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Belonging to the Vestry  
of Coventry Parish  
to be carefully preserved.

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For the establishment of vestries for each  
parish in this statute.

WHEREAS it is represented to this general  
assembly, that the act for the establish-  
ment of select vestries, and the supplements there-  
to, are inadequate to the exigencies of the pro-  
testant episcopal church in this statute, for which the  
said acts were intended to provide,

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of  
Maryland, That vestries shall be chosen for each  
parish within this state in the following manner:  
Every free white male citizen of this state above  
twenty-one years of age, resident of the parish  
where he offers to vote six months next preceding  
the day of election, who shall have been entered  
on the books of the said parish one month at least  
preceding the day of election as a member of the  
protestant episcopal church, and who shall also  
contribute to the charges of the said parish in which  
he offers to vote such sum as a majority of the  
vestry in each parish shall annually, within ten days  
after their election, in writing, make known and  
declare, not exceeding two dollars, shall have a  
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right of suffrage in the election of vestrymen for such parish; and all persons so qualified shall, on the next ensuing Easter Monday, assemble in their respective parishes, at their parish church, or if there shall be two or more protestant episcopal churches in any parish, at the church first built therein, or if there be in any parish no such church, then at such other place as the rector of the parish, or if there be no rector, as any three or more vestrymen, may have publicly notified to the parishioners, and the said persons, so qualified to vote, when assembled, or such of them as may assemble in each parish, shall proceed, by a majority of votes, to elect, by ballot, eight vestrymen from among the persons qualified to vote, who, with the rector of the parish for the time being, shall be deemed and considered the vestry of the said parish for the ensuing year, and the rector of the parish shall always be one of the vestry.

III. **And be it enacted,** That the register of the parish shall, and it is hereby declared to be his duty, to enrol any person of the protestant episcopal church who shall apply for the purpose, on the books of the parish, under the penalty of eight dollars, and he shall be authorized to demand and receive the sum of six cents for each and every such enrolment.

IV. **And,** to perpetuate the vestry in each parish, **Be it enacted,** That on refusal to serve, resignation, death, or removal from the parish with a view to reside elsewhere, or on legal discharge from  
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serving, or any other disqualification of any person chosen a vestryman, the rector, (if any,) or if no rector, any two of the vestry, or of those persons who last possessed the powers of vestrymen, shall, with all convenient speed, appoint a general meeting of the parishioners entitled to suffrage as aforesaid, at the parish church or elsewhere, as herein before mentioned; and at such meeting, such of them as shall assemble shall proceed, by a majority of votes, to fill up such vacancy or vacancies, from among the persons qualified to vote, as herein before provided; and on every Easter Monday for ever, after the first election as herein before directed, the parishioners entitled to suffrage shall assemble, as herein before prescribed, and they, or such of them as may assemble, shall, by a majority of votes, put out four of the eight vestrymen whom they please, and shall immediately thereafter elect, by ballot, four vestrymen from among the persons qualified to vote, including those whom they have voted out, all or any of whom they may re-elect; and such persons so chosen, with the remaining vestrymen and the rector, shall be the vestry for the ensuing year.

**V. And be it enacted,** That the vestrymen of each parish, or a majority of those who shall attend, shall judge of the election of vestrymen, and of the qualification of voters, and of the qualification of the parishioners proposed to be elected as vestrymen.

**VI. And be it enacted,** That every person chosen a vestryman shall, before he acts as such, take  
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and subscribe the oath of support and fidelity required by the constitution and form of government, unless such person hath before taken such oath, and also make and subscribe a declaration of his belief in the christian religion, and he shall also take and subscribe the following oath of office, to wit: " I, A. B. do solemnly swear, that I will faithfully execute the office of a vestryman of \_\_\_\_\_ parish, in \_\_\_\_\_ county, without prejudice, favour or affection, according to the best of my skill and knowledge;" which oaths and declarations any justice of the peace, or any vestryman present, may administer and take.

VII. And be it enacted, That the first Monday in February, May, August and November, in each year, shall be the days on which a vestry shall be held in every parish, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at the place at which vestry elections are directed by this act to be held, without any notice given thereof, and every vestry may also hold adjourned or special meetings at such times and places as they may agree upon; at any which time or place, any four vestrymen, together with the rector, if he shall attend, if not, any four without him, shall be a sufficient quorum for the transaction of any business whatever, which they are authorized to do by this act, and whatsoever shall be thus done by a majority of such quorum, or of the members attending, if more than above directed, shall be valid and obligatory, as if done by the whole vestry; provided always, that due notice of all adjourned and special

cial meetings shall be given to all the members of the vestry.

VIII. And be it enacted, That the rector of each parish for the time being shall preside in the vestry, collect the votes, and shall, upon an equal division of those present, have a vote, except in cases in which he is in any manner particularly interested, and he shall have, except he may otherwise contract with the vestry, the possession, occupation and free use of all the glebe-lands, houses, ground-rents, books and other property, belonging to his parish, and be entitled to the benefit thereof during the time he shall officiate therein as rector.

IX. And be it enacted, That the vestry of each parish for the time being, as trustees of the parish, shall have an estate in fee-simple in all churches and chapels, and in all glebes, and other lands, and shall have a good title and estate in all other property heretofore belonging to the church of England, or which shall hereafter belong to the said church, now called the Protestant Episcopal Church, in Maryland; and it shall be lawful for such vestry so to manage and direct all such property as they may think most advantageous to the interests of the parishioners, and they shall also have the property in all books, plate and other ornaments belonging to said churches and chapels, or any of them.

X. And be it enacted, That if any rector shall commit any waste on any glebe-land, or other land belonging

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belonging to the vestry of his parish, or if he shall do any injury to his parsonage, or to his parish library, he shall be liable to pay treble damages, to be recovered of him by the vestry in their corporate name, in the same manner as if he was not one of the vestry.

XI. **And be it enacted,** That on every Easter Monday, immediately after the election of vestrymen, the vestry shall proceed to choose from among the persons qualified to vote, two sober, discreet and pious persons, to be churchwardens for the ensuing year, and before they act as such, they shall take and subscribe the oath of fidelity, and make and subscribe the declaration herein before prescribed to be taken by vestrymen, and also an oath, that they will faithfully discharge the duties of a churchwarden.

XII. **And be it enacted,** That every churchwarden shall have power to keep the peace, and also preserve order and decency in his respective church or chapels; and it shall be lawful for any churchwarden to apprehend any person guilty of any breach of the peace, or of any disorderly conduct, or of making a noise in any church or chapel, or in the church or chapel-yard, or other enclosure, so as to disturb the congregation, and to turn such person out of the church, chapel-yard, or other enclosure thereto belonging; and it shall be the duty of any person (who may be called upon) to assist the churchwarden in the before-mentioned duties.

XIII. **And**

XIII. And be it enacted, That if, from any cause whatever, those persons qualified to vote in any parish should suffer Easter-Monday to elapse without any election of vestrymen, then the said election may be held on any other day appointed for the purpose, at any time after, although it may be in any subsequent year, of which day notice shall be given by the rector (if any) in his church immediately after divine service, on two succeeding Sundays, and if no rector, by any two vestrymen, or of those persons who last possessed the powers of vestrymen, by writing set up at the door of the church ten days before the day of meeting.

XIV. And be it enacted, If churchwardens should not from any cause be chosen by the vestry on the day of the election of vestrymen, it shall and may be lawful to choose them at any subsequent meeting of the vestry, and such elections shall be held valid and obligatory.

XV. And be it enacted, That the vestry of every parish shall have full power and authority from time to time to choose one or more ministers or readers of the protestant episcopal church, (heretofore called the church of England,) to officiate in any church or chapel belonging to the parish; and to perform the other duties of a minister therein, for such time, as the said vestry may think proper, and they may agree and contract with such minister or ministers, reader or readers, for his or their salary, and respecting the use and occupation of the parsonage-house, or any glebe or other lands



lands, or other property, if any, belonging to the parish, and on such terms and conditions as they may think reasonable and proper, and their choice and contract shall be entered among their proceedings; and upon the expiration of such contract, the said vestry may, in their discretion, renew their choice, or make a new contract, but if they do not incline so to do, their former choice and contract shall remain until they declare their desire to make a new choice or contract.

XVI. And be it enacted, That if only one minister shall be chosen for any parish, he shall be called the rector thereof, but where two or more ministers shall be chosen of the same order in the ministry, they shall be called associated rectors of such parish, and shall preside in the vestry by rotation; and in any parish in which there shall at any time be more than one minister regularly settled, and either of them of superior order in the ministry, such superior minister shall have the sole right of presiding in the vestry and be called the rector thereof, and the other or others shall be called associated ministers of such parish.

XVII. And be it enacted, If the vestry of any parish should think it necessary to take in subscriptions for the maintenance of their minister or ministers, reader or readers, or for paying the salaries of such other officers as the occasions of the parish may require to be appointed, or for any other parish purposes, it shall and may be lawful for them so to do.

XVIII. And

XVIII. And be it enacted, That the vestry of every parish shall be and they are hereby obliged to provide a fit person as register of their parish, whose duty it shall be to keep true and fair entries of the proceedings of such vestry in the execution of their trust, which register also shall, before he acts as such, take and subscribe the oath of fidelity herein before mentioned, (unless he shall have before taken such oath,) and make and subscribe a declaration of his belief in the christian religion, as also take an oath for the due and faithful execution of the duties of his office, to be administered as herein before directed.

XIX. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the said register to enter in a book provided for the purpose, all baptisms, marriages and funerals, of free persons in the parish by any minister of the protestant episcopal church, and which may be made known to him by any of the said ministers or vestrymen of the parish; and it shall also be the duty of the said register, in the entry of baptisms to insert the christian names of the persons baptised, the christian and surnames of the parents, with the dates of the baptisms and births of the persons baptised, and in the entry of marriages and burials to insert the times of the celebration, and the christian and surnames of the persons married, and the persons buried; and it shall be the duty of the minister or ministers of every parish to take care that the said register be made acquainted with all the baptisms, marriages and burials, celebrated by him or them in the parish.

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XX. And be it enacted, That if any minister of the protestant episcopal church shall celebrate any baptism, marriage or burial, in any parish in which he may not be a settled minister, he is hereby required to communicate it to the rector, or some one of the vestry, of the parish, who shall communicate it to the register of said parish.

XXI. And be it enacted, That if any minister or vestryman shall fail in the duties herein respectively assigned them, or if any register shall refuse or neglect to enter any baptism, marriage or burial, so made known to him, the person offending shall forfeit eight dollars for every such offence.

XXII. And be it enacted, That the register of every parish shall have the custody of all registers of baptisms, marriages and burials, belonging to his parish, and he is hereby obliged to shew any person or persons reasonably desiring it any such register, or give a certificate of the entry of any birth, marriage or burial, entered therein, which may be desired of him, and such certificate, under the hand of such register, and with the common seal of such vestry annexed thereto, shall be received in evidence in all courts of justice within this state; and for every search which may be required he shall be entitled to twenty-five cents, and for every certificate as aforesaid he shall be entitled to twenty-five cents, nor shall he be obliged to make a search, or give a certificate, until he shall have been paid the reward before allowed.

XXIII. And

XXIII. And be it enacted, That if any vestry shall neglect or refuse to appoint a register for their parish, or to provide him with such good and substantial books as the execution of the duties herein committed to him may require, the individual vestrymen who shall vote against going into the appointment of a person to fill the office of a register, or shall refuse to vote on the question of said appointment, or against the provision of good substantial books as aforesaid, shall forfeit and pay the sum of five dollars each for every time he shall offend, or vote as aforesaid, the said fine to be recovered before a single magistrate; provided always, that the vestrymen so offending may in all cases allege, before said magistrate, such excuse or excuses as he may think sufficient to relieve him from the payment of the fine as aforesaid.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That whenever special meetings of the vestry shall be necessary, the rector shall call them, but if there be no rector, or if he shall be absent or refuse or neglect to call a meeting, then any two of the vestry agreeing so to do may summon a special vestry.

XXV. And, the better to secure the attendance of members of the vestry, Be it enacted, That no vestryman shall absent himself from any stated meeting, or from special or adjourned meeting, of which he was duly notified, without such excuse as the rest of the vestry will allow, under a penalty not less than two or exceeding eight dollars.

XXVI. And

XXVI. And be it enacted, That if any person elected a vestryman agreeably to this act shall, after convenient notice given him by the register of the parish, who is hereby required to give him such notice under the penalty of twenty dollars, refuse to serve as a vestryman according to the provisions herein made, without alleging such an excuse as the residue of the vestry will allow, unless he shall have heretofore served two years, or been voted out at a former vestry election, or if any person elected a churchwarden, who has not before served in that office within the last three years, shall, after the same notice, refuse to serve as such, or having been qualified shall retire from his office without the consent of the vestry, before the time for which he was elected shall have expired, unless he shall have been disqualified for remaining a churchwarden, the former shall forfeit twenty dollars, and the latter ten dollars.

XXVII. And be it enacted, That all fines and penalties by this act imposed shall be recoverable before any justice of the peace, and applied to the use of the parish, in such manner as the vestry may direct.

XXVIII. And be it enacted, That the vestrymen of every parish in this state for the time being shall be, and they are hereby declared to be, one community, corporation and body politic, for ever, by the name of The Vestry of the parish to which they severally belong, and by the same name they, and their successors, shall and may have perpetual  
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succession, and shall and may, at all times hereafter, be persons able and capable in law to purchase, take and hold, to them and their successors, in fee, or for any less estate or estates, any lands, tenements, hereditaments, rents or annuities, within this state, by the gift, bargain, sale or devise of any person or persons, bodies politic and corporate, capable of making the same, and such lands, tenements or hereditaments, to rent or lease, in such a manner as they may judge most conducive to the interests of their respective parishes, and also to take and receive any sum or sums of money, and any kind of goods and chattels, which may or shall be given, sold or bequeathed unto them, by any person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, capable to make a gift, sale or bequest thereof, and to apply the same for the use of their respective parishes as herein before directed; provided, that the clear yearly value of the estate of any vestry, (exclusive of the rents of pews, collections in churches, funeral charges, and the like,) shall not exceed two thousand dollars.

XXIX. And be it enacted, That no vestry shall sell, alien, or transfer, any of their estates or property belonging to their church or churches, without the consent of five at least of their body, (of which number the rector shall always be one,) together with the consent of both the churchwardens, and in case there be no rector in the parish, then it shall be necessary to obtain the consent of the bishop of the protestant episcopal church in this state for the time being, previous to any sale, alienation or transfer,

transfer, of any of the estates or property aforesaid.

XXX. And be it enacted, That no vestry shall apply any of the principal of the money arising from the sales of any of the estates or property aforesaid towards any debt or debts contracted with their minister on account of his official duties.

XXXI. And be it enacted, That nothing herein before contained shall be construed to prevent the vestry of any parish from buying at any time a lot of land, not exceeding two acres, for a burial-ground, or a site for a church or parsonage-house, or from selling or renting the pews of their churches or chapels, provided in so doing the said vestry shall not interfere with any existing right or title in any person to any pew or pews.

XXXII. And be it enacted, That the vestry of every parish, and their successors, (by the name aforesaid,) shall be for ever hereafter able and capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended, in all or any courts of justice, and before all or any judges, officers or other persons whatsoever, in all and singular actions, matters and demands whatsoever; and that it shall and may be lawful for them, and their successors, for ever hereafter, to have a common seal for their use, and the same, at the will and pleasure of them, and their successors, to change, alter, break and make anew, from time to time, as they shall think best.

XXXIII. And

XXXIII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the convention of the protestant episcopal church in this state to divide or unite parishes, as occasion may require, and to alter their bounds, and to constitute new parishes; and vestrymen and churchwardens of such new parishes shall be chosen as herein before provided, and shall have perpetual succession, and be incorporated, by the name of The Vestry of such new parish, and such vestry and churchwardens, shall have all the powers hereby granted in this act to other vestrymen and churchwardens; provided always, that a majority of the members of the protestant episcopal church, qualified to vote for vestrymen, residing in any parish, or part or parts of a parish or parishes, proposed to be added to any new parish or parishes, or to be constituted into a new parish, shall consent thereto.

after the election of vestrymen on the next ensuing Easter Monday, as herein before directed, the act, entitled, An act for the establishment of select vestries, and all the supplementary acts thereto, shall be and hereby are repealed.



Register  
of Coventry Parish.

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Easter Monday April 23<sup>d</sup> 1821

This being the day appointed by law for the election of the vestry and other church officers; the parishoners of Coventry Parish assembled in the church at Rehoboth and proceeded to vote out four of the old vestry viz — Severn Howard, Robert Cluff, Samuel Taylor & Daniel Dakes, who were also elected, and together with Littleton Dennis, William Williams, John W. Dennis & James Cottingham constitute the vestry for the present year

Elijah Willis & John Howard were appointed Wardens Edward Coulburn having declined a reelection, Mr Howard was then qualified agreeably to law

Adjourned,

The vestry met, agreeably to appointment, present the \*Rector and the following vestrymen, Messrs Taylor, Cluff, Howard & Cottingham — It being understood by the vestry that Samuel S Horsey the person with whom they contracted to finish the amanessia chapel, complaining that he cannot proceed in the completion of said chapel without some advance of money on the part of the vestry — It is therefore Resolved that William Williams Samuel Taylor & Severn Howard be a committee to confer with Mr Horsey, and to enter into a new contract with him, with the following stipulations, that the vestry will advance to Mr Horsey a sum of money not exceeding a hundred dollars to enable him to complete the chapel,

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provided he will give an obligation with sufficient security under a penalty double the sum advanced to complete the work, as stipulated in the former contract, by a reasonable time to be judged of by the committee — and further be it Resolved, that the aforesaid committee have power to make, and sign such a contract with Mr. Horry on the behalf of the Vestry — — — Adjourned George Dakes Reg.

