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THE EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY

Of the Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes was held in St. Thomas’ Church, New York, on Sunday, February 27th, 1881, at 3.30 P. M. The service was read by the Rev. Dr. Morgan and the Rev. Mr. Mackay-Smith, and interpreted for the deaf-mutes, who formed a part of the large congregation, by the Rev. Dr. Gallaudet and the Rev. Mr. Chamberlain. The Rev. Dr. Morgan, in a short address of welcome, commended the objects of the Society, and gave it a hearty God-speed in its future work. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Mackay-Smith, from Acts xx, 35, “Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, it is more blessed to give than to receive.” Rev. Dr. Gallaudet gave a synopsis of the Eighth Annual Report. The offerings amounted to $290. The Bishop of the Diocese presided, and gave the benediction.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Offerings in aid of “The Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes” will be most appropriately made on the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, September 4th, 1881, as the Gospel for that day recites the healing of the deaf and dumb man by our Saviour.

The donation of one hundred dollars at one time makes the donor eligible for election as a life member of this Society.

If preferred, donations can be specially made for the Home. Legacies can be left to “The Church Missions to Deaf-Mutes,” in trust for the Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-Mutes. The Building Fund amounts to $6,324.66.

The Ferguson Memorial Fund of $1,000 is the beginning of an endowment for the Home.

Deaf-mutes throughout the country are requested to make weekly savings for “The Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes.” Such savings might be sent to some responsible person or persons in each State, to constitute funds which would by and by support aged and infirm deaf-mutes in the Home.
All persons who can employ deaf-mute men or women are requested to communicate with the General Manager, Rev. Dr. Gallaudet, No. 9 West Eighteenth Street, New York.

The Manhattan Literary Association of Deaf-Mutes meets in the Sunday-school room of St. Ann's Church on Thursday evenings at 7.30.

A Bible-class for deaf-mutes meets in the Bible-class room of St. Ann's Church on Tuesday evenings at 7.30.

There are services for deaf-mutes in St. Ann's Church on Sundays at 2.45 P. M., and frequent interpretations at other services.

Mr. James Lewis is authorized to act as collector for "The Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes," and is commended to those upon whom he calls.

THE EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE
Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes.

It is with hearts full of gratitude to the divine Master who has so graciously opened the ways before us, that we report the work of another year in the execution of the important trust committed to us. As we have sincerely endeavored to follow the leadings of the providence of Him who looks with tender mercy upon human imperfections, we humbly trust that our labors have His approval, and that our report of them will meet the approbation of those, our fellow-men, whose representatives we are in these matters.

Our financial condition has not improved as we hoped it would. We shall not attempt to point out an adequate reason for this. Our ministries have probably reached directly more than 2,500 deaf-mutes, and incidentally many more. An income of $10,000 would have met our current expenses, and also covered our outstanding indebtedness. We venture to affirm that no congregation of equal numbers in the land pays a less sum for its religious privileges, and that no charitable association whose beneficiaries are so numerous and so widely scattered can successfully prosecute its work with a smaller income. The needs of those we aim to benefit are peculiar, and to meet those needs effectively requires unusual appliances. The deaf and dumb are not paupers in larger percentage than are hearing people, so the force of our appeal does not lie in that direction; yet the most of them are in such circumstances of life that it is necessary for them to earn their own living. They face that necessity cheerfully, and are competent to grapple with it successfully, if only opportunity to work be afforded them; but owing to their lack of hearing, and the consequent necessity of
communicating with them by writing or by manual signs, hearing people are not inclined at first to employ them, and so there is very often need of some one to urge their applications and thus secure them situations in which to exercise their ability and maintain themselves. Such assistance we endeavor to give. Of still more importance is the fact that the ordinary ministrations of religion do not effectively reach them as a class; nor are they in any community numerous and wealthy enough to provide themselves with the regular ministrations of clergymen who are able to communicate religious teaching to them by the means which are most satisfactory—so our multiplication of religious services, and provision for administration of the Sacraments, and solemnization of other rites in their own sign language, must tend very positively to the benefit of those who come within the reach of these ministries. It is becoming more and more recognized by people of different religious affiliations that the Prayer Book which is used in these ministrations is admirably adapted to enable deaf-mutes, after a little explanation, to attend with much edification the services of hearing congregations where the Prayer Book is used. These and other such considerations, it seems to us, constitute a very strong plea to Christian philanthropy on behalf of our work. Why that plea meets a meager response we are at a loss to understand.

We are accustomed to ask for especial remembrance in the churches on the 12th Sunday after Trinity because the Gospel for that day is a natural reminder of our work. Although this year our General Manager had previously issued a special appeal, our receipts from the offerings of that day have been less than last year. We are sincerely grateful to all who have aided us by their contributions, and trust that our work may continue to be deemed worthy of their fostering generosity.

We received from the City of New York, through the Commissioners of Estimates and Apportionment, $200. This was given us only for the benefit of our Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-Mutes, and so was applied directly in support of the Home, as was also the interest, $50, of the Ferguson Memorial Fund.

Our close and amicable relations with St. Ann's Parish, New York City, continue as heretofore. It has thus far seemed best that our General Manager and his assistant should receive part of their salaries from St. Ann's and divide their labors between

that Parish and our Mission—the two corporations considering that arrangement mutually advantageous. If a change in that order of things should at some future time be found desirable, it can doubtless be readily brought about.

The names of the laborers in Church work among deaf-mutes during the past year are given in the following list:

The Rev. Thomas Gallaudet, D.D., our General Manager, and also Rector of St. Ann's Church for Deaf-Mutes, New York City.


The Rev. Thomas B. Berry, Rector of Calvary Church, Sioux Falls, Dakota Territory.

The Rev. John Chamberlain, our Assistant Manager, and also Assistant Minister of St. Ann's Church, New York City.


The Rev. Austin W. Mann, residing in Cleveland, Ohio, and itinerating extensively through various dioceses in the Western States.

The Rev. Job Turner, belonging to the Diocese of Virginia, and itinerating in that and several other dioceses in the Southern States.

Mr. John C. Acker, lay-reader for deaf-mutes in St. Luke's Church, Rochester, N. Y., counseled and aided by Mr. Edward P. Hart, a professor in the W. N. Y. Institution for Deaf-Mutes in that city.

Mr. R. D. Beers, lay-reader for deaf-mutes in St. Paul's Church, Bridgeport, Conn.

Mr. James Lewis, our City Missionary and Collector, often serving as lay-reader in New York City and vicinity.

Mr. James S. Wells, teacher in the Maryland Institution for Colored Blind and Deaf-Mutes in Baltimore, Maryland, and lay-reader for deaf-mutes in Grace Church in that city.

Mr. R. P. McGregor, Principal of the Day School for Deaf-
Mutes in Cincinnati, Ohio, and lay-reader for deaf-mutes in St. John's Church in that city.

Mr. Delos A. Simpson, Principal of the Day School for Deaf-Mutes in St. Louis, Missouri, and lay-reader for deaf-mutes in Christ Church in that city.

Mr. Wm. Bailey, of Beverly, Mass., often serving as lay-reader in Boston and vicinity.

Mr. E. P. Holmes, of Nebraska City, Neb.

Mrs. Gould, who conducts a Bible-class for deaf mutes in St. Paul's Church, Troy, New York.

These laborers do not all receive salaries from our Treasury, but their work is in entire harmony with ours, having been commenced in accordance with the advice or under the direction of our General Manager, and still continuing to call upon him for more or less of counsel and supervision.

In January he was called upon to visit Richmond, Virginia, to assist at the ordination to the Diaconate of Mr. Job Turner, our Missionary in the South. In May and June he made an extensive tour with the Rev. A. W. Mann, our Missionary in the West, going as far as Sioux Falls, Dakota, and, we trust, materially strengthening the work in that direction. On the 14th of August he sailed for Europe to attend the International Conference of Instructors of the Deaf and Dumb, and to visit various European schools for deaf-mutes, and to seek a little relaxation, well earned by the unremitting labors of many years. The kindness of friends who provided him with pecuniary means, made it possible for him to do this. We earnestly pray that God may direct and defend him in all his ways, and make his journeyings not only pleasant but also instructive and invigorating, and in due time restore him safely to his home. He hopes to return near the end of December.

Our Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-Mutes, at No. 220 East Thirteenth St., New York City, has had eleven inmates during the most of the year. It remains as heretofore under the wise, motherly care of Miss Jane Middleton. She makes this truly a labor of love, asking for no pecuniary compensation. We desire here to express our high appreciation of her earnest, self-denying, and persistent zeal in this work, and to tender to her our hearty thanks for all her faithfulness. We owe also to Mark H. Williams, M. D., a large debt of gratitude for another year's professional attendance upon the inmates, promptly and kindly rendered without charge. To all other friends who have in various ways given special aid and encouragement to our work at the Home, we return sincere thanks.

At our stated meeting in April we decided, in view of the past history of the Home and its Building Fund, while retaining the present inmates as heretofore, to restrict the privileges of the Home for the future to graduates of the schools of the State of New York, or actual residents of this State, and to those from other States in whose behalf the sum of two hundred dollars shall be annually paid. We at the same time authorized the Committee on the Building Fund to solicit subscriptions in the State of New York to the amount of twenty-four thousand dollars, to be added to the sum already in the Treasury, and all to be devoted to the purchase of a farm and the erection of buildings for the purpose of a permanent Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-Mutes, and also to furnish temporary employment and maintenance for other needy deaf-mutes, in accordance with the above restrictions.

The following Minute was adopted at our October meeting:

On the 6th of October, 1880, died in the City of New York, in the seventy-ninth year of his age, Samuel Verplanck Hoffman, for eight years an active member of the Board of Trustees of the Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes, and one of its most honored life members.

Mr. Hoffman was a man of clear intellect, unbiased judgment, and careful and considerate method. As such, his co-operation in the undertakings of the Mission, and his cordial assent to the measures it has adopted, have materially strengthened its hold upon public confidence, and it is with the deepest sense of bereavement that we record the termination of his association with us.

A man of wealth, leisure, refinement, and singular urbanity of manner, he enjoyed a social position of much more than ordinary prominence; while his conscientious discharge of Christian duty, his unwavering attachment to the Church of Christ, and his active labors in the cause of benevolence, endeared him to those who appreciate obedience to the law of love.

In the welfare of deaf-mutes he manifested a peculiar interest, an interest which was not confined to those of adult age, but extended to children and youth. For years he had been a valued member of the Board of Directors of the New York Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb, and had contributed not a little to the wise and liberal
policy which has given it such prominence in its special field. In him the silent ones of earth have lost a friend and benefactor.

In the death of Rev. William Rudder, D.D., Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia, which occurred in January, we parted with a kind, sympathizing, untiring friend, who for many years had shown the deepest interest in all efforts to ameliorate the condition of deaf-mutes.

In concluding our Report we ask that the peculiar work to which it refers may receive the sympathy, prayers, and support of all who desire to promote the temporal and spiritual welfare of the deaf-mutes of our country.

New York, October 27, 1880.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER
TO THE TRUSTEES
OF THE
Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes,
FOR THE QUARTER ENDING JAN. 28, 1880.

Sunday, November 2d.—In St. Ann's, at the 2.45 P. M. service, I baptized the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Campbell, deaf-mutes.

Wednesday and Thursday, 5th and 6th.—I was in Boston and Beverly, trying to help on the New England Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes in the latter place. In Boston I called on the State authorities at the Capitol.

Friday, 6th.—I reached home and spent a great portion of the day in correspondence for our Society.

Monday, 10th.—I spent most of the day at the Institution for Deaf-Mutes and attended a meeting of the Committee of Instruction.

Tuesday, 11th.—In the evening at Trinity Mission Chapel, Newark, New Jersey, Rev. Dr. Pennell and I held a combined service. Several deaf-mutes were present.

