to a seat on the
platform.
The Rev. Dr. Lindsay of Massachusetts offered the following
resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee
on Unfinished Business:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the General Conven­
tion of 1898 adjourn without day on Tuesday, October 25, the hour for
the closing services and the reading of the Pastoral Letter being eight
o'clock of the same evening.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 332.]
The House proceeded (Mr. Packard of Maryland in the Chair) to the order of the day, viz., the consideration of the report of the Committee on the Messages from the House of Bishops relating to the revision of the Constitution.

The Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York offered the following as an amendment to the amendment proposed by Mr. Wilder of Minnesota at yesterday’s session [see p. 309]:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in order that the same may be adopted at the next General Convention in accordance with Article IX. of the Constitution.

Insert after the Title, and before Article I., these words:

"In the Name of God. Amen. This Church solemnly affirms its faith in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments as containing all things necessary to salvation, and adheres to the doctrine of the Holy Catholic Church as set forth in the Apostles’ Creed and the Nicene Creed."

On motion, the resolution was laid on the table.

The question recurring on the proposed amendment offered by Mr. Wilder, to wit:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following amendment be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Insert after the Title and before Article 1 these words:

"In the Name of God. Amen";

it was adopted by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Albany, Arkansas, California, Georgia, Kansas, Lexington, Mississippi, Newark, North Carolina, South Carolina, — 10.
LAY VOTE. — California, Central Pennsylvania, Nebraska, Newark, North Carolina, Southern Virginia, — 6.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Central Pennsylvania, Fond du Lac, Massachusetts, Nebraska, Quincy, Southern Virginia, — 6.
LAY VOTE. — Connecticut, Easton, — 2.

[For action of the House of Bishops, see p. 350.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 56.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 35, concerning the proposed Article 11 of the Constitution.

Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 57.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 36, concerning the proposed Title of the Constitution.

Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 58.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the first resolution contained in its Message No. 33, concerning the proposed Article 10 of the Constitution; and that it has adopted the second resolution contained in said Message, with the omission of the word "already" and the addition at the end of the words "or Missionary District," proposing to add to Article 10 these words:

"But provision may be made by Canon for the temporary use of other forms and directories of worship by congregations not in union with this Church who are willing to accept the spiritual oversight of the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District."

Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments communicated in the foregoing Message by the following vote:
DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE.—Newark, —1.

DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE.—Chicago, Fond du Lac, —2.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 59.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has receded from its former action, and concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the third resolution contained in its Message No. 23, concerning the proposed Article 7 of the Constitution.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 60.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the first resolution contained in its Message No. 3, concerning the proposed Article 2 of the Constitution, but with the insertion after the word “thereof” in the fourth line of Section 3 of these words: "or in a vacant Missionary District by the Presiding Bishop of this Church, or unless authorized and appointed by the House of Bishops, or the Presiding Bishop by its direction, to act temporarily in case of need, within any territory not yet organized into Dioceses or Missionary Districts of this Church.”

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.
The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

**IN GENERAL CONVENTION,**

**WASHINGTON,** 12th day of the Session,

October 19, 1898.

**MESSAGE No. 61.**

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

**Resolved,** The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Omit the present Article 10 of the Constitution from its place and insert it as Article 3 of the Constitution.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated in the foregoing Message by the following vote:

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.**


The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

**IN GENERAL CONVENTION,**

**WASHINGTON,** 12th day of the Session,

October 19, 1898.

**MESSAGE No. 62.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has appointed the Bishop of Delaware to fill the vacancy in the Commission of Archives caused by the death of the late Bishop of Iowa.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

Mr. Stetson of New York offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on the Messages from the House of Bishops relating to the revision of the Constitution:
Resolved. The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Insert the following as Article 12 of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE 12.

If a constitutional quorum shall not be present and voting at any session of the General Convention at which, under any provision of this Constitution, a vote shall be taken concerning any amendment to the Constitution or to the Prayer Book proposed at a previous triennial meeting of the General Convention, then, and in every such case, action concerning such amendment may be taken at the next triennial meeting of the General Convention, at which a constitutional quorum shall be present and vote.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 352.]

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 13.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a series of resolutions with regard to work in Missionary Jurisdictions, respectfully report as follows: First. In our judgment it would be unwise to legislate on the question of the disposal of the collection taken at the Bishop’s visitation.

Second. The provision for yearly offerings for Missions is already made by various Canons, and can best be left to the action of the various Jurisdictions.

Third. In our judgment any Canon on funds and property in the Missionary Jurisdictions would better come from the House of Bishops, and we are credibly informed that such Canon is about to be proposed for the action of this House; hence no action is necessary by us at this time.

Fourth. Your Committee deem it inexpedient to enact any Canon at this time on the erection of Cathedrals or the mode of appointing the Standing Committee of a Missionary Jurisdiction.

The Committee, therefore, offer the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the consideration of these resolutions.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 14.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed amendment to Title I., Canon 19, § v., relating to the election of a Bishop Coadjutor for a Bishop of a Diocese who may be “chosen for leadership in the work of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of this Church,” respectfully report that, in their judgment, such amendment of the Canon is inexpedient at this time. The Committee, therefore,
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offer the following: Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the consideration of this subject.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 15.
The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 46 of the House of Bishops, offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following report, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 16.
The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 47 of the House of Bishops, respectfully offers the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops in their proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 18, § vii. [3], by the insertion of the provisos numbered (1) and (3) in Message No. 47, so that the clause amended shall read as follows:

[3.] If a Minister, removing into another Diocese, who has been called to take charge of a parish or congregation, shall present a Letter Dimissory in the form above given, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese to which he has removed to accept it within six months, unless the Bishop or Standing Committee should have heard rumors, that he or they believe to be well founded, against the character of the Minister concerned, which would form a proper ground of canonical inquiry and presentment, in which case the Ecclesiastical Authority shall communicate the same to the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese to whose jurisdiction the said Minister belongs; and, in such case, it shall not be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority to accept the Letter Dimissory unless and until the Minister shall be exculpated from the said charges.

Provided, that no Deacon who shall not have passed all the examinations for Priest's Orders shall be transferred to another Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction without the written request of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the said Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction.

Provided, also, that no person who has been refused ordination or reception as a Candidate in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and who has afterwards been ordained in another Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, shall be transferred to the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which such refusal has taken place, without the consent of its Bishop or Ecclesiastical Authority.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon S, § li., be and is hereby repealed.

Resolved, That the House of Deputies does not concur in proviso numbered (2) in Message No. 47 of the House of Bishops.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

On motion, the House adjourned.
THIRTEENTH DAY.

THURSDAY, October 20, 1898.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Alsop of Long Island.

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

Mr. Purnell of Mississippi, not previously present, appeared and took his seat.

The Rev. Dr. Marshall, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

REPORT No. 13.

The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that satisfactory evidence has been received that the Rev. Dr. Clement B. B. Wright of Milwaukee is entitled to a seat in this House in place of the Rev. Dr. Jewell, unable longer to attend, and that the Rev. Wm. M. Jeffers of Texas is entitled to the seat of the Rev. C. M. Beckwith who has been called home.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 17.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 54 of the House of Bishops, offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops in its proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 7, of the Digest.

By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 18.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 52 of the House of Bishops, offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies does not concur with the House of Bishops in its proposed amendment of Title I., Canon 6, of the Digest.

By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:
REPORT NO. 19.
The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed series of amendments to Title III., Canon 3, respectfully report: That they have compared the present Canon with the proposed Canon, and do not consider it expedient to present amendments to the present law. The Committee, therefore, offer the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. Davenport, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Duncan, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the General Report of the Committee [see Appendix I.] with the following appended resolution, which, on motion, was adopted:

Resolved, That a copy of the report herewith presented be transmitted to our Reverend Fathers in God, the House of Bishops, with the request that they issue a Pastoral Letter, and asking their united prayers and Episcopal Benediction.

[For the Pastoral Letter, see p. 418.]

The Rev. Mr. Leffingwell, from the Committee on Missions, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

The Committee to whom was referred the resolution offered by Rev. Dr. Baker of New Jersey, asking that inquiry be made as to the status and condition of the Church Book Society and Church Tract Society, respectfully report: That after diligent and careful research, they have ascertained that the said corporations, very useful in their day, were compelled by varied ill fortune to cease their work, and passed out of existence many years since.

They would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

For the Committee,

C. S. Leffingwell, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Perkins, from the Committee on the Prayer Book, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 5.
The Committee on the Prayer Book, to whom was referred the resolution of Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany to strike from the Titlepage of the Prayer Book the words "Protestant Episcopal," subsequently amended by the mover in committee to strike out the words "According to the use of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America," so that the Titlepage would read:

"The Book of Common Prayer, and Administration of the Sacraments; and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, together with the Psalter, or Psalms of David,"—unanimously reports: That it considers
In behalf of the Committee,

E. T. PERKINS, Chairman.

The change proposed inexpedient, and therefore offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

In behalf of the Committee,

E. T. PERKINS, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Beatty, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

The Committee on Unfinished Business, to whom was referred the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Lindsay, fixing the time of the adjournment of the Convention, would respectfully report:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention of 1898 adjourn without day on Tuesday, October 25, the hour for the closing service and the reading of the Pastoral Letter being eight o'clock of the same evening.

A. BEATTY, Chairman.

[For the action of the House of Bishops, see p. 342.]

The Rev. Mr. Short, from a Special Committee on the Manifesto of the Tsar of Russia, presented the following report:

The Committee on the Manifesto of the Tsar of Russia, having considered the resolutions submitted, respectfully report: That they find them to contain two distinct propositions. The first is, that a message be sent to the Tsar of Russia expressive of appreciation by this Convention of the Peace Manifesto, lately issued by him. The second proposition is that this Convention desires the Government of the United States to give certain instructions to the Commissioners who may be appointed to attend the Conference proposed by the Tsar.

This Committee approves both of these projects, and, in order to make them effective, begs leave to submit the following resolutions, and asks to have them acted upon separately:

FIRST.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following letter be sent, duly attested by the Presidents and Secretaries of both Houses:

To His Imperial Majesty Nicholas II., Tsar of all the Russians:

The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the United States of America, composed of Bishops, Presbyters, and Laymen, hails with joy the great Peace Manifesto, which your Majesty has issued. We earnestly hope that the Conference may result in a reduction of the excessive armaments, which are a crushing burden on the peoples, and in the establishment of some method of judicial arbitration for the settlement of international difficulties, by which may be preserved "the principles of equity and right whereon rest the security of States and the welfare of peoples."

Your Majesty's appeal to international discussion will stimulate the consciences of civilized nations; and the inauguration of this noble movement may well be considered "a happy presage for the century
which is about to open," and mark an epoch in the progress of the world. We earnestly invoke upon it the blessing of Almighty God, and pray that it may help greatly to hasten the coming Kingdom of the Prince of Peace on earth.

SECOND. RELATIVE TO THE RESOLUTION OF MR. STOTSENBURG OF INDIANA.

WHEREAS, It is the duty of the Church, in obedience to the spirit of Christ, its Founder and Head, to guide nations into the path of perpetual peace; and

WHEREAS, The Tsar of Russia has proposed a Conference of the great Powers of the world, to consider the possible reduction of armaments and the means of warding off the calamities which threaten the world; therefore,

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That it is the earnest desire of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in General Convention assembled, that the Government of the United States shall instruct its commissioners or delegates to said Conference to recommend a plan for the establishment of a permanent international court, to which shall be referred all disputes which may arise between nations which cannot be settled by mutual concessions or by some other peaceable method.

Respectfully submitted, by the Committee,

WILLIAM SHORT.
ALEXANDER MACKAY-SMITH.
ROBERT TREAT PAIN.
JOHN H. STOTSENBURG.
ROBERT EARL.

On motion, the first resolution was adopted, and the second resolution was laid on the table.

The House took from the Calendar the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Tayler on Friendly Relations with Great Britain [see p. 230], and, on motion, it was adopted.

On invitation, the Very Rev. the Dean of Hereford briefly addressed the House.

The Rev. Dr. Richards, from the Joint Committee on the Memorial of American Churches in Europe, presented the following report:

The Joint Committee to whom was referred the memorial and resolution of the clergy and laity of the American Churches on the Continent of Europe, convened by the authority of the Bishop in charge, at Nice in France, May 25, 1898, and also a resolution offered by Mr. Butler of Central Pennsylvania desiring closer co-operation on the Continent with the English Church, respectfully report that under the oral compact made by the Bishop in charge of the English Chapels on the Continent with the Bishop of Ohio, this Church desires and expects to co-operate with the English Church in maintaining services in Europe. By this understanding no American Church is to be built nor congregation gathered where at present an English Chapel is in operation. Yet by this same understanding should a large colony of Americans in any capital desire a Church of their own, it is competent under present provisions to inaugurate a service for their spiritual comfort. This matter, therefore, should be left to the discretion of the Presiding Bishop, who
has these churches in his care. The Joint Committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the first of the resolutions that follow.

With reference to the matter of the memorial from the clergy and laity of the American Churches in Europe, your Committee are satisfied that no change in the existing provisions of the American Churches on the Continent of Europe is at the present time desirable, yet with a view to fuller consideration of the subject, they ask leave to sit during the recess and report to the next Convention, and would recommend the passage of the second of the resolutions that follow.

They would further recommend a change in Title III., Canon 3, as follows in the third resolution herewith presented and recommend its adoption.

1. Resolved, That this Joint Committee be discharged from further consideration of the resolution of Mr. Butler of Central Pennsylvania.

2. Resolved, That this Joint Committee have leave to sit during the recess and make report to the next General Convention.

3. Resolved, That Title III., Canon 3, section iii., subsection [7], be amended by striking out after the word "arise" in the fourth line, all that follows to the end of the subsection, and insert "a standing committee, consisting of four clergymen and four laymen, shall be constituted as follows and shall act as a council of advice to the Bishop in charge of the foreign Churches. They shall be chosen annually to serve until their successors are chosen, by a convention duly convened of all the clergy of the foreign Churches or Chapels and of one lay representative of each Church or Chapel, chosen by its vestry or committee. The standing committee shall be convened on the requisition of the Bishop whenever he may desire their advice, and they may meet of their own accord when they may wish to advise the Bishops. When a meeting is not practicable, the Bishop may ascertain their mind by letter."

By order of the Committee,
C. A. L. RICHARDS, Chairman
on the part of the House of Deputies.

On motion, the resolutions appended to the foregoing report were severally adopted. [For action of the House of Bishops, see Message No. 88, p. 359.]

The Rev. Dr. Reed, from a Special Joint Committee to nominate Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, etc., presented the following report, and, on motion, the persons nominated therein were chosen Trustees of the Society named:

The Joint Committee to nominate Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, respectfully report: That at the last General Convention, the Trustees of the Fund were directed to obtain an amendment of the Charter, by which the number of Trustees should be increased from seven to fifteen; the first-named seven to act as Trustees until such change was made; and a Canon was adopted, providing therefor.
The Trustees have reported that, for reasons which they deemed sufficient, it was inexpedient to ask for a change in the Charter. The Committee, therefore, propose the election of seven Trustees, as follows: The Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut, the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., the Rev. Reese F. Alsop, D.D., Mr. William Alexander Smith, Mr. Elihu Chauncey, Mr. George C. Thomas.

They offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the persons named be elected Trustees for the ensuing three years.

Resolved, That Title III., Canon 8, Section 1, be amended by substituting the word "seven" for the word "fifteen"; and that Section 2 be repealed. All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. SANDERS REED, Chairman.

On motion, the second resolution appended to the foregoing report was referred to the Committee on Canons. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 345.]

On motion of Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska, in behalf of the deputation from that Diocese, seconded by the deputation of the Diocese of New York, it was resolved, by the following vote, to reconsider the vote by which the House concurred with the House of Bishops in the adoption of the resolution communicated in Message 61 of that House [see p. 327]:

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.**

**CLERICAL VOTE.**—Albany, Arkansas, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Delaware, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Iowa, Long Island, Los Angeles, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New York, Ohio, Pittsburgh, Quincy, South Carolina, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Washington, West Missouri, Western New York, —37.


**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.**

**CLERICAL VOTE.**—California, Colorado, Connecticut, Dallas, Easton, Indiana, Kentucky, Lexington, Marquette, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Southern Ohio, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Western Michigan, —17.


**DIOCESES DIVIDED.**

**CLERICAL VOTE.**—Alabama, East Carolina, Kansas, North Carolina, —4.
On motion of the same gentleman, it was

Resolved, That the House of Bishops be requested to return to this House Message 51 from the House of Deputies.

[For the action of the House of Bishops, see p. 342.]

The Rev. Mr. Faudé, from a Special Committee on the Memorial of Church Workers among the Coloured People, presented the following report:

The Special Committee to which was referred the "Memorial of the Conference of Church Workers among the Coloured People" begs leave, respectfully, to present its report.

It would seem that, in its judgment, something more than commonplace commendations and recommendations ought to be made in connection with this work, which, may we not say, has received less of the Church's attention and means than any other work in our land.

Referring to the first clause of the Memorial, "respectfully reiterating the request, made three years ago, that the Church consider the absolute need of a general Institution of learning, founded and controlled by her, where the coloured youth of the South, in large numbers, may be trained in the principles of education, industry, virtue, and religion," your Committee would say that they find there are at present in the South, two distinctively Church Institutions, which have these ideas prominently in view, and which are worthy of confidence.—St. Augustine's School at Raleigh, N. C., and the Industrial School at Lawrenceville, Va.; and the committee believes that a hearty and generous support of these will be of the greatest benefit in furthering this most desirable result. The Committee would, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That St. Augustine's School at Raleigh, N. C., and St. Paul's Industrial School, at Lawrenceville, Va., be cordially commended to the thoughtful consideration and substantial aid of all Churchmen who desire that the "Coloured Youth of the South" may be trained in the principles of education, industry, virtue, and religion.

2. Resolved, That at present it is not deemed advisable to attempt the establishment of any general Institution as suggested in the memorial, but to endeavour to place upon more sure basis those already in existence and accomplishing good work.

Touching the second subject as to a Field Secretary, your Committee can best express its convictions by the recommendation of the following:

3. Resolved, That the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society is "respectfully requested to consider the advisability of the appointment of a Field Secretary, whose duty it shall be to study minutely the conditions and problems of this work, to make appeals and furnish information, to quicken and deepen interest in this particular branch of the Church's mission, and to do all in his power, in connection with regularly constituted authorities, to stimulate contributions and accelerate the progress of the Church among the coloured people."

In reference to the third subject, relating to the adaptation of the Episcopate, your Committee can express its opinion as to the course necessary, by recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following be inserted as Subsection II., Section V. of Canon XIX., Title I.

Whenever there shall arise, in any Diocese, a need for the services of
a Bishop which cannot be supplied by the division of the Diocese or the election of a Bishop Coadjutor, a Bishop Suffragan may be elected and consecrated, provided the consent of a majority of the Bishops and Standing Committees of this Church shall have been secured. Prior to any election of a Bishop Suffragan, the Bishop of the Diocese shall consent in writing to such election, and in such consent he shall state the duties which he thereby assigns to the Bishop Suffragan when duly elected and consecrated. A Bishop Suffragan shall not succeed the Bishop of the Diocese in the event of surviving him, unless elected to do so, but he shall have a seat, without vote, in the House of Bishops. The consecration of a Bishop Suffragan shall not prevent the election and consecration of a Bishop Coadjutor.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the concluding words of Title 1, Canon 19, Section 18, “no person shall be elected,” etc., be repealed. Respectfully submitted.

JOHN J. FAUDÉ.
C. E. CRAIK.
GEO. C. THOMAS.
J. M. WOOLWORTH.

On motion, the first three resolutions were adopted, and the remaining resolutions were referred to the Committee on Canons. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 371.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 12th day of the Session,
October 19, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 63.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions, being the corrected form of the resolutions transmitted to the House of Deputies on the eighth day of the session in Message No. 30:

1. Resolved, That the bounds of the Missionary District now known as the Missionary District of The Platte and under the charge of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Anson Rogers Graves, be changed by the addition of all that portion of the State of Wyoming lying east of the west lines of the counties of Sheridan, Johnson, Natrona, and Carbon; the District to be hereafter called the Missionary District of Laramie, and the title of the Bishop to be the Missionary Bishop of Laramie.

2. Resolved, That the bounds of the Missionary District now known as the Missionary District of Nevada and Utah, and under the charge of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Abiel Leonard, be so changed as to include the State of Utah, with all that portion of the State of Nevada lying east of the west lines of the counties of Elko, White Pine, Eureka, Lincoln, Lander, and Nye, together with that portion of the county of Uintah, in the State of Wyoming, lying south of forty-one and one half degrees of latitude; and that there be added to it the Missionary District now known as the Missionary District of Western Colorado and under the charge of the said Rt. Rev. Dr. Abiel Leonard; the District to be hereafter called the Missionary District of Salt Lake, and the title of the Bishop to be the Missionary Bishop of Salt Lake.

3. Resolved, That the bounds of the Missionary District now known as the Missionary District of Northern California be changed by the addition of all that portion of the State of Nevada lying west of the west lines of the counties of Elko, White Pine, Eureka, Lincoln, Lander,
and Nye; the District to be hereafter called the Missionary District of Sacramento, and the title of the Bishop to be the Missionary Bishop of Sacramento.

4. Resolved, That the bounds of the Missionary District now known as the Missionary District of Idaho be changed so that it shall include all that portion of the State of Idaho lying south and east of the southern and eastern lines of the county of Idaho; and that the bounds of the Missionary District now known as the Missionary District of Wyoming be changed so that it shall include all that portion of the State of Wyoming lying west of the west lines of the counties of Sheridan, Johnson, Natrona, and Carbon, except so much of the county of Uintah as is attached to the Missionary District of Salt Lake; and that the two Districts thus modified be united in one District to be hereafter called the Missionary District of Boise, and the title of the Bishop to be the Missionary Bishop of Boise.

5. Resolved, That the bounds of the Missionary District now known as the Missionary District of Spokane, and under the charge of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Lemuel Henry Wells, be changed by the addition of that portion of the State of Idaho lying north of the south line of the county of Idaho, the District to be as heretofore the Missionary District of Spokane, and the title of the Bishop to be the Missionary Bishop of Spokane.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 13th Day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 64.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, The House of Bishops has received a Memorial from certain Presbyters and Laymen in communion with this Church and resident in the State of Rio Grande do Sol, in the foreign country known as the United States of Brazil, making application for the consecration of a Bishop, as provided in Article 10 of the Constitution, to exercise episcopal functions in the oversight of certain congregations already gathered or to be gathered in the said State of Rio Grande do Sol and the territory thereto adjacent; therefore

Resolved, That the House of Bishops consents to grant this application, and will at once proceed to elect and will request the Presiding Bishop to take order for the consecration of a Bishop for said foreign country; PROVIDED, that a majority of the Bishops of this Church consent to the said consecration; and

Provided, further, that the person so elected shall before his consecration bind himself to the Presiding Bishop, as representing for this purpose the House of Bishops, to be amenable to the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, both as to his personal conduct and as to his Episcopal government of the territory under his charge; which obligation shall terminate when there shall be three Bishops consecrated by this House of Bishops resident and exercising jurisdiction in the United States of Brazil, and by their joint action a national Church shall have been organized.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 13th Day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 65.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it nominates to the House of Deputies for election as Bishop of the Missionary District
of Boise, the Rev. James Bowen Funsten, a Presbyter of the Diocese of South Virginia.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

MESSAGE NO. 66.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it nominates to the House of Deputies for election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Sacramento, the Rev. William Hall Moreland, a Presbyter of the Diocese of California.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

MESSAGE NO. 67.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion, Messages 65, 66, and 67 from the House of Bishops, were referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 344.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE NO. 68.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has elected the Rev. Lucien Lee Kinsolving, a Presbyter of the Diocese of West Virginia, to be nominated to the Presiding Bishop for consecration, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church, under the provisions of Article 10 of the Constitution, as a Bishop for the United States of Brazil.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The House took a recess.

The House having resumed its session, Mr. Stotsenburg of Indiana offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following Canon Of Evangelists be adopted:

OF EVANGELISTS.

SECTION 1. In each Diocese the Bishop may appoint by written license, revocable in his discretion, one or more Evangelists, Communicants of the Church, and preferably residents, whose duty it shall be to
preach the gospel to the people and to explain the doctrines of the Church in such county or similar governmental division within his Diocese (having no parish of the Church therein) as the Bishop may designate, and over which the Bishop may give him the evangelistic charge. Such local Evangelist, while not required to use the full orders for morning and evening prayer, must at every service lead the people in the recitation of the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, with the two great commandments of Christ. He shall not use any office of the Church except those for the burial of the dead, the visitation of the sick and prisoners, and he shall not use the absolution nor the benediction; neither shall he wear the dress appropriate to Clergymen. Quarterly reports shall be made by him to the Bishop, and he shall receive for his services a salary not exceeding dollars per annum, payable quarterly out of the Diocesan Missionary Fund.

SEC. 2. In selecting Evangelists, the piety, zeal, and judgment of the person to be licensed shall be considered, and the fact that his literary acquirements are limited shall not disqualify him for the office. All Evangelists desiring or who may need instruction in their work shall receive the same from the Bishop or such teacher as he may designate, and they may be advanced to the Diaconate and other orders upon complying with all the requirements for such advancement now in force as to such orders as hereinafter enacted.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 371.]

The House proceeded to the order of the day, viz., the report of the Joint Commission on the Constitution and Canons presented on the second day of the session. [See p. 214; also Appendix XII.]

Mr. Stetson of New York offered the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons be continued, and that so much of the subject-matter of the report of the Joint Commission as shall not have been otherwise disposed of at the present meeting of the General Convention be recommitted to the Joint Commission for report to the General Convention at its meeting in 1901.

The Rev. Dr. Taylor of Springfield offered the following resolution as a substitute for the resolution of Mr. Stetson:

Resolved, That when the discussion of this report shall have been concluded, so much of it as shall remain undisposed of be referred to a Special Committee of this House to report at the next General Convention such changes, and such only, as may be deemed desirable;

which was not adopted.

The question recurring on the resolution of Mr. Stetson it was adopted.

[For the action of the House of Bishops, see p. 358.]

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 1 of the Digest be and is hereby repealed.
The Rev. Dr. Hoffman moved the adoption of the second resolution, to wit:

2. Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 1, as reported by the Commission, be and is hereby enacted; and that Canon 2 of Title I. of the Digest be and is hereby repealed, the subject-matter thereof being covered by the Canon hereby enacted.

Pending the consideration of the resolution, the following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 69.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has con­curred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 47, concerning the proposed Article 2 of the Constitution.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 70.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it respectfully asks for a Committee of Conference in regard to non-concurrent action of the Houses on the proviso numbered (2) in Message No. 47 from the House of Bishops [see Message No. 54 from the House of Deputies]; and that it appoints as members of such Committee, on its part, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield, and the Bishop of Vermont.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion, the Committee of Conference requested in the foregoing Message was granted, and the President appointed as members, on the part of this House, the Rev. Dr. Davenport, the Rev. Dr. Olmsted, and Mr. Lyman. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 361.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 13th Day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 71.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it respectfully asks for a Committee of Conference in regard to non-concurrent action of the Houses on the resolution contained in Message No. 42 from the House of Bishops [see Message No. 46 from the House of Deputies], proposing the erection of a Missionary District within the limits of the Diocese of Indiana; and that it appoints as members of such Committee,
on its part, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Indiana, and the Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion, the Committee of Conference requested in the foregoing Message was granted, and the President appointed as members, on the part of this House, the Rev. Dr. Richards, Mr. Wilmer of Maryland, and Mr. Paine. [For the report of the Committee, see p. 351.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 72.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 58, fixing a time for the adjournment of this session of the General Convention.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For further action, see p. 351.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session,
October 20, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 73.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it accedes to the request of the House of Deputies contained in its Message No. 63, and herewith returns to the House of Deputies its Message No. 51.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For further action, see p. 369.]

On motion, the House adjourned.
Friday, October 21, 1898.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Tayler of Los Angeles, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Spokane.

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

The President announced the appointment of the Rev. C. C. Tiffany, D.D., of New York, to fill the vacancy in the Commission on Archives caused by the retirement of the Rev. Edwin Hardwood, D.D.

The Rev. Dr. Marshall, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

REPORT NO. 14.

The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that the proper testimonials have been received entitling the Rev. Edward A. Larrabee of Chicago to a seat in this House in place of the Rev. Dr. James S. Stone; Mr. H. Z. Russell of Central Pennsylvania in place of W. R. Butler, unable longer to attend.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Richards, from the Committee on New Dioceses, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 4.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to whom was referred the resolution of the House of Bishops in their Message No. 9, concerning a Missionary District of Kyoto, respectfully report:

This matter came before your Committee in exactly the same form three years ago, and it was recommended to non-concur, a minority report being presented.

Your Committee have given the subject new and prolonged consideration, both by hearing testimony and by mutual conference.

Your Committee find,

1. An extensive territory, with a population of sixteen million, already divided into two Dioceses by action of the Church in Japan, while four Dioceses, with a population of twenty-four million, are administered by the Church of England.

2. A request comes from the Kyoto District for separate Episcopal supervision. The judgment of the native Church is of weight in this matter, as the value of further Episcopal supervision is largely determined by the ability of the Bishop to meet the need felt by that Church. A man familiar with the field, sharing the people's confidence, and receiving the Church's authority, would be of great influence for the progress of the work.

3. While the number of American clergy is small, the number of congregations and of native clergy is already considerable, and the
opportunity for increasing these, by a large and wise administration, is almost without limit. Your Committee cannot regard the work of a Bishop in Japan as of the same character in detail as is his work in American Dioceses and among nominally Christian peoples. The need is not merely for Episcopal supervision, or superintendency, but for ecclesiastical statesmanship. This is not a matter of Districts and Dioceses, but an opportunity for a wise Christian man sent forth under the Church's commission.

4. Three years ago a reaction had set in on the part of the Japanese against foreign institutions, because of the failure of Japan to obtain recognition among the nations. Treaties so recognizing her take effect the coming year. The opportunity, therefore, is ripe for leadership toward an independent national Church in Japan. This result may be still far distant, but we dare not put any obstacle in the way of its fulfilment. An alternative of risk must always be taken when new and unusual action is entered upon.

Recognizing the great opening awaiting the Christian Church in Japan, in response to the request of the American and native workers in the Districts interested, with a view to facilitate progress toward an independent national Church, in the hope and with the confident trust that the man of power for this leadership will be found, your Committee recommend to the House of Deputies the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concurs with the House of Bishops in the Message No. 9, setting apart the Missionary Jurisdiction of Kyoto.

By order of the Committee,

C. A. L. RICHARDS, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, from the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom was referred Message No. 65 from the House of Bishops, nominating the Rev. James Bowen Funsten, a Presbyter of the Diocese of Southern Virginia, for election as a Bishop of the Church, to exercise Episcopal Jurisdiction in the Missionary District of Boise, have considered the same, and beg leave to report the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House proceed to act upon the aforesaid nomination.

E. A. HOFFMAN, Chairman.

The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which, was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 2.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom was referred Message No. 66 from the House of Bishops, nominating the Rev. William Hall Moreland, a Presbyter of the Diocese of California, for election as a Bishop of the Church, to exercise Episcopal Jurisdiction in the Missionary District of Sacramento, have considered the same, and beg leave to report the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House proceed to act upon the aforesaid nomination.

E. A. HOFFMAN, Chairman.
The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 3.
The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom was referred Message No. 67 from the House of Bishops, nominating the Rev. Samuel C. Edsall, D.D., a Presbyter of the Diocese of Chicago, for election as a Bishop of the Church, to exercise Episcopal Jurisdiction in the MissionARY District of North Dakota, have considered the same, and beg leave to report the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House proceed to act upon the aforesaid nomination.

E. A. HOFFMAN, Chairman.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, the foregoing nominations were made the special order, at three o'clock to-day, the House to sit with closed doors. [See p. 354.]

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, and, on motion, the two resolutions appended to the report were adopted:

REPORT NO. 20.
The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed amendment to Title III., Canon 8, § 1. [1], offers the following:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 8, § 1. [1], be amended so as to read as follows:

§ 1. [1.] The General Convention at each Triennial Meeting shall elect, on the nomination of a Joint Committee thereof, seven persons to serve as Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, instituted by the General Convention in 1853, and incorporated in Chapter 459 of the laws of the State of New York in 1855. Said Trustees shall hold office until the succeeding General Convention, or until their successors shall be elected, and shall have power to fill vacancies occurring in their own Board, and to appoint officers and agents.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title III., Canon 8, § 1. [2], be and the same is hereby repealed.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENTPORT, Chairman.

[For the action of the House of Bishops, see p. 351.]

The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following report, and, on motion, the resolutions appended to the report were adopted:

REPORT NO. 21.
The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 53 of the House of Bishops, respectfully offers the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies does not concur with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 53.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 7, § III., be amended so as to read as follows:
§ III. A Candidate for Priest's Orders shall not be made Deacon within three years from his admission as such Candidate, unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons, with the advice and consent of three-fourths of the whole Standing Committee, shall shorten the time of his candidacy, but in no case shall the time be shortened to less than one year; Provided, that in case a person who has attained the age of thirty-five years, and who has been duly confirmed and admitted to the Holy Communion in this Church, desires to become a Candidate for Priest's Orders with a dispensation from the usual period of candidacy, but not from any canonical examination prescribed for the Diaconate and Priesthood, and applies for this dispensation on the ground of mature age and experience in speaking and teaching publicly, he being also a graduate in arts in some reputable college or university, the Bishop may, by and with the advice and consent of three-fourths of the Standing Committee, admit him to Deacon's Orders after six months.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

[For the action of the House of Bishops, see p. 368.]

The Rev. Dr. Duncan, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which, was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 4.
The Committee on the State of the Church, to whom was referred the resolution of Mr. Old, relative to Stipends of Missionaries, have had the same under consideration. In the opinion of your Committee this matter belongs of right to Diocesan administration, and they, therefore, offer the following resolution:
Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

By order of the Committee,
HERMAN C. DUNCAN, Chairman.

The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 5.
The Committee on the State of the Church, to whom was referred the petition presented by the Rev. Dr. Huntington, praying for systematic instruction in our Seminaries, on methods peculiar to the missionary life, respectfully report that, since the reference of the petition to your Committee, both Houses of the General Convention have taken action on the petition. Your Committee, therefore, offer the following resolution:
Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

By order of the Committee,
HERMAN C. DUNCAN, Chairman.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Alsop, the report of the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members was made the special order for to-morrow at quarter before eleven o'clock. [See p. 359.]

The Rev. Mr. Seabrease, from the special Joint Committee on
the Increased Responsibilities of the Church, presented the following report:

On the third day of the session a Joint Committee of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and two Laymen was appointed to whom was referred the question of the increased responsibilities devolved, or to be devolved, upon this Church, and also the question of the obligations to Missions in Christian Countries of the Western Hemisphere with which this Church may be charged.

The Committee was organized by the election of the Bishop of Missouri as Chairman, and the Rev. A. W. Seabrease as Secretary.

The Committee gratefully recognizes, in a resolution of the Brotherhood of S. Andrew, assembled in its thirteenth annual Convention, referred to them, the ready sympathy existing among earnest Churchmen towards a response to the calls for an enlarged and more aggressive missionary policy in the Church.

The Committee have had under consideration various memorials and information from several sources concerning the responsibilities of the American Church in Hawaii, Porto Rico, the Philippine Islands, and Cuba, and also with reference to the English-speaking people in Mexico.

In regard to the present status of the Church in Hawaii, the Committee would respectfully report that they have examined the various documents submitted to them and find that the status of the Church in Hawaii is not the simple one that might be supposed to supervene upon the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands by the United States. It appears that as a matter of good faith there should be recognized a joint relationship entered into by the late Bishop of California, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Kip, with the authorities of the Church of England, in the establishment of the Church in Hawaii. While not being in a position to express an opinion as to the extent of the present obligation of such joint relationship, or to forecast its adjustment to what the Committee believe should be the ultimate unqualified spiritual jurisdiction of the Church in the United States over all the territory of the United States, your Committee feel that in view of the said joint relationship there should be conference with the authorities of the Church of England before taking any final and decisive action on the part of this Church. Having due regard for this, and for other considerations involving careful and deliberate procedure, your Committee have drafted a resolution touching this matter, which is appended to this report.

The Committee find, from written and personal information, that the present political, social, and religious condition in the Island of Porto Rico is such as to warrant immediate action on the part of this Church. There is a church building and congregation at Ponce, under the control of the Church of England, and the supervision of the Bishop of Antigua, who has informed an officer of the United States Army now stationed there that there would be no objection to the transfer of this congregation to the American Church, if made on consultation between the Ecclesiastical Authorities of the English and American Churches.

It is reported that the educated classes have broken away from the Church of Rome, and are antagonistic to its priesthood. Seventy-five per cent of the population of the island is illiterate. There seems to be a general desire on the part of the people to adopt as rapidly as possible the institutions and customs of the United States. The liturgical worship of the Church would be welcomed by them, and, in the opinion of your Committee, it would be wise to favour the early establishment of Missions among them.

A resolution touching such action is appended to this report.

Testimony comes to the Committee from Cuba that the same condition
is found there touching the fitness of this Church to meet in the best way the religious needs of the inhabitants. The Committee understands that under the auspices of the American Church Missionary Society some help has already been ministered to the Cuban people.

After careful consideration of the increased responsibilities devolved, or to be devolved, upon this Church, touching its missionary work, and in view of the manifest need of securing information and avoiding hasty action, especially in matters growing out of the relations of this Church to the Church of England, it has seemed best to your Committee to advise the appointment of a Joint Commission as provided for in one of the resolutions submitted herewith.

The second portion of the resolution under which your Committee is acting, viz., the "question of the obligations to Missions in Christian countries of the Western Hemisphere with which this Church may be charged," seems to invite consideration of such efforts of missionary enterprise and support as have been made in Hayti, Mexico, Cuba, and Brazil. Cuba is here mentioned, because, whatever may be the relations of sponsorship now actually exercised by our own nation in that island, it may after a time settle itself into an independent, self-governing country.

These, therefore, are nationalities independent of the United States, and they are Christian countries, not heathen. The standard of the Cross was set up in them centuries ago. Your Committee entertains no doubt that in them the historic episcopate will be found to be an established institution.

When this Church, or any portion of it, is asked to send clergymen to these countries or to support missions in them, what answer should be given?

It seems to your Committee that it would be wise in this Church carefully to consider before venturing on a line of action in violation of primitive Catholic discipline. A Nicene prohibition forbade a Bishop to exercise his authoritative episcopal functions within the limits of the Diocese of another Bishop.

Where the historic episcopate exists in active exercise, the entering in of an extraneous Bishop to act, or of a collection of extraneous Bishops as of some other national Church, could only be justified, it would seem, by the gravest of reasons.

Yet such gravest of reasons may be considered to be apparent if by the historic episcopate, wherever existing, unscriptural terms of communion are exacted, departures from primitive, Catholic doctrine which are unauthorized and unsound are inculcated, unhistoric domination of an alien episcopal authority is imposed, and unwholesome and immoral practices in the discipline of daily life are permitted and encouraged. If believing souls call aloud for relief from such encompassing error and wrong, then the entering in for help would seem to be rather a rightful Catholic protection of oppressed orthodoxy, than an uncatholic intrusion into a prohibited cure.

The practical aspect of the matter, in the opinion of your Committee, would make the rightfulness of the seeming intrusion to hinge largely upon the question of the number of souls seeking relief.

If a considerable number, protesting against usurpation, tyranny, error, and sin, join together and seek to reform their own lives and their Church on Scriptural and primitive lines, then it would seem to your Committee that the Church is charged with obligations of duty to extend help.

In the action of this Church in past years in the cases of Hayti and Mexico, and in the present session of the House of Bishops in the case of Brazil, the mind of the Church seems to proclaim itself satisfied that
there are times and circumstances in which it is right and proper, and indeed, a duty, to enter for missionary work, though it be in apparent intrusion, into fields already occupied by the historic episcopate.

Begging leave to present these observations, upon the question submitted, your Committee does not feel called upon to suggest any resolution for adoption by the General Convention in a matter wherein action already taken suffices for a rule of determination.

The Committee recommends to the House of Deputies, the following resolutions for adoption:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the present situation of the Church in Hawaii is such as to render it inexpedient that the Church in the United States should interfere at this time with the existing status; and the consideration of spiritual jurisdiction therein should be postponed until Conference shall be had, through the Presiding Bishop with the Authorities of the Church of England.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That, in behalf of Porto Rico, the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions be requested to take such action as, after Conference with the Bishop of Antigua, may be deemed practicable and desirable.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the matter of the care of English speaking people in Mexico be referred to the members of this Joint Committee (Bishop of Chicago and Bishop of New York) who are members of the Provisional Committee for Church work in Mexico, with instructions to bring the subject to the notice of said Provisional Committee.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission, to consist of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen, be appointed, to whom shall be referred the question of responsibilities growing out of increased territory, assumed or to be assumed by this Government, with instructions to ascertain by correspondence, and, if practicable, personal visitation, all available facts in the case; and to report to the Board of Managers of the Board of Missions such facts with any recommendations which they may think it expedient to make.

In behalf of the Committee,
(Signed) DANIEL S. TUTTLE, Chairman.
ALEXANDER W. SEABREASE, Secretary.

On motion, the resolutions appended to the foregoing report were severally adopted. [For action of the House of Bishops, see p. 359.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

**IN GENERAL CONVENTION,**
**WASHINGTON,** 13th day of the Session, October 20, 1898.

**MESSAGE No. 74.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the second resolution contained in its Message No. 54, repealing Title I., Canon 8, § ii.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

**IN GENERAL CONVENTION,**
**WASHINGTON,** 13th day of the Session, October 20, 1898.

**MESSAGE No. 75.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the first resolution
IN GENERAL CONVENTION, [14th Day.]

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(1) In Section 4, in the second line of the third paragraph insert the words "or by the Canons" after the word "Constitution";
(2) In Section 6, strike out the words "or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands".

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion, a Committee of Conference was requested, and the President appointed as members on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Fiske, Mr. Earl, and Mr. Andrews.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 363.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 76.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House does not concur with the House of Deputies in inserting the words "In the Name of God. Amen" between the Title and Article 1 of the Constitution, for the reason that this House deems it preferable not to insert any prefix.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 77.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 59, concerning a letter to the Tsar of all the Russias.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 78.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 60, acknowledging the friendliness of the Government and people of the British Empire.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 79.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained
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In its Message No. 61, electing Trustees for the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen. 

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session,
October 21, 1898.

MESSAGE NO. 80.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the concurrence of this House with the House of Deputies in fixing a time for the final adjournment of this Convention be reconsidered, and that the House of Deputies be respectfully asked for a Committee of Conference with a similar Committee on the part of this House on that subject.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion, the Committee of Conference requested in Message No. 80 was granted, and the President appointed as members on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Lindsay, the Rev. Mr. Spalding, and Mr. Cutting.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 360.]

On motion of Mr. Biddle of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on the Hymnal, having completed the duties for which it was organized, be now discontinued.

[For the action of the House of Bishops, see p. 358.]

The Rev. Dr. Richards, from a Committee of Conference on disagreeing action of the two Houses relative to a proposed Missionary Jurisdiction in Southern Indiana, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

The Committee of Conference in the matter of the proposed Missionary Jurisdiction in Southern Indiana respectfully report that they are unable to come to agreement and ask the House to adopt the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee of Conference be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

C. A. L. RICHARDS, Chairman
on the part of the House of Deputies.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee offered the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar:

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to present to the House of Deputies at the next General Convention a body of Canons
establishing Courts of Appeal, as provided for in Article IX. of the proposed Constitution, their report to be published nine months before the meeting of the next General Convention.

[For the consideration of the resolution, see p. 389.]

The House proceeded (Mr. Stiness of Rhode Island in the Chair) to the order of the day, viz., the Report of the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops relating to the revision of the Constitution.

The Rev. Dr. Dix, from said committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

The Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops, to whom was referred a resolution from the Committee on the Prayer Book, with instructions to frame a suitable Article of the Constitution, providing for the manner of setting forth a Standard Bible in this Church and of making changes therein, respectfully report:

That since the subject-matter is of great practical importance, and requires very careful consideration by your Committee, which it is not possible at this late day of the session to give to it, and since the very able and learned report on the Standard Bible, submitted by the Committee on the Prayer Book to this General Convention, is not at present available for the use of your Committee on Messages of the House of Bishops; therefore,

Resolved, That a Committee of two clergymen and one layman from this House be appointed to consider and report to the next General Convention a suitable Article of the Constitution on this subject.

MORGAN DIX, for the Committee.

The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

The Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops relating to the Constitution respectfully report that they have had under consideration the resolution introduced by the Lay Deputy from New York, and are of opinion that the Constitutional amendment proposed is inexpedient, and therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject. MORGAN DIX, for the Committee.

The same gentleman presented a further report from the same committee, together with the following resolution, which they recommended for adoption:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:
Strike out Article 6 of the Constitution, and insert the following as Article 9 of the Constitution, viz.: 

ARTICLE 9.

The General Convention may, by Canon, establish a Court for the trial of Bishops, which shall be composed of Bishops only. Presbyters and Deacons shall be tried by a Court instituted by the Convention of the Diocese to which they belong. The General Convention may, in like manner, establish, or provide for the establishment of, Courts of Review of the Determinations of Diocesan or other trial Courts. The Court for the review of the determination of the trial Court, on the trial of a Bishop, shall be composed of Bishops only. The General Convention may, in like manner, establish an ultimate Court of Appeal, for the review only of the determination of any Court of Review on questions of doctrine, faith, or worship. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, or of suspension, deposition, or degradation from the ministry, on any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon. A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms or conditions and at what time the suspension shall cease. MORGAN DIX, for the Committee.

A motion by the Rev. Dr. McConnell of Long Island, to strike out the fourth paragraph, failed of adoption by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


Lay Vote. —Alabama, Arkansas, Easton, Georgia, Kansas, Lexington, Long Island, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, New Jersey, New York, Pittsburgh, Rhode Island, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Western Michigan, 22.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Alabama, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Chicago, Dallas, Delaware, East Carolina, Fond du Lac, Indiana, Kentucky, Los Angeles, Louisiana, Marquette, Michigan, Milwaukee, Mississippi, Nebraska, Newark, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Quincy, South Carolina, Springfield, Tennessee, Vermont, West Missouri, Western Michigan, Western New York, 30.


DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE. — Maryland, Massachusetts, Missouri, New York, Pennsylvania, 5.

Lay Vote—Connecticut, Delaware, Indiana, Los Angeles, Missouri, 5.
The House took a recess.

The House, having resumed its session, proceeded, with closed doors, to consider the reports of the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, presented at this morning’s session, and to act upon the nomination of Bishops.

The President having led the House in prayer, on motion, the Rev. James Bowen Funsten was elected Bishop of the Missionary District of Boise by the following vote:

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.**


On motion, the Rev. William Hall Moreland was elected Bishop of the Missionary District of Sacramento, by the following vote:

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.**


On motion, the Rev. Samuel C. Edsall, D.D., was elected Bishop of the Missionary District of North Dakota, by the following vote:

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.**


On motion it was


The House proceeded (Mr. Stiness of Rhode Island in the Chair) to the order of the day, viz., the report of the Committee on the Messages of the House of Bishops, relating to the revision of the Constitution, under consideration when the House took a recess. [See p. 358.]

On motion, the resolution recommended by the committee was adopted by the following vote:

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.**

**CLERICAL VOTE.** - Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central New York, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Dallas, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Lexington, Long Island, Los Angeles, Louisiana, Maine, Marquette, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee,
DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE.—Southern Virginia, West Virginia, — 2.

LAY VOTE.—Georgia, Minnesota, Southern Virginia, Virginia, West Virginia, — 5.

DIOCESE DIVIDED.

LAY VOTE.—Massachusetts, — 1.

The House proceeded to the consideration of Message No. 61 from the House of Bishops. [See p. 327.] A motion to concur in the action of the House of Bishops communicated in this Message failed, by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE.—Albany, Central New York, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Dallas, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Los Angeles, Louisiana, Maine, Marquette, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Jersey, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Quincy, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Missouri, Western Michigan, Western New York, — 43.

On motion, a Committee of Conference was requested of the House of Bishops on the disagreement of the two Houses respecting proposed Article 3 of the Constitution; and the President appointed as members of said Committee, on the part of this House,

The Rev. Dr. Egar, Mr. Gilbert, and Mr. Earl.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 368.]

On motion of Mr. Stetson of New York, it was

Resolved, That all motions, Messages, reports, and Canons concerning the subjects of marriage and divorce, including that portion of the report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, that relates to those subjects, be referred to a Special Committee of this House, to consist of thirteen members, to be appointed by the President of this House, who shall be a member and Chairman of such Committee. Said Committee shall have power to sit between the meetings of the General Convention, and shall report upon the entire subject-matter at the next meeting of the General Convention; such report to be printed and circulated on or before the thirty-first day of December, 1900.

On motion, the House adjourned.

FIFTEENTH DAY.

Saturday, October 22, 1898.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Harrison of Maryland, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Southern Florida.

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

The Rev. Dr. Marshall, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

REPORT No. 15.

The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that satisfactory evidence has been received that Mr. George M. Franklin of Central Pennsylvania is entitled to the seat in this House of Mr. C. M. Clement, unable longer to attend; and that Mr. J. H. De Wolf of Rhode Island is entitled to the seat of Mr. George Gordon King for the same reason.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session,
October 21, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 81.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution con-
tained in its Message No. 64, continuing the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session, October 21, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 82.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the two resolutions contained in its Message No. 68, concerning Title III., Canon 8, § 1. [1] and [2].

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session, October 21, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 83.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has acceded to the request of the House of Deputies for a Committee of Conference on disagreeing action in regard to the proposed Article 1 of the Constitution; and that it appoints as members of such Committee, on its part, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, and the Bishop of Vermont.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session, October 21, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 84.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it does not concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 73, for the reason that the continuance of the Committee on the Hymnal is deemed advisable in order that the experience of the Commission may be available in case new questions in reference to changes in the Hymnal should arise.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session, October 21, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 85.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the second resolution contained in its Message No. 42, concerning the proposed Article 5 of the Constitution, with the following amendments in Section 1:

1. In line 5, strike out the words, "lying within the boundaries of a single State or Territory";
2. In line 7, strike out the words, "in the same State";
3. In line 7, strike out the word "such" at the end;
4. In line 10, insert the word "Missionary" before the word "District."

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.
On motion, a Committee of Conference on the proposed Article 5 of the Constitution, was requested of the House of Bishops, and the President appointed as members on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Egar, Mr. Gilbert, and Mr. Earl.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 362.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

**IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session, October 21, 1898.**

MESSAGE NO. 86.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolutions contained in the report of the Committee on Increased Responsibilities, communicated by Message No. 71 of the House of Deputies.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

**IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 14th day of the Session, October 21, 1898.**

MESSAGE NO. 87.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has elected the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield a member of the Joint Commission on Swedish Orders, in place of the Bishop of Chicago, resigned.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

**IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 13th day of the Session, October 21, 1898.**

MESSAGE NO. 88.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolutions contained in its Message No. 61, concerning the American Churches on the Continent of Europe, and amending Title III., Canon 3, § III. [7].

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Goodwin, in behalf of the Committee on Expenses, it was

Resolved, That all printing, the expense of which is to be borne by this Convention, required by any Committee or Commission during the interval between the meetings of the General Convention, be done under the direction of the Secretary of this House.

The Rev. Dr. Alsop presented the report [see Appendix XI.] of the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members, which was preceded by suitable prayers read by the President.

The Rev. Dr. Lindsay, from the Committee of Conference on
the time of final adjournment, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

The Committee of Conference on the time of final adjournment would report that in view of the fact that a concurrent resolution had been passed by this Convention three days ago to adjourn Tuesday next, and that many of the deputies have already made arrangements to leave the city on that evening, hence, in addition to the usual thinning out of the Convention at the close of the session, there is danger of the failure of a quorum in the House of Deputies for the reason above stated; therefore, be it

Resolved, That, in the judgment of this Committee, this Convention should adjourn, as previously decided, upon Tuesday evening next.

By order of the Committee,

JOHN S. LINDSAY, Chairman.

The hour of 11 A.M. having arrived, the House adjourned to meet with the House of Bishops, the Bishop of Minnesota in the Chair, to receive the report of the Committee on Christian Education; on motion, the resolutions appended to the report were adopted. [For the report of the Committee, see Appendix V.]

The House having resumed its session, the following message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 15th Day of the Session,
October 22, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 89.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has nominated to the House of Deputies for election, as Bishop of the Missionary District of Asheville, the Rev. Junius Moore Horner, a Presbyter of the Diocese of North Carolina.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 362.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 15th Day of the Session,
October 22, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 90.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § x. [1] (page 73 of the Digest), be amended by striking out the words "And in any such case as is above mentioned, the Bishop within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation may be, may, at any time, if he please," and inserting in their place the words, "And in any case of a Bishop's formal refusal to visit a parish or congregation in his Diocese, he may at any time within three years thereafter apply himself to the Presiding Bishop, for a Council of Conciliation: Provided," etc.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.
The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 15th Day of the Session,
October 22, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 91.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Joint Committee appointed to nominate the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and the Missionary Council; and the House of Bishops, the House of Deputies concurring, has elected the persons named to the positions for which they were respectively nominated.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. McKim of Washington, it was
Resolved, That the Committee of Conference on the part of this House upon Article 1 of the Constitution be and they are hereby instructed to seek to amend said Article 1 of the Constitution, by striking out the words "when the vote shall be taken by orders."

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York, it was
Resolved, That all Joint Commissions and Joint Committees existing at the close of this Convention be continued until the next Convention; and the President of this House be, and hereby is, empowered to fill all vacancies, upon the part of this House, in these Commissions and Committees.

The Rev. Dr. Marshall, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

On motion, the House adjourned.
SIXTEENTH DAY.

MONDAY, October 24, 1898.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Hart, Secretary of the House of Bishops, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Pittsburgh.

The Minutes of Saturday's session were read and approved.

The President announced the appointment as members, on the part of this House, of the Joint Committee on Increased Responsibilities of the Church,

The Rev. Dr. Greer of New York, the Rev. Dr. Jones of Central Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Mann of West Missouri, Mr. Morgan of New York, Mr. Goodwin of Connecticut, and Mr. Packard of Maryland.

The Rev. Dr. Marshall, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

REPORT No. 17.

The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that the proper testimonials have been received entitling the Rev. F. S. Spalding of Pittsburgh to a seat in this House in place of the Rev. Dr. L. McLure, unable longer to attend; the Rev. Churchill Satterlee, of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Asheville, in place of the Rev. Dr. Swope, unable longer to attend.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, from the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 4.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom was referred Message No. 89 from the House of Bishops, nominating the Rev. Junius Moore Horner, a Presbyter of the Diocese of North Carolina, for election as a Bishop of the Church, to exercise Episcopal Jurisdiction in the Missionary District of Asheville, have considered the same, and beg leave to report the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House proceed to act upon the aforesaid nomination.

E. A. HOFFMAN, Chairman.

On motion of the same gentleman, the foregoing nomination was made the special order at three o'clock to-day, the House to sit with closed doors. [See p. 370.]

The Rev. Dr. Egar, from a Committee of Conference [see p. 859], presented a report, and, on his motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the amendments to the Constitution proposed in
Message No. 85 from the House of Bishops, by the following vote:

**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.**


**DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.**

**CLERICAL VOTE.**—East Carolina, Georgia, —2.

**LAY VOTE.**—New York, Southern Virginia, —2.

**DIOCESES DIVIDED.**

**CLERICAL VOTE.**—Vermont, —1.

**LAY VOTE.**—Delaware, —1.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Eccleston of Maryland, it was

Resolved, That this House concurs with the House of Bishops in its action as communicated in its Message No. 91.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Associate Secretary of the Board be and he is hereby empowered to call together the newly elected Board of Managers for organization.

[For the action of the House of Bishops, see p. 379.]

Mr. Earl, from a Committee of Conference [see p. 350], presented the following report:

The members on the part of this House, of the Committee of Conference upon Article 1, respectfully report:

That the Committee have agreed to recommend concurrence with the amendments proposed by the House of Bishops, (1) inserting the words "or by the Canons" in line 34, after the word "Constitution," and (2) striking out the words in lines 46 and 47, "or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands."

The Committee were unable to agree as to striking out the words in line 49, "when the vote shall be taken by orders."

G. McC. FISKE.

ROBERT EARL.

CHARLES ANDREWS.

On motion, the House non-concurred in the recommendations of the Committee, and the report was, on motion, recommitted to the Committee of Conference.
On motion of Mr. Stetson of New York, it was

Resolved, That the House of Bishops be informed that the House of Deputies has declined to accept the report of the Joint Committee of Conference upon the proposed Article I of the Constitution, and asks the House of Bishops for a further Conference with the Committee heretofore appointed in behalf of this House, which hereby is continued.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 378.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 15th day of the Session,
October 22, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 92.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the recommendation of the members on its part of the Committee of Conference as to the time of adjournment, and has again concurred with the action of the House of Deputies as communicated in its Message No. 58.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 15th day of the Session,
October 22, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 93.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Joint Committee of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen of the Board of Managers, be appointed to arrange an order of work for the next meeting of the Missionary Council.

And the House of Bishops has appointed, as members of said Committee on its part, the Bishop of Washington and the Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Bishops in its action as communicated in the foregoing Message, and the President appointed, as members of the Committee on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Eccleston of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Vibbert of New York, Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Brown of Rhode Island.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 15th day of the Session,
October 22, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 94.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has acceded to the requests of the House of Deputies, conveyed in its Messages Nos. 76 and 77, for Committees of Conference on non-concurrent action of the Houses in regard to proposed amendments of the Constitution; and that it appoints, as members of both of such Committees on its part, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio, and the Bishop of Kansas.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.
The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 15th day of the Session,
October 22, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 95.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 4, § vii. [2], be amended by the substitution of the word “receive” for the word “decline,” in the third line from the end of the Canon, so that the last sentence shall read: “In any case where the application of a Candidate for Holy Orders shall have been rejected by any Bishop of this Church, it shall be competent to any other Bishop to receive an application made to himself, if, having duly informed himself of the facts of the case, he shall deem it expedient so to do.”

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 377.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 15th Day of the Session,
October 22, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 96.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [8] (page 66 of the Digest), be amended so as to read as follows: “Every such Bishop shall report annually to the Presiding Bishop his proceedings and the state and condition of the Church within his Missionary District; such report to be transmitted by the Presiding Bishop to the Board of Managers.”

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 377.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 15th Day of the Session,
October 22, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 97.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations be continued.
Resolved, That the following be members of the Joint Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations, on the part of the House of Bishops: The Bishops of Long Island, Central New York, Springfield, Arkansas, Delaware, Fond du Lac, Michigan, California, Coadjutor of Springfield, and Washington.
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Report of the Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations be printed as an Appendix to the Journal.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.
On motion, the House concurred with the House of Bishops, in the adoption of the first and third resolutions communicated in the foregoing Message, and the President appointed to fill the vacancies on the part of this House in said Commission, the Rev. Lucius Waterman, D.D., and the Rev. Carroll M. Davis.

[For the report of the Commission, see Appendix XVII.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 15th Day of the Session,
October 22, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 98.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has appointed, as members on its part of the Joint Commission ordered by the fourth resolution contained in the report of the Joint Committee on the Increased Responsibilities of the Church (see Message 86 from this House and Message 71 from the House of Deputies,) the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Chicago, and the Bishop of New York; the Bishop of Albany having been elected by the House.

Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Western New York, it was

Resolved, That this House, mindful of yesterday's noble and most impressive service of the unveiling of the Cross of Peace on the Cathedral grounds of St. Peter and St. Paul, gives joy to the Bishop of Washington for this formal and felicitous beginning of his great Cathedral work, in the success of which the whole Church will share, and in the doing of which the whole Church might well assist; and renders thanks to God, that through the influences of the Christian Faith, the old war cross — always a sign of war and desolation — is being more and more supplanted by Christ's blessed Cross of Peace.

Resolved, That this House recognizes with pleasure the presence of the President of the United States at the ceremonies of the unveiling of the cross, and thanks him for the kindly and gracious words he uttered.

Resolved, That a suitable copy of these resolutions be prepared and sent to the President of the United States and to the Bishop of Washington.

The House proceeded to the order of the day, viz., the report [see Appendix XII.] of the Joint Commission on the revision of the Constitution and Canons.

On motion, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon I of the Digest, be and is hereby repealed.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 1, as follows, be and is hereby enacted:

Canon 1.

§ 1. [1.] A person desiring to prepare for the Sacred Ministry of the Church shall make his desire known to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he is a resident, and shall give the Bishop the
name of his Rector, or if he have no Rector, the name, if possible, of some other Presbyter, knowing him well and known by the Bishop, from whom the Bishop shall ask the Rector’s or the Presbyter’s judgment of his qualifications, physical, mental, moral, and spiritual, for the work of the Ministry, in order to enable the Bishop to advise him wisely whether to pursue his purpose or not.

[li.] He shall then present himself personally to the Bishop, and also state to him in writing:

(a) His age and antecedents.
(b) The length of time he has been resident in the Diocese or Missionary District.
(c) When, where, and by whom, he was baptized.
(d) When, where, and by whom, he was confirmed.
(e) When, where, and by whom, he was admitted to the Holy Communion.
(f) Whether he has ever before applied for admission as a Postulant or as a Candidate for Holy Orders.
(g) On what grounds he trusts that he is moved to seek the Sacred Ministry.

§ II. The Bishop, in a book to be kept for that purpose, shall enter the name of each applicant, with the fact of his approval or disapproval of the application, and the date of such entry. If he approve of the application, he shall inform the applicant of the fact, and of the date of his admission as Postulant.

§ III. [i.] No Bishop shall accept as a Postulant any person who has been refused admission as a Postulant or as a Candidate for Holy Orders, in any other Diocese or Missionary District, or who, having been admitted, has afterwards ceased to be a Postulant or a Candidate, until he shall have produced a certificate from the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he has been refused admission, or in which he has been a Postulant or a Candidate, declaring the cause of refusal or of cessation.

[ii.] Should the Bishop accept the applicant as a Postulant, he shall send the said certificate, or a copy thereof, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, to be considered by them if the said Postulant should apply to be recommended for admission as a Candidate.

§ IV. A Standing Committee, acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority of a Diocese, shall be competent to receive and act upon applications under this Canon from persons desiring to be received as Postulants.

On motion, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 2, of the Digest, be and is hereby repealed, the subject-matter thereof being covered by the Canon hereby enacted.

On motion, the further consideration of the report of the Commission was indefinitely postponed.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 99.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee of five Bishops, five Presbyters, and five Laymen be appointed to consider and report to the next General Convention the advisability of select-
In one permanent place for the meeting of the General Convention, and to submit whatever in their wisdom they may think calculated to aid the Convention in reaching a satisfactory conclusion in the premises.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Bishops in its action communicated in the foregoing Message, and the President appointed, as members of said Committee on the part of this House,

The Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York, the Rev. Dr. Lindsay of Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. Harris of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Stone of Chicago, the Rev. Mr. Foute of California, Mr. Forsyth of Louisiana, Mr. Woolworth of Nebraska, Mr. Davis of Washington, Mr. Bryan of Virginia, and Mr. Triplett of Missouri.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 100.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 70, proposing an amendment to Title I., Canon 7, § 320 (p. 34 of the Digest).

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Canons:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 101.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, Article VI. (p. 138 of the Digest), be amended by the addition of the following paragraphs:

"In Missionary Jurisdictions, both Foreign and Domestic, the titles to all Church property and funds, not distinctly parochial, shall be reported to the Board of Managers, and copies of all deeds conveying or affecting such property or funds shall be forwarded to the Board of Managers by the Bishop of the Jurisdiction.

"Every Missionary Bishop shall annually report to the Board of Managers all contributions received by him for his work, except such as shall come to him through the Treasurer of the Board."

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 377.]

The Rev. Dr. Edgar, from a Committee of Conference [see p. 357], presented the following report:

The Committee of Conference, on the part of this House, with a similar Committee on the part of the House of Bishops, on the proposed
Article 3 of the Constitution, respectfully report that the same has been under consideration, and that it is agreed to recommend that the House of Bishops and this House concur in the following resolution, being in effect the original provision in Message No. 31 of the House of Bishops in 1898:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Insert as Article 3:

ARTICLE 3.

Bishops may be consecrated for foreign lands upon due application therefrom, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, certified to the Presiding Bishop under such conditions as may be prescribed by Canons of the General Convention. Such Bishops shall not be entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, nor shall they perform any act of the Episcopal office in any Diocese or Missionary District of this Church, unless requested so to do by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

For the Committee,

J. H. Egar.

Pending the consideration of the report, the following Message on the same subject was received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 102.

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

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Strike out Article 10 of the Constitution, and insert the following as Article 3 of the Constitution, viz.

ARTICLE 3.

Bishops may be consecrated for foreign lands upon due application therefrom, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, certified to the Presiding Bishop under such conditions as may be prescribed by Canons of the General Convention. Bishops so consecrated shall not be eligible to the office of Diocesan or Bishop Coadjutor of any Diocese in the United States, nor be entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, nor shall they perform any act of the episcopal office in any Diocese or Missionary District of this Church, unless requested so to do by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

Attest: Samuel Hart, Secretary.

On motion, the House concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution communicated in the foregoing Message by the following vote:
DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


On motion, the House took a recess.

The House, having resumed its session, proceeded, in executive session, to consider Report No. 4 [see p. 362] of the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.

The President having led the House in prayer, on motion, the Rev. Junius Moore Horner was elected Bishop of the Missionary District of Asheville by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.


On motion, it was

Resolved, That the House proceed to sign the proper certificate in testimony of the election by this House of the Rev. Junius Moore Horner as Bishop of the Missionary District of Asheville.
The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 22.

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred resolutions on the subject of Marriage and Divorce, respectfully offers the following:

Resolved, That the resolutions offered by Deputies on the subject of Marriage and Divorce, now in the hands of this Committee, be referred to the Committee of thirteen, to be appointed to sit during recess and report to the next General Convention.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 23.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed Canon of Evangelists, respectfully reports that the provisions of the proposed Canon are, in their judgment, already made by Title I., Canon 12, and therefore offers the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from further consideration of this subject.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following report:

REPORT No. 24.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution proposing to pass a Canon providing for the election and consecration of Bishops Suffragan, respectfully offers the following:

Resolved, That this subject be referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

The Rev. Mr. Faudé of Minnesota offered the following as a substitute for the resolution appended to the report of the Committee, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the proposed amendment to the Canons, relating to Suffragan Bishops, be referred to a special committee of five, to report thereon to the next General Convention.

The President appointed, as members of the Committee called for in the foregoing resolution:

The Rev. Mr. Faudé, the Rev. Dr. Richards, the Rev. Dr. Davenport, Mr. North, and Mr. Brown of Maine.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, adopted:
REPORT NO. 35.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 90 of the House of Bishops, proposing an amendment of Title L, Canon 19, § x. [1], respectfully offers the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies does not concur with the House of Bishops in their Message No. 90.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title L, Canon 19, § x. [1], be amended so as to read as follows:

§ x. [1]. Every Bishop in this Church shall visit the Churches within his Diocese (at least once in three years), for the purpose of examining the state of his Church, inspecting the behaviour of his Clergy, administering the Apostolic rite of Confirmation, ministering the Word, and, if he think fit, administering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper to the people committed to his charge.

If a Bishop shall fail or neglect for more than three years to visit a Parish or Congregation, or shall fail or decline to visit a Parish or Congregation within a reasonable time after receiving from such Parish or Congregation a formal request in writing to visit the same, or shall in writing at any time formally notify to any Parish or Congregation his intention, for reasons by him to be stated in such notice, not to visit such Parish or Congregation, then and in every such case the Rector or Minister, and the Vestry, or either of them, may apply to the Presiding Bishop, to appoint the five Bishops in charge of Dioceses, who live nearest to the Diocese in which such Church or Congregation may be situated, to act as a Council of Conciliation, who shall amicably determine all matters of difference between the parties, and each party shall conform to the decision of the Council in the premises. If the Presiding Bishop shall be the party within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation may be, then the application shall be made to the Bishop next in seniority. And in any such case as is above mentioned, the Bishop within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation may be, may, at any time, if he please, apply himself to the Presiding Bishop, for a Council of Conciliation: Provided, that if, by the action of the General Convention, any Canon shall hereafter be made for the establishment of a Council or Councils of Conciliation, for the general purpose of amicably reconciling differences of this or any other kind, then such a case as is above named shall be referred to such general Council of Conciliation, and the parties shall abide by its decision.

By order of the Committee,

F. P. DAVIDSON, Chairman.

[For the action of the House of Bishops, see p. 390.]

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Alsop of Long Island, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Marginal Readings be instructed to give as far as possible the authority for all their proposed readings.

RESESE F. ALSOP.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session, October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 103.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the title of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, continued by action of this Convention, be changed to “Joint Committee on the Revision of Canons.”

And the House of Bishops has elected the Bishop of East Carolina, the Bishop of North Carolina, and the Bishop of Vermont to be members of the said Joint Commission, in the place of the late Bishop of Western New York, deceased, and the Bishop of Kentucky and the Bishop of Quincy resigned.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session, October 24, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 104.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it Dominates for election by the House of Deputies, as Bishop of the Missionary District of Kyoto, the Rev. George Calvin Hall, a presbyter of the Diocese of Delaware.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 384.]

Mr. Earl of Albany, from a Committee of Conference [see pp. 363, 364], presented the following report with the appended resolution:

The Committee of Conference, to whom was referred the disagreeing action on the part of the two Houses of the Convention, beg to report the following resolution, and recommend its adoption:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following changes be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted at the next general Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Articles 1, 2, and 3, and insert the following to be known as Article 1 of the Constitution:

ARTICLE 1.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, and all acts of the Convention shall be adopted and authenticated by both Houses.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop who has resigned his jurisdiction by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of Foreign Missionary Bishops and Bishops who have resigned their jurisdictions, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church in the order of consecra-
tion, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Bishop of the Church. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention. But if the Presiding Bishop shall resign his office as such, or if he shall resign his Episcopal jurisdiction, or if he shall become disabled by reason of infirmity, the Bishop next in seniority by consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall thereupon become the Presiding Bishop.

Sec. 4. The Church in each Diocese which has been admitted to union with the General Convention shall be entitled to representation in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, having domicile in the Diocese; but the General Convention may by Canon reduce the representation to not fewer than two Deputies in each order. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

To constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, the Clerical order shall be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation, and the Lay order shall likewise be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by this Constitution, or by the Canons requiring more than a majority in cases not specially provided for by the Constitution, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote in the Clerical order and one in the Lay order; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

Sec. 6. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House shall adjourn without the consent of the other for more than three days, nor to any other place than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

Sec. 7. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church, or by a Convocation of the American Churches in foreign lands, convened by proper Ecclesiastical Authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies except the right to vote.

Sec. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at the place designated by such Convention; but if there shall appear to the Presiding Bishop of the Church sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be provided for by Canon.

For the Committee, ROBERT EARL.

On motion, the resolution recommended by the Committee was adopted by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE.—Alabama, Albany, Arkansas, California, Central Pennsylvania, Chicago, Colorado, Connecticut, Dallas, Delaware, East Carolina, Easton, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Lexington, Long Island, Louisiana, Maine, Marquette, Mary-
On motion of Mr. Lewis of Pennsylvania, the report on the resolutions of the Lambeth Conference was made the special order for to-morrow at 10.30 A.M. [See p. 377.]

On motion of Mr. Brown of Rhode Island, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed, consisting of one Bishop, one Presbyter, and one Layman, who, with the Secretaries of the two Houses, shall examine all action on the proposed Constitution, and shall report before adjournment to-morrow whether the action of the two Houses is in all respects complete and in proper constitutional form.

The President appointed, as members of the Committee on the part of this House, the Rev. Dr. Egar and Mr. Stetson.

[For the report of the Committee, see p. 388.]

The Rev. Dr. Nelson, from the Commission on the Hymnal, presented the following report:

The Commission on the Hymnal, to whom was referred a resolution offered by Mr. Neale of California, touching changes in certain hymns, respectfully reports: That in the apprehension of the Commission such changes are beyond the scope of its powers, those powers being limited to the correction of typographical errors and mistakes, with regard to names and dates; but

WHEREAS, Requests for like changes have been made at other times, and wishes have been expressed by members of the Convention for the omission of various hymns and the addition of others, particularly those of a patriotic character; therefore,

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the powers of the Joint Commission on the Hymnals be, and hereby are, enlarged, so as to permit the revision of certain hymns, and the omission or addition of
A motion to adopt the resolution offered by the Commission was lost.

The President announced the appointment, to fill vacancies in the Joint Commission on Marginal Readings in the Bible:

The Rev. Dr. C. W. E. Body of New York, the Rev. Dr. John Binney of Connecticut, and the Rev. Thomas J. Packard of Maryland;

and to fill a vacancy in the Commission on the Hymnal:

The Rev. James H. Darlington, D. D.

On motion, the House adjourned.

SEVENTEENTH DAY.

TUESDAY, October 25, 1898.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Smith of Western New York, the Benediction being pronounced by the Bishop of Western Michigan.

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

The President announced the appointment of the following persons as a Committee on the Standard Bible:

The Rev. Dr. Gold, the Rev. Dr. Waterman, and Mr. Charles G. Saunders.

The Rev. Dr. Marshall, from the Committee on Elections, presented the following report:

REPORT No. 18.

The Committee on Elections would respectfully report that the proper testimonials have been received entitling the Rev. Alexander C. McCabe of Southern Ohio to a seat in this House in place of the Rev. S. Peyton Morgan, and Mr. George A. Elliott of Delaware in place of Mr. Edward G. Bradford.

M. M. MARSHALL, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:
REPORT NO. 26.
The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 96 of the House of Bishops, proposing an amendment of Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [5], offers the following:
Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops in their Message No. 96.
By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 27.
The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 95 of the House of Bishops, proposing amendment of Title I., Canon 4, § vii. [2], respectfully offers the following:
Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops in their Message No. 95.
By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT NO. 28.
The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 101 of the House of Bishops, proposing amendment of Title III., Canon 7, Article VI., respectfully offers the following:
Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby concurs with the House of Bishops in their Message No. 101.
By order of the Committee,
F. P. DAVENPORT, Chairman.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Hoffman, from the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, it was
Resolved, That the House go into executive session at 12 M., to consider the report of the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops on the nomination of a Missionary Bishop of Kyoto. [See p. 383.]

The Rev. Dr. Waterman, from the Committee on the resolutions of the Lambeth Conference [see Appendix XVIII.], presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

The Joint Committee to whom were referred the letters of the Presiding Bishop, communicating the resolutions of the last Lambeth Conference to our National Church as requested by a resolution of that Conference, and communicating also the request of the Archbishop of Canterbury that this Church should take action with regard to the formation of a Consultative Body, begs leave to report that as this General Convention is an organized body, and the Lambeth Conference only a voluntary meeting of Bishops of the Church of England and the
Churches in communion, the Committee cannot recommend any formal action upon any of the resolutions.

The Committee calls special attention to certain points contained in them, as worthy of our careful consideration, while demanding no action from this Church; the call to more earnest missionary zeal; the suggestion as to letters of commendation to be given to emigrants and as to our care for them when they come to our shores; the adherence of the various legislative bodies of the different portions of the Church to the principle of consultation in the establishing of foreign Missionary Jurisdictions in order to avoid conflict and confusion between Bishops of the one Communion in the same place; the recognition of the rightfulness and value of the reform movements in Roman Catholic countries, and especially as chiefly concerning us in Mexico and Brazil; the warm endorsement of the principle of International Arbitration; the urgency to appoint committees of Bishops where they have not been appointed to watch for opportunities of united prayer and mutual conference among representatives of different Christian bodies; and above all, the recognition of the Divine purpose of visible unity as a fact of revelation; and of the duty of special intercession for the unity of the Church in accordance with our Lord's own prayer.

Referring to the proposal of the Archbishop as to the Consultative Body, the committee report:

First. That any recognition of the absolute unity of all portions of the Church of England and all the Churches in union with her, is complementary, and in no wise antagonistic to the other fact of equally catholic and primitive importance; namely, the autonomy of national Churches.

Secondly. That, although no questions have arisen in the hundred years and more of our independent existence as a national Church, when we have had need to ask advice or information about ecclesiastical affairs, the time might come when, in some matter connected with the interest of the entire Church, or in some matter bearing upon the new openings of Christian enterprise and work, which confront the Church in America to-day, we might gladly avail ourselves of a committee representing the Church which, more than any other Christian body in the world, has had to do with grave questions relating to racial and colonial differences and difficulties.

Thirdly. That, insomuch as the need of such Consultative Body has been deeply felt by Bishops of the colonial and missionary Dioceses of the Church of England, it would be ungracious in us not to recognize their need, even though we have no sense of it among ourselves. At a time when, without any formal concordat or covenant, these two great English-speaking nations of the world are plainly drawing nearer and nearer to each other in sympathy and sense of common duty to the world; and when, in the providence of God, we are likely to be called upon to have a share in that advance movement by which the English peoples, the English language, and English civilization, the religion, the liberty, the system of law, which we hold in common with England, are to be potent factors in the advancement and advantage of the human race, it would seem especially unwise not to recognize the spirit of a proposal which is based upon the closeness of our union, as a Church, with the Church of our mother country.

But as the suggestion emanates from a voluntary Conference of Bishops only, which neither claims nor asks recognition as an organic representative of the Church, the Committee thinks that no action of this General Convention should be taken in regard to it, feeling that if the Bishops of this Church desire any of their number to be members of this Consultative Body, they will undoubtedly arrange among themselves
The Committee presents the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. U. DUDLEY, Chairman.
W. C. DOANE.
O. W. WHITTAKER.
R. H. COBBS.
H. R. HARRIS.
E. L. TEMPLE.
G. R. WESTFELDT.
LUCIUS WATERMAN, Secretary.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 105.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 78, continuing Joint Commissions and Joint Committees; and that it has empowered its Chairman to fill all vacancies on its part, not already filled, in such Commissions and Committees.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 106.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 80, providing for the first meeting of the newly elected Board of Managers of the Missionary Society.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 107.

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 16th day of the Session,
October 24, 1898.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred to the request of the House of Deputies for a further conference on the proposed Article 1 of the Constitution, as communicated by its Message No. 85, appointing therefor the members, on its part, of the former Committee;

That it has non-concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 94, for the reason that, in its judgment, the purpose of the proposed Section 6 is amply provided for by a Standing Order, and should not be placed in the Constitution;

and that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally
agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Strike out Articles 1, 2, and 3 of the Constitution, and insert the following, to be known as Article 1 of the Constitution:

ARTICLE 1.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, and all acts of the Convention shall be adopted and authenticated by both Houses.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop who has resigned his jurisdiction by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of Foreign Missionary Bishops and Bishops who have resigned their jurisdictions, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Bishop of the Church. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention. But if the Presiding Bishop shall resign his office as such, or if he shall resign his Episcopal jurisdiction, or if he shall become disabled by reason of infirmity, the Bishop next in seniority by consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall thereupon become the Presiding Bishop.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which has been admitted to union with the General Convention shall be entitled to representation in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church having domicile in the Diocese; but the General Convention may by Canon reduce the representation to not fewer than two Deputies in each Order. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

To constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, the Clerical Order shall be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation, and the Lay Order shall likewise be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation.

On any question, the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by this Constitution or by the Canons requiring more than a majority in cases not specially provided for by the Constitution, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders; and in all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote in the Clerical order and one in the Lay order; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House shall adjourn without the consent of the other, for more than three days, nor to any other place than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the
preceding Convention, and at the place designated by such Convention; but if there shall appear to the Presiding Bishop of the Church sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be provided for by Canon.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

A motion to concur with the House of Bishops, in adopting the resolution communicated in the foregoing Message, prevailed by the following vote:

**DIOCESEs VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.**

**CLERICAL VOTE.** — Alabama, Albany, California, Chicago, Connecticut, Dallas, Delaware, East Carolina, Florida, Fond du Lac, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Lexington, Los Angeles, Louisiana, Maine, Marquette, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Milwaukee, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Newark, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Quincy, Rhode Island, Southern Ohio, Southern Virginia, Springfield, Virginia, Washington, West Missouri, West Virginia, Western Michigan, Western New York, — 45.


**DIOCESEs VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.**

**CLERICAL VOTE.** — Central New York, Colorado, Easton, Kentucky, Pittsburgh, Texas, Vermont, — 7.

**LAY VOTE.** — Colorado, Delaware, Indiana, Kansas, New Jersey, Oregon, Pittsburgh, Vermont, — 8.

**DIOCESEs DIVIDED.**

**CLERICAL VOTE.** — Central Pennsylvania, Long Island, New Jersey, South Carolina, — 4.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the action of the House of Bishops communicated therein:

**IN GENERAL CONVENTION,**

**WASHINGTON,** 16th day of the Session,

**October 24, 1898.**

**MESSAGE No. 108.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Joint Commission on Archives, which it herewith transmits; and that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the report of the Joint Commission on Archives be printed as an appendix to the Journal.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.
The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

**MESSAGE No. 109.**

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session,
October 25, 1898.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 90, recommitting to the Joint Commission on the revision of the Canons so much of the late report as has not been acted upon at this Convocation.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

**MESSAGE No. 110.**

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 17th Day of the Session,
October 25, 1898.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 95, appointing a Joint Committee to report as to the completeness of the action taken by this Convention in the matter of the amendment of the Constitution; and that it appoints the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio as the member of that Committee on the part of this House.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

**MESSAGE No. 111.**

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 17th Day of the Session,
October 25, 1898.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has appointed, as members on its part of the Committee on the advisability of selecting a permanent place of meeting, the Bishop of Springfield, the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, the Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona, the Bishop of Ohio, and the Bishop of Louisiana.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar, viz., a resolution of the Rev. Mr. Bollard, introduced on the fifth day of the session. [See p. 239.]

