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87	Nichols, J. R.	Ellicott City.	Odenton, Md. [ington, D. C.
88	Nicholson, J. E.	First Church,	500 Virginia ave., S. E. Wash-
89	Norris, J. W.	Clayton,	Clayton, Del.
90	Norris, R. S.	Superannuate,	1515 E. Biddle st., Balto., Md.
91	Ohrum, S. C.	Delta,	Delta, Pa.
92	Parris, J. W.	Pocomoke,	Eden, Somerset co., Md.
93	Phillips, W. S.	Mt. Tabor,	375 High st., Georgetown, D. C.
94	Poisal, W. M.	Alexandria,	Alexandria, Va.
95	Rowe, R. S.	New Market,	Maryland Line, Balto. co., Md.
96	Sheridan, J. M.	Jefferson,	Buckeystown, Md.
97	Shepherd, William	Rowlandsville,	Rowlandsville, Cecil co., Md.
98	Shreeve, Jesse	Chesapeake,	Edesville, Kent co., Md.
99	Simpson, Elmer	Campbell,	Castle Craig, Va.
100	Smith, G. J.	Reliance	Reliance, Dorchester co., Md.
101	Smith, S. J.	Eutaw,	Harford Road, Balto., Md.
102	Southerland, S. B.	Superannuate,	1702 Lafayette av., Balto., Md.
103	Stone, W. H.	Harrington,	Harrington, Del.
104	Straughn, J. L.	Quantico,	Quantico, Wicomico co., Md.
105	Strayer, W. M.	President,	42 Parkin st., Balto., Md.
106	Sullivan, J. G.	Surry,	Alliance, Va.
107	Tagg, F. T.	Board of Missions	Easton, Talbot co., Md.

No.	NAME.	APPOINTMENT.	P. O. ADDRESS.
108	Taylor, E. B.	Holly Run,	Odenton, Anne Arundel co., Md
109	Tredway, S. B.	Saint James,	Hanesville, Kent co., Md.
110	Trout, J. W.	Easton,	Easton, Talbot co., Md.
111	Truitt, B. P.	Hurlocks,	Hurlocks, Md.
112	Valliant, Joseph	Salem,	Kingston, Somerset co., Md.
113	Valiant, T. D.	Superannuate,	Deal's Island, Md.
114	Van Dyke, E. H.	Missionary,	Nagoya, Japan.
115	Walter, A. J.	Sussex,	Laurel, Del.
-116	Ward, J. T.	W. T. Seminary,	Westminster, Md.
-117	Warfield, E. A.	Without Appoint.	New Haven, Conn.
= 118	Warner, Luther	Jefferson (A),	Buckeystown, Md.
119	Weigand, J. A.	Superannuate,	Milton, Del.
120	White, W. W.	Union,	Sharptown, Wicomico co., Md.
121	Williamson, R. S.	Franklin City,	Greenbackville, Va.
122	Wilson, David	Church Extension	422 N. Greene st., Balto., Md.
123	Wooden, J. F.	Chincoteague,	Chincoteague Island, Va.
124	Whaley, J. B.	W. T. Seminary,	Westminster, Md.
125	Yingling, J. M.	Warwick,	Warwick, Cecil co., Md.

## DEAD ROLL.

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"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give to me at that day." 2 Tim. iv. 7, 8.

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1. CHARLES RIGBY. Born in Talbot county, Md., 1782; died in Kent county, Md., August 12, 1830. Appointments: 1829-30, Missionary for the Eastern Shore.

2. JOSEPH SCULL. Born 1785; died at Easton, Md., Dec. 22, 1830. Appointments: 1829-1830, Missionary for the Eastern Shore.

3. WASHINGTON HAMILTON HAYES. Died April, 1831. Appointment: 1830, Anne Arundel (A.);

4. WILLIAM BAMBER. Died March 30, 1832. Appointment: 1831, Eastern Shore.

5. CHARLES WESLEY JACOBS. Born at Alexandria, Va., Oct. 28, 1812; died at Easton, Md., July 20, 1833. Appointments: 1829-30, Eastern Shore (A.); 1831, Deer Creek (A.); 1832, Pipe Creek (A.); 1833, Talbot.

6. JAMES HANSON. Died August 19, 1834. Appointments: 1829, Mt. Olivet (A.); 1830, Pipe Creek (A.); 1831, Reisterstown; 1832, Anne Arundel; 1833, Kent; 1834, no appointment at his request.

7. WILLIAM KESLEY. Died Sept. 23, 1841. Appointments: 1830, Deer Creek; 1831; Anne Arundel; 1832, Reisterstown; 1833, Tabernacle; 1834, Reisterstown; 1835, Mt. Olivet; 1836, Queen Anne's; 1837, Agent of Book Concern; 1838, Prince William; 1839-40, Kent; 1841, Buttonwood, Phila.

8. ISAAC WEBSTER CLIPPINGER. Died at Cumberland, Md., May 25 1842. Appointment: 1842, Cumberland (A.)

9. SAMUEL L. RAWLEIGH. Died Nov. 23, 1843. Appointments: 1834-35, Queen Anne's; 1836-8, Kent; 1839, Buttonwood, Phila.; 1840-1, Queen Anne's; 1842, Cecil; 1843, Pipe Creek (A.)

10. DANIEL DAVIES, M. D. Died Feb. 16, 1844. Appointments: 1833, Mt. Olivet, 1834, Anne Arundel; 1835, Queen Anne's (A.); 1836, no appointment at his request; 1837, Editor METHODIST PROTESTANT; 1838, Charleston, S. C.; 1839, Anne Arundel; 1840, with the President; 1841, First Church, Phila. (A.); 1842-3, superannuated.

11. WILLIAM W. MADDUX. Died July 9, 1844. Appointments: 1833, Caroline; 1839, Northampton; 1840, New Leeds; 1841, Cecil; 1842, Dorchester; 1843-44, Deer Creek.

12. WILLIAM W. BALL. Died at Harper's Ferry, W. Va., Oct. 5, 1844. Appointments: 1842, Alexandria; 1843-4, Harper's Ferry.

13. WILLIAM H. BORDLEY. Born at Centreville, Md.; died at Charleston, S. C.; Oct. 9, 1846. A. B., Washington College, 1822. Appointments: 1843, Queen Anne's (A.); 1844, Kent; 1845, E. Baltimore.

14. SAMUEL D. NORWOOD. Born in Anne Arundel county, Md., March 1, 1820; died in Newcastle county, Del., Oct. 22, 1847. Appointments: 1844, Anne Arundel (A.); 1845, Smyrna; 1846, no appointment at his request; 1847, Deer Creek (A.)

15. ISAAC WEBSTER. Born in Harford county, Md., 1787; died in Westminster, Md., Feb. 4, 1851. Appointments: 1829-30, Reisterstown; 1831, Deer Creek; 1832-3, Pipe Creek; 1834-5, Williamsport; 1836-8, President; 1839, Queen Anne's; 1840, St. John's; 1841-3, Kent; 1844, Brickmaker's; 1845, no appointment at his request; 1846, Baltimore; 1847-8, Howard; 1849-50, superannuated; Representative to General Conference, 1830, 1846.

16. LEVI ROGERS REESE. Born Feb. 8, 1806; died at Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 18, 1851. Interred at Greenmount, Baltimore, Md. Appointments: 1832-3, Alexandria; 1834-35, St. John's; 1836-7, Washington; 1838, Conference Missionary; 1839, Alexandria; 1840-41, Georgetown, D. C.; 1842, Pipe Creek; 1843-4, President; 1845-6, West Baltimore; 1847-8, Ninth-Street; 1849, Cambridge; 1850-1, Bethlehem, Philadelphia. Secretary of Annual Conference 1833. Representative to General Conference 1846, 1850, and President. Chaplain to U. S. House of Representatives, 1836-7.

17. FREDERICK STIER. Born 1783; died at Fremont, O., Oct. 15, 1851. Appointment: 1830-1, Pipe Creek; 1832, Georgetown, D. C.; 1833, East Baltimore; 1834, unstationed; 1839, Conference Missionary; 1840, Williamsport, Md.; 1841-2, Conference Missionary; 1843-5, no appointment at his request; 1846, Conference Missionary; 1847-50, no appointment at his request; 1851, Conference Missionary Representative to General Conference; 1842, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Missions, 1850.

18. RICHARD ADKINSON. Born 1817; died at Easton, Md., March 9, 1851. Interred at Easton, Md. Appointments: 1841, Cecil (A.); 1842, Cumberland; 1843, Sussex; 1844, no appointment at his request; 1845, Alleghany; 1846-7, Jefferson; 1848-9, Sussex; 1850, Talbot; 1851, Caroline.

19. LEVIN A. COLLINS. Born 1814; died at Laurel Del., June 17, 1853. Interred at Laurel, Del. Appointments: 1837, Deer Creek (A.); 1838, Kent (A.); 1839-40, Sussex; 1841-2, Snow Hill; 1843-4, Cambridge; 1845-6, no appointment at his request; 1847, Caroline; 1848, no appointment at his request; 1849, superannuated.

20. JOHN SMITH REESE, M. D., Washington University, Baltimore, Md. Born April 7, 1790; died near Baltimore, Md., Feb. 14, 1855. Interred at Greenmount, Baltimore. Appointments: 1829, Eastern Shore; 1830-1, Alexandria; 1832, Eastern Shore; 1833-5, President; 1836-7, Pipe Creek; 1838, Williamsport; 1839-40, President; 1841, Pipe Creek; 1842, Georgetown; 1843, Pipe Creek; 1844, Howard; 1845-6, Alexandria; 1847, no appointment at his request; 1848-9, East Baltimore; 1850-1, no appointment at his request; 1852-4, President. Representative to General Conference, 1830, 1834, 1842, 1846, 1854.

21. FRANCIS GEORGE WRIGHT. Born at Uniontown, Md., July 15, 1823; died at Salisbury, Md., Feb. 23, 1859. Interred at Uniontown, Md. Appointments: 1849, Baltimore (A.); 1850-1, Carlisle; 1852, unstationed; 1853, Union.

22. NEVELL STEELE GREENAWAY. Born in England, May 7, 1824; died at Alexandria, Va., May 2, 1861. Interred at Alexandria, Va. Appointments: 1852-3, Snow Hill; 1854, Williamsport (A.); 1855, Williamsport; 1856, Pipe Creek (A.); 1857, Philadelphia; 1858, Baltimore (A.); 1859, Alexandria; 1860, superannuated.

23. WILLIAM TURBERT WRIGHT. Born in Queen Anne's county, Md., May 18, 1808; died, at Lisbon, Md., May 8, 1862. Interred at Greenmount, Baltimore. Appointments: 1845, Snow Hill; 1846-7, Sussex; 1848-9, Kent; 1850-1, East Baltimore; 1852-3, Charleston, S. C.; 1854-5, Caroline; 1856-7, Talbot; 1858-60, Frederick; 1861-2, Howard.

24. WASHINGTON ROBY. Born in Montgomery county, Md., Oct. 14, 1816; died at Washington, D. C., July 31, 1862. Appointments: 1839, Harper's Ferry; 1840, Williamsport (A.); 1841, Talbot; 1842, Harper's Ferry; 1843-4, Alexandria; 1845-7, Kent; 1848-9, Pipe Creek (A.); 1850-1, Deer Creek; 1852, Queen Anne's; 1853-5, Talbot; 1856-7, East Baltimore; 1858-9, President; 1860, Georgetown; 1862, Ninth-Street. Representative to General Conference, 1854, 1862.

25. THOROUGHGOOD C. EWELL. Born June 6, 1832; died at Federalsburg, Md., Nov. 21, 1862. Appointments: 1856, New Market (A); 1857, Trough Creek; 1858-9, Dorchester; 1860-1, Sussex; 1862, superannuated.

26. JOSIAH VARDEN. Born at Washington, D. C., July 25, 1806; died at Libertytown, Md., Jan. 16, 1863. Interred at West Baltimore Cemetery. Appointments: 1831, Eastern Shore (A.); 1832, Mt. Olive; 1833, Williamsport (A.); 1834, Pipe Creek; 1835, Tabernacle; 1836, Georgetown; 1837, Alexandria; 1838, Westminster; 1839, Talbot; 1840-1, East Baltimore; 1842, St. John's; 1843-4, West Baltimore; 1845-6, Georgetown; 1847, West Baltimore; 1848-9, President; 1850-2, Sixth-Street, Cincinnati; 1853, superannuated. Representative to General Conference, 1846, 1850, 1854, 1858.

27. **GEORGE D. HAMILTON.** Born August 28, 1798; died at Baltimore, Md., April 5, 1864. Buried at Greenmount, Baltimore. Appointments: 1831, Shippensburg; 1832, Deer Creek (A.); 1833, Snow Hill; 1834-6, Dorchester; 1837-8, Queen Anne's; 1839, Pipe Creek (A.); 1840, Pipe Creek; 1841-2, Sussex; 1843, Snow Hill; 1844-5, Baltimore; 1846-7, New Market; 1848-50, Caroline; 1851-2, Cambridge; 1853, Williamsport; 1854-8, superannuated; 1859, Clearfield; 1860-2, Union, Pa.; 1863-4, superannuated.

28. **REUBEN TYLER BOYD.** Born at Rockville, Md., July 3, 1794; died at Clarksburg, Md., February 21, 1865. Appointments: 1833, Shippensburg; 1834, Prince William; 1835, New Market; 1836-7, Snow Hill; 1838, Dorchester; 1839, New Leeds; 1840, transferred; 1849, Trough Creek; 1850-1, Alleghany; 1852-3, Caroline; 1854, Anne Arundel; 1855, Dorchester; 1856, superannuated; 1857, Warwick; 1858, Accomac; 1859-61, superannuated.

29. **THOMAS HART BENTON AUSTIN.** Born at Baltimore, Md., 1842; died at Baltimore, June 26, 1865. Appointments: 1863, Union (A.); 1864, Kent (A.); 1865, Howard (A.)

30. **JAMES FRANCIS WHITESIDE.** Born at Triadelphia, Md., July 1, 1828; died June 20, 1866. Interred at Stewartstown, Pa. Appointments: 1850, Baltimore (A.); 1851, New Market (A.); 1852, Union (A.); 1853-4, Trough Creek; 1855-7, Alleghany; 1858-60, Cecil; 1861, Baltimore; 1862-3, West Baltimore Circuit; 1864-6, New Market.

31. **ELI HENKLE.** Born in Pendleton county, Va., April 15, 1787; died in Baltimore county, Md., August 24, 1867. Appointments: 1829, Deer Creek; 1830-2, President; 1833, St. John's; 1834, superannuated; 1835, supernumerary; 1836-7, Anne Arundel; 1838-9, Pipe Creek; 1840, Baltimore; 1841-2, supernumerary; 1843, Westminster; 1844, Conference Missionary; 1845-7, President; 1848-50, Baltimore; 1851-67, superannuated. Representative to General Conference, 1830, 1834, 1846.

32. **FRANCIS WATERS.** A. B. Pennsylvania University; D. D. Washington College, 1822. Born in Somerset county, Md., Jan. 16, 1792; died at Baltimore, Md., April 23, 1868. Appointments: 1838, Franklin; 1839, supernumerary; 1840, unstationed; 1841-6, supernumerary; 1847, Central Baltimore; 1848-50, Franklin; 1851-67, supernumerary, Author of the name: "Methodist Protestant Church." Representative to General Conference 1830; President 1842, 1846, 1862, 1866.

33. **THOMAS H. BURGESS.** Born February 12, 1828; died July 11, 1868. Appointments: 1861, Harmony; 1862, no appointment at his request; 1863, unstationed; 1867, Millsborough; 1868, Snow Hill.

34. **THOMAS MAHLON WILSON.** Born at Hagerstown, Md., March 1, 1814; died at Libertytown, Md., February 1, 1870. Interred at Central Chapel, Frederick county, Md. Appointments: 1842, Trough Creek (A.); 1843, supernumerary; 1844-5, Concord; 1846-8, Queen Anne's; 1849-50, Alexandria; 1851-2, Union; 1853-4, Pipe Creek; 1855-7, Frederick; 1858-69, superannuated.

35. **LUTHER J. COX.** Born in Queen Anne's county, Md., December 27, 1791; died July 26, 1870. 1869, elected to honorary membership. Representative (lay) to General Conference, 1838, 1866.

36. **CHRISTIAN EVERSOLE.** Born in Berkeley county, W. Va., May 6, 1820; died at Baltimore, Md., December 12, 1870. Interred at Little Georgetown, W. Va. Appointments: 1852, Alleghany (A.); 1853, Baltimore (A.); 1854, Deer Creek (A.); 1855, Kent (A.); 1856, Frederick (A.); 1857, Newton (A.); 1858-9, Cambridge; 1860-2, Concord; 1863-4, Bedford; 1865, Williamsport; 1866-70, superannuated.

37. **DANIEL BOWERS.** Born in Frederick county, Md., March 16, 1832; died at Baltimore, Md., March 19, 1871. Interred at Chestertown, Md. Appointments: 1854, Kent (A.); 1855, Queen Anne's (A.); 1856-7, Cumberland; 1858, Talbot (A.); 1859-60, Philadelphia; 1861-3, Newton; 1864-5, Georgetown; 1866-9, East Baltimore; 1870, Chatsworth. Secretary of Annual Conference, 1863. Alternate attending General Conference, 1867. On Editorial Committee of **METHODIST PROTESTANT**, 1866-9.

38. **JOHN MORGAN.** Born at Alexandria, Va., April 15, 1811; died at Montgomery, Ala., June 17, 1871. Appointments: 1844, Williamsport (A.); 1845-6, Williamsport; 1847-8, Pipe Creek; 1849-50, Howard; 1851-2, Talbot; 1853-4, Union; 1855-6, Snow Hill; 1857, superannuated. Secretary of Annual Conference, 1852-4.

39. HENRY HAYGHE. Born at Baltimore, Md., January 5, 1844; died at Kennedyville, Md., December 17, 1871. Appointments: 1869, Howard (A.); 1870, Baltimore (A.); 1871, Kennedyville.

40. JOHN ELDERDICE. Born in Frederick county, Md., July 14, 1814; died at Baltimore, Md., July 9, 1874. 1838, Cumberland; 1839, Baltimore; 1840-1, Anne Arundel (A.); 1842, Pipe Creek (A.); 1843-5, New Market; 1846, Carlisle; 1847-9, Deer Creek; 1850-51, Williamsport; 1852-3, Anne Arundel; 1854-6, Cecil; 1857-9, New Market; 1860, West Baltimore Circuit; 1861-2, Caroline; 1863-4, Cecil; 1865-6, Bedford; 1867-8, Cambridge; 1869, no appointment at his request; 1870-4, superannuated. Author of "Uncle Toby" letters to METHODIST PROTESTANT.

41. JOHN ROBERTS. Born May 3, 1818; died at Baltimore, Md., September 20, 1875. Interred at Oak Grove Cemetery, Howard county, Md. 1843, Cambridge (A.); 1844, Alleghany (A.); 1845, Accomac (A.); 1846, Snow Hill; 1847-8, Harper's Ferry; 1849-50, Howard (A.); 1851, Pipe Creek (A.); 1852-3, Bethlehem; 1854-5, Kent; 1856, Williamsport; 1857-8, Alexandria; 1859, South Baltimore; 1860-2, Queen Anne's; 1863-4, Talbot; 1865-7, Frederick; 1868-70, Howard; 1871-3, Belair; 1874-5, Liberty. Secretary of Annual Conference 1850. Representative to General Conference 1866, 1867, 1870.

42. AMON RICHARDS. Born October 31, 1787; died July 12, 1876. 1870, elected to honorary membership.

43. ABRAHAM S. EVERSOLE, M. D. Born in Berkeley county, Va., July 10, 1813; died at Seaford, Del., February 3, 1877. 1839, Trough Creek; 1840, Caroline; 1841 Snow Hill (A.); 1842, Somerset; 1843, Lewes; 1844-5, Kent (A.); 1846, Prince William; 1847, transferred; 1851-2, Dorchester; 1853-4, Newton; 1855-7, Union; 1858, Alleghany; 1859-60, Baltimore; 1861, Frederick (A.); 1862-3, New Market; 1864, Sussex; 1865, Caroline; 1866-7 Worcester; 1868, Delaware; 1869-71, Cecil; 1872, Peach Bottom; 1873, Seaford (A.); 1874-6, superannuated.

44. DANIEL EVANS REESE, D. D. Western Maryland College, 1868. Born at Baltimore, Md., February 17, 1810; died at St. Michael's Md., April 23, 1877. 1830, Deer Creek (A.); 1831, Mount Olive; 1832, Eastern Shore (A.); 1833, Prince William; 1834, Tabernacle; 1835-6, Deer Creek; 1837, Harper's Ferry; 1838, Anne Arundel; 1839-41, unstationed; 1842-3, East Baltimore; 1844, Georgetown; 1845-6, Deer Creek; 1847-8, Cambridge; 1849-50, Pipe Creek; 1851-2, Alexandria; 1853-4, Ninth-Street; 1855, Salem, Phila.; 1856-7, Charleston, S. C.; 1858-9, West Baltimore; 1860-1, Pipe Creek; 1862-3, Georgetown; 1864-5, Jefferson; 1866-7, Ninth-Street; 1868-70, Talbot; 1871-3, President; 1874, East Baltimore; 1875, superannuated. Secretary of Annual Conference, 1835. Representative to General Conference, 1862. Secretary 1867, 1870.

45. SAMUEL GUEST VALIANT. Born in Talbot county, Md., December 21, 1852; died there July 11, 1877. 1870-1, Kent (A.); 1872, no appointment at his request; 1873, Alexandria; 1874, no appointment at his request; 1875-6, Laurel; 1877, superannuated.

46. WILLIAM C. AMES, D. D. S. Born in Clearfield county, Pa., 1839; died at Burrsville, Md., March 10, 1878. Interred at Burrsville, Md. 1869, Jefferson (A.); 1870-1, Potomac; 1872-3, Concord; 1874-6, Whaleyville; 1877, Caroline.

