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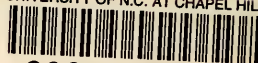


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## ADDRESS OF THE BISHOP

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*Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:*

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We meet for our one hundred and seventh annual Diocesan Convention in what, in our new American life, we call one of our old parishes. In a Chronological List of our parishes, which I made some years ago, and which used to be printed as an Appendix to our Book of Diocesan Canons, St. Stephen's, Oxford, stood eighth in the roll of the parishes of this Diocese. It sent a delegate to the Convention which met in St. Luke's Church, Salisbury, in 1823, the Convention which elected Bishop Ravenscroft; and it was admitted into union with the Diocese at that time. It was not, however, until 1832 that St. Stephen's Church was again represented in the Convention, and I suppose its real progress dated from this latter year. But we are hoping to hear something of those old times and old Churchmen from those who shall speak to us in the commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of St. Stephen's, Oxford.

There must be much that is good in the past of St. Stephen's, because so much good is evident in its present. This beautiful stone church, one of the most attractive among the churches of the Diocese, is the expression of an inward beauty and devotion, more pleasing than any structure of timber and stone. In a large and opulent parish much architectural grandeur and beauty may be produced by the lavish outlay of money, without any necessary inward qualities to match the outward grace. Money can buy stone and timber, glass, paint, and gilding, brass and silver and gold. And in a strong and opulent parish these things *may* also mean the fairer and more enduring graces of love and faith and humble devotion. Those who are poor need not

imagine that they are thereby necessarily better than their richer neighbors. One of the happy signs of these times is that we see many evidences of unselfish generosity and humble devotion in those most abounding in this world's goods. But when this church was built this was a small and by no means a rich congregation. And while they were forward in responding to their diocesan and general duties, they found the means out of their comparatively scanty store, to erect this beautiful building. To me it speaks eloquently of saintly lives and strong hearts, who have passed on before us, as well as of many good and true Christian men and women still with us. That past must have many elements of interest which has provided for the church today that which we now find in St. Stephen's Church, Oxford.

Meeting here in our annual Diocesan Convention, we cannot limit our views to our local interests and duties. We are conscious of our wider relations; and the most impressive event in our National Church in the recent past is the death of our late Presiding Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, of Missouri. Ordained Deacon at the age of twenty-five, advanced to the Priesthood at twenty-six, he was made Missionary Bishop of Utah and a vast region of the unsettled West, when barely thirty, and continued in that arduous work for nineteen years, until elected Bishop of Missouri in 1896. Upon the death of Bishop Thos. March Clark, of Rhode Island, he became Presiding Bishop by right of seniority, in September, 1903, and for nearly twenty years has discharged the very important duties of that office with faithful diligence, having taken order for the Consecration of one hundred and twelve Bishops; and during his long Episcopate of fifty-six years, taken part personally in the Consecration of eighty-eight. His Episcopate of fifty-six years, lacking a few days, was the longest in the history of our American Church, and at the time of his death he had, for some years been the Senior by Consecration of all the Bishops in the Anglican



from the first, devoted himself to the hardest and least attractive fields of Foreign Missions. His first desire was to go as a missionary among Mohammedan people, but, failing of opportunity in that direction, he offered himself for our work in Africa. His few years spent in this work gave great promise of usefulness, but "he walked with God, and was not, for God took him." His is another name in the roll of noble lives given for our work in Africa.

June 8th, the Rev. William Walker, for many years a Priest of this Diocese, died in Weymouth, Mass. In Seniority of Orders he stood second in our Clergy List, and of his fifty-six years in the ministry, thirty-nine were in canonical connection with this Diocese. He served as parish priest and missionary in various parts of the Diocese, but his most important work with us was as Archdeacon of our Colored work from 1891 to 1897. He was a man, pure, earnest, unselfish and devoted. As a Priest he was wholly consecrated to his work. He was by nature rather reserved, not quickly showing his best qualities, and therefore not always fully known or appreciated. Those who knew him well loved him; and if he had a *positive* fault I never observed it. He gave us years of faithful service, and we remember him with love and respect.

But we must turn from these tender and solemn thoughts of the past, and give ourselves to the duties and responsibilities of the present.

The record of my official acts for the year, 1922, is as follows:

Jan. 1. *Sunday, Feast of the Circumcision.*

My first service of the New Year was in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Raleigh, where I instituted the Rev. Morrison Bethea as Archdeacon of Raleigh, and made an address. The Rev. Warren W. Way acted as my Chaplain *pro hoc vice*.

