On motion a committee consisting of Messrs Edwards and Reamer were appointed to examine into the condition of the fence surrounding the Church yard, and report at a future meeting of the Vestry the expense of repairing the same. And on motion the same gentlemen were requested to extend their examination to the fence around the Parish grave yard, and also report the expense of repairing the same.

On motion the Vestry adjourned

W Motter Reg

State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit

On this 13th day of April AD 1868, before me, the subscriber ~~a justice of the peace of the State of Maryland~~ a member of the Vestry of St John's Parish, Hagerstown, personally appeared, Doctor William Ragan vestryman elect of said Parish, and did take and subscribe to the following oath, "I, William Ragan, do solemnly swear, that I will faithfully execute the office of Vestry-man of St John's Parish, in Washington County, without prejudice, favor or affection, according to the best of my skill and knowledge"

Taken sworn and subscribed before me

W Motter

William Ragan

St John's Parish
April 13, 1863

The Vestry met pursuant to adjournment when, on motion, on the office of the Register. [illegible] Rev Rector, Messrs Reamer, Doctor Ragan, [illegible] Keam

The committee appointed to examine the condition of the fence around the Church yard, reported that the expense of repairing the same would range between $37.00 and $50.

On motion Mr J D Reamer was elected lay delegate to the Diocesan Convention to meet in Baltimore on the 29th instant, and Charles W Smith the alternate.

On motion the Vestry adjourned

W Motter, Reg:

State of Maryland, Washington County, to wit:

I hereby certify that on this twenty third day of May, in the year of our Lord, eighteen hundred and sixty three, before me, the subscriber, a justice of the peace of the State of Maryland, in and for the County aforesaid, personally appeared Charles W Smith, churchwarden elect for St John's Parish, Washington County aforesaid and ~~[illegible]~~ did take and subscribe to the following oath: "I, Charles W Smith do solemnly swear, that I will faithfully execute the office of churchwarden of St John's Parish, in Washington County, without prejudice, favor or affection, according to the best of my skill and knowledge"

Taken, sworn and subscribed before me

W Motter

Charles W Smith

April 8, 1864 St John's Parish

The following was handed in, by the Rector, being the proceedings as reported by him, at the Parish Church on Easter Monday, the 28th day of March ult.

"The regular Parish meeting for the choice of Vestry-men was held in the Vestry Room of the Parish Church on Monday in Easter week at 12 O'clock. [illegible] Messrs Hollingsworth, [illegible], Mr Edward Watts was [illegible] claimed the right of suffrage. It was [illegible] Mr Watts had been for several years, occasional in the Parish, attendant upon the services of the Church and a contributor to the charges of the Parish, and as his name was [illegible] then at the time of his becoming a [illegible] to the Church he had expressed hope he was [illegible] as a member of the Parish. Whereupon it was ordered by the Vestry, that the Register be authorized to enroll the name of Mr Watts on the books of the Parish as a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church - the date of the enrollment to be at least one month prior to the 28th March, 1864.

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