Sunday, 16th.—The 7th Anniversary of our Society was held in St. Ann's Church, at 7.30 P. M. I interpreted the service and gave some extracts from the Report. Dr. I. L. Peet interpreted for me. Bishop Huntington preached the sermon and Bishop Potter presided.

Wednesday, 19th.—At 2 P. M., in St. Ann's Church, I married Mr. Ould and Miss Boughton, deaf-mutes. I afterwards had an opportunity to examine the "Audiphone," a newly invented article to assist the deaf in hearing.

Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, 20th, 21st, and 22d.—I spent considerable time at our Home, which was open for the Annual Reception and Sale.

Sunday, 23d.—In the afternoon and evening I was at Christ Church, Williamsburg, trying to help on our work. Quite a number of deaf-mutes were present at the afternoon service.

Tuesday, 25th.—I attended the Reception in the Academy of Music in honor of the Bishop of New York, on the 25th Anniversary of his Consecration to the Episcopate. Most of our Church work among deaf-mutes has been done during his episcopate.
Thursday, 27th.—Thanksgiving Day. I interpreted at the services in St. Ann's.

Friday, 28th.—I sent the fruits and vegetables with which the altar and chancel at St. Ann's had been decorated for Thanksgiving Day, to our Home for the Aged and Infirm.

Tuesday, December 2d.—I made an address at the funeral of Prof. Jacob Van Nostrand, who had given his life to the instruction of deaf-mutes, having been principal of the Texas Institution for nineteen years and for the rest of the time a professor in the New York Institution.

Thursday, 4th.—At 3 P. M., near Clifton, Staten Island, I officiated at the funeral of the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Blakeman, deaf-mutes.

Monday, 8th.—I attended a meeting of the Committee of Instruction at the Institution for Deaf-Mutes, and in the evening a meeting of the Vestry of St. Ann's Church.

Tuesday, 9th.—I attended a monthly meeting of the Directors of the New York Institution for Deaf-Mutes, and in the evening was present at a social gathering of deaf-mutes at the residence of Messrs. Jewell & Lloyd, Washington Heights.

Friday and Saturday, 19th and 20th.—I was in Boston making preparations for Sunday services. I called on several of the clergy and others. I put notices in the papers. I saw several deaf-mutes.

Sunday, 21st.—At 10.30 A. M. I assisted Rev. George J. Prescott at the Church of the Good Shepherd; at 3.30 P. M. conducted a service for deaf-mutes in the Sunday-school room of St. Paul's Church; and at 7.30 P. M. assisted the Rev. Mr. Newton in a combined service at St. Paul's Church. After service I had a consultation with Rev. Mr. Newton as to the future. It seemed best, under all the circumstances, for our Mission to return to the Church of the Good Shepherd.

Tuesday, 23d.—On returning home I stopped to attend the semi-Centennial of the consecration of Christ Church, Hartford, where in my early life I received my first Church impressions, during the rectorship of the late Bishop Burgess. I also visited the American Asylum for Deaf-Mutes, founded by my father in April, 1817, and called upon Mrs. Clerc, one of the first graduates of this institution, the widow of my father's associate. As Hartford was my birthplace, many thoughts of past scenes came to my mind during the day.

Wednesday, 24th.—In the evening, at the Rectory, I married Mr. Rascoll and Miss Neiser, deaf-mutes.

Thursday, 25th.—I interpreted the Christmas services at St. Ann's for deaf-mutes. They took special pleasure in the gifts for the church, a brass cross for the altar and a black walnut eagle lectern.

Friday and Saturday, 26th and 27th.—I spent considerable time at the Essex Market Police Court and the Tombs and succeeded in restoring a boy, who had been led into bad company, to his parents, his mother being a deaf-mute.

Thursday, January 1, 1880.—Among the New Year's callers at the Rectory were quite a large number of deaf-mutes.
service at Trinity Church. A large number of pupils from the Institution were present. Rev. Mr. Turner addressed the deaf-mutes while I spoke to the other portion of the large congregation.

Wednesday, 21st.—Having had a delightful week with our friends in Staunton, we reached Winchester and were hospitably cared for by Rev. Dr. Wheat and family. In the evening we had a service in the interests of our work at Trinity Church, the Rector being unavoidably absent.

Thursday, 22d.—Rev. Dr. Meade and family received us very kindly in Charlestown, and in the evening we had a combined service at Zion Church.

Friday, 23d.—We reached Baltimore. We spent the day in visits at the Institution for Colored Blind and Deaf-Mutes in Saratoga St., and at the Institution for the Blind in the western suburbs of the city, near Charles St. We also called on several friends. I regretted not seeing Mr. Morrison, the principal of the two Institutions. He was absent from the city on business. I was much gratified with the success which Mr. James S. Wells had achieved as a teacher of colored deaf-mute children, and also as a lay-reader in the Mission to Deaf-Mutes connected with Grace Church, Rev. Dr. Leeds, Rector. In the evening Mr. Turner and I addressed a large company of our deaf-mute friends in one of the schoolrooms of the Institution with which Mr. Wells is connected. We then parted company—he to remain in Baltimore for the following Sunday and then to begin his Southern missionary journey, and I to take a steamer of the Bay Line to Norfolk, Va.

Saturday, 24th.—I arrived in Norfolk and was welcomed to his house by the Rev. Dr. Barten, Rector of Christ Church.

Sunday, 25th.—At 11 A.M. and 4.30 P.M., in Christ Church, I assisted Rev. Dr. Barten. In the evening we had a combined service, much to the gratification of the deaf-mutes who formed a part of the congregation.

Monday, 26th.—I reached Wilmington, N.C., where I remained about ten days, enjoying the hospitality of St. James' Parish Home. I was mostly occupied in matters pertaining to the Sisterhood of the Good Shepherd, New York, of which I am the Pastor. It has a branch work in St. James' Parish, Wilmington, Rev. Dr. Watson, Rector. On Sunday, Feb. 1st, a sister was received by Bishop Atkinson.

In addition to the work thus referred to in chronological order, I have during the quarter been constantly occupied in daily details connected with our Mission. When at home I am obliged to divide my time between the duties of St. Ann's Church and this Society. I am also interested in much of the general work of the Church. Wherever I am, I try to exercise an influence for the benefit of our great work among deaf-mutes. During the quarter, I have visited the Home as often as possible. I have obtained situations for deaf-mutes. I have been of service to parents and friends of deaf-mutes. I have conducted a large correspondence, and given counsel and advice on different occasions.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS GALLAUDET,

NEW YORK, Jan. 28th, 1880.

General Manager.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE CHURCH MISSION TO DEAF-MUTES,

FOR THE QUARTER ENDING APRIL 28, 1880.

Friday, February 6th.—I reached home from my Southern journey.

Sunday, 8th.—I was glad to take part in the service of St. Ann's Church once more. In the evening I went to the Institution for Deaf-Mutes and spent the night with Dr. Peet.

Monday, 9th.—I assisted at morning prayers in the chapel of the institution and prepared for a meeting of the Committee of Instruction. At 11 A.M., in St. Thomas' Church, I assisted Rev. Dr. Morgan at the funeral of Miss Sarah Lathrop. Her deaf-mute sister, Miss Cornelia, died in the Spring of 1852. My interest in the latter led to the founding of St. Ann's Church, which at length called into being our Society.

Tuesday, 10th.—I attended a monthly meeting of the Directors of the New York Institution for Deaf-Mutes.

Ash-Wednesday, 11th.—I interpreted for deaf-mutes at the services in St. Ann's Church.

Thursday, 12th.—In the evening I attended a meeting of the Manhattan Literary Association of Deaf-Mutes, and made them an address in relation to our Society and its different departments of work, explaining the way in which the Building Fund for the Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-Mutes was begun, and touching on other matters. There had been much misunderstanding which I desired to correct.

Saturday, 14th.—I went to Philadelphia, consulted with Rev. Mr. Syle, called at the Institution for Deaf-Mutes, and became the guest of my brother-in-law, Rev. H.C. Trumbull.

Sunday, 15th.—At 9 A.M., in St. Stephens' Church, Philadelphia, I administered the Holy Communion to about forty deaf-mutes. At 2.30 P.M. I conducted services for a large congregation, and afterward, in the Sunday-school room, made an address, explaining various things connected with our work. It was my first Sunday at St. Stephens' after the death of the Rector, Rev. William Rudder, and I was deeply affected at the great loss the Church and the Mission to Deaf-Mutes had sustained.

Monday, 16th.—I was of some service to deaf-mutes in Philadelphia during the forenoon, and in the afternoon I prepared an article on "Church Work Among Deaf-Mutes," which was subsequently published in the Sunday-School Times, with a very effective editorial notice by the editor, Rev. H.C. Trumbull.

Tuesday, 17th.—Having consulted with Mr. Cleeman, Senior Warden of St. Stephens' Church, Philadelphia, in relation to Church work among deaf-mutes, I took the 2 P.M. train for New York.

Wednesday, 18th.—At 8 P.M., in the Church of the Heavenly Rest, Rev. Dr. Howland, Rector, I made an address in relation to the work of our Society, and the offerings of the congregation were received for our support.
Thursday, 19th.—At 4.30 P. M. I married Mr. Thorpe, a semi-mute, of Cincinnati, and Miss Monroe.

Sunday, 22d.—At 4 P. M., at St. Ann's, I baptized a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burgess, deaf-mutes.

Tuesday, 24th.—I had the pleasure of aiding Mr. C. S. Newell, one of our Trustees, in some business matters pertaining to the "Napkorn Poultry Yards," which Mr. H. J. Haight and he have established in Goshen, N. Y.

Sunday, 29th.—By invitation of Rev. Dr. Weston, I spoke of our work in St. John's Chapel at the 10.30 A.M. service. Several deaf-mutes were present for whom I interpreted. A portion of the offerings was appropriated to the support of our work.

Monday, March 8th.—In the forenoon I was at the Institution for Deaf-Mutes. At 4 P. M. Rev. Mr. Krans and I officiated at the funeral of Mrs. Jackson, widow of Mr. G. R. Jackson, who was for ten years Senior Warden of St. Ann's Church. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson took a special interest in deaf-mutes.

Tuesday, 9th.—Rev. Mr. Chamberlain being absent in work at Boston and Beverly, I took the Bible class for deaf-mutes in the evening.

Tuesday, 10th.—In the evening, at No. 135 East Third Street, I baptized a child of Mr. and Mrs. Reidel, deaf-mutes.

March 17th.—Mrs. Roberts, of Harlem, called to consult with me relative to a Sunday P. M. Bible class which she had begun in her house. I promised that she should be supplied with some Leaflets.

Palm Sunday, 21st.—After the services at St. Ann's I went to Williamsburg, where, in the evening, at Christ Church, the Rector, Rev. Mr. Partridge, and I had a combined service.

Monday before Easter, 23d.—In the evening, at St. Ann's, I interpreted the sermon of Rev. Dr. Howland.

Tuesday before Easter, 24th.—In the evening, at St. Ann's, I interpreted the sermon of Rev. Dr. Dix.

Wednesday before Easter, 25th.—In the evening, at St. Ann's, I interpreted the sermon of Rev. Dr. Cooke.

Thursday before Easter, 26th.—In the evening, at St. Ann's, I interpreted the sermon of Rev. Dr. Weston.

Good Friday, 28th.—At the services at St. Ann's I interpreted for deaf-mutes, and in the evening the sermon of Rev. Dr. Ryeland.

Easter-Even, 27th.—I was of service to several deaf-mutes.

Easter-Day, 28th.—Large numbers of deaf-mutes were in attendance upon the joyous services at St. Ann's throughout the day, and I was busy in interpreting for them. They took great pleasure in the Easter gifts to the Church and the floral decorations.

Friday, April 2d.—I met Mr. R. H. Atwood in Boston, and we called on several members of the Legislature and Gov. Long in relation to the Industrial School at Beverly. I spent the night at the Women's Reformatory in Sherburn, by invitation of Mrs. Atkinson. At the evening Chapel service I addressed the women about our work.