47. JOHN EDGAR READ. Born at Lauraville, Md., August 25, 1846; died at Oxford, Md., July 28, 1878. 1865, Queen Anne's (A.); 1866, Belair (A.); 1867, Jefferson (A.); 1868, Talbot (A.); 1869-71, Lexington-Street; 1872, Talbot (A.); 1873-6, Talbot; 1877-8, Easton.

48. THOMAS M. BRYAN. Born in Cecil county, Md., Feb. 1, 1818; died at St. Michael's Md., May 11, 1879. 1846, Smyrna; 1847, Potomac; 1848, Clearfield; 1849, no appointment at his request; 1850, Accomac; 1851-2, Newtown; 1853-4, Dorchester; 1855-6, superannuated; 1857-8, Sussex; 1859-60, no appointment at his request; 1861-3, superannuated; 1864-5, West Baltimore Circuit; 1866, superannuated.

49. WILLIAM CORRIE LIPSCOMB. Born in King William's county, Va., Sept. 13, 1792; Died at Washington, D. C., Dec. 2, 1879. 1869, elected to honorary membership. Representative (lay) to General Conference 1830; and Secretary 1834, 1838, 1842, 1850, 1853; and President, 1867.

50. THOMAS ASBURY MOORE. Born in Sussex county, Del., Jan. 14, 1824; died at Seaford, Del., July 2, 1881. 1845, Newtown (A.); 1846, Cambridge (A.); 1847, Talbot (A.); 1848, Union (A.); 1849-53, unstationed; 1854, Sussex (A.); 1855-6, Sussex; 1857-8, supernumerary; 1859, Sussex; 1860 supernumerary.

51. DAVID NORWOOD GILBERT. Born in Harford county, Md., Feb. 10, 1851; died at Kent Island, Md., August 15, 1881. Interred at Wesley Chapel, Harford county, Md. 1873, Queen Anne's (A.); 1874, Cecil (A.); 1875, Anne Arundel (A.); 1876, Pocomoke; 1877, Prince William; 1878-80, Quantico; 1881, Kent Island.

52. ISAAC TUNNELL ADKINS. Born Feb. 1, 1809; died in Sussex county, Del., Oct. 19, 1881. 1865, Millsborough; 1866, no appointment at his request; 1867, Tyaskin; 1868, Milton; 1869-70, Lower Sussex; 1871-2, Heathsville; 1873-5, Aecomac; 1876, Chincoteague; 1877, Potomac; 1878-9, Chincoteague; 1880, superannuated.

53. THOMAS LEE. Born in England, June 17, 1821; died at Rainsburg, Pa., July 16, 1882. 1851, Aecomac; 1852, Salem; 1853-4, Alleghany; 1855, no appointment at his request; 1856-7, Reading; 1858-9, Caroline; 1860-2, Bedford; 1863-5, superannuated; 1866-7, Susquehanna; 1868, superannuated.

54. PETER LIGHT WILSON. Born in Berkeley county, Va., Oct. 20, 1822; died at Johnsonville, Md., Jan. 10, 1883. 1842, Pipe Creek (A.); 1843-4, Cumberland; 1845, Pipe Creek (A.); 1846, Frederick; 1847, West Baltimore (A.); 1848-9, Bethlehem; 1850-1, Cumberland; 1852-4, Frederick; 1855-6, Ninth-Street; 1857-9, Jefferson; 1860-1, Ninth-Street; 1862-4, Pipe Creek; 1865-8, Broadway; 1869-73, College Agent; 1874, supernumerary; 1875-6, College Agent; 1877, supernumerary. Representative to General Conference, 1866, 1867.

55. THOMAS McCORMICK. Born in Loudon county, Va., Jan., 5, 1792; died at Baltimore, Md., February 22, 1883. 1869, elected to honorary membership.

56. CHARLES THEODORE COCHIEL. Born in Berks county, Pa., June 20, 1838; died at Deer Park, Md., July 25, 1884. 1859, Howard (A.); 1860, Newtown (A.); 1861, Harper's Ferry; 1862, Frederick City; 1863, Anne Arundel (A.); 1864, Salem, Philadelphia; 1865, Snow Hill; 1866, West Baltimore Circuit; 1867, Finksburg; 1868-70, Susquehanna; 1871, Union; 1872-3, Dorchester; 1874-7, Frederick; 1878-81, Cecil; 1882-3, Pipe Creek; 1884, First Church, Washington.

57. JAMES MARTIN ELDRIDGE. Born in Frederick county, Md., Oct. 14, 1817; died at Barren Creek Springs, Md., Oct. 5, 1884. 1840, Baltimore (A.); 1841, Williamsport (A.); 1842, Talbot; 1843, no appointment at his request; 1844, Howard (A.); 1845-6, Cecil; 1847-8, Liberty; 1849-50, Concord; 1851-2, New Market; 1853-4, Williamsport (A.); 1854-6, Concord; 1857, Snow Hill; 1858-9, Trough Creek; 1860-2, Carlisle; 1863-4, Anne Arundel; 1865-8, Cecil; 1869-70, Sussex; 1871, Seaford; 1872-4, Leipsic; 1875-8, Bedford; 1879, Williamsport; 1880-1, Caroline; 1882-3, Sussex; 1884, Union.

58. ARTHUR DANIEL MURRAY. Born at Georgetown, D. C., Nov. 19, 1856; died at Baltimore, Md., Nov. 17, 1884. 1879, Eutaw; 1880, Frederick (A.); 1881-2, Broadway; 1883, no appointment at his request; 1884, Georgetown (A.)

59. HENRY EDWARD MISKIMON. Born in Harford county, Md., April 15, 1845; died at Harper's Ferry, W. Va., Feb. 12, 1885. Interred at Harper's Ferry, W. Va. 1866, Newtown (A.); 1867, Talbot (A.); 1868-70, Kennedyville; 1871-4, Harper's Ferry; 1875-6, Ellicott City; 1877-8, Salisbury; 1879-80, Seaford; 1881-4, Heathsville.

60. JOSEPH ALEXANDER MCFADDEN. Born in Augusta, Ga., Jan. 11, 1825; died at Harper's Ferry, W. Va., July 5, 1883. Interred at Harper's Ferry, W. Va. Appointments: 1847, Queen Anne's (A.); 1848, Williamsport (A.); 1849, Kent (A.); 1850, Jefferson; 1851-2, Concord; 1853, Brickmaker's; 1854-5, Pipe Creek (A.); 1856-7, Cambridge; 1858, Baltimore; 1859, West Baltimore Circuit; 1860-1, New Market; 1862-4, Union; 1865, Washington-Street; 1866-73, superannuated; 1874, Seaford; 1875-85, superannuated.

61. ALFRED BAKER. Born June 4, 1813; died Jan. 17, 1885. Appointments: 1841-3, Concord; 1844, Baltimore (A.); 1845-6, superannuated; 1847, Baltimore; 1848, superannuated; 1849, Patuxent; 1850-1, Frederick; 1852-6, superannuated; 1857, Frederick (A.); 1858, superannuated; 1861, Montgomery; 1865, no appointment at his request; 1866, Montgomery; 1867, no appointment at his request; 1868, Montgomery; 1869, no appointment at his request; 1870, supernumerary.

62. CHRISTOPHER BURNS MIDDLETON, A. B. Western Maryland College, 1876. Born at Washington, D. C., July 24, 1854; died at Alexandria, Va., Feb. 16, 1886. Appointments: 1876, Abington, Va.; 1877, no appointment at his request; 1878, Kent (A.); 1879-80, Hampden; 1881-2, East Baltimore; 1883, Atlanta, Ga.; 1884-5, Alexandria.



63. WILLIAM THOMAS DUMM. Born in Zanesville, Ohio, Jan., 19, 1817; died at Johnsville, Md., July 19, 1886; buried at Union Bridge, Carroll county, Md., July 22, 1886. 1843-4, Deer Creek, Assis't; 1845, Williamsport; 1846, Potomac; 1847, Cumberland; 1848, Snow Hill; 1849, Queen Anne's; 1850, Kent, Assis't; 1851-2, Mount Zion; 1853-4, Deer Creek; 1855-6, New Market; 1857, Cecil; 1858-9, Carlisle; 1860-1, E. Washington; 1862-3, Salem, Philadelphia; 1864-5, Cumberland; 1866, Caroline; 1867, Salisbury; 1868-9, Finksburg; 1870-1, Frederiek; 1872-4, Cecil; 1875-7, Howard; 1878, Stewartstown; 1879, superannuated.

64. DAVID ANTHONY SHERMER, M. D. Born in Philadelphia, Pa., June 5, 1821; died in Vienna, Md., Dec. 4, 1886. 1844, Union, Assis't; 1845, Queen Anne's, Assis't; 1846, Lewes; 1847-9, Dorchester; 1850, Cambridge, Assis't; 1851-3, Howard; 1851-5; Brickmaker's; 1856-7, S. Baltimore; 1858-9, Queen Anne's; 1860-1, E. Baltimore; 1862-3, Jefferson; 1864-5, Liberty; 1866-7, Georgetown; 1868-70, Belair; 1871-4, Washington-Street; 1875-6, Broadway; 1877-9, Anne Arundel; 1880-1, Milton; 1882-4, Cecil; 1885-6, Dorchester.

65. DANIEL FITCHETT EWELL, M. D. Born in Accomac county, Va., January 24, 1817, died March 17, 1888, at Clayton, Del. 1838, Shippensburg, Assis't.; 1839-41, Dorchester; 1842, Church Creek; 1843, Brickmaker's, Phila.; 1844-5, Union; 1846-8, Newtown; 1849, Aecomac; 1850, Dorchester; 1851, no appointment at his request; 1852-5 unstationed; 1857-8, Anne Arundel; 1859-61, Warwick; 1862-65, Delaware; 1866, Washington-Street; 1867-70, Warwick; 1871, Talbot; 1872-84, superannuated; 1885, Powellsville; 1886, Talbot; 1887, Clayton.

66. WILLIAM FRANCIS LIVINGSTON. Born in Worcester County, Md., May 16, 1836; died November 29, 1888, at Westminster Md. 1861, New Market, Assis't.; 1862, Cecil, Assis't.; 1863-71, no appointment; 1872-3, Williamsport; 1874-7, Concord; 1878-80, Deer Creek; 1881-2, Middleway; 1883-7, Potomac; 1888, superannuated.

67. CHARLES MCFEELY THOMPSON. Born July 22, 1843; died April 9, 1889. 1868, Whaleyville, Assis't.; 1869, St. Michael's; 1870, Anne Arundel, Assis't.; 1871, Norfolk; 1872-3, Seaford; 1874-5, Milton; 1876-8, Chesapeake; 1879-83, Susquehanna; 1884, Finksburg; 1885, Leipsie; 1886, Clayton; 1887-9, Harrington.

68. ROBERT THOMAS SMITH. Born in Baltimore, Md., September 20, 1850; died May 20, 1889, in Washington, D. C. 1874, Belair, Assis't.; 1875, Norfolk; 1876, All Saints; 1877-8, Crumpton; 1879-80, Kent Island; 1881, Cumberland; 1882-3, Baltimore; 1884, Eutaw; 1885-7, Rowlandville; 1888-9, without appointment.

69. AUGUSTUS WEBSTER, D. D. Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, Pa., 1848. Born in Harford county, Md., December 8, 1808; died October 26, 1890, in Baltimore, Md. 1832, Reisterstown, Ass't; 1833, Reisterstown; 1834-5, Alexandria; 1836, Agent for B. Con.; 1837-8, Georgetown, D. C.; 1839-40, Washington, D. C.; 1841-2, President; 1843, St. John's; 1844-5, no appointment at his request; 1846, unstationed; 1866, returned to honorary membership by invitation; 1866-82, loaned to St. Johns; 1883-90, Pastor Emeritus, St. Johns.

70. SAMUEL TUCKER FERGUSON. Born in Washington, D. C., January 5, 1840; died November 11, 1890, at Liberty, Md. 1864, Union, Assis't; 1865, Carlisle; 1866, New Market, Assis't; 1867, Prince William; 1868, Howard, Assis't; 1869, Queen Anne's; 1870, Pocomoke; 1871, Harmony; 1872-3, Frederick; 1874-5, Union; 1876-8, Finksburg; 1881-2, Bedford; 1883-6, Concord; 1887-90, Liberty.

71. JAMES THOMPSON. Born in County Down, Ireland, September 9, 1819; died December 25, 1890, at Westminster, Md. 1853, Union, Assis't; 1851, Howard, Assis't; 1855, Baltimore, Assis't; 1856, Newtown, Assis't; 1859, Queen Anne's, Assis't; 1858, Deer Creek, Assis't; 1859, New Market, Assis't; 1860, Howard, Assis't; 1861, Union, Assis't; 1862, Cambridge; 1863-4, Carlisle; 1865-6, East Washington; 1867-9, Bedford; 1870, South Baltimore; 1871-2, Howard; 1873-4, Bedford; 1875-7, Cecil; 1878-9, Concord; 1880-90, Superannuated.

# JOURNAL.

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FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY.

APRIL 1ST, 1891.

The Maryland Annual Conference convened in its Sixty-Third Session at 9 o'clock A. M., April 1, 1891, at West Baltimore Station.

W. S. Hammond led devotional exercises, reading 1st Corinthians, 13th chapter. Hymn 291 was sung.

The President called W. S. Hammond to the chair, read his annual report (Report A), and his character was passed. Report was referred to Committee on President's Report.

The roll was called by the Secretary, and the death of A. Webster, S. T. Ferguson and James Thompson being announced, their names were transferred to the Dead Roll.

A. W. Mather called the Dead Roll.

A motion by J. T. Murray to strike out; "the names and length of service only to be read," of Rule XXVII, Section 2, was adopted.

The report of Secretary of Conference was read and referred to Committee on Finance, (Report B).

On motion of D. L. Greenfield, recess was fixed from 12 M. to 2 P. M.

The bar of the house was fixed to include the first five pews across the Church.

The Conference sermon was preached by S. B. Southland, from 1st Cor., 4: 9 and 2d Cor. 4: 5.

Conference reassembled after recess, with W. M. Strayer in the chair. H. W. D. Johnson was appointed Postmaster.

The names of the Standing Committees were read. Report of agent of Presidential Parsonage was submitted and referred to Committee on Finance.

The report of Endowment Society was received and ordered to be placed on file for publication. (Report C). Report of Baltimore Book Directory was submitted, and referred to Committee on Literature.

Reports of Board of Governors of Westminster Theological Seminary, and President Western Maryland College were read and referred to Committee on Education.

A partial report of the Faculty was read and adopted. (Report I).

A paper submitted by L. W. Bates was referred to Committee on Superannuates.

Order of the day having arrived, Conference proceeded to the election of officers.

W. M. Strayer was elected President and W. R. Graham was requested to cast the ballot of Conference for T. E. Coulbourn as Secretary. F. T. Benson was chosen as Assistant Secretary.

On motion, the Secretary cast the ballot of the Conference for the following stewards :

Conference—D. W. Anstine.

Home Missionary—S. C. Ohrum.

Superannuated Fund—J. M. Sheridan.

Foreign Missionary—J. W. Balderston.

Educational Fund—C. S. Arnett.

General Home Missionary—E. O. Ewing.

C. H. Day was selected as Assistant Conference Steward.

Ballot was cast for Standing District Committee, the Secretary being ordered, by common consent, to change the Rule in regard to the same, providing 3 instead of 2 laymen.

The roll was called and pastors deposited their reports.

Tellers reported result of election for Standing District Committee.

J. D. Kinzer, L. W. Bates and William Dale were elected. The Secretary was ordered to cast the vote of the Conference for W. G. Baker, W. J. C. Dulany and W. B. Usilton.

Ballots were taken for Committee on Appeals, and the tellers retired to count the votes.

A motion was made that the order of last Conference in regard to Quarterly Conference Journals be rescinded. A motion to lay on the table was lost.

Tellers reported result of vote for Committee on Appeals. W. S. Hammond was elected. The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for J. T. Murray and L. W. Bates.

Conference adjourned with benediction by F. T. Tagg.

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#### EVENING.

After the administration of the Lord's Supper, Memorial services were held and addresses were made by S. B. Southerland, A. W. Mather, J. T. Ward, J. D. Kinzer and J. R. Nichols in memory of Augustus Webster; J. T. Murray, in memory of James Thompson; and J. D. Kinzer, S. B. Treadway, J. B. Jones and S. B. Southerland, in memory of S. T. Ferguson.

Benediction by J. L. Killgore.

Approved: W. M. Strayer.

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#### SECOND DAY—THURSDAY.

APRIL 2D, 1891.

Conference opened with devotional exercises by J. L. Straughn.

Conference proceeded to ballot for the remaining members of Committee on Appeals.

Motion in regard to Quarterly Conference Journals was taken up and adopted.

Rev. W. A. Bunch, President of North Carolina Conference M. P. Church and Rev. S. W. Coe of same Conference were introduced and extended the courtesies of the Conference.

Rev. Chas. D. Smith, of the Baltimore Conference M. E. Church, Rev. T. A. King, of the New Jerusalem Church, and Rev. A. W. Green, of St. John's Chapel Independent Methodist, were introduced to the Conference.

J. E. Nicholson and W. M. Poisal offered a resolution, which was amended and adopted. (Resolution 1).

On motion, the session of the Home Missionary Society was made the order of the day for 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Revs. M. F. B. Rice, D. A. Ford and B. F. Devries, of the Baltimore M. E. Conference, were introduced.

The reports of the Trustees and the Treasurer of the Maryland Annual Conference were received and placed on file.

Tellers reported vote on Committee on Appeals. Samuel Vannort was elected. The Secretary was ordered to cast the vote of the conference for J. R. Caton and B. F. H. Caulk.

G. W. Haddaway was elected General Home Missionary Steward.

On motion, 10 o'clock Friday was set apart for the meeting of the Superannuated Fund Society.

T. H. Lewis offered resolution that Thursday evening be set apart for the interest of education. Referred to Committee on President's Report.

A resolution to hold one session Friday, beginning at 9 and closing at 1, by T. H. Lewis and L. W. Bates, was adopted. (Resolution 2).

Resolution signed by W. R. Graham, L. W. Bates and W. M. Poisal, was divided and adopted by items. (Resolution 3).

On motion, recess was postponed ten minutes. Vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference were filled as follows: J. D. Kinzer and A. W. Mather, ministerial; J. G. Clark and J. R. Caton, lay. Conference reassembled after recess.

E. A. Warfield's letter was read. On motion, his request to be left without an appointment was granted.

Letters from E. H. Van Dyke and F. C. Klein were read and referred to Committee on Foreign Missions after granting their request for continued active relation.

Communications were received and referred as follows: From Chatsworth and St. John's, to Committee on Fraternal Relations; from Stewartstown, Campbell, Somerset, Baltimore, Harrington and Sussex circuits, to Committee on Boundaries; from Georgetown Station to special committee. (See Special Committees, page 7). from W. J. D. Lucas, to Committee on Superannuates, and from Cumberland, to Committee on Home Missions.

Report of Committee on Credentials was read and adopted. (Report D).

The Church Extension Society of Baltimore presented report, which was read and adopted with the following amendment: Instead of "We request the Conference to loan to the Church Extension Society a preacher for next year;" read "We request the Conference to appoint a Missionary to labor under the direction and supervision of the Church Extension Society for next Year." (Report E).

A resolution was presented by C. W. Button, D. W. Bates and W. S. Hammond, pending consideration of which, Conference gave place to the Home Missionary Society.

The discussion on resolution was resumed on adjournment of Home Missionary Society, and a motion to lay on the table was lost. The previous question having been called for, the question was put and the resolution adopted. (Resolution 4).

Conference adjourned with benediction by J. R. Nichols.

Approved: W. M. Strayer.

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THIRD DAY—FRIDAY.

APRIL 3D, 1891.

Devotional exercises were conducted by William Shepherd, of the North Mississippi Conference.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Credentials was reconsidered and adopted as a whole. (Report D).

Rev. Page Milburn, of the Baltimore Conference M. E. Church, and Rev. William Shepherd, of North Mississippi Conference, M. P. Church, were introduced.

Committee on Official Character submitted its report, which was taken up item by item. On separate motions, J. M. Yingling, J. E. Maloy, J. E. T. Ewell, J. M. Sheridan, J. L. Straughn, C. S. Arnett, were excused. (Report F).

S. B. Southerland, T. E. Coulbourn and C. W. Button offered a resolution in respect to the decease of John E. Edwards, D. D., which was adopted by a rising vote. (Resolution 5).

The Secretary was ordered to transmit a copy of the resolution to the Virginia Conference M. E. Church South.

The report of Committee on Pulpit Services was read and adopted.

Conference appointed E. O. Ewing and J. H. S. Ewell a Committee on Property Statistics.

Bishop A. W. Wayman, of the African M. E. Church, and Revs. G. W. Gwinn, R. W. Black, W. F. Speake, B. Peyton Brown, C. O. Isaacs, C. T. Weede, of the Baltimore Conference M. E. Church, were introduced.

A motion to reconsider the last item of the report of the Committee on Pulpit Services was carried; and, upon call of the previous question, the motion to adopt was lost.

Communications from Anne Arundel and Powellville circuits were sent to Committee on Boundaries.

Request from Reliance was referred to Committee on Home Missions. Resolution by J. M. Yingling and B. F. H. Caulk was read and laid on the table for twenty-four hours.

Invitations for Conference to hold its next session were received from Broadway, Alexandria and Pocomoke City, and laid on the table for twenty-four hours.

A letter from R. W. Berryman was read and his request granted. A letter from J. T. Murray was read and referred to Committee on Fraternal Relations.

Report of Committee on Fraternal Relations was taken up item by item. A motion to adopt first item was made, pending discussion of which, Conference adjourned with benediction by T. E. Coulbourn.

Approved: W. M. Strayer.

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#### FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY.

APRIL 4TH, 1891.

Devotional services led by W. R. Graham.

A paper submitted by L. W. Bates was referred to Committee on Literature.

