



PARISH RECORD

OF THE

Lykens Valley Charge

OF THE

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN

MINISTERIUM OF PENNSYLVANIA.

CONGREGATIONS.

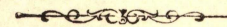
ST. JOHN'S, Mifflin Twp. Dauphin Co., Pa.

SIMEON'S, Gratz, " "

ZION'S, Rife, " "

SALEM'S, Elizabethville, " "

ST. JACOB'S, Jackson Twp., " "



1889. Rev. O. E. PFLUEGER, Pastor. 1890.

ELIZABETHVILLE, PA.



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GREETING.

THE PARISH RECORD goes forth for the first time to greet the members of the Lykens Valley Charge. While in our charge the publication of such a paper is both novel and experimental, we know that in congregations and charges of other localities such sheets have been productive of much good, and that neither pastor nor people would be without them.

We think that such a paper should be of especial service in charges like ours, where the labors of one pastor are diffused among so many members, scattered over no less than 125 square miles of territory, and where personal contact of pastor with members must therefore be limited, and pastoral visits must be very few.

Your pastor thus converses with you through the pages of THE PARISH RECORD and endeavors to lay before you a record of events of interest in the history of the several congregations of the charge, as well as a variety of matters concerning which it is not only the privilege but even the duty of every intelligent member of our congregations to be informed; which information could otherwise only be obtained by reference to various records not easy of access. He places before you in permanent form, accessible to every member, a record of ministerial acts performed during the past year. This in itself should make THE RECORD worthy of being preserved.

It is hoped that the spread of such information of the condition of our congregations and the work in which we are engaged, may awaken a greater interest and greater activity in the work of the church, and that THE RECORD may promote fraternal feelings and good will between the various congregations, which, being one in the faith, are also united in one parish.

Thus, kind reader, without an apology for its appearance, THE RECORD is introduced to you. Though a stranger, we bid you receive it kindly, hear its story with patience, and should you learn to love its society, you may invite it to call again.

Sincerely Your Pastor,

O. E. PFLUEGER.

Elizabethville, Pa., June 1890.

OFFICERS

OF THE

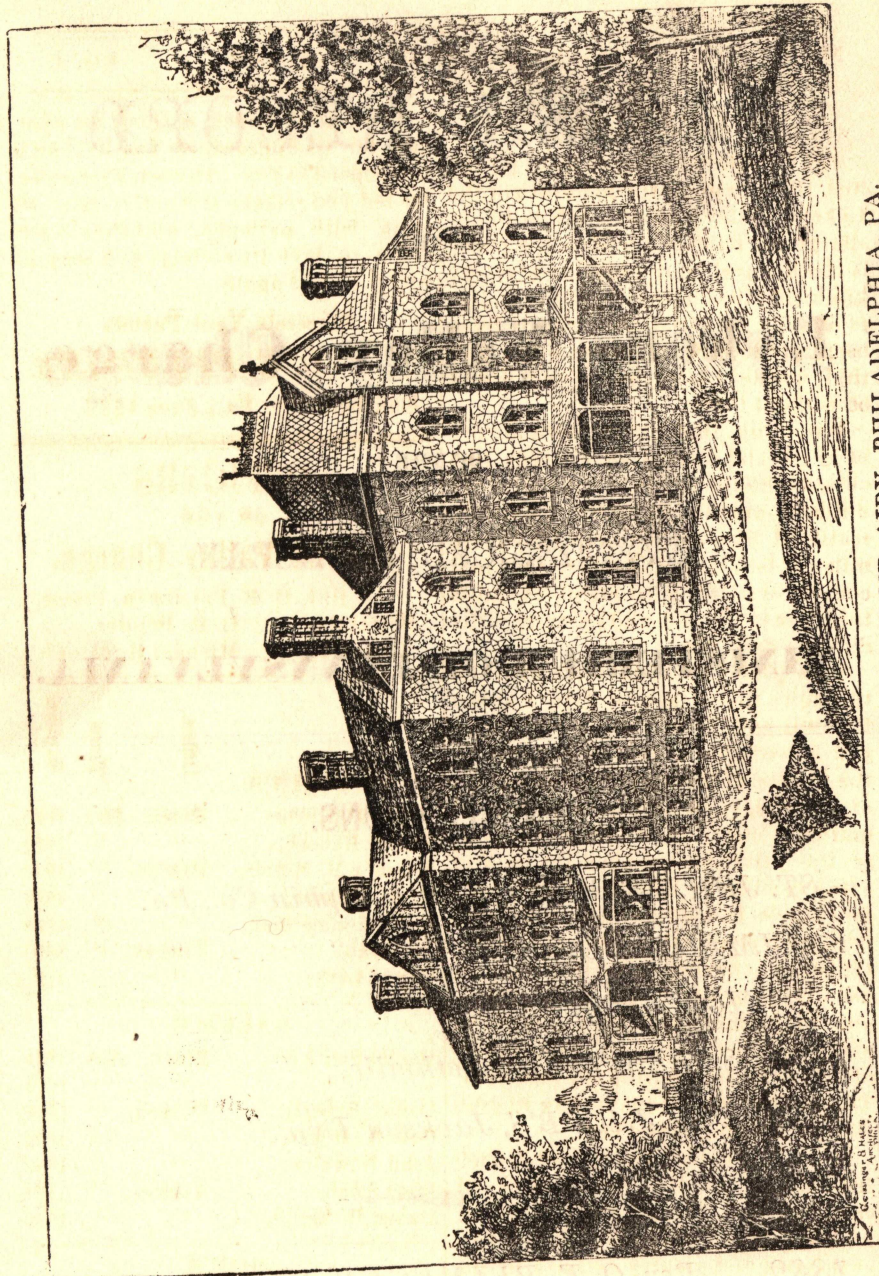
Lykens Valley Charge.

REV. O. E. PFLUEGER, Pastor.

Secretary, L. R. Bender.

Treasurer, Michael H. Miller.

	Office.	Term	Expires.
ST. JOHN'S.			
Henry Hartman,	Elder,	Dec.	1890.
Henry Keboch,	"	"	1891.
Solomon B. Matter,	Deacon,	"	1890.
G. A. Weaver,	"	"	1890.
D. O. Zimmerman,	"	"	1891.
Eli Swab,	Trustee,	"	1890.
Daniel Lark,	"	"	1891.
SALEM'S.			
Daniel Smith Sr.,	Elder,	Apr.	1891.
"	"	"	1892.
Daniel Ebberly,	Deacon,	"	1891.
Geo. A. Boyer,	"	"	1892.
John Newkirk,	"	"	1893.
Isaac Swab,	Trustee,	"	1891.
Daniel R. Smith,	"	"	1892.
ZION'S.			
J. M. Koppenheffer,	Elder,	Nov.	1891.
Chas. Longabach,	"	"	"
Aaron F. Strohecker,	Deacon,	"	"
John A. Heller,	"	"	"
David Schreffler,	Trustee,	"	"



OUR THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, AT MT. AIRY, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

SIMEON'S.		ST. JACOB'S.	
Michael Hartman,	Elder,	Chritisan Warfel,	Elder,
Isaac Sirlinger,	"	Clement N. Miller,	Deacon,
Frank Ritzman,	Deacon,	J. N. Kolva,	"
Amos Hartman,	"	Michael H. Miller,	Trustee.
Frank Fidler,	Trustee,		

BAPTISMS.

CHILD'S NAME.	PARENTS' NAMES.	DATE OF BIRTH.	DATE OF BAPTISM.
ST. JOHN'S			
John Adam,	Jno. M. & Elizabeth M. Harman,	May 25, '89.	Aug. 11, '89.
Charles Thurman,	Wm. R. & S. Lizzie Lantz,	June 17, '89.	Aug. 17, '89.
Sarah Etna,	Allen L. & Agnes S. Koppenheffer,	May 4, '89.	Aug. 25, '89.
Amy Dorena,	Geo. E. Fawver & Mary A. Matter	Sept. 13, '89.	Oct. 13, '89.
Marion Irene,	Jacob D. & Mary E. Wetzler,	Aug. 15, '89.	Oct. 21, '89.
Sallie Rebecca,	Daniel & Annie C. Keboch,	Aug. 18, '89.	Nov. 9, '89.
William Oscar,	Jno. D. & Lena J. Swab,	June 23, '82.	Nov. 9, '89.
Michael Oliver,	Emanuel & Malinda Koppenheffer	Sept. 4, '88.	Nov. 10, '89.
Ralph Jerome,	Harry R. & Minerva C. Dinger,	Sept. 17, '89.	Nov. 17, '89.
Sadie Helena,	Chas. E. & Enima Schreffler,	Sept. 14, '89.	Dec. 5, '89.
Annie Irene,	Isaac N. & Malinda Bonawitz,	Oct. 1, '89.	Dec. 8, '89.
Susan Amelia,	Dan'l C. & Veronica Schaeffer,	Nov. 12, '89.	Dec. 8, '89.
Mabel Eva,	W. Frank & Eva Uhler,	Oct. 18, '89.	Jan. 19, '90.
Lula Olera,	Joel A. & Hannah P. Miller,	Nov. 4, '89.	Feb. 2, '90.
Katie Levina,	T. M. & Susan A. Koppenheffer,	Dec. 21, '89.	Feb. 9, '90.
Josiah Daniel,	Henry W. & Alice L. Miller,	Feb. 11, '90.	Feb. 20, '90.
Mabel Estella,	Henry N. & Sarah I. Hoke,	Dec. 13, '89.	Mar. 2, '90.
Bula Irene,	Jno. H. & Adaline Wert,	Dec. 31, '89.	May 18, '90.
John Otto,	Jno. C. & Emma Harman,	Mar. 9, '90.	May 18, '90.
Edward Elwood,	Fred. L. & Sarah Koppenheffer,	Dec. 18, '89.	May 25, '90.
Warren Balthaser,	Balthaser L. & Sarah P. Matter,	Dec. 26, '89.	June 15, '90.
SIMEON'S.			
Lydia Magdalena,	Henry M. & Susannah Tschopp,	Feb. 7, '89.	July 28, '89.
John German,	D. Geo. & Jennie C. Moyer,	Aug. 8, '89.	Sept. 9, '89.
Annie Etna,	Daniel & Emma Welker,	July 4, '89.	Oct. 6, '89.
Flossie Sophiah,	Jno. C. & Amanda Coleman,	July 28, '89.	Oct. 18, '89.
Artie Alonzo,	Brady S. & Mary E. Klinger,	July 10, '89.	Oct. 18, '89.
Carrie Minerva,	Jas. F. & Elizabeth Hoffman,	July 23, '89.	Oct. 20, '89.
Matilda Catharine,	Lewis F. & Mary A. Hepler,	May 14, '89.	Nov. 1, '89.
Lottie May,	Francis & Harriet N. Klinger,	Aug. 6, '89.	Nov. 12, '89.
Norman Alfred,	Uriah H. & Ida L. Daniel,	July 7, '89.	Nov. 16, '89.
Harry Norman,	David & Lillie O. Bellis,	Oct. 3, '89.	Nov. 17, '89.
Elizabeth Isabella,	Henry G. & Ellen F. Dornheim,	Nov. 29, '89.	Dec. 15, '89.
Elsie Salome,	Aaron U. & Catharine R. Hess,	Oct. 4, '89.	Dec. 15, '89.
Thomas George,	Geo. M. & Elizabeth Faust,	Aug. 24, '89.	Dec. 29, '89.
Aaron Freeman,	Rufus F. & Annie C. Willier,	Sept. 4, '89.	Jan. 26, '90.
John Jacob,	Torpetus & Marg't E. Koppenheffer,	Dec. 23, '89.	Jan. 26, '90.
Julian,	Henry Wehry & Malinda Zartman,	Dec. 26, '89.	Jan. 26, '90.
Claud Samuel,	J. J. & Clara L. Buffington,	Jan. 1, '90.	Jan. 27, '90.
Bula Agnes,	Wm. A. & Sarah A. Evitz,	Jan. 21, '90.	Jan. 27, '90.
Oscar Preston,	Daniel M. & Emeline Klinger,	Dec. 18, '89.	Feb. 23, '90.
George Albert,	David T. & Elmira Clark,	Mar. 19, '90.	Apr. 4, '90.
John Harrison,	Clinton E. & Harriet Hoffman,	Nov. 26, '89.	Apr. 6, '90.
Irvin Walter,	Israel & Sevilla Daniel,	Feb. 23, '90.	Apr. 20, '90.
Bula May,	Wm. H. & Emma J. Row,	Dec. 11, '89.	Apr. 20, '90.
Amelia Catharine,	Edward & Lilly A. Hoover,	Dec. 15, '89.	May 4, '90.
Harry Edwin,	Jno. D. & Eliza Kissinger,	Mar. 24, '90.	May 4, '90.
Froue Viola,	Jno. A. & Amelia Wiest,	Feb. 3, '90.	June 15, '90.
Sallie Olive,	Chas. & Henrietta C. Weiss,	Dec. 30, '89.	June 29, '90.

BAPTISMS Concluded.

CHILD'S NAME.	PARENTS' NAMES.	DATE OF BIRTH.	DATE OF BAPTISM.
ZION'S.			
Earl Jerome,	Joseph E. & Aggie L. Bowman,	Nov. 5, '89.	Feb. 2, '90.
Lenten Austin,	Wm. & Sarah Strohecker,	Jan. 21, '90.	Apr. 26, '90.
SALEM'S.			
Willard Merrill,	Geo D. & A. Laura Romberger,	Aug. 6, '89.	Nov. 28, '89.
Annie Rebecca,	Emanuel O. & Mary A. Harman,	Sept. 18, '84.	Dec. 7, '89.
William Henry,	" " " "	Apr. 8, '88.	Dec. 7, '89.
Daniel Franklin,	Dan'l W. & Mary S. Hoffman,	Apr. 28, '89.	Dec. 14, '89.
Sallie Cardella,	John W. & Annie C. Kroh,	Apr. 4, '89.	Mar. 15, '90.
Clarence David,	Geo. A. & Sarah F. Boyer,	Jan. 9, '90.	Mar. 16, '90.
Percy Abbot,	Isaac & Sarah Swab,	Nov. 8, '89.	May 22, '90.
Sallie Irene,	Harry H. & Harriet J. Buffington	Feb. 10, '90.	May 22, '90.
ST. JACOB'S.			
Martin Luther,	Nathaniel & Catharine Snyder,	Apr. 15, '89.	Aug. 4, '89.
Jennie Irene,	Samuel T. & Barbara Warfel,	Sept. 23, '86.	Aug. 29, '89.
Mary Ellen,	" " " "	Mar. 31, '89.	Aug. 29, '89.
Katie Ellen,	Jno. W. & Mary E. Shoop,	Apr. 4, '89.	Sept. 29, '89.
Martha Salome,	Nathan & Sarah E. Zimmerman,	" " " "	Oct. 25, '89.
Nora Ellen,	Geo. & Elmira Shutt,	Nov. 7, '89.	Jan. 19, '90.
Newton David,	Wm. E. & Lizzie A. Lebo,	Jan. 25, '90.	Mar. 16, '90.
Mary Ellen,	Jas. O. & Mary E. Miller,	Mar. 17, '90.	Mar. 29, '90.
Christian Rudolph,	Aaron I. & Ann J. Zimmerman,	Apr. 17, '87.	Apr. 3, '90.
Susannah Elvina,	" " " "	Sept. 14, '88.	Apr. 3, '90.
Ellen Elizabeth,	" " " "	Feb. 6, '90.	Apr. 3, '90.
Dora Elvina,	Jacob U. & Lydia Ann Shily,	May 27, '86.	Apr. 3, '90.
Harrison Wilber,	" " " "	Aug. 22, '88.	Apr. 3, '90.
Annie Albertha,	Theodore & Ida Shartzter,	Mar. 28, '89.	Apr. 3, '90.
Mary Ellen,	R. Monroe & Cath. Zimmerman.	Dec. 25, '86.	Apr. 3, '90.

CONFIRMATION.

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On the profession of faith in the Lord Jesus, and after careful instruction in the Word of God and the doctrine of our Church, the following persons were received into full membership of our congregations by the Rite of Confirmation:

ST. JOHN'S—Nov. 10, 1889,	
Chas. O. Klinger,	Katie S. Matter,
Jno. A. Klinger,	Amanda S Matter,
Jno. E. Matter,	Mrs. L. A. Matter,
Henry N. Row,	Ida P. M. Miller,
H. P. Schreffler,	Sar'h L. Romberger
Kate E. Bonawitz,	I. Grace Romberger
Sar'h F. Bonawitz,	Sarah H. Schlegel,
Elsie Deibler,	Lillie E. Schreffler,
Mrs. L. A. Deibler,	Nora E Swab,
Emma A Hartman,	Mary E. Swab,
	Carrie M. Matter.

SIMEON'S—Nov. 17, 1889.

Jno. F. Good,	Katie A. Kissinger,
Chas. Hartman,	Clara I. Klinger,
Jas. M. Kissinger,	Mrs. Jen. C. Moyer,
Sam'l J. Sitlinger,	Clara C. Phillips,
Ida M. Artz,	Lizzie C. Riegel,
Mary A. Coleman,	Jennie M. Ritzman
Jennie M. Folk,	Lizzie L. Ritzman,
Mary A. Kembel,	Amelia C. Shade,
	Susan C. Shade.

SALEM'S—Apr. 12, 1890.

W. Penn Barr,	Mrs. M. A. Harman,
Elmer Daniel,	Emma J. Kerstetter
Harry B. Ernest,	F. S. Koppenheffer,
David Kerstetter,	Kate E. Kottka,
T. E. Koppeheffer,	Nora J. Messersmith
Geo. H. Row,	Sarah E. Messersmith
H. W. Snyder,	Alice C. Miller,
Geo. H. Swab,	Kate L. Smith,
Harry C. Swab,	Ella D. Snyder,
Kate A. Collier,	Sallie E. Swab.

ADULT BAPTISMS.

John Gepfer Ginder,
Minnie Selena Tschopp.

MARRIAGES.

Sept. 1, 1889.

Nathan H. Miller, Center View, Pa.
Annie M. Orth, Powell's Valley, Pa.

Sept. 21, 1889.

Francis W. Riegel, Curtin, Pa.
Hannah P. Schreffler, " "

Oct. 30, 1889.

Johnson Ater, Water Valley, Miss.
Mrs. Clara L. R. Neal, Loyalton Pa.
Feb. 22, 1890.

John G. Ginder, Mastersonville, Pa.
Fietta Longabach, Rife, Pa.

March 5, 1890.

Dr. W. E. Bonawitz, Fisherville Pa.
Annie M. Beshler, Phila., Pa.

March 24, 1890.

Nathaniel M. Miller, Center View, Pa.
Mary E. Drayer, " "

March 25, 1890.

Wm. Penn Barr, Elizabethville. Pa.
Laura M. Swab, " "

June 15, 1890

Henry G. Buffington, Gratz, Pa.
Clara C. Philips, " "

FUNERALS.

ST. JOHNS.

MILLER.—June 23, 1889, suddenly of heart disease, Joshua Miller, aged 54 yrs. 6 mo. 25 days.

LEBO.—July 27, 1889, at Tower City, Mabel Susan, infant daughter of Jacob and Sarah Lebo, aged 4 mo., 15 days.

KOPPENHEFFER.—Oct. 24, 1889, of consumption, Emanuel Koppenheffer, aged 54 yrs. 9 mo. 8 days.

KOPPENHEFFER.—Dec. 18, 1889, of old age, Michael Koppenheffer, aged 92 yrs. 10 mo. 19 days.

SCHMELTZER.—Feb. 7, 1890, at Wic-onisco, Michael Schmeltzer, aged 83 yrs. 2 mo. 23 days.

HARTMAN.—May 1, 1890, of Typhoid fever, Stella Elizabeth, adopted daugh-

ter of Cornelius Hartman, aged 6 yrs. 7 mo. 28 days.

SIMEON'S.

HARTMAN.—Sept. 17, 1889, in Lykens Twp., John Franklin, infant son of Daniel and Catharine Hartman, aged 7 mo. 22 days.

WITMER.—Oct. 4, 1889, at Gratz, of Cholera Infantum, the infant daughter of Milton and Elemanta Witmer, aged 2 mo. 4 days.

SITLINGER.—Oct. 23, 1889, of Typhoid fever, Mariab, wife of Isaac Sitlinger, aged 55 yrs. 4 mo. 16 days.

SITLINGER.—Dec. 15, 1889, at Gratz, of Typhoid fever, Sarah L. wife of Geo. E. Sitlinger, aged 22 yrs. 11 mo. 19 da.

ROMBERGER.—Jan. 20, 1890, of Dropsy, Joseph Romberger, aged 78 yrs. 2 mo. 13 days.

MILLER.—March 17, 1890, of Apoplexy, Jacob Miller, aged 69 yrs. 9 mo. 29 days.

ZION'S.

STROHECKER.—March 29, 1890, of Pneumonia, Aaron Jacob, son of Wm. Strohecker, aged 13 yrs. 10 mo. 15 days.

SALEM'S.

BECHTEL.—Sept. 3, 1889, at Elizabethville, of Dropsy, Elizabeth (Dieter) Bechtel, aged 78 yrs. 9 mo. 8 days.

BOTTEIGER.—Nov. 8, 1889, in Jackson Twp., of Apoplexy, Daniel Botteiger, aged 76 yrs. 4 mo. 6 days.

HOFFMAN.—Dec. 24, 1889, at Elizabethville, Daniel Franklin, infant son of Daniel W. and Mary S. Hoffman, aged 7 mo. 26 days.

BICKEL.—June 16, 1890, at Mt. Carmel, Maud Irene, infant daughter of Henry W. and Etta F. Bickel, aged, 10 mo. 18 days.

ST. JACOB'S

WARFEL.—July 3, 1889, in Jackson Twp., Emaline, daughter of Christian and Lydia Warfel, aged 29 yrs. 9 mo. 13 days.

HARMAN.—Oct. 22, 1889, of Croup, Harry Ellsworth, infant son of Wm. and Sarah E. Harman, aged 3 years and 2 months.

FUNERALS—CONCLUDED.

MILLER.—Nov. 11, 1889, in Jackson Twp., Philip Miller, aged 82 yrs. 4 mo. 17 days.

MILLER.—March 27, 1890, Mary E. wife of Jas. O. Miller, aged 32 years 1 mo. 12 days.

MILLER.—Apr. 7, 1890, Mary Ellen, infant daughter of Jas. O. and the late Mary E. Miller, aged 20 days.

MILLER.—Apr. 24, 1890, of Dropsy, Hannah, widow of Michael Miller, aged 81 yrs. 6 mo. 13 days.

ST JAMES'—Powell's Valley.

ETZWILER.—Sept. 27, 1889, of old age Christian [Smith] Etwiler, aged 86 yrs. 11 mo. 17 days.

DAVID'S,—Killinger.

WEAVER.—May 30, 1889, drowned in the Johnstown flood, Beneville Weaver, aged 26 yrs. 7 mo. 7 days.

BERRYSBURG Cemetery.

FAWBER.—Nov. 3, 1889, at Elizabethville, Susannah, wife of Adam

Fawber, aged 70 yrs. 7 mo.

LYKENS' Cemetery.

MILLER.—Dec. 11, 1889, killed by accident in Phila., Clarence Warren, son of E. H. and Isabella Miller, aged 8 yrs. 7 mo. 5 days.

COLEMAN'S.

SALADA.—Dec. 23, 1889, of colic, Jonathau Salada, aged 59 yrs, 1 mo. 2 days.

KOPPENHEFFER.—Jan. 27, 1890, Jao. Jacob, infant son of Torpetus and Margaret Koppenheffer, aged 1 mo. 4 days.

SALADA.—Jan. 29, 1890, of Apoplexy Henry Salada, aged 74 yrs. 1mo. 19 days.

STROH'S,

ZIMMERMAN.—March 31, 1890, of heart disease, Eva, wife of Christian Zimmerman, aged 60 yrs. 9 mo. 11 da.

HOFFMAN'S.

SNYDER.—June 27, 1890, in Lykens Twp., of blood poisoning, Susannah, wife of Henry Snyder, aged 74 years, 26 days.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.

July 1, 1889 to July 1, 1890.

ST. JOHN'S.—

Aug. 11, '89.	Harvest Home,	\$21 09	
Oct. 20, '89.	Johnstown Sufferers,	14 16	
Nov. 10, '89.	Fall Communion,	23 40	
Apr. 20, '90.	Spring Communion,	24 54	\$83.19

SIMEON'S—GRATZ.

July 28, '89	Harvest Home,	12.70	
Oct. 20, '89	Johnstown Sufferers,	10 84	
Nov. 17, '89.	Fall Communion,	15 40	
Apr. 6, '90	Spring Communion,	15.64	54.58

ZION'S—RIFE.

July 21, '89.	Harvest Home,	9 75	
Oct. 12, '89.	Fall Communion,	6.00	
Apr. 27, '90.	Spring Communion,	8 45	24.20

SALEM'S—ELIZABETHVILLE

Aug. 4, '89.	Harvest Home,	9.35	
Sept. 23, '89.	Fall Communion,	8.00	
Oct. 27, '89.	Children's Reformation Day,	19.16	
Apr. 13, '90	Spring Communion,	9.00	45.51

ST. JACOBS—MILLER'S.

Sept. 1, '89.	Harvest Home,	7 80	
Oct. 27, '89	Fall Communion,	4.10	
Apr. 13, '90.	Spring Communion,	6 52	18.42

Total Contributions.

225.90

DISBURSEMENTS.

General Synodical Fund,	110.00
General Council Mission,	74 16
Jersey Shore Mission,	5 00
Theological Seminary,	5 00
Johnstown—Zion's Luth. Congregation,	25 00
Orphan's Home.	6.74
	225.90

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY ACCOUNTS.

Apportioned by Synod in 1886,		\$ 44.56	\$500.00.
Contributions before this year,			
Contributions during the year:	\$ 68.75		
St. John's Congregation,	50.15		
Simeon's		118.90	
Total for year,			163.46.
Whole amount paid,			\$336.54.
Balance remaining due,			

The Parish Record.

ELIZABETHVILLE, PA., JULY, 1890.

Have you a copy?

How are you pleased with it?

Would you like to see it appear annually?

Do you think time and money spent upon it are well spent?

If you could buy such an annual record of your congregation since the time of your confirmation, what would you be willing to give?

Carefully examine every page of its contents, and by all means preserve it, as it becomes no less valuable as it grows older.

The second Monday of January is fixed for a joint meeting of all the Church Councils of the Charge to transact its necessary business. Let all remember Jan. 12, 1891 and attend the meeting.

Harvest Home services are to be held as follows:

- St. Jacob's Aug. 3, 10 a. m.
- St. John's Aug. 10, 10 a. m.
- Zion's Aug. 17, 10 a. m.
- Simeon's Aug. 24, 10 a. m.
- Salem's Aug. 31, 10 a. m.

A Catechetical Class is to be organized at St. Jacob's (Miller's) Church on Saturday July 19, in the afternoon at 2 o'clock. Also one at Zion's on Sunday July 20, in the afternoon im-

mediately after services. It is hoped to meet these classes regularly and prepare them for confirmation at St. Jacob's Nov 23 and Zion's Nov. 9.

The duty of embracing this opportunity of attending these classes is impressed upon the consciences of all persons of suitable ages still without the pale of the church. Parents and members of Church Councils are urged to exert their influence over young persons thus to prepare themselves for full church membership.

CHARGE ORGANIZATION.

Joint meetings of the Church Councils of the Charge were held during the past year at the parsonage on Sept. 28, 1889 and Jan. 31, 1890, at the former only 8, and at the latter 14 representatives were in attendance. A permanent organization of the Charge was effected on Jan. 31 last, an appropriate Constitution being adopted for its government, and officers being duly elected. The Pastor is President ex officio, L. R. Bender was elected Secretary, and Michael H. Miller Treasurer.

The second Monday of January of every year has been fixed as the time of meeting of the Church Councils of the several congregations, for the transaction of necessary business and the discussion of questions of importance to the congregations. To attend to these meetings is the duty of every member of the Church Councils, as well as the privilege of every church member.

At the last meeting the Pastor read a report concerning various points of

interest, repairs of the parsonage were looked after and paid for, and delegates were elected to represent the Charge at the Synod and Conference as follows: Synod, Eli Swab; Conference, John Moyer and Isaac Swab. "Let all things be done decently and in order."

CONFERENCE.

The Fall meeting of the Fifth Conference was held in Zion's Lutheran Church, Dushore, Sullivan Co., Rev. S. Wenrich, Pastor, Sept. 3 to 5, 1889, which meeting was attended by your Pastor and delegate Mr. Henry Hartman, Sr.

Last Spring the Conference convened in Trinity Lutheran Church at Oak Grove, Montour Co., Rev. D. L. Fogelman, Pastor, and was in session from Apr. 29 to May 1. Your Pastor and delegate, Mr. Isaac Swab attended this meeting which was a pleasant one and from which we retruned with new zeal to our work.

The Fall Session of Conference is to be held in Zion's Lutheran Church at Jersey Shore, Lycoming Co., Rev. J. W. Early, Pastor. The date has not been fixed.

SYNOD.

Your Pastor and delegate, Mr. Eli Swab also attended the 143d annual meeting of the Ministerium of Penna., which held its last session in Selem's Lutheran Church, Bethlehem, Penna., Rev. E. Smith, Pastor, and which continued from the morning of May 29th to the evening of June 3d. This meeting was well attended and very profitable, impressing every one there with the fact that the work of the church is not failing but prospering, and that a great missionary zeal is arousing our church which should permeate every faithful member.

For a synopsis of the proceedings of both Conference and Synod the reader is referred to the Church Messenger. By about September you can also find copies of the printed Minutes of Synod in the hands of the members of the Church Councils. Ask for them and read them.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

As the frontispiece of this pamphlet you can see an engraving of our New Theological Seminary Building, located at Mt. Airy, near Phila. This building is of Chestnut Hill stone, both beautiful and substantial, and well adapted to the uses for which it is intended. It was dedicated Oct. 4, 1889, and is the property of our Synod. In the management and control of the Institution you also hear both voice and vote through your Pastor and delegate. The grounds and this building cost upwards of \$100 000, of which \$13 585 remains unpaid.

On page 8 you find a statement of our account with this Seminary, from which you notice that although during the year we raised \$118 90 for this purpose, we are still indebted in the amount of \$336.54. Efforts have been made in two of the congregations to raise the apportionment made to us by Synod in 1886, with good results, and we hope that when we soon appeal to the other congregations in behalf of what should have been done four years ago, they may be prepared to do their duty.

MUHLENBERG COLLEGE.

This Institution, located at Allentown, Pa., is also the property of our Synod and worthy of our support and patronage. It affords excellent advantages to young men seeking the benefits of a liberal education, aiming to offer the advantages, but protecting against many of the temptations and disadvantages of the older and larger institutions. It is 23 years old and numbers its alumni at 280. Any person desiring more information concerning Muhlenberg College can obtain it by addressing Pres. T. L. Seip D. D. or by inquiring of your Pastor.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.

See page 7.

The exact figures of the previous benevolence of the Charge are not at our command, but we doubt whether its contributions have ever been as much in a single year as they have the past

year. Praise is due where progress is made, and we may all feel encouraged by what we have done, knowing that we have only "Lent unto the Lord." \$225.90 is no insignificant amount; yet when we come to think, we find that we have by no means outdone ourselves. Our contributions average 30 cents per member for the year—a sum far less than the poorest of us spend on unnecessary trifles. We barely give the Lord the crumbs from our table!

"God loveth a cheerful giver."

CHURCH PAPERS.

The printing press is a great educator of the people. Our age is an age of books and papers. It is hard to conceive of an intelligent, useful citizen of the land who fails to read the papers of his country. Who could afford to give up his secular paper? Yet if this is true of the state, why should it not hold true of the church? It does. No christian family can be without a church paper without great loss to its intelligence and usefulness in the church. Is it a wonder that so many of our members take but little interest in the work of the church and have so little love for it, when they know so little about the church and its work because they take no church paper? The faithful Pastor will from time to time impart much information concerning the affairs of the church, but he cannot be expected to be a living news paper nor can the pulpit be expected to be a bulletin board.

