

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Evangelical Lutheran Synod

OF

NEW JERSEY,

CONVENED IN

Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church,

GERMAN VALLEY, MORRIS CO., N. J.,

OCTOBER 6th to 10th, 1865.

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### Delegates to General Synod.

| PRINCIPALS.        | ALTERNATES.     |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| REV. M. SHEELEIGH, | REV. A. HILLER. |
| DR. E. C. WILLET.  | MR. PETER LANE. |

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### Delegates to Sister Synods.

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|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| To <i>New-York Synod</i> ,.....       | REV. E. DEYOE. |
| " <i>Pennsylvania Synod</i> ,.....    | " J. C. DUY.   |
| " <i>East Pennsylvania Synod</i> , .. | " J. N. UNRUH. |
| " <i>Hartwick Synod</i> ,.....        | " D. KLINE.    |

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### Speakers for Next Year.

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| <i>Synodical Sermon</i> , ....  | REV. E. DEYOE.   |
| <i>Preparatory Sermon</i> , ..  | " J. N. UNRUH.   |
| <i>Sacramental Sermon</i> , ..  | " J. C. DUY.     |
| <i>Ordination Sermon</i> , .... | " A. HILLER.     |
| <i>Address on Missions</i> , .. | " J. I. BURRELL. |
| " " <i>Education</i> , ..       | " J. N. UNRUH.   |

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GERMAN VALLEY, *October 6th, 1865.*

The Ministers and Lay Delegates comprising the Fifth Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New-Jersey, assembled in the Lutheran Church, at German Valley, Morris Co., N.-J., in charge of Rev. A. Hiller, on Friday evening, October 6th, 1865.

Preaching by the Rev. J. I. Burrell.

**FIRST SESSION.**

*Saturday Morning, 9 o'clock.*  
*Oct. 7th, 1865.*

The members having spent half an hour in devotional exercises, Synod was called to order, and the President being absent, was opened with the singing of the 899th Hymn by the brethren and reading the Scriptures by the Secretary. Prayer was then offered by the Rev. J. C. Duy.

The ministerial roll was then called and the absentees noted. The lay delegates were next received on presenting certificates from their respective charges.

The following is a list of the clerical members and lay delegates composing the Synod at its present meeting:

| CLERICAL.              | POST-OFFICE.                         |       |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------|
| 1. JACOB C. DUY,       | New-Germantown, Hunterdon Co., N. J. |       |
| 2. EPHRAIM DEYOE,      | Saddle River, Bergen Co.,            | “     |
| 3. DAVID KLINE,        | Clarksville, Hunterdon Co.,          | “     |
| 4. JOHN N. UNRUH,      | Daretown, Salem Co.,                 | “     |
| 5. MATTHIAS SHEELEIGH, | Stewartsville, Warren Co.,           | “     |
| 6. ALFRED HILLER,      | German Valley, Morris Co.,           | “     |
| 7. J. ILGEN BURRELL,   | Stone Church, Northhampton Co., Pa.  |       |
| 8. JACOB BOCKSTAHLER,  | Bridgetown, Salem Co.,               | N. J. |

| LAY DELEGATES.    | FROM THE CONGREGATION AT           |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| PETER LANE,       | New-Germantown, N. J.              |
| GEORGE ACHENBACH, | Saddle River and Ramapo, N. J.     |
| MORRIS FRITTS,    | Spruce Run, N. J.                  |
| PETER SIGARS,     | Friesburg, N. J.                   |
| WILLIAM FRITTS,   | Stewartsville, N. J.               |
| DR. E. C. WILLET, | German-Valley, N. J.               |
| ROBERT MORRIS,    | STONE CHURCH, Pa.                  |
| JACOB BEIL,       | Bridgeton, N. J.                   |
| JACOB LUDI,       | Commissioner from Millville, N. J. |

## DELEGATES FROM SISTER SYNODS.

|                        |                           |
|------------------------|---------------------------|
| REV. R. ADELBERG,      | New-York Ministerium.     |
| " A. T. GEISSENHAINER, | Pennsylvania Ministerium. |

## ADVISORY MEMBERS.

|                       |  |
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| REV W. R. GLEN,       | Presbyterian Church, German Valley.      |
| " L. I. STOUTENBURGH, | Congregationalist Church, Chester, N. J. |

## CONCERNING LAY DELEGATES.

*Resolved*, That hereafter the church councils who are the lawful representatives of the congregations, shall elect the delegates to represent their charges at the meetings of Synod, and the President and Secretary of the councils shall certify to their election.

Adopted.

*Resolved*, That in the absence of the President of Synod, Rev. J. C. Duy be President *pro tem*.

Adopted.

*Resolved*, That Rev. David Kline be received as a member of this synod, and that he be instructed to forward the certificate in his hands from his former Synod, to the President as soon as possible.

Adopted.

Rev. E. Deyoe, the President of Synod, making his appearance and rendering his excuse for his detention in New-York.

*Resolved*, That Bro. Deyoe's excuse be accepted.

Adopted.

The President having taken his seat, read his Annual Report, which was received and laid on the table to be referred to a committee. The following is the Report :

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

BELOVED BRETHREN: Another synodical year has passed away, and under the protecting care of an ever-watchful Providence, amid toils and labors incident to our calling in life, we have been permitted to pursue the even tenor of our way in labors of love for the extension of the Redeemer's Kingdom.

We have great reason to thank God that we have been permitted

to see the termination of the unhappy civil war that was raging in all its fury at the time of our last meeting. Our country is preserved from dismemberment, and a bright future rises before the country and the church.

As your presiding officer I have no reason to complain of having been burdened with official duties during the past year.—And this may be accounted for not only by the truth that our number is small, but by the more important truth that the brethren are peaceful, and conservative in spirit, and understand to manage their affairs so as to live in peace among themselves and with the people of their charge.