Consideration of item 1 of report on Fraternal Relations was resumed and the item adopted. Item 2 was adopted. Item 3 was amended by substituting word "loaned" for "assigned," and adopted. (Report G).

Report of Special Committee on Communication from Georgetown was read, and a motion to adopt was lost.

Report of Committee on the question of Suffrage and Eligibility, referred from last Conference, was adopted. (Report H).

Reports of Maryland, Washington and Alexandria Branches of W. F. M. S. were referred to Committee on Foreign Missions. A communication from the W. C. T. U. was referred to Committee on Temperance.



Permission was given the Faculty of Instruction to make a partial report, which was taken up item by item. Items 1, 2, 5, 6 were adopted. Items 3, 4 were subdivided and adopted. Report adopted as a whole. (Report I).

Conference took recess. On reassembling, the report of Committee on Superannuates was submitted and laid on the table for twenty-four hours.

The revised Articles of Religion were submitted and referred to a special committee of 5 ministers and 5 laymen. (See Special Committees, page 7).

Paper from Reliance was referred to Committee on Home Missions. A resolution by J. R. Caton and J. D. Kinzer was on motion made the order of the day for Tuesday 10 A. M.

An address on General Home Missions was made the order of the day for Monday 11 A. M.

Ordination service was appointed for Sunday at 11 A. M. in West Baltimore M. P. Church.

Report of Committee on Boundaries was taken up by items. Item 1 was amended and adopted. Items 2, 3, 4, 7, 8 were adopted. Items 5, 6, 9, 10, action postponed. (Report J).

Conference adjourned with benediction by J. J. Murray.  
Approved: W. M. Strayer.

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FIFTH DAY—MONDAY.

APRIL 6TH, 1891.

Conference opened, W. S. Hammond in the chair; J. E. Maloy conducted devotional exercises.

Report of Committee on Boundaries was taken up, and item 5 was adopted, provided an appropriation of \$100 could be secured. Items 6 and 9 were adopted, provided an appropriation could be made. Item 10 adopted. Report as a whole adopted. (Report J).

On motion, Nichols Memorial Church was referred to Committee on Boundaries to define its position in the Conference.

Alonzo Tull and Archie Todd were ordered to be enrolled as delegates from Trinity and Salem respectively.

Report of Committee on President's Report was considered by items. Items 1, 2, 3, adopted. Item 4, rejected. Item 5, adopted. Item 6, divided so as to consider provisions regarding stations and circuits separately. First part of item amended to read: "Two Sabbaths preceding," and the whole item adopted. (Report K).

Order of the day having arrived, F. T. Tagg addressed the Conference in the interest of General Home Missions.

By request, J. T. Murray spoke in behalf of Ministerial Education in the absence of the Secretary of the Board.

On motion, J. B. Whaley was loaned to the Westminster Theological Seminary.

Report on President's Report was resumed, and item 7 was withdrawn. Items 8, 9, referred to Special Committees to report next Conference. (See Special Committees, page 7). Items 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, adopted. Item 15 was lost, (Report K).

A substitute was submitted for item 7, but on motion, the subject was recommitted to the Committee to be reported upon by them next Conference.

President announced as special committee on Summer School of Theology, F. T. Tagg, J. W. Trout, J. T. Rathell.

Report of Committee on Maryland Conference Home Missions was read and action postponed.

Report of Committee on Superannuates was taken from the table and considered by items. Items 1, 2, 3, adopted. Item 4, appropriations, adopted as a whole. Item 5, amended by striking out all after "Conference," and, with entire report, adopted. A motion to adopt paper, submitted by L. W. Bates, was lost. (Report L).

On motion, J. T. Ward was appointed to Westminster Theological Seminary; E. J. Drinkhouse, Editor *Meth-*

*odist Protestant*, and E. R. McGregor was left without appointment at his own request.

Adjourned, with benediction by L. W. Bates.

Approved: W. M. Strayer.

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SIXTH DAY—TUESDAY.

APRIL 7TH, 1891.

Devotional exercises were conducted by J. B. Jones.

Committee on Boundaries submitted an additional report, which was adopted. (Report J).

The report of the Committee on Home Missions was taken up and considered by items. Items 1, 3, adopted. Item 2 was divided and adopted. Item 4.—Appropriations were allowed without change, excepting the following: Cambridge, provided that a like amount be paid on the Church debt, and that Sunday services be given at Madison; Chincoteague, if supplied independently; Cumberland, if supplied with a married man; Reliance, with the understanding that Wheatley's and Liberty be given effective service. By common consent, report was withdrawn to make an addition. (Report M).

By special consent, Thomas Myers, of the Maryland Bible Society, addressed the Conference.

Revs. W. H. Holland, President of Baltimore Conference colored M. P. Church, and W. H. Boley, of same Conference, were introduced.

Order of the day was postponed five minutes to consider a resolution offered by T. H. Lewis and F. T. Tagg, pending discussion of which, Conference took recess.

By special permission, the Home Missionary Steward read his report, which was adopted. (Report M M). The report of the Steward of Superannuated Fund was read and adopted. (Report N).

The resolution of T. H. Lewis and F. T. Tagg, defining the status of ministers was taken up and passed. (Res-

olution 6). Order of the day, resolution of J. R. Caton and J. D. Kinzer was laid on the table.

Resolution of J. M. Yingling and B. F. H. Caulk was taken from the table and amended by adding: "That this rule become operative on and after the Conference of 1892, and that all pastorates that shall at that time have been continued for five years or more shall then cease," and made the order of the day for Wednesday morning, 10 o'clock.

The newly elected members of Conference were ordered to appear before the bar of the Conference, Wednesday, 9.30 A. M., to be addressed by the President.

J. B. Jones was excused from further attendance. On motion, Conference adjourned until 8 o'clock to-night.

Conference was opened at 8 o'clock with devotional exercises by J. R. Nichols.

Report of Educational Steward was read and adopted. (Report Q. Q). Report of Committee on Sabbath Observance was read, and, on motion, recommitted with instruction to insert an item on Sunday papers. (Report O).

Report of Committee on Benevolent Agencies was read, and, after the Conference was addressed by J. T. Murray, Agent Maryland Tract Society, in the interest of that Society, was adopted. (Report P).

Order of business was suspended to determine the time and place for holding next session of Conference. Invitations were read from Broadway, Alexandria and Pocomoke city. On motion, it was determined to select the place having highest number of votes. Pocomoke City was chosen as the place, and the first Wednesday in April, 1892, was fixed as the time.

Report on Temperance was read and recommitted. Reports of Committees on Education (Report Q) and General Home Missions were read and adopted. (Report R).

Report of Committee on Finance was received. Report of Committee on Foreign Missions was read, and after F. T. Tagg, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, was given an opportunity to address the Conference in that interest, report was adopted. (Report S).

Elmer Simpson and delegate from Campbell were excused from further attendance upon the session.

Adjourned with benediction by J. W. Charlton.

Approved: W. M. Strayer.

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SEVENTH DAY—WEDNESDAY.

APRIL 8TH, 1891.

Devotional exercises were conducted by L. R. Dyott.

The report of the Committee on Temperance, which was recommitted, was submitted and taken up item by item.

Items 1, 3, 5 were adopted; items 2 and 4 were laid on the table; item 6 was divided.

The order of the day was postponed thirty minutes. The first part of item 6 was adopted; the second part was recommitted and the whole report was referred back to the Committee for revision.

Resolution of F. T. Tagg and B. F. Benson was referred to same Committee.

The report of the Conference Steward was submitted, totals read and the whole adopted. (See Tables).

J. L. Scarborough was excused from further attendance upon Conference session.

Resolution of J. M. Yingling and B. F. H. Caulk was taken up.

A resolution to amend by J. R. Caton and C. W. Button was lost.

On motion, time of recess was deferred thirty minutes.

The previous question was called and a vote by order was taken. Ministers—ayes, 38 ; nays, 39. Laymen—ayes, 17 ; nays, 23.

Recess taken until 2 o'clock.

After recess Committee on Revised Articles of Faith presented their report, and discussion was postponed.

A resolution of J. J. Murray and L. W. Bates to amend Rules of Order was submitted and considered by items.

Item 1. To amend Rule VIII by inserting in third line after the word "amend" the following: "Or to make the Order of the Day," was adopted. (Resolution 7).

Item 2. To insert Rule XXVI was laid on the table. An additional report of the Faculty of Instruction was made and taken up item by item.

Items 1, 3, 4 were adopted.

G. R. Hodge, J. W. Parris, J. H. S. Ewell and B. A. Dumm were called before the Conference and pledged to continue their studies and report regularly for examination. Item 2 was then adopted, and the report as a whole received. (Report I).

An additional report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was adopted. (Report S).

The Committee on Literature presented its report. (Report T). The report was divided and adopted with the exception of the item regarding the office of Deacon. On motion, that item was laid on the table.

A resolution concerning the Enoch Jones' Fund by J. D. Kinzer and F. T. Little prevailed. (Resolution 8).

Report of Committee on Finance was read and adopted. (Report U).

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools was adopted. (Report V).

The report of General Home Missionary Steward was read and adopted. (Report W).

T. E. Coulbourn and A. E. Tull were excused from further attendance upon the Conference session.

The report of Committee on Revised Articles of Faith was taken up by items.

S. J. Smith, W. M. Poisal and A. W. Mather offered a substitute for item 5, which was accepted, and the remaining items of the report were withdrawn. (Resolution 9).

A resolution by George Topham and S. R. Murray was amended by inserting the; "Pastor of Pocomoke City and F. T. Little" instead of E. J. Drinkhouse and adopted. (Resolution 10).

Report of Committee on Temperance, which was re-committed for revision, was submitted and adopted. (Report X).

A resolution providing for an Agent to increase the Superannuated Fund, (Resolution 11), was adopted. A. W. Mather was appointed agent.

The report of Committee on Fraternal Relations and Thanks was read and adopted. (Report G).

The report of Foreign Missionary Steward was adopted after reading. (See Tables).

A resolution by H. C. Cushing respecting Mrs. Tamsey A. Reese was adopted by a rising vote, and the Conference Secretary was instructed to communicate the action to Mrs. Reese. (Resolution 12).

Committee on Summer School of Theology made a report, which was adopted. The committee was enlarged by the addition of the President of the Conference and continued to report next Conference. (Report Y).

A motion to ordain the young men elected to orders at the discretion of the President prevailed.

It was moved and carried that the organization of the Church Extension Society be the first business after the election of officers at the next session of Conference.

J. B. Whaley, Joseph Valliant, Robert K. Lewis, Luther F. Warner, J. W. Parris and Avery Donovan having been received into the Itinerancy were called before the Conference and addressed by the President.

A resolution that the Conference tender its thanks to the reporters of the several daily papers of the city for their full reports was adopted. (Resolution 13).

A motion was adopted to strike out from "Missionary Regulations," in Manual, all after Rule 17.

Resolution referring to Pastor's blanks, offered by A. W. Mather and J. G. Clarke, was adopted. (Resolution 14).

The President read his plan of appointments, and the Conference adjourned at 7 P. M. to meet the first Wednesday in April, 1892, at Pocomoke City, Maryland. (Report Z).

Approved: W. M. STRAYER, *President.*

T. E. COULBOURN, *Secretary.*



# REPORTS.

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A.—See page 18.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

*To the Maryland Annual Conference :*

DEAR BRETHREN : Through the tender mercy of our God, we have gathered in Annual Conference to report work done, and to prepare plans for the further extension of our Redeemer's Kingdom.

### DEATHS.

All are not here. Rev. A. Webster, D. D., Rev. James Thompson and Rev. S. T. Ferguson rest from their labors. While we tenderly cherish the memory of departed worth, and commend the bereaved families of our deceased brethren to God, let us heed the admonition, "be ye also ready." Competent committees have been appointed to report obituaries.

I would also call your attention to the decease of three estimable Christian women, whose husbands were honored members of this Body—Mrs. Wm. T. Wright, Mrs. F. G. Wright and Mrs. I. T. Adkins. These all died in the faith, and in fellowship with the Methodist Protestant Church. Mrs. Wm. T. Wright left to the superannuated fund the sum of \$1,000, thus showing a practical appreciation of the efforts of the Church to care for its superannuated preachers, their widows and orphans.

### CHANGES AND SUPPLIES.

A large number of pastorates were left unsupplied when the Conference adjourned.

Bro. John Forrester, of Broadway, was placed in charge at Barren Creek. Rev. A. A. Harryman was released from Milton and sent to Ellicott city, and Milton was supplied by Rev. B. W. Kindley, who had been left without appointment at his own request. Bro. H. S. Johnson was released from Chincoteague and sent to Leslie under the superintendency of Rev. J. B. Jones and Bro. A. J. Donaldson, of Rowlandville, was sent to Chincoteague under the superintendency of Rev. R. S. Williamson. Rev. J. A. Weigand, one of our superannuates, who is ready to do all he can, consented to render pastoral oversight on Georgetown, Del., and on Indian Mission, two small and feeble churches in Southern Delaware. On recommendation of Potomac Ct. Quarterly Conference, Bro. J. Porteh was placed in charge of that work. Bro. Louis Randolph

Randal, a seminarian, was sent to Williamsport Mission for vacation work, and subsequently by request of the Mission, was employed for the year. Bros. W. K. Judasind and Joseph Valiant, of the Seminary, were employed during vacation, the first as assistant on Delta Circuit, the second by the Church Extension Society of Baltimore city. These supplies have rendered good service. The Rev. J. W. Grant, a temporary transfer from N. J. Conference, retired from the work at Rowlandville, and the Church was subsequently supplied by Rev. Wm. Shepherd, of North Mississippi, who will be an applicant for membership in this Body at its present session. The pulpit on Liberty Circuit, made vacant by the death of Rev. S. T. Ferguson, has been supplied by Rev. J. K. Nichols, D. D., who has at great sacrifice looked after the work.

#### PRESENT CONDITION OF WORK.

With the exception of forty-two days at home, which have been devoted to the heavy and rapidly increasing correspondence of the office, all my time has been given to traveling, preaching, church meetings and pastoral visiting. Yet I have not been everywhere, and do not know everything. Some of our pastors do not report to the president nor to the *Protestant*, and it is impossible for me to estimate the condition of work about which I know nothing. From all I have seen and heard, I think the work is in a hopeful condition. In some places there is an indifference which nothing seems to disturb. Sin is there, and death the wages of sin. Complicity with the trade in spirituous liquors drives out the Holy Spirit. Christ is lifted up and worshiped within, and lifted up and crucified without church walls. Trumpet-toned messengers from Sinai and weeping evangelists from Calvary, clothed with the power of the Holy Ghost, are needed to startle the dead, to warn and teach, and to educate public conscience until Christian conduct is harmonized with Christian character.

Some of our churches are oppressed by old debts, and in a few instances internal dissensions have eradicated spirituality and left the church to the contempt of the world, the merriment of devils, and the pity of God. Some churches have utterly failed in the work of saving souls. But these are only clondlets in a summer sky, barren spots in a fruitful field. We hope to see the last cloud dissipated, and the last barren spot clothed with fruits worthy of the master.

Some old church debts have been paid. Some old property has been improved. Some new churches and parsonages have been built. There has been a revival of interest in the social means of grace, and we now have prayer and class meetings in many places where they have been neglected for years. Our church literature commands a higher appreciation, and the *Methodist Protestant* will report an increased circulation. In many places our pastors have done heroic work, preaching and administering the ordinances with regularity and unction, visiting from house to house, organizing the young people, and God has crowned the work with gracious revivals.

The Church Extension Society of Baltimore City will report a good work, and if its efforts continue to be wisely directed, and if it is encouraged by the Conference, it will rapidly increase the number of our city pulpits. The Maryland Branch of the Womans' Foreign Missionary Society is pushing forward the work of missions with real enthusiasm, and should be encouraged.

Western Maryland College is growing in merited favor, and wields a rapidly increasing influence for good. Handsome improvements have been made in the buildings, largely increasing their capacity, and still more room is demanded. The need of a college chapel is seriously felt, and the friends of the institution should try to place at least \$20,000 in the hands of the trustees for this purpose.

The Seminary at Westminster is full of students, and should be encouraged by increased contributions to broaden its work and increase its faculty.

The salary of your president has been paid with gratifying promptness. It is but just that I should name the churches who, without waiting for a visit, sent their assessment to 42 Parkin street. I name them in the order they remitted. Washington street, Central, Quantico, St. James, Seaford, Newark, Accomac, Centreville, Chestertown, Eutaw, Lynchburg, Easton, Crisfield, Starr, Pittsville, N. C. Avenue, Anne Arundel, Oxford, Talbot, Union Bridge, Powelsville, First Church, Pocomoke City, and West Baltimore Missions. There is a deficiency in the aggregate of \$250, nearly all of which is promised at conference.

Pastors have had varied experiences with the plan for raising assessments, and the subject demands further and deliberate consideration.

Last spring the Conference endorsed a plan for quarterly reports, and the president prepared, printed, and sent to each pastor 4 blanks for quarterly reports, yet 20 pastors have made no reports whatever. 51 pastors make no reports of pastoral visits; 39 pastors report 13,371 visits, being an average of 343. 31 pastors report no baptisms, yet the ordinance was administered to 1,092 persons by the pastors reporting their work. 35 pastors report no conversions. 55 pastors report an aggregate of 1,306 conversions. The smallest number of visits reported by a pastor known to be in good health, is 20; the largest number is 592. Dr. L. W. Bates reports more visits made in one quarter than some of our vigorous young men make in a year. Even at the expense of being considered utopian by some of my brethren, I must insist that the Conference inquire diligently into the pastoral work of its ministers, and insist on greater fidelity. I will continue, if I am continued in office, to send out these blanks, and shall expect a quarterly report from each pastor.

The following recommendations are respectfully submitted:

1. That the Conference consider how we may best develop a more decided denominationalism.
2. That the Conference insert in its rules a plan for the election of

delegates in circuits, stations and missions, and that it say whether these meetings should be held on the Sabbath, on a week day or evening.

3. That the Conference define what is meant by "additions to, or corrections of register," and say how this work may be done.

4. That the conference prepare a form of organization for Sunday School Associations, defining the powers of such associations, the conditions of membership, and the part members of the Church who do not belong to such associations may take in their deliberations and elections. This would give us uniformity where we now have variety and sometimes contrariety.

5. That the Conference consider how we can best develop and train lay talent for usefulness in church work, and induce capable men and women to speak for God in social and public meetings.

6. I recommend that a meeting in the interest of foreign missions, to be conducted by the M. B. of the Woman's F. M. S., and to be addressed by women of their selection, be made a standing order of this Conference.

7. I recommend that the Conference establish in the Faculty of instruction a classic department for the encouragement of our young preachers who are too apt on leaving school to drop their classic studies. A yearly examination, or the reading of a paper on some branch of classic study, in the presence of a classic scholar would, in my opinion, stimulate to the attainment of a higher grade of scholarship without interfering with any other study or duty.

8. I recommend the appointment of a committee to prepare plans and secure a location for a summer school of theology and classical literature, where our preachers may profitably spend the time usually wasted in the inevitable summer vacation.

9. That the Conference order the preparation of an official blank for report of superannuated ministers.

10. I recommend that the Conference authorize the ordination of such lay preachers as it may be found necessary to use as pastors, without special reference to the course of study, and with the understanding that if they retire from pastoral work of their own choice, or are retired by the Conference or its executive, their ordination shall be cancelled.

11. I recommend the division of this Conference by the line of the Chesapeake bay and Susquehanna river. I do this because I honestly believe that such division will enable the executive to give profitable supervision to the work; will enable us to develop latent forces, and enter unoccupied territory, and do vastly more than we are now doing for the success of our Church, the salvation of souls, and the glory of God. I cannot argue the question in this report, but if the Conference will entertain the recommendation, I shall be happy at the proper time to express my views and state the facts which, in my opinion, imperitively demand this course.

#### CONCLUSION.

The Pipe Creek Benevolent Society has this year distributed to itinerants the sum of \$325.

Mrs. Tamsey A. Reese has contributed through me the sum of \$600 to needy preachers.

I cannot close this report without making mention of the patience exhibited by nearly all the churches I have failed to visit. To the pastors and church members where I have visited, I am indebted for many unlooked for favors.

I would here record my gratitude to God for His protecting care, His sustaining grace, and for the joy of His great salvation which has filled my own heart as I have preached the Gospel to others.

May God preside over our assembly, direct all our work, and give us a baptism of the Holy Ghost for Jesus sake.

Respectfully submitted by your servant in the Gospel,

W. M. STRAYER, *Pres.*

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B.—See page 18.

#### REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

According to the revised Rules of Order, adopted at the last session of the Conference, the Standing Committee on Unfinished Business was abolished, and it was made one of the duties of the Secretary to perform the work heretofore done by said Committee. In obedience to this regulation the Secretary respectfully reports:

That the item in the President's report on suffrage and eligibility was referred to a committee of three ministers and two laymen, with instructions to report at this session.

The President was also authorized to appoint a committee of six, consisting of three ministers and three laymen, for the purpose of procuring articles of incorporation for the Church Extension Society, in accordance with the minutes of 1889, page 51.

The Secretary also suggests that to make the Register of Minister's Wives complete, it will be necessary for those who have married since 1885 to send the following items of information to the Secretary, that the facts may be correctly recorded: Former name of wife, date of marriage, to whom married, place and date of birth, and date of conversion.

That those who marry during the year be requested to bring these written statements to the succeeding session of the Conference and deposit them with the official report for proper record.

However inefficiently I have served you the last five years, it has been to me a labor of love and cheerfully performed. I feel that the time has come when a change must be made in the incumbency of the office. I therefore respectfully again ask you to give the honor to another. I also herewith present the financial statement with vouchers.

