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Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

We are met for the Ninety-seventh Annual Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina in a parish which may claim to be in a manner the oldest in our present Diocese. Edgecombe is the oldest County of this Diocese, and a parish, organized in the town of Tarboro' as Trinity Church, was admitted into union with the Convention of the Diocese in 1819, immediately before similar action on behalf of St. John's Church, Williamsboro'. In 1833 the congregation, made up almost entirely of the same families who had formed the parish in 1819, was reorganized under the Rev. William Norwood, as Calvary Church, and under this new designation was readmitted into union with the Convention in 1833. It seems rather unfortunate that the parish had not been called St. Mary's, after the Colonial parish embraced within the bounds of the County of Edgecombe immediately anterior to the Revolution; especially as some of those concerned in the formation of Trinity Parish in 1819, and in its reorganization as Calvary Parish in 1833, were connected personally, as well as by ancestral associations, with old St. Mary's Parish.

But the present is of more immediate concern to us than the past; and we are happy in the many evidences of life and of useful activity, which this old parish shows. It is not inferior to our newest congregations in our most pushing modern communities in all that relates to the vigorous prosecution of the work of our Divine Master in renewing

and developing the lives of the people.

One other matter of retrospect must not be omitted before we pass on to the consideration of our present work. We miss some faces which for years we have rejoiced to see at these annual meetings, and there are gaps in our ranks which, to the human hearts of the older of us, shall never seem to be quite filled up. The past year has been marked as has no other year of my Episcopate by the passing onward and upward, beyond our earthly view, of men and women long

and eminently associated with the life of the Diocese. this Parish one whose connection with it covered the whole period of its existence since the reorganization of 1833 rests from her labors, and her works do follow her. Others hardly less to be honored, by me at least, have, during the year, passed on to their rest. I can not name them all, nor do you need that I should; but there is one, whose eminent public service to the Church, and to the community in which she lived, irrespective of my personal relationship or regard, seems to require that I should mention, however briefly, in this my annual address to you. Mrs. Jane Wilkes, of Charlotte, was a woman of extraordinary efficiency and usefulness. It was by her efforts that our Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was formed, of which she was for years the actual leader, and then the honorary head. She was the real founder, and sustainer up to the time of her death, of the Good Samaritan Hospital for Negroes in Charlotte; and although she did not stand in quite the same relation to St. Peter's Hospital, Charlotte, yet I believe her most eminent associates in that noble work gladly yield to her the credit of having done more than all others in developing that institution and in bringing it to its present condition of eminent success and usefulness. And those visible and public activities were supplemented by an equal activity and devotion in all departments of more private and personal duty and beneficence.

In the same way I feel bound to mention for eminent devotion and service to the Church, not forgetting others dear to us all and honored by all, the late Richard H. Battle, of Raleigh. He and I began our connection with this Convention at the same session, that of 1874; but he as a man who had already won a place of honorable distinction; and he became almost at once one of the leading laymen of the Diocese. A man of singular purity, sincerity and courage, of sound judgment and cultivated intellect, of high position at the Bar and in the estimation of his fellow-men, he crowned the whole with a consistency of Christian character, an assiduity in pious and charitable works, and a simplicity of personal faith and devotion, which made him, I think I may say, the model man of this Convention and of this Diocese. The records of this body and of the General Convention pre-

serve the history of his public activity in the Church. I feel it my duty to say here that his prominence in the outward life and in the legislative assemblies of the Church was only an inadequate expression of real Christian character, which had its higher development in the inner life and daily walk of one who visited the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and kept himself unspotted from the world.

During this same year we have lost four of our brethren from the ranks of our Diocesan Clergy: The Rev. Richard W. Anderson died June 9th, 1912; the Rev. Samuel Paxton Watters, November 23d; the Rev. Matthias Murray Marshall, D.D., October 22d, and the Rev. Edward Leslie Ogilby

March 30th, 1913.

The Rev. Mr. Anderson had but recently come to us from the Diocese of West Texas, having been rector of Trinity Church, Scotland Neck, since October, 1911, and was known to but few of us. His short term of service gave little opportunity for showing what he might have accomplished, but was long enough to impress all who came to know him, with the purity and devotion of his Christian character, and the generous warmth of his love for his brethren. His death was felt to be a sad loss to his people, who had already learned to love and to trust him.

Of the Rev. Mr. Ogilby it may also be said that our people generally were but little acquainted with him, though he had been longer in the Diocese. The later years of his life were marked by a gradual failure of his powers, which, though hardly realized at the time, we can now see to have been the cause of his lessening influence and labors. But those who knew him earlier, and those to whom he ministered when he first came to us in 1904, remember him as an excellent preacher, a diligent pastor, and an effective administrator of an important parish in Philadelphia. His ministrations in Charlotte are most affectionately and gratefully remembered by many members of St. Peter's Parish.

The Rev. Mr. Watters was a native of North Carolina, but, after an absence of some years, came to us in 1897 from the Diocese of Florida. The whole of his ministry, from that time until his retirement from active work in October, 1911, was spent in St. Matthew's Church, Hillsboro'. At the time of his death he had been residing for some months

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in Charlottesville, Virginia. Mr. Watters entered the ministry in middle life. He was an attractive example of much that was best in the social culture of the older days in North Carolina. Devotedly attached to the Church and to his people, his daily life and conversation impressed them more than they realized at the time. The bond between them remained unbroken even after he began to feel himself unable fully to perform his duties; but realizing that he should suppress his personal feelings in the interests of Christ's Kingdom, he laid the matter before his Bishop, and asked only to be told what he ought to do. I can not refrain from mentioning this instance of a difficult problem met and solved to the credit of both Priest and people. The parting was painful on both sides, and drew both only nearer together in respect and mutual affection, and was visibly blessed in the spiritual life of the parish. The last month was one of the most fruitful and happy, in its many manifestations of religious interest and of personal affection, of any which he had passed in his ministry. And having finished his work his Master soon called him to rest.