#### MINISTERIAL CHANGES.

*Of changes*, I have to report:

That I received a letter from the Rev. P. A. Strobel, bearing date November 25th, 1864, informing me that he had resigned his position as pastor of the Lutheran Church of Spruce Run, and had accepted a call from the Lutheran Church of Brunswick, N. Y., and, hence, would remove into the bounds of the Hartwick Synod, and accordingly he desires to be dismissed from this body, that he might unite with the synod with which the church at Brunswick stands connected. According to his request I gave him an honorable dismissal.

About the same time that I received the notice just referred to, I received a letter from the Rev. David Kline, then of Brunswick, N. Y., informing me that he had received and accepted a call from the Church at Spruce Run, and expected to enter upon his labors in that congregation about the second week in December, 1864.

#### OF INSTALLATIONS.

In a communication, bearing date December 21st, Brother D. Kline let me know that he had entered upon his labors as pastor of the Spruce Run Congregation, and desired to be installed according to the usages of the Lutheran Church, and that he intended to unite with this synod at his earliest convenience. Brother Kline, in view of peculiar circumstances, desired to have Dr. Pohlman, of Albany, preach the installation sermon. I had promised and expected to have been present, and taken part in the services of that occasion, but circumstances, which I could not control, interfered, and prevented me from leaving home. And I learned also that brothers Duy and Hiller, who were to have taken part in the exercises, were providentially prevented from filling their appointment. But the timely presence of Brother Sheeleigh, who took part in the services, gave to the installation the sanction of Synod.

#### OF CHURCH CONSECRATIONS.

The Lower Mount Bethel Congregation, of Brother Burrell's charge, having finished their substantial and beautiful Church Edi-

rice, consecrated it to the worship of the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, about the 24th of November, last.

The sermon on that occasion, so full of interest to that enterprising and liberal congregation, was preached by the Rev. F. W. Conrad, D. D.

The dedication service was performed by the pastor of the congregation.

And a collection was taken, which amounted to more than \$2000, relieving the church at once from all debt.

#### OF RELATION TO OTHER SYNODS.

I have a letter from the Rev. P. A. Strobel, in which he informed me that the Hartwick Synod at its last synodical convention appointed a delegate to attend this meeting, thereby expressing their christian regards for the brethren of the N. J. Synod, and a desire to open a correspondence between them and us, by an annual exchange of delegates. This communication will be duly referred.

I would also direct the attention of the brethren to an important resolution that was before the Synod of New York at its recent meeting which seemed to contemplate a separation between the English and German elements of that body, and a union between the English brethren of that synod and the Synod of New Jersey.

The term for which you elect officers of synod now expires. And with thanks for your confidence, and patience with one little accustomed to preside over deliberative bodies, I return to your hands the office with which you invested me.—And the brethren will now proceed to the election of officers of synod for the coming year.

“And now, may the God of Peace and Love, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work. And imbue you richly with that wisdom which is from above.”

And to the Triune God be glory forever and ever.

*German Valley,* }  
October 7th, 1864. }

E. DEYOE,  
*President.*

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers for the ensuing year being in order, Rev. D. Kline and Dr. Willet were appointed tellers. The election resulted as follows:

Rev. EPHRAIM DEYOE, *President.*

“ ALFRED HILLER, *Secretary.*

“ JACOB C. DUY, *Treasurer.*

On motion,

*Resolved,* That Rev. M. Sheeleigh prepare a Minute of our proceedings for publication in our church papers.

Adopted.



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| Oct. 10th, 1864. | By cash paid, Rev. J. Bockstahler, . . . . .   | \$50,00               |
| " " " "          | M. Sheeleigh, expenses to the Meeting of Directors of Theo. Seminary at Gettysburg . . . . . | 9,12                  |
| " " " "          | A. Hiller for Postage, Stationery and expenses to the New-York Synod . .                     | 13,05                 |
| " " " "          | J. N. Unruh for Stationery . . . . .   | 1,75                  |
| " " " "          | George Enders, . . . . .   | 5,00                  |
| " " " "          | Ludwig, for Printing Minutes, . . . . .  | 47,75                 |
| Oct. 20th.       | Mr. Dutt, . . . . .  | 46,59                 |
| Dec. 23th.       | " " " . . . . .  | 50,00                 |
|                  | Balance in hand, . . . . .   | 14,49                 |
|                  |  | Amount . . . \$237,35 |

*Resolved*, That the time for closing the sessions of Synod be fixed at 12 o'clock, M., and 4 o'clock, P. M., and that 15 minutes of each morning Session, immediately before the close, be devoted to the reading of the scriptures, singing and prayer, the services to be led by some one of the ministers designated by the President.

Adopted.

After spending fifteen minutes in devotional exercises, Synod adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

Prayer by Rev. D. Kline.

## SECOND SESSION.

*Saturday, 2 o'clock, P.M., Oct. 7, 1865.*

Prayer by Rev. J. I. Burrell. Minutes of former Session read and approved.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH DISCIPLINE.

The undersigned, a member of the committee appointed last year on Church Discipline, as found on page 23 of printed minutes, would respectfully report.

As the resolutions, which were referred to the committee are not present, in consequence of the removal of the chairman, Rev. P. A. Strobel, who had prepared them and brought the subject before the Synod, you will please accept the following:

You will remember that the two distinct evils, for which it was a year ago proposed by the mover of the subject, to provide specific articles in the Discipline of our churches, were those of political troublers and of such as offend by the intemperate use of intoxicating liquors or the trafficking in the same.

It is hereby submitted, whether such cases are not for the present sufficiently provided for in our General Synod's Formula of Government and Discipline, which requires that all those be held

amenable "whose conduct is inconsistent with their Christian profession."

We must necessarily agree, that it is highly "inconsistent" on the part of those who trouble and distract their churches by raising issues, when pastors, as the Word of God binds them to do, exhort to loyalty to "the powers that be." Such are included in the direction given by Paul to Titus, 3, 10: "A man that is an heretic [i. e., as the word here means, one who creates factions, who is a schismatic, a divider of the church,] after the first and second admonition reject." Here is a plain provision for cutting off incorrigible offenders who persist, after repeated admonitions, in arraying themselves against the peace and amity of the Church.