*Reports to the*

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

*Expenditures.*

Printing, binding and distributing 1,200 copies of the Minutes of 1890—121 pages each.....	\$270 15	
Printing blanks and envelopes.....	7 75	
Postage on extra copies of Minutes, blanks and envelopes.....	3 96	
Expressage.....	60	
Freight on package and Conference trunk transportation.....	90	
Stationery.....	1 34	
		\$284 70

*Receipts.*

From Conference Steward.....	\$255 83	
“ Minutes sold.....	7 70	
“ Advertisement.....	2 00	
“ Excess of last year.....	66	
		266 19
Deficiency.....		\$ 18 51

W. R. GRAHAM, Secretary.

## C.—See page 19.

*Maryland Educational Endowment Society of the Methodist Protestant Church, Baltimore City.*

As required by our charter, we respectfully report to the Maryland Annual Conference that since our last statement of a year ago, for reasons which appeared to us good and sufficient, we made a waiver of our original mortgage for the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, to enable the College to make necessary enlargement of the buildings, with the understanding that the mortgage of seven thousand dollars for which we made a waiver in April 1888, should be cancelled out of this fifteen thousand dollars. This has been done, and one thousand on the fifteen thousand mortgage also paid by the College. The improvements on the College grounds have been so extensive as to nearly double the security of our original mortgage upon it as a protection to the original contributors.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

DANIEL W. BATES, President,  
E. J. DRINKHOUSE, Secretary.

BALTIMORE, April 2d, 1891.

## D.—See page 22.

## CREDENTIALS.

Your Committee have examined the credentials which have been placed in our hands and respectfully report that we have found them correct.

R. H. POWELL, Chairman.

**E.**—See Page 23.

#### CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

The Church Extension Society of Baltimore City respectfully submits the following report of its condition and the work of the past year :

The success of the Church in Waverly, of which Rev. G. W. Hadaway is pastor, is well known to the Conference. The property there is without debt, but is subject to an annual ground rent of \$105, which has been paid to the present time by the Church Extension Society. The growth of the Church during the year has been encouraging, and by most commendable enterprise, they have met all their current expenses (except the ground rent), frescoed the audience room, and paid for it, and have taken care of their pastor, now for ten months a married man.

The new Church now ready for occupancy, on the corner of Washington and Townsend streets, will cost about \$2250.00, and is subject to a ground rent of \$125 annually.

The Society employed during the vacation Joseph Valliant, a Seminary student, but the remainder of the year the services have been conducted by the workers in the local churches. The chapel in which this movement in North East Baltimore began, has been sheltered and nursed for two years on the corner of Gay and Hoffman streets, was built chiefly by the members of Mt. Lebanon Church, and it is now donated to the Extension Society. It will in a few weeks be moved to Burke street, where we have a flourishing Mission School and a small membership, which has been gathered and fostered by Broadway Church.

Other localities have received the attention of the Society, and in some of them we found inviting fields for missionary work, but the limited means at our command have restrained us from entering these open doors. The Society, however, has felt an earnest effort to establish a new church in North Baltimore is imperative. Many members of our Baltimore churches live in that section, and members from the counties of the State are constantly moving into that attractive part of the city, and many of them will, we believe, be lost to our church unless we speedily build a place of worship at some central and accessible point. Several meetings for conference upon the subject have been held, and now a hall is rented and an appointment made for a public service with preaching, on the second Sabbath in April, and at the close of that service an effort will be made to organize for future work.

We have received from the Treasurer of the Home Missionary Society, W. H. Silk, as authorized by the last annual Conference, \$300, and we have borrowed, through Rev. F. T. Little, \$1,000. We have received from Mrs. T. A. Reese, who has helped the Society before, and who generously helps every good cause among us, the gift of \$150. The collections for home missions in the Baltimore churches (excepting West Baltimore which has not reported to our Treasurer), aggregated \$286. Membership fees amount to \$103. Generous donations in money and materials

to be used in the new building have been made, and the good women of our churches who have done so much for the Society in the past are preparing to do a similar work in the early part of the next Conference year.

We believe that when the chapel, now on the corner of Gay and Hoffman streets, is moved to Burke street for the use of that Mission, and the North Baltimore enterprise is fairly started, we will have planted churches which will absorb our energies for the next few years.

There are other localities where even now, if we had ample means, we could do a blessed work in the salvation of souls, and we believe also for the Methodist Protestant Church of the future.

1. We ask the Conference to continue to the Society for the next year, the collections for Home Missions in the churches of Baltimore.

2. We request the Conference to appoint a Missionary to labor under the direction and supervision of the Church Extension Society for the next year.

J. D. KINZER,  
E. J. DRINKHOUSE,  
Committee.

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**F.**—See page 23.

OFFICIAL CHARACTER.

The Committee on Official Character beg leave to submit the following report: We have examined the reports of the brethren carefully, and find them all correct except the following: J. M. Yingling, C. W. McAllister, J. E. Maloy, R. L. Lewis, and J. E. T. Ewell failed to present a copy of the discipline to each new member received, as ordered by the General Conference. J. M. Sheridan, J. L. Straughn, C. S. Arnett, and W. W. White, presented the discipline in some cases only.

S. F. CASSEN, Chairman.

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**G.**—See page 24.

FRATERNAL RELATIONS AND THANKS.

The Committee on Fraternal Relations and Thanks, beg leave to report as follows:

1. That the request of St. John's Church for the loan of John S. Bowers for one year be granted.

2. That the request of Chatsworth Church for the loan of T. O. Crouse, as pastor for the ensuing year, be granted, and

3. That the request of the Maryland Tract Society for the loan of Dr. J. T. Murray, as General Agent and Corresponding Secretary of that society be granted.

4. That the thanks of this Conference are due and hereby tendered to the pastor of this Church and his Committee for their ample and generous provision for the entertainment of the members of this body, and to the Trustees of this Church for the use of their house of worship for the Conference session.



5. That the thanks of the Conference are hereby extended to the citizens of Baltimore who have so hospitably opened their homes for our entertainment.

R. L. LEWIS, Chairman.

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**H.**—See page 24.

**SUFFRAGE AND ELIGIBILITY.**

RESOLVED, That Section 4 of the Article entitled Suffrage and Eligibility as found in the Rules of Order for the Government of the Maryland Annual Conference be, and the same is hereby repealed and reenacted to read as follows :

SECTION 4. Every member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years, shall be eligible as a Steward, Class Leader and Sunday School Superintendent, and every male member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be eligible as a Trustee and Delegate to the Annual Conference.

A. D. MELVIN.

Chairman.

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**I.**—See page 25.

**REPORTS OF THE FACULTY OF INSTRUCTION.**

1. We recommend William Aydelotte Melvin to the Examining Committee at Westminster, for aid from the Board of Ministerial Education.

2. We report of the First Year's Class, J. W. Parris was marked 100 in Homiletics and passed to the Second Year. C. W. McAllister was continued in the First Year. Of the Second Year Class, J. H. S. Ewell, G. R. Hodge, Daniel E. Day, W. S. Phillips, B. A. Dumm, Q. L. Morrow and H. S. Johnson were passed to the Third Year. J. H. S. Ewell, G. R. Hodge and W. S. Phillips were marked 100 each in Theology. B. A. Dumm and H. S. Johnson 100 each in Theology, Christian Pastorate and Church History, and Q. L. Morrow 100 in Church History and the Christian Pastorate. Of the Third Year's Class, G. W. Haddaway, H. W. Johnson and C. E. McCullough were passed through the Course. Of the Introductory Class, Joseph Valliant, Ernest S. Fooks, Alonzo H. Green, Edwin B. Taylor, John B. Whaley, Robert K. Lewis, C. M. Cullum, G. R. Donaldson, L. F. Warner, J. E. Forrester, L. A. Bennett, Avery Donovan, A. S. Beane and John A. Wright were passed to the First Year.

3. We recommend for admission into the Itinerancy, J. B. Whaley, Joseph Valliant, Robert K. Lewis, Luther F. Warner, J. W. Parris and Avery Donovan.

4. We recommend for admission into the Conference, Samuel W. Coe, who comes to us with credentials from the North Carolina Conference.

5. We recommend that Ernest S. Fooks, Alonzo H. Green, Edwin B. Taylor, George R. Donaldson, J. E. Forrester, L. A. Bennett, A. S.

Beane, William Shepherd, an elder, formerly of the North Mississippi Conference, and John A. Wright be placed in the hands of the President. Alonzo H. Green and Edwin B. Taylor not to be employed until they receive the recommendation from their respective Quarterly Conferences.

6. We recommend for Ordination H. W. D. Johnson, C. E. McCullough, A. S. Beane and D. L. Green, the last two as unstationed Ministers.

7. We recommend that the request of Robert H. Tyson, a Seminary student, to be permitted to go to the New York Conference, be granted.

8. On the recommendation of the Quarterly Conference of Faith Mission, we report adversely.

#### ADDITIONAL REPORT.

1. We recommend John Lemuel Ward and George Hannibal Stockdale for aid from the Board of Ministerial Education to the Examining Committee at Westminster.

2. We recommend for Ordination, J. H. S. Ewell, G. R. Hodge, B. A. Dumm and J. W. Parris, they being required to pledge themselves in open Conference to continue the course of instruction until completed.

3. We report on item of the President's Report, committed to us, that a Committee of three, of which the President of the Faculty is Chairman, has been appointed to report to the next Conference.

4. We report that the plan of thorough examination upon the discipline, agreeably to the ordering of last Conference has been inaugurated. The First, Second and Third Year Classes have been met, examined and a lecture delivered to them by the special Professor in this department of the Conference Studies. The Faculty congratulates the Conference upon the promise of usefulness of this addition to the curriculum. This study pursued according to the rule, cannot fail to more fully equip our graduates with the knowledge of Methodist Protestant Church Law, both in theory and practice.

5. We report that in obedience to resolution of the last Conference, the President of the Faculty having associated with himself J. D. Kinzer and D. L. Greenfield, as a Committee of this Conference, Eugene C. Makosky was examined August 7th and recommended to the Board of Ministerial Education.

S. B. SOUTHERLAND,

President Faculty of Instruction.

#### J.—See Page 25.

#### BOUNDARIES.

The Committee on Boundaries beg leave to make the following report—  
We respectfully recommend :

1. That Somerset be divided as follows : Trinity to be made a Station to be called Trinity Station, and Salem appointment to be called Salem.

2. That Harrington Circuit be divided and that Harrington be made a Station to be called Harrington, and that Greenwood and Bethel appointments be made a Circuit to be called Greenwood Circuit.

3. That Providence appointment on Sussex Circuit be added to Georgetown Mission.

4. That Bethel be added to Sussex Circuit.

5. That Stewartstown appointment on Stewartstown Circuit be set off as a Mission to be called Stewartstown Mission: provided an appropriation of one hundred dollars (\$100) can be made for pastoral support.

6. That New Market, Mount Zion, Parkton and Ayres' Chapel compose a Circuit to be called New Market Circuit.

7. That Anne Arundel Circuit be divided as follows: 1st, that Brooklyn appointment be made a Station to be called Brooklyn. 2nd, that Holly Run, Severn and Glen Burnie be made a Circuit and called Holly Run Circuit. 3rd, that Marley, White Marsh and Elvirton, a new place, be made a Circuit and called Marley Circuit.

8. That Aquango Branch Church be added to Powellsville Circuit.

9. That Campbell Circuit be divided as follows: Tyreanna and Bethel be made a Mission to be called Tyreanna Mission with an appropriation of one hundred dollars (\$100), and Penuel, Marysville, Oak Grove and Hall's Chapel, be made a Mission with an appropriation of one hundred dollars (\$100).

10. That the paper from Baltimore Circuit be referred to the Committee on Missions.

11. That Nickols Memorial Church be added to Ellicott's City Mission.

SAMUEL VANNORT,  
Chairman.

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**K.**—See page 26.

REPORT ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

*To the Maryland Annual Conference:*

Your Committee on the President's report respectfully submit the following:

1. We regret that so many pastors have failed to report to the President the condition of their work, and recommend that the following question be added to the Conference blank: Have you reported quarterly to the President?

2. We recommend that so much of the report as relates to temperance be referred to the Committee on Temperance.

3. We express gratification at the good work accomplished by the Church Extension Society of Baltimore, and hope that it will continue to receive that encouragement and support to which it is entitled by virtue of its recent success and promising outlook.

4. It is our judgment that a more decided denominationalism can best be promoted by a faithful performance of that duty which requires pastors to "read and explain such portions of the Constitution and discipline" as may be deemed "necessary to give our people suitable information in regard to our ecclesiastical economy," by explaining the character and pressing the claims of our general interests, by increasing

the circulation of our official organs, the *Missionary Bulletin*, *Woman's Missionary Record*, and *Our Young People*, and by the abolition of all alien literature from our Sabbath Schools, and by placing in the hands of every member copies of our Church Discipline and Dr. Bates' Contrast.

5. We recommend that the Conference insert in its rules this plan for the election of delegates : in stations the elections shall be by the qualified members under the direction of the Stewards, who shall designate the time and place, and serve as Judges of the election. Every election shall be by ballot, and be held at least ten days before the sitting of the Annual Conference. Notice shall be given two Sabbaths preceding from the pulpit, of the time and place of holding the election. No person shall be declared elected unless he has a majority of all the votes given. On Circuits and Missions the election shall be by the Quarterly Conference. No election held on the Sabbath shall be legal.

6. We recommend that the item of the President's report requesting the preparation of a form of organization for Sunday School Associations be referred to a special Committee.

7. We recommend that the consideration of the best methods of developing and training lay talent for usefulness in Church work be made a subject of special deliberation by the Conference at 10 o'clock Monday morning.

8. We recommend that the Friday afternoon of each Annual Conference session be set apart for the presentation of the interests of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

9. We recommend that the item respecting the establishment of a department for the pursuit of classical studies by our young ministers be referred to the Faculty of Instruction.

10. We endorse the suggestion of the President for the establishment of a Summer School of Theology, and recommend that a committee of five be appointed to prepare a plan and secure a location.

11. We recommend that the item respecting a report of the work of superannuates be referred to the Committee on Superannuates.

12. We recommend the reference of the item referring to ordination without pursuing the prescribed course of study, to the Faculty of Instruction.

13. We refer back to this Conference, with our endorsement, the resolution setting apart Thursday evening of each session for the consideration of our educational work.

A. D. MELVIN, Chairman.

L.—See page 27.

#### SUPERANNUATED CLAIMANTS.

Your Committee on Superannuated Claimants report that they have given patient and prayerful consideration to each particular case in the light of those who must give an account. We have studied carefully the regulations governing appropriations. We have carefully and conscientiously

tiously weighed all the facts brought to our notice. In some cases, we would gladly have increased the appropriation, but, being required by the law to be governed by the "ascertained probable resources of the Conference," we have been unable to do so.

We recommend, first, that Rev. W. J. D. Lucas be transferred to the list of Superannuates.

We recommend, second, that \$3,000 be assessed upon the District for distribution.

We recommend the following appropriations:

S. B. Southerland.....	\$500	Mrs. D. F. Ewell.....	\$150
J. W. Everist.....	100	" D. N. Gilbert.....	300
H. J. Day.....	150	" A. Greenaway.....	200
D. W. Bates.....	300	" J. A. McFaden.....	200
J. K. Nichols.....	350	" C. B. Middleton.....	350
W. G. Holmes.....	100	" H. E. Miskimmon.....	200
J. H. Ellegood.....	350	" J. E. Read.....	200
R. Scott Norris.....	350	" D. E. Reese.....	250
J. A. Wiegand.....	400	" J. F. Whiteside.....	150
T. D. Valiant.....	350	" C. M. Thompson.....	300
W. J. D. Lucas.....	300	" John Roberts.....	350
Mrs. W. C. Ames.....	200	" D. A. Shermer.....	150
" D. Bowers (does not desire an appropriation)		" T. M. Wilson.....	150
" T. M. Brian.....	150	" P. L. Wilson.....	150
" C. T. Cochell.....	200	" S. G. Valiant.....	200
" W. T. Dumm.....	250	" W. F. Livingston.....	200
" J. M. Elderdice.....	400	" Thomas Lee.....	150
" C. Eversole.....	100	" James Thompson.....	150
		" S. T. Ferguson.....	400

We respectfully return the paper of Dr. L. W. Bates referred to us by the Conference.

The fund paid last year \$72.80, on each hundred appropriated.

F. T. LITTLE, Chairman.

**M.—See page 27.**

**HOME MISSIONS.**

Your Committee on Conference Home Missions beg leave to report as follows:

We have carefully considered all applications for missionary assistance that were referred to us, and regret our inability to grant all the demands. In the face of the large deficiency, we do not see our way clear to allow all the applications for help. We earnestly *urge* upon all our charges to pay their assessments in full, as the only practicable way by which our Home Missionary interests may be extended. We unite in recommending the following:

1. Garrett Mission be left with the President, and that the request of Baltimore County be not granted.

2. Powellsville, no appropriation.

3. Cambridge, \$175; Centreville, \$150; Chincoteague, \$100; Crumpton, \$50; Cumberland, \$100; Ellicott City, \$200; Felton, \$100; Georgetown, Del., \$100; Hurlocks, \$200; Leipsic, \$100; Leslie, if supplied, \$175; Mid-

dleway, \$100; Salisbury, \$200; Seaford, \$75; Talbot, if *separately* supplied, \$100; Williamsport, if supplied, \$150; Wilmington, \$200; Reliance, \$100; Stewartstown, if divided, \$100; Campbell, if divided, \$150; \$75 to Tyreanna, and \$75 to Campbell. Total amount of appropriations, \$2,625. All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. E. T. EWELL, Chairman.

**MM.**—See page 27.

**REPORT OF HOME MISSIONARY STEWARD.**

Amount assessed on District.....	\$3,271 00
Collections.....	2,036 56
Unpaid assessment.....	\$1,234 44

**FUNDS FOR DISTRIBUTION.**

Collections on District.....	\$2,036 56
Other sources:	
W. H. Silk, above receipts.....	14 81
J. H. S. Ewell, annual dues.....	88 50
Collection on Anniversary.....	54 50
	<u>\$2,194 37</u>
From Baltimore, paid to Church Extension Society,	376 11
Total amount for distribution.....	<u>\$1,818 26</u>

**DISTRIBUTION TO MISSIONARIES.**

Deficiencies at last Conference: S. F. Cassen, for Cambridge, \$17.25; T. O. Crouse, for Centreville, \$17.25; B. P. Truitt, for Chincoteague, \$8.60; G. J. Smith, for Crumpton, \$8.60, W. W. White, for Felton, \$12.90; J. A. Weigand, for Georgetown, Del., \$8.60; Q. L. Morrow, for Harper's Ferry, \$4.30; G. R. Hodge, for Middleway, \$8.60; A. J. Walter, for Powellsville, \$4.30; D. W. Anstine, for Seaford, \$12.90; G. D. Edmondston, for Sussex, \$4.30; R. L. Lewis, for Salisbury, \$21.50; F. T. Benson, for Wilmington, \$17.20. Total paid for deficiencies, \$146.30; balance for distribution for year beginning April 9, 1890, \$1,671.96.

	<i>Appropriation.</i>	<i>Paid.</i>	<i>Deficient.</i>
Cambridge—S. F. Cassen.....	\$200 00	\$135 11	\$64 89
Centreville—J. W. Balderston.....	200 00	135 11	64 89
Chincoteague—G. R. Donaldson.....	75 00	50 67	24 33
Crumpton—G. R. McCready.....	100 00	67 55	32 45
Cumberland—C. E. McCullough.....	100 00	67 55	32 45
Ellicott City—A. A. Harryman.....	200 00	135 11	64 89
Felton—B. A. Dumm.....	100 00	67 55	32 45
Georgetown, Del.—J. A. Weigand.....	100 00	67 55	32 45
Leipsic—H. W. D. Johnson.....	100 00	67 55	32 45
Middleway—G. R. Hodge.....	100 00	67 55	32 45
Powellsville—A. J. Walter.....	100 00	67 55	32 45
Salisbury—C. S. Arnett.....	250 00	168 89	81 11
Seaford—D. W. Anstine.....	100 00	67 55	32 45
Talbot—.....	200 00	.....	.....
Unity Church, Hurlocks Station—			
B. P. Truitt.....	200 00	135 11	64 89
Williamsport—L. R. Randall.....	150 00	101 33	48 67
Wilmington—F. T. Benson.....	200 00	135 11	64 89
Leslie—H. S. Johnson.....	200 00	135 11	64 89

Total appropriation.....	\$2,475 00
Amount paid.....	1,671 96
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Balance due Missionaries.....	\$803 04
Total amount distributed.....	\$2,194 36
Total amount for distribution.....	2,194 37
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Balance on hand.....	\$ 01

Per cent. of distribution, 67.554.

Respectfully submitted,

S. C. OHRUM, Steward.

**N.—See page 27.**

**SUPERANNUATED FUND STEWARD.**

STATEMENT SHOWING

<i>Names Claimants</i>	<i>Amount Assessed.</i>	<i>Paid.</i>
S. B. Southerland.....	\$500 00	\$361 55
J. W. Everist.....	100 00	72 31
H. J. Day.....	200 00	144 62
D. W. Bates.....	300 00	216 93
James Thompson.....	200 00	144 62
J. K. Nichols.....	350 00	253 08
W. G. Holmes.....	100 00	72 31
J. H. Ellegood.....	350 00	253 08
R. S. Norris.....	350 00	253 08
J. A. Wiegand.....	400 00	289 24
T. D. Valiant.....	350 00	253 08
Mrs. W. C. Ames.....	300 00	216 93
“ Daniel Bowers.....	100 00	72 31
“ T. M. Brian.....	200 00	144 62
“ C. T. Cochel.....	250 00	180 77
“ W. T. Dumm.....	300 00	216 93
“ J. M. Elderdice.....	400 00	289 24
“ C. Eversole.....	100 00	72 31
“ D. F. Ewell.....	200 00	144 62
“ D. N. Gilbert.....	300 00	216 93
“ A. Greenway.....	200 00	144 62
“ J. A. McFaden.....	300 00	216 93
“ C. B. Middleton.....	350 00	253 08
“ H. E. Miskimmon.....	200 00	144 62
“ J. E. Read.....	200 00	144 62
“ D. E. Reese.....	250 00	180 77
“ John Roberts.....	350 00	253 08
“ D. A. Shermer.....	150 00	108 46
“ P. L. Wilson.....	150 00	108 46
“ T. M. Wilson.....	200 00	144 62
“ J. F. Whiteside.....	150 00	108 46
“ S. G. Valiant.....	200 00	144 62
“ W. F. Livingstone.....	200 00	144 62
“ Thomas Lee.....	150 00	108 46
“ C. M. Thompson.....	300 00	216 93
“ I. T. Adkins.....	150 00	36 10
“ W. T. Wright.....	200 00	48 14
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	\$9,050 00	\$6,230 53

*Reports to the*

Less Mrs. Adkin's, deceased, whose check was returned.....	150 00	
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	\$8,900 00	
Less Mrs. Wright.....	200 00	144 62
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	\$8,700 00	\$6,375 15
April 7, 1891, amount of claims.....		\$8,700 00
Distributed April 7, 1891 .....	\$4,196 88	
“ October, 1890.....	2,178 27	
	<hr/>	\$6,375 15

Or 72.31 per cent.