This year there are about 50 church papers circulating among our members. Let one member in every family of the charge decide to subscribe for one or the other church paper. If you fail to appreciate it, you can discontinue. Try it, please, just for a year.

For what paper shall you subscribe? German readers have the "Missionsbote" costing 25 cents per year, and english readers the "Foreign Missionary" costing 20 cents per year; both these are monthly missionary papers. "The Young Lutheran" of Utica, N. Y. and "The Church Messenger" of Al-

lertown, Pa., are also monthly papers of 32 columns, brining excellent church reading at 50 cents per year, regular subscription price. The latter is particularly valuable for us because it is published on the territory of our own Synod and brings us our home church news. "The Workman," published at Pittsburg, is a bi-weekly paper of 64 columns at \$1.25 per year. "The Lutheran" from Phila., is a weekly of the same size at \$2.25 per year.

OUR PARSONAGE.

This is the home where your Pastor resides and is the property of the Charge. Strangers often regard the condition of a Parsonage as an index of the condition of the Charge, and not without some propriety. If the Parsonage is in a dilapidated condition, it is very often true that the church members are cold and indifferent, and that church matters are sadly neglected.

In the past year our Parsonage has been greatly improved at moderate expense so that now it is in better repairs than it was a year ago. Water was brought on the premises, a few necessary repairs made on the house, a new fence built around the lot, and the convenience of the stable greatly increased. These improvements are greatly appreciated by your Pastor who in turn assures you that he bestows the necessary care to preserve it in the good condition in which you placed it, so that you must not look at your Parsonage with a blush of shame, but may point to it with a sense of honest pride. Call and see your Parsonage and your Parson.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN S. S.

Mifflin Twp.

Superintendents.—Allen Swab, Daniel Yeartz.
Secretaries.—D. Otto Zimmerman, Isaiah Swab.
Treasurer.—John Swab.

Librarians.—John H. Klinger, Miss Carrie Matter.
Organist.—Jonathan Bonawitz.
Teachers, 12. Scholars, 140.

SIMEON'S UNION S. S.

Gratz.

Superintendents.—Prof. H. G. Dornheim, J. F. Hoffman.
Secretaries.—J. F. Kembel, J. A. Willier.
Treasurer.—Elias Zerfing.
Librarians.—Edmund Kissinger, E. A. Hoffman.
Organist.—J. W. Phillips.
Teachers, 15. Scholars, 200.

ZION'S UNION S. S.

Rife.

Superintendents.—Simon A. Holtzman, Franklin P. Stine.
Secretaries.—Charles Cooper, Miss Kate A. Cooper.
Treasurer.—Allen W. Cooper.
Librarians.—Jacob Hoover, Miss Annie Koppenheffer.
Organists.—Mrs. Fietta Ginder and Simon A. Holtzman.
Teachers, 10. Scholars, 100.

SALEM'S LUTHERAN S. S.

Elizabethville.

Superintendent.—S. H. Kneily.
Assistant Supt.—Jacob Fisher.
Secretary.—Nathaniel Bechtel.
Ass't. Sec.—L. R. Bender.
Treasurer.—Dan'l R. Smith.
Librarians.—Harry B. Ernest, Miss Nora J. Messersmith.
Organist.—Miss Etta Mattis.
Teachers, 10. Scholars, 175.

ST. JACOB'S UNION S. S.

Jackson Twp.

Superintendent.—Wm. M. Koppenheffer.
Ass't. Supt.—Thomas J. Hoffman.
Secretary.—Ira O. Miller.
Treasurer.—Nathaniel M. Miller.
Librarian.—Emery B. Miller.
Teachers, 9. Scholars, 104.

CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.

ST. JOHN'S, MIFFLIN TWP.

—1890—

July 13, 10 a. m. English Anniversary service.
20, 10 a. m. German

July 27, 2 p. m. English
Aug. 10, 10 a. m. German Harvest Home service.
17, 2 p. m. English
24, 2 p. m. German
Sept. 7, 10 a. m. "
14, 10 a. m. English
21, 2 p. m. German
Oct. 4, 2 p. m. " Preparatory service.
5, 9:30 a. m. " Communion.
12, 2 p. m. English
19, 2:30 p. m. German
Nov. 2, 10 a. m. "
9, 2:30 p. m. English
16, 2 p. m. German
30, 10 a. m. "
Dec. 7, 2 p. m. English
14, 2 p. m. German
28, 10 a. m. "

—1891—

Jan. 4, 10 a. m. English
11, 2 p. m. German
25, 10 a. m. "
Feb. 1, 2 p. m. English
8, 2 p. m. German
22, 10 a. m. "
Mar. 1, 10 a. m. English
8, 2 p. m. German
22, 10 a. m. "
29, 2:30 p. m. English, Easter.
Apr. 5, 2:30 p. m. German
18, 2 p. m. " Preparatory service.
19, 9:30 a. m. " Communion.
26, 10 a. m. English
May 3, 2 p. m. German
17, 10 a. m. "
24, Vacant; Synod is in session?
31, 2 p. m. German
June 14, 10 a. m. " Synodical—Missionary.
21, 10 a. m. English
28, 2 p. m. German
July 12, 10 a. m. " Anniversary service.
19, 2 p. m. English

SIMEON'S—GRATZ.

—1890—

July 13, 2 p. m. German Anniversary service.
27, 10 a. m. "
Aug. 10, 2 p. m. English
24, 10 a. m. German, Harvest Home service.
Sept. 7, 2 p. m. German
21, 10 a. m. English
Oct. 5, 2:30 p. m. German
18, 2 p. m. " Preparatory service.

Oct. 19, 9 30 a. m. German, Com-
munion.
Nov. 2, 2 p. m. English
16, 10 a. m. German
30, 2 p. m. German
Dec. 14, 10 a. m. English
28, 2 p. m. German

—1891—

Jan. 11, 10 a. m. German
25, 2 p. m. English
Feb. 8, 10 a. m. German
22, 2 p. m. German
Mar. 8, 10 a. m. English
22, 2 p. m. German
Apr. 4, 2 p. m. German, Pre-
paratory service. Com-
5, 9 30 a. m. German, Com-
munion.
19, 2 30 p. m. English
May 5, 10 a. m. German
17, 2 p. m. German
31, 10 a. m. English
June 14, 2 p. m. German, Synod-
ical—Missionary.
28, 10 a. m. German
July 12, 2 p. m. English; Anni-
versary service.

SALEM'S—ELIZABETHVILLE.

—1890—

July 6, 10 a. m. English, Anni-
versary service.
20, 7 30 p. m. English
Aug. 3, 2 p. m. German
17, 7 30 p. m. English, Har-
vest Home service.
31, 10 a. m. English, Har-
Sep. 14, 7 p. m. English
23, 2 p. m. German
Oct. 12, 7 p. m. English
25, 7 p. m. English, Pre-
paratory service. Com-
26, 9 30 a. m. English, Com-
munion.
Nov. 16, 6 30 p. m. English
23, 2 30 p. m. German
Dec. 7, 6 30 p. m. English
21, 10 a. m. English

—1891—

Jan. 4, 6 30 p. m. English
18, 2 p. m. German
Feb. 1, 6 30 p. m. English
15, 10 a. m. English
Mar. 1, 7 p. m. English
15, 2 p. m. German
29, S. S. Exercises,—Easter.
Apr. 11, 7 p. m. English Pre-
paratory service. Pre-
12, 9 30 a. m. English Com-
munion. Com-
26, 7 p. m. English
May 10, 2 30 p. m. German
24, Vacant; Synod in session.

June 7, 10 a. m. English, Synod-
ical—Missionary.
21, 7 30 p. m. English
July 5, 2 p. m. German Anni-
versary service.
19, 7 30 p. m. English

ZION'S,—RIFE.

—1890—

July 20, 2 p. m. German Anni-
versary service.
Aug. 17, 10 a. m. " Har-
vest Home service.
Sept. 14, 2 p. m. English
Oct. 12, 10 a. m. German
Nov. 8, 2 p. m. " Pre-
paratory service. " Confir-
9, 9 30 a. m. " Confir-
mation and Communion.
Dec. 7, 10 a. m. English

—1891—

Jan. 4, 2 p. m. German
Feb. 1, 10 a. m. "
Mar. 1, 2 p. m. "
28, 2 p. m. " Pre-
paratory service.
29, 9 30 a. m. " Easter
Communion.
Apr. 26, 2 p. m. English
May 24, Vacant, Synod in session.
June 21, 2 p. m. German; Synod-
ical—Missionary.
July 19, 10 a. m. German; Anni-
versary service.

ST. JACOB'S,—MILLER'S.

—1890—

July 6, 2 p. m. German Anni-
versary service.
Aug. 3, 10 a. m. " Har-
vest Home service.
31, 2 p. m. "
Sept. 28, 10 a. m. "
Oct 26, 2 30 p. m. "
Nov. 22, 2 p. m. " Pre-
paratory service. " Confir-
23, 9 30 a. m. " Confir-
mation and Communion.
Dec. 21, 2 p. m. German.

—1891—

Jan. 18, 10 a. m. German
Feb. 15, 2 p. m. "
Mar. 15, 10 a. m. "
Apr. 12, 2 30 p. m. "
May 9, 2 p. m. " Pre-
paratory service. " Com-
10, 9 30 a. m. " Com-
munion.
June 7, 2 p. m. " Synod-
ical and Missionary.
July 5, 10 a. m. " Anni-
versary service.

THE
 PARISH RECORD
 OF THE
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 OF THE
 EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN
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CONGREGATIONS:

ST. JOHN'S, *Mifflin Twp., Dauphin Co., Pa.*

SIMEON'S, *Gratz,* " "

ZION'S, *Rife,* " "

SALEM'S, *Elizabethville,* " "

ST. JACOB'S, *Jackson Twp.,* " "

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GREETING.

Another pastoral year has quickly fled, and we stand at the beginning of the third year of our labor together in the Lord. We will not here review the labors of the year, recount its successes and discouragements, but content ourselves with the blessing of the Lord on the labors of our hands. We have sown and watered, but He will give the increase.

Socially our relations have been very pleasant, and I rejoice to have had the privilege of coming in personal contact and learning to know many of our members better than I had a year ago. Alas,

CHURCH COUNCILS.

OFFICERS

OF THE

Lykens Valley Charge.

REV. O. E. PFLUEGER, Pastor.
L. R. Bender, Secretary.
Michael H. Miller, Treasurer.

	Office.	Term	Expires.
ST. JOHN'S.			
Henry Keboch,	Elder.	Dec. 1891.	
Chas. T. Mattis,	"	" 1892.	
Wm. H. Howard,	Deacon,	" 1891.	
	"	" 1892.	

John L. ...			
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SALISBURY.

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ZION.

J. M. Koppshalter,	Elder,	Nov. 1891.	
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SIMPSON'S.

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ST. JACOB'S.

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our members have withdrawn from the territory over which they are scattered so extensive, that although much time is given to visitation, not all have been reached. With our like courage we trust the members will not lose patience, and hope that as we learn to know one another still better, our regard for one another as brethren in Christ, and as pastor and flock may likewise increase.

So the Pastor, in his own name, goes forth to greet the members of the Lykens Valley Charge. It comes to all alike with the fond of information and record of ministerial acts. Even as a year ago its appearance was an excitement with us, so still the present appearance. Especially the last issue was hardly a success in the contributions failed to pay the printer, and this year we pay only at the earnest request of many of our members. The permanency of The Record depends altogether on its support by the members to whom kind consideration it is submitted.

Yours in the Lord,

O. E. PFLUEGER,

PASTOR.

Elizabethville, Pa. June, 1891.

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BAPTISMS.

Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.—JOHN ii. 5.

CHILD'S NAME.	PARENTS' NAMES.	DATE OF BIRTH.	DATE OF BAPTISM.
ST. JOHN'S.			
Harry Nathan,	Cornelius N. & Kate Miller,	June 12, '90,	July 14, '90.
Anna Mari,	Henry E. & Harriet A. Zaring,	May 27, '88,	July 24, '90.
Oscar Otto,	Chas. S. & Annie S. Zimmerman,	May 24, '90,	Aug. 10, '90.
John Henry,	Elias B. & Amanda A. Hoffman,	May 14, '89,	Sept. 13, '90.
John Delamater,	Daniel & Sarah E. Werner,	Aug. 4, '90,	Sept. 14, '90.
Gertie Gracie,	George W. & Katie A. Erdman,	Oct. 15, '88,	Oct. 27, '90.
Caroline Ellen,	John H. & Isabella J. Klinger,	Sept. 18, '90,	Nov. 2, '90.
Andrew John,	Samuel E. & Emma A. Schlegel,	June 24, '89,	Dec. 6, '90.
John Aaron,	Aaron S. & Agnes J. Zimmerman,	Nov. 30, '90,	Jan. 2, '91.
Ruth Naomi,	Daniel H. & Miranda Yeartz,	Aug. 2, '90,	Jan. 27, '91.
Edwin Franklin,	Perry D. & Ida S. Miller,	Dec. 16, '90,	Feb. 2, '91.
Daniel Clarence,	Philip & Leah J. Romberger,	Nov. 4, '90,	Feb. 13, '91.
Edna Urgine,	Eugene Fegley & Clara Deibler,	June 10, '90,	Feb. 22, '91.
Charles Paul,	Charles E. & Emma Schreffler,	Jan. 7, '91,	Apr. 18, '91.
Mary Ellen,	Isaac F. & Adaline Stine,	Dec. 24, '90,	Apr. 25, '91.
Ralph Franklin,	B. Franklin & Clara J. Buffington,	Sept. 29, '90,	May 31, '91.
Meta Alice,	Isaac & Caroline Keboch,	Feb. 4, '91,	June 9, '91.
SIMEON'S.			
Eva Ervana,	Valvin M. & Magdalena Bowman,	Apr. 26, '90,	Aug. 10, '90.
Lottie Irene,	D. Morris & Ida L. Romberger,	Feb. 28, '90,	Aug. 10, '90.
Della Grace,	Frank M. & Celia J. Erdman,	May 1, '90,	Sept. 21, '90.
Austin Corbin,	Pegene J. & Mary J. Artz,	Sept. 4, '90,	Oct. 18, '90.
Vensula,	Jacob Boltz & Mrs. Emma Hepler,	Sept. 12, '90,	Dec. 14, '90.
John Franklin,	Daniel J. & Lydia A. Shade,	Oct. 14, '87,	Dec. 14, '90.
Annie May,	"	Apr. 2, '90,	Dec. 14, '90.
Tessie Viola,	Daniel & Mary Kissinger,	Oct. 11, '90,	Dec. 28, '90.
Elma Elizabeth,	John A. & Annie Willier,	Nov. 4, '90,	Jan. 10, '91.
Annie Irene,	Henry G. & Clara C. Buffington,	Dec. 3, '90,	Feb. 8, '91.
Sallie Rebecca,	Rufus F. & Annie C. Willier,	Dec. 15, '90,	Feb. 8, '91.
Beulah Edna,	D. George & Jennie C. Moyer,	Dec. 27, '90,	Feb. 8, '91.
Thomas Archie,	John & Lena Folk,	Dec. 11, '90,	Feb. 12, '91.
Elmer Ray,	Aaron A. & Emma Umholtz,	Dec. 5, '90,	Feb. 22, '91.
Charles Homer,	Wm. P. & Katie N. Umholtz,	Nov. 14, '90,	Feb. 22, '91.
Stanford Newton,	Milton & Louisa Daniel,	Jan. 25, '91,	Mar. 8, '91.
Grace Irene,	Frank M. & Susan J. Ritzman,	Feb. 18, '91,	Mar. 8, '91.
Edna Irene,	Lewis F. & Mary A. Hepler,	Jan. 25, '91,	Mar. 8, '91.
George Austin,	Aaron & Elizabeth S. Koppenheffer,	Dec. 26, '90,	Mar. 22, '91.
Anna Elizabeth,	Nathaniel P. & Elizabeth Kembel,	Mar. 7, '91,	Apr. 5, '91.
Maud Itella,	Samuel & Anna A. Wise,	Feb. 22, '91,	Apr. 5, '91.
Josiah Milton,	Josiah & Mary A. Umholtz,	Mar. 17, '91,	Apr. 19, '91.
Harry Eston,	David L. & Alice Troutman,	Apr. 13, '91,	June 27, '91.
ZION'S.			
Helen Estier,	Charles E. & Cath. E. Oberholtzer,	Apr. 16, '90,	July 7, '90.
Florence Estella,	Beneville W. & Lilly A. Longabson,	Dec. 2, '90,	Mar. 1, '91.
Mary Mabel,	John G. & Fietta Ginder,	Mar. 19, '91,	Apr. 26, '91.
SALEM'S.			
Florence Edna,	Nathaniel & Sarah E. Bechtel,	Dec. 23, '88,	July 27, '90.
Esther May,	"	Feb. 15, '90,	July 27, '90.
Verne Estier,	"	Apr. 9, '90,	Aug. 31, '90.
Flossie Amy Easter,	Adam & Rebecca A. Lime,	Apr. 6, '90,	Aug. 31, '90.
Eva Clatta,	Samuel C. & Emma J. Bechtel,	Apr. 6, '90,	Aug. 31, '90.
Anna Josephine,	James M. & Laura A. Messersmith,	July 2, '90,	Nov. 27, '90.
Naomi Ruth,	Harry H. & Josephine Weaver,	May 6, '90,	Dec. 21, '90.
Bernice Elizabeth,	George D. & A. Laura Romberger,	Aug. 16, '90,	Feb. 28, '91.
	W. Penn & Laura M. Bahr,	Jan. 19, '91,	Mar. 15, '91.

BAPTISMS, Concluded.

CHILD'S NAME.	PARENTS' NAMES.	DATE OF BIRTH.	DATE OF BAPTISM.
ST. JACOB'S.			
Edna May,	Nathaniel M. & Mary E. Miller,	Oct. 5, '90,	Oct. 26, '90.
Lilly Irene,	H. Aaron & Mary Paul,	Mar. 18, '84,	Oct. 26, '90.
Samuel David,	Simon & Elmira Snyder,	Aug. 7, '90,	Oct. 31, '90.
Warren Raymond,	George F. & Emma F. Williams,	Jan. 28, '91,	Feb. 15, '91.
Lizzie Catherine,	Ira O. & Julia A. Miller,	Dec. 2, '90,	May 9, '91.
Harry Oscar,	Wm. & Arabella J. Warfel,	June 5, '90,	May 9, '91.

MARRIAGES.

Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.
GEN. ii. 24.

- July 19, 1890.
- Alvin Zitlinger, Gratz, Pa.
- Mary C. Daniel, " "
- July 29, 1890.
- John A. Willier, Gratz, Pa.
- Annie Kissinger, " "
- Aug. 16, 1890.
- John E. Romberger, Berrysburg, Pa.
- Sarah E. Lehman, " "
- Sept. 18, 1890.
- R. R. Huntsinger, Valley View, Pa.
- Linda E. Collier, Elizabethtown, Pa.
- Sept. 20, 1890.
- Charles D. Lehman, Berrysburg, Pa.
- Kate Klinger, Pillow, Pa.
- Sept. 21, 1890.
- William L. Lloyd, Phila., Pa.
- Annie E. Schreffler, Elizabethtown, Pa.
- Nov. 15, 1890.
- Harry T. Herman, Elizabethtown, Pa.
- Minnie U. Lyter, " "
- Dec. 25, 1890.
- Geo. M. Kerstetter, Elizabethtown, Pa.
- Annie S. Weaver, Curtin, Pa.
- Dec. 25, 1890.
- James M. Schaeffer, Berrysburg, Pa.
- Rosa J. Koppenheffer, Rife, Pa.
- Jan. 20, 1891.
- J. P. Frank Fisher, Foreston, Ill.
- Mary E. Weaver, Berrysburg, Pa.
- Jan. 20, 1891.
- Jacob W. Hartman, Curtin, Pa.
- Kate A. Straub, Berrysburg, Pa.
- Feb. 7, 1891.
- John P. Miller, Harrisburg, Pa.
- Sallie C. Swab, Elizabethtown, Pa.
- Feb. 10, 1891.
- Nicholas Y. Lenker, Rife, Pa.
- Lizzie Wise, " "
- March 19, 1891.
- Isaiah Swab, Elizabethtown, Pa.
- L. Ida Kawel, Millersburg, Pa.
- June 13, 1891.
- Daniel F. Coleman, Gratz, Pa.
- Helen A. Rissinger, " "

CONFIRMATION.

When thou vowest a vow unto God, defer not to pay it.—ECC. v. 4.

Having been instructed in the Christian religion as believed and set forth by the Evangelical Lutheran Church, and having professed faith in the Lord Jesus, the following persons were received into membership of our congregations by the Rite of Confirmation:

- ZION'S—Nov. 9, 1890.
- Charles E. Beard,
- Samuel P. Heller,
- Edward Koppenheffer,
- Robert E. Koppenheffer,
- M. Luther Lefler,
- Harvey O. Strohecker,
- Harvey J. Webner,
- Emma R. Lefler.
- ST. JACOB'S—Nov. 23, 1890.
- Charles W. Deibler,
- Jacob Warfel,
- Alfred N. Warfel,
- Fannie S. Miller,
- Jennie D. Miller,
- Carrie A. Snyder,
- Jennie A. Snyder,
- Emma R. Warfel,
- Clara E. Warfel,
- Susan A. Warfel,
- Cath. E. Warfel.

FUNERALS.

Dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.—GEN. iii. 19.

St. John's.
Hartman.—Nathaniel, a son of Jacob Hartman and his wife Catherine, was born March 1, 1856, in Mifflin Twp., Dauphin Co., Pa. In infancy his parents presented him to the Lord in Holy Baptism administered at the hands of Rev. August Bergner. After proper instruction he was confirmed as a member of St. John's

Ev. Luth. congregation on May 1, 1875 by Rev. R. S. Wagner, of which congregation he remained a consistent member until the day of his death. On Jan 3, 1882 he was united in marriage by Rev. W. G. Engle with Miss Mary C. Hess, who with one daughter, the fruit of this union, remains to mourn his loss. One infant daughter preceded him to eternity. He died of heart failure Aug. 4, 1890 aged 34 yrs. 5 mos. 3 days.

Zimmerman.—Aaron Silas, a son of Michael Zimmerman and his wife Anna, was born Aug. 13, 1857 in Washington Twp., Dauphin Co. Baptism was administered to him in infancy by Rev. F. Waltz, the parents acting as sponsors. After the usual course of instruction he was confirmed as a member of St. John's Ev. Luth. congregation by Rev. R. S. Wagner, of which he remained a member till the day of his death. On Aug. 5, 1877 he was married to Miss Agnes J. Miller by Rev. J. M. Urich, which union was blessed with 7 children, 2 sons and 5 daughters. After a sickness of several weeks with Typhoid Pneumonia, he died Dec. 30, 1890, aged 33 yrs. 4 mos. 17 days.

Lebo.—Barbara, daughter of John Botteiger and his wife Barbara, was born May 11, 1813 in Upper Paxton Twp., Dauphin Co. She was baptized in infancy. On June 12, 1836 she was united in holy marriage with John Washington Lebo by Rev. J. P. Shindel, which union was blessed with 7 children, 5 sons and 2 daughters of whom one daughter and her husband preceded her to eternity. She passed away of old age Feb. 13, 1891, aged 77 yrs. 9 mos. 2 days.

Sheets.—John H. a son of John Sheets and his wife Sarah, was born Feb. 28, 1856 in Jackson Twp., Dauphin Co. He was baptized in infancy by Rev. Nathan Bressler. Married to Miss Sarah A. Zimmerman Aug. 18, 1878 by Rev. W. K. Wieand. This marriage was blessed with 5 daughters of whom one preceded their father to eternity. He died of Consumption Mar. 29, '91, aged 35 yrs. 1 mo. 1 day.

Miller.—Edwin Franklin, infant son of Perry D. Miller and his wife Ida S. (Koppenheffer), was born in Mifflin Twp., Dauphin Co., Dec. 16, 1890, baptized Feb. 2, 1891 by Rev. O. E. Pflueger, died June 20, 1891, after a sickness of 4 days of Cholera Infantum, aged 6 mos. 4 days.

Simeon's.

Schaffner.—Sallie Emma Jane, infant daughter of Wm. I. L. Schaffner and his wife Mary A. (Ariogast), was born April 11, 1889 near Gratz, Pa. Holy Baptism was administered at the hands of Rev. W. G. Engle May 12, 1889, the grandparents Martin P. Schaffner and his wife Maria acting as sponsors. She died of Dysentery Sept. 9, 1890, age, 1 yr. 4 mos. 28 das.

Hartman.—Hannah, a daughter of Matthias Deibler and his wife Catherine (Matter), was born Mar. 31, 1825 in Lykens Twp., Dauphin Co. She was baptized May 1, 1825, her parents being sponsors. On May 8, 1841 she was confirmed as a member of St. John's Ev. Luth. congregation in Mifflin Twp., and on June 2, 1844 united in marriage with Simon Hartman, all of which three ceremonies were performed by Rev. J. P. Shindel. This union was blessed with 10 children, 3 sons and 7 daughters, of whom 2 daughters with her husband preceded her to eternity. She lived to see 20 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren, and died Sept. 15, 1890 of an internal tumor, after a painful sickness of 14 weeks, aged 65 yrs. 5 mos. 14 days.

Schoffstall.—Daniel, a son of John Schoffstall and his wife Mary (Snyder), was born Sept. 20, 1854. On Nov. 5, 1854 he was brought to the Lord in Holy Baptism, the same being administered by Rev. F. Waltz, the sponsors being his grandparents John Snyder and his wife. He died of Dropsy Nov. 23, 1890, aged 36 yrs. 2 mos. 8 days.

Kembel.—Peter M., a son of John Kembel and his wife Margaret (Merkel), was born in Mahanoy Twp., Northumberland Co., Mar. 21, 1819. He was baptized in infancy by Rev. Gerhart, and in 1837, after being instructed in the Word of God and the doctrine of the Lutheran Church, he was received as a member of Simeon's congregation by the rite of confirmation, performed by Rev. J. P. Shindel; of which congregation he remained a faithful member until the day of his death. In 1840 he was united in holy matrimony with Miss Susannah Groff, which union was blessed with 11 children, 4 sons and 7 daughters, of whom 1 son and 4 daughters preceded their father to eternity. He entered into his rest after a protracted illness of Consumption and other ailments, Feb. 9, 1891, aged 71 yrs. 10 mos. 18 days, having lived to see 32 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Kissinger.—Diane Louise, a daughter of Joel Kissinger and his wife Priscilla, was born at Donaldson, Schuylkill Co., June 22, 1883. Baptized by Rev. H. Weickel April 20, 1884, died of Typhoid Pneumonia Feb. 17, aged 7 yrs. 7 mos. 25 days.

Dornheim.—Elizabeth Isabella, infant daughter of Prof. H. G. Dornheim and his wife Ellen F. was born at Gratz Nov. 29, 1889. She was offered to God in Holy Baptism Dec. 15, 1889 performed by Rev. O. E. Pflueger, and died of inflammation of the bowels, Feb. 17, 1891, aged 1 yr. 2 mos. 18 days.

Hepler.—Lewis F. son of Isaac Hepler and his wife Matilda, was born in Schuylkill Co., July 2, 1867. On July 28, 1867 he was baptized by Rev. Isaac Stiely. On July 22, 1888 he was united in holy matrimony with Miss Mary A. Hartman, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Jos. Hillpot. The fruit of this union was 2 daughters. He met a terrible death on the railroad at Girardville, Pa., Mar. 17, 1891, dying of his injuries within 3 hours, aged 23 yrs. 8 mos. 15 days.

Wolf.—Michael, a son of Michael Wolf and his wife Catharine (Romberger), was born Dec. 6, 1828 and was baptized April, 1829 by Rev. Shindel. He was confirmed Mar. 30, 1850 by Rev. A. Bergner and married Sept. 30, 1849 to Susannah Sallada by Rev. Stiely. This union was blessed with 8 children, 1 son and 7 daughters, of whom 1 daughter preceded him to eternity. After a long sickness he died of Dropsy June 7, 1891, 62 yrs. 6 mos. 1 day.

Buffington.—Jeremiah, a son of John and Susannah Buffington was born July 13, 1836 in Mifflin Twp., Dauphin Co. He was baptized in infancy by Rev. Gerhart, the parents being sponsors. He was confirmed as a member of the Reformed Church Mar. 24, 1855 by Rev. Leiss, and married Dec. 12, 1861 to Miss Emeline Hess, which union was blessed with 8 children, 3 sons and 5 daughters, of whom 2 sons and 1 daughter preceded their father to eternity. He died of Consumption June 25, 1891, aged 54 yrs. 11 mo. 12 da.

Salem's.

Boyer.—Clarence David, infant son of George A. Boyer and his wife Sarah A. (Bender), was born Jan. 9, 1890 at Elizabethville Pa. He was baptized Mar. 16, 1890 by Rev. O. E. Pflueger, the parents being the sponsors, and died suddenly of Cholera Infantum Sept. 9, 1890, aged 8 mo.

Hackman.—Myrtle Ella, infant daughter of Horace F. Hackman and his wife Kate (Ettinger), was born April 27, 1890, died Sept. 21, 1890, aged 4 mos. 24 days.

St. Jacob's.

Kolva.—Fanny, daughter of Christian and Maria Schoffstall, was born Mar. 17, 1838 in Mifflin Twp., Dauphin Co. On June 10, 1838 she was baptized by Rev. J. P. Shindel. She was confirmed as a mem-

ber of Hoffman's Reformed congregation May 22, 1858 by Rev. Ephraim Kieffer, married May 13, 1865 by Rev. J. P. Shindel to Jacob Kolva who preceded her to eternity less than 2 years ago. The union was blessed with 7 children, 5 sons and 2 daughters, of whom 3 sons also preceded their mother to the other world. After a sickness of about 2 months she fell asleep on July 13, 1890, aged 52 yrs. 3 mos. 26 da.

Meylander.—Sarah, a daughter of John and Rebecca Eberly, was born in Lancaster Co., Feb. 1813. She was baptized in infancy and confirmed by Rev. N. Yeager in 1853 as a member of St. Jacob's Ev. Luth. congregation. On Feb. 25, 1855 she was united in holy matrimony with Sylvester Meylander who remains to mourn her loss. She died of Dysentery Oct. 13, 1890, aged 77 yrs. 8 mos.

Enders.—Julian, a daughter of George Sartzter and his wife Mary (Shoop), was born July 4, 1846 in Middle Paxton Twp., Dauphin Co. She was admitted to membership of the Evangelical Church by adult baptism administered by Rev. J. G. W. Herold. On Aug. 25, 1878 she was united in marriage with Joseph Enders, who preceded her to eternity without children. After years of failing health she ended her earthly career March 16, 1891, aged 44 yrs. 8 mos. 12 days.

Swiegard.—Anna Maria, a daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Miller, was born in Jackson Twp., Dauphin Co., Sept. 25, 1826. She was baptized in infancy by Rev. Kerz and confirmed as a member of St. Jacob's Ev. Luth. church in 1852 by Rev. N. Yeager. Jan. 3, 1854 she was united in marriage to Christian Swiegard who preceded her to eternity leaving her childless. She died suddenly of apoplexy on Good Friday Mar. 27, 1891, aged 64 yrs. 6 mos. 2 days.

Fetterhoff's.

Eberly.—Susannah, daughter of Benjamin Keiter and his wife Dorothea (Schaeffer), was born Mar. 24, 1816 in Jackson Twp., Dauphin Co. She was baptized in 1816 by Rev. J. N. Hempling, the sponsors being Peter Bowman and wife. She was confirmed by the same pastor as a member of Salem's Ev. Luth. congregation at Elizabethville. In 1847 she was married to Samuel Eberly, and was the mother of 6 children, 5 the fruit of this union, viz: 3 sons and 2 daughters. One son preceded her to eternity. She succumbed to the infirmities of age together with malaria, Sept. 5, 1890, at the ripe age of 74 yrs. 5 mos. 14 days.

