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East Hanover Presbytery convened in regular Fall Meeting on October 20, 1936, at 11 A. M. in the Presbyterian Church of Fredericksburg.

The retiring moderator Rev. J. S. Albertson preached the opening sermon from Zech. 4:6. "The Source of Sufficiency and Success" was his subject.

The following members of the Presbytery were present:

Ministers—J. S. Albertson, John W. Sherman, Herman J. Womeldorf, William E. Hill, Jr., Samuel M. Inman, W. W. Bain, M. C. Bowling, D. P. Rogers, J. Blanton Belk, J. A. MacLean, William S. Campbell, Michaux Raine, R. D. Carson, M. B. Wyatt, Fred V. Poag, N. L. Dennis, R. V. Lancaster, H. A. McBath, W. W. White, Charles A. McGirt, George L. Cooper, Edward Mack, E. T. Thompson, William E. Hill, D. T. Caldwell, W. L. Carson, J. S. Duckwall, H. Fitzpatrick, W. T. McDonald, A. B. Montgomery, A. Makovsky, Abner Robertson, T. K. Currie, Joseph H. Cudlipp, J. A. Millard, Jr., J. C. Shive, George C. Bellingrath—37.

Elders—Paul Opocensky, Czechoslovak; John McP. Lacy, St. James; J. E. Walls, Providence Forge; R. W. Roberts, Ginter Park; J. W. Ellis, Mizpah; C. B. Welton, Richmond First; J. H. Moore, Jr., Ashland; E. S. Wood, Sandston; J. O. Dameron, Campbell Memorial; Hugh R. Smith, Petersburg Second; Ewell Somers, Burkeville; W. K. Fitch, Fairfield; Robert S. Gray, Richmond Second; J. Scott Parrish, Grace-Covenant; C. P. Rucker, Amelia; R. C. Good, West End; W. F. Stevenson, Laurel; J. A. Allen, Namozine; P. H. Knabe, Genito; G. D. Hubbard, Providence Forge; William R. Hill, Richmond Third; D. C. Bowman, Fredericksburg; R. E. Monsell, Westminster—23.

Organization: Rev. Richard V. Lancaster was elected moderator, and Rev. Herman J. Womeldorf and Rev. John W. Sherman were elected temporary clerks.

Program: The Program Committee presented its report, fixing the hours of sessions and the schedule of business, and it was approved.

Fairfield Church: A communication from Fairfield Church, asking for permission to employ a supply, was referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Porter Street Church: A communication from Porter Street Church regarding Presbyterian tax was referred to the Finance Committee.

Rev. G. C. Swedberg: A communication was received from Rev. G. C. Swedberg, asking permission to labor outside the bounds of the Presbytery for the next six months, and that he be excused from attending this meeting. The request was granted.

Rev. J. E. Hemphill: A communication was read from Rev. J. E. Hemphill, asking to be excused from attending this meeting of Presbytery. The request was granted.

Calls from Third Church Richmond, Providence Forge, Bethany, Windsor Shades and Fairmount Churches were referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Read Memorial Church presented a request for permission to employ a stated supply. It was referred to the Committee on Calls and Supplies.

Visiting Brothers: Rev. W. McC. Miller, Rev. H. D. Brown, Jr., and Rev. William Megginson were invited to sit as visiting brothers.

Rev. James A. Millard: A report of the commission appointed to ordain and install Licentiate James A. Millard as pastor of the Emporia, Aberdour, Lawrenceville Churches was read, and, on motion, was received and entered in the minutes, and is as follows:

The commission, consisting of Dr. E. T. Thompson, Rev. H. J. Womeldorf, Rev. M. B. Heizer and Ruling Elder J. A. Millard, appointed by Presbytery to ordain J. A. Millard, Jr., and install him as pastor of the Emporia group of churches, met at 11 A. M. Sunday, September 20, 1936, in the Emporia Church. Dr. Thompson called the meeting to order, and it was opened with prayer. Elder Millard was made clerk. Since it was necessary to conduct three services at widely separated points during the day, it was decided that the charge to the pastor would be given only at the morning service. The commission repaired to the auditorium of the

church and proceeded to ordain Licentiate Millard. Dr. Thompson preached the sermon and propounded the constitutional questions. After the candidate had been duly ordained by the laying on of hands, a charge to him as pastor was delivered by Elder Millard. Rev. H. J. Womeldorf then charged the people. The benediction was pronounced by the pastor. The commission adjourned to meet in Aberdour Church at 3:00 P. M.

The commission reassembled in Aberdour Church at 3 P. M. Dr. Thompson presided and propounded the constitutional questions. The sermon was preached by Rev. Womeldorf, and a charge to the people given by Rev. Heizer. After the benediction by the pastor the commission adjourned to meet in the Lawrenceville Church at 8 P. M.

The commission reassembled in the Lawrenceville Church at 8 P. M. Dr. Thompson presided and propounded the constitutional questions. A sermon was preached by Rev. Heizer, and a charge to the congregation was given by Rev. Womeldorf. After the benediction by the pastor, the commission reassembled, the minutes were read and approved and the commission adjourned with prayer.

ERNEST TRICE THOMPSON, Chairman.
J. A. MILLARD, Sr., Clerk.

Rev. Thompson B. Southall: A report of the commission appointed to ordain Licentiate Thompson B. Southall as an evangelist was read, and, on motion, was received and entered in the minutes, and is as follows:

The commission appointed to ordain Licentiate Thompson B. Southall as an evangelist met in the Ashland Presbyterian Church, July 12, 1936, at 3 P. M.

Present: Rev. N. L. Dennis, chairman; Rev. J. C. Shive and Rev. John W. Sherman, Elder John H. Reed.

The commission was opened with prayer. Rev. John W. Sherman was appointed clerk.

Rev. N. L. Dennis presided, preached and propounded the constitutional questions to the candidate.

Rev. John W. Sherman made the ordination prayer.

The moderator "pronounced and declared that Licentiate Thompson B. Southall had been regularly ordained as an evangelist, agreeably to the Word of God and according to the constitution of the Presbyterian Church in the United States".

The Rev. J. C. Shive delivered the charge to Mr. Southall.

After the reading of the minutes the commission adjourned with prayer by Elder John H. Reed.

N. L. DENNIS, Chairman.
JOHN W. SHERMAN, Clerk.

Rev. J. G. Morrison: A report of commission appointed to ordain and install Licentiate J. G. Morrison as pastor of the Samuel Davies Church was read, and, on motion, was received and entered in the minutes, and is as follows:

Members of the commission appointed by East Hanover Presbytery to ordain and install Mr. J. G. Morrison met at Salem Presbyterian Church, July 19, 1936, at 3 P. M. Those present were. Ministers, Edward Mack, H. J. Womeldorf, Charles A. McGirt. Ruling elders, none. Those absent were: Minister, John A. MacLean; Ruling elders, H. H. Wood, A. B. Gathright.

A meeting of those present was opened with prayer by Dr. Mack, who presided. Mr. McGirt was appointed clerk. A quorum not being present, the members adjourned with prayer to meet again at Beulah Church, August 9th, at 3 P. M., for the purpose of carrying out its commission.

Pursuant to adjournment, the commission met at Beulah Church, August 9th, at 3 P. M. Those present were: Ministers, Edward Mack, H. J. Womeldorf, Charles A. McGirt. Ruling elders, H. H. Wood, A. B. Gathright. Absent, John L. MacLean.

Dr. Mack presided, and a quorum being present, the commission was organized with prayer. According to Presbytery's instructions to the commission, the call to Samuel Davies was read, found in order and placed in Mr. Morrison's hands upon his acceptance of it. Mr. McGirt preached a sermon, and Dr. Mack propounded the constitutional questions. Mr. Morrison was then duly ordained to the gospel ministry by prayer and the laying on of hands of the Presbytery, and was installed pastor of the Samuel Davies Church.

Mr. Womeldorf delivered the charge to the pastor, and Dr. Mack the charge to the congregation. Mr. Morrison pronounced the benediction.

The minutes were read and approved, and the commission adjourned with prayer.

