

Election of
Committee

At a meeting of the Board of Managers of the
"Young Mens Church Missionary Society" held
in the Sunday School Room of St Bartholomews Church
on Monday evening the September 1843. the
following persons were duly elected as a -
— Superintending Committee —

— of —
— Seaman's Chapel —

— viz —

Rev. B. C. C. Parker. Chairman. *ex officio* -

Messrs George T Fox Jr

J R Van Rensselaer

George N Titus.

Charles Jones

Captⁿ Aug^l Proal

Me^r P. E. F. McDonald

Albert Journey Jr

Henry Fisher

Thos P. Cummings -

Names of
Committee

"

First Meeting
of Committee

The first meeting of the "Superintending Comm^{ee}
of Seaman's Chapel" was held in the Vestry room
of St Thomas' Church Thursday evening Oct 5th 1843.
— Present: Rev W Parker. chm^r - Cap^t Proal, Messrs
Jones, Fox, Journey & Cummings -

Appointment of
Secretary

Meeting opened with a prayer by the Chairman -
On motion of Mr Jones - Mr Cummings was
appointed Secretary to the Committee

Store of fuel
for Chapel

On motion of Mr Fox - The Chairman and Capt Proal
were appointed a Sub Committee to wait on
Mr Tombridge in relation to the Store offered
by him for the Chapel - to procure fuel
and make such other arrangements as
may be necessary for the winter.

In accordance with the By Law of the Board which
makes it incumbent upon one of this
Committee to be present at every Stated
~~Meeting~~ Service in the Chapel, the
Secretary was requested to Notify the
Members in rotation, one for each
Successive Sunday (see end of the Book for particulars)

Mr Jones stated that he had received Ten Dollars
to procure a Communion Set, for which
Amount he could only purchase Britania
ware, Capt Proal & Mr Downey, requested
him not to make the purchase just at
present, as they were confident of raising
a sufficient sum in addition to
procure a plated set, the cost of which
Mr Jones estimated at about 50 Dollars.

Communion Set

On Motion - Adjourned - after a prayer by the Chairman
J. Cummings
Secy

A meeting of the Superintending Committee of Seaman's Chapel, was held in the Vestry Room of St Thomas' Church on Friday evening Oct^r 20. 1853.

Present - Rev W^r Parker. Cap^t Proal, Mess Titus. James McDonald, Fisher. Journey & Cummings -

Opened with devotions by the Chairman -
Minutes of the last meeting, read by Sec^y and approved -

Committee called together to consider the propriety of recommending to the Board of Managers, to purchase the hull of the ferry boat Manhattan.

On motion of Mr^r James -

"Resolved, that the ~~President~~ President of the Society be requested to call a Special Meeting of the Board of Managers for Monday evening next the 23^d Instant - and that the Annexed Report be submitted for the action of the Board -"

_____ Report _____

"The Superintending Committee of Seaman's Chapel" have had before them the subject of a Floating Chapel. They are unanimously of opinion that it is not only expedient but the imperative duty of the Board of Managers, that they should at once take immediate measures for the purchase of a vessel and the building a Chapel for the accommodation of the Congregation of Sailors now under the charge of the Young Men's Church Missionary Society - They have

Special Meeting
of Board of Man

Floating Chapel

Report Continued

✓ Ferry boat
Manhattan

taken much pains to examine personally, & to have examined by competent persons the hull of ~~the~~ a ferry boat now lying in Brooklyn named the Manhattan, and it is the unanimous opinion of all who have examined her, that this vessel will serve an excellent purpose for the object for which we are engaged. Her length is 70 feet. Her width 30 feet - a double boat, Coppered, and Copper fastened. Apparently perfectly tight, and for all the purposes of a Floating Chapel, as good as any bottoms which could be built anew - Having had no power to make any proposals for the purchase of a vessel the Committee are not prepared to state how much the hull can be purchased for, but they have reason to believe that 200 \$ could procure her. Certainly she can be brought for 500 \$ - Fifty dollars would be required to haul her up and repair her bottoms, and it has been estimated that nearly 300 \$ would be wanted to refloor the vessel and prepare her for the House or Chapel to be built upon her - Wharfage may be obtained in the immediate vicinity of the present Chapel for a rent of 150 \$ to 200 \$ per annum -

✓ Cost of boat

✓ Wharfage

The Committee having such particulars before them, all seemingly to favor the success of the great object which the Committee believe to be so near the heart of every member of the board, Respectfully request that the Board of Managers give to them full

power for the purchase of the above mentioned vessel,
to make arrangements for the lease of Wharfage,
to get proposals for ~~the~~ building the Chapel, and cause
the same to be built forthwith - upon the most expedient
plan - All of which is respectfully submitted -