Keiter.—Philip, son of Benjamin Keiter and his wife Dorothea (Schaeffer), was born Feb. 20, 1826 in Jackson Twp., Dau-

phin Co., Pa. On Nov. 24, 1841 he was baptized by Rev. Wm. C. Laitzel, the sponsor being Jacob Byrode. After catechisation he was confirmed by Rev. J. N. Hemping as a member of Salem's Evan. Luth. congregation at Elizabethville, Pa. Jan. 21, he was married by Rev. F. Waltz to Susannah Stroh who preceded him to eternity by 7 years. This union was blessed with 6 children, 5 sons and 1 daughter, of whom one son likewise preceded his father to the other world. He died Sept. 14, 1890, of Dropsy, with which he suffered for about 3 mos. Age 64 yrs. 6 mos. 24 days.

Stroh's.

Zimmerman.—Catherine E., a daughter of William and Mary E. Shoop, was born at Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 21, 1864. Baptized in infancy, she became a member of the Presbyterian Church. On Dec. 21, 1882 she was united in marriage with Monroe R. Zimmerman by Rev. M. B. Lenker. The fruit of this union was 5 children, 3 sons and 2 daughters, of whom the 3 sons preceded their mother to eternity. She died of Hemorrhage on Ascension Day, May 7, 1891, aged 26 yrs. 4 mos. 6 days.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.

July 1, 1890 to July 1, 1891.

They shall not appear before the Lord empty; every man shall give as he is able.—Deut. xvi. 16-17.

ST. JOHN'S—				
	Aug. 10, '90,	Harvest Home,	\$18 35	
	Nov. 2, '90,	Fall Communion,	19 18	
	Apr. 19, '91,	Spring Communion,	23 40	60 93
SIMEON'S—GRATZ.				
	Aug. 24, '90,	Harvest Home,	15 01	
	Oct. 19, '90,	Fall Communion,	9 15	
	Apr. 5, '91,	Spring Communion,	11 98	36 14
ZION'S—RIFE.				
	Aug. 17, '90,	Harvest Home,	7 96	
	Nov. 9, '90,	Fall Communion,	10 24	
	Mar. 29, '91,	Spring Communion,	6 08	24 28
SALEM'S—ELIZABETHVILLE.				
	Aug. 31, '90,	Harvest Home,	9 16	
	Oct. 26, '90,	Children's Reformation Day,	10 33	
	Nov. 23, '90,	Fall Communion,	7 69	
	Apr. 12, '91,	Spring Communion,	9 06	36 24
ST. JACOB'S—MILLER'S.				
	Aug. 3, '90,	Harvest Home,	8 96	
	Nov. 23, '90,	Fall Communion,	6 00	
	May. 10, '91,	Spring Communion,	6 10	21 06
Total Contributions,				178 65

DISBURSEMENTS.

General Synodical Fund,	78 65
Foreign Missions,	30 00
English Home Missions,	45 00
German Home Missions,	10 00
Professor's House at Seminary,	15 00
	178 65

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY ACCOUNT.

Balance of apportionment,		336 54
Contributions during the year:		
St. John's—additional,	12 30	
Simeon's—additional,	9 10	
St. Jacob's,	39 25	
Zion's,	20 80	81 45
Balance unpaid,		225 09

↔ The Parish Record ↔

ELIZABETHVILLE, PA., JULY, 1891.

'Tis by request
The Record again appears.

Its only trouble is that words of praise do not pay its printer.

Few really good things come to us gratuitously; we pay according to the value we set upon them.

Your Record belongs to yourself to use as you please, but it would be better to preserve it *now* than to wish that you *had* done so, ten years hence. It is well worth keeping.

Catechetical Classes will be in course of instruction during this Summer at St. John's and Simeon's (Gratz) congregations, with a view to confirmation in connection with the Fall Communion. The dates of confirmation are:

Simeon's, Oct. 18, 1891.
St. John's, Nov. 1, 1891.

At Elizabethville it is hoped to organize a Catechetical Class at about the time of the Fall Communion in November with a view to confirmation on Good Friday, April 15, 1892. We would already now commend a matter of such vital importance to the serious consideration of all young unconfirmed persons of this community, urging them to prepare themselves for a ratification of their baptismal vows.

It is the universal custom among our Lutheran congregations that there is no service on the Sunday when Synod is in session. This year the congregations which were so unfortunate as to lose their service were St. John's, Zion's and Salem's. The coming year Synod will go in session June 2, 1892, and the congregations sacrificing their services will be St. John's and Simeon's.

Notice that on the days when Zion's congregation will celebrate the holy com-

munion, one service will be dropped respectively at St. John's and Salem's, since the administration of a communion and two services are a day's pastoral work. Confident that the congregations would not expect me to officiate at three services on these days, I take the liberty of announcing that Nov. 8, 1891 P. M. will be vacant at St. John's, likewise the evening of April 24, 1892 at Salem's.

CHARGE MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the Lyke's Valley Charge was held as announced, Monday, Jan. 12, 1891, in the Sunday School room of Salem's congregation at Elizabethville. St. John's congregation was represented by 2 of its Council, Simeon's by 1, Salem's by 6, Zion's by 4 and St. Jacob's by 2.

In the President's report which was presented at this meeting reference was made to 1. Accessions and loss of members; 2. Pastoral Support; 3. Condition of the parsonage; 4. Beneficence of the year. While not everything has been accomplished that was aimed at, yet something has been done and it appears that the charge is in a flourishing condition.

A number of bills were received and ordered to be paid. Mr. John A. Heller was elected delegate to Synod and Messrs. Cores Paul and John A. Bonawitz to the Conferences in Spring and Fall respectively. Mr. L. R. Bender was re-elected to the office of Secretary and Mr. Michael H. Miller to that of Treasurer for the ensuing year. The meeting adjourned to meet D. V. on the second Monday of Jan. 1891.

SYNOD.

This venerable body convened in its 144th annual session May 21, 1891 in Emmanuel's Ev. Luth. church, Pottstown, Pa., Rev. D. K. Kepner, Pastor. Its sessions continued till May 27 and were attended by your Pastor and delegate Mr. John A. Heller. The clerical membership of the body has grown to be 275, who with the lay delegates in attendance, compose a body as large as it is venerable. The attendance at this meeting was rather larger than usual. Worthy of note was the fraternal spirit and concord in which the discussions between the brethren were conducted, and the absence of cases of discipline or redress, which are always connected with much unpleasantness to all concerned.

Although almost 150 Summers have past since this body first saw the light of day, and although it is the mother of many other synods, yet it is by no means impaired by age, nor enfeebled by its maturity. Indeed it seems to be in process of rejuvenation, of which the earnest speeches and resolutions at this last meeting bear witness. It is not only fortifying its strongholds at home, but strengthening the army in the foreign field and greatly increasing our force on the frontier. Much has been done, and the work has developed wonderfully, but still more remains to be done. In order that the work might be carried forward with success, Synod resolved to appeal to the congregations belonging to it for increased contributions, and explanatory letters have been ordered to be sent out and read to the congregations.

CONFERENCE.

The Spring Session of the V. Conference was held in St. John's Ev. Lutheran church, Lykens, Pa., Rev. M. B. Lenker, Pastor, April 21 and 22, 1891. The Pastor and Mr. Cores Paul were present.

The Fall Session is to be held in Emanuel's Ev. Luth. church, Rockafeller Twp. Northumberland Co., Pa., Rev. A. J. L. Breinig, Pastor. The time is not fixed.

HOW WE GROW!

The nation grows. In 1790 there were 6 cities in the whole United States which had above 8,000 inhabitants each. In 1880 there were 246 of the same size, and the census of last year shows that now there are 443. In other words from 1880 to 1890 the increase was greater than in 50 years before. Again, look at the population of 7 of our western cities, in which we take an especial interest because we have missionary interests there, and notice their population first in 1880 then in 1890.

	1880	1890
Minneapolis, Minn.	46,000	164,000
St. Paul "	41,000	133,000
Duluth "	3,000	33,000
Salt Lake City, Utah	20,000	44,000
Portland, Or.	17,000	46,000
Tacoma, Wash.	1,000	36,000
Seattle "	3,000	42,000

The tale these figures tell seems impossible, but it is the truth. While cities grow at such a pace, how great is the re-

sponsibility of the church!

But our Lutheran Church grows too. While the rate of increase of the population of the country from 1880 to 1890 was only a fraction over 28 per cent., the Lutheran Church has gained in the same period at the rate of 64.38 per cent.—a gain of almost one-third more than any other church.

Again, the Lutheran churches built in this country in the year 1850 average one for each day of the year, and the accessions to her faith 1,000 for every week. There are many who look with disdain upon the church of the Reformation and love to call her hard names; but is this a record of which her children need to be ashamed? The Lutheran Church to-day holds an enviable position in the sisterhood of churches in this land and the position she may hold in the future we dare not prophesy, if she but carry out the principle of Alexander's answer to the question of how he had conquered the world, when he said: "By not delaying."

WHAT HAVE WE DONE?

You notice that our Lutheran church in the last few years has made wonderful progress. Like a mighty army it moves steadily forward, bound under Christ to conquer for Him and His pure faith. In all warfare there are those who, unmoved by patriotism, refuse to brave the battle, and when the shout of victory ascends it brings to them the just sting of remorse and the self-accusation of shame. While every child of Luther's faith may well feel proud of his faith, and the rapid spread of that faith, we may well ask ourselves what have we contributed or what are we now contributing to this success? Is this success attained because of us or in spite of us?

We have recognized these claims upon us, and your attention is directed to a careful perusal of the table of the benevolent contributions of the congregations of the charge on page 8 of this pamphlet. Notice that the Synodical apportionment for this year was not quite reached and also that we fell short of last year's contributions by a significant amount. (See last year's Parish Record, page 7.)

Your attention is further directed to the fact that because of increased expenses on account of increased activities, Synod at its late meeting found it necessary, in order to carry on its work successfully, to increase its apportionment to the congregations belonging to it. The apportionment of this charge for Synodical purposes was raised from \$110 to \$189 and the amount for G. C. Home Missions from \$35 to \$70. The total increase of our apportionment therefore is \$84.

Synod asks it; can we, will we give it?

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

ST. JOHN'S LUTH. S. S.—Mifflin Twp.

Superintendents—Elmer E. Hartman and Daniel Yeartz.

Secretaries—Charles E. Bonawitz and Henry I. Hartman.

Librarians—Wm. H. Howard and Miss Nora E. Swab.

Organist—Jonathan Bonawitz.

Treasurer—John Swab.

Teachers, 12. Scholars, 140.

SIMEON'S UNION S. S.—Gratz.

Superintendents—Prof. H. G. Dornheim and J. J. Buffington.

Secretaries—Elmer Kissinger and W. A. Zerfing.

Librarians—G. F. Solada and Miss Carrie E. Saltzer.

Organists—J. W. Phillips and J. H. Schoffstall.

Treasurer—George S. Klinger.

Teachers, 13. Scholars, 200.

ZION'S UNION S. S.—Rife.

Superintendents—A. M. Longabach and F. P. Stine.

Secretaries—Miss Kate A. Cooper and Monroe Cooper.

Librarians—Miss Esella Cooper and Monroe Chubb.

Organists—Mrs. H. M. Weaver and Miss Annie M. Lenker.

Treasurer—Solomon Hoover.

Teachers, 12. Scholars, 100.

SALEM'S LUTH. S. S.—Elizabethville.

Superintendent—S. H. Kneily.

Assist. Supt.—J. A. Bonawitz.

Secretary—Jacob Fisher.

Assistant Secretary—John Newkirk.

Librarians—Ehner Daniel and Miss Alice C. Miller.

Organist—Miss Eta A. Matris.

Assist. Organist—Miss Sallie E. Swab. Managers—Hiram Smith and Nathaniel Bechtel.

Treasurer—George A. Boyer.

Teachers, 10. Scholars, 175.

ST. JACOB'S UNION S.S.—Jackson Twp.

Superintendent—W. M. Koppenhaver.

Assist. Superintendent—C. H. Parmer.

Secretary—Ira O. Miller.

Librarians—E. B. Miller, Miss Sue E. Whitman and C. W. Deibler.

Treasurer—H. O. Miller.

Teachers, 10. Scholars, 80.

CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.

ST. JOHN'S, MIFFLIN TWP.

—1891—

July 12,	10 a.m.	Ger., Anniversary.
19,	2 p.m.	English.
26,	2 p.m.	German.
Aug. 9,	10 a.m.	"
16,	10 a.m.	Eng., Harvest Home.
23,	2 p.m.	German.
Sept. 6,	10 a.m.	"
13,	2 p.m.	English.
20,	2 p.m.	German.
Oct. 4,	10 a.m.	"
11,	10 a.m.	English.
18,	2:30 p.m.	German.
31,	2 p.m.	Preparatory.
Nov. 1,	9:30 a.m.	Ger., Confirmation and Communion.
15,	2 p.m.	English.
29,	10 a.m.	German.
Dec. 6,	10 a.m.	"
13,	2 p.m.	English.
27,	10 a.m.	German.

—1892—

Jan. 3,	2 p.m.	German.
10,	2 p.m.	English.
24,	10 a.m.	German.
31,	10 a.m.	"
Feb. 7,	2 p.m.	English.
21,	10 a.m.	German.
28,	2 p.m.	"
Mar. 6,	2 p.m.	English.
20,	10 a.m.	German.
27,	10 a.m.	"
Apr. 3,	2 p.m.	English.
16,	2 p.m.	Preparatory.
17,	9:30 a.m.	Ger., Communion.
24,	2:30 p.m.	"
31,	2:30 p.m.	English.
May 8,	10 a.m.	German.
15,	10 a.m.	"
22,	2 p.m.	English.
June 12,	2 p.m.	German, Synodical Missionary.
19,	2 p.m.	German.
July 3,	10 a.m.	Eng., Anniversary.
10,	10 a.m.	German.

SIMEON'S—GRATZ.

—1891—

July 12,	2 p.m.	Eng., Anniversary.
26,	10 a.m.	German.
Aug. 9,	2 p.m.	"
23,	10 a.m.	Eng., Harvest Home.
Sept. 6,	2 p.m.	German.
20,	10 a.m.	"
Oct. 4,	2 p.m.	English.

Oct. 17, 2 p.m. Preparatory.
 18, 9:30 a.m. German, Confirmation
 and Communion.
 Nov. 1, 2:30 p.m. German.
 15, 10 a.m. English.
 29, 2 p.m. German.
 Dec. 13, 10 a.m. "
 27, 2 p.m. English.

-----1892-----

Jan. 10, 10 a.m. German.
 24, 2 p.m. "
 Feb. 7, 10 a.m. English.
 21, 2 p.m. German.
 Mar. 6, 10 a.m. "
 20, 2 p.m. English.
 Apr. 3, 10 a.m. German.
 17, 2:30 p.m. "
 30, 2 p.m. Preparatory.
 31, 9:0 a.m. Eng., Communion.
 May 8, 2 p.m. German.
 22, 10 a.m. "
 June 19, 10 a.m. English, Synodico-Mis-
 sionary.
 July 23, 2 p.m. German, Anniversary.
 17, 10 a.m. German.

SALEM'S—ELIZABETHVILLE.

-----1891-----

July 5, 2 p.m. Ger., Anniversary.
 19, 7:30 p.m. English.
 Aug. 2, 10 a.m. "
 16, 7:30 p.m. "
 30, 2 p.m. German.
 Sept. 13, 7 p.m. English.
 27, 10 a.m. " Harvest Home.
 Oct. 11, 7 p.m. "
 25, 2:30 p.m. German.
 Nov. 8, 6:30 p.m. English.
 21, 6:30 p.m. Preparatory.
 22, 9:30 a.m. Eng., Communion.
 Dec. 6, 6:30 p.m. "
 20, 2 p.m. German.

-----1892-----

Jan. 3, 6:30 p.m. English.
 17, 10 a.m. "
 31, 6:30 p.m. "
 Feb. 14, 2 p.m. German.
 28, 6:30 p.m. English.
 Mar. 13, 10 a.m. "
 27, 7 p.m. "
 Apr. 10, 2:30 p.m. German.
 14, 7 p.m. Preparatory.

Apr. 15, 10 a.m. Eng., Confirmation
 and Communion.
 May 1, 10 a.m. English.
 15, 7:30 p.m. "
 29, 2 p.m. German.
 June 12, 7:30 p.m. Eng., Synodico-Mis-
 sionary.
 26, 10 a.m. English.
 July 10, 7:30 p.m. " Anniversary.

ZION'S—RIFE.

-----1891-----

July 19, 10 a.m. Ger., Anniversary.
 Aug. 16, 2 p.m. English.
 Sept. 13, 10 a.m. Ger., Harvest Home.
 Oct. 11, 2 p.m. "
 Nov. 7, 2 p.m. Preparatory.
 8, 9:30 a.m. Eng., Communion.
 Dec. 6, 2 p.m. German.

-----1892-----

Jan. 3, 10 a.m. German.
 31, 2 p.m. English.
 Feb. 28, 10 a.m. German.
 Mar. 27, 2 p.m. "
 Apr. 23, 2 p.m. Preparatory.
 24, 9:30 a.m. Ger., Communion.
 May 15, 2 p.m. English.
 June 12, 10 a.m. Ger., Synodico-Mis-
 sionary.
 July 10, 2 p.m. Eng., Anniversary.

ST. JACOB'S—JACKSON TWP.

-----1891-----

July 5, 10 a.m. Ger., Anniversary.
 Aug. 2, 2 p.m. "
 30, 10 a.m. " Harvest Home.
 Sept. 27, 2 p.m. "
 Oct. 24, 2 p.m. " Preparatory.
 25, 9:45 a.m. " Communion.
 Nov. 22, 2:30 p.m. "
 Dec. 20, 10 a.m. "

-----1892-----

Jan. 17, 2 p.m. German.
 Feb. 14, 10 a.m. "
 Mar. 13, 2 p.m. "
 Apr. 9, 2 p.m. " Preparatory.
 10, 9:45 a.m. " Communion.
 May 1, 2 p.m. "
 29, 10 a.m. "
 June 26, 2 p.m. " Synodico-Mission-
 ary.
 July 24, 10 a.m. " Anniversary.

THE
PARISH RECORD

OF THE
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CONGREGATIONS:

ST. JOHN'S, *Mifflin Twp., Dauphin Co., Pa.*

SIMEON'S, *Gratz,* " "

ZION'S, *Rife,* " "

SALEM'S, *Elizabethville,* " "

ST. JACOB'S, *Jackson Twp.,* " "

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THE PARISH RECORD
Has evidently come to stay.

Each succeeding number has been an improvement on the former one. We trust that this may continue true for many years to come.

What has been the fate of your back numbers? Preserve them with care, add the new numbers year by year and you will soon collect the contents of a volume, with which you would very reluctantly part.

You will notice that THE RECORD has been enlarged, and also that a number of advertisements have been inserted. Only advertisements of reliable business houses have been admitted, so that persons answering the same may expect to be fairly dealt with. No advertisements would have been inserted had not the collections always failed to defray the expenses of publication. Notwithstanding the meager contributions, loud appeals were heard on every side for the reappearance of the Record. We have therefore taken this means of making up the deficiency.

Lykens Valley Charge has one student at Muhlenberg College. We should send at least one new student every year. Who will be the next to enroll his name? Not only those preparing for the ministry can study there, but we are confident that for all young men of our Church who are seeking after knowledge, the advantages of Muhlenberg College are unsurpassed. Information may be had of the Pastor.

Observe from the synopsis of the proceedings of Conference, that both Synod and Conference encourage the holding of Mission Festivals all over our territory. It is proposed at some time during the

Summer to hold such a festival at some central location in our valley and to do all possible to make it a success. It becometh the Lutherans of Lykens Valley to do nothing by halves, but to do it right. I hope this will be the spirit with which all will take hold of this movement at the appointed time.

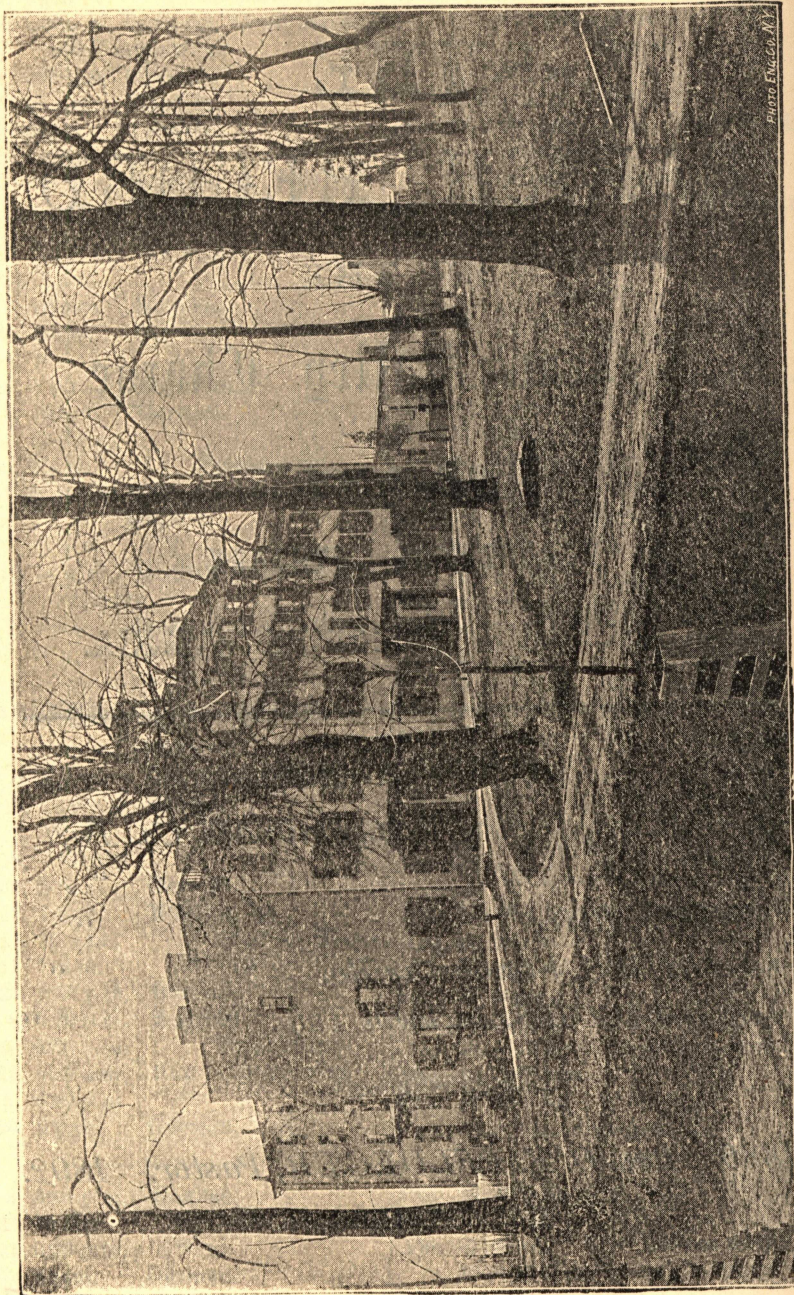
At the Harvest Home Services of our congregations last year, the churches were very beautifully decorated with the products of the fields and gardens. This was greatly appreciated, not only by the Pastor because of the disposition usually made of the fruits, but by all because it delights the eye, rejoices the heart and greatly adds to the interest of the occasion. The beauty of the decorations was only exceeded by the liberality of the offerings, which they undoubtedly helped to call forth.

Attention is directed to the dates of the Harvest Home Services this year as follows:

Simeon's, Aug. 21, 10 a. m.
Salem's, Aug. 28, 10 a. m.
St. Jacob's, Aug. 28, 2 p. m.
St. John's, Sept. 4, 10 a. m.
Zion's, Sept. 11, 2 p. m.

While we watch the growth of the crops and fruits, let us keep these occasions in mind and let us again conscientiously lay by as the Lord prospers us, so that these may be real Thank Festivals both in word and in deed, sending the sunlight of God's love and rich showers of his blessings which so copiously descend upon us, also upon other peoples and nations, ripening them also unto the harvest as sheaves for God's garners.

As the frontispiece of this number we are glad to present to you a good picture of Muhlenberg College at Allentown, Pa. This Institution is this year brought very



Muhlenberg College, Allentown, Pa.

prominently before the church and general public. It celebrates its Quarto Centennial, and this in a very substantial manner by liquidating its debt of \$50,000. The equitable portion of this debt upon our charge is about \$250, of which amount \$94 have been paid. An opportunity to raise the balance will be given some time during the year and special contributions will be cheerfully received and forwarded by the Pastor at any time.

Now that the custom of fifty years ago has passed away with us also—the custom of lining out the hymns—it is necessary that ample provision be made for the supply of worshipers with English and German hymn-books. The best thing is for each member to see to his own supply with these books of worship, for they are of use not only in the public service of the sanctuary, but these precious hymns are to be taken to heart along with the Bible in home devotions. In addition to this the congregation should provide hymnals, as various of our congregations have done, for strangers and such members as fail to attend to the duty of providing for themselves.

Sept. 27, 1892 is the time fixed for the next meeting of Conference, and Salem's Church at Elizabethville is the place. This is the first time for a good many years that Conference holds a meeting in our Charge, and we hope that all of our members will do Conference the honor and themselves the credit of doing all in their power to make this meeting pleasant and profitable, if in no other way, let it be by attending as many of its sessions as possible. Morning, afternoon and evening sessions will be held, all of which will be open to the public. The day sessions will be principally business sessions, but the evenings will be Educational, Missionary and Sunday School meetings. Let as many as possible of the members of all of our congregations attend.

Catechetical Instruction will be held this Summer at Zion's and St. Jacob's

congregations, and at Salem's during the Winter, with a view to confirmation at the following dates:

Zion's, Nov. 6, 1892.

St. Jacob's, Nov. 20, 1892.

Salem's, April 9, 1893.

All that the Pastor is able to do is to offer the opportunity, to reason, argue, plead with people to attend to this and other Christian duties and privileges, but the rest remains with them and the results with God. It is likewise the duty of parents, sponsors, guardians, church officers and members to exert whatever influence they may have over children, wards and other persons, and bring them under such influences as to awaken faith in them, and to lead them to a confession of their faith before men. Let all then co-operate with the Pastor and speak the proper word in season.

Notes on Benevolence.

Your especial attention is directed to the tabulated statement of all the benevolent contributions of the charge during the past year, as found on page 14 of this number of the Record. Please study this report with care as it furnishes much food for thought.

The following will give you a comparative idea of the contributions of the last three years:

	1889—1890.	
Synodical Purposes,	\$110.00	
G. C. H. Missions,	74.16	
Special Objects,	41.74	
Theological Seminary,	118.90	344.80
	1890—1891.	
Synodical Purposes,	108.65	
G. C. H. Missions,	55.00	
Theological Seminary,	96.45	260.10
	1891—1892.	
Synodical Purposes,	119.00	
G. C. H. Missions,	70.00	
Special Object,	35.00	
Muhlenberg College,	94.00	388.00

In view of the fact that the Synodical apportionments of our charge were increased last year from \$175 to \$259, we have reason to feel encouraged at having raised the full amount. Again it is a praiseworthy fact that the amount which

we have raised this year for the general work of the church, has never been equalled by this charge in one year. In five years these contributions have more than doubled, and in the last decade they have almost quadrupled.

Now, if you please, let us look at this matter from another standpoint. Three hundred and eighty-eight dollars divided among our membership is an average of about fifty cents per member. Many of us have of course contributed more than this; some have even given their fives and their tens; but the rest have eased their consciences by paying less. Is an average of fifty cents a year an adequate return to the Lord for his unspeakable gifts? Is it not rather an insult, the punishment of which we have cause to fear? What a spirit of denial and self-sacrifice is required to make an offering like this! Fifty cents represents the wages of five hours of the cheapest kind of labor. What will the same sum amount to applied to the purchase of refreshments or other luxuries? They amount to no more than the pins of the ladies, and to what those addicted to the use of the "weed" puff away in smoke in one week, yea, in a single day. Our very poorest can give at least a penny a week, and those more favored in the same proportion. What shall the report be next year? It is blessed and profitable to lend unto the Lord.

Charge Meetings.

The annual meeting of the charge was held Jan. 11, 1892, at 2 P. M. at Salem's Church at Elizabethville, when all the congregations were represented by their respective officers. The regular work was gone through with, necessary bills settled and various other business transacted and matters discussed. The president's report gave evidence of the condition of affairs in the charge and showed the same to be in a prosperous condition. Mr. Isaac Swab was elected Secretary for the coming year, and Mr. Jonas Swab Treasurer for the same time. Mr. B. W. Romberger was elected delegate to Synod and Messrs. Jonathan Bonawitz and Geo. A. Boyer respectively to the Spring and Fall Conferences.

A special meeting was held Feb. 27, 1892, at the parsonage to look after necessary repairs and alterations. After mature deliberations, and in view of the Pastor's offer of personally bearing one fifth of the expenses, it was decided to extend the Summer house to the main building so as to close up the space of 11 feet between the two, close up the one end into a room and leave the other as an open porch. This contract was let to Mr. Jonas Swab and is in process of being satisfactorily carried out at this writing. This adds greatly to the convenience of the home; and in these times of conveniences, I am sure that all our members will feel proud to have a parsonage both attractive and as conveniently arranged as possible. Necessary repairs were also ordered to be made on the stable.

The next regular meeting of the charge will be held Jan. 9, 1893.

Conference Meetings.

FALL SESSION.

The V. Conference, to which this charge belongs, was in session Oct. 6-7, 1891 in Emanuel's Evan. Luth. Church at Augustaville, Pa., in the pastoral charge of Rev. A. J. L. Breinig. The opening sermon was preached by the President, Rev. S. E. Ochsenford on Rom. 1:16. Your Pastor and delegate, Mr. John H. Bonawitz attended all the sessions of the conference, the entire clerical attendance being 17 and that of lay delegates 6. The President and Secretary were re-elected and Rev. D. M. Stetler was elected Treasurer, each for the term of one year.

There are only three mission fields remaining in the charge of Conference, but there are various localities which desire organizations and where they are greatly needed. These facts called forth a discussion which resulted in the adoption of the following resolution: "That in view of the fact that some of our parishes are very large and would apparently be benefited by additional labor, and in view of the additional fact that there is need of more labor at various points which are thus necessarily overlooked or neglected, a committee of three be appointed to canvass our whole territory and after a thorough con-

sideration of the entire matter to present a plan for re-arrangement, division or re-adjustment of congregations into parishes to be recommended to our Pastors and congregations, towards the attainment of which we can all labor, and that this report be laid before Conference at its next meeting." The committee was appointed.

Synod at its meeting at Pottstown in 1891 charged the Conferences with "the duty of making arrangements for the holding of Mission Festivals at different points within their bounds, at which addresses shall be made and collections taken interest of this cause." A committee of five was appointed for this purpose.

SPRING SESSION.

Having accepted the invitation of the First Evan. Luth. Church of Selinsgrove, in the pastoral charge of the President, Conference convened in that church May 3-5, 1892. As the Secretary of Conference, your Pastor had the honor of preaching the opening sermon. The attendance was exceptionally good, 20 clerical members and 8 lay delegates being present, notwithstanding the fact that two parishes are now vacant. Your delegate, Mr. Jonathan Bonawitz was also there.

The business transactions of most general interest were the reports of the two committees appointed at the previous meeting. The committee on the re-arrangement of congregations into parishes reported at great length, covering the whole territory of Conference and making recommendations in regard to every parish in our bounds. This report was fully discussed and then adopted. In regard to Lykens Valley Charge the recommendation is that it be constituted as it is, "but looking to a division as soon as possible."

The committee on the holding of Mission Festivals offered a report which was discussed and adopted, and was in part as follows:

Item 1—"That Conference urges upon all its pastors the duty of holding annual Mission Festivals in all our congregations or parishes, making a strong effort to arouse, interest and instruct the people in the missionary cause."