In the death of the Rev. Dr. Marshall we lose from our Clergy List the name of one of the most notable of those who have served the Diocese in my generation. I was intimately and affectionately associated with him for years before I became Bishop, and after my removal to Raleigh our relations became only more confidential and kindly. The one or two matters of difference which did arise between us afforded opportunity for me to realize more fully his tenderness of heart, and generous responsiveness to every appeal to truth and friendship. He was a man gifted with rare charm of manner, sensibility, and social attractiveness. had a handsome presence and a fine talent for public speaking and reading. But his most prominent quality as a clergyman was shown in his devotion as a pastor to his flock. It has often seemed to me that his absorption in the life of his own parish had prevented his attaining a wider reputation abroad, and perhaps higher positions in the Church. All that his Diocese could do for him as its honored Presbyter, it did. I believe he held every position of prominence in the Diocese. President of the Convention, President of the Standing Committee and Deputy to the General

Convention, he was for years. But still his heart was in his pastoral office, and his most satisfying position was that of Rector of Christ Church, Raleigh. The last years of weakness and inability are now past, and we thank God for his blessed release, and for the peace and rest which he now enjoys.

My services during the year have been as follows:

- May 8. The Ninety-sixth Annual Convention of the Diocese met in St. Philip's Church, Durham, at 10 a.m. At the opening service, 11 a.m., I administered the Holy Communion. I presided at the business sessions throughout the day, and officiated at the evening service.
  - 9. 7:30 a. m. Administered the Holy Communion; presided at the business meetings during the day, and officiated at the evening service.
  - 10. 7:30 a. m. Administered the Holy Communion. Presided at the business sessions, and conducted the closing service 1 p. m.
    - 8:30 p.m. Made visitation to St. Titus Chapel, our colored Mission in Durham, and confirmed three persons.
  - 12. Raleigh: Officiated in the Chapel of St. Mary's School.
  - 14. 8:30 p. m. Visited St. Stephen's Church, Duke. Preached and confirmed five persons.
  - 15. In Raleigh: Attended a conference on "Child Labor."
  - 17. 8 p. m. Visited the church at Middleburg. Preached and confirmed three persons; made an address.
  - 19. Sunday after the Ascension: Visited All Saints' Church, Roanoke Rapids. Preached and confirmed nine persons. The evening of the same day visited Grace Church, Weldon; preached, and confirmed six persons.
  - In the Church of the Good Shepherd, Raleigh: Officiated at the funeral of Mr. Richard H. Battle.
  - 26. Whitsun Day. Being "Commencement Sunday" at St. Mary's School, I administered the Holy Communion at 7:30 a. m. and also officiated at 11 a. m. in the School Chapel. The "Commencement Sermon" was preached by the Rev. Reese F. Alsop, of Brooklyn, N. Y.
    - 5 p. m. In the Chapel of St. Augustine's School, I officiated at Evening Prayer when the "Commencement Sermon" was preached by the Rev. Richard Bright colored Archdeacon of the Diocese of Georgia.
  - 28. In the Chapel of St. Mary's School: Presented the diplomas to the graduating class, and conducted the closing service.
    - 3 p.m. Presided at the annual meeting of the Trustees of St. Mary's School.

- 29. At the Commencement of St. Augustine's School: Presented the diplomas to the graduates.
  - 3 p. m. Presided at the annual meeting of the Trustees of St. Augustine's School.
  - 8:30 p. m. In Taylor Hall, St. Augustine's School: Made an address at the opening of the "St. Augustine's Conference."
- 30 and 31. Gave three lectures in the library of St. Augustine's School before the Conference on the "Use of the Book of Common Prayer."
- June 1. In Salisbury: Examined a candidate for Deacon's Orders.
  - TRINITY SUNDAY, 11 a. m. Salisbury, St. Paul's Church: Preached, ordained a Deacon, and administered the Holy Communion.
    - 8 p. m. Charlotte, St. Peter's Church: Made an address.
  - 4, 5, 6 and 7. St. Mary's School, Raleigh: Attended the sessions of "St. Mary's Conference," and conducted the closing service 11 a.m., June 7th, in the Chapel of St. Mary's School.
- July 17. In Christ Church, Raleigh: Confirmed one person.
  - 18. Attended meeting of Executive Committee of St. Mary's School.
  - Laurinburg: Visited St. David's Church; preached, confirmed two persons, made an address.
  - 21. The Seventh Sunday after Trinity, 11 a. m. Union County: Visited St. Timothy's Church; administered the Holy Communion; had conference with the congregation.
    - 8:30 p. m. Ansonville: Visited All Souls' Church; preached.
    - At this point my visitations were interrupted by an attack of sickness which disabled me for some weeks.
  - In Charlotte: Attended a meeting of St. Michael's School Board.
- Aug. 29. Eleventh annual meeting of the Convocation of Colored Work, in St. Stephen's Church, Winston: 10 a.m. Conducted the opening service, and administered the Holy Communion.
  - In the afternoon presided at the business session, and read my address to the Convocation.
  - 30. Presided at the business session of the Convocation.
    - 7:45. Mayodan, Church of the Messiah: Confirmed sixteen persons, and made an address.
  - 31. 9 a. m. In Mayodan: Confirmed in private house a sick man and woman and their daughter.
    - 10 a. m. Church of the Messiah: Administered the Holy Communion.

