

FIRST  
ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
BOARD OF MANAGERS

OF THE  
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY  
FOR SEAMEN IN THE CITY AND PORT  
OF NEW YORK.

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Read at the Annual Meeting of the Society, March, 1845.

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PROCEEDINGS.

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The First Anniversary of the "PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR SEAMEN IN THE CITY AND PORT OF NEW YORK," was celebrated at St. Thomas's Church, on Sunday Evening, ~~March~~ 6th, 1845. The REV. LEWIS P. W. BALCH, in the Chair.

A number of the Clergy of this City and Brooklyn were present on the occasion.

After the usual Church services, conducted by the REV. B. C. C. PARKER, the Annual Report of the Board of Managers was read by A. H. GREEN, Esq.

Addresses were delivered by the REV. DR. CUTLER, and the REV. MR. HAIGHT. After singing, and the usual devotions, the Congregation was dismissed.

At the Annual Meeting for business, held on the 24th of March preceding, the following resolutions were adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Report of the Board of Managers be accepted and published in the Church Papers of the several Seaport Towns; namely, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Charleston.

*Resolved*, That the Board of Managers be requested to take measures for the erection of a Floating Chapel on the North River, at the earliest practicable period.

Officers and Managers for the ensuing year were elected, and the Society adjourned.



1854

PROCEEDINGS

The First Anniversary of the Protestant Episcopal Church Missionary Society for Seamen in the City and Port of New York, was celebrated at St. Thomas's Church, on Sunday Evening, the 21st of May, 1854. The Rev. Lewis R. W. Baxter, in the Chair. A number of the Clergy of the City and Brooklyn were present on the occasion. After the usual Church services, conducted by the Rev. J. C. Parker, the Annual Report of the Board of Managers was read by A. H. Green, Esq. Addresses were delivered by the Rev. Dr. Gurteen and the Rev. Mr. Harter. After singing, and the usual Devotions, the Congregation was dismissed. At the Annual Meeting for business, held on the 24th of May, 1854, the following resolutions were adopted: Resolved, That the Report of the Board of Managers be received and published in the Church Papers of the several Seaport Towns; Resolved, That the Board of Managers be requested to take the next year for the erection of a Floating Chapel on the North River, at the most practicable period. Officers and Managers for the ensuing year were elected, and the Society adjourned.

REPORT.

THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR SEAMEN in the City and Port of New York, will mainly confine themselves in this, their Report to a detail of occurrences of prominent interest in their field of labor during the past year, confident, that from the facts herein presented, the Society will derive great encouragement and deep impressions of the necessity of increased exertion in behalf of the peculiar objects of its mission

It is well known, that the "Young Men's Church Missionary Society," from which this Society emanated, existed for a long time merely as an auxiliary to the City Mission Society, and that the results of that organization, though very important, were by no means equal to the wishes of its members. It was admitted, that with all its capabilities for effecting good, very much of its force was lost in fruitless discussion and enervated action, from the want of some definite object towards which to direct its undivided energies; this conviction, together with the great spiritual destitution of Seamen in this city, determined that body upon an entire re-organization and devotion of its whole strength to this long much neglected portion of our fellow men. In furtherance of this determination, that body, after much interesting enquiry, proceeded to erect a Floating Church, as combining all the advantages of a Church on land, with