## STATEMENT.

*Receipts.*

Amount in hand from last Conference.....	\$ 49 97	
Received of H. Burrough, Treasurer, Oct. 9, 1890....	2,139 05	
“ “ “ “ April 2, 1891....	2,204 41	
District Collections.....	1,962 55	
Anniversary Collections .....	141 23	
Annual Dues.....	102 00	
Returned check of Mrs. Adkins.....	36 10	
	<hr/>	\$6,635 31

*Disbursements.*

Distributed to Claimants.....	\$6,375 15	
For investment.....	253 73	
Expenses of Secretary.....	3 13	
“ Steward.....	2 50	
Balance in Steward's hands.....	80	
	<hr/>	\$6,635 31

J. M. SHERIDAN, Steward.

O.—See page 28.

## SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Your Committee on Sabbath Observance beg leave to submit the following report :

WHEREAS, the observance of the Lord's Day, or the Christian Sabbath, is an institution ordained of God, having for its end the best interests of man in his varied relations, therefore;

*Resolved*, 1st. That all interests, temporal and spiritual, are promoted by a due observance of this sacred institution, and are imperiled by its desecration.

2d. That we most earnestly protest against the opening of the Columbian Exposition on the Lord's Day as violating the sacred injunction, to remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

3d. That we deeply deplore the lack of earnest effort on the part of our National Legislature to enact such laws for the District of Columbia, as will promote the proper observance of the Lord's Day, and thereby remove the reproach of Sabbath desecration from our National Capital.

4th. That in view of an apparent tendency to devote the Sabbath Day to unhallowed and sinful purposes, we do earnestly promise our hearty co-operation with all the agencies that are, or may be employed to prevent the violation of the laws of the Christian Sabbath. We also deem it



obligatory upon all ministers of the Gospel to preach upon the duty of keeping the Sabbath Day holy, and to enlist as far as possible the influence of Christian people everywhere in preserving this institution.

5th. That we discountenance the publication and distribution of secular newspapers on the Sabbath Day, and that the pastors of this Conference are requested to use their influence to suppress the same.

G. J. SMITH, Chairman.

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P.—See page 28.

BENEVOLENT AGENCIES.

Your Committee respectfully report that from information obtained from the Conference Steward, they find that the aggregate amount collected in the Maryland District for the Maryland Tract Society is \$319.49, to which is to be added \$200 contributed by Mrs. Tamsey A. Reese, through Rev. J. T. Murray, D. D., Corresponding Secretary of the Society, making a total of \$519.49. We recommend that the following named brethren be elected Life Directors of the Maryland Tract Society: J. E. Nicholson, J. S. Bowers, J. A. Weigand, W. D. Litsinger, J. L. Straughn.

Further, your Committee report that the whole amount collected in the District for the Maryland Bible Society is \$228.28, to which is to be added \$150 contributed by Mrs. Tamsey A. Reese, making a total of \$378.28. We recommend that the following named brethren be elected Life Directors of the Maryland Bible Society: G. W. Haddaway, B. P. Trnutt, J. H. S. Ewell and J. F. Valliant, and that the remaining \$28.28 be applied toward transferring A. A. Harryman from the relation of Life Member to that of Life Director.

We recommend the adoption of the following:

WHEREAS, We believe that the Maryland Tract and Bible Societies are doing a good work in the cause of Christ, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That we, as a Conference, heartily endorse the same, and give the Tract and Bible Agents access to our pulpits when it can be done without interference with our own work.

R. S. ROWE, Chairman.

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Q.—See page 28.

EDUCATION.

The Committee on Education would report:

1. Upon the subject of education the Maryland Conference has frequently spoken with no uncertain sound. Nor could it be otherwise, influenced as it is by the memories of the past, the demands of the present, and the hopes of the future. Were we to esteem lightly this imperative duty, we would not only prove ourselves to be "degenerate sons of noble sires," but we would forfeit our place among Christian churches and lose our power as a factor in saving souls, moulding character, and developing mind. The Methodist Protestant Church shall not have accomplished her mission until the intellectual culture of her

ministry and laity shall be commensurate with their denominational zeal and personal piety. This result may be secured by planting our colleges and our seminaries side by side with our pulpits.

2. We are gratified to learn of the phenomenal progress of Western Maryland College. Under the efficient administration of Dr. T. H. Lewis, this institution has assumed leadership among the educational institutions of our State. Though the erection of buildings upon "College Hill" has been marvellously rapid during the last five years, it has been far too slow to meet the swiftly rising tide of new students.

As to the contemplated Alumni Hall, we share with the President the conviction of need and the hope of success. This enterprise cannot but appeal to the pride and enlist the support of every loyal son and daughter who call Western Maryland College their Alma Mater. We would congratulate the President upon the money already subscribed toward a Chapel, and recommend this laudable enterprise to the liberality of our wealthy laymen and no less generous ministers.

3. The report of the Board of Governors of Westminster Theological Seminary has been carefully examined by your Committee. We rejoice in its past success, present progress, and future prospect. We believe the plan—now under consideration—of enlarging and making more complete the course of study, is timely and feasible.

We would commend to all the Endowment Fund, which has not yet received the support it deserves, and which is necessary to the solid establishment and symmetrical development of this institution of theological learning. We unite with the Board of Governors in their request for a continuance of the present assessment and the assignment of Dr. J. T. Ward as President, and Rev. J. B. Whaley as Professor.

4. By your Committee this is deemed a fitting occasion for recognition of the invaluable services rendered in the cause of ministerial education, by that eminent servant of God, our late and well-beloved brother, Rev. J. B. Walker, now gone to his reward. His praise is in all the churches; and the young men who, through his instrumentality, have been favored with the facilities that have proven so helpful in their preparation for the work of the Gospel ministry among us, will preserve his memory green and fragrant in their hearts while life shall last. The record of Brother Walker's long, arduous, and efficient labors in this behalf, should be a joy to the church whose thickening ranks of well-equipped defenders of our most holy faith attest the remarkable success that has attended his self-sacrificing efforts. "The workmen die, but the work goes on." May he who has been called to take up the unfinished work of our late dearly beloved brother, be animated by the same spirit, and equally successful in his high and noble endeavor to secure laborers for our Master's vineyard!

HUGH L. ELDERDICE, Chairman.

## REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE.

WESTMINSTER, MD., April 1, 1891.

*To the Maryland Annual Conference:—*

In the four annual reports I have had the honor to make to this body, I have so fully set forth the details of the work entrusted to my care, that I may now assume that the Conference is well informed concerning the character and condition of the College, and it will be unnecessary for me to lay before you anything more than a few general statements.

The patronage continues to increase, so that we have the largest school this year we have ever had, numbering at present 240. The proportion of boarders is about the same, perhaps a little larger, and the question is already looming up as to more room. It is certain some building must be done this Summer, if we expect any increase, for every place has been occupied this year.

The financial condition is about as usual. The present debt is \$14,000, being the mortgage given to raise the money for Hering Hall, diminished by \$1,000 paid last December. All other accounts against the College, of every description, have been paid.

The new building, which was talked of at the last Conference, was erected during the Summer, and other important improvements in the property made. We may now feel as well provided in facilities for school work, so far as room is concerned, as any college of our grade could desire. Other buildings are needed and we hope will be provided in due time. We need, for instance, more dormitories as stated above, and the probabilities are we shall enlarge the building for young ladies this Summer. We need an Alumni Hall, and the matter has been vigorously taken hold of by those especially interested, and there is good ground for believing that it will be consummated in the near future. We need a Chapel, as I stated last year, and stated not in vain I am glad to know. One of those who heard me has subscribed \$1,000 towards such a building, and I do not expect to have to wait long before others will do likewise.

If it should seem to any one that these are vain speculations or dreams of what might be, rather than sober needs of the hour, he has only to visit the College and learn for himself. Some of you have had that experience and have testified that you had no idea, previous to your visit, of the magnitude of the work going on at that point. It is true we have twice as much building as we had five years ago, but we have also, it must be remembered, more than twice as many students. And our need of room has always run ahead of our building ability. It is time now to pause in the race after patronage and consider the needs of those we have. We must give those who come to us the very best, for it is not enough to have a large college unless we have at the same time an efficient college. To those, therefore, who have means, I commend the opportunities for useful employment of money in a work second in importance to none we have in our Church. Respectfully submitted,

T. H. LEWIS.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF WESTMINSTER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The ninth year of the Seminary began September 16th, 1890. The number of theological students in the Seminary and the College, is twenty-seven. Of the students, there are six in the Senior, ten in the Junior and four in the Introductory classes, and seven in the College classes. Nineteen of the students are aided by the Board of Ministerial Education. Two others are specially aided by the North Carolina Conference.

A definite statement of the financial results of the year cannot be given until the Conference collections are in hand, and it is ascertained whether the Board of Ministerial Education will be able to pay the amount of its appropriations. We can, however, say that there is a fair prospect of meeting the expenses of the year from current receipts.

To the amount of Endowment Fund reported last year, there has been added the sum of \$135. This fund increases slowly, but we are not without hope that it may gradually grow into a strong aid to our Seminary work.

By the generous contributions, chiefly of Messrs. Samuel Norment and James M. Topham, of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Lydia Brubaker, of Uniontown, a porch has been built, extending along nearly the entire front of the Seminary, adding to the comfort and attractiveness of the building. Through the aid of the Board of Beneficence of St. John's Independent Church, the Seminary Chapel has been neatly refitted.

The Board has given much thought to the subject of enlarging and making more complete the course of study at the Seminary, especially for students who are not College graduates.

At the beginning of the present year it seemed as if no new students would enter the Seminary, notwithstanding the number contemplating the ministry was larger than usual. Nearly all of them needed literary preparation which the Seminary had no arrangement to give. Those who had means to pay their expenses, deemed it best to go to the College until they could get the literary training they felt they had need of, and those of the beneficiaries whom the Committee of Examination found to be in need of such literary preparation, were assigned to the College.

These facts led us to seriously consider the situation, and the Board has in contemplation a plan which in their judgment will meet all the requirements of the case, giving to the students a very complete course, both literary and theological, and without additional financial burden to the Church.

It is proposed to continue the provision for two classes of students—those who will graduate, and those who would desire or be obliged to take a shorter course.

The course for graduation would embrace four years. The first or Freshman year, would embrace the course of study in the Freshman class in the College, to which would be added Biblical History.

The Sophomore would be the Sophomore of the College, with addition of Theological Compend.

The Junior year would embrace the studies pursued in the Junior year at the Seminary, to which would be added Psychology, Logic, and Greek.

The Senior year would correspond to the present Senior year at the Seminary, with the addition of Philosophy and Greek. This course will be fully equal in general culture to the present course in the College for the degree of A. B., but as will be seen, is specially arranged for students preparing for the ministry, and will entitle the graduate to the degree of B. D.

For those not expecting to graduate, the last two years of the above course, excluding Hebrew and Greek, would be given, preceded by an introductory year of properly arranged studies.

It is necessary for the Board to avail itself of the co-operation of the College in carrying out this plan, and we feel assured that an arrangement can be made which will be satisfactory to both institutions, and which, if consummated, will insure a decided advance in the efficiency of our theological course.

We will need the aid of Conference, and ask that the assessment of \$1,200 be continued. We also desire the assignment of Rev. J. T. Ward, D. D., for service as President of the Seminary, and Rev. J. B. Whaley as Professor in the same institution.

J. W. HERING, }  
J. T. MURRAY, } Committee.

QQ.—See page 28.

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL STEWARD.

APRIL 4TH, 1891.

SEMINARY.

Amount Assessed.....	\$1,703 00
Amount Collected.....	1,045 20

Deficit .....	\$657 80
Received from W. Baltimore Station for investment for W. Md. College, \$227.12.	

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Amount Assessed.....	\$ 582 00
Amount Collected.....	1,064 65

Excess .....	\$482 35
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All of which has been paid to Rev. J. T. Ward, D. D., President of W. T. Seminary.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. S. ARNETT, Steward.

R.—See page 28.

GENERAL HOME MISSIONS.

Your Committee on General Home Missions, after reviewing the facts which have come before them, in connection with this interest of the Church, are happy to report an increase of activity and a hopeful outlook all along the line of General Home Mission work.

This particular branch of our Church work in the South and West has grown so promising as to reassure the convictions of last year's Committee, that these fields are peculiarly inviting, and that all the money we can give in aid of this work will be profitably expended.

Owing to the sickness of Brother Stout, the Corresponding Secretary, we have been able to get only a partial report, but are gratified to learn that the Board has been able to extend aid to several new Mission fields during the past year, and has expended a larger sum than during the preceding year.

The work is still at a point where it appeals to the Conference, not only for financial aid, but along with this the pleading for efficient men of Missionary zeal. In view of this fact, we recommend that if it be possible to spare such men from our work, they be loaned to the Board of General Home Missions, if desired.

We recommend that the Committee on Finance apportion the sum of \$1,000 on the various charges, according to their best judgment.

We recommend that pastors preach on the subject of General Home Missions, and clearly state to their congregations the object, work, necessities and advantages of this interest, and endeavor to collect the full amount of the assessment. We recommend that pastors use the Missionary boxes furnished by Brother Stout, the Corresponding Secretary, wherever possible to do so.

We recommend the organization of Womens' General Home Missionary Societies wherever practicable.

F. H. MULLINEAUX, Chairman.

S.—See page 29.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee appointed to consider the subject of Foreign Missions, beg leave to report as follows :

The work in the foreign field is as gratifying as the discouraging circumstances will admit. Political complications, religious bigotry, and unusual activity of the Braham priests, have hindered the rush, and embarrassed the missionaries : notwithstanding, our membership in the Churches and Sunday Schools has increased. The new College at Nagoya has been completed, paid for, and opened for students under encouraging auspices. The obligation to earnest work, and generous giving in the cause of Missions, is greater now than ever before. The duty of the Christian, the passion for humanity, the law of the Church, and the obligation of the Gospel imperatively demand enlarged interest and liberality in this work.

We earnestly urge the general observance of Children's Day, and request all our pastors to procure the Service (which is sent free by the Corresponding Secretary), and use it in their respective schools.

We earnestly recommend the *Missionary Bulletin* as an educator in the Mission work, and believe its general circulation is essential to the success of the work, and we deem it to be of grave importance that we pledge a renewed and zealous co-operation with the indefatigable and successful Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Missions.

The letters of Revs. F. C. Klein and E. H. Van Dyke, addressed to this Conference, are very gratifying, and we assure them of our fraternal regards and interest in their personal welfare and their work, and we commend all of our Foreign Missionaries to the sympathy and prayers of the entire Church.

ADDITIONAL REPORT.

Your Committee beg leave to report upon the paper and report of the Maryland Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Protestant Church, as follows :

1. That the Maryland Branch has, during the ten years of its existence, raised \$7,627.11 for the support of our Foreign Mission work, and for the past year has raised \$689.03, which your Committee regards a very gratifying exhibit, when the comparatively small portion of our membership engaged in the work is considered. These sincere and devoted women deserve great praise for their grand and noble work, and should have the more hearty and active co-operation of both the ministers and the membership of our Churches.

2. That there are thirty-one Auxiliary Societies in the Maryland Branch, and seven Mission Bands, with an active membership of 349, and a life membership of thirty. These figures do not present a flattering view of the interest taken by our people in the Foreign work of the Church. With proper interest and diligent effort, this number of Societies could, and should be, largely increased, and their membership in-

creased to a number which will compare favorably with the membership of our Churches, and to that end we strongly urge upon the ministry and laity of this Conference, both the importance and duty of pressing this important interest upon the attention of our people, and we recommend the adoption of the following resolution, viz :

*Resolved*, That the pastors of the several charges in this Conference be urgently requested to organize upon their respective charges, Societies Auxiliary to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of our Church, and that they extend their co-operation to the women of our Church in the work, and organization of such Societies.

Respectfully submitted,

L. W. BATES, Chairman.

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T.—See page 30.

LITERATURE.

*To the Maryland Annual Conference :*

Your Committee respectfully submit the following report :

Two papers have been referred to us for consideration.

First. A report from the Book Directory at Baltimore, presenting a statement of the general condition of our Baltimore publishing interests. This report conveys gratifying and encouraging information. These facts are specifically mentioned, viz : A net increase in the subscription list of the *Methodist Protestant*, a very decided enlargement in the circulation of our Sabbath School literature, a manifest interest upon the part of our ministers in circulating our church papers, and the patronage they have given to our Book Concern. Your Committee finds great pleasure in calling attention to and emphasizing these facts, recognizing as we do the intrinsic worth of our church publications, and the pre-eminent value of a widely circulated denominational literature. No agency is more effective in creating and fostering an intelligent appreciation of the needs, opportunities and responsibilities of our church than our denominational papers. And in proportion as they are introduced into our families and carefully read by our members, we may expect a response to the imperative demands of the various benevolences of our church, and an aggressive zeal in the work the Master has called us to do. These papers need the generous patronage of our people; not less true is it our people need the intelligence and inspiration their weekly visits bring. The ideal condition toward which the ministers and laymen of this Conference should look and labor with persistent and determined effort is, a copy of the *Methodist Protestant* in every home, and "Our own" Sabbath School literature in every Sabbath School of this district.

We recognize and commend the faithful and efficient services of the editor, Rev. E. J. Drinkhouse, D. D., and the agent, W. J. C. Dulany, Esq.

Your Committee has not had any specific information concerning the *Methodist Recorder* before us, but we take pleasure in saying that it maintains its high standard of excellence, and we commend it to the liberal patronage of our people.

Rev. J. F. Cowan, in the editorship of our Sabbath School papers, exhibits great and growing adaptability to his work. We note with satisfaction the recognition accorded to his unique gifts in this line by some of the best conducted and most influential Sabbath School papers of the country.

We would also call attention to the *Missionary Bulletin*, edited by Rev. F. T. Tagg, and published monthly by authority of the Board of Foreign Missions. As an educator and stimulus in the work of missions, it fills an important place, and deserves our endorsement.

*The Woman's Missionary Record*, Mrs. M. H. Miller, editor, merits our sympathy and support in its enthusiastic advocacy of woman's work for women in heathen lands.

Your Committee would respectfully suggest, however, that these last named publications might be judiciously consolidated if such an arrangement can be effected to the satisfaction of the Board of Missions and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

A second paper referred to your Committee we incorporate in our report, and herewith submit it with our cordial endorsement to the Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. MURRAY, Chairman.

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REPORT OF THE BOOK DIRECTORY AT BALTIMORE.

We observe the custom of submitting to this Conference a report from the Book Directory at Baltimore. Formerly it was required that a full and particular report should be made to the Maryland Annual Conference, as the representative of the patronizing Conferences. Now our itemized reports are made through the Board of Publication. All that is called for, therefore, is a brief statement of the general condition of our Baltimore publishing interests. Sufficient for this is to say that there is a net increase in the subscription list of the *Methodist Protestant*, and we think the list will suffer less from pruning in the future, because the process has brought it to a more healthy state. There is a very decided increase in the circulation of our Sabbath School literature, which has well nigh pushed all alien publications from our schools.

We acknowledge the interest the ministers have manifested in promoting the circulation of our Church papers, and the patronage of our Book Concern. Upon them depends to a great extent the support of these church interests; and we hope to have their utmost and hearty effort joined to our own endeavor to advance this essential part of our Church work.

J. G. CLARKE, Pres't.  
HORACE BURROUGH, Sec'y.

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U.—See page 30.

FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance beg leave to report that they have examined the report of the Secretary of the Conference with vouchers, and found all correct.

Your Committee also beg leave to present herewith the tabular statement of assessments for the various general interests of the District. (See tables.)

J. E. MALOY, Chairman.



V.—See page 30.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Committee offer the following report :

1. We believe that the Sunday School work is an important factor in Church work, and, therefore, it should receive a full measure of attention from every member of the Church.

2. To secure greater uniformity, and in many places, better competency in the Sunday School work, we suggest the holding of local Conventions of Sunday School workers for the purpose of discussing manners and methods of work.

3. In order that this Committee may have something practical to offer from year to year, we suggest that pastors place in its hands any items of interest they may meet in their respective work.

4. We deeply deplore the common practice of disbanding Sunday School work in many of our charges when camp-meetings and other extraneous attractions are near, and we hereby instruct our Quarterly Conferences to insist upon their Superintendents and Teachers to counteract this influence both by precept and example.

We further recommend that the Quarterly Conference take more active supervision over the Sunday School work, and see that the provisions of Discipline, page 64, Section 8, are duly observed.

C. H. LITTLETON, Chairman.

W.—See page 30.

GENERAL HOME MISSIONARY STEWARD'S REPORT.

The District was assessed \$1,028.00 for General Home Missions, for year ending April, 1891. Paid \$661.52 ; leaving a deficiency of \$366.48.

G. W. HADDAWAY,  
General Home Missionary Steward.

X.—See page 31.

TEMPERANCE.