EDWARD MACK, Chairman.
CHARLES A. MCGIRT, Clerk.

Rev. R. D. Carson: A report of the commission appointed to ordain and install Licentiate R. D. Carson as pastor of the Woodlawn Church was read, and, on motion, was received and entered in the minutes, and is as follows:

Report of the commission appointed by East Hanover Presbytery to ordain and install Licentiate Robert Donald Carson as pastor of the Woodlawn Presbyterian Church, Hopewell, Va.

The commission met in the Woodlawn Presbyterian Church, Hopewell, Va., Sunday afternoon, July 5, 1936, at the appointed hour, four o'clock, and was called to order by Rev. D. T. Caldwell, D. D., who had been appointed as alternate to anyone of the ministers. Rev. Edward Mack, D. D., the chairman, being unable to attend.

Members of the commission present: Rev. D. T. Caldwell, D. D., Rev. J. E. Hemphill, D. D., Rev. W. W. White, Ruling Elders Robert M. Friend and Philip Dunbar.

The commission was opened with prayer by Rev. W. W. White. Ruling Elder Philip Dunbar was elected clerk.

The ordination and installation was conducted in accordance with the Book of Church Order. Rev. J. E. Hemphill, D. D., preached the sermon, taking as his text, Exodus 3:12, 14. Rev. D. T. Caldwell, D. D., presided and propounded the constitutional questions. The questions being answered satisfactorily by the Licentiate and the congregation, Robert Donald Carson was then ordained to the gospel ministry by the laying on of the hands of the commission, the ordination prayer being offered by Rev. D. T. Caldwell. Rev. W. W. White delivered the charge to the new pastor, and Ruling Elder Robert M. Friend to the congregation. Ruling Elder Philip Dunbar concluded the ordination service with prayer. The congregation was dismissed with the benediction by Rev. Robert Donald Carson.

The minutes having been read and approved, the commission adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. E. Hemphill, D. D.

D. T. CALDWELL, Moderator.

PHILIP DUNBAR, Clerk.

Rev. Samuel M. Inman: A report of commission appointed to ordain and install Licentiate Samuel M. Inman as pastor of the Mizpah Church was read, and, on motion, was received and entered in the minutes, and is as follows:

The commission, consisting of the Rev. E. T. Thompson, chairman; Rev. G. L. Cooper, Mr. George C. Howell and the Rev. J. S. Albertson, appointed by Presbytery to ordain and install Mr. Samuel M. Inman as pastor of the Mizpah Presbyterian Church, Richmond, Va., met in the study of that church on Sunday, June 28, 1936, and was constituted with prayer.

At the request of the chairman, the Rev. J. S. Albertson acted as clerk.

The commission then entered the auditorium of the church, where the service of ordination and installation was held, the Rev. E. T. Thompson presiding.

Dr. Thompson preached the sermon on the subject, "The Great Commission", from the text, Matthew 28:19, 20, and propounded the constitutional questions to the pastor-elect and the congregation. The questions having been answered satisfactorily, Mr. Samuel M. Inman was duly ordained and installed in accordance with the Book of Church Order, Chapter 24, paragraphs 136-139.

The Rev. G. L. Cooper and the Rev. J. S. Albertson, respectively, delivered the charges to the pastor and the congregation.

The service concluded with the benediction, pronounced by the Rev. Samuel M. Inman.

The commission then reassembled, the minutes were read and approved, after which the commission adjourned with prayer.

E. T. THOMPSON, Chairman.

J. S. ALBERTSON, Clerk.

Referred to Finance Committee: Report of Presbytery's Treasurer was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Report of the Benevolence Treasurer was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Presbyterial quotas for 1937-'38 were read and referred to the Finance Committee.

Recess was taken until 2 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

October 20.

Presbytery reconvened at 2 P. M.

Standing Committees: The moderator appointed the following Standing Committees:

Bills and Overtures—Rev. W. T. McDonald, Rev. J. W. Sherman, E. Summers.

Finance—Rev. M. B. Wyatt, W. R. Hill, E. S. Wood.

Minutes of Presbytery—Rev. Michaux Raine, Rev. M. C. Bowling, D. C. Bowman.

Minutes of Synod—Rev. D. P. Rodgers, Rev. A. B. Montgomery, John McP. Lacy.

Presbyterial Sermon—Rev. J. Blanton Belk, Rev. D. T. Caldwell, C. B. Walton.

Courtesy—Rev. J. H. Cudlipp, Rev. Fred V. Poag, R. W. Roberts.

Time and Place of Next Meeting—Rev. H. A. McBath, Rev. N. L. Dennis, J. Scott Parrish.

Nominations to the General Assembly—Rev. George L. Cooper, Rev. W. W. Bain, Rev. N. L. Dennis, Robert S. Gray.

Letter of Sympathy: Rev. William E. Hill was appointed to write a letter of sympathy to the family of the late Mr. D. K. Kellog.

Rev. H. D. Brown: The Committee on Calls and Supplies made a partial report, approving the call of Third Church, Richmond, to Rev. H. D. Brown, Jr., and recommending that the call be found in order and placed in Mr. Brown's hands at the proper time. The recommendation was adopted. On motion, Mr. Brown was received into East Hanover Presbytery on his dismissal from Montgomery Presbytery. Mr. Brown was then examined by the Presbytery. The examination on experimental religion was conducted by the moderator, and was sustained as satisfactory. Examination on theology was conducted by Rev. W. E. Hill, and was sustained as satisfactory. Examination on church government was conducted by Rev. E. T. Thompson, and was sustained as satisfactory. On motion, the examination was sustained as a whole.

Presbytery then placed the call of the Third Church in Mr. Brown's hands upon his acceptance of it.

Commission Appointed: The following commission was appointed to install Mr. Brown as pastor of the Third Church on December 6, 1936, at 8 P. M.: To preside, preach and propound the constitutional questions, Rev. J. Blanton Belk, with Rev. W. L. Carson as alternate; to charge the pastor, Rev. Edward Mack, with Rev. W. E. Hill as alternate. To charge the congregation Rev. O. E. Buchholz, with Rev. C. A. McGirt as alternate. Mr. John H. Reed was the elder appointed, with Mr. Charles F. Cole as alternate.

Moral and Social Welfare: The Committee on Moral and Social Welfare submitted its report. Pending its adoption an address was made by Dr. W. E. Hill on "Salacious Literature". The report was adopted, and is as follows:

Your committee calls the attention of Presbytery to the report of the Assembly's Permanent Committee on Moral and Social Welfare, found on pages 94-103 of Assembly's Minutes, 1936, and to

Synod's action in regard thereto, Minutes of Synod, page 31. The report of the Assembly's committee is an able and comprehensive document that should have the most thoughtful attention of our ministers and church officers. It will be published in pamphlet form by our Committee of Publication. We recommend that it be given a wide circulation within the bounds of the Presbytery, and that it be made a basis of special study by the men, women and young people of our congregations.

We recommend, second, that Dr. W. E. Hill be heard on the subject of Salacious Literature, Its Prevalence and Its Danger.

E. T. THOMPSON, Chairman.

Benevolent Institutions: At the request of the Committee on Benevolent Institutions, Presbytery heard Rev. William Megginson for twenty minutes. Mr. Megginson spoke on the work of the Presbyterian Orphans' Home. The committee made the following recommendation, which was adopted:

That the pastors and elders encourage their Sunday Schools to make an offering at the Thanksgiving season for the benefit of our Lynchburg Orphanage.

Pastoral Changes: The Committee on Pastoral Changes submitted its report, which was placed on the docket as the first order of business Wednesday morning.