May 7th 1821. Agreeably to law the vestry assembled this day at the church of Rehoboth. Present the Rector and Messrs, Dennis, Dakes, Taylor, Howard & Cluff

Balance due on settlement with Henry Lankford twenty nine dollars & twenty two cents for collections on subscribers list to the chapel already collected . . . . .

Balance in his hands for further collection sixty eight dollars & fifty cents . . . . .

Resolved. that Doct. Thomas Williams be appointed a lay delegate from this parish to attend the convention of the Protestant Episcopal church in Maryland, to meet in Baltimore on the 20<sup>th</sup> of June next . . . . .

Resolved, that Capt. John Handy and William Coulbourn (of Mrs) be a committee to see that the chapel is completed with proper materials, and Report thereon to the vestry at their next meeting . . . . .

The vestry of Coventry Parish agree to rent the glebe to Daniel Benson for the term of thirteen years to commence on the first day of January 1823 at the yearly rent of fifty dollars, and the said Benson is in addition to said annual rent of fifty dollars to erect on the said glebe at his own proper cost & expence a framed dwelling house sixteen feet long & twentyfour feet wide with a brick chimney and two fire places, to be completed on or before the commencement of said lease, & to be built in a workmanlike manner & of good materials, the timber for said house to be got off the glebe land as witness our hands & seals this 7<sup>th</sup> May 1822

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Henry Lankford

Littleton Dennis

Sworn Howard

Daniel Dakes

Robert Cluff

Samuel Taylor

Daniel Benson



As Samuel Darby has the ~~use~~<sup>use</sup> of the house in the church yard at Rehoboth (free of rent,) provided <sup>he</sup> should keep the church in proper order, therefore

Resolved by the vestry that it made his duty to have this house washed and cleaned, before service is held here again - Adjourned - Geo. Dakes Reg.

Rehoboth July 18<sup>th</sup> 1822 - Agreeably to appointment  
The vestry met, present the Rector, and Messrs Dennis =

Howards, Dakes, Gottingham, Cluff & Taylor —  
The vestry agreed to meet at the Annamessia chapel  
on Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup> of August at 10 O'clock A.M. —

Adjourned — George Dakes (Reg. —  
August 4<sup>th</sup> 1821,

The vestry met agreeably to appointment at the Anna-  
messia Chapel — present the Rector, and Messrs.  
Dennis, Howard, Cluff & Dakes — — — — —

The vestry settled with Samuel S Horsely for the  
completion of the annamessia Chapel — Mr. Daniel  
Dakes was appointed to wait on Henry Broughton  
and direct him to hang the window shutters and doors  
in the Chapel — Benjamin Coulbourn agreed  
with the vestry to take charge of the chapel for five  
dollars per year. — The vestry adjourned to meet  
at Rehoboth on Friday next at 3 O'clock P.M. — — —

George Dakes (Reg. —

November 19<sup>th</sup> 1821. The parishioners of Coventry parish  
Assembled in Rehoboth Church this day agreeably to public  
notice given, for the purpose of electing a vestryman to supply  
the place occasioned by the death of Samuel Taylor, when  
Capt. Lazarus Cottman was unanimously elected — — —

The vestry met this day by special appointment, Present  
the Rector, and Messrs Dennis, Dakes, Gottingham and Cluff

Resolved, that Daniel Dakes and Gideon Howard be a com-  
= mitter to rent out the house and lot in the Church yard at =

Rehoboth: on Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup> of December next  
 Instructions were given to the above committee to direct them  
 in the business confided to them — Mr. Daniel Benson  
 is empowered by the Vestry to get into staves the blown down  
 white and red Oak trees on the glebe lands — and to  
 allow the vestry one third of the profits at the landing.  
 — John Howard was appointed to superintend the  
 glazing of the windows in the church —  
 Adjourned ————— George Dakes (Recy)

Rehoboth Church February 11<sup>th</sup> 1822. The vestry met this  
 day by special appointment. present the Rector, and Messrs Dennis  
 Howard Cluff & Cottman, Capt. Cottman the new member, appeared  
 this day and was qualified agreeably to law, — Mr. Severn Howard from  
 the committee appointed to rent out the house & Lot in the church yard  
 at Rehoboth, reported that they had rented the house to Isaac Williams  
 for \$12 with Elijah Boston for a security, Mr. Daniel Benson was  
 appointed to carry in the account due from the sale of a pew in Anna-  
 =mistic Chapel to the executors of Benj<sup>n</sup>. Conner (Decr.) for settlement.  
 Resolved, that a committee be appointed consisting of Littleton Dennis  
 & Robert Cluff to settle with Mr. Henry Lankford for the planks he  
 purchased on the glebe which was left of the building the Chapel —  
 and also his other accounts with the Vestry —————  
 Resolved, that Messrs Severn Howard, Daniel Dakes, & Daniel  
 Benson, be a committee to close the accounts of sales of the =

the pews of the Annamessia Chapel. — Mr. Daniel Benson  
 recd. permission to clear all the glebe lands on the right hand  
 of the road leading from Henry Lankford's to the corner  
 and to tend two years in succession, and afterwards in rotation —  
 — Adjournal — — — — — George Dakes Reg. —

Easter Monday April 8<sup>th</sup> 1822

The parishoners of the Coventry parish assembled this day at the  
 church at Rehototh, and proceeded to the election of the Vestry  
 agreeably to law. — Littleton Dennis, Daniel Dakes, William  
 Williams & John W Dennis were voted out. —

The following gentlemen were elected vestrymen for the  
 ensuing year.

Littleton Dennis, Daniel Dakes, Severn Howard, James  
 Cottingham, Lazarus Cottman, Robert Cluff, John Henry  
 Bohoon and William Coulbourn (of W<sup>m</sup>).

Adjournal. George Dakes (Reg.)

A quorum of the vestry met immediately, and relected  
 John Howard & Elijah Willis as wardens for the present  
 year.

On motion, the following resolution was read & adopted,  
 Resolved, by the vestry that the several subscriptions for the  
 salary of the present Rector of this parish be registered on  
 our Journals so as to exhibit the whole amount subscri-  
 bed for each respective year upon each subscription —

= paper, the amount already collected and the balance still remaining due on each.

Mr. Dennis from the committee appointed to settle with Henry Lantford, reported that Henry Lantford promised the committee to meet the vestry and settle with them. The same committee, ascertained the balance due on Henry Lantford's note to the vestry up to the 7<sup>th</sup> April 1822 which amount to \$121-59¢.

Resolved, that Mr. Dennis be requested to inform Henry Broughton that he must complete his work on the Annamesia Chapel in two weeks,

and Saml. G. Horsy his work to the same by the last of May, and in case of failure in either case the vestry will do it at their expense.

Adjourned George Dakis. Reg<sup>r</sup>

May 6<sup>th</sup> 1822. This being one of the days appointed by law for the meeting of the vestry, the following members assembled at the church at Rehoboth. Present the Rector & Messrs. Dennis, Howard, Dakis, Cluff, Cottingham, Coulbourn & Cottman.

Mr. John Cottman was appointed a lay delegate to attend the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal church of Maryland to meet in the City of Washington on the 5<sup>th</sup> of June next.

The Rector having called the attention of the vestry to the subject of the Episcopal fund of this diocess, the following



report was adopted, and ordered to be communicated to the convention.

The vestry of Coventry Parish have taken into consideration the report of the committee on the Episcopal Fund, and have with deep regret to represent to the convention, that although they highly approve of the plan proposed for raising a permanent fund for the Episcopacy, they have not yet made any progress; finding it is with great difficulty they can obtain a scanty support for their Rector, from the depressed state of the county, the late disastrous season, and the low state of the funds of this parish.

Daniel Benson was directed to employ hands to assist him in putting up the lightning rod, and to bring in his account. Adjourned,  
George Dakes, Register

July 15<sup>th</sup> 1822. Agreeably to a call from the Rector, the Vestry met at Rehoboth, present the Rector and Messrs Dakes, Howard, Cluff, Cottingham & Cottman - John H. Cahoon, a newly elected member, appeared, was qualified agreeably to law, and took his seat - Mr Isaac Johnson was elected a church warden to supply the place vacated by the death of Mr. Elijah Williff (deceased) and took <sup>the</sup> oath required by Law. . . . .  
Resolved, that Mr Dennis, Mr Dakes,

= and Mr. Cochran be a committee to take such measures to complete the chapel of Annamesset as they may deem necessary, and report to the next Vestry - - - - - Adjournd, George Dakes  
 Reg.

Rehoboth church Nov<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> 1822.

This being the day appointed by law for the meeting of the Vestry, the Rector, with Messrs, Dennis, Dakes, Howard, Cluff, Cottman, Vestrymen, attended at 11 o'clock A. M. at Rehoboth Church, Isaac S. Johnson & John Howard Wardens also attended.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

The vestry made arrangements for settling with the Rector, who had announced his determination to resign the Rectorship.

Ordered, that the persons holding subscription papers for the present year be requested to open a new paper for the year of 1823 for the support of the rector.

Adjourned to meet the first Monday in Decem<sup>r</sup>.

George Dakes, (Reg)

December 2<sup>nd</sup> 1822

The Vestry met agreeably to adjournment, Present  
the Rector and Messrs Dennis, Howard, Dakes,  
Cottingham, Bohoon, Cluff, and John Howard  
Warden.

Ordered, that Capt John Handy be credited  
on his subscription to the amount of 23<sup>7</sup>/<sub>2</sub> dollars  
which he had advanced to Mr Stratton in  
the year 1818.

Adjourned . . . George Dakes  
Rex.

March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1823.

The Vestry met, <sup>at 11 o'clock</sup> agreeably to special appointment  
by the Rector, present the Rector, and Messrs Dennis,  
Howard, Dakes, Cluff and Cottingham  
Together Mr John Howard Warden.

Ordered, that the following paper be entered  
on the minutes of the Vestry

WE the subscribers do hereby bind ourselves  
jointly and severally, our joint and several heirs  
Executors & administrators to pay to the Rev.  
Samuel C Stratton for his ministerial services  
for <sup>the</sup> ensuing year the sum of three hundred and  
fifty dollars, provided twelve persons shall be  
= come responsible, and subscribe this paper,  
Otherwise the above is to be void and of no effect,  
as witness our hands and seals this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of =

= December 1822

Justis signed

Daniel Benson,  
John Howard  
John H. Cohoon  
Grace Cottingham

Littleton Dennis	Seal
Lazarus Cottman	Seal
James Cottingham	Seal
Levern Howard	Seal
John H. Cohoon	Seal
Robert Cluff	Seal
Killam Broughton	Seal
Edward Boulbourn	Seal
Samuel A. Cohoon	Seal
John W. Dennis	Seal
R. Handy	Seal

COMPLETION OF

ANNA MESSEX CHAPEL

AUG 14, 1821

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W. Stratton,  
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The Vestry acknowledge the receipt of \$10<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub>  
from Isaac Brauchamp and \$20<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub> from  
William Boulbourn, (Administrator of Benj.  
Counor (de.) for their respective pews in Annamessex  
Chapel

The Vestry adjourned,

George Dakes. (Reg)

= December 1822 -

*Signed*  
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Daniel Benson,  
John Howard  
John H. Cohoon  
Grace Cottingham

Littleton Dennis  
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James Cottingham  
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John H. Cohoon  
Robert Cluff  
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Edward Coulbourn  
Samuel A. Cohoon  
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Thomas R. Handy  
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Resolved, by the Vestry, that the rent of the globe for the present year amounting to \$50<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub> be appropriated to the use of M. Stratton, in addition to the three hundred and fifty dollars above secured to him.

The Vestry acknowledge the receipt of \$10<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub> from Isaac Beauchamp and \$20<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub> from William Coulbourn, (Administrator of Benj. Courner (de.)) for their respective pews in Annamesset Chapel

The Vestry adjourned,  
George Dakes. (Reg.)

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May 5<sup>th</sup> 1823.

As an election for the Vestry did not take place on Easter Monday in consequence of unfavourable weather the parishoners of Coventry Parish, agreeably to an appointment made by the Rector, met this day in Rehoboth Church at 10 O'clock A. M. and proceeded to the said election.

Daniel Dakes, William Coulbourn (of Wm) Littleton Dennis, John H. Cohoon (old testymen) were voted out; the following persons were then elected viz, Daniel Dakes, Littleton Dennis, John H. Cohoon, and William Coulbourn (of Stephen) who with the old members, Severn Howard, Robert Cluff, Lazarus Cottman, & James Cottingham, constitute the Vestry for the present year.

John Howard & Isaac S. Johnson were elected wardens by the Vestry for this year.

Adjourned, George Dakes (Reg)

May 5<sup>th</sup> 1823.

The Vestry met agreeably to appointment, Present Messrs Dennis, Dakes, Howard, Cluff, Cohoon, Cottingham & John Howard Warden.

Ordered, that the following be returned into the Vestry  
Reason be inserted in the minutes.

On motion Mr. John Cottman was appointed a lay delegate to attend the convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Baltimore to be held on the 28<sup>th</sup> of May next.

The Vestry adjourned to this day to week,  
George Dakes (Reg)

Rehoboth June 16<sup>th</sup> 1823.

The vestry met this day agreeably to adjournment,  
Present Messrs Dennis, Dakes, Cottman, Howard,  
Cliff Cottingham & Coulbourn - John Howard war-  
-den was also present.

Ordered, that the following lease, entered into with  
Daniel Benson be inserted on the minutes.

This indenture made this first day of January A. D. one  
Thousand eight hundred & twentythree between the Vestry  
of Coventry Parish of Somerset County & State of Maryland of the  
one part and Daniel Benson of the County & State aforesaid of the  
other part Witnesseth that the said Vestry of Coventry parish for and  
in consideration of the payment of the rent and performance of  
the covenants herein after mentioned on the part of the said  
Daniel Benson to be paid & performed hath leased and by these  
presents doth demise and grant unto the said Daniel  
Benson the Glebe land situate & being in the Parish & County  
aforesaid the term of thirteen years to commence on the first day  
of January Eighteen hundred & twentythree for and Considera-  
-tion of the sum of fifty dollars a year to be paid annually by the  
said Daniel Benson to the said Vestry of Coventry Parish also  
the said Benson is to Erect on the said Glebe at his own Expense  
& Cost a framed dwelling house sixteen feet long & twentyfour  
feet wide with a brick chimney & two fire places to be completed  
on or before the commencement of this lease to be built in a  
workmanlike manner of good materials the timber for said  
house to be got of the Glebe land, the said Benson is to suffer no  
improper waste of timber & to yield the said Land to the Vestry  
of Coventry Parish at the expiration of the time above mentioned  
in a quiet & peaceable manner & in good order - Witness our hands  
& seals this fifth day of May Eighteen hundred & twentythree

Signia sealed &  
acknowledged in  
presence of us  
Samuel Stratton  
Henry Lankford

Littleton Dennis - Seal  
Severn Howard - Seal  
Daniel Dakes - Seal  
Robert Cliff - Seal  
James Cottingham - Seal  
Daniel Benson - Seal

Resolved, that Mr. Daniel Dakes & William  
Coulbourn be a committee to settle with Henry  
Lankford to ascertain what is due on the chapel  
list - and John Howard be appointed to collect the  
balance on said list.

Ordered, that Cap. Lazarus Cottman be authorized  
to receive from George Boston, Executor to Matthias Taylor,  
and receipt for the same, the sum of nine dollars, paid  
to the said Taylor on a subscription paper for pur-  
-chasing staves for Dividing Creek Chapel.

Ordered, that Eleven dollars as due from Daniel  
Benson for staves, be entered on the minutes.

The Vestry Adjourned,

George Dakes, Rtg.

Rehoboth August 18. 1823

The Vestry met agreeably to a special appointment  
by the Rector. Present the Rector, with the following  
Vestrymen - viz. Messrs Cottman, Cottingham, Howard,  
Cluff, Dakes, Coulbourn, Dennis & Cohoon.

Adjourned, George Dakes Rtg.

Rehoboth Church Decr. 1<sup>st</sup> 1823

The vestry met by special appointment present, the  
Rector, and the following Vestrymen Messrs, Dennis,  
Cluff, Dakes, Howard, Cottman, Cottingham, Cohoon  
& Coulbourn, John Howard Warden was also present.

The Vestry received from the Rev. Mr. Stratton the  
following note.



I do hereby tender to the Vestry my resignation as Rector of Coventry Parish. Decr. 1<sup>st</sup> 1823. J. C. Stratton  
Past. George Dakes (Reg.)

On settlement with the late Rector, there appears to be due him \$524; for the year 1822 and \$370.50. for the year 1823. The Vestry adjourned to Wednesday three weeks Decr. 24 Instant at 10 O'clock A.M. George Dakes (Reg.)

Rehoboth Church Decr. 24<sup>th</sup> 1823

The Vestry met agreeably to adjournment, present Messrs Dennis, Dakes, Cottman, Cohoon, Coulbourn & Bluff also Isaac L Johnson, Warden, & the Rev. Mr. Stratton.

On Motion resolved that John Howard be appointed Agent for the collection of monies due the Vestry; and that he be allowed 6 per cent commission for the same.

Mr Dennis produced a paper which he read, approving of Mr. Stratton's conduct in the parish which the Vestry Unanimously signed.

Ordered, that the Bishop be informed of the vacancy in the parish. George Dakes (Reg.)

May 17<sup>th</sup> 1824.