2. In the same Church officiated at a funeral.

12. Attended a meeting of the Diocesan Executive Committee in Christ Church Parish House, Raleigh.

13. Attended a meeting of the Executive Committee of St. Mary's School; and conference with the Special Endowment Committee of the School.
  14. Raleigh, Church of the Good Shepherd: Officiated at a funeral.
  15. *The Second Sunday After the Epiphany.*  
Raleigh, Church of the Good Shepherd. In the absence of the Rector, I took his services.  
7:30 a. m. Administered the Holy Communion.  
11.00 a. m. Said Morning Prayer and preached.  
7:30 p. m. Said Evening Prayer and preached.
  17. Meeting of the Convocation of Raleigh: Rocky Mount, Church of the Good Shepherd.  
4:30 p. m. Attended meeting of Executive Committee.  
7:30 p. m. Officiated at the opening service of the Convocation.
  18. 7:30 a. m. In the same Church, administered the Holy Communion; attended a meeting of the Executive Committee at 9:15 a. m., and presided in the business session of the Convocation in the forenoon. In the afternoon I left for New York to attend a meeting of a Committee of the House of Bishops.
  24. Reidsville, St. Thomas's Church: Officiated at the opening service of the Convocation of Charlotte.
  25. *Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul.*  
In the same Church, officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer and presided in the business sessions.
  26. In the same Church, presided at the business sessions of the Convocation and officiated at the closing service.
- Feb.
2. Raleigh: Conference with the Standing Committee upon Appropriations of the Holt Fund.
  5. *The Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany. Visitations.*  
11.00 a. m. Durham, St. Philip's Church: Confirmed 9 persons; preached and administered the Holy Communion.  
7:30 p. m. St. Joseph's Church: Confirmed 15 persons and preached.
  8. Charlotte: Attended the annual meeting of the Managers of the Thompson Orphanage.
  12. *Septuagisima Sunday. Visitations.*  
11:00 a. m. Henderson, Church of the Holy Innocents: Confirmed 9 persons; preached and administered the Holy Communion.  
2:30 p. m. St. John's Church: Preached and confirmed 5 persons.

16. Raleigh: Attended meeting of Executive Committee of St. Mary's School and of Special Endowment Committee.
19. *Sexagesima Sunday. Visitations.*  
 11:00 a. m. Louisburg, St. Paul's Church: Administered the Holy Communion; preached and confirmed 5 persons.  
 7:30 p. m. Kittrell, James's Church: Preached and confirmed one person.
26. *Quinquagesima Sunday. Visitation.*  
 Roanoke Rapids, All Saints Church: Consecrated the Church; confirmed 36 persons and administered the Holy Communion.  
 3:00 p. m. In St. Mark's Church, Halifax: Officiated at a funeral.
- March 1. *Ash Wednesday. Visitation.*  
 11:00 a. m. Littleton, St. Alban's Church: Said Morning Prayer, the Litany and the Penitential Office; preached and administered the Holy Communion.  
 7:30 p. m. Preached and confirmed 2 persons.
3. Middleburg. *Visitation.*  
 7:30 p. m. Said Evening Prayer and preached.
5. *The First Sunday in Lent. Visitations.*  
 11:00 a. m. Warrenton, Emmanuel Church: Preached, confirmed 7 persons and administered the Holy Communion.  
 7:30 p. m. In same Church, preached.  
 3:30 p. m. Ridgeway, Church of the Good Shepherd: Preached.
8. 7:00 p. m. Salisbury, St. Luke's Church: Preached.
9. 10:30 a. m. In the same Church, administered the Holy Communion.  
 7:30 p. m. Cooleemee, Church of the Good Shepherd. *Visitation:* Preached and confirmed 5 persons.
10. 7:30 p. m. Salisbury, St. Paul's Church. *Visitation.* Preached and confirmed one person.
12. *The Second Sunday in Lent. Visitations.*  
 Concord, All Saints' Church: Preached; confirmed 3 persons and administered the Holy Communion.
13. Raleigh: Attended meeting of the Executive Committee of "St. Agnes Hospital Drive."
14. 12:00 m. Raleigh: Attended meeting of Executive Committee of Convocation of Raleigh. In the afternoon, confirmed in private two sick persons.
15. 7:30 p. m. Salisbury, St. Luke's Church: Preached.