Sunday, 4th.—I conducted the services at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston. In the evening I interpreted the sermon of the Rev. Mr. Saltonstall. In the afternoon I attended the meeting of deaf-mutes in Essex St. Hall.

Monday, 5th.—I attended a meeting of the Trustees of the N. E. Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes in Beverly, Mass.

Sunday, 11th.—At 3 P. M., in the Chapel of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, the Rector, Rev. Dr. Schenck, read service, and I interpreted for deaf-mutes. I spoke of our work. An offering was made for our support.

Monday and Tuesday, 12th and 13th.—I attended to duties connected with the Institution for Deaf-Mutes.

Sunday, 18th.—At 3 P. M., Bishop Potter confirmed twenty-two persons at St. Ann's. Three of them were deaf-mutes.

Saturday, 24th.—In the evening I addressed the Troy Literary Club of Deaf-Mutes.

Sunday, 25th.—At 2.30 P. M., I conducted our quarterly service for deaf-mutes in St. Paul's Church, Albany.

Tuesday, 27th.—I visited the Central N. Y. Institute for Deaf-Mutes at Rome, and attended a quarterly meeting of the Trustees.

Wednesday, 28th.—I reached home and was very busy during the day, being of service to some deaf-mutes.

During the quarter ending to-night I have performed many things as your General Manager not noted in this diary, visiting the Home, attending some meetings of the Manhattan Literary Association, assisting the needy, obtaining work for some, appearing in one of the Police Courts to settle difficulties between a colored deaf-mute couple, advising some in practice, ever action the Trustees see fit to take.

I was disappointed at a decision in the Surrogate's Court, by which the legality of Mrs. Strecker's will was not to be settled till next September. I was in hopes that our legacy under that will might, with our present Building Fund (something more than $6,000), make enough to go on and purchase property for a permanent Home. It seems to me to be hardly advisable, under present circumstances, to do anything but to wait and strive for an increase of the Fund. I shall, however, be content with whatever action the Trustees see fit to take.

Humanly speaking, the great need of our Society is more money. Letters from workers all over the country show rapid progress in extending religious services among deaf-mutes.

Praying the Lord to show us His will, and give us grace to carry it into practice,

I am yours respectfully,

THOMAS GALLAUDET,

General Manager.
TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE CHURCH MISSION TO DEAF-MUTES.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER.

Friday, April 30th.—Rev. H. W. Syle called on me and we had a long consultation about his work among the deaf-mutes of Philadelphia. Methods were suggested for enlarging the Mission so as to embrace the diocese of Pennsylvania and adjoining dioceses.

Sunday, May 2d.—I was at St. Ann’s at all the services.

Thursday, 6th.—Ascension Day. I interpreted for deaf-mutes at the services in St. Ann’s Church. Rev. Dr. Shipman preached in the evening.

Friday, 7th.—I went to Philadelphia and consulted with the Committee which had been appointed by the Diocesan Convention of Pennsylvania to report upon the Mission to Deaf-Mutes. Rev. Dr. Harris was the Chairman. Rev. Mr. Syle was present. The Committee desired to report some method by which Rev. Mr. Syle could be supported in a more general way, giving a part of his time to St. Stephen’s Mission to Deaf-Mutes, and a part to deaf-mutes in other parts of the diocese.

Sunday, 9th.—Rev. Dr. Syle, recently from Japan, was with us at the 10.30 A. M. service in St. Ann’s. He made an address in relation to Japan and mission work which had been prosecuted in that country. I interpreted for deaf-mutes. At 2 P. M., in Jersey City and Greenwood Cemetery, I officiated at the funeral of the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dunlap.

Tuesday, 11th.—Being in Hartford, at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Society for the Increase of the Ministry, I called on Mrs. Clerc, the widow of Mr. Laurent Clerc, a class-mate of my mother in the Institute for Deaf-Mutes at Hartford. I offered prayer with her in the sign-language. A few days afterwards she gently fell asleep, in her 88th year.

Sunday, 16th.—I was present at all the services in St. Ann’s Church.

Monday, 17th.—In the evening the deaf-mutes visited the Academy of Design by invitation.

Tuesday, 18th.—I was present at a Confirmation service, held by Rt. Rev. Bishop Paddock, in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston, Rev. G. J. Prescott, Rector. I interpreted for several deaf-mutes in the congregation.

Wednesday and Thursday, 19th and 20th.—I was present at a fair in the Town Hall of Beverly, Mass., for the benefit of “The N. E. Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes” in that town. I acted as interpreter in various ways, and made two or three brief addresses.

Friday, 21st.—I called at the office of the Secretary of Public Instruction in the State House in Boston to try and help on the application of the school referred to above, for the adoption of its children as State pupils. On my way home Rev. Dr. Clerc was so kind as to meet me at the station in Hartford and give me some of the particulars of his mother’s death.

Sunday, 23d.—I was present at all the services in St. Ann’s Church, conducting the usual afternoon service for deaf-mutes.

Tuesday, 25th.—I attended the Conference of the Principals of the American Institutions for Deaf-Mutes, at the Clarke Institute in Northampton, Massachusetts. The sessions were continued till the following Friday afternoon. Very kind attentions were received from Miss Rogers, the principal, and the Trustees of the Institute, whose guests we were. It was a friendly conference in relation to many interesting points in the education of deaf-mutes, and much good was accomplished. Much to my surprise, I had the honor of presiding at the sessions of this Conference.

Saturday, 29th.—I reached Cleveland, Ohio, to begin with our co-worker, the Rev. A. W. Mann, a long missionary journey in the interests of our Society. The Sunday services were in Grace Church, Cleveland; Grace Church, Detroit; The Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour, Fairbault; St. Paul’s Church, St. Paul; St. James’ Church, Chicago. The week-day services were in St. Andrew’s Church, Elyria; St. Paul’s Church, Flint; Zion Church, Pontiac; Trinity Church, Monroe; St. Paul’s, Jackson; St. Luke’s, Kalamazoo; Calvary, Sioux Falls, D. T.; Gethsemane, Minneapolis; Christ Church, Red Wing; and Grace Church, Madison. In Cleveland we had the opportunity of addressing a missionary meeting of the Diocesan Convention. In Flint and in Fairbault we visited the State Institutions for Deaf-Mutes and held services in the chapels. At Pontiac I baptized the little daughter of a deaf-mute couple who had come twelve miles to attend the service. At Jackson I baptized a deaf-mute couple and their two children. In Madison we attended a Convention of the Wisconsin Alumni Association of Deaf-Mutes, held in the Assembly Chamber of the State House. In Chicago we attended a Saturday evening meeting of the Deaf-Mute Association. Rev. Mr. Mann made all the arrangements, conducting all the correspondence with the rectors. There was no drawback of any kind in the whole journey. I trust that, with God’s blessing, it will result in great good to our deaf-mute brethren, and to the strengthening of the kingdom of our blessed Lord.

Monday, June 28th.—I left Chicago at 9 A. M. Reached Hartford Tuesday night. Attended the Commencement of Trinity College on Thursday, July 1st, at which my son, Mr. Bern Budd Gallaudet, graduated, and arrived at St. Ann’s Rectory, New York, that night.

Sunday, July 4th.—I was glad to be at St. Ann’s again after my long absence.

Thursday, 8th.—Owing to the kindness of dear friends who provided the means, I was able to engage passage for Europe for myself and wife, by the Britannic, Captain Perry, White Star Line, sailing on Saturday, August 14th. The agent, Mr. Cortis, presented me with a free passage out and back. One object in going was to be present at the International Convention of Teachers of Deaf-Mutes, to be held in Milan on September 6th.

Friday, 9th.—Rev. Job Turner, of the Southern field, and Mr. Wm. B.
Swett, of the N. E. Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes in Beverly, called to consult with me. They said a few days at the Rectory.

Sunday, 11th.—Rev. Job Turner conducted the service for deaf-mutes at St. Ann's. I was at Trinity Church, Asbury Park, where I had the opportunity of making a short address in relation to our work.

Tuesday, 13th.—I attended the Annual Picnic of the Manhattan Literary Association of Deaf-Mutes. Upward of 300 deaf-mutes, with their hearing and speaking friends, made a company of 500 persons, who had a happy day.

Sunday, 19th.—At Bethesda Church, Saratoga Springs, I spoke of our work in the morning, held a service for deaf-mutes in the afternoon, and had a combined service in the evening.

Tuesday and Wednesday, 20th and 21st.—I made addresses at the evening missionary meetings of the Convention of Troy, in Trinity Church, Plattsburgh, and St. James' Church, Au Sable Forks.

Thursday, 23d.—I called to see the parents of a deaf-mute little girl in Au Sable Forks, and told them how to send her to the New York Institution.

Sunday, 25th.—I conducted the quarterly service for deaf-mutes in St. Paul's Church, Albany, at 2.30 P. M.

Wednesday, 28th.—I attended a picnic of deaf-mutes from Troy, Albany, Cohoes, and vicinity, at the residence of Mr. Vanderberg at Crescent.

Within a few weeks Mr. Geo. W. Schutt, a deaf-mute, of Saugerties, Ulster Co., N. Y., has begun to act as a lay reader, under my direction. He will itinerate in the dioceses of New York and Albany. I have visited our Home as often as possible and helped several deaf-mutes to find employment. The correspondence is increasing all the time.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS GALLAUDET,
General Manager.

New York, July 28, 1880.

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE CHURCH MISSION TO DEAF-MUTES.

HOTEL DU QUIRINAL, ROME.

Gentlemen: Please accept a brief report from your General Manager. I have not time to go very much into detail. I trust the meetings of the Trustees and of the Society will have quorums on Wednesday evening, the 27th of October, and that there will be encouragement to press on in the work which we have undertaken for the benefit of adult deaf-mutes. You all have an abiding place in my remembrance, and I long to see you again face to face. God bless you all. Please do what seems best as to making up the Annual Report and holding the Anniversary. If you think it will do to wait till I return, I may be able to add an appendix in relation to my European trip and give some additional interest to the Anniversary; but if you think it advisable to go right on without waiting for me, I shall be quite satisfied.

August 1st.—I was at St. Ann's, and held service for deaf-mutes in the afternoon.

August 8th.—At 3 P. M. I conducted a service for deaf-mutes in St. James' Church, Goshen, at which I baptized the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Haight. Rev. Mr. Grannis, Rector, being absent, I conducted the other services and spoke of our work. There was an offering for us.

Saturday, 14th.—Accompanied by my wife and Miss Walter, a graduate of the New York Institute for Deaf-Mutes, I sailed for Europe in the Britannic, of the White Star Line. Kind friends bid us God-speed, and we had a delightful voyage.

August 15th.—12th Sunday after Trinity. At the morning service in the dining saloon I spoke on the Gospel for the day, and on the following Tuesday I gave an address in relation to the sign-language, the education of deaf-mutes, and Church work. Our little party interested the whole ship's company. Captain Perry and Rev. Dr. Parker, of London, learned quite a number of our signs.

I visited three institutions for deaf-mutes in Dublin and one in Brussels. We came from London to the latter city by Dover and Calais. Passing from Brussels through Lake Lucerne, Pass St. Gothard and the Italian Lakes, we reached Milan on Saturday, Sept. 4th. The sessions of the International Convention of the Teachers of Deaf-Mutes began in a public hall on Monday, Sept. 6th, and continued through the week. I attended most of them. Dr. Peet and Dr. Stoddard of the New York Institute, Dr. E. M. Gallaudet and Prof. Denison of the Institute at Washington were present. It was very pleasant to meet them. The proceedings were conducted in Italian, French, and English, with translations. The great majority were in favor of teaching deaf-mutes to speak and read on the lips exclusively, but we Americans still believed that in the combined method, using the sign-language, and doing what we could for those who show any aptitude for articulation and lip-reading, we were accomplishing the greatest good for the greatest number. I made a short plea for the sign-language. There were about 200 members of the Convention, from Italy, France, Germany, Switzerland, Norway, Sweden, Great Britain, and America. I was very thankful that kind friends enabled me to be present. We were much interested in the institutions in Pavia, Como, and Verona. They were all small in number of pupils. They showed striking results in articulation and lip-reading, but we were not converted to their views. We made a hurried visit to one of the institutions in Vienna. It was vacation. We were, however, shown about and saw some of the pupils. In Venice we called at the institute, but the Director was absent and we could not enter. Yesterday P. M. we visited the institute for girls here in Rome, and were kindly conducted around by one of the Sisters. I hope to find out something about church work among adult deaf-mutes in Paris and London, and other cities in Great Britain. I believe we are
doing more for the best interests of deaf-mutes in the United States than any other nation of the globe. The Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes with all its workers, its Home and Matron, and all its interests are in my daily prayers. Let us do earnestly what we can for the Master, who loves to say through us “Ephphatha” to deaf-mutes.