Religious Education: The Committee on Religious Education submitted its report, which was adopted, and is as follows:

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION,
OCTOBER 20, 1936.**

I. Bible Schools for the Summer, 1936.

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| Brett-Reed | 22 | Pine Grove | 88 |
| Brunswick | 77 | Rennie | 56 |
| Czecho-Slovak | 55 | Roseneath | 80 |
| Fredericksburg | 45 | St. James | 54 |
| Fulton | 70 | Wesley Chapel | 40 |
| Hopewell, First | 102 | West End, Hopewell | 487 |
| Lakeside | 25 | West Hopewell Chapel | 52 |
| Mattoax | 45 | West Street Chapel | 65 |
| Milford | 78 | Masonic Home | 100 |
| Mizpah | 81 | Seventeenth Street | 200 |
| Petersburg, Second | 106 | Fairfield | 90 |

Recommendation: That the manual be changed so as to include the president of the Presbyterial and the president of the Young People's League on this committee.

Overture: Rev. Abner Robertson offered an overture to the General Assembly, which was referred to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

Spiritual Life: The Committee on Spiritual Life submitted a verbal report, which was approved.

In this connection the following motions were passed:

First. That the Committee on Spiritual Life be asked to consider the question of asking East Hanover Presbytery to have a special called meeting to be held in Richmond in January, to which all deacons in the Presbytery would be invited, at which meeting Presbytery would give its best thought to the several matters brought out in Mr. Cooper's report, especially the night and Wednesday evening prayer meetings. This committee to report to Presbytery at this meeting.

Second. That Rev. W. L. Carson and Mr. J. Scott Parrish be added to this committee for the consideration of the above motion.

Stewardship: The Stewardship Committee submitted its report, which was received and its recommendations adopted. At the request of the committee Messrs. McLean Whittet, William Clift and Roy Grubbs, deacons of the Grace-Covenant Church, outlined the financial program of that church.

The report is as follows:

Your Committee on Stewardship recommends:

1. That Presbytery adopt the following budget for the year 1937-38:

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| For Assembly's Causes | \$52,830.00 |
| For Synod's Causes | 17,100.00 |
| For Presbytery's Home Missions | 18,852.00 |
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| Total | \$88,782.00 |

2. That Presbytery adopt the following apportionments for the year 1937-38:

| Church. | Amount. |
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| Aberdour | \$ 100.00 |
| Amelia | 800.00 |
| Ashland | 500.00 |
| Bethany | 175.00 |
| Blackstone | 1,500.00 |
| Bon Air | 700.00 |
| Bott Memorial | 75.00 |
| Brett-Reed | 150.00 |
| Brunswick | 300.00 |
| Burkeville | 200.00 |
| Byrd | 40.00 |
| Campbell Memorial | 225.00 |
| Centralia | 25.00 |
| Chester | 275.00 |
| Colonial Heights | 100.00 |
| Czechoslovak | 300.00 |
| Drewry's Bluff | 150.00 |
| Emporia | 500.00 |
| Fairfield | 100.00 |
| Fairmount | 200.00 |
| Forest Hill | 300.00 |
| Fredericksburg | 3,000.00 |
| Fulton | 150.00 |
| Genito | 100.00 |
| Ginter Park | 12,000.00 |
| Grace-Covenant | 16,000.00 |
| Granite | 100.00 |
| Grove Avenue | 150.00 |
| Hawkins Memorial | 75.00 |
| Hebron | 150.00 |
| Hoge Memorial | 200.00 |
| Hopewell | 200.00 |
| King's Chapel | 25.00 |
| Lakeside | 300.00 |
| Laurel | 200.00 |
| Lawrenceville | 125.00 |
| Milden | 250.00 |
| Milford | 200.00 |
| Mizpah | 1,500.00 |
| Montrose | 200.00 |
| Namozine | 200.00 |
| Nottoway | 50.00 |

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| Overbrook | 1,500.00 |
| Petersburg, Second | 6,000.00 |
| Petersburg, Third | 150.00 |
| Porter Street | 500.00 |
| Providence | 200.00 |
| Providence Forge | 125.00 |
| Pryor Memorial | 600.00 |
| Read Memorial | 150.00 |
| Richmond, First | 8,000.00 |
| Richmond, Second | 12,500.00 |
| Richmond, Third | 6,100.00 |
| Roseneath | 100.00 |
| St. James | 75.00 |
| Samuel Davies | 100.00 |
| Sandston | 275.00 |
| Tabb Street | 6,000.00 |
| Union | 150.00 |
| Wesley Chapel | 50.00 |
| West End | 200.00 |
| Westminster | 4,000.00 |
| Windsor Shades | 50.00 |
| Woodlawn | 50.00 |
| Total | <u>\$88,765.00</u> |

3. That Presbytery adopt the following percentage schedule for distribution of benevolent funds:

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| Foreign Missions | 31½ % |
| Assembly's Home Missions | 15½ % |
| Christian Education and Ministerial Relief | 7½ % |
| Religious Education and Publication | 3 % |
| Assembly's Training School | 1½ % |
| Bible Causes | ½ % |
| Synod's Home Missions | 2 % |
| Orphans' Home | 4 % |
| Sunnyside Home | 1 % |
| Massanetta Conferences | 1 % |
| Union Theological Seminary | 2½ % |
| Hampden-Sydney College | 3 % |
| Mary Baldwin College | 3 % |
| Virginia Presbyterian School | ½ % |
| Synod's Religious Education and Student Work | 2½ % |
| Presbytery's Home Missions | 21 % |
| Total | <u>100 %</u> |

4. That every congregation be urged to make a thorough Every Member Canvass for all church benevolences, as well as local expenses on Sunday, March 14.

5. That every congregation be urged to designate Sunday, March 21, as Pay-Up Sunday, and that all members who had made no pledge be urged to make a cash contribution to the benevolent causes.

6. That the month of February be designated as a period of special education and preparation for the Every Member Canvass, and that the Stewardship Committee be authorized to use whatever measures it may deem appropriate to stimulate the Every Member Canvass, and to visit the churches and confer with the congregations or the officers in connection with the Stewardship Campaign, and that \$25.00 be set apart for this expense.

7. That Rev. N. L. Dennis be re-elected Secretary of Stewardship.

8. That our people be informed that Presbytery is now incorporated and can receive bequests and trust funds for all benevolent causes, and that the Stewardship Committee has now in mind some needs in our Presbytery, where endowments and gifts could be used to great advantage in the Kingdom of God. We request that our pastors be asked to give publicity to these facts.

9. That we call attention to the plan for an Assembly-wide Diamond Jubilee Thanks Offering in each church during November 8-15. That wherever possible such an offering be taken.

10. That Deacons McLean Whittet, William Clift and Roy Grubbs of Grace-Covenant Church be thanked for their addresses in connection with this report.

11. That a committee of deacons, in cooperation with the Stewardship Committee, be requested to call the deacons of the Presbytery into conference to consider the best possible ways of conducting the Every Member Canvass, and to discuss other financial problems. This meeting to be held in some central place, and during January or February if possible. The following committee of deacons to be appointed: McLean Whittet, chairman; Pollard Cardoza, W. C. Carrick, George Watt, Frank Martin, Dr. Phil Cox.

Respectfully submitted,

J. BLANTON BELK, Chairman.

W. E. HILL

W. L. CARSON

D. P. ROGERS

D. T. CALDWELL

M. B. WYATT

W. R. HILL

H. H. WOOD

Commissioners to the Assembly: The report of the Commissioners to the General Assembly was approved and the diligence of the commissioners commended.

The Commission on Samuel Davies Church submitted its report. On motion it was received, and the commission dissolved. The report is as follows:

MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE COMMISSION OF EAST HANOVER PRESBYTERY IN THE MATTER OF SAMUEL DAVIES CHURCH AND RULING ELDER H. C. ALEXANDER.

July 19, 1935.

The commission of East Hanover Presbytery, in connection with the matter of the Samuel Davies Church and Ruling Elder H. C. Alexander, met at the Bethlehem Chapel at 10:30 A. M. on this day. There were present the moderator, Rev. D. T. Caldwell, Rev. D. P. Rogers, Rev. R. E. Watts and Ruling Elder John W. Friend.

The meeting was opened with prayer, led by Rev. D. P. Rogers.

Upon motion, Mr. Friend was elected clerk of the commission.

The moderator read the following action of Presbytery, under which the commission met:

"A communication from the Samuel Davies Church was received, which asked for the appointment of a commission to visit that church to study certain conditions existing in it.