By permission of the House the mover withdrew his resolution.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, viz., the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Prall, introduced on the sixth day of the session [see p. 249], and, on motion, the resolution was adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, viz., Report No. 7 of the Committee on Canons [see p. 272], and, on motion, the resolution appended to the report was adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, viz., the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. De Rosset on the ninth day
of the session [see p. 285], and, on motion, the resolution was laid on the table.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, viz., the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Stuck, on the tenth day of the session [see p. 292], and, on motion, the resolution was adopted.

The House proceeded with the business on the Calendar, viz., the resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Lines on the tenth day of the session. [See p. 293.]

Pending consideration of the subject [see p. 387], the following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 11th Day of the Session, October 26, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 112.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolutions contained in its Message No. 89, for the reason that it has referred the proposed Canon 1, with other matters relating to the Canons to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolutions communicated therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, WASHINGTON, 17th Day of the Session, October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 113.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on a Uniform Pointing of the Canticles and Psalter, having completed its work, be discharged.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer be authorized to make, in the Canticles and Psalter as pointed, corrections of any literal or typographical departures from the Standard.

Attest:

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The House proceeded, in executive session, to consider a report of the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman, from said Committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:
REPORT NO. 5.

The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, to whom was referred Message No. 104 from the House of Bishops, nominating the Rev. George Calvin Hall, a Presbyter of the Diocese of Delaware, for election as a Bishop of the Church, to exercise Episcopal Jurisdiction in the Missionary District of Kyoto, have considered the same, and beg leave to report the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House proceed to act upon the aforesaid nomination.

E. A. HOFFMAN, Chairman.

A motion to concur with the House of Bishops in their Message No. 104, and that the Rev. George Calvin Hall be elected Bishop of this Church, to exercise Episcopal Jurisdiction in the Missionary District of Kyoto, failed by the following vote:

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE AFFIRMATIVE.

CLERICAL VOTE.—Alabama, Central New York, Delaware, New Jersey, — 4.
LAY VOTE.—Central Pennsylvania, Delaware, Indiana, Iowa, Pittsburgh, — 5.

DIOCESES VOTING IN THE NEGATIVE.


DIOCESES DIVIDED.

CLERICAL VOTE.—Easton, Louisiana, Ohio, West Virginia, — 4.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session,
October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 114.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the resolution contained in its Message No. 75, proposing a new Article 9 of the Constitution, for the reason that a matter of so great importance requires much fuller consideration than it is possible at this time to give it; and that the House of Bishops has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made


known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Strike out Article 6 of the Constitution from its present place, and insert it as Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

ARTICLE 9.

The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Convention. The Court appointed for that purpose shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese, the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the Ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion, the House non-concorded with the House of Bishops in the action communicated in the foregoing Message.

[For further action, see p. 387.]

On motion, the House took a recess.

The House, having resumed its session, the Rev. Dr. Davenport, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following report, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 29.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred Message No. 50 of the House of Bishops, proposing amendments of Title I., Canon 18, § 1., respectfully offers the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies does not concur with the House of Bishops in their Message No. 50.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Title I., Canon 18, § 1., be amended so as to read as follows:

§ 1. [1.] Whenever a Parish or Congregation shall be without a Minister, the Church Wardens, or other proper authority, without delay, shall notify the fact to the Ecclesiastical Authority, and shall take due measures for the maintenance of Divine Service in such Parish or Congregation until the election of a permanent Minister.

[2.] No election of a Rector or a Minister shall be held until thirty days after his nomination by the body empowered to elect, which nomination shall at once be notified to the Bishop by the officers of the Parish or Congregation, provided, however, that with the consent of the Bishop such election may take place immediately after such notification.

[3.] Written notice of such election, signed by the proper officers of the Parish or Congregation, in the form hereinafter set forth, shall, without delay, be sent to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese. If the Ecclesiastical Authority be satisfied that the person so chosen is a duly qualified Minister, and that he has consented to accept the office, and that the Parish or Congregation has complied with the requirements of the laws of the State, if there be any, governing such an election, then, without delay, such notice shall be sent to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record the same. Such record shall be sufficient evidence of the relation between the Minister and the Parish or Congregation.

[4.] It is hereby required that, on the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to
the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the same, in the following form, or to this effect:

We, the Churchwardens [or, in case of an Assistant Minister, We, the Rector and Churchwardens], do certify to the Right Rev. [naming the Bishop], or to the Rev. [naming the President of the Standing Committee], that [naming the person] has been duly chosen Rector [or, Assistant Minister, as the case may be] of [naming the Parish or Church].

Which certificate shall be signed by the proper officers of the Parish or Congregation. By order of the Committee.

F. P. DAVENTPORT, Chairman.

The same gentleman, from the same committee, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

REPORT No. 30.

The Committee on Canons respectfully report that they have appointed the Rev. F. P. Davenport, D. D., and Mr. David B. Lyman as the Committee to certify changes, in accordance with Title IV., Canon 2, § 1.

By order of the Committee.

F. P. DAVENTPORT, Chairman.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That with the approval of the Presiding Officer of each of the two Houses of the General Convention of 1898, the Secretaries of the two Houses jointly correct and supply any error or omissions which, in their judgment, are merely clerical or formal, in the several resolutions amending the Constitution adopted by the final, concurrent action of the two Houses of the General Convention of 1898.

[For action of the House of Bishops, see p. 390.]

On motion of the same gentleman, it was

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Presiding Officer and the Secretary of each of the two Houses of the General Convention of 1898 be, and hereby they are, authorized and directed to certify the final, concurrent action of the two Houses of this Convention in respect of each of the Articles of the Constitution to be proposed for ratification by the General Convention of 1901, and in alteration, amendment, or repeal of any Article of the present Constitution, and that such certification shall be conclusive evidence that the action so certified is the final, concurrent action in the premises of both of the Houses of the General Convention of 1898.

[For the action of the House of Bishops, see p. 390.]

The Rev. Dr. Taylor of Springfield offered the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan has made two special gifts to the Convention, which call for special acknowledgment, the one including five items, viz. : a very thin English Prayer Book, London, 1616, Robert Barker; a black-letter 12mo English Book in tree calf, London, 1620, Robert Barker & John Bill; a 16mo English Book in very fine type,
Edinburgh, 1898, the King's Printers: a black-letter 12mo English Book, London, 1660 [after the Restoration, but before the Revision], John Bill & Christopher Barker; and the edictio princeps of the service for the 30th of January, the whole service printed out in full, 12mo, London, 1661; the other gift including three noteworthy items: a manuscript on vellum of the Liturgical Gospels of the Assyrian Church, in Syriac with Arabic commentary, dated in the year 1276, the work of the Catholicos Elias III.; a manuscript of the Peshitto Syriac version of the New Testament, on two hundred and seventy-three leaves of vellum, written at the monastery of St. Michael's, at Mosul, in 1186; and a manuscript of the Hebrew Pentateuch, from a synagogue in the mountains of Kurdistan, written in square characters on a roll of sheepskin 170 feet long, in columns 304 by 7 inches; therefore, 

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be, and they are hereby, tendered to Mr. J. Pierpont-Morgan for his generous gifts.

On motion of Mr. Knight of Georgia, it was

Resolved, That in the standing order of this House on the organization of the House, Section 1, page 147, of the Digest, eighth line from bottom, be amended by striking out the word “three” and inserting the word “four,” so that it will read: “He may, with the approbation of the House, appoint four Assistant Secretaries.”

The House resumed its consideration of the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Lines [see p. 293], and the Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York offered a substitute, which, on motion, was laid on the table.

The question recurring on the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Lines, it was lost.

On motion of Mr. O'Connell of Louisiana, it was, by rising vote,

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are hereby tendered to the Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D., LL.D., for the uniform dignity, courtesy, and impartiality with which he has presided over its deliberations.

Resolved, That the House desires also to record its earnest hope that, notwithstanding the announcement of the Rev. Dr. Dix at the opening of the session, it may be privileged to have a continuance of his services as President in future General Conventions.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION, 
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session, 
October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 115.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has receded from its action communicated in its Message No. 114; and has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 75, proposing Article 9 of the Constitution.

Attest: 
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.
The Rev. Dr. Egar, in behalf of a special Joint Committee, presented the following report:

The Joint Committee appointed to examine all action on the proposed Constitution, and to report whether the action of the two Houses is in all respects complete and in proper constitutional form, begs leave to report that it has attended to the duties imposed upon it, and finds that the action of the two Houses is in all respects complete and in proper constitutional form, and sufficient so far as concerns this General Convention for the repeal of the title and of each and every Article of the present Constitution, and for the adoption of a new title and of each and every of the eleven Articles of the proposed Constitution.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

BOYD VINCENT.
JOHN H. Egar.
FRANCIS LYNDE STETSON.
CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,
Secretary House of Deputies.
SAMUEL HART,
Secretary House of Bishops.

On motion of Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, it was, by a rising vote,

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to the Secretary and his Assistants for their efficient services, and also their unfailing efforts to enable the members properly to carry on the work of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Lindsay of Massachusetts, it was

Resolved, That this House would tender its hearty thanks to the Churchman's League of Washington and to the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities for the admirable arrangements made by them for the Pilgrimage to Jamestown, Va., in which many members of this House participated, and from which they drew inspiration as Churchmen and citizens.

On motion of Mr. Old of Southern Virginia, it was

Resolved, That this House hereby expresses its appreciation of the fair and impartial manner with which Mr. Joseph Packard, Jr., and Mr. John H. Stiness have presided over it when called upon to do so by the President during its present session.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Alsop of Long Island, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be extended to the Rector, Wardens, and Vestrymen of the Church of the Epiphany, and the Committee of Arrangements for the provision they have made for the comfort of the members of the Convention.

The President announced the appointment of the following persons as the Committee on Marriage and Divorce, the President, by order of the House, being Chairman:

The Rev. Dr. Hoffman of New York, the Rev. Dr. Davenport of Iowa, the Rev. Dr. Mann of West Missouri, the Rev. Dr. Fulton of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Eccleston of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Lobdell of
Western New York, Mr. Lewis of Pennsylvania, Mr. Stetson of New York, Mr. Miller of Georgia, Mr. Stanley of Washington, Mr. Lightner of Minnesota, and Mr. Bradford of Delaware.

The House proceeded to the business on the Calendar, viz., the resolution relating to Courts of Appeal offered by the Rev. Dr. Davenport on the fourteenth day of the session [see p. 351], and, on motion, it was adopted.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session,
October 26, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 116.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That consent be given for the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Kyoto during the recess of the General Convention, under the provisions of the Canons.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session,
October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 117.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 102, and that it has appointed, as members of the Committee on the part of this House, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of Minnesota, and the Bishop of Western Michigan.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops, and, on motion, the House concurred in the adoption of the resolution communicated therein:

IN GENERAL CONVENTION,
WASHINGTON, 17th day of the Session,
October 25, 1898.

MESSAGE No. 118.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Title III., Canon 7, Article IX., is hereby amended by striking out the word "local" in the second line of the Article, so that it shall read: "The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint agents to represent the Society in different parts of the country," etc.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.
The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 119.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it does not concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 92, for the reason that it involves important changes, and would, in the judgment of the House, rather furnish occasion for dissension than tend to reconciliation.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 120.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it does not concur with the House of Deputies in the adoption of the second resolution contained in its Message No. 105, for the reason that it has referred the matter to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Canons.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 121.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Resolutions of the Lambeth Conference be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 122.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolutions contained in its Messages Nos. 107 and 108.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Duncan, from the Commission on Christian Unity, presented the following report, the resolution appended to which was, on motion, adopted:

The Commission on Christian Unity respectfully report, that during the last three years there has come to them no invitation for fraternal conference with the official representatives of any Christian body. Nevertheless, they are not without hope that their services may be required in the immediate future.

It is also a matter of importance that the attitude of the Church, ever ready for conference on questions of organic unity, should be main-
The following resolution is therefore offered and its adoption asked:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Christian Unity be continued, under instructions to hold itself ready for fraternal correspondence with any other organized body of Christians of this land who seek to heal the wounds of the Body of Christ, and to report to the next General Convention all such correspondence for such action as said General Convention may deem proper.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 123.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 113.

Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 124.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has appointed the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio and the Bishop of Vermont as members of the Committee to certify the changes made in the Canons at this Convention.

Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Davenport of Tennessee, it was

Resolved, That a Committee of two be appointed to wait upon the House of Bishops and inform that House that the House of Deputies has concluded its business and is ready to take a recess until eight o'clock, and, after prayers and the reading of the Pastoral Letter, to stand adjourned without day.

The President appointed, as such Committee, the Rev. Dr. Davenport and Mr. King of Long Island.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 125.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has completed its business requiring concurrent action, and is ready to take a recess until eight o'clock, when it will meet with the House of Deputies for the closing service and to hear the Pastoral Letter.

Attest:
SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The Minutes of this day's session were read and approved.
On motion, the House took a recess.
The House met with the House of Bishops in the Church of the Epiphany at eight o'clock. After prayers by the Rev. Dr. Dix, President of the House of Deputies, the Pastoral Letter was read by the Bishop of Tennessee. The Benediction was pronounced by the Bishop of Minnesota.

The House stood adjourned without day.

MORGAN DIX, President.

Attest:

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.
BOARD OF MISSIONS.
The Board met in the Church of the Epiphany, Washington, at 11 A. M., the Bishop of Minnesota, being the senior Bishop present, in the Chair, assisted by the President of the House of Deputies; the Secretary being the Secretary of the said House, assisted by the Secretaries of the Board of Managers.

After the singing of a hymn and prayers, the Bishop of Pennsylvania, from the Committee appointed to report an Order of Business, presented the following, which, on motion, was adopted:

I. The Senior Bishop present shall preside, assisted by the President of the House of Deputies.
II. The Secretary of the House of Deputies shall be Secretary of the Board, assisted by the Secretaries of the Board of Managers.
III. The hours of the sessions shall be the same as those of the House of Deputies, providing for an intermission for luncheon from one o'clock to three o'clock P. M.
IV. Presentation and reading of the report of the Board of Managers.
V. Reference of reports to Committees:
   Report of Board of Managers.
   Report of Woman's Auxiliary.
   Report of Church Building Fund.
   Report of American Church Missionary Society, and other Auxiliaries.
VI. Presentation of representatives of the Scope of the Church's Missions.
Other Missionary Bishops to be heard by the Board of Missions in session as time will permit.
VII. Resolutions and Miscellaneous Business.
VIII. Morning of second day. Exercises commemorating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Missionary Bishop of South Dakota, by request of the Board of Managers.
IX. By adjournment, Reports of Special Committees, and Miscellaneous Business.

The Committee recommend that representatives of the work be limited
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to fifteen minutes each, it being presumed that they will have other opportunities of being heard.

The Committee recommend that none but members be admitted to the seats of Deputies, or the rights of the floor.

The Committee recommend that the request of the Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona, that the Rev. Mr. Forrester be invited to speak upon the subject assigned to himself, be granted.

The Rev. Joshua Kimber, Associate Secretary of the Board of Managers, presented the Triennial Report, together with accompanying documents, and read the report.

[For the Report, see Appendix II.]

On motion of the Bishop of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the Rules of Order of the House of Deputies, so far as they relate to discussion and procedure, shall be the rules of this body.

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

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Managers with accompanying documents, except those otherwise referred, be referred to a Committee of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen for consideration and report to this Board.

The Chair appointed, as such Committee, the Bishops of Oregon, North Carolina, and Tennessee, the Rev. Dr. Harris of Pennsylvania, Mr. Salstonstall of Connecticut, Dr. Glazebrook of New Jersey, Mr. Stiness of Rhode Island, Mr. Pell-Clarke of Albany, and Mr. Van Wagenen of Newark.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Woodcock of Connecticut, it was

Resolved, That the report of the Woman’s Auxiliary be referred to a Special Committee of one Bishop, two Presbyters, and two Laymen for consideration and report to this Board.

The Chair appointed, as such Committee, the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, the Rev. Mr. Woodcock of Connecticut, Rev. Dr. Perry of Pennsylvania, Mr. Sibley of Western New York, and Mr. Butler of Central Pennsylvania.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. McBryde of Southern Virginia, it was

Resolved, That the report of the Commission on Work among Coloured People be referred to a Committee of one Bishop, two Presbyters, and two Laymen for consideration and report to this Board.

The Chair appointed, as such Committee, the Bishop of Georgia, the Rev. Dr. McBryde of Southern Virginia, the Rev. Dr. Waters of Louisiana, and Mr. Stotsenburg of Indiana, and Mr. Wilkes of North Carolina.
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On motion of the Rev. Mr. Breed of Long Island, it was

Resolved, That the report of the Church Building Fund Commission be referred to a Committee of one Bishop, two Presbyters, and two Laymen for consideration and report to this Board.

The Chair appointed, as such Committee, the Bishop of Duluth, the Rev. Mr. Breed of Long Island, the Rev. Dr. Kirby of Albany, Mr. Stetson of New York, and Mr. Trask of Albany.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Perkins of Kentucky, it was

Resolved, That the report of the American Church Missionary Society be referred to a special Committee composed of one Bishop, two Presbyters, and two Laymen.

The Chair appointed, as such Committee, the Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia, the Rev. Dr. Perkins of Kentucky, the Rev. Dr. Vinton of Massachusetts, Mr. Bryan of Virginia, and Mr. Robinson of Kentucky.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Jones of Central Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the report of the Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews be referred to a Committee of one Bishop, two Presbyters, and two Laymen for consideration and report to this Board.

The Chair appointed, as such Committee, the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Jones of Central Pennsylvania, the Rev. Mr. Holley of South Carolina, Mr. Triplett of Missouri, and Mr. Lewis of Pennsylvania.

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

Resolved, That it be referred to the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, with power to consider the desirability and practicability of establishing a Missionary College, or Training School, for the preparation of Clergymen and other persons who volunteer for missionary work.

Addresses were made on Domestic Missions in the original Dioceses by the Bishop of Maine, and on Missions in the Middle West by the Bishop of The Platte.

The Board took a recess until 3 P. M.

On reassembling, the Bishop of Albany in the Chair, prayer was offered, the names of those who, during the past year, have left legacies to the missionary work were read by the Rev. Mr. Kimber, the members of the Board standing, and Hymn 176 was sung.

Addresses were made on Missions on the Pacific Coast by the Bishop of Olympia; among the Indians by the Bishop of South Dakota; and among the Coloured People of the South by the Bishop of Georgia.
After singing, addresses on Foreign Missions were made, by the Rev. Dr. Eccleston of Maryland on Missions in Africa; by the Bishop of Shanghai on Missions in China; by the Bishop of Tokyo on Missions in Japan; by the Bishop of West Virginia on Missions in Brazil; and by the Rev. Mr. Forrester on Missions in Mexico.

After singing and the Benediction by the Bishop of Missouri, the Board stood adjourned until Tuesday, October 11, at 11 A. M.

SECOND DAY.

TUESDAY, October 11.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, the Bishop of Minnesota in the Chair.

After singing and prayer, the Minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

The special order being exercises commemorating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Bishop of South Dakota, Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania presented the following:

PREAMBLE AND MINUTE.

Mindful that the Right Reverend William Hobart Hare, S.T.D., has but lately completed his twenty-fifth year of active service in the Missionary Jurisdiction originally known as Niobrara, but more recently as South Dakota, this Board resolves to spread upon its records the following Minute:

The Church's earliest indebtedness to Bishop Hare for Missionary work antedates his consecration to the Episcopate. For some time previous to that event, he had occupied the responsible position of Foreign Secretary to this Board, and it was doubtless due to the singular efficiency with which he was discharging the functions of that important office that he was found meet to be ordered to the higher duties of the Episcopate.

Recently Bishop Hare's Jurisdiction has grown to include a large white population, but for the greater part of his quarter of a century of missionary life, his work has lain among the Indian tribes of the frontier. To these he has been both friend in need and friend indeed. What Eliot was to the tribes of Massachusetts Bay, that Hare has been to the Dakota Sioux. The difficult task of mediating between the red man and the white, he has discharged with consummate skill and tact. The education of the Indian youth, both boys and girls, has been his assiduous care. The old alliance of the school-house and the church, he has made it a chief point to maintain. Never a sentimental apologist for Indian crimes, he has been always and invariably a staunch upholder of Indian rights. The people and the government have learned to trust him as one who could be depended on to tell them the whole truth, and, to-day, the buildings of his jurisdiction stand as a witness to the gener-
osity which personal confidence never fails to inspire. Bishop Hare's relations to this Board have from the beginning been marked by the utmost cordiality, while his course with respect to the special contributions made towards his work deserves no less an epithet than chivalrous. He has well earned our thanks. We assure him of our love.

The Bishop of Minnesota, having yielded the Chair to the Bishop of Albany, seconded the preamble and minute. The Bishop of New York in behalf of friends of Bishop Hare presented to him, as a specially personal feature of the occasion, a large, handsome, silver loving cup, on which was inscribed "The Rt. Rev. William Hobart Hare from friends who love and honour him. 1873–1898."

The Bishop of South Dakota responded.

The Secretary presented to the Board the following communication from the Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary:

My dear Mr. Hutchins,—If it has not been already officially announced to the Board of Missions, will you kindly announce at the session tomorrow, that on Thursday, October 6, the Woman's Auxiliary offered $80,970.65, given by them in accordance with the resolution adopted in Minneapolis, in October, 1895.

JULIA C. EMERY.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Missions receive with gratitude the united offering of the Woman's Auxiliary to Board of Missions of over $80,000 for the Missionary work of the Church.

The Board places on record its appreciation of the devotion of the women of the Church and hail with thanksgiving their increasing generosity.

The Bishop of Alaska addressed the Board on the Church's work in that territory.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, it was

Resolved, That in view of the growing requirements of the Missionary work of the Church, the Board of Managers are requested to consider the wisdom and advantage of appointing such additional secretary or secretaries as may be needed.

On motion of Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Missions recommend that the second Sunday after the Epiphany and the Monday following be set apart as special days when the Missionary work of the Church shall be brought before the Sunday schools, with a view not only to increase the interest in the Lenten Offerings for Missions, but to bring the whole subject of the Missionary work of the Church and the duties in connection therewith more prominently before the teachers and scholars.

After singing, and Benediction by His Grace the Archbishop of Ontario, the Board adjourned to Monday, October 17, at 8 p. m.
THIRD DAY.

MONDAY, October 17.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, the Bishop of Albany in the Chair.

After singing, and prayer, the Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Rev. Mr. Woodcock of Connecticut presented the report of the Committee on the report of the Woman's Auxiliary, the resolutions contained in which were, on motion, adopted:

Your Committee to whom was referred the twenty-seventh Annual Report of the Woman's Auxiliary, together with the fifth Annual Report of the Honorary Secretary, beg leave to submit their comments thereon, together with appended resolutions.

We are impressed, as never before, with the marvellous reach of woman's work for the cause of Missions. In every line appertaining to the work of the Auxiliary there has been steady progress. More women have become interested, more parochial branches formed, more money received, more plans for aggressive work formulated and put in motion. As never before, through the medium of the Auxiliary, the mind of the Church is becoming enlightened by the study of Missions and Mission work. Mission classes have been formed in a large number of the parishes, and the enthusiasm created by the knowledge therein obtained has displayed itself in increased activities in work for Missions.

Some of us can remember when the Woman's Auxiliary almost timidly apologized for its right to exist; now the parish or mission which has not a branch of the Auxiliary is trying to explain the reason therefor.

The story of the Auxiliary is the story of a great awakening. The chords of sympathy and generosity have been touched by the loving fingers of earnest women, and have vibrated into an uplifting harmony.

Prayer and work have been linked together and made mighty forces of the Church's progress. How have the results, as they appear in the report of the Secretary, been accomplished? What agencies have been employed? First, we must name the work of the Junior Auxiliary.

Your Committee take great pleasure, at this point, in calling special attention to one of the recognized agencies of the Board of Missions, namely, the Junior Department of the Woman's Auxiliary. No one who reads the results of the work as set forth by the Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions can, for a moment, doubt the importance of this branch of Missionary effort.

It is due to this department to speak with deep respect of what has already been accomplished, a record of which we may be justly proud and to which we refer with sincere appreciation. But beyond what has already been accomplished, which we neither overlook nor underestimate, we cannot omit the mention of what seems to your Committee to be the most promising feature of this undertaking. This reference is to the educational work carried on in the training of the children of the Junior Auxiliary as to the meaning of Missions. Too much cannot be said in this regard. For it is learned by experience that what is so often called lack of interest is only lack of knowledge. It may explain lack of interest, but it can never excuse it. It is not so much indifference as it
is ignorance. If suffered to continue it is sure to result in lack of response. Give to the child a meaning in his work, give him an opportunity, exalt the obligation above a formal duty and make it a personal service, a holy privilege, and you thereby save Missions from uncertainty, yes, far more, from its gravest danger in some minds — unholy unreality.

This is precisely what the Junior Auxiliary Department aims to do, and, doing this, the outcome is not only in gifts, already commended, but in aroused and developed personal power, in a personal mission, as well as at the Church's first and greatest work, the spreading of the Kingdom of God among men.

It should be mentioned that this object has been largely attained through the aid of another recognized auxiliary, the Junior Publishing Co., whose productions are deserving of highest praise.

Your Committee calls attention to another matter which would, in their judgment, save some confusion in the reports of the Children’s Missionary offering. It is this: to separate the Sunday-school Lenten offering from the offerings of the Junior Auxiliary, and give to the Lenten offering a special designation. Such a course is not intended to prevent a Sunday school from becoming a Chapter of the Junior Department, if that is deemed desirable, but would keep all Sunday schools free to engage at the same time in the same work. This, it is believed, would afford a more accurate report of the Junior work, and also distinguish, as it surely merits, the special effort of the Sunday-school Lenten offering.

Your Committee would, therefore, offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

Resolved, That the Board of Missions desires and does hereby express its deep and sincere appreciation of the work and assistance of the Junior Department of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Referring to the suggestion of the Secretary (page 4) of a change of style of the Junior Branch of the Auxiliary, your Committee is of the opinion that that is inadvisable, but in recognition of the co-operation of the Sunday schools of the Church in the Easter offering, to which reference is made by the Secretary, the Committee offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That in view of the great interest shown in the Missionary work of the Church by so many of the officers, teachers, and scholars of our Sunday schools, especially in the Lenten offering for Missions, which has culminated this year in presenting over $31,000 as a Memorial of the late General Secretary, and which passed into the Treasurer's hands without any special designation of consequence, the Board of Missions hereby recognizes all schools contributing to the Lenten offering, as the Sunday School Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

When three years ago, at Minneapolis, the General Convention gratefully hailed the fact that the United Offering of the Woman's Auxiliary had reached the sum of fifty-five thousand dollars, nearly three times as large as that given by them at the preceding General Convention, it was perhaps doubted whether even such an organization as the Woman's Auxiliary could ever exceed in a single offering that splendid gift. But those women immediately passed a resolution that their Auxiliary set before itself, as its object for the next three years, the raising of a still larger sum. When it is remembered that this United Offering was in no way to interfere with the ordinary objects of the Auxiliary, but was to be superadded to that work, the significance of this resolution will be fully understood. Most perseveringly have these women labored to attain their noble object, and they send us greetings announcing that their united offerings for this Convention aggregate $80,970.65.
We most heartily congratulate the Woman's Auxiliary upon this glowing result of their faithful, persevering labours, and we offer the following as the sense of the Convention:

Resolved, That in the United Offering, so much larger than ever before, we gladly recognize the zeal and devotion of the women of the Church, and we place upon record our most grateful acknowledgments of their loyalty and their love for her missionary work.

Your Committee desire to call special attention to the Fifth Triennial Report of the Honorary Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, on the training and systematized service of women in the work of the Church. This valuable and interesting report gives a history of the gradual development of Christian work among women, and of the efforts made, and methods adopted in our branch of the Church to direct, develop, and utilize such efforts. It records early and sporadic movements in this direction made before the work was formally recognized and authorized by any legislation.

In this report, which all who are interested and would be informed on the subject should read, the experienced and gifted Secretary calls attention to differences between sisterhoods and deaconesses, and to the distinctive work for which each is peculiarly fitted, showing that while each has its place and function, and that there need be no rivalry between the two, sisterhoods seem to be better adapted to work in organized parishes, and have not yet established themselves in any Missionary Jurisdiction, either at home or abroad. Those who are set apart as deaconesses are found both in organized parishes and in frontier missionary fields, and have shown themselves to be efficient in both. They aid a city Rector in organizing and directing parochial agencies, in ministry to the sick and poor, entering and influencing desolate or degraded homes, bringing religion into renewing contact with home life as only women can, relieving busy Rectors of details which can be as well done, and, in many cases, better done by women. Their usefulness should be measured not only by the direct result of their labours, but also by the enthusiasm which they impart, the increased intelligence and efficiency, and the spirit of self-consecration which they bring into a parish and communicate to volunteer and untrained workers. The need of such trained women in missionary fields is emphasized by our Missionary Bishops, both domestic and foreign, and the value of their services is gratefully acknowledged and attested by those under whom they are labouring.

Wisely and opportunistically, therefore, has the Woman's Auxiliary appropriated this Triennial Offering for the teaching, training, and equipment of women workers. Agencies to furnish such training are already provided in the "Deaconess and Church Training Houses" which are established in several Dioceses. They offer opportunities for instruction, not only to those who can give their whole time, and who purpose to be set apart for this work, but also to such women as can take from other duties and cares a portion of time to devote to religious activities. Sunday-school teachers, district visitors, and other parish workers can attend such instruction free of cost, and thus be better qualified for the work which they have undertaken in their several parishes, learning the best method and most tactful way of reaching those to whom they are trying to minister.

We may hope that the appropriation made of this Triennial Offering will not only aid these training houses to do their work more efficiently, but also will help to send to them more of those whom God has blessed with ample means of support and has endowed with gifts of mind and character, and with grace of person and of manners, that, as of old, the first fruits and best of the flock were set apart for Him, so may be con-
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separated to Him those women who are most richly gifted and most meet to be fellow workers with those ministering spirits who are sent forth to minister for the heirs of salvation.

Resolved, That the triennial offering made by the Woman's Auxiliary to train and equip women for work in the Church be gratefully received; that the appropriation of women's offerings to increase the efficiency of women workers in the Church be commended as peculiarly appropriate, and that "the Church Training and Deaconess Houses" be encouraged by this Board as efficient agencies for giving such training and equipment and as valuable aids in our Missionary Work.

The Rev. Dr. Anstice of Pennsylvania presented a communication from the Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, nominating to the Board the following-named persons for appointment as members of the four Advisory Committees, and the nominees were thereupon appointed, viz.:

On Systematic Offerings: Mrs. Cochran, New York; Mrs. Clark, New Jersey; Mrs. Neilson, Pennsylvania; Mrs. McIlvaine, Delaware; Mrs. Satterlee, Washington; Mrs. Worthington, Nebraska; Mrs. Knickerbacker, Central New York; Miss Taylor, Southern Virginia; Mrs. Thomas, Pennsylvania.

On Publications: Mrs. Girand, Connecticut; Mrs. Tuttle, Missouri; Mrs. Baxter, Minnesota; Mrs. Sioussat, Maryland; Mrs. Lawver, California; Mrs. Curtis, New York; Mrs. Hicks, Albany; Mrs. Upton, Rhode Island; Mrs. Jarvis, Connecticut.

On Missionary Workers: Miss Jay, New York; Miss Loring, Massachusetts; Miss Stuart, Virginia; Miss Coles, Pennsylvania; Mrs. Thayer, Massachusetts; Mrs. Meacham, Chicago; Mrs. Roberts, New Jersey; Mrs. Cox, Long Island; Miss Maynard, Olympia.

On the Junior Auxiliary: Mrs. Mottet, New York; Mrs. Whitaker, Pennsylvania; Mrs. Morrison, Duluth; Mrs. Stiness, Rhode Island; Mrs. Westcott, Central New York; Mrs. Lane, Newark; Miss Hart, Western New York; Miss Knight, Milwaukee; Miss Snowden, Maryland.

The Bishop of Duluth presented the report of the Committee on the report of the Church Building Fund Commission:

The Committee to whom was referred the report of the American Church Building Fund Commission has carefully examined the papers submitted to it, and desires to felicitate the Church on the wise, faithful, and economical management that has marked the Administration of the Fund, and heartily to commend the purposes for which the Commission was created, and the methods by which its usefulness has been so happily demonstrated.

It appears that in the eighteen years of its existence the Commission has made 359 loans aggregating $410,196.92, of which $16,725 was loaned to ten parishes during the past year, and 128 gifts amounting to $18,026, of which $3,050 has been distributed among twenty-three parishes within the last twelve months.

The Committee is glad to call special attention to the encouraging growth of the fund since last General Convention, and notably during the past year.

On September 1, 1895, the amount of the fund was $375,077, and on September 1, 1898, it had increased to $343,891, the average annual growth being almost $23,000, whereas from 1892 to 1895 the annual
Increase averaged only $16,279. This increase has been principally owing to the benevolence of contributors during the past year as the following statement shows:

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We may well congratulate the Managers of the Fund on the results that have attended their efforts during a period when financial depression has severely affected our country.

Your Committee feels very strongly, however, that this most valuable agency for Church extension has by no means received from the Church at large the support which the importance of its work deserves. After eighteen years of effort the Fund is scarcely more than one third of the amount which the Church set before it, as its aim, at the inception of the undertaking. It appears, that at present, only perhaps one parish in twenty contributes to the Fund, and surely we cannot rest satisfied with this spirit of apathy on the part of our people regarding the great work of Church Extension. Your Committee earnestly urges that all our Churches, whether large or small, give an annual offering for the work of the Commission, that the resources may be placed at its disposal to fulfill the duty laid upon it by the Church. Your Committee observes that appeals have been made to the Commission to lower the rate of interest on loans. After careful consideration your Committee approves the wise conservative policy of the Commission, and feels confident that in fixing its rate of interest on loans and in its distribution of gifts the Commission will deal as generously as a judicious and faithful administration of its trust will permit.

J. D. MORRISON,
R. M. KIRBY,
GEO. F. BREED,
F. L. STETSON,
Committee.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Battershall of Albany, the following preambles and resolution were adopted:

WHEREAS, The Executive Board of the American Church Building Fund Commission is a corporation chartered under the laws of the State of New York, and is limited in its actions by the terms of its charter;

WHEREAS, Acting in accordance with the opinion expressed by the Board of Missions, it has granted loans for the building of rectories; and

WHEREAS, Its legal adviser has recently informed it that such action is beyond the power conferred on it by its charter; therefore,

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Board of Missions that the Executive Board of the American Church Building Fund Commission should apply to the Legislature of the State of New York for an enlargement or amendment of its charter, so that it may be empowered to grant loans for the building of rectories and other parochial buildings.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Olmsted of Central New York, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Missions, composed of both Houses of the General Convention, renews the recommendation made in 1880, that every parish of our Church contribute annually to the American Church Building Fund, until the full sum of one million dollars shall be secured.
The Bishop Coadjutor of Arkansas addressed the Board on the work in that Diocese.

On motion of Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, after the Benediction by the Bishop of Missouri, the Board adjourned to meet Wednesday evening next at 8 P.M.

FOURTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 19.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, the Bishop of Missouri in the Chair.

After singing and prayer the Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Bishop of Georgia, for the Committee on the report of the Commission on Work among the Coloured People, presented the following report, the resolutions appended to which were adopted seriatim:

As is known to some members of this body, the Church Commission is a creation of the Board of Missions, and came into existence in 1886, October 21, 22. The duty assigned was the promotion and aid of a department of Church work which seemed to demand specific attention, and for which a carefully selected body of fifteen members was appointed. Of those originally chosen, four are still in active membership of the Commission, and have served with noteworthy fidelity and patience up to the present hour.

It is interesting to note how arduous have been the efforts of this Commission, how full of difficulties and of discouragements, and yet how free from complaint, where many times there have been lack of sympathy, and unenlightened unconsciousness of the tremendous task which is laid upon this special committee.

THE FIELD.

For the first year fifteen dioceses received its aid; that number has been increased by addition and division to twenty-four (24), including the mission in Cairo, Diocese of Springfield. The number of Clergy supported by the Commission was, in 1886, 39; is in 1898, 75. But these figures are insufficient to impress upon you the largeness of the field. May we be permitted to remind you that the question ever present in the minds of this Committee is, How to impart the Christianity of this blessed Church in all its completeness for the elevation of morals, intellectual growth, spiritual development, to one-tenth (1/10) of the population of the United States of America? Setting out with an annuity of $18,000, energetic presentation of the needs and gradual enlistment of appreciative interest has raised this sum to nearly $55,000, or an average of $40,000 per annum for twelve years past.

There are not a few who have looked on at these puny efforts as hope-
less, and hence worthless; yet never a word of despondency has been heard from this Commission. Men have resigned, changes have occurred through various causes, but your faithful servants bear their burdens bravely, and the results when carefully examined are surprisingly large. The Commission has never been able to apply its resources to anything but the support of men and women in the field. For churches, schools, hospitals, orphanages, and the heavy costs of the machinery of missions, the Commission has had no means. These indispensable needs have been supplied in a limited degree through the Leagues of S. Augustine and S. Monica and the Woman's Auxiliary, aided by the voluntary contributions of individuals specially solicited for the several purposes named. Without such sustenance the work would have been simply impossible; through them the life of the missions has been continued with some gains in the number of the stations.

THE OUTLOOK.

But the Commission plainly declares that if we are to do more than hold what we have gained, there are two necessities: 1. An increased appropriation of the Board; 2. And the application of the principle of self-reliance wherever feasible.

It is but fair to the Commission to direct attention to the fact that for three years past it has continued to fulfil its tasks with receipts less by $15,000 per year than the annual grant made to it by the Board of Missions in 1895, and is thus nearly one year behind its guaranteed receipts.

On the other hand, it is a fact of the highest importance and of increased hopefulness that last year the collections from the Churches and Missions, under the Commission, reached the considerable sum of $244,845.92; that is, the Missions themselves contribute to their own support one-third of the gross amount expended and nearly one-half as much as is furnished them through the Commission.

Fifteen hundred baptized, 800 confirmed annually, a roll of 8,000 communicants, a Sunday-school average of 7,000 and day schools with over 4,000 attest the success attending an economical outlay of $55,000, or $2.50 per caput for those immediately affected by the labors of the Commission, not to speak of the unnumbered thousands to whom the testimony of a pure Gospel is continually borne, and who are enjoying every day some blessings through this agency.

The Commission modestly directs attention to the steady growth toward permanence of the Church institutions in the South, which are the nurseries of clergy, teachers, and leaders, and training schools for the instruction of the youth of both sexes in those manual acts which increase their competency for self-support and fit them for taking a noble if an humble part in the duties of citizens and Christians.

"It is impossible to overestimate their importance" from the point of view of intelligent Churchmen, productive citizens, or factors of the social fabric. The list includes: (1) a large number of parochial schools, to many of which industrial features are annexed; (2) the high grade literary and manual schools of S. Augustine, Raleigh, and S. Paul's, Lawrenceville, with over three hundred pupils each; Hoffman Hall, Nashville, a Collegiate House; the Bishop Payne Divinity and Industrial School, Petersburg, and King Hall, Theological, Washington. These schools show one and all fruits commensurate with their equipment and support. We do not believe there are in existence any better of their class.

And yet with the claims of the Church naturally appealing to us all, obvious results constantly manifest, a Commission with the Church's pledge behind it, faithful service and excellent fruits easily recognized, your agents are cut off from reasonable aid and rightful sympathy, while,
right alongside, “purely secular or alien institutions” are supplied with means to prosecute their work out of the pockets of Church people.

Is it glory, or success, or some fascinating influence, which deprives your Commission of access to the ears and hearts of the wealthy, and leaves it without humane consideration?

A comparison occurs to us in which a struggling institution is doing its faithful and honourable part in industrial training upon $4 per annum per caput, while another school is being sustained at $16 per caput. Not including the cost of equipment, upon which is expended $35,000 per annum, $16,000 goes to the training; while the former, with one-tenth of the number of pupils, has an annual income from all sources of a little more than one-fiftieth of the annuity supplied the larger institution.

If such discrimination is made against the Church by her own members, it is small wonder that there is nothing greater to show.

THE GREAT NEED.

The Commission rightly reminds us of a resolution passed in Minneapolis in 1895 looking to the establishment of an industrial school on a large scale for coloured youths.

As a pressing need its importance has not decreased, because nothing further has been done about it; nor will duty have ceased even if such a school be established. The time has come when the Church should have in the heart of the South a college as large as and better than any now in operation. Your Committee heartily endorses the plea which we understand is to be made in this behalf in the form of a memorial.

The Commission directs attention to the fact that of the million dollars or more contributed in the North and East for coloured educational institutions, the Church’s proportion is less than twenty thousand dollars, or one-fiftieth part, a sum which is not unfrequently given by Northern or Eastern churchmen to some institution claiming to be undenominational, but which in every case known to us has a distinct sectarian bias, although not controlled by any ecclesiastical board of managers.

Your notice is invited to the Capon Springs Conference of this year, the published proceedings of which form a valuable contribution to the literature of the subject.

THE WORKING FORCE.

Each year of the life of the Commission more care and system have been exercised in the preparatory training of the men and women engaged in its service, and a higher standard of examinations has been maintained. As a consequence greater efficiency is observable in our workers and their methods.

It must surely be accepted as a hopeful sign for progress that the tide of public regard has turned somewhat toward the Church instead of away from it. Antipathies have been removed, prejudices are weaker, persecution less rife, the services of the Church are, if not welcome, at least more tolerable—achievements fairly ascribed to the intelligent, disinterested sympathy and activity of the Mission workers. And wherever the Church is strongly rooted, her influence for molding character and ennobling motives and purposes is so patent that her ministers no longer have to beg a hearing, but are cordially received as desirable members of a community.

The only people who seem not to realize the needs of our work, the value of the sacrifice in time and attention, the splendid devotion of our missionaries, are churchmen who have large wealth to distribute but look beyond the Commission in their gifts. Let them understand that
others are spending and labouring for this cause for Christ's sake, and perhaps their hearts will be touched. As an instance, the worthy Secretary of the Commission during his whole tenure of the office, which he now resigns, has never drawn a dollar of salary, thus saving the Commission twenty-five hundred dollars per annum, a sum which represents little more than half of his actual outlay for this object. Are there not others who, if they will not like him labour with us, will at least furnish us the ability to prosecute energetically the most beneficent work of "leavening the huge mass of neglected and ignorant people at our doors"?

The Commission ends its yearly report with the conclusions that the work entrusted to it has been performed as completely as has been possible under its limitations (who can for a moment doubt this proposition?), and that the opportunities are many but the labourers are few and the material support inadequate.

The experimental period of this agency of yours would appear to be over. What it has demonstrated, strength or weakness, this Board should now be in a position to decide; and upon its decision either discharge the Commission, change it for something more efficient, or, which is probably the best disposition of the question, increase its ability to handle the trusts committed and provide such other officers and subsidiary organizations "as may effectively arouse the flagging interest of the Church."

Upon careful consideration of the report of the Church Commission, with such other facts and figures as are furnished us, your Committee proposes for your adoption the following resolutions:

"1. Resolved, That the Board of Missions regards with entire satisfaction the work of the Commission on Work among Coloured People for the past twelve years, and recommends that the Commission be continued.

"2. Resolved, That the appropriation for this work be continued at $70,000, and that the Board of Managers be urged to include this sum in its annual budget.

"3. Resolved, That the time has arrived when the Board of Missions should make provision for the establishment of a school of suitable equipment at some central place in the South for the religious, literary, and industrial training of coloured youths.

"4. Resolved, That the Woman's Auxiliary be requested to make special provision for women workers, Bible women, and home teachers in this field of the Church's missions; and your Committee recommends and suggests, to the Bishops in whose dioceses missions to the Coloured People are established or forming, that they will, as far as practicable, accommodate our Liturgy to their needs, by the provision for their use of brief and simple services, embodying the chief things of divine service, the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, while allowing all possible latitude in consideration of illiteracy and unfamiliarity with our forms and observances."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CLELAND KINLOCH NELSON,
Bishop of Georgia, Chairman,
R. J. McBRYDE,
H. H. WATERS,
JOHN H. STOTSENBURG,
JOHN WILKES,
Committee.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia, of the Committee on the report of the American Church Missionary Society, presented the following report:
Your Committee to whom was referred the thirty-ninth annual report of the American Church Missionary Society beg leave to report, that they have examined the statement laid before them and find it very satisfactory.

The American Church Missionary Society has done well in the past year, both at home and abroad. Through the efforts of the Society and particularly the visits to our parishes of its foreign missionaries the interest of the Church in Brazil and Cuba has been greatly increased while the work in the domestic field has not been seriously diminished.

We congratulate the Board of Missions on the efficiency of its Auxiliary in evangelizing the nations and commend the Society for its zeal, enterprise and practical wisdom.

The Society supplements the Board; the Board wisely gives the Society its hearty endorsement.

In the mission field of the Church, if anywhere in all the range of human activities, the suggestion of our Lord to gather up the fragments of effort and religious interest should be obeyed, that nothing be lost.

The American Church Missionary Society impresses your Committee as an organization possessed of great powers, both manifest and latent, and we think it cause of profound thankfulness to the God of grace and love that those powers are employed in such a spirit and manner that among the missionary agencies of the Church, general and special, canonical and voluntary, neither antagonism nor rivalry but peace and harmony of purpose prevail.

ROBERT A. GIBSON.
E. T. PERKINS.
ALEXANDER H. VINTON.
WM. A. ROBINSON.

The Bishop of Tennessee presented the following Memorial which on motion, was referred to the Board of Managers:

A MEMORIAL TO THE GENERAL BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Right Rev. Fathers, Rev. Brethren of the Clergy, and Brethren of the Laity:

The undersigned Swedish Clergy, of the Protestant Episcopal Church desire most respectfully to lay before the General Board of Missions the following statement in regard to the Church's work among their fellow Swedish American citizens, and to present the following Memorial in which not only the signatories hereto but all the Swedish Clergy of our beloved Church unanimously concur.

While we gratefully acknowledge the generous encouragement given to the Swedish work during the past ten years by Individual Bishops, Clergymen, and Laymen of the Church, it has become evident to every worker in this particular field, that the means hereto placed at their disposal for the development of this work are altogether inadequate to its most pressing needs.

Of our one million Swedish-speaking citizens, at least two-thirds reside in the West, where it is simply impossible for our Bishops and Diocesan Missionary Boards to cope with the additional demands thus made upon their resources.

A study of the statistics relating to Swedish Missions reveals the fact that those Missions which have received the fostering care of the Church during their period of inception, are rapidly becoming self-supporting; and your Memorialists are convinced that the happy result achieved in these instances may be repeated in number of other cases where Swedish-
speaking populations are eagerly asking for the services of the Church and the consolations of our holy religion.

It has not been difficult to find men willing to devote themselves to the task of planting the Church and preaching the Gospel in these neglected places of the field, but, except in very few instances, it has been impossible to assure them of even a meagre support during the few months which must necessarily elapse before a Mission or Parish can be organized.

Your Memorialists would respectfully remind you, that there never was a time when the future of our Church in the West so largely depended on our ability and willingness to deal successfully and without delay, with the vast foreign-speaking population which constitutes so important a factor in the development of those great regions. It is evident, therefore, to your Memorialists, after the most grave and painstaking consideration, that if the splendid and God-sent opportunities now presented are not to be forever lost, the Church, as a Church, must come to our aid through her General Board of Missions.

Your Memorialists therefore pray that a Commission may be appointed for the purpose of discussing the whole question of the extension of the work of God among the Swedish-speaking citizens of our land.

And they further pray that in the meantime, an appropriation be made, sufficient to meet the immediate needs of this new work so plainly allotted to us by our Divine Master.

We are, most respectfully, your Brethren and Servants in the Church of Christ.

J. GOTTFRIED HAMMARSKÖLD,  
General Missionary to Swedes.

OLOF A. TOFFTEEN,  
Rector of St. Ansgarius, Minneapolis, Minn.

HERMAN LINDSKOG,  
Rector St. Ansgarius, Chicago, Ill.

P. A. ALMQVIST,  
Assistant Rector, Galesburg, Ill.

ERIK FORSBERG,  
Minister in charge of St. Johannes and Messiah, Minneapolis, Minn.

REV. HUGO HOLMGREN,  
Minister in charge of St. Bartholomew's Swedish Chapel, New York City.

C. JULIUS LIRMGREN,  
Minister in charge of St. Ansgarius' Church, Providence, R. I.

CARL A. NYBLADH,  
Rector of St. John's Church, Galesburg, Ill.

JOHN E. ALMFELDT,  
Rector of St. Siegfrid, Cotton, Minn.

ALFRED KALIN,  
Rector of St. Johannis' Church, Atkinson, Minn.

A. W. SUNDELOF,  
Rector St. Ansgarius' Church, Boston, Mass.

J. V. ALFVEGREN,  
Rector of St. Sigfrid's Church, St. Paul, Minn.

SCHÜRER W. L. WERNER,  
Rector of Emmanuel's Church, Litchfield.
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THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

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On motion of the Bishop of South Dakota, it was

Resolved, That the Committee of Arrangements for meetings of the Board of Missions be requested, in making out their scheme of meetings, to fix and publish definite dates that the members of the Board may be able to avoid making conflicting engagements.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Alsop of Long Island, the Board adjourned, after singing and the Benediction, to meet on Friday, October 21, at 8 p. m.

FIFTH DAY.

Friday, October 21.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, the Bishop of Albany in the Chair.

After singing and prayer, the Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Bishop of Tennessee presented the report of the Committee on the report of the Board of Managers, the resolutions appended to which were, on motion, adopted:

Your Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Board of Managers to the Board of Missions, together with the annual reports of the same Board to the Missionary Councils of the years 1896 and 1897, and the annual reports upon Foreign and Domestic Missions, the annual report of the Treasurer, of the several Missionary Bishops and of Diocesan Bishops receiving missionary aid, and of recognized Auxiliaries, respectfully present the following report:

We would, first of all, praise God, our Father, for the manifest evidences of His power in quickening the hearts of our people with new zeal for the spread of His Kingdom; so that, in a time of vast and unexpected increase of responsibility, for the Church and the Nation, the reports show a steady and determined advance, both in gifts and offerings, and in capacity for using them wisely in the spirit of Christ.

The Foreign Missionary Field presents opportunities for Christian work never before equalled in the history of the Church. The continents of Asia and Africa, and the Islands of the Sea, are astir with new life, and their peoples are waking from the isolation of ignorance and barbarism to the new thought of membership of Humanity and the weighty problems that such membership involves. In the very heart of darkest Africa there are to-day five hundred and forty-five Churches and Mission Schools, and more than one hundred and nineteen thousand Christian converts, gradually extending their influence to the Western Coast, where our own Bishop Ferguson, with his faithful staff of native clergy, is laying the foundations of a Christian civilization, for the new day that is surely dawning upon that ancient and almost despaired of land.—Japan,—which has been called "the strategic point in the development of the Christian civilization of the world," and whose singularly whole-hearted and successful assimilation of Western ideas and usages has
been the wonder of modern times, and which has more than once acknowledged in the expression of its public opinion the immense moral force and trustworthiness of a civilization based upon Christian principles. As an illustration of this, it is reported that one of the most influential newspapers in Japan, in commenting upon the political issues involved in the cession of Hawaii to the United States, declared that its information on this subject was entirely reliable because it was derived from Christian sources. China, also, with her cold distrust of strangers and her self-sufficient isolation, seems to have awakened from her sleep and to be in the throes of a revolution, both of class control and public sentiment, the result of which must be the slow but certain dissemination of Christian ideals and standards among her teeming millions. It marks the beginning of a new era when a Chinese student in Pekin writes a thesis for a degree on "the great code of laws of the Western Nations," and chooses the Ten Commandments as his theme; and when the Knowledge of the Holy Scriptures in the Old and New Testaments is required by law of students in Chinese state examinations.

The time has come at last when the missionary work among heathen peoples must be recognized as a tremendous and real factor in the world's progress, and when the men in Christian countries, who decry Foreign Missions, must confess that they are lagging behind the thought and spirit of the age. American civilization and American ideals and institutions, with American power to uphold and extend them, have moved on, in the Providence of God, to the islands of the Pacific, aye! onward to the peoples and kingdoms of the far East, and soon we shall have no talk of Foreign Missions, for every Christian man, in every land, will realize that humanity is one, as Christ is one; that the one Gospel is the only Gospel of Salvation for mankind. The study of geography has a new meaning and value in our time. Modern commerce boasts that with the aid of science it has penetrated the wilderness; that it has broken down the barriers of caste and custom and racial prejudice; and that it has brought the peoples of every land into closer contact. And this is true. Let us not forget, however, that the Christian Missionaries in the Foreign Field have been the pioneers of God in bringing about this vast change of conditions and sentiment. Since the beginning of this century it is estimated that four million souls have been brought out of heathen darkness into the light of Christ, and today there are in heathen lands nearly five thousand native ministers of the Gospel and more than fifty-nine thousand Catechists, lay readers, and other helpers. From India, and China, and Japan, and Siam, and Corea, and Africa, and all the Islands of the Southern Seas, the message comes—the challenge to all the pessimism and selfishness and atheism that have tried so hard to belittle and to misrepresent the heroism of our Mission work; the message that still proclaims, and demonstrates by the record of changed and consecrated lives, that "this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." And the people of this Church are responding to it. In every part of our Missionary Field the increase is marked and the promise of the future is most bright. The number of parishes that contributed to Foreign Missions last year was larger than ever before in our history. The various auxiliaries to this Society have done noble work. The Woman's Auxiliary, the American Bible Society, the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society, and the American Tract Society deserve special mention, as do the Alumni of the Cambridge Theological School and the Church Students Missionary Society for the support of workers in the field. The special efforts that were put forth during the last Lenten Season by the Sunday schools of the Church to make an Easter offering as a memorial of the late General Secretary, Dr. Langford, were so successful that 3,031 Sunday schools
contributed $81,761.09, being an increase of 401 in the number of Sunday schools contributing, and of $18,699.39 in the money raised.

Your Committee trust that the time is coming soon, when every parish and every Sunday school, without exception, in this Church will regard the offerings for Foreign and Domestic Missions as the absolutely un­failing offering of the year.

Your Committee have examined the reports from the Domestic Missionary field and find abundant cause for thanksgiving. On every side there is sure and steady progress. The number of Missionaries in this field has increased by one hundred and twenty, during the past year, and the contributions have also been considerably larger. This, your Committee feel bound to say, is chiefly due to the wise and energetic and unselfish devotion of the Treasurer, Mr. George C. Thomas, and to the untiring labours of the Rev. Joshua Kimber, the Associate Secretary, and the other members of the general staff of workers of the Missions House, who, though bereft of their leader in the death of the Rev. Dr. Langford, have shown a zeal and efficiency that are beyond praise.

Your Committee note with satisfaction the reports of the special work among the Deaf Mutes; the remarkable growth of interest and activity in the Mexican Mission; the healthy growth of the work in Mexico under the wise care of the Rev. Henry Forrester and the steady expansion of educational and parochial provision for the Indians in the West and South. Above all, they would call attention to the report of the Commission for work among the Coloured People of the South; the earnest and persistent efforts of that Commission in the face of much indifference and miscon­ceptions; and the value of the Commission as a continual witness and reminder to the people of the Church of the great obligation resting upon them to do something for the moral and spiritual welfare of the seven million negroes, to whom they have given the rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

Your Committee believe that every indication points to this Prayer Book Church of ours as the true and capable agency for the permanent uplifting of this kindly, docile, but emotional race; and we are impressed more and more with the necessity of concentrating our efforts upon a broad and well-systematised plan of education as the surest means of accomplishing this result. We are thankful to see that opportunities for academic, industrial, and collegiate education for the Negro, under the direction of this Church, are rapidly increasing. We need, however, more unity of co-operation in this respect. We should avoid everything that in any form or degree suggests the waste of means by competition of separate diocesan schools. Again, we must not be impatient of results. If, for the next ten years, we work with mutual sympathy and mutual interest, under a well-defined plan, for the Christian education and train­ning of the Negro, the results, we believe, will, by God's help, exceed our highest hopes.

Your Committee would, finally, express its gratification at the really great opportunity for Christ, which, by the Grace of God, was accepted by the Church, when a Bishop for Alaska was elected at the last General Convention. It seemed, at that time, to many, to be a practically useless and unnecessary expenditure, but God, who put it into our hearts, has since demonstrated to every mind that that venture of faith was the prophet­ic anticipation of glorious service for Jesus Christ. And while our hearts are filled with thankfulness by Bishop Rowe's report of the blessed and opportune ministry of our dear Church, in that far off, frozen land; and while we are tempted to congratulate ourselves upon having covered, with Episcopal organization, the whole territory of the United States, the message comes to us that the limits of our Domestic Missions have not been touched; that Hawaii and Porto Rico, and perhaps
the Philippines, are to be within our borders, and that this Church must, in the name of Christ, move onward and outward to meet its responsibilities. It is God's way of bringing home to us, as a people, the fact that the field — our field — is the world. It is a ringing call to every baptized member of this Church, to more sincerity of faith, to more enthusiasm of love, to more reality of service; to come to the help of the Lord against the mighty; to give something, — time, money, interest, prayer,—something, though it be the smallest offering out of an honest and good heart, to proclaim the good tidings of the Gospel and to spread the Kingdom among men.

Your Committee present some comparative statistics of contributions (see p. 417), and append the following resolutions:

Resolved, (1) That the Chairman of the House of Bishops be requested to incorporate into the closing service of this General Convention prayers of thanksgiving to Almighty God, for His blessing vouchsafed upon the Missionary efforts of this Church during the past three years, and prayers for the special gift of His grace to us at this time, that our people may, with love and fortitude, meet and discharge the new responsibilities that are laid upon them.

(2) That, whereas it appears that the expense of administration of the business of this Board of Missions is exceptionally small, that the Board of Managers be respectfully requested to take into consideration the advisability of increasing the number of workers in the New York office; of electing two or more Secretaries instead of one; of widening the scope and plan of the "Spirit of Missions" into something more approaching the character of a magazine of national importance.

(3) That this Board, by formal vote, express its glad confidence in the Missionaries in the Domestic and Foreign Fields, and its grateful recognition of the splendid, heroic work that they have done and are doing for the cause of Christ.

For the Committee,

THOMAS F. GAILOR, Chairman.

On motion of the Bishop of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the Woman's Auxiliary Missionary Episcopate Fund be henceforth devoted to the endowment of the Episcopate in the Missionary District of Alaska, it being understood that the Fund shall continue perpetually in charge of the Board of Missions, and its income be expended always in a Missionary District.

Resolved, That so long as the income from the endowment of the Episcopate of the Missionary District of Alaska shall be insufficient to pay the salary of the Bishop of Alaska, the income from the twenty thousand dollars given by the Woman's Auxiliary as their United Offering in 1892 towards the Enrolment Fund, be used to supplement the deficiency.

The Bishop of Marquette presented the following report:

The Committee appointed by the Missionary Council at Milwaukee to consider and report upon the future disposition of the work of the Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews, has examined and considered all the annual reports of the Society. The Committee has also met in conference a Committee appointed by this Board.

Your Committee, having considered the whole subject, is of the opinion that the work of the Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews could be done more profitably under the immediate direction of the General Board. It is thought reasonable to expect that with such a change there would follow:
1. A decrease in office expenses.
2. An increase in contributions.
3. A widening of the field of operations.
4. A strengthening of general interest in this important work.

The Committee, therefore, recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the work of Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews be placed under the charge of the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

Resolved, That the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society be requested to take such steps as may encourage the transfer of the work and resources of the existing society to the care of the Board of Managers.

MAHLON N. GILBERT.
G. MOTT WILLIAMS.
CYRUS T. BRADY.
BYRON HOLLEY.
BURTON MANSFIELD.
W. R. BUTLER.

On motion of Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the report of the Committee be referred to the Board of Managers to take such action on the matters suggested as in their judgment is deemed best.

On motion of the Bishop of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Missions has heard with satisfaction that the present organization of the Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews affords grounds for a reasonable expectation that the work and influence of the Society will be largely increased, and, in the hope that these expectations will be realized, commends it to the sympathy and support of the Clergy and Laity for the next three years.

On motion of the Bishop of New York, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the work of the Mexican Episcopal Church, under the provisional care of our Presiding Bishop, is entitled to the largest measure of commendation and help in view of its widest increase in stability and efficiency, and to this end the Board of Managers be requested to consider the advisability of forming from its members a Committee on the work of our brethren in Mexico, who are striving to propagate the principles of pure religion among their countrymen.

Resolved, That the wise and manifold labours of the Rev. Henry Forrester, as counsellor and guide of our brethren in Mexico in their missionary, educational, and charitable work, have our hearty commendation; and that the Board of Managers be instructed to appoint and provide for the support of such Presbyter as may be nominated by the Presiding Bishop, and to the extent of special contributions received for that purpose for the support of the work done in the Republic of Mexico under his guidance.

On motion of the Bishop of Shanghai, it was

Resolved, That the Board of Managers be charged to provide that at the next General Convention the meetings of the Board of Missions be so arranged that the Mission work of the Church may receive the attention that its importance deserves.
On motion of Mr. Thomas of Pennsylvania, it was

Resolved, That when the Board adjourns this evening it adjourn sine die, unless called together by the concurrent vote of the two Houses of General Convention.

The following resolution was presented by the Bishop of Montana, and, on motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, was referred to the Board of Managers:

Resolved, That the apportionment plan of the Board of Managers for raising money for the General Missions of the Church has the approval of the Board of Missions.

After singing, and the Benediction by the Bishop of Kentucky, the Board stood adjourned sine die.

HENRY B. WHIPPLE,
Bishop Presiding.

MORGAN DIX,
President of the House of Deputies.

Attest:

CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,
Secretary of the House of Deputies.

JOSHUA KINBER,
Associate Secretary of the Board of Managers.
## STATISTICS.

### ANALYSIS OF RECEIPTS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

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To our well-beloved in Christ, the Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America:

Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

One more triennial Convention of the Church has met and concluded its deliberations. Never before, we believe, has a spirit of profounder seriousness pervaded the minds of Bishops and Deputies; never has a Council of this Church felt more deeply the responsibilities of the hour.

With new and tremendous obligations pressing upon the Church and the Nation; with problems of vast import for the future confronting us; with strong cries for help from the peoples of many lands sounding in our ears; your Bishops and your representatives, in Convention assembled, have prayed and have laboured, reverently, we trust, in the spirit of Christ.

Five new Missionary Bishops have been elected, and the jurisdictions of the domestic missionary field have been redistributed and, in some instances, renamed. Amendments to our Constitution and Canons have been considered and adopted, to meet the actual needs of the time. Above all, the reports of workers in the mission field have been heard, and every effort has been made to kindle in the hearts of the people an enthusiasm for the extension of the Kingdom of God.

Assembled here, in the Capital City of the Republic, welcomed with gracious kindness by the President of the United States and assured by him of his appreciation of "this ancient Church" and its "new sowing for the Master and for man," we are mindful of the divine trust committed unto us, and would urge upon our
brethren of the Clergy and Laity a solemn consideration, in humility and with prayer, of the vital issues that we must meet and for our dealings with which we must give account.

Our attention has been specially called, by a resolution adopted in the House of Deputies, to the fact that next Whitsunday will be the seventh semi-centennial anniversary of the Book of Common Prayer. And we most earnestly ask that the day may be observed in our Churches as commemorating an event which, more than any other single gift of God, has reversed the confusion of tongues, by giving to the lips of countless worshippers, the one "mouth" in which to show forth God's praise. We hail with satisfaction the wonderful harmony with which this General Convention, by the proposal of an amendment to our Constitution, has, without weakening the use or lowering the value of the Prayer Book, opened the way towards training congregations of Christians unused to our liturgical forms to accustom themselves, by processes of education, to approach and desire them. Maintaining intact the Sacramental services, and the offices which conserve the polity of the Church, we are free to adapt the ordinary forms of Common Prayer to national and racial habits of thought and expression, and so to win them by degrees to the old and better way.

And we are glad, while insisting upon the importance of keeping the public-school system of education free from political intrigue or denominational intrusion, to urge, all the more, that it must be complemented and consecrated by more careful and definite training in religious truth in the family and in the Sunday School, in Church Schools and Colleges, and in the careful teaching of the clergy of the Church.

We have received, with mingled gratitude and concern, the report of the Committee on the State of the Church. We are most thankful for the manifest and manifold tokens of God's blessing upon the faithful labours of the Clergy, and the consecrated service of the Laity, during the three years last past.

We gladly recognize the earnest and effectual work of the various organizations in the Church — the Woman's Auxiliary,
the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, the Girls' Friendly Society, the Daughters of the King, the devout women who in sisterhoods and as Deaconesses are bearing their faithful witness and turning many to Christ. It is good for us to know that the number of persons confirmed during the last three years is thirty-five hundred more than in the like preceding period; that our list of communicants has grown by 63,145, an increase of ten per cent; and that the contributions of the last triennium exceed those of the like preceding period by $1,150,104.70. Yet the record of statistics, spiritual and material, while it encourages us on the one hand, leaves us impressed—almost, we may say, oppressed—with a sense of duties left undone, of open doors into which we have not entered, which must mingle the penitential utterances of confession with the words of thanksgiving and praise. The cry of the coloured people, who are our wards as Christian citizens of America, for adequate expenditure of labour and money to train them to citizenship of the nation and the Church; the call for means to seize the openings and opportunities in the missionary districts, and the huge unoccupied areas in dioceses of the West and South; the claims from our stinted missions in foreign lands, all these are painful evidences of wide indifference and of inadequate support. Meanwhile, we stand confronted with large problems, and with larger possibilities for the preaching of a pure Gospel, and the extension of Christ's Kingdom among people whom the Providence of God, in strange and wonderful ways, has brought within the range of our responsibility, national and ecclesiastical.

We dare not face the future without a recognition of the fact that this Church needs the stirring up of the wills of the faithful to the plenteous bringing forth of the fruit of good works, of the giving of their substance and themselves to further the Master's work. Assured of our Apostolic lineage, we need to be filled with Apostolic love and zeal. And as the new century opens up before us, we plead with the Clergy and Lay people to rise to the splendid possibilities of a richer and more real discharge of their stewardship for God, who has put us in trust with the treasures of His love and His means of grace, for the salvation of men.
For the salvation of men! This is the very essential characteristic of the Christian Gospel. It is a new regenerating force, applied first to the individual man and thence to the mass of men, producing in the first instance Christian character, and in the second, Christian civilization. And that immense energy of spiritual propagation is of the nature of the Church, because it is so nominated in the Commission: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature." He who uttered the words called himself "the Light of the world"; and it would be blundering disloyalty to put any limit upon the mission of the Church, or to fail to recognize that, by His command, the question of missions has received the eternal closure.

And the fact, the potent and tremendous fact, for us to realize is, that the same infinite force of leadership, which was in command then, is in command now. In that respect, the first and the twentieth centuries stand together. This sovereign Headship of Omnipotence is the one imperial truth which puts meaning into the commission, and that elevates the duty of propagation to the front rank of Christian obligation. It is an overwhelming thought that missions get their authority from, and the Church owes her missionary responsibility to, One whose power is infinite and whose supremacy reaches the soul of the humblest citizen of His Kingdom; and that the only honourable response to that One is obedience.

It is well fitted to appal the honest Christian heart, to consider that this majestic Power, who sits in the seat of authority and in whose hands are the Sceptre and the Sword, has subjected His divine intention to win the world to the fluctuations of Christian zeal; so that a halting zeal, though it may not defeat His purpose, may postpone the era of His final triumph, and so that a zeal like that of the first centuries would repeat their victories. If the fact that Christ is the Captain of the missionary hosts were infused into the belief of Christendom, Christendom would revolutionize its Christianity. For our own Church, it would mean less luxury, less extravagance of expenditure on self, less social ambition, less pride of wealth, less self-indulgence of every kind. It
would mean more prayer, more unselfishness and self-denial, more sympathy with the poor, the ignorant, the vicious, the outcast, the heathen; more catholicity of evangelism, and less ecclesiastical self-sufficiency; more of the power of the Holy Ghost, and, therefore, the transformation of apathy into the spirit of conquest.

For, first of all and chiefest of all, the man who believes in Christ must believe in missions, must believe in propagating the Gospel. And if he believe in everything but missions, he may repeat the Creeds, receive the Sacraments, luxuriate in the poetry of worship, addict himself to theological, canonical, or scriptural knowledge, and still be recreant in his duty to his Lord.

Wherefore, Brethren, "we pray that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment; that ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ; being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God." That branch of the Church of God to which we belong hath the heritage of a sacred and noble past, in the history of the English-speaking race, which must be at once her responsibility and her glory. One year ago your Bishops met at Lambeth by invitation of the great Archbishop who occupies the See of Canterbury, to recall in reverence the ancient traditions of the Church, and to take counsel for the future of her great and growing power throughout the world. Yet it is of the very nature of the Catholic Church that her spirit is restricted to no particular language, to no one people, to no special age, and to no separate race. She bears upon her no stamp of Italy or England, no label of the Fourth Century or of the Sixteenth Century. Her spirit is a free spirit, and her catholicity identifies her in close affinity with the genius and institutions of the people among whom she dwells.

And we are Americans, proud indeed of our traditions of law and liberty as Anglo-Saxons, yet with the hopes and convictions, the privileges and responsibilities, of Americans. And our Church is catholic and free: free because she is catholic, and
catholic because she is free; an American Church; from East to West, from North to South, one in organization and government, yielding to no alien influence, and subject to no foreign control. We have lately visited the scene of her first ministry in this land, at Jamestown, and we rejoice in the record that from that year of our Lord, 1607, nearly three hundred years ago, to the other day, when we raised the Peace Cross upon St. Alban's Hill, overlooking the City of Washington, her children have grown more and more in love and devotion to our country.

To us, therefore, as members of this American Church, must appeal with peculiar force the great events which, in the Providence of God, have carried our Nation into the forefront of power among the governments of the earth, and compelled her to accept a larger share of responsibility in the uplifting of mankind.

But most of all, it belongs to us to remind you, Brethren beloved in the Lord, of that final court of appeal to which, in every opportunity and in every perplexity that to-day confront us, we must carry the questions which at this hour and in this land are of gravest and most urgent import. In the life of the Nation, as in the life of the Church, we may not forget that it is not our cleverness, not our wealth, not our numbers, that are to determine these. No genius in statesmanship, no mere bulk in our accumulations, no numerical greatness, constitutes enduring strength; whether in those issues that affect great social problems or great national undertakings. In the increasing complexity of our American life, with its endless varieties of racial traditions, its ever-increasing accentuation of social or commercial rivalries or competitions, its not unnatural disposition to grasp at territorial aggrandizement or imperial expansion, there need for ever to be heard the clear notes of those august and simple axioms on which rest integrity of character and righteousness of conduct. It is the perpetual temptation of success, whether it be the success of the individual or the triumphs of the state, to forget these; and to believe, living as we are in the hot glare of our personal or national triumphs, that force and will, and the splendour of illustrious achievement, are the things that make a people great. And yet, for ever, through all
the clamour and glitter of these, there penetrate the clear tones of that unerring voice which is the voice of conscience and of duty, because it is the voice of God. To make men pause and hearken for that voice, the voice of that Divine Vicar of Christ, which is the voice of God the Holy Ghost, this is our office, yours and ours, dear Brethren, — and then to persuade men to obey it! No social reconstructions, no political mechanism, no art of intellectual adroitness, no spell of personal leadership, will suffice to lift men out of those lower airs of greed and corruption and self-seeking, down into which a nation or a man may so easily and so swiftly descend; nothing, in one word, save that one transcendent power which, as it wrought once to change the heart of Hebrew sophist and Roman soldier into the heart of childlike obedience to Jesus Christ, waits to work its kindred miracle to-day. Be students of your age and disciples of all the best learning of your generation, but never forget that God alone can guide, and God the Holy Ghost alone renew, enlighten, and upbuild us!

Let us pray then, Brethren, for the outpouring of the Spirit of God. May the blessed angels who minister unto the heirs of salvation waken us all out of sleep, as the prophet of old was wakened, and make clearer to us the vision of the Source of life, the Mission of the Comforter. Could we all look up with simple faith, winging our prayers with our alms, that they might go up as a memorial before God, the windows of Heaven would open, and such a blessing be poured out that there would not be room enough to receive it.

May the blessed Spirit breathe upon us with His quickening power, and fill our hearts with love and hope, establishing in us that Kingdom which is righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost.

And may the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS,
HELD IN NEW YORK, OCTOBER, 1896.

FIRST DAY.

CHURCH MISSIONS HOUSE, NEW YORK,
Tuesday, October 20, 1896.

This being the day and the place appointed by the Presiding Bishop, under Title I., Canon 19, § xvi. [1] of the Digest, for a special meeting of the House of Bishops, the Bishops met in the Chapel of the Church Missions House at half past nine o'clock.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop of Maine, assisted by the Bishop of Albany and the Bishop of New York.

The House assembled for business at eleven o'clock, the Bishop of Albany, Chairman of the House, presiding.

The call of the meeting was read by the Secretary, as follows:

WHEREAS, The General Convention has, by a concurrent resolution, in accordance with Title I., Canon 19, § xvi. [1], given consent to the election during the recess of the General Convention of a Missionary Bishop for the Missionary Jurisdiction of Duluth, and also for the election during said recess of a Missionary Bishop for the Missionary Jurisdiction of Asheville; and

WHEREAS, Twelve members of the House of Bishops have in writing requested me, as Presiding Bishop, to convene the House of Bishops to elect a Missionary Bishop for the Missionary Jurisdiction of Duluth, and twelve members have also, in writing, requested the convening of the House of Bishops for the election of a Missionary Bishop for the Missionary Jurisdiction of Asheville;

I do hereby, by the authority committed to me in Title I., Canon 19, § xvi. [1], convene the House of Bishops on Tuesday, the twentieth day of October next, at eleven o'clock in the morning, at the Church Missions House in New York, to elect, if it is so determined, a Missionary Bishop for Duluth and a Missionary Bishop for Asheville.

JOHN WILLIAMS,
Bishop of Connecticut and Presiding Bishop,
By Wm. Croswell Doane, Asessor.

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The Chairman bade the House to prayer.

The roll being called, it was found that forty-four members of the House were present, to wit: the Bishops of Minnesota, Maine, Missouri, Long Island, Albany, Central New York, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, Dallas, Kentucky, New Jersey, Iowa, Quincy, West Virginia, Springfield, Newark, Pittsburgh, New York, North Dakota, East Carolina, Central Pennsylvania, Maryland, Nebraska, Florida, Coadjutor of Minnesota, Western Texas, Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, Fond du Lac, Ohio, Michigan, The Platte, Louisiana, Milwaukee, Georgia, Coadjutor of Springfield, Texas, Coadjutor of Tennessee, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Vermont, Indiana, Lexington, Washington, Marquette.

Three Bishops consecrated since the last meeting of the General Convention were presented to the House:

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Lewis William Burton, Bishop of Lexington, presented by the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of West Virginia, and the Bishop of Ohio;

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Henry Yates Satterlee, Bishop of Washington, presented by the Bishop of Maryland and the Bishop of New York;

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Gershom Mott Williams, Bishop of Marquette, presented by the Bishop of Michigan and the Bishop of Missouri;

and the Bishops presented were welcomed by the Chairman.

The Bishop of Haiti, being present, was, on motion, invited to an honorary seat in the House, and was welcomed by the Chairman.

The Chairman announced that the Rt. Rev. Dr. Arthur Cleveland Coxe, Bishop of Western New York, a member of this House, departed this life on the twentieth day of July, 1896.

He also announced the death of the Most Rev. Dr. Edward White Benson, Archbishop of Canterbury.

And the Chairman thereupon bade the House to prayer, using the form prescribed in the Rules of Order.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this House, assembled for the first time after the sudden and unlooked-for death of the Most Rev. Dr. Edward White Benson, Archbishop of Canterbury, desires to place upon record its sense of the irreparable loss which the Anglican Communion and the Church
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of Christ in all lands has thus sustained. A prelate of wide learning, devout life, catholic sympathies, and most beautiful and benignant character and presence, his brethren in the American Episcopate can never forget his many acts of kindness to them and theirs, and his inspiring example of unbending loyalty to the cause of Christ and His Church.

Resolved, That this minute be communicated to the Presiding Officer of the Convocation of Canterbury and to the family of the late Archbishop by the Chairman of this House;

which were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota presented papers relating to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Duluth.

The Bishop of Long Island offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the papers presented by the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota be referred to a special committee of three members of this House;

which was adopted.

The Chairman appointed as such committee the Bishop of New Jersey, the Bishop of Quincy, and the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

The Bishop of North Carolina offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House proceed to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Asheville;

which, on his motion, was referred to a special committee of three members of this House.

The Chairman appointed as such committee the Bishop of East Carolina, the Bishop of Ohio, and the Bishop of Georgia.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following be adopted as the first of the Standing Orders of this House:

The Senior Bishop of this Church, in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, is the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention, or for its own needs by the House of Bishops; and shall hold office for life, unless he resign or be relieved from that office by a vote of a majority of the Bishops entitled to a vote in the House of Bishops;

which was adopted by a two-thirds vote.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the first of the Rules of Order of this House be amended to read as follows:

The House shall meet for business at such time and place as shall have been duly notified by the Presiding Bishop or the Chairman of the House
to the members of this House, and shall be called to order by the Presid­
ing Bishop or the Chairman, or in their absence, by the Senior Bishop present;

which was adopted by a two-thirds vote.

The Chairman announced that he had appointed the Bishop of Kentucky and the Bishop of Indiana as members of the Standing Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops, in place of the Bishop of Montana and the Bishop of Mississippi, not present at this session of the House.

The hour of noon having arrived, the House was bidden to prayer for Missions by the Bishop of Missouri.

The Bishop of New Jersey, from the Committee to which were referred the papers presented by the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota with reference to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Duluth, reported that the Committee had examined the papers, including subscriptions and securities for the partial endowment of the Bishopric of Duluth, and that it was satisfied as to the value of said subscriptions and securities.

The Bishop of New York offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That, in the judgment of this House, the title of the corpora­tion erected to hold an endowment for the Missionary District or Diocese of Duluth should be the Trustees of the Missionary District or Diocese of Duluth.

The Bishop of Maryland moved that the resolution be amended by striking out the words "or Diocese" in the last line of the resolution; which was adopted.

The question being on the resolution as amended, it was adopted.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

The Bishop of Maryland offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House proceed, after the recess, to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Duluth;

which was adopted.

The Bishop of East Carolina, from the Committee to which was referred the resolution of the Bishop of North Carolina as to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Asheville, presented the following report:

The Committee to which was referred the resolution of the Bishop of North Carolina in re the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Asheville reports:

That upon careful consideration it is, in the judgment of your Com-
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The Committee, inexpedient to elect at this time a Bishop for Asheville; and the Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That further action as to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Asheville be postponed.

A. A. WATSON, Bishop of East Carolina.
W. A. LEONARD, Bishop of Ohio.
C. K. NELSON, Bishop of Georgia.

The House took a recess.
The House met after the recess.
The Bishop of South Carolina, not present this morning, appeared and took his seat.
The House proceeded to the consideration of the resolution contained in the report presented by the Bishop of East Carolina; and the question being on the adoption of the resolution, it was adopted.

On motion, the Committee was discharged.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the House proceeded to receive nominations for a Bishop for the Missionary District of Duluth.
The roll was called, and nominations were made; which, on motion, were referred to the Standing Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops.

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.
The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.
On motion, it was voted that the House do now adjourn till half past nine o'clock to-morrow morning.
The Chairman pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

WEDNESDAY, October 21, 1896.
The House met pursuant to adjournment.
A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Lexington, after which the House was bidden to prayer by the Chairman.
The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, and, on motion, approved.
On motion of the Bishop of Maryland, it was ordered that the numbers of the Standing Orders be changed to correspond with action already taken.
The Bishop of Kentucky, from the Standing Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops, presented a report on the nominations for the Episcopate of the Missionary District of Duluth.

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

On motion, the House took a recess to attend Divine Service in Calvary Church.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop of Minnesota, assisted by the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota and the Bishop of North Carolina.

Divine Service being ended, the House resumed its session.

The House proceeded to ballot for a Bishop for the Missionary District of Duluth.

The Bishop of Washington read one of the appointed Lessons of Holy Scripture, after which the Chairman bade the House to prayer, using the prescribed office.

The Bishop of Lexington and the Bishop of Marquette were appointed tellers.

The roll being called, the Bishops deposited their ballots; and the Rev. James Dow Morrison, D.D., LL.D., a Presbyter of the Diocese of Albany, was found to have received a majority of the votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been elected Missionary Bishop of Duluth.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, it was voted that a committee of three members of this House, of which the Chairman shall be one, be appointed to notify the Rev. Dr. Morrison of his election.

The Chairman appointed, as the other members of the Committee, the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota and the Bishop of Vermont.

The Bishop of Springfield offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops regrets the absence of the Presiding Bishop, and especially on account of the reason assigned, his illness, and expresses to him its sympathy and hope that he will soon be restored to health and be spared to the Church, over which he so worthily presides, for many years;

which was adopted.

On motion, the Bishops went into Council.
At noon, the Bishops were bidden to prayer for Missions by the Bishop of Albany.

The Council having risen, the House resumed its session.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops records its profound sympathy with the Missionary Bishop of Northern California, and requests its Chairman to convey to Mrs. Wingfield the expression of its condolence;

which was adopted.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to the Rev. Dr. Langford for the provision made for its session in the Church Missions House; and that Dr. Langford be also desired to express the thanks of this House to the person by whose generosity provision has been made for the entertainment of the Bishops at luncheon;

which was adopted.

The Minutes of the day's session were read, and, on motion, approved.

On motion, it was voted that the House do now adjourn without day.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned without day.

WILLIAM CROSWELL DOANE, Chairman.

Attest: SAMUEL HART, Secretary.
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APPENDIX I. — 1.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

In accordance with Title I., Canon 30, Section iii., there have been submitted to your Committee the tabulated returns of the several Dioceses and Missionary Districts of this Church. In further compliance with said Canon, your Committee have drawn up this view of the state of the Church, and respectfully submit it for the action of this House.