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less original cost in building, less annual expense in its maintenance, and far greater attractions for those whose accommodation was specially intended. Application was immediately made to the Legislature for the Charter, from which *this* Society first derived an independent legal existence, and under which it has acted during, now, little more than one year. In the language of the Charter, it is clothed with power "to provide by building, purchase, hiring or otherwise, so many floating or other churches for seamen, at different points in the City and Port of New York, as they may deem proper, in which Churches the seats shall be free, and to provide suitable Clergymen to act as Missionaries in the same." This Charter, accompanied with the action of the last Convention of this Diocese, and the Episcopal sanction, has placed with this Society the full control of this department of the great work of the Church; and by an amendment at that Convention of Canon XV., Sec. 4 of the Canons of this Diocese, it is now constituted one of the standing charities of the Church in this city. The Floating Chapel was, by direction of the Young Men's Church Missionary Society, previous to its final dissolution, transferred by deed to this Society, and to the permanent establishment of this Chapel the efforts of your Board of Managers have been mainly directed during the past year. Under the Constitution and By-Laws of this Society, the charge of the edifice and temporal concerns of the mission generally, are entrusted with a superintending committee composed of ten members of the Board, whose duty it is at each meeting to acquaint the Board with the condition of the Mission. There is also a Visiting Committee consisting of ten members in regular rotation of your Board of Managers, who

visit the Church on Sunday, and report the attendance, and such general matters as they may deem of interest; the Missionary also presents at each meeting of the Board a statement of his labors during the month. The Society will observe by this arrangement, that nothing can be neglected or overlooked that may in any manner aid in effecting its object, and that every lay member of the Board must be acquainted with, and personally and actively interested in, its advancement.

Of the number of your Board of Managers several of its most useful members have withdrawn by resignation, two of whom, Mr. G. T. Fox, Jr., and Mr. Charles Tomes, distinguished for their activity, are now in stations of high usefulness in the Church. Death has removed from our midst, one of its number, universally beloved—zealous for the Church and devoted to the establishment of this mission, Pierre E. F. McDonald, fell a martyr to its interests; being one of a Committee specially intrusted with the planning and erection of the Church, and in the discharge of his duty much exposed to the inclemency of the weather, he contracted a severe illness, which took him from us. The Society will long feel the loss of his moderate counsel and his exertions in its cause.

The sole Missionary at present acting under your Board, the Rev. B. C. C. Parker, beside the regular services on Sundays and principal Holy Days of the Church, has devoted his exclusive attention to the work of the Mission; with his personal visits to the Sailors at their boarding houses, his friendly, familiar conversations with them at his own residence, and the distribution of books among them, his whole week is abundantly occupied. Very frequently at the request of Captains, the Missionary accom



panies vessels to sea, and before taking leave, in the presence of the assembled crew, commits them to the care of Almighty God. More than \$400 in cost of religious books, bibles, and prayer books, have been gratuitously distributed by him. Of that most excellent manual of devotion for Seamen, by the Rev. Doctor Berrian, 10,000 copies have already been placed in the hands of Sailors, and are now scattered over the whole world as aids to the Seaman in the all-important concerns of his future existence.

The attendance at the Church is large, at times, so much so, that the accommodations of the building are insufficient for those waiting admission. Your Board of Managers deeply regret that all the records of the operations of the Young Men's Church Missionary Society, of much historical interest, as well as all the minutes of their own proceedings, were destroyed by fire in the building occupied by their Secretary, in whose hands they were placed.

The Treasury, the department of paramount importance in all undertakings, your Board of Managers need not remind the Society, is not less so in this; the erection of the Church at a cost of over four thousand dollars, has borne heavily upon its resources. The Vestry of Trinity Church promptly responded to an application for aid by an appropriation of two hundred and fifty dollars annually. The Report of the Treasurer will give the Society information as to the management of the pecuniary affairs of the Mission. The Board of Managers will only express the hope, that neither their present establishment, nor their contemplated enlargement of action, may ever be confined or re-

tarded by any pecuniary embarrassment so long as they continue in the service of God and the Church.