- Sept. 1. The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity. 11 a. m. Visited the Church of the Epiphany, Leaksville: Preached, and administered the Holy Communion.
  - 8:30 p. m. Visited St. Luke's Church, Spray: In a service out of doors, the building being too small to hold the congregation, I preached, and confirmed thirty-two persons.
  - 15. The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity. Raleigh, in the Church of the Good Shepherd: Confirmed four persons.
  - 18. Conference with the Standing Committee upon a question of parochial boundaries.
  - Chapel of St. Mary's School: Made an address at the opening of the school year.
  - 22. The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity. Hillsboro, St. Matthew's Church: Instituted into the Rectorship of the Parish the Rev. Alfred Stratton Lawrence, and preached. Officiated at Evening Prayer in the same church.
  - 26. Raleigh, Chapel of St. Augustine's School: Officiated at the opening service of the school year, and made an address.
  - 27. Charlotte, St. Peter's Church: Officiated at a funeral.
- Oct. 2. 11 a. m. In St. John's Church, Williamsboro: Preached. 8 p. m. Visited the church at Middleburg: Preached.
  - Visited the Church of the Saviour, Jackson: Preached, and confirmed one person.
  - 5. In Enfield: Baptized in private house three children.
  - The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity. 11 a. m. Visited the Church of the Advent, Enfield: Preached, and administered the Holy Communion.
    - 7:30 p. m. Visited Grace Church, Weldon: Preached, and confirmed two persons.
  - 7. In All Saints Church, Roanoke Rapids: Preached.
  - Warrenton, Emmanuel Church: 4 p. m. Attended meeting of Executive Committee of the Convocation of Raleigh.
    - 8 p. m. Officiated at opening service of the Annual Meeting of the Convocation of Raleigh.
  - 9. 7:30 a. m. In same church: Administered the Holy Communion.
    - 9:30 a.m. Officiated at Morning Prayer.
    - 12:30 p. m. Delivered to the clergy and people a charge on "Public Worship in the Church."
    - 8 p. m. Officiated at Evening Prayer.
  - 10. In same church: Presided morning and afternoon at the business sessions of the Convocation, and at

- 12 m. Published and read to clergy and people a pastoral letter, supplementary to the charge on "Public Worship in the Church."
- 8 p. m. Visited All Saints' Church, our colored Mission in Warrenton.
- 11. Officiated in Christ Church, Raleigh, at a funeral.
- 13. The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity. 11 a. m. Visited St. Paul's Church, Louisburg: Confirmed three persons, preached, and administered the Holy Communion.
  - 8 p. m. Visited St. Matthias' Church, our colored Mission: preached, and confirmed one person.
- 16. Annual Meeting of Convocation of Charlotte. Winston, St. Paul's Church: 9: 30 a. m. Officiated at Morning Prayer, and read my charge on "Public Worship in the Church."
  - 12 m. Said the Litany and Prayers.
  - 7:45 p.m. Visited St. Paul's Church, Winston: Read Pastoral Letter, and confirmed ten persons.
- 17. Presided in business meeting, and officiated at the closing service of the Convocation.
  - 8 p. m. Visited Kernersville: Preached, and confirmed two persons.
- St. Luke's Day. 7 p. m. Visited St. Stephen's Church, our colored Mission in Winston: Confirmed one person.
- 19. Greensboro: 10 a. m. Had conference with the rector and representatives of the Vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity.
  - 2 p. m. In St. Mary's Chapel, Greensboro: Met a number of the students of the State Normal College for Women.
- 20. The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity. Church of the Holy Comforter, Burlington: Visited the Sunday School, and spoke to the children. Officiated morning and evening; preached twice, administered the Holy Communion, and confirmed seven persons.
- 21. In the same church: Made an address to the Woman's Auxiliary and the ladies of the parish.
- 24. In Christ Church, Raleigh: Officiated at the funeral of the late Rev. Matthias M. Marshall, D.D.
- 25. St. Crispin's Day. 11 a. m. Consecrated St. Matthew's Church, Rowan County, erected in memory of the late Rev. Francis J. Murdoch, D.D., by his wife and his sister. Administered the Holy Communion; confirmed eleven persons.
- 27. The Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity. 11 a.m. Consecrated St. Mary's Church, High Point. Preached, and administered the Holy Communion.

- 7:30 p. m. Visited St. Luke's Church, Salisbury: Confirmed fourteen persons, and made an address.
- 28. 11 a. m. Consecrated St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, Salisbury. Confirmed three persons, and administered the Holy Communion.
  - 4 p. m. Dedicated the "Murdoch Memorial Mission's House," adjoining St. Paul's Church, Salisbury.
- 29. 8 p. m. St. Peter's Church, Charlotte: Officiated with other Bishops and clergy at the opening service of the Missionary Council of the Fourth Department.
- 30. 7:30 a. m. Administered the Holy Communion in St. Peter's Church, and presided in the business sessions of the Convocation.
- 31. 7:30 a.m. Administered the Holy Communion, assisted by the Bishop of Atlanta; presided during the day in the business sessions of the Council.
  - 8 p. m. Officiated at the closing service of the Council, and made an address.
- Nov. 1. All Saints' Day. Church of the Holy Comforter, Charlotte:

  Administered the Holy Communion, assisted by the
  Bishop of Mississippi, who preached.
  - 12 m. Attended meeting of St. Michael's Industrial School Board.
  - 4 p. m. In St. Peter's Church, Charlotte: Confirmed two persons.
  - Visited St. Mark's Church, Mecklenburg County: Confirmed eight persons, and administered the Holy Communion.
  - 3. The Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity. 11 a. m. Visited St. James' Church, Iredell County: Baptized two infants; confirmed four persons; preached, and administered the Holy Communion.
    - 5:20 p. m. Statesville, Chapel of the Holy Cross: Confirmed five persons, and made an address.
    - 7:30. Visited Trinity Church, Statesville: Preached, and confirmed one person.
  - Visited St. Simeon's Church, Satterwhite: Preached, and confirmed one person.
  - The Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity. 11 a. m. Visited St. Paul's Church, Goshen: Preached, and administered the Holy Communion.
    - 8 p. m. Oxford, St. Stephen's Church: Preached, and confirmed ten persons.
  - 11. 4:30 p. m. Spoke to the Woman's Auxiliary and other women of the parish.