Since the last General Convention, five of the Bishops of this Church, many Priests and Laymen, have left us, called to the rest of Paradise. Into their room others have come. Ten Bishops have been consecrated; the clergy list is three hundred larger to-day than three years ago, and upwards of one hundred and ninety-two thousand laymen have been baptized.

Your Committee have been much hindered by the failure of certain Diocesan Secretaries to comply with the plain letter of the law, as found in Title I., Canon 30, Section 5. That Canon requires said Secretaries to prepare their reports immediately after the adjournment of the meeting of the Diocesan Convention next preceding the session of every General Convention, and promptly forward the same to the Secretary of the House of Deputies; yet, at the opening of the session as many as six reports had not reached him.

It is important that the report of this Committee should be made promptly. For this reason we ask that greater care be had in the observance of the Canon.

In this connection, we have to express our deep regret that the returns are so imperfect that we are unable to ascertain the real membership of the Church.

A tabulated statement of the returns presents these results:

- Number of clergy reported, 4,843, of whom 83 are Bishops, 4,380, Priests, and 381, Deacons.
  - Deacons ordained 537
  - Priests ordained 584
  - Candidates for Holy Orders 370
  - Postulants 280
  - Lay Readers 2,383
  - Baptisms 192,725
  - Persons confirmed 134,941
  - Communicants 681,845
  - Sunday-school Officers and Teachers 49,317
  - " Pupils 438,788
  - Pupils in Parish Schools 12,114
  - Pupils in Industrial Schools 15,062
  - Parishes 3,308
  - Missions 2,981

Total 6,189
Church edifices, whole number 5,694
free 3,867
Sittings in churches 1,088,901
Free sittings in churches 843,531
Churches consecrated 204
Rectories 1,980
Church Hospitals 73
Orphan Asylums 52
Homes 102
Academic Institutions 136
Collegiate Institutions 13
Theological Institutions 22
Other Institutions 88

Contributions. — Parochial purposes $31,541,178.97
Diocesan purposes 3,456,944.83
Missionary Purposes other than Diocesan 1,542,906.44
Other extra Diocesan Objects, 2,149,258.85
Education of the Ministry 56,575.06
Aged and Infirm Clergy 171,554.97
Widows and Orphans of Clergymen 137,925.14

Total for all purposes $38,533,364.11

Endowments. — Episcopal Funds 2,639,984.93
Support of Parishes 2,079,521.02
Aged and Infirm Clergy 745,527.90
Widows and Orphans of Clergymen 634,852.17
Hospitals and other Institutions 8,646,115.25

These figures are the indices of the state of the Church. Some of them give cause for joy; others should move to prayer; while others still should invite to thought.

The net gain in the Clergy List is a little more than in the last triennium, but the percentage of increase is less, and the total of ordinations is less, notably so in the number made Deacons, the decrease amounting to as much as eleven per cent. Then, too, there are but three more candidates than there were three years ago. On the other hand, there has been a notable increase in the number of Lay Readers, twenty per cent. There are other items that ought to be considered in connection with these. The contributions for parochial purposes are thirty thousand dollars less per year than they were three years ago,—those for the education of the Ministry ten thousand dollars a year less; those for Aged and Infirm Clergy, seventeen hundred dollars a year less, and those for the Widows and Orphans of Clergymen, over twenty thousand dollars a year less.

We pause to ask that serious attention be given to these decreased contributions; these figures all have tongues that speak for the clergy in their preparation for the ministry, in their parish work, in their enforced retirement, age-stricken, aye, even for the dead, that their families be not forgotten.

We rejoice that so large an increased number of Laymen have been found ready to be licensed as Readers, yet their commission itself is, in most instances, but an evidence that the Bishops have places where the services of the Church ought to be read and have not the clergy to send
to conduct them, or that they have not the money ready to hand to justify their call of men in Holy Orders for the work, white to the harvest.

A cry for the expansion of the Church goes up at our missionary rallies. Is it to be at the expense of work already undertaken? Are the banners of the Church to be proudly waved in remote corners of the earth, while those in our homes are to be dragged in misery and want? Nay, but let them be held aloft by earnest and true men, whose hearts are not sickened by a beggarly support.

The cry of expansion is an echo of Divine command. It is a right cry, but those who utter it must not tighten the strings of their purses.

Your Committee earnestly asks that our Right Reverend Fathers take these matters into consideration and institute such measures as they think best for the remedy of the defects suggested.

There have been two thousand more baptisms in the last three years than in the like preceding period. Our attention is directed to a comparison of the relation between the number baptized and the number of families in the Church. The number of families not being returned, we are driven to a comparison with the number of communicants. Fifteen years ago the number baptized bore a certain relation to the number of families and communicants. If the ratio was the same to-day, the number returned as baptized would have been fifty thousand more than the number reported. The inferences to be deduced would be mere surmises, but we think it our bounden duty to present the facts for thoughtful consideration, and to invite investigation. One surmise we venture: taken in connection with the large increase in the number of our Lay Readers and the evident halt in the organization of new work to be presently noted, we infer the number of baptisms is not as large as it would have been had our clergy been enabled to enter on new fields to a larger extent than they have.

The number of persons confirmed during the last three years is thirty-five hundred more than in the like preceding period. Our communicants number to-day 63,145 more than in 1896, an increase of ten per cent.

The Sunday-school statistics are satisfactory, the increase in the number of officers and teachers being eight per cent, and that of pupils nearly four per cent. The activities of the Church and the Sunday school everywhere exhibit health and growth. The very large Lenten offering of the children this year is an exhibit of sound education.

In the matter of Parishes and Missions, we have made but little advance, there being but twenty-one more parishes and seven more church edifices. This indicates that in the period under review there has been more driving of stakes than lengthening of cords. 'Tis well if the Church be but gathering her strength for larger effort to extend her beneficent influence. The ratio of free sittings in our churches to the whole number was fifty-four per cent three years ago, while to-day it is seventy-seven per cent.

The contributions of the last triennium exceed those of the like preceding period $1,150,104.70. The amounts contributed to the Board of Missions show large gains in the amounts given towards appropriations and by way of special contributions, aggregating $73,183.78. We have to note, however, that the gain for Domestic Missions was $91,423.16, so that the contributions to Foreign Missions shows a loss of $18,239.38. It is shown to your Committee that the needs of the Foreign Missions are as great, aye greater than before. Hence, there is need that their claims should be more diligently considered.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the matter of depostions from the sacred ministry. The number is deplorably large and
absolutely the number grows year by year. Yet to obtain a correct view comparison must be made with the whole number of the clergy. Doing this, we find that the number of depositions in proportion to the number of the clergy has been steadily decreasing since 1880, and that the record of the last six years is the best in the history of the Church since 1808.

It is stated that our Missions to Deaf-Mutes are threatened with Intrusion. This Church feels her ability to minister to all of this class, but she has not power to prevent intrusion. Your Committee can only recommend that the Church be made so acceptable to them that they themselves will make the intrusion nugatory, and commit the matter, where of right it belongs, to our Right Reverend Fathers, the Bishops of the Church.

Your Committee find great cause for thankfulness in the large and important work of the Brotherhood of S. Andrew, but they find also that there still exists great cause for its continued and increased activity. The nation's life is built upon the morality of its families. The man and the boy have their peculiar functions in the family life, and the woman and girl cannot wisely assume those functions. The family life is woven with the Church's life. The man and the boy have their places in the Church. When they abdicate those places, not alone do they injure their own spiritual lives, but they set awry the machinery of the Church constituted to implant and nourish the spiritual lives of her people. In the pew should be found the family, — father, and mother, and child, — bound together in mysterious union; none of them should be found breaking the bands of that union in the House of God.

Another matter we find in the state of the Church that needs correction is a tendency somewhat widespread to follow pleasure to great excess. Day after day religious duty is neglected for the sake of social functions. Family duties are forgotten, and Church duties are utterly ignored. We trust that the wrong of a life wholly given to the pleasures of the flesh will make itself apparent, and that hereafter we shall hear naught of rioting, but more and more of the devotion of all of the people of the Church to lives of godliness, soberness, and piety.

Your Committee regret to learn that the First Day of the Week, designated in Holy Scripture as the Lord's Day, is not observed as prescribed by the Canons of the Church. We believe that the duty to abstain on that day from occupations and amusements not for His honour ought to be emphasized, and we respectfully ask of our Bishops that they do so in the Pastoral Letter.

Your Committee cannot refrain from adding a word about the work of the Woman's Auxiliary. The earnestness and zeal of these godly women demand a response from the men of the Church and an exhibition from them of a somewhat like earnestness and zeal.

A view of the state of the Church would be incomplete without a word of commendation of the beneficent work of the several Sisterhoods of the Church and of the important undertakings and successful labours of many of our Deaconesses.

Our attention has been directed to our Church institutions. We find many of them wrecked, and many heavily burdened with debt. We earnestly recommend that great care be taken and earnest study had before any Church Institution be inaugurated, so that it may be well known that there is a need for it, and a need not of a temporary, but of a permanent, character. We advise that early endowment be secured, and further, that the endowment funds be in the hands of others than the active administrators of the institution.

We commend the institutions of the Church to the loyalty of the Churchmen able to support them.

We advise that an item be added to the blank for Diocesan returns for
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contributions to the funds of Church Institutions, in order that the Church may know the amount being invested in such Institutions.

Your Committee are reminded that on Whitsunday next we come to the three hundred and fiftieth Anniversary of the inauguration of the use of the First Book of Common Prayer of King Edward VI. We trust that the importance of that book as the link connecting our Book of Common Prayer with the office and service books of remoter days, will so impress itself upon the Church that the occasion will be used to rehearse the history of the Prayer Book and to inculcate the important lessons taught by that history. We respectfully ask our Right Reverend Fathers to take such measures as they may deem best to provide for the keeping of that anniversary day.

Your Committee regret that they cannot report everything fair and prosperous in the state of the Church. But notwithstanding the fact that in some instances we find the religious life of our people not all that it should be, yet we are rejoiced to know that earnestness, zeal, and a walking in the footsteps of our blessed Lord are the dominant characteristics of thousands of our men and women. We rejoice to have the testimony that there is generally a desire to learn what is right and to do it.

Your Committee are unable to report the progress that was hoped for, yet they can report the activities of the Church in healthy condition. The time spent in strengthening the things that remain is not lost. It is a necessary work, and we are to-day all the better prepared for the advance that is now sounded. The banners must now go forward to the new domains which the progress of events has opened to this Church, and the work of conservation of the last three years will but enable us to do all the better the aggressive work of the immediate future.

That the Canon governing this report may be observed, your Committee submit the following resolution and ask its adoption:

Resolved, That a copy of the report here presented be transmitted to our Reverend Fathers in God, the House of Bishops, with the request that they issue a Pastoral Letter, and asking their united prayers and Episcopal Benediction.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HERMAN C. DUNCAN, Chairman.
APPENDIX I.—2.

TABULAR VIEW OF SOME OF THE CHIEF ITEMS OF STATISTICS CONTAINED IN THE TRIENNIAL REPORTS OF THE DIOCESES AND MISSIONARY JURISDICTIONS.
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THE TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, WITH ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS.

This report is respectfully submitted in accordance with the provision of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society (Title III., Canon 7, of the Digest), that “the Board of Managers shall make a full and complete Triennial Report to the General Convention constituted as the Board of Missions on or before the third day of the General Convention, and a similar report to the Missionary Council at its annual meetings.” A further provision is that the report shall comprise “such an outline of the missionary work prosecuted ... as may serve to give a comprehensive view of the progress, prospects, and present condition of the work of the Society in the several parts of the Domestic and Foreign fields.” To this end the Board of Managers here reports principally for the fiscal year last closed, and accompanies this document with the last two Annual Reports, made to the Missionary Councils, so covering all the requirements before mentioned in the fullest possible way for the triennium. Where necessary, however, reference will be made to the subject matter of the preceding reports.

The accompanying documents are as follows:
I. The volume of reports published after the Missionary Council held in Cincinnati, Ohio, on October 27, 28, and 29, 1896.
II. The corresponding volume published after the Missionary Council held in Milwaukee, Wis., on October 19, 20, and 21, 1897; containing also the proceedings of such Councils.
III. And for the fiscal year 1897-98, in pamphlet form, the following: The Annual Reports on Domestic Missions and on Foreign Missions, to which are appended the reports of the Missionary Bishops and the Bishop of the Church in Haiti, together with such statements as have been received concerning general missionary work from the Bishops of dioceses receiving appropriations from the Society.

The report of the Treasurer for each year will be found appended to the corresponding report of the Board of Managers.

CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP.

The following changes have taken place in the personnel of the Board of Managers elected by the last General Convention: the Rt. Rev. Dr. Nelson S. Rulison died September 1, 1897; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Henry Y. Satterlee was elected October 12, 1897. The Rev. Drs. Satterlee, McVickar, and Brewster retired from membership by reason of, and at the dates of, their consecration to the Episcopate. The following Presbyters were elected to fill the vacancies: the Rev. Dr. John S. Lindsay, September 21, 1897; the Rev. Dr. Reese F. Alsop, December 14, 1897; the Rev. Dr. J. DeWolf Perry, April 12, 1898. Mr. George Bliss died February 2, 1896, and Mr. James J. Goodwin was elected in
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his room April 14, 1896. The vacancy in the Treasurership caused by the death of Mr. Bliss was filled by Mr. George C. Thomas, already a member of the Board, who was elected Treasurer of the Board of Managers and of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, April 14, 1896.

During the last year the following ex-officio members have been added to the Board by reason of their elevation to the Episcopate: the Rt. Rev. Dr. Chauncey B. Brewster, October 28, 1897; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Robert A. Gibson, November 3, 1897; the Rt. Rev. Dr. William N. McVickar, January 27, 1898; the Rt. Rev. Dr. William M. Brown, June 24, 1898; and the following ex-officio members have died: the Rt. Rev. Dr. Charles T. Quintard, February 15, 1898; the Rt. Rev. Dr. William Stevens Perry, May 13, 1898; and the Rt. Rev. Dr. John H. D. Wingfield, July 27, 1898.

VACANCY IN THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT.

In the last report the Board of Managers endeavoured to express its sense of bereavement because of the death of the Rev. Dr. William S. Langford, who for nearly twelve years had filled the office of General Secretary. At the Missionary Council in Milwaukee there was held a commemorative service, participated in by representatives of the whole Church, when the Rev. Dr. William B. Bodine, Dr. Langford's close friend, was the preacher. The form of service set forth by the Bishop of the Diocese and the sermon have been published. In addition to the many expressions of sorrow and sympathy which came during the summer, the Board throughout the autumn and winter was continually in receipt of memorials adopted by boards of missions of dioceses, convocations, societies, and institutions, and from branches of the Woman's Auxiliary at their first meetings after the intelligence reached them, plainly showing the warm place that Dr. Langford had held in the Church's affections. Some of these were from the most distant parts of the earth.

At the Board meeting for December the election of a General Secretary was the special order of the day; whereupon the Rev. Dr. Edwin S. Lines of Connecticut was unanimously declared to be elected. At the next meeting, however, the committee appointed to notify him of his election were obliged to report that Dr. Lines, while deeply impressed with the honour conferred and the high compliment bestowed upon him, had felt constrained to decline the office. At the January meeting the Rt. Rev. Dr. Dudley was nominated with great unanimity, and a minute was adopted addressed to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Kentucky asking that no official objection might be interposed to the Bishop's acceptance of the office of General Secretary until December, 1898; with an assurance that "adequate provision would be made for Episcopal duty in Kentucky in the event of his election." This, together with the courteous reply thereto, has been published. The Bishop of Kentucky was elected in February. At the March meeting a letter from him was submitted declining the election. This letter was printed in the March number of The Spirit of Missions. Whereupon a resolution was adopted asking the Bishop of Kentucky during the existing vacancy in the office of General Secretary to give such time as he could spare to oversee the general work of gathering funds and stirring the wills of the faithful to sufficient gifts, to which the Bishop promptly replied that he had already written to each Bishop of the Church "asking him to make a personal effort to secure an offering for missions before September 1," and concluding, "I will certainly do anything that I can to aid you ... but I cannot be away from my Diocese before June." At the May meeting a preamble and resolution (published in the
May number of The Spirit of Missions) were adopted continuing the committee to nominate a General Secretary with instructions to report a nomination or nominations at the regular meeting of the Board of Managers in November.

Matters Referred.

At the meeting of the Board of Missions in Minneapolis several matters were referred for action by the Board of Managers:

One resolution authorized and requested that the interest accruing from the Missionary Enrolment Fund should be used in the same manner and for the same purposes as during the past three years, and that this action should continue in effect until further instructed by the Board of Missions. At the meeting of November 12, 1895, the Board of Managers directed that the said income should continue to be used for Missionary Bishops' salaries.

In connection with the same fund the Board of Missions empowered and directed the Managers to use so much of the Enrolment Fund as it might deem necessary for the establishment of a school for the education and evangelization of the Coloured People. It was found that there were insuperable objections to such use of the principal under previous action of the Board of Missions, which in effect had made a contract with every contributor to keep the sum intact until the subscriptions paid in should amount to $1,000,000. At the same time the Board asked for further offerings looking to the augmentation of the fund, which request called forth no response. In its report for 1896 the Board said, what is still true, "It is well understood that there are diocesan and local treasurers who have never turned into the general treasury the money in their hands belonging to this fund, although repeatedly called upon to do so by action at the triennial sessions of the Board of Missions."

The income from the United Offering of the Woman's Auxiliary made at Minneapolis was, for the present, devoted by the Board to the salary of the Bishop of the Missionary District of Oklahoma and the Indian Territory.

The instruction of the Board of Missions was that the appropriations to the Coloured Work for the remainder of the fiscal year 1895–96 should be at the rate of $70,000 per annum, but the Board found itself unable in its then fiscal condition to do more than to make appropriations from quarter to quarter, and could not in justice to other portions of the work make an exception in this direction.

A resolution was adopted by the Board of Missions looking to an apportionment of the amount to be raised for General Missions by each Diocese and Jurisdiction. This subject, under the caption "Ways and Means," has been reported upon each year since, and the last Missionary Council adopted a resolution expressing its sincere regret that so many Dioceses have failed to respond to the attempt to obtain more definite pecuniary pledges, and begged very earnestly and respectfully to urge upon the Church at large the desirability of acting in accordance with the resolutions upon this subject adopted by the Board of Managers. Since then the Board has been advised that one additional Diocese has formed an auxiliary board of missions, and four or five Dioceses and Jurisdications have made specific pledges or otherwise taken favorable action.

At the last Missionary Council one further matter was referred which it will be well to report upon here, viz., a preamble and request for an increase of the appropriation to the Missionary District of Oklahoma to at least $5,000, exclusive of the Bishop's salary and travelling expenses. In view of the fact (as before stated) that the income of the "United Offering" had been devoted to its Bishop's salary. It was clearly the intention that the proceeds of the United Offering should be for the
assistance of the Board of Managers and not for that of any particular diocese or jurisdiction. It was the Board’s opinion, however, that the existing appropriation of $1,650 per annum (aside from the Bishop’s salary and travelling expenses) was too small, and at the January meeting it was

Resolved, That while the Board cannot base action upon the memorial from Oklahoma, received through the Missionary Council, yet, because of the exigencies of the case, it hereby increases the appropriation to that district at the rate of $1,000 per annum, from December 1.

THE MISSIONARY CANON.

In Article IV. of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society (Title III., Canon 7), it is first declared that the Missionary Council “shall comprise all of the Bishops of this Church, all the Members of the Board of Managers,” and certain other persons selected by the General Convention, chosen by the Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions, or appointed by the individual Bishops. This would plainly seem to assume that the members of the Board of Managers were to be members of the Council by reason of their office. In the succeeding paragraph, however, the General Convention ties itself up to the appointing of a Board of Managers from the membership of the Council. Formerly the Board of Managers in filling vacancies in its membership was in terms similarly restricted; but at the General Convention in 1892, the words in connection with this, “Provided that the election to fill such vacancies shall be restricted to an election from the members of the Missionary Council,” were stricken out. So it appears that the Convention, while intending to release the Board of Managers from the limitation, left it self-bound.

Very early in the last triennium the question came up before the Board of Managers, whether or not, as the Constitution now reads, it was at liberty to elect to membership to fill a vacancy one who was not a member of the Council. It was, after due consideration, determined to be the wisest course to regard the limitation that the General Convention had placed upon itself in the original selection of members, and all vacancies have been filled from the membership of the Council.

THE CHURCH MISSIONS HOUSE.

In the last triennial report the completion of the Church Missions House and its dedication January 5, 1894, were reported. During the past year, being the first convenient season (since a new building always requires some additional expenditure which, however, has been met by its own income), the Board has carried out its purposes with regard to memorials; a cross has been erected on the central gable in memory of the Rev. Dr. Twing, the expense of which was met by offerings received in memoriam soon after his death, and specifically for such a cross when the plan for a society’s house was first conceived. In the chapel, on either side of the altar, have been placed suitable tablets in memory of the Rev. Drs. Twing and Denison, the two secretaries under the former régime who were longest in service. According to a resolution of the Board adopted before the building was erected, the memory of the first two large givers for it, both now deceased, Marmont B. Edson and his sister, Mary A. Edson, is perpetuated by the Edson Library and the Mary A. Edson Hall, being the Woman’s Auxiliary room, in both of which suitable brasses have been inscribed. The opportunity was embraced to place in the main entrance hall a large plate briefly telling the history of the Missions House, and by the door of the Society’s main office, another, bearing the names of the secretaries since 1835. Also
during the past year, members of the Woman's Auxiliary have over and above all other offerings lovingly contributed a fund to erect in the chapel an altar of quartered oak in memory of the late General Secretary which, in accordance with the wishes of the contributors, is to be dedicated on the morning of All Saints' Day of the present year.

Changing the figures to those of the present time, it is thought well to place upon permanent record in this report the paragraphs regarding this building, published by the Rev. Dr. Langford in June, 1896. It seems especially appropriate since within this year the last subscriptions to the building have been paid in full:

"It should never be forgotten that the Church Missions House was a gift to the Church, and that no missionary money was expended in its construction. Besides affording ample quarters for the accommodation of the Church's General Missionary Society and the Woman's Auxiliary, its chapel, library, and committee rooms serve not only the needs of these organizations, but are found useful for other general Church purposes. The officers of the General Convention have three rooms assigned to them for their use and for the proper keeping of their books, papers, etc. Kindred Church societies have been drawn into the building and find here congenial associations at rents one-third less than are charged to others.

"The portions of the building now rented yield at the rate of $13,900 per annum, against which the expenses of the building, amounting to $10,800, must be charged, leaving a surplus of $3,100 per annum. There still remain unrented rooms of the estimated renting value of $5,935, so that besides giving accommodations to the Society, the Woman's Auxiliary, and the officers of the General Convention, when the building shall be fully rented it should yield a net income to the Society of $9,125.

"The important fact is, that the Church Missions House, being a clear gift to the Society, is not an investment of missionary funds, but, while serving the purpose for which it was given, it will yield some thousands of dollars annually to missions."

MISSIONARY DISTRICTS.

It was recorded last year that the Presiding Bishop had placed the Bishop of The Platte in temporary charge of the Missionary District of Northern California, and the Bishop of Duluth in temporary charge of the Missionary District of North Dakota. These appointments are still in effect, the former because of the continued disability of Bishop Wingfield up to the time of his death, and the latter because it was made "until action shall have been taken by the General Convention in October, 1898, concerning the jurisdiction." The Rt. Rev. Dr. Talbot, having accepted his election to the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, he was, by the Presiding Bishop, also continued in charge of the Missionary Districts of Wyoming and Idaho until his successor or successors should be chosen. The Board of Managers has taken occasion to publicly recognize the additional labours so zealously and efficiently performed by the two Bishops mentioned first in fields in which previously they had had no personal responsibility or official interest. Liberal provision was made in all three cases for the extra expenses which came to the Bishops.

At the meeting last February the attention of the Board of Managers was called to the fact that on the 9th of January, 1898, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Hare had completed twenty-five years of service as a Missionary Bishop. Whereupon the Bishop of New York, the Rev. Dr. Vibbert, and Mr. Thomas were appointed to take appropriate action. Two months later they were "authorized to proceed in the preparation of a
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report, including the suggestion that a portion of the time shall be
devoted in the Board of Missions to a celebration of this event.” It is
understood that the committee of the General Convention have acceded
to this proposition, and in their arrangement of an order of business for
the Board, have reserved time on the second day of its session.

EPISCOPAL JURISDICTION IN JAPAN.

In the last triennial report the subject of conflicting jurisdiction in
Japan of the Bishops of the English and American Churches was
spoken of as having been adjusted. It is believed that the arrangement
then referred to has been the best that was possible under the circum­
stances. At the March meeting, however, a letter was submitted from
the Bishop of Tokyo, who, desiring to settle permanently all questions
of Episcopal jurisdiction, enclosed a letter addressed to him by the
standing committee of the jurisdiction with the request that it might be
brought before the Board of Managers to “ascertain whether it will
consent to the transfer of our Osaka work to the English Bishop in the
event of his withdrawal from Tokyo,” the Bishop remarking:

“We have claim by prior occupancy, to both cities, but for the sake
of peace and progress I am ready personally to leave Osaka if we can
do away with concurrent jurisdiction in Tokyo. Transfer of the work
does not necessarily carry with it transfer of property.”

This proposition is precisely what was understood to be agreed to
some years ago between the two Churches represented respectively by
the then Archbishop of Canterbury and the then Bishop of Ohio; but
the property interests of each Church meanwhile have largely increased
in both cities. Thereupon it was

Resolved, That the subject be referred to the Bishop of Albany for
further correspondence, with the expression of the opinion on behalf of
this Board that if it can be arranged by the new English Bishop to take
the title of Bishop of Osaka, it would help in its judgment to solve the
present difficulties; and that the further details regarding property, etc.,
in Tokyo and Osaka, be left with the Bishop of Albany with a view to
his bringing the matter before the House of Bishops.

This seems to be the proper place to inform the Board of Missions that
there has been a decided movement in the field to induce the House of
Bishops to set apart as a missionary district the Diocese of the Japan
Church known as Kyoto and to elect for it a Bishop. At the convoca­
tion of the Mission held in Tokyo last April the Rev. J. Lindsay Patton
and Dr. Henry Laning were elected delegates to the General Convention,
and they were charged with presenting this matter to the attention of
those in proper authority providing the Kyoto Synod (Japanese) should
approve the project “by a good majority vote.” This the synod did.
The Missionary Bishop of Tokyo now has jurisdiction over two Japan
Church Dioceses which are separated by three hundred miles.

At the convocation before mentioned Bishops McKim and Williams,
the Rev. Messrs. Woodman and Patton, and Dr. Laning were appointed
“to draw up a memorial to the House of Bishops requesting them to
take some action looking toward a change in the method of electing
Foreign Missionary Bishops by which nominations may be made by some
body which can meet whenever necessary during the recesses of the

PRESBYTER FOR MEXICO.

It will be remembered that at its last meeting the Board of Missions
commended the work of the Mexican Episcopal Church and recom­
mended to the Board of Managers the appointment of the Rev. Henry
Forrester to act as counsellor and guide of our brethren in Mexico, pro-
viding, however, that his support and other expenses which might be incurred should be "only to the extent of special contributions received for that purpose." Upon the recommendation of the Presiding Bishop, Mr. Forrester has been reappointed each year, the Board using in its resolution, with only the change of dates necessary, the form which has served the purpose for a long time, which concludes with the words: "Provided that this Board is not responsible for his salary unless from funds especially contributed for Mexico." Until the last year, upon each recurrence of Mr. Forrester's appointment, his salary was kindly guaranteed by a responsible member of the Board, who by reason of change in his official station is no longer able to continue the pledge. In consequence the Board regrets to say that Mr. Forrester has received his stipend very irregularly. It is no less glad to record, however, that he was paid in full to the close of the fiscal year.

THE GREEK MISSION.

Miss Marion Muir, who since the resignation of Dr. and Mrs. Hill in 1867 has been the most efficient head of the Greek Mission school, died suddenly on August 15. Through the kindness of the American Minister and the United States Consul at Athens, arrangements were made for her funeral, and the Vice-Consul has been put in charge of the Society's affairs.

At its September meeting the Board of Managers determined to finally close the school and terminate the work. This is by no means, however, a hasty decision. So long ago as in 1884, when Mrs. Hill died, the Foreign Committee stated officially that the work which the Board of Missions undertook in Greece in 1829 was accomplished. When it was undertaken in the full sympathy of this then young republic for the country which had just won its independence of Turkish rule and oppression, education in that kingdom was at the lowest possible ebb. The lips of the Priests even did not keep knowledge, while now the opportunities for free education are abundant. It has been recognized by those high in authority in Greece that Dr. and Mrs. Hill's methods furnished the model for the public schools there to-day. A power of attorney will be issued to the United States Vice-Consul, to close up the affairs of the Mission, all matters in connection with which will be equitably adjusted, inquiries having already been instituted as to what equity or even generosity demands in the final settlement with the staff of assistants, and especially with those who have served for a long time. Some months ago, in accordance with the judgment of Miss Muir and of those of whom she took advice, a power of attorney was issued to the American Minister and Consul to sell, on behalf of the Society, the old property near the gate of the Agora. No arrangements have as yet been made looking to the sale of the new estate purchased by Miss Muir near the Church Prophet Elias.

NEW MISSION FIELDS.

It can only be positively stated at this time that by reason of the action of the Congress, approved by the President of the United States, Hawaii has become United States territory, as Porto Rico will become also such territory upon the conclusion of the treaty of peace with Spain. What will occur with regard to Cuba, the Philippines, and one or more of the Ladrone Islands is premature to say. It is certain, however, that the accession of territory means increased missionary responsibility. The new islands will doubtless increase in population by immigration from older parts of the Union, and in the more distant islands of the Pacific, according to the best information obtainable, there are yet many thousands of the inhabitants who have not received the Gospel.
Questions that may arise with regard to Hawaii are different from those that will come to the front with respect to other localities. Since 1861 the English Church has been represented there by a Bishop, a small staff of clergy, and by one or more educational institutions in Honolulu and elsewhere. The Bishop has approached the Board of Managers more than once for assistance in his work, but, following its consistent policy, it has been unwilling to enter where the English Church had already undertaken work, but of course this refers to Foreign Fields. The work in Hawaii is now Domestic missions. Last autumn Bishop Willis addressed the Board, reciting that, in consequence of the mooting of the question of the annexation of the Hawaiian Islands to the United States, the work of the Anglican Church therein had been so seriously affected that he trusted the Board of Managers would recognize that they have some claim on it for assistance, especially since the educational work had lost more than one thousand dollars a year from grants made by the previous government of the Islands. The matter was duly considered by the Advisory Committee, and upon their report, at the stated meeting in January, the Board adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That in view of the unsettled relations of the republic of Hawaii with this country the Board of Managers deems it unwise to take any action upon the proposition of the Bishop of Honolulu.

CHILDREN’S LENTEN OFFERING.

The Missionary Council in Milwaukee, when expressing to the children of the Church its grateful appreciation of their self-denial and generosity, requested the Board of Managers “to consider the desirability of specifying some object or objects for the children’s offering in memory of the late Rev. Dr. Langford, who was always their loving and trustful friend.” As the sole intention of the Lenten Offering plan was to help the Board in meeting its financial engagements, it seemed very difficult to single out any one purpose or even several objects to which the result of this effort should be specifically applied. It was therefore determined that the effort itself should be the memorial, and at the November meeting it was

Resolved, That the American Church Sunday-School Institute be invited to co-operate with the local Sunday-School Institutes throughout the United States in actively advancing the purpose of the Board of Managers to make the coming Lenten Offering of the Church for General Missions up to the amount of $100,000 as a memorial of the late General Secretary, and in remembrance of his desire that their annual contributions at Easter should reach that sum.

The co-operation thus sought was effectively obtained, and largely because of it and because of the efforts of the Rev. Herman L. Duhring, as well as because of the general desire to testify affection for the late executive officer of this Board, the total amount received was $81,761.09 from 3,631 Sunday schools, being in excess of last year $18,599.99, or $5,641.50 ahead of the largest annual contribution from this source, which was in the year of the Columbian Exposition. The gain in the number of schools participating over last year is 401, and over any other year 230. The Board was able to command without expense to itself the services of the Rev. Mr. Duhring to represent it in making addresses throughout the West and elsewhere, with a view of increasing this offering through the kindness of its treasurer. Mr. Duhring met with the heartiest welcome everywhere and much interest was manifested in the cause which he was presenting. Testimony to this effect came constantly from Bishops and others residing in those parts of the country through which he passed.

Mr. Thomas has stated that an analysis of the returns shows that scholars west of the Mississippi contributed at the rate of twenty-three
and a half cents each while those east of that river gave but seventeen
and a half cents each, although in Pennsylvania and in Minnesota they
averaged forty cents each.

The Board has faith to believe that the one hundred thousand dollar
mark can yet be reached.

RECOGNIZED AUXILIARIES.

On June 10 last the Board of Managers formally recognized the Junior
Auxiliary Publishing Company, incorporated in the State of Connecticut,
with its office in Hartford, as an auxiliary of the Board of Missions. No
financial aid or responsibility was asked. The remaining auxiliaries are
as heretofore reported, viz., the Woman's Auxiliary, the American Church
Building Fund Commission, the American Church Missionary Society,
and the Church Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews.
The reports of these several societies as received will be submitted to the
Board of Missions.

The Woman's Auxiliary of course occupies a unique position among
them, it being in a certain sense distinctively the woman's department of
the Society. It having been organized by the Board of Missions, its offi-
cers being elected by the Board of Managers, and its central expenditures
being defrayed from the general treasury. It is full of good works which
are multiplied year by year. With its notable united offerings at the
triennial meetings it has already among other things erected a church at
Anvik, Alaska, and endowed the salary of a Missionary Bishop, and it is
now proposing, by the offering to be made in Washington, to send forth
many more women labourers into the several departments of the great
missionary field. When the Bishops and other missionaries sent off by
this Church, far and near, are at a loss how to gain what they need for
the ongoing of their work in this particular or that, they always find a
willing ear for their representations when they write to the Woman's
Auxiliary. It has been said, and it well bears repeating: It is increas-
ingly true that woman's faith and prayer, her love and self-sacrificing
liberality lead the way in every good work in the name of Christ.

Besides keeping up their pledges for the support of missionaries and
scholarships, the erection of buildings and what not, during the past
year the Auxiliary has brought into the Treasury three thousand dollars
from a lady of Western New York for the salary of the Bishop of North
Dakota, which she hopes to continue annually during her life, and in the
report of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, thirteen thousand dollars is recorded
as given for Alaska and new buildings in Africa.

From the report of its secretary it appears that the total amount of
money contributions through this agency for the past fiscal year has
been $222,145.79, of which $115,452.97 was disbursed without coming
into the central treasury. The amounts applied toward aiding the Board
in meeting its appropriations were as follows: For Domestic Missions,
$34,129.55; for Foreign Missions, $33,119.15. The amount distributed
through the Treasurer of the Board for "specials," i.e., purposes not
covered by such appropriations, were for the Domestic field, $13,616.81;
for the Foreign field, $17,461.63. In addition to these sums, boxes of
clothing and supplies have been sent to missionaries and institutions
which, in the aggregate, were estimated to reach the value of $180,359.82.

COMMISSION ON WORK AMONG THE COLOURED PEOPLE.

At the first meeting of the Board after the adjournment of the Board
of Missions in Minneapolis, in pursuance of its instructions, the Com-
mision on work among the Coloured People was constituted as fol-
Leonard; the Rev. Drs. McKim, Beverly D. Tucker, Winchester, and
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McVicar; Henry E. Pellew and Joseph Bryan, Esq., the Hon. J. C. Bancroft Davis, and John A. Kin~ Mr. John Wilkes. Subsequently the Rev. Dr. Alexander Crummell was elected, so completing the number of Presbyters and giving a seat in the Commission to a member of the coloured race. He recently departed this life. Bishop Satterlee subsequently took the place of Bishop Paret, upon his resignation. No one has been chosen to fill the vacancy caused by the elevation of Dr. McVicar to the Episcopate. Henry E. Pellew, Esq., has been the Acting Secretary of the Commission throughout the triennium, save during the term of a visit to England, when the place was filled temporarily by the Rev. Dr. Beverly D. Tucker.

The action of the Board of Managers with regard to the annual appropriation for Coloured Missions has already been explained. For the fiscal year 1898-99, it has been continued, as for the two years before, at $57,920, including an item of $3,100 for agency service, travelling expenses, etc. This provision, however, was not drawn upon during the last two years. Since the Secretary serves without remuneration and the Society’s Treasurer receives and disburse the money, the Commission as such has had no central expenses.

PUBLICATIONS.

One indication of interest in missionary affairs is the attention that has been given to the publications of the Board in recent years, both in public gatherings like the Board of Missions and the Missionary Council, and in the columns of the Church press. While many of the criticisms have been of an unfavorable character, many more have been strongly in the way of approval, and some of these from a number of the prominent Bishops, Presbyters, and Laymen of the Church. There could hardly be better evidence that these periodicals are read, and for that the Board is duly thankful.

The circulation of THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS is about 400 more than was reported three years ago. The issue of the last number was 10,482. The total circulation of the last issues of THE YOUNG CHRISTIAN SOLDIER was 51,500, of which 39,000 were of the Monthly and 12,500 of the Weekly. It has rather more than held its own during the past year, but as compared with the last Triennial Report there is a loss of some 10,000 on the aggregate circulation. It is greatly to be regretted that these publications cannot have a much more extensive distribution. Many attempts have been made to enlarge the lists, but nothing in the way of permanency in that direction has heretofore been secured. The Board, however, is giving renewed attention to this matter. At the May meeting a committee was appointed to consider whether any changes can be made to increase the circulation of our missionary publications. The committee have not reported. The QUARTERLY MESSAGE has a more numerous clientele than the Board’s magazine, partly because it is much cheaper and partly because it is used on occasions, as the present number is, to carry the order of business or programme of official missionary gatherings. Of its four issues of the last year 105,000 were distributed.

That the people are in pursuit of information is abundantly proved by the fact that upon the call of rectors and others the Board has sent out for gratuitous distribution 73,600 copies of the several reports for last year, i.e., Board, Domestic and Foreign, and 1,088,000 pages of miscellaneous printed matter.

APPROPRIATIONS.

The particulars of the appropriations for Domestic and Foreign Missions for the three preceding years have been reported, save that it was found necessary during the year last closed to make certain additions by reason of force of circumstances in both departments, involving an
expenditure of about $20,000, and increasing the total annual budget to nearly $511,000, the largest amount the Board has obligated itself for in any year. At the meetings of May and June appropriations were made for the fiscal year 1898-99, upon which we have now entered, aggregating $493,840, which amount will be increased inevitably by exigencies which will arise.

At the meeting of the Board in May last, while this general subject was under consideration, the adoption of the following resolution was proposed:

Resolved. That, beginning with a date not earlier than September 1, 1900, no further appropriations be made by the Board for work in organized Dioceses, but that all appropriations be made to Missionary Jurisdictions.

Pending decisive action upon the foregoing, a motion was introduced that the resolution be "referred to the Board of Missions at its meeting in October," which prevailed. The question is therefore respectfully submitted.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT.**

The gross receipts of the Society for the fiscal year, which ended August 31 (including those for "Specials" and miscellaneous purposes), amounted to $770,946.99.

Analyzing this statement: The contributions for the work undertaken by the Board were $402,540.74; the total amount received from legacies, designated by the testators either for Domestic or Foreign Missions, or for the use of the Society, was $92,615.50. The total amount, therefore, at the disposal of the Board was $495,156.24, of which by its action the further sum of $15,706.31, received from the estate, was added to the "Ann Eliza Tweddle Deposit" to protect outstanding liabilities, leaving to be applied to the payment of appropriations $479,447.93.

A comparison of the foregoing figures with those of the previous year show an increase in every item, viz., for Domestic Missions, $19,598.14; for Foreign Missions, $10,623.42; for General Missions, $14,294.25; or a total increase of $44,516.81. The number of parishes and missions which contributed to the work of this Society during the fiscal year was 3,722, or 275 more than the year before. The number contributing, moreover, and the Church offerings are larger than in any previous year. The year was closed without debt.

In addition to the foregoing receipts, legacies to the amount of $57,975 were taken into the books during the year, which, according to the terms of the several wills, were permanently invested.

The cost of administering the affairs of the Society, and of making the work known to the Church was six and nine-tenths per cent of the receipts for missions, or five and six-tenths per cent of all the receipts by the Treasurer, including subscriptions for the stated publications and money received for miscellaneous purposes.

The Treasurer's reports are appended.

By order and in behalf of the Board of Managers.

O. W. WHITAKER,
GEORGE WILLIAMSON SMITH,
ALFRED MILLS,
JOSHUA KIMBER,

Special Committee.

CHURCH MISSIONS HOUSE,
Fourth Avenue and Twenty-second Street,
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REPORT OF THE BISHOP OF NEW MEXICO AND ARIZONA,
COMMISSARY OF THE PRESIDING BISHOP, OF HIS VISIT
TO THE CHURCH IN MEXICO, 1898.

My visit to the Republic of Mexico was made early this year on account
of the General Convention, from May 23 to July 22.

At San Pedro Mártir, fourteen were confirmed, presented by the Pres­
byter Bustamente. Services are held in a room given up for the purpose
and for a school, by a member of the congregation. This congregation
has lost its chapel, which was built on private property. A lot has been
bought for a new building.

At Puebla, three were confirmed; two of these were presented by the
Rev. Mr. Forrester at the English service, and one by the Presbyter Perez
at the Spanish service. A large class was confirmed here in November,
and consequently the number at this visit was small. We have succeeded
in retaining our room in the hospital of San Pedro. Nothing of impor­
tance can be done without property of our own. A building such as we
need cannot be rented for any price.

At Tizayuca, six were confirmed, presented by the Presbyter Busta­
mente. People from Xoloc and Huitzila attended the service, and some
from each place were confirmed. Services have been removed into the
town; they are held in a private house.

At Xochitenco, eight were confirmed, presented by the Presbyter
Bustamente. There is a large school here.

At Humíln, seven were confirmed, presented by the Presbyter Salinas.
This is one of our most faithful congregations. The people are very
poor. The chapel is a small building, ten by eighteen, with no light
except from the door. It can be enlarged at about a cost of eighty dol­
sars, the people contributing the work. The chancel arrangements were
primitive; my episcopal chair was an organ box.

At the hacienda of Debedé two were confirmed, presented by the
Presbyter Salinas, grandsons of Don Ignacio Guerrero, one of the
original reformers in this region, who died a few years ago.

A service was held at Encluillas. There were no candidates for con­
firmanm. This congregation has dwindled by removals and deaths.
Ten of the children are in the schools in the City of Mexico.

At La Ventana nine were confirmed, presented by the Presbyter Salinas.

At San José de Gracia, City of Mexico, twelve were confirmed, and
afterwards five from this congregation at the chapel of the Dean Gray
School, presented by the Presbyter Orihuela.

At the Orphanage School, City of Mexico (Colegio María Josefina
Hooker), seven were confirmed, presented by the Rev. Mr. Forrester.
Seventy-three were confirmed for the Mexican congregations at this
visit. The total number confirmed at the five visits I have made
has been 848.

On Wednesday, July 6, at the chapel of the Orphanage, I ordered
deacons Luis Yarza Caballero and Miguel Leobardo Camara, who were
presented by the Presbyter Orihuela. The Rev. Mr. Forrester preached the sermon.

The annual meeting of the Synod was held during my visit. It was harmonious and enthusiastic. A strong disposition was manifested to make the Church self-supporting as soon as possible. A scheme was adopted to form clubs in each parish, to pledge a certain amount every week, to be collected by a chief, and to be presented at the offertory at Holy Communion. The reports showed 113 baptisms since the last Synod. The offerings of the congregations since the last Synod, including what has been given for schools, have amounted to at least $1,300.

The Mexican Episcopal Church has now seven Presbyters and seven Deacons.

It is a pity that the career of the Mexican Church should be checked for want of funds. For not a single month since the last Synod has money enough come in to pay the schedule. Five of the Clergy have been compelled to go into secular life, and two or three others expect to help themselves in part. The clergy are giving evidence of their devotion. They are working well and receiving very little.

At the Orphanage School, of which Miss Driggs is the directress, Miss Dodd has resigned in order to pursue her studies and to perfect herself as a teacher. Miss Beckwith has returned to the East. She came out for her health, and stayed for over a year at a nominal salary, and did good service. Miss Maury has succeeded her as Miss Driggs's assistant.

Three of the girls of the school are being utilized as teachers. Miss Forrester has general superintendence of the educational work.

During this visit I lived at the Dean Gray School. The Presbyter Orihuela is the Prefect. He is a good student, a good thinker, and has good judgment. He has been placed in charge of the city church. He was elected President of the Standing Committee at the Synod, but preferred to continue as Secretary.

With work and worry enough to make a man old before his time, the Rev. Mr. Forrester is patiently working out the problem of this Mexican Church. At the Orphanage School, with admirable conscientiousness and efficiency, Miss Driggs and Miss Forrester are contributing to the solution of the problem. The best thing that I can do for this field is to tell the Church at home how well the work is being done, and to urge continued and unstinted support.

There was the opportunity to do more for English-speaking people at this visit than there has been before.

Three Sundays were given to Christ Church, City of Mexico. On the first Sunday after my arrival, I opened the new church. It is a fine stone building, and well represents the Reformed Church in this Roman city. There is a large debt on Christ Church, and it could not be consecrated. It is hoped that assistance to pay the debt will be received from the United States, Great Britain, and Canada. These countries are all represented in the congregation. The Rev. Edward Charles Cree, M. A., is the rector of the parish. He has asked to be received into the American Church. Christ Church has placed itself under the Provisional Bishop of the Mexican Episcopal Church, but is not associated with its Synod. On my second Sunday with this parish, I confirmed a class of twenty.

I spent three days, including a Sunday, at Monterey. The Rev. G. Q. A. Rose, from San Antonio, Texas, took charge of this congregation in August, 1897. He found twenty communicants and forty-two confirmed persons. It is hoped that a lot can soon be bought and a modest Church building erected. Monterey, the capital of the State of Nuevo Leon, has about seventy-five thousand inhabitants and is one of the most progressive cities of the Republic. It contains, perhaps, the larg-
est American colony in Mexico, said to number two thousand. It is a clean, healthful place, rapidly increasing in population and wealth, and is destined to be of considerable importance from its large mining and smelting interests.

I spent part of a day and had an evening service at Torreon, on the Mexican Central Railroad. I was the guest of Mrs. Alina V. De Coster, who is an enthusiastic Church woman, and has fitted up a room in her house for a chapel. I was assisted at this service by the Rev. Le Roy S. Bates, of Eagle Pass, Texas, who has visited the place several times before. Torreon has a population of seven or eight thousand, with three hundred English-speaking people. There are a few families, and a few individuals outside of families, who belong to us, and a number of others who are favourably inclined. The town has grown phenomenally within the last few years. There is no religious organization of any name for the English-speaking people. The Rev. Mr. Bates will try to come here occasionally, and I shall try to visit the place once or twice during the year.

At Chihuahua, I spent a day in going, when I confirmed one candidate, and a day in returning, when I arranged for services here on some Sunday after my return from General Convention.

English-speaking people are to be found in thousands in the northern states of the Republic of Mexico, interested in railroads, electric-light plants, foundries, and machine-shops. Monterey, Tampico, San Luis Potosi, Durango, Torreon, Saltillo, Chihuahua, are places that should receive our attention.

J. MILLS KENDRICK,
Commissary of the Provisional Bishop.

PHOENIX, ARIZONA, July 27, 1898.
APPENDIX II. — 4.

REPORTS OF BISHOPS IN CHARGE OF CONGREGATIONS ON THE CONTINENT OF EUROPE.

I. REPORT OF THE BISHOP OF ALBANY.

In the year 1896, I visited several Churches in Europe, and, besides preaching and officiating in other services, administered Confirmation, as follows:

February 12, in Florence, six persons.
February 23, in St. Paul's Church, Rome, five persons.
March 1, in St. James's Church, Florence, seven persons.
March 15, in the Church of the Holy Spirit, Nice, six persons.
March 18, in Emmanuel Church, Geneva, four persons.
March 22, in St. John's Church, Dresden, fourteen persons (two having been confirmed for me by Bishop Wilkinson).
April 7, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Paris, fifteen persons.
Total number of confirmations, fifty-nine.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE,
Bishop in charge.

II. CONFIRMATIONS HELD BY THE BISHOP OF PITTSBURGH IN 1897.

May 13, in St. Paul's Church, Rome, two persons.
May 23, in St. James's Church, Florence, five persons.
June 6, in Emmanuel Church, Geneva, nine persons.
June 20, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Paris, thirteen persons.
Total number of confirmations, twenty-nine.

CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD,
Bishop of Pittsburgh.

III. REPORT OF THE BISHOP OF OHIO.

On July 10, 1897, the Rt. Rev. Dr. John Williams, Bishop of Connecticut and Presiding Bishop, by the hands of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Wm. C. Doane, Bishop of Albany, his Assessor, assigned to me the Episcopal charge of the American Churches and Congregations on the Continent of Europe.

As the Churches in Southern Europe had been visited by the Bishop of Pittsburgh in May, it was necessary for me to make visitations in Central Europe only. Consequently I held services in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Paris; St. Luke's Chapel, Paris; St. John's Church, Dresden; Christ Church, Lucerne; and at our Mission in Munich.

It is my intention, God willing, to make an official visitation on the Continent this coming winter.

For St. Paul's Church, Rome, the Rev. Dr. Nevin has raised sufficient money to add to the beautiful adornments of his noble edifice, and this summer a fine pipe organ has been put in place, and other important improvements made.

A Convocation of our American Clergy in Europe was summoned, which met at Nice, last May, under the presidency of the Rev. Dr. Nevin, who is present at this Convention as the chosen representative of his brethren.

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The Church of the Holy Trinity, Paris, is a great power for righteousness, and beautifully sets forth the worship of the Church. The Rev. Richard Hayward is associated with Dr. Morgan in ministration to our American Colony at the French capital. The Church school, under the patronage of the Rev. Dr. Morgan, I had the pleasure of inspecting. It furnishes an admirable opportunity for the training of our daughters under refining influences. The work of the Rev. S. K. Kelly has been taken by the Rev. Isaac Van Winkle, and is a most interesting mission for our American artists in the Latin quarter.

The work of the Rev. T. F. Caskey, at St. John's Church, Dresden, is of significant importance. He has built up a strong organization, and ministers lovingly to an appreciative constituency. The valuable property which has been accumulated was embarrassed by an annoying debt; but by his vigorous endeavours it has been reduced to the sum of five thousand dollars.

The Rev. E. C. Houghton has relinquished the mission at Munich. He did a faithful work, without compensation, for over a year. There are several hundred students in the art, medical, and musical schools of this fair city, who deserve our Church's oversight; but there is not sufficient income to pay a clergyman's salary.

At Lucerne, we occupy a church in common with the old Catholics, and during the summer season the Rev. Henry F. Allen is in charge. I held sessions with the local Committee, and added to their number. Mr. Allen assists the rector of St. Paul's Church in Rome during the winter.

The written reports which I have received from the Rev. Wm. S. Adamson, rector of the Church of the Holy Spirit in Nice, and the Rev. H. A. Venables, rector of St. James Church, Florence, indicate material improvements, the maintenance of regular and valued services, and the wholesome condition of their cures.

The Rev. Percy Gordon has resigned Emmanuel Church, Geneva, and the Rev. F. G. Burgess has been invited to take his place.

In Vienna there does not seem to be reason for an American chapel. I might call attention to the fact that conference was held last summer with the Rt. Rev. Bishop Wilkinson and the Bishop of Albany, by which it was understood that no sort of rivalry should exist between the English congregations and our own on the Continent, it being much better to support one strong English-speaking Church than two feeble and struggling efforts. In Berlin, at least one half of the support of the English church comes from our American residents, and I understand that the ministrations of the chaplain to our people are faithful and acceptable.

I confirmed in St. John's Church, Dresden, six persons, and in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Paris, two persons, making the whole number confirmed in three years in our Churches on the Continent, ninety-nine.

The parochial reports prepared by the clergy have been received and filed.

WILLIAM ANDREW LEONARD.

Bishop in charge.

STATISTICS OF AMERICAN CHURCHES ON THE CONTINENT OF EUROPE FROM 1895 TO 1898.

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APPENDIX II. — 5.

EIGHTH TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE BISHOP OF HAITI TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

The triennial visitation of all the stations in the Northern, Southern, and Western Departments of Haiti were made at intervals of pastoral duties in the parish of Holy Trinity in Port au Prince, during the period from May, 1895, to June, 1896.

In October of the latter year the Bishop attended the Missionary Council held in Cincinnati, Ohio.

In February, 1898, he visited the parish of Holy Trinity at San Pedro de Macon's in the neighbouring Republic of Dominica, which had been taken in union with the Convocation of the Church of Haiti, by its action at its session in August, 1896, and placed under the Episcopal Jurisdiction of the Bishop of the Church in Haiti.

The systematic plan of making contributions to the treasury of the Society, discussed in the Missionary Council in 1896, and recommended by the Board of Managers, was put into execution in this Jurisdiction by the initiative of the Bishop in 1896 and 1897, and finally adopted by the Convocation of the Church as obligatory on all our congregations. One hundred dollars were fixed as the minimum sum to be annually contributed from this Jurisdiction.

A more detailed statement of the above items is contained in the Annual Reports of the Bishop to the Board of Managers covering the period from 1895 to 1898.

The tabulated statistics of the triennium, accompanying the present report, set forth the Episcopal and pastoral work, together with parochial contributions during this period throughout the Jurisdiction.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES THEODORE HOLLY,
Bishop of the Church in Haiti.
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JAMES THEODORE HOLLY,
Bishop of Haiti.
APPENDIX II. — 6.

AMERICAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND COMMISSION.

[The report of the Committee appointed to consider the eighteenth Annual Report of the Commission to the Board of Missions may be found on p. 403.]

President.—The Rt. Rev. John Williams, D.D., LL.D.


Secretary.—Gen. James Grant Wilson.

Corresponding Secretary.—The Rev. J. Newton Perkins, Church Missions House, New York.

Treasurer.—Mr. George C. Thomas, Church Missions House, New York.

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The Rev. Dr. Henry Anstice ....................................... Pennsylvania.
The Rev. Dr. Edmund D. Cooper ................................... Long Island.
The Rev. Dr. Alexander Mackay-Smith .............................. Washington.
The Rev. Dr. David H. Greer .................................... New York.
The Rev. Dr. Reese F. Alsop ..................................... Long Island.
The Rev. Douglas O. Kelley ....................................... California.
The Rev. Charles E. Woodcock ..................................... Connecticut.
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Mr. Robert Treat Paine ........................................... Massachusetts.
Mr. William H. Lightner ........................................... Minnesota.
Mr. Alfred Mills ................................................... Newark.
Mr. John Wilkes ................................................... North Carolina.
Mr. James Houghteling ............................................ Chicago.

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Central New York .......................................... " P. N. Maxe ............ J. R. Van Wagener.
Central Pennsylvania ........................................ " M. A. Tolman ............ Eckley B. Coxe, Jr.
Chicago .............................................. " B. F. Fleetwood, D. D. ............................ Emory Cobb.
Delaware ............................................. " Edwin Wickens .......... R. Morgan, Jr.
East Carolina .......................................... " H. A. Henry ............... Horace Burr.
Florida ............................................. " B. G. White ................ Wm. S. Walker.
Fond du Lac ........................................ " L. D. Hopkins .......... C. A. Gallaway.

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At the triennial meeting of the Church Building Fund Commission held in Washington, October 12, 1888, the following Board of Trustees was elected to serve until the next General Convention:

The Rev. Thomas A. Stacey, D.D., Mr. William G. Low,
The Rev. John Scandinivid, D.D., Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt,
The Rev. Walton W. Battershall, D.D., Mr. James Grant Wilson,
The Rev. Anthony Schuyler, D.D., Mr. Henry E. Pierceport,
The Rev. Edmund D. Cooper, D.D., Mr. John N. Cardwell,
The Rev. T. Gardiner Lellouche, D.D., Mr. Everett F. Wheeler,
The Rev. William M. Grosvenor, O.P., Mr. Frederick E. Hyde,
The Rev. Philip A. H. Brown, Mr. Douglas Merriett,
Mr. Wm. M. Franklin.
APPENDIX III.—1.

TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States:

The Trustees of the General Theological Seminary have the honour to present this, their Triennial Report, in compliance with the second Article of the Constitution.

For the details of the proceedings of the Board since the last meeting of the General Convention, they beg leave to refer to the printed documents which are herewith transmitted.

I. PROPERTY AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The property and financial condition of the Seminary, as reported at the last Annual Meeting of the Trustees, was as follows:

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PERSONAL PROPERTY.

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Bond of M. A. de Balaine, secured by mortgage, @ 4%, on 448 Sixth Avenue... 14,000 00 14,000 00
Bond of W. H. Lane, secured by mortgage, @ 4%, on 66 West 96th Street... 10,000 00 10,000 00
Bond of A. S. Williams, secured by mortgage, @ 5%, on 363 West 31st Street... 600 00 600 00
Bond of C. B. McCarthy, secured by mortgage, @ 4%, on 448 Sixth Avenue...
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**Total Trust Funds**: $1,280,986.97
### APPENDIX III.

The amount of contributions from the several Dioceses to May 1, 1898, is as follows:

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| Total            | $1,624,754.43    | $451,360.13 | $2,076,114.56      |

### INSTRUCTION.

In October, 1896, the Rev. Professor Walpole resigned the Chair of Dogmatic Theology that he might accept the office of Principal of Bede Training College in Durham, England. He had occupied the Chair for seven and a half years, leaving a deep impression upon the character of all the students who had attended his classes. His resignation was sincerely regretted by both Faculty and students. The Rev. John
Charles Roper, M.A., Rector of St. Thomas's Church, Toronto, Canada, was elected to succeed him, and accepted the Professorship on the 1st of May, 1897.

The Rev. Andrew Oliver, D.D., "Glorvina R. Hoffman Professor of the Literature and Interpretation of the New Testament," departed this life on Sunday, October 17, 1897. For more than twenty-four years he had filled the Chair of Biblical Learning with eminent ability and to the entire satisfaction of the authorities of the Seminary and the students under his charge. He continued in the active discharge of the duties of his Chair up to the last week of his life. His exact scholarship and striking power as a devout expositor of God's Holy Word compelled all with whom he had to do to look up to him as a Master in Israel, while his unvarying courtesy in his dealings with those with whom he came in contact, even when holding views he could not accept, endeared him to all hearts. Holding with unquestioned loyalty to the Catholic Faith, as this Church hath received the same, a singular modesty always marked the expression of opinions which he sought to impress upon others.

The duties of his Chair during the remainder of the year were discharged by the Rev. Professor Selby and the Rev. Charles S. Lewis, one of the Fellows. At the annual meeting, held May 25, 1898, the Rev. Isbon T. Beckwith, D.D., Professor of Greek in Trinity College, was elected to the Chair vacated by the death of the Rev. Dr. Oliver.

In May last the Rev. Dr. Randall C. Hall, D.D., "Clement C. Moore Professor of the Hebrew and Greek languages," tendered the resignation of his Professorship. He had filled the post of Instructor in Hebrew for two years, 1879 to 1881, and for twenty-seven years the Professor's Chair. During all these years he had devoted himself with unflagging assiduity to the duties of his office. He has been granted one year's leave of absence and then appointed Professor Emeritus with a pension for the remainder of his life. The Rev. Charles N. Shepard was elected to succeed him as Instructor in the Hebrew and Greek languages, and entered upon his duties at the beginning of the present Academic year.

The Committee on a recent Annual Examination of the students bore the following testimony to the satisfactory character of the instruction given to the students:

"We are rejoiced to be able to say that we have had conclusive evidence of the fact that the work, both of the Professors and the students, is on a higher plane than ever before. Never in our experience, and some of us have served on the Committee for many years, have we seen so much to encourage us in our fondest hopes for the future of the Seminary. Everywhere progress is evident. A new spirit seems to have been infused into both instructors and students. We were greatly impressed by the papers submitted to the students by the Professors in several departments. They were enough in themselves to awaken the interest and stimulate the mind of any student.

"In the department of Music we noticed a very great advance. Enormous progress has been made. The instructor has succeeded at last in commanding the respectful attention of the students, and his instruction has been evidently of a very practical and helpful character. There was not the slightest trace of the flippancy which, a few years ago, marred so many of the students' papers in this department.

"In Hebrew, we found abundant proof of the same careful, minute, painstaking instruction which has characterized the work of its Professor for so many years. We doubt whether any other Seminary gives so much time and attention to this department.

"The papers on the Old Testament were the best proof of the wisdom shown in the foundation of the Chair. The students have profited largely by the work of their Professor. The Old Testament has become
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a living book. Its characters and its stories have become familiar to them, and their attention has been called wisely to the importance of a knowledge of Jewish antiquities and history.

"In Ecclesiastical Polity we were impressed again by the clearness and the precision of the language of the Professor, and by the thoroughness of the instruction given by him.

"In Pastoral Theology the work of the two Professors has evidently aroused fresh interest in the many practical questions involved. We noticed especially the signs of more care in the history of Liturgies and the study of the primitive Liturgies.

"In Ecclesiastical History we were greatly pleased at the larger space given to the Reformation period, and to the careful and wise distinction between the Reformation in England and that on the Continent.

"In Evidence the Professor has evidently maintained his usual high standard, and continues to hold the unflagging interest of the students, who evidently thoroughly appreciate his singularly clear and scholarly teaching.

"In the department of the New Testament we found the same faithful and thorough work which has characterized it for so long. We noticed especially the timely and valuable references to the discussions of the day, and were glad to see that the Professor had brought his careful and critical scholarship to bear on the latest questions, with reference to the incarnate human life of our blessed Lord.

"In Moral Theology we saw much to make us rejoice that this department had been added to the Seminary's course, and to hope that under the guidance of a wise Professor the Students may be led to take a keen interest in the deep questions of Christian Philosophy. We would, however, add the warning, that great caution is needed in handling sociological problems, which require much study and careful consideration. Mere sentimentality here is exceedingly dangerous in the young clergyman.

"In conclusion, we congratulate the Dean and his colleagues, the Professors, the Trustees of the Seminary and the Church at large, on the many tokens that the General Seminary is making such rapid progress in all directions. We all may well be proud of the results presented to us at this examination, and be encouraged to dream bright dreams, and see fair visions of the future."

FELLOWSHIPS.

The Rev. Charles N. Shepard and the Rev. Charles S. Lewis have occupied the fellowships founded by the Rev. Dr. Eigenbrodt and Miss Caroline Tallman, and have given faithful instruction in the Hebrew and Greek languages.

The Rev. Hugo Radau, who was appointed to one of the Mayo Fellowships, has been engaged during the last year in giving instruction in some of the following branches of the Semitic languages:

A. Eastern Semitic (cuneiform inscriptions).
   (a) Babylonian, old and new.
   (b) Assyrian, old and new.
   (c) Sumerian } with readings from original bricks.
   (d) Akkadian

B. Western Semitic.
   (a) Arabic branch.
      I. Classical Arabic.
      II. Vulgar Arabic.
      iii. Ethiopian inscriptions.
      iv. Sabaean inscriptions.
(b) Aramaic branch.
   I. Eastern Aramaic, — Syriac.
   Mandacan.
   II. Western Aramaic, — Biblical Aramaic.
   Targum.
   Samaritan.
   Nabatean inscriptions.
   Palmyrean inscriptions.

(c) Canaanitish branch.
   Mesa Stone.
   Siloah inscriptions.
   Phenician inscriptions.
   Punic inscriptions.

He has also been engaged in examining and translating the large collection of Babylonian brick recently presented to the Seminary.

The Rev. William Stanley Barrows, who for two years held one of the Mayo Fellowships, did very useful and acceptable work in giving instruction to students in the Hebrew and Greek languages.

The Bishop Paddock Lectureship continues its valuable service to the students, and, by the publication of the lectures, to the Church at large. The following lectures have been delivered during the past three years:


The Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Gallor, D.D., Bishop of Tennessee, is to deliver the lectures during the present month, his subject being "The Liturgy and Dogma."

The students have also been favoured with addresses from the following Bishops and Presbyters:

The Rt. Rev. Wm. C. Doane, D.D., LL.D.
The Rt. Rev. George F. Seymour, D.D., LL.D., "Recollections of the Seminary and Dr. Oliver."
The Rev. Robert K. Massie, on China.
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The Rev. S. C. Partridge, on China.
The Rev. Lewis T. Wattson, on Mission Work in Nebraska.
The Rev. Charles H. Young, on the Omaha Mission.
The Very Rev. H. I. Bodley, on General Missions.
The Rev. C. H. Brent, on Associate Missions.
The Rev. David H. Greer, D.D., on Missions.
The Rev. F. H. Pott, on Work in China, and "The Need of Men."
The Rev. T. P. Hughes, D.D., LL.D., on Oriental Religions.
The Rev. Walter Mitchell, on Church History.
The Rev. William McGarvey, on "The Priest’s Ideal."
The Rev. R. L. Paddock, on "The Church Students’ Missionary Association."
The Rev. Clarence W. Bispham, on Church Music.

Two lectures on the poets Wordsworth and Browning were given by William Knight, LL.D., Professor of Moral Theology in the University of Aberdeen, Scotland. Addresses have also been delivered by Dr. Boone, of Shanghai, on "The Empire of China: its development on Western Lines"; Colonel Hadley, who, with six associates, explained the working of the Church Army; Mr. E. L. Hunt, who spoke on "The Students’ Volunteer Movement"; and Mr. Paul Shimmon, who gave an interesting lecture, illustrated by stereopticon views, on "The Assyrian Mission."

In addition to these addresses the students have, in two different years, enjoyed the privilege of a Retreat, covering two days, conducted by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Vermont, as a preparation for the Lenten season.

STUDENTS.

The number of students in attendance during the last three years has been as follows: 1895–96, 146; 1896–97, 136; 1897–98, 156.

This number of students has been beyond the capacity of our present buildings. It therefore became necessary to rent rooms outside the buildings for those who could not be otherwise accommodated. Such an arrangement is very unsatisfactory both to the institution and to the students, and unless additional buildings can be erected at an early day, it must result in restricting the number of students that we can receive. The large number of students applying for admission is the best evidence of the continued confidence of the Church in the work of its General Seminary, and it is hoped that it will lead to provision being made for their accommodation by those who realize the necessity for providing a thorough theological education to all the candidates for Holy Orders.

LIBRARY.

The number of books added to the Library since the last report is 2,283, making the total number of volumes now on the shelves 28,183. It ought to be stated that, as the Library is without endowment, these additions are due to the generous donations made to the Seminary each year by the Society for Promoting Religion and Learning in the State of New York.

The large collection of Latin Bibles has received, during the past three years, a number of important additions, given by friends of the Seminary, at a cost of several thousand dollars. It is to be hoped that before long this collection of Latin Bibles, which is the largest in the possession of any library in the world, will be completed by the acquisition of all the remaining editions that have been issued from the press.
The literary treasures of the Seminary have received an important addition by the gift of a large and varied collection of Babylonian clay tablets or bricks, many of which are of exceptional size and value. They were secured through excavations at several of the centres in the neighbourhood of Babylon, including Tello, Warka, Botsipnr and Nippur. Many of them are contemporary with the earliest historical data known. The Rev. Mr. Radau, one of the Mayo Fellows in the Seminary, has been engaged during the past two years in examining and translating this large collection. The result of his work shows that many of these bricks are of great historical value, giving the names and periods of the reigns of a number of Babylonian kings which have been hitherto unknown. It is proposed shortly to publish the results obtained from the examination of these bricks, with facsimiles of some of the most interesting, in a volume of about five hundred pages.

Gifts and Legacies.

The Trustees are again able to report a number of valuable gifts and legacies, which have materially aided the Seminary to extend its work and usefulness.

The late Rev. William E. Elgenbrodt, D.D., by his last will and testament, made the Seminary and Trinity School, New York, the residuary legatees of his estate. The amount received by the Seminary from the estate was $354,693.71. He also left an endowment of $10,000 to found the "Sallie Elgenbrodt Fellowship," and endowed a bed in St. Luke's Hospital, with the right of nomination in the Dean of the Seminary.

There has also been endowed in St. Luke's Hospital a free bed for the use of any person connected with the Seminary, and two free rooms, with the right vested in the Dean of nominating for their occupancy any clergyman of the Church or any person connected with the Seminary.

After years of litigation, the legacies to the Seminary under the will of Mary A. Edson, amounting, with accrued interest, to $99,091.50, have been received by the Finance Committee, and the principal and a portion of the interest have been safely invested.

We have also received additional payments from the estate of the late George A. Jarvis, amounting to $4,489.43, which have been added to the fund bearing his name.

We have also received a legacy of $10,000, to be added to the General Endowment Fund, from the estate of the late Augustus Cleveland.

And we are informed that the will of the late Charles A. Contoil makes the Seminary one of his residuary legatees, which will result, we are told, in the Seminary's receiving about $100,000, to be added to the General Endowment.

The reception of these legacies is very gratifying to the friends of the Seminary, as they will replace the loss of income occasioned by the reduction of interest on the endowments. It must not be forgotten, however, that they are not sufficient to meet the wants of the Institution with its constantly increasing number of students.

There have been founded during the past three years three additional scholarships: one by the relatives of the late James S. Cushman, Esq., with an endowment of $5,000; another by Mrs. Mary A. Halsey, as a memorial of her brother, Frederic Hazleton, Esq., with an endowment of $5,000; and a third by Mrs. Eliza J. Smith, with an endowment of $1,660.23, to be called "The Scholarship of the Church of the Redeemer, Brooklyn."

We have also received notice that Mrs. Sarah A. Van Nostrand, by her will, has left a legacy of $5,000, to establish a scholarship to be called "The David Van Nostrand Scholarship," and that Miss Caroline
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Tallman, by her will, has given $5,000 to found a "Tallman Scholarship."

The walls of the Library have been enriched by the gifts of the original full-length portrait of Bishop White, painted by Inman, and a copy of the portrait of the Rt. Rev. Theodore Dehon, Bishop of South Carolina; and by the original portrait of the Rt. Rev. J. S. Ravenscroft, D.D., Bishop of North Carolina.

Two beautiful gas standards of polished brass have been presented to the Chapel as a memorial of the late Professor Oliver, by his daughter, Mrs. George F. Crane.

The Seminary grounds have been improved by the erection of a stone wall, surmounted by an iron fence, along the entire front of the property on Twentieth Street. The buildings have recently been wired for the introduction of electric light in the place of gas.

THE ALUMNI PROFESSORSHIP.

The Seminary has not been able to avail itself of the income of the endowment of the Alumni Professorship Fund, owing to the fact that a suit brought by the Alumni Association against the Trustees of the Seminary is still in the courts. The decision rendered by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, before which the case was argued last winter, having failed to determine the questions submitted to it, it was found necessary to carry the case to the Court of Appeals.

BUILDINGS.

The Trustees cannot impress upon the friends of the Seminary too strongly the importance of the immediate erection of additional buildings on Chelsea Square, and especially that of Hoffman Hall, which seems an absolute necessity for the successful working of the Institution. The rooms in the West Building, which are at present used for the Refectory, are not only inadequate, but unsuited for the purpose. It is almost incredible that so large an Institution in a great city should be left without a Gymnasium; and there is at present no accommodation for servants, nor for a laundry, both of which are necessities in the working of the Institution. All these will be provided for in Hoffman Hall, but the amount of money received for the purpose is only about one half of what is required, and the Standing Committee have very wisely decided not to begin to build until sufficient money has been pledged to enable them to complete the work.

In 1896 the Committee of Churchmen who had the matter in hand issued the following statement:

STATEMENT.

Unless one who knew the Seminary as it existed in 1880 knows it as it is now, he can scarcely understand the change which has taken place, and even one who has witnessed the progressive steps can hardly realize the transformation which has been accomplished, unless he compares the present with the past. When the Dean entered upon his office the Seminary was in an exceedingly depressed condition, the property was run down, the old gray stone buildings were out of date and out of repair, and the whole condition was discouraging in the extreme. The Dean set about putting things in order, repairing and making sanitary the old buildings. Plans were prepared for new structures suited to the needs of the future. In January, 1884, Sherred Hall, the first building of the new scheme, was dedicated. Following that have come the Library or Hobart Hall, Dehon Hall, Kohne Hall, Jarvis Hall, Dodge Hall, the Chapel, the Deanery, and five houses for the residence of
Professors. Along with this beauty of material structure, there has gone constant improvement in educational advantages, enlargement of the teaching staff and proper provision for the support of the Professors; and to-day some one hundred and fifty Students, more than can be well accommodated, are in attendance.

This great achievement, which has taken place under our eyes, is the work of one man. "His work is peerless," said a New England College President, recently. "The influence of these changes in the General Theological Seminary," said a Boston clergyman, "has extended throughout the Church, and all the other Seminaries have felt a new impetus from it."

This work, so rapidly accomplished, has been done with quietness, modesty, and self-effacement. The Dean's gifts of money have been frequent, and they have been also anonymous. His name is not upon any building. Even the Memorial Chapel to his father and mother is known as the Chapel of the Good Shepherd. He has put some seventeen years of the best of his life and thought into this great and lasting work for the Church. Has he not well earned an enduring tribute of gratitude from his contemporaries? No one who looks upon that creation of his genius and generosity can fail to appreciate what a great and noble work it is. So much for the past.

It has been proposed to erect a worthy building to serve for Dining Hall, Gymnasium, and other uses which the growth of the Seminary has made imperatively necessary. The Class of 1893 undertook to promote the erection of such a building; and, in grateful recognition of all that the Dean has done for the Seminary, proposed that it should be called Hoffman Hall. In setting forth the need the Class Committee wrote: "The Memorial Chapel stands as a model of all that is most beautiful in church architecture; the Library, which recently has received the largest collection of Latin Bibles in the world, is one of the finest of its kind in this country; the Professorships and Lectureships are established in the main on the solid basis of ample foundations; the halls, dormitories, and Professors' houses, built of brick and stone in the most substantial manner, are imposing in architecture and perfect in appointments. The ivy-colored walls of Chelsea Square, as one looks on the campus from the entrance archway, present a picture of a quiet corner of New York which at once suggests a classic 'quad' of Cambridge or Oxford; but the Refectory arrangements of the Seminary are faulty, defective, and cramped, and there is no adequate provision for physical exercise.... The Trustees, the Dean, Faculty, and Students are all agreed that the most pressing need at the present time is a building for a Refectory and Gymnasium.

The plan proposed is for a building to be erected on the northwest corner of Chelsea Square, facing Twenty-first Street and Tenth Avenue. It will require one hundred thousand dollars; and towards this sum one gentleman has pledged twenty thousand dollars, another ten thousand dollars, another five thousand dollars, another has made himself responsible for five thousand dollars, all on condition that the remainder be secured promptly, so that the work may go forward without delay.

By erecting Hoffman Hall at this time the friends of the Seminary will not only show appreciation of the great good work which the Dean has done, but they will confer a permanent benefit upon the Institution and prepare the way for its still further development."

It is deeply to be regretted that this appeal was only partially successful, and the Standing Committee, in arriving at the decision to postpone any building operations until the requisite funds had been obtained for the purpose, made the following report to the Trustees in May of the present year:
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Plans for Hoffman Hall have been prepared, to cost about one hundred thousand dollars. This new building when finished will add greatly to the comfort and usefulness of the Seminary. It will give us what has long been greatly needed, a Gymnasium to provide for the physical development of the students, a Refectory which will accommodate two hundred, a Laundry, whose need becomes more and more pressing every year, and quarters for forty servants. The necessity for this building is very great. The resources of the present Kitchen and Refectory are over-taxed, while the ever-increasing number of the students crowds the various dormitories, and from ten to twelve of the students have been forced to occupy rooms outside of the grounds, which have been hired for them by the Treasurer at considerable expense. Hoffman Hall will not only give adequate accommodation for the Refectory, etc., but its erection will release a large portion of the West Building for use as a dormitory.

Unfortunately, your Committee cannot see its way clear at present to authorize the immediate erection of this much needed building. About fifty thousand dollars have been received, and over ten thousand dollars are still outstanding in pledges to the building fund. Your Committee would urge a strong and united effort of the friends of the Seminary to complete the amount needed, so that the imperative demand for the erection of Hoffman Hall may be answered without further delay.

CHURCH STUDENTS' MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION.

The Church Students' Missionary Association held a most successful meeting in the Seminary Chapel during the first week in February, 1897. Delegates were present from sixteen Church Divinity Schools and Colleges. An address of welcome was given by the Dean, and the Annual Charge was delivered by the Rt. Rev. W. H. Hare, D.D., Bishop of South Dakota. Interesting addresses were made by the Rt. Rev. Bishops Tuttle and Millspaugh, and by the Rev. Drs. Kirkby, Kingsolving, Brockholst Morgan, and others.

These meetings are very influential in arousing a missionary spirit among our young men, and result every year in adding a number of applicants for mission work in the foreign field. It is to be hoped that they will be continued with increasing interest.

SEMINARY CONFERENCES.

The Annual Conferences of the authorities of our Theological Seminaries have been continued. They have proved valuable agencies in our work by bringing the Faculties of our various Institutions together for mutual counsel about matters connected with their methods of theological study and plans for the elevation of the literary and devotional standard of all our schools.

At the last meeting held in Easter Week, 1898, at the Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown, Conn., very able papers were read upon "The Doctrine of the Atonement," "The Qualifications of those desiring to enter the Seminaries of our Church," and "The Spiritual Preparation of Theological Students," and a plan was adopted to secure an uniform method of granting degrees in Theology by our Theological Institutions.

CONCLUSION.

The Trustees cannot conclude their report without recording their thankfulness for the noble gifts which have been received from so many quarters towards increasing the endowments, without which the Institution, giving free education, cannot be maintained; and also for the
diligence and patience with which the work of the Seminary has been prosecuted. The Dean, the Faculty, and Students have worked together with a harmony of spirit which speaks well for the wisdom of those in authority, and for the spirit of true discipleship among the students. May each year see a steady increase in the material resources of the Seminary, a higher standard in the various departments of its teaching, and fresh proofs that all within its walls have consecrated themselves to the service of Christ and his Church.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board of Trustees,

THOMAS R. HARRIS, Secretary.

NEW YORK, October 1, 1898.

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LIST OF TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, ELECTED BY THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES, OCTOBER, 1898, TO SERVE THREE YEARS.

The Rev. Heman Dyer, D.D.
The Rev. Morgan Dix, D.D.
The Rev. G. Williamson Smith, D.D.
The Rev. J. S. B. Hodges, D.D.
The Rev. John W. Brown, D.D.
The Rev. T. Gardiner Litell, D.D.
The Rev. Edmund D. Cooper, D.D.
The Rev. William M. Geer, D.D.
The Rev. A. St. John Chambré, D.D.
The Rev. Thomas R. Pynchon, D.D.
Mr. Elbridge T. Gerry.
Mr. John A. King.
Mr. George C. McWhorter.
Mr. Elihu Chauncey.
Mr. Henry Hayes.
Mr. Henry E. Pierrepont.
Mr. Walter H. Lewis.
Mr. George Zabriskie.
Mr. George J. Gardner.
Mr. J. Van Vechten Olcott.
Mr. Thomas Egleston.
Mr. J. H. Van Amringe, Ph. D.
Mr. Henry Budd.
Mr. Francis L. Stetson.
Mr. Spencer Trask.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.
APPENDIX IV.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH UNIVERSITY BOARD OF REGENTS.

The Church University Board of Regents begs leave to make the following report:

The Board was formally constituted by an act of the General Convention held in New York City in 1889. Its first duties were limited to formulating a detailed scheme and plan of organization which was to be reported to the Convention of 1892.

During the three intervening years the Board was engaged in formulating the plan of organization proposed, and preparing to put it into effective operation.

The report made to the Convention of 1892, held at Baltimore, Md., was accepted and the Board was authorized to proceed with its plan.

After careful deliberation the Board authorized its sub-committee to attempt the founding and maintenance of scholarships of a very high grade, to be offered at first to members of the graduating classes of any of the theological seminaries under the auspices of this Church.

The funds to provide for these scholarships were guaranteed for at least two years in order that a full and practical test might be made of the demands for them on the part of the students interested and of the willingness of the Church at large to support them.

The result showed two things: First, that it was possible to secure sufficient competitors; secondly, that it was not possible to secure the funds necessary to their continuance from the Church at large. There was no lack of intelligent and hearty approval from many of the Bishops and Clergy, as well as from prominent educators.

Persistent and vigorous efforts were made to interest the Church, and yet it soon became evident that in spite of appreciative approval of the work it was simply impossible to secure gifts or offerings in sufficient amounts to justify further expenditures.

The first scholarship began in June, 1894, and the last expired in January, 1898. In the meantime, a voluntary organization came into being, working to the same general purpose, known as "The Association for Promoting the Interests of Church Schools, Colleges and Seminaries." This Association has been able to carry forward an excellent scheme of scholarships in connection with certain colleges which are in some way affiliated with the Church. It has also undertaken other measures adapted to promote the welfare of "Church Schools, Colleges, etc."

In view of these facts, and believing that the voluntary association, with its generous equipment, is doing, and doing well, the work which the Church University Board of Regents inaugurated, and that the object in view will be hindered rather than helped by two societies occupying the same field, this Board respectfully asks that it be dissolved as an organization.

In conclusion, it is but just to add that the work of the Board has not been altogether without both useful and stimulating results. Short-lived as its scholarships were, they have, nevertheless, furnished opportu-
tunity—faithfully used—to several selected men in holy orders for decided advancement in the highest scholarship of the age.

The large amount of printed matter sent abroad by the Secretary of the Board, as well as frequent personal conferences, directing attention to the educational development of Church schools, colleges, and seminaries, has awakened an unusual interest, the fruits of which are already evident.

In relinquishing its present organization, therefore, the Church University Board of Regents believes that it has been a useful agency and perhaps a vital element in the steadily growing interest taken by the Church at large in its educational instrumentalities.