16. 10:00 a. m. In the same Church: Administered the Holy Communion.  
3:00 p. m. Attended meeting of the Woman's Guild of St. Peter's Church, Salisbury.
17. Winston-Salem, St. Paul's Church. *Visitation*: Made an address and confirmed 11 persons.
19. *The Third Sunday in Lent. Visitations.*  
11:00 a. m. In the same Church: Instituted the Rev. Robert E. Gribbin as Rector and preached.  
4:30 p. m. Germanton, St. Philip's Church: Preached.
21. 7:30 p. m. Elkin, Galloway Memorial Church: Said Evening Prayer and made an address.
22. 7:30 p. m. Salisbury, St. Luke's Church: Preached.
23. 10:00 a. m. In the same Church: Administered the Holy Communion.  
7:45 p. m. Salisbury, St. Peter's Church. *Visitation*: Preached and confirmed 5 persons.
24. High Point, St. Mary's Church: Confirmed one person.
25. *Feast of the Annunciation.*  
Raleigh, Church of the Good Shepherd: Officiated at a funeral.
26. *The Fourth Sunday in Lent. Visitations.*  
11:00 a. m. Greensboro, Holy Trinity Church: Made an address, confirmed 7 persons and administered the Holy Communion.  
7:30 p. m. St. Andrew's Church: Confirmed one person.
27. Raleigh: In the forenoon I had a conference with the Rev. Walter Mitchell in regard to the Sewanee Endowment, and in the evening, a conference with a Committee of the Vestry of Emmanuel Church, Warrenton.
29. Attended meeting of the Executive Committee of St. Mary's School.

- April
2. *The Fifth Sunday in Lent. Visitations.*  
11:00 a. m. Southern Pines, Emmanuel Church: Confirmed 5 persons and administered the Holy Communion.  
8:00 p. m. Sanford, St. Thomas's Church: Preached
  3. Pittsboro, St. Bartholomew's Church. *Visitation*: Confirmed one person.
  5. Oxford, St. Stephen's Church: Officiated at a funeral.
  6. Cunningham, Person County: Officiated at a funeral.

9. *Palm Sunday. Visitations.*  
 11:00 a. m. Raleigh, Christ Church: Confirmed 28 persons, preached and administered Holy Communion.  
 5:00 p. m. St. Mary's Chapel: Preached and confirmed 10 pupils of St. Mary's School.
12. 8:00 p. m. Raleigh, St. Saviour's Chapel. *Visitation:* Confirmed 25 persons and made an address.
14. Conference with Vestry of the Chapel of the Cross, Chapel Hill. I made a contract with owner of lands adjoining the Churchyard for purchase of additional land.
16. *EASTER DAY. Visitations.*  
 11:00 a. m. Chapel Hill, Chapel of the Cross: Confirmed 7 persons, preached and administered the Holy Communion.  
 8:00 p. m. Raleigh, Church of the Good Shepherd: Preached, confirmed 28 persons and made an address.
17. Raleigh: I had a conference with the Standing Committee, with reference to proposing to the approaching Diocesan Convention the Election of a Bishop Bishop Coadjutor. Sent out a letter to the Clergy on the subject.
19. Hamlet, All Saints' Church. *Visitation:*  
 8:00 p. m. Baptized an infant, made an address and confirmed 5 persons.
20. Rockingham, Church of the Messiah. *Visitation.*  
 10:30 a. m. Officiated at a funeral.  
 8:00 p. m. Preached and confirmed one person.
21. Ansonville, All Souls Church: Preached and confirmed 5 persons.  
 7:45 p. m. Wadesboro, Calvary Church. *Visitation:* Confirmed 3 persons.
23. *The First Sunday After Easter. Visitations.*  
 11:00 a. m. Monroe, St. Paul's Church: Confirmed 6 persons, preached and administered the Holy Communion.  
 8:00 p. m. Charlotte, St. Martin's Church: Preached and confirmed 14 persons.
24. Charlotte, St. Mary's Chapel, Thompson Orphanage. *Visitation:* Preached, confirmed 10 pupils of the institution and administered the Holy Communion.
25. *St. Mark's Day. Charlotte.*  
 Annual Convention of the Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.  
 8:00 p. m. St. Peter's Church: Officiated at the opening service of the Convention.

26. 9:30 a. m. St. Martin's Church: Administered the Holy Communion for the Woman's Auxiliary and attended the sessions of the Convention during the day.  
8:00 p. m. St Andrew's Chapel. *Visitation*.  
Confirmed 2 persons.
27. Attended the sessions of the Woman's Auxiliary and officiated at the closing service.
28. Charlotte, Chapel of Hope. *Visitation*.  
Consecrated the Church building, preached and confirmed 12 persons.
30. *The Second Sunday After Easter. Visitations.*  
11:00 a. m. Charlotte, St. Peter's Church: Confirmed 30 persons, preached and administered the Holy Communion.  
7:45 p. m. Church of the Holy Comforter: Confirmed 20 persons and made an address.
- May 7. *The Third Sunday After Easter.*  
Raleigh, Church of the Good Shepherd: Confirmed 2 persons.
9. Rocky Mount, Church of the Good Shepherd. *Special Visitation*: Preached and confirmed 10 persons.
13. Raleigh: Confirmed aged woman in private. Attended meeting of the Executive Committee of St. Mary's School.
16. THE ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE.  
Raleigh, Church of the Good Shepherd.  
7:30 a. m. I administered the Holy Communion.  
10:00 a. m. Called the Convention to order.  
11:00 a. m. Officiated at the opening service.  
3:00 p. m. Presided at the business session.  
8:00 p. m. Officiated at the Evening Service and read my annual address.
17. 9:30 a. m. Said Morning Prayer. Presided at the sessions of the Convention during the forenoon, afternoon and evening.  
5:00 p. m. In the same Church: Officiated at a funeral.
18. Attended the services and presided at the sessions of the Convention; officiated at the closing service.
21. *The Fifth Sunday After Easter.* Raleigh.  
Officiated in the forenoon in St. Mary's Chapel and in evening in the Church of the Good Shepherd.