Committee ask
power to purchase &c

In behalf of the Committee

J. P. Cummings. Secy

The Secretary, was requested to Communicate to the
president of the Society the Resolution in relation
to the Special meeting -

On motion - Adjourned, after the usual devotions

J. P. Cummings
Secy

Note

Meeting of the
Board of Managers

At a meeting of the Board of Managers, Monday
evening Oct 23 1853 in the Basement of St Bartholomew's Church
the following Resolutions were adopted viz -

Resolved - "That the Superintending Committee of Seaman's
Chapel, be, and are hereby Authorized, to purchase
the ferryboat Manhattan at a price not exceeding
"500 Dollars"

Resolved "That the Superintending Committee of Seaman's
Chapel, be, and are hereby, Authorized to lease
"Wharfage for a term not exceeding 5 Years
for a Seaman's Chapel, at an annual Rent
not exceeding 200 Dollars"

Resolved, "that the Superintending Comm: of Sea⁵: Chapel
 "be, and are hereby Authorized, to expend an
 "Amount not exceeding 300 Dollars in repairing
 "the before mentioned Ferry boat if purchased."

✓ Resolved "that the Superintending Comm: of Seaman's Chapel
 "be, and are hereby authorized to receive proposals
 "for building a Chapel on the before mentioned
 "boat, if purchased, and report at the next meeting
 "of this board"

Meeting of Comm^{rs}

An Informal Meeting of the Superintending Committee
 was held immediately after the adjournment
 of the board, and Capt^l Proal & Mr Fisher
 were authorized to secure the vessel
 and Wharfage, in accordance with the
 foregoing resolutions

J. P. Cummings
 Sec^y

Wednesday Evening October 25th 1843

A Meeting of the Superintending Committee was held this evening at the house of Mr Jones -

Present - Rev Mr Parker - Cap Proal, Mrps Van Rensselaer Jones, McDonald, Fisher, Innes, & Cummings -

Opened with usual devotions by Chairman -

Minutes of the last meeting read and approved

Cap Proal & Mr Fisher Reported that they had concluded the purchase of the hull of the Manhattan for 400 Dollars - The 2 Mrps Bownis Contributing 25 each, which reduces the Cost to 350 Dollars - They have also obtained the Refusal, for one week, of Wharfage belonging to Mr Morris, which may be had at the rate of 150 Dollars per annum on a lease of 1 year with privilege of 2 more at same rate - This Wharf is immediately opposite the present Chapel - They had also examined an other Wharf, lower down, belonging to the "Crew Dock Comp^y" for which they ask 300 \$.

The merits, and demerits of the two situations were fully discussed - Cap Proal giving his decided preference to the former, as the Chapel would be better protected, lay with her head on North Street & consequently less liable to be effected by winds and other causes - Mr Fisher rather favored the latter, but not at the difference of price -

Purchase of the "Manhattan"

Lease of Wharfage

Situation of Wharf

On Motion of Mr Jones -

Resolved, that the purchase of the vessel for Four Hundred Dollars be confirmed

On Motion of Mr McDonald -

Resolved, that Capt Prone & Mr Fisher be authorized to lease the Moran Dock (in the name of the City Mission Society) for one year with privilege of 3 at 150 \$ per annum -

Moran dock ✓

On Motion of Mr Jones -

Mr Van Kersselaer, Mr McDonald & Capt Prone were appointed a Committee to attend to examining in regard to the Register of the vessel Manhattan - to have a proper bill of Sale or deed executed. (The title to stand in the name of the City Mission Society) and any other matters that may be deemed necessary -

Examinations in regard to the Register ✓

✓ Designs for floating Chapel

Several designs for the proposed floating Chapel were shown to the Committee - Capt Prone stated that Mr Simmonson a Ship Joiner who was willing to take a Contract for the whole job, would be ready to morrow with a plan and Specifications, and suggested that the Committee meet him in the evening -

On Motion - Adjourned to tomorrow (Thursday) evening at St Thomas Vestry Room

Closed with usual devotions by Chairman

C. P. Cummins

Secy

Thursday Evening Oct^r 26. 1843

A Meeting of the Committee was held this evening to receive the plans of W^r Simmonson.