Already in the one short year of your Society's existence, has its judicious organization, its great usefulness, and the promises of an abundant harvest from its operations, commended their Mission to the affections of the Church, as pre-eminently worthy the consideration of each of her members. The Society has but to enter upon the coming year with renewed vigor and determination, the field is wide, wide enough for all who can centre their sympathies at home, large enough to appropriate the most extended benevolence, and perhaps too large to receive that portion of the charities of the Church which its urgent necessities require. Stimulated by the example of our Mission, societies of various forms of worship have, during the past year, erected three Chapels of their respective persuasions, and charitable societies generally, connected with Seamen, have been moved to greater exertions; but with all this there is yet sufficient room for all the best energies of the Society. The average number of Seamen constantly in Port is estimated at 5000, the number annually arriving here at 40,000, and the commencement of this one Mission is all the Church has ever done for Seamen. At this present time there are three miles of shipping stretched along the North River, claiming at least 3000 men, without any provision of the Church. Several kind friends have already expressed a willingness to aid in the erection of a Chapel for their accommodation, and your Board, relying on the aid of the friends of Seamen in the city and country, do not hesitate to recommend that immediate steps be taken for its commencement.



Beyond the benefits arising from the immediate labors of the Missionary, the attention of the whole community has been directed to the condition of Seamen. Merchants and others interested in shipping, to whose proverbial liberality the Society is indebted for by far the greater portion of its funds, are admitting even in view of their own interests the importance of the moral elevation of seamen, and its great consequence in that regard cannot be difficult to apprehend. The large annual decrease in marine disasters, in a greatly increasing commerce, the reduction of criminal marine jurisprudence, and the diminished reports of instances of the unhealthy fore-castle to comfortable and cleanly apartments for the Sailor, and the respect showed to him in the cheerful discharge of his duty, all this discovers to the observer an influence somewhere at work.

With the most encouraging prospects of future enlarged usefulness the Society enter upon the second year of their operations. The Board of Managers only ask for the Mission the continuance of your confidence, the extension of your liberality, and the support of your prayers.

New York, March, 1845.

B. S. THOMAS, Treasurer, in account with the Protestant Episcopal Church Missionary Society for Seamen of  
the City and Port of New-York. DR.

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April 9, Balance at close of year.....		86
Collection in Ascension Church.....		38 70
“ “ St. Paul’s Chapel.....		211 41
“ “ St. George’s Chapel.....		101 94
“ “ Christ Church, Brooklyn.....		80 00
“ “ St. Luke’s Church.....		58 48
“ “ St. Stephen’s Church.....		37 67
“ “ Emmanuel Church, Brooklyn.....		48 76
“ “ Calvary Church, N. Y.....		70 30
“ “ Calvary “ Brooklyn.....		40 70
“ “ St. Peter’s Church.....		36 53
“ “ St. Thomas’s Church.....		50 80
“ “ St. John’s, Brooklyn.....		64 75
“ “ St. Paul’s Chapel.....		96 13
“ “ St. Bartholomew’s Church.....		72 03
“ “ All Saints’ Church.....		50 00
“ “ St. Mark’s offerings.....		33 50
“ “ Sunday School children of St. } James’s Church, Philadelphia, }		5 25
“ “ Boxes of Church of Our Saviour.....		107 21
Sundries.....		336 12
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Treasurer of the Protestant Episcopal Church Missionary Society for Seamen in the City and Port of New-York.		
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Payments to Rev. B. C. C. Parker.....		233 80
“ “ James G. Howe, sexton.....		141 66
“ “ J. Morin, wharfage.....		41 00
“ “ On account of Organ.....		327 15
“ “ Sundry accounts.....		61 71
Balance in Treasury.....		61 71

New-York, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 1845.

B. S. THOMAS,  
Treasurer of the Protestant Episcopal Church Missionary Society for  
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## AN ACT

TO INCORPORATE THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR SEAMEN IN THE CITY AND PORT OF NEW YORK.

[PASSED APRIL 12, 1844, BY A TWO-THIRD VOTE.]

THE People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION I. REV. SMYTH PYNE, GEORGE N. TITUS, J. R. VAN RENSSELAER, PIERRE E. F. McDONALD and AUGUSTUS PROAL, and their associates, being members of a Missionary Society attached to the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the City of New York, and their successors, are hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate, by the name of "THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR SEAMEN IN THE CITY AND PORT OF NEW YORK," and as such shall possess all the general rights and privileges of a corporation, as the same are declared in the third title of the eighteenth chapter of the first part of the Revised Statutes.