23. Commencement of St. Mary's School. Attended the Commencement exercises. In the Chapel I conducted the closing service, delivered the diplomas to the graduates and made an address. In the afternoon, presided in the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of St. Mary's School.
25. HOLY THURSDAY. ASCENSION DAY.  
11:00 a. m. Raleigh, Church of the Good Shepherd: Administered the Holy Communion.
28. *The Sunday After the Ascension.*  
11:00 a. m. Tarboro, Calvary Church: Preached, confirmed 19 persons and made an address.  
4:00 p. m. Macclesfield: Confirmed one person and made an address.  
8 p. m. Speed, St. Mary's Church. *Visitation.* Confirmed 14 persons and made an address.
31. 10:00 a. m. Attended the Commencement of St. Augustine's School; delivered the diploma to the graduates and concluded the exercises with a Blessing.  
2:00 p. m. Presided at the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees.
- June 6. Raleigh. *St. Mary's Conference:* Delivered a lecture before the Conference.
23. Yanceyville: Preached in the Presbyterian Church.
25. *The Second Sunday After Trinity. Visitations.*  
11:00 a. m. In Cunningham Chapel: Preached, confirmed one person and administered the Holy Communion.  
8:00 p. m. Roxboro, in the Masonic Hall: Preached and confirmed 3 persons.
27. Raleigh: Attended meeting of the Diocesan Executive Committee.
30. 4:00 p. m. Reidsville, St. Thomas's Church: Confirmed 2 persons.  
8:00 p. m. Spray, St. Luke's Church: Confirmed 8 persons and made an address.
- July 2. *The Third Sunday After Trinity. Visitations.*  
11:00 a. m. Leaksville, Church of the Epiphany: Preached, confirmed 3 persons and administered the Holy Communion.  
8:00 p. m. Mayodan, Church of the Messiah: Preached and confirmed 11 persons.
6. Raleigh, Christ Church: Officiated at a funeral.
14. 11:00 a. m. Charlotte: Attended meeting of Executive Committee of the Convocation of Charlotte.  
8:00 p. m. Mecklenburg County, St. Mark's Church: Officiated at Evening Prayer.

16. *The Fifth Sunday After Trinity. Visitations.*  
 11:00 a. m. Mecklenburg County, St. Mark's Church:  
 Preached and administered the Holy Communion.  
 5:00 p. m. Rowan County, St. Matthew's Church:  
 Confirmed 7 persons and made an address.
17. 8:00 p. m. Lexington, Grace Church. *Visitation:*  
 Preached and confirmed 3 persons.
23. *The Sixth Sunday After Trinity. Visitations: St. John's Church Parish, Vance County.*  
 11:00 a. m. St. John's Church, Williamsboro: Administered the Holy Communion.  
 8:00 p. m. Townsville, Holy Trinity Church: Preached and confirmed 4 persons.
24. Littleton, St. Alban's Church: Confirmed one person.
28. Salisbury: Conference with the Rev. Dr. Fenick to arrange for his Consecration.
30. *The Seventh Sunday After Trinity.*  
 11:00 a. m. Burlington, Church of the Holy Comforter: The parish being vacant, I said Morning Prayer, baptized an infant, preached and administered the Holy Communion.
- Oct. 13. Charlotte: Attended a meeting of Board of Managers of the Thompson Orphanage.
15. *The Eighteenth Sunday After Trinity.*  
 11:00 a. m. Charlotte, St. Peter's Church: Presided at the Ordination and Consecration of the Reverend Edwin Anderson Penick, D.D., as Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina; administered the Holy Communion.  
 6:30 p. m. Church of St. Michael and All Angels: Made an address.
16. Charlotte, St. Peter's Parish House: Attended a meeting of the Diocesan Executive Committee.  
 From October 18 to November 1 I was disabled from all work by a very severe cold and bronchitis.
- Nov. 3. Raleigh: Attended meeting of Diocesan Executive Committee.
5. *The Twenty-First Sunday After Trinity. Visitations.*  
 11:00 a. m. Durham, St. Philip's Church: Administered the Holy Communion and made an address.  
 4 p. m. Hillsboro, St. Matthew's Church: Confirmed 8 persons.  
 7:30 p. m. West Durham, St. Joseph's Church: Preached and confirmed 8 persons.
7. Raleigh: Attended a meeting in the interest of St. Mary's School and made an address.