WILLIAM CROSWELL DOANE, Chairman.
H. B. WHIPPLE.
T. U. DUDLEY.
MORGAN DIX.
DAVID H. GREER.
W. R. HUNTINGTON.
SPENCER TRASK.
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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Committees on Christian Education, sitting together as a Joint Committee, by permission of both Houses, to consider facts and problems connected with the relation between the Church and the School, present the following report:

The school is the Church's opportunity. The Church, it is true, is not commissioned to teach the subjects which are set down to be taught in school: the State can do that well enough. But the Church is divinely commissioned to teach the lessons which result in Christian character; and in the school, in the years when character is being formed, the Church has her chance. So far as the State is concerned, the school exists for the purpose of furnishing intelligent, capable, disciplined citizens. The Church is not content with that; we want the school to send out Christians. This purpose the Church may accomplish, indirectly or directly,—indirectly in the public school, directly in the private school.

Most of the young people of this country are getting their education in the public schools. That education is lacking in the element of formal Christian instruction. Otherwise, the schools are good schools. They are essential to the well-being of the nation. They deserve the attention and support of every Christian citizen. It is by no means certain that if the formal teaching of religion could be introduced into these schools, real religion would thereby be advanced. It is beyond doubt, however, that if the children were taught, as many of them are, by Christian teachers, by men and women of high purpose, with quick consciences, filled with a sense of responsibility, who said their prayers before they came to school, and whose lives are lived in the sight of God and in the strength of God, the public school would be the ally of the Church. The Christian citizen helps toward the attainment of this ideal when he casts his vote for such directors of the schools as shall be minded to secure such teachers.

A constantly increasing number of young people, however, and among them many whose position and means will make it possible for them to be persons of great influence, are coming within the range of the direct opportunity of the Church in private schools. Some of these are secondary schools; some of them are colleges. The Church is strong in the secondary school; it is weak in the college.

In various parts of the country, east and west, and almost everywhere with notable success, we are preparing boys and girls for college, for useful living, and for the advancement of the kingdom of heaven. Many of our schools are immediately associated with the Church, being under the oversight of the Bishop; others are Church schools by virtue of the fact that the master or mistress is a communicant of the Church. They are the best schools of the kind in the country. For that reason, they attract parents who desire their children to be thoroughly, orderly, and efficiently educated. These children come thus into acquaintance with
the Church. For a good many of the most impressionable years of their lives they live in the Church's way. They like it; often, they love it. And in many cases, they grow up staunch and loyal Christian people, and become missionaries of the Church in quiet but effective fashion among their neighbours. Public-minded Christian citizens, seeking safe investments for their money, may profitably put it into these useful institutions whereby State and Church are alike benefited.

The secondary school under Church influences is doing especially valuable work in the West. It is greatly needed in the South. The Negro problem can never be satisfactorily solved without the education of the Negro, in mind and hand. He must be helped to think and work. He must be brought into contact with the customs of good Christian living in such a manner as shall both instruct and inspire him. The secondary school, as at Hampton and Tuskegee, is doing that great work well. The Church can be of assistance to the whole country by taking part in this reasonable service.

The most serious educational problem which at present confronts the Church is that which is connected with the Church college. Important as it is that boys and girls should grow up into young manhood and womanhood amidst the influences of the Church, it is even more important that young men and women at the time when they are beginning to look out into life, to ask deep questions, and to think seriously, should be met by the Church. Whether the immediate future shall be a time of faith or of doubt, of reverence or of irreverence, of religion or of irreligion, depends upon this meeting.

The Church may undertake this service in the college, as in the secondary school, either directly or indirectly.

The work is done directly in those institutions of higher learning which are under Church control. Of these institutions one is in the South, the other in the older Dioceses of the North. The University of the South differs from its neighbours in the North, in that it stands without rival in its community; and that it is a university in the true meaning of that word, being properly equipped with faculties of theology, of law, of medicine, and of arts; and that it is not under Diocesan control. It is a power in the shaping of the new South for which we have reason to be grateful. It is training men for leadership, who shall carry into their high service not only the strength of sound scholarship but the spirit of the Master of the Church.

Concerning our colleges in the North, it must be said that they are altogether out of proportion to the wealth and station of the Church. They are good colleges, but they are not good enough for this Church. Most of them are small; all of them are handicapped by poverty; and they have little more than a local or ecclesiastical reputation. Something ought to be done to make these institutions strong. If there are hindering complications of academic with episcopal control, they ought to be examined and amended. If anybody has a plan whereby the colleges may work together for their betterment, such plan should be considered.

One such plan has been proposed to this Committee, and it is here recorded for the purpose of suggestion and discussion. It is proposed that the colleges enter into an academic conference. This conference should be related to the several colleges as the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge are related to the various foundations of which they are composed. This would imply a Board of Examiners, accepted by the colleges, and a Board of Trustees of donations. The Board of Examiners would grant scholarships, adjudge prizes, and set papers for the determination of degrees, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining the highest standard of scholarship. The Board of Trustees would receive
and dispense gifts and bequests for Christian education with a view to the most judicious application of the funds for the advancement not only of the individual college but of the cause of Christian scholarship under the tuition of the Church.

However, after all this and more is done, the fact will remain that the Church college will attract but a minority of our Church students. Most of them, in any case, will go to the great colleges of the East or to the great State universities of the West. It is of the highest importance that wherever they go the Church should go with them. The direct work of the Church in the Church college must be supplemented by indirect work in the academic town. This may be done in either of two ways: by the establishment of a church hall, or by the strengthening of the parish church.

The church hall appropriates all that is generously offered by the State or the University and adds to it the privileges of religion. It gathers under one domestic roof the students of our Communion who are in attendance upon these great institutions, gives them the Church service, counsels them, helps them in the presence of temptation, answers their daily questions, and keeps them in the way of righteousness and truth. Also by courses of public lectures upon various phases of the relation of religion to the manly intellectual life, it leavens thought in the University itself. It is the best substitute for the Church college. The fact that it can be established in any university town with the cordial welcome of the authorities makes any further foundation of Church colleges unnecessary.

Without waiting for the endowment of church halls, the local parish may be made of immediate use for all these excellent purposes. It is of strategic importance to the Church that the altar, the pulpit, and the parish house of the academic town shall be attractive and profitable to the students. The clergyman must be a man of such character and scholarship as shall commend him to the respect and regard of the community. After such ministrations, students go back to their homes with a new understanding of the Church, often with an abiding love for it. The progress of the Church in the immediate future depends greatly upon the impression which is made by the service and the sermon in the academic town. The endowment of such a parish church is a lasting contribution to the spread of the Gospel among influential people. One of the great needs of the time is a mission to the rich and cultured classes. There is no better place to preach it than the pulpit of the academic town where the rich and cultured are determining how to use their lives.

In the meantime, among other definite good deeds, there has been established among us by the late Rev. Charles F. Hoffman, D.D., of New York, the Society for Promoting the Interests of Church Schools, Colleges, and Seminaries. Dr. Hoffman, by generous gifts and bequests, gave this society the beginning of an endowment, and set it upon a permanent basis. Thus far, it has undertaken two kinds of work: the stimulation of scholarship by the offering of prizes to be competed for in our colleges, and the leaving of money to meet the pressing needs of these institutions. It has recently erected a memorial building at the University of the South. The society is ready to act as trustee or agent for persons wishing to contribute money to the cause of Christian education.

This fine and beneficent generosity deserves the recognition of the Church. The Joint Committee concludes its report by moving the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this Convention hereby expresses its appreciation of the Christian wisdom and liberality of the late Rev. Dr. Charles F. Hoffman in his foundation of the Society for Promoting the Interests of Church
Schools, Colleges, and Seminaries, and commends the Society to the consideration of the Church.

Resolved, also, That this Convention commends the schools and colleges of the Church to the liberality of Christian men of wealth, that, like the educational institutions of the Church in England, they may be established upon enduring foundations.

H. B. WHIPPLE,
Chairman of Committee of House of Bishops.

J. ISHAM BLISS,
Chairman of Committee of House of Deputies.
APPENDIX VI.

REPORT OF THE RECORDER OF ORDNATIONS.

In submitting this triennial report, the Recorder of Ordinations desires to express his gratitude for the many courtesies extended to him in his work, and the material assistance he has received in preparing this report, as well as for the suggestions made to him to enable him to correct some errors in the previous one. He particularly desires that any errors he may make will be indicated to him.

He desires to announce that in the fulfillment of the duties of his office he is preparing a full list of ordinations from the introduction of the Episcopate into this Church, including those to the Priesthood, as well as those to the Diaconate.

The duties of the Recorder of Ordinations as defined by the last General Convention are twofold, (1) the recordation of ordinations, and (2) the keeping of a list of the Clergy.

In respect to the former, the recordation of ordinations, he finds every facility has been provided that could reasonably be desired.

In respect to the keeping of a list of the Clergy, he reports that he has prepared such list, adopting what is known as the "card system," whereby he is able to readily arrange the names of the Clergy in their respective Dioceses, and easily transfer the names from Diocese to Diocese as occasion may arise, and also preserve the alphabetical order in making the additions required.

He is prepared to furnish the certified list to the Almanacs as required by the terms of his appointment, but he has received no application therefor. It is claimed by the publishers that the information they now receive is sufficiently official to satisfy the demands of their customers.

If it is desired that this duty should continue to be imposed upon the Recorder, he would respectfully submit some suggestions that the experience of the last three years seems to render necessary. That there should be an official list of the Clergy would appear to be a proposition commending itself to all, but there are many difficulties in the way of preparing such list and making it accurate on any fixed date. The list necessarily changes from day to day, because of constant additions, and as constant losses. The making of such list for a day fixed from the reports of the Bishops is quite difficult for the reason that their duties require many of them to be absent from their domicils on any determined day. It often happened that the necessary delay in reporting the Clergy of a number of the Dioceses causes duplications, to avoid which involves
much care, and even then cannot always be avoided. Your Recorder would, therefore, suggest that the Clergy List of each Diocese should be placed in the keeping of some officer who would be able to make a return of it regularly and punctually on the day determined, and further that your Recorder be authorized to obtain annually a return from such officer of the names of the Clergy upon his list upon a determined day, say October 1.

There is submitted herewith a record of all ordinations by Bishops of the American Church, or on their commission, certified to me during the last three years.

HERMAN COPE DUNCAN,
Recorder of Ordinations.
# APPENDIX VI.

## ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

**Of Persons whose Ordination to the Diaconate was Reported to the Last General Convention, or were on Lists Previously Published.**

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APPENDIX VII.—1.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR.

The Registrar of the General Convention respectfully presents the following report:

Since the last General Convention he has acted as Registrar, or has appointed Deputy Registrars to act as his representative, at the Consecrations of ten Bishops. Letters of Consecration engrossed on parchment have been duly signed, and duplicate letters been filed. Records of these Consecrations have been made in the Registry of Episcopal Consecrations and are ready for the signatures of the Bishops who have acted as Consecrators.

One hundred and ten bound volumes of Convention Journals and pamphlets have been added to the Library. He has received from the Secretary of the House of Deputies a complete set of the SPIRIT OF MISSIONS, ten volumes of Messages from the House of Bishops, and other papers and manuscripts connected with the General Convention. There have been received from the executors of the late Bishop of Iowa, three volumes of the Hawks manuscripts transcribed from the records of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, and forty collections of manuscript letters which have not yet been examined or indexed. Most of the Hawks collections of manuscripts, including those lately received, were badly damaged in the fire which destroyed the upper part of the Bangs building where they were stored, and the years that have elapsed since that fire have not improved their condition. The manuscript letters are not indexed, and it is impossible at present to estimate their value. It is the intention of the Registrar to give them a careful examination, and to arrange them for convenience of reference.

As we are slowly gathering a collection of documents, some of which are important and every year will be of increased value, attention is called to the fact that there is no fire-proof vault in the Registrar's room. There is a safe too small to hold the valuable records which would probably be worthless in case of a fire. At no very great expense a vault could be made similar to the one in the room of the Secretary of the House of Bishops, and the Registrar recommends that the matter be referred to the Joint Commission on Archives, with power to act.

The Registrar has applied in many quarters for papers and documents which would be valuable for reference. In some cases these have been transferred to Diocesan Registrars, and in some cases they have been held for sale, or families have been unwilling to part with documents that have been the property of those they have loved. I respectfully suggest that those who have in their possession papers and letters or books that are connected with the history or early life of the Church in this country, should direct that after their death they be transferred to the Library of the General Convention.


The Council of the Corporation of the Church House, Westminster, London, has presented to the General Convention a complete set of the Chronicles of the Convocation of the Province of Canterbury, in thirty-three bound volumes, which have been sent to the Registrar by the Secretary of the House of Deputies.

J. LIVINGSTON REESE,
Registrar of the General Convention.
LETTERS OF CONSECRATION.

CLXXVII. — PETER TRIMBLE ROWE, D.D.

DIocese of Alaska.

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

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

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, William Croswell Doane, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Albany, Henry Codman Potter, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of New York, Thomas Frederick Davies, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Michigan, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on Saturday, thirtieth day of November, being the Feast of S. Andrew, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five, in S. George's Church, City of New York, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Reverend Peter Trimble Rowe, D.D., 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 chosen Missionary Bishop of Alaska.

Given under our hands and seals in the city of New York, on this thirtieth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

(SEAL) WM. CROSWELL DOANE, Bishop of Albany.
(SEAL) HENRY CODMAN POTTER, Bishop of New York.
(SEAL) THOS. FREDERICK DAVIES, Bishop of Michigan.
(SEAL) O. W. WHITAKER, Bishop of Pennsylvania.
(SEAL) THOMAS A. STARKEY, Bishop of Newark.
(SEAL) ETHELBERT TALBOT, Bishop of Wyoming and Utah.
(SEAL) ABIEL LEONARD, Bishop of Nevada, Utah, and Western Colorado.
(SEAL) FRANCIS KEY BROOKE, Bishop of Oklahoma and Indian Territory.
To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Thomas Underwood Dudley, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Kentucky, George William Peterkin, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Western Virginia, William Andrew Leonard, D.D., Bishop of Ohio, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on Thursday, the thirtieth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, in S. Andrew's Church, City of Louisville, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Rev. Lewis William Burton, 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 chosen Bishop of Lexington.

Given under our hands and seals in the city of Louisville, State of Kentucky, on this thirtieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

T. U. DUDLEY, Bishop of Kentucky.
GEO. W. PETERKIN, Bishop of West Virginia.
WILLIAM ANDREW LEONARD, Bishop of Ohio.
A. M. RANDOLPH, Bishop of Southern Virginia.
BOYD VINCENT, Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio.
CLELAND KINLOCH NELSON, Bishop of Georgia.
JOHN HAZEN WHITE, Bishop of Indiana.

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

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Thomas Frederick Davies, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Michigan, George Worthington, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Nebraska, William Andrew Leonard, D.D., Bishop of
Ohio, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on Monday, the twenty-fourth day of February, being the Feast of Saint Matthias, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, in Christ Church, city of Detroit, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well beloved in Christ, the Rev. Joseph Horsfall Johnson, D.D., 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 chosen Bishop of Los Angeles.

Given under our hands and seals in the city of Detroit, State of Michigan, on this twenty-fourth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

(SEAL) THOMAS FREDERICK DAVIES, Bishop of Michigan.
(SEAL) WILLIAM ANDREW LEONARD, Bishop of Ohio.
(SEAL) ETHELBERT TALBOT, Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho.
(SEAL) ISAAC LEA NICHOLSON, Bishop of Milwaukee.
(SEAL) THOS. F. GAILOR, Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee.

Attest: LOUIS A. ARTHUR, Deputy Registrar.

CLXXX. — HENRY GATES SATTERLEE, D.D.

DIOCESE OF WASHINGTON.

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

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

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Arthur Cleveland Coxe, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Western New York, Henry Codman Potter, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of New York, William Paret, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Maryland, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on the twenty-fifth day of March, being the Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, in Calvary Church, city of New York, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well beloved in Christ, the Rev. Henry Gates Satterlee, D.D., 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 chosen Bishop of Washington.

Given under our hands and seals in the city of New York, State of
New York, on this twenty-fifth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

A. CLEVELAND COXE,  
Bishop of Western New York.

HENRY CODMAN POTTER,  
Bishop of New York.

WILLIAM FARE, Bishop of Maryland.

CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD,  
Bishop of Pittsburgh.

F. D. HUNTINGTON,  
Bishop of Central New York.

T. U. DUDLEY, Bishop of Kentucky.

JOHN SCARBOROUGH,  
Bishop of New Jersey.

NELSON SOMERVILLE RULISON,  
Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM A. LEONARD,  
Bishop of Ohio.

CLELAND KINLOCH NELSON,  
Bishop of Georgia.

CLXXXI.—GERSHOM MOTT WILLIAMS, D.D.

DIocese of Marquette.

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

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

Be it known unto you by these presents, that we, Daniel S. Tuttle, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Missouri, George Worthington, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Nebraska, and Thomas F. Davies, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Michigan, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on Friday, the first day of May, being the Feast of SS. Philip and James, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, in Grace Church, city of Detroit, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well beloved in Christ, the Rev. Gershom Mott Williams, 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 chosen Bishop of Marquette.

Given under our hands and seals in the city of Detroit, State of Michigan, on this first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

Daniel S. Tuttle, Bishop of Missouri.

G. Worthington, Bishop of Nebraska.

Thomas F. Davies, Bishop of Michigan.

Arthur Toronto.

Charles Todd Quintard, Bishop of Tennessee.


Francis Key Brooke, Bishop of Oklahoma and Indian Territory.
APPENDIX VII.

CLXXXII.—JAMES DOW MORRISON, D.D., LL.D.

DIOCESE OF DULUTH.

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

*To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents, that we, William Croswell Doane, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Albany, Frederick Dan Huntington, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Central New York, Mahlon Norrie Gilbert, D.D., LL.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on Tuesday, the second day of February, being the Feast of the Purification of S. Mary the Virgin, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, in the Cathedral of All Saints, Albany, New York, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well beloved in Christ, the Reverend James Dow Morrison, D.D., LL.D., 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 chosen Bishop of Duluth.

Given under our hands and seals, in the city of Albany, State of New York, on this the second day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

(SEAL) WM. CROSWELL DOANE,
Bishop of Albany.

(SEAL) F. D. HUNTINGTON,
Bishop of Central New York.

(SEAL) MAHLOM N. GILBERT,
Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota.

(SEAL) THOMAS A. STARKEY,
Bishop of Newark.

(SEAL) JOHN SCARBOROUGH,
Bishop of New Jersey.

(SEAL) CHARLES OTTAWA.

(SEAL) WILLIAM D. WALKER,
Bishop of Western New York.

(SEAL) LEMUEL H. WELLS,
Bishop of Spokane.

(SEAL) WILLIAM LAWRENCE,
Bishop of Massachusetts.

(SEAL) JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, JR.
Bishop of North Carolina.

CLXXXIII.—CHAUNCEY BUNCE BREWSTER, D.D.

DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.

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

* To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents, that we, Abram Newkirk Littlejohn, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Long Island, William Croswell
Doane, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Albany, Henry Codman Potter, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of New York, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on Thursday, the twenty-eighth day of October, being the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, in Trinity Church, city of New Haven, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved In Christ, the Reverend Chauncey Bunce Brewster, D.D., 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 chosen Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut.

Given under our hands and seals, in the city of New Haven, State of Connecticut, on this twenty-eighth day of October, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

(Seal) ABRAM NEWKIRK LITTLEJOHN,
Bishop of Long Island, and Presiding.

(Seal) WM. CROSWELL DOANE,
Bishop of Albany.

(Seal) HENRY CODMAN POTTER,
Bishop of New York.

(Seal) OZI WILLIAM WHITAKER,
Bishop of Pennsylvania.

(Seal) CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD,
Bishop of Pittsburgh.

(Seal) WILLIAM D. WALKER,
Bishop of Western New York.

(Seal) WILLIAM PARET,
Bishop of Maryland.

(Seal) GEO. WORTHINGTON,
Bishop of Nebraska.

(Seal) WILLIAM F. NICHOLS,
Bishop of California.

(Seal) WILLIAM LAWRENCE,
Bishop of Massachusetts.

CLXXXIV.—ROBERT ATKINSON GIBSON, D.D.

DIocese of Virginia.

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

* To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents, that we, Francis McNiece Whittle, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Virginia, Alfred Magill Randolph, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Southern Virginia, George William Peterkin, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of West Virginia, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on Wednesday, the third day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Richmond, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and con-
secrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Reverend Robert Atkinson Gibson, D.D., 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 chosen Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia.

Given under our hands and seals, in the city of Richmond, State of Virginia, on this the third day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

F. M. WHITTLE,
Bishop of West Virginia.

GEO. W. PETERKIN,
Bishop of South Virginia.

A. M. RANDOLPH,
Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio.

HUGH MILLER THOMPSON.
C. CLIFTON PENICK.
BOYD VINCENT,
Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio.

CLXXXV. — WILLIAM NEILSON McVICKAR, D.D.

DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND.

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

* To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, William Croswell Doane, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Albany, Thomas Augustus Jaggar, D.D., Bishop of Southern Ohio, Henry Codman Potter, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of New York, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on Thursday, the twenty-seventh day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Reverend William Neilson McVickar, D.D., 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 chosen Bishop Coadjutor of Rhode Island.

Given under our hands and seals in the city of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, on this the twenty-seventh day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

WM. CROSWELL DOANE,
Bishop of Albany.

THOS. A. JAGGAR,
Bishop of Southern Ohio.

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Bishop of Southern Virginia.

WILLIAM LAWRENCE,
Bishop of Massachusetts.
To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, William Edward McLaren, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop of Chicago, Cortlandt Whitehead, D.D., Bishop of Pittsburgh, Boyd Vincent, S.T.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on Friday, the twenty-fourth day of June, being the Feast of St. John Baptist, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, in Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland, in the presence of a congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, ordain and consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Reverend William Montgomery Brown, 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 chosen Bishop Coadjutor of Arkansas.

Given under our hands and seals in the city of Cleveland, State of Ohio, on this the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

(SEAL) WILLIAM EDWARD McLAREN,
Bishop of Chicago.

(SEAL) CORTLANDT WHITEHEAD,
Bishop of Pittsburgh.

(SEAL) BOYD VINCENT,
Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio.

(SEAL) GEORGE F. SEYMOUR,
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(SEAL) WILLIAM ANDREW LEONARD,
Bishop of Ohio.

(SEAL) EDWARD ROBERT ATWILL,
Bishop of West Missouri.

(SEAL) CHAS. R. HALE,
Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield,
Bishop of Cairo.

(SEAL) JOHN HAZEN WHITE,
Bishop of Indiana.

Signed, sealed, and delivered at the place and on the day and date above named, in the presence of Frederick W. Taylor, Archdeacon of Springfield, Deputy Registrar of the General Convention.
APPENDIX VIII.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON ARCHIVES.

The Commission on Archives respectfully refers to the report of the Registrar as containing a statement as to valuable papers and volumes which he has received from the executors of the late Bishop of Iowa and from other sources.

The Commission has also much gratification in reporting that, through the liberality of one of their number, Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan, there has been purchased from the executors of the late Bishop of Iowa, and added to the archives of the General Convention, a collection of manuscripts, together with a few printed papers, of great value in American Church History. It has not been possible, at the time of writing this report, to make a catalogue of the documents; but they may be roughly classified as follows:

1. About two hundred and fifty letters to the Rev. Dr. (afterwards Bishop) Parker of Boston, from various correspondents in this country and England, and from the Rev. Roger Viets in Nova Scotia; especially worthy of notice are the letters of the Rev. Daniel Fogg of Brooklyn, Conn., giving contemporary evidence of the election of Bishop Seabury and of the instructions given to him. Dr. Parker's wide acquaintance and great influence in the early history of the Church in this country make this part of the collection especially valuable.

2. About thirty letters to Dr. Parker from the Rev. Mr. Bailey at Pownalboro and Annapolis Royal, 1777-1797, and one dated 1802.

3. Letters to John Cushing at Royalborough (Royalton), from correspondents in Massachusetts, 1785-1790.


5. A memorial addressed to His Majesty's Attorney-General by Provost William Smith of Philadelphia, on the occasion of his indictment and arrest.


7. Manuscript sermons by the Rev. Dr. Samuel Auchmuy and others, for the most part without the authors' names.

8. About one hundred and twenty letters to Bishop John Henry Hopkins from various correspondents.

9. About thirty letters to the Rev. Dr. F. L. Hawks, written in reply to inquiries as to local Church history; with these is a biographical notice of the Rev. Aeneas Rose.

10. The manuscript of the Bishop of Lichfield's Sermon before the General Convention.

11. A large collection of papers relating to the ecclesiastical and civil history of Boxford, Mass., including controversy of parish with pastor, confessions of Church members, notices of publication of banns, etc.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On behalf of the Commission,

SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

OCTOBER 1, 1898.
APPENDIX IX.

REPORT OF THE CUSTODIAN OF THE STANDARD BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, to be held on the first Wednesday of October in the year of our Lord 1898:

The Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer begs leave to present his report.

In accordance with a resolution adopted by the last General Convention (see Journal, pages 306, 126, 127), the Joint Committee on the Standard Book of Common Prayer made provision for having fifty copies of the Book of Common Prayer from the type of the Standard "duly attested by the Committee and the Presiding Officers and Secretaries of the two Houses of the General Convention of 1892, and deposited with the Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book for use in supplying new Dioceses and Missionary Districts with duly certified copies of the Standard"; and the Joint Committee (see Journal, page 638 *) requested the Custodian to have the certificates of attestation prepared and to secure the required signatures. The fifty copies were duly prepared and attested, and were deposited with me as Custodian. From them I have sent one copy each to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Dioceses of Washington, Lexington, Los Angeles, and Marquette, and the Missionary District of Duluth, one copy to the Parish of Gethsemane Church, Minneapolis, and one copy to the Rev. Dr. Frederick Gibson (see vote of Joint Committee, Journal of 1895, page 637).

Since the last General Convention I have, in accordance with the Canon, made appointment of one person at the De Vinne Press in New York, and one at the Oxford University Press, to compare new editions of the Book of Common Prayer with the Standard; and under these appointments and those formerly made there have been published during the past three years entirely new editions in 12mo (two), 24mo, 32mo, 48mo, and oblong 48mo; a 48mo with the rubrics in red; and the Order for the Holy Communion with Epistles and Gospels, folio, in antique type and partly pointed for music. New editions have also been published from plates already examined and needing no new certification. It gives me pleasure to say again what I said in my last report, that all the publishers have been most anxious to make their work in every way perfect and to conform scrupulously to the requirements of the Canon, and that the results have been most satisfactory and gratifying; so that there are not in the world any better or more accurately printed books than the copies of the Prayer Book which are in constant use among us.

In accordance with a resolution adopted by the last General Convention (see Journal, pages 81, 82, 281), a copy of the pointed Canticles and Psalter as reported to and authorized by the Convention was placed in my custody as the Standard Copy, and another as a duplicate. I have authorized

*The "Note" on pages 637, 638, of the Journal of 1895, should have been added to Appendix xv. instead of Appendix xiv.
the publication of an edition of the pointed Psalter in 12mo with music, and also the publication of an edition of the Book of Common Prayer in 32mo with pointed Canticles and Psalter, a suitable person having been duly appointed to make the comparisons with the standards.

A new version of the Book of Common Prayer in the French language, in conformity with the present Standard, having been made, and a certificate of its accuracy having been presented to me by the translator, together with the approval of the Bishop of New York, I have given a certificate that the text of the edition is a translation from a certified copy of the Standard, and that it conforms thereto; and I have given a like certificate for a version of the Book of Common Prayer in the Portuguese language, the needed certificate having been received from the translators with the approval of the Bishop of West Virginia. The Portuguese book is complete; the French book ends with the Psalter.

I have received from the several publishers a copy of each of the newly prepared editions. I have also received many gifts to the "Custodian's Collection" of editions of the American Prayer Book, and of books illustrative of the same. Forby far the greater part of the additions to the collection, as for so large a part of those mentioned in my last report, the Church is indebted to the thoughtful generosity of Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan; but without the watchful co-operation of the Rev. Dr. L. C. Manchester, many valuable books would not have been found and secured.

The Maryland Diocesan Library, through Miss Whittingham, has presented a complete copy of the Hugh Gaine Standard 8vo of 1793, together with other books and special services, partly in German; the Rev. Dr. C. L. Hutchins has presented a complete copy of the Hugh Gaine folio of 1795; and Mr. Edmund Stirling of Philadelphia has presented a copy of the Hall & Sellers 24mo of 1791. Other donors of editions of the Prayer Book have been:


The Rev. J. M. Francis, late of Tokyo, Japan, has sent me the Prayer Book of the Nippon Sei Kiikwai, 1891, 16mo; the same, revised, 1895, 8vo; and the same, Romaji edition, 1895, 16mo. The Rev. Dr. W. R. Huntington has sent a collection of sample English Prayer Books given to the Committee on the Standard Book by Mr. James Pott; Messrs. E. & J. B. Young & Co. have presented a copy of the Standard edition of 1871 in its original state, being the copy presented by the Committee to the Bishop of Easton; Mrs. George Montague has presented a copy of the Report of 1883 with Book Annexed; the Rev. George P. Huntington has presented a copy of the liturgy prepared by his father for Harvard College in 1838, and a copy of the Divine Ordinance according to the Armenian Ritual, Venice, 1867; and the Rev. F. F. Reese of Macon, Ga., has sent a Latin version of the English Prayer Book, London, 1896.

Among other books acquired during the past three years these may be specially noticed: the Psalter of the Proposed Book and Hymns, apparently Dr. Parker's edition; the 1795 24mo edition of selections from the Prayer Book, Portsmouth, N. H.; a 24mo American Book published in London, 1833, by John Miller; the Selections of Metrical Psalms, New
York, 1834; the Confederate Prayer Book of 1863, 24mo and 84mo; editions of the English Book printed by Baskett and by Collingwood, Murray's illustrated edition, L'Estrange's and Keeling's editions in parallel columns, Pitman's in short hand, and an Amsterdam edition of 1838; and all the editions (apparently) of the King's Chapel Liturgy except the first.

Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan has made two special gifts, which call for special acknowledgment. The one includes five items, viz.: a very thin folio English Prayer Book, London, 1616, Robert Barker; a black-letter 12mo English Book in tree-calf, London, 1620, Robert Barker & John Bill; a 16mo English Book in very fine type, Edinburgh, 1634, the King's Printers; a black-letter 12mo English Book, London, 1660 [after the Restoration, but before the Revision], John Bill & Christopher Barker; and the editio princeps of the service for the 30th of January, the whole service printed out in full, 12mo, London, 1661. The other gift includes three noteworthy items: a manuscript on vellum of the Liturgical Gospels of the Assyrian Church, in Syriac with Arabic commentary, dated in the year 1276, the work of the Catholico Elias m.; a manuscript of the Peshitto Syriac version of the New Testament, on two hundred and seventy-three leaves of vellum, written at the monastery of St. Michael's at Mosul, in 1186; and a manuscript of the Hebrew Pentateuch, from a synagogue in the mountains of Kurdistan, written in square characters on a roll of sheepskin 170 feet long, in columns 30½ by 7½ inches.

A catalogue of editions of our Prayer Book now in the Custodian's Collection accompanies this report. It contains over four hundred and fifty items, of which not quite one hundred and ninety were in the catalogue appended to my report of three years ago. The number of editions discovered has been surprisingly large; though it should be borne in mind that sometimes several editions have been made from one set of plates or from duplicate plates, the date or the name of the publishers being changed. A careful study of this collection, by a competent bibliographer, would be of interest; the present Custodian can hardly hope to do more than collect the materials.

I beg to call attention to the Resolution which in 1895 passed both Houses of the Convention (see Journal, pages 230, 68), proposing that the needed alteration in the place of the Golden Numbers be made on the first day of January in the year 1900, and which calls for final action on the part of this Convention.

It is provided in § iii. of Canon 20 of Title I. of the Digest, that "in case any typographical inaccuracy shall be found in the Standard Book of Common Prayer, its correction may be ordered by a joint resolution of any General Convention." I called attention in my last report to a slip of editing on page 262 in the first line of text, where the word 'Minister' stands erroneously in place of the word 'Question'; this seems to be a typographical inaccuracy within the meaning of the Canon. Also, I have discovered that on page 263 in the last line of the first rubric, being the eighth line of the page, a comma has been omitted before the last word; the line should read (in red): 'dip him in the water, or pour water upon him, saying,'. The comma between 'him' and 'saying' was in the plates as originally prepared, and appears in the pre-Standard copies furnished to members of the Convention of 1892 and others; but the word 'him' in the rubric was, three times, in black, and the direction was given to change this to red; and in the process of the change the comma after the third 'him,' which had been in black, was cut out and not replaced. Curiously enough, the error is only in the Standard and in the copies actually printed from its plates; all other editions can be traced back to pre-Standard copies with memoranda of corrections; and therefore all, including the rubricated editions, are correct. But the error in the Standard itself should be corrected.
To make the corrections noted in the preceding paragraph, I beg to ask for the passage of the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Bishops [or Deputies] concurring, That the word ‘Question’ be substituted for the word ‘Minister’ at the beginning of the first line of text on page 263 of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, this being the correction of a typographical inaccuracy.

Resolved, The House of Bishops [or Deputies] concurring, That a comma be inserted between the word ‘him’ and the word ‘saying’ at the end of the first rubric on page 368 of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, this being the correction of a typographical inaccuracy.

By vote of the Committee on the Standard Book of Common Prayer, to which reference has already been made (Journal, 1895, pages 637, 638), the Custodian was directed to “keep in store all the remaining copies” of the Book of Common Prayer from the type of the Standard, “to be given by vote of the General Convention from time to time to such institutions or individuals as the Custodian shall, in his triennial report, formally recommend to such honour.” In accordance with this vote, I beg to ask for the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops [or Deputies] concurring, That a copy of the large paper edition of the Book of Common Prayer from the plates of the Standard be presented to the University of Virginia, and a copy to Rutgers College.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

SAMUEL HART,

OCTOBER 1, 1898.

APPENDIX TO THE REPORT OF THE CUSTODIAN OF THE STANDARD BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

CATALOGUE OF EDITIONS OF THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER IN THE CUSTODIAN’S COLLECTION.

Note. — This catalogue is intended to give in each case the date and place of publication, with the publisher’s name, and the size of the volume. In a few instances, where no date appears on the titlepage, the date of the certificate is prefixed in brackets; and in nearly if not quite every case in which the date of publication differs from that of the certificate, the latter is placed in brackets at the end of the line. Editions expressly called “stereotype” are indicated by an asterisk [*]; and those stated to be printed in England are denoted by ‘Eng.’ The indication of the size of the volumes is but approximate.

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1856 24mo N.Y.: Thomas N. Stanford [1854].
1856 32mo Phila.: W. P. Hazard [1846].
1856 48mo Phila.: C. G. Henderson & Co. [1837].
1857 4to N.Y.: D. Appleton & Co. [Standard plates.]
1857 8vo N.Y.: T. N. Stanford [1853].
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1858 8vo N.Y.: Stanford & Delisser [1858].
1858 8vo N.Y.: P. E. S. P. E. K. [E. D. 1858].
1858 8vo Phila.: King & Baird [1846].
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1865 48mo N.Y.: N.Y. B. & C. P. B. Soc'y.
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1881 16mo N.Y.: E. & J. B. Young & Co. [1868].  

[1882] 32mo N.Y.: N.Y. B. & C. P. B. Soc'y [both Appendices].  
1886 12mo N.Y.: N.Y. B. & C. P. B. Soc'y [1889].  
1887 24mo Phila.: Bp. White P. B. Soc'y [1873].  
1887 24mo Phila.: Bp. White P. B. Soc'y [with first Appendix].  
1888 16mo Boston: Margaret Coffin P. B. Soc'y [1881].  
1890 24mo Phila.: Bp. White P. B. Soc'y [1873, with second Appendix].  
— 16mo N.Y.: E. P. Dutton & Co.  
— 24mo N.Y.: E. & J. B. Young & Co. [Psalter, &c., pointed and copyrighted].  
— 24mo N.Y.: E. P. Dutton & Co.  
— 32mo Phila.: P. E. Book Soc'y [partly rubricated].  
NINTH TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE
FUND FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF
DECEASED CLERGYMEN, AND OF AGED, INFIRM, AND
DISABLED CLERGYMEN.

The undersigned, the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, beg leave to submit to the General Convention the following report for the three years ending September 15, 1898.

Our review is first of all a reminder of broken ties. Two of our associates have fallen on sleep. Their praise is in all the churches, and wide circles of fellowship and service mourn their loss. Of the late Dr. Langford it may well be said that the cause which this Board represents, like that of Missions, hung upon the beatings of his heart. His was a zeal with knowledge. The woes of widows and orphans of his brethren of the Clergy, the distresses of aged clergymen dying daily and waiting for that "blessed last of deaths when Death is dead" were not to him a distant, muffled sound, but one so close and clear to his responsive nature as to lose nothing of its pathetic meaning.

Mr. Nash, conspicuous as an exemplar of Laymen who give their love and labour to the Church in no stinted measure, was also, both to the Clergy and to the Laity, a pattern of that fine spirit which is not content to show itself in high places of the field, but rejoices to serve stricken ones by the wayside. Fitted by his gifts to edify the Church in council halls and enterprises of great moment, his sympathy was ever quick also to heed the no less urgent calls she made upon it in the persons of her destitute widows and orphans and veterans.

We deplore another loss. Mr. Albert E. Neely was appointed the Financial Agent of our Board, February 1, 1897, and continued on duty until his death in August, 1898. He had aptitudes of peculiar value for his work. His diligence was tempered with tact, and his patience, firm through much physical suffering, was rooted and grounded in love for those for whom it was his privilege to plead.

And now we turn to our trust. We invite attention to the exhibits of the following pages for such details as figures can give. A summary of such of these exhibits as pertain to the past three years shows that we have received during that period the sum of $115,103.53, as follows: Balance on hand, 1895, $241.94; receipts from churches, $32,711.19; from individuals, $7,439.22; from missionary districts, $144.92; interest on investments, $3,698.86; royalties, $24,573.31; investments paid off, $9,000; legacies, $42,154.09.

Comparing these statistics with those for the three years ending September 15, 1895, we find that there has been a forward movement all along the line, except in the matter of royalties which have fallen off $3,434.64, this being the difference between $24,573.31 received from 1895 to 1898 and the extraordinary sum of $37,007.96 received from 1892 to 1895. The receipts from 1895 to 1898 in excess of those from 1892 to
1895, for like objects, were as follows: From churches and individuals, $13,432.88; from legacies, $23,203.69, and from interest, $4,932.10. Adding these three sums together and then subtracting the amount of royalties fallen off, we find that the increase for the last three years is $20,134.03 or about $6,700 a year.

With enlarged resources our fund has enlarged its usefulness by reaching thirty-three more beneficiaries during the past three years than during the like period immediately preceding them; viz., it has, from 1895 to 1898, extended relief to 80 Clergymen and 202 widows and orphans, representing 54 Dioceses and Missionary Districts, while the numbers from 1892 to 1895 were 59 Clergymen and 100 widows and orphans, representing 55 Dioceses and Missionary Districts.

So far as we know this is the best record that this Fund has ever made. And whatever may be said of its indication of the value of a good financial agent's services, it certainly indicates that the importance of the work to which it refers has won a wider and more generous attention. We are profoundly grateful to the old friends and the new ones from whom this encouragement has come. And we are sure we voice their thankfulness as well as our own in expressing our sense of obligation to our able Treasurer and Financial Secretary, who have for so many years and with such signal devotedness done what they have done purely as a labour of love.

It is a distinction of this Fund that it knows no Diocesan or Missionary District boundaries. It crosses them all in its ministry of mercy. It is, therefore, well called the General Clergy Relief. The action of the General Convention of thirty-nine years ago creating this helping hand for the mind and heart of the Church to fill and use, was an undoubted declaration of the necessity for such a General Relief. Nor does any one doubt the urgent pressure of that necessity to-day.

It is devoutly to be wished that all Clergy Relief Funds, Diocesan or otherwise, might somehow act together as one; secure an adequate income by a new endowment or by the increase and combination of old ones; establish some uniform system of pensions, and lift the whole work out of what now seems a series of bureaus of unequal, insufficient and uncertain does, to its rightful power and scope from one end of the land to the other, as a nation takes the task of providing for its heroes and wards out of the uncertainties of charity and sets it upon the sure basis of a righteous duty, righteously fulfilled.

Meantime, the General Clergy Relief, though falling far short in the matter of financial requirements, comes to the front as the nearest approach to such an ideal. It comes bearing not only blessings from the many grateful hearts it has lightened, but appeals from many others to which it has not yet been able to respond. Of some of the appeals which come to us it might well be said, "Cut these words and they would bleed." They rarely breathe any note of complaint; they are spoken in the ear in closets, but they throb with a meaning big enough to be proclaimed upon the house tops. No servant of the Cross can ask to be exempted from the obligation bound upon every man and woman and child to endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. But it is surely not the purpose of the Church to wait and see how well her aged or widowed or orphaned ones can starve. It is a well known fact that a majority of our Clergy, even when on active duty for which they are in every way well equipped, are underpaid. It is safe to estimate that the salary of a very large number of them is barely $700 a year, while that of many others falls much below that figure. If it may be said that some of these underpaid Clergy could scarcely do better outside of the ministry, no one will deny that the majority belong to that class of earnest spirits that "would rather eat a crust from the altar than acquire competence
in a secular calling.” But if it is only a crust when any such Clergyman is young and strong, if even when his provision for his bodily needs has the benefit of his active energies, “the bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on it, and the covering narrower than that he can wrap himself in it,” what shall he eat and where shall he make his couch and with what shall he cover himself when he is no longer able to earn any income at all? No one expects him to get “snug in the centre of Nothing.” No one expects him to take his place in the line of suppliants before some charity door. Every one recognizes his claim on the Church for at least some meagre allowance. But, unhappily, the claim, though allowed, is too often not paid. And this explains in no small degree why men of worth depending wholly on their own efforts for maintenance are sometimes slow to enter the Ministry. It explains also, in a manner so open and plain that he who runs may read, why so many rectors hold on to their rectorships even when consciously unfitted for their work by advancing years and broken health.

This is plainly a larger question than that of mere relief. It concerns the Church’s welfare even more than that of pensioners on her bounty. But if a better system than we have must wait for a stronger tide, no one can doubt that the shoals and shallows through which Clergy Relief now scrabbles on its way would speedily fill with sympathy’s running streams if more of the Clergy on the active list would bear in mind that sometimes “light griefs are plaintive while the great are dumb,” and that the griefs of aged and disabled Clergymen, and widows and orphans of Clergymen are none the less great because they are not heard in the busy rector’s daily round. In behalf of these destitute and sensitive brethren who love the Church and have given their best in her service, we come again before the General Convention, and before our Clergy and Laity everywhere, to intercede.

One of them writes as follows:

SEPTEMBER 21, 1898.

I am now stationed at this point and have so far recovered my health as to be able to engage in light missionary work since the last of ... I wish I could say that I did not need the October check from the Society for the Relief of Infirm and Disabled Clergy, but my missionary stipend will not come in until the middle of ... and meanwhile I should hardly know what to do without this expected aid. After this, however, I trust I shall no longer need to be a beneficiary of the Society. I cannot adequately record my gratitude for their assistance. It has been a blessing to me and to my household. I wish the Church in general could be brought to realize the noble and splendid work that the Society is doing. It has been brought home to me, of course, in a very near and personal sense. If I am spared to be of any further use, I shall always take a deeper and more active interest in this fund. My field is small here, but I hope no year may pass without our remembering this work.

With heartfelt thanks and most earnest prayers.

In conclusion the undersigned beg to submit a copy of the action of the last General Convention in the matter of the enlargement of the membership of this Board, and legal opinions which indicate the inexpediency if not the impracticability of complying with it:

Extract from the proceedings at the first meeting of the Trustees after the adjournment of the General Convention of 1896.
I certify that on the thirteenth day of the session the House of Bishops adopted the following resolution, in concurrence with the House of Deputies:

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, be instructed to secure a change in the charter of the Society, so as to provide for the enlargement in the number of Trustees as indicated in the action of the General Convention of 1892.

And I further certify that on the seventeenth day of the session the House of Bishops elected the following-named persons, in concurrence with the House of Deputies, to be Trustees of the said Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, to wit:

The Bishop of Connecticut, the Bishop of New York, the Rev. Dr. Morgan Dix, the Rev. Dr. William S. Langford, Mr. Stephen P. Nash, Mr. William Alexander Smith, Mr. Ellhu Chauncey, the Bishop of Maine, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, the Rev. Dr. Edwin Harwood, the Rev. Dr. Clinton Locke, the Rev. Dr. R. H. McKim, Mr. George C. Thomas, and Mr. Robert T. Paine.

Attest: (Signed) SAMUEL HART, Secretary.

The Bishop of New York presented and read letters from Stephen P. Nash, Esq., and George Zabriskie, Esq., as follows:

NEW YORK, November 29, 1895.

My dear Bishop,—The last General Convention repeated its blunder of 1892 in electing fifteen Trustees of the General Clergy Relief Fund, when the charter only provides for seven. They accompanied their action, however, with a direction that the Board should get the charter amended so as to provide for fifteen. The corporation exists under special charter, passed April 13, 1855, and cannot be amended, I think, except by special action of the Legislature. I had an impression that the amendment could be effected by simply filing a certificate to that effect, as may be done in respect to all charitable corporations organized by filing a certificate under the general act of 1848, and acts of a similar character.

An act passed in 1893 (Chap. 197) authorized the members of any benevolent, etc., corporation to enlarge the number of its directors by a vote of the majority of the members present at any annual or adjourned meeting, upon filing a certificate of such increase in the offices where the certificate of incorporation was filed. This act was amended in some particulars by Chap. 180 of the laws of 1893, but it assumes the existence of a corporation with members who can be convened at a general meeting. We have no such membership, and I have, therefore, assumed that these acts do not apply to our case, and that it would be necessary to go to the Legislature.

Now, my hesitation in going to the Legislature is that we probably should be subjected to the restrictions of the act of 1848, which provides that no person leaving a wife, child, or parent, etc., shall devise or bequeath more than one-fourth of his estate, and that no such devise or bequest shall be valid in any will which shall not have been made and
executed at least two months before the death of the testator. It is customary now, whenever an application is made for an amendment of a charter, to insert a clause making the corporation subject to all the provisions of the statute in reference to wills. The act of 1860 also provides that no person having a husband, wife, child, or parent, etc., should give more than one-half of his estate to any benevolent association or corporation. We are probably subject to the provisions of this act, but the two-months clause in the act first alluded to does not now apply to our corporation.

I thought I would bring these matters to your attention before the meeting of the Board called for Friday next, in order that you may refer this letter for consideration to some of your legal friends who are not members of the Board.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) S. P. NASH.

DECEMBER 4, 1895.

My dear Bishop Potter,—I have read Mr. Nash's letter of November 20, which I return herewith, and have attentively considered the question which he raises.

I agree with Mr. Nash that the number of Trustees cannot be increased from seven to fifteen without a special act of the Legislature. It is a question of prudence whether such legislation shall be asked for. Undoubtedly, it is the policy of the Legislature, when they are asked to amend the charter of a charitable corporation to take advantage of the opportunity by subjecting the corporation to the restrictions contained in the general laws of this State relating to testamentary gifts to such societies. It is very doubtful whether the necessary act could be obtained without the detrimental rider. Such corporations have before this experienced the disadvantages of just such a course. In one instance for example, the Union Theological Seminary lost a bequest of ten thousand dollars in consequence of such an amendment to their charter tacked on to an act giving them, as they supposed, some advantages.

Whether the Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund will feel compelled by the action of the General Convention to apply for such legislation, notwithstanding any opinion they may have about its expediency, is, of course, a question for the Trustees themselves.

Yours faithfully,
(Signed) GEORGE ZABRISKIE.


The foregoing resolution and letters were discussed, and, on motion of Mr. Nash, it was

Resolved, That the resolution of the General Convention directing that provision be made for an increase in the number of Trustees be post­poned for further consideration.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN WILLIAMS, President.
HENRY C. POTTER, Vice-President.
MORGAN DIX.
WM. ALEXANDER SMITH, Treasurer.
ELIHU CHAUNCEY, Secretary.
1895.

Sept. 6.—To cash paid E. Chauncey, Financial Secretary, from Sept. 6, 1895, to Sept. 6, 1898, inclusive, amount of appropriation for Beneficiaries

$62,500 00

1896.

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E. & O. E.

WM. ALEX. SMITH, Treasurer.

Account and securities examined and found correct.

ELIHU CHAUNCEY, Auditing Committee.

New York, 21st September, 1898.
ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN, AND OF AGED, INFIRM AND
PAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
ALEXANDER SMITH, Treasurer.

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INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS.

- On $14,000 U. S. 4% | $1,540 00
- On $8,000 N. Y. City 3% | 720 00
- On $29,000 N. Y. City 3% | 1,755 74
- On $2,000 U. S. Currency 6% | 65 10
- On $3,000 C. & St. L. & Pitts. 5% | 400 00
- On $2,000 St. L. Van. T. H. 7% | 210 00
- On $20,000 Virginia 2-3% | 1,198 09
- On $6,000 Jersey City 7% | 1,260 00
- On $1,000 Norf. & So. 5% | 135 00
- On $10,000 West Shore 4% | 1,000 00
- On Certificate of Deposit Continental Tr. Co., interest | 61 71
- On Cash deposited with Continental Tr. Co., interest | 189 59
- On Exchange West Shore Bds. rec. | 65 63

ROYALTIES.

- Royalties, 1895-6 | $7,759 06
- Royalties, 1896-7 | 10,555 39
- Royalties 1897-8 | 6,298 86

INVESTMENTS PAID OFF.

- Sept. 28. - Rec'd Certificate of Deposit Continental Tr. Co. | $3,000 00
- Oct. 5. - Rec'd Certificate of Deposit Continental Tr. Co. | 2,000 00
- May 25. - Rec'd $1,000 U. S. Currency 6%, redeemed @ 100 | 1,000 00
- June 1. - Rec'd $1,000 U. S. Currency 6%, redeemed @ 100 | 1,000 00
- Jan. 2. - Rec'd $2,000 St. L., Vandalia, T. H. 7%, redeemed @ 100 | 2,000 00

LEGACIES.

- James Simona | $4,000 00
- John Blake | 7,654 09
- Alfred Corning Clark | 25,000 00
- Lucina H. Lord | 3,000 00
- Charles Miles | 500 00
- Cath. A. C. Comstock | 2,000 00

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| Sept. 6. | By balance in Continental Trust Co. | $7,640 13 |

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| 1895. |
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|       | $42,154 09 |

| 1894. |
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|       | $115,103 53 |

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS OF DECEASED MEMBERS.

The Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members respectfully report that following the directions of the Rule of Order, they report only the names of the Diocese, date of birth and death, and time of service in General Convention.

As instructed by this House, they have in cases where the names have not been accompanied by full information, left blanks which may be filled by the Secretary of the Convention, if the information needed be sent to him prior to the printing of the Journal.

As in making up their report, name after name—many of them long known and highly honoured in this Church—has come before them, it has been hard not to pause and speak at least one word of praise and commendation. But the Rule of Order inexorably forbids.

Our brothers have gone, some from a good old age, some from the full strength of years, some through the chastening of a long and weary illness, some suddenly as in invisible chariots of fire. They have gone leaving behind them the story of worthy lives and the stimulus of noble examples. It is meet that what the writer of the Epistle to the Hebrews did for those of the olden times, we should do for their successors in these latter days. It is only a list, but it is a list of worthies. They have dropped their tasks and gone to their reward. We stop a moment in our busy life to drop a tear, and then to look up and follow them with our thoughts. We think not of what they have left, but of the life upon which they have entered, and through our tears breaks our song:

"For all the saints who from their labours rest,  
Who, Thee, by faith, before the world confessed,  
Thy name, O Jesus, be for ever blessed,  
Alleluia."

Diocese of Alabama:
Mr. Joel White, born January 11, 1808; died October 10, 1896. Deputy in five Conventions.

Diocese of Central New York:
Mr. William Mansfield White, born July 8, 1833; died January 2, 1896. Deputy in five Conventions.

Diocese of Albany:
Mr. Erastus Corning, born June 16, 1827; died August 30, 1897. Deputy in three Conventions.

Diocese of Connecticut:
Mr. Benjamin Stark, born June 26, 1820; died October 10, 1898. Deputy in nine Conventions.

Diocese of East Carolina:
Mr. Armand John De Rosset, M.D., born October 6, 1807; died December 9, 1897. Deputy in twelve Conventions.
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Diocese of Easton:
Mr. William Goldsborough, born November 11, 1843; died September 21, 1896. Deputy in one Convention.

Diocese of Florida:
Mr. Fraser S. Knight, born April 25, 1863; died November 2, 1897. Deputy in one Convention.

Diocese of Georgia:
Mr. William Watson Montgomery, born November 11, 1827; died January 9, 1897. Deputy in two Conventions.
Mr. Anson Green Phelps Dodge, Jr., born 1859; died August 20, 1898. Deputy in two Conventions.

Diocese of Indiana:
Rev. John Hilliard Ranger, born September 25, 1847; died October 24, 1895. Deputy in two Conventions.

Diocese of Kentucky:
Mr. Richard Alexander Robinson, born October 23, 1817; died December 9, 1897. Deputy in seven Conventions.

Diocese of Long Island:
Rev. Thomas Stafford Drown, D.D., born July 9, 1823; died November 10, 1897. Deputy in eight Conventions.
Mr. Nathaniel Pendleton Schenck, born January 24, 1855; died July 10, 1898. Deputy in one Convention.

Diocese of Louisiana:
Mr. Henry Chotard Minor, born September 29, 1841; died March 13, 1898. Deputy in three Conventions.

Diocese of Maine:
Mr. James Bridge, born July 17, 1804; died January 8, 1895. Deputy in fourteen Conventions.
Mr. Henry Ingalls, born March 14, 1819; died December 12, 1896. Deputy in eleven Conventions.

Diocese of Massachusetts:
Mr. Edmund Hatch Bennett, LL.D., born April 6, 1824; died January 2, 1898. Deputy in seven Conventions.
Mr. Samuel Elliot, LL.D., born December 22, 1821; died September 14, 1898. Deputy in one Convention.

Diocese of Milwaukee:
Rev. Fayette Royce, D.D., born April 22, 1833; died October 19, 1897. Deputy in two Conventions.

Diocese of Mississippi:
Charles Hartwell Cocke, born March 12, 1851; died June 12, 1896. Deputy in two Conventions.

Diocese of Missouri:
Diocese of Nebraska:

Diocese of New Jersey:
Mr. Clifford Stanley Sims, D.C.L., born February 17, 1839; died March 3, 1896. Deputy in three Conventions.

Diocese of New York:
Mr. Stephen Payne Nash, born August 26, 1821; died June 4, 1896. Deputy in seven Conventions.

Diocese of Ohio:
Mr. Columbus Delano, LL.D., born 1808; died September, 1897. Deputy in seven Conventions.

Diocese of Pennsylvania:
Mr. Lemuel Coffin, born March 4, 1817; died January 4, 1896. Deputy in nine Conventions.

Diocese of Pittsburgh:
Mr. Hill Burgwin, born February 21, 1825; died August 13, 1898. Deputy in ten Conventions.

Diocese of Rhode Island:
Mr. Leroy King, born February 22, 1857; died December 5, 1895. Deputy in three Conventions.

Diocese of South Carolina:
Rev. James Moore Stoney, born June 9, 1843; died May 19, 1897. Deputy in one Convention.

Diocese of Springfield:
Mr. Henry Hinsdale Candece, born December 6, 1833; died October 16, 1897. Deputy in seven Conventions.

Diocese of Texas:
Mr. Edward G. Hanrich, born November 11, 1838; died May 28, 1898. Deputy in two Conventions.

Diocese of Vermont:
Rev. Alonzo Buck Flanders, D.D., born December 6, 1829; died April 5, 1898. Deputy in four Conventions.
Mr. Thomas Hawley Canfield, born March 29, 1822; died January 20, 1897. Deputy in four Conventions.

Diocese of Virginia:
Mr. Robert Taylor Scott, born March 10, 1834; died August 6, 1897. Deputy in two Conventions.

Diocese of West Virginia:
Mr. Edmund Jennings Lee, born 1846; died July 14, 1896. Deputy in five Conventions.

Diocese of Western New York:

On behalf of the Committee,
REES F. ALSOP, Chairman.
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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON THE REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION AND CANONS.

The Joint Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons, which was continued at the last General Convention and to which was recommitted the body of Canons presented in its report, with instructions to report to this Convention, has devoted much time to the careful reconsideration and revision of these Canons, and to the consideration of such matters as were referred to it by the House of Bishops, the House of Deputies, and the joint action of both Houses, and now begs leave to present the result of its deliberations.

The Commission does not propose the re-enactment of Title I., Canon 19, Section i. (1), Section iv. and parts of Section vi. (7), Section vii. (2), Section xv. (4). These Canons relate to the election and age of Bishops and to the rights of Missionary Bishops to seats in the House of Bishops. Nor does the Commission propose the re-enactment of those portions of Title III., Canon 2, which relate to the election of Standing Committees and the conditions under which they become the ecclesiastical authority of Dioceses. All these matters are contained either in the Constitution, which was passed by the last General Convention, or in the Constitutions to be reported to the next Convention by the Committee of the House of Deputies on the Messages of the House of Bishops relating to the proposed new Constitutions. Should these constitutional changes not be adopted, it will be necessary to enact Canons upon these subjects.

The adoption of the Proposed Canons 33 "of appeals to the House of Bishops" and 45 "of Provinces" depends upon the adoption of changes in the Constitution, and should a constitutional provision for Provinces fail of adoption, Canons 24 and 32 will require slight amendments. With these exceptions the whole body of Canons herein proposed can be adopted whether or not any constitutional changes are made.

In respect to the proposed Canon "Of Suffragan Bishops," which was referred to the Commission by the House of Bishops, the Commission has been unable to arrive at any agreement.

By order of the Commission,
EUGENE AUGS. HOFFMAN, Secretary.

The undersigned hereby dissent from the action of the Joint Commission in recommending the adoption of Canon 34, § III., which reads as follows:

"No Minister of this Church shall solemnize the marriage of either party to a divorce during the lifetime of the other party."

They recommend that the said Section shall be made to read as follows:

"No Minister of this Church shall solemnize the marriage of any person who has a divorced husband or wife living. This shall not apply to the innocent party in a divorce suit on his or her filing with the Minister, as evidence of such innocence, a legally certified transcript of the
record, showing a final judgment or decree of a Court of Record having jurisdiction on the subject-matter, awarding him or her a divorce "a vinculo matrimonii" on the ground of adultery."

H. C. POTTER.
J. HOUSTON ECCLESTON.
WILLIAM H. LIGHTNER.
FRANK H. MILLER.
Also from Canon 45, "Of Provinces."
W. R. HUNTINGTON.

I desire to express my dissent from Canon 34, "Of Marriage," excepting § II. [iv.] and Canon 39, § II., "Of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer."

HALL HARRISON.

While not assenting to all else in the proposed draft of Canons, I desire especially to note my dissent from Canon 18, "Of unlawful ministrations in the congregation"; from Canon 33, "Of appeals to the House of Bishops"; from Canon 34, § I. and § III., "Of Marriage"; from Canon 39, § II., "Of the use of the Book of Common Prayer"; and from Canon 45, "Of Provinces."

C. A. L. RICHARDS.

The undersigned dissent from recommending the adoption of Canon 34, § III., "Of Marriage."

ALEXANDER BURGESS.
W. S. LAIDLEY.
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PROPOSED CANONS.

CANONS OF ORDINATION AND CONSECRATION.

CANON I.

OF POSTULANTS.

§ I. [I.] A person desiring to prepare for the Sacred Ministry of the Church shall first make his desire known to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he is a resident, and shall give the Bishop the name of his Rector, or if he have no Rector, the name, if possible, of some other Presbyter, knowing him well and known by the Bishop, from whom the Bishop shall ask the Rector's or the Presbyter's judgment of his qualifications, physical, mental, moral, and spiritual, for the work of the Ministry, in order to enable the Bishop to advise him wisely whether to pursue his purpose or not.

[Ii.] He shall then present himself personally to the Bishop, and also state to him in writing:

(a) His age and antecedents.
(b) The length of time he has been resident in the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction.
(c) When, and by whom, he was baptized.
(d) When, and by whom, he was confirmed.
(e) When, and where, he was admitted to the Holy Communion.
(f) Whether he has ever before applied for admission as a Postulant or as a Candidate for Holy Orders.
(g) On what grounds he trusts that he is moved to seek the Sacred Ministry.

§ II. The Bishop, in a book to be kept for that purpose, shall enter the name of each applicant, with the fact of his approval or disapproval of the application, and the date of such entry. If he approve of the application, he shall inform the applicant of the fact, and of the date of his admission as Postulant.

§ III. [I.] No Bishop shall accept as a Postulant any person who has been refused admission as a Postulant or as a Candidate for Holy Orders, in any other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, or who, having been admitted, has afterwards ceased to be a Postulant or a Candidate, until he shall have produced a certificate from the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he has been refused admission, or in which he has been a Postulant or a Candidate, declaring the cause of refusal or of cessation.

[Ii.] Should the Bishop accept the applicant as a Postulant, he shall send the said certificate, or a copy thereof, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, to be considered by them if the said Postulant should apply to be recommended for admission as a Candidate.

§ IV. A Standing Committee, acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority of a Diocese, shall be competent to receive and act upon applications under this Canon from persons desiring to be received as Postulants.
§ I. A Postulant, having been duly received, may apply to the Standing Committee of the Diocese or the Council of Advice of the Missionary Jurisdiction, in which he is a Postulant, for recommendation to the Bishop to be admitted a Candidate for Holy Orders, and shall submit the following papers, viz.:

(a) An Application signed by himself.
(b) The Bishop's certificate of his admission as a Postulant.
(c) A certificate in the following words:

To the Standing Committee of
Place,
Date,

We do certify from our personal knowledge that we are well assured that A. B. is sober, honest, and godly; that he adheres to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, and that he is a communicant of the same in good standing. We do furthermore declare that, in our opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him to be admitted a Candidate for Holy Orders.

(Signed)

This certificate must be signed by one Presbyter of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and six Laymen of the Diocese or Jurisdiction in which the Postulant is resident, communicants of this Church, in good standing, who must be certified to be such by a Presbyter of this Church.

§ II. Should the applicant be a person not reared and nurtured in the communion of this Church and recently admitted thereto, he shall also lay before the Standing Committee or the Council of Advice a certificate, signed by two Presbyters of this Church, known to the Committee, in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of
Place,
Date,

We do hereby certify that we are personally acquainted with A. B.; that he has become a communicant of this Church, and that we believe him to be sober, honest, and godly. Furthermore we are satisfied after personal examination, and due inquiry concerning him as to his former religious relations, that he adheres to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, and that his change of relations has not arisen from any circumstances unfavorable to his moral or Christian character, or on account of which it may not be expedient to admit him to the Ministry of this Church.

(Signed)

§ III. [i.] The Postulant, before his admission as a candidate for Holy Orders, must lay before the Bishop satisfactory evidence that he is a graduate in Arts of some university or college in which he has duly studied the Latin and Greek languages.

[ii.] If the Postulant be not a graduate, as aforesaid, he shall be remitted by the Bishop to the Examining Chaplains, to be examined as to his knowledge of the English language and literature, Mathematics, the Latin and Greek languages, Geography, ancient and modern, and the first principles of Logic, Rhetoric, Physics, and History; and the examiners shall report to the Bishop in writing whether the said examinations have been satisfactorily sustained.
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[III.] Should the Postulant be unable to sustain the examination in the Latin and Greek languages, or either of them, he may make written application to the Bishop for a dispensation therefrom, until he shall have been ordered Deacon, when the application may be renewed, giving in each case the reasons for the application. With this application, he shall lay before the Bishop a certificate, signed by at least two Examining Chaplains of the Diocese, in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of Place,

Date,

We, Examining Chaplains of the Diocese of , sensible of the serious responsibility assumed in doing anything to lower the standard of learning to be required of one who is to be admitted to Holy Orders, and made a Teacher in the Church, yet submit that in the case of A. B. the dispensation asked for may be wisely granted, for the following reasons:

(Signed)

The Bishop shall send the application and the aforesaid certificate to the Standing Committee; and the Standing Committee, at a meeting duly convened, may, by a vote of not less than three fourths of all the members, recommend that the request of the Candidate be granted.

§ IV. The Standing Committee, on the receipt of the certificate or certificates as above prescribed, and having no reason to suppose the existence of any sufficient objection on grounds either physical, mental, moral, or spiritual, to the admission of the applicant, may at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the members consenting, recommend the Postulant for admission to Candidature, by a testimonial bearing the signatures of a majority of all the members of the Committee, and addressed to the Bishop, in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of Place,

Date,

We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of , and having been duly convened at , do testify, from personal knowledge or from certificates laid before us, that we believe that A. B. is sober, honest, and godly: that he adheres to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, and is a communicant thereof in good standing; and we do furthermore declare that, in our opinion, he possesses qualifications which fit him to be admitted a Candidate for Holy Orders.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this day of in the year of our Lord.

(Signed)

This testimonial shall be presented to the Bishop without delay.

§ V. When the aforesaid requirements have been complied with, the Bishop may admit the Postulant as a Candidate for Holy Orders. He shall thereupon record his name, with the date of his admission, in a book to be kept for that purpose, and shall inform the Candidate and the Secretary of the Standing Committee of the fact and date of such admission.

CANON 3.

OF GENERAL PROVISIONS CONCERNING CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

§ I. [I.] The superintendence of all Candidates for Holy Orders, both as to their daily life and as to the direction of their theological studies, pertains to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which they belong.
[III.] The Bishop, with the concurrence of the Standing Committee, may dispense with the knowledge of the Hebrew language.

[III.] The Bishop shall assign to each Candidate for Holy Orders texts of Scripture upon which to prepare sermons for his examinations for the Priesthood.

[IV.] Every Candidate shall pursue his studies diligently under proper direction; he shall not indulge in vain or trifling conduct or in amusements unfavorable to seriousness of deportment, to godly and studious habits and that good report which becomes a person preparing for the Holy Ministry.

[V.] When the Standing Committee of a Diocese is the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, the Clerical members of the Committee shall, through the President, discharge the duties assigned in this Section to the Bishop.

§ II. [I.] A Candidate must remain in canonical connection with the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he has been admitted, until his ordination, except as hereinafter otherwise provided.

[I.] For reasons satisfactory to the Ecclesiastical Authority, Letters Dimissory may be granted to a Candidate on his own request to any other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction.

[iii.] Convenience of attending any Theological or other Seminary shall not be a sufficient reason for change of canonical residence.

§ III. [I.] Every Candidate for Holy Orders shall report himself to the Ecclesiastical Authority, personally or by letter, four times a year, in the Ember Weeks, giving account of his manner of life and progress in his studies; and failure to make such report, to the satisfaction of the Ecclesiastical Authority, shall be ground for striking his name from the list of Candidates.

[ii.] A Candidate for Holy Orders who shall fail to present himself for examination within three years from the date of his admission as such, may, after due notice, be stricken from the list of Candidates at the discretion of the Bishop.

§ IV. [I.] Should the name of a Candidate for Holy Orders be stricken from the list of Candidates, or should his application to the Standing Committee for recommendation for ordination be rejected, or should his application for ordination be finally rejected by the Bishop, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to give immediate notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction. If such action be taken for causes which affect the moral character of the candidate, this fact shall be stated in the notice.

[ii.] A Candidate for Holy Orders in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, whose name shall have been stricken from the list of Candidates, or whose application for ordination shall have been rejected as above, shall not be ordained without re-admission to candidacy, said candidacy to continue for not less than two whole years.

§ V. A Candidate for Holy Orders shall not be a deputy to the General Convention.

Canon 4.

Of the Examination of a Candidate Desiring to be Ordered Deacon.

§ I. [I.] The Bishop or the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, when it is acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority, shall assign to the Candidate as his Examiners at least two Examining Chaplains of the Diocese or Jurisdiction.

[ii.] Examinations at any theological or other literary institution shall not supersede any canonical examinations; nor shall any certificate of
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graduation or diploma be sufficient ground for dispensing with any part of the canonical examination.

[iii.] The Bishop may invite the presence and assistance of the Presbyter who is to present the Candidate, and it shall be the privilege of such Presbyter to be present; but no other person save the Bishop shall be permitted to be present without the consent of the Examiners.

§ II. [i.] The Candidate shall be examined in,—

(a) The history and contents of the English Bible.
(b) One Book of the Old Testament in the Hebrew, previously assigned, and one Book of the New Testament in the Greek, previously assigned, unless he has a dispensation therefrom; and such passages in them as may be proposed to him.
(c) The Book of Common Prayer, its history and contents.
(d) Doctrines of the Sixth, Seventh, Eighth and Twentieth Articles of Religion.
(e) Ecclesiastical History of the first six Centuries.
(f) The English language, unless he is to be licensed to officiate in a foreign language.
(g) The conduct of the services of the Church and the ministrations of a Deacon.

[ii.] This examination shall be conducted, at least in part, by written questions and answers, and the replies shall be kept on file for three years.

[iii.] If the Candidate shall have conformed to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church within two years previous he shall be also examined concerning the points in which he may be supposed to have differed from this Church.

[iv.] The examination may be adjourned from time to time, at the discretion of the Examiners.

[v.] The Examiners shall report, in writing, to the Bishop (or to the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee when it is acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority), the result of the examination, whether satisfactory or otherwise, making separate report upon each of the subjects appointed for examination in this Canon, and in the following form, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of (or the Clerical members of the Standing Committee of as the case may be).

Place, Date,

We, Examining Chaplains of the Diocese (or Missionary Jurisdiction) of having been assigned as Examiners of A. B., desiring to be ordered Deacon, hereby certify that we have examined the said A. B. upon the subjects prescribed in Canon 4, Section II. Sensible of our responsibility, we give our judgment as follows:

(Here specify the proficiency of the Candidate upon each of the subjects appointed, as made apparent by the examinations.)

(Signed)

§ III. No one shall be ordered Deacon without having been examined by the Bishop in the presence of two Presbyters.

CANON 5.

OF ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE.

§ I. No one shall be ordered Deacon until he shall be twenty-one years of age.

§ II. No one shall be ordered Deacon within three years from his admission as Candidate for Holy Orders, unless the Bishop, with the
advice and consent of three fourths of all the members of the Standing Committee, shall shorten the time of his candidacy; but the time shall not be shortened to less than one year, except in the case of a person who shall have attained the age of thirty years, and shall have had experience in speaking and teaching publicly; and in no case shall the time be shortened to less than six months. In the computation of the time which is required to elapse between his admission as a Candidate and his ordering as a Deacon, the successful completion of the studies of an Academic year in any incorporated Seminary of this Church may be considered as a calendar year.

§ III. No one shall be ordered Deacon unless he be first recommended to the Bishop by the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which he belongs.

§ IV. In order to be recommended for ordination, the Candidate must lay before the Standing Committee:

(a) An application therefor in writing, signed by himself, which shall state the date of his birth.
(b) A certificate from the Bishop by whom he was admitted a Candidate, declaring the date of his admission; but when such certificate cannot be had, other evidence satisfactory to the Committee shall suffice.
(c) A certificate from a Presbyter of this Church, known to the Ecclesiastical Authority, in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of
Place,
Date,
I hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with A. B., and that I believe him to be well qualified to minister in the office of Deacon to the glory of God and the edification of His Church.
(Signed)

(d) A certificate in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of
Place,
Date,
We do certify, that after due inquiry, we are well assured and believe that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and hath not, since the date of his admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the Doctrine, Discipline, or Worship of this Church. And, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons.
(Signed)

This certificate must be signed by another Presbyter, who shall be a Presbyter of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and six Laymen, communicants of this Church, in good standing, who must be certified to be such by a Presbyter of this Church.

§ V. The Standing Committee, on the receipt of the certificates prescribed as above, and having reason to believe that all other canonical requirements have been complied with, and having no reason to suppose the existence of any sufficient obstacle, physical, mental, moral or spiritual, may, at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the members of the Committee consenting, recommend the Candidate for ordination by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of
We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of , and having been duly convened at , do testify that A. B., desiring to be ordered Deacon, hath laid before us satis-
factory certificates that for the space of three years last past he hath lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and hath not, since his admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders, written, taught, or held anything contrary to the Doctrine, Discipline, or Worship of this Church; and we hereby recommend him for ordination to the Diaconate.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this day of ___ in the year of our Lord ___

(Signed)

This testimonial shall be signed by all consenting to its adoption.

§ VI. The testimonial having been presented to the Bishop, and there being no sufficient objection on grounds physical, mental, moral, doctrinal, or spiritual, the Bishop may take order for the ordination; and at the time of the ordination he shall require the Candidate to subscribe and make, in his presence, the following declaration:

"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.”

CANN 6.

OF THE EXAMINATIONS OF A DEACON DESIRING TO BE ORDERED PRIEST.

§ I. [i.] The Bishop, or the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, when it is acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority, shall assign to the Deacon desiring to be ordered Priest, as his Examiners, at least two Examining Chaplains of the Diocese or Jurisdiction.

[ii.] There shall be assigned to every Deacon desiring to be ordered Priest two separate examinations, to be held at such times, and with such adjournments from time to time, as the Examiners may appoint.

[iii.] Examination at any theological or other literary institution shall not supersede any canonical examination; nor shall any certificate of graduation or diploma be sufficient ground for dispensing with any part of the canonical examinations.

[iv.] The Bishop may invite the presence and assistance of the Presbyter who is to present the Deacon, and it shall be the privilege of such Presbyter to be present; but no other person, save the Bishop, shall be permitted to be present, without the consent of the Examiners.

§ II. [i.] The first examination shall be in:

Portions of the New Testament in Greek, previously assigned; Christian Ethics; the Evidences of Natural Religion; Dogmatic Theology, Articles 1, 2, and 8 of the Apostles Creed, and the corresponding Articles of the Nicene Creed, with Articles I., II., V., IX., X., XIII., and XVII. of the Articles of Religion; Ecclesiastical History from the Seventh to the Thirteenth Century, both inclusive; Ecclesiastical Polity.

[ii.] The second examination shall be in:

Portions of the Old Testament in Hebrew, previously assigned; the Evidences of Revealed Religion; Dogmatic Theology, the remaining Articles of the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds and the remaining Articles of Religion; Ecclesiastical History from the Fourteenth to the Nineteenth Centuries, both inclusive; Liturgies; Canon Law, and the Constitution and Canons of this Church, with those of the Diocese to which the Deacon belongs.

[iii.] In cases of dispensation from Greek and Hebrew, or either of them, the examinations in the Holy Scriptures shall not extend to the knowledge of the Bible in the language or languages from which the Deacon has been dispensed.
[iv.] These examinations shall be conducted, at least in part, by written questions and answers, and the replies shall be kept on file for three years.

[v.] The accumulation of these examinations, or any parts of them, may be permitted by the Bishop for urgent reasons.

[vi.] In the course of these examinations, the Deacon shall present three sermons, composed by himself, on some texts of Holy Scripture, appointed by the Bishop.

[vii.] At one of his examinations, the Examiners shall subject the Deacon to such proof of his ability to conduct the services of the Church in an edifying manner and to deliver sermons with propriety and effectiveness, as shall satisfy them of his competency for the public duties of the Sacred Ministry. He shall also be subjected to a strict examination on the rubrics for ministering the Holy Sacraments.

[viii.] The Examiners shall report, in writing, to the Bishop, (or to the Clerical members of the Standing Committee when it is acting under the Ecclesiastical Authority,) the result of the examinations, whether satisfactory or otherwise, making separate report upon each of the subjects appointed for examination in this Canon, in the following form, viz.:

To the Right Reverend [Bishop of (or the Clerical members of the Standing Committee of as the case may be)].

Place,
Date,
We, Examining Chaplains of the Diocese (or Missionary Jurisdiction) of , having been assigned as Examiners of the Reverend A. B., Deacon, desiring to be ordered Priest, hereby certify that we have examined the said A. B. upon the subjects prescribed in Canon 6, Section II. Sensible of our responsibility, we give our judgment as follows:
(Here specify the proficiency of the Candidate upon each of the subjects appointed, as made apparent by the examinations.)
(Signed)

§ III. These examinations may be held, if desired by a Candidate, before he is ordered Deacon.

§ IV. No Deacon shall be ordered Priest, without having been examined by the Bishop in the presence of two Presbyters.

Canon 7.

Of Ordination to the Priesthood.

§ I. No one shall be ordered Priest until he shall be twenty-four years of age.

§ II. No one shall be ordered Priest until he has been a Deacon one full year, unless it shall seem good to the Bishop, for reasonable causes, with the advice and consent of a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee, to shorten the time; nor within three years from his admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders, unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons, with the advice and consent of three fourths of all the members of the Committee, shall shorten the time; but in no case shall he be ordered Priest within less than one year from his admission as Candidate for Holy Orders, nor until he has been a Deacon for at least six months.

§ III. No Deacon shall be ordered Priest unless he be first recommended to the Bishop by the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which he belongs.
§ IV. In order to be recommended for ordination by the Standing Committee, the Deacon must lay before the Committee:

(a) An application therefor in writing, signed by himself, which shall state the date of his birth.

(b) A certificate from the Bishop declaring that the term of his candidateship and the time of his service in the Diaconate have been completed; but when such certificate cannot be had, other evidence, satisfactory to the Committee, shall suffice.

(c) A certificate in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of
Place,
Date,
We do certify that after due inquiry we are well assured and believe that the Reverend A. B., Deacon, for the space of three years last past, or since the day of in the year , being the date of his ordination to the Diaconate, hath lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and hath not written, taught, or held anything contrary to the Doctrine, Discipline, or Worship of this Church. And, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests.

(Signed)

This certificate must be signed by two Presbyters and six Laymen, communicants of this Church, in good standing, who must be certified to be such by a Presbyter of this Church.

§ V. The Standing Committee, on the receipt of the certificates prescribed as above, and having reason to believe that all other canonical requirements have been complied with, and having no reason to suppose the existence of any sufficient obstacle, physical, mental, moral or spiritual, may, at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the members of the Committee consenting, recommend the Deacon for ordination by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of
We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of and having been duly convened at , do testify that the Reverend A. B., Deacon, desiring to be ordered Priest, hath laid before us satisfactory certificates that for the space of three years last past, or since the day of in the year , being the date of his ordination to the Diaconate, he hath lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and hath not written, taught, or held anything contrary to the Doctrine, Discipline, or Worship of this Church; and we hereby recommend him for ordination to the Priesthood.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this day of in the year of our Lord

(Signed)

This testimonial shall be signed by all consenting to its adoption.

§ VI. The testimonial having been presented to the Bishop, and there being no sufficient objection on grounds physical, mental, moral, doctrinal, or spiritual, the Bishop may take order for the ordination; and at the time of the ordination he shall require him to subscribe and make, in his presence, the following declaration:

"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

§ VII. No Deacon shall be ordered Priest until he shall have been
duly called to serve in some cure, or appointed a Missionary in some Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, or an officer of some Missionary Society recognized by the General Convention, or shall be a chaplain, professor, tutor, or instructor in some college or academy, or other seminary of learning, duly incorporated by law or recognized by the Ecclesiastical Authority, or a chaplain in the army or navy of the United States, or of some public institution.

**CANON 8.**

**OF GENERAL PROVISIONS RESPECTING ORDINATION.**

§ I. [i.] The Bishop of the Diocese, for the purposes of this and other Canons of Ordination, shall be understood, in cases so requiring, to signify a Bishop Coadjutor, when so empowered under Canon 9, Section II., or a Missionary Bishop, or any other Bishop of this Church canonically in charge of a Diocese, or of a Missionary Jurisdiction, or of congregations in foreign parts.

[ii.] The Council of Advice in a Missionary Jurisdiction shall, for the purposes of this and other Canons of Ordination, have the same powers as the Standing Committee of a Diocese.

§ II. [i.]. No certificate or testimonial, the form of which is supplied by Canon, shall be valid, unless it be in the words prescribed; the omission of the date therefrom shall render such certificate or testimonial liable to rejection.

[ii.] No Postulant, Candidate for Holy Orders, or student of theology shall sign any of the certificates prescribed in the foregoing Canons of Ordination.

[iii.] Whenever the testimonial of the Standing Committee is required, such testimonial must be signed at a meeting duly convened, and in the absence of express provision to the contrary, by a majority of the whole Committee.

§ III. Whenever any dispensation from the requirements of the Canons of Ordination is permitted, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, the application must be first made to the Bishop, and if he approve it, be by him referred to the Committee.

§ IV. If, in the case of any applicant for admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders, or for ordination, a majority of the Standing Committee refuse to recommend, although the required certificates have been laid before the Committee, and are in due form, it shall be the duty of the Committee, without delay, to give to the Bishop the reasons, in writing, for such refusal.

§ V. [i.] No Bishop of this Church shall ordain any person to officiate in any Congregation beyond the limits of the United States until the testimonials and certificates required by the Canons of Ordination shall have been supplied, except as provided for as follows:

[ii.] Any Missionary Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction in foreign lands, or any Bishop to whom the charge of congregations in foreign lands shall have been assigned by the presiding officer of the House of Bishops may ordain as Deacons or Presbyters, to officiate within the limits of his charge, any persons of the age required by the Canons of this Church, who shall exhibit to him the testimonials required by Canons 5 and 7, signed by not less than two Presbyters of this Church, who may be subject to his charge, and capable of acting at the time, the signature of a Presbyter in good standing under the jurisdiction of any Bishop in communion with this Church may be admitted to supply the deficiency.
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[iii.] Any Missionary Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction in foreign lands may, by and with the advice of two Presbyters subject to his charge, dispense with the studies required by Canons 4 and 6; provided, that no person in such case be ordered Deacon until he shall have passed a satisfactory examination, as to his theological learning and aptitude to teach, by the Bishop in the presence of two Presbyters, and shall have been a Candidate for Holy Orders for at least three years; and, provided further, that he be not ordered Priest until he shall have been a Deacon for at least one year. Such Deacon or Priest shall not be allowed to hold any Cure in the Church in the United States until he has complied with the Canons relating to the learning of persons to be ordained.