Yours very sincerely,

THOMAS GALLAUDET.

To-morrow P. M. I am to speak on work among deaf-mutes, in St. Paul’s, Rome.

REPORT OF ASST. GEN’L MANAGER

TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES,

FOR THE QUARTER ENDING JAN. 28, 1880.

GENTLEMEN: Since the annual meeting of the Society in October last I have, on six Sundays, officiated at the sign services in St. Ann’s Church, New York. On two occasions I have conducted our monthly service in St. Ann’s Chapel, Brooklyn. The third Sunday of each month I officiated for the mutes in St. Stephen’s Church, Philadelphia, celebrating Holy Communion at 9 A. M., reading service and preaching at 2.30 P. M., and afterward instructing a Bible class in the chapel.

November 30th, Advent Sunday.—In the Church of the Holy Comforter, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., I interpreted Evening Prayer and the sermon of the Rector, the Rev. R. F. Crary, and made an address on behalf of our work.


November 27th.—Appointed by President Hayes as a day of public thanksgiving, and on Christmas Day, as also at numerous other times, I interpreted parts of the services in St. Ann’s, New York.

I have officiated at one funeral, of a child whose father is deaf; administered Holy Communion to a sick deaf-mute woman; instructed a Bible class of deaf-mutes on Tuesday evenings in the Bible class room of St. Ann’s, New York; and once interpreted for a deaf-mute witness in one of the city courts. In the absence of the General Manager I have corrected the proof-sheets of our seventh annual report. I have frequently visited our Home for the Aged and Infirm, have visited and prayed with the sick, and endeavored in various other ways to minister to the good of the deaf and dumb.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN CHAMBERLAIN,
Assistant General Manager.
and preached. After the service I took charge of the mute men's Bible class.

Tuesday, March 23rd.—At 11 A. M., in the same church, I interpreted the Confirmation services, and the Rt. Rev. Bishop Stevens confirmed five deaf-mutes, two young men and three young women.

Good Friday, March 26th.—Interpreted parts of the services in St. Ann's Church, New York, and at 4 P. M. preached—the Rev. Dr. Gallaudet interpreting.

Easter Sunday, March 28th.—I ministered again to the mutes of Boston, addressing them in their hall in the afternoon, and holding a sign-service in the Sunday-school room of the Good Shepherd in the evening. The Sundays, April 4th and 11th, I conducted the sign-service at St. Ann's Church, New York.

Sunday, April 18th.—At 9 A. M., in St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia, I celebrated the Holy Communion, thirty-six deaf-mutes receiving. At 2.30 P. M. I assisted the Rev. Mr. Syle in the regular sign-service and preached. At 4 P. M. I instructed the Bible classes, the men and women assembling together for that occasion.

Sunday, April 25th.—I conducted the sign-service in St. Ann's Church, New York.

I have on various other occasions interpreted parts of the services in St. Ann's Church. Each Tuesday evening, when at home, I have instructed a Bible class of deaf-mutes. I have several times visited our Home for the Aged and Infirm, have made numerous visits to mutes at their own homes in this city and elsewhere, and ministered in other ways which need not be specified.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN CHAMBERLAIN,
Assistant General Manager.

REPORT OF ASS'T GEN'L MANAGER TO TRUSTEES
OF THE CHURCH MISSION TO DEAF-MUTES,
FOR THE QUARTER ENDING JULY 28, 1880.

GENTLEMEN: Since your last stated meeting I have rendered the following services as your representative:

Sunday morning, May 2d.—I interpreted for deaf-mutes the service of Holy Communion in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston, Mass., and at 7.30 P. M. Evening Prayer and sermon. At 3.30 P. M. of the same day I addressed the Sunday-school of St. Matthew's Church, South Boston, the Rev. John Wright, Rector, telling them of our work.

Thursday, Ascension Day, May 6th.—I interpreted parts of the services in St. Ann's Church, New York.

Sunday, May 9th.—Interpreted part of the morning service, and conducted the sign-service in the afternoon in St. Ann's.

Whitewashday, May 16th.—In the morning, at the Church of the Intercession, Carmansville, the Rev. Mr. Donald, Rector, I interpreted the offices of Confirmation and Holy Communion. Four deaf-mute girls, pupils of the New York Institution, were confirmed by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Potter. In the afternoon I conducted a sign-service in St. Andrew's Church, Harlem.

Wednesday, May 19th.—I went to Hartford, Conn., and was present at the funeral of Mrs. Clerc, the widow of Mr. Laurent Clerc, who was associated with the Rev. Thomas H. Gallaudet in commencing the American Asylum for Deaf-Mutes.

Sunday, May 23rd.—I attended the funeral of Mr. F. B. Quick, a very devout and interesting young deaf-mute. He was buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, where I said the committal service at the grave. Some days before his death I gave him the Holy Communion, which seemed to comfort him much.

Friday, May 28th.—I attended the funeral of a child of deaf-mute parents, in this city.

Saturday, May 29th.—In Manchester, N. H., I attended meetings of the "Granite State Deaf-Mute Mission," and served them as interpreter.

Sunday, May 30th.—In Grace Church, Manchester, the Rev. Lorenzo Sears, Rector, I interpreted, for deaf-mutes, Morning Prayer and the sermon, and addressed the hearing congregation upon the subject of deaf-mute missions. In the afternoon I interpreted at another religious service and made a short address. The three following days I visited at the homes of deaf-mutes in Hookset, West Henniker, and Amherst, N. H.

Sunday, June 6th.—I interpreted Holy Communion, and Evening Prayer, and sermon in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston. In the afternoon I baptized two children of deaf-mute parents in St. Matthew's Church, South Boston, the Rector reading the office orally and I in signs. I also told the story of our Mission.

Sunday, June 13th.—I read the sign-service in St. Ann's Church, New York.

Saturday, June 19th.—I officiated at the funeral of a child of deaf-mute parents, and went with them to Greenwood Cemetery.

Sunday, June 20th.—I conducted the sign-service in St. Ann's Church, New York.

Sunday, June 27th.—I conducted the sign-service in St. Ann's Church, New York.

Sunday, July 4th.—I interpreted Holy Communion, and Evening Prayer, and sermon in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston. At 3.30 P. M. I conducted a sign-service in St. Matthew's Church, South Boston.

Sunday, July 11th.—I took the monthly service for deaf-mutes in the Chapel of St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, the Rev. Job Turner officiating for me in St. Ann's, New York.
Tuesday, July 13th.—I attended the Annual Picnic of the Manhattan Literary Association, taking with me five inmates of the Home.

Sundays July 18th and 25th.—I conducted the sign-services in St. Ann's Church, New York.

I have at various times during these three months visited the Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf-Mutes, answered the calls of the sick and those in trouble of other sorts, and endeavored to assist those out of work to find employment. The Bible class under my instruction continued its weekly sessions until the end of May. I hope to call it together again next Fall. I have also given attention to many minor matters which, though they can have no detailed mention in a report, do yet, I trust, make up an aggregate of influence for the good of the deaf and dumb.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN CHAMBERLAIN,
Assistant General Manager.

QUARTERLY REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CHURCH MISSION TO DEAF-MUTES,

FOR THE QUARTER ENDING OCTOBER 27, 1880.

Gentlemen: After another three months of labor, I beg leave to report the following list of special services which I have performed:

Sunday morning, August 1st.—I interpreted the service of Holy Communion in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Boston, Mass., and in the afternoon conducted a sign-service with sermon in the same church.

August 8th, Sunday.—I was assisted by the Rev. A. W. Mann, our Western Missionary, in the usual sign-service in St. Ann's Church, New York—Mr. Mann preaching the sermon.

August 14th, Saturday.—I attended Morning Prayer in St. Ann's Church, New York, with Rev. Dr. Gallaudet, and the Rev. Messrs. Mann and Turner. At 11 A. M. I went to the steam-ship Britannic to bid good-bye to our General Manager, who then sailed for Europe.

August 15th, Sunday.—I conducted the service for deaf-mutes in St. Ann's Church, New York.

August 30th, 26th, and 27th, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.—I attended the sessions of the first National Convention of Deaf-Mutes, in the City of Cincinnati, Ohio. It was an occasion of much interest. About two hundred and fifty mutes from different parts of our country were assembled. Wednesday evening, in St. Paul's Church, the Rev. Messrs. Mann and Turner and I assisted the rector, the Rev. Dr. Benedict, in a combined service. The Rev. Mr. Mann made an address to deaf-mutes, and I addressed the hearing people, telling them of our work. At 7 o'clock on Thursday morning, in the same church, I joined with the above-men-
Deaf-Mute Mission of Grace Church, 
Baltimore, Maryland.

With the hearty approval and support of the Rector, the Rev. Dr. Leeds, Mr. James S. Wells, a deaf-mute lay-reader, has held services for deaf-mutes on Sunday afternoons in the chapel adjoining the church. He has also fulfilled the duties of a teacher in the Maryland Institution for Colored Blind and Deaf-Mutes. In all his labors for the benefit of his brethren he has been faithful and diligent. They should be grateful for such a friend. Mr. Wells reports that the attendance on the Sunday services is encouraging, and that the congregation of silent worshipers do something towards the support of the Mission by their weekly offerings. Several deaf-mutes were confirmed at the visitation of the Bishop in March, thus increasing the number of those who receive the Holy Communion in Grace Church.

MISSION TO THE DEAF
IN PENNSYLVANIA, NEW JERSEY, AND DELAWARE,
UNDER THE PENNA. DIOCESAN COMMISSION ON CHURCH WORK AMONG THE DEAF,


Philadelphia, May, 1880.

Church work among deaf-mutes, outside of the Institution for Deaf-Mutes, was begun in Philadelphia, by the Rev. Dr. Gallaudet, in 1850. In 1865 it was formally associated with Calvary Monumental Church. When the Rev. Dr. Clerc, who became Rector of that Church in Sept., 1866, afterwards became Warden of the Burd Orphan Asylum, the Deaf-Mute Mission became connected, through him, with St. Stephen's Church, the late Rector and the vestry of which took much interest in it. The church is used for these mission services at hours not required for the regular services of the congregation, and the deaf-mutes also have the use of the school building adjoining the church.

St. Stephen's Parish, therefore, contains the germ of an extended mission work among deaf-mutes throughout the Diocese of Pennsylvania; and also, with the consent of their Bishops, in portions of some of the neighboring dioceses which border upon the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

In 1878 the Bishop of Pennsylvania brought this matter of the extension of Church work among deaf-mutes beyond the limits of St. Stephen's Parish to the attention of the convention; and the committee appointed to consider the matter made a report to the Diocesan Convention of 1880, in which they recommended the appointment of a commission to take this work specially in charge, with the understanding that the Bishop and the Rector of St. Stephen's should be chairman and vice-chairman, respectively, ex-officio.

The Commission was authorized by the Convention and appointed by the Bishop. Its object is to extend throughout the diocese the peculiar kind of pastoral work needed by deaf-mutes, working out from the nucleus existing at St. Stephen's; but, while in entire harmony with the authorities there, doing a work beyond the power of any one parish to accomplish. It is distinctively, in its extended phase, a Diocesan Mission, needing peculiar methods of detail and involving delicate relationship with parish work.