Present - Rev W^r Parker - Cap^t Proal, Prof Fisher
Mr Donald Jones & Cummings

Opened with devotions by Chairman -

Minutes of the last meeting read and approved -

On motion - the Secretary was requested to procure a suitable book for recording the minutes of the meetings of the Committee - (This book was procured in accordance with this)

Book for Minutes

Cap^t Proal Reported, that the vessel had come into the possession of the Committee, and was now on the Screw Dock for repairs, that she appeared in a very good condition and would not require much done to her bottoms -

Vessel on the Screw dock

Mr Simmonson was present with a design for the Chapel. Giving the outside view - Would be willing to take the Contract to erect a Chapel on his plan for 2500 \$, which includes the decking of the of the vessel, Guards, Rails, and everything necessary, so as to present her to us complete in every respect - He had not calculated closely, but would be ready on Saturday with the Specifications &c, would prefer to have estimates made by some others, as it would be a satisfaction to himself as well as to the Committee, should the Contract be given to him, to feel that he was taking it as low as any one else would for a similar Structure

Mr Simmonson's plan for Chapel

On Motion of Mr McDonald-

Capl' Noel & Mr Fisher were authorized & requested to obtain from Mr Simonsen the Specifications for a Chapel on his plan as shown to the Committee, with the drawings &c Complete, so as to present them to a Special Meeting of the Board of Managers, to be called for Monday evening next, 30th Inst.

On Motion - adjourned - after the usual devotions

J. Cummings
Secy

Special Meeting
of the Board to be called

Monday Evening Oct 30 1843

A Meeting of the Committee was held this evening in the Sunday S. Room of St Bartholomews @ 1/2 past 6 o'clock to receive from Capl Provl Mr Fisher the Plans & Specifications for the proposed Heating Church, so as to present them to the Board of Managers, which meets at 1/2 past 7 -

Present - Rev W Parker Capl Provl, Bro J M Donald
James Fisher, Titus & Cummings -

Opened with usual devotions by Chairman -

Minutes of the last Meeting read & approved -

The following Report was read & ordered to be placed on the Minutes of this Committee -

✓ Report

In accordance with the instructions given to the undersigned at the Meeting of the Superintending Committee on Monday Evg of the 26th Inst we went to Brooklyn on Thursday, purchased the hull of the Steam Ferry boat "Manhattan" from Bro Rodman Samuel Bowne for the sum of \$400 - each of those Gentlemen making a donation at the same time of 25 \$ Cash, which we were requested to have noted on our list of donations of the Steamers Church - The boat was delivered to us at the Screw Dock two hours after the purchase & we had her taken up at once on her arrival, we found on examination some of the Copper out of order although generally in much better Condition than we had reason to anticipate & were offered an advance

Hull of the
"Manhattan" purchased

An advance
offered for hull

Contract with
Mr Simonson

of 200^l Cash to take the bargain off our hands. After Consultation & examination of her Condition we Contracted with Mr Chas H Simonson to renew such of the Planks of the boat as require it, to have them Caulked &c, to fit up the beams, deck and Guards in Complete & fitting order for the Reception of the Chapel, at the following Rate - Mr S is in no Case to Charge over \$500 - but if after a strict account of the expence he may be at in accomplishing the above he finds it does not actually Cost him that amount, he pledged himself to make the overplus a donation to the Society - He expects to have it finished at or about the 11th Nov^r next. The expence of going on the dock, Repairing the Copper, towage up to Mr Simonson's Shop &c will amount to little more than \$50 - It appears therefore that what we have done thus far involves an expensiture of about \$900 - Altho' we Considered the offer of Mr S - a favorable one, yet there were other Inducements, which we are free to say influenced us not a little - We found that the boat was to be afloat again on Friday, from the dock, we had no safe place to haul her into, we should be obliged to employ a Watchman constantly & even then be under the necessity of looking after him & the boat too, and in the event of our delaying the Contract we should finally be obliged to make the

Outlay after all - Whereas, deciding as we did, she
 was taken to Mr Simonsons Shop at the foot of Seventh
 St, when he has a safe & convenient Basin to moor
 her in & when she will be under the Care of a
 Watchman in his employ, free from charge to us. -
 It is necessary however that she should be insured
 as Mr S. is not willing himself to be responsible for
 her & this would in any event be equally requisite.
 Having taken into Consideration all the matters con-
 -nected with the powers entrusted to us, I having acted
 it is true promptly, but at the same time upon mature
 reflection, we trust that the arrangements thus far
 will meet with the full approbation of the entire
 Committee -