Again, persons of the second class noticed, are also clearly "inconsistent" in bringing reproach upon themselves and the Church, in their course of harming their own persons or the persons of others. Surely, all must acknowledge that the practices of such are utterly at variance with the Spirit of the Gospel and the demands of righteousness, and that they are, therefore, subjecting themselves to church admonition and censure, and, in case of persistence, to suspension or excommunication.

Your committee would, therefore, recommend the following:—

*Resolved*, That, in the absence of anything more definite, until the General Synod may revise its Discipline, this report be adopted, and our Churches and Councils be referred to the same, as the solemn expression of this Synod in reference to the above-named offences.

Respectfully submitted,  
M. SCHEELEIGH.

Report adopted.

#### REPORT OF DELEGATE TO THE NEW-YORK SYNOD.

Your delegate to the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of the State of New-York would report that he attended, according to your desire, the seventieth annual meeting of that body, held at Valatie, commencing on the second day of September last, and was most fraternally welcomed.

Several circumstances rendered this meeting highly agreeable to your delegate: one was, that the congregation, which entertained the Synod, was that which received nearly five years of his earliest pastoral labors; and another that he had been for the same length of time a member of that Synod, and had by its authority been permanently invested with the ministerial office by the rite of ordination.

On presenting the cordial greetings of this Synod, together with the friendly hope that our fraternal relations might ever continue, the President responded on behalf of that body, in a spirit indicating the sincerest interest in the existence and prosperity of your

organization, and making a special reference to the fact that this Synod had in part arisen from that of New-York. Rev. R. Adelsberg was appointed as delegate to this body, and we are glad that he is now with us.

I think, I had never been more deeply impressed with the greatness and importance of the missionary field embraced within the limits of the Synod visited. Besides the work to be done in common with others, there is an ever-increasing special work for our church towards the multitudes of immigrant Germans, who throng almost every important point in the State. I was led heartily to pray, that the Lord our God, would greatly aid and prosper his servants in the work before them.

The Synod, I am happy to remind you, is moved by the same spirit, which is at this moment animating our whole church, to strengthen and elevate her schools of learning. The brethren of that body are energetically bestirring themselves to do their part to endow and enlarge the sphere of the Hartwick Theological Seminary, the oldest of our church institutions in this country, from which source we hope and pray shall yet issue far more copious streams of grace to "make glad the city of God."

The next annual meeting of the Synod will be held in New-York.

Respectfully submitted,

M. SHEELEIGH.

The report was accepted.

#### REPORT OF DELEGATE TO THE EAST PENNSYLVANIA SYNOD.

Your delegate to the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of East Pennsylvania would respectfully report, that he attended the late meeting of that body, held Sept. 28th, in the 2d Lutheran Church in the borough of Easton, Pa. He was most cordially and fraternally received. Nothing transpired that had a particular relation to this Synod. That Synod has increased with astonishing rapidity in the number of its ministers and churches, as well as in influence and importance.

Its rapid growth is truly marvelous, when we take into consideration the fact that its borders are not defined by distinct geographical boundaries, but that its churches extend over the entire territory of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, the mother of Synods. Activity is the motto of that body, and its ministers are working men, which accounts for its increase in charges and members. The principle of elective affinity has been adhered to by the members of Synod, which is the cause no doubt of the increase in active, self-denying, and successful ministers. This body stands out in bold relief among the American Lutheran Synods as one of the most active and influential. It might be well for us to mark the secret of their success and profit by their example.

The Synod meets next year in the 1st Lutheran Church of Danville, Pa., in charge of Rev. E. A. Sharretts.

J. I. BURRELL.

The Report was accepted.

Synod adjourned until Monday morning, 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. M. Sheeleigh.

#### RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

*Friday Evening.*—Sermon by Rev. J. I. Burrell.

*Saturday Afternoon.*—Preparatory Sermon by Rev. D. Kline. Text, 1. John 4, 6, last clause.

*Saturday Evening.*—Sermon by Rev. E. Deyoe.

*Sabbath Morning.*—Sacramental Sermon by Rev. M. Sheeleigh. Text, 1. Pet. 3, 18.

Sermon in Presbyterian Church by Rev. D. Kline. Text, John 20, 15.

Sermon in Lutheran Church, New-Germantown, by Rev. J. I. Burrell.

*Sabbath Afternoon.*—Sermon in Flock School House, by Rev. D. Kline. Text, Luke 7, 50.

Interesting Sunday School meeting in the Church, addresses by Revs. M. Sheeleigh and E. Deyoe.

*Sabbath Evening.*—Sermon by Rev. A. T. Geissenhainer. Text, Matt. 24, 46, 47.

### THIRD SESSION.

*Monday Morning, Oct. 9th, 1865.*

Synod opened at 9 o'clock, with prayer by the Rev. D. Kline. After spending half an hour in devotional exercises, the roll was called. Minutes of former Session read and approved.

Rev. L. I. Stoutenburgh, of the Congregational Church, at Chester, received as an advisory member. Rev. W. R. Glen, of the Presbyterian Church, German Valley, received as an advisory member.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

The Committee to whom was referred the President's Report beg leave to state that they examined said document and have found it a brief business-like paper, with, however, an omission or two, to which we deem it proper to call the attention of this body.

1st. The duty of Synod to elect delegates to attend the meeting of the General Synod, to be held at Fort Wayne, Indiana, in May, 1866.

2d. The duty of Synod to elect Directors for our Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, in the place of those whose term of office has expired.

Respectfully submitted,

J. I. BURRELL.

J. N. UNRUH.

PETER LANE.

Report adopted, and President's Report laid on the table for further action.

*Resolved*, That the election of Delegates to the General Synod, and the election of Directors of the Theological Seminary, at Gettysburg, be the order of business this afternoon, immediately after the organization of Synod.

Adopted.

Reading of Parochial Reports being in order—

*Resolved*, That the present order be deferred until the discussion on the President's Report be finished.