- 8 p. m. Visited St. Cyprian's Church, our colored Mission in Oxford: Preached and confirmed two persons.
- 13. Visited the Church of the Good Shepherd, Ridgeway. Confirmed four persons, preached, and administered the Holy Communion.
- In Raleigh met the Committee on Missionary Apportionments.
- 15. Opened and closed with prayer and benediction a meeting of the State Society of the Sons of the Revolution.
- 17. The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity. Visited the Church of the Holy Innocents, Henderson: Officiated morning and evening, preached twice, confirmed thirteen persons, and administered the Holy Communion.
- 18. 4 p. m. In same church met and spoke to a gathering of the young women of the parish.
- 21. Cooleemee, Church of the Good Shepherd: Preached and confirmed twenty persons.
- 24. The Sunday next before Advent. 11 a. m. Church of the Ascension, Davie County: Confirmed five persons, preached, and administered the Holy Communion.
  - 7 p. m. Lexington, Grace Church: Said Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed one person.
- 28. THANKSGIVING DAY. In Chapel of St. Mary's School: preached.
- St. Andrew's Day. In same place: Administered the Holy Communion.
- Dec. 1. The First Sunday in Advent. 11 a. m. Visited St. Mark's Church, Halifax: Preached and administered the Holy Communion.
  - 7 p. m. Trinity Church, Scotland Neck: Preached, and confirmed one person.
  - 8. The Second Sunday in Advent. 11 a. m. Visited St. Mary's Church, Speed: Said Morning Prayer, confirmed eight persons, preached, and administered the Holy Communion.
    - 7:45 p. m. Calvary Church, Tarborough: Preached, and confirmed seventeen persons.
  - 9. 7 p. m. In Grace Memorial Chapel, Lawrence: Said Evening Prayer, and preached.
  - 12. Visited Grace Church, Weldon: Preached, confirmed five persons in the church, and one in private.
  - 15. The Third Sunday in Advent. 11 a. m. Visited St. Timothy's Church, Wilson: Preached, and administered the Holy Communion.
    - 7:30 p. m. Church of the Good Shepherd, Rocky Mount: Preached, and confirmed twelve persons.

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- Jan. 19. Septuagesima Sunday. 8 a. m. In St. Matthow's Church, Hillsboro: Administered the Holy Communion.
  - 11 a. m. In the same church: Said the appointed services, and preached.
  - 20. In St. Peter's Church, Charlotte: Officiated at a funeral.
  - 22. In same church: Officiated at the opening service at a special meeting of the Convocation of Charlotte.
  - 23. In the same church: Officiated at Morning Prayer, and attended meeting of the Convocation.
    - 4:30 p. m. Attended meeting of the Executive Committee of the Thompson Orphanage.
  - 26. Sexagesima Sunday. In Grace Church, Lexington: Said Morning Prayer, preached, and administered the Holy Communion.
  - 30. Attended meeting of Executive Committee of St. Augustine's School.
  - 31. 3 p. m. Took part in the service at the dedication of the Young Men's Christian Association at the State Agricultural and Mechanical College.
- Feb. 2. Feast of the Purification and Quinquagesima Sunday.

  11 a.m. Visited St. Philip's Church, Durham: Preached, confirmed thirteen persons, and administered the Holy Communion.
  - 7:30 p.m. St. Joseph's Church, West Durham: Preached, and confirmed ten persons.
  - 4. In Raleigh: Appeared before the Senate Judiciary Committee of the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina and spoke in opposition to proposed divorce legislation.
  - 5. Ash Wednesday. Preached in Christ Church, Raleigh.
  - 7. At "Ravenscroft," the Episcopal Residence, I presided at an informal meeting of Clergy, laymen and lay women of Raleigh, who presented to the Rev. A. B. Hunter, Principal of St. Augustine's School, and to Mrs. Hunter, an address upon the completion of twenty-five years of faithful service in that Institution, expressive of our affection, respect, and high appreciation of their character and work.
  - 7. In Taylor Hall, St. Augustine's School, I took part in a similar anniversary celebration in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter, held by the officers, teachers, and pupils of St. Augustine's School, and made an address.
  - The First Sunday in Lent. 11 a. m. In St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsboro: I said Morning Prayer and the Litany, preached, and administered the Holy Communion.