✓ Wharf leased A Wharf adjoining on the North side of the Screw
 Dock for one year with the privilege of two more
 years from the 1st of May next, at the rate of One Hundred
 Fifty Dollars per annum - with the right to take posses-
 -sion as soon as the Church is ready -

Signed - Aug^l. Proal
 H. Fisher -

On Motion of Mr Jones -

Insurance
 to be effected

Capt Proal Mr Fisher were requested to get
 insurance on the hull repairs for such
 amount & time as they may deem expedient

On Motion -

✓ Mr Simonsens plan
preferred

Resolved Unanimously - That this Committee at the Meeting of the Board to be held this evening apply for permission to employ Mr Chas N Simmonson to build the Seamens Chapel in accordance with the plan submitted by him at a Cost not exceeding \$2000 -

The hour for the Meeting of the Board of Managers having arrived

On Motion -

Adjourned, to meet again immediately after the adjournment of the Board

Note

At the Meeting of the Board of Managers held this evening the following Resolution was passed Unanimously -

"Resolved, That the 'Superintending Committee of Seamens Chapel' be authorized to contract for the building of a Floating Chapel at a Cost not exceeding \$2000 -

Contract Authorized
by the "Board"

The Committee was called to order after the adjournment of the Board - A plan was presented by Sr McVicar, drawn by Mr Benwick - Also one drawn by Mr Dennington

Mr Simonsens plan
adopted -

On Motion of Mr Fisher - Resolved Unanimously - That Mr Simonsens plan be adopted as the plan of the contemplated Floating Chapel -

On Motion of Mr Jones -

Mr McDonald was associated with Capt
Pearl Mr Fisher, as a Sub Business Committee,
with full power to attend to everything that
may be necessary in the arrangements with
Mr Simonson, and any other matters that
may be required coming under the Super-
-vision of this Committee - It being understood
that no Contract is to be entered into until funds
are provided by Finance Committee for meeting the
same -

On Motion - Adjourned

J. P. Cummings
Secy

Sub Committee
Appointed -

Note _____ Tuesday Evening Nov 9th 1853
 At a Meeting of the "Board of Managers" held this
 evening in the S.C. Room of St Bartholomews -
 it was referred by Resolution to the "Super-
 -intending Committee" to Report to the
 Board a Suitable Name for the designation
 of the Sailors Floating Church -

Name for the
 Floating Church
 to be reported

An Informal Meeting of the Committee was held
 after the adjournment of the Board -

Present - Rev Mr Parker - Capt Prose, Mr Tetus
 Mr Russellair, Mr Jones, Mr Donald, Fisher & Cummings

Capt Prose presented a bill of \$25.00 for damage
 done (by water running down the flag staff)
 to the books & c of a Sail Maker occupying
 a loft over the Chapel -

Bill for damage
 presented

Mr Dennington (who was present) was called upon as
 the person who arranged the same - He stated that
 the Sail maker was paid by him for securing
 the pole and if any damage had occurred, it was
 his own fault -

Under this view of the Case no action was
 deemed necessary in the premises
 On Motion, Adjourned to Friday Evening at St Thomas
 Vestry Room

J. C. Cummings
 Secy

Friday Evening Nov^r 24. 1843

A Meeting of "Superintending Committee" was held this evening, in the Vestry Room of St Thomas' Church

Present - Rev^d W^r Parker - Cap^t Proal - Prof^r Fox, Titus Van Rensselaer, James McDonald, Fisher & Cummings

Opened with usual devotions -

Minutes of the last two meetings read and approved -

Cap^t Proal reported - that W^r Simson had finished his Contract for decking the vessel, and she was now ready for the Chapel to be erected upon her, with the exception of 2 Coats of paint which would be an extra expense of \$35. -

decking finished

On Motion of W^r Fox -

Resolved, that it is recommended to the Board of Managers that the Sailors Church be Called as follows -

The Protestant Episcopal Mariners Floating Church -

name recommended

Several of the Members present expressed themselves in favor of a different name, but as this was a mere recommendation to the Board and the Subject would be open for discussion on presentation of this Report, they did not deem it expedient to make any particular opposition in Committee

The Subject of making the Contract for the Chapel was called up, and it appearing that there was but \$700 or 800 - Still required to meet the expense of same

On Motion of - W^r Fisher -

Expedient to make
the Contract

Resolved, that it is expedient that the Contract
for the building of the Floating Chapel be
now made -

Mr Simonson came in at this stage of the
proceedings, he was not prepared however
to exhibit the necessary drawings and
papers to satisfy all the members of the
Committee - It was then -

On motion - Resolved, that when we adjourn
we adjourn to meet Mr Simonson at this
place to morrow morning at 10 past 8 o'clock.