"The following commission was appointed, and the communication referred to it: Rev. D. T. Caldwell, Rev. D. P. Rogers, Rev. William E. Hill, Ruling Elders J. G. Jefferson, Jr., and J. W. Friend."

Rev. Robert Turner, pastor of the church, supplied the commission with a copy of a minute adopted March 17, 1936, by the session of Samuel Davies Church. This paper was presented to the Spring Meeting of Presbytery, but through an oversight of the stated clerk, had not previously been placed before the commission.

The commission conferred, one at a time, with H. C. Alexander, Ruling Elder C. F. Parsley, Ruling Elder T. D. West, Deacon John West, Deacon R. C. Alexander and Rev. Robert Turner, and with them all jointly. It did not appear to the commission wise to take any definite action at the time.

The minutes of this meeting were read and approved.

The commission then adjourned, subject to the call of the moderator, the closing prayer being led by the Rev. R. E. Watts.

JNO. W. FRIEND, Clerk.

D. T. CALDWELL, Moderator.

November 12, 1935.

The commission of East Hanover Presbytery, in connection with the matter of the Samuel Davies Church and Ruling Elder H. C. Alexander met at the Bethlehem Chapel at 2 P. M. on this day. There were present the moderator, Rev. D. T. Caldwell, Rev. D. P. Rogers, Rev. R. E. Watts and Ruling Elders J. G. Jefferson, Jr., W. F. Stevenson and John W. Friend, Clerk.

The meeting was opened with prayer, led by Rev. R. E. Watts.

The commission again endeavored to effect a reconciliation between the pastor of the church and Mr. H. C. Alexander, but after a lengthy conference, found that no progress could be made at this time.

The moderator then read the additional instruction given the commission by Presbytery at its Fall Meeting, October 15, 1935, as follows:

"That the commission now working in the Samuel Davies field be instructed to investigate and study the advisability of separating the different branches of that church into separate churches, each becoming an organized church, and if deemed wise to proceed so as to separate and organize said churches. And that this commission counsel and advise the Samuel Davies field until such time as it shall have called a pastor or supply."

The several branches of the Samuel Davies Church were asked, through the representatives at this meeting, to consider this matter and report back to the commission their wishes as to the formation of separate churches out of the Samuel Davies congregation.

The meeting then adjourned, subject to the call of the moderator, being led in prayer by Ruling Elder W. F. Stevenson, the minutes of this meeting having been read, and, upon motion, approved.

JOHN W. FRIEND, Clerk.

D. T. CALDWELL, Moderator.

Fredericksburg, Va., Oct. 20, 1936.

The commission of East Hanover Presbytery, in connection with matter of the Samuel Davies Church and Ruling Elder H. C. Alexander, met at Fredericksburg, Va., 12:30 P. M., in the Presbyterian Church.

The meeting was opened with prayer, led by the moderator.

There were present the moderator, Rev. D. T. Caldwell, Rev. D. P. Rogers, Rev. C. A. McGirt, Rev. William E. Hill and Ruling Elder W. F. Stevenson.

The moderator designated Mr. W. F. Stevenson to act as clerk

pro tem. The moderator then presented the following communication from the session of the Samuel Davies Church:

"At the meeting of the session of the Samuel Davies Church, held on the fifth day of October, 1936, the following resolution was passed:

"Resolved: That the action of the session heretofore taken with reference to certain charges against H. C. Alexander, elder, addressed to the East Hanover Presbytery, be, and the same are, hereby ordered to be withdrawn.

"Resolved further: That the Presbytery be requested to take no further action on said charges and to dismiss the same.

"Signed: T. E. DUNHAM,

"Clerk of Session."

Upon motion it was voted that we accede to this request and dismiss the charges against Mr. H. C. Alexander.

The commission is happy to make record that Ruling Elder H. C. Alexander has again assumed his place in the work of the church and that the Rev. John G. Morrison, the new pastor, is ministering to a united and harmonious congregation.

The commission has heard officially from only one branch of the Samuel Davies Church as to the creation of separate organizations out of the several branches. This reply indicates a preference for a continuance of the present status; and the independent investigations of the commission justify the belief that action would at this time not be wise.

The minutes of this meeting were read and approved and the commission adjourned with prayer.

W. F. STEVENSON, Clerk Pro Tem.

D. T. CALDWELL, Moderator.

Recess was taken at 5:35 P. M.

NIGHT SESSION.

October 20.

Presbytery reconvened at 8 P. M.

Diamond Jubilee: The Diamond Jubilee Committee submitted its report. In connection with this report, Rev. E. T. Thompson delivered an address on "Southern Presbyterians". Presbytery expressed appreciation to Dr. Thompson by a rising vote of thanks. The report was adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF DIAMOND JUBILEE COMMITTEE.

The Diamond Jubilee Committee respectfully submits the following report to East Hanover Presbytery:

The work of the Assembly's Committee has been so thorough and detailed that there was little in the way of plans or instruction left for this committee to do in the Presbytery. However, this committee has had three meetings to discuss plans to further the program of the Diamond Jubilee Committee, and has, in cooperation with the Young People's League and the Committee of Religious Education, sponsored three sectional meetings—held in Richmond, Second Church; Petersburg, Second Church, and Blackstone. These meetings were well attended, and the programs well received.

No reports have been received from any of the churches on evangelism or the distribution of prayer calendars or efforts in the promotion of the prayer life. Only one report has been received on Bible reading, and only thirty-nine of the sixty-four churches have reported on tithing. The partial reports on tithing show 537 tithers in the churches reporting, with West End, Hopewell, leading in number, 120. The goal fixed for this Presbytery was 2,000 tithers this year.

Your committee would respectfully call attention to the recommendations of Synod, which are as follows:

1. That continued emphasis be laid on the enlisting of readers of the Word of God, and that an effort be made to conserve and make permanent the results already obtained.

2. That special effort be made in the fall and winter to win souls for Christ through personal workers' groups or evangelistic meetings, or both.

3. That all sessions be urged to use the general appraisal procedure, and thus examine the life of the church.

4. That the missionary tone of the First General Assembly be remembered, and its great missionary declaration recognized, "The General Assembly desires distinctly and deliberately to inscribe on our Church's banner as it now first unfurls it to the world, immediate connection with the Headship of her Lord, His last command, 'Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature, regarding this as the great end of the organization and obedience to it as the indispensable condition of her Lord's promised presence'".

We recommend:

1. That December 4th be observed in every church where pos-

sible as the anniversary of our first General Assembly, at which our branch of the Presbyterian Church was organized.

Respectfully submitted,

N. L. DENNIS, Chairman,
For the Committee.

Presbytery adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9 A. M.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

October 21, 1936.

Presbytery convened at 9 A. M. The devotional services were conducted by Rev. Fred V. Poag. The minutes were read and approved.

Rev. George C. Bellingrath: A communication from Rev. George C. Bellingrath, requesting permission to continue his labors outside the bounds of Presbytery until the next regular meeting, was granted.

Woman's Work: The chairman of Woman's Work made a brief report, which, on motion, was received with appreciation and entered in the minutes. It is as follows:

As chairman of Woman's Work, I have been asked by the Presbyterial to convey to the Presbytery a motion and a resolution made at the meeting of Presbyterial in Grace-Covenant Church, May 5, 1936.

The motion made by Mrs. John L. Fairly, and adopted by the Presbyterial, is as follows: That the Woman's Auxilliary of East Hanover Presbytery thank Presbytery for its courtesy in inviting the Presbyterial president to give the report of the year's work in person.

The resolution, also presented by Mrs. Fairly, and adopted by the Presbyterial, is: That the Woman's Auxilliary of East Hanover Presbytery, in recognition of its status as Auxilliary to Presbytery, pledge its loyalty and cooperation in all of Presbytery's work and plans.

CHARLES A. MCGIRT.

Pastoral Changes: The report of the Committee on Pastoral Changes was read, and, on motion, was adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL CHANGES OF EAST HANOVER PRESBYTERY.