8. Chapel Hill: Had a conference with the Rector and Vestry of the Chapel of the Cross with reference for plans for the new Church.
  10. Enfield, Church of the Advent. *Visitation.*  
I read the Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishop's in place of a sermon,
  11. Tarboro: Conference with the Clergy of Calvary Church in regard to missionary work in the parish and the County.
  12. *The Twenty-Second Sunday After Trinity. Visitation.*  
11:00 a. m. Scotland Neck, Trinity Church: Preached, confirmed 8 persons and administered the Holy Communion.  
7:30 p. m. Halifax, St. Mark's Church: Confirmed 6 persons and made an address.
  14. Chapel Hill, Chapel of the Cross: Officiated at a marriage.
  19. *The Twenty-Third Sunday After Trinity. Visitations.*  
11:00 a. m. Rocky Mount, Church of the Good Shepherd: Confirmed 3 persons, preached and administered the Holy Communion.  
3:30 p. m. Spring Hope, St. Jude's Church: Preached.
  25. Raleigh, Church of the Good Shepherd: Officiated at a marriage.
  26. *Sunday Next Before Advent. Visitations.*  
11:00 a. m. Smithfield, St. Paul's Church: Preached and administered the Holy Communion.  
7:30 p. m. Duke: Our own Church having been destroyed by fire some months ago, the Methodist Congregation kindly allowed the use of theirs, where I preached and confirmed 5 persons.
  30. At a dinner at St. Mary's School, in behalf of St. Mary's Fund, I made an address.
- Dec.
3. *The First Sunday in Advent. Visitations.*  
11:00 a. m. Oxford, St. Stephen's Church: Preached and administered the Holy Communion.  
7:00 p. m. Stovall, St. Peter's Church: Preached and confirmed one person.
  8. 7:30 p. m. Edgecombe County, St. Matthew's Church: Confirmed 3 persons and made an address.
  10. *The Second Sunday in Advent. Visitations.*  
Tarboro, Calvary Church: Confirmed 24 persons, preached and administered the Holy Communion.  
3:30 p. m. Lawrence, Grace Chapel: Confirmed 6 persons and made an address.  
7:30 p. m. Speed, St. Mary's Church: Confirmed 2 persons.

11. Had conference with the Rector and Vestry of Calvary Church, Tarboro, on their missionary work.
13. Raleigh: Attended meeting of Executive Committee of the Convocation of Raleigh.
17. *The Third Sunday in Advent. Visitations.*  
 11:00 a. m. Wilson, St. Timothy's Church: Preached, confirmed 8 persons and administered the Holy Communion.  
 7:30 p. m. Battleboro, St. John's Church: Preached.
18. Louisburg, St. Paul's Church: Officiated at a funeral.
24. *The Fourth Sunday in Advent.*  
 11:00 a. m. Raleigh, Church of the Good Shepherd: Preached.
25. CHRISTMAS DAY.  
 11:00 a. m. Raleigh, Church of the Good Shepherd: Administered the Holy Communion.
30. Raleigh, Christ Church: Confirmed 2 persons from St. John's Mission near Wake Forest.
31. *The Sunday After Christmas.*  
 11:00 a. m. Sanford, St. Thomas' Church: Preached, confirmed 3 persons and administered the Holy Communion.

A summary of the preceding report shows for the whole year: Services, 133; Holy Communion, 37; Sermons, 57; Addresses, 23; Infant Baptisms, 2; Marriages, 2; Funerals, 10; Churches consecrated, 2; Rectors instituted, 1; Confirmations, 523. The Report of the Bishop Coadjutor shows 63 Confirmations, and that of the Suffragan Bishop, 65; so the total Confirmations in the Diocese for the year 1922 is 651.

#### Outside the Diocese I officiated on a few occasions:

August 6, the *Feast of the Transfiguration* being also the *Eighth Sunday After Trinity*, in All Faith Church, St. Mary's County, Maryland, Diocese of Washington, in the absence of the Rector, and at his request, I said Morning Prayer, preached and administered the Holy Communion. August 11, in the same parish, with the consent of the Rector, I administered the Holy Communion in a private house.

November 17, in St. John's Church, Georgetown, Diocese of Washington, I officiated with the Rector at a funeral, and the same day read the Committal at the interment of the body in the Churchyard of the All Faith Church, St. Mary's County.