Item 2—"That the territory of Conference be divided into five districts and that the pastors of said districts co-operate in the construction and execution of plans for such festivals."

Item 3 gives the division into districts. That to which the Lykens Valley Charge belongs includes besides itself Stone Valley and Lykens parishes.

Item 4—"That in addition to the annual festivals of the congregations and parishes we also recommend the holding of larger meetings at suitable places wherever practicable, and direct attention to the feasibility at some places of having such meetings supersede Sunday School picnics."

The Fall Meeting of Conference will be held in Salem's Church at Elizabethville, beginning on Tuesday, Sept. 27, 1892.

SYNOD.

The one hundred and forty-fifth annual convention of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, known as the "Mother Synod," was held in Trinity Lutheran Church, Reading, Pa., of which Rev. J. Fry, D. D. has been the honored pastor for more than 25 years. Synod was opened with confessional services and the Holy Communion, Thursday morning, June 9, 1892, and was brought to a close late on Tuesday evening following. This was the 15th convention of Synod held in Reading, the 1st one having convened Oct. 24, 1770.

In the absence of the President, Rev. G. F. Krotel, D. D., LL. D., because of sickness, Rev. A. Spaeth, D. D. was elected to succeed him, while Rev. S. A. Ziegenfuss was elected English Secretary to succeed Rev. J. M. Anspach, D. D., resigned, and Rev. Geo. P. Mueller was re-elected German Secretary.

In his annual report the President, among other matters, reported the organization of 4 new congregations, the laying of 12 corner-stones and the consecration of 15 churches within the bounds of Synod. Considerable time was consumed by the discussion of matters appertaining to Muhlenberg College and the Theological Seminary, of which institutions separate mention will be made in these columns.

The Orphans' Home and Asylum has recovered from its misfortune of two years ago and has again sheltered the orphans and the aged during the year, 78 of the former and 32 of the latter having found refuge there. Missionary matters of both the home and foreign fields were discussed. The Superintendent of the English Home Missionary Committee of the General Council as well as the Secretary of the German Committee were present and gave accounts of the success with which we are meeting and explained the nature and the needs of our fields.

The receipts during the year for all purposes were \$89,118, a gain on the former year of about \$2,000, whereas the increased apportionments had been \$6,000.

The 16 young men who were ordained, together with those received from other Synods, swell our membership to more than 300; and because of the vast size to which Synod has attained it is felt that something must be done to facilitate work, either by effecting a division or else a more efficient organization. This and various other matters are to be discussed and acted upon at a special meeting to be held in Philadelphia in January, 1893.

At this convention the Lykens Valley Charge was represented by its Pastor and delegate, Mr. B. W. Romberger, who faithfully attended all the sessions, participated in the transaction of business, if not by voice at least by vote, and are prepared to give a more detailed account of any transactions to members who may inquire of them.

Theological Seminary.

The past Seminary year has been one of prosperity notwithstanding the disadvantages under which the Seminary was placed because of the sickness of two of its Professors, Rev. A. Spaeth, D. D. and Rev. W. J. Mann, D. D., LL. D., the latter of whom, since its close, has entered into his rest. In him our Lutheran Church has lost one of its most shining lights and the Seminary one of its most devoted friends. His duties of the sick being performed by the well, and with the help of the newly-elected Professors, Rev. J. Fry, D. D., and Rev. H. V. Hilprecht,

Ph. D., the Seminary work progressed with but little interruption.

Seventy-five students have been in attendance the past year, of whom 27 were graduated and have gone forth as husbandmen in the vineyard of the Lord. Dr. H. V. Hilprecht has resigned his position, but efforts are being made to retain at least a part of his valuable services and to procure a tutor to perform the rest of the duties of his department.

Steps have been taken fully to endow the Norton Professorship so as to enable its incumbent to devote all his time to its duties. A debt of \$10,000 is still resting on the new buildings because among others Lykens Valley Charge has failed to raise the amount asked of them by Synod for this purpose. Oh, that the Lord chose to carry on his work without money! Or better, that people would allow themselves to be moved to contribute of the means which he has abundantly provided!

Muhlenberg College.

This Institution has just closed an epoch in its history—the first 25 years of its existence. Through many trials and disappointments it has come out all the more efficient. The exercises of Commencement and commemorative of the occasion were intensely interesting and largely attended. An advance was made by the election of H. H. Herbst, M. D., of the class of '78, Prof. G. T. Ettinger, Ph. D., of the class of '80, and Rev. S. A. Repass, D. D. as members of the faculty, making it 8 in number and strong in rank of scholarship and in the capacity of imparting instruction.

The College stands on its merits, and while because of its continued poverty it can not compete with its richer neighbors in externalities, yet in essentials and the thoroughness of its work it has proved itself to compare favorably with the colleges of the land. It has had 140 students enrolled last year, and what should particularly interest our charge is the fact that among these was one of our own young members. He is the second from our charge who has ever attended Muhlenberg College: who will be the third, the fourth? Could we not send one every year?

BAPTISMS.

He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.—MARK XVI. 16.

CHILD'S NAME.	PARENTS' NAMES.	DATE OF BIRTH.	DATE OF BAPTISM.
ST. JOHN'S.			
George Wesley,	Harry T. & Minnie U. Herman,	June 2, '91.	July 12, '91.
Mabel Edna,	Wm. R. & Annie J. Deibler,	Feb. 23, '91.	Aug. 27, '91.
Charles Herbert,	George F. & Mary A. Warner,	Aug. 26, '91.	Sept. 14, '91.
Mary May,	Aaron M. & Emma Straub,	July 12, '91.	Oct. 5, '91.
Charles Eli,	Isaiah & L. Ida Swab,	Aug. 6, '91.	Oct. 18, '91.
Maggie Edna,	Charles D. & Kate Lehman,	Oct. 13, '91.	Dec. 6, '91.
Mark Cornelius,	Henry I. & Mary E. Hartman,	Nov. 4, '91.	Jan. 31, '92.
John Isaac,	Frank & Adaline E. Beisel,	Dec. 3, '91.	Jan. 31, '92.
Harry Pope,	Joel A. & Hannah P. Miller,	Nov. 17, '91.	Mar. 9, '92.
Homer Eli,	Henry W. & Alice L. Miller,	Mar. 10, '92.	Apr. 24, '92.
Henry Franklin,	Wm. H. & Annie M. E. Hoover,	Mar. 11, '92.	Apr. 24, '92.
Herbert Ceylon,	Charles D. & Amanda R. Hoy,	Feb. 16, '92.	May 22, '92.
SIMEON'S.			
Beulah Minerva,	David & Lillie O. Bellis,	May 25, '91.	July 26, '91.
Elmer Harrison,	John C. & Amanda L. Coleman,	July 14, '91.	July 31, '91.
Jennie Elizabeth,	Tobias S. & Emma J. Klinger,	June 25, '91.	Sept. 6, '91.
Bessie Minerva,	Jacob & Catherine Williard,	Mar. 19, '91.	Sept. 6, '91.
Beulah Agnes,	Henry A. & Ellen A. Warner,	May 6, '91.	Oct. 17, '91.
Cora May,	Henry G. & Ellen F. Dornheim,	Sept. 15, '91.	Nov. 1, '91.
May Lydia Catherine	Henry F. & Lydia S. Buffington,	Oct. 9, '91.	Nov. 26, '91.
Harry Edward,	John H. & S. Ellen Miller,	Feb. 14, '92.	Apr. 3, '92.
Edna Lovina,	Henry & Hannah M. Kissinger,	Dec. 8, '88.	Apr. 30, '92.
Ellen Magdalena,	" "	Sept. 3, '91.	Apr. 30, '92.
Raymond Jacob,	J. Jacob & Sallie A. Coleman,	May 4, '92.	May 15, '92.
Elsie May,	Uriah H. & Ida L. Daniel,	Jan. 29, '92.	May 30, '92.
Clara Rebecca,	Jorias & Catherine Hartman,	Aug. 12, '91.	May 30, '92.
ZION'S.			
Walter Webster,	Daniel W. & Lizzie Koppenheffer,	Nov. 30, '90.	Oct. 31, '91.
Leah Dorina,	Isaac & Leah J. Wetzel,	Apr. 7, '91.	Jan. 3, '92.
Ralph Raymond,	Isaac & Caroline Row,	Apr. 9, '91.	Feb. 11, '92.
SALEM'S.			
Mary Edna,	John C. & Sarah E. Holtzman,	July 12, '91.	Sept. 19, '91.
Harry Elmer,	W. Frank & Eva Uhler,	May 14, '91.	Sept. 20, '91.
Katie Susan,	Emanuel O. & Mary A. Harman,	Mar. 31, '91.	Sept. 21, '91.
Florence Augusta,	Isaiah & Malinda Speck,	June 6, '83.	Nov. 12, '91.
Jeremiah Charles,	" " " "	June 28, '86.	Nov. 12, '91.
Rosa Cordella,	William H. H. & Jennie L. Ditty,	Aug. 8, '91.	Jan. 16, '92.
Jennie Ruth,	Henry A. & Harriet Zaring,	June 7, '91.	Feb. 15, '92.
Ralph Ethan,	George A. & Sarah F. Boyer,	Dec. 11, '91.	Feb. 16, '92.
George Wilson,	John W. & Annie C. Kroh,	Jan. 5, '92.	Apr. 30, '92.
ST. JACOB'S.			
Annie Ivah,	Alfred N. & Amanda E. Matchett,	May 17, '91.	July 5, '91.
Katie Edna,	John W. & Mary F. Snyder,	Oct. 18, '91.	Nov. 22, '91.

MARRIAGES.

Marriage is honorable in all.—HEB. xiii. 4.

July 4, 1891.

Elmer E. Hartman, Curtin, Pa.
Sallie A. Mattis, Elizabethtown, Pa.

July 11, 1891.

George Sitlinger, Gratz, Pa.
Catherine E. Hartman, Gratz, Pa.

Sept. 3, 1891.

William H. Hoover, Curtin, Pa.
Annie M. E. Romberger, Curtin, Pa.

Sept. 5, 1891.

George C. Hoke, Berrysburg, Pa.
Mary E. Witmer, " "

Oct. 31, 1891.

Charles D. Hoy, Berrysburg, Pa.
Amanda R. Warner, Curtin, Pa.

Nov. 7, 1891.

Aaron M. Longabach, Rife, Pa.
Carrie M. Lehman, Killinger, Pa.

Nov. 14, 1891.

Grant M. Hartman, Curtin, Pa.
M. Amelia Lubold, Loyalton, Pa.

Dec. 3, 1891.

Samuel C. Jury, Berrysburg, Pa.
Ida M. Andre, Elizabethtown, Pa.

Dec. 6, 1891.

Nathan J. P. Gass, Gratz, Pa.
Catherine E. Williard, Gratz, Pa.

Dec. 12, 1891.

Harry C. Deibler, Curtin, Pa.
Katie S. Matter, " "

Dec. 13, 1891.

Frank E. Hartman, Gratz, Pa.
Mary A. Kissinger, " "

Dec. 24, 1891.

Wellington H. Miller, Berrysburg, Pa.
Elsie Deibler, " "

Jan. 2, 1892.

Harvey O. Miller, Centre View, Pa.
Agnes W. Boyer, Loyalton, Pa.

May 22, 1892.

John F. Good, Gratz, Pa.
Jennie C. Williams, Artz, Pa.

ADULT BAPTISMS.

Harry Hector Buffington,
Erwin John Lyter.

CONFIRMATION.

Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.
MATT. x. 32.

Having professed faith in the Lord Jesus after being instructed in the Word of God, the following persons were admitted to membership by the Rite of Confirmation:

SIMEON'S—Oct. 1891.

Daniel S. Artz,
Jonathan F. Clark,
Allen F. Fidler,
William H. Kemtel,
Milton S. Kissinger,
Elmer E. Kissinger,
Charles G. Riegler,
Harry N. Shade,

Lizzie K. Artz,
Hattie L. Ferree,
Mary L. Folk,
Jennie Hartman,
Sallie E. Saltzer,
Lillie I. Saltzer,
Elsie C. Sitlinger.

ST. JOHN'S—Nov. 1, 1891.

John D. Hassinger,
William H. Hoover,
Luther E. Koppenheffer,
Oscar E. Koppenheffer,
Wilson E. Lubold,
Isaac W. Matter,
Perry D. Miller,
Aaron Minnich,

Mary J. Hartman,
Clara E. Hepner,
Ellen M. Hepner,
Mrs. Caroline Keboch,
Alice J. Klinger,
Mrs. S. Ada Koppenheffer,
Julia E. Koppenheffer,
Maggie I. Matter,
Carrie E. Mattis,
Ivia C. Schreffler.

SALEM'S—April 15, 1892.

William H. H. Ditty,
James O. Koppenheffer,
Harvey A. Lehman,
Charles H. Lehman,
Charles H. Miller,
Isaac T. Miller,
William H. Schreffler,
Harry W. Wetzel,

Isabella E. Bechtel,
Mrs. Jennie C. Ditty,
Katie E. Lehman,
Aura M. Messersmith,
Mrs. L. Ida Swab,
Mrs. Harriet A. Zaring.

FUNERALS.

Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord.
REV. xiv. 13.

St. John's.

KOPPENHEFFER.—Jonathan M., the third of 11 children of Michael Koppenheffer and his wife Catharine [Gerhart], was born in Mifflin twp., Dauphin county, Pa., Oct. 13, 1802. On the 26th of his birth month he was brought to the Lord in Holy Baptism administered by Rev. John Herbst, the sponsors being William Bordner and his wife Elizabeth. He was confirmed by Rev. J. P. Shindel as a member of St. John's congregation, of which he continued a member till the day of his death. In October, 1826 he was united in marriage with Catharine Hepner who preceded him to eternity 6 years ago. The union was blessed with 11 children, 4 sons and 7 daughters, of whom 1 son and 1 daughter have likewise preceded their father to eternity. He died July 3, 1891 of old age at the advanced age of 88 years, 8 months, 20 days.

HERMAN.—George Wesley, infant son of Harry Thomas Herman and his wife Minnie U. [Lyter], was born June 2, 1891 in Washington twp., Dauphin county. On July 12th he was brought to the Lord in Holy Baptism administered by Rev. O. E. Pflueger. He died suddenly early Sunday morning, Aug. 16, 1891, of apoplexy, aged 2 months, 14 days.

MARTIN.—Henry Martin was born Feb. 12, 1812 in Perry county, Pa. He was admitted to membership with St. John's congregation by adult baptism, and about the year 1834 was married to Hannah Matter which union was blessed with 2 children, 1 son and 1 daughter; both of whom together with their mother preceded him to eternity. He lived to see 3 grandchildren, 2 of whom survive, and died Sept. 6, 1891, aged 79 yr. 6 m. 24.

ZIMMERMAN.—Carrie Emma, daughter of Aaron S. Zimmerman (deceased) and his wife A. Josephine [Miller], was born Dec. 6, 1883 in Mifflin twp. She was baptized by Rev. J. Hillpot on Jan. 16, 1884, and died of a complication of diseases,

Nov. 20, 1891, after protracted and severe suffering. Her age was 7 yr. 11 mo. 14 d.

MATTER.—Susanna, oldest daughter of John Bair and his wife Mary [Mohr], was born Apr. 10, 1817 in Buffalo twp., Perry county, Pa. After instruction in God's Word and the doctrine of our Ev. Lutheran Church she was received as a member of St. John's congregation by adult baptism performed by Rev. F. Waltz, Apr. 16, 1854. On Feb. 20, 1853 she was united in marriage with Solomon Matter by Rev. John Leitz, which union was blessed with 3 children, 1 son and 2 daughters, of whom the daughters have preceded their parents to eternity. The father also died about 14 years ago. She passed away on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 26, 1891 of old age, aged 74 yrs. 7 mos. 16 days.

SHADEL.—Frank P., son of Gideon Shadle and his wife Sarah [Lubold], was born Jan. 17, 1848 at Donaldson, Schuylkill county, Pa. He was baptized in infancy, and later in life confirmed as a member of the Ev. Luth. Church by Rev. Fetzer. On Jan. 17, 1880 he was united in matrimony with Catharine Harner by Rev. J. M. Ulrich, which union was blessed with 3 children, 1 son and 2 daughters. His wife and children, together with his parents and brother remain to mourn his departure which occurred Dec. 31, 1891, after protracted sickness. Age 43-11-14.

MACE.—Katie Susan, a daughter of the late Henry E. Mace and his wife Emma J. [Koppenheffer], was born at Berksburg, Pa., Sept. 16, 1886. She was brought to the Lord in Holy Baptism, performed at the hands of Rev. H. M. Wingerter, June 12, 1887. She died of diphtheria Jan. 18, 1892, aged 5 yrs. 4 mos. 2 ds.

KEBOCH.—Meta Alice, infant daughter of Isaac Keboch and his wife Caroline [Miller], was born in Mifflin twp., and was baptized by the Pastor, Rev. O. E. Pflueger, June 9, 1891, the parents being the sponsors. She died after a sickness of several weeks of Pneumonia, Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1891, aged 1 year, 13 days.

MILLER.—Harry Pope, infant son of Joel A. Miller and his wife Hannah P. [Schreffler], was born at Loyalton, Nov. 17, 1891, baptized by Rev. O. E. Pflueger,

Mar. 9, 1892, died of Whooping Cough, Apr. 13, 1892, aged 4 mos. 26 days.

MATTER.—Amos, a son of Simon Matter and his wife Sarah [Swab], was born Aug. 16, 1845, in Washington twp. Nov. 14, 1845 he was baptized by Rev. J. N. Hempting, and on Apr. 6, 1862 confirmed a member of St. John's congregation by Rev. F. Waltz. He was married Sept. 3, 1865 to Salome Engel by Rev. J. D. Smith and this union was blessed with 4 sons and 4 daughters, all of whom except 1 son preceded their father to eternity. He died of Typhoid Fever followed by Apoplexy, June 5, 1892, the wife and 1 son remaining to mourn their loss. Age 46-9-19.

Simeon's.

WOLF.—Susanna, a daughter of Jacob Salada and his wife Anna Maria [Coleman], was born in Lykens twp., Dauphin county, July 27, 1828. On Oct. 12th of her birth year she was baptized by Rev. J. P. Shindel, the sponsors being John Hartman and his wife Susanna. She was confirmed by Rev. A. Bergner, May 15, 1847, a member of our Ev. Luth. Church, of which she remained a faithful member until death. Sept. 30, 1849 she was united in marriage by Rev. Stiely to Michael Wolf who preceded her to eternity by about 4 months. This union was blessed with 8 children, 1 son and 7 daughters, of whom 1 daughter early preceded her parents to eternity. She lived to see 27 grandchildren, and died of Heart disease after being bedfast about a week, Oct. 17, 1891, aged 63 years 2 months, 20 days.

COLEMAN.—Charles, a son of John Coleman and his wife Rosina [Stine], was born Nov. 18, 1818, in Lykens twp. He was baptized in infancy by Rev. Gerhart, the sponsors being John Peter Stine and his wife Regina. In 1848 he was confirmed a member of the Ev. Luth. Church by Rev. J. N. Hempting, at Haerter's church. He was united in marriage with Eva Ritzman in 1853 by Rev. Bergner, but his wife preceded him to eternity by 18 years. The union was blessed with 4 children, 1 son and 3 daughters who all survive their father. He died of apoplexy, Oct. 27, 1891, aged 72 years, 11 months, 9 days.

SHADE.—Jacob, a son of Jacob Shade and his wife Anna [Klinger], was born Feb. 7, 1831 in Lower Mahantonga twp., Schuylkill Co., Pa. He was brought to the Lord in Holy Baptism, May 1, 1831, administered by Rev. Isaac Stiely, the sponsors being Jacob Kauffman and wife Lydia. He was instructed and confirmed a member of the Ev. Luth. Church by Rev. Bergner, May 11, 1850. In 1849 he was united in marriage with Catharine Smeltz by Rev. Stiely, which union was blessed with 12 children, and he survived the birth of 41 grandchildren; of those 2 sons, 1 daughter and 4 grandchildren preceded him to eternity. After protracted suffering with inflammation of the bowels he died Nov. 22, 1891, aged 60-9-15.

MCCURTY.—Elizabeth, a born Klinger, was born May 20, 1809, near Gratz, baptized in infancy and later confirmed a member of Simeon's Luth. congregation. In youth she was married with Mr. Fagley, which union was blessed with 7 children, 3 sons and 4 daughters, of whom all but 1 daughter with their father preceded their mother to eternity. She was later married to Michael McCurdy, 1 daughter remaining as the fruit of this union. She survived the birth of 22 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren and died of Dropsy, Mar. 7, 1892, aged 82 yrs. 9 mo. 17 da.

KISSINGER.—David, a son of George Kissinger and his wife Catharine [Huber] was born Jan. 1, 1816 in Lykens twp. He was baptized Feb. 10, 1816 by Rev. Reily, the sponsors being Jacob Huber and wife Sarah. He was confirmed a member of Simeon's Luth. congregation, June 1, 1833 with the first class confirmed in that church building, by Rev. J. P. Shindel. Mar. 17, 1839 he was married to Lovina Matter, which blessed relation continued for over 53 years and was blessed with 5 children, 3 sons and 2 daughters. He survived the birth of 18 grandchildren of whom 3, together with 1 son and 1 daughter preceded him to eternity. He died of apoplexy after a sickness of one week, April 23, 1892, lamented by his wife, 2 sons and 1 daughter. Age, 76 yrs. 3 mos. 22 days.

Salem's.

SHOOP.—Catharine, a daughter of Ludwig Lenker and his wife Amelia [Die-trich], was born Oct. 4, 1820 in Washing-ton twp., Dauphin county, and was the oldest of a family of 9 children. She was baptized in infancy by Rev. J. P. Shindel and confirmed in youth by Rev. J. N. Hemping as a member of Salem's Luth. congregation at Elizabethtown.

In the year 1838 she was united in mar-riage by Rev. J. N. Hemping with Chris-tian Matter which union was blessed with 3 sons. After the death of her husband she was again united in marriage about 1845, to John Shoop which union was blessed with 1 son and 1 daughter, and 5 children remain to mourn the death of their mother. She died of the infirmities of age, July 16, 1891, aged 70 yrs. 9 mo. 12.

UHLER.—Harry Elmer, infant son of Frank Uhler and his wife Eva [Gruver], was born at Elizabethtown, May 14, 1891. He was offered to the Lord in Holy Bap-tism administered by Rev. O. E. Pflueger, Sept. 20, 1891 and died the following day of Cholera Infantum, aged 4 mo. 7 da.

BENDER.—Susanna, a daughter of Jo-seph Fisher and his wife Magdalene [Die-trich], was born Jan. 38, 1821, in what was then-Mifflin, now Washington twp., Dau-phin county. She was baptized Apr. 8, 1821 by Rev. J. P. Shindel, the sponsor being Susanna Fisher. After having been properly instructed, she was con-firmed by the same pastor as a member of St. John's Ev. Luth. congregation, May 12, 1838. About the same year she was united in marriage with Adam Q. Bender who preceded her to eternity by about 7 years. This union was blessed with 15 children, 5 sons and 10 daughters, of whom 3 sons and 6 daughters preceded their parents to eternity. She lived to see 13 grandchildren, and died of the in-firmities of old age, Oct. 22, 1891, aged 70 years, 8 months, 23 days.

HARNER.—Rebecca, a daughter of Geo. Hoffman and wife Rebecca, was born Nov. 21, 1820 in Mifflin twp., Dauphin county. She was brought to the Lord in Holy Baptism administered by Rev. J.

P. Shindel who later also admitted her to membership with St. John's congregation in Mifflin twp. by the rite of confirma-tion. On Aug. 13, 1840 she was united in Holy Matrimony by Rev. J. N. Hemping with Mr. Frederick D. Harner, which blessed relation continued for more than 51 years. This union was blessed with 12 children—8 sons and 4 daughters, of whom 6 sons and 3 daughters remain, with their father to mourn the decease of their mother. She survived the birth of 23 grandchildren and 3 great-grand-children, and departed this life Dec. 18, 1891, having suffered with heart failure and complications, aged 71 years, 27 days.

DITTY.—Rosa Cordella, infant daugh-ter of Wm. H. H. Ditty and his wife Jen-nie L. [Keiter], was born at Elizabethtown Aug. 6, 1891, brought to the Lord in Ho-ly Baptism administered by Rev. O. E. Pflueger Jan. 16, 1892 and died of Brain Fever Feb. 4, 1892, aged 5 mos. 26 days.

HACKMAN.—Kate, a daughter of John A. Ettinger and his wife Sarah was born May 10, 1857 and was baptized in infancy. On Sept. 23, 1878 she was united in mar-riage with Horace F. Hackman, which union lasted for 13 years and was blessed with 3 children all of whom preceded their mother to eternity, the husband re-maining to mourn her departure. She died of Typhoid Pneumonia after pro-tracted suffering, Feb. 18, 1892, age 34-9-8.

BOYER.—Ralph Ethan, infant son of Geo. A. Boyer and his wife Sarah F. [Bender], was born at Elizabethtown Dec. 11, 1891, was baptized by Rev. O. E. Pflueger, Feb. 16, 1892, and died Wednes-day Mar. 30, 1892, aged 3 mos. 19 days.

KEITER.—Charles Cleveland, infant son of Adam E. Keiter and his wife Mary E. [Zimmerman], was born in Washington twp., Dauphin county, Oct. 10, 1888. He was baptized Jan. 17, 1890 by Rev. Daugh-erty, the parents being the sponsors. He died of burns received by accident after two weeks suffering, April 24, 1892, aged 3 years, 6 months, 14 days.

STINE.—Elizabeth, a daughter of Jacob Buffington and wife Catharine, was born Jan. 24, 1830, in Lykens Twp., Dauphin

county. She was baptized in infancy by Rev. Gerhart, the mother appearing as sponsor. About the year 1848 she was confirmed as a member of the Evan. Luth. Church, of which she remained a faithful member till the day of her death.

On Dec. 17, 1850 she was united in mar-riage by Rev. John A. Leiss to Mr. Peter L. Stine in which happy estate she lived for more than 40 years, the husband re-maining to mourn her departure. This union was blessed with 10 children, 6 sons and 4 daughters, of whom one son pre-ceded his mother to eternity. She died very suddenly of apoplexy on Sunday evening May 15, 1892, aged 62-3-21.

Zion's.

WEBNER.—Anna Catharine, a daugh-ter of Jacob Eshenauer and his wife Cath-arine [Bischoff], was born Jan. 12, 1845, in Swatara twp., Dauphin county. On Feb. 8, 1847 she was baptized by Rev. Fogelbach, the parents being the spon-sors. She was confirmed as a member of the Evan. Luth. congregation at Church-ville, Pa., Nov. 23, 1861, by Rev. Geo. J. Martz, who also united her in Holy Mat-rimony with Simon Webner, Oct. 4, 1870. This union was blessed with one child, a son, who with his father mourns the de-cease of his mother. She died at her home near Beaver Station, Tuesday Feb. 9, 1892, of Dropsy and Diabetes and was interred on the Churchville Cemetery. Age, 47-0-27.

St. Jacob's.

WOLFGANG.—Katie Alice, a daughter of Levi Fisher and his wife Amanda [Buffington], was born Dec. 29, 1865 in Jackson twp., Dauphin county, and was in infancy brought to the Lord in Holy Baptism administered by Rev. Nathaniel Bressler. She was united in marriage on Aug. 28, 1890 with George Wolfgang who mourns her early departure. She was the mother of one child, and died of Consumption Sept. 23, 1891 aged 25-8-24.

WARFEL.—Lydia, a daughter of Dan-iel Schupp and his wife Susanna, was born April 30, 1820 in Halifax twp., Dau-phin county. She was baptized in her birth year by Rev. J. N. Hemping, the sponsors being John Schupp and his wife

Maria. Later in life she was confirmed by the same pastor as a member of the Ev. Luth. Church. She was married about the year 1847 with John Warfel who preceded her to eternity about 12 years ago. The union was blessed with 13 children—6 sons and 7 daughters, of whom 4 sons and 3 daughters preceded their mother to eternity. She died sud-denly of apoplexy Nov. 12, 1891, aged 71-6-12. Burial at Jacksonville Cemetery.

Klinger's Church.

MCKINNEY.—Esther, a daughter of Henry Erdman and wife, was born Feb. 27, 1812 in Schuylkill Co., Pa. She was in infancy brought to Christ in Holy Baptism administered by Rev. Uhler, and in youth admitted to full member-ship of the Reformed church by the Rite of Confirmation by Rev. Stiely.

In 1831 she was married to Philip Mc Kinney who preceded her to eternity 46 years ago. This union was blessed with 8 children, 4 sons and 4 daughters, all of whom except 2 sons preceded their moth-er to eternity. With one of these she had her home for the last 17 years of her life. She departed this life Sunday, May 22, 1892, after suffering from the infirmities of old age and Consumption, aged 80-2-5.

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John H. Strohecker, Deacon, " "		J. W. Miller, " "
John A. Heller, " " "		John B. Miller, Trustee.
David Schreffler, Trustee, " "		

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.

July 1, 1891 to July 1, 1892.

Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven.—MATT. vi. 20.

ST. JOHN'S—			
Aug. 16, '91,	Harvest Home,	General Fund,	* 82.72
Nov. 1, '91,	Communion,	Eng. Home Missions,	29.19
Jan. 24, '92,	Special,	Shamokin Mission,	18.60
Apr. 17, '92,	Communion,	Muhlenberg College,	35.24
			165.75
SIMEON'S—			
Aug. 23, '91,	Harvest Home,	General Fund,	† 53.29
Oct. 18, '91,	Communion,	" "	17.15
Jan. 24, '92,	Special,	Shamokin Mission,	3.01
May 1, '92,	Communion,	Muhlenberg College,	22.55
			96.00
SALEM'S—			
Sept. 27, '91,	Harvest Home,	General Fund,	28.75
Nov. 8, '91,	Children's Day,	Eng. Home Missions,	6.56
Nov. 22, '91,	Communion,	General Fund,	7.52
Apr. 15, '92,	" "	Muhlenberg College,	18.46
			61.69
ZION'S—			
Sept. 13, '91,	Harvest Home,	General Fund,	14.18
Nov. 8, '91,	Communion,	" "	7.97
Apr. 24, '92,	" "	Muhlenberg College,	10.38
			32.53
ST. JACOB'S—			
Aug. 30, '91,	Harvest Home,	General Fund,	21.43
Oct. 25, '91,	Communion,	" "	6.16
Apr. 10, '92,	" "	Muhlenberg College,	4.44
			32.03
			388.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Synodical Apportionment:			
General Fund,		150.00	
Foreign Missions,		39.00	189.00
Home Mission Apportionment:			
English,		45.00	
German,		25.00	70.00
Shamokin Mission,			35.00
Debt of Muhlenberg College,			94.00
			388.00

*Of this amount \$69.48 was the offering of the congregation, and \$13.24 was contributed from without the congregation.