The missionary in charge is himself a deaf-mute; and, therefore, besides his own remarkable individual qualifications for the work, thoroughly in sympathy with those for whose spiritual welfare the mission is designed, and for whom the methods and Common Prayer of our Church are peculiarly adapted.

A brief statement of facts will show the peculiar circumstances of the deaf-mutes outside of the Public Institution, and will urge their claims upon the Church more forcibly than any extended argument could do.

I. Until comparatively recent times the deaf-mute was considered incapable of acquiring knowledge and receiving religious instruction. This state of things has been, by a wise philanthropy, entirely done away. Deaf-mutes now can be and are educated, and are capable of receiving and profiting by religious instruction when administered in the language which they understand.

II. "A fact which creates both a specialty and a difficulty in the work" of conveying to them the ministrations of the Church "is that the deaf-mutes are not in families, as ordinary parishioners are, but are scattered one here and one there, in different families, in every class of life, among every denomination of Christians, of all ages and in every part of the city. Hence the work varies greatly from the usual pastoral duties of a settled and well defined parish. It is individual in its character rather than family or parochial; so that while, if all disposed to attend Church did attend, there would be only enough to form one congregation; the pastoral house to house work covers the whole city and ramifies into almost every parish. * * * All this operates to the disadvantage of the Mission on the one hand, while yet it makes the need of such mission work more emphatically known on the other."—(Convention address, 1878.)

These facts are commended to the earnest consideration of the churchmen and churchwomen of the diocese, and to all others whose sympathies
may be enlisted in behalf of a class whose very silence and isolation should be the most potent chorus of appeal to the avowed followers of the Lord, whose being, on one notable occasion, seemed stirred to its depths in His sympathy with the case of a deaf-mute.

The Commission will need for the first year of its work, outside of St, Stephen's Parish, about twelve hundred dollars ($1,200). Prompt contributions are earnestly asked for, and may be sent to the Secretary or to any member of the Commission, which is constituted as follows: The Rt. Rev. the Bishop, Chairman (ex-officio); the Rector of St. Stephen's, Vice Chairman (ex-officio); the Rev. J. A. Harris, D.D., Secretary, Chestnut Hill, Phila. ; the Rev. D. O. Kellogg, D.D.; the Rev. T. S. Runnery, D.D.; the Rev. W. F. Paddock, D.D.; the Rev. W. H. Graff. Messrs. L. C. Cleeman, L. R. Krumbhaar, E. S. Buckley, Orlando Crease.

PHILADELPHIA, January, 1881.

The plan of systematically extending the Mission in the neighborhood of this city is being carried out. Attention is invited to the accompanying commendatory letters of the Bishops of Delaware, Central Pennsylvania, and New Jersey, and the resolution of the Convention of Central Pennsylvania, last June.

Careful inquiries show that there are in the four dioceses of our district, and within one hundred miles of Philadelphia, 1,500 to 2,000 deaf-mutes. Of these 450 or 500 are in this city, the rest are scattered everywhere. At several of the larger places, as Allentown, Reading, and York, congregations have been gathered. A course is being arranged of regular monthly visits to these and similar points.* The missionary will also gladly visit individuals, wherever situated, as far as practicable.

Two more facts may be mentioned, showing the special need for and character of this Mission:

III. “It has been proved that in not a single known instance has an uneducated deaf-mute had any conception of the existence of a Supreme Being as a Creator and Ruler of the Universe; and as has been well said, No condition of heathen darkness is more deplorable than that of an uneducated deaf-mute.”—(Bp. Stevens, Ordination Sermon, 1876.) Every motive of Christianity pleads for the many uneducated deaf-mutes still within our borders.

IV. Even the educated generally cannot share fully the religious privileges of the hearing; not only from their deafness, but also from imperfect knowledge of the English language. Shut out from the spoken intercourse of their homes, they have to be taught it like foreigners. This hinders them both at church (though “our Prayer Book is an invaluable blessing to them as a medium of worship”) and in enjoying a pastor’s conversation.

The Church privileges supplied by this Mission are eagerly desired and highly valued. In Philadelphia there is an organized congregation (with 76 communicants), who do much Christian work, meet the incidental and charitable expenses of the Mission in the city, and are raising a Building Fund for a church to serve as the headquarters of the Diocesan Mission. There are similar churches in London, Manchester, Belfast, and New York, and this effort is eminently deserving of help, especially as a step toward rendering the work self-supporting. Contributions for the Church will be thankfully received by Mr. Wm. McKinney, Treasurer Ephphatha Guild, 1345 South Seventeenth Street, Philadelphia. The Guild has already over $800 in bank.

The devout intercessions of all interested are earnestly desired; a prayer for this purpose (prepared by the Bishop of Pennsylvania) may be had from the missionary; he requests the name and address of every deaf-mute in the States of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware, mentioning particularly uneducated children; and respectfully offers his services to the clergy to assist in ministering to the deaf members of their charges.

Address, REV. HENRY WINTER SYLE, 2206 Wallace Street, Philadelphia.

PRAYER FOR THE DEAF.

FOR THE USE OF THOSE WHO MAY WISH TO JOIN TOGETHER IN INTERCESSORY PRAYER IN THEIR BEHALF.

O God, our Heavenly Father, whose dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, when He dwelt on earth, went about doing good, unstopping the ears of the deaf, and loosening the tongues of the dumb, look down with loving eyes upon all Thy deaf and mute children, and give them the special blessing of Thy mercy and grace. Let Thy fatherly hand ever be over them, let Thy Holy Spirit ever be with them; and respectfully offers his services to the clergy to assist in ministering to the deaf members of their charges.

The above prayer was written and set forth by Bishop Stevens, of Pennsylvania, February 8, 1881.

All persons interested in the Mission to the deaf, are requested to use it every Thursday morning; at which time a similar prayer, written by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Alexander, Lord Bishop of Derry, is used in Great Britain.
CHURCH WORK AMONG THE DEAF

IN PENNSYLVANIA, NEW JERSEY, AND DELAWARE, UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE PENN'A DIOCESAN COMMISSION.

Chairman, Bishop Stevens; Secretary, Rev. J. A. Harris, D.D., Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia; Missionary, Rev. Henry W. Syle, 2206 Wallace St., Philadelphia.

DIOCESE OF CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA.—Letter from the Bishop.

“READING, CENTRAL PENN'A., Dec. 3d, 1880.

“The Rev. Henry W. Syle.—Rev. and Dear Sir:

“After the cordial reception which was given you by the Convention of the Dioceses in June, it can hardly be necessary for me to assure you that a welcome awaits you in our parishes.

“Where you may be able, in a diocese which has no large city, to gather any considerable number of the unfortunate class to whom you minister, I cannot indicate. I doubt not your sympathy and zeal will find them.

“A few years ago I was surprised by the presentation of a class for confirmation, at Grace Church, Allentown, among whom were eight deaf-mutes. In churches where you may find it desirable to conduct one or more services in the sign language, I am confident you will find the clergy in charge ready to give you access, and the people ready to aid you with their offerings. Opportunity should be afforded for contributions at the public services. Commending your work and yourself to the care and guidance of the Almighty, and to the favor of His people in this jurisdiction, I remain, reverend and dear sir, faithfully yours,

“M. A. DE WOLFE HOWE.”

Resolution of the Convention of Central Pennsylvania, at Reading, June 10th, 1880.—“Resolved, That this Convention has heard with pleasure that the Rev. H. W. Syle, accredited as a missionary to the deaf-mutes of Philadelphia and neighboring dioceses, is ready to officiate among them in any of the parishes whose rectors may accept of his services.

“Attest: R. A. LAMBERTON, Secretary.”

DIOCESE OF DELAWARE.—Letter from the Bishop.

“WILMINGTON, DELAWARE, Dec. 6th, 1880.

“The Rev. Henry W. Syle, missionary among deaf-mutes, has my sanction for laboring in the Diocese of Delaware, and is cordially recommended to the sympathy and assistance of all who are interested in extending Gospel ministrations to this afflicted class. ALFRED LEE.”

DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY.—Letter from the Bishop.

“TRENTON, NEW JERSEY, Dec. 1st, 1880.

“The Rev. Henry Winter Syle, a Deacon of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and a semi-mute, is hereby authorized and invited to minister to deaf-mutes residing in the Diocese of New Jersey. It is hoped that rectors of parishes who may have such persons residing within their curies will correspond with Mr. Syle and put him in communication with them. He will be glad to offer such services as he may to this afflicted and too often neglected class.

“JOHN SCARBOROUGH, Bishop of New Jersey.”

DEAF-MUTE MISSION

OF

ST. PAUL’S CHURCH, ALBANY, N. Y.

Quarterly services were held on the last Sundays of January, April, July, and October, the congregations being composed not only of deaf-mutes from Albany, but also of those from various surrounding cities and towns. The offerings at these services, and also those of the parish on the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, were appropriated toward the work undertaken by the Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes. The Rector, Rev. Dr. Reese, has shown himself a sincere friend of this Mission.

REPORT OF REV. A. W. MANN,

IN CHARGE OF MISSIONS AT THE WEST.

To the Board of Trustees C. M. to D. M.:

As the past year come back in review, much is found to cause encouragement and thankfulness. The services have been well attended upon the whole; the interest has continued unabated; several have received baptism and confirmation; the number of communicants has reached 100; candidates are awaiting the Episcopal visitation at several points. I have managed to be present on several occasions to interpret in the celebration of the Holy Communion. I have solemnized marriage four times, at the following places: Flushing, Mich.; Cleveland, Dayton, and Mallet Creek, Ohio; and buried one child. The Prayer Books and tracts kindly given by Mr. Pott have been distributed. About six weeks before the 12th Sunday after Trinity I sent out 150 circulars embodying an appeal, which was responded to by several parishes. In August I attended the quadriennial reunion at the Ohio Institution with the General Manager. In the following spring and summer I traveled with him to the Northwest as far as Sioux Falls, Dakota. On the way there and back we visited Cleveland, Elyria, Detroit, Flint, Pontiac, Monroe, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Faribault, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Red Wing, Madison, and Chicago. At Madison we met about 50 of the graduates of the Wisconsin Institution, at a reunion, and gave them a service at Grace Church.
There must be more than 8,000 of our people within my field, which embraces 13 dioceses. I have tried to reach as many of them as I could. My list of missions has been slightly lengthened since last report. Several "combined services" have been held with the assistance of my brethren of the clergy. Church people have been thus enabled to obtain a general idea of this the Church’s special work.

Appended are the following extracts from different Diocesan Convention Journals.

**From the Convention Address of Bishop Bedell, 1879.**

"Missions to Deaf-Mutes.—The Rev. A. W. Mann continues his useful labors to his companions in affliction, deaf-mutes, within this diocese and in neighboring dioceses. His report will be laid before you. I need not claim attention to it, for its remarkable interest will draw many hearts towards this peculiarly charitable work. My Episcopal brethren in neighboring dioceses united in requesting the Board of Missions to appoint Rev. Mr. Mann as a Missionary of the Domestic Committee, namely: The Bishops of Southern Ohio, Pittsburg, the Assistant Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishops of Missouri, Indiana, Illinois, and Western Michigan. Our deaf-mute deacon is now practically recognized as a Missionary of all these dioceses, acting under the authority of each Bishop when acting within his diocese."

**From the Convention Address of Bishop Vail, 1879.**

"On Wednesday evening, May 21st, the Rev. Thomas Gallaudet, D.D., Rector of St. Ann's Church, New York, and the Rev. A. W. Mann, a deaf-mute clergyman of the Church, held a service in Grace Church, Topeka, at which some twelve or fifteen deaf-mutes of the neighborhood were present. * * * It was a very interesting service. These gentlemen had visited St. Joseph and Atchison on their way to Topeka."