The Committee on Pastoral Changes appointed by East Hanover Presbytery at its Adjourned Meeting, June, 1936, offers the following recommendations.

I. That a commission be appointed, consisting of three ministers, one of whom shall be Presbytery's representative on the Stated Supply Committee of Synod, and two elders, a quorum of which shall be three, "to take special oversight of churches without pastors" as soon as they become vacant (Par. 76, Book of Church Order), and to make practical the directions in paragraphs 128-130 of the Book of Church Order in the following ways:

1. By advising with church sessions regarding **temporary supplies**. To carry out this part of its functions, the commission will arrange and keep up to date a list of men available for immediate service in the Presbytery as temporary supplies. The list will include ordinarily ministers honorably retired from continuous service, and other ministers not regularly engaged in pastoral functions, such as secretaries, editors or teachers. The session will meet with the commission, and with its aid and advice secure a temporary supply for its pulpit as soon as it has become vacant. The Presbytery will not approve temporary supplies being settled as stated supplies or as pastors in the congregations which they are serving.

2. By advising with church sessions regarding **stated supplies**. It will be the general policy of the Presbytery in the future to establish stated supplies, rather than pastors, in all churches where such relationship may appear advisable, after recommendation from Presbytery's Commission on Vacancy and Supply. The commission will arrange for the transfer of stated supplies within the Presbytery when it seems for the best interests of the minister, the church or the Presbytery as a whole. If need arises, and the commission is unable to arrange a transfer within the Presbytery, it shall endeavor to secure another field for the minister, and to aid the church session in securing another stated supply. The church session shall be under obligation to advise with Presbytery's commission regarding the employment of a stated supply. The Presbytery will not establish or continue any such relationship without the advice of the commission.

3. By advising churches regarding **pastoral calls**. The commission shall meet and consult with every committee appointed by a church to recommend the calling of a pastor. It shall have the privilege of nominating suitable men to the committee, and of advising the committee regarding the merits of any man whose name it expects to put before the congregation. The Presbytery will allow a call to be put into the hands of a minister only when the committee of the local church has thus consulted the commission of Presbytery before the name is presented to the congregation. Every call must be put into the hands of the commission, and presented by it to the Presbytery, with recommendation for final action.

(See Manual 41.)

II. That membership on this commission be for three years, and that members be ineligible for immediate re-election. At the outset members of the commission shall be divided into three classes, serving one, two and three years.

III. That the Synod be overtured to recommend the study of this and other similar plans to the other Presbyteries of Synod.

IV. That Presbytery's commission consult and work in harmony with similar commissions appointed by other Presbyteries.

V. That the commission bring in further recommendations growing out of their actual experience in the work with which it has been entrusted, if such recommendations seem advisable.

Signed W. E. HILL,
D. T. CALDWELL,
C. F. COLE,
JOHN M. FRIEND,
E. T. THOMPSON, Chairman.

Dr. L. W. Jarman: Upon motion, Dr. L. W. Jarman, president of Mary Baldwin College, was invited to sit as a visiting brother. Dr. Jarman, upon invitation, addressed Presbytery on Mary Baldwin College.

Christian Education and M. R.: The Committee on Christian Education and Ministerial Relief submitted a verbal report, which, on motion, was approved. On motion this committee was charged with the promotion of the Ministers' Annuity Fund in the Presbytery.

Presbytery recessed until 11 A. M.

Presbytery reconvened at 11 A. M.

Presbyterial Sermon: Rev. Joseph H. Cudlipp preached

the Presbyterian sermon, according to the appointment of Presbytery, on "The Place of the Cross in God's Plan of Salvation"—Text 1 Cor. 15:3. The Lord's Supper was then administered by Rev. William S. Campbell and Rev. D. P. Rogers.

Vacancy and Supply: Motion prevailed that the members of the Commission on Vacancy and Supply be appointed by the same method as the Manual provides for the appointment of other permanent committees.

Regarding this commission, the following motions were passed:

First. That Presbytery's Manual be amended by striking out the paragraph on page 41 relating to Committee on Calls and Supplies. This committee is hereby discontinued, its functions having been entrusted to Presbytery's Commission on Vacancy and Supply.

Second. That Presbytery authorize its Commission on Vacancy and Supply to draw each year on the Presbyterian treasury for its necessary expenses, not to exceed the amount of \$50.00.

Historical Committee: The Historical Committee submitted its report, which, on motion, was received, and the recommendation adopted. It is as follows:

REPORT TO EAST HANOVER PRESBYTERY, OCT. 21, 1936.

For several successive years your committee has urged upon the Synod of Virginia its obligation to return to the custody of East Hanover Presbytery the original manuscript volume of the earliest Minutes of old Hanover Presbytery, beginning with its organization in 1755. Many of these records are autographs of Samuel Davies and John Todd, chief movers in the organization of the Presbytery.

These Minutes were borrowed by some minister of the Synod, who eventually returned them, not to the stated clerk of Presbytery, but to the stated clerk of Synod, who, of his own wish and will, refused to turn them back to this Presbytery. Some years ago the Synod deposited this valuable volume in its archives in Union Seminary Library.

It pleased the Synod of Virginia, at its sessions in Augusta Stone Church in September, to order the return of these Minutes to the custody of East Hanover Presbytery.

We recommend, therefore, that the Presbytery officially re-

quest the Union Seminary librarian to transfer these Minutes from the depository of the Synod in the Seminary Library to the depository of this Presbytery in the same library, according to the order of Synod.

These venerable records have been photostated, in cooperation with the librarian of the State of Virginia, for general reference uses, so that the original autograph volume may not be impaired by the constant handling to which it would be subjected.

EDWARD MACK,
W. S. CAMPBELL.

Time and Place: The Committee on Time and Place of meeting recommended that when Presbytery adjourns, it adjourn to meet on November 10th, at 10 A. M., in the Second Church, Richmond. The commendation was adopted.

Courtesy: The Committee on Courtesy submitted its report, which, on motion, was received, and is as follows:

Be it resolved, That East Hanover Presbytery express its appreciation:

1. To the pastor and congregation of the Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church for their cordial hospitality extended to the members of this Presbytery. Their warm welcome, their generous provision, their splendid cooperation have made this meeting of Presbytery a most happy occasion.

2. To the ladies of the church, who have so bountifully and ably ministered to the inner man. We wish to express our gratitude to them for this fine opportunity for Christian fellowship which they have afforded us in these luncheon periods.

3. To our hosts and hostesses, who have so generously entertained us in their homes, and we wish to express to them our appreciation for making our stay in Fredericksburg so very pleasant.

JOSEPH H. CUDLIPP,
FRED V. POAG.

Rev. J. S. Albertson: Presbytery, on motion, gave a rising vote of thanks to Rev. J. S. Albertson, for his faithful services to the Presbytery as its moderator for the past six months.

Calls and Supplies: The Committee on Calls and Supplies submitted the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Calls and Supplies has had placed in its hands calls for pastoral services from four churches and requests for permission to employ student supplies from three.

We recommend: (1) That the call of the Fairmount Church for the pastoral services of the Rev. J. C. Shive, promising a salary of \$800.00 a year, be found in order and placed in his hands. (2) That the calls of the Providence Forge Church, promising \$525; the Windsor Shades Church, promising \$150, and the Bethany Church, promising \$525 (total of \$1,200), for the pastoral services of the Rev. B. T. Harrop, be found in order and docketed for consideration at a future meeting of Presbytery. (3) That the request of the Fairfield Church for permission to employ Mr. C. C. Crawford as student supply until the Spring Meeting be granted. (4) That the request of the Read Memorial Church for permission to employ Mr. C. H. Gibboney as student supply until the Spring Meeting be granted. (5) That the request of the Grove Avenue Church for permission to employ Mr. Frank Elvery and Mr. Howard Gordon as student supplies be referred to the Home Mission Committee, with power to act.

J. S. ALBERTSON, Chairman,
For the Committee.

Assembly's Institutions: The Committee on Assembly's Institutions reported that it had no report to make.

Presbytery recessed at 12:40 to reconvene at 1:45 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

October 21.

Presbytery reconvened at 1:45 P. M.