†The congregational offering was \$45.15, and \$8.14 was an outside personal contribution.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

ST. JOHN'S LUTH. S. S.—Mifflin Twp.
 Superintendents—Daniel H. Yearts and John D. Klinger.
 Secretaries—Henry I. Hartman and John A. Klinger.
 Librarians—Charles O. Klinger and Miss Kate E. Bonawitz.
 Treasurer—John Swab.
 Organists—Jonathan Bonawitz and Miss Nora E. Swab.
 Teachers, 12. Scholars, 135.
SIMEON'S UNION S. S.—Gratz.
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 Secretaries—J. A. Willier and J. F. Kembel.
 Librarians—G. F. Solada and Miss Jennie R. Kissinger.
 Treasurer—James Solada.
 Organists—J. H. Schoffstall and G. H. Ritzman.
 Teachers, 13. Scholars, 200.
ZION'S UNION S. S.—Rife.
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 Secretaries—William Paul and Miss Katie A. Cooper.
 Librarians—Monroe Chubb and Miss Katie Bonawitz.
 Treasurer—Aaron Webner.
 Organists—Simon Holtzman, Miss Anna M. Lenker and Mrs H. M. Weaver.
 Teachers, 12. Scholars, 100.
SALEM'S LUTH. S. S.—Elizabethville.
 Superintendent—Well. N. Snyder.
 Assist. Supt.—John H. Bonawitz.
 Secretary—H. H. Buffington.
 Assist. Secretary—H. W. Koppenheffer
 Librarian—Charles Lehman.
 Assist. Librarian—Miss Sallie E. Swab.
 Organist—Miss Etta A. Mattis.
 Assist. Organist—Miss Sallie E. Swab.
 Managers—Isaac Swab & Elmer Daniel.
 Treasurer—George A. Boyer.
 Teachers, 12. Scholars, 175.
ST. JACOB'S UNION S. S.—Jackson Twp.
 Superintendent—John B. Paul.
 Assist. Supt.—Ira O. Miller.
 Secretary—H. W. Fisher.
 Librarians—S. C. Fisher and Miss Sue E. Whitman.
 Treasurer—James M. Kolva.
 Teachers, 8. Scholars, 62.

CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.

Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.—MATT. 18: 20.

ST. JOHN'S—MIFFLIN TWP.

—1892—

July 10, 10 a. m. Eng., Anniversary.
 17, 10 a. m. German.
 24, 2 p. m. "
 Aug. 7, 10 a. m. English.
 14, 2 p. m. German.
 21, 2 p. m. "
 Sept. 4, 10 a. m. Ger., Harvest Home.
 11, 10 a. m. English.
 18, 2 p. m. German.
 Oct. 2, 10 a. m. English.
 9, 2 p. m. German.
 16, 2:30 p. m. "
 29, 2 p. m. Ger., Preparatory.
 30, 9:30 p. m. Ger., Communion.
 Nov. 13, 2 p. m. English.
 27, 10 a. m. German.
 Dec. 4, 10 a. m. English.
 11, 2 p. m. German.
 25, 10 a. m. "

—1893—

Jan. 1, 10 a. m. English.
 8, 2 p. m. German.
 22, 10 a. m. "
 29, 2 p. m. English.
 Feb. 5, 2 p. m. German.
 19, 10 a. m. "
 26, 10 a. m. English.
 Mar. 5, 2 p. m. German.
 19, 10 a. m. "
 26, 2:30 p. m. English.
 Apr. 2, 2:30 p. m. German.
 15, 2 p. m. Ger., Preparatory.
 16, 9:30 a. m. Ger., Communion.
 23, 10 a. m. English.
 30, 2 p. m. German.
 May 14, 10 a. m. "
 21, 2 p. m. English.
 June 11, 10 a. m. Ger., Synodical.
 18, 10 a. m. German.
 25, 2 p. m. English.

SIMEON'S—GRATZ.

—1892—

July 10, 2 p. m.	Ger., Anniversary.
24, 10 a. m.	German.
Aug. 7, 2 p. m.	English.
21, 10 a. m.	Ger., Harvest Home.
Sept. 4, 2 p. m.	German.
18, 10 a. m.	English.
Oct. 2, 2 p. m.	German.
15, 2 p. m.	Ger., Preparatory.
16, 9:30 a. m.	Ger., Communion.
30, 2:30 p. m.	English.
Nov. 13, 10 a. m.	German.
27, 2 p. m.	"
Dec. 11, 10 p. m.	English.
25, 2 p. m.	German.

—1893—

Jan. 8, 10 a. m.	German.
22, 2 p. m.	English.
Feb. 5, 10 a. m.	German.
19, 2 p. m.	"
Mar. 5, 10 a. m.	English.
19, 2 p. m.	German.
Apr. 1, 2 p. m.	Ger., Preparatory.
2, 9:30 a. m.	Ger., Communion.
16, 2:30 p. m.	English.
30, 10 a. m.	German.
May 14, 2 p. m.	"
June 11, 2 p. m.	Eng., Synodical.
25, 10 a. m.	German.

SALEM'S—ELIZABETHVILLE.

—1892—

July 3, 10 a. m.	Eng., Anniversary.
17, 7:30 p. m.	English.
31, 2 p. m.	German.
Aug. 14, 7:30 p. m.	English.
28, 10 a. m.	Eng., Harvest Home.
Sept. 11, 7 p. m.	English.
25, 2 p. m.	German.
Oct. 9, 7 p. m.	English.
22, 7 p. m.	Eng., Preparatory.
23, 9:30 a. m.	Eng., Communion.
Nov. 6, 6:30 p. m.	English.
20, 2:30 p. m.	German.
Dec. 4, 6:30 p. m.	English.
18, 10 a. m.	"

—1893—

Jan. 1, 6:30 p. m.	English.
15, 2 p. m.	German.

29, 6:30 p. m.	English.
Feb. 12, 10 a. m.	"
26, 6:30 p. m.	"
Mar. 12, 2 p. m.	German.
Apr. 8, 7 p. m.	Eng., Preparatory.
9, 9:30 a. m.	Eng., Confirmation.
23, 7 p. m.	English.
May 7, 2:30 p. m.	German.
21, 7:30 p. m.	English.
June 4, 10 a. m.	Eng., Synodical.
18, 7:30 p. m.	English.

ZION'S—RIFF.

—1892—

July 17, 2 p. m.	Eng., Anniversary.
Aug. 14, 10 a. m.	German.
Sept. 11, 2 p. m.	Ger., Harvest Home.
Oct. 9, 10 a. m.	English.
Nov. 5, 2 p. m.	Ger., Preparatory.
6, 9:30 a. m.	Ger., Confirmation.
Dec. 4, 2 p. m.	German.

—1893—

Jan. 1, 2 p. m.	English.
29, 10 a. m.	German.
Feb. 26, 2 p. m.	"
Mar. 25, 2 p. m.	Ger., Preparatory.
26, 9:30 a. m.	Ger., Communion.
Apr. 23, 2 p. m.	English.
May 21, 10 a. m.	German.
June 18, 2 p. m.	Eng., Synodical.

ST. JACOB'S—JACKSON TWP.

—1892—

July 3, 2 p. m.	Ger., Anniversary.
31, 10 a. m.	German.
Aug. 28, 2 p. m.	Ger., Harvest Home.
Sept. 25, 10 a. m.	German.
Oct. 23, 2:30 p. m.	"
Nov. 19, 2 p. m.	Ger., Preparatory.
20, 9:30 a. m.	Ger., Confirmation.
Dec. 18, 2 p. m.	German.

—1893—

Jan. 15, 10 a. m.	German.
Feb. 12, 2 p. m.	"
Mar. 12, 10 a. m.	"
Apr. 9, 2:30 p. m.	"
May 6, 2 p. m.	Ger., Preparatory.
7, 9:30 p. m.	Ger., Communion.
June 4, 2 p. m.	Ger., Synodical.

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Simeon's, Gratz,

Zion's, Rife,

Salem's, Elizabethville,

St. Jacob's, Jackson Twp.,

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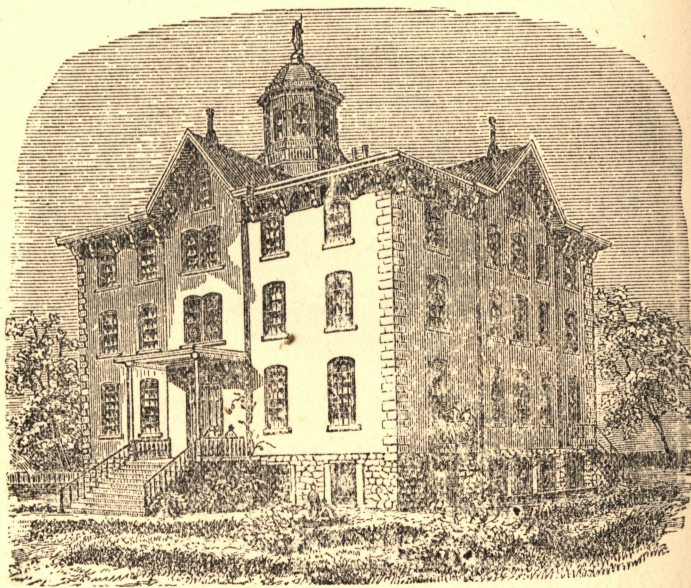
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Daniel S. Matter,	- - -	“ “

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ST. JOHN'S.

Daniel S. Matter,	<i>Elder,</i>	*Dec. 1893.
Daniel D. Matter,	“	“ 1894.
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Henry A. Romberger,	“	“ 1894.
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SALEM'S.

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Frank E. Hartman,	“	“ 1895.
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George Longabach,	<i>Elder,</i>	Nov. 1893.
Uriah Koppenheffer,	“	“ 1893.
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John A. Heller,	“	“ 1893.
David Schreffler,	<i>Trustee,</i>	“ 1893.

ST. JACOB'S.

Levi Fisher,	<i>Elder,</i>	
Alfred N. Matchett	<i>Deacon.</i>	
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Another Mission Festival may be looked for this Fall, in accordance with the recommendation of the Church Councils in Charge Meeting, Jan. 9, 1893. Let every loyal Lutheran contribute what he can to make the occasion a credit to the church and the place.

The following are the dates of the Harvest Home services:

Simeon's,	Aug. 20, 10 a. m.
St. Jacob's,	Aug. 27, 10 a. m.
Salem's,	Aug. 27, 2 p. m.
St. John's,	Sept. 3, 10 a. m.
Zion's,	Sept. 10, 10 a. m.

Catechetical Classes will be organized at St. John's, July 8, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and at Simeon's, July 9, Sunday afternoon after service. Indications already point to large classes, and we hope that the young people will appreciate this privilege and improve the opportunity of attending these instructions.

A typographical error crept into last year's PARISH RECORD which is of sufficient importance to bear correction.

On page 4 of the last RECORD, in the tenth line from the bottom of the second column, notice \$119 which ought to be \$189; then the amounts will sum up correctly the total as given. Those who preserve their RECORDS would do well to mark this correction in their copies.

August 13, 1892 is a day that should long be remembered by the members of our Sunday Schools and congregations. This was the occasion of the Mission Festival held in Mr. Elder's grove. We should remember the day because of the physical and spiritual refreshment which we received, because of the pleasant intercourse with our friends it afforded, in short, because by general consent it was the most successful affair of its kind held in our valley for many years; proving conclusively that Lutheranism is neither dead nor sleeping. While in other localities such gatherings are annually held on grand scales, and are made the event of the season, so we hope that we may also concentrate our efforts in endeavoring to make this a time of great rejoicing. Let us have the preliminary meeting early and make our arrangements on a liberal scale.

Two students from our midst have been in attendance at Muhlenberg College the past scholastic year, viz: Mr. Wm. P. Barr of Elizabethville who has just ended his Freshman year, and Mr. Daniel S. Artz of Gratz who has attended the Academic Department. Last year we had one student there, the year just ended we had two. May we not reasonably hope the progression to be a geometrical one, and that next year's RECORD shall chronicle four names from Lykens Valley at our College? Ye young men engaged in teaching, or all aspiring to a more liberal education, look to the institution which your spiritual mother has provided for you in Muhlenberg College at Allentown. The Fall term begins Sept., '93. See advertisement of the College on the outside of the cover.

We are much gratified to notice that the circulation of the Church Papers has materially increased in our Charge during the past year. A good sprinkling of copies of the Workman find their way to our homes, and there is only one charge in our Synod in which more Church Messengers are circulated than in our own. This is as it should be, and is a very encouraging prospect. The pastor has often reminded the members of their duty in this respect and hopes that some one in each family in which no Church paper is taken yet, will subscribe for one before the end of this year. The pastor with pleasure announces his intention of presenting next new year each subscriber of Church Messenger who has paid up his subscription, with a copy of our Church Almanac for 1894, *free of charge*. This he is enabled to do because of increased circulation and more advantageous rates. Renew your subscription.

The friends of the PARISH RECORD will be glad to learn that it has at last been crowned with financial success also, and that the hope entertained when No. 1 was issued has been realized after 3 years of experimenting. The insertion of advertisements as a last resort, seems to have been the solution of the difficulty. The amounts realized from the congregations together with the fees for advertisements have last year not only paid all expenses, but left a balance which was spent on the parsonage. In future also all profits from this source will be devoted to this purpose and will thus be a means of permanently improving the property, and at the same time an indirect remuneration to the Pastor for the extra labor imposed. This year again we increase the size and in other ways add to the attractiveness of the RECORD, we trust to the satisfaction of its readers.

This Year's Benevolence.

On page 16 of this number of the RECORD you will find a tabulated statement of the receipts and disbursement of moneys contributed for benevolence during the past year. A comparison of the sum total of this year with that of last, reveals the unwelcome fact that we have fallen

back \$13.19. This shows progress of the wrong kind and we need to start out in the new year with new zeal and increased liberality. The balance due the Theological Seminary has not been diminished this year, but the amount due Muhlenberg College is reduced to the small sum of \$44.19.

It is an encouraging fact that at least some of our people, particularly those who read the Church Papers, are beginning to recognize the immensity of the work before the Lutheran Church of America, and arousing to a new sense of their duty to go forward to possess the land while the opportunity offers. We have done fairly well in the last few years yet in comparison with many, very ordinarily. More system in making offerings would bring better results. On every side of us, congregations have experienced that some system with envelopes has proved a great help and a great convenience, even for the purpose of raising the pastor's salary. Our Church Councils would do well to profit by others' experiences and adopt more systematic ways for the raising of church funds.

Give Baptismal Names.

The accurate keeping of the records of our congregations is a matter of neither trivial importance nor little care. Many have learned to appreciate their value, particularly since the Rebellion, for the information derived from them, many calls having been made upon us also for copies of our old records. Interesting as they are to us now, their chief value undoubtedly will be to coming generations. They should therefore be kept with the greatest possible accuracy. The difficulty of this task is greatly increased, particularly where there are frequent pastoral changes and the pastor is therefore less acquainted, by the members thoughtlessly not giving their names in the same form on all occasions, and that the way they were baptized. While persons often familiarly are called by names corrupted from their baptismal names, to the church they should invariably give the names given them in Holy Baptism. Our own knowledge may enable us to reconcile two or more names of the same individual, but

others cannot. In other words, the name for the baptism of a person, for his confirmation and his communions, for his marriage and the baptism of his children, and for his death, ought to agree. Then will church records be valuable to the future biographer and others seeking information for an endless variety of purposes. *To the church always give your baptismal name.*

The Orphans' Home.

After presenting illustrations of our Theological Seminary and Muhlenberg College in former numbers, we are glad to be able to present this year, a picture of another of our Church Institutions, altogether too little known,—our Orphans' Home and Asylum for the Aged, located at Germantown, not far from our Theological Seminary.

Widows and orphans are particularly commended to the Christian consideration of the church, and in this institution our church is taking care of many who are needy, both of the young and the aged, of her household of faith. Rev. Geo. Ph. Mueller, the German Secretary of Synod, has for a number of years been the efficient Superintendent of this Home. Including the Superintendent's family and the teachers, this large family consists of about 100 mouths to be fed, so many pair of feet to be shod and so many bodies to be clad. This was done last year at an expense of \$8854.16. The whole support of the Home comes from our congregations and their charitably inclined members. Some bring large gifts, others small; some send money, others provisions. Anything can be used which is useful in smaller private families.

St. John's congregation last Christmas, on very short notice, made up a donation in money and goods amounting in value to \$24. If our members in the several congregations are willing to respond, the opportunity will gladly be offered again. If the Lord shall spare us and our children to enjoy another Christmas Festival, shall we then remember the fatherless?

Charge Meeting.

According to the custom of a number of years, and according to previous an-

nouncement, the councils of the congregations of this charge assembled in annual joint meeting in Salem's church at Elizabethville, Jan. 9, '93 at 10 a. m. The representations of the various councils were as follows: St. John's, 5; Simeon's, 3; Salem's, 3; St. Jacob's, 3; Zion's, 2. This gave us a presence of 16 out of a membership of 27.

Among the regular work of this meeting was the Pastor's report on the work and the condition of the congregations, also the settlement of all claims against the charge, notably the approval of the building done at the parsonage according to action taken at special meeting, Feb. 27, 1892 (Parish Record No. 3, p. 5), and settlement for the same. The following delegates and officers were elected:

Synod, Aaron S. Ritzman; Conference, Simon H. Kneiley and Daniel S. Matter; Secretary, Isaac Swab; Treasurer, John Snyder. The matter of holding mission festivals was discussed and the following action taken:

Resolved:—*First*, That this meeting heartily approves of the Mission Festival held under the auspices of the congregations and Sunday Schools of this charge, Aug. 13, 1892, in Mr. Elder's grove.

Second, That we recommend the holding of a like Festival on similar principles also this year, urging a hearty participation of all the members.

Third, That the Pastor, Church Councils and Superintendents of Sunday Schools be charged with the duty of taking preliminary action, fixing the time and place of holding the meeting, naming committees for particular work, etc.

Conference Meetings.

Fall Session.

The Fifth Conference convened Sept. 27-28, 1892, in Salem's Ev. Luth. church at Elizabethville, in our charge. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. J. W. Early. The roll shows the attendance of 18 clerical and 3 lay members, among them your pastor and delegate Mr. Geo. A. Boyer. The former officers were re-elected to their respective positions. Appropriate resolutions in regard to the death of the Rev. Prof. Dr. W. J. Mann were adopted, the needs of the various

mission fields considered, and various doctrinal and practical questions' discussed.

Spring Session.

The Spring meeting of Conference was held in St. Peter's Ev. Luth. church at Groviana, near Danville, Pa., Rev. D. L. Fogleman, pastor, Apr. 25-26, 1893. The opening sermon was preached by President S. E. Ochsenford. Seventeen clerical members and 8 lay delegates were in attendance; your delegate was Mr. Daniel S. Matter. Rev. Thomas Steck having died Nov. 21, 1892, resolutions of appreciation and respect were adopted. Two resignations took place since last meeting, also 2 installations, 1 church dedication, and 1 re-opening after repairs; one former charge of 2 large congregations has been peaceably divided and each supplied with a pastor. One new congregation was received into Synod at this meeting. Various discussions were engaged in of matters referred to Conference by Synod. Next Fall Conference is to meet, in response to invitation, in Zion's Ev. Luth. church at Turbotville, Pa., in the pastorate of Rev. E. H. Eberts.

SYNOD.

The Ministerium of Pennsylvania has developed and grown from year to year until its clerical members now number fully 300. Its size indeed is such as to be the cause of inconvenience and the object of concern. While heretofore the congregations of our centres of Lutheranism have entertained Synod by turns, the strain because of the size of the body in late years has become greater than they are willing and able to bear. Hence the resolution of Synod at its special meeting in January, 1893:

"As no invitation was received by the officers for the entertainment of Synod, all the congregations are kindly requested to provide for the expenses of their pastors and delegates who attend the regular convention in Philadelphia."

As a business enterprise of extensive proportions more urgently needs a thorough organization and more machinery to carry on its business with success than a smaller establishment would, so our Synod has for years felt the need of a more thorough organization, and of such machinery as would save valuable time on the floor of Synod and assure more effi-

cient execution of the practical work of the same.

For the consideration of these matters a special meeting was held in January, 1893, in St. John's church on Race street, Phila., *the oldest English Lutheran Church in the world*, when preliminary action was taken which culminated in the more definite legislation at the late 146th Convention held in the same church, May 25-31, 1893. While it was the almost unanimous feeling that the identity of the venerable mother synod should not be sacrificed by a division, it was however resolved to divide its territory into a greater number of conference districts, which was accomplished by forming 9 conferences instead of 5 as formerly. The conferences are to be known by name, not by number, each bearing the name of the principal or most central city or town within its bounds. The following are the names: Phila. German, Phila. English, Norristown, Lancaster, Reading, Danville, Pottsville, Wilkesbarre and Allentown. The missions and missionaries in India are constituted the India conference, making 10 in all. The conference to which Lykens Valley Charge belongs remains almost intact, but its name is changed from the Fifth to the *Danville* conference.

The Executive Committee of Synod was instructed to appoint one or more missionary Superintendents who are to give all their time to an exploration of our territory and to superintending the missionary operations of Synod.

Encouraging reports were heard of Muhlenberg College and the Theological Seminary. From the latter institution 26 young men have graduated this year, only 17 of whom however were ordained by our Ministerium. The others were ordained by the Synods in whose bounds they are called to labor. During the past year this institution has received a gift of \$10,000 from a lady in Phila., for the erection of a house on the Seminary grounds, to be occupied by one of the Professors. Eight of the late graduates of Muhlenberg College expect to pursue theological studies in the Seminary.

The next meeting of Synod is to be held in Lancaster, May 17, 1894.

Funeral Notes.

In times of affliction and prostration with grief, families often are so overwhelmed as hardly to know what course to take without timely counsel. A few suggestions will not be out of place here, on those funeral arrangements in which the church is directly involved.

1. Among the very first arrangements to be made after death, along with the sending of word to the undertaker, consultation should be had with the officiating minister. The rule is indeed that precedence be given funerals, but previous engagements of a similar or of a different character may have been made, which can not be broken. Never send out word until engagement is made with the pastor.

2. Sunday funerals should be avoided under all ordinary circumstances, except they can be performed along with a regular appointment. The time of pastors is thoroughly occupied on Sundays, and to serve at a funeral requires that other appointments be set aside and congregations be disappointed, sometimes even where God's Word is preached only once every month. This is no injustice to the pastor, but it is not right to the congregation. It is far better that a few persons go to slight inconvenience than that a whole congregation be prevented from worship.

3. If a particular Scriptural text is to be used, according to the wishes of the deceased or the family, propriety requires that this be made known to the pastor when the appointment is made, and not when he arrives at the house of mourning at the time of the funeral. While such self-selected texts are not always appropriate, yet ministers cheerfully accommodate families in using them, if previous information be given; otherwise it is an unreasonable request that a pastor should preach acceptably from them.

4. In our community it is the custom to sing at the house, at the grave and in the church at funerals. It however hardly is usual to ask the organist to attend and lead. This is wrong. To lead the singing or even to sing alone, is not the pas-

tor's duty. The most that should be expected of him is to do so in case of an emergency. Nor can the organist be expected to attend unless he be asked, and in that case he should be remunerated for his services just as it is the custom to remunerate the pastor to supplement his support. If you want singing at a funeral, ask the organist to attend.

5. All persons involved in the direction of funerals should co-operate in the fulfillment of the appointment as to time. Of course to the sorrowing family it is a matter of small importance whether the funeral procession start from the house a half hour earlier or later, but for the hundreds of persons who may be waiting, many of whom have gone to inconvenience and self-denial to travel long distances to make the appointment, and considering the educating effect on the public, the sum total of discomfort and harm of late funerals is very considerable. To wait for friends who are late is very uncertain. For *one* unduly to insist on moving on time may seem rude, but those in charge of the house, undertaker and pastor should *all* unite in their efforts to start the cortege at the time appointed. The proverb should not be true that "funerals are always late."

6. It is right that preparation should be made for the physical comfort of relatives and friends of the family by providing food and drink at funerals, but the feasting often indulged in at funerals is a pernicious and sinful custom. Feasting is in place under proper circumstances, but it is always connected with joy and not with sorrow. A lavish display of the best things of earth and the expenditure of large sums, even by families not well or not at all able to meet the outlay, and an equal lavish expenditure of labor even on the Lord's Holy Day, are things which are not right. Why the fare should be better or why one more meal is necessary on a funeral day than when men work hard, we cannot understand. It behooveth right thinking people, and those in comfortable circumstances, to lead in reform. Others *drown* out their sorrows at funerals, and we make sport of them. Let not us *feast* away our sorrows.

BAPTISMS:

For the promise is unto you, and your children.—ACTS II: 39.

CHILD'S NAME.	PARENTS' NAMES.	DATE OF BIRTH.	DATE OF BAPTISM.
ST. JOHN'S.			
Anna Mabel,	Allen L. & Agnes S. Koppenheffer,	Feb. 16, '92,	July 27, '92.
Blair Raymond,	Daniel H. & Sarah E. Warner,	June 12, '92,	Aug. 6, '92.
John Donald,	Elmer E. & Sallie A. Hartman,	June 26, '92,	Aug. 21, '92.
William Allen,	John E. & Sarah E. Romberger, ...	July 15, '92,	Sept. 11, '92.
Laura Alice,	George W. & Katie A. Erdman, ...	Jan. 21, '92,	Sept. 14, '92.
Ralph Norman,	Daniel Moser & Polly Carl,	Mar. 24, '92,	Sept. 18, '92.
Hattie Malinda,	Perry D. & Ida S. Miller,	Aug. 20, '92,	Oct. 2, '92.
Homer Josiah,	Jonathan & Ellen S. Hoke,	May 11, '92,	Oct. 2, '92.
Lawrence Jacob, ...	Grant M. & M. Amelia Hartman, ..	May 19, '92,	Oct. 9, '92.
Mark Herbert,	John M. & Lizzie M. Herman,	Nov. 15, '91,	Oct. 29, '92.
Sadie Agnes,	Cornelius N. & Katie Miller,	Oct. 22, '92,	Nov. 13, '92.
Harry Edward,	Harry T. & Minnie U. Herman, ...	Oct. 21, '92,	Dec. 4, '92.
Paul David Isaiah, ..	Emanuel W. & Lydia A. Lyter, ...	Oct. 18, '92,	Dec. 12, '92.
Joseph Elmer,	Theop. M. & S. Ada Koppenheffer,	Sept. 23, '92,	Jan. 3, '93.
Joseph Lebo,	John D. & Mary D. Hartman,	Nov. 27, '92,	Jan. 29, '93.
Charles Allen,	Henry A. & Ann Eliza Romberger,	Dec. 27, '92,	Feb. 1, '93.
Harry Franklin,	Frank & Adaline E. Beisel,	Jan. 29, '93,	Mar. 19, '93.
William Amos,	William E. & Anna Mary Straub, ..	Apr. 18, '91,	Apr. 17, '93.
Maggie Ellen Katie,	John C. & Emma Harman,	June 12, '92,	Apr. 23, '93.
Erma Charlotte,	B. Frank & Clara J. Buffington, ...	Nov. 4, '92,	May 21, '93.
Edna Naomi,	Charles S. & Annie S. Zimmerman,	Jan. 30, '93,	June 4, '93.
Homer Isaac,	Grant M. & M. Amelia Hartman, ...	Mar. 29, '93,	June 11, '93.
SIMEON'S.			
Flossie Corinda,	D. George & Jennie C. Moyer,	June 24, '92,	July 24, '92.
Maggie Isabella,	David T. & Elmira Clark,	Oct. 6, '92,	Nov. 27, '92.
Ray Franklin,	John F. & Jennie C. Good,	Nov. 19, '92,	Jan. 8, '93.
Minnie Belle,	Frank E. & Mary A. Hartman,	Sept. 8, '92,	Jan. 22, '93.
Alvin Emerson,	Milton & Louisa Daniel,	Feb. 4, '93,	Mar. 19, '93.
Harry James,	John & Lena Folk,	Jan. 4, '93,	Apr. 16, '93.
Oscar Howard,	Charles T. & Susan A. Phillips, ...	Feb. 3, '93,	May 14, '93.
ZION'S.			
Florence Edna,	John H. & Mary E. Cooper,	June 17, '92,	Aug. 4, '92.
Grace Edna,	Edwin E. & Alice E. Koppenheffer,	Oct. 16, '85,	Aug. 14, '92.
Alice May,	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	May 7, '87,	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "
Virgie May,	Adam E. & Mary E. Keiter,	Jan. 17, '92,	Sept. 17, '92.
Florence Maud,	James M. & Rosa J. Schaeffer,	June 8, '92,	Nov. 5, '92.
Grace Olive,	Aaron M. & Carrie M. Longabach,	Aug. 6, '99,	Nov. 6, '92.
Mabel May,	Peter & Mary M. Weaver,	Aug. 20, '92,	Dec. 1, '92.
Edgar Wilson,	Daniel W. & Lizzie Koppenheffer, ..	Sept. 10, '92,	Mar. 22, '93.
Frederick,	Nicholas Y. & M. Elizabeth Lenker,	Jan. 15, '93,	Mar. 27, '93.
SALEM'S.			
William Raymond, ..	W. Frank & Eva Uhler,	Apr. 21, '92,	July 24, '92.
Irene,	Henry A. & Hannah P. Miller,	July 21, '92,	July 27, '92.
Ray Eugene,	Edward & Mary E. Forney,	Aug. 21, '92,	Oct. 8, '92.
Mark Cornelius,	Harry W. & Fannie S. Spacht,	June 21, '92,	Oct. 18, '92.
James Edward,	Simon H. & Ellen A. Kneiley,	Nov. 6, '92,	Nov. 11, '92.

BAPTISMS, Concluded.

CHILD'S NAME.	PARENTS' NAME.	DATE OF BIRTH.	DATE OF BAPTISM.
Bertha May,	Wm. H. H. & Jennie L. Ditty,	Nov. 14, '82,	Dec. 10, '92.
Nellie Louisa,	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	Dec. 18, '83,	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "
William Washington,	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	Mar. 15, '86,	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "
Ralph Andre,	Samuel C. & Ida M. Jury,	Nov. 22, '92,	Jan. 1, '93.
Mary Fern,	George D. & A. Laura Romberger,	Sept. 25, '91,	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "
Vivian Corinne,	Harry H. & Josephine Weaver,	Feb. 6, '92,	Mar. 5, '93.
Mora Arminta,	Harry C. & Martha C. Swab,	June 25, '92,	Mar. 13, '93.
Edward Elias,	M. Elmer & Nora J. Byerly,	Feb. 14, '93,	Apr. 2, '93.
Floyd Sylvester,	Thos. E. & S. Eliz. Koppenheffer, ..	Mar. 29, '92,	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "
Mellie Irene,	William L. & Daisy C. Jury,	Oct. 21, '92,	Apr. 11, '93.
Lula Elmira,	Wm. H. H. & Jennie L. Ditty,	Jan. 12, '93,	Apr. 21, '93.
Ella Leah,	Frank P. & Annie Condo,	Oct. 31, '92,	May 7, '93.
ST. JACOB'S.			
John,	Adam & Sophia E. Schwenk,	Mar. 11, '85,	July 31, '92.
Sallie Mabel,	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	June 4, '91,	Aug. 10, '92.
Stanley Guy,	Nathaniel M. & Mary E. Miller, ...	Sept. 26, '92,	Nov. 9, '92.
Artie Clinton,	C. Clinton & Margaret A. Warfel, ..	July 29, '92,	Nov. 18, '92.
Claud Cleveland, ...	William & Arabella Warfel,	July 11, '92,	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "
Marshal Prescott, ...	C. Frank & L. Lucinda Snyder, ...	Nov. 3, '84,	Dec. 18, '92.
Leland Clark,	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	Apr. 25, '90,	" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "
Leon Luther,	Edward E. & Amanda E. Lentz, ..	Nov. 26, '91,	Apr. 2, '93.
Katie Rebecca,	Adam & Sophia E. Schwenk,	May 31, '88,	Apr. 9, '93.
Lottie May,	Ira O. & Julia A. Miller,	Dec. 1, '92,	June 4, '93.

MARRIAGES:

For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.—EPH. v: 31.

July 31, 1892.	Dec. 24, 1892.
Jacob Shade, Gratz, Pa.	Harvey H. Snyder, Elizabethville, Pa.
Lizzie L. Ritzman, Gratz, Pa.	Jennie D. Miller, Centre View, Pa.
Sept. 1, 1892.	Dec. 31, 1892.
Harvey J. Webner, Hummelstown, Pa.	Jacob O. Martz, Millersburg, Pa.
Barbara S. Erb, Campbellstown, Pa.	Sallie A. Evitts, Berrysburg, Pa.
Sept. 3, 1892.	Feb. 21, 1893.
Peter H. Strohecker, Berrysburg, Pa.	George H. Swab, Elizabethville, Pa.
Elizabeth S. Matter, Curtin, Pa.	Emma L. Harner, " "
Oct. 9, 1892.	April 11, 1893.
Harry E. Smith, Lykens, Pa.	John F. Stover, Berrysburg, Pa.
Minnie S. Tschopp, Elizabethville, Pa.	I. Grace Romberger, " "
Nov. 1, 1892.	April 22, 1893.
Wm. R. Williams, Wiconisco, Pa.	John H. Kissinger, Lykens Twp., Pa.
Susan Snyder, Jackson Twp., Pa.	Alice C. Umholtz, Gratz, Pa.
Nov. 12, 1892.	
Calvin A. Miller, Elizabethville, Pa.	
Lizzie Kauffman, Berrysburg, Pa.	