- 7:30 p. m. In St. James' Church, our Colored mission in Pittsboro: Said Evening Prayer and preached.
- Mar. 2. The Fourth Sunday in Lent. 11 a. m. In Emmanuel Church, Southern Pines, I preached and administered the Holy Communion.
  - 4 p. m. At Pinehurst, in the Chapel, I preached.
  - 4. 8 p. m. Visited St. Mark's Church, Wilson, our Colored mission, preached, and confirmed eight persons.
  - Visited St. Luke's Church, our Colored parish in Tarborough, preached, and confirmed three persons.
  - Visited our Colored mission at Rocky Mount, preached in a public hall, and confirmed two persons.
  - 7. In St. John's Church, Battleboro: Preached.
  - 9. The Fifth Sunday in Lent. Made visitation to Littleton: 11 a.m., in St. Alban's Church, confirmed two persons, preached, and administered the Holy Communion.
    - 4:30 p. m. In St. Anna's Church, our Colored Mission: Preached, and confirmed three persons.
  - 10. 8 p. m. In St. James' Church, Kittrell: Preached, and confirmed two persons.
  - 12. Raleigh, St. Ambrose' Church, our Colored parish: Preached, and confirmed five persons.
  - 14. 5 p. m. In the Church of the Good Shepherd, Raleigh, I made an address on the Thompson Orphanage.
  - PALM SUNDAY. 7:50 a. m. In the Chapel of St. Mary's School I administered the Holy Communion.
    - 11 a. m. In same place: Preached, and confirmed twelve persons, members of St. Mary's School.
    - 8 p. m. In Wake County, at the newly organized St. John's Mission: I preached, and confirmed six persons.
  - 18. 8 p. m. In Gallaway Memorial Chapel, Elkin: Preached.
  - 19. Winston, St. Paul's Church: Made an address.
    - 8 p. m. St. Stephen's Church, our Colored mission in Winston, preached, and confirmed two persons.
  - Visited the Church of the Messiah, Mayodan; preached, confirmed thirteen persons.
  - 21. Good Friday. In the same place: Preached morning and afternoon.
  - 23. Easter Day. Visited the Church of the Good Shepherd, Raleigh: 11 a. m., Administered the Holy Communion. 4 p. m., Made an address to the Sunday School. 8 p. m., Preached, and confirmed nine persons.
  - 25. Feast of the Annunciation. Visited the Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill: 7:30 a. m. Administered the Holy Communion. 7:30 p. m. Preached, and confirmed nine persons.

- 26. 6 p. m. Officiated at a marriage in Christ Church, Raleigh.
  - 8:15 p. m. Durham, St. Titus' Church, our Colored mission: I preached, and confirmed five persons.
- 27. 12 m. Confirmed two persons in the Watts Hospital, Durham.
  - 8 p. m. In St. Philip's Church, Durham: Preached, and confirmed sixteen persons.
- 29. Examined a candidate for Deacon's Orders.
- 30. THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER. In St. Stephen's Church, Oxford: Ordained a Deacon, and administered the Holy Communion.
- Apr. 2. In St. Augustine's Chapel, Raleigh: Confirmed sixteen members of St. Augustine's School, and made an address.
  - Officiated at the funeral of the late Rev. Edward L. Ogilby, in the public cemetery at Raleigh.
  - 4. 6 p. m. Officiated at a marriage in a private house in Raleigh.
    - 8 p. m. Had a conference with the Vestry of St. Ambrose' Church and Archdeacon Delany.
  - In the Church of the Good Shepherd, Raleigh: Baptized an infant.
  - The Second Sunday after Easter. 11 a. m. Visited Christ Church, Raleigh, preached, confirmed fourteen persons, made an address, and administered the Holy Communion.
    - 4:30 p.m. In the Church of the Good Shepherd, Raleigh: Said Evening Prayer and baptized an infant.
  - 8. 7:30 p. m. Attended a meeting of the Executive Committee of St. Mary's School.
  - 9. 8 p. m. Made an address to the congregation of St. Ambrose' Church, Raleigh.
  - Laid the corner stone of the Parish House and Sunday
     School building of Christ Church, Raleigh.
  - 11. Officiated at a funeral in Christ Church, Raleigh.
  - 13. The Third Sunday after Easter. 11 a. m. Visited the Church of the Messiah, Rockingham: Preached, confirmed five persons, and administered the Holy Communion.
    - 4:30 p. m. In the Church at Hamlet: Preached, and confirmed three persons.
  - In St. David's Church, Laurinburg: Preached, and confirmed three persons.
  - 16. Wadesboro, Calvary Church: Preached, confirmed twelve persons, and made an address.
  - 17. In the same church: Preached, and confirmed five persons.
  - 18. Visited St. Paul's Church, Monroe: Preached, and confirmed two persons.

- 20. The Fourth Sunday after Easter. 11 a. m. St. Martin's Church, "The Wilkes Memorial," Charlotte: Visited this new congregation, confirmed eight persons, preached, and administered the Holy Communion.
  - 8 p. m. In St. Peter's Church, Charlotte: Preached, and confirmed thirty-one persons.
- 21. Visited our Colored mission of St. Michael and All Angels, Charlotte: Preached, and confirmed four persons.
- 22. Presided at the annual meeting of the Board of Managers of the Thompson Orphanage and Training Institution. In the chapel of the institution, the Chapel of St. Mary the Virgin, I preached, confirmed six children, and administered the Holy Communion.
  - 8 p. m. Visited the Chapel of Hope, Charlotte: Preached and confirmed thirteen persons in the chapel, and a sick woman in a house in the neighborhood.
- 23. 11 a. m. Had a conference with the Managers of the Good Samaritan Hospital, Charlotte.
  - 11:30 a.m. Visited the Good Samaritan Hospital.
  - 12 m. Visited St. Michael's Training School, made an address to the school, and conferred with the Principal upon affairs of the school.
  - 8 p. m. Visited the Church of the Holy Comforter, the "Bishop Atkinson Memorial": Preached, and confirmed seven persons.
- 24. 8 p. m. Concord, All Saints' Church: Preached, and confirmed three persons.
- 25. St. Mark's Day. 9:30 p. m. In the same church: Baptized an infant.
  - 8 p. m. Greensboro, visited our Colored mission, the Church of the Redeemer: Preached, and confirmed three persons.
- 27. The Fifth Sunday after Easter. Visited churches in Greenshore:
  - 11 a. m. In the Church of the Holy Trinity: Confirmed thirteen persons, preached, and administered the Holy Communion.
  - 4:45 p. m. Preached in St. Mary's Chapel, near the State Normal College for Women.
  - 8 p. m. In the newly reërected St. Andrew's Church, on Sycamore street, I preached and confirmed eleven persons.
- In St. Mary's Church, High Point: Preached, and confirmed five persons.
- Raleigh, Church of the Good Shepherd: Confirmed two persons.