Rev. J. C. Shive: Rev. J. C. Shive requested Presbytery to dissolve the pastoral relations between him and the Milford Church. A communication from the church concurring in this request was read. On motion the request was granted.

The call from the Fairmount Church was placed in Mr. Shive's hands upon his acceptance of it.

The commission appointed to install Mr. Shive as pastor of the Fairmount Church on November 1st, at 11 A. M., is as follows: Ministers, Rev. N. L. Dennis, to preside and charge pastor; Rev. J. S. Albertson, to preach the sermon; Rev. T. K.

Currie, to charge the congregation; Rev. Edward Mack, as alternate; elders, J. Scott Parrish and G. A. Woody, with Dr. C. A. Blanton alternate.

Pastoral Changes: Relative to the Committee on Pastoral Changes, the following motion was passed:

That the committee, appointed to recommend to the Presbytery suitable action in the matter of vacancy and supply, be requested to study and recommend to the Presbytery suitable action with reference to all previous actions of the Presbytery in conflict with and made unnecessary by the effectiveness of the Commission on Vacancy and Supply.

Spiritual Life: The report of the Spiritual Life Committee was placed on docket for the adjourned meeting.

Home Missions: The report of the Home Mission Committee was read and adopted, and is as follows:

The Home Mission Committee recommends:

1. That an appropriation of \$150.00 be made to the Fairmount Presbyterian Church, to supplement the salary of Rev. J. C. Shive, for six months, October 1, 1936, to March 31, 1937, payable monthly.

2. That the Home Mission Committee be authorized to borrow an additional \$1,000.00, or so much as may be necessary.

D. T. CALDWELL.

Bills and Overtures: The Committee on Bills and Overtures submitted its report, which, on motion, was adopted, and is as follows:

The following overture was placed in our hands:

The Presbytery of East Hanover respectfully overtures the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, U. S., to designate the week preceding Rally Day each year as Christian Home Week, and to urge that it be used by the churches for definite educative procedures for making and maintaining Christian homes.

We recommend this overture be sent up to the General Assembly.

W. T. McDONALD.

Finance: The report of the Finance Committee was read, and, on motion, was adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The reports of the Treasurer of the Presbytery, the Treasurer of Benevolences and church quotas for Presbytery's expenses for 1936-37 were referred to this committee.

We recommend:

1st. The approval and adoption of these three reports, with the following exception: That the assessment against the Fairfield Church be based on \$1,100.00, and, therefore, be \$10.60.

2nd. That the first request of the Porter Street Church, made in the communication referred to this committee, be granted, and the letter referred to the Treasurer of the Presbytery.

MARSHALL B. WYATT, Chairman.

Mr. Stevenson's reports, as adopted, are as follows:

**REPORT OF TREASURER OF PRESBYTERY,
SEPTEMBER 30, 1931.**

Receipts.

Cash on hand April 11, 1935:

| | | |
|--|-----------|------------|
| Presbytery's Current Expense Fund..... | \$ 464.57 | |
| Presbytery's Diamond Jubilee Fund..... | 39.64 | |
| Synod's Diamond Jubilee Fund..... | 22.32 | |
| Synod's Entertainment Fund | 81.55 | \$ 608.08 |
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| Presbytery's quotas prior to 1936..... | 189.42 | |
| Presbytery's quotas, 1936 | 1,101.00 | |
| Diamond Jubilee Fund | 67.24 | |
| Synod's Entertainment Fund | 293.30 | 1,650.96 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | \$2,259.04 |

Disbursements.

| | | |
|--|-----------|------------|
| Synod's Entertainment Fund | \$ 374.85 | |
| Synod's tax | 144.00 | |
| Assembly's Diamond Jubilee Committee..... | 42.02 | |
| Synod's Diamond Jubilee Committee..... | 30.73 | |
| Presbytery's Diamond Jubilee Committee.... | 56.45 | |
| Printing and postage | 59.79 | |
| Treasurer's bond | 25.00 | |
| Salaries | 187.50 | |
| Printing and mailing Minutes | 278.75 | |
| Expenses stated clerk | 52.85 | 1,251.94 |
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| Cash on hand Virginia Trust Company | | 1,007.10 |
| <hr/> | | |
| | | \$2,259.04 |

Liabilities.

| | | |
|----------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Assembly's tax | \$ 773.58 | |
| Salaries | 462.50 | |
| Printing Minutes | 250.00 | 1,486.08 |

DELINQUENT PRESBYTERIAL TAXES
September 30, 1936

| CHURCH | Prior to 1934 | 1934 | 1935 | 1936 | |
|-----------------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|---------------------|
| Bott Memorial..... | | \$ 2 00 | \$ 3 00 | \$ 4 00 | Extended to Fall |
| Burkeville..... | | | 15 00 | 14 00 | Extended to Fall |
| Byrd..... | | | | 4 00 | Extended to Fall |
| Centralia..... | \$ 12 00 | 4 00 | | | Extended to Fall |
| Chester..... | | | 12 00 | | |
| Colonial Heights..... | | | | 9 00 | |
| Drewry's Bluff..... | | | | 11 00 | Extended to Fall |
| Fairmount..... | | | | 23 00 | Extended to Fall |
| Forest Hill..... | | | | 29 00 | Extended to June 23 |
| Genito..... | | | | 6 00 | Extended to June 23 |
| Ginter Park..... | | | | 351 00 | |
| Lakeside..... | | | | 30 00 | Extended to June 23 |
| Montrose..... | 21 00 | 12 00 | 13 00 | 12 00 | |
| Nottoway..... | | | | 4 00 | Extended to Fall |
| Petersburg Third..... | | | 19 00 | 14 00 | |
| Providence Forge..... | | | | 11 00 | Extended to Fall |
| Read Memorial..... | | | | 26 00 | Extended to Fall |
| Samuel Davies..... | | 22 00 | 20 00 | | Extended to Fall |
| Sandston..... | | | 20 00 | | Extended to Fall |
| Union..... | | | 1 00 | | Extended to Fall |
| West End..... | | | 33 00 | 23 00 | Extended to Fall |
| Westminster..... | | | 67 50 | 112 00 | Extended to June 23 |
| Total | \$ 33 00 | \$ 40 00 | \$203 50 | \$683 00 | \$959 50 |

Respectfully submitted,
W. F. STEVENSON, Treasurer.

**REPORT TREASURER OF BENEVOLENCES, SEPTEMBER
30, 1936.**

Receipts.

| Churches. | Regular Causes. | Churches. | Regular Causes. |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Abedour | \$ 18.00 | Hoge Memorial | \$ 89.00 |
| Amelia | 90.00 | Lakeside | 9.35 |
| Ashland | 118.28 | Laurel | 22.00 |
| Bethany | 31.28 | Milden | 29.72 |
| Blackstone | 200.00 | Milford | 66.43 |
| Brett-Read Memorial. | 31.00 | Montrose | 36.37 |
| Campbell Memorial.. | 61.70 | Namozine | 52.36 |
| Centralia | 1.75 | Petersburg, Second .. | 1,630.40 |
| Chester | 79.05 | Porter Street | 183.50 |
| Czechoslovak, First.. | 150.00 | Providence Forge . . . | 9.69 |
| Drewry's Bluff | 11.52 | Richmond, Second . . . | 928.09 |
| Fairfield | 20.00 | Richmond, Third . . . | 1,809.57 |
| Fredericksburg | 317.19 | Roseneath | 30.00 |
| Fulton | 7.95 | St. James | 10.00 |
| Genito | 18.00 | Samuel Davies | 1.40 |
| Grace-Covenant | 2,635.00 | Sandston | 91.63 |
| Granite | 30.00 | Tabb Street | 2,604.16 |
| Grove Avenue | 50.00 | West End | 25.00 |
| Hawkins Memorial . . . | 10.00 | Westminster | 871.00 |
| Hebron | 10.80 | Windsor Shades | 33.00 |
| | | \$12,424.19 | |

Special Causes.

| | | | |
|--|---------|---------|----------|
| Czechoslovak (Daily Vacation Bible School) | \$ 5.00 | | |
| Roseneath (Daily Vacation Bible School) | 45.00 | \$50.00 | |
| Fairmount (Presbyterial's Causes) | 5.00 | | |
| Providence Forge (Presbyterial's Causes) | 3.22 | 8.22 | \$ 58.22 |

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|---|-------|-------|-------------|
| Grace-Covenant (Synod's Entertainment Fund) | 76.75 | | |
| Granite (Synod's Entertainment Fund) | 1.45 | | |
| Hebron (Synod's Entertainment Fund) | 2.15 | | |
| Milden (Synod's Entertainment Fund) | 4.55 | | |
| Roseneath (Synod's Entertainment Fund) | 2.00 | 86.90 | 86.90 |
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| Presbytery's Treasurer (expenses) | 1.50 | | 1.50 |
| | | <hr/> | |
| Total receipts | | | \$12,570.81 |

Disbursements.