Adopted.

| NAMES<br>OF<br>PASTORS.   | Entered the Ministry. | Churches. | Stations. | NAMES<br>OF<br>CHURCHES.                         | Adults on to Full Removal |                 |               |                          |                      |               |        |         |                  |                         | Sunday Schools.    |           |        |           |           | Benevolent Contributions. |                          |                  |                     |                |                   |                        | RESIDENCE<br>OF<br>PASTORS. |                   |                   |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|--|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------|--------|---------|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|---------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                           |                       |           |           |  | Infant Baptisms.          | Adult Baptisms. | Confirmation. | Cert. from Luth. Church. | Other Denominations. | Restorations. | Death. | Letter. | Excommunication. | Number of Communicants. | Funerals attended. | Lutheran. | Union. | Teachers. | Scholars. | Contributions.            | Catechumens during Year. | Prayer Meetings. | Synodical Treasury. | Home Missions. | Foreign Missions. | Beneficiary Education. |                             | Local Objects.    | External Objects. |
| 1. Rev. J. C. Dwyer, 1836 | 1                     | 1         | 1         | Zions,<br>{ Saddle River<br>and Ramapo,          | 18                        | 8               | 2             | 2                        |                      |               | 3      | 6       | 1                | 162                     | 9                  | 1         | 1      | 20        | 110       | \$6.90                    | 1                        | \$5.00           | \$15.00             | \$6.90         | 10.00             |                        |                             | \$75.00           | New-Germantown.   |
| 2. " E. Deyoe, 1842       | 2                     | 1         | 1         |  | 7                         | 1               | 2             | 8                        |                      |               | 3      | 1       | 1                | 165                     | 9                  | 1         | 9      | 45        | 55        |                           | 1                        | 5.00             | 5.00                |                | 2.32              |                        | 30.00                       | Saddle River.     |                   |
| 3. " David Kline, 1850    | 1                     | 4         | 2         | Spruce Run,<br>{ Emanuel's and<br>Luther Chapel, | 8                         | 1               | 5             | 2                        |                      |               | 2      | 2       | 2                | 132                     | 9                  | 1         | 3      | 35        | 260       |                           |                          | 3.00             | 3.00                | 10.00          | 1.36              |                        | 138.55                      | Spruce Run.       |                   |
| 4. " J. N. Ulrich, 1851   | 2                     | 2         | 2         | Stewartsville,                                   | 7                         | 2               | 1             | 1                        |                      |               | 2      | 2       | 2                | 203                     | 10                 | 4         | 2      | 49        | 200       |                           |                          | 10.00            | 16.00               | 10.00          | 15.00             |                        | 101.87                      | Freshburg.        |                   |
| 5. " M. Sheeleigh, 1852   | 1                     | 3         | 3         | Zions,   | 8                         | 1               | 1             | 1                        |                      |               | 2      | 2       | 2                | 144                     | 11                 | 1         | 2      | 25        | 190       | 15.69                     |                          | 5.00             | 28.00               | 20.00          | 15.00             |                        | 529.14                      | Stewartsville.    |                   |
| 6. " A. Hiller, 1857      | 1                     | 3         | 3         | St. Paul's and<br>Mount Sinai,                   | 17                        | 4               | 2             | 1                        |                      |               | 1      | 1       | 1                | 142                     | 11                 | 1         | 3      | 42        | 241       | 19.00                     |                          | 5.00             | 25.00               | 25.00          | 24.20             |                        | 48.00                       | German Valley.    |                   |
| 7. " J. I. Burrell, 1859  | 2                     | 3         | 3         |  | 20                        | 2               | 2             | 2                        |                      |               | 1      | 1       | 1                | 800                     | 6                  | 2         | 3      | 30        | 200       |                           |                          | 1                | 5.00                |                |                   |                        | 2000.00                     | Stone Church, Pa. |                   |
| 8. " J. Bookstahler, 1865 | 2                     | 2         | 2         |  | 15                        | 1               | 1             | 1                        |                      |               | 4      | 4       | 4                | 100                     | 4                  | 1         | 1      | 1         | 20        |                           |                          | 1                |                     |                |                   |                        | 225.00                      | Bridgeton.        |                   |
|                           | 10                    | 18        |           |  | 103                       | 8               | 58            | 9                        | 1                    | 2             | 19     | 8       | 11               | 1368                    | 70                 | 13        | 11     | 219       | 1321      | 41.59                     | 18                       | 38.00            | 122.00              | 71.90          | 67.88             | 2550.60                | 618.42                      |                   |                   |

\* \$11. appropriated. † \$10. appropriated.

## REMARKS ACCOMPANYING PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

REV. J. C. DUY.

We have reason to be thankful for the prosperous condition of our temporal affairs during the last year. My salary has been increased by one hundred dollars. Our people have purchased a fine Organ with twelve stops, at a cost of one thousand dollars, and they are about to paint and repair the church edifice to the amount of about six hundred dollars.

But we must acknowledge that our spiritual condition is not as prosperous as it should be. We greatly need a season of refreshing from the presence of the Lord; and our prayer is, that God would revive us again that his people may rejoice in him.

I would add that our collections for the Sunday School Union and other benevolent objects have been up to the usual mark.

REV. E. DEYOE.

Things are moving along harmoniously in my charge, and while we cannot report as many additions to the church as in some former years, still we hope that a brighter day is near at hand, and that in the midst of deserved wrath, God will remember us in mercy.

Beside the collection brought to Synod, my congregation have contributed \$30 for the purpose of making me a life member of the "American Sunday School Union." For this, and other favors from my people I have reason to be truly thankful.

REV. DAVID KLINE.

Ten months have now passed since I arrived and took charge at Spruce Run. Love, peace, and good will seem now to prevail among us. The attendance upon Divine worship and the ordinances of God's house is large and uniform whenever the weather will permit. Although our Sunday Schools were suspended necessarily during the winter they have been in progress since some time in April last. This enterprise does not prosper as it should and would, were there more interest felt and taken by the parents and adult members of our church.