§ VI. There shall be appointed in each Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction, by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, two or more Presbyters as Examining Chaplains, who shall hold their office at the discretion of the said Ecclesiastical Authority, and who shall examine all Postulants, Candidates for Holy Orders, and Deacons sent to them by the Ecclesiastical Authority.

§ VII. In accordance with Ancient Canons, ordinations shall be held on the Sundays following the Ember Weeks, except that the Bishop may, if he deem proper, for urgent reasons, appoint special ordinations at other times.

§ VIII. No appointment for the ordination of any Candidate shall be made until the Bishop has had due notice that all the canonical requirements have been complied with.

CANON 9.

OF ORDINATION AND CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS.

§ I. [1.] Whenever the Church in any Diocese shall desire the ordination and consecration of a Bishop-elect, the Standing Committee thereof shall, by their President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, forward to the Presiding officer of the House of Bishops, evidence of his election, which shall be a certificate of that fact, signed by the Presiding Officer and Secretary of the Convention by which he was elected, and also evidence of his having been duly ordered Deacon and Priest, and a testimonial, signed by a constitutional majority of such Convention, in the following words, viz.:

We, whose names are hereunder written, fully sensible how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that the Reverend A. B., Presbyter, is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness of life; and that we do not know or believe that there is any impediment on account of which he ought not to be ordained and consecrated to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare that we believe him to be of such sufficiency in good learning, of such soundness in the Faith, and of such virtuous and pure manners and godly conversation, that he is apt and meet to exercise the Office of a Bishop to the honor of God and the edifying of His Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

(Signed)

The Secretary of such Convention shall certify upon the testimonial that it has been signed by a constitutional majority thereof.
The Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops shall lay the same before the House of Bishops, if in session, or if not in session, shall communicate the same to every Bishop of this Church in the United States, excepting those whose resignations have been accepted; and if a majority of such Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops, without delay, shall inform the Bishop-elect of such consent, and on his acceptance, the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops shall take order for the ordination and consecration of said Bishop-elect by himself and the two other Bishops whom he may appoint, or by any Bishops, not less than three, to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

§ II. [I.] When a Bishop of a Diocese is unable, by reason of age, or other permanent cause, to discharge the duties of his office, a Bishop Coadjutor may be elected by and for said Diocese, who shall have the right of succession. Before any election of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Bishop of the Diocese shall read, or cause to be read, to the Convention thereof, his written consent to such election, and in such consent he shall state the duties which he thereby assigns to the Bishop Coadjutor, when duly ordained and consecrated, and such consent shall form part of the proceedings of the Convention. In case of the inability of the Bishop of the Diocese to issue the aforesaid consent, the Standing Committee of the Diocese may request the convention to issue such consent, and such request shall be accompanied by certificates of medical men of the inability of the Bishop of the Diocese to issue his written consent.

§ III. There shall not be more than one Bishop Coadjutor in a Diocese at one time.

§ III. In case of application for the ordination and consecration of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Standing Committee shall forward to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops, in addition to the evidence and testimonials required by the preceding section, a certificate of the Presiding Officer and Secretary of the Convention that every requirement of this Section has been complied with.

§ III. No person shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop unless he shall at the time subscribe, in the presence of the ordaining and consecrating Bishops, the following declaration:

"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

CANON 10.

OF MISSIONARY BISHOPS.

§ I. The House of Bishops, with the concurrence of the House of Deputies, may constitute Missionary Jurisdictions in States, Territories, or parts thereof, not organized into Dioceses, or in territory beyond the United States, not under the charge of Bishops in communion with this Church. It may also, with the concurrence of the House of Deputies, from time to time, change, increase, or diminish the territory included in such Missionary Jurisdictions.

§ II. [I.] The House of Bishops may, from time to time, subject to the approval of the House of Deputies, during the session of the General Convention, or at other times, with the approval of a majority of the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses, choose a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church in Missionary Jurisdictions.

[iii.] The evidence of such choice shall be a certificate signed by the Presiding Officer and Secretary of the House of Bishops, with a testi-
monial, or a certified copy thereof, signed by a majority of the Bishops of the House, in the form required in Canon 9, Section I., which shall be sent to the Presiding Officer of the House of Deputies, or to the Secretaries of the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses, if the General Convention be not in session.

[III.] Before taking order for the consecration of any such Missionary Bishop-elect, the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops must receive a certificate signed by the President and Secretary of the House of Deputies, or by the Presidents and Secretaries of a majority of the Standing Committees of the Dioceses, that the election has been approved.

§ III. The House of Bishops shall have power, at their discretion, to transfer a Missionary Bishop from one Jurisdiction to another.

§ IV. In case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Jurisdiction from other cause, the charge thereof shall devolve upon the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops with the power of appointing some other Bishop of this Church as his substitute in said charge until the vacancy is filled.

§ V. If during the recess of the General Convention, and more than six months previous to its session, any Missionary Bishop of this Church shall die, resign, or be canonically removed, the House of Bishops shall, on the written request of twelve members of the same, be convened by the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops; and thereupon may proceed to elect another to take his place.

CANON 11.

OF BISHOPS FOR FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

Before acting upon an application to ordain and consecrate a Bishop for a Foreign Country, the Bishops shall secure from the person applying for such ordination and consecration evidence of his having been duly elected or appointed by an organization lacking the Episcopate and a Concordat which shall satisfy the House of Bishops that a Liturgy is prescribed for constant use, containing the Creeds, commonly called the Apostles' and the Nicene Creeds, together with Forms for the Administration of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper, an Ordinal, an Office for the Administration of Confirmation by the Laying on of Hands, and an Order for the constant public reading of the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, in which Liturgy the Faith and Order of the Church, as this Church has received the same, are clearly set forth. But no such Bishop shall be ordained and consecrated without the approval of a majority of the Bishops duly convened as a House.
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Canon 12.

OF DUTIES OF BISHOPS.

§ I. It shall be the duty of every Bishop of this Church to reside within the limits of his jurisdiction.

§ II. [I.] Every Bishop shall visit each Church within his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction at least once in three years, for the purposes of examining its condition, inspecting the behaviour of the Clergy, administering Confirmation, preaching the Word, and, at his discretion, celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

[II.] Every Bishop shall keep a record of his proceedings at his visitations.

[III.] Every Diocese shall make provision, in such way as it may deem proper, for defraying the necessary expenses of the Bishop's visitations.

§ III. Every Bishop shall deliver, at least once in three years, a Charge to the Clergy of his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, unless prevented by reasonable cause; and may, from time to time, address to the people of his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction Pastoral Letters on points of Christian doctrine, worship, or manners, which he may require his Clergy to read to their congregations.

§ IV. At every Annual Convention or Convocation the Bishop shall make a statement of the affairs of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction since the last meeting of the Convention or Convocation; the names of the Churches which he has visited; the number of persons confirmed; the names of those who have been received as Candidates for Holy Orders, and of those who have been ordained, and of Ministers who have been suspended or deposed from the Ministry; the changes by death, removal, or otherwise, which have taken place among the Ministers; and all matters tending to throw light upon the affairs of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction; which statement shall be inserted in the Journal.

§ V. It shall be the duty of a Bishop, whenever leaving his Diocese for the space of six calendar months, to authorize, by writing, under his hand and seal, the Bishop Coadjutor, or, should there be none, the Standing Committee of the Diocese, to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof during his absence. The Bishop Coadjutor, or, should there be none, the Standing Committee, may become at any time the Ecclesiastical Authority upon the written request of the Bishop, and continue to act as such until the request be revoked by him in writing.

§ VI. [I.] Any Bishop may, on the invitation of the Convention or of the Standing Committee of any Diocese where there is no Bishop, or where the Bishop is for the time under a disability to perform Episcopal offices by reason of a judicial sentence, visit and perform Episcopal offices in that Diocese, or in any part thereof; and this invitation may be for a stated period, and may be at any time revoked.

[II.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for the time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its Convention, be placed under the provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, who shall by that act be authorized to perform all the duties
and offices of the Bishop of the Diocese so vacant or whose Bishop is
under disability, until, in the case of a vacant Diocese, a Bishop be duly
elected and consecrated for the same; or, in the case of a Diocese whose
Bishop is disabled, until the disqualification be removed; or, until, in
either case, the said act of the Convention be revoked.

[iii.] A Diocese, while under the provisional charge of a Bishop, shall
not invite any other Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty or exercise
authority.

§ VII. [i.] If a Bishop shall desire to resign his jurisdiction, he shall
send in writing to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops his
resignation, with the reasons therefor.

[ii.] If the House of Bishops be in session, the Presiding Officer of the
House of Bishops shall lay before the House the said communication.
If the House of Bishops be not in session, the Presiding Officer of the
House of Bishops shall, without delay, send a copy of the communica
tion to every Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction,
and also to the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Jurisdiction of the
Bishop desiring to resign; and he shall at the same time, if it be more
than six months before the House of Bishops is to meet, call a meeting
of the House, to be held not less than ninety days from the date of his
summons; and should there be no quorum present the House shall
adjourn from time to time until a quorum be secured. A quorum being
present, the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops shall lay before
the House the said communication, whereupon the House shall investi
gate the whole case, and by a vote of a majority of those present, accept
or refuse to accept the resignation.

[iii.] In all cases of a proposed resignation, the Bishops shall
cause their proceedings to be recorded in their Journal; and the reslguatton
shall be complete when the vote of the House of Bishops, accepting the
same, shall be so recorded. It shall then be the duty of the Presiding
Officer of the House of Bishops to pronounce such resignation complete,
and to communicate the fact to the House of Deputies, if in session, and
to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese and Missionary Juris-
diction, who shall cause the same to be communicated to the several
ministers in charge of congregations therein.

[iv.] A Bishop whose resignation has been accepted may perform
Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church, having
Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction, within the limits of his Jurisdiction.

[v.] A Bishop who ceases to have Episcopal charge shall still be
subject in all matters to the Canons and authority of the General
Convention.

§ VIII. In the event of the disability of the Presiding Officer of the
House of Bishops, or vacancy in the office, the Bishop who, according
to the rules of the House of Bishops, becomes its Presiding Officer, shall
be substituted for the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops for all
the purposes of these Canons.

CANON 13.

OF DUTIES OF MISSIONARY BISHOPS.

§ I. Missionary Bishops shall exercise jurisdiction in States and
Territories, or parts thereof, not organized into Dioceses, or in any
Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, beyond the limits of the United
States, in conformity with the Constitution and Canons of this Church,
and under such regulations and instructions, not inconsistent therewith,
as the House of Bishops may prescribe.
§ II. No Missionary Bishop shall be eligible to the office of Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States, excepting only that whenever a Diocese shall have been organized within the jurisdiction of such Missionary Bishop, if he shall be chosen Bishop of such Diocese, he may accept the office.

§ III. Notice shall be sent to all Archbishops and Metropolitans and all Presiding Bishops of Churches in communion with this Church of the designation of any Foreign Missionary Jurisdiction, and of the consecration of any Foreign Missionary Bishop. Such Bishop, either already consecrated, or to be consecrated, shall exercise his Mission within his defined Jurisdiction, and it is hereby declared as the judgment of this Church that no two Bishops of Churches in communion with each other should exercise jurisdiction in the same place.

§ IV. Every Missionary Bishop shall report to each General Convention his proceedings, and the state and condition of the Church within his Missionary Jurisdiction; and, at least once a year, make a report to the Board of Missions. Every such report shall state the amount contributed in each year by the said Jurisdiction for Episcopal support.

§ V. [i.] Upon the creation of a Missionary Jurisdiction and the consecration of a Bishop therefor he shall, for the due administration of his Jurisdiction, select the Constitution and Canons of one of the Dioceses of this Church. Such Constitution and Canons when once selected shall remain in force, so far as applicable to the circumstances of such Missionary Jurisdiction, with such alterations as may be made from time to time by the Missionary Bishop with the consent of the House of Bishops, until the Missionary Jurisdiction shall be erected into a Diocese, and shall have adopted its own Constitution and Canons.

[ii.] Every Missionary Bishop shall appoint annually a Council of Advice, to be composed of not less than two nor more than four Presbyters, and an equal number of laymen, communicants of this Church, resident within his Missionary Jurisdiction, who shall perform the duties of a Standing Committee for such Jurisdiction, except in so far as these Canons otherwise provide, and who shall continue in office until their successors are appointed, and shall, so far as the circumstances of the Jurisdiction permit, be governed by the Constitution and Canons that have been adopted for such Jurisdiction.

Canon 14.

OF REGULATIONS OF MINISTERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

§ I. [i.] When a Parish or Congregation becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Churchwardens, or other proper officer, to notify the fact to the Bishop, who, with the concurrence of the authorities of the Parish, shall take such measures as he may deem expedient for the temporary maintenance of Divine service therein.

[ii.] No election of a Rector shall be had until thirty days after his nomination by the body empowered to elect, which nomination shall at once be notified to the Bishop by the officers of the Parish; except that such election may follow at once upon an acknowledgment by the Bishop of the foregoing notification with his consent to an immediate election. Written notice of the election, signed by the Churchwardens, shall be sent to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese.

[iii.] If the Ecclesiastical Authority be satisfied that the person so chosen is a duly qualified Minister, and that he has accepted the office, the notice shall be sent to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it. And such record shall be sufficient evidence of the relation between the Minister and the Parish.
No Minister is settled for the purposes mentioned in the Canons who has not been engaged permanently, or for a term of not less than one year, by a Parish according to the rules of the Diocese.

The control of the worship and the spiritual jurisdiction of the Parish are vested in the Rector, subject to the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer, the Canons of the Church, and the godly counsel of the Bishop. All other Ministers of the Parish, by whatever name they may be designated, are to be regarded as Assistants to the Rector.

For the purposes of his office, and for the full and free discharge of all functions and duties pertaining thereto, the Rector shall, at all times, be entitled to the use and control of the Church and Parish buildings, with the appurtenances and furniture thereof.

§ II. No Minister, removing from one Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to another, shall officiate as Rector or Minister of any parish or congregation of the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which he removes, until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof a certificate in the words following:

"I hereby certify that the Reverend A. B. has been canonically transferred to my jurisdiction and is a Minister in good standing."

(Signed)

§ III. [i.] It shall be the duty of Ministers of this Church who have charge of parishes or cures to be diligent in instructing the children in the Catechism, and from time to time to examine them in the same publicly before the Congregation. They shall also, by stated catechetical lectures and instruction, inform the youth and others in the Doctrines, Constitution, History, and Liturgy of the Church. They shall also instruct all in their parishes and cures concerning the missionary work of the Church at home and abroad, and give suitable opportunities for offerings to maintain that work.

[ii.] The Alms and Contributions at the Administration of the Holy Communion on one Sunday in each calendar month, and other offerings for the poor, shall be deposited with the Minister of the Parish, or with such Church officer as shall be appointed by him, to be applied by the Minister, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit. During a vacancy the Vestry shall appoint a responsible person to serve as Almoner.

[iii.] It shall be the duty of Ministers to prepare young persons and others for Confirmation; and on notice being received from the Bishop of his intention to visit any Church, which notice shall be at least one month before the intended visitation, the Minister shall announce the fact to the Congregation on the first Sunday after the receipt of such notice; and he shall be ready to present for Confirmation such persons as he shall judge to be qualified, and shall publicly deliver to the Bishop a list of the names of those to be confirmed.

[iv.] At every visitation it shall be the duty of the Minister, and of the Churchwardens, or Vestry, or other officer, to exhibit to the Bishop the Parish Register and to give information to him of the state of the Congregation, spiritual and temporal, under such heads as shall have been previously signified to them in writing by the Bishop.

[v.] The Ministers and Churchwardens, or other officer, of Congregations which have not been visited in any year, shall bring or send to the Bishop at the stated meeting of the Convention or Convocation of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, information of the state of the Congregation, under such heads as shall have been signified to them at least one month before the meeting of the Convention or Convocation.
Every Minister having a pastoral charge shall read to his Congregation on some occasion of public worship on a Lord’s Day, not later than one month after the receipt of the same, the Pastoral Letter issued in accordance with the provisions of Canon 44.

§ IV. [I.] It shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church to record in the Parish Register all Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, Burials, and the names of all Communicants within his cure.

[II.] The registry of every Marriage shall be signed by the officiating Minister and by at least two witnesses, and the registry of every Baptism and of every Burial shall be signed by the officiating Minister.

[III.] Every Minister of this Church shall make out and continue, as far as practicable, a list of all families and adult persons within his cure, to remain in the parish for the use of his successor.

§ V. [I.] No Minister of this Church shall officiate, either by preaching, reading prayers in public worship, or by performing any other priestly, clerical, or ministerial function, in the parish, or within the cure of another Minister, unless he shall have previously received permission for that purpose from the Minister of that parish or cure; or if, in his absence or inability, he fail to provide for the stated services of such parish or cure, from one of its Churchwardens. If there are two or more Congregations or Churches within a single parish or cure, the permission of a majority of the Ministers of such Congregations or Churches must be had; but nothing in this Canon shall be construed to prevent any Minister of this Church from officiating in any place of public worship used by any Congregation of this Church, with the consent of the Minister in charge of such Congregation, or in his absence, of one of its Churchwardens or Trustees. But this rule shall not apply to any Church, Chapel, or Oratory, which is part of the premises of an incorporated institution, created by legislative authority; provided, that such place of worship is designed and set apart for the convenience and uses of such institution, and not as a place for public or parochial worship.

[II.] If any Minister of this Church, from inability or any other cause, neglect to perform the regular services in his Congregation, and refuse, without good cause, his consent to any other duly qualified Minister of this Church, to officiate within his cure, the Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation shall, on proof before the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Jurisdiction of such neglect or refusal, have power, with the written consent of the said Authority, to open the doors of their Church to any duly qualified Minister of this Church.

§ VI. [I.] A Minister of this Church removing into a Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction shall, in order to gain canonical residence within the same, present to the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof a testimonial from the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he last had canonical residence, which testimonial shall set forth his true standing and character. The said testimonial shall be given by the Ecclesiastical Authority to the applicant, and a duplicate thereof may be sent to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he proposes to remove. The testimonial may be in the following words:

“[Signed]
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[ii.] Such testimonial shall be called Letters Dimissory. The canonical residence of the Minister so transferred shall date from the acceptance of his Letters Dimissory, of which prompt notice shall be given both to the applicant and to the Ecclesiastical Authority from which it came.

[iii.] Letters Dimissory not presented within six months from the date of their transmission to the applicant shall become wholly void. No Minister shall officiate in any Diocese other than that in which he is canonically resident, more than six months, without a license from the Bishop.

(iv.) If a Minister, removing into another Diocese, who has been called to take charge of a Parish or Congregation, shall present a Letter Dimissory in the form above given, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese to which he has removed, to accept it within six months, unless the Bishop or Standing Committee shall have heard rumors, which he or they believe to be well founded, against the character of the Minister concerned, which would form a proper ground of canonical inquiry and presentment, in which case the Ecclesiastical Authority shall communicate the same to the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese to whose jurisdiction the said Minister belongs; and, in such case, it shall not be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority to accept the Letter Dimissory unless and until the Minister shall be exculpated from the said charge.

[v.] No person who has been refused Ordination or reception as a candidate in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and who afterwards been ordained in another Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, shall be transferred to the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which such refusal has taken place without the consent of its Bishop or Ecclesiastical Authority.

CANON 15.

OF DEACONS.

§ I. Every Deacon shall be subject to the regulation of the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction for which he has been ordained, or, if there be no Bishop, to that of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, acting by their President, until he is canonically transferred to some other Jurisdiction. He shall officiate in such places only as the Bishop, or the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, as the case may be, may direct.

§ II. No Deacon who shall not have passed the examinations prescribed in Canon 6 shall be transferred to another Jurisdiction without the written request of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the same.

§ III. [i.] No Deacon shall be Rector of a Parish or Congregation, nor be permitted, except in time of war, to accept a chaplaincy in the Army or Navy.

[ii.] A Deacon ministering in a Parish or Congregation under the charge of a Presbyter, shall act under the direction of the Presbyter in all his ministrations.

[iii.] A Deacon ministering in a Parish or Congregation not under the charge of a Presbyter, shall, if not under the immediate direction of the Bishop, be placed under the authority of some neighboring Presbyter, by whose directions, in subordination to the Bishop, he shall in all things be governed.
Canon 16.

OF MINISTERS ORDAINED IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES BY BISHOPS IN COMMUNION WITH THIS CHURCH.

§ I. [I.] A Minister claiming to have been ordained beyond the limits of the United States by a foreign Bishop in communion with this Church, or by a Bishop consecrated for a foreign country by Bishops of this Church under Article V. of the Constitution, or by a Missionary Bishop elected to exercise jurisdiction beyond the limits of the United States, shall, before he be permitted to officiate in any Parish or Congregation of this Church, exhibit to the Minister, or, if there be no Minister, to the Vestry thereof, a certificate of recent date, signed by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Jurisdiction, that his letters of Holy Orders and other credentials are valid and authentic, and given by a Bishop in communion with this Church, and whose authority is acknowledged by this Church; and also that he has exhibited to the said Ecclesiastical Authority satisfactory evidence of his moral and godly character, and of his theological acquirements.

[II.] And before he shall be permitted to take charge of any Parish or Congregation, or be received into any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church as a Minister thereof, he shall produce to the Ecclesiastical Authority Letters Dimissory or equivalent credentials under the hand and seal of the Bishop with whose Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction he has been last connected, which letters or credentials shall be delivered within six months from the date thereof. Before such Minister shall be so received, the Bishop shall require him to promise in writing to submit himself in all things to the discipline of this Church, without recourse to any foreign jurisdiction, secular or ecclesiastical; and shall further require him to subscribe and make in his presence, and in the presence of two or more Presbyters, the following declaration:

“I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.”

After which the said Ecclesiastical Authority, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him into the Diocese or Jurisdiction as a Minister of this Church; provided, that such Minister shall not be entitled to hold canonical charge in any Parish or Congregation, until he shall have resided one year in the United States subsequent to the acceptance of his credentials.

§ II. If such Minister be a Deacon, he shall not be ordered Priest until he shall have resided in the United States at least one year.

Canon 17.

OF THE ADMISSION OF MINISTERS ORDAINED BY BISHOPS NOT IN COMMUNION WITH THIS CHURCH.

§ I. When a Minister ordained by a Bishop not in communion with this Church shall apply to a Bishop for admission into the same as a Minister thereof, he shall produce to the Bishop satisfactory evidence of his moral and godly character and of his theological acquirements, and that his letters of Holy Orders and other credentials are valid and authentic; he shall also produce a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating that, from personal examination, or from satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the communion to which he has belonged has not arisen from...
any circumstance unfavourable to his moral or religious character, or on account of which it may not be expedient to admit him to the exercise of the Ministry in this Church. Before such Minister shall be received into the Ministry of this Church, the Bishop shall require him to promise in writing to submit himself in all things to the discipline of this Church, without recourse to any foreign jurisdiction, secular or ecclesiastical; and shall further require him to subscribe and make in his presence, and in the presence of two or more Presbyters, the following declaration:

"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

After which the Bishop, being satisfied of his theological acquirements and soundness in the faith, may receive him into the Diocese or Jurisdiction as a Minister of this Church; provided, that such Minister shall not be entitled to hold canonical charge in any Parish or Congregation until he shall have resided one year in the United States subsequent to the acceptance of his credentials.

§ II. If such Minister be a Deacon, he shall not be ordered Priest until he shall have resided in the United States at least one year.

**CANON 18.**

**OF UNLAWFUL MINISTRATIONS IN THE CONGREGATION.**

No person shall be permitted to officiate in any Congregation of this Church, by preaching or by performing any priestly, clerical, or ministerial act, without producing sufficient evidence of his being duly ordained to minister in this Church.

**CANON 19.**

**OF LAY READERS.**

§ I. A competent person ready to serve the Church in the public services stately as a Lay Reader shall procure from the Bishop or Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, a written license. Such license shall not be granted to any but a male communicant of this Church, and must be given for a definite period, not longer than two years, but may be renewed from time to time, or revoked at any time. Such license may be given for any vacant Parish, Congregation, or Mission; but where a Presbyter is in charge, his request and recommendation must have been previously signified to the Ecclesiastical Authority. A license shall not be granted for conducting the service in a Congregation without a Minister, which is able and has had reasonable opportunity to secure the services of an ordained Minister. If the Lay Reader be a student in any Theological Seminary, he shall also, before acting as such, obtain the permission of the Presiding Officer of such Institution.

§ II. A Lay Reader shall be subject to the regulations prescribed by the Ecclesiastical Authority, and shall not serve in any Diocese other than that in which he is licensed unless he shall have received license from the Bishop of the Diocese in which he desires to serve.

§ III. In all matters relating to the conduct of the service, and to the Sermons or Homilies to be read, he shall conform to the directions of the Minister in charge of the Parish, Congregation, or Mission in which he is serving, and in all cases to the directions of the Bishop. He shall
read only the Morning and Evening Prayer (excepting the Absolution),
the Litany, the Office for the Burial of the Dead, and by special license
of the Bishop, the Ten Commandments with the Collects, Epistles, and
Gospels. If a Minister be present a Lay Reader shall not, save in case
of necessity, read any portion of the public services of the Church other
than the Lessons. He shall not deliver sermons of his own composition;
but he may act as a catechist in vacant Parishes, Congregations, or Mis-
sions, if he be specially licensed thereto by the Bishop. He shall not
serve within the Altar rails nor in the pulpit. He may wear an Academic
black gown, but not a surplice or cotta, or any dress peculiar to a Clergy-
man ministering in the Congregation.

CANON 20.

OF DEACONESES.

§ I. A woman of devout character and proved fitness, unmarried or
widowed, may be appointed Deaconess by any Bishop of this Church.
Such appointment shall be vacated by marriage.

§ II. The duty of a Deaconess is to assist the Minister in the care of
the poor and sick, the religious training of the young and others, and the
work of moral reformation.

§ III. No woman shall be appointed Deaconess until she shall be at
least twenty-five years of age, nor until she shall have laid before the
Bishop testimonials certifying that she is a communicant of this Church,
in good standing, and that she possesses such characteristics as, in the
judgment of the persons testifying, fit her for at least one of the duties
above defined. The testimonial of fitness shall be signed by two Pres-
byters of this Church, and by twelve lay communicants of the same, six
of whom shall be women. The Bishop shall also satisfy himself that
the applicant has had an adequate preparation for her work, both tech-
nical and religious, which preparation shall have covered the period of
two years.

§ IV. No Deaconess shall accept work in a Diocese without the
express authority, in writing, of the Bishop of that Diocese; nor shall
she undertake work in a Parish without the like authority from the Rec-
tor of the Parish.

§ V. When not connected with a Parish the Deaconess shall be under
the direct oversight of the Bishop of the Diocese in which she is canon-
ically resident. A Deaconess may be transferred from one Diocese to
another by Letters Testimonial.

§ VI. A Deaconess may at any time resign her office to the Ecclesias-
tical Authority of the Diocese in which she is at the time canonically
resident.

§ VII. The Bishop shall have power, for cause, after a hearing granted,
to suspend or remove a Deaconess.
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Canon 21.

OF AMENABILITY AND CITATIONS.

§ I. A Minister shall be amenable, for offences committed by him, to the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, to the Clerical members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he is resident at the time the charge is made.

§ II. Unless a Diocesan Convention shall otherwise provide, a notice or citation required by any law of this Church to any Minister to appear at a certain time and place, for the trial of an offence, shall be deemed to be duly served upon him if a copy thereof be given him personally or be left at his last usual place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day of appearance named therein; and in case such Minister has departed from the United States, if a copy of such citation be also published in some newspaper printed in the principal city or town of the Diocese or Jurisdiction in which the Minister is cited to appear, once a week for six successive weeks, the last publication to be six months before the said day of appearance.

§ III. A notice or citation, other than the above mentioned, required by any law of this Church, when no other mode of service is provided, may be served by leaving a copy with the party, or at his last usual place of abode within the United States.

§ IV. It is hereby declared to be the duty of all members of this Church to attend and give evidence, when duly cited, in any Ecclesiastical trial or investigation under the authority of this Church, and any person refusing so to do shall be held to be contumacious.

§ V. In the case of a Minister convicted in a Court of Record of any crime or misdemeanor involving immorality, or against whom a judgment has been entered in a Court of Record, in a cause involving immorality, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or of the Council of Advice of the Jurisdiction to which he canonically belongs, to institute an inquiry into the matter. If, in their judgment, there is sufficient reason for further proceedings, it shall be their duty to present him, or to cause that he be presented, for trial.

Canon 22.

OF OFFENCES FOR WHICH BISHOPS, PRIESTS, OR DEACONS MAY BE TRIED.

§ I. A Bishop, Priest, or Deacon of this Church shall be liable to presentment and trial for the following offences, viz.:

(a) Crime or immorality.
(b) Holding and teaching publicly or privately, and advisedly, any doctrine contrary to that held by this Church.
(c) Failure to comply with the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer, or introducing into Divine Service ceremonies or practices contrary to its Doctrine.
(d) Violation of the Constitutions or Canons of the General Convention.
(e) Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he belongs.
(f) Contumacy, or any act which involves a breach of his Ordination vows.

(g) Habitual neglect of the exercise of his Ministerial Office, without cause; or habitual neglect of Public Worship, and of the Holy Eucharist, according to the order and use of this Church.

(h) And for conduct unbecoming a Minister of this Church. On being found guilty, he shall be admonished, suspended, or deposed from the Ministry, according to the law of this Church.

§ II. No presentment shall be made or conviction had for any offence, unless the offence shall have been committed within five years immediately preceding the time of the presentment. But if the accused shall have been convicted of the alleged offence in any Court of Record exercising criminal jurisdiction, notwithstanding five years may have elapsed since its commission, a presentment may be made at any time within one year after such conviction.

CANON 23.

OF THE MODE OF PRESENTING A BISHOP FOR TRIAL.

§ I. A Bishop may be presented for trial for holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church, by any three Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction. Such presentment shall be in writing, addressed to the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, signed and verified by the accusers, and shall be delivered to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops.

§ II. A Bishop may be charged with any one or more of the offences specified in Canon 22, other than that of holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church, by five or more male communicants of this Church in good standing, of whom at least two shall be Presbyters, and not less than three shall belong to the Diocese or Jurisdiction of the accused. Such charges shall be in writing, signed by all the accusers, sworn to by one or more of them, and shall be presented to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops.

§ III. Whenever a Bishop shall have reason to believe that there are in circulation rumors, reports, or charges affecting his moral or religious character, he may, having sought the counsel of any two Bishops of this Church, demand in writing of the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops, that investigation of said rumors, reports, and charges be made.

§ IV. The Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops, upon the receipt of such written charges or of such written demand, shall summon not less than three nor more than seven Bishops, and with their assistance shall select a Board of Inquiry of three Freebys, and three Laymen, whose duty it shall be to investigate the said charges, or the said rumors or reports, as the case may be, and determine whether, upon the facts and the law, there is sufficient ground to put the said Bishop upon his trial.

They shall appoint a lay communicant of this Church, of the profession of the law, to act as Church Advocate and as the legal adviser of the Board. The determination of the said Board shall be certified in writing by its presiding officer and delivered to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. And if in the opinion of the Board of Inquiry there is sufficient ground to put the said Bishop upon trial, they shall cause the Church Advocate to prepare a presentment, which shall be signed by
such of the Board as agree thereto, and which shall be transmitted with the certificate of their determination to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops.

§ V. If a presentment be found and transmitted as aforesaid, the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops shall call a meeting of the House, not later than ninety days from the receipt thereof by him, to take order for the trial of the accused Bishop by selecting seven Bishops to constitute a court, and shall forthwith cause a true copy of such presentment to be served upon the said Bishop. The manner of such service and all subsequent proceedings shall be in accordance with the standing ordinances and rules which shall be provided by the House for the conduct of such trials.

§ VI. If the said Board of Inquiry shall determine and certify that there is not sufficient ground to present the accused Bishop for trial, the charges and the certificate of their determination shall be sent by the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops to the Secretary of the House, and be by him deposited in the archives of the House, and a true copy thereof shall be given to the said Bishop.

§ VII. In case the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops shall be the accuser or the accused, the Bishop who, according to the rules of that House, would succeed to the place of the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops, shall perform the duties devolved upon the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops by this Canon.

CANON 24.

OF THE TRIAL OF A MINISTER IN A MISSIONARY JURISDICTION.

If any Minister of this Church canonically resident within the Jurisdiction of a Missionary Bishop shall commit any offence within the provisions of Canon 23, such Minister shall be presented and tried according to the mode of trial provided by the Canons of the Province, if the Bishop shall have consented to such mode of trial; if he shall not have consented thereto, then according to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese which the Bishop shall have selected for the administration of his Jurisdiction, so far as the same may be applicable.

CANON 25.

OF A MINISTER IN ANY DIOCESE OR JURISDICTION CHARGEABLE WITH OFFENCE IN ANOTHER.

§ I. If a Minister belonging to any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction shall have conducted himself in any other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in such a way as to be liable to presentment under the provisions of Canon 22, the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof shall give notice of the same to the Ecclesiastical Authority where he is canonically resident, exhibiting, with the information given, reasonable ground for presuming its truth. If the Ecclesiastical Authority, when thus notified, shall omit, for the space of three months, to proceed against the offending Minister, or shall request the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which the offence or offences are alleged to have been committed, to proceed against him, it shall be within the power of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, within which the offence or offences are alleged to have been committed, to institute proceedings according to the mode provided by the said Diocese or Jurisdiction.
§ II. If a Minister shall come temporarily into any Diocese or Jurisdiction, under the imputation of having elsewhere been guilty of any of the offences within the provisions of Canon 22, or if any Minister, while sojourning in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, shall so offend, the Bishop, upon probable cause, may admonish such Minister, and inhibit him from officiating in said Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction. And if, after such inhibition, the said Minister so officiate, the Bishop shall give notice to all the Ministers and Congregations in said Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, that the officiating of said Minister is prohibited; and like notice shall be given to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which the said Minister belongs. And such prohibition shall continue in force until the Bishop of the first-named Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction be satisfied of the innocence of the said Minister, or until he be acquitted on trial.

§ III. The provisions of the last section shall apply to Ministers ordained in foreign lands by Bishops in communion with this Church; but in such case notice of the prohibition shall be given to the Bishop from whose Jurisdiction the Minister shall appear to have come, and also to all the Bishops exercising jurisdiction in this Church.

CANON 26.

OF THE DISSOLUTION OF THE PASTORAL RELATION.

§ I. A Rector, canonically or lawfully elected and in charge, may not resign his Parish without the consent of the said Parish, its Vestry, or Trustees, whichever may be authorized to act in the premises, nor may such Rector or Minister be removed therefrom by said Parish, Vestry, or Trustees, against his will, except as hereinafter provided.

§ II. If for any urgent reason a Rector or Minister as aforesaid, or the Parish committed to his charge, its Vestry or Trustees shall desire a separation and dissolution of the pastoral relation, and the parties be not agreed respecting such separation and dissolution, notice in writing may be given by either party to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction. The Bishop, in case the difference be not settled by his godly judgment, or if he decline to consider the case without counsel, may ask the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or the Council of Advice of the Missionary Jurisdiction and proceeding with its aid and counsel, shall be the ultimate arbiter and judge. If the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction be vacant, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall select one of the neighboring Bishops to act as the Bishop of the Diocese or Jurisdiction, and with like force and effect. The Judgment shall be either that the pastoral relation between the parties shall cease and determine at a time and upon terms therein specified, or that the said relation shall not be terminated; and it shall be the duty of both parties to submit to and abide by such judgment. In the event of either party refusing to abide by such judgment, the penalty for such refusal and the further proceedings in the case shall be those provided by the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese or Jurisdiction.

§ III. In case of the regular and canonical dissolution of the connection between a Rector or Minister and his Parish, under this Canon, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall direct the Secretary of the Convention to record the same.

§ IV. This Canon shall not apply in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction which has made, or shall hereafter make, provision by Canon upon this subject.
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CANON 27.

OF RENUNCIATION OF THE MINISTRY.

§ I. If any Minister of this Church against whom there is no ecclesiastical proceeding instituted, shall declare, in writing, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he belongs, his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority to record the declaration so made; but such record shall not be made until after the expiration of three months from the receipt of such renunciation; and such record having been made, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, of any Bishop who, being requested by the Standing Committee of the Diocese or the Council of Advice of the Missionary Jurisdiction, shall consent to act in the matter, to depose such person from the ministry; and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more clergymen, that the person so declaring has been deposed from the Ministry of this Church; provided, however, that if the Bishop shall be satisfied that the person so declaring is not amenable for any canonical offence, and that his renunciation of the Ministry is not for causes affecting his moral character, he shall so declare in pronouncing and recording the said deposition, and shall, if desired, give a certificate to this effect to the person so deposed; and he shall also give due notice of such deposition from the Ministry to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church.

§ II. If the Ecclesiastical Authority shall have reason to believe that the person so declaring has acted hastily and unadvisedly, action on such declaration may be postponed for the space of not more than six months, during which time such person may withdraw his declaration.

§ III. If the Ecclesiastical Authority, to which such declaration is made, shall have ground to suppose that the person making the same is liable to presentment for any canonical offence, such person may, in the discretion of the said Ecclesiastical Authority, be put upon trial for such offence, notwithstanding such declaration of renunciation of the Ministry.

CANON 28.

OF THE ABANDONMENT OF THE COMMUNION OF THIS CHURCH BY A PRESBYTER OR DEACON.

§ I. If any Minister shall, without availing himself of the provisions of Canon 27, abandon the communion of this Church, by an open renunciation of the Doctrine, Discipline, or Worship of this Church, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in communion with the same, or in any other way, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or the Council of Advice of the Missionary Jurisdiction to certify the fact to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Bishop of an adjacent Diocese, and with such certificate send a statement of the acts or declarations which show such abandonment; which certificate and statement shall be recorded, and shall be taken and deemed by the Ecclesiastical Authority as an equivalent to a renunciation of the Ministry by the Minister himself; and the said Bishop may then suspend the said Minister for six months. Notice shall then be given by the said Bishop to the Minister so suspended that, unless he shall within six months transmit to the Bishop a retraction of such acts, or make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, he will be deposed from the Ministry.
§ II. If such declaration be not made within six months, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to depose the said Minister from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more Presbyters, that he has been so deposed.

Canon 29.

Of a Minister absenting himself from his Diocese, or abandoning the work of the Ministry.

§ I. If a Minister shall have been absent from the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he belongs for one year without having given reasons satisfactory to the Bishop thereof; or if he shall engage in any secular calling or business without the consent of such Bishop, and shall refuse to engage in the work of the Ministry at the call of his Bishop, coupled with reasonable provision for his support, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or the Council of Advice of the Missionary Jurisdiction, the case being brought to its attention by the written statement of the Bishop, or of any two Presbyters of the same Jurisdiction, to present the offending Minister for trial for contumacy and conduct unbecoming a Minister of this Church.

§ II. After such written statement, and until the presentment be made, such Minister may be suspended by his Bishop from the exercise of his office; and notice of such temporary suspension shall be given by the Bishop to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction.

Canon 30.

Of the Abandonment of the Communion of this Church by a Bishop.

§ I. If a Bishop, without resigning, abandon the Communion of this Church, either by an open renunciation of the Doctrine, Discipline, or Worship of the Church, or by admission, formal or otherwise, into any religious society not in communion with the same, or in any other manner, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or the Council of Advice of the Missionary Jurisdiction of said Bishop to certify the fact to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops, and with such certificate send a statement of the acts or declarations which show such abandonment, which certificate and statement shall be recorded by the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. The Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops, with the consent of the three Bishops next in seniority, shall then suspend the said Bishop from the exercise of his office and ministry until such time as the House of Bishops shall investigate the matter.

§ II. The Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops shall forthwith give notice to the said Bishop of such suspension and that unless he shall, within six months, make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, and shall demand a trial, he will be liable to deposition from the Ministry. And if such declaration be not made within six months, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops to convene the House of Bishops to consider the case; and if the said House, by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote, shall give their consent, the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops shall depose the said Bishop from the Ministry, and pronounce and record in the presence of two or more Bishops, that he has been so deposed.
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CANON 31.

OF SENTENCES.

§ I. Whenever the penalty of suspension shall be inflicted on a Bishop, Priest, or Deacon, in this Church, the sentence shall specify on what terms, or at what time, the said penalty shall cease.

§ II. Whenever a Minister is deposed from the Sacred Ministry, he is deposed therefrom entirely, and not from a higher to a lower Order in the same; and whenever a Minister shall be deposed, the Bishop who pronounces sentence shall, without delay, give notice thereof to every Minister and Vestry in the Diocese or Jurisdiction, and also to all the Bishops of this Church, and where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese or to the Council of Advice of the Missionary Jurisdiction; and the notice shall specify under what Canon the said Minister has been deposed.

CANON 32.

OF THE REMISSION OR MODIFICATION OF JUDICIAL SENTENCES.

§ I. The House of Bishops may remit and terminate any judicial sentence which may have been imposed upon a Bishop, or modify the same so far as to designate a precise period of time, or other specific contingency, on the occurrence of which such sentence shall utterly cease, and be of no further force or effect: provided, that no such remission or modification shall be made except at a meeting of the House of Bishops, during the session of some General Convention, or at a special meeting of the said House, which shall be convened by the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops on the application of any five Bishops, three months' notice, in writing, of the time, place and object of the meeting being given personally to each Bishop, or left at his usual place of abode; provided, also, that such remission or modification be assented to by not less than a majority of the whole number entitled at the time to seats in the House of Bishops; and provided, that nothing herein shall be construed to repeal or alter the provisions of Canon 31.

§ II. A Bishop of this Church may, for reasons which he shall deem sufficient, remit and terminate any sentence of deposition pronounced in his Jurisdiction upon a Minister; but he shall exercise this power only upon the following conditions:

(a) That he shall act with the unanimous advice and consent of his Standing Committee.

(b) That he shall first submit his proposed action, with his reasons therefor, to the judgment of four of the Bishops of the Province, and shall receive in writing, from at least three of the said Bishops, their approval of the said remission, and their consent thereto.

(c) That before remitting such sentence, he shall require the person to be restored to the Ministry to subscribe to the following declaration:

"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

§ III. In case such person was deposed for abandoning the Communion of this Church, or, having been deposed by reason of his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church, or for other cause, he have also abandoned its Communion, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be satisfied that such person has lived in lay communion with this Church for three years next preceding his application for such remission.
§ IV. In case the person applying for such remission shall be domiciled beyond the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he was deposed, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be furnished with written evidence of the approval of such application by the Bishop of the Diocese or Jurisdiction in which such person is domiciled.

§ V. Whenever a Bishop shall remit and terminate any sentence of deposition, he shall give due notice of it to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church.

CANON 33.

OF APPEALS TO THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

§ I. Whenever, upon the trial of a Bishop, or upon a trial had in the Court of last resort in a Province, or in the Court of last resort in a Diocese which has not adopted a Provincial Court of Appeal, it becomes necessary to pass upon a question of doctrine, and either party desires to appeal from the decision of the Court to the House of Bishops, the appellant shall, within thirty days from the entry of final judgment in the Court in which such trial was had, give notice in writing of the appeal to said Court, to the party against whom the appeal is taken, and to the Secretary of the House of Bishops, assigning in said notice the causes of appeal.

§ II. The Court before which the said trial was had shall thereupon send to the Secretary of the House of Bishops a transcript of the record, and of the findings of the said Court, and of the proofs, and of such entries and papers therein as may be necessary to the hearing of the appeal, certified by the President and Clerk of said Court, and the Secretary shall lay the same before the said House at its next session.

§ III. The House of Bishops shall, by Ordinances and Rules, not inconsistent with the Constitution and Canons, prescribe the mode in which such appeals may be heard before it.

§ IV. The House of Bishops may affirm, modify or reverse any judgment or order so brought before it for review, or may direct that such judgment or order be entered, and such further proceedings be had in the Court from which the said appeal was taken, as the justice of the case may require. But if the accused be found guilty, in case he is a Presbyter or Deacon, the sentence shall be pronounced by the Bishop of the Jurisdiction in which the trial was originally had.

§ V. Whenever an appeal to the House of Bishops from the decision in any Court may be taken, all proceedings in the case in such Court, after the entry of final judgment, shall be stayed until the expiration of thirty days from the date of the said entry, unless the right of appeal is waived by the party against whom final judgment is given, and, in case of appeal, until such appeal is determined or dismissed by the said House of Bishops.

§ VI. Should the appellant fail to prosecute the appeal before the said House of Bishops at the first session thereof, after the entry of said appeal, the same may be dismissed for want of prosecution. In such case the Secretary of the said House shall immediately give notice of such dismissal to the Court from which the said appeal was taken; and the judgment appealed from shall become final.

CANON 34.

OF MARRIAGE.

§ I. No Minister shall solemnize a marriage the parties to which are within the degrees of consanguinity and affinity defined in the eighteenth chapter of the Book Leviticus.
§ II. [i.] It shall be the duty of Ministers to admonish the people from time to time that the Churchdiscountenances clandestine marriage.

[ii.] No Minister shall solemnize the marriage of any person who is a minor under the law of the place of marriage, unless the parent or guardian of such minor is present, or shall have given written consent to the marriage, or is permanently resident in a foreign country.

[iii.] No Minister shall solemnize a marriage except in the presence of at least two witnesses, himself or the witnesses being personally acquainted with the parties.

[iv.] Every Minister of the Church shall, at the time of the marriage, record in the Register of the Parish in which the marriage takes place, the name, birthplace, age and residence of each party, and such record shall be signed by the Minister who performs the ceremony, and by at least two witnesses of the marriage.

§ III. No Minister of this Church shall solemnize the marriage of either party to a divorce during the lifetime of the other party.

**Canon 35.**

**OF PERSONS UNLAWFULLY MARRIED.**

No person married otherwise than as the discipline of this Church allows shall be admitted to Holy Baptism, or to Confirmation, or to receive the Holy Communion without the written direction of the Bishop, given upon application, and after due investigation of the facts.

**Canon 36.**

**OF REGULATIONS RESPECTING THE LAITY.**

§ I. A communicant in good standing removing from one Parish to another shall be entitled to and shall procure from the Rector or Minister of the Parish or congregation of his or her last residence, or, if there be no Rector or Minister, from one of the Churchwardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing, and the Rector or Minister of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall record him or her as a communicant when such letter is presented, or on failure to produce such letter from no fault of the communicant, upon other evidence of his or her standing sufficient in the judgment of the said Rector or Minister. Notice of the above record shall be sent to the Rector of the Parish from which the communicant has removed.

§ II. When a person to whom the Sacraments of the Church have been refused, or who has been repelled from the Holy Communion under the Rubrics, shall lodge a complaint with the Bishop, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless he sees fit to require the person to be admitted or restored, because of the insufficiency of the cause assigned by the Minister, to institute such an inquiry as may be directed by the Canons of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and should no such canon exist, the Bishop shall proceed according to such principles of law and equity as will insure an impartial decision, but no Minister of this Church shall be required to admit to the Sacraments a person so refused or repelled, without the written direction of the Bishop; provided, that the Sacraments shall not be refused in any case to a penitent person at the point to die.
CANONS OF WORSHIP.

Canon 37.

OF THE STANDARD BIBLE.

Until further order be taken, the Oxford quarto edition of 1852 of the Holy Bible is recognized by this Church as the standard of typography and punctuation.

Canon 38.

OF THE STANDARD BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

§ I. The copy of the Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, according to the use of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David, the Form of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, and an Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion accepted by the General Convention of this Church, in the year of our Lord 1892, and authenticated by the signatures of the Presiding Officers and Secretaries of the two Houses of General Convention, and by the signatures of the members of the Joint Committee charged with the duty of preparing and submitting to the Convention a Standard Prayer Book, is hereby declared to be the Standard Book of Common Prayer of this Church.

§ II. All copies of the Book of Common Prayer to be hereafter made and published shall conform to this Standard, and shall agree therewith in paging, and, so far as it is possible, in all other matters of typographical arrangement, except that the Rubrics may be printed either in red or black. The requirement of uniformity in paging shall apply only to that portion of the book which begins with the Order for the Daily Morning Prayer, and ends with the Psalter, and shall not extend to editions smaller than those known as 24mo, or to editions noted for music.

§ III. In case any typographical inaccuracy shall be found in the standard Book of Common Prayer, its correction may be ordered by a joint resolution of any General Convention, and notice of such correction shall be communicated by the Custodian to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese of this Church, and to actual publishers of the Book of Common Prayer.

§ IV. Copies of the folio Standard Book of Common Prayer, duly authenticated, as in the case of the Standard Book, shall be sent, when issued, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese or Jurisdiction in trust for the use thereof, and for reference and appeal in questions as to the authorized formularies of this Church.

§ V. No copy or edition of the Book of Common Prayer shall be made, printed, published, or used as of authority in this Church, unless it contain the authorization of the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, certifying that he or some person appointed by him has compared the said copy or edition with the said Standard, or a certified copy thereof, and that it conforms thereto.
§ VI. The House of Bishops shall nominate a person who, after confirmation by the House of Deputies, shall be appointed the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, and shall have charge of the same. He shall hold office until his successor is appointed, and any vacancy occurring during the recess of the General Convention may be provisionally filled by appointment of the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. It shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority of any Diocese or Jurisdiction in which any unauthorized edition of the Book of Common Prayer, or any part or parts thereof, shall be published or circulated, to give public notice that the said edition is not of authority in this Church.

CANON 39.

OF THE USE OF THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

§ I. The Book of Common Prayer, as the same has been established by General Convention, shall be used by every Minister of this Church upon all occasions of public worship for which this Church provides. When officiating in such services he shall use no other prayers than those of the Book of Common Prayer, except such forms of prayer and thanksgiving as may be set forth by the Bishop for special occasions.

§ II. All Ministers shall say daily the Morning and Evening Prayer, either privately or openly, not being let by sickness or other urgent cause.

§ III. The Bishop of every Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction may compose forms of prayer or thanksgiving, as the case may require, for special occasions, and send them to every Minister within his Diocese or Jurisdiction, and it shall be the duty of the Minister to use such forms.

CANON 40.

OF THE DUE CELEBRATION OF SUNDAYS.

All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord’s Day, commonly called Sunday, by regular participation in the public worship of the Church, in hearing the Word of God read and taught, and in other acts of devotion and works of charity, using all godly and sober conversation.

CANON 41.

OF THE MUSIC OF THE CHURCH.

It shall be the duty of every Minister to appoint by standing directions or from time to time hymns or anthems from those authorized by the Rubric to be used in his congregation, and with such assistance as he may see fit to employ from persons skilled in music, to give order concerning the tunes to be sung in his Church. It shall be his especial duty to suppress all light and unseemly music, and all indecency and irreverence in the performance.

CANON 42.

OF THE CONSECRATION OF CHURCHES.

§ I. No Church or Chapel shall be consecrated until the Bishop shall have been sufficiently certified that the building and the ground on which it is erected have been fully paid for, and are free from lien or other encumbrance; and also that such building and ground are secured from the danger of alienation, either in whole or in part, from those
who profess and practise the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, except in the cases provided for in Sections II. and III. of this Canon.

§ II. It shall not be lawful for any Vestry, Trustees, or other body authorized by law of any State or Territory, to hold property for any Diocese, Parish, or Congregation, to encumber or alienate any consecrated Church or Chapel, or any Rectory, or Parish House belonging to the Parish or Congregation which they represent, without the previous consent of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

§ III. No Church or Chapel shall be removed, taken down, or otherwise disposed of, for any worldly or common use, without the previous consent of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.
CANONS OF THE ORGANIZATIONS OF THIS CHURCH.

CANON 43.

OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

§ I. [i.] At the time and place appointed for the meeting of the General Convention, the Secretary of the House of Deputies, or, in his absence, one of the Assistant Secretaries, in the order of their appointment, or, in the absence of all, the person appointed as hereinafter provided by the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the General Convention is to meet, shall call to order the members present, and record the names of those whose testimonials, in due form, shall have been presented to him, which record shall be prima facie evidence that the persons whose names are therein recorded are entitled to seats. If there be a quorum present, by the record, the Secretary shall so declare, and the House shall proceed to organize by the election by ballot of a President from the members of the House, and of a Secretary, and a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. As soon as a President and Secretary have been elected, a committee shall be appointed to wait upon the House of Bishops, and inform them of the organization of the House of Deputies, and of its readiness to proceed to business.

[lii.] In order to aid the Secretary in preparing the record specified in the preceding clause, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese to forward to him, as soon as may be practicable, a copy of the latest Journal of the Diocesan Convention, together with a certified copy of the testimonials of members aforesaid. He shall also forward a duplicate copy of such testimonials to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the General Convention is next to meet.

[iii.] The Secretary shall keep full minutes of the proceedings of the House; record them, with all reports, in a book provided for that purpose; preserve the Journal and Records of the House; deliver them to the Registrar, as hereinafter provided, and perform such other duties as may be directed by the House. He may, with the approbation of the House, appoint Assistant Secretaries, and the Secretary and Assistant Secretaries shall continue in office until the organization of the next General Convention, and until their successors be chosen. If, during the recess of the General Convention, a vacancy should occur in the office of Secretary, the duties thereof shall devolve upon the Senior Assistant Secretary; or, if there be none, a Secretary shall be appointed by the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the General Convention is next to meet.

[iv.] It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the House of Deputies, whenever any alteration of the Constitution is proposed, or any other subject submitted to the consideration of the several Diocesan Conventions, to give notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Church in every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction.

[v.] The Secretary of the House of Deputies and the Treasurer of the General Convention shall be entitled to seats upon the floor of the House, and, with the consent of the President, to speak on the subjects of their respective offices.

[vi.] Previous to any meeting of the General Convention, the Secre-
tary, under the direction of the Deputies from the Diocese in which the General Convention is to be held, shall determine by lot the seats to be occupied by each delegation.

[vii.] At the meetings of the House of Deputies, the Rules and Orders of the previous meeting shall be in force until they are amended or repealed by the House.

§ II. [I.] The right of calling special meetings of the General Convention shall be in the Bishops. The Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops shall issue the summons for such meetings, designating the time and place thereof, with the consent, or on the requisition, of a majority of the Bishops, expressed to him in writing.

[ii.] The Deputies elected to the preceding General Convention shall be the Deputies at such special meetings of the General Convention, except in those cases in which other Deputies shall have been chosen in the meantime by any of the Diocesan Conventions, and then such other Deputies shall represent in the special meeting of the General Convention the Church of the Diocese in which they have been chosen.

§ III. [i.] The House of Deputies, upon the nomination of the House of Bishops, shall elect a Presbyter, to be known as the Registrar of the General Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive all Journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents or articles that are, or shall become, the property of either House of the General Convention: to arrange, label, index, and put them in order, and to provide for the safe keeping of the same in some fire-proof, accessible place of deposit, and to hold the same under such regulations as the General Convention may, from time to time, provide.

[ii.] It shall also be the duty of the said Registrar to procure a suitable book, and to enter therein the record of the ordinations and consecrations of all the Bishops of this Church, designating accurately the time and place of the same, with the names of the consecrating Bishops, and of others present and assisting; to have the same authenticated in the fullest manner practicable; and to take care for the similar record and authentication of all future ordinations and consecrations in this Church. Due notice of the time and place of such ordinations and consecrations shall be given by the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops to the Registrar; and thereupon it shall be his duty to attend such ordinations and consecrations, either in person or by deputy.

[iii.] He shall prepare, in such form as the House of Bishops shall prescribe, the letters of ordination and consecration in duplicate; and he shall have the same immediately signed and sealed by the ordaining and consecrating Bishop, and by at least two of the Bishops assisting at such ordination and consecration; and he shall deliver to the newly consecrated Bishop one of the said letters, and shall carefully file the other among the papers in his custody, and make a minute thereof in his book of record.

[iv.] The necessary expenses incurred under this section shall be paid by the Treasurer of the General Convention.

[v.] It shall be the duty of the Secretaries of both Houses, within six months after the adjournment of the General Convention, to deliver to the Registrar the manuscript minutes of the proceedings of both Houses, together with the Journals, files, papers, reports, and all other documents of either House. The Secretary of the House of Deputies shall also deliver to the Registrar, when not otherwise expressly directed, all the Journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents specified in Canon 44. The Secretaries shall require the Registrar to give them receipts for the Journals and other papers delivered to him.

§ IV. At every triennial meeting of the General Convention, a Treasurer shall be chosen, who shall remain in office until the next stated Conven-
tion, and until a successor be appointed. It shall be his duty to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and disbursements shall not otherwise be prescribed; and to invest, from time to time, such surplus funds as he may have on hand. His accounts shall be rendered triennially to the Convention, and shall be audited by a Committee acting under its authority. In case of a vacancy in the office, the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops and the last President of the House of Deputies shall appoint a Treasurer, who shall hold office until another appointment be made by the Convention.

§ V. In order that the contingent expenses of the General Convention may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, on the first Monday in September immediately preceding the meeting of the General Convention, three dollars for each Minister within such Diocese.

CANON 44.

OF THE MODE OF SECURING AN ACCURATE VIEW OF THE STATE OF THIS CHURCH.

§ I. It shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church in charge of a Parish or Congregation, or, if there be no Minister in charge, of the Churchwardens, or other proper officer, to deliver, on or before the first day of every annual Convention, to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, where there is no Bishop, to the Presiding Officer of the Convention, a report of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, and Burials, and the number of Communicants in the Parish or Congregation; of the condition of the Sunday-schools; of all contributions for parochial purposes, for charities, for Missions, Diocesan, Domestic, or Foreign, or for any purpose whatever; and of other matters that may throw light upon the state of the Parish or Congregation. And every Minister not in charge of any Parish or Congregation shall also report his occasional services; and if there have been none, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop may deem proper, may be read in Convention, and shall be entered in the Journal.

§ II. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to forward to the Secretary of the House of Deputies, on or before the first day of each regular meeting of the General Convention, the Journals of the Conventions or Convocations of the Diocese or Jurisdictions since the last regular meeting of the General Convention, together with such other papers, including Episcopal Charges, Statements, and Pastoral Letters, as may tend to throw light upon the state of the Church in the Diocese or Jurisdiction. It shall also be his duty to prepare, immediately after the adjournment of the Diocesan Convention, or Convocation of a Missionary Jurisdiction, next preceding the regular meeting of every General Convention, a list of the Ministers canonically resident therein, and of persons who, since the previous regular meeting of the General Convention, have been ordered Deacons or Priests, and of Ministers who have died, and of persons suspended or deposed from the Sacred Ministry; and also a condensed report and a tabular review of the state of the Church in the said Diocese or Jurisdiction, comprising a summary of the statistics from the parochial reports and from the Bishop's Statements, specifying, as far as possible, the statistics of all institutions of education or charity in any way connected with the Church within the Diocese, the condition of the ecclesiastical funds, and the amount of contributions within the Diocese or Jurisdiction, together with all contributions received by the Bishop for Church purposes, which he shall thereupon forward to the Secretary of
the House of Deputies. The Secretary of the House of Deputies shall, as soon as may be, present these papers to the House, and a Committee shall then be appointed to prepare and present to the House a report on the state of the Church, which report, when agreed to by the said House, shall be sent to the House of Bishops, with the request that they will draw up, and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter, to the members of the Church.

**Canon 46.**

**OF PROVINCES.**

§ I. The Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions of this Church are hereby united into Provinces as follows:

§ II. The Bishops in each Province shall, within three months after this Canon takes effect, elect one of their number to be Primate.

§ III. The Convention of each Diocese in this Church may, at its first session to be held after this Canon takes effect, elect five Presbyters canonically resident in the Diocese, and five Laymen, communicants of this Church, and having domicile in the Diocese, to be delegates to a Provisional Synod of the Province; and the delegates so chosen, together with the Bishops of the Province, shall constitute the said Provisional Synod.

§ IV. The Primate of every Province, or, in the case of his death or disability, the senior Bishop thereof, shall summon such Provisional Synod to meet at some convenient place in the Province, within one year after this Canon takes effect.

§ V. The said Provisional Synod may enact statutes for the organization of the Provincial Synod, and for the exercise by it of legislative powers, not inconsistent with the constitutional powers of the General Convention, for the common interests of the Church within the Province, and for a uniform mode of trial of Presbyters and Deacons. No statute so enacted shall have force or validity in any Diocese unless ratified by such Diocese, or in any Missionary Jurisdiction unless assented to by the Bishop; and no enactment of the Provincial Synod shall be of force in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction which has not entered into union with the Provincial Synod.

**Canon 46.**

**OF STANDING COMMITTEES.**

§ I. In every Diocese the Standing Committee shall elect from their own body a President and a Secretary. They may meet in conformity with their own rules from time to time, and shall keep a record of their proceedings; and the President may summon a special meeting whenever he may deem it necessary. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop, whenever he shall desire their advice; and they may meet of their own accord and agreeably to their own rules when they may be disposed to advise the Bishop.

§ II. When it is certified to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops by at least three reputable physicians who shall have examined the case, that the Bishop of any Diocese is incapable of authorizing the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, or the Standing Committee, to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority, then upon the advice of the five Bishops of this Church whose Dioceses are nearest to the said Diocese, the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, or the Standing Committee, shall be the
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Ecclesiastical Authority for all purposes declared in these Canons, and shall retain such authority until such time as, by the like certificate, the Bishop shall be declared competent to perform his official duties.

CANON 47.

OF NEW DIOCESES.

§ I. Whenever a new Diocese shall be formed within the limits of any Diocese, or by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, or in a Missionary Jurisdiction, and the same shall have been ratified by the General Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese or Jurisdiction within the limits of which a Diocese is formed, or in case of the junction of two or more Dioceses or Jurisdictions, or parts of Dioceses or Jurisdictions, the senior Bishop by consecration shall thereupon call the Primary Convention of the new Diocese, for the purpose of enabling it to organize, and shall fix the time and place of holding the same, such place being within the territorial limits of the new Diocese.

§ II. In case there should be no Bishop who can call such Primary Convention, pursuant to the foregoing provisions, then the duty of calling such Convention for the purpose of organizing, and of fixing the time and place of its meeting, shall be vested in the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Jurisdiction within the limits of which the new one is erected, or the Standing Committee of the oldest of the Dioceses or Jurisdictions by the junction of which, or of parts of which, the new Diocese may be formed. And such Standing Committee shall make the call immediately after the ratification thereof by the General Convention.

§ III. Whenever one Diocese is about to be divided into two Dioceses, the Convention of such Diocese shall declare which portion thereof is to be the new Diocese, and shall make the same known to the General Convention before the ratification of such division.

§ IV. Whenever the formation of a new Diocese shall be ratified by the General Convention, such new Diocese shall be considered as admitted under Article VIII. of the Constitutions, as soon as it shall have organized in Primary Convention, in the manner prescribed in the previous sections of this Canon, and shall have acceded to the Constitution. The naming of the new Diocese shall be part of its organization.

CANON 48.

OF PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS.

§ I. Every Congregation of this Church shall belong to the Church in the Diocese or Jurisdiction in which its place of worship is situated. And no Minister having a Parish or Cure in more than one Jurisdiction shall have a seat in the Convention of any Jurisdiction other than that in which he has canonical residence.

§ II. [I.] The ascertaining and defining of the boundaries of existing Parishes or parochial Cures, as well as the establishment of a new Parish or Congregation, and the formation of a new Parish within the limits of any other Parish, is left to the action of the several Diocesan Conventions.

[II.] Until a Canon or other regulation of a Diocesan Convention shall have been adopted, the formation of new Parishes, or the establishment of new Parishes or Congregations within the limits of existing Parishes, shall be vested in the Bishop of the Diocese, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee thereof, and in case of there being no Bishop in the Ecclesiastical Authority.
§ III. [1.] Where Parish boundaries are not defined by law, or settled by Diocesan Authority under Section II. of this Canon, or are not otherwise settled, they shall, for the purposes of this section, be defined by the civil divisions of the State as follows:

Parochial boundaries shall be the limits as now fixed by law, of a village, town, township, incorporated borough, city, or of some division of any such civil district, which may have been recognized by the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, as constituting the boundaries of a Parish.

[ii.] If there be but one Church or Congregation within the limits of such village, town, township, borough, city, or such division of a civil district, as herein provided, the same shall be deemed the parochial Cure of the Minister having charge thereof. If there be two or more Churches or Congregations therein, it shall be deemed the Cure of the Ministers thereof.

[iii.] This Canon shall not affect the legal rights of property of any Parish or Congregation.

§ IV. [i.] It shall be lawful, under the conditions hereinafter stated, to organize a Congregation in any foreign land, other than Great Britain and Ireland, and the colonies and dependencies thereof, and not within the jurisdiction of any Missionary Bishop of this Church or of Bishops of any Church in friendly relation with this Church.

[ii.] The Bishop in charge of such Congregations may authorize any Presbyter of this Church to officiate temporarily at any place to be named by him within any such foreign land, upon being satisfied that it is expedient to establish at such place a Congregation of this Church.

[iii.] Such Presbyter, after having publicly officiated at such place on four consecutive Sundays, may nominate to the Bishop in charge suitable persons who may be appointed by him to act as warden, clerk, and treasurer of the Congregation, until such time as the Congregation be organized. At any period not less than six months thereafter, with the consent of the Bishop in charge, notice may be given, in the time of Divine Service, that a meeting of the male persons of full age belonging to this Church, and attending the services, will be held, at a time and place to be named by him, to organize the Congregation. The said meeting may proceed to effect an organization, subject to the approval of the said Bishop and the Standing Committee, hereinafter provided for, and in conformity with such regulations as the said Standing Committee may prescribe.

[iv.] Before being taken under the direction of the General Convention of this Church, such Congregation shall be required, in its Constitution, or Plan, or Articles of Organization, to recognize and accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, and to agree to submit to and obey such directions as may be, from time to time, received from the Bishop in charge.

[v.] The desire of such Congregation to be taken under the direction of the General Convention shall be duly certified by the Minister, one Churchwarden, and two Vestrymen or Trustees of said Congregation, duly elected at its meeting for organization.

[vi.] Such certificate, and the Constitution, Plan, or Articles of Organization, shall be submitted to the General Convention, if it be in session, or to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops at any other time; and in case the same are found satisfactory, the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, under written instruction from the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops, shall thereupon place the name of the Congregation on the list of Congregations in foreign lands under the direction of the General Convention; and a certificate of the said official action shall be forwarded to and filed by the Registrar of
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this Church. Such Congregations are placed under the government and
jurisdiction of the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops.

[vii.] The Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops may, from time
to time, by written commission under his own signature and seal, assign
to any other Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction in the United
States, the full charge of one or more of such Congregations, and the
Ministers officiating therein, for such period of time as he may deem
expedient; provided, that such commission shall not extend to a period
longer than three years, and shall then cease and determine unless
renewed by the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. For the
expenses of Episcopal ministrations there shall be paid to the Presiding
Officer of the House of Bishops by the Treasurer of the General
Convention a sum not to exceed five hundred dollars annually, every such Con-
gregation providing for the Bishop in charge during his official
visitation.

[viii.] To aid the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops or the
Bishop in charge of Congregations in foreign lands, in administering the
affairs of the same, and in settling such questions as may, by reason of
their peculiar situation, arise, there shall be a Standing Committee, to
consist of communicants of this Church, who shall be chosen as
follows:

Each Congregation under the direction of the General Convention
shall have the right to choose one Layman, and the General Convention
shall nominate four persons, of whom two at least shall be Ministers, who
shall hold office until the next triennial meeting of the General Conven-
tion, or until their successors are chosen; and these and the Ministers of
said organized Congregations shall constitute the Standing Committee,
with whom the Bishop in charge may meet at his discretion. If the
Standing Committee meet in the United States, three of the four members
chosen by the General Convention, the Bishop in charge being present,
shall constitute a quorum. If the meeting be held in a foreign land,
three of the Ministers of said Congregations and two of the lay dele-
gates therefrom, the Bishop in charge being present, or in his absence,
one of the said Ministers authorized by him to act in his stead, shall con-
stitute a quorum. This Standing Committee shall be a council of advice
to the Bishop. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop,
whenever he shall desire their advice; and they may meet of their own
accord, and agreeably to their own rules, when they may be disposed to
advise the Bishop.

[ix.] In case a Minister in charge of a Congregation in a foreign land
shall be accused of any offence under the Canons of this Church, it shall
be the duty of the Bishop in charge of such Congregation to summon
the Standing Committee, and to cause an inquiry to be instituted as to
the truth of such accusation; and should there be reasonable grounds
for believing the same to be true, the said Bishop, with the Standing
Committee, shall appoint a Commission, consisting of three Ministers
and two laymen, whose duty it shall be to meet in the place where the
accused resides, and to obtain all the evidence in the case from the
parties interested; they shall give to the accused all rights under
the Canons of this Church which can be exercised in a foreign land. The
judgment of the said Commission, solemnly made, shall then be sent to
the Bishop in charge, and to the Presiding Officer of the House of
Bishops, and, if approved by them, shall be carried into effect; provided,
that no such Commission shall recommend any other discipline than ad-
monition or removal from his charge as Minister of said Congregation.
Should the result of the inquiry of the aforesaid Commission reveal evi-
dence tending, in their judgment, to show that said Minister deserves a
severer discipline, all the documents in the case shall be placed in the
hands of the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops, who may proceed against the said Minister, as far as possible, according to the Canons of the General Convention, and the Canons of the Diocese of the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops.

[x.] If there be a Congregation within the limits of any city in a foreign land, no new Congregation shall be established in that city, except with the consent of the Bishop in charge, and of the Standing Committee.

[xii.] In cases of a difference between the Minister and a Congregation in a foreign land, the Bishop in charge shall, with the Standing Committee, duly examine the same, and the said Bishop and Standing Committee shall have full power to settle and adjust such difference upon principles recognized in the Canons of the General Convention.

[xli.] No Minister shall be allowed to take charge of a Congregation in a foreign land, organized under this Canon, until he shall have been nominated by the Vestry thereof, or if there be no Vestry, by the Standing Committee, and approved by the Bishop in charge; and when such appointment shall have been accepted by the Minister so appointed, he shall be transferred to the jurisdiction of the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops.

CANON 49.

OF PARISH VESTRIES.

§ I. In every Parish of this Church there shall be an annual election of Churchwardens and Vestrymen, whose number and mode of election, with the qualifications of voters, shall be such as the State or Diocesan law may require, and the persons elected, together with the Rector, shall be the Vestry of the Parish, who shall hold office until their successors are elected and have qualified.

§ II. Unless otherwise provided by the law of the State or of the Diocese, the Vestry shall be the agents and legal representatives of the Parish in all matters concerning its corporate property and the relations of the Parish to its Clergy.

§ III. Unless it conflict with the law as aforesaid, the Rector, when present, shall preside in all the meetings of the Vestry.

CANON 50.

OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

The Constitution of the said Society, which was incorporated by an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, is hereby amended and established so as to read as follows:

CONSTITUTION OF THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AS ESTABLISHED IN 1820, AND SINCE AMENDED AT VARIOUS TIMES.

ARTICLE I. This Society shall be known as "The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

ART. II. This Society shall be considered as comprehending all persons who are members of this Church.

ART. III. There shall be a Board of Missions of such Society, composed of the Bishops of this Church, the Deputies for the time being to
The Delegates to the House of Deputies from the Missionary Jurisdictions shall have the right to seats without the right to vote. The Board of Missions thus constituted shall convene on the third day of the meeting of the General Convention in the place where the House of Deputies holds its sessions, and shall elect a Chairman by a vote of a majority of the members present, and shall sit from time to time as the business of the Board shall demand. The Board shall deliberate as one body under rules of order to be provided by the Board, the members of the House of Bishops, other than the Chairman, being seated with the Deputies from their respective Dioceses. When demanded by any five members, the vote shall be taken by orders, and a majority of the Bishops, and of the Clerical members, and of the Lay members, shall concur to insure action. No persons shall occupy seats on the floor of the House who are not members of the Board.

Art. IV. There shall be a Missionary Council of this Church. It shall comprise all the Bishops of this Church, all the members of the Board of Managers, such other Ministers or Laymen as may be selected by the General Convention at its triennial meetings, and, in addition thereto, one Presbyter and one Layman from each Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, to be chosen by the Convention, or Convocation, of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction. This Council, so formed, shall meet annually, except in those years appointed for the meeting of the Board of Missions, at such time and place as may be designated by the Board of Managers, with the approval of the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. Said Council shall be competent to consider the missionary work of the Church, and to make such recommendations to the Board of Managers as may be deemed expedient to increase interest in the work of the Board of Missions. If a Presbyter or Layman elected by any Convention or Convocation shall die, resign, or remove from the Diocese or Jurisdiction between the meetings of the Convention or Convocation, it shall be competent for the Bishop of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to appoint a substitute, to hold office until the election of a successor by the Convention or Convocation.

There shall also be elected, at each triennial meeting of the Board of Missions, a Board of Managers, comprising the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops as President, and nine other Bishops, ten Presbyters, and ten Laymen, who shall have the management of the general missions of this Church, and when the Board of Missions is not in session, shall exercise all the corporate powers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. They shall remain in office until their successors are chosen, and they shall have the power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number.

All other Bishops of this Church, and the Secretary and Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and of the Board of Managers, shall be ex-officio members of the Board, and have all the rights and privileges of the elected members, except the right to vote.

Whenever demanded by three of the members present, an affirmative vote of two thirds of the members present shall be necessary to any act of the Board. Fifteen members, of whom two must be Bishops, shall constitute a quorum.

The Board of Managers shall make a full and complete triennial report to the Board of Missions at each triennial meeting, and a similar report to the Missionary Council at each annual meeting, comprising such an outline of the missionary work prosecuted during the preceding year as may serve to give a comprehensive view of the progress, prospects, and present condition of the work of the Society in the several parts of the Domestic and Foreign fields.
There shall be appointed at each meeting of the Board of Missions and of the Missionary Council, a Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, together with the General Secretary of the Board, whose duty it shall be to arrange an order of work for the ensuing meeting of the Board, and of the Missionary Council.

Art. V. The Board of Managers is authorized to form such committees as it may deem desirable to promote the missionary work, and to appoint such officers as shall be needful for carrying on such work, and to enact all By-Laws for its own government and the government of its committees and officers.

Art. VI. The Board of Managers is entrusted with power to establish and regulate such missions as are not placed under Episcopal supervision.

In all organized Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions within the United States having Bishops, it is authorized to make annual appropriations to be disbursed by the Bishops, with the approval of the Standing Committee or the Board of Missions of the Diocese or Jurisdiction, or of the Board of Managers, if any of the said Bishops shall so elect. No part of such annual appropriations shall be expended for any other purpose than the support of Missionaries, or the supply of mission stations with Clerical service, without the concurrence of the Board of Managers; and an itemized account of the expenditure of all appropriations shall be made annually by each Bishop to the President of the Board of Managers. In the management of Missions beyond the United States, the Bishops shall have, as their council of advice for the general schedule of expenditures, the Board of Managers; but for the details of the local work, they may act with the approval of the Standing Committees of their respective Jurisdictions.

Art. VII. The salary of a Missionary Bishop shall be fixed at or before the time of his election, to take effect from the date of his consecration, and shall not be diminished during his official relation to the Board of Missions without his consent except as herein provided. All contributions or assessments for the support of the Episcopate in each Missionary Jurisdiction shall be reported annually on or before the first day of September to the Board of Managers, and accounted for as part of such salary. The Board of Managers shall annually, on or before the first day of September, by resolution, provide that a specified portion of the salary of each Missionary Bishop shall be raised and paid by the Missionary Jurisdiction of which such Missionary Bishop has charge, and the balance only of said salary shall be paid by the Board of Managers. Such specified portion shall be in each case such an amount as the Board of Managers shall be satisfied is within the ability of the Missionary Jurisdiction.

Whenever the Board shall be satisfied of the ability of a Missionary Jurisdiction to support its Bishop with a salary not less than that provided for at his consecration, the Board of Managers shall no longer be required to pay his salary.

Art. VIII. No person shall be appointed a Missionary who is not at the time a Minister in good standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some Church in communion with this Church; but nothing in this Article shall preclude the Board of Managers from employing laymen or women, members of this Church, or of some Church in communion with the same, to do Missionary work.

Art. IX. The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint local agents to represent the Society in different parts of the country, and is authorized to promote the formation of auxiliary Missionary Associations, whose contributions, as well as those specially appropriated by individuals, shall be received and paid in accordance with the wish of
the donors, when expressed in writing. It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers to arrange for public Missionary meetings, to be held at such times and places as may be determined upon, to which all auxiliaries approved by the Board of Managers may send representatives.

Art. X. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time by the General Convention of this Church.

Canon 51.

Of General Clergy Relief.

§ I. The General Convention at each triennial meeting shall elect, on the nomination of a Joint Committee thereof, fifteen persons to serve as Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, instituted by the General Convention in 1853, and incorporated in Chapter 469 of the Laws of the State of New York, in 1855. Said Trustees shall hold office until the succeeding General Convention, or until their successors shall be elected, and shall have power to fill vacancies in their own Board, and to appoint officers and agents.

§ II. [I.] The widow of any deceased Clergyman, remaining unmarried, the children of any deceased Clergyman until they have reached the age of twenty-one years, unless they shall have married before that age, and any Clergyman permanently disabled, or having reached the age of sixty-four years, shall be entitled, in the discretion of the Trustees, to share in the benefits of this Fund.

[II.] All applications to the Trustees shall have the written recommendation of the Bishop, or in case there be no Bishop, of the clerical members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which the applicant may belong.

§ III. The resources of the Fund shall be from such royalties as shall be established by the General Convention, from offerings in Parishes or Congregations, and from such other voluntary gifts and legacies as may be received.

§ IV. The Trustees shall publish a report on the first of September in each year, showing a complete list of all contributions to the Fund within the year past, and shall cause a copy of such report to be sent to every Bishop and Clergyman of this Church.

§ V. Contributors to the Fund shall have the right to designate how their contributions shall be applied, and the Bishop of any Diocese or Jurisdiction may direct how the contributions of Congregations in his Diocese or Jurisdiction, so reported, the use of which has not been designated, shall be applied.

§ VI. The Trustees may enter into relations with all kindred funds and societies in the Church, and, so far as may be practicable, secure their co-operation, to the end that there may be a complete record of all Clergy Relief in the Church, and that such relief may be distributed wisely, equitably, and efficiently.

Canon 52.

Of the Distribution of the Book of Common Prayer.

§ I. The General Convention shall at each triennial meeting, on the nomination of a Joint Committee, appoint fifteen persons, of whom the Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book shall be one, to constitute a
Board of Trustees of a Society to be entitled "The Prayer Book Distribution Society."

§ II. The object of this Society shall be to promote the distribution of the Book of Common Prayer among the people throughout the United States of America.

§ III. An annual meeting of this Society shall be held at the same time and place as the Missionary Council and the triennial meeting of the General Convention. On the third day of the General Convention this Society shall report to the two Houses, sitting together as the Board of Missions, the operations of the Society during the three years past.

§ IV. Existing incorporated societies for the publication and distribution of the Prayer Book may become auxiliaries to this Society, and each be entitled to one representative in the Board of Trustees.
OF GENERAL PROVISIONS.

CANON 53.

OF REPEALED CANONS.

Whenever there shall be a repealing clause in any Canon, and the said Canon shall be repealed, such repeal shall not be a re-enactment of the Canon or Canons repealed by the said repealing clause.

CANON 54.

OF THE ENACTMENT, AMENDMENT, AND REPEAL OF CANONS.

§ I. In all cases of future enactment, the same, if by the way of amendment of an existing provision, shall be in the following form: "Canon , Section , Clause , is hereby amended so as to read as follows." And if the enactment is of an additional Clause, Section, or Canon, it shall be designated as the next Canon or next Section, or next Clause of a Canon or Section; and if a Canon or Section or Clause be stricken out, the existing numbering shall be retained until a new edition of the Canons be directed, or until changed as in the next Section provided.

§ II. The Committee on Canons of each House of the General Convention shall, at the close of each regular meeting of the General Convention, appoint two of their number to certify the changes, if any, made in the Canons, including a correction of the references made in any Canon to another, and to report the same, with the proper arrangement thereof, to the Secretary, who shall print the same in the Journal.

CANON 55.

OF THE TIME OF NEW CANONS TAKING EFFECT.

All Canons hereafter enacted, unless otherwise specially ordered, shall take effect on the first day of January following the adjournment of the General Convention at which they were made.

CANON 56.

OF THE TIME OF THESE CANONS TAKING EFFECT.

These Canons shall take effect on the first day of January, in the year of our Lord, 1899; from and after which day all other Canons of this Church are hereby and shall be deemed to be, repealed; provided, that such repeal shall not affect any case of a violation of existing Canons committed before that date; but such case shall be governed by the same law as if no such repeal had taken place.
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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1895 UPON THE MESSAGES OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS, RELATING TO THE REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION.

The Committee of the House of Deputies, appointed on the fifteenth day of October, 1895, to consider certain Messages of the House of Bishops containing proposed amendments to the Constitution, and to report thereon to this House in the General Convention of 1898, respectfully present their report.

The subject-matter referred to this Committee, consisting of certain Messages and resolutions, was as follows:

First. Nine Messages of the House of Bishops, numbered respectively 18, 19, 23, 31, 36, 37, 38, 39, and 108.

Second. A substitute proposed by the Rev. Dr. Huntington of New York, for Constitution IV., proposed in Message No. 19 of the House of Bishops.

Third. An amendment to Article 5 of the present Constitution, offered by Mr. Fairbanks of Florida.

To these may perhaps be added a report of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, made on the seventh day of the Session of 1895, and, after consideration, laid on the table, and so possibly to be regarded as coming under the resolution of reference adopted on the twelfth day.

The Committee have held frequent meetings for the consideration of all these papers; and the Messages of the House of Bishops, as representing the deliberately completed action of that Right Reverend body, have received minute and careful and most respectful attention.