The Vestry of Coventry Parish met agreeably to appointment, at Rehoboth Church, and were present, viz Daniel Dakes John H. Cohoon, William Coulbourn (of N. H.) Robert Bluff, Severn Howard, Littleton Dennis Lazarus Cottman, and proceeded according to notice, to the Election of a Vestry, when the following Vestrymen were elected, viz,

- |                              |                     |
|------------------------------|---------------------|
| Daniel Dakes                 | Severn Howard       |
| John H. Cohoon               | Littleton Dennis    |
| William Coulbourn (of N. H.) | Lazarus Cottman     |
| Robert Bluff                 | James Cottingham    |
|                              | John Howard         |
|                              | Isaac Johnson       |
| Church Wardens -             | George Dakes (Reg.) |

Easter Monday. April 4<sup>th</sup> 1825

The parishioners of Coventry Parish assembled this day at the Church at Rehoboth, and proceeded to the Election of the Vestry agreeably to law, Severn Howard, Daniel Dakes, Lazarus Cottman, & John H. Cohoon were voted Out.

The following gentlemen were elected again Severn Howard, Daniel Dakes, Lazarus Cottman & John H. Cohoon, who with the other members Littleton Dennis, Robert Cluff, William Coulbourn (of Gtph), & James Cottingham, constitute the Vestry for the present year. - - - - -

A quorum of the Vestry being present proceeded to elect John Howard & Isaac S. Johnson as wardens for the present year.

On motion, John Howard agreed with the Vestry to enclose the lot around the church and keep the church clean for the use of the lot this year.

Adjourned, George Dakes, Rqr.

Rehoboth July 25<sup>th</sup> 1825

The Vestry met by special appointment, Present Messrs Daniel Dakes, Lazarus Cottman, Severn Howard, Robert Cluff, John H. Cohoon Littleton Dennis & William Coulbourn (of Gtph) The Rev. Mr. Stratton was also present. Mr. Daniel Benson was allowed five dollars & fifty cents Commission for the collection for \$92.91<sup>¢</sup> Subtracting that from the Eleven dollars due for staves, leaves five dollars & fortythree cents in favour of the Vestry.

+ These five dollars & fortythree cents were settled with Mr. Stratton.

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Mr Daniel Benson gave his note to the Vestry  
for \$106 dollars which the Vestry assigned to Mr  
Stratton.

On Settlement with Mr Stratton there appears a  
balance due him from Coventry Parish of \$305. 12 1/4.

Ordered by the Vestry that Daniel Benson & John  
Howard proceed to the immediate collection of all  
Debts due to Coventry Parish by suits, Warrants, or  
Otherways.

Adjourned,

George Dakes, Rector

Easter Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 1826.

This being a day by law to elect a Vestry  
in Coventry parish the parishioners assem-  
-bled at Rehoboth Church & proceeded to  
the following election. viz.

to vote out four of the old Vestry which  
were as follows, Daniel Dakes, Severn  
Howard, John H. Cohoon, & James Cottingham.

And proceeded to elect a new Vestry. viz,

Doct. William Williams, James Cottingham,  
Severn Howard, & Daniel Dakes, who with

the old Vestry, Littleton Dennis, Robert Cluff  
Lazarus Cottman, William Coulbourn of St

Constitute the Vestry for the ensuing year,

John Howard & Isaac Johnson was also  
elected Wardens.

Attest George Dakes, Rector

July 21<sup>st</sup> 1826.

The vestry met agreeably to Oron appointment.  
Present, Severn Howard, Daniel Dakes, Robert Cluff, Doct<sup>r</sup> William Williams.

The Rev. Messrs Stutton & Lovell were present, Doct<sup>r</sup> Williams, the newly elected member was sworn into office before Daniel Dakes Esq. agreeably to law.

A quorum being present, the vestry proceeded to business.

Twelve dollars were paid in by John Howard Collector, on the Old Subscription papers.

Adjourned, George Dakes (Reg<sup>r</sup>)

Rehoboth, Church, April 21<sup>st</sup> 1827.

The parishoners assembled this day agreeably to publick notice, and proceeded to elect a Vestry for the present year, when the following members were elected as Vestrymen viz;

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|------------------|---|
| Littleton Dennis | Doct <sup>r</sup> W <sup>m</sup> Williams |
| Robert Cluff     | Severn Howard                             |
| Daniel Dakes     | James Cottingham (W.C.)                   |
| Lazarus Cottman  | Levin Cottingham (W.C.)                   |

Wardens

Isaac S Johnson,  
John Howard,  
appointed by the vestry.

There being a quorum of the Vestry present they proceed to business.

Resolved, by the Vestry that Daniel Benson send to Baltimore for one cagg of white lead w. 28<sup>th</sup> and three Gallons of oil & fifty pounds putty and one box Glass of 8 by 10<sup>th</sup>, and produce the bills of Cost to the Vestry; to repair the windows in the Church, Adjourned, to the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of May next at the hour of 11 O'clock A.M.

George Dakes (Rsg.)  
The above meeting postponed till the 19<sup>th</sup> May at the hour of 2 O'clock P.M. G. D.

May 19<sup>th</sup> 1827. The Vestry met agreeably to postponement, Present Messrs Dennis, Cluff, Cottman Dakes & Howard, there being a quorum they proceed to business.

On Motion, Resolved, that Littleton Dennis and Doct. William Williams be appointed a Committee to settle with Henry Lankford as soon as possible.

Adjourned, George Dakes (Rsg.)

Easter Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 1828

The Vestry of Coventry parish met at Rehoboth Church agreeable to Law

Present the following Vestrymen

- Littleton Dennis,
- Robert Cluff,
- Lazarus Cottman
- Servn Howard

This being the day by Law to Elect a new Vestry, they proceeded to vote out four of the Old Vestry. Viz. Littleton Dennis, Lazarus Cottman, Robert Cluff, & Servn Howard were voted out.

And proceeded to Elect a Vestry for the present year Viz,

- Littleton Dennis
- Lazarus Cottman
- Robert Cluff
- Severn Howard
- With the Old Vestry { Daniel Dakes
- Doct. W. Williams
- James Cottingham
- Levin Cottingham

Wardens

Isaac S Johnson

&

Nicholas Jones

Appointed by the Vestry and qualified, same day.

May 5<sup>th</sup> 1828.

The Vestry met agreeable to law present. Messrs Dennis, Cottman, Cluff, Dakes, Howard & Williams.

The Vestry proceeded to the appointment of a lay delegate to attend the next Convention, when

Mr Isaac Williams was nominated by Mr. Dennis whereupon Mr Isaac Williams was unanimously appointed. The Register is directed to prepare a certificate and forward to Mr. Williams.

Ordered that we proceed to the immediate collection of all money due Mr. Lovell for 1827. The Vestry agree to allow Mr. Benson to remove any holes that he may build on the Glbe of his own materials at the expiration of his lease, with the Exception of the dwelling, Cook house and Granary. - The Vestry adjourned  
List. George Dakes, Reg.

The Vestry of Coventry and Somerset Parishes met this day according to appointment, to make some definite arrangement for the employment & support of a minister when,

Mess Littleton Dennis	} of Coventry &
Lasarus Cottman	
Doct. William Williams	
Severn Howard	
Robert Cluff	
Daniel Dakes	

John H. Bell	} of Somerset Parishes
James Stewart	
Joseph Sudler &	
William Dorer	

were present.

The Gentlemen present on the part of Coventry Parish agree to pay the Rev. Joseph Covell the present Rector the sum of three hundred dollars for the current year commencing on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January last;

The Gentlemen present on the part of Somerset Parish agree to pay the said Rev. Mr. Covell the sum of four hundred dollars for the current year commencing on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January last;

Easter Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 1829,

The parishioners assembled at Rehoboth Church and proceeded to an Election for a Vestry agreeably to law. After voting out four of the old Vestry which was Lasarus Cottman, Daniel Dakes, James Cottingham & Levin old Littleton Dennis, James Cottingham & Levin old Littleton Dennis, Robert Cluff, Severn Howard Doct. William Williams constitute the Vestry for the present year. Isaac S. Johnson & Nicholas Jones were chosen Wardens by the Vestry.

On Motion Resolved, That Mr. Isaac Williams be appointed a lay delegate to represent the general convention to be held in Baltimore in June next.

Adjourned Test. George Dakes, Reg.

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November 7<sup>th</sup> 1829.

The vestry met at Mr. Benson's  
Present Messrs Dennis, Dakes, Howard and Williams.  
Proceeded to the settlement of Mr. Lankford's acct.  
Mr. Lankford agreed to settle all claims that  
he had against the vestry provided they give  
him the stones in the chapel, which was agreed  
to. The vestry settled with Mr. Benson. there will be  
fifteen dollars and twenty three cents due from him  
for the rent of the glebe on the last day of December  
next, exclusive of the tax rent for 1827 & 1828 which  
are due Mr. Coriell.

Easter Monday, April 12<sup>th</sup> 1830.

The parishioners of Coventry parish  
met for the purpose of appointing a vestry, this  
being the day appointed by law. Messrs Dennis,  
Howard, Dakes, and Cotman were voted out.  
Littleton U. Dennis was nominated to fill  
the vacancy occasioned by Mr. Cotman's reti-  
ring. The following persons were then elected  
Messrs Littleton Dennis, Sr., Theron Howard, Daniel  
Dakes and Littleton U. Dennis, who with the old  
members Messrs Robert Cluff, James Cottingham,  
Levin Cottingham and William Williams, Jr. constitute  
the vestry for the present year.

A quorum of the vestry being present viz. Messrs  
Littleton Dennis, Sr., Howard, Dakes, Cluff and Williams,  
proceeded to select Messrs Isaac S. Johnson and  
Nicholas Jones church wardens for the ensuing  
year. William Williams, Jr. was appointed Regis-  
ter, and agreed to serve. Mr. Dennis nominated  
Mr. Isaac Williams as a lay delegate to repre-  
sent this parish in the next convention,



whereupon he was appointed.

The vestry agreed to allow W. Daul. Benson twenty dollars to put a new shingle roof, new sills, and all necessary repairs upon the benches at the Glee. There being no other business before the vestry, they adjourned.

June 5<sup>th</sup> 1830. The vestry met - Present Messrs L. Dennis, James Cottingham, Dakes, Howard, Cluff & Williams. W. Littleton W. Dennis, member elect of the vestry, appeared was qualified according to law and took his seat. Messrs Dennis sen. & Williams were appointed a committee to settle the accounts between the vestry and the Rev. W. Covell late Rector. It was determined that the vestry endeavour to supply the parish with a minister.

Easter Monday April 4<sup>th</sup> 1831.

The parishioners of Coventry parish met at Rehoboth Church to appoint a vestry, this being the day appointed by law. The following gentlemen members of the vestry for the last year were re-elected viz. Messrs Dakes, Cluff, James Cottingham and Levin Cottingham. W. David G. Odell was nominated to be voted for. Upon counting the votes Messrs Daniel Dakes, Robert Cluff, James Cottingham and David G. Odell were declared to be elected. They with the four following gentlemen, will compose the vestry for the following year, viz. Messrs L. Dennis, L. W. Dennis, Howard and Williams. The vestry then met, and appointed Messrs Isaac S. Johnson and Nicholas Jones church wardens for the ensuing year - The vestry then adjourned until Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup> day of April.

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Easter Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> 1832. This being the day  
appointed by law for electing a vestry. The  
parishioners of Coventry parish met at Rebo:  
both churches for the purpose. There being one  
vacancy in the vestry by the death of Littleton  
Dennis Esq. Three more vacancies were made  
by noting out Messrs Dakes, Howard & Bluff.  
Mr. Dakes having expressed a wish to retire  
from the vestry, was not reappointed. Messrs  
Lucas Howard, Robert Bluff, William J. Handy  
and William J. Broughton were appointed to  
fill the vacant places. They with Messrs James  
Bottingham David G. Odell Littleton U. Dennis  
and William Williams J. will compose the ves:  
try for the following year.

The vestry met soon after the election  
and appointed Messrs Nicholas Jones and  
Isaac S. Johnson wardens for the following  
year.

The vestry agreed to have two pews erected  
on the vacant space in front of the pulpit,  
and appointed Dr. Williams to have the work  
done.

August 11<sup>th</sup> 1832. The vestry met at Rebo:  
church for the purpose of fixing the price  
of the pews lately erected. Present Messrs  
Howard, Bluff, Bottingham Odell & William  
Mr. William Broughton the newly appointed  
member of the vestry appeared and was qua:  
lified according to law. The vestry determined

that Messrs Thomas H. Carroll and John U. Dennis, should take the two new pews at ten dollars each.

Easter Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup> 1833.

The Parishioners of Boventry parish assembled at Rehoboth Church to elect a vestry according to law. Mr. William J. Handy who was last year appointed a member having declined serving, and Mr. James Cottingham having departed this life made two vacancies. There were two others made by voting out two members of the old vestry. Whereupon Messrs Lewis Howard Robert Cluff, Dr. Williams, Littleton U. Dennis David G. Odell, William S. Broughton, William H. Curtis and Levin Cottingham were appointed to compose the vestry for the ensuing year.

The vestry met and appointed Messrs Nicholas Jones and Isaac J. Johnson church wardens for the following year.

May 6<sup>th</sup> 1833. This being the day according to law for the meeting of the vestry. Messrs Odell and Williams met at Rehoboth church. Mr. Levin Cottingham the new member appeared and was qualified according to law. No quorum appearing the members present adjourned.

Augt. 7<sup>th</sup> 1833. At a meeting of the vestry, present the Rector the Rev. Mr. McElhiney, Howard Williams Broughton & Curtis. Resolved that the congregation at Dividing creek chapel have permission to make such alterations in the chapel as may be deemed proper, and that Messrs Odell, Cottingham and Mr. John Miller be a committee to direct the same.

Easter Monday March 31<sup>st</sup> 1834. The Parishioners of Coventry  
Parish assembled to elect a vestry according to law.

Easter Monday 1843

The parishioners of Coventry parish met at Rehoboth Church to elect a vestry for the ensuing year, this being the day appointed by <sup>law</sup> the following gentlemen members of the vestry for the past year were voted out viz Messrs John S. Handy, Stungess, Odell & Howard the same were afterwards re-elected having received a majority of the whole number of votes and with Wm M Broughton Dr Williams, Handy & Henry constituted the vestry for the ensuing year Messrs Seven Howard & Thomas Mills were elected Wardens

April 24<sup>th</sup> 1843

The vestry met present Drs Handy, Williams & Henry. Messrs Broughton, Howard & Stungess the Rev John Crossdale reported through Dr Handy his acceptance of the Rectorship of the parish to which he had been previously elected

The Rector appeared and took his seat Dr Williams having declined a reelection or register William Mounts was nominated and elected to supply the vacancy

Dr Williams was elected treasurer of the board Dr Samuel Henry was appointed to represent the parish at the next meeting of the annual Convention of the Diocese

On motion it was resolved that Drs Williams and Henry be appointed a Committee to collect the subscriptions

due to the Bishop's fund and to report  
on the last Saturday in May next  
On motion it was resolved that the  
vestry adjourn to meet on the last Saturday  
in May next

May 27<sup>th</sup> 1843

Members of the vestry met according to  
appointment - a quorum not being present no  
business was transacted

August 31<sup>st</sup> 1843

Members of the vestry met according to appoin-  
tment present the Rector Dr Handy & Mr Howard  
adjourned for want of a quorum

Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 1843

Members of the vestry met according to ~~last~~  
appointment - present the Rector, Messrs Stupp  
& Broughton adjourned for want of a quorum

Nov. 23<sup>d</sup> 1843

Members of the vestry met according to  
appointment - present the Rector, Messrs  
Odee, Broughton & Howard  
adjourned for want of a quorum

Nov 30<sup>th</sup> 1843

Members of the vestry met according to appoint-  
ment present the Rector & Mr Broughton  
Adjourned for want of a quorum

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1844

Rehoboth Church Easter Monday

This being the day appointed by law the parishioners met to elect Vestrymen, Drs Williams, William & Samuel A. Henry, Messrs. William S. Broughton & John S. Handy were voted out, Mr Handy having declined a reelection, Mr John C. Morsey was nominated, and Mr Wm S. Broughton, Dr Williams & Dr Samuel A. Henry being renominated were declared to be unanimously elected and with Messrs David G. Odell, William Howard, Gittitow Sturgiss and Dr Gittitow S. Handy constitute the Vestry for the ensuing year

Easter Monday 1844

The Vestry met - present the Rector, Messrs Broughton, Howard, Odell, Sturgiss, Drs Henry & Williams. The newly elected vestryman Mr John C. Morsey also appeared, qualified and took his seat

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved,  
Messrs. Severn, Howard and Thomas Mills were selected wardens

Mr Joshua C. Johnson was elected lay delegate to the next annual convention

A circular from the Rt Rev. Wm R. Whittingham Bishop of the diocese requesting answers to certain interrogatories therein contained was laid before the vestry, by the Rector

On motion said circular <sup>was referred</sup> to Mr Wm S. Broughton who was authorized to reply on the

part of the Vestry

A letter was laid before the Vestry by the Rector from the Trustees of the Episcopal fund of the diocese earnestly inviting their prompt and energetic efforts to procure and forward by the meeting of the Convention a sum equal to fifty cents for each communicant of the parish - and at the same time to endeavor to collect and forward the interest on the outstanding instalments of the permanent fund

On motion it was resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to ascertain the amount of principal and interest due on the first day of May next to the Episcopal fund from the parish

The Rector Dr Williams & Mr Sturgis were appointed a Committee for said purpose

The committee after investigation reported that there would be due on the first day of May next of principal and interest One hundred and forty dollars and eighty eight cents