I very much regret being unable to report a prayer meeting in our congregation, but I hope by Divine assistance to be able hereafter, not only to report a prayer meeting, but also a much higher degree of piety among us than is at present existing. Among the contributions given by my people during the past year are \$21.55 to the American Sunday School Union; \$17 to the Lutheran Board of Publication, and at the late Conference meeting at our church there were near or quite \$100 subscribed for the endowment of the Gettysburg Seminary.

And now in closing my remarks, I would be recreant to duty did I not mention the fact, that the magnificent reception given

me on my arrival, and the very liberal donation made me last winter by my people, besides gifts at other intervals, have cheered my heart, lightened my cares, and greatly strengthened me for the performance of those arduous duties incumbent upon me as a minister of our Lord Jesus Christ; as well as to brighten the future and give rise to the hope that the time is not far distant when God will open the windows of heaven and pour us out such a blessing as that there shall not be room enough to receive it. The Lord grant it for his name's sake. Amen.

REV. J. N. UNRUH.

Attendance upon the preaching tolerably good. Religion very low. May God revive us, and that right early.

REV. M. SHEELEIGH.

Although the means of grace continue to be regularly employed amongst us, there has not been that visible improvement we would heartily desire to see. We will, however, confidently look to God for much good to spring forth from the holy seed, which is sown in prayer.

The moneys reported in the columns of Local and External Objects were raised for the following purposes: for the Orphan's Homes, near Pittsburg, \$19.05, of which \$7.65 came from the children; for the American Tract Society, \$9.49; for the Am. S. S. Union, \$8.14; for the relief of our soldiers, \$13.64; for the Lutheran Publication Society, \$51.65; for the Sunday School Library, \$29.14. Of the sum paid to Missions, \$10.08 were contributed by the Sabbath School. These sums it is true are not large, but they show an advance above former years in the christian grace of giving. The spirit and philosophy of christianity prompt to *frequency* and *regularity* in deeds of benevolence, "to do good unto all men as we have opportunity." May our people more than ever learn to trust the Lord and remember that what we give to his general cause will not impoverish us at home, either as individuals or churches: for it is written: "He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord and that which he hath given will He pay him again." May our people more extensively test the fact, that large-hearted christian benevolence tends not only to temporal, but also to spiritual growth, for the Bible declares: "The liberal soul shall be made fat, and he that watereth shall be watered also himself."

REV. A. HILLER.

There has nothing of very special interest occurred in my charge during the past synodical year. The attendance upon the preached word is uniformly good, and there is in the community, I think, a

growing interest on the subject of Sabbath Schools. There is, however, still a great chance for improvement in this direction. There is not that interest manifested on the part of parents and members of the Church that there should be, in order to bring the Sunday School up to the position it should occupy in the Church. Our School in the church we continue during the winter, and, in connection with the Infant Class, we number on our roll 81 scholars and 10 teachers. Of the amount reported for Foreign Missions, \$19.00 were raised by the Sabbath School, the Infant Class contributing \$4.00. Last spring my people kindly granted me leave of absence for about two months, so as to enable me to labor in the service of the United States Christian Commission. On reporting at the Central Office, Philadelphia, I was directed to the Army of the Cumberland, and labored the most of the time at "Cavalry Depot," near Nashville, Tennessee, where I organized an army church and gathered in 77 members. Two laymen were, at different times, associated with me in this work, a Mr. Darling, from Sheboygan, Wisc., and Dr. W. E. Scobey, a young physician from Hamilton, Ohio, and some of the most interesting meetings I have held during the past Synodical year I conducted there, in the "Lake Forest Tabernacle" "Cavalry Depot," Tenn., with the Union "boys in blue."

The money reported in the columns of Local and External Objects were paid as follows: \$35.00 to the Am. S. S. Union; \$13.00 to the Am. Bible Society; \$21.46 for S. S. Library, and \$500.00 into the Church Treasury, which, I am glad and thankful to say, makes our church free from debt.

#### REV. J. ILGEN BURRELL.

During the past Synodical year the lights and shadows of ministerial life have followed each other in rapid succession in our charge. We have been compelled to drink the cup of sorrow almost to its dregs, and then too, we have had abundant reason to rejoice and be glad. The great slaveholders' rebellion with its attendant horrors and crimes, culminating in the assassination of the Chief Magistrate of the nation, led us to speak out boldly and freely in the pulpit against *the sin* of the nation, and to pray God earnestly from Sabbath to Sabbath for the triumph of freedom, righteousness and the national arms. This course brought upon us the odium of certain wily politicians, and we were charged with the common sin of preaching politics. A number of the members of the Church stood aloof from our ministrations—clamored loudly for our removal—withheld their support, and laid upon us every conceivable indignity and insult.

All this coming from professed friends was, therefore, hard to bear.

But we can now say, "The Lord hath done great things for us

whereof we are glad." With the great Roman general we can now inscribe upon our banner "*veni, vidi, vici.*" Our victory is infinitely greater than his. He conquered the foes of his country, we those of the truth and of God. We now have a clear sky. The storm which for months hovered sullenly over us threatening destruction has been dispelled. The sun of prosperity has arisen upon us, and is rapidly thawing the frozen soil of the people's hearts.

A few weeks since, at the request of the Pastor, the two church councils met in joint convention and unanimously decided that the Pastor should remain, and agreed to fulfill his requisitions, and voted him \$100 more salary than he asked. Everything at present betokens prosperity. We purchased two fine Organ Harmoniums, one for each church, since the last meeting of Synod. At Trinity church the people are hauling stone and grading the grounds preparatory to building sheds.

At St. Paul's we purchased an addition to the grounds and the members are at this time engaged in enlarging and fencing the Cemetery, which, when completed, will be the finest in the neighborhood. We thank God for these tokens of His love and goodness, and have taken courage to go forward.

#### REV. J. BOCKSTAHLER.

The mission is in a flourishing condition. Peace and harmony prevail in the entire charge among the people. Efforts are being made both at Millville and Bridgeton to build churches during the coming year; which from present indications will be accomplished. We thank God for the indications of his goodness, and are encouraged to labor in this charge.