My services, for the year covered by this report, began with the Ninety-sixth Annual Convention of the Diocese held in St. Philip's Church, Durham, May 8th-11th. The evening before the Convention assembled I presided at an informal meeting of clergymen and laymen, held in the parish house of St. Philip's, at which an address was made by the Rev. Frank M. Crouch, Secretary of the Commission on Social Service.

The total number of my services within the Diocese has been 168, with 42 celebrations of the Holy Commuion, 92 sermons, 27 addresses, and 549 confirmations. I also baptized 8 infants and officiated at 7 funerals and at 2 marriages.

There are a number of parishes and missions in the list printed in our journal which do not appear in the enumeration of my visitations above given. This has been because I was providentially hindered in some cases; in some the ministers in charge have requested a postponement of my visitation, and in others there seemed no special need. Most of the Churches have been visited, and all where my presence was specially needed or desired.

My services outside the Diocese have been as follows:

June 7th to 12th, I was absent from the Diocese, attending the services and other proceedings in connection with the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of the South at Sewanee, Tennessee.

June 23d, the Third Sunday after Trinity. At Nag's Head, in the Diocese of East Carolina, in a private house, I administered the Holy Communion at 7:30 a.m., and said Morning Prayer at 11 a.m.

June 30th, the Fourth Sunday after Trinity. In the same place I administered the Holy Communion at 7:30 a.m., and at 11 a.m. said the appointed services for the day, and preached.

July 7th, the Fifth Sunday after Trinity. In the same place, officiated at 7:30 and 11 a.m. as on last Sunday.

July 14th, the Sixth Sunday after Trinity. In the same place, officiated at 7:30 and 11 a.m. as on last Sunday.

September 8th, the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity. In St. John's Church, Hot Springs, Missionary District of Asheville, I preached and administered the Holy Communion.

September 13th, at a private house in Asheville, the parish church having been destroyed by fire, I baptized an infant in presence of a congregation, using the office of Public Baptism.

February 16, 1913, the Second Sunday in Lent. In St. Martin's

Church, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, I took part with the rector at the forenoon and afternoon services; preached at the former, and made an address at the latter.

February 21st, in the Chapel of the Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown, Connecticut, I made an address to the students on the work in this Diocese.

February 23d, the Third Sunday in Lent. In St. John's Church, Rockville, Connecticut, I assisted the Rev. J. Frank George, formerly of this Diocese, in the service, and preached for him.

My total services outside the Diocese have been fourteen, with seven sermons, six celebrations of the Holy Communion, and one baptism. The aggregate for the year has been 182 services. I have baptized 8, confirmed 549, preached 99 sermons, made 27 addresses, administered the Holy Communion on 49 occasions, officiated at two marriages and at seven funerals. During the year I have lost more time from my work by reason of sickness than during any previous year, though, except during acute attacks, my general health has been good.

Since my last report we have lost from our Clergy List the following names:

Rev. Richard W. Anderson died June 9, 1912.

Rev. Matthias M. Marshall died October 22, 1912.

Rev. Samuel Paxson Watters died November 23, 1912.

Rev. Edward L. Ogilby died March 30, 1913.

### By Transfer:

Rev. George M. Tolson to Maryland, December 18, 1912.

Rev. John J. Lanier to Virginia, December 31, 1912.

Rev. Alexander C. D. Noe to East Carolina, March 1, 1913.

# We have added the following:

Rev. Walter L. Loflin, ordained Deacon June 2, 1912.

Rev. Lewis N. Taylor, ordained Deacon, March 30, 1913.

Rev. Edgar Hunt Good, Priest, from New York, June 4, 1912.

Rev. Albert New, Priest, from Diocese of St. Alban's, England, June 17, 1912.

Rev. Martin Nicholas Ray, Priest, from Diocese of Rochester, England, July 1, 1912.

Rev. Alfred S. Lawrence, Priest, from Asheville, July 17, 1912.

Rev. James D. Miller, Priest, From Georgia, September 11, 1912.

Having lost seven and gained the same number our total stands as before: one Bishop, fifty Priests, and seven Deacons, fifty-eight in all. The Candidates for Holy Orders and the Postulants are: Ten Candidates, namely:

Israel Harding Hughes, Sanford Lewis Rotter, Henry Clark Smith, Joseph A. Edgar LeBlanc, Wm. Hoke Ramsaur, Clarence G. Prosperi, Geo. M. Pollard, Arthur Myron Cochran, Josephus McDonald, and Joseph H. Hudson.

Six Postulants, namely:

John Gregory Mabry, Reginald Mallett, Herbert B. Cuningham, Arthur W. Taylor, Howard S. Hartzell, and Basil M. Walton.

The following changes are noted in the fields of labor of the Clergy:

The Rev. Walter L. Loflin is under Archdeacon Harding

in the Missions in Salisbury and Rowan County.

The Rev. Lewis N. Taylor, ordained Deacon, is completing his last year at the General Theological Seminary, and expects to take his degree in Divinity at the approaching Commencement.

The Rev. Edgar H. Goold is Vice-Principal of St. Augustine's School.

The Rev. Albert New is rector of Grace Church, Weldon, and has under his charge also the Church of the Advent, Enfield, and St. Clement's Church, Ringwood.

The Rev. Martin N. Ray, transferred to me by the Bishop of Rochester, England, in July, 1912, served as Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Wilson, until after Easter, but then resigned, and has left the diocese, though he has not yet taken letters dimissory.

The Rev. Alfred S. Lawrence became rector of St. Mat-

thew's Church, Hillsboro', in July, 1912.

The Rev. James D. Miller, having returned to the Diocese, has become rector of St. Andrew's Church, Greensboro', his old parish.