On motion it was resolved that a committee of three be appointed to collect if practicable the amount due on the first of May next to the Episcopal fund

Dr Williams, Dr Henry, & Mr Horsey were appointed said committee

On motion it was resolved that in future there shall be regular meetings of the Vestry on the first Monday in January, Easter Monday and the first Mondays in August & October

On motion it was resolved that Dr Henry be authorized to procure the services of a person to attend to cleaning Rehoboth Church and to making fires, - The Vestry then adjourned



Rhoboth Church Jan<sup>y</sup> 23<sup>d</sup> 1846

At a special meeting of the Vestry of Coventry parish were present. The Rev<sup>d</sup> John Crossdale Rector Dr L. D. Handy. Messrs Odell, Sturges, Howland & Broughton

Dr Handy on behalf of the Committee to which was referred the adjustment of the Claims of the Vestry against Mr Daniel Benson, submitted the following report and statement, viz

The Committee, upon investigation of the Claims of the Vestry against Daniel Benson find that he is indebted to the Vestry as nearly as they can now ascertain in the sum of \$1405.11. which is secured by five distinct Judgments against said Benson and his Deputies, Theodore G. Bashlee & John W. King

There are several credits on said Judgments as the following statement will show

Statement

Vestry of Coventry Parish	} Judgment No 1		
Do		} Debt -----	\$200.00
Daniel Benson, Theodore G. Bashlee & John W. King	} Int from from		
6 <sup>th</sup> 1838 to 4 <sup>th</sup> Apr 1839		} a p <sup>t</sup> 1834 till Nov 6 <sup>th</sup> 1838 say 4 yrs 7 mon & 5 days	
		Cr	255.16
By Cash		6 <sup>th</sup> Nov 1838	50.00
Int from		6 <sup>th</sup> Nov till 7 <sup>th</sup> May 1839. 6 mo 1 day	205.16
		Cr	6.18
By Cash			211.34
			100.00
Int from		7 <sup>th</sup> May '39 till 4 <sup>th</sup> July 1840	111.34
7 months 27 days			4.38
		Carried over	115.72

Amount Principal & Interest brought over \$115.72

Cr

January 4 <sup>th</sup> 1840 by cash		50.00
		<u>65.72</u>
Interest from 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan 1840	}	\$19.43
till Dec 9 <sup>th</sup> 1844 - 4 year		
11 mon. & 5 days		
Costs as per copy Judgment		13.21
		<u>32.64</u>
Bal. due Dec 9 <sup>th</sup> 1844		98.36

Westy Coventry Parish Judgment no 2

David Benson. Theo. G	}	Debt \$200.00
Dahell & Ind W. King		
Apr 1 <sup>st</sup> 1834 till 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec 1844	}	Interest from
10 year 8 mo & 8 days		
		128.25
Costs		4.69
		<u>332.93</u>

Same Judgment no 3

Same	}	Debt — — — \$200.00
Same		
till 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec 1844. 10y 8 mo 8 d.	}	Int. from P <sup>l</sup> Apr 1834
		128.25
Costs		13.21
		<u>341.46</u>

Same Judgment no 4

Same	}	Debt — — — \$200.00
Same		
	}	Int as above
		128.25
Costs		10.06
		<u>338.31</u>

Same	Judgment No 5	
	Debt	\$200.00
Mr	Int from 1 <sup>st</sup> Apr 1832 till 5 <sup>th</sup> Oct	
Same	1842 8 yrs 8 m & 4 d -	102.13
	Cr.	302.13
	By cash	50.00
		<u>252.13</u>
	Int till 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec 1844	
	2 yrs 2 m. & 4 d -	32.92
	Costs	9.01
		<u>\$294.06</u>

### Recapitulation

Balance due up to December 9<sup>th</sup> 1844 on the foregoing Judgments to wit

On Judgment No 1	Balance	\$98.36	
"	"	" 2	332.93
"	"	" 3	341.46
"	"	" 4	338.31
"	"	" 5 Balance	294.06
	Total	28	<u>1405.11</u>

all which is respectfully Submitted and the Committee ask leave to be discharged from the further Consideration of the Subject

On motion it was resolved that the report be adopted and that the Committee be discharged from the further Consideration of the Subject

On Motion. It was resolved that Messrs Odell & Sturges be appointed a Committee with full powers to make a Settlement with Mr Daniel Benson

Resolved on motion that the treasurer  
be requested to report to the Vestry the  
Amount of funds now in his hands

On motion the following preamble and  
resolution were adopted

Whereas It has been represented to the Vestry  
that persons have been in the habit of  
making use of the Church & Chapels of the  
parish for other than sacred purposes such  
as holding singing schools therein & thereby turning  
the house of God into a house of Merchandize

Therefore be it Resolved that the Church  
and Chapels of this Parish shall not be used  
for any other purpose than the public worship  
of Almighty God according to the rites &  
usages of the Church

Wm H Curtis Recr

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Rehoboth Church

Easter Monday 1845

This being the day appointed by law the  
parishoners met to elect Vestrymen Drs  
William & Handy, & W Sturges were  
voted out, there being one vacancy occasioned  
by the removal of Dr Samuel H Healy. Dr George  
R. Dennis was nominated to supply the  
vacancy & Dr William & Handy & W Sturges  
being renominated and unanimously  
elected who with Messrs Broughton, Odell  
Howard & Horsey constitute the Vestry for  
the ensuing year

Messrs Howard & Mills selected wardens

William A. Coker was nominated and elected Register

Rehoboth Church Easter Monday 1845

The Vestry met present the Rector Dr Williams, & Handy, Meper, Broughton, Adell, Howard, Stungis, & Horsey, Dr Geo. R. Dennis the newly elected Vestryman appeared and qualified according to law, Wm H. Curtis was also duly qualified as Register, upon motion Dr Wm Williams was appointed lay Delegate to represent this parish in the next Convention of the Diocese. A communication in writing was received from the Rector in relation to his salary which was read, whereupon it was Resolved that each member of the Vestry start a subscription and use his best efforts to raise the requisite funds to pay the Rector's salary.

A communication was received from Samuel I. Donaldson Secretary to the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund which was read and ordered to be placed on file.

On motion the Vestry adjourned

Wm H. Curtis Regy

Rehoboth Church May 18<sup>th</sup> 1845

at a special meeting of the Vestry were present. The Rector, Dr L. D. Handy, Meper Broughton, Howard, Stungis, & Horsey

On motion it was Resolved that whereas the

<sup>36</sup>/health of Dr Wm Williams, Delegate elect from this  
parish to the next Convention of the Diocese, is <sup>so</sup> delicate  
that his attendance at said Convention is rendered <sup>uncertain</sup>  
that John C Horsey Esq- he and is <sup>provisionally</sup> ~~heavily~~ appointed  
Delegate to represent this parish in said Convention

Wm H Curtis Recy

Rehoboth Church Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 1845

The vestry met present, the Rev<sup>d</sup> Bro Crossdale Rector  
Mr Severn Howard, Warden, Messrs, Odell  
Howard, Sturgis, Horsey and Dennis  
The Rector ~~suggested~~ <sup>suggested</sup> to the vestry the propriety  
of obtaining the services of an assistant minister  
for the parish. the Consideration of which was  
postponed until the next meeting of the vestry  
On motion the <sup>vestry</sup> adjourned to Octob 5<sup>th</sup>

Wm H Curtis Recy

Rehoboth Church Oct 19<sup>th</sup> 1845

There being no meeting of the Vestry on the 5<sup>th</sup> Inst  
in consequence of the inclemency of the weather, the  
Vestry at the request of the Rector met this day, when  
there was present the Rector, Mr Severn Howard  
Church warden, Messrs, Williams, Broughton  
Sturgis, Howard, Horsey and Dennis  
The Rector announced to the vestry the decease of  
on the 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity of Mr Thomas  
Mills late one of the Church wardens of the  
parish

All motion it was resolved; that in the event  
which has deprived the Church of a useful  
officer and honored member we recognize  
the hand of our Heavenly Father and bow  
with humble submission to His will

Resolved; that we do hold in grateful esteem  
the remembrance of his many virtues and

The example which he set of a firm and consistent attachment to the principles of the Catholic Church of Christ


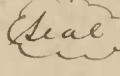
On motion the vestry proceeded to the election of a church warden to supply the vacancy caused by the death of Mr Thomas Mills, and Mr James Mill, having been nominated was unanimously elected


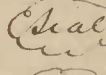
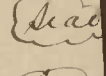
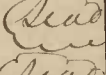
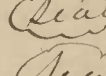
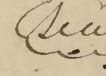
The deed of <sup>Donation</sup> ~~consecration~~ of the house of worship lately erected, in New Town Worcester County in this parish under the name of Saint Mary the Virgin was presented by the Rector to the Vestry, which after being read was respectively signed by the Rector, Church Warden and Vestrymen as follows, to wit

We the Rector, Church Warden, and Vestrymen of Coventry parish in the Counties of Somerset & Worcester being by the good Providence of Almighty God in possession of a house of public worship in the village of New Town and county of Worcester do hereby appropriate and devote the same to the worship and service of Almighty God the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost according to the provisions of that branch of the Catholic Church of Christ known as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America in its ministry, doctrines, liturgy, rites and usages and by a congregation in communion with said church and in union with the Convention thereof in the diocese of Maryland; and we do hereby request the Right Rev. William Rollinson, Whittingham the Bishop of the said diocese to take the said building under his spiritual jurisdiction as Bishop of aforesaid and that of his successors in office and to consecrate the same by the name of Saint Mary the Virgin and thereby separate it from all unhallowed, worldly and common uses and solemnly dedicate it to the holy purposes above mentioned; and we do moreover hereby relinquish all claim to any right of disposing of the said building or allowing the use of it in any way inconsistent with the terms

and true meaning of this instrument of donation and with the consecration hereby requested of the Bishop of this diocese

In testimony whereof we the said Rector, Church Warden and Vestrymen have caused this instrument of donation to be prepared and have themselves subscribed our several signatures and affixed our seals this nineteenth day of October in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty five

John Crosdale  Rector  
Severn Howard  Church warden

William Williams		
William Howard		
Litteton Sturges		
John C. Horsey		Vestrymen
William S. Broughton		
George R. Dennis		

The Rector laid before the Vestry the following proposition, viz

If the vestry will raise in the parish independent of Dividing Creek, New-Town & the subscription of Mr John W. Dennis the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars and therewith procure the services of a clergyman to act conjointly with the present Rector he will continue to render the same services as at present and ask nothing from the Vestry as compensation for his services but the amount which may be raised at Dividing Creek & New-Town together with the subscription of Mr John W. Dennis

On motion the following resolutions were offered

1<sup>st</sup> Resolved that the proposition of the Rector in his communication to the Vestry be acceded to



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2<sup>nd</sup> Resolved that the Bishop of the Diocese be requested and is hereby authorized to procure if possible an assistant minister for the parish from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January 1846

3<sup>rd</sup> Resolved that the assistant minister shall receive for his services the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars per annum payable semi-annually ~~the same~~ ~~being~~ ~~under~~ ~~consideration~~  
On motion the vestry adjourned to Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November next

Wm H Curtis Recy

Rehoboth Church Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> 1845

The vestry met pursuant to adjournment: There were present the Rev. Jno Crowder Rector, Mr Seaman Howard, church warden, Messrs Brighton, Standford, Howard, Hooley & Dennis

The proposition and resolutions which were under discussion at the adjournment of the last meeting were withdrawn, when the following proposition in lieu thereof was submitted by the Rector: to wit  
"If the vestry will receive in the parish, independent of Dividing Creek & New Town and a subscription and thereunto procure the services of an assistant minister to act conjointly with the present Rector he will continue to render the same services as at present and ask nothing from the vestry as compensation for his services but the amount which may be raised at Dividing Creek and New Town

whereupon the following resolutions were offered and unanimously adopted

- 1 Resolved, that the proposition of the Rector in his communication to the vestry be acceded to
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Resolved that the Bishop of the Diocese be requested and is hereby authorized to procure if possible an assistant minister for the parish from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January next (1846)

On motion the following resolutions were adopted

Resolved that the Treasurer be requested to make in his discretion such an investment of the amount now in the Savings Bank of Baltimore and such other money as may be in hands to the credit of the Vestry as will yield an interest of Six per cent

Resolved that ~~the~~ Rector be added to the Committee on Daniel Binson's account

Resolved that Mr Sturgis be ~~authorized~~ and is hereby authorized to pay to the Rector the sum of Sixty dollars out of money received by him from Daniel Binson

Wm H Curtis Rector

The following Certificate of the consecration of the Chapel of St Mary the Virgin in New Town was handed to the Register to be placed among the records of the parish viz

" Whereas, the Rector, Church wardens and Vestrymen of Coventry Parish in the Counties of Somerset and Worcester have, by an instrument this day <sup>presented</sup> to me appropriated and devoted a house of public worship in the Village of Newtown and County of Worcester to the worship and service of Almighty God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost according to the provisions of the Catholic Church of Christ, known as the Protestant Episcopal Church in these United States of America in its Ministry, doctrines, liturgy, rites and usages; and by a congregation in communion with said church and in union with the Convention thereof in the Diocese of Maryland

" And whereas, the same Rector, Church wardens and Vestrymen, have by the same instrument, requested me to take their said house of worship under my spiritual jurisdiction, as Bishop of Maryland and that of my successors in office, and to consecrate it by the name of Saint Mary the Virgin: and

CONSECRATION  
 OF  
 ST MARY THE VIRGIN  
 IN  
 NEW TOWN (POCOMOKE)  
 NOV 13, 1845

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EXTRACT OF

DEED

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*St Mary's*

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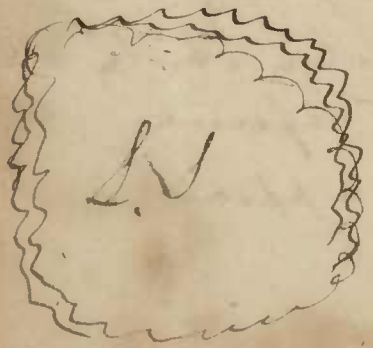
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SATURDAY

" thely separate it from all unhallowed, worldly and  
" common uses, and solemnly dedicate it to the purposes  
" above mentioned

" Now therefore know all men by these presents, that I  
" William Rollinson Whittingham, by Divine permission  
" Bishop of Maryland, acting under the protection of Almighty  
" God and in his faith and fear have on this thirteenth day of  
" November being Thursday in the week following the twenty fifth  
" Sunday after Trinity, in the year of our Lord one thousand  
" eight hundred and forty five taken the above mentioned house  
" of worship under my spiritual jurisdiction, as Bishop  
" aforesaid, and that of my successors in office; and in presence  
" of divers of the Clergy, and of a public congregation therein  
" assembled, and according to the godly usage of the Catholic  
" Episcopal Church in these United States of America, have  
" Consecrated the same by the Name of Saint Mary the Virgin  
" in the Village of Newtown, Coventry Parish is Consecrated  
" accordingly, and thely separated henceforth from all unhallowed  
" worldly and common uses and dedicated to the worship and  
" service of Almighty God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost  
" for reading and preaching His holy word, for celebrating His holy  
" Sacraments, for offering to His glorious Majesty the Sacrifice  
" of prayer, praise and thanksgiving, for blessing His people  
" in His Name and for the performance of all other holy  
" offices, and the administration of all holy ordinances agreeable  
" to His will made known in the terms of the Covenant of  
" grace and Salvation in our Lord and Saviour Jesus  
" Christ, according to usages of His Holy Catholic and  
" Apostolic Church and the provisions of the Protestant  
" Episcopal Church in the United States of America  
" in its Ministry, doctrine, liturgy, rights, and usages



In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed  
my episcopal Seal and Signature in the day  
and year above written and in the sixth  
year of my Consecration

William Rollinson Whittingham  
Bishop of Maryland

The following extract of deed for the land whereon the Chapel of Saint Mary the Virgin is situated in the Village of Newtown, County of Worcester and in Coventry Parish was ordered to be placed on record to wit

### Extract of Deed

Vestry of Coventry Parish	}	The said William Jefferson Long & Henry Long parties of the first part have given, granted bargain'd, and sold, alien'd
from		engross'd and confirm'd and by these presents do give, grant bargain and sell, alien, engross
William Jefferson Long & Henry Long	}	whom, convey and confirm unto the said Vestry and their successors, all that tract or parcel of land situate and lying in the said Village of Newtown and contained within the following metes and bounds, to wit
		Beginning at a Stone boundary on the street called New Street in said Village and running by and with said Street South seventy feet (70 feet) thence East in a straight line until it intersects a street or lane called Second, thence North by and with said Street seventy feet (70 feet). Thence in a straight line West to the beginning

Said land being part of a tract or parcel of land or lot which was purchased by John M. B. Clarvoe from J. W. Hall and John Henderson and conveyed by said Clarvoe to David Long and Henry Long which said indenture is recorded among the land records of Worcester County Liber A. R folios 536, 537, 538 & 539 as by reference thereto will more fully and largely appear

# Extract of Deed

In the Records of Somerset County among other matters is the following: to wit

Rev<sup>d</sup> James Robertson  
John Dennis Jr  
Thomas Dixon  
Thomas Hayward  
Thomas Williams  
William Lane  
and  
Isaac Williams

from

Robert Jenkins Henry

to the first boundary containing and now laid out for two acres more or less. Deed dated 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 1735

## Extract

a certain part or parcel of land in Rehoboth Town in the Parish. County and province aforesaid, on which the Parish Church now standeth, and next adjoining to the same within the bounds and limits following viz: beginning at a marked Cedar post, on the western side of a small valley near where a corn field now standeth. thence with a line drawn west by north fourteen poles, thence South, twenty three perches thence East by South fourteen perches thence with a right line drawn

## Deed

Vestry of Coventry Parish

from

John Thomas Adams  
&  
Mary Anne his wife

Running north ninety feet to a Sassafras post. thence East ninety feet to a Sassafras post. thence South ninety feet to a large Post oak thence west ninety feet to the place of beginning

Deed dated 5<sup>th</sup> day of September Anno. D. 1845

## Extract

all that tract or parcel of land situate lying and being in Somerset County aforesaid and contained in within the following metes and bounds to wit.