August 15, I started from Washington City for Portland, intending to spend a couple of weeks in visiting one or two of the great National Parks of the Northwest. Tuesday, August 22, walking

in the Yellowstone Park, near Yellow Stone Lake, the ground broke under my feet and scalded the lower part of both legs so severely that I eventually had to go to a hospital in Spokane, and did not reach Portland until Saturday night, September 16. Monday, September 18, and until Saturday 23, the last six days of the session of the General Convention, I was able to be in my place and to take some small part in the proceedings of the House of Bishops.

While confined to my bed in St. Luke's Hospital, Spokane, I baptized an infant about to undergo a severe surgical operation. I reached home October 6. Thus it will be seen that outside the Diocese I officiated on three occasions, administered the Holy Communion twice, preached once and baptized one infant.

February 26, *Quinquagesima Sunday*, I consecrated All Saints' Church, Roanoke Rapids. The Petition for Consecration was read by Mr. T. Wilson Mullen, Warden, and the Sentence of Consecration, by Archdeacon Bethea. The Rev. N. Collin Hughes, D. D., preached the sermon.

April 28 I consecrated the Chapel of Hope, Charlotte. The Petition for Consecration was read by Mr. J. Frank Wilkes, Senior Warden of St. Peter's Church, by which parish this important mission was organized and has been carried on; the Sentence of Consecration was read by Archdeacon Hardin; I preached.

Bishop Fenick will report the Ordination of one Deacon, and Bishop Delany has ordained one Deacon, and has advanced one Deacon to the Priesthood, making 3 ordinations for the year.

There were the following losses of Clergy during 1922:

The Rev. Wm. Hoke Ramsaur, died May 28, 1922.

The Rev. William Walker, died June 8, 1922.

We have lost:

*By Letters Dismissory:*

The Rev. Reginald Mallett, to East Carolina, June 1, 1922.

The Rev. Charles Aylett Ashby, to Florida, August 14, 1922.

The Rev. Francis Augustus Cox, to Shanghai, September 21, 1922.

The Rev. Roger Edgar Bunn, to Atlanta, Ga., October 10, 1922.

The Rev. John Laimbeer Peckham, to Western New York, December 15, 1922.

We gained during the year:

*By Ordinated to the Diaconate:*

William Bentley Crittenden (Colored), March 19, 1922.

Lewis Robert Anschutz, December 24, 1922.

*By Letters Dismissory:*

The Rev. Henry Gardiner Lane, from Southern Virginia, October 3, 1922.



The Rev. George Floyd Rogers, from South Virginia, October 10, 1922.

The Rev. William Hardin Wheeler, from East Carolina, November 6, 1922.

Our gains up to January 1st, 1923, were, therefore, only five against seven lost. This net loss of two is, however, balanced practically by gains since the end of 1922, of one by ordination, the Rev. Frederick Hubert Uriah Edwards, and the Rev. Thomas Fletcher Opie received January 1st from East Carolina. We have also three Priests at work in the Diocese, who have not been canonically transferred to us, as will appear below.

The fields of work of the Clergy are the same as last year, except as to the following:

The Rev. John H. Crosby, last September resigned the work in Vance and Granville counties, and accepted a call to Emmanuel Church, Warrenton. He serves also the Church of the Good Shepherd, Ridgeway and St. Alban's, Littleton.

The Rev. Dr. John Hartley, November 15th, terminated his service in Emmanuel Church, Southern Pines, and his engagement as Missioner for the Diocese, and has since been holding missions in a number of the Churches in the Diocese by personal arrangements with local Clergymen.

The Rev. Israel Harding Hughes has become (January 1st) Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Greensboro.

The Rev. N. Collin Hughes, D.D., has resigned charge of St. Paul's, Louisburg and St. James, Kittrell, and confines himself to his duties of Head Master of St. Nicholas School, Raleigh.

The Rev. Walter B. Clark, who has not been canonically transferred to this Diocese, is serving the Churches of Louisburg and Kittrell.

The Rev. Walter J. Smith, after forty-two years of faithful and fruitful service in the ministry, twenty-five of which were given to the work of the Thompson Orphan-

age and Training Institution, has retired from active service, but still resides in Charlotte.

The Rev. William J. Wright has resigned charge of Trinity Church, Statesville, and St. James's Church, Iredell County, and has been put in charge of the Churches at Walnut Cove, Mount Airy and Germanton.

The Rev. John W. Barker, canonically connected with the Diocese of West Missouri, is temporarily serving St. Stephen's Church, Duke, and St. Paul's, Smithfield.

The Rev. Basil M. Walton has succeeded the Rev. Mr. Crosby in charge of St. John's Church, Williamsboro, including, in that old Parish, Holy Trinity Church, Townsville. He serves also Middleburg and St. Peter's Church, Stovall.

With the beginning of the year 1923 the Rev. Thomas F. Opie became Rector of the Church of the Holy Comforter, Burlington; and the Rev. Fred. H. U. Edwards, ordained in January, 1923, serves the Colored Missions in Oxford and Satterwhite, which he was serving as lay-reader and catechist before his ordination.