Some few remarks were made, when the
preceding Motion was reconsidered - Mr Titus
was added to the Sub Committee and they
requested to be prepared with Mr Simonson
to present all the necessary drawings & papers
on Monday evening next, so that the Contract
may be then entered into -

On motion of Mr Fisher -

Resolved That the payment of \$300 -
to Chas H Simonson for repairing & decking
the hull of the Floating Chapel, agreeable
to Contract made with him, be referred
to the Finance Committee

payment for decking
referred to Finance
Comm^y

On motion of Mr Fisher -

The Sub Committee were empowered
to Contract for painting the vessel with
two Coats of paint at an expense of \$35 -

Contract for Painting

On motion - adjourned, to Monday evening
~~Nov~~ 27th Inst at 7 o'clock -

Closed with the usual devotion by Chairman
J P Cummings
- T. C. 7

Monday Evening, Nov^r 27th 1843

An adjourned meeting of the Superintending Committee
was held this evening in the Vestry Room of
St Thomas' Church -

Present - Rev W Parker - Cap Proal - M^r Van Rensselaer
Jr., Titus, Jones, Mr Donald & Fisher

The Secretary being absent - Mr Jones was appointed
pro tem -

Plans produced

Mr Simonsen produced his plans for building the
proposed Floating Church, with Spec-
-ifications -

On motion -

Contract Authorized

Resolved - That the Sub Committee, be, and are
herby, authorized to cause a Contract to be
made (by obtaining the Signature of the President of the
Society) ^{in behalf of the Society} with Mr Charles Simonsen for building the
Slamens Church agreeable to the plans, Specifications and
Agreement as laid before the Committee at a cost of \$2000.-

On Motion -

Resolved, That the Rev^d Mr Parker be
 He is hereby requested to invite the
 Bishop, Clergy and others to be present
 at the Raising the frame of the Seamen's
 Church - at such time, as may be
 decided upon by the builder -

On motion - Adjourned - after the usual
 Devotions -

(Signed) Chas Jones

Sec^y - pro tem

✓
 Invitation to the
"Raising"

Vestry Room of St Thomas Church
 Wednesday Even^g Dec^r 13th 1843

A Meeting of the "Superintending Committee" was held this evening -

Present - Rev W^o Parker. Chm^r - Messrs Proal. Tetus. Fox. McDonald & Cummings -

Opened with usual devotions -
Minutes of the last two Meetings read & approved

Mr Fox stated that the object of calling the Committee together was to reconsider the vote passed at a previous meeting, recommending to the Board the name of - "Protestant Episcopal Seamen's Floating Church" - As there was a difference ^{of opinion} in the Committee in regard to this name, he thought it was desirable that we should write upon one that would meet the views of all, so as to go to the Board Unanimously in our Recommendation - he was sure this might be done - Would therefore

Reconsideration of the Name

✓ Now a Reconsideration of the vote of Nov^r 24, in regard to the name for the Floating Church -

On Motion being put, it was Carried -

On Motion of Capt Proal -

Resolved Unanimously, that it be recommended to the Board that the Seamen's Church be called - as follows -
Floating Church of Our Saviour for Seamen

Name adopted

Clap^r Neal in behalf of Sub-Committee-

Reported - that Mr Simonsen on Tuesday morning, after the Contract was made, commenced carrying it out. On Wednesday the arrangements were made with the Bishop to have the services attendant upon raising the frame, take place the next day. On Thursday, the frame of the Church was raised, 17 of the Clergy were present with the Bishop, and about 200 Sailors - Last Monday the 11th Inst the 1st Instalment of 300 \$ on the Contract was paid - the building was under cover, and the outside painted -

The Sub Committee have made a contract for blinds for the 8 windows of the Church @ 6 1/2 \$ a window -

Mr M^c Donald - offered the resignation of Mr Fisher, as a member of this Committee

Mr Fox - offered resignation of Mr Jones - On motion - both were accepted -

On motion of Mr M^c Donald -

Mr H. Meigs jr. was elected a member of this Committee to fill one of the vacancies -

The Sec^y was requested to prepare a Report to be presented to the Board at the stated meeting on Monday next -