FUNERALS.

"Jesus, Thou Prince of Life,
Thy chosen can not die;
Like Thee, they conquer in the strife,
To reign with Thee on high."

St. John's.

MILLER.—Daniel, a son of Sem Miller and his wife Barbara [Coleman], was born in Lykens twp., Dauphin county, Pa., Aug. 30, 1826. He was baptized in infancy by Rev. Gerhart, the sponsors being John Hartman and wife Susannah. June 10, 1849 he was united in Holy Marriage with Elizabeth Herb, solemnized by Rev. Bergner. This union was severed by his death and was blessed with 10 children, 5 sons and 5 daughters, of whom 2 daughters preceded their parents to eternity. He was confirmed as a member of St. John's Ev. Luth. congregation by Rev. J. Hillpot, April 7, 1882, and died after a lingering sickness of heart failure and dropsy, Aug. 17, 1892, mourned by his widow and 8 children. Age, 65-11-17.

WEAVER.—Catharine Ann, a daughter of Simon Matter and his wife Sarah [Swab], was born in Mifflin twp., Dauphin county, Oct. 28, 1839. She was baptized Dec. 22, 1839 by Rev. J. N. Hemping, John Wagner and Catharine Swab appearing as sponsors. April 27, 1856 she was confirmed by Rev. F. Waltz as a member of the Ev. Luth. Church and St. John's congregation, of which she remained a faithful member till the day of her death. She was united in marriage with David Weaver, May 19, 1864, by Rev. F. Waltz, which happy union continued for more than 28 years and was blessed with 4 children, 2 sons and 2 daughters, all of whom survive her. She died of Gravel, Sunday, Sept. 11, 1892, aged, 52-10-13. Burial on the Cemetery of Hoffman's Reformed Church.

Row.—Abraham, a son of Wendell and Elizabeth Row, was born April 10, 1816, baptized May 23 of the same year, and was confirmed as a member of St. John's congregation of the Ev. Luth. Church. He was married with Sarah Schreffler *nee* Paul, Sept. 5, 1843 by Rev. J. N. Hemp-

ing, which union lasted for 49 years and was blessed with 6 children, 1 son and 5 daughters, of whom only 2 daughters remain with their mother to mourn the decease of their father. He died of Dysentery, Sept. 14, 1892, aged 76-5-4.

Row.—Isabella, a daughter of Abraham Row and his wife Sarah [Paul], was born Dec. 29, 1845 in Upper Paxton twp., Dauphin county. She was given to the Lord in Holy Baptism Jan. 18, 1846, administered by Rev. J. N. Hemping, and on April 6, 1862 she was confirmed as a member of St. John's Ev. Luth. congregation by Rev. F. Waltz, of which she remained a faithful member till her death, which occurred Sept. 19, 1892 after having been a helpless invalid for more than 20 years. Age, 46-8-10.

WETZLER.—John, a son of John Wetzler and his wife Mary [Yeartz], was born in Upper Paxton twp., Oct. 24, 1810. He was baptized in infancy by Rev. D. Ulich the sponsors being John and Elizabeth Matter. In youth he was confirmed as a member of St. John's congregation, of which he remained a consistent member till the day of his death. He was married with Lydia Lenker, which happy union was blessed with 8 children, 4 sons and 4 daughters, and lasted until about 9 years ago when she preceded him to eternity. Two sons and 3 daughters, with 12 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren survive. He died after being bedfast for 6 weeks, of heart disease and Dropsy, Dec. 16, 1892, aged 82-1-22.

WETZLER.—Edith Elma, daughter of Jacob D. Wetzler and his wife Mary E. [Cooper], was born at Lykens, Pa., Oct. 5, 1891. She was brought to the Lord in Holy Baptism, Dec. 3 in the year of her birth, performed by Rev. M. B. Lenker, and departed this life Jan. 7, 1893, after 14 weeks of suffering with tuberculous meningitis. Age, 1-3-2.

LEHMAN.—John, a son of Samuel Lehman and his wife Anna Maria [Romberger], was born June 10, 1821, in Mifflin twp. On the 8th day of July following he was baptized by Rev. J. P. Schindel, Abraham Miller and his wife appearing as sponsors. On May 7, 1840 he was confirm-

ed by the same pastor as a member of St. John's Ev. Luth. congregation, of which he remained a faithful member until the day of his death. He was united in Holy Marriage, Nov. 2, 1843, Dena Koppenheffer, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. N. Hemping. This union of almost 50 years was blessed with 4 sons and 6 daughters of whom 2 daughters preceded him to eternity. He survived the birth of 31 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren and died Jan. 27, 1893, aged 71-7-17.

YEARTS.—Christiana, a daughter of John T. Webner and his wife Christiana [Heiser], was born May 29, 1829, in Schuylkill county, Pa. She was brought to the Lord in Holy Baptism Aug. 30th of the year of her birth, administered by Rev. Croll, the sponsors being Geo. Heiser and his wife Catharine. She was confirmed a member of the Ev. Luth. Church May 23, 1847 by Rev. J. N. Hemping. On Feb. 18, 1855 she was united in Holy Marriage by Rev. F. Waltz with John Yearts who preceded her to eternity about 5 years ago. This union was blessed with 2 sons and 4 daughters, of whom 1 son and 2 daughters preceded their parents to eternity. She died of apoplexy Feb. 25, 1893, aged 63-5-25.

KOPPENHEFFER.—Jonathan, a son of Michael Koppenheffer and his wife Anna Maria [Bordner], was born in Mifflin twp. Aug. 20, 1818. On Nov. 12th in the year of his birth he was baptized by Rev. J. P. Schindel, the sponsors being Conrad Schreffler and wife. He was received as a member of St. John's Ev. Luth. congregation by the rite of Confirmation, April 7, 1882 by Rev. J. Hillpot. He was married with Sarah Yoder, which union was blessed with 4 sons and 4 daughters, of whom 1 son and the 4 daughters survive their parents. He died of heart disease and dropsy, April 16, 1893, aged 74-7-26.

SHADLE.—Sarah Anna, a daughter of Samuel Lubold and his wife Catharine [Williard], was born Sept. 20, 1828, in Lykens twp. She was baptized on Nov. 9 of her birth year by Rev. J. P. Schindel, the parents themselves appearing as sponsors, and later confirmed a member of the Reformed Church by Rev. Nathaniel

Bressler, after which she was received into membership of St. John's Lutheran congregation, of which she remained a member until death. March 25, 1847 she was united in Holy Marriage by Rev. J. N. Hemping with Gideon Shadle who remains with 1 son to mourn her departure from this world. In all 2 sons and 2 daughters were the fruit of this union, the 2 daughters and 1 son having preceded their mother to eternity. She died after a long illness and much suffering from a complication of diseases, April 18, 1893, aged 64-5-9.

ROMBERGER.—Carrie Estella, a daughter of Charles T. Mattis and his wife Mary Magdalene [Romberger], was born in Washington twp., Dauphin county, Sept. 27, 1875. On Nov. 28th of the same year she was consecrated in Holy Baptism performed by Rev. R. S. Wagner, the sponsors being the parents. After proper instruction in God's Word she was received by Confirmation into full membership with St. John's Ev. Luth. congregation, Nov. 1, 1891 by Rev. O. E. Pflueger. She was united in Holy Marriage with Chas. F. Romberger, June 23, 1892, by Rev. Chas. D. Sinkenson, which happy relation lasted for just 11 months, when she departed this life, May 23, 1893, after a short illness of Pneumonia, aged 17-7-26.

Simeon's.

KISSINGER.—Hannah Maria Magdalena, a daughter of Frederick Hoffner and his wife Maddy [Faber], was born in Lykens twp., Jan. 22, 1854. She was baptized in infancy by Rev. Leiss, the parents appearing as sponsors. April 10, 1869 she was confirmed as a member of the Reformed Church and Hoffman's congregation by Rev. Jacob Kehm, which pastor also united her in Holy Marriage with Henry Kissinegr, April 24, 1870. This union was blessed with 10 children, 7 sons and 3 daughters, of whom 1 son preceded his parents to eternity. She died after 9 days' illness with apoplexy, Aug. 24, 1892, aged 38-7-2.

TROUTMAN.—Abraham Troutman was born in Lower Mahantonga twp., North'd county, Pa., Nov. 14, 1813. He was

baptized and confirmed a member of the Reformed Church. April 8, 1838, he was married with Anna Schaeffer who died in the year 1861. This union was blessed with 6 children, 3 sons and 3 daughters of whom 1 son died in 1862. In 1865 he was married with Mrs. Elizabeth Ritzman which union was blessed with one daughter. Nine grandchildren survive him. He died in Ashland Sept. 3, 1892, aged 78-9-20.

MILLER.—Mary, a daughter of Jacob Coleman and his wife Barbara [Artz], was born Nov. 18, 1819, in Lykens twp. She was baptized in infancy by Rev. J. N. Hemping, the sponsors being John Coleman and wife Rosina. In 1848 she was confirmed as a member of the Ev. Luth. Church by the same pastor. About the year 1848 she was united in marriage with Jacob Miller, who preceded her to eternity almost 3 years ago. This union was blessed with 5 sons and 3 daughters of whom 1 son died in infancy. She survived the birth of 46 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren, and died Jan. 16, 1893 of the infirmities of age and pneumonia, aged 73-1-28.

Salem's.

BENDER.—Adam, a son of Adam Bender and his wife Julia [Hoppel], was born Oct. 2, 1814, in what is now Washington (then Mifflin) twp. He was baptized in infancy and was three times married, successively with Mary Lebo, Elizabeth Yeager and Elizabeth Messner, with the latter of whom he lived for more than 40 years, and who remains to mourn his decease. The first marriage was blessed with 1 son and 1 daughter, the latter of whom preceded her father to eternity, and the last marriage with 2 sons. He died very suddenly of heart disease, Sept. 6, 1892, aged 77-11-4.

MILLER.—William Luther, a son of John Adam Miller and his wife Harriet [Webner], was born at Elizabethville, Pa., Nov. 10, 1883. He was baptized by Rev. S. Kuhn, March 16, 1884 and, after a little more than a week's suffering with croup, departed this life Dec. 1, 1892, aged 9-0-21.

DIRTY.—Harry Lester, a son of Wm.

H. H. Ditty and his wife Jennie L. [Keiter], was born in Upper Paxton twp., Aug. 12, 1888. He was baptized by Rev. H. Hackman and died the following day, Dec. 8, 1892, of blood poisoning, the result of diphtheria. Age, 4-3-26.

SMITH.—Daniel, a son of John Adam Smith and his wife Christiana [Lower], was born Aug. 4, 1807, in North'd county. He was baptized in infancy by Rev. Walters, the sponsors being John Dockey and wife, and was afterwards confirmed a member of St. John's Ev. Luth. congregation by Rev. J. P. Schindel. He was married the first time, May 10, 1829, with Eliza Parks, which union was blessed with 2 daughters and lasted a little more than 2 years when the mother died. One of the daughters also died small. May 14, 1833 he was united a second time in marriage, with Catharine Runk, which union was blessed with 9 sons and 3 daughters, of whom 3 sons and 2 daughters preceded their father to eternity. After the mother had also departed this life Apr. 4, 1869, he was married a third time on May 28, 1872, with Mrs. Elizabeth Dunkel [Reinberger], the ceremony being performed by Rev. T. Steck. He was therefore the father of 14 children, of whom 6 sons and 2 daughters with the widow survive. He also survived the birth of 50 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren, 20 of the former and 2 of the latter having already departed this life. He died Dec. 28, 1892, of the infirmities of age, aged 85-4-24.

BOTTEIGER.—Anna, a daughter of John Riegel and his wife Susannah [Sheetz], was born in Lykens twp., April 17, 1814. She was baptized in infancy by Rev. Jacob Reily, the sponsors being Joseph Herman and his wife Catharine. On May 29, 1830 she was confirmed a member of the Reformed Church by Rev. Gerhart and about the year 1835 she was married to Daniel Botteiger who preceded her to eternity a little more than 3 years ago. This union was blessed with 5 sons and 5 daughters, of whom 3 sons and 1 daughter however preceded both parents to eternity. She died Feb. 28, 1893 of the infirmities of old age, aged 78-10-11.

BECHTEL.—Clair Nathaniel, infant son of Nathaniel Bechtel and his wife Sarah E. [Kolva], was born at Elizabethville, July 28, 1891. He was baptized April 9, 1893 by Rev. William F. Bond, and died at Tower City, Pa., of inflammation of the bowels, April 10, 1893, aged 1-8-12.

UHLER.—George Andrew, son of W. Frank Uhlter and his wife Eva [Gruver], was born Jan. 4, 1886, at Elizabethville. Holy Baptism was administered to him by Rev. Joseph Hillpot, March 14, 1886, the parents appearing as sponsors. He departed this life May 29, 1893 from the effects of Scarlet Fever, aged 7-4-25.

Zion's.

KOPPENHEFFER.—Edgar Wilson, infant son of Daniel W. Koppenheffer and his wife Lizzie [Weaver], was born at Elizabethville, Sept. 10, 1892. He was baptized by Rev. O. E. Pflueger, March 22, 1893 and died two days later of Scarlet Fever, aged 6 mo. and 14 days.

St. Jacob's.

SCHWENK.—Emma Eliza Jane, daughter of Adam Schwenk and his wife Sophia E., was born in Jackson twp., Dauphin county, June 11, 1883. She was baptized April 20, 1884 by Rev. Joseph Hillpot and died of diphtheria, July 16, 1892, aged 9-1-15.

SCHWENK.—Sallie Mabel, infant daughter of Adam Schwenk and wife Sophia E. was born in Jackson twp., June 4, 1891, baptized by Rev. O. E. Pflueger Aug. 10, 1892, and died of diphtheria, Aug. 13, 1892, 1-2-9.

ZIMMERMAN.—Susan Alice, a daughter of Philip Zimmerman and his wife Mary [Schindel], was born July 18, 1869, in Jackson twp. She was baptized in infancy by Rev. Engel, a Lutheran pastor. While in process of catechisation she died at Lykens, Pa., of cramp, after three days of suffering, Sept. 28, 1892, aged 23-2-10. Interment on the Cemetery in connection with Stroh's church.

WARFEL.—C. Clinton, a son of Joseph Warfel and his wife Mary [Hoover], was born Nov. 6, 1861 in Jackson twp. He

was baptized April 28, 1862 by Rev. F. Waltz, the parents appearing as sponsors. On May 28, 1881 he was united in marriage with Margaret A. Miller by Rev. A. S. Stauffer, which union was blessed with 4 children, 3 sons and 1 daughter, all of whom survive with their mother to mourn his early departure. He died Nov. 14, 1892, of injuries sustained in the mines, aged 31-0-8.

Berrysburg.

STRAUB.—Harvey Clinton, youngest son of Amos Straub and his wife Mary Ann [Dilfield], was born Feb. 2, 1876, in Mifflin twp. He was brought to the Lord in Holy Baptism, July 2, 1876, administered by Rev. M. Fernsler. He was received as a member of Salem's Ev. Lutheran congregation at Berrysburg, Pa., by the rite of Confirmation, by Rev. B. F. Kautz, March 19, 1893, and died after a sickness of about 2 weeks of Catarrh Fever and Rheumatism, April 14, 1893, aged 17-2-12.

JURY.—Mary Ellen, a daughter of John Benjamin Jury and his wife Anna Mary [Matter], was born Sept. 24, 1877, in Washington twp. On Nov. 5, 1877, she was consecrated in Holy Baptism performed by Rev. M. Fernsler. She was received as a member of Salem's Ev. Lutheran congregation at Berrysburg by the rite of Confirmation, March 19, 1893, by Rev. B. F. Kautz, and died May 18, 1893 after a lingering illness of 9 weeks with Rheumatism and heart failure. Age, 15-6-13.

Killinger.

FOGELMAN.—William, son of Harry Fogelman and his wife Catherine [Lenker], was born Jan. 2, 1873, in Upper Paxton twp. He was baptized in infancy by Rev. M. Fernsler, and confirmed a member of Salem's Ev. Lutheran congregation at Killinger, Feb., 1887 by Rev. J. Fishburn. On May 10, 1890 he was united in Holy Marriage by Rev. T. Derr with Mary A. Long, who remains with one son, the fruit of this union, to mourn his early decease. He died of Consumption, April 23, 1893, aged 20-3-21.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.

July 1, 1892 to July 1, 1893.

But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.—HEB. 13: 16.

RECEIPTS.

ST. JOHN'S—			
Sept. 4, '92,	Harvest Home,....	General Fund,.....	77.74
Oct. 30, '92,	Communion,.....	Debt of Muhl. College,	34.17
Jan. 4, '93,	*Donation,.....	Orphans' Home,.....	24.00
Apr. 16, '93,	Communion,.....	General Fund,.....	30.00
			165.91
SIMEON'S—			
Aug. 21, '92,	Harvest Home,....	General Fund,.....	34.43
Oct. 16, '92,	Communion,.....	Debt of Muhl. College,	19.06
Apr. 2, '93,	"	General Fund,.....	17.05
			70.54
SALEM'S—			
Aug. 28, '92,	Harvest Home,....	General Fund,.....	30.68
Oct. 23, '92,	Communion,.....	Eng. Home Missions,.	13.79
Nov. 6, '92,	Children's Day,...	" " "	14.23
Apr. 9, '93,	Communion,.....	General Fund,.....	12.02
			70.72
ZION'S—			
Sept. 11, '92,	Harvest Home,....	General Fund,.....	13.44
Nov. 6, '92,	Communion,.....	Debt of Muhl. College,	14.28
Mar. 26, '93,	"	General Fund,.....	9.37
			37.09
ST. JACOB'S—			
Aug. 28, '92,	Harvest Home,....	General Fund,.....	15.04
Nov. 20, '92,	Communion,.....	Debt of Muhl. College,	8.43
May 7, '93,	"	General Fund,.....	7.08
			30.55
			374.81
DISBURSEMENTS.			
Synodical Apportionment:			
General Fund,	150.00		
Foreign Missions,	39.00	189.00	
Home Mission Apportionment:			
English Missions,	45.00		
German Missions,	25.00	70.00	
Debt of Muhlenberg College,	76.81		
*Donation to Orphans' Home,	24.00		
Repair Fund of Theological Seminary,	15.00	374.81	
Muhlenberg College Account.			
Apportionment for liquidation of Debt,		250.00	
Amount paid last year, (Parish Record No. 3, p. 14,	94.00		
Amount paid this year:			
Two personal contributions,	35.00		
Congregational contributions,	76.81	111.81	205.81
Unpaid Balance,			44.19

*This Donation consisted of money, meat, flour, sausage, vegetables, &c.

CONFIRMATION.

If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.—LUKE IX: 23.

The following is a list of accessions by the Rite of Confirmation, preceded by a course of instruction in God's Word and the teachings of our Church:

ZION'S—Nov. 6, 1892.	ST. JACOB'S—Nov. 20, 1893.
John A. Heller,	Jacob C. Schwenk,
Charles S. Longabach,	Eugene W. Snyder,
James M. Schaeffer,	George W. Warfel,
Mrs. Mary E. Keiter,	Harvey O. " "
Annie V. Koppenheffer,	Ella C. Fisher,
Angelia' " "	Mary A. Schwenk,
	Adult Baptism, Mrs. Laura Lucinda Snyder.
	SALEM'S—April 9, 1893.
Charles L. Botteiger,	Lizzie L. Enterline,
Ira E. " "	Mrs. Ida M. Jury,
Adam E. Keiter,	Cora E. Kolva,
Charles P. Snyder,	Etta M. Swab.
George H. Temple,	
Edward G. Zimmerman.	

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

ST. JOHN'S LUTH. S. S.—Mifflin Twp.	Librarians—Jacob Hoover and Miss Mary E. Pike.
Superintendent—Allen Swab.	Treasurer—Allen C. Cooper.
Secretaries—H. A. Romberger and H. I. Hartman.	Organist—Miss Annie M. Lenker.
Librarians—D. D. Matter and Miss Mary E. Swab.	Teachers, 14. Scholars, 124.
Treasurer—William Lehman.	
Organists—J. Ponawitz and Miss E. Nora Swab.	
Teachers, 9. Scholars, 155.	
SIMEON'S UNION S. S.—Gratz.	
Superintendents—H. G. Dornheim and J. A. Willier.	
Secretaries—J. F. Kembel and Wm. A. Zerfing.	
Librarians—G. F. Solada and Miss Jennie R. Kissinger.	
Treasurer—James Solada.	
Organists—J. H. Schoffstall and G. H. Ritzman.	
Teachers, 13. Scholars, 215.	
ZION'S UNION S. S.—Rife.	
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Secretaries—Aaron M. Longabach and Miss Katie A. Cooper.	
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	Treasurer—Allen C. Cooper.
	Organist—Miss Annie M. Lenker.
	Teachers, 14. Scholars, 124.
	SALEM'S LUTH. S. S.—Elizabethville.
	Superintendent—George W. Radel.
	Assist. Supt.—Well. N. Snyder.
	Secretary—Fred. Smith.
	Assist. Secretary—Harvey A. Lehman.
	Librarian—Charles H. Lehman.
	Assist. Librarian—Miss Sallie E. Swab.
	Organists—Miss Etta A. Mattis.
	Assist. Organist—Miss Etta M. Swab.
	Managers—Hiram Smith & Jonas Swab.
	Treasurer—George A. Boyer.
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	Superintendent—John B. Paul.
	Assist. Supt.—Ira O. Miller.
	Secretary—H. W. Fisher.
	Assist. Secretary—E. B. Miller.
	Librarians—Simon C. Fisher. and Miss Sue E. Whitman.
	Treasurer—Balthaser Miller.
	Teachers, 8. Scholars, 75.

CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.

Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.—HEB. x: 25.

ST. JOHN'S—MIFFLIN TWP.

—1893—

July 9, 10 a. m.	Ger., Anniversary.
16, 2 p. m.	German.
23, 2 p. m.	English.
Aug. 6, 10 a. m.	German.
13, 10 a. m.	"
20, 2 p. m.	English.
Sept. 3, 10 a. m.	Ger., Harvest Home.
10, 2 p. m.	German.
17, 2 p. m.	English.
Oct. 1, 10 a. m.	German.
8, 10 a. m.	"
15, 2 p. m.	English.
28, 2 p. m.	Preparatory.
29, 9:30 a. m.	Confirmation.
Nov. 12, 2:30 p. m.	German.
26, 10 a. m.	English.
Dec. 3, 10 a. m.	German.
10, 2 p. m.	"
24, 10 a. m.	English.
31, 2 p. m.	German.

—1894—

Jan. 7, 2 p. m.	German.
21, 10 a. m.	English.
28, 10 a. m.	German.
Feb. 4, 2 p. m.	"
18, 10 a. m.	English.
25, 2 p. m.	German.
Mar. 4, 2 p. m.	"
18, 10 a. m.	English.
25, 10 a. m.	German.
Apr. 1, 2:30 p. m.	"
14, 2 p. m.	Preparatory.
15, 9:30 a. m.	Communion.
22, 2 p. m.	German.
29, 2 p. m.	"
May 12, 10 a. m.	English.
27, 2 p. m.	Ger., Missionary.
June 10, 10 a. m.	German.
17, 2 p. m.	English.
24, 2 p. m.	German.
July 8, 10 a. m.	Ger., Anniversary.

SIMEON'S—GRATZ.

—1893—

July 9, 2 p. m.	Ger., Anniversary.
23, 10 a. m.	English.
Aug. 6, 2 p. m.	German.
20, 10 a. m.	Ger., Harvest Home.
Sept. 3, 2 p. m.	English.
17, 10 a. m.	German.
Oct. 1, 2 p. m.	"
15, 10 a. m.	English.
29, 2:30 p. m.	German.
Nov. 11, 2 p. m.	Preparatory.
12, 9:30 a. m.	Confirmation.
26, 2 p. m.	English.
Dec. 10, 10 a. m.	German.
24, 2 p. m.	"

—1894—

Jan. 7, 10 a. m.	English.
21, 2 p. m.	German.
Feb. 4, 10 a. m.	"
18, 2 p. m.	English.
Mar. 4, 10 a. m.	German.
18, 2 p. m.	"
31, 2 p. m.	Preparatory.
Apr. 1, 9:30 a. m.	Communion.
15, 2:30 p. m.	German.
29, 10 a. m.	"
May 13, 2 p. m.	English.
27, 10 a. m.	Ger., Missionary.
June 10, 2 p. m.	German.
24, 10 a. m.	English.
July 8, 2 p. m.	Ger., Anniversary.

SALEM'S—ELIZABETHVILLE.

—1893—

July 2, 2 p. m.	Ger., Anniversary.
16, 7:30 p. m.	English.
30, 10 a. m.	"
Aug. 13, 7:30 p. m.	"
27, 2 p. m.	Ger., Harvest Home.
Sept. 10, 7 p. m.	English.
24, 10 a. m.	"
Oct. 8, 7 p. m.	"
22, 2:30 p. m.	German.
Nov. 5, 6:30 p. m.	English.
18, 6:30 p. m.	Preparatory.
19, 9:30 a. m.	Communion.
Dec. 3, 6:30 p. m.	English.
17, 2 p. m.	German.

Dec. 31, 6:30 p. m. English.

—1894—

Jan. 14, 10 a. m.	English.
28, 6:30 p. m.	"
Feb. 11, 2 p. m.	German.
25, 7 p. m.	English.
Mar. 11, 10 a. m.	"
25, 7 p. m.	"
Apr. 8, 2:30 p. m.	German.
May 5, 7 p. m.	Preparatory.
6, 9:30 a. m.	Communion.
June 3, 2 p. m.	Ger., Missionary.
17, 7:30 p. m.	English.
July 1, 10 a. m.	Eng., Anniversary.

ZION'S—RIFF.

—1893—

July 16, 10 a. m.	Ger., Anniversary.
Aug. 13, 2 p. m.	German.
Sept. 10, 10 a. m.	Ger., Harvest Home.
Oct. 8, 2 p. m.	English.
Nov. 4, 2 p. m.	Preparatory.
5, 10 a. m.	Communion.
Dec. 3, 2 p. m.	English.
31, 10 a. m.	German.
—1894—	
Jan. 28, 2 p. m.	German.

Feb. 25, 10 a. m.	English.
Mar. 25, 2 p. m.	German.
Apr. 21, 2 p. m.	Preparatory.
22, 9:30 a. m.	Communion.
June 17, 10 a. m.	Eng., Missionary.
July 15, 2 p. m.	Ger., Anniversary.

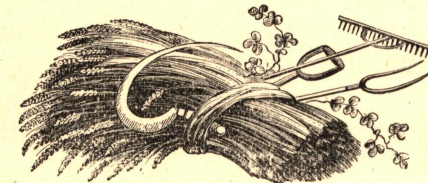
ST. JACOB'S—JACKSON TWP.

—1893—

July 2, 10 a. m.	Ger., Anniversary.
30, 2 p. m.	German.
Aug. 27, 10 a. m.	Ger., Harvest Home.
Sept. 24, 2 p. m.	German.
Oct. 21, 2 p. m.	Preparatory.
22, 9:30 a. m.	Communion.
Nov. 19, 2:30 p. m.	German.
Dec. 17, 10 a. m.	"

—1894—

Jan. 14, 2 p. m.	German.
Feb. 11, 10 a. m.	"
Mar. 11, 2 p. m.	"
Apr. 7, 2 p. m.	Preparatory.
8, 9:30 a. m.	Communion.
May 6, 2:30 p. m.	German.
June 3, 10 a. m.	Ger., Missionary.
July 1, 2 p. m.	Ger., Anniversary.



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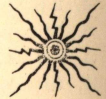
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GEORGE W. UHLER,	"	" 1896.
HARRY W. SPACHT,	Deacon,	" 1895.
JOHN H. BONAWITZ,	"	" 1896.
GEORGE H. SWAB,	"	" 1897.
JOHN C. HOLTZMAN,	Trustee,	" 1895.
DANIEL R. SMITH,	"	" 1896.

SIMEON'S.

MICHAEL HARTMAN,	Elder,	July, 1895.
C. T. BOWMAN,	"	" 1896.
FRANK E. HARTMAN,	Deacon,	" 1895.
EDMUND KISSINGER,	"	" 1895.
GEORGE E. SITLINGER,	"	" 1896.
JACOB SHADE,	"	" 1896.
JOHN MOYER,	Trustee,	" 1895.

ZION'S.

HENRY BONAWITZ,	Elder,	July, 1896.
JOHN Y. LENKER,	"	" 1895.
AARON M. LONGABACH,	Deacon,	" 1896.
JOHN H. COOPER,	"	" 1895.
DAVID SCHREFFLER,	Trustee,	" 1896.

ST. JACOB'S.

*LEVI FISHER	Elder.
ALFRED N. MATCHETT,	Deacon.
SIMON C. FISHER,	"
JOHN B. MILLER,	Trustee.

*The dates indicates the expiration of the term of office.

For the fifth time THE RECORD goes forth to enter the homes of the members of The Lykens Valley Lutheran Charge and their friends. It bows low in most cordial greeting and proffers its perusal instead of a pastoral call.

This fifth year of labor together has been a year of blessing. Sixty-one persons have been added to our membership, fifty-three by confirmation and six by certificate. We lost six active members by death and six by dismissal, leaving a net gain of forty-nine. Oh, that these may prove faithful!

How are you pleased with the new Lutheran Church Messenger? Have you paid your subscription to date, or are you still of those who have failed to subscribe for it? That is poor economy which withholds 40 cents for a church paper! There being no providential interference, free Almanacs for 1895 will be served to the subscribers next New Year, but only to those who have paid up their subscriptions for the Messenger for 1895.

Why don't the Pastor come? This question is often asked with just a little impatience and no small sense of neglect. In answer your Pastor gleams the following from his diary for the 5 months, Jan. 1, to June 1, 1894:

Pastoral visits made,	73
Sick visits made,	45
Total visits,	118
Miles traveled by team,	854
Miles traveled by railroad, ..	1317
Total miles traveled,	2171

Number of whole days at home, 38—an average of less than 2 days per week. Those who love their Pastor so much as to appreciate visits from him, certainly also love him so well as to regard his comfort and health. Besides too much visiting is liable to cause poor preaching.

INTERESTING and profitable Children's Day services were engaged in by St. John's and Salem's Sunday Schools last

Reformation time, and it would be a very appropriate custom to observe in all our Sunday Schools. Our Lutheran Church is given to the observance of the church year with its varied festivals, hence also celebrates Reformation Day in memory of the events of Oct. 31, 1517, which are familiar to every Lutheran child, and of fundamental importance to every Protestant. For the sake of uniformity, as well as because this is a more suitable season, it has been recommended by the higher bodies of our church to the Sunday Schools of the same, that they celebrate Children's Day in connection with these services. We approach Reformation Day therefore with this in view.

It will undoubtedly be noticed with pleasure that your parsonage is being preserved in good condition. Last year a substantial brick walk was laid down the lot, some new spouting put up and many small repairs made at an outlay of \$23.59. The taxes amounted to \$22.29, making a total outlay on your Pastor's part of \$45.88. This is only for last year. This present year already, board walks have been made, a piece of neat fence erected at the front, and 500 square feet of sod planted, while other improvements are under way. It is also very necessary that the large double hall be repapered. Profits from the publication of THE PARISH RECORD are devoted to these purposes, but they have so far been meager. It is hoped that appreciation of this extra labor will be shown in more liberal collections for this purpose.