**From Convention Address of Bishop Jaggar, 1878.**

"We have united with other dioceses during the past year to sustain a deaf-mute deacon, well qualified for the work, in ministrations to his own people. I have confirmed several deaf-mutes prepared by him. He has won my confidence and high regard. Our committee depends upon special contributions for the small appropriation which it makes. We have a considerable number of deaf-mutes in our diocese, and they welcome our services gratefully. The report of the Rev. Mr. Mann is appended, and commended to your special consideration."

**From Proceedings of Diocesan Convention, Pittsburg, 1878.**

"By permission of the convention, the Rev. Dr. Hitchcock presented the report of the Rev. Mr. Mann, detailing his work among the deaf-mutes, and offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

"Resolved, That this convention expresses its interest in the work of the Church among deaf-mutes, and requests the clergy and laity to further this work in every practical way."

**Report of the Committee on the State of the Church, Diocese of Pittsburg, 1878.**

"The Rev. A. W. Mann, a deaf-mute of considerable experience in ministering to his afflicted brethren, has held several special services for this class of our population within the past diocesan year. Mr. Mann has the entire approbation and cordial sympathy of the Bishop, and his self-denying labors the committee hope will be duly appreciated by all who desire the spiritual welfare of this people."

**From Proceedings of Forty-First Diocesan Convention, Illinois, 1878.**

"The Rev. A. W. Mann, deacon, missionary-at-large to deaf-mutes, himself a deaf-mute, was accorded the privilege of the floor, and his address was read by the Secretary (Rev. J. H. Knowles). Remarks were made upon their mission work by the Rev. S. S. Harris, D. D., the Rev. Clinton Loche, D. D., the Rev. T. N. Morrison, D. D., and the Rev. C. B. Stout."

**Proceedings Diocesan Convention, Indiana, 1878.**

Rev. S. J. French offered the following resolution, which was adopted: "Resolved, That that portion of the Bishop's address which refers to the work of the Church among deaf-mutes be referred to a committee of three to report to this Convention."

In pursuance thereto, the President appointed the following special committee: Rev. S. J. French, Rev. E. A. Bradley, and Rev. C. C. Tate. Report of Committee.—"The committee on that portion of the Bishop's address relating to the work among the deaf-mutes, respectfully report the following resolution: 'Resolved, That it be recommended to the reverend clergy of this diocese to ascertain whether there are not within their cures some of these children of silence, and at their earliest convenience, arrange with the Rev. Mr. Mann (care of the Standard of the Cross, Cleveland, Ohio) to hold services for them.' Respectfully submitted, S. J. French, E. A. Bradley, C. C. Tate, Committee."

**Extract from Bishop Talbot's Address, referred to above.** — "A movement has of late been going on in the Church for the benefit of that unfortunate class of our people who are deprived of their hearing and speech. It seems now to be taking form and coherency. Several deaf-mutes have been regularly set apart by ordination for the spiritual education of these..."
'children of silence.' One of these, the Rev. A. W. Mann, of the Diocese of Ohio, is regularly working in our own and several others, and I commend him and his work to my brethren. I am sure that Mr. Mann will cordially respond to any request for his services, where such work is to be found, and as other dioceses have already contributed towards his support, I shall propose to our Board of Missions to grant a small stipend for the same purpose. It would seem that our Church is peculiarly adapted to meet the spiritual wants of this unfortunate class; and the Report of Rev. Mr. Mann, which will be inserted in the Appendix to the Journal, shows that he is doing faithful and effective work among them."

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**RECEIPTS.**

**DIOCESE OF OHIO**—

Stipend ........................................ $200 00
Deaf-mute and other services ......... 18 11
From St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls .... 6 00

**DIOCESE OF SOUTHERN OHIO**—

Stipend ........................................ $100 00
From deaf-mute and other services ...... 15 02
  " Christ Church, Portsmouth ........ 5 00

**DIOCESE OF ILLINOIS**—

Stipend ........................................ $75 00
From deaf-mute and other services .... 15 96
  " St. James' Church, Chicago ...... 10 00
  " Grace Church, Chicago .... 32 75

**DIOCESE OF WESTERN MICHIGAN**—

From combined service, Kalamazoo .... $9 90
  " St. Mark's and deaf-mute service, Grand Rapids ... 2 96

**DIOCESE OF MICHIGAN**—

Stipend ........................................ $100 00
Deaf-mute and combined services .... 54 46

**DIOCESE OF MISSOURI**—

Part of stipend ................................ $12 50
From Rev. R. A. Holland, St. Louis ... 2 00
  " deaf-mute services, St. Louis .... 11 92

**DIOCESE OF INDIANA**—

Stipend ........................................ $100 00
From combined and deaf-mute services .. 58 76
  " Mrs. Col. W. R. Bowers and daughter ... 5 00

**DIOCESE OF IOWA**—

From deaf-mute services, Davenport ........ $2 47
  " Mr. M. J. Mills, Clinton ........ 5 00

**DIOCESE OF QUINCY**—

From deaf-mute service, Galesburg .... $1 00
  " A. Geyer .... 1 50

**DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD**—

From deaf-mute service, Jacksonville .... $1 10
  " Mr. Frank Read ........ 1 00
  " combined service, Cairo ...... 5 00

**DIOCESE OF PITTSBURG**—

Stipend ........................................ $25 00
From Trinity Church, Pittsburg .... 40 02
  " Bishop Kerfoot ........ 10 00
  " combined and deaf-mute services .... 14 01

**DIOCESE OF WISCONSIN**—

From combined service, Madison .... $7 89

**DIOCESE OF MINNESOTA**—

From combined service, Faribault .... $17 00
  " " St. Paul .... 26 00
  " " Minneapolis ........ 11 55

**DAKOTA MISSION**—

From combined service, Sioux Falls .... $3 75

**FROM THE COMMITTEE ON DOMESTIC MISSIONS**—

Stipend ........................................ $300 00

The 12th Sunday after Trinity offerings of 1880 will be found in the next annual report.

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**DEAF-MUTE MISSION**

**OF THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD,**

**BOSTON, MASS.**

Rev. George J. Prescott, Rector.

Frequent services have been held by Rev. Dr. Gallaudet, Rev. Mr. Chamberlain, and Mr. William Bailey. At various celebrations of the Holy Communion there have been sign interpretations for the deaf-mute communicants. The cordial reception given to the deaf-mutes by the rector, vestry, and parishioners of this church is encouraging.
REPORT OF MR. JAMES LEWIS.

In looking over the quarterly reports which Mr. Lewis has sent to the Trustees, it is found that he has been hard at work during the year, assisting in various services, visiting deaf-mutes, helping the General Manager in numerous details, and striving to collect the means which are necessary to sustain the general work of the Society and the support of its Home for the Aged and Infirm. During the year Mr. Lewis collected nearly three thousand dollars.

REPORT OF THE REV. JOB TURNER.


REVEREND AND DEAR BROTHER: Since the date of my last report I have, by Divine permission, been able to devote my best time and efforts to my usual field of labor, and find increased interest in the good work organized by the Church. We have cause to rejoice in the knowledge that in many places the Word of Life is received with gladness by those who have hitherto been without opportunity of attending services intelligible to them.

Within the last year, in discharge of the ministerial work committed to me, I have, in the interest of the deaf and dumb, traveled about fifteen thousand miles, held about eighty public services, visiting the sick, and being received with favor and marked kindness everywhere.

I have had the pleasure of joining in marriage deaf-mutes; the privilege of administering the sacred rite of baptism to children of the deaf and dumb; and had the sad duty to hold funeral services over the dead—an interesting and promising son of our brother in Christ, Rev. H. Winter Syle, of Philadelphia, with whom you, as well as myself, deeply sympathize.

My labors have been sustained by the encouragement of the brethren throughout the dioceses I move in, and of their means they have, by church offerings and voluntary contributions, placed in my hands within the past year the sum of seven hundred and fifty-six dollars and sixty-four cents ($756.64), for the support of the work committed to me, for which may they be abundantly blessed.

I pray that all who are engaged in the blessed work of the Gospel, being instruments, may see the fruit of their work, and that you may behold with joy the consummation of much good arising from your noble efforts in behalf of the spiritual interests of the deaf and dumb.

I am most sincerely yours in Christ,

JOB TURNER,
Missionary in the Southern States.

ELKTON, VA., Dec. 20, 1880.

REPORT OF MR. WILLIAM BAILEY.

From the report Mr. Bailey has sent to the General Manager, it appears that he has accomplished much during the year in ministrations among his brethren. He has held services for them in Boston, Salem, Beverly, Augusta, Belfast, and Lewiston, besides making religious visits among them in Bangor, thorndike, Newport, New Gloucester, and East Poland. He received from various sources $242.54 to support him in his work. He trusts that from year to year he will be able, with God’s blessing, to make his work more systematic and effective.

REPORT OF MR. GEORGE W. SCHUTT.

Mr. Schutt, of Saugerties, N. Y., began to work among his deaf-mute brethren as a lay-reader, in July, 1880. From that time until the 24th of the following October, he held services for deaf-mutes in various places, the names of which appear in the following account of donations made for his support and traveling expenses. He writes an encouraging account of his mission, and hopes to resume it in the spring. In a very interesting letter to the General Manager, he acknowledges with gratitude the kind providence of God in all that he undertook. He thanks the friends who extended to him their hospitality, and gave him passes on railroads and steamboats. It is hoped that in due time he will receive sufficient support to give himself wholly to the work in which he is so deeply interested.

RECEIPTS OF MR. G. W. SCHUTT,
From the 1st day of July to the 24th day of October, 1880.

Deaf-mute service, Quarryville, N. Y. No collection.
St. Paul’s Church, Albany, N. Y. .................. $0 85
Rev. J. Livingston Reese, D.D., Albany, N. Y ........ 1 00
St. John’s Church, Kingston, N. Y ................ 30
Andrew Dunn, Rondout, N. Y ...................... 10
St. George’s Church, Newburgh, N. Y ............. 35 79
John W. Ackley, Stottville, N. Y .................. 7 00
The Hall, Whiteport, N. Y ......................... 4 61
Trinity Church, Saugerties, N. Y .................. 5 90
St. Paul’s Church, Troy, N. Y ..................... 1 16
St. John’s Church, Cananbury, N. Y ................ 4 39
The Church of the Holy Comforter, Poughkeepsie, N. Y .... 18
Rev. Robert F. Crary, Poughkeepsie, N. Y ........ 2 00
St. Mark’s Church, Tarrytown, N. Y ............... 1 07
St. Barnabas Chapel, Stottville, N. Y .............. 2 16
Total ........................................... $56 51
THE HOME FOR AGED AND INFIRM DEAF-MUTES,
NO. 220 EAST THIRTEENTH STREET.

The Matron, Miss Jane Middleton, reports that during the year various articles and special donations have been received from Mrs. Carlin, Mrs. Sip, Mrs. Wisner, Mrs. Ogden and a little friend, Mr. P. P. Dickinson, St. Ann's Church, Mr. P. B. Henry, Mr. Kauffman, Mr. O. B. Potter, Mrs. Jewett, Mrs. A. L. Willis, Mrs. Wm. Alexander Smith, Employment Society of St. Ann's Church, Mrs. Newcomb, Miss Staley, Miss Jackson, Mrs. Knox, Miss Vandevooort, Mrs. Krans, Miss Sheafe, Mr. Roswell Skeels, Mr. B. T. Babbit, Mr. C. F. Mattlage, Mr. D. V. N. Williams, Mrs. Chamberlain, Miss Howard, Mrs. Gallaudet, and other friends.

Having received some board money, Miss Middleton has met the current expenses of the Home by drawing from our Treasury the moderate sum of $1,108.35.

Easter, Thanksgiving-Day, and Christmas were duly celebrated and everything was done, according to our means, for the comfort and happiness of the family.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE BUILDING FUND OF THE HOME FOR AGED AND INFIRM DEAF-MUTES.

