Monday ~~May~~ 5th 1817 – A number of the Members of St John's parish having met this day agreeable to Notice for the purpose of electing a Vestryman, to supply the place of Thos P Ewing resigned – Trisby Telghman was elected –

Saturday May 10th The Vestry this day met and qualified, with the exception of Benjamin Galloway who handed in his resignation – Levin Mills, and Anthony B. Martin were appointed Church Wardens. ~~The Vestry adjourned to meet again on the 31st Inst.~~

~~Franklin~~ Anderson was chosen a Lay Delegate to represent this parish in the next Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Maryland to be held in Frederick Town on the 4th of June next

The Vestry adjourned to meet on the 31st Inst –

Saturday May 31st

The Vestry met agreeable to notice – present Messrs Telghman, Grieves, Hall, Martin Spriggs, Anderson –

Resolved that the Vestry will proceed to the election of a Rector for the ensuing year on the last saturday of July next –

Vestry adjourned to the last Saturday of July –

Tuesday June 10th At a meeting of the parishioners this day held agreeably to notice, Thomas B Hall was elected a Vestry man to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Benjamin Galloway

Saturday, July 26th

The Vestry met according to adjournment present, Messrs Telghman, Beatty Hall, Hall, Martin, & Anderson – The object of the meeting being to elect a Rector of this parish for the ensuing year. It was moved and seconded that the Rev Mr Jackson be elected for another year to commence on the 1st of October next – which motion was decided in the negative –

Ordered that the Register give notice by advertisement, in such newspapers as he may think proper that the Rectorship of this parish will be vacant on the 1st of October next –

The Vestry adjourned until further notice

Wednesday Oct 1st 1817 –

The Vestry met present Messrs Hall, Telghman, Beatty, Grieves, Martin, and Anderson, Application was made by Mr Rev. Mr Jackson through Mr Levin Mills Church Warden – for the use of the Church on Sunday the 12th inst to preach a Charity sermon for the benefit of the Female Society for instructing poor Children – It was ordered that the Register return the following answer to Mr Mills –

To Levin Mills, Church Warden of St John's Parish

Sir, The vestry having received through you an application from the Rev Mr Jackson for permission to preach a Charity sermon in the Church on Sunday the 12th Inst the Vestry have determined on account of the conduct of that gentleman on Sunday last, to hold no communication directly or indirectly with him upon the subject of that application. For an answer you are referred to the Managers of the Female

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