THE Mission Festivals as held the last two years in Mr. Elder's grove near Elizabethville, have met with such great favor that they promise to become an annual occasion. Last year's festival again was a success beyond expectations. The visits and addresses of Supts. Passavant and Telleen, as well as of Father Waltz and brethren Kautz and Ritter are still fresh in our memory. The general interest manifested is certainly commendable.

Another commendable and eminently proper feature last year was that all receipts above actual expenses were devoted to the cause of Missions. This should be so, and I hope will be so again at the projected Festival this Summer. For at the Charge Meeting, Jan. 8, 1894, the initiative was taken for the holding of such Festival again this Summer. We have plans which we hope will enable us to treat our members to what will be both pleasant and profitable, and to spend a delightful day, socially and spiritually.

WE will soon be actively engaged in gathering the crops and fruits into our garner. Our labors have again been crowned with blessings, and after having sown we may also reap. Let us not forget the giving of thanks to the Lord of the harvest when the congregations assemble in their churches for that purpose, and while we properly adorn God's house so as to give it a festive appearance, let us not withhold the Lord's portion from Him when the offerings are gathered. Let each one without exception conscientiously set apart an offering according as the Lord has prospered him, and let us even teach our children to give as well as to pray. The one is devotion as truly as the other. The dates of the Harvest Home celebrations this year are as follows:

Zion's, Aug. 12, 10 a. m.
Simeon's, Aug. 19, 10 a. m.
Salem's, Aug. 26, 10 a. m.
St. Jacob's, Aug. 26, 2 p. m.
St. John's, Sept. 2, 10 a. m.

Notes on Benevolence.

YOUR attention is urgently directed to a study of the figures on page 11, setting forth the benevolent work of this charge for the year just ended. Verify these figures with those appearing in the Minutes of Synod when they appear, and likewise compare them with those of former years as printed in other numbers of THE PARISH RECORD.

There are two encouraging features about this statement. One is that we have paid the full annual Synodical apportionment. The other is that in addition to

this, we have paid to the Treasurer of Muhlenberg College, the balance *in full* of the amount asked for two years ago, to liquidate the debt of that Institution.

On the other hand, for the last two years we have contributed nothing at all on the apportionment of \$500 upon us, made in 1886, for the erection of our Theological Seminary at Mount Airy. The Seminary is erected and in use, and is a credit to our church, but in debt because we and others failed to meet our obligations. We did pay a total of \$244.91 and therefore still owe \$255.09. Then three are various other very worthy causes depending on the support of our congregations without direct apportionment, towards which we have contributed little or nothing.

Let us therefore not lull ourselves to sleep by a favorable comparison of ourselves with those that fail to do their duty, but let us look up and compare ourselves with those that do well, try to imitate them, and consecrate anew our wealth as well as our hearts unto the Lord. Expect no one to beg, but await your opportunity to give.

Catechetical Class Reunions.

In commemoration of the close of the fifth year of the present pastorate, it is proposed to hold a special service of particular interest to the members of the several classes confirmed during this time. This is a service that has not been engaged in here before this, but we hope, with the co-operation of the young catechumens, as well as of the congregations in general, to make it an occasion of deep interest and lasting profit. Seats are to be reserved for the catechumens, who shall sit in classes. Suitable words are to be addressed to them and the rolls called, all present answering to their names. If any have grown cold and indifferent, let this serve to remind them of their vows and bring about new resolutions and greater faithfulness. Let the members of each class exert themselves to bring out their classes *in full*. The times set for these services are as follows:

Zion's, Sept. 9, 2 p. m.
Salem's, Sept. 9, 7 p. m.

Simeon's, Sept. 16, 10 a. m.
St. Jacob's, Sept. 23, 10 a. m.
St. John's, Sept. 30, 10 a. m.

Semi-Centennial Celebration.

Zion's congregation at Rife celebrated its fiftieth anniversary on the last day of 1893, with appropriate services engaged in by Rev. I. B. Ritter, who preached in the morning from the text Psalms 122: 6-9, and the pastor who preached from the text Josh. 4: 6-7. In the evening Rev. Ritter again preached from Matt. 13: 44.

Early in the spring of 1843 steps were taken towards building a church at what is now called Rife, because of the sensational wave that spread over many of our churches. The first church was a modest log building, 26 by 32 feet, and stood in the cemetery, across the road from the present church building. The first recorded communion was administered, June 7, 1844, by Rev. J. N. Hemping to 21 guests. After almost forty years of service in the first church, the congregation erected the present brick edifice in 1882-'83, the corner-stone being laid June 25, 1882, and the dedication taking place June 6, 1883. The expenses incurred in this building were about \$3,000, and were all defrayed before dedication. The average number of communicants during the past five years is 67. A full list of the pastors who have served this congregation in these fifty years are the following:

Rev. J. N. Hemping, 1843-1850.
Rev. C. F. Welden, Sep. 1850-Sep. 1851.
Rev. N. Yeager, 1852-1853.
Rev. F. Waltz, Jan. 1, 1854-Jan. 1, 1865.
Rev. Jer. Schindel, 1865-1870.
Rev. Thos. Steck, Nov. 1870-Nov. 1873.
Rev. R. S. Wagner, Oct. 1874-June, 1881.
Rev. J. Hillpot, Jul 31, 1881-Apr. 24, 1889.
Rev. O. E. Pflueger, Jul. 1, 1889.

Thus have many hungry souls been fed through half a hundred years. May the history of fifty bygone years and the recollections of what the fathers have done and the provisions they have made, awaken in the heart of every member of this Zion's congregation, new energy and new zeal, to redouble their efforts for the upbuilding of their congregation and the success of the work of the Master.

Conference Meetings.

The Fall and final meeting of the Fifth Conference was held Sept. 26-27, 1893, in Zion's Luth. Church, Turbotville, Pa., Rev. E. H. Eberts, pastor. The Spring and first meeting of the newly-formed Danville Conference was held April 17-18, 1894, in St. John's Luth. Church, Catawissa, Pa., Rev. E. L. Reed, pastor. Both these meetings were attended by your pastor as well as the elected delegates. Mr. S. H. Kneiley represented the charge in Fall and Mr. A. N. Matchett this Spring. The first officers of the Danville Conference are the same as the last of the Fifth, viz: President, Rev. S. E. Ochsenford; Secretary, your pastor; Treasurer, Rev. D. M. Stetler. The next meeting is to be held at the call of the officers, at Dushore, Sullivan county, in the parish of Rev. J. W. Klingler.

SYNOD.

The Mother Synod convened in its 147th annual convention in St Johannes Church, Philadelphia, Dr. A. Spaeth and Rev. G. C. Eisenhardt, pastors, May 17-23, 1894. Excepting the heavy rains and storms, this meeting was very pleasant, also well attended and in some respects more than usually important. Your pastor was glad to be able to attend every session, and your delegate, Mr. Joseph F. Romberger, was also in attendance. The old corps of officers was re-elected, and besides the regular routine work, the following is particularly worthy of note:

On Monday evening, May 21, thirteen young men were admitted by ordination to the holy office, nine of whom are graduates from our own Theological Seminary; the rest came from other institutions, but were examined by the Examining Committee of Synod. Thirteen others were received by letter from other Lutheran Synods.

Dr. C. W. Schaeffer resigned as incumbent of the Burkholter Professorship, and Dr. G. F. Spieker of Allentown, Pa., was elected his successor.

Dr. A. Spaeth resigned as incumbent of the New York Professorship and was elected to the Chair of the Pennsylvania

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BAPTISMS.

For as many of you as have been baptized in Christ have put on Christ.—GAL. III: 27.

CHILD'S NAME.	PARENTS' NAMES.	DATE OF BIRTH.	DATE OF BAPTISM.
ST. JOHN'S.			
Norwood Emanuel,	Isaiah & L. Ida Swab,	Mar. 4, '93,	July 9, '93.
Homer William,	Jonathan J. & Susannah Lebo,	June 18, '93,	Aug. 13, '93.
Mary Esther,	Daniel H. & Miranda Yearts,	May 31, '93,	Aug. 13, '93.
Rosa May,	William R. & S. Elizabeth Lentz,	July 5, '93,	Sept. 9, '93.
Norman John,	John P. & Sallie C. Miller,	July 11, '93,	Sept. 10, '93.
Mary Ellen,	William H. & Annie M. E. Hoover,	Aug. 20, '93,	Oct. 1, '93.
Ruth Naomi,	Frank P. & Sallie E. Romberger,	Dec. 9, '92,	Oct. 15, '93.
Harry Albert,	A. Daniel Good & Lydia Snyder,	July 14, '93,	Nov. 23, '93.
Roland Meade,	George F. & Mary A. Warner,	Oct. 24, '93,	Jan. 18, '94.
Edgar Sterling,	Harry T. & Julia A. Zimmerman,	Aug. 28, '93,	Mar. 8, '94.
Cloyd Benjamin,	Samuel C. & Ida M. Jury,	Feb. 15, '94,	Mar. 12, '94.
Joseph Wayne,	Charles D. & Amanda R. Hoy,	Aug. 8, '93,	Mar. 22, '94.
Beulah Mabel,	Henry I. & Mary E. Hartman,	Oct. 21, '93,	Apr. 22, '94.
Mabel Esther,	John M. & Lizzie M. Herman,	Apr. 19, '94,	June 10, '94.
SIMEON'S.			
Benjamin Andrew,	Charles & Henrietta C. Weiss,	May 15, '93,	July 11, '93.
Clara Mary,	David L. & Alice Troutman,	June 17, '93,	July 22, '93.
Estella Elizabeth,	George E. & Catharine E. Sitlinger,	May 30, '93,	July 23, '93.
Alvin Wellington,	John D. & Eliza Kissinger,	June 6, '93,	July 29, '93.
Morris Albert,	Jacob & Lizzie L. Shade,	July 31, '93,	Sept. 9, '93.
Daniel Josiah,	George C. & Mary E. Hoke,	Oct. 16, '92,	Oct. 14, '93.
Mary Delilah,	Henry G. & Ellen F. Dornheim,	Sept. 8, '93,	Oct. 20, '93.
Sula Ellen,	Isaiah & Sevilla Daniel,	Sept. 6, '93,	Nov. 3, '93.
Florence Viola,	Charles A. & Margaret E. Hoover,	Mar. 3, '93,	Nov. 9, '93.
Clarence David Wm.	Edward Portzline & Mary L. Clark,	Dec. 20, '93,	Jan. 21, '94.
Ralph Henry,	Jacob H. & Malinda S. Witmer,	May 11, '94,	June 10, '94.
Foster Thompson,	John C. & Amanda L. Coleman,	Apr. 28, '94,	June 22, '94.
SALEM'S.			
William Alfred,	Adam E. & Mary E. Keiter,	May 10, '93,	June 27, '93.
Earl Adam,	George A. & Sarah F. Boyer,	Oct. 13, '93,	Nov. 19, '93.
Lydia Ann,	W. Frank & Eva Uhler,	Nov. 15, '93,	Jan. 23, '94.
Annie Cordula,	William L. & Daisy C. Jury,	Jan. 16, '94,	Mar. 23, '94.
Arthur Franklin,	John W. & Annie C. Kroah,	Nov. 29, '93,	May 3, '94.
John George,	Emanuel O. & Mary A. Harman,	Oct. 15, '93,	June 4, '94.
ZION'S.			
Minnie Esther,	Michael D. & Carrie A. Bonawitz,	Feb. 19, '92,	July 16, '93.
Earl Franklin,	J. Elmer & Emma J. Bonawitz,	Sept. 6, '93,	Jan. 16, '94.
Homer Franklin,	Harry W. & Angelia Weiss,	Dec. 22, '93,	Mar. 19, '94.
Mary Catharine,	Alfred N. & Ida R. Warfel,	Jan. 18, '94,	Apr. 22, '94.
ST. JACOB'S.			
Cleon Flavius,	Harry O. & Agnes W. Miller,	June 10, '93,	July 30, '93.
Amy Estella,	Harvey H. & Jennie D. Snyder,	June 30, '93,	Oct. 22, '93.
Clauden Bennett,	George & Lena B. Schwingwine,	Aug. 7, '93,	June 3, '94.

CONFIRMATION.

My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways.—Prov. 23: 26.

ST. JOHN'S—Oct. 29, 1893.

Artie R. Deibler,
Edward Deibler,
Norman I. Deibler,
Michael E. Herman,
Frank D. Keboch,
Daniel M. Klinger,
Geo. Elmer Koppenheffer,
Jonathan D. Koppenheffer,
John F. Stover,
Daniel I. Sultzbach,
Henry I. Sultzbach,
Joseph J. Sultzbach,
Harry D. Swab,
Daniel V. Rickenbaugh,
Alvin N. Romberger,
Harry A. Romberger,
Martin L. Wade.

Annie L. Deibler,
Katie M. Deibler,
Sallie S. Hepner,
Beulah A. Hess,
Annie C. Hess,
Carrie S. Koppenheffer,
Sallie E. Koppenheffer,
Jennie A. Lubold,
Amanda J. Zimmerman.

Adult Baptisms—Isaac Benton Bowman,
Susan Ann Bowman.

ZION'S—April 22, 1894.

J. Elmer Bonawitz,
Harry W. Weiss,
Isabella J. Snyder,
Lizzie R. Weaver,
H. Nora Webner,
Sallie V. Weiss,
Fannie E. Wetzel.

Adult Baptism—Katie Elizabeth Lenker.

SIMEON'S—Nov. 12, 1893.

Irvin E. Bowman,
William J. Clark,
Henry L. Coleman,
Allen A. Hartman,
Monroe E. Klinger,
Theodore E. Klinger,
Edwin F. Ritzman,
Daniel N. Saltzer,
John N. Saltzer,
John Strayer,

Catharine A. Hartman,
Mrs. Mary E. Hoke,
Carrie M. Kembel,
Christiana E. Kissinger,
Jennie R. Kissinger,
Mary E. Kissinger,
Meta M. Klinger.

MARRIAGES.

Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies.—Prov. 31: 10.

June 10, 1893.

Harry W. Weiss, Rife, Pa.
Angelia Koppenheffer, Rife, Pa.

July 16, 1893.

James M. Kissinger, Gratz, Pa.

Jennie A. Wolfgang, " "

Aug 15, 1893.

Isaac M. Miller, Fisherville, Pa.

Laura J. Kauffman, " "

Oct. 1, 1893.

Elmer Daniel, Elizabethville, Pa.

Alice C. Miller, " "

Dec. 2, 1893.

Henry W. Snyder, Elizabethville, Pa.

Katie M. Wilbert, Enders, " "

Jan. 20, 1894.

Jonathan G. Bonawitz, Fisherville, Pa.

Virgie A. Miller, Wiconisco, Pa.

Feb. 8, 1894.

Wellington N. Snyder, Elizabethville.

Mary E. Botteiger, " "

Feb. 18, 1894.

J. Albert Snyder, Loyalton, Pa.

Adaline L. Gunderman, Loyalton, Pa.

March 8, 1894.

J. Henry Keiter, Fisherville, Pa.

Sarah J. Bowerman, " "

April 19, 1894,

Chas. M. Koppenheffer, Killinger, Pa.

Agnes Kratzer, " "

May 12, 1894.

Henry S. Matter, Curtin, Pa.

Rebecca S. Bowers, Rife, Pa.

June 10, 1894.

Chas. E. Burger, Harrisburg, Pa.

Emma R. Warfel, Enders, Pa.

June 17, 1894.

Elmer E. Kissinger, Gratz, Pa.

Sallie E. Saltzer, " "

June 30, 1894.

William H. Spangler, Lykens, Pa.

Susan A. Warfel, " "

FUNERALS:

"A few more storms shall beat
On this wild, rocky shore,
And we shall be where tempests cease,
And surges swell no more."

St. John's.

STRAUB.—Cora Edna, daughter of Harry Straub and Amanda J. Zimmerman, was born in Upper Paxton twp., Dauphin county, Pa., Mar. 1, 1893. She was baptized July 21, 1893 by Rev. B. F. Kautz, Lydia A. Deibler appearing as sponsor, and died of Cholera Infantum, Aug. 17, 1893, aged 5 mos. and 16 days.

MATTER.—Hiram, son of Daniel Matter and his wife Mary [Romberger], was born June 13, 1830, near Berrysburg, Pa. He was baptized in infancy, and about 1851 confirmed as a member of St. John's Evan. Luth. congregation by Rev. C. F. Welden. He was united in marriage to Mary R. Wade of East Hanover Dauphin county, April 22, 1858 by Rev. Kautz. The union was blessed with 2 sons and 1 daughter, who with their mother mourn the decease of their father, who died of some disease of the stomach, Oct. 1, 1893, aged 63 yrs. 3 mos. 18 days.

KLINGER.—Lydia, a daughter of John H. Dornheim and his wife Anna Maria [Zerbe], was born in Union twp., Union county, Pa., Sept. 3, 1817, and was baptized Nov. 10 of the same year by Rev. Heim, the parents appearing as sponsors. In youth she was received by confirmation as a member of the Christian church and the Lutheran faith, and on May 27, 1834 was united in marriage with John A. Klinger who preceded her to eternity about 9 years. This union was blessed with 6 sons and 3 daughters, of whom 3 sons and 1 daughter have also preceded their mother to eternity. She died of the infirmities of old age Mar. 19, 1864, aged 76 yrs. 6 mos. 16 days.

WARNER.—Elias, son of Isaac Warner and his wife Maria [Enders], was born Sept. 26, 1823, in Mifflin twp., Dauphin county, and was baptized the same year by Rev. J. P. Schindel, the sponsors being Philip Mesner and his wife Magdalene. He was the survivor of a class of 20, con-

firmed Mar. 24, 1845 by Rev. J. A. Leisz, as members of the Reformed Zion's congregation at Rife, Pa., and was married by the same pastor to Anna Miller, July 28, 1850, which union was blessed with 6 sons and 2 daughters, of whom 1 daughter together with the mother preceded her father to eternity. He died Mar. 19, 1894 of the infirmities of old age and a complication of diseases, aged 70 yr. 5 mo. 23 da.

ENTERLINE.—Joseph, son of John K. Enterline and his wife Lovina [Groff], and great-grandson of Rev. Michael Enterline, the pioneer of Lutheranism in these parts, was born Sept. 15, 1838, in Mifflin twp. He was baptized Dec. 16 of his birth year by Rev. J. N. Hemping, the parents appearing as sponsors. April 27, 1856, he was received into membership with St. John's Evan. Luth. congregation by confirmation performed by Rev. F. Waltz, which same pastor also united him in marriage, June 26, 1859, with Catharine Matter, who remains with 3 sons and 5 daughters to mourn his death. Two sons have already preceded him to eternity. He died Apr. 9, 1894 of Pneumonia, aged 55 yrs. 6 mos. 24 days.

ROW.—Jacob, a son of William Row and his wife Barbara [Rudey], was born Feb. 3, 1812, in Lykens twp., Dauphin county. He was baptized in infancy by Rev. Daniel Ulrich, and was confirmed in 1838 by Rev. J. P. Schindel and on Apr. 26th of the same year united in marriage by Rev. J. N. Hemping with Susannah Matter. This union was blessed with 4 sons and 5 daughters, of whom 1 son and 1 daughter together with their mother preceded their father to eternity. He survived the birth of 73 grandchildren and 51 great-grandchildren. He died of Apoplexy, April 21, 1894, in Porter twp., Schuylkill county, Pa., aged 82 yrs. 2 mos. 18 days. In the services of the funeral his pastor was assisted by Rev. W. F. Bond.

KOPPENHEFFER.—Benjamin F., a son of Jonathan Koppenheffer and his wife Julia Ann [Schweinford], was born in Mifflin twp., May 12, 1844. Having been baptized in infancy by Rev. J. N. Hemping, he was confirmed as a member of St. John's Luth. congregation, April 3, 1864

by Rev. F. Waltz. He was united in marriage with Melissa J. Gilger, Nov. 13, 1869 by Rev. H. S. Mendenhall, which union was blessed with 4 sons and 1 daughter, all of whom with their mother mourn the loss of their father, who died of heart failure, June 2, 1894, aged 50 yrs. 20 days.

Simeon's.

WEISS.—Charlotte, a daughter of Conrad Wentz and his wife Catharine, was born in Germany, April 1, 1828. She was baptized in infancy and confirmed in youth a member of the State Church of her native country. Having come to this country in 1852, and seating at Tremont, Pa., she was united in June, 1855 with Andrew Weiss who remains to mourn her departure from this life. This union was blessed with 6 sons and 5 daughters, of whom only 2 sons and 1 daughter survive their mother. She survived the birth of 15 grandchildren and died of Pneumonia, July 9, 1893, aged 65 yrs. 3 mos. 8 days.

BUFFINGTON.—Lottie Esther, daughter of Henry G. Buffington and his wife Clara C. [Phillips], was born at Gratz, Pa. Sept. 11, 1892; baptized Dec. 4, 1892 by Rev. John J. Stauffer, the parents appearing as sponsors; and died after protracted suffering with water on the brain, Aug. 26, 1893, aged 11 mos. 15 days.

STIELY.—Homer, son of Leonard Stiely and his wife Clara I. [Klinger], was born July 22, 1893 in Lykens twp. He was baptized by Rev. H. H. Romberger, Aug. 23, 1893, the parents appearing as sponsors, and died of Cholera Infantum, Aug. 28, 1893, aged 1 month and 6 days.

KISSINGER.—Lovina, a daughter of John Matter and his wife Christiana [Deibler], was born April 10, 1820 in Lykens twp. She was brought to Christ in Holy Baptism, administered by Rev. J. P. Schindel, May 10, 1820, her parents appearing as sponsors. On May 25, 1836 she was confirmed a member of St. John's Luth. congregation by the same venerable pastor. She was united in marriage Mar. 17, 1839, with David Kissinger who preceded her to eternity less than 2 years ago. The union was blessed with 3 sons and 2 daughters, of whom 2 sons and 1 daughter survived their parents. She died of Dropsy,

Dec. 27, 1893, aged 73 yrs. 8 mos. 17 days.

BUFFINGTON.—Sarah Edna, daughter of J. Jacob Buffington and his wife Clara L. [Kissinger], was born April 13, 1882, in Lykens twp., and was brought to Christ in Holy Baptism, Oct. 1st of the same year, administered by Rev. Joseph Hillpot. She died after a brief illness of Pneumonia, Jan. 6, 1894, at the tender age of 11 yrs. 8 mos. 23 days.

MILLER.—Beulah Luella, a daughter of Levi Miller and his wife Elmira [Buffington], was born Oct. 25, 1887 in Hubley twp., Schuylkill county, and baptized by Rev. S. S. Henry, Aug. 19, 1888, the parents appearing as sponsors.

Sula Lydian, a daughter of the same parents was born in Lykens twp., May 15, 1891, and was baptized by Rev. John J. Stauffer, Aug. 2, 1891, the mother and Miss Christiana Buffington appearing as sponsors. Both died of Scarlet Fever Feb. 17, 1894, Beulah at 8 a. m., aged 6 yr. 3 mos. 22 days, and Sula at 2 p. m., aged 2 yrs. 9 mos. 2 days.

BUFFINGTON.—James Franklin, son of George B. Buffington and his wife Mary E. J. [Laudenslager], was born in Schuylkill county, Sept. 22, 1884, and was baptized by Rev. W. G. Engle, Nov. 4th of his birth year. He died June 8, 1894, of Dropsy after a sickness of 20 weeks, aged 9 yrs. 7 mos. 4 days.

BOWMAN.—Homer Cyrene, a son of Calvin M. Bowman and his wife Magdalene [Tschopp], was born in Lykens twp. Nov. 26, 1888. He was baptized Feb. 17, 1889, by Rev. W. G. Engle, the sponsors being the parents, and died of Dropsy, June 17, 1894, aged 5 yrs. 6 mos. 21 days.

DORNHEIM.—Mary Delilah, infant daughter of Prof. H. G. Dornheim and his wife Ellen F. [Frey], was born at Gratz, Sept. 8, 1893, and was baptized Oct. 20, 1893, by Rev. O. E. Pflueger, the great-grandmother, Susannah Ritzman, appearing as sponsor. She died of Cholera Infantum, June 20, 1894, aged 9 mos. 12 da.

Zion's.

HOCVER.—Catharine, a daughter of Peter Minich and his wife Anna Maria [Matter], was born Nov. 24, 1815, in Upper Paxton twp. She was baptized in infancy by

Rev. J. P. Schindel, the sponsors being George Matter and wife Catharine. She was confirmed by the same pastor as a member of the St. John's Luth. congregation May 20, 1830, and united in marriage by Rev. Gerhart in 1834, with Jacob Hoover who preceded her to eternity about 8 years ago. This union was blessed with 3 sons and 4 daughters, of whom 2 sons and 1 daughter survive their mother. She died after a lingering illness of Dropsy, Oct. 28, 1893, aged 77 yrs. 11 mos. 4 days.

KIEFFER.—Mary, a daughter of Henry Moyer and his wife Catharine [Coshnitz], was born Oct. 7, 1828 in Jackson twp., Dauphin county. She was baptized in infancy by Rev. J. N. Hemping, and in youth she was confirmed a member of Salem's Luth. congregation at Elizabethville by the same pastor. In January, 1848 she was united in marriage with Andrew Kieffer by Rev. J. A. Leisz, which happy relation lasted 46 years and was blessed with 8 sons and 2 daughters, of whom 3 sons and 1 daughter have already entered eternity. She died of Pneumonia and Apoplexy, Jan. 11, 1894, aged 65-3-4.

KIEFFER.—John Adam, son of Andrew Kieffer and his wife Mary [Moyer], was born in Upper Paxton twp., May 26, 1848. Baptized in infancy by Rev. J. A. Leisz, he was confirmed in youth as a member of Zion's Reformed congregation at Rife by Rev. F. J. Mohr. He died Jan. 14, 1894, the day of his mother's burial, of La Grippe and Pneumonia, aged 45 yrs. 7 mo. 18 da.

HARMAN.—John George, infant son of Emanuel O. Harman and his wife Mary A. [Hoffman], was born in Halifax twp., Dauphin county, Oct. 15, 1893, and was baptized June 4, 1894 by Rev. O. E. Pflueger, the mother appearing as sponsor. He died June 21, 1894, of Scarlet Fever, aged 8 mos. 6 days.

St. Jacob's.

DEIBLER.—Daniel Christian, a son of Daniel Deibler (deceased) and his wife Amanda [Warfel], was born in Jackson twp. Sept. 10, 1881. He was baptized by Rev. J. Hillpot, Jan. 29, 1882, the mother appearing as sponsor, and died of Pneumo-

nia, Jan. 30, 1894, aged 12 yr. 4 mo. 20 da.

Fetterhoff's.

EBBERLY.—Samuel, a son of John Ebberly and his wife Rebecca, was born Mar. 10, 1822. He was baptized in infancy, and later received by confirmation by Rev. J. N. Hemping as a member of Salem's Evan. Lutheran congregation at Elizabethville, Pa. In 1847 he was united in marriage with Susannah Keiter, who preceded him to eternity 3 years ago. The fruit of this union was 3 sons and 2 daughters, of whom 1 son preceded their parents to eternity. He also survived the birth of 14 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren, and died of Dropsy, Oct. 1, 1893, aged 71 yrs. 6 mos. 21 days.

KEITER.—Samuel, a son of Gerhart Keiter and his wife Mary, was born in Jackson twp., Dauphin county, Pa., Oct. 15, 1836, was baptized May 14, 1837, and confirmed in 1859 by Rev. F. Waltz as a member of Fetterhoff's Lutheran congregation, of which he remained a member till death. He was united in marriage with Catharine Keiper in the year 1861 by Rev. N. E. Bressler, which union was blessed with 1 son and 1 daughter, both of whom with their mother remain to mourn the departure of their father, who died of Consumption, May 30, 1894, aged 57 yrs. 7 mos. 15 days.

Hoffman's.

WEBER.—Margaret, a daughter of Peter Botteiger and his wife Margaret [Hoppe], was born March 6, 1811 in Mifflin twp., Dauphin county, Pa. She was baptized in infancy by Rev. D. Ulrich, the sponsor being Eva Catharine Yeager. On May 23, 1828 she was confirmed as a member of St. John's Evan. Lutheran congregation of Mifflin twp. She was united in marriage, March 18, 1834, by Rev. J. N. Hemping with John Weber who preceded her to eternity about 19 years ago. To these parents were born 6 sons and 5 daughters, of whom 2 daughters are likewise deceased. She died after a brief sickness of La Grippe, Jan. 14, 1894, aged 82 yrs. 10 mos. 8 das.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.

July 1, 1893 to July 1, 1894.

The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself.—PROV. XI: 25.

RECEIPTS.

ST. JOHN'S—			
	Personal,	Orphans' Home,	\$1.50
Sept. 3, '93,	Harvest Home,	General Fund,	48.07
Oct. 22, '93,	Children's Day,	Home Missions,	20.35
Oct. 29, '93,	Communion,	General Fund,	25.09
Apr. 15, '94,	"	"	22.57
			117.58
SIMEON'S—			
Aug. 20, '93,	Harvest Home,	General Fund,	30.27
Nov. 12, '93,	Communion,	"	21.22
Mar. 25, '94,	S. S. Easter Offering	Orphans' Home,	6.82
Apr. 1, '94,	Communion,	General Fund,	14.94
			73.25
SALEM'S—			
Aug. 5, '93,	Rev. Passavant's Lect	Woman's Memorial, ..	3.37
Aug. 27, '93,	Harvest Home,	General Fund,	21.00
Nov. 5, '93,	Children's Day,	Home Missions,	22.94
May 6, '94,	Communion,	General Fund,	8.73
			56.04
ZION'S—			
Sept. 10, '93,	Harvest Home,	General Fund,	14.38
Nov. 5, '93,	Communion,	"	8.33
Apr. 22, '94,	"	"	8.34
			31.05
ST. JACOB'S—			
Aug. 27, '93,	Harvest Home,	General Fund,	8.79
Sept. 24, '93,	S. S. Offering,	Missions,	1.00
Oct. 22, '93,	Communion,	General Fund,	4.24
Apr. 8, '94,	"	"	5.71
			19.74
MISSION FESTIVAL			
Aug. 6, '93,	Collections,	H. & F. Missions,	25.53
	Refreshment Stand,	"	32.08
			57.61
			355.27

DISBURSEMENTS.

Synodical Apportionment:	
General Fund,	\$150.00
Foreign Missions,	39.00
	189.00
Home Mission Apportionment:	
English Missions,	55.00
German Missions,	25.00
	80.00
Woman's Memorial, Salt Lake City,	10.00
Mission at Sunbury,	5.00
Seminary Repair Fund,	5.00
Church Extension,	12.08
Orphans' Home,	10.00
Debt of Muhlenberg College,	44.19
	355.27
Muhlenberg College Account.	
Apportionment for liquidation of Debt,	250.00
Amount paid, (Parish Record, No. 4, p. 16.)	205.81
Balance paid this year <i>in full</i> ,	44.19
	250.00

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The promise of one year ago, made to each of our Sunday Schools, of publishing in this number of THE PARISH RECORD, the names of the five persons of each school who should have learned the greatest number of verses of the Book of Psalms, is hereby redeemed. We are sorry to note that of the five schools only two seem to have entered competition, and therefore there are only the following names to present with the number of verses committed:

ST. JOHN'S LUTH. SCHOOL.

Alice J. Klinger, 388
 Harry Lebo, 247
 Maggie E. Lebo, 157
 Ellen C. Sultzbach, 130
 Dora A. Koppenheffer, 114
 Total, 1036

ZION'S UNION SCHOOL.

H. Nora Webner 622
 Mary E. Pike, 98
 Ira Keefer, 82
 Annie L. Keefer, 46
 Sumner A. Schreffler, 12
 Total, 840

In St. John's School there are four more scholars each of whom committed upwards of 50 verses, so that the contest was more general and the object best accomplished. Our prayer is that the increase of Biblical knowledge on the part of all contestants may be accompanied by a like increase of zeal and devotion.