THE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

GENTLEMEN: We respectfully present to you the following report of our fund matters for the past year:

The fund in charge, by the interests accruing from the deposits in banks and the loan tendered to St. Ann's Church, together with that in Dr. I. Lewis Peet's hands, now amounts to $6,324.06.

A new departure from our original plan was offered by Dr. Peet at our quarterly meeting last April, and unanimously adopted after a lengthy discussion as to its merits, and as to the wisdom of forming our plan on the new basis so ably advocated by that gentleman. His address will appear in our next report, together with my letter expressing my opinions thereof.

Though the principal thing in the new departure—the establishment of an industrial school with the proposed Home for Aged and Infirm Mutes under its care, on a suitable farm in this State, for the exclusive benefit of the deaf and dumb of New York—was decided, the minor matters relative to the location of that noble, double institution, and the prices of admis-

NEW YORK INSTITUTION FOR THE INSTRUCTION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE, October 27, 1880,
Station M, N. Y. City.

JOHN CARLIN, Esq., Chairman of the Building Committee of the Home for Aged, Infirm, and Impeoverished Deaf-Mutes.

DEAR SIR: In view of the fact that the annual meeting of the Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes takes place this evening, it becomes my duty to report to you the condition of that portion of the building fund which has been collected through my individual exertions, and of which I have been constituted special Treasurer.

The whole amount thus far collected is now $1,733, and is deposited in the Institution for the Savings of Merchants' Clerks.

The sum reported to you last year, as being in my hands, was $1,631 39

The interest added since, has been $65 52

And the subscriptions from the officers and pupils of this institution 36 09 101 61

Showing a total, as mentioned above, of $1,733 00

But for the fact that I was obliged to be absent in the Summer as delegate to the International Congress of Teachers of the Deaf and Dumb, held in Milan, I should probably have been able to report a much larger sum.

As it is, I hope that my collections this year, from the immediate friends of the deaf and dumb, will reach at least $1,000, and I have no doubt that your committee will be able to devise a plan whereby the benevolent
public at large will be induced to contribute enough to double the building fund as it now stands, before the annual meeting to be held in October, 1881.

The enlargement lately made in the scope of our work certainly calls for exertion among all those who have the true interests of the deaf and dumb at heart. Very truly and respectfully yours, ISAAC LEWIS PEET.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Reported October 29th, 1879 ..................................................... $4,143 30
Bank Interest ................................................................. 17 57
Receipts up to October 7th, 1880 ........................................ 430 79

$4,591 66

STATEMENT OF BUILDING FUND.

Deposits in Merchants' Clerks Savings Bank ......................... $438 79
Loan to St. Ann's Church .................................................. 4,123 54
Balance in Seaman's Savings Bank ..................................... 29 33

$4,591 66

WM. O. FITZGERALD,
Treasurer C. B. F.

Attest:
C. S. NEWELL,
Secretary, C. B. F.

Oct. 7th, 1880.

LIFE MEMBERS.

1873.
Mrs. B. Sr. JOHN ACKERS,
Mrs. B. Sr. JOHN ACKERS,
Mrs. R. J. LIVINGSTON,
Mrs. G. P. CLAPP,

1874.
Miss SUSAN SWIFT,*
Mr. D. H. HIGHT,*
Mr. GEORGE P. CLAPP,
Mrs. CHARLES LULING,*
Mrs. CHARLES LULING,

1875.
Mr. EDWARD S. DEWING,*
Mr. MOSES TAYLOR,

1876.
MRS. H. D. WYMAN,*
Mrs. A. T. STEWART,

1877.
Mr. FREDERICK A. LIBBEY,
Mrs. A. T. SLOSSON,

1878.
Mr. CHARLES H. CONTOIT,
Mrs. STEWART BROWN,*

1879.
Ms. WILSON G. HUNT,
Ms. FRANK WORK,
Ms. JOHN KNOWER,
Ms. C. W. FIELD,
Ms. GEORGE H. WATSON,
Ms. C. E. BEEBE,

1880.
Mrs. JOSEPHINE L. NEWCOMB,
Mrs. THURLOW WOOD,
Ms. JONAS M. LIBBEY,

Ms. J. H. CASWELL,*
Ms. H. E. PELLEW,
Ms. A. F. HIGGINS,
Mrs. C. L. SPENCER,
Mrs. ELIZABETH LIBBEY.

Ms. LAVINIA CLARKSON.

Ms. ELIZABETH J. STERLING,*

Ms. ALEXANDER F. STERLING, M.D.,
Mrs. W. J. NELSON, Honorary.

Ms. WILLIAM NIBLO,*
Mrs. A. C. FARGIS.

Ms. MARSHALL O. ROBERTS,*
Mr. CORNELIUS VANDERBILT,
Rev. THOMAS GALLAUDET, D D.

Ms. S. V. HOFFMAN,*
Ms. H. F. SPAULDING,
Ms. CHRISTOPHER MEYER,
Ms. W. H. BREEDEN,
Mr. F. W. GALLAUDET,
Mr. WILLIAM LIBBEY, Jr.

Ms. JULIA RHINELANDER,
Mrs. E. T. GERRY,
Mrs. C. A. ASTOR.

*Deceased.
DONATIONS.

DECEMBER, 1879.

Offering, in St. Ann's for Thanksgiving, Miss Julia Low $25.00
A. Koffman $5.00
Mrs. W. Lambeer $2.00
A. A. Raven $2.00
Mrs. Babcock $5.00
S. W. Carey $10.00
J. W. Drexel $3.00
C. Burkhalter $2.00
Francis H. Stole $3.00
C. C. Baldwin $5.00
Mrs. D. La Roy $5.00
Offering at St. Ann's $20.00
Christmas, for Home $5.00
Cash $25.00
Mrs. E. C. Hall, for Home $5.00
Annual Reception and Sale at the Church, Harlem $62.00
Leopold Eidlitz $2.00
Mrs. Fitzgerald $5.00
P. P. Dickinson $5.00
G. W. Carlton $5.00
John J. Crane $5.00
Williamsburg $54.00
J. Marion Sims, M.D. $5.00
Miss Brookes $5.00
Cash and Anonymous $121.51
Geo. A. Clark & Co. $25.00
Cakes & Ryan $1.00
C. D. Dickey $10.00
Mrs. V. B. Gibbs $5.00
C. H. Cammann $2.00
Mrs. A. M. Minturn $10.00
Deaf-Mute Service in Christ Church, Williamsburg $1.15
Deaf-Mute Service in St. Andrew's Church, Brooklyn $1.35
P. G. Gunther's Sons, Oehlrich's Co $1.00
Andrew C. Zabriskie $1.00
E. M. Shepard $5.00
Wm. P. Clyde $5.00
M. Green $5.00
William G. Davis $5.00
H. H. Cammann $5.00
C. C. Baldwin $5.00
Leopold Eidlitz $5.00
A. A. Raven $2.00
A. E. MacDonough $2.00
S. W. Carey $15.00
Hotel Brunswick $10.00
A. Koffman $5.00
C. Trimbile $5.00
Mrs. Lottimer $2.00
C. Buskulich $5.00
F. W. L. Huret $5.00
F. A. Sons $5.00
C. C. Di Censo $5.00
Hawk, Waite & Wetherbee $5.00
Mrs. C. Barlow $5.00
Mrs. M. Hoy $5.00
J. Marion Sims, M.D. $5.00
Lewis A. Sayre, M.D. $5.00
George Law $10.00
O. B. Potter $5.00
Caken & Ilyes $5.00
Mrs. H. Van Beavers $1.00
John C. Burrow $2.00
Mrs. William Bond $5.00
Mrs. D. Willis James $5.00
John J. Crane $5.00
L. Von Hoffman $10.00
John B. Ireland $10.00
Mrs. Gurnee $5.00
Mrs. James Scott $5.00
Geo. M. Miller $5.00
Henry Miller & Smith $5.00
Cash and Anonymous $121.51

January, 1880.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Clapp $100.00
Geo. A. Clark & Bro. $25.00

Miss Grace Wilkes $5.00
Miss H. K. Wilkes $5.00
Charles H. Contott $100.00
Ira Grandon Girdl $2.00
E. Ferguson $2.00
Miss Ferguson $5.00
Miss Elizabeth Benedict $10.00
Board of Apportionment, St. Paul's church, Chattanooga $5.00
St. Paul's Church, Oxford $10.00
Miss Smith $2.00
A. Church-Woman, through Dr. Malloy $5.00
Henry F. Herker $2.00
G. W. & Co. $5.00
Mrs. J. C. Brown $10.00
Charles Butler $2.00
Alex. J. Cathel $5.00
E. E. P. Ewing, for St. Ann's Church, for Building Fund for Home $20.00
Deaf-Mute Service in St. Paul's Church, Albany $3.19
Deaf-Mute Service in St. Andrew's Church, Harlem $10.00
Louis H. Wright $5.00
Mrs. S. S. & Co $5.00
W. Alexander $2.00
C. G. Van Remenshael $2.00
Stamford Remenang Co. $2.00
William Barton $2.00
W. B. Harrison $2.00
Jonathan Edwards $2.00
W. Blackston $2.00
Mrs. W. B. Williams $10.00
Mrs. William Coleman $2.00
Mrs. F. L. Carpenter $1.00
J. B. Stewart $10.00
Service for Deaf-Mutes in St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn $54.00
Cash and Anomymous $182.50

February, 1880.

Christ Church, Norfolk, Va., Rev. Dr. Brunson $20.00
Mrs. E. W. Flint, Port Sanders, Fla. $20.00
Mrs. Margaret J. Higginson $25.00
Mrs. I. W. Lamb, Cleveland, Ohio $25.00
Offering at St. Ann's for Home $2.00
Deaf-Mute Service in St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn $10.00
Deaf-Mute Service in St. Ann's Church, Philadelphia $2.00
Miss J. L. Morris, toward rent of Neck, N.C $1.00
Miss Elizabeth Benedict $10.00
Cash and Anonymous $100.00

April, 1880.

Miss M. A. Samwell, Scotland Neck, N.C $1.00
Harris Bro $5.00
Cash $5.00
Charles Norwood $10.00
Jack Loew $25.00
Mrs. J. M. Nelson $25.00
Miss E. A. G. N. $25.00
St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn $21.17
Offering at St. Ann's Church, New York $1.00
An Offering, Sept. 29th, St. Paul's, N.Y $5.00
A. J. Todd $5.00
George Wood $5.00
Deaf-Mute Service in St. Paul's Church, Albany $5.01
J. C. Harrison, Buffalo, N.Y $5.00
Mrs. J. B. Francis, Dr. W. $5.00
Mrs. A. M. Allen $2.00
Core & Herbert $10.00
A. V. H. Stuyvesant $5.00
M. Markoe $5.00
Edmund P. Schmidt $10.00

March, 1880.

Mrs. S. J. Zabriskie $50.00
Church of the Heavenly Rest $20.00
Richard L. Schieffelin $25.00
J. H. Brown $5.00
W. G. Secor $2.00
Mrs. Frances E. Colgate $10.00
St. John's Church, Dr. Way $5.00
H. B. Alcock $10.00
Wheeler & Wilson Manufacturing Co. $5.00
Miss C. Baxter $1.00
N. K. & Co $1.00
E. Day $5.00
Jonathan Edwards $5.00
Dr. Spalding $15.00
A. Rochester Friend $2.00
E. Baker, Millstone, N.J $15.00
G. W. Schutt, for Home $2.00
St. Ann's Chapel, Brooklyn Deaf-Mute Service $25.00
Deaf-Mute Service in St. Andrew's Church, Harlem $6.00
Mrs. Kettles $2.00
Miss Nichols $2.00
George E. Bishler, M.D. $5.00
Miss Preston $5.00
J. W. A. Goodwin $1.00
E. P. Wheeler $2.00
Deaf-Mute $5.00
G. G. Smith $5.00
Bates, Reed & Cooley $5.00
M. Fisher $2.00
Dr. Eider Caldwell $5.00
W. Seward Webb $2.00
Miss Low $5.00
I. H. Vail $5.00
Albert Haager & Waldhuber $5.00
Cash and Anonymous $104.95

MARCH, 1880.