#### CONCERNING THE FREEDMEN.

Whereas, in the Providence of God, slavery has been abolished in the southern portion of our country, and thus over 4,000,000 of human beings have been thrown upon the charity of the christian public to be educated, and in many instances to be fed and clothed and to be led to Jesus; therefore,

*Resolved,* That we hail with delight the formation of "Freedmen Aid Societies," and that we declare ourselves in sympathy with any movement contemplating the elevation of this race.

*Resolved,* That we will welcome into our midst any regularly constituted agent from any of these societies, and that we will freely contribute our mite for the furtherance of this great and good cause.

Adopted.

#### DELEGATE FROM NEW-YORK MINISTERIUM.

Rev. R. Adelberg, delegate from the New-York Ministerium,

made some statements expressing the fraternal relation that exists on the part of the New-York Synod towards this body, and was assured by the President in behalf of Synod that these views and feelings were reciprocal.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE NO. 1.

The documents placed in our hands are:

1. *The minutes of the Ev. Luth. Ministerium of New-York.* This body met at Utica, in September, 1864—at the time it numbered 66 ministers, who had charge of 60 congregations with 12,926 communicants. Their funds were replenished to the amount of \$1887.75. They licensed four young men to preach the Gospel. Rev. C. A. Ebert, of Newark, N. J., mentions that he had the pleasure on the 1st of January preceding of organizing a *third* Ev. Luth. Church in that city.

Appended to the minutes is the form of a call to a minister and a form of certificate of dismission, which we commend to your notice.

2. *The minutes of the Ev. Lutheran Synod of Iowa.* This body met in June last at Primrose, Lee Co., Iowa. They report 22 ministers and 23 congregations.

The Committee on the Minutes of Sister Synods complain that they have been overlooked in this matter and that no such documents had been sent to their Secretary.

The brethren of this Synod seem to be earnestly engaged in the work of the Master.

J. C. DUY.  
DAVID KLINE.  
ROBERT MORRIS.

Report adopted.

After Devotional Exercises, Synod adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.  
Prayer by Rev. J. C. Duy.

#### FOURTH SESSION.

*Monday, 2 o'clock, P. M., Oct. 9th, 1865.*

Prayer by Rev. J. N. Unruh.

Roll called.—Minutes of former session read and approved.  
Election of delegates to the General Synod and directors of the Seminary at Gettysburg being in order, resulted as follows:

#### DELEGATES TO GENERAL SYNOD.

##### PRINCIPALS.

Rev. M. Sheeleigh,  
Dr. E. C. Willet,

##### ALTERNATES.

Rev. Alfred Hiller.  
Mr. Peter Lane.

**DIRECTORS OF THE SEMINARY AT GETTYSBURG.**

**FOR THREE YEARS.**

Rev. E. Deyoe,  
Dr. E. C. Willet.

**FOR ONE YEAR.**

Rev. A. Hiller.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE NO. 2.**

Your committee, to whom were referred the minutes of the 118th Synod of Pennsylvania (1865), and the Proceedings of the 23d convention of the East Pennsylvania Synod (1864), would present their report.

These pamphlets present to the eye such proportions that they might not inaptly be called volumes. They exhibit a great amount of important business transacted by these two large and influential bodies which occupy in common the Eastern portion of Pennsylvania.

Both Synods manifest a growing interest and activity in the work of extending the Redeemer's Kingdom, both at home and abroad.

We would bring to your notice the fact that in both these bodies it is a rule to have the minutes of the Conferences presented at Synod, to be referred to committees, who render reports upon them. We would ask for the adoption of a like rule in our Synod.

We find a long and satisfactory report rendered to the Synod of East Pennsylvania, by its delegates to the last meeting of the General Synod. Some care in rendering such reports, we think, is due to the Synods represented, and we must regard this means as one of the most effectual ways of bringing the prominent acts of the General Synod in a permanent form before our people, and of awakening their interest in that central body. This reminds us of a fact, that we regret to notice, that by some oversight the report of our Synod's delegation to the General Synod failed to appear in our last printed minutes.

With both the above bodies we continue to exchange delegates, and we trust this Synod will still do its part towards continuing this evidence of friendly relations.

Respectfully submitted,  
M. SHEELEIGH,  
J. N. UNRUH,  
WM. FRITTS.

Report adopted.

**REPORT ON LITURGY.**

Your Committee appointed one year ago to examine the proposed Liturgy prepared by a Committee of the General Synod, beg leave to report.

Although the work is in some respects an improvement on the

Liturgy now in use, we are of the opinion that it has not yet reached that degree of excellence, either in language or adaptation, which a standard work of this importance ought to possess. Judging from the expression given by several Synods in relation to the proposed book, we believe that the subject of a new Liturgy must be again thoroughly discussed before the General Synod; and we therefore prefer resting the whole question of "amendments" and "additions" with the wisdom of that representative body.

The order of service is in some respects new and defective. Some parts of the present book have been dropped, which we think should be retained; and forms should be added for a number of other occasions. A great fault with our Liturgy has been, not that it was too full, but too meagre. The language should also be thoroughly revised.

Respectfully submitted,

M. SHEELEIGH,  
J. C. DUY,  
A. HILLER.

{ Report adopted.

#### RESOLUTIONS ON THE COUNTRY.

*Whereas*, The recent events which have transpired in our beloved country, and which have commanded the attention of the whole world, call upon us as Christians and loyal citizens, as men and ministers, to recognize the hand of Almighty God in his wonderful dealings with us, and to "sing of mercy and judgment," therefore

*Resolved*, That we take this occasion solemnly to record our sincerest joy and gratitude on the sudden and complete overthrow in our land of treason and rebellion, which carried the evidence of their unholy spirit to the horrible climax of assassinating the President of the Country; and on our consequent deliverance from the horrors of anarchy and ruin that would inevitably have followed the disruption of our country and the prostration of our government.

*Resolved*, That it is our prayer that the people of this land may learn more fully to acknowledge the hand of Providence in all the affairs of a nation; that they may more greatly fear before the Lord, who has done for us wondrous things throughout all the course of our history as a people; and that they may unite in ever heartily thanking and praising the Almighty Father for the destruction of human slavery in our land, for his signal deliverance of us from the wrath of man at home and abroad, and for the new and ever-memorable proof given to this land, that God worketh and none can hinder.