The Candidates for Orders are:

George Crummell Pollard (Colored).  
Lewis Foulk Kent.

The Postulants are:

William Arthur Lillycrop.  
John David Foster.  
Andrew Dallam Millstead.  
Henry Cornelius Hester.  
Daniel Webster Allen.  
Clarence Oliver Pardo.

Much business of importance will come before this Convention. I am much struck with the increasing extent of our Diocesan interests and the increasing volume of our Church business; the growth of our Church institutions, the multiplication of our activities and of our agencies for work: boards, committees, commissions, the larger interests, the greater expense, and our more numerous responsibilities on every side. And I am very thankful to say that it seems

to me that we bear these greater burdens and respond to these varied duties with greater readiness and with more efficient action than we used to show in our smaller affairs. This seems peculiarly the case with the business of our Diocesan Convention. We should be most grateful to Him Who maketh men to be of one mind in an house for His gracious presence granted to us in these annual Conventions. How harmonious as a rule have been our associations herein, and how much effective work have we accomplished within the past few years! More than anything else, I desire a continuance of this blessed harmony in our counsels and unity in an action.

Our various boards and committees will bring before you those objects which deeply demand your attention: St. Mary's School, the Thompson Orphanage, our Diocesan Missionary work, administered under our three Archdeacons in their several Convocations; and our Educational and Social problems. These will all receive your interest and attention. Were I to enlarge upon each, and say what comes to my mind as bearing upon each of these branches of our work, this Address would grow to an unreasonable length. I am thankful to feel that you do not need my instruction or exhortation, since you are fully alive to the importance of our work, and know how to deal with it effectively.

One subject has so general and fundamental a relation to all our work and is of so pressing a nature that I must say a few words about it. You will understand at once that I refer to the Nation-wide Campaign. After our General Convention last autumn in Portland, and the full discussion of the subject and the general interest expressed in words by representatives from all sections of the Church, I had hoped that the Campaign of 1922 would show great advances, both in the receipts for 1922 and in pledges for 1923. The result, however, has been most astonishing; I would say disheartening, if we could allow ourselves to be

disheartened in our endeavors for God's cause. I do not at all understand how men can express in words such warm interest in such a work—and then so greatly fail to transmute their sentiments into action. Only two Dioceses paid their *quota* for 1922—West Virginia and Virginia. South-west Virginia paid ninety *per cent* of her *quota*, and North Carolina eighty-seven *per cent*. These four stand at the head of the list. No other Diocese, so far as I am informed, did so well. And for 1923 the prospect seems no better. In our own Diocese the 1923 pledges *approach* the amount apportioned to the Diocese; and we might look for the full payment of our *quota*, except for the fact that up to the present time the payments fall so far short of the sums subscribed in the various parishes. I have no other advice to give in this emergency than to suggest to all our people, clergy and laity, that they consider carefully and honestly the effect of our experience up to the present time of our efforts in this great movement. Consider what it has done for us in our own Diocese, and in our several congregations. Are we not richly repaid for what we have done for the Church beyond our diocesan boundaries, by the results here at home? And is it not something to be thankful for, that we have in some real degree come up to the measure of our responsibilities for the work of the Church in its broader field at home and abroad? And is it not of the vital breath of Christianity that we should be reaching up after an ideal which yet seems out of our reach? "This one thing I do; forgetting the things that are behind, I press *toward* the mark of our high-calling." That is the Nation-wide Campaign in one practical application of the Apostle's principle to our Church life. Let not the Diocese of North Carolina decline from the high standard it has set before it. God will not forget our labor of love, which love we show for His Name's sake when we minister to His Saints, His Church.

The outstanding fact in the history of the Diocese of North Carolina in the year 1922 is the Election and Con-

secration of our Bishop Coadjutor. I say the Election, as well as the Consecration, of our Bishop Coadjutor. We believe that the Spirit of God effectuates with His presence, His guidance, His blessing, the solemn functions of the Body of Christ. And never, I make bold to say, did we feel more sure of the Divine presence, guidance and blessing, than in the solemn hour of the choosing of our Bishop Coadjutor. Among the many happy and helpful experiences of my Episcopate, and of my life, I remember that as one of the best. And the choice, thus auspiciously made, was carried to full effect on the fifteenth of October, 1922, the twenty-ninth anniversary of my own Consecration to the Episcopate. On that day, in St. Peter's Church, Charlotte, the Rev. Edwin Anderson Penick, D.D., was duly ordained and Consecrated Bishop Coadjutor of this Diocese. A formal record of that Consecration will be printed as an Appendix to the Journal of this Convention. I need not say to this Convention that the Bishop Coadjutor has in his pastoral and Episcopal ministrations fully justified the action of the Convention in choosing him for this work.