Mrs. S. J. Zabriskie $50.00
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Miss C. Baxter $1.00
N. K. & Co $1.00
E. Day $5.00
Jonathan Edwards $5.00
Dr. Spalding $15.00
A. Rochester Friend $2.00
E. Baker, Millstone, N.J $15.00
G. W. Schutt, for Home $2.00
St. Ann's Chapel, Brooklyn Deaf-Mute Service $25.00
Deaf-Mute Service in St. Andrew's Church, Harlem $6.00
Mrs. Kettles $2.00
Miss Nichols $2.00
George E. Bishler, M.D. $5.00
Miss Preston $5.00
J. W. A. Goodwin $1.00
E. P. Wheeler $2.00
Deaf-Mute $5.00
G. G. Smith $5.00
Bates, Reed & Cooley $5.00
M. Fisher $2.00
Dr. Eider Caldwell $5.00
W. Seward Webb $2.00
Miss Low $5.00
I. H. Vail $5.00
Albert Haager & Waldhuber $5.00
Cash and Anonymous $104.95
J. A. C. Gray
Cyrus H. Loutrel
Mrs. H. L. Whitney
Mrs. II. C. Johnstone
J. Bregen
Samuel Boocock
Louis Travers
Deaf-Mute service in Christ Church, Brooklyn

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Glen Cove Starch Manufacturing Co.
J. F. Brogan
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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

THE CHURCH MISSION TO DEAF-MUTES.

In conformity with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act for the incorporation of Benevolent, Charitable, Scientific and Missionary Societies," passed the twelfth day of April, 1848, and the several acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, the subscribers, of full age, citizens of the United States, and of the State of New York, and residents within the City of New York, in said State, being desirous to associate themselves together for the purpose of promoting the temporal and spiritual welfare of adult deaf-mutes, and to be a body politic and corporate for that purpose, do hereby make and sign this certificate.

1. The name or title by which said Society shall be known in law shall be "THE CHURCH MISSION TO DEAF-MUTES."

2. The particular business and objects of the said Society shall be the promoting of the temporal and spiritual welfare of adult deaf-mutes.

3. The number of Trustees to manage the said Society shall be twenty-five.


In testimony whereof, we have herewith subscribed our names.

ISAAC H. HOLMES,
WM. O. FITZGERALD,
JAMES LEWIS,
GUSTAVE FERSENHEIM,
HENRY J. HAIGHT,
ORLANDO L. STEWART,
D. COLDEN MURRAY.

I consent and approve of the filing of the within certificate of incorporation of the Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes.

New York, October 15, 1872.

GEO. C. BARRETT,
Justice of the Supreme Court, in the First Department.

Filed in the Clerk's office, October 21, 1872, and also in the Secretary of State's office at Albany.
CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.
The Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes is a Society designed to promote the temporal and spiritual welfare of adult deaf-mutes. Its central office shall be in the City of New York.

ARTICLE II.
Its members shall consist of those persons paying two dollars and upwards a year towards its support, who shall be elected at any regular meeting of the Trustees. Any person paying one hundred dollars at one time shall be eligible to life membership.

ARTICLE III.
The affairs of the Society shall be under the direction and management of a Board of Twenty-five Trustees, to be elected annually as hereafter provided. The officers of the Society shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, and a Secretary, who shall be selected annually by the said Board from their own number, and shall also be officers of the said Board.

ARTICLE IV.
The Board of Trustees shall hold stated meetings at least once in three months, and may hold adjourned meetings when necessary. Seven Trustees shall form a quorum for the transaction of business, except that no purchase, lease, or sale of real estate shall be made, unless two-thirds of the whole number shall be present at the meeting at which it is ordered. The Board shall have power to make By-Laws for its own government and for the government of the officers, and to alter and amend the same, and may fill any vacancy which may occur in the Board or among its officers. Special meetings of the Board and of the Society may be called by the President, or one of the Vice-Presidents, or on requisition of five of the Trustees; but when special meetings are called, the time and place of meeting and the subject proposed to be considered shall be previously notified to the members, and no other subject shall be discussed or acted upon at such meetings.

ARTICLE V.
The annual meeting of the Society shall be held in St. Ann's Church for Deaf-Mutes, in the City of New York, on the last Wednesday evening of October. At this meeting the Society shall elect by ballot twenty-five Trustees, who shall hold office for the ensuing year and until their successors are appointed. At the first stated meeting of the Board after the annual meeting of the Society, the officers specified in Article III. shall be chosen by ballot from among the members of said Board, and shall continue in office until their successors are appointed.
The Trustees shall present to the Society, at its annual meeting, a report of their proceedings during the previous year, a full statement in relation to the funds and property of the Society, and information relative to the objects of the Society which may be of interest to its members.

ARTICLE VI.
The Constitution shall not be altered unless it be at an annual meeting of the members of the Society, and two-thirds of the members then present consenting thereto, on previous recommendation of the Board of Trustees.

BY-LAWS.

1. The President, First and Second Vice-Presidents, Secretary, and Treasurer shall faithfully perform the duties usually intrusted to such officers.
2. The Trustees shall have power to appoint, by resolution, from time to time, such Special Committees as may be necessary to accomplish most effectively the objects of the Society.
3. The Trustees shall appoint a General Manager, whose duty it shall be to take the general oversight of the various departments of work which shall be adopted to improve the temporal and spiritual welfare of adult deaf-mutes. They shall also have power to appoint assistants to the General Manager, and to fix the salaries which shall be paid to the General Manager and assistants.
4. The General Manager shall be subject to such regulations as the Trustees may adopt for his guidance, and shall present a written report of his work at every stated meeting of the Trustees.
5. With the consent of “The Rector, Church-Wardens, and vestrymen of St. Ann's Church for Deaf-Mutes, in the City of New York,” the meetings of the Trustees shall be held in the said church.
6. At the meetings of the Trustees, the following shall be the order of proceedings, viz.:
   1. Devotions.
   2. Reading of the minutes.
   3. Communication from the officers.
   5. Reports of Committees.
   7. Adjournment.
7. Alteration of these By-Laws proposed at one meeting can be adopted at the next by a two-thirds vote of the Trustees present, but by unanimous consent at a regular meeting, without previous notice.
FOUR MONTHS IN EUROPE.

BY THE GENERAL MANAGER.

On Saturday, August 14th, 1880, Miss Gertrude C. Walter, my wife, and myself sailed from New York in the steamship Britannic, Capt. Perry, of the White Star Line. Kind friends had provided the means for my wife and myself to make this long-wished-for journey to the old world, and Mr. Cortis, the agent of the Company, had given me a complimentary ticket to Liverpool and return. My traveling companions being deaf-mute, we excited constant interest, and were daily giving information respecting the sign-language, the manual alphabet, the education of deaf-mutes, and the progress of Church work among them, to persons of intelligence and culture. In our delightful voyage across the Atlantic we made many friends. The Rev. Dr. Parker and wife, of London, took a special interest in us and learned quite a number of our signs.

On the Twelfth Sunday after Trinity, August 15th, I preached briefly from the Gospel of the day, which recites our Lord's miracle of healing the deaf and dumb man. On the following Tuesday afternoon I gave a lecture in relation to deaf-mutes, explaining and illustrating the sign-language quite at length.

Leaving the ship at Queenstown, we passed through Cork to Dublin, where we visited three institutions for deaf-mutes. We hastened on through Holyhead, London, Dover, and Calais to Brussels, where we visited an institution. After enjoying Lake Lucerne and its surroundings, we went over the Alps to the Italian lakes by Pass St. Gothard. We reached Milan on Saturday, the 4th of September, and remained there upwards of a week in attendance upon the International Convention of the Teachers of Deaf-Mutes, to which I was a delegate from the New York Institution for Deaf-Mutes and the Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes. The convention was composed of upwards of two hundred instructors from various European nations and also from America. The United States were represented by Edward M. Gallaudet, LL.D., President of the National Deaf-Mute College at Washington, D. C., and Professor James Denison, together with Rev. Charles A. Stoddard, D.D., Isaac Lewis Peet, LL.D., Principal, Miss Gertrude C. Walter, my wife and myself from the New York Institution. Notwithstanding the resolutions adopted by a large majority of the convention in favor of teaching deaf-mutes by articulation and lip-reading exclusively, I remained a believer in the combined system, i.e., the use of the sign-language and the manual alphabet in connection with articulation and lip-reading as productive of the greatest good to the greatest number.

We had very pleasant visits to the Institutions in Milan, Pavia, Como, Verona, Vienna, Rome, Cologne, Berlin, Dresden, Frankfort on the Main, Paris, London, Northampton, Edinburgh, Glasgow, and Liverpool. The continental teachers were mostly in favor of articulation and lip-reading, while those of the older institutions in Great Britain and Ireland preferred the combined method.

In Paris we took a special pleasure in visiting the old institution on St. Jacques Street, where my father acquired the art of teaching deaf-mutes under the Abbe Sicard in 1816, and where he became so intimately acquainted with one of the teachers, Mr. Laurent Clerc, deaf-mute himself, that he persuaded this accomplished young gentleman to return with him to the United States and assist in founding the first institution for deaf-mutes at Hartford, Conn., in April, 1817.

We were much gratified at the recent manifestation of the love and esteem of the deaf-mute residents of Paris toward the illustrious Abbe de L'Epee, the founder of our system, by erecting on the grounds of the Institution a bronze statue to his memory. We were able to converse in the sign-language with the teachers and pupils of this Institution, as it is common to French and American deaf-mutes.

We had interesting interviews with the venerable Berthier, who was, in his boyhood, a pupil of Mr. Laurent Clerc. He well remembered the departure of his beloved teacher with my father to America. Having been for many years himself a teacher in the Paris Institute, he was enjoying on a pension a comfortable and grecen old age. I attended a Sunday afternoon service for adult-deaf mutes in the Church of St. Roch. It was conducted by an abbe whom I had met at the Milan Convention. I followed the sign-service and sermon with perfect ease. After the benediction the abbe kindly introduced me to the congregation, with most of whom I shook hands and had a little conversation. This was, of course, conducted entirely by signs, as my friends did not understand English and I did not understand French.

In London we were warmly welcomed by the Rev. Samuel Smith, Pastor of St. Saviour's Church for Deaf-Mutes, in Oxford Street. We attended two Sunday evening services in this church and a social Tuesday evening gathering in the lecture room. We were, however, obliged to address the congregations through the interpretation of Rev. Mr. Smith, because the English have a sign-language entirely different from ours, and because also they use the double-handed alphabet while we use the single. But in social intercourse we could use their alphabet slowly and use some natural signs and thus give and receive a few ideas. We were, on several occasions, hospitably entertained at the parsonage, adjoining the church, by Rev. Mr. Smith and his wife.

One evening we met several of the brethren who are interested in Church work among adult deaf-mutes at other points in the vast metropolis. We were deeply grateful for all the kindness which we received, and...
devoutly thankful for all the good which is being done for our English deaf-mute friends by the Church of Christ. St. Saviour's, London, differs from St. Ann's, New York, in ministering only to deaf-mutes.

Having enjoyed every part of our mercifully ordered journey through a large portion of the old world, we left Liverpool on the 16th of December, in the Britannic, Capt. Perry, of the White Star Line, the same staunch ship, under the same esteemed captain, which had brought us safely over. Again we interested the ship's company in our work, and on one afternoon, after a lecture in the dining saloon, we received upwards of $40 for the Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes. We reached New York on the afternoon of Christmas day, our hearts overflowing with thanksgiving to God for all His mercies, and with joy at the greetings of kindred, parishioners and other friends. We were glad to be at home again.