" Beginning at a marked Red oak standing on the North side of the County road. lead- ing from Kingston to New Town

Easter Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 1846

This being the day according to Law for the election of Vestrymen, the parishioners met in the Church at Riboboth, whereupon George R Dennis, David G. Odell, Wm S. Howard and Jno C Hoxey were voted out

Mr John C Hoxey having declined a reelection Mr John R Stuegis was nominated who together with Dr Geo. R Dennis, Messrs Odell & Howard were elected, These gentlemen with Dr William Williams Dr Luttlow & Handy, Messrs Wm S Broughton & Luttlow Stuegis Compose the Vestry for the ensuing year.

Jno C Hoxey, Recy

Easter Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Apr 1846

The Vestry met. present Rds. Jno Cordale Rector Messrs Howard, Odell, Broughton & Dr Williams Messrs Seven Howard & James Mills, were returned Church wardens

On Motion Dr William Williams was unanimously elected delegate to represent the parish in the next Convention of the Diocese

The following preamble and resolution was adopted  
Whereas the house in the Church yard at Riboboth occupied by the person taking care of the church is in such ruinous condition as to render it uninhabitable in bad weather and many of the congregation having expressed a desire that it should be rebuilt and offering to contribute to that purpose therefore

Resolved that a committee be appointed to ascertain the amount required to rebuild the house and that said committee be authorized to receive contributions for that purpose and to have it rebuilt - provided they can do so without involving the vestry

Resolved that Wm S Broughton, William H Curtis and Cal Levin Tyler constitute the committee required by the foregoing resolution

The Committee appointed to settle the account of the Vestry against Daniel Benson submitted the following report

Upon examination of the account it was found that there were due from Mr Benson Eight hundred and Sixty five dollars and Seventy two cents of the principal bearing interest and that this amount is secured by five distinct Judgments, binding on his land - In addition to this amount of principal there was on the 9<sup>th</sup> June 1845 an arrearage of interest amounting to three hundred and eighty & 98/100 dollars of course bearing no interest - Since that time Mr Benson has made two payments of Sixty dollars each reducing the arrearage of interest to two hundred & Sixty & 98/100 dollars - not including one year interest on the principal due 9<sup>th</sup> June 1846 - Believing that interest of the parish requires the settlement of the account with as little delay as possible the Committee have instructed Mr Crisfield to inform Mr Benson that the interest on the principal must be paid when due say 9<sup>th</sup> June next that the whole arrearage of interest must be paid before the middle of October next two hundred dollars of the principal by the first of the ensuing year and after that time two hundred dollars annually with the interest on the whole till the account is paid - Of the one hundred & twenty dollars paid by Mr Benson Sixty have been paid to the Pastor by order of the Vestry. The remaining Sixty is in the hands of the treasurer

Respectfully Submitted

David G Odell  
Geo Crossdale

Condensed Statement of the above

Am <sup>t</sup> principal	_____	\$865.72
Arrear. of interest June 9 <sup>th</sup> 1845	_____	380.98
		<u>1246.70</u>
On		
By Cash paid L. Sturges	\$60.00	
" " Dr Wm Williams	60.00	
		<u>120.00</u>
Int due 9 <sup>th</sup> June 1846	_____	1126.70

On motion Vestry adjourned

Test

Wm H Smith's Secy



Tuesday June 2<sup>nd</sup> 1846

The vestry met at the church recently erected at Kingston present, the Rector, Messrs Broughton, ~~William~~ Howard, Littleton Stungs, Drs Handy & Dennis. Mr Lab R. Stungs the newly elected vestrymen appeared qualified and took <sup>his</sup> seat, Severin Howard & James Mills. Church Warden were also present

The Rector laid the following communication before the vestry which was ordered to be recorded. Viz

" This is to notify you that Nathaniel Augustus Hewitt  
 " late Deacon of this Diocese having declared that he has  
 " renounced the Ministry of the Protestant Episcopal  
 " Church in the United States of America and  
 " designs not to officiate in future in any of the  
 " offices thereof was by me degraded from the office of  
 " and ministry of a Deacon in the Church of Christ  
 " in the presence of divers Presbyters and other publicly  
 " assembled in Mount Calvary Church in the  
 " City of Baltimore on Thursday before Easter April  
 " 9<sup>th</sup> 1846

William Patterson Whittingham

Bishop of Maryland

To the Rector & Vestry  
 of Coventry Parish

The deed of Donation for the house of worship recently erected at Kingston in Somerset County in Coventry Parish in the Counties of Somerset & Worcester under the name of St Mark's Church was then signed by the Rector, Church Warden and Vestrymen present, and attested by the Register in manner & form as followeth. Viz.

Deed of Donation

We the Rector, Church warden, and Vestrymen of Coventry parish in the Counties of Somerset & Worcester, being by the good Providence of Almighty God in the possession of a house of public worship at Hington in the County of Somerset do hereby appropriate and devote the same to the worship and service of Almighty God the Father, the Son and Holy Ghost according to the provision of that branch of the Catholic Church of Christ known as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America in its Ministry, Doctrines, Liturgy, Rites, & Usages and by a congregation in Communion with said Church and in Union with the Convention thereof in the Diocese of Maryland; and we do hereby request the Right Rev<sup>d</sup> William Ralston Whittingham the Bishop of the said Diocese to take the said building under his Spiritual jurisdiction as Bishop of said and that of his Successors in office and to Consecrate the same by the Name of St. Mark's and thereby separate it from all unhallowed, worldly and common uses and solemnly dedicate<sup>n</sup> to the holy purposes above mentioned; and we do moreover hereby relinquish all claim to any right of disposing of the said building or allowing the use of it in any way inconsistent with the terms and true meaning of this instrument of donation and with the Consecration hereby requested of the Bishop of this Diocese

In testimony whereof, we the said Rector Church warden and Vestrymen have caused this instrument of donation to be prepared and have therunto subscribed our several Signatures and affixed our several Seals this Second day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty Six

Attest  
 Wm. H. Curtis Rector

John Casdals Rector Seal  
 Severn Howard } Church warden Seal  
 James Mills } Seal

William S. Broughton Seal  
 William Howard Seal  
 Littleton Sturgis Seal  
 Littleton D Handy Seal  
 Geo. R. Dennis Seal  
 Jas. R. Sturgis Seal

Vestrymen

CONSECRATION  
OF  
ST MARK'S CHURCH  
KINGSTON

JUNE 2, 1846

CHILDREN OF  
KIRK GUNBY AND  
SARAH HIS WIFE

1746

48 The deed of Consecration of Saint Mark's Church was presented by the Right Rev. Wm. Willinson Whittingham Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland to the Rector, Church warden, Vestrymen and ordered to be enrolled among the records of the parish as follows to wit

### Deed of Consecration

Whereas, the Rector, Church Warden, and Vestrymen of County Parish, Caunting of Somerset & Worcester, State and Diocese of Maryland have by an instrument this day presented to me appropriated and devoted a house of public worship at Kington in Somerset County, to the worship and service of Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost according to the provisions of the Catholic Church of Christ known as the Protestant Episcopal Church in these United States of America, in its Ministry, doctrine, liturgy, rite, and usage; and by a congregation in communion with said Church and in union with the Convention thereof in the Diocese of Maryland

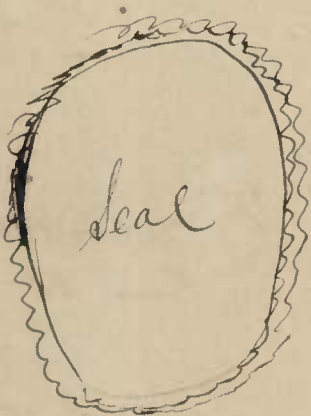
And whereas the same Rector, Church Warden, and Vestrymen have by the same instrument requested me to take their said house of worship under my spiritual jurisdiction as Bishop of Maryland, and that of my Successors in office and to consecrate it by the name of Saint Mark's Church and thereby separate it from all unhallowed worldly and common uses and solemnly dedicate it to the holy purposes above mentioned

Now, therefore know all men by these presents that I, William Willinson Whittingham by Divine permission, Bishop of Maryland acting under the protection of Almighty God and in his faith and fear, have on this second day of June being Tuesday in Whitsun week in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty six taken the above mentioned house of worship under my spiritual jurisdiction as Bishop aforesaid and that of my Successors in office: and in presence of a number of the Clergy and of a public congregation therein assembled and according to the Godly usage of the Catholic Church of Christ, and the form presented by the Protestant Episcopal Church in these United States of America, have consecrated the same by the name of Saint Mark's Church. And I do hereby pronounce and declare

That the said Saint Mark's Church in Kingston in County  
 Dorset, Somerset & Worcester Counties is consecrated  
 accordingly and thereby separated henceforth from all  
 unhallowed, worldly and common uses and dedicated to  
 the worship and service of Almighty God the Father the Son and  
 the Holy Ghost for reading and preaching His holy word, for  
 celebrating His holy Sacraments, for offering to His glorious  
 Majesty the Sacrifices of prayer and praise & thanksgiving  
 for blessing His people in His Name and for the performance  
 of all other holy offices and the administration of all  
 holy Ordinances agreeable to His will, made known  
 in the Covenant of grace and Salvation in our Lord  
 and Saviour Jesus Christ, according to the usage of  
 His Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, and the  
 provisions of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the  
 United States of America in its Ministry, doctrines  
 liturgy, rites and usages

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto  
 affixed my episcopal seal and  
 signature in the day and year above  
 written and in the sixth of my  
 Consecration

William Rollinson Whittingham  
 Bishop of Maryland



Easter Monday day of 1847

This being the day according to law for the election of Vestrymen the parishioners met in the Church at Rehoboth. Whereupon Drs William Williams, Litchton & Handy George R. Dennis & William S. Broughton Esq were voted out

Cal. Levin Tyler was nominated and duly elected to supply the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mr William Howard. Messrs Williams, Handy, Dennis & Broughton were re-elected, who together with Messrs W. G. Odell Litchton & John R. Shugis constitute the Vestry for the ensuing year  
Pastor Wm Curtis Rect

Rehoboth Church Easter Monday day of 1847

The Vestry met present the Rev<sup>d</sup> Jas. Crossdale Rector Messrs Williams, Handy, Broughton, L. Shugis & Dennis the newly elected Vestryman Cal. L. Tyler also appeared, qualified and took his seat

On motion Mr James Mills was re-elected Church warden and Mr Wm S Broughton was elected to supply the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mr Severn Howard

On motion the following preamble and resolutions were adopted

Whereas it hath pleased Almighty God to remove suddenly from amongst us our late venerable Senior Warden, Severn Howard and William Howard a member of the Vestry; therefore

Resolved, that although deeply afflicted by this visitation of Divine Providence, we meekly bow in humble submission to His holy will.

Resolved that we cherish with sentiments of lasting esteem and gratitude the remembrance of their many virtues and good examples; especially the memory of our venerable and good Senior Warden who for near half a century has discharged, constantly, so faithfully, either the duties of Church warden or Vestryman in this parish.

The Committee on the house in the Church year submitted the following report

The Committee beg leave to say that they have finished the House at an expense of \_\_\_\_\_ \$87.83  
 The amount of subscriptions received & to be collected is 57.42  
 leaving a deficiency \_\_\_\_\_ 30.41

Wm H. Carter

Wm S. Broughton

Majority of the Committee

which on motion was accepted

The Committee appointed to settle the account of the Vestry against Daniel Benson submitted the following report in writing

The Committee report that at the date of their last report the amount of principal and interest due from Mr Benson was as follows viz

Principal debt \_\_\_\_\_ \$865.72  
 arrear of interest to that date \_\_\_\_\_ \$260.98  
 also one year's interest due 9<sup>th</sup> June 1846 51.94  
312.92

The Committee has received from Mr Benson during the past year on account of interest on the principal and arrear of interest as follows

1846. May 12 <sup>th</sup> Cash	_____	\$30.00	
" " 19 <sup>th</sup> "	_____	75.00	
" Sept 1 <sup>st</sup> "	_____	74.00	
" Nov. "	_____	16.00	
1847 April 2 <sup>nd</sup> "	_____	40.98	235.98
			<u>76.94</u>

Making the whole amount now due \_\_\_\_\_ \$942.66

not including one year's interest on the principal which will be due 9<sup>th</sup> June 1847

Of the amount received from Mr Benson the sum of seventy five dollars was paid to the Rector on account of his services for 1846 leaving in the hands of the Committee the sum of one hundred and sixty dollars and ninety eight cents to the credit of the Vestry

The Committee have every reason to believe that in a few days they will receive from Mr Benson the whole amount of arrear of interest and also about two hundred dollars of the principal:— and as it is important that the



50  
Money as Collected Should be invested for the benefit  
of the parish they ask to be authorized to invest it in  
Baltimore City or other stocks as they may be instructed  
by the Vestry

Though not strictly within their province the Committee  
would call attention to the fact that part of the parish  
fund as at present invested does not yield an interest  
of six per cent. - They allude to that portion of it now in  
the Savings Bank of Baltimore supposed to amount  
to about \$360 - In regard to this amount they would  
respectfully suggest that they be authorized to withdraw it  
from the Savings Bank and add it to the amount  
received from W Benson by the present Committee  
so that an investment may be made of the whole  
amount which will yield an interest of six per centum

Easter Monday 1847

Signed

John Crossdale  
Littton Sturges  
David G. Odell

On motion the report was received, and on further motion  
It was resolved that the Committee be ~~invested~~ and  
are hereby invested with discretionary power to withdraw  
from the Savings Bank of Baltimore whatever amount  
of funds may now be in said Bank, <sup>belonging to</sup> ~~the~~ the Vestry  
and add it to the amount received from Daniel Benson  
and to invest the same in Baltimore City or other stocks,  
having due regard to the security of the investment, in  
such way as to yield an interest of six per centum per  
annum

On motion Dr William Williams was unanimously  
elected lay delegate to represent this parish in  
the next Convention

On motion the vestry adjourned

Test

Wm H Curtis Reg

For further proceedings Vide the <sup>53</sup>  
new register - .

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## Communicants in Coventry Parish

- Dr William Williams  
 Mrs Adeline Williams  
 " Caroline Gale  
 " Mary D Henry  
 Miss Harriet S. Henry } moved to Baltimore Co. June 1846  
 Sewen Howard (Dead)  
 Mrs Nancy S. Lankford  
 Wm S Broughton  
 Mrs Elizabeth Caulbourne  
 " Peggy Caulbourne  
 William Howard (Dead)  
 Mrs Sally Howard  
 " Elizabeth Broughton (undecy)  
 " David G. Odell  
 Mrs D. G. Odell  
 " Grace Cottingham  
 " Jacob Oachs (Removed to Snowhill)  
 " Sally Stungis (Stungis Ferry) (dead)  
 " Sally Corbin - Removed to All Hallows p Woi Co  
 " Mrs Isaac Townsend  
 Lizzew Stungis  
 Mrs Priscilla Stungis  
 " Sally Wilson Dead  
 Mr Atkinson (Angels)  
 Mr Thomas Mill, (Thomas) Dead  
 Mrs Sally Mill, (Thomas) (dead)  
 James Mill,  
 Miss Margaret Mill,  
 " Eleanor Mill,  
 " Jane Mill,  
 Mrs Sally Handy  
 " Elizabeth S Handy - Removed to Ia June 1847  
 Miss Mary C Handy  
 Mrs Mary Piggins

## Communiants, continued

- Mrs Anne McClellan  
 Miss Henrietta Broughton  
 Mrs Mary A Howard  
 Miss Kelly Broughton  
 Wm H. Curtis  
 Mrs Mary W. G. Curtis  
 " Mary A. Adams moved to Baltimore,  
 Miss Sarah Anne Sturgis  
 " Mary W. Dennis  
 Thomas Williams  
 Dr Titlow D Sandy  
 Mrs Sophia Sandy  
 " Elizabeth Cannon  
 Noah Holland (Dead)  
 John Mills  
 Stephen Mills  
 Miss Elizabeth Sturgis  
 " Mary Adams (moved to Stepm, Park)  
 Mrs Elizabeth Broughton  
 Henry S. Nightingale (removed)  
 Mrs Eliza J. R. Dryden  
 " ~~Elizabeth Broughton~~  
 " ~~Elizabeth Broughton~~  
 " Sally H King (Dead)  
 " Henrietta A. Leimie  
 " Kelly S. Adams (Dead)  
 " Mary W. Hervey  
 " Esther Adams  
 Miss Elizabeth Broughton Dead  
 John A. Adams (moved to Baltimore)  
 Miss Rosa Rogers  
 " Mary G. London (near W. Matthews)  
 " Elizabeth Broughton (Dead)