OFFICERS.

ST. JOHN'S LUTH. S. S.—Mifflin Twp.

Superintendents—Allen Swab and John H. Klinger.
 Secretaries—H. A. Romberger and William H. Howard.
 Librarians—John E. Matter and Miss Carrie M. Matter.
 Treasurer—Cornelius Hepner.
 Organists—Miss E. Nora Swab and Miss Katie E. Bonawitz.
 Teachers, 6. Scholars, 150.

ZION'S UNION S. S.—Rife.

Superintendents—I. H. Schreffler and Monroe Cooper.
 Secretaries—M. D. Bonawitz and Miss V. Estella Cooper.
 Librarians—John C. Bower and Miss Bertie Koppenheffer.
 Treasurer—Allen C. Cooper.
 Organist—Mrs. Clara J. Beard.
 Teachers, 12. Scholars, 135.

SIMEON'S UNION S. S.—Gratz.

Superintendents—H. G. Dornheim and John A. Willier.
 Secretaries—Milton S. Kissinger and George F. Solada.
 Librarians—James Zerfing and Jennie M. Ritzman.
 Treasurer—James Solada.
 Organists—George H. Ritzman and Harry D. Hoffman.
 Teachers, 14. Scholars, 230.

SALEM'S Luth. S. S.—Elizabethville.

Superintendent—J. F. Fisher.
 Assist. Supt.—A. H. Smith.
 Secretary—F. W. Smith.
 Assist. Secretary—George H. Swab.
 Librarian—Aura Messersmith.
 Assist. Librarian—H. W. Koppenheffer.
 Treasurer—Hiram Smith.
 Organist—Etta A. Mattis.
 Assist. Organist—Sallie E. Swab.
 Teachers, 7. Scholars, 150.

ST. JACOB'S UNION SUNDAY SCHOOL—Jackson Twp.

Superintendent—John B. Paul. Assist. Supt.—Emra B. Miller.
 Secretary—H. W. Fisher. Assist. Secretary—Ira O. Miller.
 Librarians—Hiram Shott and Fannie S. Miller.
 Treasurer—Balthaser Miller. Teachers, 8. Scholars, 70.

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Synod. Steps were taken to secure the publication, by private enterprise, of the Halle Reports, the last great work undertaken by our lamented Dr. Mann. The next annual meeting is to be held next June at Asbury Park, N. J., in the parish of Rev. H.D. Spaeth.

Life Thoughts from Beecher.

The truest self-respect is not to think of self.

The elect are whosoever will, and the

non-elect whosoever won't.

Not that which men do worthily, but that which they do successfully, is what history makes haste to record.

Let the day have a blessed baptism by giving your first thoughts into the bosom of God. The first hour of the morning is the rudder of the day.

No man can tell whether he is rich or poor by turning to his ledger. It is the heart that makes a man rich. He is rich or poor according to what he is, not according to what he has

CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.

I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.
 PSALMS 122: 1-2.

ST. JOHN'S—MIFFLIN TWP.

—1894—

July 8, 10 a. m. Ger., Anniversary.
 15, 10 a. m. English.
 22, 2 p. m. German.
 Aug. 5, 10 a. m. "
 12, 2 p. m. English.
 19, 2 p. m. German.
 Sept. 2, 10 a. m. Ger., Harvest Home.
 9, 10 a. m. English.
 16, 2 p. m. German.
 30, 10 a. m. Eng., Reunion.
 Oct. 14, 2:30 p. m. German.
 27, 2 p. m. Preparatory.
 28, 9:30 a. m. Communion.
 Nov. 4, 10 a. m. English.
 11, 2 p. m. German.
 25, 10 a. m. "
 Dec. 2, 2 p. m. English.
 9, 2 p. m. German.
 23, 10 a. m. "
 30, 10 a. m. English.

—1895—

Jan. 6, 2 p. m. German.
 20, 10 a. m. "
 27, 2 p. m. English.
 Feb. 3, 2 p. m. German.
 17, 10 a. m. "

24, 10 a. m. English.
 Mar. 3, 2 p. m. German.
 17, 10 a. m. "
 24, 2 p. m. English.
 31, 2 p. m. German.
 Apr. 13, 2 p. m. Preparatory.
 14, 9:30 a. m. Communion.
 21, 10 a. m. English.
 28, 2:30 p. m. German.
 May 12, 10 a. m. "
 19, 2:30 p. m. English.
 26, 2 p. m. German.
 June 16, 10 a. m. Eng., Missionary.
 23, 2 p. m. German.
 July 7, 10 a. m. Eng., Anniversary

SIMEON'S—GRATZ.

—1894—

July 8, 2 p. m. Ger., Anniversary.
 22, 10 a. m. German.
 Aug. 5, 2 p. m. English.
 19, 10 a. m. Ger., Harvest Home.
 Sept. 2, 2 p. m. German.
 16, 10 a. m. Eng., Reunion.
 30, 2 p. m. German.
 Oct. 13, 2 p. m. Preparatory.
 14, 9:30 a. m. Communion.
 28, 2:30 p. m. English.
 Nov. 11, 10 a. m. German.
 25, 2 p. m. "
 Dec. 9, 10 a. m. English.
 23, 2 p. m. German.

—1895—

Jan. 6, 10 a. m. German.
 20, 2 p. m. English.
 Feb. 3, 10 a. m. German.
 17, 2 p. m. "

Mar. 3, 10 a. m.	English.
17, 2 p. m.	German.
31, 10 a. m.	"
Apr. 14, 2:30 p. m.	English.
27, 2 p. m.	Preparatory.
28, 9:30 a. m.	Communion.
May 12, 2 p. m.	German.
26, 10 a. m.	English.
June 23, 10 a. m.	Ger., Missionary.
July 7, 2 p. m.	Eng., Anniversary.

SALEM'S—ELIZABETHVILLE.

—1894—

July 1, 10 a. m.	Eng., Anniversary.
15, 7:30 p. m.	English.
29, 2 p. m.	German.
Aug. 12, 7:30 p. m.	English.
26, 10 a. m.	Eng., Harvest Home.
Sept. 9, 7 p. m.	Eng., Reunion.
23, 2 p. m.	German.
Oct. 7, 7 p. m.	English.
20, 7 p. m.	Preparatory.
21, 9:30 a. m.	Communion.
Nov. 4, 6:30 p. m.	English.
18, 2:30 p. m.	German.
Dec. 2, 6:30 p. m.	English.
16, 10 a. m.	"
30, 6:30 p. m.	"

—1895—

Jan. 13, 2 p. m.	German.
27, 6:30 p. m.	English.
Feb. 10, 10 a. m.	"
24, 7 p. m.	"
Mar. 10, 2 p. m.	German.
24, 7 p. m.	English.
Apr. 7, 10 a. m.	"
11, 7 p. m.	Preparatory.
12, 10 a. m.	Communion.
21, 7:30 p. m.	English.
May 5, 2:30 p. m.	German.
June 2, 10 a. m.	English.
16, 7:30 p. m.	Eng., Missionary.
30, 2 p. m.	German.

July 14, 7:30 p. m. Eng., Anniversary.

ZION'S—RIFE.

—1894—

July 15, 2 p. m.	Ger., Anniversary.
Aug. 12, 10 a. m.	Ger., Harvest Home.
Sept. 9, 2 p. m.	Eng., Reunion.
Oct. 6, 2 p. m.	Preparatory.
7, 9:30 a. m.	Communion.
Nov. 4, 2 p. m.	German.
Dec. 2, 10 a. m.	English.
30, 2 p. m.	German.

—1895—

Jan. 27, 10 a. m.	German.
Feb. 24, 2 p. m.	English.
Mar. 24, 10 a. m.	German.
Apr. 21, 2 p. m.	"
May 18, 2 p. m.	Preparatory.
19, 9:30 a. m.	Communion.
June 16, 2 p. m.	Eng., Anniversary.
July 14, 10 a. m.	German.

ST. JACOB'S—JACKSON TWP.

—1894—

July 1, 2 p. m.	Ger., Anniversary.
29, 10 a. m.	German.
Aug. 26, 2 p. m.	Harvest Home.
Sept. 23, 10 a. m.	Reunion.
Oct. 21, 2:30 p. m.	German.
Nov. 17, 2 p. m.	Preparatory.
18, 9:30 a. m.	Communion.
Dec. 16, 2 p. m.	German.

—1895—

Jan. 13, 10 a. m.	German.
Feb. 10, 2 p. m.	"
Mar. 10, 10 a. m.	"
Apr. 7, 2 p. m.	"
May 4, 2 p. m.	Preparatory.
5, 9:30 a. m.	Communion.
June 2, 2 p. m.	German.
30, 10 a. m.	Missionary.
July 28, 2 p. m.	Anniversary.

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With this number The Parish Record bids its readers adieu, in the anticipation of a speedy dissolution, with the Parish which it has so faithfully strived to serve. Let us hope that it, "being dead, yet speaketh."

The Reunions of the Catechumens of five years, held last September were very interesting and impressive occasions. While many could not attend, we gladly noted that some went to inconvenience to do so. Still others had no desire to be present. The average per cent. of attendance was almost 60. In numbers, St. John's 50; Simeon's, 35; Salem's, 16; Zion's, 16; St. Jacob's, 9; total, 126.

Monday, January 14, 1895, 9:30 a. m. the joint Church Councils will meet in annual session in Salem's church at Elizabethville. The St. John's Council is requested to meet with them in order to settle up the accounts to date.

MISSION FESTIVAL.

August 4, 1894, was the time of the third annual mission festival of our people. We were again visited by representative men of our church, who come to us but rarely. They were this time Rev. G. Ph. Mueller, Superintendent of our Orphans' Home at Germantown, and Rev. Wm. Ashmead Schaeffer, English Home Missionary Superintendent of our Synod, also of Germantown, who spoke to the great profit and edification of the people. Besides the pastor, Revs. W. F. Bond of Tower City, W. H. Dale of Williamstown and J. N. Wetzler of Uniontown were also in attendance and delivered short addresses. To the co-operation of the several con-

gregations, the speakers, the bands of music and the weather, are largely due the very pleasant recollections of the day.

CHARGE DIVISION.

Paul and Barnabas were both noble men and servants of God, yet at one time they were at variance to such an extent that they could no longer travel together, but must part, Acts 15:39. We therefore need not to be greatly surprised to see history repeat itself in the church militant. The division of our charge is an illustration.

Discord, variance, misunderstandings had crept in amongst us, and it was painfully evident that the congregations could not prosper thus. A joint meeting of the Councils was called, Nov. 10, '94, for the purpose of making a final effort to attain to a mutual better understanding of one another, or to "follow after the things that make for peace," Rom. 14:19. More favorable action being rendered impossible by the failure of the one side to represent itself, the following action was reluctantly taken:

RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS the Lykens Valley Charge is too laborious to be served acceptably by one pastor, and Conference has recommended a division "as soon as possible", and

WHEREAS the congregations confess their ability to support two pastors, and

WHEREAS there has of late been wanting between the congregations that spirit of harmony and co-operation so necessary in christian work, therefore,

RESOLVED, First: That the Lykens Valley Charge be dissolved, and that Simeon's, Salem's, Zion's and St. Jacob's congregations hereafter constitute one Parish.

RESOLVED, Second: That this division go into effect Jan. 1, 1895, subject to the approval of Conference.

RESOLVED, Third: That the trustees of the five congregations be charged with the duty of advertising the parsonage property, and selling the same to the highest bidder, at public sale, as soon as possible, distribution to be made in proportion to the shares held by the several congregations, at once after payment is made, and possession to be given Apr. 1, 1895.

Organization of the new Charge was deferred until Dec. 3rd, in the hope that after all there might be a change of sentiment by that time. But on that day the four congregations received and accepted the pastor's resignation, organized themselves under the name of the former Charge, viz. The Lykens Valley Charge. With Mr. John H. Bonawitz in the chair, Mr. Isaac Swab was elected Secretary, and Mr. John Snyder, Treasurer. The preaching appointments in each of the congregations were fixed, the pastor's salary decided on and apportioned to the congregations, and steps were taken towards securing a pastor.

Thus ends the last chapter of the history of the Lykens Valley Charge as it was constituted for many years. There is a peculiar sense of regret and pain with all who are involved, but partings often bring pain. Let all differences now be eternally buried in oblivion let us be brothers indeed, and pray that the Great Head of the church may overrule what seems evil now for ultimate good.

RESIGNATION.

In order that the action of the Joint Councils could be carried out,

your pastor tendered his resignation Dec. 3, going into effect Jan. 1, 1895. The fact that circumstances required it, did not obviate the pang of separation any more than the necessity of application of the surgeon's knife allays the pain. The pastoral relation is a very tender one, and when it is mutually as cordial as it should be, a separation must bring with it regrets and heart-aches.

The faithful pastor stands by his flock in joy and sorrow. He enters the homes at happy family reunions as well as at the ringing of the Marriage Bells, and surrounds the festal board with them. He likewise visits them in sickness, offers prayers from their bedsides, and speaks comfort at the bier and the grave. He introduces the little lambs into the covenant of grace by Holy Baptism, and after instructing them, receives them in solemn Confirmation by laying on of hands and the extending of the right hand of fellowship. He dispenses from Sunday to Sunday the bread of life and the Holy Sacrament.

The burdens of his holy calling are sweetened and lightened by words of appreciation, and yet more by deeds of kindness and gifts of love. This largely has been the happy relation between us and the members of these five congregations whom we have tried to serve with faithfulness to the Master for the past five years and one-half. This is the relation that is now to be severed. But true love never dies, and although the relation of pastor must be severed with many of you, our love need not grow cold. As true children of God, we continue forever one in the Lord, and it is our prayer that our common Lord may raise up other pastors to minister to all his people according to his own good pleasure.

SUMMARIES.

July 1, 1889 to Jan. 1, 1895.



Statistics are of more than trivial or temporary interest, hence at the close of this pastorate we desire to record the following facts. The pastorate continued for a period of five and a half years, and during it your pastor brought 295 infants to Christ in Holy Baptism, after instruction in the Word of God and the doctrines of our Evangelical Lutheran Church, he received by Adult Baptism and the Rite of Confirmation 211 young persons into communion with our congregations, comforted the bereaved at 151 funerals, solemnized 69 weddings, preached 807 sermons, besides numerous addresses, dispensed the Holy Supper to 5984 guests, made 1458 visits to the aged, sick and others, and in order to meet all these appointments traveled by private conveyance upwards of 11135 miles. Appended is the distribution among the congregations of baptisms, confirmations and funerals:

	Baptisms.	Confirmations.	Funerals.
ST. JOHN'S,	93	67	45
SIMEON'S,	87	49	36
SALEM'S,	53	48	24
ZION'S,	23	22	8
ST. JACOB'S,	39	25	17
OUTSIDE OF CHARGE,			21
	295	211	151

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.

RECEIPTS.

	89-'90	'90-'91	'91-'92	'92-'93	'93-'94	'94*	TOTALS.
St. John's,	\$151 94	\$73 23	\$ 165 75	\$ 175 91	\$ 117 58	\$ 88 73	\$ 773 14
Simeon's,	104 73	45 24	96 00	70 54	73 25	57 17	446 93
Salem's,	45 51	36 24	61 69	70 72	56 04	37 67	307 87
Zion's,	24 20	45 08	32 53	37 09	31 05	20 52	190 47
St. Jacob's,	18 42	60 31	32 03	30 55	19 74	17 75	178 80
Mission Festivals,					57 61	42 46	100 07
Per. Contributions,				25 00			25 00
Totals,	344 80	260 10	388 00	409 81	355 27	264 30	2022 28

DISBURSEMENTS.

Gen. Synod'l Fund,	110 00	108 65	189 00	189 00	189 00	169 30	954 95
G. C. H. Missions,	74 16	00	70 00	70 00	80 00	80 00	429 16
Theolo'l Seminary,	123 90	96 45		15 00	5 00		240 35
Muhlenb'g College,			94 00	111 81	44 19		250 00
Orphans' Home,	6 74			24 00	10 00	15 00	55 74
Miscellaneous,	30 00		35 00		27 08		92 08
Totals,	344 80	260 10	388 00	409 81	355 27	264 30	2022 28

* This column covers the six months, July 1, '94 to Jan. 1, '95.

BAPTISMS.

CHILD'S NAME.	PARENTS' NAMES.	DATE OF BIRTH.	DATE OF BAPTISM.
ST. JOHN'S.			
Joseph William.	Jno. F. and I. Grace Stover.	June, 3, '94.	July 1, '94.
Lawrence Vincent.	H. Thos. and Minnie U. Herman.	June, 4, '94.	July 22, '94.
Ralph Allen,	Allen F. and Agnes S. Koppenheffer.	Feb. 8, '94	Aug. 5, '94.
Homer Allen,	Geo. W. and Katie A. Erdman.	Jan. 16, '94.	Oct. 13, '94.
Annie Elizabeth,	Cornelius N. and Katie Miller.	Sept. 27, '94.	Oct. 29, '94.
Harry Milton,	Grant M. and M. Amelia Hartman.	Apr. 28, '94.	Nov. 24, '94.
Harry Cornelius.	Elmer E. and Sallie A. Hartman.	Nov. 26, '94.	Dec. 6, '94.
SIMEON'S.			
Claud Elsworth,	Jas. M. and Jennie A. Kissinger.	Apr. 17, '94.	July 31, '94.
Elda Luella,	Chas. M. and Lizzie Bleiler.	Mar. 1, '94.	Aug. 5, '94.
Ralph Ezra,	Milton and Louisa Daniel.	July 25, '94.	Sept. 16, '94.
Clayton John,	John F. and Jennie C. Good.	Sept. 26, '94.	Oct. 14, '94.
Flossie Elmira,	Jacob and Catharine Willierd.	Oct. 30, '94.	Dec. 23, '94.
SALEM'S.			
Sadie May,	Geo. M. and Annie S. Kerstetter.	July 11, '94.	July 13, '94.
Susan Anna,	Jas. M. and Laura A. Messersmith.	July 17, '94.	Oct. 30, '94.
Ralph Homer,	Henry E. and Harriet A. Zaring.	Oct. 18, '94.	Nov. 6, '94.
Ralph Luther,	Harvey A. and Sarah Lehman.	Aug. 27, '94.	Nov. 18, '94.
Howard LeRoy,	Harry H. and Josephine Weaver.	May 30, '94.	Dec. 26, '94.
ZION'S.			
Maud May,	Isaac and Caroline Row.	May 11, '94.	Aug. 3, '94.
Minnie Irene,	Ephraim E. and Nora C. Jury.	May 10, '94.	Aug. 11, '94.
ST. JACOB'S.			
Susan Grace,	Jesse W. and Carrie A. McNeal.	Mar. 17, '94.	July 1, '94.
Charles Stephen,	Theodore and Ida A. Shartzter.	Mar. 10, '93.	July 29, '94.
Annie Elmira,	Simon and Elmira Snyder.	July 31, '93.	Aug. 1, '94.

CONFIRMATIONS.

St. Jacob's, Nov. 18, '94.
 Edwin E. Bender,
 Ammon L. Miller,
 Edwin W. Miller,
 Eddie L. Miller,
 Elmer F. Warfel,
 Ira C. Warfel,
 ADULT BAPTISM,—Theodore Shartzter.

MARRIAGES.

JULY 28, '94. Franklin B. Novinger, Rife, Pa. Annie M. Lenker, Rife, Pa.	SEPT. 8, '94. Edward E. Harner, Elizabethville, Pa. Clara E. Romberger, Berrysburg, Pa.
AUG. 4, '94. Milton A. Hartman, Gratz, Pa. Sallie J. Riegle, " "	NOV. 13, '94. William H. Schoffstall, Berrysburg, Pa. Miranda Zerfing, Sunbury, Pa.
AUG. 11, '94. John E. Matter, Berrysburg, Pa. Annie Nora Jury, Curtin, Pa.	NOV. 18, '94. Geo. W. Hoffman, Gratz, Pa. Jennie M. Ritzman, Gratz, Pa.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.

July 1, 1894 to January 1, 1895.

RECEIPTS.

St. John's	Sept. 2, '94.	Harvest Home,	General Fund,	\$ 44.05	
	Oct. 28, '94.	Communion,	" "	25.90	
	Nov. 11, '94.	Children's Day,	G. C. H. Missions,	18.78	\$ 88.73
Simeon's	Aug. 19, '94.	Harvest Home,	General Fund,	35.76	
	Oct. 14, '94.	Communion,	" "	16.41	
	Dec. 25, '94.	S. S. Xmas Offering,	Orphans' Home,	5.00	57.17
Salem's	Aug. 26, '94.	Harvest Home,	General Fund,	15.80	
	Nov. 4, '94.	Children's Day,	G. C. H. Missions,	21.87	37.67
Zion's	Sept. 9, '94.	Harvest Home,	General Fund,	12.28	
	Oct. 7, '94.	Communion,	" "	8.24	20.52
St. Jacob's	Aug. 26, '94.	Harvest Home,	General Fund,	8.55	
	Nov. 18, '94.	Communion,	" "	9.20	17.75
Mis. Fest'l			Missions.		42.46

DISBURSEMENTS.

Synodical Apportionment:		
General Fund, [on account].....	\$ 130 30	169.30
Foreign Missions.....	39 00	
Home Mission Apportionment:		
English Missions.....	55 00	80.00
German Missions.....	25 00	
Orphans' Home,.....	15 00	264.30

FUNERALS.

ST. JOHN'S.

SWAB.—Catharine, daughter of Daniel Koppenheffer and his wife Fannie, was born Jan. 26, 1849, in Washington township, Dauphin Co., Pa. Baptized in infancy, she was later in life received by Confirmation as a member of the Evan. Lutheran Church. She was united in Holy Matrimony with Philip C. Swab by Rev. Bressler, and this union was blessed with 5 children, (2 daughters and 3 sons) of whom 2 sons preceded her to eternity. The husband with 2 daughters and 1 son remain to mourn their loss. She died of cancer, after a lingering illness, July 31, 1894, aged 45 yrs. 5mos. 28 das.

LOUDERMICH.—Ellen Elizabeth, daughter of Henry Loudermilch and his wife Lillie C. (Snodgrass), was born Oct. 25, 1885, in Mifflin twp., Dauphin Co., Pa. She was baptized Mar. 14, 1886 by Rev. Jos. Hillpot, the parents appearing as sponsors, and died of Inflammation of the Bowels, Sept. 14, 1894, aged 8yrs. 10mos. 19 das. Burial took place in the cemetery of Fetterhoff's church.

MILLERS.—Hazel Marie, infant daughter of Charles L. Miller and his wife Sallie A. (Metz) was born at Phila. Aug. 3, 1894, was baptized Sept. 26, by Rev. T. L. Crouse, and died at Harrisburg, Sept. 28, 1894, of Anaemia, aged 1 mo. 25 das.

CLARK.—Elizabeth, a daughter of Henry Metz and his wife Anna Maria (Weber), was born Apr. 10, 1840, in Mifflin Twp., Dauphin Co., Pa., and was baptized June 5, 1840 by Rev. J. P. Schindel, the parents appearing as sponsors. On Apr. 27, 1856, she was confirmed by Rev. F. Waltz as a member of St. John's Evan. Lutheran congregation, of which congregation she remained a member to her end. She was married, Dec. 20, 1863, by Rev. David Moyer with Samuel B. Clark who remains to mourn her departure. The fruit of this union was one son who died in infancy. She died very

suddenly of hemorrhage of the lungs, Sept. 29, 1894, aged 54 yrs. 3 mos. 24das.

TSCHOOP.—Anna Margareta, daughter of Frederick Tschopp and his wife Anna Maria (Schneider), was born Mar. 7, 1832, in Lower Mahanoy Twp., Northumberland Co., Pa. She was baptized May, 13 of the same year by Rev. Isaac Gerhart, John Schneider and Miss Lydia Lauer appearing as sponsors, and was confirmed a member of the Stone Valley Reformed congregation July 7, 1849, by Rev. John A. Leisz. She died in the home of Geo. Romberger, where she had lived for more than 20 years, of dropsy, Oct. 17, 1894, aged 62 yrs. 7 mos. 10 das.

WERT.—Elizabeth, a daughter of Jno. Herman and his wife Maria (Bordner), was born Dec. 5, 1813, in Mifflin Twp., Dauphin Co., Pa. She was Baptized by Rev. J. P. Schindel, William Bordner appearing as Sponsor, and was Confirmed by the same pastor, in the year 1830, as a member of St. John's Evan. Luth. congregation, of which congregation she was a faithful member till her departure. July 13, 1834, she was married by Rev. J. N. Hemping, with Henry Wert, who preceded her to eternity 13 years ago. The fruit of this union was 3 daughters, of whom 2 preceded their mother to the grave. She survived the birth of 17 grand-children and 8 great-grand-children, and died of heart failure, Oct. 26, 1894, aged 80 yrs. 10 mos. 21 das.

BEISEL.—Franklin, a son of William Beisel and his wife Maria (Brosius), was born Sept. 2, 1856, in Upper Mahanoy Twp., North'd Co., Pa. He was baptized on the 28 of his birth month by Rev. A. Bergner, the parents being the sponsors. He was confirmed a member of St. John's Evan. Lutheran Church, Apr. 26, 1873, by Rev. Thos. Steck, and was united in Holy Marriage with Adaline E. Romberger, May 5, 1877, by Rev. W. G. Engle. The fruit of this union was 3 sons and 4 daughters, all of whom except one daughter remain with their mother to mourn their loss. He died of brain disease, Nov. 4, 1894, aged 38 yrs. 2 mos. 2 das. Burial took place in the cemetery of Hoffman's Reformed Church.

SIMEON'S.

KISSINGER.—Edna May, infant daughter of John H. Kissinger and his wife Alice C. (Umholtz), was born at Gratz, Pa., Dec. 30, 1893. She was baptized Mar. 11, 1894 by Rev. Jno. J. Stauffer, the mother appearing as sponsor, and died of Cholera Infantum, July 29, 1894, aged 6 mos. 29 das.

HARTMAN.—John, a son of Henry Hartman and his wife Magdaline (Shoffstall), was born in Lykens Twp., Dauphin Co., Pa., Apr. 15, 1819. He was confirmed as a member of the Lutheran Church by Rev. J. P. Schindel, and united in marriage with Mary Ritzman who survives him. This union was blessed with 8 children of whom 4 sons and 1 daughter survive. He died of dropsy Aug. 1, 1894, aged 75 yrs. 3 mos. 16 das.

PHILIPS.—Lydia Ann, a daughter of Jacob Hepler and his wife Hannah, was born Mar. 20, 1843. Baptized in infancy, she afterwards became a member of the Evangelical Church, and remained such to her end. She was married Feb. 14, 1875, with John Philips, who, with one daughter, the fruit of this union, remains to mourn her death. Two sons preceded her to eternity. She died of Typhoid Pneumonia Oct. 13, 1894, aged 51 yrs. 6 mos. 23 das.

WELKER.—Elizabeth, a daughter of Peter Schreffler and wife Elizabeth (Kreitzer), was born May 10, 1835, in Upper Mahantargo Twp., Schuylkill Co., Pa. She was baptized by Rev. J. N. Hemping, July 8, 1835, Michael Paul and his wife Elizabeth appearing as sponsors. Later in life she was received by Confirmation as a member of the Lutheran church. Oct. 26, 1852, she was united in Holy Marriage by Rev. Jno. A. Leisz with William Welker, which union was blessed with 7 sons and 3 daughters of whom a son and a daughter with their father preceded her to eternity. She died of Typhoid Fever, Dec. 18, 1894, aged 59 yrs. 7 mos. 8 das.

SALEM'S.

WEBNER.—Henry William, a son of John Theodore Webner and his wife

Christina (Heiser), was born Jan. 7, 1820 in Blum Twp., Columbia Co., Pa. He was baptized Mar. 20, 1820, by Rev. Peter Kessler, Henry Heiser appearing as sponsor. He was received by Confirmation, May 12, 1838, as a member of the Lutheran Church at St. John's church, Mifflin Twp., by Rev. J. P. Schindel. Nov. 3, 1840, he was united in marriage by Rev. J. N. Hemping, with Rachael Enterline, who preceded him to eternity in 1865. This union was blessed with nine children, of whom 4 (two sons and two daughters) remain. He survived the birth of twenty-two grand children and three great grand children, and died of the infirmities of old age, July 26, '94, aged 74 yrs. 6 mos. 19 das.

HARNER.—Frederick D., a son of Frederick Harner and his wife Mary (Schurr) was born June 19, 1816, in Pine Grove, Schuylkill Co., Pa. Having been baptized in infancy, he was later confirmed a member of the Luth. Church by Rev. Stoever at Gratz, Pa. He was married, Aug. 13, 1840, with Rebecca Hoffman, which union was blessed with eight sons and 4 daughters, of whom two sons and one daughter, together with their mother, preceded him to eternity. He died of Pneumonia and the infirmities of age, Nov. 10, 1894, aged 78 yrs. 4 mos. 21 das. Burial in the cemetery of Matter's U. B. Church.

KILLINGER.

SCHAEFFER.—Elizabeth, a daughter of Michael Holtzman and his wife Elizabeth (Novinger), was born Nov. 19, 1833, in what was then Mifflin, now Washington, Twp., Dauphin Co., Pa. She was brought to the Lord in Holy Baptism Feb. 9, 1834, administered by Rev. J. P. Schindel, the sponsors being Michael Enterline and Julia Romberger. She was confirmed as a member of Zion's Evan. Lutheran congregation at Rife by Rev. N. Yeager, May 15, 1852, and married, Dec. 25, 1860, by Rev. F. Waltz with J. Geo. Schaeffer, who with 1 son and 2 daughters remains to mourn her departure. One son preceded his parents to eternity. She died suddenly of heart disease, Aug 5, 1894, aged 60 yrs. 8 mos. 16 das.

CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.



The following are the appointments for services in the respective congregations as adopted at the joint meeting of Councils, Dec 3, 1894.

1895		Simeon's. [Gratz]	Salem's. (E'ville)	Zion's. [Rife]	St. Jacob's. (Centre View)
Jan.	6.	10 A. M. Ger.	6:30 P. M. Eng.		
"	13			2 p. m. Eng.	10 a. m. Ger.
"	20	10 A. M. Eng.	6:30 P. M. Eng.		
"	27		10 A. M. Ger.	2 p. m. Ger.	
Feb.	3	10 A. M. Ger.	6:30 P. M. Eng.		
"	10			10 a. m. Ger.	2 p. m. Ger.
"	17	10 A. M. Ger.	7 P. M. Eng.		
"	24		10 A. M. Eng.		2 p. m. Ger.
Mar.	3	10 A. M. Eng.	7 P. M. Eng.		
"	10			2 p. m. Eng.	10 a. m. Ger.
"	17	10 A. M. Ger.	7 P. M. Eng.		
"	24		10 A. M. Ger.	2 p. m. Ger.	
"	31	10 A. M. Ger.	7 P. M. Eng.		
April	6			2 p. m.	*
"	7			9:30 a.m. Ger†	2:30 p.m. Ger.
"	13	2 P. M.	*		
"	14	10 A. M. Eng.†	7:30 P. M. Eng.		
"	20		7:30 P. M.	*	
"	21		9:30 A. M. Eng.†		2:30 p.m. Ger.
"	28	10 A. M. Ger.	7:30 P. M. Eng.		
May	4				2 p. m.
"	5			2:30 p.m. Eng.	9:30 a.m. Ger†
"	12	10 A. M. Ger.	7:30 P. M. Eng.		
"	19		10 A. M. Ger.	2 p. m. Ger.	
"	26	10 A. M. Eng.	7:30 P. M. Eng.		
June	2			10 a. m. Ger.	2 p. m. Ger.
"	9†	Vacant.	Vacant.		
"	16		10 a. m. Eng.		2 p. m. Ger.
"	23	10 A. M. Ger.	7:30 p.m. Eng.		
"	30			2 p. m. Eng.	10 a. m. Ger.

* Preparatory Services.

† Communion Services.

‡ Synod will be in session.

