

Nashville, Tenn., Jan 5th 1877.

An special meeting of the Vestry, held at the Rectory this evening there were present the Rector, presiding, Messrs Gale, Lewis Johnson, Mitchell, Gauthier, Berry, Harrison and Payne, and also ^{by invitation of the Rector,} Dr. Gumbel, and Messrs Robinson and Dennis of the congregation. The object of the meeting having been stated to be the further and final discussion of the proposed purchase of the building of the Church of the Absent, and the question of "Ways and means" being considered first and most important, it was discussed at length by all present. The

following named parties agree each to obtain by
subscriptions, or feeling that, to leave the Vestry
one sixth ^{any deficiency in} of the amount necessary to make
and complete the proposed additions and repairs
to ^{the} building, deducting such sums as the Vestry
may be able to obtain from subscriptions, &c.
which deficiency was estimated to be about
\$3000; Messrs Robinson, Payne, Perry, Johnson
and Gauthier (in paints, oils, glass, &c.) Dr Gamble
also stated that he could probably obtain an
equal amount from a friend in Boston, which
would make up the entire deficiency - Thereupon
the following Resolutions, were submitted and
upon motion adopted:

Resolved, that we, the Vestry of Christ Church,
Washville, hereby make the following offer to the Vestry
of the Church of the Advent, relative to the sale
of their property, to wit: that we the Vestry, in behalf
of Christ Church parish, do hereby offer the sum of
Seven (\$7,000) Thousand Dollars for the lot and
building of the Church of the Advent, situated on
South Pine St. Washville, as it at present stands,
including Church furniture and all the appurtenances
therewith connected, with a clear and incumbered
title to the same: Said sum of Seven (\$7,000)
Thousand Dollars to be paid without interest, by
the end, or within one year from date of purchase,
either wholly in cash, or partly in cash, and
partly in notes, bearing interest: provided always,
that in consideration of the aforesaid sum of
Seven Thousand (\$7,000) Dollars, a complete and
entire surrender of the Church property, together
with any and all control over Church matters be
made on the part of the Church of the Advent.

Resolved, that a committee of four be appointed to transmit the above Resolutions to the Vestry of the Church of the Advent, and to negotiate with them relative to the purchase of said property. Messrs. Gale, Payne, Berry and Robinson were appointed said committee by the Rector. Upon motion adjourned.

A. B. Payne, Secy.

Nashville Tenn Jan. 15th 1877

At a regular meeting of the Vestry held at 7. P. M. there were present, the Rector in the Chair, and Messrs. Clark, Berry, Simmons, Ketchum, Harrison, Gale and Payne. Minutes of preceding regular and special meetings read and approved.

Treasurers Report also read and approved, as follows to wit:

\$45.79	On hand last report	Paid the Rector	150.00
<u>543.75</u>	Receipts fr. Pwd. Ants	" " Organist	100.00
		" " Janitor	15.00
		" " Organ Repair	25.00
		" " Expense %	14.15
		" " Insurance	39.38
		Cash on hand	<u>126.94</u>

The publication of the annual Report discussed at length, but action was deferred thereupon until next regular meeting. Committee on purchase of "Advent" buildings, reported the receipt of the following communication, in reply to the offer they had been authorized at the special meeting of Jan 5th, to make:

Nashville Tenn Jan 17th 1877

A. B. Payne, Esq. Secy.

Dear Sir

Your favor of 5th inst was duly received, and has been considered by our Committee.

They instruct me to answer that your offer of \$4000 for the entire property named in your note is respectfully declined - for the reason that it is less than the Auditor authorized us to accept, and that a considerable portion of the personal property contained in the Church building does not, and never has belonged to the Parish of the Advent, our negotiations having had continuous and exclusive reference to the ground and building.

Yours Respectfully,

P. P. Peck, Steward of the Church

of the Advent.

The Committee replies to this as follows, to wit:

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P. P. Peck Esq

Senior Steward of the Church of the Advent:

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 19th inst in reply to ours, relating to your proposition for the purchase of the Church of the Advent, has been received, and carefully examined by our Committee. In reply, we beg to state that you seem to be acting under an entire misapprehension as to the nature of our proposition, in supposing that we wished you to embrace in the sale any property other than what properly belonged to the Church of the Advent; all private property being of course exempted to the other objection embraced in your note.

we can only say that we have given the whole subject our mature deliberations, and our Vestry have unanimously come to the conclusion that the terms proposed in our letter are the very best that we feel authorized in making -
 your letter is received and accepted by us as a conclusion to our negotiations.