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|--|-------------|-------|-------------|
| Foreign Missions | \$ 4,329.15 | | |
| Assembly's Home Missions | 3,516.77 | | |
| Assembly's Training School | 315.44 | | |
| Christian Education and Ministerial Relief.. | 668.45 | | |
| Religious Education | 263.14 | | |
| Bible Cause | 44.74 | | |
| | | <hr/> | |
| Total Assembly's Causes | | | \$ 9,137.69 |
| Synod's Home Missions | \$ 236.23 | | |
| Union Theological Seminary | 182.98 | | |
| Hampden-Sydney College | 218.33 | | |
| Mary Baldwin College | 218.32 | | |
| Massanetta Springs Conferences | 77.33 | | |
| Virginia Presbyterian School | 41.63 | | |
| Presbyterian Orphans' Home | 335.72 | | |
| Sunny Side Home | 152.34 | | |
| Synod's Religious Education | 183.35 | | |
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| Total Synod's Causes | | | \$ 1,646.23 |
| Presbytery's Home Missions | | | 1,640.27 |
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| Total regular benevolences | | | \$12,424.19 |
| Daily Vacation Bible Schools | \$ 50.00 | | |
| Presbyterial's Treasurer | 8.22 | | |
| Synod's Entertainment Fund | 86.90 | | |
| Virginia Trust Company (check book).... | 1.50 | | 146.62 |
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| Total disbursements | | | \$12,570.81 |

The above figures show a very gratifying increase over the same period last year, amounting to \$1,815.94, or 17.1 per cent.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. STEVENSON, Treasurer.

CHURCH QUOTAS FOR PRESBYTERY'S EXPENSES FISCAL YEAR 1936-7.

The Presbytery, at its Spring Meeting, adopted a budget of \$2,250.00 for the year 1936-37, instructing your Treasurer to add twenty per cent and to use as a basis for figuring the quotas of the various churches the total amount expended last year by the churches, both for benevolences and current expenses, including building funds. Allowing, however, a deduction in favor of the recipient of funds paid by one church to another. Hoge Memorial reports having received from Richmond, Second, \$1,200.00 and Lakeside from Ginter Park, \$500.00. After deducting these amounts, the total disbursements were found to be \$280,811.00; the budget being .9615 of one per cent of this amount that per cent was used in figuring the church quotas, which are as follows:

| Churches. | Expenditures. | Quota. |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------|
| Abedour | \$ 400.00 | \$ 3.80 |
| Amelia | 2,610.00 | 25.10 |
| Ashland | 1,939.00 | 18.70 |
| Bethany | 1,027.00 | 9.85 |
| Blackstone | 4,531.00 | 43.55 |
| Bon Air | 1,775.00 | 17.05 |
| Bott Memorial | 264.00 | 2.55 |
| Brett-Reed Memorial | 990.00 | 9.50 |
| Brunswick | 2,266.00 | 21.80 |
| Burkeville | 1,035.00 | 9.95 |
| Byrd | 522.00 | 5.00 |
| Campbell Memorial | 1,234.00 | 11.85 |
| Centralia | 286.00 | 2.75 |
| Chester | 692.00 | 6.70 |
| Colonial Heights | 1,025.00 | 9.90 |
| Czechoslovak, First | 874.00 | 8.45 |
| Drewry's Bluff | 1,127.00 | 10.85 |
| Emporia | 2,039.00 | 19.60 |
| Fairfield | 1,100.00 | 10.60 |
| Fairmount | 2,028.00 | 19.50 |
| Forest Hill | 2,395.00 | 23.05 |
| Fredericksburg | 11,275.00 | 108.40 |
| Fulton | 2,297.00 | 22.10 |
| Genito | 398.00 | 3.85 |

MINUTES OF EAST HANOVER PRESBYTERY

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|------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Ginter Park | 21,258.00 | 204.40 |
| Grace-Covenant | 51,998.00 | 499.95 |
| Granite | 385.00 | 3.70 |
| Grove Avenue | 822.00 | 7.90 |
| Hawkins Memorial | 243.00 | 2.35 |
| Hebron | 866.00 | 8.35 |
| Hoge Memorial | 441.00 | 4.25 |
| Hopewell, First | 2,265.00 | 21.80 |
| King's Chapel | 121.00 | 1.15 |
| Lakeside | 2,999.00 | 28.85 |
| Laurel | 1,421.00 | 13.70 |
| Lawrenceville | 569.00 | 5.45 |
| Milden | 1,365.00 | 13.10 |
| Milford | 782.00 | 7.50 |
| Mizpah | 8,752.00 | 84.10 |
| Montrose | 926.00 | 8.90 |
| Namozine | 1,095.00 | 10.50 |
| Nottoway | 123.00 | 1.20 |
| Overbrook | 7,631.00 | 73.35 |
| Petersburg, Second | 15,781.00 | 151.75 |
| Petersburg, Third | 1,803.00 | 73.35 |
| Porter Street | 3,860.00 | 37.10 |
| Providence | 817.00 | 7.90 |
| Providence Forge | 1,099.00 | 10.55 |
| Pryor Memorial | 5,040.00 | 48.45 |
| Richmond, First | 21,256.00 | 204.40 |
| Richmond, Second | 33,963.00 | 326.55 |
| Richmond, Third | 12,439.00 | 119.55 |
| Read Memorial | 2,212.00 | 21.25 |
| Roseneath | 1,015.00 | 9.80 |
| St. James | 355.00 | 3.40 |
| Samuel Davies | 1,550.00 | 14.90 |
| Sandston | 2,891.00 | 27.80 |
| Tabb Street | 11,841.00 | 113.85 |
| Union | 465.00 | 4.45 |
| Wesley | 140.00 | 1.35 |
| West End | 2,830.00 | 27.20 |
| Westminster | 10,589.00 | 101.80 |
| Windsor Shades | 200.00 | 1.90 |
| Woodlawn | 1,296.00 | 12.45 |
| Total | <u>\$280,811.00</u> | <u>\$2,700.00</u> |

Respectfully submitted,
 W. F. STEVENSON, Treasurer.

Minutes of Synod: The Committee on Minutes of Synod submitted its report, which, on motion, was adopted, and is as follows:

Your Committee on Minutes of Synod reports that it finds nothing to call for action of the Presbytery.

D. P. ROGERS, Chairman.

Minutes of Presbytery: The Committee on Minutes of Presbytery submitted its report, and, on motion, was adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on the Minutes of Presbytery has examined the Minutes of the Spring Meeting, April 21, 1936, the Adjourned Meeting, June 15, 1936, the Called Meeting, July 13, 1936. We would make no exceptions and would request Presbytery, by a rising vote, to express to our former clerk, Dr. William S. Campbell, its deep appreciation for his twenty-five years of faithful service.

MICHAUX RAINE, Chairman.

Resignation: The resignation of Rev. Charles A. McGirt as chairman of the Committees on Assembly's Institutions and Woman's Work was accepted.

Letters: Presbytery directed that letters be written to Rev. S. O. Coxe and Rev. R. V. Lancaster, sending our greetings and good wishes.