The Rev. Samuel M. Hanff, having served the missions at Duke and Smithfield most faithfully for six years, became rector of Calvary Church, Wadesboro', in September, 1912, and has charge also of All Souls', Ansonville.

The Rev. James E. King, for eight years in charge of St. Ambrose Church, Raleigh, resigned in September last that

he might take charge by my appointment of the Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Charlotte.

The Rev. Winborn L. Mellichampe has been compelled by ill health to resign his work in Monroe and Union County.

During the year I have consecrated three churches, St. Matthew's Church, Rowan County, on St. Crispin's Day, October 25, 1912; St. Mary's Church, High Point, Sunday, October 27th, and St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, Salisbury, October 28. On the afternoon of the last named day I dedicated the "Murdoch Memorial Mission Hall" on the lot adjoining St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill. This is a large and substantial brick dwelling house, standing upon ample grounds, heretofore known as the "Harrison House." Originally secured by the late Dr. Murdoch for a school which he had projected, it subsequently became the property of the Diocese, as the records of our Convention sufficiently record, and by the action of our Convention of 1911 the Bishop was given the use of the house and so much of the ground as he might think necessary for purposes of a missionary character. It seemed to me, and to others of our clergy and laity whom I consulted, most fitting that this property should, in its missionary use, be dedicated to the memory of the late Rev. Francis Johnston Murdoch, Priest, Missionary, and Doctor in the Church, one of the ablest, most devoted and most efficient Clergymen ever bred up in this Diocese and serving at her altars. I therefore proceeded, on the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude, October 28, 1912, in the presence of divers of the Clergy and a congregation of Christian people, to set apart this building to the service of God as a centre and home of our missionary work in this section of the Diocese, by the name of the "Murdoch Memorial Mission Hall." The Hon. John S. Henderson, an old and intimate friend of Dr. Murdoch, delivered an able and most interesting address upon the life and character of Dr. Murdoch. This Memorial Hall is the residence of the Archdeacon of Charlotte, and is the centre of the Missionary work of that Convocation.

I should further mention that the new St. Matthew's Church, Rowan County, consecrated, as has been mentioned, the preceding Friday, is a beautiful and substantial brick Church, replacing a small framed structure; and it was

erected wholly at the cost of the widow and the sister of Dr. Murdoch, as a tribute to his zeal and interest in the building

up of the Church in Rowan County.

During the past year it has seemed to me that I have observed many evidences of faithful work and a spirit of hope and humble confidence throughout the Diocese. We are not without our troubles and difficulties, and some sad dissensions here and there, but the general spirit of the Diocese seems to me to be loval and zealous and hopeful, and the movement forward. We have some important posts vacant, and many of our missionary points inadequately supplied, but even so we have a larger clergy list than any Diocese south and west of Virginia, with one exception, and one of the most encouraging aspects of our work is the number of able and efficient young men coming forward to seek for Holy Orders, that they may give themselves to the work of service.

I do venture to believe that our people generally have for some years past been coming to have a deeper sense of the realities of Christian life, and to cooperate more zealously with their pastors in the proper work of the Church, in bringing its influence to bear upon the hearts and lives of all about And in this belief and hope I delivered last October a Charge to the Clergy, and issued a Pastoral Letter to Clergy and people, upon the general topic of "Public Worship in the Church," hoping thereby to do something to stimulate the work and progress of the Church. Our spirit of devout worship, private and public, is the vital breath of the Christian and of the Church. While, in what I then addressed to you, I had somewhat to suggest concerning outward details, since worship is outward as well as inward, yet I trust no one could fail to see and to feel that my real effort was to help our people to a deeper inward apprehension of the blessedness and the power of prayer and praise, and the service of God in spirit and in truth. I have been much gratified at the reception given to my suggestions, both in our own Diocese and elsewhere, and I desire at this time to acknowledge the loving and loyal spirit in which you, my brethren, received my offered counsels. I trust that you will keep that charge and letter by you, and endeavor to make it helpful to you and your people. The more I go over it in my mind the more I am persuaded that our Public Worship is next after the reading and living and publishing the Word of God, our greatest means of doing our work for God. Indeed it is one most important method of living and publishing the Word of God. We must all endeavor to enter more deeply into the spirit of private and of public worship, and we must with renewed diligence instruct and lead our people in the worship of God, with reverence and godly fear, yet with intelligent appreciation of the privilege and blessedness of joining in prayers and praises, and thus setting forth before men the gospel of love.

And when we have attained to a true spirit of worship we shall more fully appreciate our duty to the aggressive work of the Church. It was when the first Christians at Antioch ministered unto the Lord, and fasted that the Spirit said unto them, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. We have before us in this Diocese noble opportunities for serving the cause of God by ministering to His people. These opportunities lie around us on every side, but the special phase of our present social and industrial development, which offers us our broadest and richest field, is in the new industrial communities springing up everywhere in this State. I have often spoken of this duty, and I am proud of the record of the Diocese in this work. Our good brother, so long Archdeacon of Charlotte, the Rev. Edwin A. Osborne, first among us appreciated the critical importance of these new communities, and our duty in regard to them. In them are gathered thousands of our people, and many of the best elements of our population. All things considered we have done good work in ministering to these brethren of our new towns and aiding them in maintaining the influences of religion in their new life with its changed conditions and its untried difficulties and dangers. No Diocese in the South can compare with ours in this kind of aggressive work. But we have done far less than we should do. Only one or two of these important and growing communities have anything approaching an adequate provision for doing the work. At Mayodan and at Duke, by the generous coöperation of some of our zealous laymen, and the self-denying service of the devoted missionary, we have some reasonable accommodations for the work and at Cooleemee we are fairly well established. But at Roanoke Rapids we