In entering upon their work, the Committee were in some doubt of the form in which the House might desire their report to be made. It was possible, on the one hand, to regard each document and each Message of the House of Bishops as containing a separate proposition, and to report upon it as such, expressing the opinion of the Committee upon it, and recommending that the House adopt it as proposed, or adopt it with amendments, or decline to adopt it. On the other hand, the Committee could not overlook the fact that nearly all the proposed amendments of the Constitution referred to them, and all of those contained in the Messages of the House of Bishops, were intended to be constituent and interdependent parts in a complete revision of the whole Constitution, which had been contemplated by the General Convention in 1892, and a draft of which had been reported by a Joint Commission in 1895. In view of this fact, the Committee were constrained to believe that they would best fulfil the purpose of the House by indicating, not only their opinion of the several proposed amendments of the Constitution, but also the form in which desirable amendments might best be expressed, and the order in which the provisions of our fundamental ecclesiastical law might best stand in the Revised Constitution.

They hope that the course they have taken will meet with approval, as presenting, in the simplest and most practical way, the whole sub-
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Appropriation of Constitutional Revision, and facilitating action on the many important matters involved. Marginal references will be found, in the draft of the Constitutions presented to this House, by which the reader will be enabled to compare the subject of reference with this report upon it; and, for greater convenience in such comparison, and in compliance with instructions given by a resolution adopted on the sixteenth day of the Session of 1895, they have caused the present Constitution to be printed in full, together with the amendments already adopted, and those proposed in the present report.

In preparing their work for the consideration of the House, the Committee have followed the method used in the case of the revision of the Book of Common Prayer, and have cast the several propositions into the form of resolutions, which resolutions, appended to this report, they now offer for adoption by this House.

(Signed) MORGAN DIX. GEORGE McCLELLAN FISKE.
JOHN H. ELLIOTT. JAMES M. WOOLWORTH.
JOHN H. EGAR. HILL BURGWIN.
FREDERICK W. TAYLOR. ALFRED MILLS.
JOHN FULTON. *EDMUND H. BENNETT.
ROBERT EARL.

Attest: J. LEWIS PARKS, Secretary.

THE RESOLUTIONS OF THE COMMITTEE.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Articles 4 and 10 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article II. of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. In every Diocese the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor shall be chosen agreeably to rules prescribed by the Convention of that Diocese. Missionary Bishops shall be chosen in accordance with the Canons of the General Convention.

SEC. 2. No one shall be Ordained and Consecrated Bishop until he shall be thirty years of age; nor without the consent of a majority of the Bishops of this Church, exercising jurisdiction in the United States, and the further consent of a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses. But if the election have taken place within three months next before the meeting of the General Convention, the consent of the House of Deputies shall be required in place of that of a majority of the Standing Committees. No one shall be Ordained and Consecrated Bishop by less than three Bishops.

SEC. 3. A Bishop shall confine the exercise of his office to his own Diocese or Missionary District, unless requested to perform Episcopal acts in another Diocese or in a Missionary District by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, or unless authorized and appointed by the House of Bishops to act temporarily, in case of need, beyond the territorial limits of the United States.

*These references are omitted in this reprint.

*Subject to further examination.

†Since deceased.
ARTICLE IV.

In every Diocese a Standing Committee shall be appointed by the Convention thereof. When there is a Bishop in charge of the Diocese, the Committee shall be his Council of Advice, and when there is no such Bishop, it shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, for all purposes declared by the General Convention, and the rights and duties of the Standing Committee, except as provided in the Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article III. of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE III.

Bishops may be consecrated for churches in Foreign Lands, upon due application therefrom, under such conditions as may be prescribed by Canons of the General Convention. No such Bishop shall be entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, nor shall he perform any act of the Episcopal office in any Diocese or Missionary District of this Church, unless requested to do so by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article IV. of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE IV.

In every Diocese a Standing Committee shall be appointed by the Convention thereof. When there is a Bishop in charge of the Diocese, the Committee shall be his Council of Advice, and when there is no such Bishop, it shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, for all purposes declared by the General Convention, and the rights and duties of the Standing Committee, except as provided in the Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 5 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article V. of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE V.

SECTION 1. A new Diocese may be formed (1) by the erection into a Diocese of the whole or of any part of one or more Missionary Districts lying within the boundaries of a single State or Territory; (2) by the division of an existing Diocese, or (3) by the junction of two or more Dioceses in the same State, or of parts of two or more such Dioceses, under such conditions as the General Convention shall prescribe by a General Canon or Canons. The proceedings shall originate, with the approval of the Bishop, in a convocation of the Clergy and Laity of the District called by the Bishop for that purpose; or in the Convention of the Diocese to be divided, or (when it is proposed to form a new Diocese by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or of parts of two or more Dioceses) by mutual agreement of the Conventions of the Dioceses concerned, with the approval of the respective Bishops. When it shall appear to the satisfaction of the General Convention, by a certified copy of the proceedings and other documents and papers laid before it, that all the conditions for the forma-
tion of the new Diocese have been complied with, and that it has acceded to the Constitution of this Church, and the General Convention shall have so declared, and shall have ratified such proceedings, the formation of the new Diocese shall be complete, and it shall thereupon be admitted to union with the General Convention. Provided, that no city shall form more than one Diocese, except that when the civil authority shall consolidate into one city portions of territory belonging to different Dioceses, each portion of said territory shall remain attached to the Diocese to which it previously belonged, until a change be made with the consent of the General Convention.

Sec. 2. If case one Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Bishop of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and he shall thereupon become the Bishop thereof; and the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Bishop thereof.

Sec. 3. In case a Diocese shall be formed out of parts of two or more Dioceses, each of the Bishops and Bishops Coadjutor of the several Dioceses out of which the new Diocese has been formed shall be entitled in the order of seniority of consecration to the choice between his own Diocese and the new Diocese so formed. In case the new Diocese shall not be so chosen, it shall have the right to choose its own Bishop.

Sec. 4. Whenever a new Diocese is formed and erected out of an existing Diocese, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese out of which it was formed, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese. And whenever a Diocese is formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.

Sec. 5. A Diocese formed out of a Missionary District shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons to which the Missionary District was subject, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article VI. of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1. The House of Bishops may establish Missionary Districts in States or Territories or parts thereof not organized into Dioceses. It may also from time to time change, increase or diminish the territory included in such Missionary Districts in such manner as may be prescribed by Canon.

Sec. 2. The General Convention may accept a cession of the territorial jurisdiction of a part of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese shall propose such cession, and three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory and also the same proportion of the parishes within the remaining territory shall consent thereto.

Sec. 3. Missionary Districts shall be organized as may be prescribed by Canon of the General Convention.
Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed addition be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following as Article VII. of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE VII.

Dioceses and Missionary Districts may be united into Provinces, by the General Convention, in such manner and under such conditions as shall be provided by Canon.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 7 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article VIII. of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE VIII.

No person shall be ordered Priest or Deacon until he shall have been examined by the Bishop and by two Priests, and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons in that case provided may direct. No person shall be consecrated Bishop, or ordered Priest or Deacon, unless he shall at the time subscribe and make, in the presence of the ordaining Bishop or Bishops, the following declaration:

"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop, or by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church, until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided, and shall have also subscribed the aforesaid Declaration.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 8 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article IX. of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE IX.

The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Convention. The Court appointed for that purpose shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese, the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese, until the General Convention shall provide a uniform judicial system. The decisions of all Courts of First Instance shall be subject to review by Courts of Revision or Appeal, when the same shall be established or provided for by the General Convention. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the Ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon. A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms, or at what time the penalty shall cease.
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Resolved, The House or Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 8 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article X. of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE X.

The Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, together with the Psalter, or Psalms of David, the Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, the Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion, as now established or hereafter amended by the Authority of this Church, shall be in use in all the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of this Church. No alteration thereof, or addition thereto, shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Convention, and, by a resolve thereof, sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to votes in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, voting by orders. Provided, however, that the General Convention shall have power at any meeting to amend the Tables of Lessons, by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to votes in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, voting by orders.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention, in accordance with Article 9 of the Constitution, as follows:

Strike out Article 9 of the Constitution and insert the following as Article XI. of the Constitution, viz.:

ARTICLE XI.

No alteration or amendment of this Constitution shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Convention, and by a resolve thereof sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to votes in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, voting by orders.

The Rev. Dr. Egar, in signing the report of the Committee, withholds his consent to Article 6 on the Provincial System. He reserves to himself the right to present a minority report on that subject, offering as a substitute a proposition embodying the principle that the States of the Nation are the rightful Provinces of the Church, substantially as follows:

Add to the Constitution the following, to be numbered VI.:
ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1. In every State there shall be a Convention of the Church in that State. When there is but one Diocese within a State, the said Convention shall be the Convention of the Diocese. When there are two or more Dioceses within a State, the Convention of the Church in that State shall be the Provincial Council thereof, and each Diocese shall have its own Diocesan Convention. A Missionary District within a State, having its own Missionary Bishop, shall be entitled to the rights of a Diocese in the Provincial Council.

SEC. 2. The Churches in contiguous States or Territories, in each of which there is but one Diocese or Missionary District, may form for themselves provisionally a Provincial Council, under the direction, or with the consent, of the General Convention. Provided, that when the Church in any State so united with others shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, it shall become a Province in itself, and shall have its own Provincial Council, as enacted in Section 1 of this Constitution.

SEC. 3. The Church in any State or Territory having but one Diocese or Missionary District, and not lying contiguous to another State or Territory having but one Diocese or District, may, under the direction or with the consent of the General Convention, unite itself with the Provincial Council of a contiguous State having two or more Dioceses, the said Provincial Council consenting, until such time as it is qualified, under Section 1 of this Constitution, to have a Provincial Council of its own.
APPENDIX XIV.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION PROPOSED IN THE CONVENTION OF 1898, AND TO BE ACTED UPON FINALLY IN THE CONVENTION OF 1901.

CONSTITUTION ADOPTED IN GENERAL CONVENTION IN PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER, 1789, AS AMENDED IN SUBSEQUENT GENERAL CONVENTIONS.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, and all acts of the Convention shall be adopted and be authenticated by both Houses.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop who by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom, has resigned his jurisdiction, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of Foreign Missionary Bishops and of Bishops who have resigned their jurisdictions, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Bishop of the Church. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitution and the Canons of the General Convention. But if the Presiding Bishop shall resign his office as such, or if he shall resign his episcopal jurisdiction, or if, by reason of infirmity, he shall become disabled, the Bishop next in seniority by consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall thereupon become the Presiding Bishop.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which has been admitted to union with the General Convention shall be entitled to representation in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, having domicile in the Diocese; but the General Convention by Canon may reduce the representation to not fewer than two Deputies in each order. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

To constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, the Clerical order shall be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation, and the Lay order shall likewise be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation.

On any question, the vote of a majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by this Constitution, or, in cases not
specially provided for by the Constitution, by Canons requiring more than a majority, or unless the Clerical or the Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders. In all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one in the Clerical order and one in the Lay order; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority in each order of all the Dioceses represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House, without the consent of the other, shall adjourn for more than three days, or to any place other than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at the place designated by such Convention; but if there shall appear to the Presiding Bishop of the Church sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place or such meeting. Special meetings may be provided for by Canon.

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. In every Diocese the Bishop or the Bishop Coadjutor shall be chosen agreeably to rules prescribed by the Convention of that Diocese. Missionary Bishops shall be chosen in accordance with the Canons of the General Convention.

SEC. 2. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop until he shall be thirty years of age; nor without the consent of a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses, and the consent of a majority of the Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction within the United States. But if the election shall have taken place within three months next before the meeting of the General Convention, the consent of the House of Deputies shall be required in place of that of a majority of the Standing Committees. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop by fewer than three Bishops.

SEC. 3. A Bishop shall confine the exercise of his office to his own Diocese or Missionary District, unless he shall have been requested to perform episcopal acts in another Diocese or Missionary District by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, or in a vacant Missionary District by the Presiding Bishop of this Church, or unless he shall have been authorized and appointed by the House of Bishops, or by the Presiding Bishop by its direction, to act temporarily in case of need within any territory not yet organized into Dioceses or Missionary Districts of this Church.

SEC. 4. A Bishop may not resign his jurisdiction without the consent of the House of Bishops.

ARTICLE III.

Bishops may be consecrated for foreign lands upon due application therefrom, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, certified to the Presiding Bishop under such conditions as may be prescribed by Canons of the General Convention. Bishops so consecrated shall not be eligible to the office of Diocesan or of Bishop Coadjutor of any Diocese in the United States, or be entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, nor shall they perform any act of the episcopal office in any Diocese or Missionary District of this Church, unless requested so to do by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

ARTICLE IV.

In every Diocese a Standing Committee shall be appointed by the Convention thereof. When there is a Bishop in charge of the Diocese, the Standing Committee shall be his Council of Advice; and when there is
no such Bishop, the Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese for all purposes declared by the General Convention. The rights and the duties of the Standing Committee, except as provided in the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION 1. A new Diocese may be formed (1) by the erection into a Diocese of the whole or of any part of one or more Missionary Districts; (2) by the division of an existing Diocese; or (3) by the junction of two or more Dioceses or of parts of two or more Dioceses, under such conditions as the General Convention shall prescribe by general Canon or Canons. The proceedings shall originate in a Convocation of the Clergy and Laity of the Missionary District called by the Bishop for that purpose; or, with the approval of the Bishop, in the Convention of the Diocese to be divided; or (when it is proposed to form a new Diocese by the junction of two or more Dioceses or of parts of two or more Dioceses) by mutual agreement of the Conventions of the Dioceses concerned, with the approval of the Bishop or the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese. In case the Episcopate of a Diocese be vacant, no proceedings toward its division shall be taken until the vacancy is filled. During a vacancy in a Missionary District, the consent of the Presiding Bishop must be had before proceedings to erect it into a Diocese are taken. When it shall appear to the satisfaction of the General Convention, by a certified copy of the proceedings and other documents and papers laid before it, that all the conditions for the formation of the new Diocese have been complied with and that it has acceded to the Constitution of this Church, and the General Convention shall have so declared, and shall have ratified such proceedings, the formation of the new Diocese shall be complete, and it shall thereupon be admitted to union with the General Convention.

SEC. 2. In case one Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Bishop of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and he shall thereupon become the Bishop thereof; and the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached, and (if it be not the one elected by the Bishop) he shall be the Bishop thereof.

SEC. 3. In case a Diocese shall be formed out of parts of two or more Dioceses, each of the Bishops and Bishops Coadjutor of the several Dioceses out of which the new Diocese has been formed shall be entitled, in the order of seniority of consecration, to the choice between his own Diocese and the new Diocese so formed. In case the new Diocese shall not be so chosen, it shall have the right to choose its own Bishop.

SEC. 4. Whenever a new Diocese is formed and erected out of an existing Diocese, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese out of which it was formed, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese. Whenever a Diocese is formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.

SEC. 5. A Diocese formed out of a Missionary District shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons to which such Missionary District was subject, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.

SEC. 6. No new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain fewer
than six self-supporting Parishes, or fewer than six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain fewer than twelve self-supporting Parishes and twelve Presbyters who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above provided.

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1. The House of Bishops may establish Missionary Districts in States and Territories or parts thereof not organized into Dioceses. It may also from time to time change, increase, or diminish the territory included in such Missionary Districts in such manner as may be prescribed by Canon.

SEC. 2. The General Convention may accept a cession of the territorial jurisdiction of a part of a Diocese when such cession shall have been proposed by the Bishop and the Convention of such Diocese, and consent thereto shall have been given by three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory, and also by the same ratio of the parishes within the remaining territory.

Any territorial jurisdiction or any part of the same, which may have been accepted from a Diocese by the General Convention under the foregoing provision, may be retroceded to the said Diocese by such joint action of all the several parties as is herein required for its cession; Provided, that such action of the General Convention, whether of cession or retrocession, shall be by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops present and voting and by a vote of two-thirds of the House of Deputies voting by orders.

SEC. 3. Missionary Districts shall be organized as may be prescribed by Canon of the General Convention.

ARTICLE VII.

Dioceses and Missionary Districts may be united into Provinces in such manner, under such conditions, and with such powers, as shall be provided by Canon of the General Convention; Provided, however, that no Diocese shall be included in a Province without its own consent.

ARTICLE VIII.

No person shall be ordered Priest or Deacon until he shall have been examined by the Bishop and two Priests and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons in that case provided may direct. No person shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop, or ordered Priest or Deacon, unless at the time, in the presence of the ordaining Bishop or Bishops, he shall subscribe and make the following declaration:

"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop, or by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided and also shall have subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

ARTICLE IX.

The General Convention may, by Canon, establish a Court for the trial of Bishops, which shall be composed of Bishops only. Presbyters and Deacons shall be tried by a Court instituted by the
Convention of the Diocese, or by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Missionary District in which they are canonically resident.

The General Convention in like manner, may establish, or may provide for the establishment of Courts of Review of the determinations of Diocesan or other trial Courts.

The Court for the review of the determination of the trial Court, on the trial of a Bishop, shall be composed of Bishops only.

The General Convention in like manner, may establish an ultimate Court of Appeal, solely for the review of the determination of any Court of Review on questions of doctrine, faith, or worship.

None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, or of suspension, deposition, or degradation from the ministry, on any Bishop, Presbytery, or Deacon.

A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms or conditions and at what time the suspension shall cease.

ARTICLE X.

The Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David, the Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, the Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be in use in all the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of this Church. No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Convention, and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders. Provided, however, that the General Convention at any meeting shall have power to amend the Tables of Lessons by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders.

But provision may be made by Canon for the temporary use of other forms and directories of worship by congregations not in union with this Church who are willing to accept the spiritual oversight of the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District.

ARTICLE XI.

No alteration or amendment of this Constitution shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed at one triennial meeting of the General Convention, and by a resolve thereof be sent to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders.
APPENDIX XV.

CHANGES IN THE CANONS ADOPTED IN THE GENERAL
CONVENTION OF 1898.

We do hereby certify, that, upon a careful examination of the Minutes
and Messrs's Books of the two Houses of the General Convention held
in the city of Washington, in the month of October, A. D. 1898, we find
the following changes to have been made in the Canons of this Church:

Title I., Canon 4, § vii. [2], is amended so as to read as follows:

[2] A Candidate for Holy Orders in any Diocese or Missionary Juris-
diction of this Church, whose application for ordination shall have been
formally rejected as above, or whose name shall have been stricken from
the list, shall not be ordained in any other Diocese or Missionary Juris-
diction, except upon renewal of candidateship, said candidateship to
continue for not less than one whole year. In any case where the appli-
cation of a Candidate for Holy Orders shall have been rejected by any
Bishop of this Church, it shall be competent to any other Bishop to
receive an application made to himself, if having duly informed himself
of the facts of the case, he shall deem it expedient so to do.

Title I., Canon 6, § xi. [2], is amended so as to read as follows:

[2] It shall suffice for his admission to Deacon's Orders, if he shall
have passed an examination on the Book of Common Prayer, its history
and contents, and the first examination for Priest's Orders.

Title I., Canon 7, § iii., is amended so as to read as follows:

§ iii. A Candidate for Priest's Orders shall not be made Deacon
within three years from his admission as such Candidate, unless the
Bishop, for urgent reasons, with the advice and consent of three-fourths
of the whole Standing Committee, shall shorten the time of his candi-
dateship, but in no case shall the time be shortened to less than one
year; Provided, that in case a person who has attained the age of thirty-
five years, and who has been duly confirmed and admitted to the Holy
Communion in this Church, desires to become a Candidate for Priest's
Orders with a dispensation from the usual period of candidateship, but
not from any canonical examination prescribed for the Diaconate and
Priesthood, and applies for this dispensation on the ground of mature
age and experience in speaking and teaching publicly, he being also a
graduate in arts in some reputable college or university, the Bishop may,
by and with the advice and consent of three-fourths of the Standing
Committee, admit him to Deacon's Orders after six months.

Title I., Canon 7, is amended by the addition of the following, to be
numbered § iv., the other sections of this Canon to be renumbered
accordingly:

§ iv. In the computation of the time required to elapse between a
candidate's admission and his ordering as a Deacon, the successful com-
pletion of three academic years in any incorporated Seminary of the
Church may be reckoned as three calendar years.

Title I., Canon 8, § ii., is repealed.

Title I., Canon 18, § vii. [3], is amended:

[3] If a Minister, removing into another Diocese, who has been called
to take charge of a parish or congregation, shall present a Letter Dimis-
sory in the form above given, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical
Authority of the Diocese to which he has removed, to accept it within
six months, unless the Bishop or Standing Committee should have heard
rumors, that he or they believe to be well founded, against the character
of the Minister concerned, which would form a proper ground of canoni-
cal inquiry and presentment, in which case the Ecclesiastical Authority
shall communicate the same to the Bishop or Standing Committee of the
Diocese to whose jurisdiction the said Minister belongs; and, in such
case, it shall not be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority to accept
the Letter Dimissory unless and until the Minister shall be exculpated
from the said charges. Provided, that, no Deacon who shall not have
passed all the Examinations for Priest's Orders, shall be transferred to
another Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction without the written request
of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the said Diocese or Jurisdiction. Pro-
vided, also, that no person who has been refused ordination or reception
as a Candidate in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and who has
afterwards been ordained in another Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction,
shall be transferred to the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which
such refusal has taken place, without the consent of its Bishop or Eco-
clesiastical Authority.

Title I., Canon 19, § vi. [8], is amended so as to read as follows:
[8] Every such Bishop shall report annually to the Presiding
Bishop his proceedings, and the state and condition of the Church within his
Missionary District; such report to be transmitted by the Presiding
Bishop to the Board of Managers.

Title I., Canon 26, § ii., is amended so as to read as follows:
§ ii. It shall not be lawful for any Vestry, Trustees, or other body
authorized by law of any State or Territory, to hold property for any
Diocese, Parish, or Congregation, to incumber or alienate any consecrated
Church or Chapel, or any Church or Chapel which has been solely used
for Divine Services, without the previous consent of the Bishop, acting
with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese in
which such Church or Chapel be situated: Provided, that this section
shall not be operative in any State with the laws of which, relating to
the title and holding of property by religious corporations, the same may
conflict.

Title II., Canon 9, § i., is amended so as to read as follows:
§ i. Any Bishop of this Church may be presented for trial on charges
for the following offences, viz.: 1. Crime or immorality. 2. Holding
and teaching publicly, or privately and advisedly, any doctrine contrary
to that held by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United
States. 3. Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention. 4.
Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese to which he be-
longs. 5. Any act which involves a breach of his Ordination or Con-
secration vows. 6. And for conduct unbecoming a Bishop of this Church.

Title III., Canon 3, § iii. [7], is amended so as to read as follows:
[7] To aid the Presiding Bishop, or the Bishop in charge of these
foreign Churches, in administering the affairs of the same, and in settling
such questions as may, by means of their peculiar situation, arise, a
Standing Committee, consisting of four clergymen and four laymen, who
shall be constituted as follows, and shall act as a Council of Advice to
the Bishop in charge of the Foreign Churches. They shall be chosen
annually, to serve until their successors are chosen, by a Convocation,
duly convened, of all the Clergy of the Foreign Churches or Chapels,
and of one lay representative of each Church or Chapel, chosen by its
Vestry or Committee. The Standing Committee shall be convened on
the requisition of the Bishop whenever he may desire their advice, and
they may meet of their own accord when they may wish to advise the
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Bishop. When a meeting is not practicable, the Bishop may ascertain their mind by letter.

Title III., Canon 7, § 1., Article IV., is amended so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE IV. There shall be a Missionary Council of this Church. It shall comprise all the Bishops of this Church, all the members of the Board of Managers, such other clergymen or laymen as may be selected by the General Convention at its triennial meetings, and in addition thereto, one Presbyter and one layman from each Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction, to be chosen by the Convention, Council, or Convocation of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction; said Presbyter and said layman to continue in office for one year or until a successor is appointed. This Council so formed shall meet annually except in those years appointed for the meeting of the Board of Missions, at such time and place as may be designated by the Board of Managers with the approval of the Presiding Bishop. Said Council shall be competent to consider the Missionary work of the Church, to make such recommendations to the Board of Managers as it may deem expedient, and to increase interest in the work of the Board of Missions. It shall be competent for the Bishop of a Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to fill vacancies in the representation of his Diocese or Jurisdiction occurring by removal, resignation, or death, between the sessions of the Convention, Council, or Convocation of his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction.

There shall also be appointed in like manner a Board of Managers, comprising the Presiding Bishop as President, and fifteen other Bishops, fifteen Presbyters, and fifteen laymen, who shall have the management of the general missions of this Church, and, when the Board of Missions is not in session, shall exercise all the corporate powers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; they shall remain in office until their successors are chosen, and they shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number.

All other Bishops of this Church, together with the Secretary and Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and of the Board of Managers shall be ex officio members of the Board, and have all the rights and privileges of the elected members except the right to vote.

Whenever demanded by one-fifth of the members present, a majority of two-thirds of the members voting shall be necessary to any act of the Board. In all annual appropriations, and in entering upon or abandoning any missionary field, as also in changing the by-laws, a majority must be present. For all other business, the Board may, by a by-law, determine the quorum.

The Board of Managers shall make a full and complete triennial report to the General Convention, constituted as the Board of Missions, on or before the third day of the session of the General Convention, and a similar report to the Missionary Council at its annual meetings, comprising such an outline of the missionary work prosecuted during the preceding year as may serve to give a comprehensive view of the progress, prospects and present condition of the work of the Society in the several parts of the Domestic and Foreign fields.

There shall be appointed at each meeting of the General Convention and of the Missionary Council, a Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two laymen, together with the General Secretary of the Board of Missions, whose duty it shall be to arrange an order of work for the ensuing meeting of the Board of Missions, or of the Missionary Council.

Title III., Canon 7, § 1., Article VI., be amended so as to read as follows:
ARTICLE VI. The Board of Managers is entrusted with power to establish and regulate such missions as are not placed under Episcopal Supervision.

In all organized Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions having Bishops in the domestic field, it is authorized to make annual appropriations to be disbursed by the Bishops with the approval of the Standing Committee or Board of Missions of the Diocese or Jurisdiction, and whenever any of said Bishops may so elect, the Board of Managers shall act as above provided instead of such Standing Committee or said Diocesan Board of Missions; Provided, that no part of such annual appropriations shall be expended for any other purpose than the support of Missionaries, or the supply of Mission Stations with Clerical service, without the concurrence of the Board of Managers; and an itemized account of the expenditure of all appropriations shall be made annually to the President of the Board of Managers; and, Provided, that in the management of the Foreign Missions, the Bishops shall have as their Council of Advice the Board of Managers for the general schedule of expenditures; but for the details of the local work, they may have as their Council of Advice the Standing Committees of their respective Jurisdictions.

In Missionary Jurisdictions, both Foreign and Domestic, the titles to all Church property and funds, not distinctly parochial, shall be reported to the Board of Managers; and copies of all deeds conveying or affecting such property or funds shall be forwarded to the Board of Managers by the Bishop of the Jurisdiction.

Every Missionary Bishop shall annually report to the Board of Managers all contributions received by him for his work, except such as shall come to him through the Treasurer of the Board.

Title III., Canon 7, § 1., Article IX., is amended so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE IX. The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint agents to represent the society in different parts of the country, and is authorized to promote the formation of auxiliary Missionary Associations, whose contributions, as well as those specially appropriated by individuals, shall be received and paid in accordance with the wish of the donors, when expressed in writing. It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers to arrange for public Missionary meetings, to be held at such times and places as may be determined upon, to which all auxiliaries approved by the Board of Managers may send representatives.

Title III., Canon 8, § i. [1], is amended so as to read as follows:

§ 1. The General Convention at each Triennial Meeting shall elect, on the nomination of a Joint Committee thereof, seven persons to serve as Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm, and Disabled Clergymen, instituted by the General Convention in 1853, and incorporated in Chapter 463 of the laws of the State of New York in 1855. Said Trustees shall hold office until the succeeding General Convention, or until their successors shall be elected, and shall have power to fill vacancies occurring in their own Board, and to appoint officers and agents.

Title III., Canon 8, § i. [2], is repealed.

Title III., Canon 9, is repealed.

Attest: BOYD VINCENT,
Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio,
ARThUR C. A. HALL, Bishop of Vermont,
On the part of the House of Bishops.
FREDERICK PARKER DAVENPORT,
DAVID B. LYMAN,
On the part of the House of Deputies.
APPENDIX XVI.

MEMORIALS TO THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS ON THE SUBJECT OF SWEDISH ORDERS.

I.

On pages 99 and 100 of the Journal of this House for 1895 appears the report of the Joint Commission on the Regularity and Validity of the Orders of the Church of Sweden. That report (see p. 107) was laid upon the table pending proceedings at the Lambeth Conference of 1897.

A Committee of that Conference made a report modifying in several particulars the impression produced by the report laid before this House, and recommending further inquiry and a committee for the purpose.

The subject has been studied quite elaborately since the Lambeth Conference met, with the result, in some minds, of producing the effect, that they feel that there is a good deal more to be said in favour of Swedish Orders than appears in the Report of our Joint Commission.

For instance, the admission in Section 1 of that Report that there is a "very strong probability of the continuance of a factual ministerial succession in the Church of Sweden since the Lutheran Reformation," hardly concedes enough. That succession has beyond reasonable doubt been a succession of Bishops, ordained in some manner, at least, by Bishops, i.e., by prayer and the laying on of hands, since the first foundation of Christianity in Sweden. Further, the Reformation in Sweden has been strikingly like that of the Reformation in England, and the Lutheranism, so-called, of the Swedish Church is not the Lutheranism of the Continent of Europe. The word "Lutheran" does not appear in the official Title or Canons of the Church of Sweden, but is a popular designation, not officially adopted. What we call Lutheran opinions are no necessary corollary of the authorized formularies of that Church.

2. Section 2 of the Report states that the Swedish Church has rejected the diaconate. A more exact statement would be that she has neglected it. No definite rejection was ever made.

3. Section 3 of the Report seems, on further study, to be entirely erroneous. The laying on of hands at Swedish Ordinations has always been accompanied by words of definition of the office to be conferred, by a delivery of instruments, by a psalm "Come, Holy Spirit," and followed by a prayer for spiritual graces almost identical with one in our American use.

The office of the Priesthood is called indifferently Prestembetet and Predikø-embetet, which are synonymous terms in Sweden, and have ever been so since the publication of the Handbok of 1571.

4. In Section 4 of the Report, marked difference in the three offices of the Swedish Church, there compared, are overlooked. There are two ordination services, canonically requiring a Bishop to act, ordination to the Priesthood and to the Bishopric. There is another office following these, similar in intent and scope to our office of Institution, which does not require the presence of a Bishop, delivers no Instruments, sings no Veni Creator, but has a laying on of hands.
This laying on of hands, however, is no discredit to the ordinal, as absolution in times past has been sometimes accompanied by this form.

5. In Section 5 the Joint Commission has been misled by two uses of the Swedish word "inställa," and has apparently overlooked the rubrics of the Consecration service. The rubric speaks in the same immediate connection, and evidently of the same person, as the Bishop who is "to be installed," and "as the Bishop who is to be ordained." A careful study of Swedish Church History, of the Swedish Church Law, and of the successive handbooks from 1571 to 1892, will show that in spite of some irregularities such as Ordination per saltum, and Consecration by but one Bishop, at times, the Swedish Ordinations and Consecrations all fulfill the rule laid down by Bingham from the Apostolic Constitutions, that the essentials of Ordination are public prayer, the laying on of hands by a Bishop, and something to designate the office or order sought to be conferred.

The undersigned offer these few further data by way of Memorial to the House of Bishops, and beg that it will consider them when dealing with the report already made, feeling confident that in a full and competent discussion many other points of interest advantageous to Swedish orders will be brought out.

Respectfully submitted.

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II.

In view of the grave importance of the issues involved in the question of the validity or non-validity of Swedish Orders, we, the undersigned, respectfully submit to your honourable body the following considerations:

1. We believe it to be an undisputed fact that, until 1829, every ordinand of the Established Church of Sweden took an oath declaring that he believed not only the Augsburg Confession, but also the whole of "The Book of Concord"; this Book of Concord contains the Articles of Smalkald, which Articles distinctly declare that the power of ordination is not confined to Bishops. Article X. says that Bishops if true and devoted to the Church and the Gospel might be allowed for charity's and peace's sake, not from necessity, to ordain and confirm preachers. But as they neither are nor wish to be true Bishops (referring to those of the Roman Church), we (who hold the Smalkald Articles) ought to and will ordain suitable persons to this office.

In the Appendix it is argued that the grades of bishop and elder or pastor were made distinct only by human authority, and that as bishops ordain in some churches, so elders or pastors may ordain in their own churches. The divine right is common to all who preside over churches, whether they be called pastor, or elder, or bishop.

This of itself would seem to cast the gravest doubt on the validity of Swedish Orders, since an ordination by one not a Bishop is distinctly declared to be valid.
2. The Church of Sweden has not professed and does not profess to have these orders of ministers, — Bishops, Priests, and Deacons. Whether the Order of Deacons has been formally rejected, or simply neglected, the fact remains that there are no Deacons in the Swedish Church.

3. In the Swedish Office for inaugurating or ordaining into the Preaching Office, the following points are to be noted:
   a. There is a laying on of hands, but it has never been accompanied, since the sixteenth century, by words of definition of the office to be conferred.
   b. No instruments have been delivered during the past centuries; the Service Book of 1884 contains no such porrectio instrumentorum.
   c. The Anthem, "O Thou Holy Ghost," was introduced only in 1868.
   d. The prayer which is said to define the office to be conferred is said at the Altar, after the laying on of hands, and is, as is expressly stated, for those already ordained.

4. Admission to the Preaching Office is not strictly, though ordinarily, limited to Bishops. It has, as a matter of fact, been exercised by Court Chaplains; moreover, ministers of the Churches of Norway and Denmark, whose superintendents do not pretend to be Bishops, are received as duly ordained.

Your Memorialists therefore conclude that there is at least the gravest doubt as to the validity of Swedish Orders, and humbly ask that the question may not be definitely determined, until there can be the fullest examination on these points.

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APPENDIX XVII.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON ECCLESIASTICAL RELATIONS.

The Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations respectfully reports:

That, so soon as reappointed, it organized by choosing as Chairman the Right Reverend the Bishop of Western New York, and as Secretary the Rev. Fred’k A. DeRosset, and that, for the more efficient carrying on of the work entrusted to it, the following sub-committees were appointed:

1. On Oriental Churches. — The Bishops of Long Island and Springfield; the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield; the Rev. Dr. Hodges, the Rev. Mr. DeRosset; Mr. Nash.

2. On the Old Catholics of Holland, Germany, Switzerland, and Austria. — The Bishops of Western New York, Long Island, Fond du Lac, and Michigan; the Rev. Drs. Vibbert, Doty, and Jewell; Messrs. Fuller and King.


4. On the Scandinavian Churches. — The Bishops of Springfield and Iowa; the Rev. Dr. Vibbert; Messrs. Gerry and Copeland.

5. On the Moravian Church. — The Bishops of Iowa and Delaware; the Bishop Coadjutor of Springfield; the Rev. Mr. DeRosset; Mr. Cutting.

6. On Correspondence with Foreign Chaplains. — The Rev. Mr. DeRosset.

In our last report we mentioned that, for unexplained reasons, Neophytus VIII., Patriarch of Constantinople, had found it necessary to resign his high office; the Metropolitan of Leros and Kalymnos succeeding him, February 1, 1895, with the title Anthimus VII. The official organ for the Patriarchate, the 'Εκκλησιαστική Ακρόπολις, of January 31, 1897, particularly announced that "For various important reasons, his Holiness Anthimus VII. gave, January 29, his canonical resignation of the Apostolic and Patriarchal Throne." The cause of this good and efficient hierarch becoming the fourth living ex-Patriarch of Constantinople is understood to have been some question of Turkish politics. The Metropolitan of Ephesus was called to the temporary charge of the See, and soon after made Patriarch of Constantinople with the title Constantine V. This new Patriarch was a protégé of Sophronius, now Patriarch of Alexandria, who sent him to school, and saw to his education, and in due time made him his private Secretary. After several years, Constantine took up his studies again at the universities of Strasburg and Heidelberg, and then visited Paris, London, and other foreign cities. He was consecrated a Bishop in 1876.

Three years ago it seemed that, by his wisdom and tact, Spiridon, Patriarch of Antioch, had quieted the disturbances in Syria. But difficulties broke out again, and towards the close of last year he, for reasons not stated, but apparently having to do with race questions between
Greek and Arabs, was forced to leave the Patriarchal Throne. We have seen no notice of the choice of a successor.

In Jerusalem the good Patriarch Gerasimus was called to his rest February 9, 1897. He had been in ill health for some time. On the day when our then Secretary, Dr. Hale, celebrated the first Anglican Eucharistic Service in the Chapel of Abraham in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, he met Gerasimus who was then Metropolitan of Scythopolis, and in the course of the conversation said, "This service will be a pleasant thing to remember as long as I live." "So it will be to us," was the prompt response of Gerasimus. He always showed himself most sympathetic and kind to Anglican Bishops and Clergy. He was made Patriarch of Antioch in 1885, and when Nicodemus was forced by ill-health to retire from the Patriarchate of Jerusalem, Gerasimus, of like mind, succeeded him at the Holy City, February 27, 1891. The Metropolitan of Philadelphia was in turn chosen to succeed Gerasimus, July 10, 1897, and is named Damian I.

The Bishop of Salisbury visited the East last winter, and gave an interesting account of his visit in a speech before the Upper House of the Convocation of Canterbury, May 12, 1898, which we summarize as follows:

"Your Grace will remember that at the end of last year you were good enough to give me a commission to go to Jerusalem, and also to furnish me with letters to the three Patriarchs who are in the region in which Bishop Blyth has jurisdiction over our countrymen, namely, the Patriarchs of Alexandria, Antioch, and Jerusalem, and also the Archbishop of Cyprus. Then later on, I had an opportunity of visiting Constantinople, and your Grace was good enough to add to your kindness an Introduction to the Patriarch of Constantinople, Constantine V. My interviews with these Patriarchs and the autocephalous Archbishop of Cyprus, an old and kind acquaintance, were exceedingly friendly. They were very courteous indeed. I had not the pleasure of seeing the Patriarch of Antioch, because at that time there was going on something which has not been previously unknown in the history of that Patriarchate, namely, a forcible change of office. But I saw the majority of the Bishops who were assembled at Damascus for the purpose of considering the present and future government of the Patriarchate. I do not think I need go into details as to all these interviews. It may perhaps, however, be interesting to my brethren to know that the Patriarch of Alexandria is a man of extraordinary age and vigour, being one hundred and four years of age at the least, and some put him at one hundred and eight, and that he is still able, in the case of his own possessions in the Island of Leros, to dig in his garden, and to do all that is desirable on the part of a land owner. These interviews were very much of the same character. They were all very courteous and very frank, and I may say, on the whole, very hopeful, and I think particularly that my interview with the Patriarch of Constantinople was especially hopeful. I do not, in the least, intend to suggest that this hopefulness extends to anything like immediate or even prospective reunion. I do not think that it was your Grace's desire that I should suggest it to the Patriarchs, or that that was a thing at all within my immediate instructions when I presented to them, as you were good enough to authorize me to do, the Letter, Reports, and Resolutions of the Lambeth Conference, and especially the resolutions bearing on reunion amongst Christians. But I do think that I may go so far as to say that they consider the Anglican Communion to be the Communion outside their own which stands the nearest to them, and that they are one and all very anxious to continue those friendly relations which we have already, in a more or less systematic manner, been carrying on, I may say, for centuries, and not only to continue them, but to extend them and make them regular, and to give
something of authority to them. I can assure you that your Grace’s letter was in every case received with very great honour, coming from yourself, and I was received as your messenger with very much greater honour than I should have been received if simply going as a visitor on my own account. There is a matter on which they feel very strongly, and on which they willingly expressed their gratitude to our two representatives, the Bishop of Gibraltar and the Bishop in Jerusalem, namely, abstinence from anything like aggression. I think that that is a point on which they feel that the hierarchy of the Church of England have won their confidence, and that they are willing to acknowledge this publicly if there should be need. The Patriarch Constantine V. is clearly a man not only of high character, but of deeply religious feeling, and I shall not soon forget the impression made on me by the beautiful prayer with which he closed our interviews. I was very much struck in conversation with him, as well as with other members of the Greek Church in Constantinople, with the impression that there was a real (if I may venture to say so) Evangelical movement going on inside their communion. There is a proposition which comes to me, not in any way from official authority, but from some private persons, namely, that there should be set up in England a religious periodical which should be printed partly in Greek and partly in English, with the view of bringing to Greek-speaking people the knowledge of the Anglican communion, and bringing to English people a knowledge of the Orthodox Eastern Church, and especially of the Greek portion. I believe that this might be a very valuable means of furthering the desire which we all feel of healthy intercommunication and co-operation as far as may be possible. Your Grace and the Archbishop of York and the Bishop of London have had the delicate duty put into your hands of defining what is meant by the closer relations and more definite understanding which were spoken of in the Lambeth Conference. I should not venture for one moment to make any further suggestions on this point, but believe that I shall not be wrong in personally taking an interest in a review of this kind which has no official character, but which may be, by God’s blessing, a very useful means of bringing the two Churches to understand one another. It would, I am convinced, dissipate widespread errors and prejudices as well as give us that feeling which I am quite sure is the one we most need, that we are on both sides earnest Christians. The doubt as to that is the real thing which makes people look coldly on this movement for reunion, and specially for closer relations with the Eastern Church. You hear wild and very rough things said on both sides. I am quite aware of that, but a periodical of this kind, conducted by members of both Churches, and spending its time in giving really historical and detailed accounts of points which might be considered either points of difference or points in which it was necessary to have a clearer understanding of the practice of either Church, would, I believe, be of very great service to the whole cause of Christian union. I have come back from my journey with a higher opinion both of the authorities of the Eastern communion and of the people themselves than I had when I started, and I believe that any of my brethren who would go and enter into detailed conference, if possible, and would take the trouble to seek repeated interviews, such as I had, of several hours’ duration, and who would allow time for prejudices to evaporate and for confidence to be established, would come away with the same feeling. I have no doubt whatever that there is a real, deep, Christian feeling both in the leading clergy and in the laity, and that this only needs to be better known in England for a very large majority of English Churchmen to look hopefully to such relations with the Eastern Church as your Grace and the Archbishop of York and the Bishop of London are commissioned to try to establish.”
The Rt. Rev. Mandell Creighton, D.D., now Bishop of Peterborough, was deputed by the Archbishop of Canterbury, with the royal approval, to attend the Coronation of the Tsar of Russia in May, 1896. He was received with all due honour and with many tokens of respect and regard. And on the occasion of the Queen's Jubilee, in June, 1897, the Archbishop of Finland came to London to present the congratulations of the Russian Church and people.

The Archbishop of York went to Russia in the Lent of 1897, not in connection with any political or national event, but in order to make himself more intimately acquainted with the principles and teachings of the Russian Church. Not only did the Emperor and Empress give him a most gracious reception, and members of the Imperial family and the highest functionaries in Church and State vie with each other to do him honour, but the whole nation seems to have welcomed him. On the Sunday after his arrival he attended Saint Isaac's Cathedral. The service had already begun, but he was placed in a position of honour, and at the close of the service the Bishop of Narva, who officiated, came with all the clergy of the Cathedral to pay his respects, and, as he said, "to welcome one who came from a distant country to show the world what the bond of love which comes from being united in the fellowship of Christ's religion may do to bring the Churches of the two countries nearer to one another." As it was at the beginning, so was it throughout the whole course of this visit. An extraordinarily warm and sympathetic welcome was everywhere extended to him.

When Nicodemus, the retired Patriarch of Jerusalem, heard that Bishop Hale had lost by fire his library, in which there was a large collection of books bearing on Church unity, he wrote to him at once, as follows: "Strong faith in Christ our God shines forth in the Epistles of Saint Paul, the Apostle to the Gentiles. We are taught by him that no sorrow nor trial can separate us from the love of Christ. You have suffered, Reverend Brother, and the devouring fire has destroyed your library by the action of the Evil One. For such a library as yours was, is efficient for the countering of his devices who tries in every way to disturb the love and harmony of Christians, and especially when he sees now on every side there is a manifest desire for the harmony and unity of the Churches of God in different lands. His hatred for such a God-loved work doubtless stirs him up against all who are able to labour for the success of such a God-pleasing and desirable end. 'But God will bruise Satan under your feet shortly.' So we hope, and so we believe, for the grace of God guards and defends all who put their trust in Him. We are sorry for the loss of your books, but this loss can be made up if we have faith in Him Who can keep our spirits from being broken. And so, Beloved Friend, we send you to-day a set of the books in use in our Orthodox Eastern Church in all our services, twenty-three volumes in all, according to the list which we enclose, and we beg you to kindly receive them as a proof of our brotherly affection in Christ, and as a beginning of your new library."

"The Jerusalem and the East Mission," under the care of Bishop Blyth, continues its good work. A recent visitor to the East, and one well qualified to judge, says, "Bishop Blyth has made himself, I believe, universally popular and respected wherever he has been." The need of suitable buildings for this mission has been greatly felt. The group of buildings entitled the Anglican College at Jerusalem, outside of and about half a mile north of the city wall, is so far advanced that Bishop Blyth is now living in the Warden's house, and Saint George's Church is to be consecrated during the month of October.

"The Archbishop's Mission to the Assyrian Christians" has been going on steadily with some hindrances, but with a fair measure of
success. There have been eighty-four mission schools scattered through
the country. And during the twelve years since the mission was started
thirty-five churches which had fallen into decay have been rebuilt
through the assistance, direct and indirect, afforded by the English
Mission.

"The Society for the furtherance of Christianity in Egypt" has gone
on with its quiet work of promoting education among the Copts.

"The Eastern Church Association" has an agent in Cyprus, an
English clergyman, whose special office it is to learn what he can about
the Eastern Churches and give what information he may in regard to the
Anglican. He has had the opportunity of giving considerable instruction
in some of the public schools. This Association has issued several publi­
cations since last General Convention, and hopes to do more in this way
when its limited means permit.

A resolution was adopted by the Lambeth Conference of July, 1897.

36. That the Archbishops of Canterbury and York and the Bishop
of London be requested to act as a Committee, with power to add to
their number, to confer personally or by correspondence with the Ortho­
dox Eastern Patriarchs, the Holy Governing Synod of the Church of
Russia, and the chief authorities of the various Eastern Churches, with
a view to consider the possibility of securing a clearer understanding
and of establishing closer relations between the Churches of the East
and the Anglican Communion; and that, under the direction of the said
Committee, arrangements be made for the translation of books and doc­
uments setting forth the relative positions of the various Churches, and
also of such Catechisms and Forms of Service as may be helpful to
mutual understanding."

In our last report, we mentioned that Bishop Reinkens, "warned by
advancing years and the effect of recent illness that he had need of help
in his work," had nominated his Vicar-General, Dr. Theodore Weber, to
be his assistant, and that accordingly Dr. Weber had been consecrated
August 4, 1895. But Bishop Reinkens was not spared long to enjoy the
comparative rest he thus gained. Saturday evening, January 4, 1896,
Bishop Weber and one of his priests had been with him until 11.15 p. m.,
and he seemed in good health and spirits, but almost immediately there­
after he had an attack of heart disease, and before midnight he breathed
his last. His funeral, January 8, was attended with many honours. The
next day, at a memorial service, Dr. Van Thiel, President of the Theo­
logical Seminary at Amersfoort, Holland, made an address expressing
the deep sympathy of the Dutch Old Catholics with their German
brethren, in their bereavement. But he also reminded them of God's
great goodness in giving them such a man as Bishop Reinkens was for
their first Bishop, and called on them, for this, to mingle thankfulness
with their sorrow. Bishop Herzog told of the services which the
departed Bishop had rendered to the Christian Catholic Church of Swit­
zerland. By his lectures in various Swiss towns, he had stirred up a
desire for a true Catholic Reform, and had done much to aid them in
perfecting their organization. Joseph Hubert Reinkens was born March
1, 1821, and was consecrated June 4, 1873. The untiring labors of his
Episcopate of more than twenty-two years were of inestimable impor­
tance. At the beginning of the Old Catholic movement in Germany,
politics had much to do with it. It needed a strong hand, a ready mind,
a brave heart, to see that politics did not gain a controlling influence,
and that, when what had helped, first wavered and then opposed, hope­
less discouragement did not ensue. He had in Von Dollinger and Fried­
rich and Von Schulte and others, powerful helpers. But the quickening
of the spiritual life was pre-eminently his task. As has been well said,
"By his untiring energy, his intrepidity and firmness, his gentle
Bishop Weber who had not been elected cum jure suspensis was, March 4, 1896, elected to succeed Bishop Reinkens as Bishop of the Old Catholics in the German Empire, and most worthily does he fill his high office.

The Christian Catholic Church of Switzerland has certain relations with the State which tend to retard its growth. We are assured, however, that under the wise care and guidance of its Bishop, Dr. Edouard Herzog, it is holding its own and deepening its hold.

The Lambeth Conference in Resolution 28, said:

"28. That, in accordance with the sentiments expressed by the Bishops who met in the last Conference, we regard it as our duty to maintain and promote friendly relations with the Old Catholic Community in Germany, and with the Christian Catholic Church in Switzerland, assuring them of our sympathy, of our thankfulness to God who has held them steadfast in their efforts for the preservation of the Primitive Faith and Order, and Who, through all discouragements, difficulties, and temptations, has given them the assurance of His blessing, in the maintenance of their principles, in the enlargement of their congregations, and in the increase of their Churches. We continue the offer of the religious privileges by which the Clergy and faithful Laity may be admitted to Holy Communion on the same conditions as our own Communicants."

And the same body also resolved, "That we recommend to the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Primates and Presiding Bishops of other Churches in Communion with the Church of England, the appointment of at least one representative of each Church to attend the International Congress which is to meet in Vienna, August 31, 1897; and we express the hope that there may be a revival of such Conferences as those held at Bonn, in 1874 and 1875, to which representatives may be invited and appointed from the Church of England and the Church in Communion with her."

In pursuance of this resolution, the Bishop of Springfield and his Coadjutor, Bishop Hale, having been duly appointed, attended the Congress at Vienna. The Reverend H. J. White, Fellow and Tutor of Merton College, Oxford, and Chaplain to the Bishop of Salisbury, ably represented there the English Church. The fourth International Old Catholic Congress was held at Vienna, August 31, to September 3, 1897. Among those who took part in it were the Archbishop of Utrecht and Dr. Van Theil of the Church of Holland, Bishop Weber of the German Old Catholics, Bishop Herzog, Dr. Michaud, Dr. Philippi and Dr. Weibel from Switzerland, Dr. Cech, the leader of the Austrian Old Catholics, and Dom Miraglia of Italy; the Archpriest Yanysheff and General Kirilieff of Russia, and Archbishop Nicanor from Servia, were also in attendance.

As is well known, there are most complicated political problems now agitating and threatening to disrupt the Austro-Hungarian Empire, and it was hard for those speakers in the Congress who felt, as many of them did, that Rome had much to do with these troubles, to use due moderation in speech. Over and over again, it took all the influence that Bishops Herzog and Weber and other wise leaders could exercise to prevent dangerous discussion. Considering the difficulties that had to be met and overcome at Vienna, and these were neither few nor small, the fourth International Old Catholic Congress must be considered a success. The Old Catholics seem now to be realizing, as perhaps never before, their duty not only to contend for the Faith once delivered unto
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The saints, but to exemplify, in lives according with that Faith, the true Catholic spirit of love and devotion to the Master.

The Austrian Old Catholics have had greater hindrances in their path than their brethren in Germany and Switzerland, but seem in no wise disheartened.

The Lambeth Conference renewed "the expression of hope for more formal relation with the Old Catholics in Austria, when their organization shall have been made more complete," and repeated "the expression of sympathy [contained in the report of the Lambeth Conference of 1888] with the brave and earnest men of France, Italy, Spain, and Portugal, who have been driven to free themselves from the burden of unlawful terms of Communion imposed by the Church of Rome," and declared that they continued "to watch these movements with deep and anxious interest, praying that they may be blessed and guided by Almighty God."

The work which has been going on in Italy for many years under Count Henry di Campello has been somewhat checked, by the falling off of contributions for its support in England and Ireland, since the deaths of Archbishop Plunkett and Canon Thornton, who were his enthusiastic supporters, and who not only saw that present needs were provided for, but who were also raising a fund for the endowment of an Italian Episcopate. The Synod of the Reformed National Church in Italy has laid before the Old Catholic Bishops a petition for the consecration of Count Henri di Campello to be their Bishop. It seems indeed most desirable that when a Bishop is consecrated for Italy, all should be so done that the Old Catholics of Italy may be in full accord with those of Germany, Switzerland, and Holland.

Another movement for Church reform in Italy was set on foot in Piacenza, two years since, by Dom Paolo Miraglia. At first he met with great opposition of various kinds, and even on the part of the civil authorities, but all these things served but to arouse a sympathy for him, so that Saint Paul's Church, Piacenza, has, we are told, over two thousand enrolled members. Some months after he came out openly for reform he spent some time with Bishop Herzog, at Berne, and learned much from him. At the old Catholic Congress at Vienna he delivered a most eloquent address in vigorous Latin, denouncing Roman corruptions of faith and doctrine and practice, which made a very marked impression. Soon after his return from Vienna, he called a meeting of his congregation, when, seven hundred and fifty-three being present, this resolution among others was adopted:

"We remain Catholic, Apostolic, Roman, precisely that we may not lose hold of our Latin Churches and may labour with sure fruit in the midst of the Romanists, not without confessing sincerely that the Old Catholic, Greek, and Anglican Churches, with the other anti-Vaticanist Churches, worthyly represented at the Congress of Vienna, are fully right in crying with holy zeal that we must return to the spirit of the undivided Church of our ancient fathers."

A learned clergyman of our Church, who is a careful observer, and who has seen much of him and his work, wrote not long since from Italy: "Miraglia has been faulted by certain of the Protestant missionaries in Italy, and by other reforming priests, who claim that his reform is not real and does not go far enough. This has come chiefly from jealousy of his great success. None of them have approached anywhere near him in the amount of work done and disciples made, and he has done it without money help from outside. The Baptist and Methodist missions in Italy would crumble into nothingness at once if the large money supplies that come to them from America and England were cut off. Perhaps the most effective and well managed Protestant work in Italy is
done by the Waldensians, but their evangelization work was artificially nourished last year by outside gifts, chiefly from Great Britain and America, amounting to nearly three hundred thousand lire ($60,000), while from Italy itself under thirty-eight thousand lire ($7,600) was contributed in the same time. I doubt if Miraglia has had one thousand lire ($200) a year beyond what has been given by his own flock. Miraglia has got hold pretty firmly of the essential principles of Catholic reform. A Roman priest told me last week that he supposed that in Rome alone quite five hundred of the lower clergy were in full sympathy with Miraglia’s teachings."

In France the old Catholic congregation of M. Volet, numbering about two hundred members, continues its services, using the Parisian Missal and Breviary, and is under the superintendence of the Archbishop of Utrecht. But in France also there has arisen a new movement looking towards reform. It seems, however, greatly to need wise leadership. The Abbe Bourlier, who has been Vicar of the Cathedral of Marseilles, was for a time at its head. But he has become discouraged, and has gone over to the French Protestants. Previous to this, however, he had set up a periodical called "Le Chrétien Français," which professes to be directed by Priests, secular and regular, some within the Roman Church, some outside it, the object of all being "religious reform, a rejuvenated Catholicism, a Christianity such as was established by the Apostles who are the sole genuine interpreters of the preaching of Jesus." They profess to have adherents in almost every Diocese of France, in all ranks of the Clergy, and in several monasteries and communities, and to have the sympathy of a highly placed ecclesiastical. Upwards of twenty Priests and Monks, they say, have broken away from the Roman Church, in order to preach the Gospel, and a large number are remaining within her, believing that thus reform will spring from the bosom of Catholicism.

There is evidently among these good men a seeking after the truth, but withal many vague aspirations. God grant that the movement may be speedily consolidated and wisely led.

The Old Catholics in Germany number about 56,000, with 96 congregations ministered to by a Bishop and 56 priests. The Christian Catholic Church of Switzerland has about 50,000 adherents, a Bishop, and 40 priests. The Austrian Old Catholics number in adherents 12,000, with 8 congregations and as many priests. In Italy, we understand, there are something over 2,000 persons connected with the movement for reform, with 8 priests and 13 congregations.

Those who have been labouring for Church reform in Spain and Portugal have received a very heavy blow by the death of Archbishop Plunket, but they are pressing on without losing heart under the guidance of Bishop Cabrera in Spain, and of Canon Pope in Portugal. We have naturally received but little direct information in regard to the Church reform in these countries during the past year of war and disquietude. The reformed Church in Spain has a Bishop, 10 clergymen, about 1,200 communicants, and something over 3,000 adherents. The Reform Movement in Portugal embraces 6 clergymen and about 350 communicants.

The Mexican Church has made distinct progress since our last report, and is in excellent condition, except that for want of funds some of the higher educational work has had to be suspended. Its late Synod reports 28 congregations, with 572 communicants and 928 baptized members on the rolls; 7 priests and 7 deacons, besides 2 priests of the American Church, who are rendering more or less service; 9 schools, with 11 teachers and 364 pupils, and a considerabe number of its people are scattered over the country who are not registered in any congregation.

The Church is organized as one Diocese under the jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop of the American Church as its provisional Episcopal
Head, who acts, so far as possible, through the Presbyter appointed by our Board of Missions to guide and counsel the local authorities in Mexico, and, for distinctly Episcopal functions, through one of the American Bishops who visits Mexico annually. The number confirmed in the last triennium is 486, while 8 men have been ordained to the Diaconate and 2 deacons have been advanced to the priesthood. The Church is governed by a Synod composed of the clergy and lay representatives from the congregations, an Executive Committee of 5 priests and 5 laymen, exercising full powers when the Synod is not in session. It has its own Canons, its own liturgy, and other offices, and what is still lacking in this connection is taken from those of the American Church. The disorder and mismanagement of the past seem to have entirely disappeared, and the Mexican Church is now in a condition to go on and do its work aright to the benefit of the Mexican people, and the extension of a pure, catholic, and evangelical Christianity.

At this present session of the General Convention the House of Bishops has elected the Rev. Lucian Lee Kingsbury to have charge, as Bishop under Article 10 of the Constitution, of the work of Church reform in Brazil. This work was begun in 1889 by two missionaries, of whom the Bishop-elect was one, sent out by the American Church Missionary Society, acting as auxiliary to the Board of Missions. Two other missionaries went out in 1891, and besides these there are now three native Presbyters. The Episcopal oversight of the work was committed to the Bishop of Virginia by the Presiding Bishop. Two Episcopal visitations have been made, one in 1893, by the Bishop of West Virginia, and one in 1897, by the Bishop of the Falkland Islands, at the request of the Bishop of West Virginia, and with the consent of the Presiding Bishop. In these visitations 301 persons have been confirmed, and the 3 native Presbyters, referred to above, ordained (as Deacons by the Bishop of West Virginia, and as Priests by the Bishop of the Falkland Islands); 330 persons have been baptized. There are 400 children in the various Sunday schools, also 60 children in two parochial schools. The contributions of the Mission last year were $3,500, of which $1,500 was for expenses, being just one-ninth of the total cost of carrying on the Mission, and $2,000 for Church building. Three large cities, Rio Grande, with 20,000 inhabitants, Pelotas with 40,000, and Porto Alegre with 60,000, are occupied with 4 stations, and there are 7 other stations, at one of which there is a church building. The prospects are very encouraging. The Church is gaining an increasing acceptance among the people, and it is believed that so soon as the great difficulty of securing Church buildings in the city is overcome, the advance will be still more rapid. Several young men are looking forward to the Ministry, and it is hoped soon to have systematic training for them by at least two of our Presbyters who have extraordinary qualifications for such work. In 1893 a Convocation was established and a Standing Committee appointed.

The Encyclical Letter of the Lambeth Conference of last year, speaking of the unity of the Church, says, "We recommend . . . that every opportunity be taken to emphasize the divine purpose of visible unity amongst Christians, as a fact of revelation. Above all we urge the duty of special intercession for the unity of the Church in accordance with our Lord's Own Prayer as recorded in the Gospel of St. John."

Earnestly calling attention to these words of the assembled Bishops of our Communion, we respectfully submit our Report.

GEORGE F. SEYMOUR.
THOMAS F. DAVIES.
CHAS. R. HALE.
APPENDIX XVIII.

RESOLUTIONS FORMALLY ADOPTED BY THE LAMBETH CONFERENCE OF 1897.

1. That, recognizing the advantages which have accrued to the Church from the meetings of the Lambeth Conferences, we are of opinion that it is of great importance to the well-being of the Church that there should be from time to time meetings of the Bishops of the whole Anglican Communion for the consideration of questions that may arise affecting the Church of Christ.

2. That whereas the Lambeth Conferences have been called into existence by the invitation of the Archbishop of Canterbury, we desire that similar Conferences should be held, at intervals of about ten years, on the invitation of the Archbishop, if he be willing to give it.

3. That the Resolutions adopted by such Conferences should be formally communicated to the various National Churches, Provinces, and extra-Provincial Dioceses of the Anglican Communion for their consideration, and for such action as may seem to them desirable.

4. That the conditions of membership of the Lambeth Conferences, as described in the opening sentences of the Official Letter of 1878 and the Encyclical Letter of 1888, should remain unaltered.

5. That it is advisable that a consultative body should be formed to which resort may be had, if desired, by the National Churches, Provinces, and extra-Provincial Dioceses of the Anglican Communion, either for information or for advice, and that the Archbishop of Canterbury be requested to take such steps as he may think most desirable for the creation of this consultative body.

6. We desire to record our satisfaction at the progress of the acceptance of the principle of Provincial organization since the date of its formal commendation to the Anglican Communion in the Official Letter of 1878. We would also express a hope that the method of association into Provinces may be carried still further as circumstances may allow.

7. Recognizing the almost universal custom in the Western Church of attaching the title of Archbishop to the rank of Metropolitan, we are of opinion that the revival and extension of this custom among ourselves is justifiable and desirable. It is advisable that the proposed adoption of such a title should be formally announced to the Bishops of the various Churches and Provinces of the Communion with a view to its general recognition.

8. We are of opinion that the Archbishops of Primatial title may be taken from a city or from a territory, according to the discretion of the Province concerned.

9. Where it is intended that any Bishop-elect, not under the metropolitan jurisdiction of the See of Canterbury, should be consecrated in England under the Queen's Mandate, it is desirable, if it be possible, that he should not be expected to take an oath of personal obedience to the Archbishop of Canterbury, but rather should, before his Consecration, make a solemn declaration that he will pay all due honour and deference to the Archbishop of Canterbury, and will respect and maintain the
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spiritual rights and privileges of the Church of England, and of all Churches in communion with her. In this manner the interests of unity would be maintained without any infringement of the local liberties or jurisdiction.

10. If such Bishop-elect be designated to a See within any Primatial or Provincial Jurisdiction, it is desirable that he should at his Consecration take the customary Oath of Canonical Obedience to his own Primate or Metropolitan.

11. That this Conference recognizes with thankfulness the revival alike of Brotherhoods and Sisterhoods and of the Office of Deaconess, in our branch of the Church, and commends to the attention of the Church the Report of the Committee appointed to consider the Relation of Religious Communities to the Episcopate.

12. In view of the importance of the further development and wise direction of such Communities, the Conference requests the Committee to continue its labours, and to present a further Report to his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, in July, 1898.

13. That this Conference receives the Report drawn up by the Committee upon the Critical Study of Holy Scripture, and commends it to the consideration of all Christian people.

14. That while we heartily thank God for the missionary zeal which He has kindled in our Communion, and for the abundant blessing bestowed on such work as has been done, we recommend that prompt and continuous efforts be made to arouse the Church to recognize as a necessary and constant element in the spiritual life of the Body, and of each member of it, the fulfilment of our Lord's great commission to evangelize all nations.

15. That the tendency of many English-speaking Christians to entertain an exaggerated opinion of the excellencies of Hinduism and Buddhism, and to ignore the fact that Jesus Christ alone has been constituted Saviour and King of Mankind, should be vigorously corrected.

16. That a more prominent position be assigned to the Evangelization of the Jews in the intercessions and almsgiving of the Church, and that the various Boards of Missions be requested to take cognizance of this work; and particularly to see that care be taken for the due training of the Missionary Agents to be employed in the work.

17. That in view (1) of the success which has already attended faithful work among the Mohammedans, (2) of the opportunity offered at the present time for more vigorous efforts, especially in India and in the Hausa district, and (3) of the need of special training for the work: it is desirable—

(a) That men be urged to offer themselves with a view to preparation by special study for Mission work among Mohammedans.

(b) That attention be called to the importance of creating or maintaining strong centres for work amongst Mohammedans, as, for instance, in the cities of Delhi, Lucknow, and Hyderabad (Deccan), and elsewhere.

18. That while we feel that there is much to encourage us in what has been done, and is now in progress, for the establishment and development of Native Churches, we consider it to be of the utmost importance that from the very beginning the idea that the Church is their own and not a foreign Church should be impressed upon converts, and that a due share of the management and financial support of the Church should be theirs from the first. But we hold that the power of independent action, which is closely connected with the establishment of a native episcopate, ought not as a rule to be confided to Native Churches until they are also financially independent.

19. That it is important that, so far as possible, the Church should be adapted to local circumstances, and the people brought to feel in all ways that no burdens in the way of foreign customs are laid upon them,
and nothing is required of them but what is of the essence of the Faith, and belongs to the due order of the Catholic Church.

20. That while the converts should be encouraged to seek independence of foreign financial aid, and to look forward to complete independence, care should be taken to impress upon them the necessity of holding the Catholic Faith in its integrity, and of maintaining at all times that union with the great body of the Church which will strengthen the life of the young Church, and prevent any departure from Catholic and Apostolic unity, whether through heresy or through schism.

21. That due care should be taken to make the Diocese the centre of unity, so that, while there may be contained in the same area under one Bishop, various races and languages necessitating many modes of administration, nothing shall be allowed to obscure the fact that the many races form but one Church.

22. That Bishops and Clergy engaged in Missionary work should give to those of their flock who may travel to other countries letters of commendation in each case, to persons who will interest themselves in the spiritual welfare of such travellers.

23. That this Conference desires to give expression to its deep sense of the evils resulting from the drink traffic on the West Coast of Africa and elsewhere, and of the hindrance which it presents not only to the development of Native Churches, but also to the acceptance of Christianity by heathen tribes.

24. That, while it is the duty of the whole Church to make disciples of all nations, yet, in the discharge of this duty, independent Churches of the Anglican Communion ought to recognize the equal rights of each other when establishing foreign missionary jurisdictions, so that two Bishops of that Communion may not exercise jurisdiction in the same place; and the Conference recommends every Bishop to use his influence in the diocesan and provincial synods of his particular Church to gain the adhesion of the synods to these principles, with a view to the framing of canons or resolutions in accord therewith. Where such rights have, through inadvertence, been infringed in the past, an adjustment of the respective positions of the Bishops concerned ought to be made by an amicable arrangement between them, with a view to correcting as far as possible the evils arising from such infringement.

25. That when any particular Church contemplates creating a new foreign missionary jurisdiction, the recommendation contained in Resolution 1. of the Conference of 1867 ought always to be followed before any practical steps are taken.

26. That this Conference earnestly commends to the consideration of the Churches of the Anglican Communion the suggestions contained in the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions as to the relation of Missionary Bishops and Clergy to Missionary Societies.

27. That in the Foreign Mission Field of the Church's work, where signal spiritual blessings have attended the labours of Christian Missionaries not connected with the Anglican Communion, a special obligation has arisen to avoid as far as possible without compromise of principle, whatever tends to prevent the due growth and manifestation of that "unity of the Spirit," which should ever mark the Church of Christ.

28. That in accordance with the sentiments expressed by the Bishops who met in the last Conference, we regard it as our duty to maintain and promote friendly relations with the Old Catholic Community in Germany, and with the Christian Catholic Church in Switzerland, assuring them of our sympathy, of our thankfulness to God who has held them steadfast in their efforts for the preservation of the Primitive Faith and Order,
and Who, through all discouragements, difficulties, and temptations, has given them the assurance of His blessing, in the maintenance of their principles, in the enlargement of their congregations, and in the increase of their Churches. We continue the offer of the religious privileges by which the Clergy and faithful Laity may be admitted to Holy Communion on the same conditions as our own Communicants.

29. That we renew the expression of hope for a more formal relation with the Old Catholics in Austria, when their organization shall have been made more complete.

30. That we recognize thankfully the movement for the formation of an autonomous Church in Mexico, organized upon the primitive lines of administration, and having a Liturgy and Book of Offices approved by the Presiding Bishop of the Church in the United States and his Advisory Committee as being framed after the primitive forms of worship.

31. That we express our sympathy with the Reformation movement in Brazil, and trust that it may develop in accordance with sound principles.

32. That we repeat the expressions of sympathy (contained in the Report of the Lambeth Conference of 1888) with the brave and earnest men of France, Italy, Spain, and Portugal, who have been driven to free themselves from the burden of unlawful terms of Communion imposed by the Church of Rome; and continue to watch these movements with deep and anxious interest, praying that they may be blessed and guided by Almighty God.

33. That we recommend to the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Primates and Presiding Bishops of other Churches in Communion with the Church of England the appointment of at least one representative of each Church to attend the International Congress which is to meet in Vienna on August 30, 1897; and we express the hope that there may be a revival of such Conferences as those held at Bonn, in 1874 and 1875, to which representatives may be invited and appointed from the Church of England and the Churches in Communion with her.

34. That every opportunity be taken to emphasize the Divine purpose of visible unity amongst Christians, as a fact of revelation.

35. That this Conference urges the duty of special intercession for the unity of the Church in accordance with our Lord's own prayer.

36. That the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, and the Bishop of London be requested to act as a Committee with power to add to their number, to confer personally or by correspondence with the Orthodox Eastern Patriarchs, the "Holy Governing Synod" of the Church of Russia, and the chief authorities of the various Eastern Churches with a view to consider the possibility of securing a clearer understanding and of establishing closer relations between the Churches of the East and the Anglican Communion; and that under the direction of the said Committee, arrangements be made for the translation of books and documents setting forth the relative positions of the various Churches and also of such Catechisms and Forms of Service, as may be helpful to mutual understanding.

37. That this Conference, not possessing sufficient information to warrant the expression of a decided opinion upon the question of the Orders of the Unitas Fratrum or Moravians, must content itself with expressing a hearty desire for such relations with them as will aid the cause of Christian Unity, and with recommending that there should be on the part of the Anglican Communion further consideration of the whole subject; in the hope of establishing closer relations between the Unitas Fratrum and the Churches represented in this Conference.
33. That the Archbishop of Canterbury be requested to appoint a Committee to conduct the further investigation of the subject, and for such purpose to confer with the authorities or representatives of the Unitas Fratrum.

That this Conference, being desirous of furthering the action taken by the Lambeth Conference of 1888, with regard to the validity of the Orders of the Swedish Church, requests the Archbishop of Canterbury to appoint a Committee to inquire into the question, and to report to the next Lambeth Conference; and that it is desirable that the Committee, if appointed, should confer with the authorities or representatives of the Church of Sweden upon the subject of the proposed investigation.

38. That the Bishops of the several Churches of the Anglican Communion be urged to appoint Committees of Bishops, where they have not been already appointed, to watch for opportunities of united prayer and mutual conference between representatives of different Christian bodies, and to give counsel where counsel may be asked in this matter. That these Committees confer with and assist each other, and regard themselves as responsible for reporting to the next Lambeth Conference what has been accomplished in this respect.

40. That this Conference, while disclaiming any purpose of laying down rules for the conduct of International Arbitration, or of suggesting the special methods by which it should proceed, desires to affirm its profound conviction of the value of the principle of International Arbitration, and its essential consistency with the religion of Jesus Christ.

41. That this Conference welcomes the indications of a more enlightened public conscience on the subject of International Arbitration, and desires to call the attention of all Christian people to the evidence of the healthier state of feeling afforded by the action of Legislatures, and in the increasing literature on the subject.

42. That this Conference, believing that nothing more strongly makes for peace than a healthy and enlightened public opinion, urges upon all Christian people the duty of promoting by earnest prayer, by private instruction, and by public appeal, the cause of International Arbitration.

43. That this Conference receives the report of the Committee on the duty of the Church in regard to Industrial Problems, and commends the suggestions embodied in it to the earnest and sympathetic consideration of all Christian people.

45. That this Conference recognizes the exclusive right of each Bishop to put forth or sanction additional services for use within his jurisdiction, subject to such limitations as may be imposed by the provincial or other lawful authority.

46. That this Conference also recognizes in each Bishop within his jurisdiction the exclusive right of adapting the Services in the Book of Common Prayer to local circumstances, and also of directing or sanctioning the use of additional prayers, subject to such limitations as may be imposed by provincial or other lawful authority, provided also that any such adaptation shall not affect the doctrinal teaching or value of the Service or passage thus adapted.

47. That the Archbishop of Canterbury be requested to take such steps as may be necessary for the retranslation of the Quinque Vult.

48. That in the opinion of this Conference it is of much importance that in all cases of Infant Baptism the Clergyman should take all possible
care to see that provision is made for the Christian training of the child, but that, unless in cases of grave and exceptional difficulty, the baptism should not be deferred.

49. That the baptismal promises of repentance, faith, and obedience should be made either privately or publicly by those who, having been baptized without those promises, are brought by our Clergy to Confirmation by the Bishop.

50. Where difficulties arise in regard to the administration of Holy Communion to the sick, we recommend that these difficulties should be left to be dealt with by the Bishop of each Diocese in accordance with the direction contained in the preface to the Prayer Book of the Church of England Concerning the Service of the Church:

"And forasmuch as nothing can be so plainly set forth, but doubts may arise in the use and practice of the same; to appease all such diversity if any arise) and for the resolution of all doubts, concerning the manner how to understand, do, and execute the things contained in this book; the parties that so doubt or diversely take anything shall always refer to the Bishop of the Diocese, who by his discretion shall take order for the quieting and appeasing of the same; so that the same order be not contrary to anything contained in this book. And if the Bishop of the Diocese be in doubt, then he may send for the resolution thereof to the Archbishop."

51. That this Conference welcomes heartily the proposal for the temporary employment of younger Clergy in service abroad as likely to lead to the great benefit of the Church at home, of the Church in the colonies, and of the Church at large.

52. That the Conference requests the Bishops of the Church of England to grant the same privilege to Clergymen temporarily serving in any of the Missionary Jurisdictions of the United States, with the consent of their Diocesan, which they accord to Clergymen serving in the colonies.

53. That it is the duty of Church people in England to give aid to education in the colonies, whether generally or in the training for the ministry and for the work of teaching:

(a) In the establishment and strengthening of Church schools and colleges;

(b) In the establishment of studentships in England and in the colonies, tenable by men living in the colonies, and under preparation for colonial Church work.

54. That the endowment of new Sees wherever needed, and the augmentation of the endowment of existing Sees wherever inadequate, deserve the attention and support of the Church at home.

55. That, in the judgment of this Conference, it is the bounden duty of those who derive income from colonial property or securities to contribute to the support of the Church's work in the colonies.

56. That while the principle of gradual withdrawal of home aid to the Church in the colonies, according to its growth, is sound policy, the greatest circumspection should be used, and the special circumstances of each case most carefully examined before aid is withdrawn from even long-established Dioceses.

57. That this Conference desires to draw renewed attention to the recommendation of the Committee of the Lambeth Conference, 1888, on the subject of Emigrants, and recommends that every care should be taken, by home teaching, by commendatory letters, and by correspondence between the home Dioceses and the Dioceses to which emigrants go, to prevent them from drifting from the Church of their fathers when they leave their old homes.

58. That this Conference desires that every care should be taken by
the Church at home to impress upon emigrants the duty of helping to provide for the maintenance of the Church in the country to which they emigrate.

68. That it is the duty of the Church to aid in providing for the moral and spiritual needs of our seamen of the mercantile service, who in vast numbers visit colonial ports, by means of Sailors' Homes and like institutions, and by the ministrations of Clergy specially set apart for this work.

60. That it is the duty of the Church to give all possible assistance to the Bishops and Clergy of the Colonies in their endeavour to protect native races from the introduction among them of demoralizing influences and from every form of injustice or oppression, inasmuch as these, wherever found, are a discredit to Christian civilization and a hindrance to the spread of the Gospel of Christ our Lord.

61. That this Conference commends to the consideration of the duly constituted authorities of the several branches of the Anglican Communion, the report of the Committee on "Degrees in Divinity," with a view to their taking such steps as to them may seem fit, to meet the need of encouraging, especially among the Clergy, the study of Theology; and that the Archbishop of Canterbury be requested to consider the recommendations contained in the report, with a view to action in the directions indicated, if His Grace should think such action desirable.

62. That this Conference is of opinion that, failing any consent on the part of existing authorities to grant Degrees or Certificates in Divinity without requiring residence, and under suitable conditions, to residents in the colonies and elsewhere, it is desirable that a Board of Examinations in Divinity, under the Archbishops and Bishops of the Anglican Communion, should be established, with power to hold local examinations, and confer titles and grant certificates for proficiency in Theological Study.

63. Several causes have combined to create a desire for information on the history of the Anglican Church, especially in the early and mediaeval times, but, while recognizing with thankfulness the interest now shown in the history of the Church, we think it necessary to call attention to the inadequate and misleading character of the teaching on this point incidentally contained in some of the Historical Readers which are put into the hands of the young. We recommend that the Bishops in all Dioceses should enquire into the nature of the books used, and should take steps to effect improvements; and that manuals written in a non-controversial spirit should be prepared to enable teachers to give correctly the oral explanation of the Elementary Readers.
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We, the undersigned of the Committee on Expenses, have carefully examined and audited the accounts and vouchers of Buchanan Winthrop, Treasurer of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the United States of America, and find them in all respects correct. Mr. Winthrop received, including the balance in his hands October 10, 1898, of $702.26, the sum of $14,208.10, and has properly expended, for which he exhibited good and sufficient vouchers, the sum of $13,449.54, leaving in his hands October 10, 1898, the sum of $758.56.

WASHINGTON, October 10, 1898.

JAMES J. GOODWIN,
ALBION W. KNIGHT,
Auditors.
APPENDIX XX.

RULES OF ORDER.—HOUSE OF BISHOPS.

As Amended, 1898.

FIRST DAY OF THE SESSION.

1. The House shall meet for business at such time and place as shall have been duly notified by the Presiding Bishop or the Chairman of the House to the members of this House, and shall be called to order by the Presiding Bishop or the Chairman, or, in their absence, by the Senior Bishop present.

2. Any Bishop appearing in the House of Bishops for the first time after his consecration shall then be presented to the President by one or more Bishops, and, if such be present, by one or more Bishops who took part in his consecration.

3. The roll of members shall be called by the Secretary or the Assistant Secretary of the session of the House last preceding, or, in their absence, by a Secretary appointed pro tempore.

4. If any member or members of the House shall have died since its last meeting, the Presiding Bishop shall then announce, without word or comment, the fact and the date of such death, after which he shall say the Lord’s Prayer, together with the following Prayer and Collects:

“We bless thy holy Name for all thy servants, who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labours. And we yield unto Thee most high praise and hearty thanks for the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all thy saints, who have been the choice vessels of thy grace, and the lights of the world in their several generations; most humbly beseeching Thee to give us grace so to follow the example of their steadfastness in thy faith, and obedience to thy holy commandments, that at the day of the general resurrection, we, with all those who are of the mystical Body of thy Son, may be set on his right hand, and hear that his most joyful voice: Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Grant this, 0 Father, for Jesus Christ’s sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.”

The Collect for All Saints’ Day.

The Collect in the Visitation Office: “O God, whose days,” etc.

“The grace of our Lord,” etc.

5. The House shall then proceed to elect a Secretary. If but one candidate be nominated, the election shall be viva voce; if more than one, by ballot.

6. With the approbation of the Presiding Officer, the Secretary may, at any period of the session, appoint an Assistant Secretary.

7. The House shall then proceed to elect, in all cases by ballot, a Chairman of the House, who shall be Assessor to the Presiding Bishop, and in his absence, or at his request, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House, and to whom the Presiding Bishop may assign any duties connected with his office, from which, from time to time, he may desire to be relieved. He shall continue in office until the triennial General Convention following that in which he was elected. A Bishop who has
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served as Chairman for three years may be elected for a second time, but not thereafter. Officers of the House of Bishops, when addressing the House in debate, shall in all cases do so from the floor of the House.

8. As soon as the House of Bishops shall have been organized by the election of its Secretary and Chairman, it shall be the duty of the Chair­man to instruct the Secretary to communicate to the House of Deputies the fact of its organization, and that it is ready to proceed to business.

DAILY ORDER.

I. Bishops shall be selected by the Secretary by lot on the first day of the session, whose duty it shall be, in the order of such selection, to take charge of the united Morning Service of the General Convention.

II. The House shall meet for business one hour after the hour appointed for the said Morning Service, unless otherwise ordered at the previous adjournment. When the President shall have taken the chair, new members may be introduced, as on the first day. The roll shall then be called, after which the House shall be bidden to prayer by the President; but after the third day of the session, the roll shall not be called, unless by order of the House. The minutes of the last meeting shall then be read by the Secretary, and acted upon by the House.

III. On the second day of the session, after Prayers, the Presiding Bishop shall lay before the House a statement of his official acts during the recess of the General Convention.

IV. On days when the Bishops are expected to meet with the Deputies and others in the Board of Missions during any part of the fore­noon, the first business shall be the consideration of such matters as the Committee on the Despatch of Business shall report as urgently demand­ing attention. After that shall follow consideration of Messages from the House of Deputies not disposed of, and a call for reports from Standing Committees; then may follow any other business for which time shall remain. If the Board of Missions shall adjourn before the customary hour for adjournment of the House of Bishops, the House shall resume its sitting. Any part of this rule may be suspended by a majority vote.

V. The business of the House shall be disposed of in the order following:

a. Communications from the President.

b. Petitions and Memorials.

c. Messages from the House of Deputies not yet disposed of.

d. Motions of reference.

e. Reports from Standing Committees, in the order in which the Committees are named in the third General Rule.

f. Reports of Commissions.

g. Reports from Special Committees.

h. Miscellaneous business.