In name of Committee,

Abel D. Payne, Secty.

The Report was upon motion received and the Committee ^{discharged} ~~discharged~~. Mr. Deary was appointed a Committee of one to inquire as to price and terms upon which Lab. Corner Bread and Spence St. could be purchased.

Adjourned to meet 3^d Monday in Feby -

Abel D. Payne,

Secty.

Nashville Tenn Feb 21st 71

At the Regular meeting of the Vestry, held at the Rectory, at 7.30 P.M. there were present, the Rector, presiding, and Messrs. Hitchell, Gales, Harrison, Clark and Payne. Minutes of the preceding meeting read and approved. Treasurers Report for month of January read, and approved as follows, to wit:

146.04	Cash on hand last Report.	Paid the Rector	375.00
321.75	" from Pew Rents.	" " Bishop	50.00
131.65	" " Jan Offatory.	" Sept. S.S.	47.75
104.30	" " Dec "	" Nov. Smt	18.00
		" Gas Co.	38.50
		" Sexton	15.00
		" Expenses &c	35.56
	Cash on hand		99.43

4683.24

The Finance were discussed at some length with statements by the Treasurer as to the probable conditions at the end of current church year. The publication of an annual Report, same as last year, also discussed, and finally upon motion it was ordered published. Committee to Report upon financial conditions of St. Johns Chapel Episcopal paragon, and ask for an additional member to assist in making settlements and statements. Upon motion Mr. Johnson was added to the Committee. Committee on Affairs requested to make final Report at next Regular meeting. The Treasurer asked for instructions in reference to certain bills, in part disputed, which were upon motion referred to his discretion -

Adjourned to meet 3^d Monday in March.

Abel D. Payne, Secty.

Nashville Tenn. March 19th 1871

At the Regular meeting of the Vestry, held at the Rectory, at 7.30 P.M. there were present, the Rector presiding, and Messrs. Gales, Harrison, Clark, Deary, Hitchell and Payne. Minutes of the preceding meeting read and approved. Treasurers Report for month of February read, and approved, as follows, to wit:

499.43	Cash on hand.	Paid the Rector	375.00
398.75	" Pew Rents.	" Insurance St. Peter	45.00
76.45	" Offatory.	" the Sexton	15.75
		" Expenses to Sunday	50.93
		Balance on hand	88.45

4574.63

The finances of the Parish discussed at length, with approximate estimates from the Treasurer as to the probable deficiency for the year. The request of certain ladies of the congregation that their names be omitted from the forthcoming Report was discussed, but it being the sense of the Vestry that no discrimination should be shown in the matter, no action was taken upon the request other than to appoint C. C. Gale a committee to report upon them and state the case to them. It was moved to reconsider the motion passed at last meeting to publish annual reports but upon a vote, it was lost. Resolved and carried that all the reports be published together - Committee on Affairs reported additional subscriptions having balance of only \$44.00 - to pay entire expenses. Committee on St. Johns reported balance of about \$160 still due and unpaid on the building - Messrs Gale and Perry appointed a committee to audit the Treasurer's accounts for the year. Adjourned to meet after service Friday night Feb. 30th

Abert B. Payne, Secy.

Christ Church, Feb. 30th 1877.

Met pursuant to adjournment, after evening services, in the Vestry Room, present the Rector, Messrs. Garrison and Payne, after some informal discussions upon the probable condition of the finances of the Parish at the close of the year, adjourned.

Abert B. Payne, Secy.

Congregational

Christ Church, Apr. 2nd 77

The Congregational meeting for electing members of the Vestry for the ensuing year, and to hear reports of Church work done during the past year was held in the Church at 4 P.M. Upon motion the Secretary of the Vestry was appointed Secretary of the meeting. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The reports of the Rector, and also that of the President of the Ladies Parish and Society, were read, copies of which are filed in Treasurer's office.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