WHEREAS, The General Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church has, by solemn and authoritative deliverances, enunciated its sympathy with the most advanced thought on the great question of temperance. Therefore—

*Resolved*, 1st. That to license iniquity is to partake of the sin, and that therefore we are unalterably opposed to any form of license, high or low, as being wrong in principle and pernicious in practice.

*Resolved*, 2d. That we hail with pleasure what has been done by the National Administration in prohibiting the sale of liquors within the radius of one mile of the Soldiers' Home in Washington, and also in the prohibition of its sale in the canteens of the United States Army.

*Resolved*, 3d. That our Young People's Societies of Christian Endeavor, Helpers' Leagues, &c., be requested to give special prominence to specific temperance work in their several organizations, and in commending by precept and example the duty of total abstinence on all their membership.

*Resolved*, 4th. That we recommend the use of unfermented wine in the Holy Communion in all our Churches.

*Resolved*, 5th. That we deplore the continuance of the liquor traffic in Africa, and call upon the Government to unite with other nations in their efforts to secure its suppression

DAVID WILSON, Chairman.

Y.—See page 31.

REPORT ON SUMMER SCHOOL.

Your Committee to whom was referred the item in the President's report on a Summer School of Theology are not prepared to offer any suggestion at this time, but recommend the appointment of a Committee to consider the subject and report at the next session of the Conference.

F. T. TAGG, Chairman.

Z.—See page 32.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PLAN OF WORK.

	Yrs.
Accomac .....	G. F. Farring, 3
Alexandria.....1.5	W. M. Poisal, 2
Amelia.....1.7	D. E. Day, 1
Baltimore.....40.13	A. D. Dick, 2
Barren Creek.....	J. E. Forrester, 2
Bedford.....	S. F. Cassen, 1
Belair.....	S. A. Hoblitzell, 6
Broadway.....9.25	Hugh L. Elderdice, 7
Brooklyn.....15.40	J. T. Lassell, 1
Cambridge.....	D. W. Anstine, 1
Campbell.....	Elmer Simpson, 3
Caroline.....21	R. L. Lewis, 2
Cecil.....	J. B. Jones, 3
Central.....66.05	S. R. Murray, 5
Centreville.....30.	J. W. Balderston, 2
Chesapeake.....	Jesse Shreeve, 1
Chestertown.....	D. L. Greenfield, 1
Chincoteague.....13.30	J. F. Wooden, 1
Clayton.....5.40	J. W. Norris, 2
Concord.....50.	1.8. W. A. Crouse, 1
Crisfield.....	G. Q. Bacchus, 2
Crumpton.....	C. H. Littleton, 1
Cumberland.....	C. H. Day, 1
Deer Creek.....	E. O. Ewing, 1
Deer Park.....6.83	Unsupplied,
Delta.....36.26	S. C. Ohrum, 4
Dorchester.....11.62	W. D. Litsinger, 3
East Baltimore.....	J. D. Kinzer, 6
Ellicott City.....1.85	J. R. Nichols, 1
Easton.....51.25	J. W. Trout, 3
Entaw.....25.	28.75 S. J. Smith, 1
Fawn Grove.....7.4.	J. L. Elderdice, 2
Felton.....23.31	B. F. Jester, 1
* Odenton -- 28.20	

Finksburg.....	9.52	.....	G. R. McCready, 1
First Church, Washington.....		.....	J. E. Nicholson, 4
Franklin City.....	41.	.....	R. S. Williamson, 2
Frederick.....	50	1.0.	W. J. Floyd, 2
Georgetown, D. C.....	50.12	.....	W. R. Graham, 1
Georgetown, Del.....		1.0.	L. A. Bennett, 1
Grove.....		.....	A. S. Beane, 2
Greenwood.....		.....	H. S. Johnson, 1
Hurlocks.....		.....	B. P. Truitt, 2
Hampden.....	15.	.....	J. W. Gray, 1
Howard.....		.....	C. E. McCullough, 1
Harrington.....	11.70	.....	W. H. Stone, 2
Harper's Ferry.....	20.25	.....	R. K. Lewis, 1
Heathsville.....		.....	J. H. Dougherty, 1
Holly Run.....		.....	E. B. Taylor, 1
Indian Mission.....		.....	Unsupplied, 2
Jefferson.....	142.79	.....	J. M. Sheridan, 7; Luther Warner, 1
Kennedyville.....		.....	Q. L. Morrow, 2
Kent Island.....	22.33	.....	H. C. Cushing, 1
Laurel.....	29.15	.....	J. W. Kirk, 2
Leipsic.....	6.50	.....	Alonzo Green, 1
Liberty.....	63.	2.5.	J. M. Gill, 1
Lisbon.....		.....	J. L. Killgore, 4
Lynchburg.....		4.5.	T. E. Coulbourn, 7
Leslie.....		.....	G. W. Donaldson, 1
Mariner's.....		.....	H. W. D. Johnson, 1
Middleway.....		.....	G. R. Hodge, 3
Milton.....	23.85	.....	B. W. Kindley, 1
Mt. Tabor.....	26.52	.....	W. S. Phillips, 1
Marley.....		.....	C. W. McAllister, 1
Newark.....		.....	L. R. Dyott, 2
North Carolina Ave.....	8.53	.....	A. W. Mather, 3
Newmarket.....	45.73	1.5.00	R. S. Rowe, 1
Oxford.....	18.50	25.00	F. H. Mullineaux, 2
Pipe Creek.....		.....	J. W. Charlton, 2
Pittsville.....		.....	C. R. Blades, 2
Pocomoke.....	10.50	.....	J. W. Parris, 1
Pocomoke City.....	20.	.....	A. D. Melvin, 6
Potomac.....		8.00	George D. Edmondston, 1
Powellsville.....	22.15	.....	Ava Donovan, 1
Quantico.....	45.50	2.5.00	J. L. Straughn, 1
Queen Anne's.....	64.	3.6.00	Samuel W. Coe, 1
Reliance.....	10.	.....	G. J. Smith, 2
Rowlandsville.....	41.	.....	William Shepherd, 1
Saint James'.....	19.50	4.3.	S. B. Treadway, 5
Saint Luke's.....		.....	J. M. Holmes, 2
Saint Michael's.....	24.	.....	B. A. Dumm, 1

*Reports to the Conference.*

Salisbury.....	20.27		C. S. Arnett, 2
Seaford.....	21.		B. F. Benson, 1
Snow Hill.....	32.37		J. H. S. Ewell, 1
South Baltimore.....			J. E. T. Ewell, 9
Starr.....	35.00	115.00	F. T. Little, 3
Stewartstown.....	8.00		Unsupplied, 1
Surry.....			R. W. Berryman, J. G. Sullivan, 2
Susquehanna.....	42.25		J. E. Maloy, 2
Sussex.....	17.27		A. J. Walter, 1
Salem.....			Joseph Valliant, 1
Trinity.....			W. J. Neeper, 4
Tyreeanna.....			Unsupplied, 1
Talbot.....	11.75	7.00	Ernest S. Fooks, 1
Union.....	10.		W. W. White, 2
Union Bridge.....	31.		J. J. Murray, 1
Warwick.....	39.91	21.89	J. M. Yingling, 2
Washington Street.....	20.	50.45	W. S. Hammond, 1
West Baltimore.....	62.35	65.00	L. W. Bates, 1; F. T. Benson, 1
Westminster.....			J. L. Mills, 3
Williamsport.....			Unsupplied, 3
Wilmington.....			A. A. Harryman, 1
Waverly.....			G. W. Haddaway, 3

J. A. Wright, 1; reserved,

*Superannuates*—J. W. Everist, 24; J. K. Nichols, 11; S. B. Southerland, 7; R. S. Norris, 4; D. W. Bates, 9; H. J. Day, 23; T. D. Valliant, 3; J. H. Ellegood, 14; J. A. Wiegand, 4; W. J. D. Lucas, 1.

Left without appointment at his own request—E. R. McGregor, 2.

F. T. Tagg, Corresponding Secretary to Board of Foreign Missions, 7.

T. H. Lewis, President Western Maryland College, 6.

J. T. Ward, President Theological Seminary, 6.

E. J. Drinkhouse, Editor *Methodist Protestant*, 17.

Loaned to Board of Foreign Missions—F. C. Klein, 9; E. H. Vandyke, 2.

Loaned to Maryland Tract Society—J. T. Murray, 2.

Loaned to St. John's—J. S. Bowers, 1.

Loaned to Chatsworth—T. O. Crouse, 2.

E. A. Warfield—Left without appointment, 2.

Loaned to Baltimore City Church Extension Society—David Wilson, 1.

Loaned to Theological Seminary—J. B. Whaley, 1.

W. M. STRAYER, *Pres. and Com. on Plan of Work.*

# OBITUARIES.

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See Page 18.

REV. AUGUSTUS WEBSTER, D. D.

An eloquent man and mighty in the Scriptures.—Acts xviii: 24.

Died in a good old age, an old man, and full of years—Genesis xxv: 8.

This venerable man, a distinguished and dearly loved minister of the Gospel, whose name has long stood at the head of the membership column of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, has ascended up on high—

“ From the lowly earth to the vaulted skies.”

Few words, voicing tenderly touched hearts, will tell the story of the termination of the lustrous earthly life of this “ old man eloquent,” this scholarly divine, this lover of God and lover of men. Many words would be required for the progress of that life towards the glory of its consummation. The many words will not be attempted in this Conference tribute. Their record is in the enduring book of remembrance above. The few words, comprising our sad, sweet task, are here sincerely submitted.

Amid the sacred calm of Sabbath, October 26, 1890, Dr. Augustus Webster was translated. He did not see death. His weeping household saw it; the large circle of admiring and venerating friends, near and remote, as the intelligence spread, saw it; but not he. What he saw in his life's last battle was victory over death, through One who had passed that way in conflict before him. In Stockton's portrayal of the Christian triumph, it may be truly said that Dr. Webster, in dying, thus resolved into initials the frightful word, “ Death,” over Eternity's portals: *D.*—Disciple; *E.*—Enter; *A.*—And; *T.*—Travel; *H.*—Heavenward: “ Disciple, enter, and travel Heavenward.” He accepted the friendly invitation, entered the gateway, and cheerfully went on his way to the bright beyond. To him, that was all there was in it—the event that gave such sorrow to all about the scene of departure, and so tenderly impressed others afar.

Dr. Webster was born in Harford county, Maryland, December 8, 1808. We have no data of his conversion, but it must have been in very early manhood, at latest, as he was received into the Maryland Annual Conference when he was but 24 years of age. And, from his prominent appointments, almost from the first, it is evident that he at once impressed the Church with his fitness for its most commanding posts, and for contributing largely to the character which, at this early period in its history, it had yet competitively to establish. That this impression of his brethren was subsequently confirmed by the steady expansion of his powers, is the unanimous testimony of the Conference, the churches he served, and the general Christian community as well. In his prime, while doing the everyday work of a faithful pastor, his magnificent pulpit discussions, gave him eminence among the most eminent of his ministerial contemporaries. He was another Chrysostum, “ The golden mouthed.” This committee may well felicitate themselves that they, in common with the other older brethren of the Conference, heard Dr. Webster when he was in the maturity of his grand faculties; when his

manly form stood erect in the pulpit, and on great occasions when the full, resonant tones of his melodious voice echoed in melting pathos over spell-bound congregations, and when, at camp meetings, especially, where thousands were convened, under this pulpit master, exhibitions of power akin to apostolic times were the regular order of the day. "There were giants in those days," but Augustus Webster, looming up in gifts all his own, was never obscured.

In his Conference membership duties there was the presence of the persuasive debater on the floor, and in his presidency the able parliamentarian in the chair, the tireless traveler during the year of highlands and lowlands, the vigorous executive, going the rounds of his district, administering its affairs, and making his track luminous with wise and loving Gospel activities.

But long years elapse, and while the picture is still vivid, its radiant colors are subdued by deepening shades. It is now the aged form, physically infirm, almost blind, but mentally well preserved; serene in spirit as the calm evening sky when the sun, hastening to its setting, irradiates it with a mellowed beauty. "As the aloe is green and well-liking till the last, best summer of its age, and then hangeth out its golden bells to mingle glory with corruption," so this man of God appeared in coming to the end of his long, good earthly life. Amid his bodily infirmities—

"Time had laid his hand  
Up on his heart gently, not smiting it:  
But as a harper lays his open palm  
Upon his harp, to deaden its vibrations."

Dr. Webster's death was very peaceful and triumphant. He said to those who, by solicitous ministries, were endeavoring to retain him: "Let me go home," Subsequently: "My feet are in the river; Jesus is with me! I love everybody!" And, with almost dying breath: "I will sing hallelujah!"

The funeral was held at St. John's Church, of which our venerable brother had long been pastor emeritus. The large attendance included all our Baltimore preachers and others from a distance: also a number of other ministers, among whom was a deputation from the Baltimore M. E. Preachers' Meeting. Rev. J. J. Murray, D. D., pastor of St. John's, and a closely related friend of the departed for half a century, presided at the service, and delivered an extended and most touching address. Appropriate eulogies were also pronounced by Rev. Dr. W. S. Edwards, of the M. E. Church, (whose deceased father and Dr. Webster had been endeared friends for many years,) and Rev. A. W. Green, pastor of a branch of St. John's, conveniently situated for Dr. Webster's attendance in his feebleness.

He is gone! But we cannot mourn. Looking down upon us from his glorified state, he would not have us shed a tear. Full of years, he has gone to his heavenly home, for which he sighed in his last hour. It is only when we think of his absence from all our church and social scenes where his presence was ever a charm, and far more keenly felt, his absence as husband and father, that, in sympathy with the bereaved, a wave of sorrow sweeps over the soul.

S. B. SOUTHERLAND, Chairman.

#### REV. JAMES THOMPSON.

On the eighteen hundred and ninetieth anniversary of the Saviour's advent on earth, Rev. James Thompson, who by life and office,

"The great Salvation loud proclaimed,"

Departed from earth to be with Christ. His funeral took place from his late residence in Westminster, on Saturday, December 27th, 1890. Besides the family and friends in the vicinity, many from distant places, were present to pay their tribute of respect to the memory of him whom

they loved so much. The religious services were opened by Rev. J. L. Mills, D. D., pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church, who read Psalm XC.; and a portion of chapter II. of the Gospel by St. Luke, which contains the words quoted by the deceased in his last hour. "Lord now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace." The reading of the Scriptures was followed by the singing of that favorite hymn of the deceased, beginning with the words,

"Jesus, lover of my soul?  
Let me to thy bosom fly."

Rev. W. A. Crouse, pastor of Deer Park Methodist Protestant Church, then offered a fervent prayer. Rev. Dr. Mills discoursed upon the very appropriate Scripture text: "Well done thou good and faithful servant. Thou has been faithful over a few things; I will make thee ruler over many things. Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord," and gave a brief sketch of the life of the deceased.

Rev. James Thompson was born in County Down, Ireland, September 9th, 1819. He came to America in 1851, having previously been a local preacher in the Wesleyan Connection in his native land. In 1853 he united with the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, and during the following years was stationed in Carlisle, and Bedford, Pa., Washington, D. C., Baltimore and Howard, and other parts of Maryland. He was in active work of the pastorage until 1880, when he was retired by the conference and took up his residence at Westminster, so that for ten years he has been well-known in the community, and highly esteemed by all. God put upon our brother the highest honor he can bestow upon man in calling him to be a minister of the word. He expressed himself to me, during a late visit, as feeling very unworthy, but said: "But God knows I have tried to be faithful, and all my trust is in Him." Brother Thompson was a loving husband, a true friend, a fond and indulgent father; and they have the highest possible comfort in their memory of the life of the departed. His dying lips not only prayed to depart in peace, but the last word they uttered was "glory."

Rev. John Edwards, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, followed in a touching address. Rev. J. W. Charlton next spoke. He said that he had known Brother Thompson for about thirty years, but intimately for the last ten. He referred to Brother Thompson's modest and diffident manner as a reason why he had to be long and well-known before one could fully appreciate his excellence of character. His labors were always attended by marked success. It was a very pleasing thing that he had a son in the ministry who will, we trust, like him win many souls to Christ.

Rev. J. T. Ward, D. D., president of the Westminster Theological Seminary made the closing address, in which he spoke of his acquaintance of many years with Brother Thompson, as being very precious to him, and referred particularly to his last interview with him. Brother Thompson he said, was a man of strong intellect and a very strong preacher, always edifying in his preaching and conversation. After the singing of another favorite hymn of the deceased, beginning with

"How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word."

The family and friends followed the mortal remains of the deceased to the Westminster cemetery, where they were interred, Rev. Dr. Mills reading the burial service.

One of the laymen on the committee says, that at three different times he ministered on Howard Circuit, and leaves a warm place in the hearts of the people; and added many stars to the crown he has gone to receive.

In the fall of 1872 Jennings's Chapel received the greatest blessing from God, through Brother Thompson, as His chosen instrument. While listening to one of his plain sermons that fall I received the blessing of salvation. Howard chapel also has many precious souls converted under his ministry.

To the merited eulogiums pronounced on the occasion of the funeral, a member of the committee on the obituary, who was in close communion with the deceased for many years, adds his tribute of affectionate regard.

Brother Thompson was a man of exceptionable qualities. His "modesty and diffidence" as referred to above, were apparent to all. The greatest spirits are always the humblest. The master said: "He that humbleth himself shall be exalted." I heard Brother Thompson on one occasion preach upon this grace when he gave this keen witted turn to the aphorism in opposition to it. You say "if you tread upon a worm it will turn;" "and shall I take a worm for my copy, when I have Jesus Christ for my example." His lot was cast in the humbler places in the church; but these were better fitted to his spirit than to gauge and stamp the measure and quality of his abilities. But he was content. He sought not his own but, Christ's glory. He would say:

"Any little corner Lord,  
In thy vineyard wide;  
Miracle of saving grace,  
That Thou givest me a place,  
Anywhere!"

He was a devout man, full of the Holy Ghost. Out of the fullness of his heart, his mouth spoke; being free from cant his pious conversation impressed you religiously. He preached the gospel, not about the gospel, but the gospel. In exegesis clear; in illustration original; striking in application; coming home to the heart and life; in doctrine; Scriptural, and solid as the rock upon which he built. He was a devoted son of Wesley. Methodism in its radical idea, was to him more than any form of its development. He was decided in his repugnance to all semblance of hierarchy, and therefore found the Methodist Protestant Church in consonance with his ecclesiastical notions. He was, however, warmly fraternal with all the families of Methodism.

For ten years, he was on the retired list, a period of heart-longing for his "loved employ." He resigned himself to his old allotted place with a grieved and chastened spirit, but with no complaint against his God. His retirement came as a surprise, and the shock coming so suddenly, it struck him with blindness as to which way he should go. He left the parsonage in the mountain and started out "not knowing whither he went." God took His child-like, bewildered, yet trustful servant by the hand, and led him to a temporary sheltering roof, and soon after to the home where he spent the declining years of his life. The story of this event in his life as related by himself was graphic and touching, giving an almost sensible picture of Jesus leading and His servant following, until the Saviour said, "Here is the place of your abode." This was on the suburbs of Westminster. Here he tarried during a half score of years, toiling for bread, suffering bodily affliction, and doing such service for Christ and the church as opportunity offered. Here I came into intimate relations with him which produced reverence for him as a Christian minister, a man distinguished for godly sincerity and purity of heart, of clear strong mind and all manly qualities.

The composure, even joyfulness with which he drew near to the grave, is a striking illustration of the fact that however fearful in the apprehension of nature death may be even to the saint, when the time comes for the encounter he will find death stingless and the grave not victor, but vanquished. Brother Thompson had a dread of the grave; he used to say, "it is more assuring to look beyond the grave than to look into it." But at last looking into it and beyond it he shouted, "*glory.*" *Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

J. T. MURRAY, Chairman.



## REV. SAMUEL TUCKER FERGUSON,

Was called away from this life November 11th, 1890. He fell at the post of duty. In full strength of manhood, and apparently in perfect health, he was in his pulpit, conducting revival services, when he suddenly became speechless, soon passed into unconsciousness, and in three hours he had passed away, ceasing at once to labor and to live. Brother Ferguson was the son of William D. Ferguson, of Washington, D. C., and was born in that city, January 5th, 1840. He was converted when about seventeen years old, in the first Methodist Protestant Church at a protracted meeting held by the pastor, Rev. W. T. Dumm. He joined church, and from it received his license to preach, and subsequently his recommendation to the Annual Conference. He was received into the itinerancy at the Conference held in Broadway Church in 1864. His first appointment was to Union Circuit as assistant to Rev. J. A. McFaden. His subsequent charges were the following in order named: Carlisle, New Market, Prince William, Howard, Queen Anne's, Pocomoke, Harmony, Frederick, Union, Finksburg, Bedford, Concord, and Liberty, making nearly twenty-six years of uninterrupted labor in the ministry. And this list of charges will show conclusively to any one familiar with the Maryland District that he had his full share of the heavy work of the Conference. He was physically a strong man, and was not afraid of the toil and hardship of large circuits: and he had, what is more rare than physical vigor, the graces of humility and contentment with his lot. One closer to him than any other says: "She never heard him complain of his appointment:" but he was ever ready to defend and justify the president in his plan of appointments. He was married September 21st, 1871, to Miss Emma R. Cromwell, a granddaughter of Rev. Dr. John S. Reese. This excellent Christian woman has shared his sorrows and trials, and cheered and brightened his home through nearly twenty years of this checkered life. He was happy in his home life. When the drives were long and rough, the field unresponsive to his best work, and the compensation small, still there was sunshine at home. May his faithful wife, and their now fatherless children, have the generous care of the Circuit and the Conference. One who knew him well, says: "I have found him one of the best of men. A man of few words, but always affable and pleasant. As a preacher of the gospel, it was a pleasure to listen to him. As a pastor, he was ever ready to visit the sick and the poor; and the most degraded in the community had in him a friend and helper." Another says of him: "He was respected and beloved by the entire community where he lived. He was a good preacher and so courteous and sociable out of the pulpit, that he had a great many friends, in and out of the church." One well qualified to estimate a man in the pulpit or out of it, writes: "He was a good man, an excellent preacher, much above mediocrity. He was a man of fine presence in the pulpit, easy and graceful in his manner, a fluent speaker, always interesting, and sometimes really eloquent in his presentations of gospel truth. He was popular out of the pulpit, as well as in it. His bearing was uniformly that of a dignified Christian gentleman, in every place befitting the minister of Christ. He never compromised himself or his high calling, by unseemly levity in any company. Of course like the rest of us, he had his defects and failures, but these we bury with him. He had no enemies. He commanded the respect, if not the affection of all who knew him." The following account of his last hours from the pen of Dr. J. K. Nichols, will be of interest to many. It was the third evening of special services at Johnsville. After the usual preliminary services "he arose and announced Heb. XI: 7, as his text, and commenced his discourse; in a few minutes—not more than four or five—it was noticed that something interfered with his utterance. He

used his handkerchief as if to remove something from his mouth that obstructed articulation, meanwhile trying to proceed. But, suddenly ceasing to make effort, he became profoundly silent, and turning from the congregation he sat down. I went to him and asked what was the matter ; he attempted to reply, making the impression that he was sick." Brethren carried him to the door for fresh air ; but it brought no relief. "Physicians were summoned, but they were helpless as ourselves. The Master had come, and was calling for him ; and no power on earth could detain him here. It was evident he had lost all consciousness soon after the attack. When Sister Ferguson arrived, he was just passing away ; not more than three hours after he was first taken." The Quarterly Conference of Liberty Circuit, passed resolutions expressive of the great loss sustained by the charge in his removal, and deepest Christian sympathy with his bereaved family. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Dr. J. K. Nichols, in the Church in Liberty. Friends from all parts of the circuit, and citizens of the town of all denominations filled the Church, and many were unable to gain admission. Rev. W. S. Hammond, preached the sermon, and Rev. J. M. Sheridan, of his own Conference, and Rev. Mr. Savage, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, took part in the services. His body was borne to the beautiful cemetery of the town, and buried in his chosen resting place to await the morning of the resurrection.