have no adequate means provided to enable our faithful missionary to do his work—as I found on my visit a few days ago to administer confirmation to a most interesting class; and when I went last September to confirm a class of over thirty for the Rev. Mr. Gordon, at Spray, I found that he had been preaching out of doors for three or four months because his chapel would not hold more than the Sunday School. I had to hold my Confirmation service out of doors. It seems to me that we ought at once to take in hand this part of our work with greater zeal and liberality than ever before, and at least supply our self-denying and hard-working clergy with buildings to house their congregations, and to enable them to gather in the young people for effective Sunday School instruction and training. We need expensive churches and parish houses and organs, and handsome appointments. They are all well enough in their way, but more than all these we need to support the preachers of the Gospel who go out to spread the news and to convert the impenitent; and we should supply our missions with such things as are absolutely necessary for carrying on their work. Can we not at this Convention raise what is so urgently needed for those two important missions, Spray and Roanoke Rapids? Let us do that this vear.

I need say less about our important institutions, St. Mary's School and the Thompson Orphanage, because the reports of their respective Boards will bring them before you. There is much to be said about both, much that is encouraging and interesting, and they both make great demands upon us all, and demands which we should carefully consider and gener-

ously meet.

Another matter I will mention connected with our Missionary work, and that is the obligation of our white people to do more than they have recently been doing to support our Church work among our colored people. This Convention has repeatedly called on all our congregations to give at least an annual offering for the work of our Colored Convocation. A number of them have responded to this appeal of the Convention, but I believe most of them have not. Let me beg you all to remember this cause during the coming year. I wish our white clergy and people might show more personal interest than they usually do in this work, and make a rule to

visit our colored churches and schools from time to time. If they would acquaint themselves with our colored work and our colored workers they could not fail to feel a greater interest in both, and their own inclinations would lead them to help on the good work. I would especially direct the attention of our people to our very important institutions for the benefit of the colored people, St. Augustine's School, with its fine and spacious St. Agnes Hospital, the largest and best equipped hospital for colored people in the whole country south of Washington City, as I am informed, and St. Michael's Training School, and the Good Samaritan Hospital for negroes, in Charlotte. You, my brethren, do not sufficiently know and appreciate these institutions and the good work which they are doing. In each of these hospitals, the only hospitals in North Carolina specially for colored people, there is an excellent Nurses' Training School, and many of our white families can bear grateful testimony to the efficiency of the young colored women trained as nurses in these hospitals. We stand first in our own State, and in all adjoining States, so far as I know, in this form of Christian work for our colored brethren. I wish that the people of the Diocese might more generally know of these good works, and show greater interest and cooperation in them.

But I must not prolong this address. It is impossible to say all I should like to say upon the many topics of interest in connection with the increasing work which lies before us. Much as I feel our deficiencies I also experience a glow of exhileration and hope when I consider the many opportunities for work in the field of our Diocese; and when I thus look into the faces of so many faithful workers, clerical and lay, men and women, I feel that God hath done great things for us already, whereof we rejoice, and He has greater things in store for us. Therefore be strong, ye priests and servants of the Lord, and be strong ye people of the land, and work, for the Lord is with us.

Jos. Blount Cheshire.

#### THE BISHOP'S ACCOUNT.

#### DIOCESAN FUNDS IN HIS HANDS.

This Account does not include money sent through him to others.

RE	CEIPT	rs.		D.,		G.	
Collections at Visitations	\$	219.84	\$	Dr. 570.34 45.93		Cr.	
Mrs. Gibble. Mrs. Spruill. Mrs. King. Miss Bunn.		2.77 $10.00$ $17.40$ $24.98$		274.99			
Special from Parishes for Missionary Council				50.00			
DISBURSEMENTS.							
Diocesan Missions—White: Convocation of Charlotte Convocation of Raleigh Rev. R. Percy Eubanks Rev. Oliver J. Whildin	\$	165.31 15.31 75.00 50.00					
Rev. George M. Tolson Rev. Simeon J. M. Brown Edward P. Green		$\begin{array}{c} 29.15 \\ 10.00 \\ 25.00 \\ \end{array}$			\$	369.77	
Diocesan Missions—Colored: Convocation Treasurer Rev. James E. King Virgil N. Bond Lorenzo King	\$	90.31 $20.00$ $20.00$ $25.00$				155.31	
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Education Fund: Reginal Mallett Josephus McDonald Joseph H. Hudson Herbert Cuningham	\$	150.00 25.00 25.00 10.00				220.00	
Clarence G. Prosperi		10.00				220.00	
Relief Fund: Mrs. AndersonGeorge C. Pollard	\$	$25.00 \\ 25.00$				50.00	
Missionary Council: T. H. Nickerson, Treasurer						50.00	
Rowan County Missions: On account of Horse and Buggy Traveling Expenses of Mr.	\$	60.00					
Owens		15.00				75.00	
Balance			_			21.18	
			\$	941.26	\$	941.26	

## SPECIAL FUND FOR COLORED CHURCHES ETC.

#### RECEIPTS.

Miss Benson, Brooklyn Miss Blanchard, Philadelphia Francis L. Stetson, New York Miss Gray, Hartford Mrs. Barbour, Hartford Wm. A. Erwin	\$ 225.00 200.00 100.00 50.00 15.00 50.00	
DISBURSEMENTS.		
Interest on Debt St. Titus, Durham  Lumber for School-house, Louisburg Insurance on St. Cyprian's, Oxford  Traveling expenses  Balance	ę	122.00 47.00 8.50 45.00 417.50
	\$640.00	\$640.00
LEGACY OF Mrs. Annie L. Lardner	OF CHARLOTTE	

\$2,000.00 500.00 1,500.00 Balance..... \$2,000.00 \$2,000.00

Jos. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, May 1, 1913.



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