S. M. D. CLARK, Treasurer, in account with Christ Church:

1877.		Drs.
March 31.	To Cash to date from Pew Rents,.....	\$2443 09
	" Bills Receivable from Pew Rents,.....	235 00
	" Cash to date, from Offertory, cash,.....	\$320 40
	" " " " from Offertory, envelopes,.....	899 05-1219 45
	" " " " from Easter Offertory,.....	238 25
	" " " " from Special Contributions,.....	494 00
	Total,.....	\$5600 39
1877.		Cr.
March 31.	By am't to date paid the Rector, old ac't,.....	\$500 00
	" " " " current year,.....	2410 00
	" " " " Organist, old ac't,.....	100 00
	" " " " " " current year,.....	300 00
	" " " " Episcopate Ass't, old ac't,.....	100 00
	" " " " " " current yr,.....	295 48
	" " " " Parish Aid Society,.....	238 25
	" " " " paid Insurance Christ Church, 1 yr,.....	78 70
	" " " " Insurance St. Peter's, 3 years,.....	45 00
	" " " " Section,.....	185 00
	" " " " Nashville Gas Co.,.....	109 05
	" " " " Organ repairs,.....	25 00
	" " " " Fuel account,.....	39 95
	" " " " Miscellaneous expenses,.....	228 26
	" " " " University of South, spec. ed.,.....	18 00
	" " " " Diocesan Mission,.....	21 00
	" " " " Foreign Missions,.....	10 00
	" " " " Mexican Missions,.....	10 00
	" " " " Missionary Bishops,.....	10 00
	" " " " Sunday Schools,.....	162 00
	" " " " Church repairs,.....	394 00
	On hand, Notes unpaid,.....	235 00
	" " Cash,.....	2 60
	Total,.....	\$5600 39

RESOURCES.	
Pew Rents, past due and unpaid,.....	\$1136 48
Bills Receivable,.....	235 00-1371 48
LIABILITIES.	
Due the Rector,.....	\$500 00
" Organist,.....	100 00
" Episcopate Assessment,.....	188 52
" Nashville Gas Co., about,.....	39 05-917 57
Balance,.....	\$453 91

Respectfully submitted,

S. M. D. CLARK, Treasurer.

The election of Vestrymen being next in order, it was upon motion ^{made} resolved that the number elected be eleven, and that the election be by ballot. Messrs Smith and Payne were appointed Tellers by the Rector. The following were declared duly elected, Messrs Fogg, Gale, Hitchell, Clark, Johnson, Smith, Robinson, Drenthland, Harrison Beck and Payne. Upon motion adjourned to next Monday after Easter 1878.

Albert B. Payne, Secy.

Vestry.

The following members elect of the new Vestry met together immediately after the adjournment of the Congregational meeting, Messrs. Smith, Clark, Robinson, Hitchell, Johnson and Payne. Upon motion Mr F. B. Fogg was re-elected Senior Warden, and Mr Chas. Hitchell Jr. Junior Warden. Mr S. H. D. Clark was also re-elected Treasurer, and Mr A. B. Payne Secretary. Messrs Dantair and Payne were also re-elected Wshers for Morning Services in the Church, and Messrs Hitchell and Robinson for the evening Services. It was resolved that Messrs Clark and Robinson be appointed a Committee, with the Rector as ex-officio a member of the same, with full power to negotiate with and to engage Prof. Heeneberg as organist for the ensuing year, and also to arrange and employ a ^{poor} choir. to assist at the first regular meeting - Upon motion adjourned.

A. B. Payne, Secy.

Christ Church Apr 9th 1877.

Special meeting of the Vestry. Present the Rector Messrs Gale, Johnson, Hitchell, Robinson, Smith, and Clark. The Rector opened the meeting with prayer. The proposition of D. Weaver, Eccleston of Estate of Mrs Anne M. Kendrick, dec'd. to settle the bequest ^{of \$4000} made by her to Christ Church, was presented, as follows, to wit: notes of W. G. Bush, favor of D. Weaver, Eccleston and Anderson by him, payable one at \$1000 and one at \$400 from Feb 1st 1877, each for \$400.94 with interest, and Cash \$84.12 making in all \$500. Upon motion it was resolved the proposition be accepted, and the Secretary be authorized to receive and receipt for the sums embraced in said proposition, for and in the name of the Vestry and Wardens of Christ Church. Upon motion adjourned.

S. H. D. Clark Secy. pro tem.

Washville Tenn Apr. 16. 1877.