J. D. KINZER, Chairman.

# RESOLUTIONS.

## TO EXAMINE JOURNALS OF QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

1—See page 21.

*Resolved*, That the President of the Conference be requested to give special attention to the condition of the Quarterly Conference Journals and Pastors' Records in this District; and that he use his utmost endeavors to secure accuracy in the keeping of said Journals and Records.

## TO CHANGE TIME.

2—See page 21.

*Resolved*, That the Conference hold but one session to-morrow, beginning at 9 A. M., and closing at 1 P. M.

## ON SERMONS OF S. B. SOUTHERLAND AND J. T. WARD.

3—See page 21.

*Resolved*, That Dr. S. B. Southerland be requested to furnish his sermon preached at the opening of the session, for publication in the minutes.

*Resolved*, That Dr. J. T. Ward be requested to preach a semi-centennial sermon at our next session, to take the place of the regular Conference sermon.

## TO DEFINE THE STATUS OF MINISTERS LOANED TO OTHER CHURCHES.

4—See page 21.

WHEREAS, The Maryland Annual Conference for many years has been in the habit of acceding to requests for the services of its ministerial members in Churches and Benevolent Agencies not under its Ecclesiastical jurisdiction, granting supplies to Methodist Protestant Churches belonging to other Conferences, Independent Churches, institutions of learning, the Maryland Tract Society, the United States Army and the Methodist Protestant Book Concern. And,

WHEREAS, Questions have arisen, both as to the expediency of making such assignments, and the proper status of ministers so assigned, it is deemed right at this time to define the policy of the Conference so clearly as to enable both its ministers and those that seek their services to understand in what light they are regarded by this body.

*Therefore, Be it resolved by the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church*, that all the ministerial members of this body are under its stationing authority, according to the law of the Church found in the Discipline, p. 21, sec. 1.

2. That any minister who refuses to submit to the authority of the Conference forfeits his membership therein.

3. That ministers assigned to service by the stationing authority of the Conference, (exercised by the Conference collectively, or by the President when duly authorized), are *bona fide* in the service of the Conference, (whether their services are rendered in the regular itinerant work, or in any of the Churches or Agencies aforesaid), and they are entitled to all the consideration due to the other members of the Conference as such; and their legitimate claims are not to be prejudiced by their acceptance of any work assigned to them by this body.

4. The Conference has no authority to assign its ministers to the service of Churches of other denominations, except in accordance with the law of the Church, in Discipline, p. 77, sec. 31; which requires said Churches when served by our ministers, to co-operate with the Conference in its works of charity and religion.

5. Any Church of another denomination that may apply for ministerial service at the present Conference may be regarded as having by its application engaged to comply with the requirement of the Discipline recited above. But hereafter the Conference will require a distinct acceptance of the terms, under the signatures of the authorized representatives of the Churches making application.

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#### SYMPATHY.

5—See page 23.

*Resolved*, That this Conference has heard with profound regret of the departure out of this life of the Rev. Jno. E. Edwards, D. D., of the Virginia Conference M. E. Church South. His life was protracted and long, during which he gave "full proof of his ministry," and was "a burning and a shining light in the world." The remembrance of his truly catholic spirit, and his genial, kindly nature manifested towards his Methodist Protestant brethren, and especially in a time of great trial to the latter, will always abide with us.

We beg leave to tender the sympathy of this Conference to his Church and family in the bereavement they have suffered.

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#### DEFINING THE STATUS OF MINISTERS.

6—See page 28.

The Conference having adopted a paper offered by C. W. Button defining the status of ministers serving churches and benevolent agencies not under the jurisdiction of the Conference, it is hereby declared as explanatory of that action :

1. That so much of that paper as recognizes the right of such ministers to all the privileges of members of this body and the injustice of any attempt to prejudice their standing and relation on account of such appointments is affirmed; but the Conference does not regard itself as responsible for the appointment of any minister to work not under the jurisdiction of the Methodist Protestant Church except as giving its consent to such minister to accept such places.

2. That the inclusion of institutions of learning and the Methodist Protestant Book Concern in the list of such appointments is not to be understood as declaring that the Conference only permits its ministers to accept these when such institutions are in the M. P. Church, but that such work is under the jurisdiction of the Church and in the line of duty of members of this body, whenever the Conference deems it wise to endorse such appointments.

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#### TO AMEND RULE VIII.

7—See page 30.

*Resolved* to amend Rule VIII, by inserting in the third line, after the word amend, the following: or to make the order of the day.

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#### LOAN OF ENOCH JONES FUND.

8—See page 30.

*Resolved*, That the Conference hereby gives its sanction and approval to the loan by Thomas A. Murray, Trustee, of the Enoch Jones Fund, of the money in his hands belonging to said Fund to the Church Extension Society of Baltimore City, if said Society shall need said money; said Trustee receiving such security therefor as he shall require.

REVISION.

9—See page 31.

*Resolved*, That it is the sense of this Conference that there is no present necessity for the revision of our Articles of Faith.

TRANSPORTATION.

10—See page 31.

*Resolved*, That the pastor of Pocomoke City and F. T. Little be requested to act as a committee on transportation for the next Annual Conference.

AGENT SUPERANNUATED FUND.

11—See page 31.

*Resolved*, That the Conference appoint an agent of the Superannuated Fund interest to increase the amount for annual distribution and investment.

MRS. T. A. REESE.

12—See page 31.

WHEREAS, Our beloved sister, Mrs. Tamsey A. Reese, has continued her benefactions to this Conference for about forty years, giving largely to all its interests, so that during these years her contributions have aggregated many thousands of dollars. And,

WHEREAS, The touch of her loving hand has brightened the homes and cheered the hearts of many of our itinerants, and has largely helped to make comfortable our superannuates and their widows and orphans, and has otherwise in building churches and parsonages, and helping on our missionary and educational enterprises, greatly assisted our labors.

BE IT THEREFORE *Resolved*, That we, ministers and members of the Maryland Annual Conference, hereby express to our sister, "whose praise is in all the Churches" our high appreciation of her good works among us. We gladly testify that she has given without ostentation—"expecting nothing again." Like the noble woman commended by our Lord; "She hath done what she could" We further beg leave to assure our dear sister that we shall continue to pray that her life and health may be precious in the sight of the Lord, and that we say these things in no spirit of flattery, but from our hearts; and that she will accept our thanks and believe that through the administration of her abundant charity many thanksgivings have gone up to God.

THANKS.

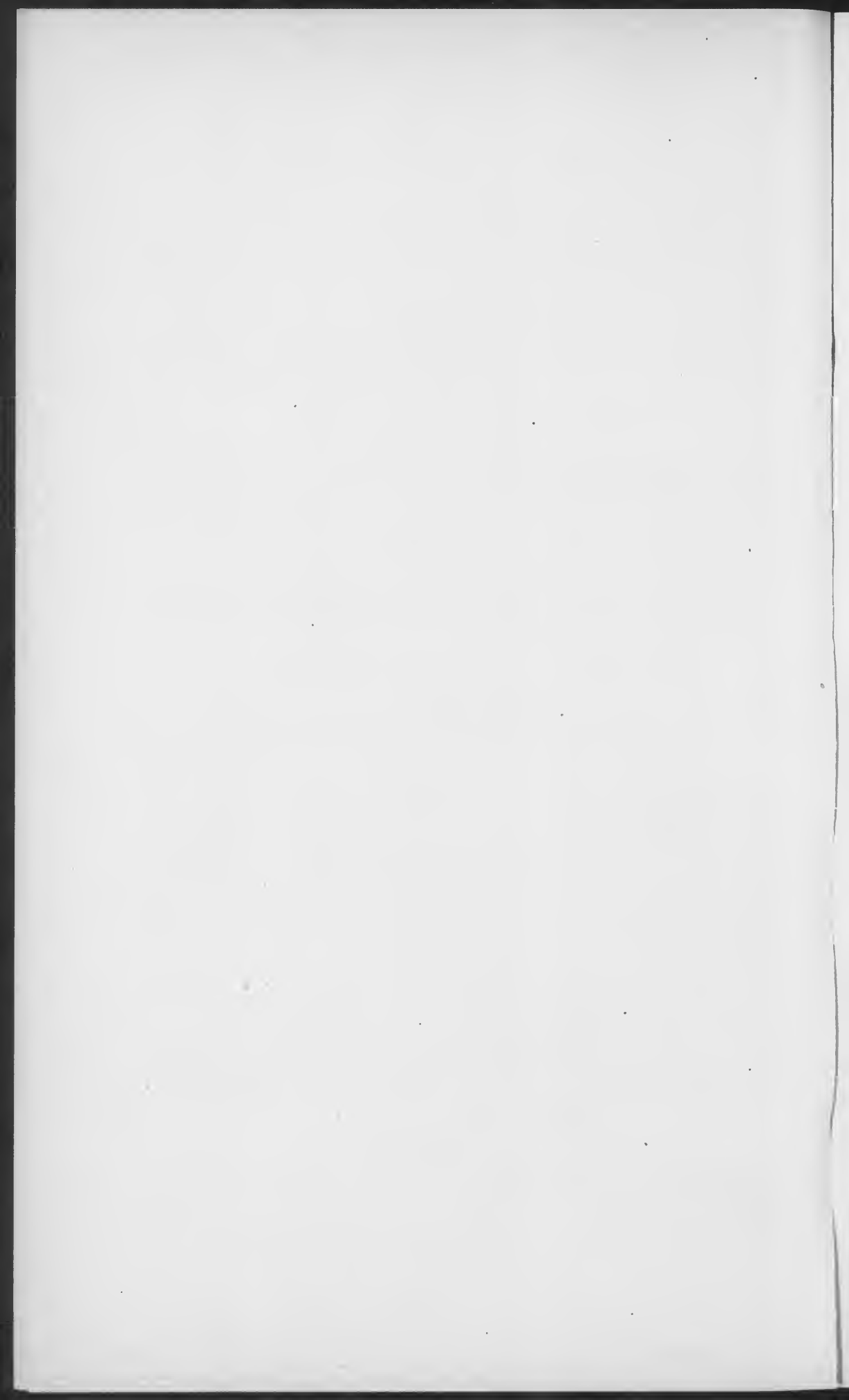
13—See page 32.

*Resolved*, That the Conference tender its thanks to the several reporters of the daily papers of this city, the Baltimore Sun, the Baltimore American, the Baltimore Herald, and the Evening News, for the correctness with which they have furnished their many readers the proceedings of the daily sessions of this body.

DEFINITION OF DEBTS.

14—See page 32.

*Resolved*, That the question on Pastor's blank, "Amount of debt on Church property," means all debts both floating and funded, and it should be reported for the information of the Conference.



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FINANCIAL  
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## Assessments for the Year beginning April, 1891.

CHARGES.	Confer- ence.	Seminary.	Minister- ial Educa- tion.	Superan- nuates.	Foreign Missions.	General Home Missions.	Md. Conf. Home Missions.	Presi- dent's Salary.	Bible Col.	Tract Col.
<i>C. L.</i> Belthany 610										
Accomac.....	\$2.00	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$9.00	\$30.00	\$20.00	Col	Col
Amelia... 17...	2.00	6.00	3.00	20.00	20.00	13.00	12.00	20.00	Col	Col
Alexandria 15...	4.00	10.00	4.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	20.00	25.00	Col	Col
4013-Baltimore 40.43	4.00	15.00	6.00	25.00	25.00	8.00	25.00	25.00	Col	Col
Barren Creek....	2.00	8.00	3.00	20.00	15.00	8.00	15.00	15.00	Col	Col
Bedford.....	4.00	20.00	8.00	30.00	30.00	13.00	45.00	40.00	Col	Col
Belair.....	4.00	15.00	8.00	25.00	25.00	10.00	25.00	25.00	Col	Col
Broadway 9.25	4.00	15.00	6.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	20.00	25.00	Col	Col
Brooklyn 15.00	2.00	5.00	4.00	15.00	15.00	5.00	10.00	15.00	Col	Col
Cambridge.....	3.00	10.00	5.00	18.00	18.00	6.00	25.00	20.00	Col	Col
Campbell.....	2.00	5.00	3.00	8.00	8.00	4.00	8.00	10.00	Col	Col
Caroline... 21...	3.00	20.00	6.00	25.00	25.00	10.00	35.00	35.00	Col	Col
Cecil.....	4.00	20.00	10.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	40.00	35.00	Col	Col
Central 6.60.5	5.00	20.00	12.00	40.00	40.00	13.00	50.00	35.00	Col	Col
Centreville 30...	3.00	15.00	5.00	25.00	25.00	10.00	30.00	25.00	Col	Col
Chesapeake.....	4.00	15.00	8.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	35.00	25.00	Col	Col
Chestertown....	5.00	25.00	12.00	90.00	90.00	30.00	60.00	45.00	Col	Col
530 Chincoteague 6.00	2.00	5.00	3.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	Col	Col
Clayton..... 5.00	3.00	12.00	6.00	30.00	30.00	12.00	26.00	20.00	Col	Col
Concord..... 5.00.9	3.00	15.00	5.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	30.00	30.00	Col	Col
Crisfield... 5.0...	3.00	15.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	8.00	20.00	25.00	Col	Col
Crumpton.....	2.00	9.00	4.00	20.00	20.00	6.00	15.00	15.00	Col	Col
Cumberland.....	2.00	9.00	3.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	25.00	15.00	Col	Col
Deer Creek.....	2.00	10.00	5.00	15.00	15.00	8.00	20.00	20.00	Col	Col
Deer Park 6.03	2.00	10.00	4.00	25.00	25.00	7.00	20.00	20.00	Col	Col
Delta..... 36.25	3.00	10.00	6.00	25.00	25.00	10.00	20.00	20.00	Col	Col
Dorchester 11.62	3.00	15.00	5.00	30.00	30.00	16.00	38.00	25.00	Col	Col
East Baltimore.	5.00	25.00	12.00	60.00	60.00	20.00	70.00	40.00	Col	Col
Easton 57.25	5.00	25.00	15.00	70.00	75.00	25.00	70.00	50.00	Col	Col
Ellicott City 1.85	2.00	5.00	4.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	Col	Col
Eutaw..... 25...	4.00	10.00	5.00	25.00	25.00	10.00	25.00	20.00	Col	Col
92-Fawn Grove 6.5	4.00	15.00	8.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	27.00	30.00	Col	Col
Felton... 23.31	3.00	9.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	6.00	15.00	15.00	Col	Col
Finksburg 6.53	4.00	15.00	6.00	25.00	25.00	10.00	30.00	30.00	Col	Col
First Church....	4.00	12.00	6.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	30.00	25.00	Col	Col
Franklin City 41	2.00	10.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	8.00	15.00	20.00	Col	Col
Frederick... 50...	5.00	25.00	10.00	60.00	60.00	25.00	60.00	50.00	Col	Col
5012-Georget'n, D. C.	5.00	25.00	10.00	50.00	50.00	25.00	100.00	40.00	Col	Col
Georget'n, Del..	2.00	5.00	3.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	15.00	15.00	Col	Col
Greenwood.....	2.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	15.00	10.00	Col	Col
Grove.....	3.00	10.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	8.00	20.00	20.00	Col	Col
Hampden... 15...	5.00	20.00	6.00	35.00	35.00	13.00	50.00	35.00	Col	Col
2025-Harper's Ferry.	2.00	5.00	3.00	20.00	20.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	Col	Col
Harrington 11.30	3.00	8.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	8.00	20.00	20.00	Col	Col
Heathsville.....	2.00	8.00	3.00	15.00	15.00	10.00	15.00	25.00	Col	Col
Holly Run.....	2.00	5.00	5.00	15.00	15.00	8.00	10.00	15.00	Col	Col
Howard.....	4.00	12.00	5.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	35.00	20.00	Col	Col
Indian Mission.									Col	Col
1779-Jefferson 1.25	8.00	25.00	12.00	50.00	50.00	18.00	80.00	45.00	Col	Col
Kennedyville....	2.00	9.00	4.00	15.00	15.00	5.00	20.00	15.00	Col	Col
Kent Island 2233	3.00	10.00	5.00	25.00	25.00	10.00	37.00	25.00	Col	Col
Laurel... 29.25	4.00	10.00	5.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	35.00	30.00	Col	Col
Leipsic..... 4.50	3.00	9.00	4.00	20.00	20.00	8.00	20.00	15.00	Col	Col

NOTE.—CONFERENCE COLLECTION is for the incidental expense of the Annual Conference, including the publication of the Minutes. SEMINARY COLLECTION is for the salary of the President of Westminster Theological Seminary, and should be sent to Rev. J. T. Ward, D. D., Westminster, Md. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION is to assist needy



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Assessments for the Year Beginning April, 1891.

CHARGES.	Confer- ence.	Seminary.	Minister- ial Educa- tion.	Superan- nuates.	Foreign Missions.	General Home Missions.	Md. Conf. Home Missions.	Presi- dent's Salary.	Bible Col.	Tract Col.
Liberty ..... 6.3...	\$4.00	\$20.00	\$ 8.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$10.00	\$20.00	\$35.00	Col	Col
Lisbon .....	3.00	18.00	6.00	30.00	30.00	12.00	35.00	30.00	Col	Col
Lynchburg .....	8.00	25.00	10.00	45.00	45.00	15.00	50.00	50.00	Col	Col
Mariner's .....	4.00	10.00	6.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	20.00	15.00	Col	Col
Marley .....	2.00	8.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	8.00	15.00	15.00	Col	Col
Middleway .....	2.00	5.00	3.00	15.00	15.00	5.00	15.00	15.00	Col	Col
Milton ..... 23.85	3.00	10.00	4.00	20.00	20.00	10.00	20.00	20.00	Col	Col
Mt. Tabor 26.52	3.00	8.00	5.00	35.00	35.00	12.00	15.00	30.00	Col	Col
Newark .....	5.00	30.00	10.00	60.00	60.00	20.00	60.00	40.00	Col	Col
New Market ....	3.00	10.00	5.00	25.00	25.00	10.00	25.00	20.00	Col	Col
N. C. Avenue 5.53	3.00	10.00	6.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	15.00	20.00	Col	Col
Oxford ..... 16.49	4.00	12.00	8.00	25.00	25.00	10.00	22.00	20.00	Col	Col
Pipe Creek .....	5.00	12.00	5.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	30.00	20.00	Col	Col
Pittsville .....	3.00	15.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	8.00	27.00	25.00	Col	Col
Pocomoke 10.50	3.00	10.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	8.00	20.00	20.00	Col	Col
Pocomoke City 50.50	20.00	10.00	50.00	50.00	15.00	70.00	35.00	Col	Col	
Potomac ..... 20.10	2.00	8.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	16.00	10.00	Col	Col
Powellsville 22.15	3.00	10.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	8.00	20.00	20.00	Col	Col
Quantico 4.55	4.00	10.00	5.00	25.00	25.00	10.00	20.00	20.00	Col	Col
Queen Anne 6.4	4.00	15.00	6.00	35.00	35.00	13.00	30.00	25.00	Col	Col
Reliance 10.1	2.00	8.00	3.00	15.00	15.00	6.00	15.00	15.00	Col	Col
41-Rowlandville 30	2.00	9.00	4.00	25.00	25.00	9.00	20.00	15.00	Col	Col
Salem .....	3.00	10.00	5.00	15.00	15.00	5.00	15.00	10.00	Col	Col
Salisbury 20.27	3.00	12.00	5.00	22.00	22.00	7.00	15.00	20.00	Col	Col
St. James' 19.50	3.00	20.00	6.00	40.00	40.00	20.00	30.00	40.00	Col	Col
St. Luke's .....	2.00	10.00	5.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	10.00	30.00	Col	Col
St. Michael's 24	3.00	12.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	8.00	15.00	20.00	Col	Col
Seaford ..... 21.1	3.00	10.00	5.00	25.00	25.00	6.00	20.00	15.00	Col	Col
Snow Hill 32.37	4.00	10.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	12.00	35.00	20.00	Col	Col
South Baltimore	4.00	15.00	6.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	30.00	20.00	Col	Col
Starr ..... 35.1	6.00	25.00	15.00	100.00	100.00	30.00	150.00	40.00	Col	Col
62-Stewartstown 8.2	2.00	5.00	5.00	15.00	15.00	5.00	15.00	15.00	Col	Col
Surry .....	2.00	8.00	3.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	20.00	Col	Col
Susquehanna 42.5	4.00	15.00	8.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	30.00	30.00	Col	Col
1727 Sussex ..... 17.27	3.00	8.00	5.00	20.00	20.00	6.00	16.00	15.00	Col	Col
771 Talbot ..... 6.44	2.00	5.00	3.00	15.00	15.00	5.00	25.00	10.00	Col	Col
Trinity .....	2.00	15.00	5.00	18.00	18.00	8.00	20.00	15.00	Col	Col
Tyreeanna .....	2.00	3.00	3.00	6.00	6.00	2.00	5.00	10.00	Col	Col
Union ..... 10.1	4.00	10.00	5.00	25.00	25.00	10.00	30.00	20.00	Col	Col
Union Bridge 31.4	4.00	12.00	6.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	25.00	20.00	Col	Col
Warwick 39.9	5.00	20.00	6.00	50.00	50.00	15.00	35.00	35.00	Col	Col
Washing'tn St 30	6.00	15.00	8.00	50.00	50.00	15.00	40.00	30.00	Col	Col
Waverly .....	2.00	5.00	3.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	10.00	10.00	Col	Col
6235 West Baltimore	8.00	25.00	20.00	100.00	100.00	33.00	105.00	55.00	Col	Col
Westminster ....	8.00	25.00	15.00	80.00	80.00	25.00	90.00	50.00	Col	Col
Williamsport ....	2.00	3.00	3.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	Col	Col
Wilmington .....	3.00	8.00	4.00	20.00	20.00	6.00	15.00	12.00	Col	Col

young men in securing an education to prepare for the ministry in the M. P. Church, and should be sent to Mr. Jno. H. Clancy, 98 Fourth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. SUPER-ANNUATED FUND is for the worn-out preachers of the M. P. Church, in the Maryland District, their widows and orphans, and should be sent to Rev. J. M. Sheridan, Buckeystown, Md. FOREIGN MISSION collections should be sent to Rev. F. T. Tagg, Easton, Md. GENERAL HOME MISSION collections should be sent to Rev. Benjamin Stout, Rockford, W. Va. HOME MISSIONS of the Maryland Conference should be sent to W. H. Silk, Cor. Saratoga and Howard Streets, Baltimore, Md. PRESIDENT'S SALARY should be paid to the President at the time of his visit, or previously sent to 42 Parkin Street, Baltimore, Md. Pastors will always secure receipts from agents for money paid during the year.