## Communicants Continued

George Adams  
 Mrs Leah A. W. Beauchamp Remains,  
 Miss Charlotte W. King Dead  
 Mrs Mary Stevens  
 Miss Esther Ann Bishop (now Mrs Williams)  
 Mrs Nancy M. Dyer  
 Edward Stevens, dead,  
~~John Bacon~~  
 Mrs Louisa Derrin  
 John Benson ——— Dead  
 Mrs Henrietta Pelcher  
 Miss Elizabeth U. Derrin (moved to N<sup>o</sup>)  
 Dr John W. King - (dead)  
 Mrs Mary Jane Parker (moved to Diocese N. J.)  
 " Minifed Adron  
 " Anne E (Beauchamp) - Watson - Rem<sup>d</sup> to Pa Oct/47  
 " Henrietta Stevens  
 John McNamora (Suspended)  
 Mrs Mary A McNamora  
 " Sally Adams  
 " Anne Abbott  
 " Rebecca F Howard  
 " Matilda J. Hill  
 Miss Maria Mill  
 Mrs Maria Corbin  
 Miss Mary Hall (moved to Philadelphia Apr<sup>e</sup> 1826)  
 " Mary S Braughton  
 " Henrietta G. Handy - Rem<sup>d</sup> to Ala Sep/47  
 Mrs Maria J. Laugherty  
 Miss Elizabeth Stevens  
 " Levin Tyler  
 Mrs Sarah Jane Lane (Remains)  
 " Charon S. Goyden

Mrs Maria Nelson (Cal<sup>d</sup>,  
 Samuel D Powell - Rem<sup>d</sup> to Miss<sup>e</sup> - Oct 1847 -

Miss Dennis

Mrs Sally Smith -

Miss Julia Williams

Littleton Dennis - Died Sep 2<sup>d</sup> 1847

Mrs Littleton Dennis

John F. Williams M.D. Died Sep 20<sup>th</sup> 1847

Mrs Elizabeth Bell

Miss Mary Odell -

Mrs Sarah P Henderson -

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Baptisms in Coventry Parish  
by Rev Henry Crossdale Rector,

1837 Nov. 18 <sup>th</sup>	1	Irene (infant) daughter of Wm S & Elizabeth Broughton born 13 <sup>th</sup> August 1837
1838 Dec 2 <sup>nd</sup>	2	Mary Elizabeth Levinia daughter of Gibson <sup>&amp; Elizabeth</sup> Cannon born 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov 1837
1839 June 16 <sup>th</sup>	3	Hortense Eugenia daughter of Wm S. & Mary W. J Curtis born 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1839
" Nov 3 <sup>rd</sup>	4	Littelow Henry, son of Littelow & Priscilla Sturgis born May 17 <sup>th</sup> 1839
"	5	Tabitha Bayly Townsend (adult, born 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan'y 1817
"	6	Mania Burton Townsend born 19 <sup>th</sup> Octr 1819
" Nov 11 <sup>th</sup>	7	Christiana daughter of Wm & Adeline Williams born 10 <sup>th</sup> July 1839
1840 June 23	8	Anna Maria Louisa daughter of Lewis & Mary Cottingham born Jan'y 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1840. baptized by Rev Jas. Abercrombie ap. min. of Som. & Cov. Parishes
"	9	Alfred L. son of Lewis M. & Rosina Lull born July 1 <sup>st</sup> 1832
"	10	Margaret daughter of the above born Nov. 1 <sup>st</sup> 1835, baptized by the Rev J Abercrombie
" Aug. 9 <sup>th</sup>	11	Matilda J. daughter of Isaac H. & Eliza A. R. Doyles born Decr " 1839. by the same
" Nov 12 <sup>th</sup>	12	Sarah Grace daughter of Wm & Sally Corbins born 24 <sup>th</sup> June 1838, by the same
" 29	13	Stephen (adult), son of Thomas & Sally Mill, by the same
1841 July 23 <sup>rd</sup>	14	William Henry Harrison son of Jno S & a. a. Fleming born Nov 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1840 by the same.

## Baptisms Continued

1841	March 14 <sup>th</sup>	William Thomas, son of W <sup>m</sup> S. & Elizabeth Broughton born 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 1840
	15	
	"	Mary Grace daughter of Stephen & Elizabeth Coulbourn born Decr 3 <sup>rd</sup> 1840
	16	
	Apr 11 <sup>th</sup>	John Mills, adult, son of Thomas & Sally Mills, & his infant son J <sup>r</sup> Thomas born 13 <sup>th</sup> Decr 1840
	17	
	18	
	" 25 <sup>th</sup>	James Abercrombie son of John S. & Elizabeth T. Handy born March 5 <sup>th</sup> 1841. by the Rev <sup>d</sup> Jas Abercrombie
	19	
1842	July 27 <sup>th</sup>	Mary Adams daughter of W <sup>m</sup> H. & Mary W. S. Curtis born 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept 1841
	20	
	"	Sydney son of John T. & Mary A. Adams born by god Oct 1841
	21	
	Feb 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sarah Jane Henry daughter of Henry S. & Mary S. Henderson born 26 <sup>th</sup> December 1841
	22	
	March 11 <sup>th</sup>	Sarah Elizabeth, broodale daughter of Isaac H. & Maria H. Johnson born 21 <sup>st</sup> Jan'y 1842
	23	
	19 <sup>th</sup>	Priscilla child of Gen R. S. Henry's slave born August 1837
	24	
	" 20	Emma Jane daughter of Titlow & Priscilla Sturges born 12 <sup>th</sup> July 1841
	25	
	May 14	Caroline Lavinia daughter of Leah Slave of Dr W <sup>m</sup> Williams born 15 <sup>th</sup> May 1840
	26	
	" 27	Sarah, daughter of Henrietta Slave of Dr W <sup>m</sup> Williams, born 1834
	28	Samuel Henry son of the same born 1837 Baptized by Rev <sup>d</sup> H. Crossdale Rector of Somerset Parish
	" 29	Henrietta daughter of Sarah Slave of Mr C. Gale born 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct 1842. by the same
	" 30	Arnold, son of Leah, Slave of Mr C. Gale born March 1 <sup>st</sup> 1838. by the same
	" 31	Catherine daughter of Mary Slave of Mr C. Gale born in Feb'y 1842 by the same

Baptisms Continued

1842

June 27<sup>th</sup> Thomas James, son of Jno. F & Amelia Anne Fleming  
born July 14<sup>th</sup> 1842. by the same

32

" Francis son of Isaac A & Zipporah Proughton  
born May 22<sup>nd</sup> 1842 by the same

33

" In Rehoboth Church by the same  
Sept 25<sup>th</sup> Albert James son of Jno & Matilda J Mills born  
3<sup>rd</sup> July 1842. by the "

34

" at the same place & by the same  
" Littleton Dennis, son of Littleton D & Sophia Handy  
born 20<sup>th</sup> July 1842

35

" In private on account of Sickness by the same  
Oct 18<sup>th</sup> Samuel James son of Samuel H & Amelia Anne  
Matthews born October 6<sup>th</sup> 1840

36

" The following are by the Rev Jno Crossdale  
Dec 25<sup>th</sup> Rector of Coventry Parish, viz.

37

Mary Grace (adult, in Rehoboth Church) daughter  
of Littleton R & Grace Hudson born 26<sup>th</sup> Dec 1817

"

at the same place Littleton Quackle adult son of the same  
born 1<sup>st</sup> July 1830

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1843  
Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> In private Harriet Catharine daughter of Maria  
Hane of Mrs Betty Calbourne born October 1842

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" 28<sup>th</sup> In private Leah Jane Henry daughter of John  
Howard and Mary Anne Howard born  
22<sup>nd</sup> May 1842

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July 2<sup>nd</sup> David Anne daughter of Leah Jane of ~~the~~  
deceased ~~born~~ born July 1842

1843

## Baptisms Continued.

July 19<sup>th</sup>In private, Mary Anna, Grace daughter of Samuel  
J & Anne E. McMaster born Apr 18<sup>th</sup> 1841

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"

In private, Edwin Henry, son of Littleton R &  
Grace Audson born 1<sup>st</sup> July 1834

42

March 5<sup>th</sup>In private, Amanda Elizabeth daughter of Isaac  
H. & Eliza J. R. Dryden born 21<sup>st</sup> June 1842

43

" 17<sup>th</sup>In private seven James born 28<sup>th</sup> Decr 1839 &  
Juliet born 18<sup>th</sup> Decr 1841, son & daughter of  
John & Maria Corbin

44

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" 31<sup>st</sup>Stewart son of Elizabeth slave of James J  
Cattman born in July 1842

46

" 31<sup>st</sup>In private Sally Elizabeth James daughter of Sarah  
Wm H. & Sarah R. McDaniel born 10<sup>th</sup> June 1842

47

" "

Caroline Elizabeth Morris daughter of Maria slave  
of Charles M. Maddux born in Sept 1842

48

" "

Sarah Anne Upshur daughter of Lucina slave of  
G. B. Skinnoc born 15<sup>th</sup> of Decr 1842

49

Apr 7<sup>th</sup>Paisie Anne daughter of Joshua & Eleanor T,  
Donohoe born 12<sup>th</sup> December ~~1842~~ 1831

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" "

Rosina Ellen daughter of the same born  
5<sup>th</sup> August 1833

51

" "

Robert James son of Henry & Eleanor T. Dryden  
born 26<sup>th</sup> June 1838

52

" "

Wm Sydney son of the same born 19<sup>th</sup> June 1840

53

" "

Sarah Virginia daughter of the same born  
2<sup>nd</sup> March 1842

54

1843

## Baptism, Continued

Apr 8 <sup>th</sup>	55	Maria wife of John Corbin born 7 <sup>th</sup> June 1819
" 24 <sup>th</sup>	56	George Washington son of George and Mary Adams born March 9 <sup>th</sup> 1843
" "	57	Harriet Bell daughter of Isaac & Petsy Sterling born March 6 <sup>th</sup> 1842
" "	58	Zipporah Smith daughter of William & Zipporah S. Layton born January 9 <sup>th</sup> 1843
" "	59	Elizabeth Harriet Anne daughter of Whittington & Harriet Beauchamp born Feb 23 <sup>rd</sup> 1843
May 4 <sup>th</sup>	60	Mary Rebecca born March 8 <sup>th</sup> 1833
	61	Marietta born Feb. 20 <sup>th</sup> 1838
	62	Samuel born April 8 <sup>th</sup> 1835 - Children of Sylvia slave of Mrs Grace Cottingham
" 13 <sup>th</sup>	63	Mary, Priscilla, Grace daughter of Edward T & Nancy M Dyer born 13 <sup>th</sup> August 1840
July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	64	Sarah Anne, daughter of Leah slave of Sampson Adams born July 1843
" 30 <sup>th</sup>	65	Ann Maria daughter of George W. & Lucretia Lankford born February 25 <sup>th</sup> 1843
Sept 18 <sup>th</sup>	67	William Henry son of William Henry & Caroline Gale born Sept. 1842
" 19 <sup>th</sup>	68	* Guitton Rufus, Alexander son of Edward T. Dyer born July 6 <sup>th</sup> 1837

Those marked \* having previously received schismatical Baptism at the hands of Methodist preachers



1843

## Baptisms Continued

- Sept 25 \* John Thomas son of John T. & Mary A. Adams  
69 born Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> 1837
- " \* Sarah Anne Williams daughter of Edward  
70 J. & Nancy M. Dues born July 15<sup>th</sup> 1831
- " 71 \* Robert Francis son of the same born Oct 29<sup>th</sup> 1832
- " 72 \* Edward Thomas Franklin son of the same born Nov 1<sup>st</sup> 1834
- Oct 17<sup>th</sup> \* <sup>Adult</sup> Mary Williams Taylor daughter of Jesse & Sally  
73 W. Adams & wife of Wm. H. Curtis born 10<sup>th</sup> July  
1807
- Dec 10 \* Sarah Anne slave of Mrs Roach born February  
74 8<sup>th</sup> 1841
- " 16 \* <sup>Adult</sup> John Thomas son of Jesse & Sally W. Adams  
75 born October 17<sup>th</sup> 1809
- " \* Orson son of Mr. T. & Mary A. Adams  
76 born July 19<sup>th</sup> 1835
- " 77 \* Tom Samuel son of Edward L. & Elizabeth W. K  
Hall born Dec 6<sup>th</sup> 1832
- " 78 \* John Edward son of the same born Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> 1831
- 1844  
Feb 17 \* Mary Martha Olivia daughter of John T. &  
79 Mary Elizabeth Waller born Feb 19<sup>th</sup> 1841
- " 12 \* John Thomas Crossdale son of John T. W. and  
80 Lavinia Anne Higgins born May 6<sup>th</sup> 1843
- " 81 \* Lewis James son of Edward L. & Elizabeth W. K  
Hall born Dec 26<sup>th</sup> 1834
- " 82 \* Mary Caroline daughter of same born Aug. 18, 1837
- " 83 \* Robert Landon son of same born June 28 1842
- 25 \* <sup>Adult</sup> Elizabeth Caulbourne daughter  
84 of Tom & Elizabeth Broughton born  
Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1827
- " 85 \* <sup>Adult</sup> Mary Scarborough daughter of the same  
born Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 1828

1844

## Baptisms Continued

- July 25<sup>th</sup> \* Adult, Mary Anne daughter of Samuel and  
86 Maria Jackson and wife of Joseph C. Bush  
X born October 23<sup>rd</sup> 1823
- " 87 Mary, Water's Dennis daughter of Henry and  
Anne E. Beauchamp born April 23<sup>rd</sup> 1823
- April 14<sup>th</sup> Margaret Elizabeth daughter of Stephen and  
88 Elizabeth G. Coulbourn born August 30<sup>th</sup> 1843
- " 26<sup>th</sup> Candace Maria Jane daughter of John Skuy  
89 Slave of Mrs. Nancy Lankford and Betty  
Slave of H. S. Henderson born Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> 1843
- May 21<sup>st</sup> Samuel Henry son of Mrs. A. & Sally S. Tilghman  
90 born March 19<sup>th</sup> 1841
- " 26<sup>th</sup> Rosa daughter of Leah Slave of Wm Townsend  
91 born Feb'y 1837
- " " George David son of Maria Slave of J. G. Odell  
92 born May 13<sup>th</sup> 1843
- " " Leah Anne daughter of same born Dec 1840  
93
- " " Angelo Harris son of Ephraim & Catharine  
94 Annwood, free blacks, born in Sept 1837
- June 7<sup>th</sup> Susan Francis daughter of Samuel S. & Anne  
X 95 E. McMaster born March 11<sup>th</sup> 1843
- " " Francis Crondale son of John & Maheldan Hill,  
96 born 14<sup>th</sup> March 1844
- " 16 Mary Jane Adult, daughter of Anne & Gatty  
McQuady born Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> 1824
- " 20<sup>th</sup> Frederick Arthur son of John C. & Elizabeth  
97 Haney born 5<sup>th</sup> June 1844
- " 21<sup>st</sup> Hester Jane daughter of Milcah slave of Dr. Wm. Williams  
98 born July 1844
- " 23<sup>rd</sup> John Robert son of James W. & Maria S. Dougherty  
99 born June 12<sup>th</sup> 1843

## 7844 Baptisms Continued

- Aug 4<sup>th</sup> Sarah Anne Augusta daughter of  
101 Joseph C. & Mary Anne Bush born  
Sept 14<sup>th</sup> 1843
- Aug. 5<sup>th</sup> Mary Elizabeths daughter of John & Maria  
102 Corbin born Decr 31<sup>st</sup> 1843
- Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> Louisa born March 1837  
103 Sarah Hannah born March 1842  
104 Children of Patience Slave of Wm Corbin
- " 8<sup>th</sup> Mary Elizabeths daughter of H. S. & Mary S  
105 Henderson born 11<sup>th</sup> Decr 1843.
- " 9<sup>th</sup> William Angelo Tabman son of William S. & Catharine  
106 T. Harris born Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> 1842
- Oct 8<sup>th</sup> Francis Henry son of Henry & Edenor J.  
107 Dryden born May 13<sup>th</sup> 1844
- " + 10<sup>th</sup> Caroline Elizabeth Jones daughter of Emily Slave  
108 of Jas T. Cottman born June 1<sup>st</sup> 1844
- " 10<sup>th</sup> Matilda Jane <sup>adult</sup> wife of John Mill,  
109 January 2<sup>nd</sup> 1818
- Oct 30<sup>th</sup> Wilhelmina Amelia born March 18. 1838  
110 Mary Elizabeth Tilyman born Decr 25<sup>th</sup> 1842  
111 Children of Robert & Elizabeth Bell
- " Maria daughter of Hannah born July 26<sup>th</sup> 1834  
112 George born July 1838 } Sons of Grace  
113 Silas born July 1840 }  
114 all born of Mrs Amelia Bell
- Dec 1<sup>st</sup> William Stephen son of William & Hannah  
115 Anne Harding born 17<sup>th</sup> Sept 1843
- " 20<sup>th</sup> Titlow son of John H. & Kennetta  
116 & Minnie born 19<sup>th</sup> August 1841

1845 Baptisms Continued

July 11 <sup>th</sup> 117	Thomas Robert Handy son of Wm B. F & Sally H Corbin born May 27 <sup>th</sup> 1844
" 26 <sup>th</sup> 118	Adelaide daughter of Wm H. & Mary W. J Curtis born 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov 1844
" 28 <sup>th</sup> 119	Milcah Anne Eliza daughter of Anah free colored woman born August 1843
29 120	Julia Anno. Frances Ramandace daughter of Selia slave of Miss Mary Jane Haaland
July 7 <sup>th</sup> 121 122 123	Horace born in June 1838 In <sup>o</sup> Thomas - - - - - 1841 Mary Anne - - - - - June 1844 Slave of Mrs Mary Stevens } children of Harriet
" 124	Mary daughter of Anna slave of John & Rowland born in 1834
" 125	John Edward son of Caroline slave of John Danforth born July 1844
" " 8 126	James Henry son of Milcah slave of John H Dennis born October 1843
" March 2 <sup>d</sup> 127 128	Amelia Allen born April 14 <sup>th</sup> 1827 Susan Cattinghams born December 19 <sup>th</sup> 1830 Adult daughter of Isaac Townsend & Margaret his wife
" 5 129	John Marshall Nelson son of J. & Mary E Waller born 29 <sup>th</sup> June 1844
" 8 130	Emily Anne Grace daughter of Peter C. & Margaret Watt born 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct 1839
" 131 132	Hennietta born Dec 4 <sup>th</sup> 1836 Silas born March 17 <sup>th</sup> 1839 *Children of Edw <sup>d</sup> H. & Hennietta Stevens