On motion - adjourned - after the usual devotions -

J. H. Cummings
Secy

Contract Commenced

Frame Raised

1st Instalment Pd

Contract for blinds

Resignations of Messrs
Fisher & Jones

H Meigs jr elected

Tuesday Afternoon January 16th 1844

A meeting of the "Superintending Committee" was held this afternoon at the office of D. R. Van Kenschalae Esq No 11 Pine St

Present - Mr Van Kenschalae, Titus, McDonald, Meigs & Cummings -

The Chairman being absent, Mr Van Kenschalae, presided -

Mr Titus was requested to have the lease of the Wharf, made out in the name of the President of the Society, to remain until the Act of Incorporation is obtained, then to be transferred -

On Motion of Mr Titus -

Mr McDonald was authorized to procure the necessary timber for the fender to float as a guard around the Church - The cost of the same being estimated at about \$5000 -

On Motion of Mr McDonald -

Mr John Wright, was elected a member of this Committee, to fill a vacancy -

On Motion - Adjourned

J. P. Cummings
Secy

✓ Lease of Wharf
to be made out

✓ Timber for "Fender"

✓ John Wright elected

Wednesday Afternoon Feb^y 14. 1844

A meeting of the "Superintending Committee" was held this afternoon at the office of J. R. Van Rensselaer Esq No 11 Pine St

Present - Rev W^r Parker, Churⁿ - Messrs Van Rensselaer Meigs, Wright & Cummings -

✓ Arrangements
for Consecration

The object of the meeting was to make arrangements for the Consecration of the Planting Church -

On motion of Mr Van Rensselaer -

day fixed

Tuesday next 20th inst was fixed upon as the day for the Consecration, & the Chairman requested to make the necessary arrangements with the Bishop -

On motion of Mr Meigs -

papers to be
prepared

Messrs Tetus Van Rensselaer were appointed to prepare the necessary papers &c -

On motion -

✓ Special Invitations

The Chairman & Secretary were appointed to address Special Invitations to the Clergy, Contributors & others to attend the Consecration -

On motion -

✓ Seats to be reserved

Mr Wright was requested to take charge of the Church, on the day of Consecration to see that the necessary accommodations are reserved for the Clergy and other invitees

On Motion of W^r Cummings -

Prof McDonald, Messrs Wright even appointed a sub Committee to examine & report in regard to the manner in which Mr Simmonson has fulfilled his Contract -

✓ The Subject of discontinuing the Childrens Sunday School was discussed, It was the opinion however of the Members of the Committee present that it was a matter of too much moment to be passed upon hastily, and the best course, was to bring the whole subject before the Board of Managers -

On Motion - Adjourned

J. P. Cummings
Sec^y

Friday Evening March 8th 1824

A Meeting of the Committee was called for this evening at the Vestry Room of St Thomas Church, at the Request of Mr Meigs -

Present - Rev W Parker, Messrs Meigs, Wright & Cummings -

A Quorum Not appearing, no business was transacted

J. P. Cummings

Sec^y

At a Meeting of the Board of Managers
of the "Protestant Episcopal Church Missionary
Society for Seamen in the City and Port of New York"
held on the evening of the 12th June 1844 in the
Sunday School Room of St Marks Church, the
following persons were duly elected - as a -
_____ Superintending Committee _____

_____ of the _____

_____ Floating Church of our Saviour for Seamen _____

^{viz}
J. R. Van Rensselaer
Augustus Proal
Henry Meigs Jr
Richard Gill
Thomas P. Cummings
Andrew N. Greene
John Wright
Worthington Romaine
Charles W. Carmer
John Davenport

Rev^d B. C. Parker - Missionary in Charge
of the Church - Ex. Off. - Chairman.

New York June 17th 1844

A meeting of the "Superintending Committee for the Floating Church of Our Savior" was held this (Monday) evening in the Vestry Room of St Thomas' Church -

Present - Rev W^r Parker - Messrs Van Rensselaer, Meigs - Greene, Sill, Carmar, Wright, Romaine, Davenport & Cummings -

Opened with prayer, by the Chairman -

On motion of Mr Romaine -

Resolved, that Mr Cummings be appointed Secretary of this Committee -

On motion of Mr Greene -

Resolved that Mr Van Rensselaer be requested to attend to having the lease for the Wharf signed and executed on the part of the Society -

On motion of Mr Greene

Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to have the transfer of the Title to the Floating Church, from the City Mission to this Society made - and also to see that the policy of insurance is altered to correspond -

Messrs Green, Meigs & Sill, appointed -

On motion of Resolved, that this Committee recommend to the Board of Managers, to have a Seal engraved for the use of the Society -