SEC. II. The objects of the said Society are declared to be, to provide by building, purchase, hiring, or otherwise, so many floating and other churches for seamen, at different points in the City and Port of New York, as they may deem proper: in which churches the seats shall be free; and to provide suitable clergymen, to act as missionaries in the said churches.

SEC. III. The corporation hereby created shall be subject to all the provisions and restrictions contained in the 10th, 11th and 12th



sections of the act, entitled "An Act for the Incorporation of Religious Societies," passed April 5th, 1813.

SEC. IV. The members of the corporation hereby created shall, by their By-Laws, prescribe the number and description of officers to manage its concerns, the duration of their offices, the time and manner of their elections, and their duties and powers.

SEC. V. The Legislature may at any time alter or repeal this act, which shall be in force from the time of its passage.

STATE OF NEW YORK, }  
Secretary's Office. }

I have compared the preceding with an original act of the Legislature, deposited in this office, and do certify that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of said original.

ARCH. CAMPBELL, *Dep. Sec'y of State.*

ALBANY, April 18, 1844.

## CONSTITUTIONAL BY-LAWS.

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR SEAMEN IN THE CITY AND PORT OF NEW YORK.

### ARTICLE I.—*Name.*

AGREEABLY to the Act of Incorporation, this Society shall be called "THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR SEAMEN IN THE CITY AND PORT OF NEW YORK."

### ARTICLE II.—*Objects.*

The objects of this Society (as declared by the said act) are "to provide by building, purchase, hiring, or otherwise, so many floating and other churches for seamen, at different points in the City and Port of New York, as they may deem proper, in which churches the seats shall be free; and to provide suitable clergymen to act as missionaries in the said churches."

### ARTICLE III.—*Members.*

The members of this Society shall be, all *Clergymen* residing in the city of New York, and canonically connected with this diocese; *Patrons*, paying to the Treasurer one hundred dollars or more, at one time; and *Life Members*, paying fifteen dollars or more, at one time, and *Annual Subscribers*, making an annual contribution of not less than one dollar.

### ARTICLE IV.—*Officers.*

The Bishop of the Diocese of New York shall be *ex-officio* President of this Society. There shall also be five clerical and five lay Vice Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer, to be chosen by the Society at each annual meeting, *by ballot*, (unless that mode be dispensed with by a vote of two thirds of those present.) The officers shall sustain the same relation to the Board of Managers. They shall continue in office until the next annual meeting, and until others are chosen in their places.

### ARTICLE V.—*Managers.*

The managers of this Society shall consist of the officers, patrons, all clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church residing in the city of New York, and entitled to seats in the convention of the dio-



case, and fifty lay managers, to be chosen at the annual meeting from the church at large in the city of New York. Any fifteen of these managers, including the President or one of the Vice Presidents, shall be a quorum.

#### ARTICLE VI.—*Vacancies.*

Each officer of the Society shall be forthwith notified by the Secretary of his election; and unless his acceptance is signified within one month after such notification, his office shall be considered vacant, and the Board shall proceed to supply the same. Any lay manager absenting himself from more than two successive meetings of the Board, his station may be considered vacant, and be supplied by the Board. The Board shall have power to supply vacancies occurring in any other manner between the stated elections, in any of the officers or in their own number.

#### ARTICLE VII.—*By-Laws, &c. of the Board.*

The Board of Managers shall have power to pass By-Laws and Rules of Order for their own government. They shall make an annual report of their proceedings at each anniversary of this Society.

#### ARTICLE VIII.—*Meetings.*

There shall be monthly meetings of the managers, and an annual meeting of the Society for the election of officers and lay managers, on the evening of Monday in Easter week. Special meetings of the Board, or of the Society, may be called by the President, or in case of his absence from the city, by the senior Vice President present in the city.