VI. The Order of the Day shall be taken up at the hour appointed, unless postponed by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to prepare and place upon the table in front of his desk, each morning after the opening of the House, a calendar of all Orders of the Day not yet discharged.

VII. Bishops invited to honorary seats may be introduced by the President whenever no other business occupies the House.

GENERAL RULES.

I. As an indication of our humble dependence upon the Word and Spirit of God, and following the example of Primitive Councils, a copy of the Holy Scriptures shall always be reverently placed in view at the meetings of this House.
II. There shall be added to other Religious Services of this House the administration of the Holy Communion once in every week.

III. Committees shall be appointed by the Chairman of the House, unless otherwise ordered. The Bishop first named on the Committee shall act as its convener, and each Committee at its first meeting shall elect its own Chairman. Whenever an appointment to any place or position is made by direct action of the House, such appointment shall be by ballot. The Standing Committees, to be announced not later than the third day of the session, shall be as follows:

1. On Christian Education.
2. On the General Theological Seminary.
3. On the Consecration of Bishops.
4. On the Conduct of all Religious Services connected with the Convention.
5. On Memorials and Petitions.
6. On Despatch of Business.
8. On Amendments to the Constitution.
11. On Domestic Missions.
12. On Foreign Missions.
13. On the Admission of New Dioceses.
15. On Unfinished Business.

Each of these Committees shall consist of not more than five nor less than three members at the discretion of the Chairman of the House, except that the Committee on Canons shall consist of seven members. The Chairman of the House shall be ex officio a member of the Committee on Rules of Order.

IV. No memorial, petition, or address shall come before this House unless presented by the Chairman of the House, or some other Bishop present.

V. Nothing other than reports and other documents printed for the use and by the order of the House, except the private correspondence of its members, shall be distributed in the House without having first been entrusted to the Secretary, and submitted to the approval of the Presiding Officer.

VI. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing, and no motion shall be considered as before the House until seconded.

VII. Members in discussion shall address the Chair, and shall confine themselves to the point in debate. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

VIII. Every member present shall, on a division, be counted, unless personally interested in the question to be decided. When, in taking a question, the President's vote produces a tie, the motion shall be considered as lost.

IX. The ayes and nays may be required by any three members, and shall in such cases be entered on the Journal.

X. When a question is under consideration, no motion shall be received unless to lay it upon the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. Motions to lay upon the table and to adjourn shall be decided without debate. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order.

XI. On motion duly put and carried, the House may resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, when a Chairman of the same shall be elected. The Junior Bishop present shall act as Clerk of the Committee, and make a record of its action.
XII. Reports of Committees shall be in writing, and shall be received of course, and without motion for acceptance, unless re-committed by a vote of the House. Reports recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the House shall be accompanied by specific resolutions.

XIII. Reports of Committees appointed to sit during the recess, if not acted upon at once, shall, when presented, be made the order of the day for a time fixed.

XIV. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chair without debate, but appeal may be taken from such decision. On such appeal no member shall speak more than once without express leave of the House.

XV. Amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after-amendment to such second amendment shall be in order, but a substitute for the whole matter may be received. No proposition on a subject differing from the one under consideration shall be received under colour of a substitute.

XVI. A question, being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session of the Convention, except with the consent of two-thirds of the House. A motion to reconsider can only be made by one who voted with the majority on the previous determination of the question.

XVII. All resolutions which are to be communicated to the House of Deputies, unless they contain information of action incomplete in this House or be temporarily withheld by order of this House at the time of their passage, shall be transmitted to the House of Deputies as soon as conveniently may be, under the direction of the Chairman of the House.

XVIII. Messages from the House of Deputies shall be handed by the Secretary of this House to the President to be laid before the House as early as may be convenient. Committees from the House of Deputies shall be admitted immediately.

XIX. The Committee on Despatch of Business shall, each day, before the adjournment of the House, report any action of the House of Deputies which is liable to acquire the effect of law without the concurrence of this House.

XX. Two of the Bishops shall be appointed by the Chair to act with the Secretary in preparing daily reports of the action of this House, and furnishing them, at their discretion, to public journalists.

XXI. It shall be competent for the House of Bishops to convene, or, being convened, to resolve itself into, a Council of Bishops, at which only members of the House of Bishops and elected officers of the Council shall be present. Should neither the Presiding Bishop nor the Chairman of the House act as the presiding officer of the Council, said officer shall be elected pro tempore. One of the members of the Council, chosen for that purpose, shall act as Clerk.

XXII. Bishops admitted to honorary seats shall be conducted to the seats assigned to them by the Bishops who introduce them; and, except when privileged business is before the House, or when this House resolves itself into a Council of Bishops, shall at all times be entitled to be present.

XXIII. In the event of the calling a special meeting of the House of Bishops, notice shall be issued for the same, and delivered or posted at least forty-five days before the first day of the proposed meeting. A request shall accompany the notice, that an answer be returned as early as convenient from each Bishop, stating whether he will be able to attend or no. In the event of the failure to obtain a favourable reply from a sufficient number of the Bishops to constitute a majority of the
whole House, notice of such failure shall be sent to each of the Bishops at least twelve days before the first day of the proposed session, and the call for such meeting shall be held as satisfied, and of no further effect.

XXIV. The ballot for the nomination of a Missionary Bishop shall not be had until the day after the presentation of the names of Presbyters suggested for the office, without unanimous consent; and it is recommended that the administration of the Holy Communion precede the ballot.

XXV. At every General Convention there shall be elected a Committee of three Bishops, to be known as the Standing Committee on the Pastoral Letter, to which shall be referred all matters appertaining to such Letter and to its preparation. If practicable, a draft of the Letter shall be submitted to the House for its consideration not later than the twelfth day of its session.

XXVI. The House shall be bidden to prayer for Missions at noon of each day of the session.

XXVII. None of the Rules of Order shall be suspended without the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.

XXVIII. These Rules shall be in force in subsequent sessions of this House until otherwise ordered.

STANDING ORDERS.

I. The Senior Bishop of this Church in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, is the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, or for its own needs by the House of Bishops; and shall hold office for life, unless he resign or be relieved from that office by a vote of a majority of the Bishops entitled to a vote in the House of Bishops.

II. WHEREAS, By provisions of Title I., Canon 19, § li. [2], § lli. [1], and § xvi. [1], the Presiding Bishop of the House is empowered to take order for the ordination or consecration of Diocesan and Missionary Bishops, either in his own person or by commission issued to three Bishops;

It is hereby ordered that, in all cases of Episcopal consecrations, the place for the same, if not in the Diocese or Jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop or of the Bishop appointed by him to preside at the solemnity, shall be designated only with the consent of the Bishop in whose Diocese or Jurisdiction it is; that the Bishop-elect shall have the right to designate the preacher and the two Bishops by whom he is to be presented; and that, in the absence of the Presiding Bishop, the Senior Bishop of this Church present at any consecration of a Bishop is the Bishop presiding for that solemnity, unless some other Bishop shall have been assigned to such service on any special occasion by the Presiding Bishop or by the Bishops present at the consecration.

III. Seniority among the Bishops is according to the time of the consecration of each Bishop.

IV. Two or more of the Bishops shall be appointed at each General Convention to take charge, together with the Secretary of the House of Bishops, of the Journal of its proceedings, and to see that the whole, or such parts of it as the House may direct, be entered in its proper place in the Journal of the General Convention.

V. The House of Bishops shall assemble on every morning during the period of the General Convention, except the Lord's Day, for business, unless adjournment beyond that morning has been ordered by vote of the House.

VI. The daily session of this House shall be closed with the Benediction, pronounced by the Bishop presiding.
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VII. The Standing Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops shall receive any information touching any one who has been nominated for election as Missionary Bishop, and especially any information concerning the intellectual, moral, and physical qualifications of the person nominated, with dates of birth and graduation, and specific statements as to theological attainments, proficiency in languages, ancient and modern, and as to any specialty in sacred studies to which he may have devoted himself.

VIII. The Secretary of the House of Bishops shall keep, in a suitable book to be provided for the purpose, a Record of the members and officers of the House from the beginning, and shall record therein the names of the Bishops who are or have been members of this House, the date and place of their consecration, the names of their consecrators, together with the date of the termination, by death, resignation, or otherwise, of the membership of such Bishops as have ceased to have seats in this House; all which facts shall be recorded only upon official information, for which it shall be the duty of the Secretary to call upon such persons as may be competent to furnish the same. The said book of record shall be the official Register of this House, and the Roll of the House made up therefrom by the Secretary shall be by him certified to its Presiding Officer, who shall at each regular or special session of the House communicate the same to the House, as its official Roll, as soon as he shall have taken the chair. Such roll shall be subject to change only by vote of the House.

IX. In making up the list of the Bishops who have retained their constituted right to seats in this House, the Secretary is instructed to leave the name of any Bishop resigned in the place which he occupies in the order of his consecration, with the addition of the word "Bishop," which shall be considered as the sufficient official title of such resigned Bishop.

X. In the event of the loss by any Bishop of his seat in the House of Bishops, with the consequent omission of his name from the roll, and his return to the House, his name shall be entered on the roll at the place corresponding with the time of such return.

XI. It is the judgment of the House of Bishops that the Foreign Missionary Bishops of the Church should attend the sessions of the General Convention.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED OCTOBER 18, 1892.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House it is competent for the Presiding Bishop to devolve all the duties pertaining to his office upon the Chairman elected by the House.

Resolved, That it is competent for any Bishop to decline entering upon the office of Presiding Bishop, and to resign the same at his discretion.

Resolved, That whenever it is evident that the Presiding Bishop is incompetent to discharge the duties of his office, and at the same time disqualified by mental infirmity for the intelligent resignation of his office, it shall be incumbent upon the Bishops of the seven Dioceses nearest the Diocese of the Presiding Bishop, or, if he have no Diocese, nearest the Diocese or Jurisdiction relinquished by him, to call, through the Chairman of the House, a special meeting of the House of Bishops for the purpose of taking action to meet the emergency.
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RULES OF ORDER.—HOUSE OF DEPUTIES.

Adopted, 1880. Amended, in subsequent Conventions.

Title III., Canon 1, § 1.

[4] The Rules and Orders of the House of Deputies shall be in force in the ensuing General Convention until the organization thereof, and until they be amended or repealed by the said House.

1. The daily sessions of this House shall be opened with the Morning Service of the Church.

2. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

3. When the President shall have taken the chair, the Roll of Members shall be called, and the Minutes of the preceding day read; but the same may be dispensed with by a majority of the House, to be decided without debate.

4. At the opening of the session, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees, to wit:

I. On the State of the Church, to consist of one member from each Diocese, two members from the Delegations from Missionary Jurisdictions, and one from the Jurisdiction of Foreign Churches; and

II. On the General Theological Seminary.

III. On Missions.

IV. On the Admission of New Dioceses.

V. On the Consecration of Bishops.

VI. On Amendments to the Constitution.

VII. On Canons.

VIII. On Expenses.

IX. On Unfinished Business.

X. On Elections.

XI. On the Prayer Book.

XII. On Christian Education.

XIII. On Memorials of Deceased Members.

(Each to consist of thirteen members.)

XIV. On Rules of Order (to consist of six members, of whom the President of the House shall be one), to which Committee shall be referred, without debate, all proposed amendments to the Rules of Order.

5. The daily order of Business shall be as follows:

I. Reading the Minutes.

II. Communications from the President.

III. Reports from Standing Committees, in the following order:

1. On Elections.
2. On the Admission of New Dioceses.
4. On the Consecration of Bishops.
5. On Amendments to the Constitution.
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8. On the State of the Church.
10. On Missions.
12. On Christian Education.
14. On Memorials of Deceased Members; and
15. Special Committees in the order of appointment.

IV. Petitions and Memorials.
V. Motions and Resolutions.
VI. Business on the Calendar.

6. The Secretary shall keep a Calendar of Business, on which reports from Committees, resolutions which lie over, and other matters undisposed of, indicating the subject of each item, shall be placed in the order in which they are presented, a printed copy of which Calendar shall be furnished to each member.

7. At 12 o'clock unless there be an Order of the Day, or as soon thereafter as the Order of the Day shall be disposed of, the business on the Calendar shall be taken up and disposed of, in the order in which it stands thereon; and a vote of two-thirds of the members present shall be required to take up any matter out of its order on the Calendar, or to make any matter the Order of the Day for a particular time.

8. All propositions involving expense shall be referred to the Committee on Expenses before being considered, except propositions to print.

9. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing, presented to the Secretary, and by him read to the House; and no motion shall be considered before the House unless seconded.

10. If the question under debate contains several distinct propositions, the same shall be divided, at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

11. When a question is under consideration, no motion shall be received, unless to lay it upon the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, or to amend it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. If a motion to lay on the table an amendment be carried, the matter before the House shall be proceeded with as if no amendment had been offered. The motion to lay upon the table, and to adjourn, shall be decided without debate. The motion to adjourn shall always be in order.

12. There shall be no debate upon a motion to refer to any Standing Committee a resolution then first offered to the House, and properly referable to such Committee; but the member offering such resolution may speak five minutes in explanation of its purpose. Also, there shall be no debate on a motion to recommit to a Committee, but, without instructions, any report of such Committee then before the House. Every resolution offered for the immediate action of the House shall be considered at once unless reference be requested, or objection made as next provided. If reference be requested by any member such resolution shall be referred to the appropriate Standing Committee, or if, in the opinion of the President, there be no such Standing Committee, then to a Special Committee of such number as the President shall designate. If no reference be requested, but objection be made to immediate consideration, then the resolution, without any reference, shall lie over, and come up the next day as unfinished business. But by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, the House may at once
consider the resolution. All Messages from the House of Bishops communicating any legislative action on their part shall, without debate, be referred to the proper Committee.

13. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after-amendment to such second amendment shall be in order, but a substitute for both amendments may be received, which, if adopted, shall operate as an amendment to the original proposition. No proposition on a subject different from the one under consideration shall be received under colour of an amendment or substitute.

14. In all questions decided numerically, the motion to reconsider must be made by one Deputy, and seconded by another who voted in the majority; or, in case of equal division, by those who voted in the negative; and, in case of a vote by Orders, where there is a concurrence of both Orders, a motion to reconsider shall be made by a majority of a Deputation from any Diocese of either Order voting in the majority; and, in case of a non-concurrence of Orders, the motion to reconsider shall come from a majority of a Deputation from a Diocese of that Order which gave the majority in the negative; and, in either case, a motion to reconsider shall be seconded by a majority of any Deputation of either Order, without regard to its previous vote. And all motions to reconsider shall be made and seconded on the day the vote is taken, or the next succeeding day.

15. The Reports of all Committees shall be in writing, and shall be received of course, and without motion for acceptance, unless recommitted by a vote of the House. All reports recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the House shall be accompanied by a resolution for the action of the House therein.

16. Reports from the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members shall embody simply the name, Diocese, date of birth and death, and time of service in General Convention, of deceased members of the current or any preceding General Convention, of whom memorials shall not have theretofore been made; and such reports shall, after suitable devotions, be received by the House standing.

17. No new business shall be introduced for the consideration of the House after the twelfth day of its session, except by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

18. Whenever the election of a Bishop, the approval of his testimonials, or assent to his consecration, shall be considered, the House shall sit with closed doors.

19. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chair without debate; but any member may appeal from such decision, and on such appeal no member shall speak more than once, without express leave of the House.

20. The names of the movers of resolutions shall appear upon the Minutes of the House.

21. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the question under consideration.

22. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

23. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

24. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, nor longer than fifteen minutes at one time, without leave of the House.

25. All Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.
26. When the House is about to rise every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair, and before the President leaves the chair he may make any communication to the House, or cause any notice to be read by the Secretary.

27. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

28. When memorials or petitions are presented, their contents shall be concisely stated by the Deputy presenting them, and they shall be referred or laid upon the table, unless by a majority vote the memorial or petition shall be ordered to be read.

29. Reports of Committees appointed to sit during the recess, if not acted upon at once, shall, when presented, be made the Order of the Day for a time fixed.

30. No applause shall be permitted during the session of the House.

31. Messages from the House of Bishops shall be handed by the Secretary of this House to the President, to be laid before the House as early as may be convenient.

32. Seats upon the platform shall be occupied by officers of the Convention or their representatives, members of the House of Bishops, and such other persons only as by special vote of the Convention shall be so authorized.

33. No one shall be admitted to the floor of the House except Deputies, Presidents of Colleges recognized as Church Colleges by the Committee on Christian Education, Clergymen of the Church, and of other branches of the Church Catholic with which this Church is in communion who may be sojourning in the city where the General Convention is assembled, Managers, Secretaries, and Treasurers of the Board of Missions, Trustees, Professors, and students of the General and other Theological Seminaries of this Church, other students of Theology who are candidates for Holy Orders in this Church, former members of the House of Deputies, and the Clergy, Wardens, and Vestrymen of the Church in which the House of Deputies may sit.

34. No rule shall be suspended unless with the assent of two-thirds of the members present.

35. Except with the assent of three-fourths of the members present, the House shall not accept any invitation, or participate in any exercises which shall involve suspension, interruption, or abridgment of its regular, appointed sessions.

36. Except when otherwise ordered by the House, no books, pamphlets, or other printed matter shall be distributed in the House, or placed in the seats of members, without the express permission of the Presiding Officer; but this prohibition shall not apply to the report of a Committee, or to any paper or other document presented to and accepted by the House, or printed by its authority.

A correct copy.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS, Secretary.
APPENDIX XXII.

JOINT RULE ON THE POWERS OF JOINT COMMITTEES.

1. JOINT SPECIAL COMMITTEES, having made their final Report, are to be considered as having exhausted their functions, and can only be revived by the concurrent action of the two Houses.

2. It shall be the privilege of either House to refer to a Joint Committee any matter relating to the subject for which it was appointed; but neither House shall have the power, without the consent of the other, to instruct the Joint Committee as to any particular line of action.

Adopted by the House of Deputies on the twelfth day of the session, 1883. (See Journal, p. 223.)

Adopted by the House of Bishops on the seventeenth day of the session, 1883. (See Journal, p. 86.)

A correct copy.

Attest: CHARLES L. HUTCHINS,
Secretary of the House of Deputies.
Digest of the Canons

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

United States of America,

PASSED AND ADOPTED IN GENERAL CONVENTIONS.

TOGETHER WITH

The Constitution.

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Constitution,

ADOPTED IN GENERAL CONVENTION,  
IN PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER, 1789.

ARTICLE 1.

There shall be a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America on the first Wednesday in October, in every third year, from the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-one; and in such place as shall be determined by the Convention; and in case there shall be an epidemic disease, or any other good cause to render it necessary to alter the place fixed on for any such meeting of the Convention, the Presiding Bishop shall have it in his power to appoint another convenient place (as near as may be to the place so fixed on) for the holding of such Convention: and special meetings may be called at other times, in the manner hereafter to be provided for; and this Church, in a majority of the Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution, shall be represented, before they shall proceed to business; except that the representation from two Dioceses shall be sufficient to adjourn; and in all business of the Convention freedom of debate shall be allowed.

ARTICLE 2.

The Church in each Diocese shall be entitled to a representation of both the Clergy and the Laity. Such representation shall consist of not more than...
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| Clergy and Laymen. | four Clergymen and four Laymen, communicants in this Church, residents in the Diocese, and chosen in the manner prescribed by the Convention thereof; and in all questions when required by the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese, each Order shall have one vote; and the majority of suffrages by Dioceses shall be conclusive in each Order, provided such majority comprehend a majority of the Dioceses represented in that Order. The concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House of Deputies. If the Convention of any Diocese should neglect or decline to appoint Clerical Deputies, or if they should neglect or decline to appoint Lay Deputies, or if any of those of either Order appointed should neglect to attend, or be prevented by sickness or any other accident, such Diocese shall nevertheless be considered as duly represented by such Deputy or Deputies as may attend, whether Lay or Clerical. And if, through the neglect of the Convention of any of the Churches which shall have adopted or may hereafter adopt this Constitution, no Deputies, either Lay or Clerical, should attend at any General Convention, the Church in such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of such Convention. |
| Vote by Dioceses and Orders. | |
| Dioceses un-represented are bound. | |
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| Negative upon the Lower House. | |

**ARTICLE 3.**

The Bishops of this Church, when there shall be three or more, shall, whenever General Conventions are held, form a separate House, with a right to originate and propose acts for the concurrence of the House of Deputies composed of Clergy and Laity; and when any proposed act shall have passed the House of Deputies, the same shall be transmitted to the House of Bishops, who shall have a negative
thereupon; and all acts of the Convention shall be authenticated by both Houses. And in all cases the House of Bishops shall signify to the House of Deputies their approbation or disapprobation (the latter with their reasons in writing) within three days after the proposed act shall have been reported to them for concurrence; and in failure thereof, it shall have the operation of a law. But until there shall be three or more Bishops, as aforesaid, any Bishop attending a General Convention shall be a member ex officio, and shall vote with the Clerical Deputies of the Diocese to which he belongs; and a Bishop shall then preside.

ARTICLE 4.

The Bishop or Bishops in every Diocese shall be chosen agreeably to such rules as shall be fixed by the Convention of that Diocese; and every Bishop of this Church shall confine the exercise of his Episcopal Office to his proper Diocese, unless requested to ordain, or confirm, or perform any other act of the Episcopal Office in another Diocese by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

ARTICLE 5.

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any Territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and a new Diocese, to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions, viz.:—

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any other Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more
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Consent required.

Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, as well as of the General Convention, and such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese.

No such new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain less than six Parishes, or less than six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than twelve Parishes, or less than twelve Presbyters who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above mentioned: Provided, that no city shall form more than one Diocese.

Limit of Presbyters and Parishes.

In case one Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof; and the Bishop Coadjutor if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

Rights of the Diocesan and the Bishop Coadjutor.

Whenever the division of a Diocese into two or more Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dio-
ARTICLE 6.

The mode of trying Bishops shall be provided by the General Convention. The Court appointed for that purpose shall be composed of Bishops only. In every Diocese, the mode of trying Presbyters and Deacons may be instituted by the Convention of the Diocese. None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, suspension, or degradation from the Ministry, on any Clergyman, whether Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

ARTICLE 7.

No person shall be admitted to Holy Orders until he shall have been examined by the Bishop, and by two Presbyters, and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons, in that case provided, may direct. Nor shall any person be ordained until he shall have subscribed the following declaration:

I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the Word of God, and to contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrines and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church, until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided, and have also subscribed the aforesaid Declaration.
ARTICLE 8.

A Book of Common Prayer, Administration of the Sacraments, and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, Articles of Religion, and a Form and Manner of making, ordaining, and consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, when established by this or a future General Convention, shall be used in the Protestant Episcopal Church in those Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution. No alteration or addition shall be made in the Book of Common Prayer, or other Offices of the Church, or the Articles of Religion, unless the same shall be proposed in one General Convention, and by a resolve thereof made known to the Convention of every Diocese, and adopted at the subsequent General Convention.

Provided, however, That the General Convention shall have power, from time to time, to amend the Lectionary; but no act for this purpose shall be valid which is not voted for by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies.

ARTICLE 9.

This Constitution shall be unalterable, unless in General Convention, by the Church, in a majority of the Dioceses which may have adopted the same; and all alterations shall be first proposed in one General Convention, and made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, before they shall be finally agreed to, or ratified, in the ensuing General Convention.
ARTICLE 10.

Bishops for foreign countries, on due application therefrom, may be consecrated, with the approbation of the Bishops of this Church, or a majority of them, signified to the Presiding Bishop; he thereupon taking order for the same, and they being satisfied that the person designated for the office has been duly chosen, and properly qualified: the Order of Consecration to be conformed, as nearly as may be, in the judgment of the Bishops, to the one used in this Church. Such Bishops, so consecrated, shall not be eligible to the Office of Diocesan, or Bishop Coadjutor, in any Diocese in the United States, nor be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, nor exercise any Episcopal authority in said States.

Done in the General Convention of the Bishops, Clergy, and Laity of the Church, the 2d day of October, 1789.

Note.—When the Constitution was originally adopted, in August, 1789, the first Article provided that the triennial Convention should be held on the first Tuesday in August. At the adjourned meeting of the Convention, held in October of the same year, it was provided that the second Tuesday in September, in every third year, should be the time of meeting. The time was again changed to the third Tuesday in May, by the General Convention of 1804. The first Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1841. The second Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1856. The third Article was so altered by the General Convention of 1808, as to give the House of Bishops...
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a full veto upon the proceedings of the other House.

The fourth Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1874.

The fifth Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1871.

The sixth Article was put into its present form at the General Convention of 1841.

The second sentence of the eighth Article was adopted at the General Convention of 1811.

The words "or the Articles of Religion" were added to the eighth Article by the General Convention of 1829.

The third sentence of the eighth Article was adopted at the General Convention of 1877.

The tenth Article was finally agreed to, and ratified, in the General Convention of 1844.

The Convention of 1838 adopted the following alterations, to wit: —

Striking out the word "States" wherever it occurred in the first and second Articles, except where it followed the word "United" in the first part of the first Article, and inserting in lieu of the word "States" the word "Dioceses." Striking out the word "States" wherever it occurred in the second, third, and fourth Articles, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Dioceses."

Striking out the words "or district" in the fourth Article.

Striking out the word "State" in the sixth Article, and inserting the word "Diocese."

Striking out the word "States" in the eighth Article, and inserting the word "Dioceses"; and in the eighth Article striking out the words "or State" after the words "every Diocese."
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Striking out the word "States" in the ninth Article, and inserting the word "Dioceses." Striking out the word "State" in the ninth Article, and inserting the word "Diocesan."

The words "House of Deputies" were substituted for the word "Convention" in the fourteenth line of the second Article, and in the twelfth line of the third Article, at the General Convention of 1886.
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Title I.

OF THE ORDERS IN THE MINISTRY, AND OF THE
DOCTRINE AND WORSHIP OF THIS CHURCH.

CANON 1.

Of the Orders of Ministry in this Church.

In this Church there shall always be three Orders in the Ministry, namely: Bishops, Priests, and Deacons.

CANON 2.

Of Postulants.

§ 1. [1.] Every person desiring to be admitted a Candidate for Holy Orders is, in the first instance, to consult his immediate Pastor, or if he have none, some Presbyter to whom he is personally known, setting before him the grounds of his desire for admission to the Ministry, together with such circumstances as may bear on his qualifications, or tend to affect his course of preparation.

[2.] If counselled to persevere in his intention, such person shall then, with letter of approval and introduction from such Presbyter, which letter shall furnish to the Bishop precise and specific information as to his antecedents, training, physical, moral and intellectual fitness to be received as a Postulant.
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Of Postulants.

And notice of intention.

for the Holy Ministry, give notice of such intention to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he belongs.

[3.] The Bishop may, in a case where it is impossible to obtain such testimony, dispense with the provisions of this section, and receive the application directly.

Dispensation provided.

§ ii. In his written application to the Bishop, the applicant shall state:

(a.) The dates of his birth, baptism, confirmation and first communion.

(b.) Whether he has ever before applied for admission as a Postulant or Candidate for Holy Orders.

(c.) Whether he is prepared forthwith to make application to be received as a Candidate.

What the application shall state.

§ iii. Should the Bishop approve of the application he shall enter the name of the applicant upon the list of Postulants, in a book to be kept for that purpose, and shall inform him of the fact and date of such entry.

Bishop shall enter name.

§ iv. [1.] No Bishop shall accept as a Postulant any person who has been refused admission as a Postulant or Candidate for Holy Orders, in any other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction than his own, or, who having been admitted, has afterwards ceased to be a Candidate, until such person shall have produced a certificate from the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he has been refused admission, or has been a Postulant or Candidate, declaring the cause of such refusal or cessation.

An applicant elsewhere refused admission not to be received without a certificate.
Of Candidates for Holy Orders.

§ I. Candidates for Holy Orders are divided into two classes, viz., Candidates for Deacon's Orders only, and Candidates for the Priesthood.

§ ii. A Postulant shall apply for recommendation to the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of the Bishop to whom his notice of intention has been given.

§ iii. A Postulant, having been duly received, may thereafter apply to the Standing Committee for a recommendation to the Bishop for admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders; and he shall then lay before the Standing Committee the following papers, viz.:

(a.) An application signed by himself.
(b.) The Bishop's approval, in writing, of his desire to become a Candidate.

Certificate to be remitted to Standing Committee.

Standing Committee competent to act.

Two classes.

Postulant to apply to Standing Committee.

And shall lay before them certain papers.

His own application. The Bishop's approval.
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(c.) A certificate in the following words:

To the Standing Committee of
Place,
Date,

We, whose names are hereunder written, do certify from our personal knowledge, or from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B. is pious, sober, and honest; that he is attached to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that he is a communicant of the same in good standing. We do furthermore declare that, in our opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for entrance on a course of preparation for the Holy Ministry.

(Signed)

This certificate must be signed by the Minister of the Parish to which the applicant belongs, and by a majority of the whole Vestry, and must be attested by the Minister, or by the Secretary of the Vestry, as follows, viz.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing certificate was signed at a meeting of the Vestry of Parish, duly convened at on the day of and that the names attached are those of all (or a majority of all) the members of the Vestry.

(Signed)

Minister or Secretary.

§ iv. But should the Parish be without a Minister, it shall suffice that in his place the certificate be signed by some Presbyter of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in good standing, the reason for the substitution being stated in the attesting clause.

§ v. [1.] Should there be no organized Parish at the place of residence of the applicant, or should it be impracticable, through circumstances not affecting his moral or religious character, to obtain the signatures of the Minister and Vestry, or of the Vestry, it may suffice if the certificate be signed by at least —
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(a.) One Presbyter of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, in good standing; and,
(b.) Four Laymen, communicants of this Church, in good standing.

[2.] In such case, the reasons for departing from the regular form must be given in the attesting clause, which shall be signed by the same, or some other Presbyter of this Church in good standing, and shall be in the following words, viz.:

I hereby certify, that the Laymen whose names are attached to the foregoing certificate are communicants of this Church in good standing, and that the reasons for departing from the regular form are (here give the reasons).

(Signed)

Presbyter of the Diocese, or Missionary Jurisdiction, of

§ vi. [1.] Should the applicant have been a Minister or Licentiate, in some other body of Christians, it may suffice, that the certificate be signed by — either

(a.) Eight Adult Laymen, members in good standing of the denomination from which the applicant has come, or
(b.) Eight Adult Laymen, members in good standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or
(c.) Eight Adult Laymen, members in good standing, in part members of this Church and in part of the denomination from which the applicant has come.

[2.] The genuineness of the signatures to such certificate and the good standing of the signers must be attested by some person or persons known to a member of the Standing Committee, or under the seal of a Notary Public, in the following words, viz.:

I do hereby certify, that the names attached to the foregoing certificate are genuine, and are those of persons in good standing, members of (as the case may be).

(Signed)
Title I. CANON 3. § vii.

Of Candidates for Holy Orders.

[3.] He shall, in such case, also lay before the Standing Committee a certificate, signed by two Presbyters of this Church, in good standing, and known to the Committee, in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of
Place, Date,

We, the undersigned, Presbyters of the Protestant Episcopal Church, do hereby certify, that we are personally acquainted with A. B.: that he has become a communicant of this Church, and that we believe him to be pious, sober and honest. Furthermore, that after personal conversation with him, and due inquiry concerning him as to his change of Ecclesiastical relations, we are satisfied that he is sincerely attached to the doctrine, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that his desire to leave the denomination to which he belonged has not arisen from any circumstances unfavourable to his moral or religious character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the Ministry of this Church.

(Signed)

§ vii. [1.] If a Postulant desires to be admitted a candidate for Priest's Orders, he must also, in addition to the certificates hereinbefore mentioned, lay before the Bishop a satisfactory diploma, or other satisfactory evidence, that he is a graduate in Arts of some university or college in which the Latin and Greek languages are duly studied, and that he has had a thorough collegiate training in the same.

[2.] But if the Postulant desiring to become a Candidate for the Priesthood be not a graduate as aforesaid, he shall be remitted by the Bishop to the Examining Chaplains, to be examined as to his knowledge of the English language and literature, and at least the first principles and general outlines of logic, rhetoric, mental and moral philosophy, physics and history, and the Latin and Greek languages. In a case of emer-
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gency, the Bishop may appoint any two or more learned Presbyters to hold such examination.

[3.] Should a Postulant wish a knowledge of the Latin and Greek Languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, he may make written application to the Bishop to that effect, specifying the studies with regard to which he wishes a dispensation, and the reasons for the application.

[4.] Together with the application, he shall lay before the Bishop a certificate signed by at least two Examining Chaplains of the Diocese in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend
Bishop of
Place,
Date,
The undersigned Examining Chaplains of the Diocese of sensible of the serious responsibility assumed in doing any thing to lower the standard of learning to be required of one who is to be admitted to the Priesthood, and set as a Teacher in the Church, yet [here specifying the reasons] do submit that in the case of A. B. the dispensation asked for may be wisely granted.

(Signed)

[5.] The Bishop shall remit the application, accompanied by the aforesaid certificate to the Standing Committee, with such comments as he may think fit indorsed thereon.

[6.] Should the Standing Committee approve the said application, they may, by a vote of not less than two-thirds of their whole body, recommend that the request of the Candidate be granted.

§ viii. The Standing Committee, on the receipt of the certificates prescribed in either case, as above, by this Canon, and having no reason to suppose the existence of any sufficient objection on grounds either physical, intellectual, moral or religious, to the admission of the applicant, may proceed to recommend a Postulant for admission to Candidateship, by a testi-
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monial bearing the signatures of a majority of the whole Committee, and addressed to the Bishop in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of Place,
Date,

We, whose names are hereunderwritten, being a majority of the whole Standing Committee of and having been duly convened at do testify, from personal knowledge or from certificates laid before us, that we believe that A. B. is pious, sober and honest; that he is attached to the doctrine, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and that he is a Communicant of the said Church in good standing; and do furthermore declare that, in our opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him for entrance on a course of preparation for the Holy Ministry.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this day of in the year of our Lord (Signed)

Standing Committee of

§ ix. [1.] The Bishop, on the receipt of the testimonial of the Standing Committee, in either case may proceed to admit the applicant as a Candidate for Holy Orders; he shall thereupon record his name, with the date of his admission, in a book to be kept by the Bishop for that purpose, and shall notify the Candidate and the Secretary of the Standing Committee that he has been admitted as a Candidate for Deacon's Orders only or for the Priesthood, and the date of his admission.

[2.] The Bishop shall assign to each Candidate for the Priesthood the texts of Scripture upon which he may think fit to require him to prepare discourses for presentation at his Examinations.

[3.] The Bishop shall have the sole discretion of
CANON 4.

General Provisions Concerning Candidates for Holy Orders.

dispensation with a knowledge of the Hebrew language, in the case of any Candidate.

§ x. The Bishop of the Diocese, for the purposes of this and other Canons relating to Ordination, shall be understood, in cases so requiring, to signify an Assistant Bishop when so empowered under Title I., Canon 19, § v., a Missionary Bishop, or any other Bishop of this Church canonically in charge of a Diocese, or Missionary Jurisdiction, or Congregation in foreign parts.

CANON 4.

General Provisions Concerning Candidates for Holy Orders.

§ i. [1.] The superintendence of all Candidates for Holy Orders, both as to their daily life and as to the direction of their theological studies, pertains to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which they belong.

[2.] In a Diocese under the Ecclesiastical Authority of a Standing Committee, the clerical members of the Committee shall, through their President, exercise such superintendence and direction.

§ ii. Care shall be taken that every Candidate pursue his studies diligently and under proper direction, and that he do not indulge in vain or trifling conduct, or in amusements unfavourable to that seriousness of deportment or to those pious and studious habits or that good report which become a person preparing for the Holy Ministry.
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§ iii. [1.] A Candidate once admitted must remain in canonical connection with the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he has been admitted until his ordination, except as hereinafter otherwise provided.

[2.] The Bishop, or the clerical members of the Standing Committee when acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority, may permit a Candidate to prosecute his studies outside of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, without disturbing his canonical residence.

[3.] For reasons satisfactory to the Ecclesiastical Authority, letters dimissory may be given him on his own request to any other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction.

[4.] The convenience of attending any Theological or other Seminary shall not be held to be in itself a sufficient reason for change of canonical residence.

§ iv. [1.] Every Candidate for Holy Orders, unless expressly released by the Ecclesiastical Authority over him, shall report himself personally or by letter at least once in every three months, giving account of his manner of life and progress in his studies.

[2.] Failure to make such report, not accounted for to the satisfaction of the Ecclesiastical Authority, shall be ground for striking his name from the list of Candidates.

§ v. A Candidate for Holy Orders shall not be allowed to accept from any Diocesan Convention an appointment as a Lay Deputy to the General Convention.
§ vi. [1.] A Candidate for Holy Orders may be licensed as a Lay Reader in the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which he belongs, subject to the restrictions contained in the Canon of Lay Readers.

[2.] With the consent of his own Bishop he may receive, under similar restrictions, such license as a Lay Reader from any other Bishop for the Diocese of such Bishop only.

[3.] Without this license he shall not take upon himself such functions.

§ vii. [1.] Should the application for Holy Orders of a Candidate for the same be finally rejected by the Bishop, or should his application to the Standing Committee for recommendation for ordination be rejected, or should his name be stricken from the list of Candidates, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to give immediate notice thereof to every other Ecclesiastical Authority of this Church.

[2.] A Candidate for Holy Orders in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, whose application for ordination shall have been formally rejected as above, or whose name shall have been stricken from the list, shall not be ordained in any other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, except upon renewal of candidateship, said candidateship to continue for not less than one whole year. In any case where the application of a Candidate for Holy Orders shall have been rejected by any Bishop of this Church, it shall be competent to any other Bishop to receive an application made to himself, if having duly informed himself of the facts of the case, he shall deem it expedient so to do.
CANON 5.

Of the Learning and Examinations of a Candidate for Deacon's Orders only.

§ i. A Candidate for Deacon's Orders only, who shall fail to present himself for examination within three years from the date of his admission as such Candidate, shall be liable, after due notice, to be dropped from the list of Candidates, at the discretion of the Bishop.

§ ii. [1.] The Bishop, or, if the Diocese be vacant, the clerical members of the Standing Committee, shall assign to the Candidate his Examiners, who shall be two or more Presbyters of good learning, and (if possible) Examining Chaplains of the Diocese or Jurisdiction, and who, upon due notification of the duty laid upon them, shall proceed as speedily as may be to its performance, in accordance with the provisions of this section.

[2.] The examination of a Candidate for the Order of Deacons only shall be so conducted as may most thoroughly ascertain:

(a.) His proficiency in the English language.

(b.) The extent of his acquaintance with the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament, in every part of which he must be well versed.

(c.) His familiarity with the Book of Common Prayer, in all its parts and adjuncts, especially with the Order of Daily Prayer, with the text of the Articles of Religion, with the form and manner of making Deacons, and with the instructions therein given as to the duties of the office.
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(d.) His sufficiency for conducting the services of the Church, and ministering in the office of a Deacon in all its parts and functions.

[3.] If the Candidate has come from another religious body, he shall be also examined on those points in which the denomination from which he has come differs from this Church, with a view to test his information and soundness of doctrine with respect to the same.

This portion of the examination shall be conducted, in part at least, by written questions and answers, and the replies shall be placed on file.

[4.] The Examiners shall report, in writing, to the Bishop (or, if the Diocese be vacant, to the clerical members of the Standing Committee) the result, making separate report upon each of the subjects appointed for examination in this Canon, and in the following form, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of (or, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee of , as the case may be).

Place,

Date,

We, the undersigned, Examining Chaplains of the Diocese of (or Presbyters of the Diocese of , as the case may be), having been assigned as Examiners of A. B., hereby certify that we have examined the said A. B. upon the subjects prescribed in Title I., Canon 5, Section ii. Sensible of our responsibility, we do give our judgment as follows:

(Here specify the proficiency of the Candidate upon each of the subjects appointed, as made apparent by the examination.)

(Signed)

[5.] The above examinations may be adjourned from time to time, at the discretion of the Examiners.
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[6.] No Bishop shall ordain any person under the provisions of this Canon, without having first at some time examined him in the presence of two Presbyters.

CANON 6.
Of the Learning and Examinations of a Candidate for Priest's Orders.

§ i. A Candidate for Priest's Orders, not being a Deacon, who shall fail to present himself for examination for Deacon's Orders within three years from the date of his admission as such Candidate, shall be liable, after due notice, to be dropped from the list of Candidates, at the discretion of the Bishop.

§ ii. There shall be assigned to every Candidate for Priest's Orders three separate examinations, to be held at such times and places, and with such adjournments from time to time, as the Examiners may appoint.

§ iii. No examination at any theological or other literary institution shall be held to be equivalent to any one or more canonical examinations, or allowed to supersede the same; nor shall any certificate of graduation or diploma from any theological or other literary institution be held to be sufficient ground for dispensing with any part of the Diocesan examinations of a Candidate.

§ iv. [1.] The Bishop may invite the presence and assistance of any Presbyter to whom he may propose to assign the duty of presenting the Candidate. And
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it shall be the privilege of such Presbyter to be present, should he desire it. But without such reason no person, save the Bishop, shall be permitted to be present, without the consent of the appointed Examiners.

[2.] But no Bishop shall take order for the ordination of any person to the Priesthood without having first himself examined him in the presence of two or more Presbyters.

§ v. [1.] Should the Candidate have come from another religious body, especial reference shall be had in all his examinations to the points upon which the denomination from which he has come differs from this Church.

[2.] So far as may be practicable, and to some extent at least, this portion of the several examinations shall be conducted by written questions and answers, the replies to which shall be placed on file.

§ vi. The three examinations shall be,

[1.] The first examination, on the Books of Scripture, the Candidate being required to give an account of the different Books, to translate from the original Greek and Hebrew, and to explain such passages as may be proposed to him.

[2.] In cases of Candidates having dispensations from Latin, Greek, or Hebrew and other branches of learning not strictly Ecclesiastical, the first examination shall extend only to the knowledge of the text and interpretation of the English Bible, with such other matters as are comprised in what are commonly known as Introductions to the Holy Scriptures.

[3.] The second examination shall be on the Evidences of Christianity, Christian Ethics, and Dogmatic Theology.
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[4.] The third examination shall be on Church History, Ecclesiastical Polity, the Book of Common Prayer—its history and contents, and the Constitution and Canons of this Church, and those of the Diocese to which the Candidate belongs.

[5.] In all these examinations reference shall be had, as closely as possible, to the course of study established by the House of Bishops, and to the books therein recommended, or equivalent works of more recent date.

§ vii. Except for urgent or special reasons, these examinations shall not be accumulated into one.

§ viii. In the course of these examinations, the Candidate shall read or present three sermons composed by himself on some texts of Holy Scripture, chosen by the Bishop or by himself, as the Bishop shall have determined.

§ ix. At any or at all of the above examinations, the Examiners may, and at some one of them shall, subject the Candidate to such proof of his ability to conduct the service of the Church in an edifying manner, and to deliver his sermons with propriety and effectiveness, as shall fully satisfy them of his competence for the public duties of the Holy Ministry.

§ x. Satisfaction given in any of these examinations shall in every case be certified to the Bishop in writing (or to the clerical members of the Standing Committee, as the case may be), with the signatures of all the Examiners, and in the following form, viz.:
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To the Right Reverend Bishop of (or, the Clerical members of the Standing Committee of as the case may be).

Place,

Date,

We, the undersigned, Examining Chaplains (or Presbyters, as the case may be) of the Diocese (or Missionary Jurisdiction) of having been appointed Examiners of A. B., a Candidate for Priest's Orders, hereby certify that we have examined the said A. B. upon the subjects prescribed in Title I., Canon 6, and, in accordance with what we believe to be the will of the Church, as set forth in her Ordinal and Canons, and sensible of our responsibility for the evil which might come upon the Church through the admission of men insufficiently prepared for their work, we do give our judgment, as follows: (Here specify the proficiency of the Candidate on each of the subjects prescribed.)

(Signed)

§ xi. [1.] All the examinations of a Candidate for Priest's Orders may take place, if desired by the Candidate, before his ordination to the Diaconate.

[2.] It shall suffice for his admission to Deacon's Orders, if he shall have passed an examination in the Book of Common Prayer, its history and contents, and the first examination for Priest's Orders.

CANON 7.

Of Ordination to the Diaconate.

§ i. Deacon's Orders shall not be conferred on any person under the age of twenty-one years complete.

§ ii. A Candidate for Deacon's Orders only shall not be ordained within one year from his admission as such candidate.

§ iii. A Candidate for Priest's Orders shall not be made Deacon within three years from his admission as such Candidate, unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons, with the advice and consent of three-fourths of the
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§ III. Essentials to such recom­mendation from Standing Committee necessary.

§ III. His own applica­

§ III. Certificate from the Bishop.

§ IV. In the computation of the time required to elapse between a candidate's admission and his ordering as a Deacon, the successful completion of three academic years in an incorporated Seminary of the Church may be reckoned as three calendar years.

§ V. No person shall be ordained Deacon unless he be first recommended to the Bishop by the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he belongs.

§ VI. In order to such recommendation he must lay before the Bishop:

(a.) An application in writing, under his own signature, which shall state the date of his birth.

(b.) A certificate, declaring the date of his admission, and the character of his candidateship.

Provided, that when such certificate cannot be had, the Bishop, by and with the advice and consent of three-fourths of the Standing Committee, admit him to Deacon's Orders after six months.

Provided, that in no case shall the time be shortened to less than one year; Provided, that a person who has attained the age of thirty-five years and who has been duly confirmed and admitted to the Holy Communion in this Church, applies for the dispensation on the ground of mature age and experience in speaking and teaching publicly, the Bishop may, by and with the advice of three-fourths of the Standing Committee, admit him to Deacon's Orders after six months.
other evidence, satisfactory to the Committee, shall suffice.

(c.) A certificate from at least one Presbyter of this Church in good standing, and known to the Ecclesiastical Authority, in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of
Place,
Date,
I hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with A. B., and that I believe him to be well qualified to minister in the office of Deacon to the glory of God and the edification of His Church.
(Signed)

(d.) A certificate from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish of which he is a member, in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of
Place,
Date,
We, whose names are hereunder written, do certify, from personal knowledge or from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly and honestly, and hath not since the date of his admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders, written, taught or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church. And, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons.
(Signed)

This certificate must be attested by the Minister of the Parish, or by the Clerk or Secretary of the Vestry, as follows, viz.:

I hereby certify, that A. B. is a member of Parish, in and a communicant in the same; that the foregoing certificate was adopted at a duly convened meeting of the Vestry, and that the names attached are those of a majority of the whole body.
(Signed)
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§ vii. Should the Parish to which the Candidate belongs be vacant, it shall suffice if the foregoing certificate be signed by the Vestry and by some Presbyter of the Diocese in good standing. But in such case, the attesting clause shall state the reason for departure from the regular form.

§ viii. Should there be no organized Parish at the place of residence of the Candidate, or, there being such Parish, should the Candidate be unable, through circumstances not affecting his moral or religious character, to procure such certificate from the Minister and Vestry, the Standing Committee may accept a certificate in the same words, signed by one Presbyter of this Church in good standing and six respectable Laymen, communicants of this Church, the attesting clause in such case being subscribed by the Presbyter signing the certificate, or by some other Presbyter of this Church known to the Committee, in the following words, viz.:

I hereby certify, that all the signatures to the foregoing certificate are genuine, and are those of communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church in good standing. I further certify, that the certificate was so signed for no reasons unfavourably affecting the moral or religious character of the candidate, but because (here give the reasons for departing from the regular form).

(Signed)

§ ix. [1.] The Standing Committee, on the receipt in either case of the certificates prescribed as above, and having reason to believe that all other canonical requirements have been complied with, and having no reason to suppose the existence of any sufficient obstacle, physical, intellectual or moral, may, at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the Com-
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Of Ordination to the Diaconate, proceed to recommend the Candidate for ordination by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of

We, whose names are hereunder written, being a majority of the whole Standing Committee of and having been duly convened at do testify that A. B. hath laid before us satisfactory certificates that for the space of three years last past he hath lived piously, soberly and honestly, and hath not, since his admission as a Candidate for Orders, written, taught or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and we hereby recommend him for admission to the Sacred Order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this day of in the year of our Lord

(Signed)

Standing Committee of

[2.] This testimonial shall be signed by all consenting to its adoption.

§ x. [1.] The testimonial above prescribed having been presented to the Bishop, and there being no known objection to the ordination of the Candidate on grounds physical, intellectual or moral, the Bishop shall require him to sign the declaration prescribed by Article 7 of the Constitution of this Church, and shall then proceed to take order for the ordination at such time and place as may to him seem best, giving the preference whenever practicable to one of the Ember Seasons.

[2.] But no appointment for the ordination of any Candidate shall be made until the Bishop shall have sufficient knowledge of the favourable action of the Standing Committee.
Deacons subject to regulation of Bishop.

§ i. Every Deacon shall be subject to the regulation of the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction for which he has been ordained (or, if there be no Bishop, to that of the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, acting by their President), until he receives letters dimissory therefrom to some other Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and be thereupon accepted as a clergyman by such other Diocese or Jurisdiction. He shall officiate in such places only as the Bishop (or the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee, as the case may be) may direct.

Restrictions upon settlement.

§ ii. [1.] No deacon shall be settled as a Rector over a Parish orCongregation, or permitted, except in time of war, to accept a chaplaincy in the Army or Navy.

[2.] If appointed to minister in a Parish or Congregation of a Presbyter, he shall act under the direction of such Presbyter in all his ministrations.

[3.] If appointed to minister in a Parish or Congregation without a rector, he shall, if not under the immediate direction of the Bishop, be placed under the authority of some neighbouring Presbyter, by whose directions, subordinately to the Bishop, he shall in all things be governed.

[4.] A Candidate for Deacon's Orders only, who has been ordained to the Diaconate, may thereafter be admitted by his Bishop a Candidate for Priest's Orders, on compliance with the provisions of Title I., Canon 3, § vii. But in such case he shall not by his
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Previous examinations for the Diaconate be relieved from any of those prescribed in Title I., Canon 7, for Candidates for the Priesthood.

CANON 9.

General Provisions Relating to Ordination to the Priesthood.

§ I. Priest’s Orders shall not be conferred upon any one until he shall have attained the age of twenty-four years complete.

§ ii. No person shall be ordered Priest until he has been a Deacon one full year, except when, by the advice and consent of a majority of the whole Standing Committee, the time may be shortened.

§ iii. A Candidate for Priest’s Orders shall not be ordained Priest within three years from his admission as such Candidate, unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons, with the advice and consent of three-fourths of the whole Standing Committee, shall shorten the time of his candidateship to not less than one year; but, in case the Candidate was not admitted a Candidate for Priest’s Orders until he was a Candidate for Deacon’s Orders only, or was admitted under a dispensation from any of the regular examinations, the time of his candidateship shall not be shortened to less than two years.

§ iv. A Candidate for Priest’s Orders, who has been a student of theology, or minister, or licentiate, in any other body of Christians which provides thorough theological training for the Ministry, may be allowed, as part of the duration of his candidateship, by the Bishop with


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the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, the period during which he may have been a student of theology, provided the time so allowed shall not exceed two years.

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§ 1. A Candidate for Priest's Orders, on making application for his ordination to the Priesthood, shall lay before the Standing Committee:

(a.) A certificate from the Bishop, or if the Diocese be vacant, from the President of the Standing Committee, attesting that he is of sufficient age, and that the term of his candidateship and the time of his service in the Diaconate have been completed.

(b.) A certificate from two Presbyters in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of

Place,

Date.

We do hereby certify, that A. B., a Candidate for Priest's Orders, for the space of three years last past (or since the day of in the year , that being the date of his admission to Deacon's Orders), hath lived piously, soberly and honestly, and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church. And, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests. This certificate is founded on our personal knowledge of the said A. B., for one year last past, and for the residue of the time upon evidence satisfactory to us.

(Signed)

(c.) A certificate from the Vestry of the Parish where he resides, in the following words, viz.:

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Candidate to lay before Standing Committee

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Certificate from two Presbyters.

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To the Standing Committee of
Place,
Date,

We, whose names are hereunder written, do certify, from personal knowledge, or from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past (or since the day of in the year , that being the date of his admission to the Diaconate) hath lived piously, soberly and honestly, and hath not written, taught or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church. And, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests.

(Signed)

This certificate must be attested by the Minister of the Parish, or by the Clerk or Secretary of the Vestry, as follows:

I hereby certify, that A. B. is a resident of Parish, in . The foregoing certificate was adopted at a duly convened meeting of the Vestry of Parish; and the names attached are those of a majority of the whole Vestry.

(Signed)

Minister of or Clerk or Secretary of the Vestry.

(d.) Should the Parish be vacant, or should the Candidate be himself the Minister thereof, it shall suffice that the foregoing certificate be signed by a majority of the whole Vestry, and attested by the Clerk or Secretary in the same words as before, but with an additional clause explanatory of the omission of the signature of the Minister.

(e.) Should there be no organized Parish at the place of residence of the Candidate, or there being such Parish, should he be unable, through circumstances not affecting unfavourably his moral or religious character, to procure such certificate from the Minister and Vestry, the Standing Committee, if the circumstances seem to them to justify such a course, may accept a certificate in the same words, signed by one
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Certificate from Presbyter and six laymen.

Presbyter of this Church in good standing, and six respectable Laymen, communicants of this Church, the attestation in such case being made by the Presbyter signing the certificate, or by some other Presbyter of this Church, known to the Committee, and in the following words, viz.:

I do hereby certify, that the Lay signatures to the foregoing certificate are genuine, and are those of Communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church in good standing. I further certify, that the certificate was so signed for no reason unfavourably affecting the moral or religious character of the Candidate, but because (here giving the reasons for departing from the regular form).

(Signed)

§ ii. The certificates above prescribed having been presented to the Standing Committee, they may proceed to recommend the Deacon for Priest’s Orders, by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of

We, whose names are hereunder written, being a majority of the whole Standing Committee of the said Committee having been duly convened at , do testify, that A. B., a Candidate for Priest’s Orders, hath laid before us satisfactory certificates, that for the space of three years last past (or since the day of in the year , that being the date of his admission to Deacon’s Orders), he hath lived piously, soberly and honestly, and hath not written, taught or held anything contrary to the doctrine or discipline of this Church: and we hereby recommend him for admission to the Sacred Order of Priests. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this day of in the year of our Lord

(Signed)

Standing Committee of

§ iii. No person shall be ordained Priest until he shall have produced evidence satisfactory to the Bishop that he is engaged with some Church, Parish,
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CANON II.  

General Provisions with Respect to the Preparation for Holy Orders and Admission thereto.

or Congregation, or as a Missionary, under the Ecclesiastical Authority, of some diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, or of some Missionary Society recognized by the General Convention, or as a professor, tutor, or instructor in some college or academy, or other seminary of learning, duly incorporated, or as a chaplain in the Army or Navy of the United States.

§ i.  [1.] All certificates or testimonials, for which forms are supplied by Canon, should, in order to be valid, be in the words prescribed.

[2.] No Postulant, Candidate for Holy Orders, or student of theology shall sign any of the certificates prescribed in the foregoing Canons relating to Ordination.

[3.] Whenever a dated certificate or testimonial is required, the omission of the date shall render such certificate or testimonial liable to rejection.

[4.] Whenever a substitute for a prescribed certificate is presented to a Standing Committee, the Committee shall be the sole judge as to whether the exigency justifies the substitution.

§ ii. Whenever the testimonial of the Standing Committee is required, such testimonial must be signed at a meeting duly convened, and, in the absence of express provision to the contrary, by a majority of the whole Committee.
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§ iii. Whenever the certificate of a Vestry is required, such certificate must be signed by a majority of the whole Vestry, at a meeting duly convened, and the fact must be attested by the Secretary of the said Vestry or by the Minister.

§ iv. Whenever any dispensation from the requirements of the Canons relating to Ordination is permitted, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, the application must be first made to the Bishop, and if he approves it, be by him referred to the Committee.

§ v. If, in the case of any applicant for admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders, or for recommendation for ordination, a majority of the Standing Committee shall be unwilling to proceed, although the required certificates have been laid before them, and are in due form, it shall be their duty, without delay, to give to the Bishop their reasons, in writing, for refusal to recommend such applicant.

§ vi. No Bishop of this Church shall ordain any person to officiate in any Congregation or Church destitute of a Bishop, or situated beyond the limits of the United States, until the testimonials and certificates required by the Canons relating to Ordination shall have been supplied.

§ vii. [1.] There shall be appointed in each Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, by the Ecclesiastical
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Authority thereof, two or more Examining Chaplains, who shall hold their offices at the discretion of the said Ecclesiastical Authority, and whose duty it shall be thoroughly to test the preparation of all such Candidates for Holy Orders as may by the Ecclesiastical Authority be sent to them for that purpose.

[2.] The reports of the Examiners shall be in writing, and attested by their signatures. If the applicant has been examined on more subjects than one, the report shall specify the result on each subject separately.

§ viii. [1.] Agreeably to the practice of the Primitive Church, the stated times of ordination shall be the Sundays following the Ember weeks.

[2.] But occasional ordinations may be held at other times, as the Bishop shall appoint.

§ ix. Wilful violation or neglect by a Candidate of any of the provisions of the Canons relating to Ordination shall be ground for refusal or postponement of his ordination.
§ i. A Lay Communicant of this Church may receive from the Bishop a written license to conduct the service of the Church in a Congregation convened for public worship, as a Lay Reader; but such license shall not be granted for conducting the service in a Congregation without a Minister, which is able, and has had reasonable opportunity, to secure the services of an ordained Minister. Such license may be given by the Bishop, of his own motion, for service in any vacant Parish, Congregation, or Mission; but where a Rector is in charge, his request and recommendation must have been previously signified to the Bishop. Such license must be given for a definite period not longer than one year from its date; but it may be renewed from time to time by the Bishop's indorsement to that effect. The license of any Lay Reader may be revoked at the discretion of the Ecclesiastical Authority.

§ ii. A Lay Reader so licensed shall not act as such in any Diocese other than his own, unless he shall have received another license from the Bishop of the Diocese in which he desires to serve. If he be a student in any Theological Seminary, he shall also obtain the permission of the presiding officer of such institution.

§ iii. Every Lay Reader shall be subject to such regulations as may be prescribed by the Ecclesiastical Authority. In all matters relating to the conduct of the service, and to the Sermons or Homilies
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Of Deaconesses.

§ i. Unmarried women of devout character and proved fitness may be appointed to the office of Deaconess by any Bishop of this Church.

§ ii. The duty of a Deaconess is to assist the Minister in the care of the poor and sick, the religious training of the young and others, and the work of moral reformation.

§ iii. No woman shall be appointed to the office of Deaconess until she shall be at least twenty-five years of age, nor until she shall have laid before the Bishop testimonials certifying that she is a communicant in good standing of this Church, and that she possesses
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Testimonial. such characteristics as, in the judgment of the persons testifying, fit her for at least one of the duties above defined. The testimonial of fitness shall be signed by two Presbyters of this Church, and by twelve lay communicants of the same, six of whom shall be women. The Bishop shall also satisfy himself that the applicant has had an adequate preparation for her work, both technical and religious, which preparation shall have covered the period of two years.

Authority required for work. § iv. No Deaconess shall accept work in a Diocese without the express authority, in writing, of the Bishop of that Diocese; nor shall she undertake work in a Parish without the like authority from the Rector of the Parish.

Under oversight. § v. When not connected with a Parish the Deaconess shall be under the direct oversight of the Bishop of the Diocese in which she is canonically resident. A Deaconess may be transferred from one Diocese to another by letter dimissory.

May resign her office. § vi. A Deaconess may at any time resign her office to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese in which she is at the time canonically resident; but no Deaconess, having once resigned her office, shall be re-appointed thereto, unless there be, in the judgment of the Bishop of the Diocese where she resigned her office, weighty cause for such re-appointment.

May be suspended. § vii. The Bishop shall have power, for cause, after a hearing granted, to suspend or remove a Deaconess from her office.
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§ viii. No woman shall act as a Deaconess until she has been set apart for that office by an appropriate religious service, to be prescribed by the General Convention, or, in the absence of such prescription, by the Bishop.

CANON 14.

Of Ministers Ordained in Foreign Countries by Bishops in Communion with this Church.

§ 1. A Clergyman coming from a foreign country, and professing to have been ordained out of the United States by a foreign Bishop in communion with this Church, or by a Bishop consecrated for a foreign country by Bishops of this Church under Article 10 of the Constitution, or by a Missionary Bishop elected to exercise Episcopal functions in any place or places out of the United States, shall, before he be permitted to officiate in any Parish or Congregation, exhibit to the Minister, or if there be no Minister to the Vestry thereof, a certificate signed by the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee duly convened, that his letters of Holy Orders and Letters Testimonial of recent date are authentic, and given by some Bishop in communion with this Church, and whose authority is acknowledged by this Church; and also that he has exhibited to the Bishop or Standing Committee satisfactory evidence of his pious and moral character, and of his theological acquirements; and in any case, before he shall be permitted to settle in any Church or Parish, or be received into union with any Diocese of this Church as a Minister thereof.
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he shall produce to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee thereof, a letter of dismission from under the hand and seal of the Bishop with whose Diocese he has been last connected; which letter shall be, in substance, that provided for in Canon 18, Section vii., of this Title, and shall be delivered within six months from the date thereof; and when such Clergyman shall have been so received, he shall be considered as having passed entirely from the jurisdiction of the Bishop from whom the letter of dismission was brought, to the full jurisdiction of the Bishop or other Ecclesiastical Authority by whom it shall have been accepted, and become thereby subject to all the canonical provisions of this Church: Provided, that no such Clergyman shall be so received into union with any Diocese until he shall have subscribed, in the presence of the Bishop of the Diocese in which he applies for reception, and of two or more Presbyters, the declaration contained in Article 7 of the Constitution; which being done, said Bishop or Standing Committee, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him into union with this Church as a Minister of the same: Provided, also, that such Minister shall not be entitled to settle in any Parish or Church, as canonically in charge of the same, until he shall have resided one year in the United States subsequent to the acceptance of his letter of dismission.

§ ii. And if such foreign Clergyman be a Deacon, he shall reside in this country at least one year, and obtain in this country the requisite testimonials of character, before he be ordained a Priest.
CANON 15.

Of the Admission of Ministers ordained by Bishops not in Communion with this Church.

When a Deacon or Priest ordained by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, shall apply to a Bishop for admission into the same as a minister thereof, he shall produce a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church stating that, from personal knowledge of the party, or satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the communion to which he has belonged, has not arisen from any circumstance unfavorable to his moral or religious character, or on account of which it may be inexpedient to admit him to the exercise of the ministry in this Church; and he shall also, not less than six months after his application, in the presence of the Bishop and two or more Presbyters, subscribe the declaration contained in Article 7 of the Constitution; which being done, the Bishop, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may receive him as such Minister.

CANON 16.

Of Ministers Officiating in a Foreign Language.

When a Clergyman, coming from a foreign country, and professing to be regularly ordained, shall be called to a Church of this communion in which Divine Service is celebrated in a foreign language, he may, with the approbation of the Bishop of the Diocese in which such Church is situated, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Com-
CANON 18.

General Regulations of Ministers and their Duties.

§ 1. It is hereby required that, on the election of a Minister into any Church or Parish, the Vestry shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to

Election and institution of Ministers.

Evidence of being a Minister in this Church necessary for officiating.

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mittee, or with the unanimous consent of the Standing Committee if there be no Bishop, and on complying with the other requisitions of the Canons, settle in the said Church, as the Minister thereof, without having resided one year in the United States, anything in these Canons to the contrary notwithstanding.

CANON 17.

Of Persons not Ministers in this Church officiating in any Congregation thereof.

No Minister in charge of any Congregation of this Church, or, in case of vacancy or absence, no Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation, shall permit any person to officiate therein, without sufficient evidence of his being duly licensed or ordained to minister in this Church: Provided, that nothing herein shall be so construed as to forbid communicants of the Church to act as Lay Readers.

Title I., Canon 11, Sections i. and ii. are hereby repealed: Provided, that such repeal shall not affect any case of a violation of said Canon committed before this date; but such case shall be governed by the same law as if no such repeal had taken place.

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the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, to the
Standing Committee of the Diocese, notice of the
same, in the following form, or to this effect:

We, the Churchwardens [or, in case of an Assistant Minister,
We, the Rector and Churchwardens], do certify to the Right Rev.
[naming the Bishop], or to the Rev. [naming the President of the
Standing Committee], that [naming the person] has been duly
chosen Rector [or, Assistant Minister, as the case may be] of
[naming the Parish or Church].

Which certificate shall be signed by the names of
those who certify.

[2.] If the Bishop or the Standing Committee be
satisfied that the person so chosen is a qualified
Minister of this Church, the Bishop, or the Presi­
dent of the Standing Committee, shall transmit the
said certificate to the Secretary of the Convention,
who shall record it in a book to be kept by him for
that purpose.

[3.] And if the Minister be a Presbyter, the
Bishop, or President of the Standing Committee,
may, at the instance of the Vestry, proceed to have
him instituted according to the Office established
by this Church, if that Office be used in the Dio­
cese. But if he be a Deacon, the act of institution
shall not take place until after he shall have received
Priest's Orders. This provision concerning the use
of the Office of Institution is not to be considered
as applying to any congregation destitute of a house
of worship.

§ ii. No Minister, removing from one Diocese or
Missionary District to another, shall officiate as the
Rector, Stated Minister, or Assistant Minister of any
Parish or Congregation of the Diocese or District to

Certificate to be transmitted for record.

Concerning institution.

Certificate to Minister removing from one Diocese to another.
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which he removes, until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical Authority a certificate in the words following:

I hereby certify that the Rev. A. B. has been canonically transferred to my jurisdiction, and is a minister in regular standing.

§ iii. [1.] The Ministers of this Church who have charge of parishes or cures, shall not only be diligent in instructing the children in the Catechism, but shall also, by stated catechetical lectures and instruction, be diligent in informing the youth and others in the Doctrine, Constitution, History, and Liturgy of the Church. They shall also diligently instruct all in their cures concerning the missionary work of the Church at home and abroad, and offer suitable opportunities for contributions from time to time for the maintenance of that work.

[2.] The Alms and Contributions at the Administration of the Holy Communion shall be deposited with the Minister of the Parish, or with such Church officer as shall be appointed by him, to be applied by the Minister, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit.

§ iv. [1.] It shall be the duty of Ministers to prepare young persons and others for the holy ordinance of Confirmation. And on notice being received from the Bishop of his intention to visit any Church, which notice shall be at least one month before the intended visitation, the Minister shall give immediate notice to his parishioners, individually, as opportunity may offer, and also to the Congregation on the first occasion of public worship after the receipt
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of said notice. And he shall be ready to present for Confirmation such persons as he shall think properly qualified, and shall deliver to the Bishop a list of the names of those confirmed.

[2.] And at every visitation it shall be the duty of the Minister, and of the Churchwardens or Vestry, to give information to the Bishop of the state of the Congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them in the notice given as aforesaid.

[3.] And further, the Ministers and Churchwardens of such Congregations as cannot be conveniently visited in any year, shall bring or send to the Bishop, at the stated meeting of the Convention of the Diocese, information of the state of the Congregation, under such heads as shall have been committed to them at least one month before the meeting of the Convention.

§ v. [1.] Every Minister of this Church shall keep a Register of Baptisms, Confirmations, Communicants, Marriages, and Funerals, within his cure, agreeably to such rules as may be provided by the Convention of the Diocese where his cure lies; and if none such be provided, then in such manner as in his discretion he shall think best suited to the uses of such register.

[2.] The intention of the Register of Baptisms is hereby declared to be, as for other good uses, so especially for the proving of the right of the Church-membership of those who may have been admitted into this Church by the holy ordinance of Baptism.

[3.] Every Minister of this Church shall make out
| § vi. | No Minister belonging to this Church shall officiate, either by preaching, reading prayers, or otherwise, in the Parish, or within the parochial cure, of another Clergyman, unless he have received express permission for that purpose from the Minister of the Parish or cure, or, in his absence, from the Churchwardens and Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation, or a majority of them. |
| § vi. | Where Parish boundaries are not defined by law, or settled by Diocesan authority under Title III., Canon 3, Section ii. of this Digest, or are not otherwise settled, they shall, for the purposes of this Section, be defined by the civil divisions of the State, as follows: Parochial boundaries shall be the limits, as now fixed by law, of any village, town, township, incorporated borough, city, or the limits of some division thereof which may have been recognized by the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, as constituting the boundaries of a Parish. If there be but one Church or Congregation within the limits of such village, town, township, borough, city, or such division of a city or town as herein provided, the same shall be deemed the parochial cure of the Minister having charge thereof. If there be two or more Congregations or Churches therein, it shall be deemed the cure of the Ministers |
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Thereof, and the assent of a majority of such Ministers shall be necessary; but nothing in this Canon shall be construed to prevent any Clergyman of this Church from officiating in any Parish Church or in any place of public worship used by any Congregation of this Church, or elsewhere within the parochial cure of the Minister of the said Congregation, with the consent of the Clergyman in charge of such Congregation; or, in his absence, of the Churchwardens and Vestrymen or Trustees of such Congregation, or of a majority of them.

When, under Diocesan authority, a new Parish is constituted, and its boundaries defined, this Section shall be applicable to the same as so established.

If two or more Churches.

[3.] If any Minister of the Church, from inability or any other cause, neglect to perform the regular services in his Congregation, and refuse, without good cause, his consent to any other Minister of the Church to officiate within his cure, the Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of such Congregation shall, on proof of such neglect or refusal before the Bishop of the Diocese, or if there be no Bishop, before the Standing Committee, or before such persons as may be deputed by him or them, or before such persons as may be, by the regulations of this Church in any Diocese, vested with the power of hearing and deciding on complaints against Clergymen, have power, with the written consent of the before-mentioned authority, to open the doors of their Church to any regular Minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

A new Parish.

Neglect of Minister.

[4.] This Canon shall not affect any legal rights of property of any Parish.

Rights of property undisturbed.
§ vii. [1.] A Minister of this Church removing into the jurisdiction of any Bishop or other Ecclesiastical Authority, shall, in order to gain canonical residence within the same, present to said Ecclesiastical Authority a testimonial from the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which he last resided, which testimonial shall set forth his true standing and character. The said testimonial shall be given by the Bishop to the applicant, and a duplicate thereof may be sent directly to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which said minister proposes to remove. The testimonial may be in the following words:

"I hereby certify that A. B., who has signified to me his desire to be transferred to the Ecclesiastical Authority of , is a Presbyter (or Deacon) of , in regular standing, and has not, so far as I know or believe, been justly liable to evil report, for error in religion, or viciousness of life, for three years last past."

[2.] All such testimonials shall be called Letters Dimissory. The canonical residence of the Minister so transferred shall date from the acceptance of his Letter Dimissory, of which the accepting Bishop shall give prompt notice both to the applicant and to the Bishop from whom it came. If not presented to the Bishop within six months from the date of its transmission to the applicant, it shall become thereby wholly void.

[3.] If a Minister, removing into another Diocese, who has been called to take charge of a parish or congregation, shall present a Letter Dimissory in the
form above given, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese to which he has removed, to accept it within six months, unless the Bishop or Standing Committee should have heard rumors, that he or they believe to be well founded, against the character of the Minister concerned, which would form a proper ground of canonical inquiry and presentment, in which case the Ecclesiastical Authority shall communicate the same to the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese to whose jurisdiction the said minister belongs; and, in such case, it shall not be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority to accept the Letter Dimissory unless and until the minister shall be exculpated from the said charges. 

Provided, that no Deacon who shall not have passed all the Examinations for Priest’s Orders, shall be transferred to another Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction without the written request of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the said Diocese or Jurisdiction. 

Provided, also, that no person who has been refused ordination or reception as a candidate in any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, and who has afterwards been ordained in another Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, shall be transferred to the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which such refusal has taken place, without the consent of its Bishop or Ecclesiastical Authority.

[4.] It shall be the duty of all ministers to obtain and present letters of transfer as above described, whenever they remove from one Diocese or Missionary District to any other Diocese or Missionary District, whether Domestic or Foreign, and remain there for the space of six months. This provision shall not apply to Professors in any institution of learning, Officers of the Board of Missions, and Chaplains of the Army and Navy of the United States. But no minister, who shall have taken up his residence in a Diocese to which he has not been canonically transferred, shall be competent to minister therein without the license of the Bishop.
### CANON 19.

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#### Election of Bishops.

To entitle a Diocese to the choice of a Bishop, by the Convention thereof, there must be, at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, at least six officiating Presbyters therein, regularly settled in a Parish or Church, and qualified to vote for a Bishop, and six or more Parishes represented in the Convention electing. But two or more adjoining Dioceses, not having respectively the requisite number of Presbyters to entitle either to the choice of a Bishop, may associate and proceed to the choice of a Bishop, to exercise jurisdiction alike in each of the associated Dioceses, if there be at the time of such choice, and have been during the year previous, nine or more such Presbyters residing in any part of such associated Dioceses, qualified as aforesaid; and the Bishop, so elected, shall exercise Episcopal jurisdiction over each of the associated Dioceses, until such time as some one of such Dioceses, having six or more Presbyters canonically qualified to elect a Bishop, shall elect him, and he shall have accepted the office as its own exclusive Diocesan; whereupon, his connection with the other associated Diocese or Dioceses shall cease and determine: Provided, always, that the Dioceses thus associated in the election of a common Bishop, and the Conventions thereof, shall, in all other respects, remain as before, unconnected and independent of each other: and Provided, also, that such association shall be dissolved on the demise of the Bishop, if not before.

#### Six Presbyters and six Parishes.

First proviso.

Second proviso.

What is a settlement.

[2.] A Minister is settled, for all purposes here or elsewhere mentioned in these Canons, who has been engaged permanently by any Parish, according to the rules of said Diocese, or for any term not less than one year.
§ ii. [1.] Every Bishop elect, before his consecration, shall produce to the House of Bishops, from the Convention by whom he is elected, evidence of such election; and, from the House of Deputies in General Convention, evidence of their approbation of his testimonials, and of their assent to his consecration; and also certificates, respectively, in the following words; such certificates, in both cases, to be signed by a constitutional majority of the members of the Diocesan Convention, or of the House of Deputies, as the case may be. The same evidence of election by, and the same certificate from, the members of the Diocesan Convention, shall be presented to the House of Deputies in General Convention.

Testimony from the Members of the Convention in the Diocese from whence the person is recommended for consecration.

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that A. B. is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness in life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare that we do, in our conscience, believe him to be of such sufficiency in good learning, such soundness in the faith, and of such virtuous and pure manners, and godly conversation, that he is apt and meet to exercise the Office of a Bishop to the honour of God, and the edifying of His Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

The above certificate shall be presented to the House of Deputies in General Convention.
Testimony from the House of Deputies in General Convention.

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that A. B. is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness of life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office, but that he hath, as we believe, led his life, for three years last past, piously, soberly, and honestly.

[2.] If the House of Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify the Bishop elect of such consent; and, on notice of his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

§ iii. [1.] If, during the recess of the General Convention, the Church in any Diocese should be desirous of the consecration of a Bishop elect, the Standing Committee of the Church in such Diocese may, by their president, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the desire to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary testimonials; and if the major number of the Standing Committees shall consent to the proposed consecration, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall forward the evidence of such consent, together with other testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or, in case
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of his death, to the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention, who shall communicate the same to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States, excepting those whose resignations have been accepted; and if a majority of the Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop, without delay, shall notify the Bishop elect of such consent; and, on his acceptance, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop elect by himself and two other Bishops, or by any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

[2.] The evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees shall be in the form prescribed for the House of Deputies in General Convention; and, without the aforesaid requisites, no consecration shall take place during the recess of the General Convention; but in case the election of a Bishop shall take place within three months before the meeting of the General Convention, all matters relative to the consecration shall be deferred until the said meeting.

§ iv. No man shall be consecrated a Bishop of this Church until he shall be thirty years old.

§ v. When a Bishop of a Diocese is unable, by reason of old age, or other permanent cause of infirmity, or by reason of the extent of his Diocese, to discharge his Episcopal duties, one Bishop Coadjutor may be elected by and for the said Diocese, who shall, in all cases, succeed the Bishop in case of surviving him: Provided, that before the election
§ vi. [1.] The House of Deputies may, from time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in States or Territories, or parts thereof, not organized into Dioceses. The evidence of such election shall be a certificate, to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Deputies, in the form required by Section ii. of this Canon, to be given by the members of Diocesan Conventions on the recommendation of Bishops elect for consecration, which certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops; and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take order for that purpose.

[2.] The Bishop or Bishops so elected and conse-
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crated, shall exercise Episcopal functions in such States and Territories, or parts thereof, in conformity with the Constitution and Canons of the Church, and under such regulations and instructions, not inconsistent therewith, as the House of Bishops may prescribe; and the House of Bishops may, at any time, increase or diminish the number of States or Territories, or parts thereof, over which the said Bishop or Bishops shall exercise Episcopal functions.

[3.] In case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, or of vacancy by other cause, the charge of the vacant Missionary Jurisdiction shall devolve on the senior Bishop of this Church, with the power of appointing some other Bishop as his substitute in said charge.

[4.] The jurisdiction of this Church extending in right, though not always in form, to all persons belonging to it within the United States, it is hereby enacted that each Missionary Bishop shall have jurisdiction over the Clergy in the district assigned him. Every such Bishop shall yearly appoint two Presbyters, and two Laymen communicants of this Church, resident within his Missionary Jurisdiction, to perform the duties of a Standing Committee for such jurisdiction, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed: Provided, that no Standing Committee constituted under this Section shall have power to give or refuse assent to the consecration of a Bishop.

[5.] He shall, for the due administration of his jurisdiction, select the Constitution and Canons of one of the Dioceses of this Church, which shall remain in force, as far as applicable to the circumstances of such Missionary Jurisdiction, until it shall be erected into a Diocese, and shall have adopted its own Constitution and Canons.

[6.] In case a presentment and trial of a Clergy-
Proviso. man become proper, the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee may make presentment: Provided, that the Court shall be composed of at least three Presbyters; and if there be not a sufficient number of qualified Presbyters within his jurisdiction (excluding the members of the Standing Committee, and the accused), the said Missionary Bishop may call to his aid Presbyters of any Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction sufficiently near.

[7.] Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Section shall be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, and shall be eligible to the office of Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States. And whenever a Diocese shall have been organized within the jurisdiction of such Missionary Bishop, if he shall be chosen Bishop of such Diocese, he may accept the office without vacating his Missionary appointment: Provided, that he continue to discharge the duties of Missionary Bishop within the residue of his original jurisdiction, if there be such residue.

[8.] Every such Bishop shall report annually to the Presiding Bishop his proceedings, and the state and condition of the Church within his Missionary District; such report to be transmitted by the Presiding Bishop to the Board of Managers.

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Report to Presiding Bishop.

Of Foreign Missionary Bishops.

Evidence of Election.

§ vii. [1.] The House of Deputies may, from time to time, on nomination by the House of Bishops, elect a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions in any Missionary station or stations of this Church out of the Territory of the United States, which the House of Bishops, with the concurrence of the House of Deputies, may have designated. The evidence of such election shall be a certificate, to be subscribed by a constitutional majority of said House of Deputies, expressing their assent to the
said nomination, which certificate shall be in the following form:

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that the Reverend A. B., nominated by the House of Bishops to the House of Deputies for election to the Bishopric of the Missionary District of , as a suitable person to be elected a Bishop of this Church in foreign lands, has been duly and canonically elected by the House of Deputies as Bishop aforesaid, on this day of A. D. And we whose names are hereunto subscribed, members of the House of Deputies, do hereby testify that the said Reverend A. B., Missionary Bishop elect of , is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness in life; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office.

We do, therefore, hereby severally signify our assent to the said nomination and election, humbly trusting that the consecration of the said Bishop elect will conduce to the edification and enlargement of the Church of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Done at , in General Convention of the Church in the United States, on this day of A. D. This certificate shall be produced to the House of Bishops; and if the House of Bishops shall consent to the consecration, they may take order for that purpose.

[2.] Any Bishop elected and consecrated under this Section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated to exercise Episcopal functions in any place or country which may have been thus designated, shall have no jurisdiction, except in the place or country for which he has been elected and consecrated. He shall be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, but shall not become a Diocesan Bishop in any organized Diocese within the United States, unless with the consent of three fourths of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and also of three fourths of the Deputies present at the Session of the General Convention, or, in the recess of the General Convention, with
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the consent of the Standing Committees of three fourths of the Dioceses.

[3.] Any Bishop or Bishops consecrated under this Section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, shall, on presentment by two thirds of the Missionaries under his charge, for immorality or heresy, or for a violation of the Constitution or Canons of this Church, be tried, and, if found guilty, sentenced, in all particulars as if he were actually resident within the limits of the United States, except that the trial may be within any Diocese in the United States.

[4.] Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, or any Bishop to whom the exercise of Episcopal powers and functions in a foreign Church or Congregation shall have been assigned by the Presiding Bishop, may ordain as Deacons or Presbyters, to officiate within the limits of their respective Missions, or in such foreign Church or Congregation, any persons, of the age required by the Canons of this Church, who shall exhibit to him or them the testimonials required by Canons 6 and 8 of this Title, signed by not less than two of the ordained Missionaries of this Church who may be subject to his or their charge, or by two Presbyters of this Church, in good standing, connected with such foreign Church or Congregation.

Provided, nevertheless, that if there be only one ordained Missionary attached to the Mission, or only one Presbyter of this Church connected with such foreign Church or Congregation, and capable of acting at the time, the signature of a Presbyter
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in good standing under the jurisdiction of any Bishop in communion with this Church may be admitted to supply the deficiency.