Regular meeting of the Vestry. Present, held at the Rectory, Present the Rector, Presiding, and Messrs Gale, Smith, Robinson, Beck, Hitchell, Johnson, Clark and Payne. The Rector opened the meeting with prayer. Minutes of preceding regular and special meetings read and approved. Treasurers Report for month of March, also read and approved, as follows to wit:

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88.45	Cash on hand, last report.	Cash for the Rector	485.00
634.90	"	from Paid Amt.	" " Prof. Krimby 100.00
174.70	"	" " Offertory.	" " Episcopate 95.00
		" " Schools	75.35
		" " the Station	34.75
		" " Soc. Missions	10.00
		" " Miss. Bishops	10.00
		" " Mission Miss.	10.00
		" " Expenses %	75.10
		" bal on hand	<u>2.60</u>
898.05			898.05

Electron of Delegates to Diocesan Convention being met in order, Messrs. Jogg, Gauthier and Robinson were elected delegates, and Messrs. Hitchell, Smith, and Payne, alternates.

Committee on music reported progress, which was followed by considerable discussion upon the subject. Committee on Rental of Pews reported same demand, but no additional one Rental as yet. There was some discussion upon the possibility of raising funds enough to purchase a lot, upon which to erect a parsonage with the funds now in the hands of the Ladies Parish Aid Society, and hereafter, at our church, after which some additional pledges were made to the amount heretofore subscribed - making the total \$1050.

Adjourned
A. B. Payne, Secy.

Newville Tenn. May 21. '77
Regular meeting of the Vestry, held in the body of the Church, present the Rector presiding, and Messrs. Dale Johnson, Hitchell, Clark and Payne. The Rector opened the meeting with prayer. Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved. Treasurers report for month of April read and approved as follows, to wit:

\$ 2.60	Balance Cash on hand	Paid Ladies Parish	930.65
764.50	Rec'd from Paid Amt.	" Gas Co.	34.00
930.65	" " Easter Offertory	" Rector	75.00
66.60	" " Offertory	" Expenses %	18.70
		" Collecting	13.72
		Balance on hand	<u>19.77</u>
564.35			564.35

Treasurers report was followed by the usual discussions of Finance, Rental of pews, &c. The Committee on Handicrafts reported the receipt of \$500 in accordance with the terms of the \$500 offer of the Executor of the Estate. Report received and Committee discharged. The Vestry reported we had received notes and cash in full of the pledges to "The Church Lot and Building Fund" to the amount of \$500 - Report received. Upon motion both the Handicrafts Committee, and the notes and cash of "The Church Lot and Building Fund" were placed in hands of Mr. D. R. Johnson for safe keeping, the cash to be loaned out as far as practicable. Messrs. Clark and Hitchell were appointed a Committee on music, and instructed to see against any different numbers of Choir and learn the lowest figure at which they will serve for the remainder of the Church year. Adjourned to meet Friday June 1st 5 P.M.
A. B. Payne Secy.

Christ Church, June 1st 1897

Special meeting of the Vestry, present the Rector, Messrs Dale, Clark, Payne, Johnson and Mitchell. The Com. on Music reported having seen Prof. Heilmberg, Mr. Eaton and Mr. Fisher of the Choir in reference to salaries to be paid them for their services, and had learned the following terms, Prof. Heilmberg of \$400, Mr. Eaton of \$150 (commencing Sept 1st), and Mr. Fisher of 75. After considerable discussion, it was determined that in view of the near approach of the warm summer months, it was not advisable to make any changes until Jan. It was therefore resolved to retain Prof. Heilmberg as Organist until Oct 1st, to keep up the choir as at present constituted, and the Committee instructed to so notify him.

Approved.

A. B. Payne, Secy.

Christ Church, Sept 19th 1897.

Regular meeting of the Vestry, present the Rector and Messrs Mitchell, Johnson, Clark and Payne. Minutes of preceding meeting read, and after some slight corrections, approved. Treasurers report read and approved, as follows to wit:

Salaries on hand at last report, Apr 30 th	12.73
Received from the Rector month of May	395.20
" " " " " " June	40.
" " " " " " July	256.70
" " " " " " August	106.20
" " " " " " Sept	117.00
" " " " " " June	71.50
" " " " " " July	36.90
" " " " " " August	87.20
" " " " " " Sept	19.48
" " Bills Receivable " May	28.00
Total receipts Apr 30 to Aug 31 st	978.41

Paid the Rector month of May	400.00	
" " " " " " June	100.00	
" " " " " " July	150.00	\$ 550.00
" " Episcopate fund " May	100.00	
" " " " " " July	57.00	
" " " " " " Aug	36.57	188.57
" " Messrs Home " " May		15.00
" " Expense " " " " June	13.75	
" " " " " " " " July	14.60	
" " " " " " " " Aug.	13.38	
" " " " " " " " Aug.	10.90	54.63
" " " " " " " " June	15.00	
" " " " " " " " July	30.00	
" " " " " " " " Aug	7.00	65.00
" " " " " " " " June		7.20
" " " " " " " " July		27.10
" " Prof Heilmberg " " Aug.		100.00
Total Expenditures, Apr 30 th to Aug 31 st		\$ 950.57
Balance on hand, Aug 31 st		27.84

Com. on singing paid a special service additional inquiries for pews. The subject of the Choir was discussed at some length, but action postponed until a future meeting.