#### ARTICLE IX.—*Of the Presiding Officer.*

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board or of the Society. In case of his absence, the senior Vice President, who may be present, shall preside. The presiding officer shall not vote on any question, unless there be an equal division of the members present, in which case he shall give the casting vote. He shall appoint all committees not otherwise specially provided for.

#### ARTICLE X.—*Duties of the Secretaries.*

The *Corresponding Secretary* shall be charged with the correspondence of the Society, under the direction of the Board of Managers.

The *Recording Secretary* shall keep the minutes of the Society and of the Board, and give notice to each manager of all meetings. He shall carefully preserve the records and all papers directed by the Board to be filed. He shall keep the seal, and attest all acts of the Society.

#### ARTICLE XI.—*Duties of the Treasurer.*

The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of the Society, and keep accurate accounts of the same. He shall acknowledge every payment made to him, in such church periodical as is published

under the supervision of the Bishop. He shall pay out no money without a previous appropriation of the Board of Managers. It shall be his duty to make a report of the receipts and expenditures at each meeting of the Board, and a full and particular report of the same before each annual meeting. His accounts shall be audited by a Committee appointed for that purpose before each annual meeting, and whenever the Board may direct.

#### ARTICLE XII.—*Funds.*

The moneys of the Society shall consist of a *Permanent Fund*, and a *Disposable Fund*, under the direction of the Board of Managers. The Permanent Fund shall consist of all contributions expressly appropriated to the purpose by the donors, and of such moneys as may be so appropriated by the managers. The Permanent Fund, or any part thereof, may be appropriated by the managers to the purchase of, and payment for, buildings and vessels for the use of the Society.

#### ARTICLE XIII.—*Appointment of Missionaries.*

In the appointment of Missionaries, the Board of Managers shall nominate, subject to the approval of the Bishop, and in case of a vacancy in the episcopate, subject to the approval of the standing committee of this diocese.

#### ARTICLE XIV.—*Alterations.*

No alteration or addition shall be made in these Constitutional By-Laws, except at an annual meeting of the Society, by the vote of two-thirds of the members present, and with the approbation of the Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the episcopate, with the approbation of the standing committee of the diocese.



**BY-LAWS**  
OF THE  
**BOARD OF MANAGERS.**

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**ARTICLE I.—Of Meetings.**

**SECTION 1.** The stated meeting of the Board of Managers required by the 8th article of the Constitutional By-Laws, shall be held on the second Monday in each month.

**SEC. 2.** There shall also be a meeting of the Board of Managers on the Monday next before Easter.

**SEC. 3.** The order of proceedings, at every stated meeting of the Board, shall be as follows:

1. Devotions by the Presiding Officer.
2. Reading and approval of the minutes.
3. Calling of the Roll.
4. Communications from
  - (1.) President and Vice Presidents.
  - (2.) Secretaries.
  - (3.) Treasurer.
5. Reports of Seamen's Missionaries.
6. Communications and Reports from the following Standing Committees:
  - (1.) Superintending Committees.
  - (2.) Visiting Committees.
  - (3.) Committee of Ways and Means.
7. Reports from Special Committees.
8. Miscellaneous business.
9. Devotions.

**ARTICLE II.—Seamen's Missionaries.**

**SEC. 1.** Every Missionary appointed agreeably to the Constitutional By-Laws, shall occupy such station, perform such duties, and receive such salary, as the Board of Managers may direct.

**SEC. 2.** Each Missionary shall report to the Board of Managers at their stated meetings. In this report he shall state whatever he may think calculated to advance the cause of the Mission. He shall also prepare and present the usual Missionary Report to the Bishop.