\* Presumably received Schismatical baptisms

## 1845 Baptisms Continued

March 9 <sup>th</sup>	Emily daughter of Wm S. & Elizabeth Broughton born Sept 5 <sup>th</sup> 1844
133	
" 30 <sup>th</sup>	Mary Atkinson daughter of Angelo A and Harriet E Harris born May 5 <sup>th</sup> 1843
134	
" 31 <sup>st</sup>	John Benson adult born 18 <sup>th</sup> July 1818
135	
May 11	Francis Augustus son of John and Mary Anne McNamara born July 26 <sup>th</sup> 1845
136	
" 13 <sup>th</sup>	Herman Stewart son of James S. & Elizabeth Mc Cattman born 18 <sup>th</sup> July 1845
137	
" "	George Washington La Fayette son of Joseph L. & Winifred H. Adreon born 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec 1844
138	
June 8 <sup>th</sup>	Levin Edward son of James W. & Maria F. Daugherty born 12 <sup>th</sup> January 1845
139	
" 26 <sup>th</sup>	Joseph Lee Nelson son of Benjamin & Milcah Anne Davis born April 18 <sup>th</sup> 1844
140	
Oct 20	Charles Duinton son of Whitty & Harriet Beauchamp born Sept 5 <sup>th</sup> 1845
" "	Mary Emily daughter of George & Mary Adams born 27 <sup>th</sup> June 1845
" "	
141	
" "	Esther Anne born March 13 <sup>th</sup> 1841
" 26 <sup>th</sup>	Sarah Jane - April 16 <sup>th</sup> 1843
142	
143	Cecilia Frances - Aug 31 - 1845
144	Children of Maria Slave of James D. Sturgis
" "	John Henderson son of Milcah Slave of John H Dennis born in July 1845
" 27	
145	

Baptisms Contd

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Oct 30<sup>th</sup>  
146

John Deion son of Elijah & Louisa G Maddox  
born Sept 6<sup>th</sup> 1844

Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>  
147

Rebecca Pearce daughter of Levi Matthews decessed  
and widow of the late Edw Howard born

1846 Feb 7<sup>th</sup>  
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Sip. Handy born Nov 1840  
= Sarah Eleanor Comfort " July 1843  
= George Henry Washington " Decemb 27<sup>th</sup> 1844  
Children of Haines Slaw of Edwin Dickerson

Mar. 8<sup>th</sup>  
151

Edward Stevens son of Jno & Mary A Howard born  
2<sup>nd</sup> August 1845

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Sarah, daughter of Margaret Slaw Jno Howard born  
March 1846

Apr 15<sup>th</sup>  
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Sarah Jane born in 1844  
Amanda Ellen born July 1846 - children of  
Anne Slaw of Mrs Caroline Handy

May 1<sup>st</sup>

Emma Jane daughter of - and Mrs Sarah Jane  
Lou born 27<sup>th</sup> Nov 1839

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In St Mary's church  
Anne, widow of Henry Beauchamp born June 10<sup>th</sup> 1810  
Sarah Elizabeth Catharine born Nov 9<sup>th</sup> 1835  
Settison Thomas " May 22<sup>nd</sup> 1838  
Ellen Anne " Sept 18<sup>th</sup> 1840  
Children of Henry & Anne Beauchamp

" 159

same place  
Esther Anne Maria Jane Slaw of Jas & Thuzi born 1813

" 17<sup>th</sup>  
160

George Washington son of Rachel Slaw of - Dickerson  
born 25<sup>th</sup> Dec 1843

" 20<sup>th</sup>  
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John Crossdale born 20<sup>th</sup> January 1846. twin children  
Thomas, Clayton } of R.L. & Anne Abbott

June 2<sup>nd</sup>  
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St Mary's church  
Mrs Sarah Jane, widow of Lou born Nov 4<sup>th</sup> 1819

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same place  
Thomas Mills, adult, born Decemb 9<sup>th</sup> 1817

1846		Baptism, Cont <sup>d</sup>
June 15 <sup>th</sup>	165	Rachel Anne daughter of Henry born Feb. 4 <sup>th</sup> 1842
	166	Harriet Esther daughter of Sarah " October 8 <sup>th</sup> 1845
		Slaves of Mrs Caroline Gale
" 28 <sup>th</sup>	167	Isaac Thomas. born April 28 <sup>th</sup> 1845
	168	Stephen " " April 24 <sup>th</sup> 1846
		Sons of Sittleton & Elizabeth R Adams
July 25 <sup>th</sup>	169	Charles Nutter Handy born Decemb 17 <sup>th</sup> 1845
		Son of Robert H. & Sally M Corbin
" 27 <sup>th</sup>	170	Amelia Margaret daughter of Amelia born 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 1844
		Slave of Mrs Peggy Coulbourne
" 28 <sup>th</sup>	171	Mary Jane born Dec 31 <sup>st</sup> 1845
		daughter of John J. & Elizabeth A Bell
" "	172	Harriet Caroline daughter of Sarah b. in Sept 1845
		Slave of John J. Bell
" 29 <sup>th</sup>	173	Sarah Anne Frances d. of Hetty b. in April 1846
		Slave of Henry S. Henderson
" 31 <sup>st</sup>	174	Emeline Francis Williams d. of Eliza b. July 10 <sup>th</sup> 1846
" "	175	Wesley James S. of Leah b. July 14 <sup>th</sup> 1844
		Slaves of Stephen Coulbourne
" "	176	Charles Sittleton S. of Samuel & Mary G Matthews
		b. 26 <sup>th</sup> December 1845
Aug. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	177	John Apphar b. June 14 <sup>th</sup> 1846
		S of Geo. R. & Louisa, & J. Dennis
" 8 <sup>th</sup>	178	Anne Grace b. April 9 <sup>th</sup> 1846
		dt. of John & Maria Corbin
Aug 15 <sup>th</sup>	179	Charles Henry born June 1 <sup>st</sup> 1846
		Son of John & Mary Anne McManara
" 23 <sup>rd</sup>	180	Hiram Son of Harriet born in December 1845
		Slave of Mrs Anne Bell
Sept. 15 <sup>th</sup>	181	Samuel Parker Paule. born 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept 1822
	182	Virginia Washington born 14 <sup>th</sup> July 1846
		daughter of Saml. P & Anne G Paule

1846		Baptisms con'd
Sep. 2	183	Chloe Elizabeth Bevans free col'd woman born in 1823
"	184	James Mill, adult, son of Thomas & Sally Mill, born July 5 <sup>th</sup> 1805
Oct 4	185	Thomas Henry Lunkford son of Henry S. and Mary S. <u>Benderson</u> born April 6 <sup>th</sup> 1846
"	186	Jesse son of W <sup>m</sup> S. & Mary B. J. Curtis, born 5 June 1846
" 5	187	Samuel James son of Maria slave of Mrs. Caroline Gale born <sup>in</sup> Oct 1845
" 25	188	Angelo Aitkenson son of Angelo A. & Harriet E. Harris born Nov 13 <sup>th</sup> 1845
" 31 <sup>st</sup>	189	Amanda Grace daughter of Littleton & Priscilla Slings, born April 23 <sup>rd</sup> 1846
Nov 3	190	Mary Catharine daughter of Alfred Hand & Eleanor A. Benson born May 4 <sup>th</sup> 1845
"	191	Henry Wilson son of Henry slave of Johnson born Sept 28 <sup>th</sup> 1846
Dec 29	192	Candace Wilson daughter of Sophia slave of L. S. Handy M.D. born <sup>in</sup> Aug. 1846
1847 Jan 5	193	Sarah Elizabeth James daughter of Elizabeth slave of James S. Cattman born in Aug. 1846
"	194	Edward Donaldson son of John S. & Elizabeth J. Handy born Dec 27 <sup>th</sup> 1846
" 25	195	Hannah daughter of Caroline slave of James Langherty born Dec 29 1845
"	196	Rachael Turpin daughter of Hannah slave of Mrs. Mary S. Stearns born Dec 25 <sup>th</sup> 1846
" 26	197	Joshua James Johnson son of James R. & Mary Ross born Oct 6 <sup>th</sup> 1846



1847

## Baptisms Contd

- July 17<sup>th</sup> 198 IO. Emma Croisdale daughter of W<sup>m</sup> D & Mary Jane Langford  
born Dec<sup>r</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> 1846
- March 6<sup>th</sup> 199 Joshua Francis, son of Maria slave of James D Sturges  
born January 13<sup>th</sup> 1847
- Apr 1 200 John Upsher son of John H and Henrietta H Dennis born  
August 11<sup>th</sup> 1846
- " 16 201 Mary Anne Elizabeth daughter of Fanny free colored woman  
born Apr<sup>l</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> 1846
- " 21 202 Elizabeth Elanor daughter of Samuel and Sarah E Adams  
born Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> 1846
- May 19 203 Stephen Augustus son of Joseph L & Winifred  
Adreon born May 30<sup>th</sup> 1846
- " 23 Frances Marion son of James W & Maria J  
Dougherty born January 7<sup>th</sup> 1847
- Aug 28 Luke, adult son of Isaac & Peggy Townsend  
born - - -
- " 29 Sarah Jane, daughter of John & Matilda  
J. Mills born July 14<sup>th</sup> 1847
- " 29<sup>th</sup> Emily Catharine daughter of Aaron C &  
Alazan Langford born March 30<sup>th</sup> 1847
- Sep 26 Eliza Catharine daughter of George and  
Mary Adams born August 4<sup>th</sup> 1847
- Oct 9 Levin, son of Mileah slave of Dr Wm  
Williams born in February 1846
- " 25<sup>th</sup> Emerson John Jewell, son of Helly slave  
of H. G. Henderson born in June 1847
- " 27<sup>th</sup> Frances Lelay, daughter of Henry J &  
Esther D Townsend born April 17<sup>th</sup> 1845
- Nov 4<sup>th</sup> Emily Catharine daughter of Henry  
& Eleanor T Dryden born January 25<sup>th</sup> 1847
- " 15<sup>th</sup> Elizabeth Jane, born March 23 1843  
Benjamin Franklin born Jan 4<sup>th</sup> 1847  
children of William D & Leah Ann Landing
- " 15<sup>th</sup> Elijah Zachariah, son of Samuel and  
Mary G Matthews born Dec 20<sup>th</sup> 1846

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Baptisms Cont<sup>d</sup>

Nov 27 John Henry son of Maria slave of Dr L.  
Handy born Sep 15<sup>th</sup> 1847

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For further Baptisms vide New Register

Confirmations in Coventry Parish  
by the Right Rev<sup>d</sup> Wm R. Wittingham Bishop of Manchester

1841

April

Mrs Mary W. T. Curtis  
 " Mary Anne Adams  
 " Sarah Howard  
 Miss Samuel S Henry  
 " Henrietta Broughton  
 " Eleanor Broughton  
 " Sarah Anne Stings  
 \* William Howard  
 . Thomas William  
 Thornley T Schoolar  
 Thomas Langsdale  
 James Mills — 12

1842

Dec

Wm H. Curtis  
 Mrs Elizabeth Broughton  
 Miss Elizabeth C Broughton  
 " Mary S Broughton  
 Mrs Mary A. Howard  
 John G. Adams  
 Jno Mills  
 Stephen Mills  
 Mrs Nancy Larkford  
 Jno S Handy  
 Noah Halland  
 Mrs Sarah T Henderson  
 Miss Elizabeth Stings  
 " Mary Adams  
 Mrs Sarah Wilson 15. By the same

1843  
Dec 16

Miss Elizabeth Hill  
 Mrs Esther Adams  
 Miss Anna Higgins  
 " Mary G. Harrison  
 George Higgins 5 by the same

1845  
 Confirmations Continued

1845

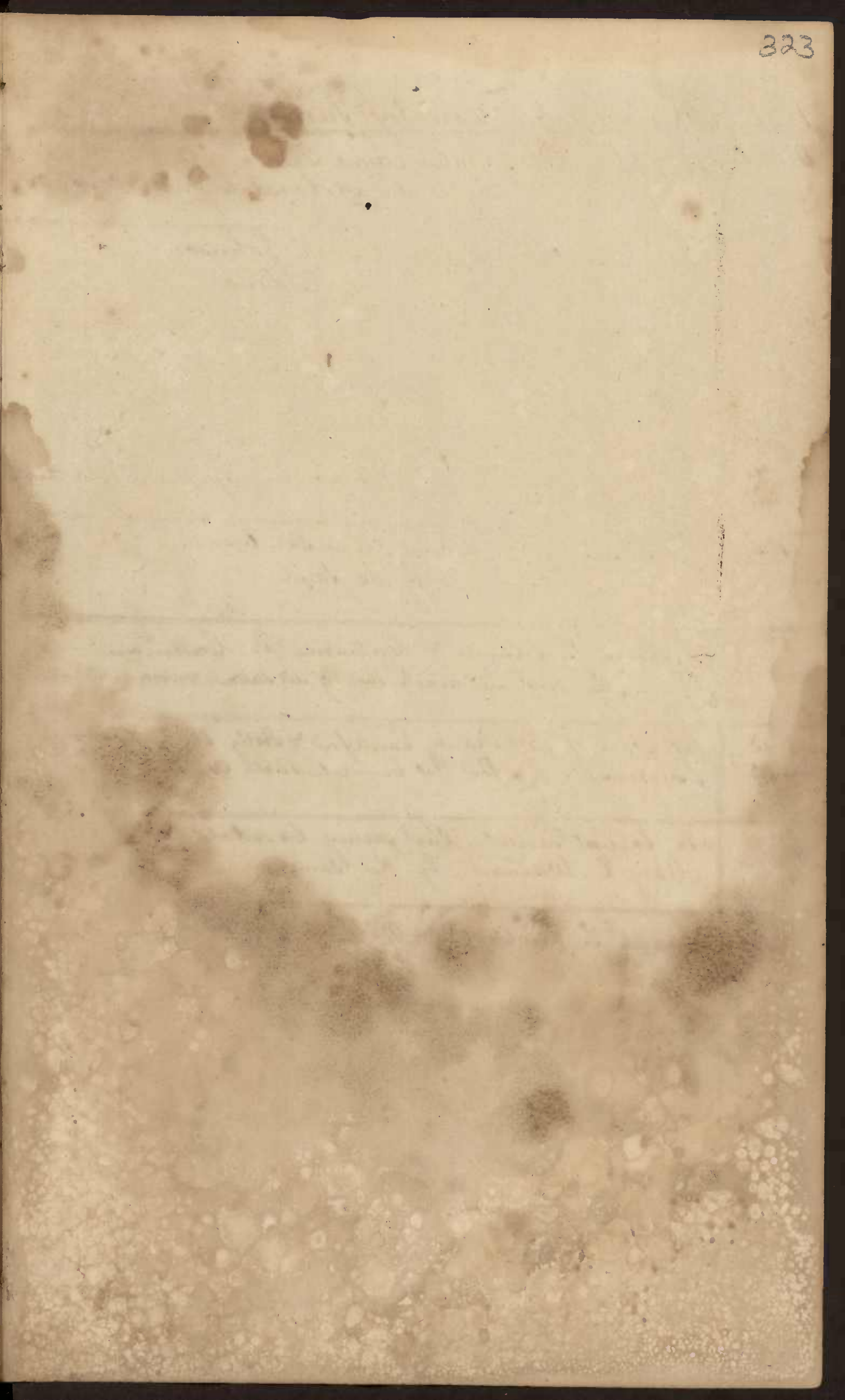
Nov. 13  
 14  
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Mrs Henrietta Pilcher  
 Mrs Winifred Adrean  
 " Anne E Blanchamp  
 " Henrietta Stevens  
 Miss Elizabeth Stevens  
 John R. Sturges  
 John McNamara  
 Lewis Tyler  
 Mrs Sally Adams  
 " Mary J. Henderson  
 " Rebecca P Howard  
 " Anne Abbott  
 " Matilda J Mills  
 Miss Esthe Anne Bishop  
 " Maria Mills  
 Mrs Maria Corbin  
 Peter C. Wattz. (by the Bishop of the Diocese)

1846  
 June 2

John Benson  
 Mrs Eleanor J. Lyden  
 " Sarah Jane Gore  
 Thomas Mills  
 Mrs Esthe A. Maria Nelson (colored) (By Bishop Whittingham)  
 " Samuel P. Paulie  
 Dec 12