Commissioners to the General Assembly were elected as follows:

Ministers: Principals—Richard V. Lancaster, J. Blanton Belk, W. E. Hill, Jr., E. T. Thompson. Alternates—N. L. Dennis, J. A. MacLean, T. K. Currie, W. L. Carson.

Elders: Principals—S. B. Love, J. Scott Parrish, Alexander Hamilton, C. A. Blanton. Alternates—Sterling Bragg, W. K. Fitch, J. H. Shipp, J. J. Dickerson.

Declare Pulpits Vacant: A verbal report was made by the committee appointed to declare vacant the pulpits of the Bethany, Providence Forge and Windsor Shades Churches and to advise with them in securing a pastor. The report was approved.

Presbyterial Sermon: The Committee on Presbyterial Sermon submitted its report as follows: That Rev. H. D. Brown, Jr., preach the sermon on Matt. 16:24. On motion the report was adopted.

The Minutes were read and approved.

Presbytery adjourned with the singing of a hymn, prayer and benediction to meet in adjourned session on November 10th, at 10 A. M., in the Second Church, Richmond.

RICHARD V. LANCASTER, Moderator.

CHARLES A. MCGIRT, Stated Clerk.

W. W. WHITE, Permanent Clerk.

Adjourned Meeting

November 10, 1936.

Presbytery met at 10 A. M. in the Second Church, Richmond, with Richard V. Lancaster in the chair, and was opened with prayer.

Enrollment: The following members of Presbytery were present:

Ministers: William E. Hill, D. P. Rogers, T. K. Currie, Abner Robertson, Fred V. Poag, Herman Womeldorf, John W. Sherman, Richard V. Lancaster, J. H. Cudlipp, A. B. Montgomery, George L. Cooper, J. E. Hemphill, N. L. Dennis, Charles A. McGirt, J. S. Albertson, Thompson Southall, Hugh Fitzpatrick, M. B. Hizer, E. T. Thompson, S. M. Inman, W. W. White, B. T. Harrup, R. D. Carson, W. W. Bain, D. T. Caldwell, H. A. McBath, W. L. Carson.

Elders: J. E. Walls, Providence Forge; W. F. Stevenson, Laurel; R. F. Dillard, Blackstone; E. S. Wood, Sandston; R. S. Gray, Richmond, Second; W. A. Plecker, Roseneath; R. E. Monsell, Westminster; R. W. Roberts, Ginter Park; J. W. Ellis, Mizpah; J. Scott Parrish, Grace-Covenant; C. B. Welton, Richmond, First.

Mrs. Josephine Kellog: A letter of appreciation was received from Mrs. Kellog.

Calls from the Providence Forge, Bethany and Windsor Shades Churches for the pastoral services of Rev. B. T. Harrup were read.

Rev. B. T. Harrop was examined by the moderator in experimental religion, which was sustained as satisfactory. Rev. W. E. Hill conducted the examination in theology, which was sustained as satisfactory. Rev. E. T. Thompson conducted the examination in church government, which was sustained as satisfactory. The examination as a whole was sustained as satisfactory, and Mr. Harrop was received as a member of Presbytery. The calls, having been found in order, were placed in Mr. Harrop's hands, and were accepted by him.

Presbytery was led in prayer for God's blessing on this pastoral relation.

Commissions appointed to install Mr. Harrop are as follows:

Commission for Providence Forge, November 22, at 11:00 A. M.:

Ministers—W. E. Hill, Jr., to preside and preach. J. W. Sherman to charge the pastor; H. J. Womeldorf to charge the congregation. Elders—J. E. Walls and R. E. Mountcastle. Alternate—H. A. McBath.

Commission for Windsor Shades, November 22, at 3 P. M.:

Ministers—W. E. Hill, Jr., to preside and charge the pastor; J. W. Sherman to charge the congregation; H. J. Womeldorf to preach. Elders—J. E. Walls and R. E. Mountcastle. Alternate—H. A. McBath.

Commission for Bethany, November 29, at 11:15 A. M.:

Ministers—E. T. Thompson to preside and preach; O. E. Buchholz to charge the pastor; Abner Robertson to charge the congregation. Elders—E. S. Wood and Robert S. Gray. Alternate—H. A. McBath.

Committee on Time and Place recommended that the invitation of the Mizpah Church for the spring meeting be accepted, and that the date of this meeting be Tuesday, April 20th, at 10 A. M. The report was adopted.

The Committee on Pastoral Changes submitted a supplementary report, which was adopted, and is as follows:

Presbytery, at its regular Fall Meeting in Fredericksburg, instructed its Committee on Pastoral Changes to bring in recommendations regarding any revision of previous actions that might be necessitated by its decision to erect a Commission on Vacancy and Supply.

In accordance with these instructions we have studied carefully the Manual of East Hanover Presbytery (revised 1932), and all subsequent Minutes of the Presbytery. In the light of this study we offer the following recommendations:

1. That Presbytery's Committee on Calls and Supplies (see Manual, page 41) be discontinued, its functions being entrusted to the Commission on Vacancy and Supply.

2. That the paragraph in the Manual on "Committee of Vacancy and Supply" (page 41) be deleted, the functions of any such committee being now entrusted to the Commission on Vacancy and Supply.

3. In January, 1933 (Minutes, page 6), Presbytery took action, allowing the Rev. N. L. Dennis "to moderate meetings of a session, where the church has no pastor, and where no moderator has been appointed by the Presbytery". We recommend that this

sentence be amended by adding the clause, "or by Presbytery's Commission on Vacancy and Supply".

4. We recommend that the resolutions adopted by Presbytery regarding Home Mission churches at its Spring Meeting this year (Minutes, page 31) be repealed. According to its action at the regular Fall Meeting in Fredericksburg, churches without pastors are now under the pastoral oversight of the Commission on Vacancy and Supply. The commission, if it seems wise, may appoint one of its members to act as moderator of the session, or it may appoint any other member of the Presbytery to serve in that capacity. Any such appointment, however, must be made after consultation with the session.

5. In regard to churches receiving aid from Presbytery, the commission will be expected at all times to work in closest co-operation with the Home Mission Committee and with its Executive Secretary.

E. T. THOMPSON, Chairman.
D. T. CALDWELL,
W. E. HILL.

Motion by Rev. W. E. Hill was adopted, and is as follows:

That the Committee on Vacancy and Supply consist of four ministers and three elders. That a quorum of the commission be the same as that constituting a quorum of Presbytery.

Nominating Committee submitted its report, which was revised and adopted, and is as follows:

The Nominating Committee respectfully submits the following report to East Hanover Presbytery, meeting in adjourned meeting at Second Presbyterian Church, Richmond, November 10, 1936.

Commission on Vacancy and Supply: Ministers—Chairman, E. T. Thompson, three years; D. T. Caldwell, two years; N. L. Dennis, one year; W. E. Hill, four years. Elders—Herbert Jackson, three years; W. R. Hill, two years; Dr. C. A. Blanton, one year.

Chairman of Woman's Work Committee: Rev. J. E. Hemphill.

Chairman of Committee on Assembly's Institutions: Rev. F. V. Poag. Addition to that committee: Rev. H. D. Brown.

ABNER ROBERTSON, Chairman.

Spiritual Life Committee submitted a supplementary report, which was adopted, and is as follows:

Your Committee on Spiritual Life begs to report that, after consideration, we recommend to Presbytery:

1. That Presbytery be called in special meeting the fourth Monday of January, 1937, at 10 A. M., Second Presbyterian Church, Richmond, to consider the existing program of the stated services of worship.

2. That the sessions of the churches of the Presbytery be instructed by a letter from the stated clerk to study carefully the value and productiveness of each of the various services that are now being held, and to consider the advisability of reducing or increasing the number of such services, or of changing their character.

3. That the ministers of the churches be instructed to report to this special meeting of Presbytery the results of these studies by their sessions.

Presbytery adjourned to meet at 10 A. M. on the fourth Monday in January in the Second Church, Richmond, with prayer and the benediction.

RICHARD V. LANCASTER, Moderator.

CHARLES A. McGIRT, Stated Clerk.

W. W. WHITE, Permanent Clerk.

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