Adopted.

An application made by the delegate from Bridgeton for the ordination of their pastor Rev. J. Bockstahler, was referred to the Ministerium.

#### REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We have examined the Treasurer's account, and find it agrees with the vouchers, and that there is a balance of fourteen dollars and forty-nine cents in the Treasury.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER SIGARS.  
DR. E. C. WILLET.

#### RESOLUTIONS ON HOME MISSIONS.

*Resolved*, That believing there is a great work for the Synod of New Jersey to accomplish upon this territory, we now determine for ourselves and our churches to apply ourselves anew, by the help of God, to the great work of gathering together the scattered members of our Zion and to do our part towards the salvation of such as are without; and furthermore,

*Resolved*, That we feel especially encouraged in this our purpose, by having heard, to-day, the declaration from the Delegate of the Pennsylvania Synod; that the body he represented would heartily aid us in such Home Missionary operations as we might inaugurate, by putting at our disposal both ministers and money.

Adopted.

#### DELEGATE FROM PENNSYLVANIA MINISTERIUM.

Rev. A. T. Geissenhainer, delegate from the Pennsylvania Ministerium, presented the friendly and christian greetings of that body to our Synod, and was fraternally responded to by the President in behalf of Synod.

*Resolved*, That Brethren D. Kline, A. T. Geissenhainer and G. Achenbach be excused from attending the future sessions of Synod.

Adopted.

Synod adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. A. T. Geissenhainer.

#### MINISTERIAL SESSION.

Prayer by Rev. M. Sheeleigh.

The case of Brother Bockstahler having received due consideration.

*Resolved*, That Rev. Jacob Bockstahler be ordained; said ordination to take place this evening.

Adopted.

## FIFTH SESSION.

*Tuesday, 9 o'clock, A. M., Oct. 10th, 1865.*

After spending half an hour in devotional exercises, Synod was opened with prayer by Rev. A. Hiller.

Roll called—Minutes read and approved.

### MINUTES OF CONFERENCE.

*Resolved*, That we request the Central Conference of New Jersey, annually to submit its Minutes to this Synod for inspection, and for such action as may appear requisite.

Adopted.

### DEVELOPMENT OF CATECHISM.

*Whereas*, There is deeply felt in our church, whose strength and glory has ever consisted in no small degree in her blessed system of catechetical instruction, a growing want of a more specific and detailed development of our good old Catechism for children and youth, which shall meet the demands of these Sunday School days; and;

*Whereas*, We hold that the unity, peace, and prosperity of the church appear to require that we should as far as practicable look to the General Synod for our books of public devotion and instruction; which we are also encouraged by the constitution of that body to do; therefore,

*Resolved*, That our delegates to the next meeting of the General Synod be hereby instructed to ask that body to prepare and publish in English and German editions of Luther's Smaller Catechism with a system of supplementary and illustrative questions and answers, in which the doctrines and duties of religion shall be minutely presented in a clear, simple, succinct manner, for the use of our families, schools, and catechetical classes.

Adopted.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE NO. 4.

Committee No. 4 would report that the paper put in their hands is a letter from Rev. P. A. Strobel, in which he states, that he was appointed by the Hartwick Synod as delegate to our Synod, and that Rev. J. W. Lake was named as his alternate.

We regret that it was not convenient for either of these brethren to be with us at our present session. We cordially reciprocate the kind greetings of our brethren of the Hartwick Synod, and recommend that we give tangible expression of these greetings by appointing a delegate to represent us at the next meeting of their Synod.

Adopted.

J. C. DUY.  
J. I. BURRELL.

*Resolved*, That the bill of Mr. Cook at Bridgeton be settled.  
Adopted.

#### TRAVELLING EXPENSES OF BROTHER BURRELL.

*Resolved*, That, as Rev. J. I. Burrell attended the convention at Baltimore last May, held for the purpose of promoting the endowment of the Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, a cause in which the whole Church should feel the deepest interest, this Synod comply with the recommendation of the Central Conference in bearing this brother's travelling expenses, amounting to \$25.00.

Adopted.

#### THANKS TO CONGREGATION.

*Resolved*, That we return our heartfelt thanks to the pastor and people of this church for the kind and christian reception and hospitality extended to this Synod and those members of our families, who have accompanied us, and that we pray the Lord's blessing upon them as the reward; also that the Pastor be hereby requested to give public expression to the congregation of these our feelings.

Adopted.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE NO. 3.

The committee, into whose hands were placed the minutes of the Hartwick and Maryland Synods have examined said documents and respectfully report that they find nothing in them requiring the special attention of this Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. BURRELL.

J. BOCKSTAHLER.

J. BIEL.

Adopted.

#### HYMN-BOOK.

*Whereas*, we believe that alienations and divisions in the Church can be largely prevented, and the peace and harmony of Zion greatly promoted by generally using such books in public service as shall emanate from the common source of the General Synod; and,

*Whereas*, it appears probable that petitions from various quarters will be presented at the next meeting of the General Synod for the improvement of its Hymn Book, or for the preparation of an entirely new Book; therefore,

*Resolved*, That in our judgment the compilation of a new Hymn Book would, for divers reasons, be far preferable to another attempt to adapt the old Book to the wants of all the English churches

within the bounds of the General Synod ; and that we hereby request our representatives in the next convention of said body to give their influence and voice for a new Hymn Book.

Adopted.

#### TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

*Resolved*, That the next Annual Convention of Synod assemble on Friday evening before the full moon nearest the first of October, 1866.

Synod was invited to meet at Stewartsville, New Germantown, Martin's Creek and Ramapo.

The election resulted in the choice of *Stewartsville* as the place of next meeting.

#### PRINTING OF MINUTES.

*Resolved*, That the Secretary be authorized to have printed four hundred copies of the Proceedings of Synod, and to draw on the Treasurer for the expense.

Adopted.