On motion of Mr Van Rensselaer -

Seal

Worship
 Resolved - That Mr Wright is hereby authorized to employ a person to attend at the "Floating Church" on Sundays, to keep out improper persons & preserve order, at an expense not exceeding 75[¢] a Sunday -

On Motion of Mr Sill -

Resolved - that the Sexton be allowed at the rate of \$15.- a month for past services & the same for the future, it being understood that he is to give his undivided attention to the Church & to carry the notices for the meetings of the Society without extra charge -

On Motion of Mr Van Rensselaer

Resolved, that the Secy - is requested to prepare a transcript of the Minutes of this Committee with the bills approved, to be presented read at the next Meeting of the Board -

The following bills were separately passed upon, as correct

AN Bridgeman 8.25

Martin Palmer 6.00

John Cogor Jr 6.68

McDonald - 75.

Burns & Fickett 26.58

Steambrot Cornet 10.-

John Wright 30.87 -

The Chairman, read a letter from Mrs Sarah Poygen Smith of Phil^a, offering as a donation, 800 Copies of a little work - "The Ambians or the Power of

Christianity to be disposed of for the benefit of the
Flouting Church -

On Motion of Mr Van Rensselaer

Resolved, that the Chairman be requested
 to Communicate to Mrs Smith, the Thanks
 of the Committee in behalf of the Society, for
 her donation & the interest manifested ~~for~~
 for the Cause in which we are engaged -

On Motion - Adjourned, after devotions -

J.P. Cummings

Secy

Friday Evening, July 12. 1844
 A Meeting of the "Superintending Committee"
 was held this evening in the Vestry Room
 of St. Thomas' Church.

Present - Rev. W. Parker, Messrs Van Rensselaer
 Carter, Davenport, Wright & Cummings -

Opened with Devotions by the Chairman -
 The first business in order being the Claim
 of Mr. Simonsen, After considerable
 discussion

On Motion of Mr. Van Rensselaer -
 Messrs Davenport, Messrs Wright, were appointed
 a sub Committee, to take the matter
 of Mr. Simonsen into consideration & to
 report to the Committee previous to the
 next regular meeting of the "T Board"

On Motion - Resolved -

That in view of the amount fixed at the
 last meeting of the Committee, the Sexton
 be allowed at the rate of 18¢ a month
 for his services up to the 1st of July last, and
 20¢ a month from that date, it being
 understood that he is to carry the notices
 of the Society without charge & to devote his
 whole time to the interest of the
 Church -

On Motion - Resolved -

Sexton

organist

That it is recommended to the "Board" that Mrs
Leamouth, the Ryanist Singer at the
Flooting Church be allowed \$100 - a year
for her services -

The following bills were presented by Mr Wright
and approved as correct -

C. S. Dennington 19348
Henry Hunt 5. -

On Motion - Adjourned (after devotions) to meet
at the Sunday School room of St Clements
the 1st Monday in August at 7 1/2 o'clock.

T. P. Cummings
Secy

Monday Evening August 5. 1834

A Meeting of the Committee, was held
this evening in the S. S. Room of St Clements
Present. Rev Mr Parker, Miss Van Rensselaer,
Miss Wright, Davenport, Carson, Romaine
& Cummings -

Mr Davenport, in behalf of the Sub Committee
presented & read the following Report, on
the Subject of the pretended Claim of Mr
Simmons.

- See file - for Report -

On Motion Resolved -

That the Report of Sub Committee be accepted.
And Adopted as the Report of the Committee
to be read to the Board of Managers
this evening -

Mr Greene, verbally Reported, that the Matter
of the Transfer of Tithe from the City Mission
to the Society, was under way & only
required the Signature of the Bishop, to
be completed, which would be obtained on
his return to the City -

On Motion - Adjourned - J. Cummings
Secy

Friday Evening Sept^r 13th 7⁴/₄

A Meeting of the "Committee" was held this evening
in the Vestry Room of St Thomas' Church.