[5.] Any Foreign Missionary Bishop consecrated under this Section, or heretofore consecrated, may, by and with the advice of two Presbyters, one of whom, if necessity require, shall be a Presbyter in good standing under the jurisdiction of any Bishop in communion with this Church, dispense with those studies required from a Candidate for Deacon's Orders by the Canons of this Church: provided, that no person shall be ordained by him who has not passed a satisfactory examination, in the presence of two Presbyters, as to his theological learning and aptitude to teach; and provided, further, that no person shall be ordained by him until he shall have been a candidate for at least three years. Nor shall any Deacon, so ordained, be advanced to the Order of Presbyters, who has not been in Deacon's Orders for at least one year. Nor shall any Deacon or Priest, who shall have been ordained under this Section, be allowed to hold any cure, or officiate in the Church in these United States, until he shall have complied with existing Canons relating to the learning of persons to be ordained.

[6.] Any Foreign Missionary Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Section, or any Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, shall have jurisdiction and government according to the Canons of this Church over all Missionaries or Clergymen of this Church, resident in the district or country for which he or they may have been consecrated.
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[7.] Every such Bishop shall yearly appoint a Standing Committee consisting of not less than two nor more than five Presbyters resident within his jurisdiction, and, if he shall find it practicable and advisable, of an equal number of lay communicants, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. This Standing Committee shall have, so far as the circumstances of the jurisdiction permit, the powers and duties provided for by the Constitution and Canons that have been adopted for the government of such jurisdiction. It shall be lawful for any foreign Missionary Bishop about to be absent from his jurisdiction for more than three months to authorize by writing under his hand and seal the Standing Committee to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority of such Missionary Jurisdiction. In case of the death or resignation of a Foreign Missionary Bishop, or of vacancy by other cause, the vacant Missionary Jurisdiction shall devolve on the Senior Bishop of this Church, with the power of appointing some other Bishop as his substitute in said charge.

[8.] If any Minister of this Church, acting under a Foreign Missionary appointment, and within the jurisdiction of a Foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church, shall commit any offence which comes within the Provisions of Title II., Canon 2, Of Offences for which Ministers may be tried and punished; or shall refuse obedience to the lawful authority of the Missionary Bishop, such Clergyman shall be proceeded against according to the Constitution and Canons of any Diocese of this Church which may have been selected at the time of the appointment of the Standing Committee of such Missionary Jurisdiction: Provided, that a presentment shall first be made by the members of said Standing Committee, or, if the accused party be a member of the Standing Committee, by the other member or members thereof.

[9.] The Court for the trial of such Minister shall consist of five Presbyters, excluding the mem-
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bers of the Standing Committee; or, if there be not five, then of all the members of such Missionary Jurisdiction. If there be more than five, then shall the Standing Committee select, by lot, the five who shall compose the Court, which Court shall proceed in the trial, according to the Canons of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church so far as the same may be applicable to such a case; and where no provision is made adequate to the exigency, the Court shall consider and adjudge the case according to the principles of law and equity.

[10.] The sentence of the Court shall be rendered to the Bishop of such Missionary Jurisdiction, who shall have power to revise and modify the same, and the decision of the Bishop shall be final and conclusive.

[11.] Every Bishop elected and consecrated under this Section, or Foreign Missionary Bishop heretofore consecrated, shall report to each General Convention his proceedings and acts, and the state of the Mission under his supervision. He shall also make a similar report at least once a year to the Board of Missions of this Church.

§ viii. [1.] When a Diocese, entitled to the choice of a Bishop, shall elect as its Diocesan a Missionary Bishop of this Church, if such election shall have taken place within three months before a meeting of the General Convention, evidence thereof shall be laid before each House of the General Convention, and the concurrence of each House, and its express consent, shall be necessary to the validity of said election, and shall complete the same; so that the
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Bishop thus elected shall be thereafter the Bishop of the Diocese which has elected him.

[2.] If the said election have taken place more than three months before a meeting of the General Convention, the above process may be adopted, or the following instead thereof, viz.: The Standing Committee of the Diocese electing shall give duly certified evidence of the election to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese. On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops and of the Standing Committees in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall transmit notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction within the United States; which notice shall state what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. And the same Committee shall transmit to every Congregation in the Diocese concerned, to be publicly read therein, a notice of the election to the Episcopate thereof of the Bishop thus elected, and also cause public notice thereof to be given in such other way as they may think proper.

§ ix. It is deemed proper that every Bishop of this Church shall deliver, at least once in three years, a charge to the Clergy of his Diocese, unless prevented by reasonable cause. And it is also deemed proper that, from time to time, he shall address to the people of his Diocese Pastoral Letters on some points of Christian doctrine, worship, or manners.
§ x. [1.] Every Bishop in this Church shall visit the Churches within his Diocese at least once in three years, for the purpose of examining the state of his Church, inspecting the behaviour of his Clergy, administering the Apostolic rite of Confirmation, ministering the Word, and, if he think fit, administering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper to the people committed to his charge. And if a Bishop shall decline, for more than three years, to visit a Parish or Congregation, for reasons which to him shall seem sufficient, it shall be the duty of the Rector or Minister, and Vestry, or of one of them, to apply to the Presiding Bishop, to appoint the five Bishops in charge of Dioceses, who live nearest to the Diocese in which such Church or Congregation may be situated, to act as a Council of Conciliation, who shall amicably determine all matters of difference between the parties, and each party shall conform to the decision of the Council in the premises. If the Presiding Bishop shall be the party within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation may be, then the application shall be made to the Bishop next in seniority. And in any such case as is above mentioned, the Bishop within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation may be, may, at any time, if he please, apply himself to the Presiding Bishop, for a Council of Conciliation: Provided, that if, by the action of the General Convention, any Canon shall hereafter be made for the establishment of a Council or Councils of Conciliation, for the general purpose of amicably reconciling differences of this or any other kind, then such a case as is above named shall be referred to such general
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Council of Conciliation, and the parties shall abide by its decision.

[2.] To enable the Bishop, who may be Rector of a Church, to make his official visitation, it shall be the duty of the Clergy, in such reasonable rotation as may be devised, to officiate for him in the performance of his parochial duties, provision being made for the payment of their expenses.

[3.] It is left to each Diocese to make provision, in such way as it may deem proper, for defraying the necessary expenses of the Bishop's visitation.

[4.] The Bishop shall keep a register of his proceedings at every visitation of his Diocese.

§ xi. It is the duty of every Bishop of this Church to reside within his Diocese.

§ xii. It shall be lawful for any Bishop of a Diocese who is about to leave, or has left, his Diocese, with the intention of going out of the limits of the United States, or, if remaining out of his Diocese for the space of three calendar months although without leaving the United States, to authorize, by writing under his hand and seal, the Bishop Coadjutor, or, should there be none, the Standing Committee of such Diocese, to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof. The Bishop Coadjutor or Standing Committee so authorized, shall thereupon become the Ecclesiastical Authority of such Diocese, to all intents and purposes, until such writing shall be revoked, or the Bishop shall return within the Diocese: Provided, that nothing in this Canon shall be so construed as to prevent any Bishop who may have signed such writing from exercising his jurisdiction.
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himself, so far as the same may be practicable, during his absence from his Diocese, or from permitting and authorizing any other Bishop to perform Episcopal offices for him.

§ xiii. The Bishop of each Diocese may compose forms of prayer or thanksgiving, as the case may require, for extraordinary occasions, and transmit them to each Clergyman within his Diocese, whose duty it shall be to use such forms in his Church on such occasions. And the Clergy in those States or Dioceses or other places within the bounds of this Church in which there is no Bishop, may use the form of prayer or thanksgiving composed by the Bishop of any Diocese. The Bishop in each Diocese may also compose forms of prayer to be used before legislative and other public bodies.

§ xiv. [1.] Any Bishop, Bishop Coadjutor, or Missionary Bishop may, on the invitation of the Convention or the Standing Committee of any Diocese where there is no Bishop, or where the Bishop is for the time under a disability to perform Episcopal offices by reason of a judicial sentence, visit and perform Episcopal offices in that Diocese, or in any part thereof; and this invitation may be temporary, and it may at any time be revoked.

[2.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for the time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its Convention, be placed under provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor of another Diocese, or of a Missionary Bishop, who shall by that act be authorized to perform all the duties and offices of
the Bishop of the Diocese so vacant or having the Bishop disabled: until, in the case of a vacant Diocese, a Bishop be duly elected and consecrated for the same; and, in the case of a Diocese whose Bishop is disqualified as aforesaid, until the disqualification be removed; or until, in either case, the said act of the Convention be revoked.

[3.] No Diocese, while under the provisional charge of a Bishop, shall invite any other Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty or exercise authority.

§ xv. [1.] If, during the session of the General Convention, or within six calendar months before the meeting of any such Convention, a Bishop shall desire to resign his jurisdiction, he shall make known, in writing, to the House of Bishops such his desire, together with the reasons moving him thereto; whereupon the House of Bishops may investigate the whole case of the proposed resignation, including not only the facts and reasons that may be set forth in the application for the proposed resignation, but any other facts and circumstances bearing upon it, so that the whole subject of the propriety or necessity of such resignation may be placed fully before the House of Bishops.

[2.] An investigation having thus been made, the House of Bishops may decide on the application; and, by a vote of a majority of those present, accept or refuse to accept such resignation; and in all cases of a proposed resignation, the Bishops shall cause their proceedings to be recorded on their journal; and in case of acceptance, the resignation shall be complete when thus recorded; and
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notice thereof shall be given to the House of Deputies.

[3.] In case a Bishop should desire to resign at any period not within six calendar months before the meeting of a General Convention, he shall make known to the Presiding Bishop such his desire, with the reasons moving him thereto; whereupon the Presiding Bishop shall communicate, without delay, a copy of the same to every Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical jurisdiction, and also to the Standing Committee of the Diocese to which the Bishop desiring to resign may belong; and, at the same time, summon said Bishops to meet him in person, at a place to be by him designated and at a time not less than three calendar months from the date of his summons; and should a number not less than a majority of all the said Bishops meet at the time and place designated, they shall then have all the powers given by the previous clauses of this Section to the House of Bishops; and should a number less than a majority assemble, they shall have power to adjourn from time to time, until they can secure the attendance of a majority of all the said Bishops. Should a proposed resignation of a Bishop be accepted at any meeting of the Bishops for that purpose held during a recess, then it shall be the duty of the Senior Bishop present to pronounce such resignation complete, and to communicate the same to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese, who shall cause the same to be communicated to the several Clergymen in charge of congregations therein. And it shall be the further duty of the Presiding Bishop to cause such resignation to be
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formally recorded on the Journal of the House of Bishops that may meet in General Convention next thereafter. If the Bishop desirous of resigning should be the Presiding Bishop, then all the duties directed in this Section to be performed by the Presiding Bishop shall devolve upon the Bishop next in seniority.

[4.] No Diocesan or Bishop (Coadjutor) whose resignation has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall, under any circumstances, be eligible to any Diocese now in union, or which may hereafter be admitted into union, with this Church; nor shall he have a seat in the House of Bishops; but he may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church having Ecclesiastical jurisdiction, within the limits of his Diocese. Any Bishop whose resignation by reason of advanced age and bodily infirmity arising therefrom has been consummated pursuant to this Section, shall retain his seat in the House of Bishops, with all the rights and precedences therein to which he would otherwise be entitled.

[5.] A Bishop who ceases to have the Episcopal charge of a Diocese shall still be subject in all matters to the Canons and authority of the General Convention.

[6.] In case a suspended Bishop of this Church should desire to resign at any period not within six calendar months before the meeting of a General Convention, he shall make known by letter to the Presiding Bishop such desire; whereupon the Presiding Bishop shall communicate a copy of the same to each Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction;
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and, in case a majority of such Bishops shall return to the Presiding Bishop their written assent to such resignation, the same shall be deemed valid and final; and written information of the said resignation shall at once be communicated by the Presiding Bishop to the Bishop and Diocese concerned, and to each Bishop of this Church.

§ xvi. [1.] If during the recess of the General Convention, and more than six months previous to its session, any vacancy arise, either by death, resignation, or other cause, in the office of any Missionary Bishop of this Church (whether Domestic or Foreign), or in case the General Convention shall have, by concurrent resolution, given consent to the election during said recess of a Missionary Bishop for a designated Missionary Jurisdiction, the House of Bishops shall, on the written request of twelve members of the same, be convened by the Presiding Bishop, or, in case of his death, by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention; and thereupon may proceed to fill any and every such vacancy that may then exist, by electing a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church, to exercise Episcopal functions within the district, country, territory, station, or jurisdiction, where such vacancy or vacancies may exist; and in case of such election, they shall, by the Presiding Bishop, or by some person or persons specially appointed, communicate the fact of such election to the Standing Committees of the Churches in the different Dioceses; and each Standing Committee that shall consent to the proposed consecration shall forward the evidence of such consent to the Presiding Bishop or Bishop as aforesaid. And if the major number of the Standing Committee shall con-
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Majority of Standing Committees to consent.

If the evidence of such consent to all the Bishops of this Church in the United States (excepting those whose resignation has been accepted); and if a majority of such Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop or Bishop aforesaid, with any two Bishops, or any three Bishops to whom he may communicate the testimonials, may proceed to perform the same.

[2.] The evidence of the consent of the different Standing Committees shall be in the form prescribed for the House of Deputies in General Convention; and without the aforesaid requisites no consecration shall take place of any Missionary Bishop elected during the recess of the General Convention.

[3.] Every Bishop elected and consecrated under this Section shall have the several functions, jurisdiction, powers, and rights granted by any Canon or Canons of this Church to Missionary Bishops, whether Domestic or Foreign, according as such Bishop shall be elected to be a Domestic or a Foreign Missionary Bishop; and shall in all matters be subject to the Canons and authority of the General Convention.

§ xvii. This Canon shall take effect immediately.

CANON 20.

Of the Mode of Securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church.

§ i. As a full and accurate view of the state of the Church, from time to time, is highly useful and necessary, it is hereby ordered that every Minister of this Church, or if the parish be vacant the Wardens, shall present, or cause to be delivered, on or
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before the first day of every Annual Convention, to
the Bishop of the Diocese, or where there is no
Bishop to the President of the Convention, a state-
ment of the number of Baptisms, Confirmations,
Marriages, and Funerals, and of the number of Com-
municants in his Parish or Church; also the state
and condition of the Sunday Schools in his Parish;
also of the amount of the Communion alms, the con-
tributions for Missions, Diocesan, Domestic, and
Foreign, for Parochial Schools, for Church purposes
in general, and of all other matters that may throw
light on the state of the same. And every Clergy-
man, not regularly settled in any Parish or Church,
shall also report the occasional services he may have
performed; and, if he have performed no such ser-
vices, the causes or reasons which have prevented
the same. And these reports, or such parts of them
as the Bishop shall think fit, may be read in Conven-
tion, and shall be entered on the journals thereof.

§ ii. At every Annual Diocesan Convention, the
Bishop shall deliver an Address, stating the affairs
of the Diocese since the last meeting of the Conven-
tion; the names of the Churches which he has
visited; the number of persons confirmed; the
names of those who have been received as Candi-
dates for Orders, and of those who have been or-
dained, suspended, or degraded; the changes by
death, removal, or otherwise, which have taken place
among the Clergy; and in general, all matters tend-
ing to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese;
which address shall be inserted on the journals.

§ iii. At every General Convention, the journals
of the different Diocesan Conventions, since the last
General Convention, together with such other papers,
viz., Episcopal charges, addresses, and pastoral let-
ters, as may tend to throw light on the state of the
Church in each Diocese, shall be presented to the
House of Deputies. A Committee shall then be
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appointed to draw up a view of the state of the Church, and to make report to the House of Deputies; which report, when agreed to by the said House, shall be sent to the House of Bishops, with the request that they will draw up, and cause to be published, a Pastoral Letter to the members of the Church. And it is hereby made the duty of every Clergyman having a pastoral charge, when any such Letter is published, to read the said Pastoral Letter to his congregation on some occasion of public worship.

§ 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 Secretary of the Convention in every Diocese to prepare immediately after the adjournment of the meeting of the Diocesan Convention next preceding the Session of every General Convention, a list of the Clergy canonically resident therein and of persons admitted since the previous General Convention to the Order of Deacons or Priests and of persons deposed from the sacred ministry and of clergy that have died, and also a condensed report and a tabular review of the state of the Church in said Diocese, comprising therein a summary of the statistics from the parochial reports, and from the Bishop's addresses, specifying as far as possible the capital and proceeds of the Episcopal fund and of the funds of all benevolent and missionary associations of Churchmen within the Diocese, and promptly to forward the same to the Secretary of the House of Deputies for the purpose of aiding the Committee on the State of the Church, appointed by the House of Deputies in drafting their report.
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**Of the Standard Book of Common Prayer.**

§ vi. All incorporated schools, all parochial schools, all academies and colleges, and all hospitals, asylums for orphans or other children of either sex, maintained at the expense, or conducted under the management of members of this Church, are expected to report annually to the Bishop of the Diocese at the annual Convention, such reports to be disposed of as the parochial reports; and at every General Convention the tabular view of the state of the Church in each Diocese, and the report of the Committee on the state of the Church shall include the results of such reports.

CANON 21.

**Of the Mode of Publishing Authorized Editions of the Standard Bible of this Church.**

The Bishop of this Church in any Diocese, or where there is no Bishop the Standing Committee, is authorized to appoint, from time to time, some suitable person or persons to compare and correct all new editions of the Bible by the standard edition agreed upon by the General Convention, and a certificate of their having been so compared and corrected shall be published with said book.

CANON 22.

**Of the Standard Book of Common Prayer.**

§ i. The copy of the Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, according to the use of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David; the Form of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, and an Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of
§ ii. All copies of the Book of Common Prayer to be hereafter made and published shall conform to this Standard, and shall agree therewith in paging, and, so far as it is possible, in all other matters of typographical arrangement, except that the rubrics may be printed either in red or in black. The requirement of uniformity in paging shall apply only to that portion of the book which begins with the Order for the Daily Morning Prayer, and ends with the Psalter, and shall not extend to editions smaller than those known as 24mo, or to editions noted for music.

§ iii. In case any typographical inaccuracy shall be found in the Standard Book of Common Prayer, its correction may be ordered by a joint resolution of any General Convention, and notice of such correction shall be communicated by the Custodian to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese of this Church, and to actual publishers of the Book of Common Prayer.

§ iv. Copies of this folio Standard Book of Common Prayer, duly authenticated as in the case of the Standard Book, shall be sent, when issued, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese or Jurisdiction in trust for the use thereof, and for reference and appeal in questions as to the authorized formularies of this Church.

§ v. No copy or edition of the Book of Common Prayer shall be made, printed, published, or used as
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of authority in this Church unless it contain the authorization of the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, certifying that he or some person appointed by him has compared the said copy or edition with the said Standard or a certified copy thereof, and that it conforms thereto.

§ vi. The House of Bishops shall nominate a person who, after confirmation by the House of Deputies, shall be appointed the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer and shall have charge of the same. He shall hold office until his successor is appointed, and any vacancy occurring during the recess of General Convention may be provisionally filled by appointment of the Presiding Bishop. It shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority of any Diocese or Jurisdiction in which any unauthorized edition of the Book of Common Prayer or any part or parts thereof shall be published or circulated, to give public notice that the said edition is not of authority in this Church.

§ vii. This Canon shall take effect immediately.

CANON 23.

Of the Due Celebration of Sundays.

All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord’s Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation.

CANON 24.

Of the Use of the Book of Common Prayer.

§ i. Every Minister shall, before all sermons and lectures, and on all other occasions of public worship, use the Book of Common Prayer, as the same is or may be established by the authority of the General
§ ii. [1.] If any Bishop have reason to believe, or if complaint be made to him in writing by two or more of his Presbyters, that within his jurisdiction ceremonies or practices not ordained or authorized in the Book of Common Prayer, and setting forth or symbolizing erroneous or doubtful doctrines, have been introduced by any Minister during the celebration of the Holy Communion (such as,

a. The elevation of the Elements in the Holy Communion in such manner as to expose them to the view of the people as objects toward which adoration is to be made.

b. Any act of adoration of or toward the Elements in the Holy Communion, such as bowings, prostrations, or genuflections; and

c. All other like acts not authorized by the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer:)

It shall be the duty of such Bishop to summon the Standing Committee as his Council of Advice, and with them to investigate the matter.

[2.] If, after investigation, it shall appear to the Bishop and Standing Committee that ceremonies or practices not ordained or authorized as aforesaid, and setting forth or symbolizing erroneous or doubtful doctrines, have in fact been introduced as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, by instrument of writing under his hand, to admonish the Minister so offending to discontinue such practices or ceremonies; and if the Minister shall disregard such admonition,
it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee to
cause him to be tried for a breach of his ordination
vow.

_Provided_, That nothing herein contained shall
prevent the presentment, trial, and punishment of
any Minister under the provisions of Title II., Canon
2, Section 1. of the Digest.

[8.] In all investigations under the provisions of
this Canon, the Minister whose acts or practices are
the subject-matter of the investigation, shall be noti-
fied, and have opportunity to be heard in his defence.
The charges preferred, and the findings of the Bishop
and Standing Committee, shall be in writing, and a
record shall be kept of the proceedings in the case.

**CANON 25.**

_Of Church Music._

§ 1. The Hymns which are set forth by authority,
and Anthems in the words of Holy Scripture, are al-
lowed to be sung in all Congregations of this Church
before and after Morning and Evening Prayer, and
also before and after sermons, at the discretion
of the Minister, whose duty it shall be, by stand-
ing directions, or from time to time, to appoint
such authorized Hymns, or Anthems as are to be
sung.

§ 2. It shall be the duty of every Minister of this
Church, with such assistance as he may see fit to
employ from persons skilled in music, to give order
concerning the tunes to be sung at any time in his
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Church, and especially it shall be his duty to suppress all light and unseemly music, and all indecency and irreverence in the performance by which vain and ungodly persons profane the service of the sanctuary.

CANON 26.

Of the Consecration of Churches.

§ i. No Church or Chapel shall be consecrated until the Bishop shall have been sufficiently certified that the building and ground on which it is erected have been fully paid for, and are free from lien or other incumbrance; and also that such building and ground are secured, by the terms of the devise, or deed, or subscription by which they are given, from the danger of alienation, either in whole or in part, from those who profess and practise the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, except in the cases provided for in Sections ii. and iii. of this Canon: Provided, that this shall not preclude the alienation of lots for burial in vaults or otherwise, nor apply to land owned by the Church corporation and not necessary for religious uses.

§ ii. It shall not be lawful for any Vestry, Trustees, or other body authorized by law of any State or Territory, to hold property for any Diocese, Parish, or Congregation, to incumber or alienate any consecrated Church or Chapel, or any Church or Chapel which has been solely used for divine services, without the previous consent of the Bishop, acting with
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the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which such Church or Chapel be situated: Provided, that this section shall not be operative in any State with the laws of which, relating to the title and holding of property by religious corporations, the same may conflict.

§ III. No consecrated Church or Chapel shall be removed, taken down, or otherwise disposed of for any "unhallowed, worldly, or common use," without the previous consent of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which such Church or Chapel may be situate.
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Title II.

Of Discipline.

Canon 1.

Of Amenability and Citations.

§ i. Every Minister shall be amenable, for offences committed by him, to the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop to the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, of the Diocese in which he is canonically resident at the time of the charge.

§ ii. Unless a Diocesan Convention shall otherwise provide, a citation to any Minister to appear, at a certain time and place, for the trial of an offence, shall be deemed to be duly served upon him if a copy thereof be left at his last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day of appearance named therein; and in case such Minister has departed from the United States, by also publishing, six months before the said day of appearance, a copy of such citation in some newspaper printed at the seat of government of the State in which the Minister is cited to appear.

§ iii. A notice or citation required by any Canon of this Church, when no other mode of service is provided, may be served by leaving a copy with the party, or at his last place of abode within the United States; and if he shall have left the United States,
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by also publishing a copy thereof in some newspaper printed at the seat of government of the State or Territory where such party last resided.

§ iv. It is hereby declared to be the duty of all members of this Church to attend and give evidence, when duly summoned to do so, in any Ecclesiastical trial or investigation under the authority of this Church.

§ v. In the case of a Clergyman convicted in any court of record, of any crime or misdemeanor involving immorality, or against whom a judgment has been recorded in any court of record, in a cause involving immorality, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which he canonically belongs, to institute an inquiry into the matter. If, in their judgment, there is sufficient reason for further proceedings, it shall be their duty to present him, or to see that he be presented, for trial.

CANON 2.

Of Offences for which Ministers may be Tried and Punished.

§ i. Every Minister of this Church shall be liable to presentment and trial for the following offences, viz.:

[1.] Crime or immorality.

[2.] Holding and teaching publicly or privately, and advisedly, any doctrine contrary to that held by
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the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

[3.] Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention.

[4.] Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese to which he belongs.

[5.] Any act which involves a breach of his Ordination vows.

[6.] And for conduct unbecoming a Clergyman of this Church.

And, on being found guilty, he shall be admonished, suspended, or degraded, according to the Canons of the Diocese in which the trial takes place, until otherwise provided for by the General Convention.

§ ii. If a Minister of this Church shall be accused, by public rumor, of habitually neglecting the exercise of the ministerial office without lawful cause, or of living in the habitual disuse of public worship or of the Holy Eucharist according to the Offices of this Church, or of being guilty of any or either of the offences enumerated in Section i., it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, to see that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public rumor. And, in case of the individual being proceeded against and convicted according to such rules or process as may be provided by the Conventions of the respective Dioceses, he shall be admonished, suspended, or deposed, as the nature of the case may require, in conformity with their respective Constitutions and Canons.
CANON 3.

Of a Clergyman in one Diocese or Missionary District chargeable with Misdemeanor in another.

§ i. If a Clergyman of this Church, belonging to any Diocese or Missionary District, shall have conducted himself in any other Diocese or Missionary District in such a way as to be liable to presentment under the provisions of Title II., Canon 2, the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof shall give notice of the same to the Ecclesiastical Authority where he is canonically resident, exhibiting, with the information given, reasonable ground for presuming its correctness. If the Ecclesiastical Authority, when thus notified, shall omit, for the space of three months, to proceed against the offending Clergyman, or shall request the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which the offence or offences are alleged to have been committed, to proceed against him, it shall be within the power of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District within which the offence or offences are alleged to have been committed, to institute proceedings according to the mode provided by the Convention thereof; and the decision given shall be conclusive.

§ ii. If a Clergyman shall come temporarily into any Diocese, under the imputation of having elsewhere been guilty of any crime or misdemeanor, by violation of the Canons or otherwise, or if any Clergyman, while sojourning in any Diocese, shall misbehave in any of these respects, the Bishop,
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upon probable cause, may admonish such Clergyman, and forbid him to officiate in said Diocese. And if, after such prohibition, the said Clergyman so officiate, the Bishop shall give notice to all the Clergy and Congregations in said Diocese, that the officiating of the said Clergyman is, under any and all circumstances, prohibited; and like notice shall be given to the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee, of the Diocese to which the said Clergyman belongs. And such prohibition shall continue in force until the Bishop of the first-named Diocese be satisfied of the innocence of the said Clergyman, or until he be acquitted on trial.

§ iii. The provisions of the last Section shall apply to Clergymen ordained in foreign countries by Bishops in communion with this Church: Provided, that in such case notice of the prohibition shall be given to the Bishop under whose jurisdiction the Clergyman shall appear to have last been, and also to all the Bishops exercising jurisdiction in this Church.

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Of Differences between Ministers and their Congregations, and of the Dissolution of a Pastoral Connection.

§ i. A Rector, canonically elected and in charge, or an Instituted Minister, may not resign his Parish without consent of the said Parish or its Vestry (if the Vestry be authorized to act in the premises); nor may such Rector or Minister be removed therefrom by said Parish or Vestry against his will, except as hereinafter provided.
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§ ii. In case any urgent reason or reasons should occasion a wish in a Rector or Minister as aforesaid, or in the Parish committed to his charge, to bring about a separation and a dissolution of all pastoral relation between such Minister and Parish, and the parties be not agreed in respect of such separation and dissolution, notice of such desire and disagreement may be given by either party to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, in writing. And in case of any difference between the Minister and Parish or Vestry as aforesaid, which may not be satisfactorily settled by the godly judgment of the Bishop alone, or which he may decline to consider without counsel, the Bishop (or if the Diocese be vacant, any Bishop selected by the Ecclesiastical Authority), acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, or with that of the Presbyters only of said Standing Committee (if both parties shall assent to such limitation in writing), shall be the ultimate arbiter and judge; and refusal to accept and comply with the arbitration and judgment on the part of the Minister aforesaid, shall not work a continuance of lawful and canonical Rectorship or settlement beyond the date fixed, conditionally or otherwise, for its termination by such arbitration and judgment, should such termination be recommended and required; but such pastoral connection shall, unless otherwise agreed by the parties, cease and terminate as therein required. But such refusal shall subject the Minister so refusing to inhibition by the Bishop aforesaid from all ministerial offices and functions.
Of Renunciation of the Ministry.

§ i. If any Minister of this Church, against whom there is no ecclesiastical proceeding instituted, shall declare, in writing, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to which he belongs, his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesi-
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astical Authority to record the declaration so made; and thereupon it shall be the duty of the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, of any Bishop who, being requested by the Standing Committee, shall consent to act in the matter, to depose such person from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more Clergymen, that the person so declaring has been deposed from the Ministry of this Church: Provided, however, that if the Bishop shall be satisfied that the person so declaring is not amenable for any canonical offence, and that his renunciation of the Ministry is not occasioned by foregoing misconduct or irregularity, but is voluntary and for causes, assigned or known, which do not affect his moral character, he shall so declare in pronouncing and recording said deposition, and shall, if desired, give a certificate to this effect to the person so deposed; and he shall also give due notice of such deposition from the Ministry to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, in the form in which the same is recorded.

§ ii. If the Ecclesiastical Authority shall have reason to believe that the person so declaring has acted hastily and unadvisedly, action on such declaration may be postponed for the space of not more than six months, during which time such person may withdraw his application.

§ iii. If the Ecclesiastical Authority, to whom such declaration is made, shall have ground to sup-
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pose that the person making the same is liable to presentment for any canonical offence, such person may, in the discretion of the said Ecclesiastical Authority, be put upon trial for such offence, notwithstanding such declaration of renunciation of the Ministry.

CANON 6.

Of the Abandonment of the Communion of this Church by a Presbyter or Deacon.

§ 1. If any Presbyter or Deacon shall, without availing himself of the provisions of Canon 5 of this Title, abandon the Communion of this Church, by an open renunciation of the doctrine, discipline, or worship of this Church, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in communion with the same, or in any other way, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese to make certificate of the fact to the Bishop of the Diocese, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Bishop of an adjacent Diocese; which certificate shall be recorded, and shall be taken and deemed by the Ecclesiastical Authority as equivalent to a renunciation of the Ministry by the Minister himself, and the said Bishop may then proceed to suspend for six months the Presbyter or Deacon so certified as abandoning the Communion of this Church. Notice shall be given to the said Minister by the said Bishop receiving the certificate, that, unless he shall within six months make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, he will be deposed from the Ministry of this Church.
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§ ii. And if such declaration be not made within six months, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to depose said Minister from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more Presbyters, that he has been so deposed: Provided, nevertheless, that if the Minister so renouncing shall transmit to the Bishop receiving the certificate a retraction of the acts or declarations constituting his offence, the Bishop may at his discretion abstain from any further proceedings.

CANON 7.

Of a Clergyman absenting himself from his Diocese.

When a Clergyman has been absent from the Diocese to which he belongs during five years without reasons satisfactory to the Bishop thereof, he shall be required by the Bishop to declare the cause or causes thereof in writing; and if he refuse to give his reasons, or if they be deemed insufficient by the Bishop, the Bishop may, with the advice and consent of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, suspend him from the Ministry; which suspension shall continue until he shall give, in writing, sufficient reasons for his absence; or until he shall renew his residence in his Diocese; or until he shall renounce the Ministry according to Canon 5 of this Title. In the case of such suspension as above provided for, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to give notice thereof to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese wherein there is no Bishop.
CANON 8.

Of the Abandonment of the Communion of the Church by a Bishop.

If any Bishop, without availing himself of the provisions of Title I., Canon 15, Section xvi., abandon the Communion of this Church, either by an open renunciation of the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Church, or by a formal admission into any religious body not in communion with the same, or otherwise, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of said Bishop to make certificate of the fact to the Presiding Bishop, together with a statement of the acts or declarations which prove such abandonment, which certificate shall be recorded by the Presiding Bishop, and the Presiding Bishop, with the consent of the three Bishops next in seniority, shall then suspend said Bishop from the exercise of his office and ministry until such time as the House of Bishops shall consent or refuse to consent to his deposition; and in case the Bishop so abandoning the Communion of the Church be the senior Bishop, the Bishop next in the order of seniority shall be deemed to be and shall act as the Presiding Bishop under this Canon.

Notice shall then be given to said Bishop by the Bishop receiving the certificate, that unless he shall, within six months, make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, and shall demand a trial, he will be deposed from the Ministry. And if such declaration be not made within six months, as
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Any Bishop of this Church may be presented for trial on charges for the following offences, viz.: 1. Crime or immorality. 2. Holding and teaching publicly, or privately and advisedly, any doctrine contrary to that held by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. 3. Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention. 4. Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese to which he belongs. 5. Any act which involves a breach of his Ordination or Consecration vows. 6. And for conduct unbecoming a Bishop of this Church.

§ ii. [1.] The proceedings shall commence by charges in writing; and, except when the charge is
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holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church, shall be signed by either Five male communicants of this Church, in good standing, belonging to the Diocese of the accused, of whom two at least must be Presbyters; or,

By seven male communicants of this Church, in good standing, of whom two at least shall be Presbyters, and three of which seven shall belong to the Diocese of the accused.

[2.] Whenever a Bishop of this Church shall have reason to believe that there are in circulation rumors, reports, or charges affecting his moral or religious character, he may, if he please, acting in conformity with the written advice and consent of any two of his brother Bishops whom he may select, demand of the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, or if he be the Bishop affected by such rumors, or if he be related to him within the degrees hereinafter mentioned, then to the Bishop next in seniority not so related, to convene a Board of Inquiry in the mode hereinafter set forth, to investigate such rumors, reports, and charges, and to proceed, in all respects, according to the provisions of this Canon, as if charges had been formally made in either of the two modes first mentioned in this Section.

[3.] Whenever charges are formally made in either of the modes first above mentioned, the accusers may, if they choose, select a lay communicant of this Church, of the profession of the law, to act as their adviser, advocate, and agent, in preparing the accusation, proofs, etc., until such time as a Board of Inquiry is convened in such manner as is
hereinafter provided for; or they may prepare such charges themselves, without regard to any particular form; and, in either case, the grounds of accusation must be set forth with reasonable certainty of time, place, and circumstance.

§ iii. The charges, having been prepared in either of the modes first above mentioned, shall then be delivered to the Presiding Bishop, if he be not the accused, nor related to the accused in any degree mentioned hereinafter in this Canon; in either of which cases the charges shall be delivered to the next Bishop in seniority not so related.

§ iv. A Board for making a preliminary inquiry into charges thus preferred, shall be constituted as follows, whenever such Board shall be necessary, viz.:

[1.] The Presiding Bishop, or senior Bishop, as the case may be, to whom such charges are delivered, shall take the list of Clerical and Lay Deputies to the last General Convention that was held before such charges were presented, and from that list shall choose by lot two Presbyters and two Laymen from the deputation of the Diocese of the accused, and two Presbyters and two Laymen from each of the respective deputations of the three Dioceses adjoining that of the accused; and if there be not three adjoining, of the three nearest thereto; and if more than three Dioceses adjoin that of the accused, those three that have the largest number of canonically resident Presbyters in them shall be accounted adjoining, for the purposes of this Canon; and the sixteen individuals thus selected by lot shall consti-
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1. To constitute the Board of Inquiry, a majority of whom shall form a quorum for doing business.

2. The Presiding Bishop, or next in seniority, as the case may be, immediately after thus selecting by lot the Board of Inquiry, shall give notice thereof to each member of said Board, and direct him to attend, at a time and place designated by him, and organize the Board; and it shall be the duty of each member so to attend. The place must be within the Diocese of the accused. The Presiding Bishop shall, at the same time, send a copy of the charges to the senior Presbyter of those thus selected by lot from the four Dioceses.

3. On assembling, the Board shall organize by choosing from among themselves a President and Secretary, and shall also appoint a Church Advocate, who must be a lay communicant of this Church, and of the profession of the law, and who thenceforward shall, in all stages of the proceedings, if a trial be ordered, represent the Church, and be the party on the one hand, while the accused is the party on the other. The sittings of the Board shall be private; the Church Advocate shall not attend as prosecuting counsel, but shall be at all times at hand and in readiness to give his advice in all questions submitted to him by the Board.

4. In conducting the investigation, the Board shall hear the accusations, and such proof as the accusers may produce, and shall determine whether, upon matters of law and of fact, as presented to them, there is sufficient ground to put the accused Bishop upon his trial; and in such investigation, as well as in all cases of trial by an Ecclesiastical Court...
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now authorized, or hereafter to be authorized, by the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention, the laws of the State in which such investigation or trial is had, so far as they relate to the law of evidence, shall be adopted and taken as the rules by which the said Board or Court shall be governed. If a majority of the Board present on such investigation shall be of opinion that there are sufficient grounds to put the accused Bishop upon his trial, they shall direct the Church Advocate to prepare a presentment, to be signed by such of the Board as agree thereto; and to that end shall place in his hands all the charges, together with the testimony that has been laid before the Board.

[5.] The Board shall then direct the Church Advocate to transmit to the Bishop from whom they received the charges, the presentment thus signed; and shall cause him also, without delay, to send to the accused Bishop a copy of the same, certified by the Church Advocate to be correct.

[6.] If a majority of the Board present shall be of opinion that there is not sufficient ground to put the accused Bishop upon his trial, in such case the charges, together with a certificate of the President of the Board of its refusal to make a presentment, shall be sent to the Secretary of the House of Bishops, to be deposited among the archives of that House. And no proceedings shall thereafter be had by way of presentment on such charges, except upon the affidavit of a respectable communicant of the Church of the discovery of new testimony as to the facts charged, and setting forth what such testimony is.
[7.] No presentment shall be found in any case, unless the alleged offence shall have been committed within five years next before the day on which the charges were delivered to the Presiding or senior Bishop. But if the accused shall have been convicted of the alleged offence in a State court, notwithstanding five years may have elapsed since its commission, a presentment may be founded on charges delivered to the Presiding or senior Bishop, at any time within one year after such conviction.

§ v. [1.] When a presentment has been made by the Board of Inquiry, or a majority thereof, to the Bishop from whom they receive the charges, it shall be the duty of such Bishop forthwith to give to the accused written notice to attend, at some place not more than one hundred miles from the place of residence of the accused Bishop, and at some time not less than twenty days after the time of serving such notice, either personally, or by some agent authorized by him in writing to act for him in the premises, for the purpose of selecting the Bishops who shall form the Court for the trial of the said accused Bishop upon the said presentment. He shall also give notice to the Church Advocate of the time and place appointed for such selection.

[2.] At the time and place appointed in the notices, the Bishop who has given the notices shall attend; and, in the presence of the accused Bishop, or of his agent authorized as aforesaid, and also in the presence of the Church Advocate, or of such
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person or persons as may attend in his behalf, or, if no person shall attend on behalf of one or both, of two Presbyters named by himself, the said Bishop shall cause to be placed in a vessel the names of all the Bishops of this Church entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, then being within the territory of the United States, except the accused and those Bishops who may be related to him either by consanguinity or affinity, in the direct ascending or descending line, or as brother, uncle, or nephew. He shall then cause eleven of the said names to be drawn. The names so drawn shall be entered upon a list as they are drawn, and the accused, or his agent, may strike off the list one name, and the said Church Advocate, or his agent, another name, and so on alternately, until the number be reduced to seven. If it shall happen that either party shall neglect or refuse to strike, then the Bishop who has given the notices shall reduce the number to seven by striking off so many of the last drawn names as will reduce the list to that number. The seven Bishops whose names remain, or a majority of them, when assembled, shall constitute the Court for the trial of the accused upon the presentment.

[3.] The Court having been thus constituted, the Bishop to whom the presentment was made shall immediately communicate to each Bishop who has thus been by lot designated as one of the triers, the fact that he is a member of the Court. He shall also appoint a time and place for the assembling of the Court. The time shall not be less than two nor more than six calendar months from the
§ vi. The Bishops who constitute the Court, or a majority of them, having assembled according to the notice given them, which notice it is hereby made their duty to obey, shall proceed as follows, viz.:

[1.] They shall elect a President out of their own number, and appoint a Presbyter of the Church as Clerk, and, if necessary, another Presbyter as Assistant Clerk; and when thus organized, the President shall direct the Clerk to call the names of the Church Advocate and the accused; and if day on which the notice should arrive at the most distant Diocese, in the ordinary course of the public mail. The place shall be within the Diocese or Missionary field of the accused Bishop, unless where the same may be of such difficult access, in the judgment of the Presiding or senior Bishop, that reasonable convenience may require the appointment of another location. And the said senior Bishop shall cause the Church Advocate to send certified copies of the said presentment to all the Bishops who constitute the Court.

[4.] The Bishop to whom the presentment has been made shall also immediately communicate to the accused the names of the members of the Court, and inform him of the time and place appointed for its meeting, and summon him then and there to appear and answer. He, or any other Bishop of this Church having charge of a Diocese, shall have power, until the Court assembles, upon the application of either the Church Advocate or the accused, to issue a summons for witnesses.
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both appear, he shall then cause the Clerk to read the presentment which was delivered to the Presiding or senior Bishop, whose duty it is hereby made to deliver the same to the Court upon its organization.

[2.] The accused shall then be called upon by the Court to say whether he is guilty or not guilty of the offence or offences charged against him, and his plea shall be duly recorded; and on his neglect or refusal to plead, the plea of not guilty shall be entered for him, and the trial shall proceed: Provided, that, for sufficient cause, the Court may adjourn from time to time: and Provided, also, that the accused shall, at all times during the trial, have liberty to be present, and in due time and order produce his testimony, and to make his defence.

[3.] If the accused neglect or refuse to appear in person, according to the notice served on him as aforesaid, except for some reasonable cause to be allowed by the Court, they shall proceed to pronounce him in contumacy, and notify him that sentence of suspension or degradation will be pronounced against him by the Court at the expiration of three months, unless within that time he tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and take his trial on the presentment. But if the accused shall not tender himself before the expiration of the said three months, sentence of suspension or degradation from the Ministry may be pronounced against him by the Court.

[4.] The accused being present, and the trial proceeding, it shall be conducted according to the principles of the common law, as the same are generally administered in the United States; nor
shall any testimony be received at the trial, except from witnesses who have signed a declaration in the following words, to be read aloud before the witness testifies, and to be filed with the records of the Court.

I, A. B., a witness summoned to testify on the trial of a presentment against the Right Rev. ———, a Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, now pending, do most solemnly call God to witness that the evidence I am about to give shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth; so help me God!

And if it be necessary to take the testimony of an absent witness on a commission, such testimony shall be preceded by a similar written declaration of the witness, which shall be filed and transmitted with his or her deposition to the Court. The testimony of each witness shall be reduced to writing. And in case there is ground to suppose that the attendance of any witness on the trial cannot be obtained, it shall be lawful for either party to apply to the Court, if in session, or if not to any member thereof, who shall thereupon appoint a commissary to take the deposition of such witness; and such party so desiring to take the deposition shall give to the other party reasonable notice of the time and place of taking such deposition, accompanying such notice with the interrogatories to be propounded to the witness; whereupon it shall be lawful for the other party, within six days after such notice, to propound cross-interrogatories; and such interrogatories and cross-interrogatories, if any be propounded, shall be sent to the commissary, who shall thereupon proceed to take the testimony of such witness, upon
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Oath or affirmation, and transmit it under seal to the Court. But no deposition shall be read at the trial, unless the Court have reasonable assurance that the attendance of the witness cannot be procured, or unless both parties shall consent that it may be read: Provided, that in any Diocese in which the civil government has authorized the Ecclesiastical Courts therein to issue summons for witnesses, or to administer an oath, the Court shall act in conformity to such laws.

[5.] All notices and papers may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed by the Court, when the same is in session, or by a member thereof; and the certificate of any such summoner shall be evidence of the due service of a notice or paper. In case of service by any other person, the fact may be proved by the affidavit of such person. The delivery of a written notice or paper to the accused party, or to the Church Advocate, or leaving it, or a copy thereof, at the residence, or last known residence, of either, shall be deemed sufficient service of such notice or paper on the Church Advocate and accused, respectively. If the person to be served with any notice or paper shall have left the United States, it shall be a sufficient service thereof to leave a copy of such notice or paper at his last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day in which the appearance, or other act required by the said notice or paper, is to be performed.

[6.] The accused party may, if he think proper, have the aid of counsel; and if he should choose to have more than one counsel, the Church Advocate may have assistant advocates, to be named by the
accusers; but in every case the Court may regulate the number of counsel who shall address the Court, or examine witnesses. The Church Advocate shall be considered the party on one side, and the accused on the other. All counsel must be communicants of the Church.

[7.] The Court, having fully heard the allegations and proofs of the parties, and deliberately considered the same, after the parties have withdrawn, shall declare respectively whether, in their opinion, the accused is guilty or not guilty of each particular charge and specification contained in the presentment in the order in which they are set forth; and the accused shall be considered as not guilty of every charge and specification of which he shall not be pronounced guilty by a majority of the members of the Court.

[8.] The decision of the Court as to all the charges and specifications of which a majority of the members of the Court have found him guilty, shall be reduced to writing, and signed by those who assent to it; and the decision thus signed shall be regarded as the judgment of the Court, and shall be pronounced in the presence of the parties, if they shall think proper to attend.

[9.] If the accused shall be found guilty of any charge or specification, the Court shall proceed to ask him whether he has anything to say before the sentence is passed, and may, in their discretion, give him time to prepare what he wishes to say, and appoint a time for passing the sentence; and before passing sentence, the Court may adjourn from time to time, and give the accused reasonable opportu-
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nity of showing cause to induce a belief that justice has not been done, or that he has discovered new testimony; and the Court, or a majority of its members, may, according to a sound discretion, grant him a new trial; but, in such new trial, no Bishop shall sit who has already been a trier. Before passing sentence, the accused shall always have the opportunity of being heard, if he have aught to say in excuse or palliation.

[10.] The accused having been heard, or not desiring to be heard, the sentence of the Court shall then be pronounced, and shall be either admonition, suspension as defined by the existing Canons of this Church, or degradation, as the offence or offences adjudged to be proved shall seem to deserve. It shall be the duty of the Court, whenever sentence has been pronounced, whether it be upon a trial, or for contumacy, to communicate such sentence to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese of this Church; and it shall be the duty of such Authority to cause such sentence to be made known to every Clergyman under his jurisdiction.

[11.] Every Court shall keep a full record of its proceedings, including the whole evidence given before it. Should any Court refuse to insert in its record a statement of any testimony which has been received, or of any decision which the Court has made, or of any fact which has occurred in Court, or any paper which either party has produced, it shall be the right of either party to file an exception in writing, containing a statement of such evidence, decision, or fact, or referring to or
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describing such paper, which paper shall also be filed with the exception. All exceptions and papers so filed shall become parts of the record.

[12.] Such records shall be kept by the Clerk, and inserted in a book, to be attested by the signatures of the President and Clerk. Every such book, and all papers connected with any trial, shall be deposited with the Registrar of the General Convention. Such books and papers shall be open to the inspection of every member of this Church.

[13.] Every Court, constituted under the authority of this Canon, may be attended by one or more lay advisers, who shall be communicants of this Church, and of the profession of the law. Such advisers may be present at all the proceedings of the Court, but they shall have no vote in any case whatever; it shall be their duty to give in person to the Court an opinion on any question not theological, upon which the Court or any member thereof, or either party, shall desire an opinion. If a dispute shall arise whether any question be or be not theological, it shall be decided by the Court by a majority of votes. The Court may always, by unanimous consent, appoint an adviser or advisers. If they are not unanimous, each member of the Court may name a candidate; if not more than three are named, they shall all be advisers; if more than three are named, the Court shall reduce them to three by lot.

§ vii. [1.] Any Bishop of this Church may be presented for holding and teaching doctrine inconsistent with that of this Church, by any Bishop in
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Communion with this Church and not under suspension or degradation. No Bishop shall be presented in any other mode for this offence; and it shall not be lawful for two or more persons to unite in any such presentment. The Bishop making such presentment shall appoint a Church Advocate.

2. Every presentment for alleged erroneous doctrine shall be signed by the person making it, and shall be addressed to the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and delivered to the senior Bishop entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, and not being the accused or the accuser, whose duty it shall be to convene a Court for the trial of the accused. The Court shall be composed of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, except the accuser and the accused. Three fourths of such Bishops shall constitute a quorum; but the consent of two thirds of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops shall be necessary to a conviction.

§ viii. [1.] If charges be preferred against a Missionary Bishop who is not a Diocesan, such Missionary Bishop shall be required by the Presiding or senior Bishop to name some one of the three Dioceses nearest to his District or Missionary field: and such selection having been made, the proceedings shall then be precisely such as, under this Canon, they would be were he the Diocesan of the Diocese named by him. Should the Missionary Bishop refuse to name a Diocese, then the Presiding Bishop may name any one of the three above designated, and the effect shall be the same as if
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the nomination had been made by the accused Missionary Bishop.

[2.] If charges be preferred against a Bishop having no jurisdiction, he shall be proceeded against precisely as if he were the Diocesan of the Diocese in which he has his civil residence.

CANON 10.

Of Sentences.

§ i. Whenever the penalty of suspension shall be inflicted on a Bishop, Priest, or Deacon, in this Church, the sentence shall specify on what terms, or at what time, said penalty shall cease.

§ ii. [1.] When any Minister is deposed from the Holy Ministry, he is deposed therefrom entirely, and not from a higher to a lower Order in the same; and whenever a Minister shall be deposed, the Bishop who pronounces sentence shall, without delay, give notice thereof to every Minister and Vestry in the Diocese, and also to all the Bishops of this Church, and where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee; and the notice shall specify under what Canon the said Minister has been deposed.

[2.] Deposition, displacing, and all like expressions, are the same as degradation.

CANON 11.

Of the Remission or Modification of Judicial Sentences.

§ i. The Bishops of this Church, who are entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, may altogether
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remit and terminate any judicial sentence which may have been imposed, by Bishops acting collectively as a judicial tribunal; or modify the same so far as to designate a precise period of time, or other specific contingency, on the occurrence of which such sentence shall utterly cease, and be of no further force or effect: Provided, that no such remission or modification shall be made except at a meeting of the House of Bishops, during the session of some General Convention, or at a special meeting of the said Bishops, which shall be convened by the Presiding Bishop on the application of any five Bishops; three months' notice, in writing, of the time, place, and object of the meeting being given personally to each Bishop, or left at his usual place of abode: Provided, also, that such remission or modification be assented to by a number of said Bishops, not less than a majority of the whole number entitled at the time to seats in the House of Bishops: and Provided, that nothing herein shall be construed to repeal or alter Canon 10 of this Title.

§ ii. A Bishop of this Church may, for reasons which he shall deem sufficient, remit and terminate any sentence of deposition or degradation pronounced by him upon a Presbyter or Deacon; but he shall exercise this power only upon the following conditions:

1. That he shall act with the unanimous advice and consent of his Standing Committee.

2. That he shall first submit his proposed action, with his reasons therefor, to the judgment of five of the Bishops of this Church, whose Dioceses or Mis-
Regulations Respecting the Laity.

§ 1. A communicant removing from one parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good

Removal of communicants.

Certificate.
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standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to receive him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced.

§ ii. [1.] If any persons within this Church offend their brethren by any wickedness of life, such persons shall be repelled from the Holy Communion, agreeably to the rubric.

[2.] There being the provision in the second rubric before the Communion Service requiring that every Minister repelling from the Communion shall give an account of the same to the Ordinary, it is hereby provided that, on the information to the effect stated being laid before the Ordinary, that is, the Bishop, it shall not be his duty to institute an inquiry, unless there be a complaint made to him in writing by the repelled party, within three months from such repulsion. But on receiving complaint, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless he think fit to restore him from the insufficiency of the cause assigned by the Minister, to institute an inquiry, as may be directed by the Canons of the Diocese in which the event has taken place. And should no such Canon exist, the Bishop shall proceed according to such principles of law and equity as will insure an impartial decision. And the notice, given as above by the Minister, shall be a sufficient presentation of the party repelled.

[3.] In case of great heinousness of offence on the part of members of this Church, they may be proceeded against to the depriving them of all privileges of Church membership, according to such

Crimes and scandals to be censured.

Ordinary to be informed.

Inquiry on complaint in writing.

Case of the absence of Diocesan Canon.

Deprivation of privileges of Church membership.
Of Marriage and Divorce.

rules or process as may be provided by the General Convention; and until such rules or process shall be provided, by such as may be provided by the different Diocesan Conventions.

CANON 13.

§ i. If any persons be joined together otherwise than as God’s Word doth allow, their marriage is not lawful.

§ ii. No Minister, knowingly after due inquiry, shall solemnize the marriage of any person who has a divorced husband or wife still living, if such husband or wife has been put away for any cause arising after marriage; but this Canon shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery, or to parties once divorced seeking to be united again.

§ iii. If any Minister of this Church shall have reasonable cause to doubt whether a person desirous of being admitted to Holy Baptism, or to Confirmation, or to the Holy Communion, has been married otherwise than as God’s Word doth allow.

Provided, however, that no Minister shall, in any case, refuse the Sacraments to a penitent person in imminent danger of death.
Title II.  CANON 13.  § iv., v.

Of Marriage and Divorce.

§ iv. Questions touching the facts of any case arising under Section ii. of this Canon shall be referred to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which the same may occur; or if there be no Bishop of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, then to some Bishop to be designated by the Standing Committee; and the Bishop to whom such questions have been so referred shall thereupon make inquiry in such manner as he shall deem expedient, and shall deliver his judgment in the premises.

§ v. This Canon, so far as it affixes penalties, does not apply to cases occurring before it takes effect, according to Title IV., Canon 4.
§ i. [1.] The right of calling special meetings of the General Convention shall be in the Bishops. This right shall be exercised by the Presiding Bishop, or, in case of his death, by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, is to preside at the next General Convention: Provided, that the summons shall be with the consent, or on the requisition, of a majority of the Bishops, expressed to him in writing.

[2.] The place of holding any Special Convention shall be that fixed on by the preceding General Convention for the meeting of the General Convention, unless circumstances shall render a meeting at such a place unsafe; in which case the Presiding Bishop may appoint some other place.

[3.] The Deputies elected to the preceding General Convention shall be the Deputies at such Special Convention, unless in those cases in which other Deputies shall have been chosen in the meantime by any of the Diocesan Conventions, and then such other Deputies shall represent in the Special Convention the Church of the Diocese in which they have been chosen.
Of the General Convention.

[4.] The Rules and Orders of the House of Deputies shall be in force in the ensuing General Convention, until the organization thereof, and until they be amended or repealed by the said House.

§ ii. [1.] The journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents, which are named under Title I. Canon 20, entitled Of Securing an Accurate View of the State of the Church, together with all other articles that are now, or shall hereafter become, the property of either House of the General Convention of this Church, shall be committed, when not otherwise expressly provided for, to the keeping of a Presbyter to be elected by the House of Deputies, upon nomination of the House of Bishops, who shall be known as the Registrar of the General Convention.

[2.] It shall be the duty of the said Registrar to procure all such journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents now in existence; to arrange, label, file, index, and otherwise put in order, and provide for the safe keeping of, the same, and all such others as may hereafter come into his possession, in fire-proof box or boxes, or in some safe and accessible place of deposit, and to hold the same under such regulations and restrictions as the General Convention may from time to time provide.

[3.] It shall be the duty of the said Registrar to procure a proper and sufficient book of record, and to enter therein a record of the Consecrations of all the Bishops of this Church, designating accurately the time and place of the same, with the names of the Consecrating Bishops, and of others present and
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How authenticated.

assisting; to have the same authenticated in the
fullest manner now practicable; and to take care
for the similar record and authentication of all future
Consecrations in this Church. Due notice of the
time and place of every such Consecration shall be
given by the Presiding Bishop to the Registrar; and
thereupon it shall be the duty of the Registrar to
attend such Consecration, either in person or by
deputy. He shall prepare, in such form as the
House of Bishops shall prescribe, duplicate originals
of the Letters of Consecration; and he shall procure
the same to be immediately signed and sealed by the
Consecrating Bishop, and by at least two of the
Bishops assisting at such Consecration; and one of
the said duplicate originals said Registrar shall
deliver to the newly consecrated Bishop; and the
other he shall carefully file among the papers in his
custody: and he shall enter a minute thereof in his
record.

[4.] The expenses necessary for the purposes
contemplated by this Section shall be provided for
by vote of the General Convention, and defrayed by
the Treasurer of the same.

§ iii. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the
House of Deputies, whenever any alteration of the
Constitution is proposed, or any other subject sub-
mitted to the consideration of the several Diocesan
Conventions, to give a particular notice thereof to
the Ecclesiastical Authority of this Church in every
Diocese.

§ iv. At every triennial meeting of the General
Convention, a Treasurer shall be chosen, who shall
Title III.  CANON 2.

§ I.  Of Standing Committees.

remain in office until the next stated Convention, and until a successor be appointed. It shall be his duty to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and disbursement shall not otherwise be regulated; and to invest, from time to time, for the benefit of the Convention, such surplus funds as he may have on hand. His account shall be rendered triennially to the Convention, and shall be examined by a Committee acting under its authority. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by an appointment to be made by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese to which he belonged; and the person so appointed shall continue to act until an appointment be made by the Convention.

§ v. In order that the contingent expenses of the General Convention may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, at or before any meeting of the General Convention, three dollars for each Clergyman within such Diocese.

CANON 2.

Of Standing Committees.

§ i. In every Diocese there shall be a Standing Committee, to be appointed by the Convention thereof, whose duties, except so far as provided for by the Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses. They shall elect from their own body a President...
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President and Secretary. They may meet on their own adjournment from time to time; and the President shall have power to summon special meetings whenever he shall deem it necessary.

§ ii. In every Diocese where there is a Bishop, the Standing Committee shall be a Council of Advice to the Bishop. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop, whenever he shall wish for their advice. And they may meet of their own accord, and agreeably to their own rules, when they may be disposed to advise the Bishop.

§ iii. When there is no Bishop, the Standing Committee is the Ecclesiastical Authority for all purposes declared in these Canons.

Canon 3.

Of Congregations and Parishes.

§ i. Whereas, a question may arise whether a congregation within the Diocese of any Bishop, or within any Diocese in which there is not yet any Bishop settled, may unite themselves with the Church in any other Diocese, it is hereby determined and declared that all such unions shall be considered as irregular and void; and that every congregation of this Church shall be considered as belonging to the body of the Church of the Diocese within the limits of which they dwell, or within which there is seated a Church to which they belong. And no Clergyman, having a Parish or cure in more than one Diocese, shall have a seat in the Convention of any Diocese other than that in which he resides.
Title III.  CANON 3. § ii., iii.

Of Congregations and Parishes.

§ ii. [1.] The ascertainment and defining of the boundaries of existing Parishes or parochial cures, as well as the establishment of a new Church or Congregation, and forming a new Parish within the limits of any other Parish, is left to the action of the several Diocesan Conventions, for the Dioceses respectively.

[2.] Until a Canon or other regulation of a Diocesan Convention shall have been adopted, the formation of new Parishes, or establishment of new Churches or Congregations within the limits of other Parishes, shall be vested in the Bishop of the Diocese, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee thereof; and in case of there being no Bishop, in the Ecclesiastical Authority.

[3.] Nothing contained in this Section shall affect any legal rights of property of any Parish.

§ iii. [1.] It shall be lawful, under the conditions hereinafter stated, to organize a Church or Congregation in any foreign country (other than Great Britain and Ireland, and the colonies and dependencies thereof), and not within the limits of any foreign Missionary Bishop of this Church.

[2.] The Bishop in charge of such Congregations, and the Standing Committee hereinafter provided for, may authorize any Presbyter of this Church to officiate temporarily at any place to be named by them, within any such foreign country, upon being satisfactorily assured that it is expedient to establish at such place a Congregation of this Church. Such Presbyter, having publicly officiated at such place not less than four Sundays consecutively, may give
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notice, in the time of Divine Service, that a meeting of the members of this Church attending such services will be held, at a time and place to be named by him, to organize a Church or Congregation. All male persons of full age belonging to this Church may take part in said meeting. And the said meeting may proceed to effect an organization, subject to the approval of the said Bishop and Standing Committee, and in conformity to such regulations as the said Standing Committee may prescribe.

[3.] Such Church or Congregation shall be required, in its Constitution, or Plan, or Articles of Organization, to recognize and accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and particularly to submit to and abide by such directions as may be, from time to time, received from the Bishop in charge, and the Standing Committee hereinafter provided for, in order to its being received under the direction of the General Convention of this Church.

[4.] In order to such reception, it shall be required to declare its desire therefor, duly certified by the Minister, one Churchwarden, and two Vestrymen or Trustees of said Church or Congregation.

[5.] Such certificate, and the Constitution, Plan, or Articles of Organization, shall be submitted to the General Convention during its session, or to the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops at any other time; and in case the same are found satisfactory, a certificate thereof shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, who shall thereupon place its name
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on the list of foreign Churches under the direction of the General Convention; and also a copy of the same shall be forwarded to and filed by the Registrar of the Church, and such Church or Congregation shall thereupon become subject to and placed under the Episcopal government and jurisdiction of such Presiding Bishop for the time being.

[6.] Such Presiding Bishop may, from time to time, by written commission under his own signature and seal, assign to any other Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction in the United States, the full Episcopal charge of one or more of such Churches or Congregations, and the Clergymen officiating therein, for such period of time as he may deem expedient: Provided, such commissions shall not extend to a period longer than three years, and shall then cease and determine, unless renewed by the Presiding Bishop.

[7.] To aid the Presiding Bishop, or the Bishop in charge of these foreign Churches, in administering the affairs of the same, and in settling such questions as may, by means of their peculiar situation, arise, a Standing Committee, consisting of four clergymen and four laymen, shall be constituted as follows, and shall act as a Council of Advice to the Bishop in charge of the foreign Churches. They shall be chosen annually, to serve until their successors are chosen, by a Convocation duly convened, of all the Clergy of the foreign
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Churches or Chapels, and of one lay representative of each Church or Chapel, chosen by its Vestry or Committee. The Standing Committee shall be convened on the requisition of the Bishop whenever he may desire their advice, and they may meet of their own accord when they may wish to advise the Bishop. When a meeting is not practicable, the Bishop may ascertain their mind by letter.

[8.] In case a Clergyman in charge of either of these Congregations in foreign lands shall be charged with either of the punishable offences, as specified in Title II., Canon 2, Section i., of the Digest, it shall be the duty of the Bishop in charge of such Churches to summon the Standing Committee above provided for, and to see that an inquiry be instituted as to the truth of such public charges; and should there be reasonable grounds for believing them to be true, the Bishop in charge and the Standing Committee shall appoint a Commission, consisting of three Clergymen and two Laymen, whose duty it shall be to obtain all the evidence in the case from the parties interested, and who shall, if possible, hold their meeting in the place where the accused resides, giving to the accused all rights under the Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church which can be exercised in a foreign land. The judgment of said Commission, solemnly made and subscribed to, shall then be sent to the Bishop in charge, and to the Presiding Bishop, and, if approved by them, shall be carried into effect: Provided, that no such Commission shall recommend any other discipline than admonition or removal from his charge as Minister.
Title III.  Canon 3. § iii.

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of said Congregation. Should the result of the inquiry of the aforementioned Commission reveal evidence tending to show that said Clergyman deserves a severer discipline, then all the documents in the case shall be placed in the hands of the Presiding Bishop, who shall then proceed against said Clergyman (as far as possible) according to the Canon of Discipline, under Title II. of the Digest, and the Diocesan Canons of the Diocese of the said Presiding Bishop.

[9.] If there be but one such Church or Congregation within the limits of any city, said city shall be deemed the parochial cure of the Minister having charge of the same, and no new Church or Congregation shall be established therein, unless with the consent of the Bishop in charge, and of the Standing Committee herein appointed. Nor shall any Church or Congregation be organized in any foreign city, under the provisions of this Canon, unless with the approval of the Bishop in charge, and the Standing Committee herein provided for.

[10.] In cases of difference between the Minister and his Congregation, the Bishop in charge shall, with the Standing Committee, duly examine the same, and said Bishop and Standing Committee shall have full power to settle, and, if possible, adjust such differences upon the recognized principles of Ecclesiastical law, as laid down in the Canon law of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

[11.] No Clergyman shall be allowed to take charge of such Congregation until he shall have been nominated by the Vestry thereof (or, if there be no such Vestry, by the Standing Committee, provided
CANON 4.

Of the Organization of New Dioceses.

§ i. Whenever any new Diocese shall be formed within the limits of any other Diocese, or by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, and the same shall have been ratified by the General Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese within the limits of which another is formed, or in case of the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, the Bishop of eldest consecration over the Dioceses furnishing portions of such new Diocese, shall thereupon call the Primary Convention of the new Diocese, for the purpose of enabling it to organize, and shall fix the time and place of holding the same, such place being within the territorial limits of the new Diocese.

§ ii. In case there should be no Bishop who can call such Primary Convention, pursuant to the foregoing provisions, then the duty of calling such Convention for the purpose of organizing, and the duty of fixing the time and place of its meeting, shall be vested in the Standing Committee of the Diocese within the limits of which the new one is erected, or the Standing Committee of the eldest of the Dioceses by the junction of which, or parts of which, the new Diocese may be formed. And such
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Standing Committee shall make such call immediately after the ratification of a division by the General Convention.

§ iii. Whenever one Diocese is about to be divided into two Dioceses, the Convention of such Diocese shall declare which portion thereof is to be the new Diocese, and shall make the same known to the General Convention before the ratification of such division.

§ iv. Whenever the formation of a new Diocese shall be ratified by the General Convention, such new Diocese shall be considered as admitted under Article 5 of the Constitution, so soon as it shall have organized in Primary Convention, in the manner prescribed in the previous Sections of this Canon, and the naming of the new Diocese shall be a part of its organization.

CANON 5.

Of the Requisites of a Quorum.

In all cases in which a Canon of the General Convention directs a duty to be performed, or a power to be exercised, by a Standing Committee, or by the Clerical members thereof, or by any other body consisting of several members, a majority of the said members, the whole having been duly cited to meet, shall be a quorum; and a majority of the quorum so convened shall be competent to act, unless the contrary is expressly required by the Canon.
CANON 6.

Authorizing the Formation of a Federate Convention or Council of the Dioceses within any State.

§ i. It is hereby declared lawful for the Dioceses now existing or hereafter to exist, within the limits of any State or Commonwealth, to establish for themselves a Federate Convention or Council representing such Dioceses, which may deliberate and decide upon the common interests of the Church within the limits aforesaid; but before any determinate action of such Convention or Council shall be had, the powers proposed to be exercised shall be submitted to the General Convention for its approval.

§ ii. Any such Federate Convention or Council may exercise any powers that shall have been previously approved by the General Convention for any other Federate Convention or Council.

§ iii. Nothing in this Canon shall be construed as forbidding any Federate Council from taking such action as they may deem necessary to secure such legislative enactments as the common interests of the Church in the State may require.

CANON 7.

Of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

§ i. The Constitution of the said Society, which was incorporated by an Act of the Legislature of
the State of New York, is hereby amended and established so as to read as follows:

Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, as established in 1820 and since amended at various times.

ARTICLE I. This institution shall be denominated the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

ARTICLE II. This Society shall be considered as comprehending all persons who are members of this Church.

ARTICLE III. There shall be a Board of Missions of such Society, composed of the Bishops of this Church, and the members for the time being of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, the Delegates from the Missionary Jurisdictions to the said House of Deputies, and the members of the Board of Managers as hereinafter described. The Board of Missions thus constituted shall convene on the third day of the session of the General Convention, and shall sit from time to time as the business of the Board shall demand.

ARTICLE IV. There shall be a Missionary Council of this Church. It shall comprise all the Bishops of this Church, all the members of the Board of Managers, such other clergymen or laymen as may be selected by the General Convention at its triennial meetings, and in addition thereto, one presbyter and one layman from each Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction to be chosen by the Convention, Council, or
### Title III. CANON 7.  § 1.

**Of the Constitution, etc.**

| When to meet. | Convocation of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction; said Presbyter and said layman to continue in office for one year or until a successor is appointed. This Council so formed shall meet annually except in those years appointed for the meeting of the Board of Missions, at such time and place as may be designated by the Board of Managers with the approval of the Presiding Bishop. Said Council shall be competent to consider the Missionary work of the Church, to make such recommendations to the Board of Managers as it may deem expedient, and to increase interest in the work of the Board of Missions. It shall be competent for the Bishop of a Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction to fill vacancies in the representation of his Diocese or Jurisdiction occurring by removal, resignation, or death, between the sessions of the Convention, Council, or Convocation of his Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction. |
| Its powers. | There shall also be appointed in like manner a Board of Managers, comprising the Presiding Bishop as President, and fifteen other Bishops, fifteen Presbyters, and fifteen laymen, who shall have the management of the general missions of this Church, and when the Board of Missions is not in session, shall exercise all the corporate powers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society; they shall remain in office until their successors are chosen, and they shall have power to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number. All other Bishops of this Church, together with the Secretary and Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and of the Board of Managers, shall be *ex-officio* members of the Board, and have all the rights and privileges of the elected members except the right to vote. |
| Vacancies may be filled. | |
| **Board of Managers.** | |
| Its powers. | |
| Vacancies may be filled. | |
| **Ex-officio members.** | |
Title III. CANON 7. §1.

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Whenever demanded by one-fifth of the members present, a majority of two-thirds of the members voting shall be necessary to any act of the Board. In all annual appropriations, and in entering upon or abandoning any missionary field, as also in changing the by-laws, a majority must be present. For all other business, the Board may, by a by-law, determine the quorum.

The Board of Managers shall make a full and complete triennial report to the General Convention, constituted as the Board of Missions, on or before the third day of the session of the General Convention, and a similar report to the Missionary Council at its annual meetings, comprising such an outline of the missionary work prosecuted during the preceding year as may serve to give a comprehensive view of the progress, prospects and present condition of the work of the Society in the several parts of the Domestic and Foreign fields.

There shall be appointed at each meeting of the General Convention and of the Missionary Council, a Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two laymen, together with the General Secretary of the Board of Missions, whose duty it shall be to arrange an order of work for the ensuing meeting of the Board of Missions, or of the Missionary Council.

ARTICLE V. The Board of Managers is authorized to form such committees as it may deem desirable to promote the Missionary work, and to appoint such officers as shall be needful for carrying on such work, and to enact all By-laws, for its own government and the government of its committees and officers.

ARTICLE VI. The Board of Managers is entrusted with power to establish and regulate such missions as are not placed under Episcopal Supervision.
In all organized Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions having Bishops in the Domestic field, it is authorized to make annual appropriations to be disbursed by the Bishops with the approval of the Standing Committee or Board of Missions of the Diocese or Jurisdiction, and whenever any of said Bishops may so elect, the Board of Managers shall act as above provided instead of such Standing Committee or said Diocesan Board of Missions: Provided, that no part of such annual appropriations shall be expended for any other purpose than the support of Missionaries, or the supply of Mission Stations with clerical service, without the concurrence of the Board of Managers; and an itemized account of the expenditure of all appropriations shall be made annually to the President of the Board of Managers; and, Provided, that in the management of the Foreign Missions, the Bishops shall have as their Council of advice the Board of Managers for the general schedule of expenditures; but for the details of the local work, they may have as their Council of advice the Standing Committees of their respective Jurisdictions.

In Missionary Jurisdictions, both Foreign and Domestic, the titles to all Church property and funds, not distinctly parochial, shall be reported to the Board of Managers; and copies of all deeds conveying or affecting such property or funds shall be forwarded to the Board of Managers by the Bishop of the Jurisdiction.

Every Missionary Bishop shall annually report to the Board of Managers all contributions received by him for his work, except such as shall come to him through the Treasurer of the Board.

**Article VII.** The salary of a Missionary Bishop shall be fixed at or before the time of his election, to take effect from the date of his Consecration, and shall not be diminished during his official relation to
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the Board of Missions without his consent. But all contributions by the Missionary Jurisdictions for the support of their Bishops shall be reported to the Board of Managers and accounted for as a part of such salary.

Whenever the Board shall be satisfied of the ability of a Missionary Jurisdiction to support its Bishop with a salary not less than that provided for at his Consecration, the relation of such Missionary Bishop to the Board of Missions may be terminated by said Board.

ARTICLE VIII. No person shall be appointed a Missionary who is not at the time a Minister in regular standing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, or of some Church in communion with this Church; but nothing in this Section shall preclude the Board of Managers from employing laymen or women, members of this Church, or of some Church in communion with the same, to do Missionary work.

ARTICLE IX. The Board of Managers shall have power to appoint agents to represent the Society in different parts of the country, and is authorized to promote the formation of auxiliary Missionary Associations, whose contributions, as well as those specially appropriated by individuals, shall be received and paid in accordance with the wish of the donors, when expressed in writing. It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers to arrange for public Missionary meetings, to be held at such times and places as may be determined upon, to which all auxiliaries approved by the Board of Managers may send representatives.

ARTICLE X. Whenever there shall be a meeting of the Board of Missions, as provided for in Article III. of this Canon, there shall be a roll call of the Bishops and of all deputations and delegations, and of the other members of the Board, and in all votes such call shall also be made whenever demanded by
Of the Constitution, etc.

the Clerical or Lay Deputation of any Diocese, or by any three members appointed under Article III. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for business. A majority of all members of the Board present at any meeting shall be necessary to pass any motion.

ARTICLE XI. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time by the General Convention of this Church.

§ ii. All Canons, and all action by or under the authority of the General Convention, so far as inconsistent with the provisions of this Canon and of such amended Constitution, are hereby repealed: Provided, however, that nothing herein shall in any manner impair or affect any corporate rights of the said society, or any vested right whatever.

§ iii. This Canon shall take effect immediately.

CANON 8.
Of General Clergy Relief.

§ i. The General Convention at each Triennial Meeting shall elect, on the nomination of a Joint Committee thereof, seven persons to serve as Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, and of Aged, Infirm and Disabled Clergymen, instituted by the General Convention in 1853, and incorporated in Chapter 459 of the laws of the State of New York in 1855. Said Trustees shall hold office until the succeeding General Convention, or until their successors shall be elected, and shall have power to fill vacancies occurring in their own Board, and to appoint officers and agents.
§ ii. [1.] The widow of any deceased clergyman, remaining unmarried, the children of any deceased clergyman until they have reached the age of twenty-one years, unless they shall have married before that age, and any clergyman being permanently disabled, or having reached the age of sixty-four years, shall be entitled, in the discretion of the Trustees, to share in the benefits of this Fund.

[2.] All applications to the Trustees shall bear the recommendation of the Bishop, or in case there be no Bishop, of the clerical members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Jurisdiction to which the applicant may belong.

§ iii. The resources of the Fund shall be from such royalties as shall be established by the General Convention, from offerings in parishes, and from such other voluntary gifts and legacies as may be received.

§ iv. The Trustees shall publish a report on the first of September, in each year, showing a complete list of all contributions to the Fund within the year past, and shall cause a copy of such report to be sent to every Bishop and Clergyman of the Church.

§ v. Contributors to the Fund shall have the right to designate how their contributions shall be applied, and the Bishop of any Diocese or Jurisdiction may, within one year after the report is issued, direct how the contributions of congregations in his Diocese or Jurisdiction so reported the use of which has not been designated, shall be applied.

§ vi. The Trustees may enter into relations with all kindred funds and societies in the Church, and so
Of the Distribution of the Book of Common Prayer.

far as may be practicable, secure their co-operation to the end that there may be a complete record of all clergy relief in the Church, and that such relief may be distributed wisely, equitably and efficiently.
Title IV.  CANON 1.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

CANON 1.

Of Repealed Canons.

WHENEVER there shall be a repealing clause in any Canon, and the said Canon shall be repealed, such repeal shall not be a re-enactment of the Canon or Canons repealed by the said repealing clause.

CANON 2.

Of the Enactment, Amendment, and Repeal of Canons.

§ 1. In all cases of future enactment, the same, if by the way of amendment of an existing provision, shall be in the following form: “Title—, Canon—, Section—, Clause—, is hereby amended so as to read as follows.” And if the enactment is of an additional Clause, Section, or Canon, it shall be designated as the next Canon or next Section, or next Clause of a Canon or Section, in the order of numbering of the Title to which the subject properly belongs; and if a Canon or Section or Clause be stricken out, the existing numbering shall be retained until a new edition of the Canons be directed, or until changed as in the next Section provided.
Title IV.

CANON 4. § i.

Of the Time when New Canons shall take Effect.

§ ii. The Committee on Canons of each House of the General Convention shall, at the close of each Session of the General Convention, appoint two of their number to certify the changes, if any, made in the Canons, including a correction of the references made in any Canon to another, and to report the same, with the proper arrangement thereof, to the Secretary, who shall print the same in the Journal.

CANON 3.

Of the Time of these Canons taking Effect.

These Canons shall take effect on the first day of January, in the year of our Lord 1860; from and after which day all other Canons of this Church are hereby, and shall be deemed to be, repealed: Provided, that such repeal shall not affect any case of a violation of existing Canons committed before that date; but such case shall be governed by the same law as if no such repeal had taken place.

CANON 4.

Of the Time when New Canons shall take Effect.

All Canons hereafter enacted, unless otherwise specially ordered, shall take effect on the first day of January following the adjournment of the General Convention at which they are made.
The foregoing is a true Copy of the Constitution and Canons.

WILLIAM CROSWELL DOANE,
Chairman of the House of Bishops.

Attest, SAMUEL HART,
Secretary of the House of Bishops.

MORGAN DIX,
President of the House of Deputies.

Attest, CHARLES L. HUTCHINS
Secretary of the House of Deputies.

WASHINGTON, October 25, A. D. 1898.

JOINT COMMITTEE TO CERTIFY THE CHANGES MADE IN THE CANONS BY THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, HELD IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON IN THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, A. D. 1898.

BOYD VINCENT, Committee on the part of Coadjutor Bishop of Ohio, the House of Bishops.

ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Committee on the part of Bishop of Vermont, the House of Deputies.

FREDERICK PARKER DAVENPORT,
DAVID B. LYMAN,
Appendix.

Joint Resolution of the Two Houses of General Convention on the duty of the Clergy of this Church in the matter of bearing arms:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, that it is incompatible with the duty, position, and sacred calling of the Clergy of this Church to bear arms.

Explanatory Note, by the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

The spirit and intent of this resolution do not extend to the office of Chaplain in either branch of the Military Service, nor to that of Professor or Instructor in any Military or Naval Academy. The duties of these offices are civil, and entirely compatible with the duties of the Sacred Ministry.

Order.

Of the Organization of the House of Deputies, and prescribing the Duties of the Secretary.

§ i. At the time and place appointed for the meeting of the General Convention, the Secretary, or in his absence one of the Assistant Secretaries, in the order of their appointment, or in the absence of all, the person appointed as hereinafter provided by the
ORDER.

Organization of the House of Deputies, etc.

Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the General Convention is to meet, shall call to order the members present of the House of Deputies, and record the names of those whose testimonials, in due form, shall have been presented to him; which record shall be prima facie evidence that the persons whose names are therein recorded are entitled to seats in the House of Deputies. If there be a quorum present, by the record, the Secretary shall so declare, and the House shall proceed to organize by the election by ballot of a President from the members of the House, and of a Secretary; and a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. So soon as a President and Secretary have been elected, a committee shall be appointed to wait upon the House of Bishops, and inform them of the organization of the House of Deputies, and its readiness to proceed to business.

The Secretary shall keep full minutes of the proceedings of the House; transcribe them, with all reports, into a book provided for that purpose; preserve the Journal and Records of the House; deliver them to his successor; and perform such other duties as may be directed or assigned to him by the House. He may, with the approbation of the House, appoint four Assistant Secretaries, and the Secretary and Assistant Secretaries shall continue in office until the organization of the next Convention, and until their successors be chosen. If, during the recess of the General Convention, a vacancy should occur in the office of Secretary, the duties thereof shall devolve upon the Assistant Secretaries; or if the Assistant Secretaries shall die or resign, a
Organization of the House of Deputies, etc.

Secretary shall be appointed by the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the next General Convention is to meet.

§ ii. In order to aid the Secretary in preparing the list specified in the preceding section, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese to forward to him, as soon as may be practicable, a copy of the Journal of the Diocesan Convention, together with a certified copy of the Testimonials of Members aforesaid. He shall also forward a duplicate copy of such Testimonials to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the next General Convention is to meet.

§ iii. The Secretary of the House of Deputies and the Treasurer of the Convention, although not returned as Deputies to the Convention, shall be entitled to seats upon the floor of the House, and, with the approval of the President, to speak on the subjects of their respective offices.

§ iv. Previous to the meeting of each General Convention, the Secretary of the last Convention, under the direction of the Deputies from the Diocese in which the Convention is to be held, shall determine by lot the seats to be occupied by each delegation.
STANDING ORDER AND RESOLUTION.

Standing Order.

Of Delegates from Missionary Jurisdictions and from Foreign Churches.

Resolved, That one Clerical and one Lay Delegate, to be chosen by any Convocation of all the Clergy and representatives of the Laity, convoked by the authority of the Bishop of any Missionary Jurisdiction of this Church, or chosen by a similar Convocation of the Churches in Europe, organized under Title III., Canon 3, Section iii., of the Digest, convened by direction of the Presiding Bishop, or by the Bishop in charge of Foreign Churches, shall have seats assigned to them in this House, with similar privileges to those of Deputies, except that they shall have no vote on any question or matter: and that this be a Standing Order of the House.

Standing Resolution.

Of the Expenses of the Presiding Bishop.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to pay, from time to time, on the order of the Presiding Bishop of the House of Bishops, such expenses as he may necessarily incur in the execution of his office for clerk hire, printing, stationery, etc., not exceeding four hundred dollars in any one year; it being understood that the travelling expenses of the Presiding Bishop are paid by the Diocese or other body at whose instance they are incurred.
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