**ARTICLE III.—Superintending Committees.**

**SEC. 1.** At the first meeting of the Board of Managers every year, there shall be elected by ballot a Committee of Superintendence for each Missionary station, to consist of ten persons, to be chosen from among the lay members of the Board. All vacancies occurring in these committees between the annual elections, may be filled at any meeting of the Board, and the members shall hold their places until their successors are appointed.

**SEC. 2.** Each Missionary shall be Chairman of the Committee of Superintendence of his station.

**SEC. 3.** The Committees of Superintendence shall be entrusted with the general supervision of the temporal affairs of their respective churches, and of the schools connected with them. They shall take charge of all collections in their respective churches, and pay the same to the Treasurer of the Society. They shall report at each stated meeting of the Board, recommending such appropriations as they may deem necessary for the incidental expenses of their respective stations, the disbursement of which shall be under their control.

**SEC. 4.** There shall be at least one member of each Superintending Committee present at one service on each Sunday in their respective churches.

**ARTICLE IV.—Visiting Committees.**

**SEC. 1.** At each stated meeting of the Board of Managers, a committee of eight for each station shall be appointed from the lay members of the Board, with the exception of the Superintending Committee, to be called the Seamen's Visiting Committees.

**SEC. 2.** It shall be the duty of two members of each committee to attend every regular service in their respective churches, to assist the Missionary in visiting seamen's boarding-houses and vessels in port, for the purpose of inviting seamen to attend service. They shall report to the Board the number who have thus been brought to attend, and what proportion of the congregation were apparently seamen.

**ARTICLE V.—Committee of Ways and Means.**

**SEC. 1.** There shall be a Standing Committee of the Board of Managers, to be called the Committee of Ways and Means, to consist of six lay members, of whom the Treasurer shall be *ex-officio* one. The other members shall be chosen by ballot at the meeting of the Board next after the annual meeting of the Society, the Board being competent at any time to fill vacancies in this committee.

**SEC. 2.** This committee shall meet from time to time to devise means for increasing and improving the funds of the Society.

**SEC. 3.** The committee shall report to the Board of Managers at each stated meeting.

**ARTICLE VI.—Vacancies.**

**SEC. 1.** Whenever a vacancy occurs in the Board of Managers or any of the officers thereof, nominations shall be made at one stated



meeting, and the elections be held at the subsequent one, and it shall be the duty of the person nominating, to ascertain, prior to the election, whether the individual nominated will accept the office.

**ARTICLE VII.—*Special Committees.***

The annual report of the Board of Managers shall be prepared by a Special Committee, to be chosen by ballot, who shall report to the Board at the meeting on the Monday next before Easter. A Special Committee shall also be appointed to make arrangements for the annual meeting of the Society.

**ARTICLE VIII.—*Rules of Order.***

SEC. 1. When the report of a committee is presented it shall be read, and if so ordered by the Board, entered on the minutes: If accompanied with resolutions, the resolutions shall be separately considered.

SEC. 2. When a question is before the Board, it shall be in order to postpone, divide, amend, or commit; and a motion for any one of these proceedings may be considered, precedence being taken in the order named.

SEC. 3. The ayes and noes shall be called, when desired, by five members.

SEC. 4. On all questions of order the President shall decide, subject to an appeal to the Board.

SEC. 5. No member may speak more than twice upon the same question, without leave of the Board.

SEC. 6. A question being decided, shall not be reconsidered during the same meeting, without the consent of two thirds of the members present.

SEC. 7. The question of adjournment shall always be in order, and shall be put without debate.

SEC. 8. All Special committees shall be appointed by the Chair, unless otherwise directed by a special resolution of the Board.

SEC. 9. All reports and resolutions shall be reduced to writing before they are offered to the Board.

**ARTICLE IX.—*Of Balloting***

The balloting required by articles 3d, 5th, and 7th, may be dispensed with, by consent of two thirds of the managers present.

**ARTICLE X.—*Of Amendments.***

No alteration of these By-Laws, and no addition to them shall be made, without being considered at two meetings of the Board of Managers.