Behold, how good and pleasant a thing it is, brethren, to dwell together in unity. We have experienced this blessing abundantly in the past. May God continue it to us, and to our children in all the years to come!

JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE.

THE BISHOP'S ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR, 1922

[N. B.—This account does not include appropriations for Colored Work, nor for other sums, which merely pass through the Bishop's hands directly to a person or object designated.]

RECEIPTS

|   |    |                  |
|---|----|------------------|
| January 1, Cash on hand.....  | \$ | 758.40           |
| The Bishop's collections.....                                       |    | 688.57           |
| THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY:  |    |                  |
| From Mrs. Burwell.....  | \$ | 95.40            |
| From Mrs. King.....   |    | 3.00             |
| From Mrs. Parks.....  |    | 25.00            |
|   |    | <hr/> 123.40     |
| J. Renwick Wilkes, <i>Treas.</i> N. W. C. F. for Colored Work ..... |    | 768.32           |
| EDUCATION FUND:   |    |                  |
| Rev. Lee L. Rose.....   |    | 50.00            |
| St. Paul's Church, Winston.....                                     |    | 18.90            |
|   |    | <hr/> 68.90      |
| FOR BUILDINGS ETC.:   |    |                  |
| Salisbury, St. Luke's Church.....                                   |    | 59.50            |
| MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS:   |    |                  |
| Wm. L. Wall, <i>Treas.</i> , Loan returned.....                     |    | 150.00           |
| Rev. Roger E. Bunn, Loan returned.....                              |    | 30.00            |
| St. Paul's Church, Louisburg Church Service League .....            |    | 10.00            |
| Collections at Convention.....                                      |    | 58.59            |
| Church School Service League.....                                   |    | 39.00            |
| St. Luke's Church, Salisbury, S. S. Class....                       |    | 1.00             |
| Christ Church, Raleigh, S. S. Class.....                            |    | 5.00             |
|   |    | <hr/> 293.59     |
|   |    | <hr/> \$2,760.68 |

DISBURSEMENTS

DIOCESAN MISSIONS, WHITE:

|   |        |        |
|---|--------|--------|
| Ford Car for Rev. John L. Peckham, Missionary ..... | 300.00 |        |
| Rev. J. Reginald Mallett, special appropriation     | 50.00  |        |
| Rev. Cortez R. Cody, expenses of removal.....       | 50.00  |        |
| Rev. Thomas L. Trott, special appropriation..       | 50.00  |        |
| Rev. Charles F. Westman.....                        | 100.00 |        |
| Rev. John Hartley.....                              | 50.00  |        |
| Rev. Henry deC. Mazyck.....                         | 50.00  |        |
| Convocation of Charlotte.....                       | 25.00  |        |
| Rev. J. Levi Martin, traveling expenses.....        | 13.65  |        |
| Rev. Jacob F. Burg, traveling expenses.....         | 18.88  |        |
| Clarence O. Pardo.....                              | 50.00  |        |
|   |        | 757.53 |

DIOCESAN MISSIONS, COLORED:

|   |        |        |
|---|--------|--------|
| Bishop Delany, special traveling expenses.... | 50.00  |        |
| Colored Convocation, expenses of meeting....  | 50.00  |        |
| Toward salaries of Missionaries and Teachers  | 760.00 |        |
|   |        | 860.00 |

EDUCATION FUND:

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|---|--------|--|
| To Fred. H. N. Edwards, candidate note..... | 100.00 |  |
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BUILDINGS, ETC.:

|  |        |        |
|--|--------|--------|
| Repairs on Archdeacon's House, Raleigh.....          | 150.00 |        |
| Insurance on Mission Churches.....                   | 110.84 |        |
| On Acct. of purchase of lot in Salisbury.....        | 100.00 |        |
| Street assessment on Church lot in Mooresville ..... | 38.92  |        |
| Plans for enlarging Diocesan Library.....            | 75.00  |        |
| Repairs on Church in Mount Airy.....                 | 50.00  |        |
|  |        | 524.76 |

MISCELLANEOUS:

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| Wm. L. Wall, <i>Treas.</i> , Convocation of Raleigh..              | 19.53 |       |
| Rev. Wm. H. Hardin, <i>Treas.</i> , Convocation of Charlotte ..... | 19.53 |       |
| Rev. James E. King, <i>Treas.</i> , Colored Convocation .....      | 19.53 |       |
|  |       | 58.59 |

"SPECIALS": Repaid to Lewis B. Franklin, *Treas.*..... 100.00

|                                   |  |            |
|-----------------------------------|--|------------|
|                                   |  | \$2,400.88 |
| December 31, Balance on hand..... |  | 359.90     |
|                                   |  | \$2,760.68 |