## 1838 Marriages in Coventry Parish

Oct 25 <sup>th</sup>	Wm A. Collier & Julia Anne Gale by the Rev H. Crossdale Rector Coventry Par.
1840 Apr 28 <sup>th</sup>	Samuel S. McMasters & Anne E Johnson by the same
" "	Stephen Roach & Sarah Jones by the same
1841 March 4 <sup>th</sup>	Henry S. <u>Henderson</u> & Mary S. Lankford by the Rev Jas Abercrombie ap. Min. Coventry Parish
1840 July 22	Jno F Fleming & Amelia Anne Henderson by the same
1842 June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Theodore B. Skinner & Catharine B. Cottman by the Rev La Clark Rector of All Hallows & Worcester Parishes
1843 July 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Jno Slave of Mrs Nancy Lankford & Betty Slave of Henry S. Henderson, by Rev Jno Crossdale Rector Cov. Par
" Apr 20	(In Somerset Parish) Rev Henry Crossdale & Miss Mary E. Waltham, by the same
" " 26 <sup>th</sup>	Joseph S. Richards & Miss Harriet McCon <sup>ic</sup> kin by the same
Sept 18	David Slave of Dr L. D. Sandy to Maria Slave of John H. Gale & Miss by the same
1845 July 28	David Slave of Mrs Louise Pennington to Rosetta Slave of Mrs Nancy S. Lankford
July 4 <sup>th</sup>	Samuel H. Matthews & Mary G. Hudd
Aug. 14 <sup>th</sup>	Selby Slave of Wm S. Broughton to Anne Williams. free Col <sup>d</sup> woman

1846

## Marriages Continued

July 15 Edward Slave of Wm Furness to Slave of William S Harris

July 16 Thomas J Watson and Mrs Anne Brandham

Aug 3<sup>d</sup> Littleton Dennis & Miss Elizabeth H Dennis

Nov 10 Geo. F. Williams M.D. & Miss Esther Anne Bishop

1847  
Jan 16 Levi Slave of J. R. Sturgis & Elizabeth Slave of  
J. J. F. Townsend

March 3 John R. Sturgis & Sarah Anne P. Sturgis

" 4<sup>th</sup> Stephen Mills & Mary Elizabeth Donoho

" 5 Esme King (nee Col<sup>d</sup>) & Margaret Slave of Mrs Cottingham

Apr 7 William H. C. Long and Mary S. Braughton

" 28 William F. W. Miles & Caroline W. Dickerson

July 21 Joshua C Johnson & Virginia A Cottingham

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# Deaths in Coventry Parish

		age			
Year	Month	Day	Years	Months	Days
1842					
"	August	26 <sup>th</sup>	79		
"	October	23 <sup>rd</sup>	4		
"	November	8 <sup>th</sup>	22		
"	December	10 <sup>th</sup>	22		
1843	July	14 <sup>th</sup>			
"	August	6 <sup>th</sup>			
"	"	8 <sup>th</sup>	40		
"	Sept	3 <sup>rd</sup>	67		
"	"	19 <sup>th</sup>	26		
"	October		8		
"	November	29 <sup>th</sup>	79		
1844	January	11 <sup>th</sup>	69		
"	Jan	24 <sup>th</sup>	1	0	13
"	July			15	
"	Sept	15 <sup>th</sup>	2	9	
"	Oct	4 <sup>th</sup>			70
"	"	14 <sup>th</sup>			75
1845					
Feb 11 <sup>th</sup>					
March 3 <sup>rd</sup>			25		
"					
May 9 <sup>th</sup>					
July 21 <sup>st</sup>					
Aug 10 <sup>th</sup>					
Sept 7 <sup>th</sup>					13
" 13 <sup>th</sup>					
" 28 <sup>th</sup>			65		
Oct 9 <sup>th</sup>			46		
" 26 <sup>th</sup>			55		
1846					
August 13 <sup>th</sup>			28		
"			19		
Oct 3 <sup>rd</sup>					
" 8 <sup>th</sup>					

1846		Funerals Continued	Age		
Mon	4	Littleton James Beauchamp	years	mo	day
Dec	8	Mrs Sarah C Sturges			
1847		Mrs Sally Mills			
Jan	4	William Howard	55		
July	20	John Howard	49		
"	28	Severn Howard	85		
March	4	Mrs Elizabeth Flowers	73		
May	19	Miss Sally E. M. Townsend	23		
Aug	11	" Tabitha B. Townsend	31		
"	14	Littleton Dennis	29		
Sep	3	John F. Williams M. D.	38		
	21				

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342 The following persons are members of the Protestant Episcopal Church -

~~John C. Henry~~

Rehoboth	adults	children	Rehoboth	adults	children
+ Dr William Williams			Mrs Mary Riggins		
+ Wm Williams			+ Rosa Riggins	2	1
Dr Wm P Williams			Geo. W Riggins		
Miss Adeline Williams			Levin Tyler		
+ Thomas Williams			Jno Tyler		
Julia Williams			Margaret Ross	3	1
Isaac Williams			Francis Hall		
Hennetta Williams			Jno Howard		
Anne M Williams			+ Mrs Howard		
Edward Williams	5	6	+ Severin Howard		
Christiana Williams			Maria, John T. Alexander		
+ Mrs Mary D Henry			<del>Maria</del> + Leah J. H Howard	3	4
Dr Paul H Henry			+ Dr Gullison D Handy		
Robert J Henry			+ Mrs Handy		
+ Harriet S Henry			John C. Kellum & Gullison D.	2	
John H Henry			Henry S. Menseason		
Mary G Henry	5	1	Mrs Menseason		
+ Mrs Caroline Gale			Sarah J H Menseason	2	1
John Williams, Francis			+ Mrs J. Adam		
George & Maria Gale	2	4	+ Mrs Adam, Crook, John		
+ William S Broughton			J. Mary & James Adam	2	2
+ Mrs Broughton			Stephen Colborne		
James Broughton			+ Mrs Colborne		
+ Elizabeth Broughton			Joan G		
+ Mary Broughton			+ Miss Mary Adams		
+ Mrs Broughton			Sally G. Adair, J. Adams & Maria		
Sarah, Robert H, John & Maria			Epaph. Margaret & Colborne	4	6
Anna Maria	6	4	Jno H Bennet		
Elijah Broughton			Dr Geo P. Bennett		
Mrs Broughton			+ Mary W. Bennett		
+ Harriet Broughton			Ed Bennet		
Elyah, de Little, & Mary Broughton	3	2	Mrs Bennet		
+ Mrs Sarah de Little			John H Bennet		
Sarah J. H. de Little & John de Little	1	2	+ Mrs Bennet		
William de Little			Mrs Samuel Bayling		
+ Mrs de Little, Edwina, William			John & Pauling		
& James C. Howard	2	3	Clay & de Little	2	1
+ William H Curtis			John & de Little		
+ Mrs Curtis, Athol, Alfred			Mrs de Little		
Sarah H. Hartense Ingema			Sarah Anne Bayling	2	1
and Mary Curtis	2	5	John F. Fleming		
Marked thus + Communicants			+ Mrs Fleming	3	2
			Dr Geo W King		
			+ Mrs King	2	
			+ Mrs Putney Broughton		
			Kellum, Broughton	2	1
			Samuel Bayling		
			Mrs de Little, Adams	1	

Ridgely Court

+ Mrs Esther Adams Mrs Adams	2	
+ Mrs Leah. A. W. Beauchamp		
+ Miss Charlotte W King	2	
+ Miss Miss Mary G. Hudson & Mrs Gulletton & Edwin	1	2
Lucifer Adams	1	

Dividing Creek Cont'd

+ Mrs Sarah Stungis		
+ Mrs Lammow		
John R Stungis		
James Stungis		
Joshua Stungis	2	3
James S. Cottman	1	
+ Mrs Grace Cottingham		
Joshua Johnson	2	

Ananepes

Dr S Handy		
+ Mrs Handy. John J. Sally. James A. Tho H	2	4
Mr Parker		
+ Mrs Horsey		
Margaret Horsey		
Elizabeth Horsey		
John C Horsey	5	
+ Noah Holland. + Noah S	1	1
+ Mrs Peggy Couchoane		
Isaac A Couchoane		
+ George Adams	2	
Mrs Adams. Revis. Elijah G. W.	2	3
Mrs Whittington Beauchamp	1	
+ Mr Sally Handy		
+ Miss Mary Handy		
John J Handy	3	
Mary Lewis		
Mr Stewart		
Geo. W Gunkford	2	
Benjamin Gunkford	1	
+ Henry S. Moughton	1	
Benjamin Colborne & Mother	2	
Mrs Amelia Bell & Mr Bell	1	1

Samuel Mc Masters		
+ Mrs Mc Masters		
Mary Gray	2	2
+ Mrs Isaac H Dryden	1	
+ Mrs Wilson		
Edward & Mary Anne	1	2
Isaac Bishop		
+ Miss Esther Bishop	2	
Mrs H Dryden		
Miss Mary Donoho	2	6
John Corbin		
Mrs Corbin.		
Seven & Peter	2	3
Mrs Quinn	1	
Mrs Nancy Duer		
Isaac J. Sarah A. W. Robert		
J. Edu. J. Rufus A. & Mary J.	1	6
Ely Maddie &		
Mrs Cluff	2	
William Corb		
+ Mr Corbin	2	3
John Bacon	1	
+ Miss Ely to the Bell	1	
+ Mrs Townsend	1	3
Isaac Langherty		
Mrs Langherty	2	2
William J. Long	1	
Wm S Harris		
Mrs Harris		
Wm S J. Harris	2	1

Dividing Creek

+ David G. Bell		
+ Mrs Bell		
+ Angelo A. Thompson		
+ Fittling Stungis		
+ Mrs Stungis		
+ Miss Sarah Anne Stungis		
+ Mrs Elizabeth Stungis		
May. P. P. Isaac W. Isaac W. Emma J. Gulletton H	4	5
+ Mrs Mills + Mr Mills + Miss W. G.		
ret Mills + Miss Sam Mills + Miss		
Eleanor Mills + Stephen Mills &	7	
Thomas Mills		
+ James Mills	1	
+ John Mills		
Mrs Mills		
John J. & Albert J.	2	3

We the subscribers do solemnly swear that we  
 will faithfully execute the office of Vestry-  
 men of Coventry parish in the counties of  
 Somerset & Worcester without prejudice favor  
 or affection according to the best of our skill  
 and knowledge

Friday morning, in the  
 year of our Lord 1844.

Sworn before  
 David G. Odell  
 Geo R. Harris

W. Williams  
 88 of Braughton

John A. Henry

Samuel M. Henry

Littleton D. Hardy

Littleton Sturges

Geo R. Combs

Wm Howard

Wm Lewis Pugh

James Mills

Sam. Tyler

I solemnly declare that  
I believe in the Christian religion

Geo R Service

W Williams

Littleton Sturges

Littleton D Sandy

Wm J Braughton

John C Henry

Wm Howard

David G Bull

Wm H Curtis register

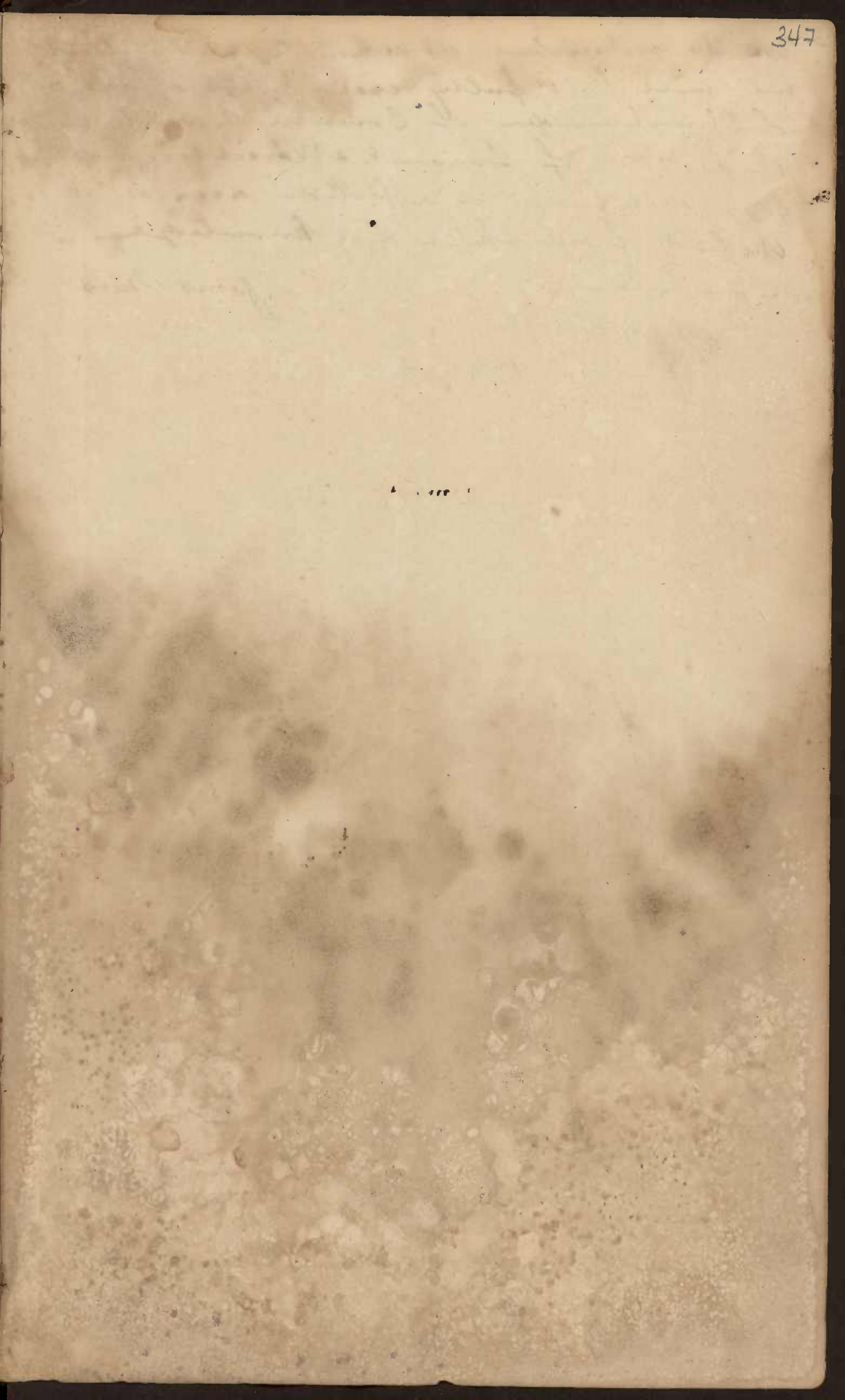
James Mills

Levin Tyler



A list of persons qualified to vote for  
 Vestrymen in Co. Dentry Parish.

William Williams	James D. Sturges
Wm P. Williams	Wm Harris
Wm Howard	Wm J. Long
Severn Howard	James Daugherty
John Howard	Edward Stevens
Levin Tyler	John Bacon
John Tyler	Isaac Townsend
William S. Broughton	Wm B. Corbin
Elijah Broughton	John Corbin
John T. Adams (removed)	
Wm H. Bacht	
Int S. Handy	
Wm J. Handy	
John C. Horsey	
Henry S. Nightingale	
Geo Adams	
Stephens Carlhoun	
Wm R. Dennis	
John W. King	
Littleton D. Handy	
Henry A. Henderson	
Int H. Dennis	
Int H. Dennis	
Int H. Dennis	
David G. Odell	
Littleton Stanger	
Thomas J. Mills	
James J. Mills	
Stephen Mills	
Joshua E. Johnson	
James Bishop	
Int R. Sturges	



348 We the subscribers do solemnly swear that  
we will faithfully execute the office  
of Churchwarden of Coventry parish in  
the counties of Somerset & Worcester without  
prejudice favor or affection according to  
the best of our skill and knowledge -

Sworn before

James Mills

David G. Odell

Easter Monday. 1846 -



The State of New York. In testimony of  
 the State of New York, in the County of  
 Albany, I, the undersigned, Clerk of the  
 Court, do hereby certify that the  
 following is a true and correct  
 copy of the original of the  
 same, as the same appears  
 from the records of the  
 Court, and as the same  
 were made on the 15th day of  
 August, 1890.





For Thomas Hancock's  
May Subscription \$26.00  
1818 New York State 6 50

For Henry Lamborn's  
May Subscription \$17.00  
1818 Total amount 147.00  
due & not collected 42.00



For Littleton Damages

From Subscriptions -

1818 Total amount 66 50

due to no collect 3 50

paid from

2 50

1819 Total amount 79 00

due to no collect 4 00

paid from

3 00

1820 Total amount 74 00

not collect ~~22.00~~ 22.00

paid from

2 00

1821 - Total amt - 71 -

due to collect 68 50

paid from -

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1822 Total amt 71 50

paid from

71 50

1823 Total amt 68 50

paid from

68 50

355  
For  
Robert & Lucretia  
Mason Subscriptions

Debit amt 1822

have been  
paid in

1819	1819	71	50	paid 15/15/1819	2 00
	1819	4	50	paid	3 00
	1820	57	50	paid	1 00
		10	50	paid	9 00
					5 00

1827 May 19 by Commission. 6.00  
 on 100. = 191.91  
 1827 Knight's Fund = 86.46  


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 1827 no interest - - - 180.91  
 228.37 by order of the Vestry 6.00  
 due & not collected 25.00 to J. G. Stratton 2.75  
 132.91

1822  
 paid G. E. Stratton 18.00  
 for postage on 10.00  
 paid for G. E. Stratton 9.91  
 5.00  
 9.00  
 48.00

1821 due & not collected 93.00  
 1821 whole amount 119  
 due & not collected 89.37  
 1820 whole amount 173  
 due & not collected 21.00  
 1819 whole amount 163

Daniel Pennons  
 Long Subscriptions  
 Self Cont.

The following minutes was directed to be recorded by  
 the Register - (1821)  
 Mr. James Bottingham's  
 Name Subscriptions 200  
 1820 total amount 77 50  
 due 1821 7 00  
 paid 7 00  
 due 1821 7 00  
 due 1821 7 00

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