Present - Rev^r Mr Parker - Messrs Davenport - Will
Wright, Romaine & Cummings -

Opened with Devotions by the Chairman -

Minutes of the last two Meetings read & approved -

On Motion of Mr Will -

Resolved - That Mr Wright be authorized to employ
a boy to blow the Organ, at an expense not
exceeding 25 Cents a Sunday -

On Motion of Mr Cummings -

Resolved, that Messrs Wright, Davenport & Meigs
be a Sub Committee to attend to the immediately
necessary repairs that are required to the
tower and roof of the Flotting Church -

On Motion of Mr Will -

Resolved - That the thanks of this Committee
on behalf of the "Board" be presented to
Ephraim Fisher, for his valuable services
which have been rendered gratuitously at
the Church since the commencement of the
Mission & that the Secretary communicate
this resolution to him -

On Motion of Mr Romaine - Resolved - That this
Committee in behalf of the "Board" present Mr Fisher
with a Copy of the Illustrated edition of the
Book of Common Prayer -

Common Prayer

On Motion of Mr Cummings -

Resolved, that Mr Wright, be requested
to procure the necessary fuel that
may be required for the Flatting Church
the coming winter -

On Motion - Adjourned after Sermons

J. C. Cummings
Secy

Monday Evening Nov^r 11th 1866
A Meeting of the "Committee" was held this evening
in the S. Room of St Clements

Present - Rev W^r Parker, Miss Van Rensselaer, Prone
Miss Greene, Carmer Wright, Romaine Cummings

Minutes of last meeting read & approved -

The Secretary Reported, that he had presented
Ephraim Fisher, with a Copy of the Illustrated
Edition of the Book of Common Prayer, in accordance
with the Resolution passed at the last meeting
of the Committee -

Mr Wright, Reported that he had kind a boy
to blow the Organ for One Shilling a Sunday
The following bills were presented and approved
as correct -

- At Densett - for materials and
labour on the roof of the Church 15. 00
- See Daction 3. - 12. 00
- Abraham Guest - 2 tons Coal 10. -
- J. A. Sparks - Illustrated prayer Book 6. 00
- At Bridgeman - Services at Ganjway 11. 00

On Motion of Mr Cummings -

Resolved, that the services of the Organ at
the Ganjway, be dispensed with, until
the further action of this Committee

The above Resolution, was adopted after some little
Discussion

Mr Wright, Stated that a proposition had
 been made to him by a person, to pay
 20¢ for the privilege of placing a
 small ~~boat~~ vessel along side of our
 Wharf until the next Spring -
 He was of opinion that it would not be
 one Cent detriment to the Church & that
 no danger was to be apprehended from
 a Collision -

Capt Proal, was entirely opposed to having
 any vessel what ever inside the boom,
 and gave his reasons for the same -

On Motion - Resolved - That the proposal
 presented by Mr Wright be laid on
 the table -

On Motion - Resolved -
 That Mr Wright be ~~allowed~~ authorized
 to allow the Sexton to have a stove
 placed in his room, should he feel
 satisfied it could be done with safety.

On Motion - Capt Proal Mr Wright were appointed
 a sub Committee to procure such furnishings
 as they may deem necessary, to have the
 Church moved securely ~~in~~

On Motion - Adjourned -

For Chairman
 S. S.

New York Monday Evening, Dec 9, 1844

A Meeting of the "Superintending Committee" was held this evening in the S. S. Room of St Clements @ 6 1/2 o'clock
Opened with devotions by Chairman

Present - Rev W Parker - Cap Pool, Mrp Meigs
Greene, Sil. Romain, Carver & Cummings -

Minutes of the last Meeting read & approved

Cap Pool - Reported, that he had incurred an
expense of 114.⁵⁰ for Chains, and about
5 dollars (2⁸¹) to be added for expense of
morning -

On Motion of Mr Greene -

Resolved - That the bill be approved, and an
appropriation be asked from the "Board" for
the payment of the same -

Mr Greene - In behalf of a Sub-Committee -

Reported - that the transfer of the "title" to
the floating Church, from the "City Mission"
to this Society, had been completed, and that
the policy of Insurance had also been attended
to Correspond

Title transferred

On Motion - Resolved, that the Report be accepted
and Committee discharged -

The "Deed" and "Policy of Insurance" accompanying
the Report, were ordered to be handed over to
the Secretary of the Society -

On Motion of Mr Cummings -

Resolved - That Capt Proal be Authorized to have the Room occupied by the Sexton in the Planting Church made Comfortable for him in such manner as he (Capt Proal) may deem best

On Motion -

Resolved - That a ^{Sub} Committee of 2 be appointed to draft a set of Instructions, for the guidance of the Sexton, and report to this Committee at the next meeting -

Capt Proal & W^r Meigs, were appointed in accordance with above resolution -

On Motion of Capt Proal -

Resolved - That an appropriation of \$8.00 be asked of the "Board" to pay for the two Chairs now in use, in the Chancel of the Church -

On Motion - Adjourned -

J. C. Cummings
Secy