#### BINDING MINUTES.

*Resolved*, That it be ever made the duty of the Secretary to preserve, in good order, among the archives of the Synod, a full set of all the printed Minutes of this body, which he shall at the end of every eighth year have bound into a neat and substantial volume, for the use of Synod: also that he preserve and bind, in like manner, a second volume, to be presented every eighth year to the Lutheran Historical Society, whose collections are kept at Gettysburg; and furthermore, that this resolution be at once fixed by the Secretary in a conspicuous place on the inside of the Synod's trunk.

Adopted.

#### WANT OF MINISTERS.

*Whereas*, We have never heretofore known a time when we seemed to be addressed with more especial force by those words of the blessed Master. "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few; pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth laborers into his harvest;" therefore

*Resolved*, That in order to meet the pressing demands of the times, and to carry out the spirit as well as the letter of this command, we urge every pastor frequently to instruct his people, both in public and private, concerning the duty of seeking out and supporting young men of proper character and promise, for the ministry; that they exhort parents to dedicate more of their sons

to this holy service; and that teachers in the Sabbath School be reminded of their opportunity to direct the minds of many of their scholars to serve God in this divine calling.

Adopted.

#### ENDOWMENT OF SEMINARY AT GETTYSBURG.

*Resolved*, That Rev. M. Sheeleigh and J. I. Burrell be invited to visit our congregations and solicit contributions for the endowment of the Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, Pa.

Adopted.

#### MEETING OF CONFERENCE.

*Resolved*, That the Central Conference of New Jersey meet at Martin's Creek, Pa., in the month of January, time to be fixed by Secretary of Conference.

Adopted.

*Resolved*, That the President's Report be adopted.

Adopted.

#### SUBSTITUTE DELEGATES AND SPEAKERS.

*Resolved*, That hereafter in case a brother, who has been appointed as delegate to another Synod, or who has been designated as speaker for the following year, should be unable, in consequence of removal, sickness, or some other sufficient cause, to discharge the duty, the President of Synod be hereby authorized and directed to appoint another member at as early a day as possible to supply the vacancy.

Adopted.

#### DELEGATES TO OTHER SYNODS.

The following brethren were appointed Delegates to sister Synods.

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| To New-York Synod, . . . . .    | REV. E. DEYOE. |
| " Pennsylvania Synod, . . . . . | J. C. DUY.     |
| " East Pennsylvania Synod, "    | J. N. UNRUH.   |
| " Hartwick Synod, . . . . .     | DAVID KLINE.   |

#### SPEAKERS FOR NEXT ANNUAL MEETING.

Synod made the following appointments of speakers for next year.

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| <i>Synodical Sermon,</i>    | REV. E. DEYOE.   |
| <i>Preparatory Sermon,</i>  | " J. N. UNRUH.   |
| <i>Sacramental Sermon,</i>  | " J. C. DUY.     |
| <i>Ordination Sermon,</i>   | " A. HILLER.     |
| <i>Address on Missions,</i> | " J. I. BURRELL. |
| " " <i>Education,</i>       | " J. N. UNRUH.   |

## ADJOURNMENT.

The session having been prolonged until afternoon, and the business of Synod being finished, it was

*Resolved*, That Synod now adjourn to meet in the Lutheran Church, in Stewartsville, Warren Co., N. J., on Friday evening, September 21st, 1866.

After singing by the Brethren, the President closed the Synod with prayer.

I certify, that the above is a faithful record of the proceedings of the Fifth Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of New Jersey.

ALFRED HILLER, *Secretary*.

## MEETING OF THE HOME MISSION AND EDUCATION SOCIETY.

*German Valley, Oct 9th, 1865.*

This evening after the ordination of the Rev. Jacob Bockstahler, the Missionary and Education Society of the Synod of New Jersey held its Anniversary. Interesting and instructive addresses were delivered by the Rev. D. Kline, on Education, and Rev. M. Sheeleigh, on the subject of Missions; after which the following brethren, members of Synod, came forward and made themselves annual members by paying \$1 each.

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| Rev. J. C. Duy.  | Mr. R. Morris.  |
| “ A. Hiller.     | “ W. Fritts.    |
| “ J. I. Burrell. | “ P. Sigars.    |
| “ E. Deyoe.      | “ G. Achenbach. |
| “ J. N. Unruh.   | “ P. Lane.      |
| “ M. Sheeleigh.  | “ M. Fritts.    |
| “ D. Kline.      | “ J. Biel.      |
|                  | “ Dr. Willet.   |

The following brethren paid \$5 each: R. Morris, Rev. A. T. Geissenhainer, Morris Dufford, and J. A. Weise. Morris Weise, J. Naughtright, and M. Naughtright \$2 each. E. M. Bartles, T. Naughtright, O. Lattorette, G. Hann, P. Hann, P. S. Weise, H. P. Dufford, S. Lake, Mrs. M. Naughtright, N. Anthony, R. Schoenheit, G. M. Dufford, E. Dufford, and J. V. Stryker, \$1 each.

H. P. Striker, J. Fritts, D. Kinsey, S. Apgar, Mrs. Sheeleigh, and Mrs. Unruh 50 cts. each, and “cash” 20 cents.

Total, \$58.20.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following brethren were elected officers for the coming year.

Rev. J. N. UNRUH, *President*,  
 " A. HILLER, *Secretary*.  
 " J. C. DUX, *Treasurer*.

## TRAVELLING MISSIONARY.

*Resolved*, That the Executive Committee of the Missionary and Education Society be, and hereby are empowered to engage, if possible, the services of Rev. A. T. Geissenhainer as travelling missionary for this State, under the auspices of said Committee.

Adopted.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay Brothers Dott and Bockstahler \$100 each in quarterly installments.

Adopted.

## MISSION AT VINELAND.

*Resolved*, That the Executive Committee of our Mission and Education Society, open a correspondence with Bro. Wright, with a view of establishing a Mission at Vineland, N. J.

Adopted.

*Resolved*, That the next Annual meeting of this Society be held at Stewartsville, September 24th, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

Adjourned.