Approved to next Oct 1st -

A. B. Payne Secy.

Christ Church, Oct. 15. 1897.

Regular meeting of the Vestry - present the Rector and Messrs Dale, Harrison, Johnson, Mitchell, Clark and Payne. Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved. Treasurers report also read and approved, as follows to wit:

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	Dr		Cr
17.	84	Balance on hand last report	but for the Rector 150.00
62	161.	25	Receipts from Land rents " " " Sexton 10.
17	107.	90	" " " Offertory " " Expenses 26.12
			Balance on hand 10.87

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 Committee on Land reported some slight changes in the rental of the Pews. The matter of the Choir was discussed at some length without any positive action being taken. A communication from Mr. Jere Baxter was read asking to have a pew set upon a piece of land, donated to the Vestry for the benefit of St. John's Chapel. Reference to Mr. Clark for answer, & some informal conversation was had relative to the location of a new Vestry room, after which an adjournment was had to the next regular meeting.

Ch. B. Payne. Secy.

Christ Church Nov. 5th 1897

Special meeting of the Vestry, Present the Rector and Messrs. Sale, Bush, Johnson, Smith, Robinson, Clark, Mitchell, and Payne. The Rector stated that the meeting was called at the request of the Ladies Pious Aid Society, through Mr. Jere Kirkman, representing the Society, stating that the Ladies, having some \$1,000 in Bonds and money, were anxious to consummate their labors of the past year by the purchase of a Rectory. With this object in view they had examined, and received proposals for the purchase by them of a house in So. Vine St. &c. belonging to Mr. S. C. Abney. The entire amount

of their available funds, including a Lot on Market St., donated them for this purpose by Mr. Bush, would fall short of making the purchase something over \$1,000. They therefore desired the advice and counsel of the Vestry. It was referred to the desirability of making the purchase, and ^{and} as to the ways and means of proceeding for this deficit. Upon motion Mr. Kirkman was authorized to canvass the matter, and see what subscriptions could be obtained towards making up this deficit, and ^{to} authorize to complete the purchase, whenever a sufficient amount was obtained.

Ch. B. Payne. Secy.

Christ Church Nov. 19. 1897

Regular meeting of the Vestry, Present the Rector and Messrs. Sale, Robinson, Smith, Johnson, Clark, Mitchell and Payne. The Rector opened the meeting with prayer. The minutes of the preceding regular and special meetings were read and approved. Treasurer's report also read, and accepted, as follows to-wit:

	Dr		Cr
10.	87	On hand last report.	but for the Rector 450.00
674.	25	Lead from Land Rents	" " " Sexton 80.00
135.	25	" " " Offertory	" " " Sexton 15.00
50.		" " " Bells Payable	" Insurance 50.00
			" the Star Co 17.00
			" Expenses, Amman 43.92
			" for Fuel 18.70
		Balance on hand.	150.80

Committee on pews reported some slight changes, but no additional rentals. The conditions of the

their case discussed and an offer of Mr. Hunt's services made by Mr. Robinson, but it was concluded best not to make any changes until after Christmas. Mr. Clark Committee to whom was referred the communication of Mr. Boston in reference to purchase of the Taylor lot, reports the lot sold but notes not yet received - The Treasurer of the Church Lot Fund directed to notify subscribers to come to pay up their subscriptions
Adjourned to next Dec. 17th -
A. B. Payne, Secy.

Church Church, Dec 17th 1877

Regular meeting of the Vestry, present the Rector, and Messrs Robinson, Dr. Willard and Payne. Meeting opened with prayer, after which the minutes of the preceding meeting read and approved. There being no reports to act upon. Some little time was occupied in an informal discussion of the prospects of "The Church Lot and Building Fund", after which an adjournment was had to the next regular meeting - January 21st 1878.
A. B. Payne, Secy.