## Collections for Local Interests and Totals for all

No.	CHARGES.	PREST'S SALARY.		PASTR'S SALARY.		Rental Value of Parsonages.
		Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	
	<i>Assessments</i>					
1	Accomac.....	20.00	20.00	500.00	500.00	60.00
2	Alexandria.....	25.00	25.00	700.00	700.00	200.00
3	Amelia.....	20.00	20.00	350.00	312.65	.....
4	Anne Arundel.....	35.00	35.00	1,050.00	750.00	150.00
5	Baltimore.....	25.00	25.00	600.00	600.00	150.00
6	Barren Creek.....	15.00	15.00	350.00	279.00	60.00
7	Bedford.....	40.00	40.00	500.00	424.10	60.00
8	Belair.....	25.00	25.00	700.00	700.00	240.00
9	Broadway.....	25.00	25.00	700.00	700.00	240.00
10	Cambridge.....	20.00	20.00	500.00	458.00	78.00
11	Campbell.....	15.00	12.00	375.00	196.33	.....
12	Caroline.....	35.00	35.00	600.00	581.00	75.00
13	Cecil.....	35.00	35.00	700.00	700.00	100.00
14	Central.....	35.00	35.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	420.00
15	Centreville.....	25.00	25.00	400.00	400.00	150.00
16	Chesapeake.....	25.00	25.00	500.00	500.00	100.00
17	Chestertown.....	45.00	45.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	150.00
18	Chincoteague.....	10.00	10.00	250.00	250.00	.....
19	Clayton.....	20.00	14.25	500.00	500.00	125.00
20	Concord.....	30.00	30.00	450.00	320.00	40.00
21	Crisfield.....	25.00	25.00	650.00	650.00	150.00
22	Crumpton.....	15.00	15.00	300.00	300.00	90.00
23	Cumberland.....	15.00	15.00	500.00	500.00	120.00
24	Deer Creek.....	20.00	20.00	350.00	316.38	60.00
25	Deer Park.....	20.00	16.00	350.00	325.00	150.00
26	Delta.....	20.00	20.00	600.00	600.00	144.00
27	Dorchester.....	25.00	25.00	625.00	625.00	75.00
28	East Baltimore.....	40.00	40.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	240.00
29	Easton.....	50.00	50.00	800.00	800.00	200.00
30	Ellicott City.....	5.00	5.00	300.00	260.00	.....
31	Eutaw.....	20.00	20.00	600.00	625.00	240.00
32	Fawn Grove.....	30.00	30.00	600.00	560.00	75.00
33	Felton.....	15.00	6.84	400.00	351.61	55.00
34	Finksburg.....	30.00	30.00	550.00	550.00	75.00
35	First Church.....	20.00	20.00	800.00	800.00	240.00
36	Franklin City.....	20.00	20.00	575.00	575.00	75.00
37	Frederick.....	50.00	50.00	700.00	700.00	75.00
38	Georgetown, D. C.....	40.00	40.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	500.00
39	Georgetown, Del.....	10.00	10.00	75.00	75.00	.....
40	Greenwood.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
41	Grove.....	20.00	20.00	400.00	400.00	60.00
42	Hampden.....	35.00	35.00	800.00	800.00	125.00
43	Harper's Ferry.....	10.00	10.00	380.00	310.00	60.00
44	Harrington.....	25.00	25.00	600.00	574.00	150.00
45	Heathsville.....	22.00	22.00	600.00	600.00	75.00
46	Howard.....	20.00	20.00	480.00	428.68	100.00
47	Hurlock.....	.....	5.00	250.00	150.00	.....
48	Jefferson.....	45.00	45.00	1,050.00	1,050.00	150.00
49	Kennedyville.....	15.00	15.00	375.00	375.00	70.00
50	Kent Island. 15, 8, 27.....	25.00	25.00	500.00	500.00	150.00

Purposes for the Year Ending April, 1891.

No.	TOTAL.		Current Expenses.	Building and Improvements.	Paid on Debt.	Total Paid for Local Interests.	Total Paid for General Interests.	Total Paid for all Purposes.
	Assess.	Paid.						
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	580.00	580.00	400.00	600.00	200.00	1,780.00	148.00	1,928.00
2	925.00	925.00	150.00	8,000.00	3,650.00	4,725.00	197.46	4,920.00
3	370.00	332.65	.....	10.00	.....	342.65	75.70	411.35
4	1,235.00	935.00	175.00	200.00	.....	1,310.00	91.65	1,401.65
5	775.00	775.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	53.18	1,146.78
6	425.00	354.00	70.00	195.00	640.00	1,259.00	10.67	1,269.67
7	600.00	524.10	50.00	30.00	18.00	622.10	92.99	714.09
8	965.00	965.00	150.00	12.00	35.00	1,162.00	138.00	1,300.05
9	965.00	965.00	284.00	100.00	260.00	1,609.00	208.08	1,817.08
10	598.00	556.00	305.24	.....	.....	841.24	50.72	891.11
11	390.00	208.33	.....	.....	.....	208.33	10.13	218.46
12	710.00	691.00	98.00	90.00	.....	879.00	154.41	1,031.41
13	835.00	835.00	150.00	150.00	300.00	1,435.00	72.00	1,692.00
14	1,555.00	1,555.00	703.85	.....	.....	2,258.85	567.87	3,116.72
15	575.00	575.00	400.00	150.00	410.00	1,535.00	148.54	1,687.54
16	625.00	625.00	74.88	853.00	80.00	1,632.88	120.00	1,752.88
17	1,195.00	1,195.00	831.91	.....	.....	2,026.91	279.10	2,306.18
18	260.00	260.00	70.00	20.00	.....	350.00	27.00	377.00
19	645.00	639.25	50.00	100.00	36.00	825.25	55.10	880.35
20	520.00	390.00	115.00	.....	.....	505.00	36.00	541.00
21	825.00	825.00	275.00	650.00	.....	1,750.00	141.50	1,891.50
22	405.00	405.00	83.74	123.00	.....	611.74	75.00	686.74
23	635.00	635.00	169.69	.....	.....	869.81	65.07	869.81
24	430.00	396.38	104.92	420.00	.....	921.30	58.35	921.30
25	520.00	491.00	40.00	.....	.....	381.00	10.80	381.80
26	764.00	764.00	220.00	600.00	1,400.00	2,984.00	83.00	2,984.00
27	725.00	725.00	150.00	.....	31.00	906.00	46.73	952.73
28	1,280.00	1,280.00	535.00	41.50	.....	1,856.50	395.96	2,252.46
29	1,050.00	1,050.00	250.00	870.79	.....	2,107.79	717.34	2,825.13
30	305.00	265.00	70.00	10.00	.....	385.00	18.75	403.75
31	860.00	885.00	150.00	300.00	.....	1,335.00	148.00	1,483.00
32	705.00	665.00	172.00	154.00	120.00	1,111.00	140.46	1,251.46
33	470.00	413.45	48.51	30.00	.....	491.96	74.35	566.31
34	655.00	655.00	110.00	.....	.....	765.00	53.23	818.23
35	1,060.00	1,060.00	329.00	423.00	252.00	2,064.00	136.76	2,200.76
36	670.00	670.00	55.00	300.00	140.00	1,065.00	75.50	1,040.50
37	825.00	825.00	314.00	297.00	241.00	1,677.00	159.77	1,981.77
38	1,640.00	1,640.00	531.00	365.65	.....	2,536.65	293.93	2,890.58
39	85.00	85.00	20.00	21.00	350.00	476.00	18.00	144.00
40	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
41	480.00	480.00	100.00	50.00	125.00	755.00	43.00	798.00
42	960.00	960.00	467.00	1,000.00	.....	2,742.00	175.00	2,917.00
43	460.00	380.00	125.00	.....	.....	505.00	28.40	533.40
44	775.00	649.00	125.00	500.00	.....	1,374.00	80.00	1,451.00
45	697.00	697.00	50.00	800.00	.....	1,547.00	140.00	1,687.00
46	600.00	548.68	67.00	200.00	225.00	1,040.68	81.54	1,045.22
47	250.00	155.00	40.00	.....	150.00	345.00	22.75	367.75
48	1,245.00	1,245.00	500.00	1,300.00	400.00	3,445.00	382.01	3,827.10
49	460.00	460.00	152.04	895.00	.....	1,507.04	45.00	1,552.04
50	675.00	675.00	67.00	.....	.....	732.00	50.03	782.03

## Collections for Local Interests and Totals for all

No.	CHARGES.	PRST'S SALARY.		PASTOR'S SALARY.		Rental Value of Parson- ages.
		Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	
51	Laurel.....	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 125.00
52	Leipsic.....	15.00	15.00	350.00	350.00	.....
53	Liberty.....	40.00	40.00	500.00	477.00	75.00
54	Lisbon.....	30.00	30.00	650.00	600.00	75.00
55	Lynchburg.....	50.00	50.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	.....
56	Mariner's.....	10.00	10.00	500.00	500.00	75.00
57	Middleway.....	15.00	15.00	270.00	270.00	40.00
58	Milton.....	25.00	20.00	530.00	530.00	60.00
59	Mt. Tabor.....	30.00	30.00	500.00	500.00	.....
60	Newark.....	40.00	40.00	1,000.00	1,101.00	480.00
61	N. C. Avenue.....	25.00	25.00	800.00	800.00	300.00
62	Oxford.....	20.00	20.00	500.00	500.00	120.00
63	Pipe Creek.....	25.00	25.00	500.00	500.00	150.00
64	Pittsville.....	25.00	25.00	500.00	570.00	60.00
65	Pocomoke.....	20.00	20.00	450.00	452.00	60.00
66	Pocomoke City.....	35.00	35.00	800.00	800.00	125.00
67	Potomac.....	10.00	10.00	500.00	475.00	75.00
68	Powellsville.....	20.00	20.00	300.00	315.00	35.00
69	Quantico.....	20.00	20.25	550.00	550.00	75.00
70	Queen Anne's.....	25.00	25.00	500.00	500.00	100.00
71	Reliance.....	15.00	15.00	500.00	400.00	75.00
72	Rowlandville.....	15.00	15.00	400.00	.....	36.00
73	St. James'.....	40.00	40.00	650.00	650.00	100.00
74	St. Luke's.....	30.00	30.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	240.00
75	St. Michael's.....	20.00	20.00	400.00	360.00	120.00
76	Salisbury.....	20.00	20.00	525.00	514.00	160.00
77	Seaford.....	15.00	15.00	550.00	550.00	100.00
78	Snow Hill.....	20.00	20.00	600.00	600.00	125.00
79	Somerset.....	30.00	30.00	800.00	800.00	75.00
80	South Baltimore.....	20.00	20.00	800.00	800.00	250.00
81	Starr.....	40.00	40.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	240.00
82	Stewartstown.....	30.00	30.00	805.00	805.00	80.00
83	Surry.....	20.00	20.00	400.00	330.15	60.00
84	Susquehanna.....	25.00	25.00	600.00	600.00	100.00
85	Sussex.....	15.00	10.20	500.00	455.00	75.00
86	Talbot.....	10.00	10.00	200.00	200.00	.....
87	Union.....	20.00	20.00	600.00	600.00	50.00
88	Union Bridge.....	20.00	20.00	500.00	500.00	144.00
89	Warwick.....	40.00	40.00	600.00	505.15	50.00
90	Washington St.....	30.00	30.00	900.00	900.00	240.00
91	West Baltimore.....	55.00	55.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	.....
92	Westminster.....	50.00	50.00	900.00	900.00	250.00
93	Williamsport.....	.....	.....	135.36	135.36	.....
94	Wilmington.....	10.00	10.00	325.00	325.00	.....
95	Waverly.....	5.00	5.00	579.00	579.00	.....
96	Indian River.....	.....	5.00	.....	60.00	.....
97	St. John's, Ind.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
98	Chatsworth, Ind.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....		2,352.00	2,310.54	55,654.36	53,580.41	10,502.00

\*W. Baltimore paid in addition to this amount \$227.12 to Endowment Fund of W. M. College.

Purposes for the Year Ending April, 1891.

No.	TOTAL.		Current Expenses.	Building and Improve-ments.	Paid on Debt.	Total Paid for Local Interests.	Total Paid for General Interests.	Total Paid for all Pur-poses.
	Assess.	Paid.						
51	\$810.00	\$810.00	\$130.00	\$60.00	.....	1,000.00	111.97	1,111.97
52	365.00	365.00	40.00	.....	.....	405.00	18.75	423.75
53	615.00	592.00	139.10	140.00	.....	871.10	116.07	987.17
54	755.00	705.00	120.00	85.00	100.00	985.00	132.44	1,117.44
55	1,250.00	1,250.00	435.85	.....	.....	1,685.85	466.00	2,151.85
56	585.00	585.00	183.89	262.65	.....	1,031.54	128.12	1,159.66
57	325.00	325.00	35.00	83.00	83.00	536.00	15.00	541.00
58	615.00	610.00	142.21	196.00	130.00	1,078.21	103.60	1,181.81
59	530.00	530.00	257.41	.....	.....	996.60	365.78	1,362.38
60	1,520.00	1,521.00	2,016.73	364.00	.....	4,001.73	403.00	4,404.73
61	1,125.00	1,125.00	234.71	33.45	214.02	1,607.18	119.50	1,726.68
62	640.00	640.00	211.90	10.00	.....	861.90	120.54	982.44
63	675.00	675.00	180.00	60.00	373.00	1,238.00	237.00	1,475.00
64	585.00	655.00	100.00	55.00	.....	750.00	70.75	820.75
65	530.00	532.00	.....	.....	.....	532.00	64.47	596.47
66	960.00	960.00	325.00	500.00	.....	1,785.00	191.50	1,976.50
67	585.00	560.00	68.00	273.00	.....	901.00	40.00	941.00
68	355.00	370.00	20.00	179.00	.....	569.00	83.49	652.49
69	645.00	645.25	75.00	80.00	.....	825.00	87.33	912.33
70	625.00	625.00	150.00	1,715.00	.....	2,490.00	187.89	2,677.89
71	590.00	490.00	40.00	175.00	.....	705.00	33.50	738.50
72	451.00	51.00	.....	.....	.....	91.00	.....	.....
73	790.00	790.00	150.00	.....	.....	940.00	222.25	1,162.25
74	1,270.00	1,270.00	715.00	220.00	257.00	2,462.00	75.00	2,537.00
75	540.00	500.00	65.00	.....	565.00	1,020.00	57.81	1,077.81
76	705.00	694.00	200.00	981.49	.....	1,875.49	115.22	1,990.71
77	665.00	665.00	201.01	20.00	50.00	936.01	105.04	1,041.05
78	745.00	745.00	150.00	1,500.00	.....	2,395.00	70.06	2,465.06
79	905.00	905.00	282.76	950.00	40.00	2,177.76	166.42	2,344.18
80	1,070.00	1,070.00	425.00	75.00	1,400.00	3,150.00	106.04	3,256.04
81	1,480.00	1,480.00	782.75	775.19	.....	3,037.94	397.83	3,435.77
82	915.00	915.00	225.00	300.00	100.00	1,540.00	157.81	1,697.81
83	480.00	410.00	.....	.....	.....	530.15	44.32	574.47
84	725.00	725.00	130.00	925.00	.....	1,780.00	211.25	1,991.25
85	590.00	540.20	30.00	.....	.....	570.20	45.60	615.80
86	210.00	210.00	20.00	10.00	.....	240.00	47.09	287.09
87	670.00	670.00	85.00	75.00	184.95	1,009.95	118.50	1,128.45
88	664.00	664.00	304.93	140.00	210.00	1,318.98	174.63	1,493.61
89	690.00	595.00	150.00	105.00	.....	850.15	146.39	1,051.54
90	1,170.00	1,170.00	1,275.00	.....	1,505.38	3,950.38	191.13	4,141.51
91	1,555.00	1,555.00	2,009.50	467.18	2,000.00	6,041.68	*663.00	6,704.68
92	1,200.00	1,200.00	465.58	156.00	173.00	1,994.58	737.38	2,731.96
93	135.36	135.36	62.97	44.26	.....	242.59	4.69	247.28
94	335.00	335.00	336.00	457.80	199.00	1,327.80	101.50	1,429.30
95	584.00	584.00	216.06	108.00	.....	910.06	20.65	930.71
96	.....	65.00	5.00	30.00	.....	100.00	20.00	120.00
97	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	392.30	.....
98	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	170.50	.....
	68,488.36	66,392.95	21,390.14	31,561.96	7,584.35	126,929.40	13,753.72	140,673.12

## Collections for General Interests

No.	CHARGES.	Bible.		Tract.		CONFERENCE.		MIN. EDUCAT'N.		SEMINARY.	
		Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.	Assess.	Paid.
1	Accomac.....	1.00	1.00	2.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	10.00		
2	Alexandria.....	.50	.50	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	15.00	15.00		
3	Amelia.....	.....	.....	2.00	2.33	3.00	4.36	8.00	7.24		
4	Anne Arundel...	1.00	1.50	6.00	2.00	8.00	5.00	25.00	10.00		
5	Baltimore.....	.50	.50	4.00	1.18	6.00	2.00	25.00	6.00		
6	Barren Creek...	.30	.12	2.00	.25	2.00	.30	5.00	.50		
7	Bedford.....	1.26	2.00	7.00	3.00	8.00	8.00	30.00	10.00		
8	Belair.....	4.00	2.05	4.00	4.00	8.00	8.00	20.00	20.00		
9	Broadway.....	1.00	7.09	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	20.00	20.00		
10	Cambridge.....	.50	.42	3.00	3.00	5.00	2.35	12.00	4.30		
11	Campbell.....	.....	.....	2.00	1.25	3.00	1.50	5.00	1.85		
12	Caroline.....	1.00	1.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	20.00	20.00		
13	Cecil.....	1.00	.....	6.00	1.00	10.00	5.00	25.00	5.00		
14	Central.....	10.00	13.00	5.00	5.00	12.00	12.00	30.00	35.00		
15	Centreville.....	1.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	30.00	10.00		
16	Chesapeake.....	2.00	2.00	4.00	3.00	8.00	5.00	15.00	7.00		
17	Chestertown.....	1.00	2.00	7.00	3.00	12.00	12.00	35.00	21.00		
18	Chincoteague...	1.00	.....	2.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	2.00		
19	Clayton.....	.....	.....	3.00	1.00	5.00	3.60	15.00	5.00		
20	Concord.....	1.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	6.00	3.00	20.00	2.00		
21	Crisfield.....	1.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	6.00	5.00	20.00	10.00		
22	Crumpton.....	.50	.50	2.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	10.00	10.00		
23	Cumberland.....	.25	.25	2.00	1.50	2.00	2.00	10.00	6.00		
24	Deer Creek.....	.52	1.58	3.00	2.50	4.00	5.00	10.00	5.00		
25	Deer Park.....	.50	.50	3.00	.80	4.00	1.00	15.00	1.00		
26	Delta.....	.....	.....	3.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	5.00		
27	Dorchester.....	.75	.76	3.00	1.25	4.00	1.70	15.00	1.27		
28	East Baltimore.	6.10	6.10	5.00	5.00	12.00	12.00	35.00	35.00		
29	Easton.....	.....	9.15	8.00	8.00	15.00	140.00	40.00	15.00		
30	Ellicott City....	.....	.....	1.00	.50	4.00	1.00	6.00	2.00		
31	Eutaw.....	1.00	7.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	15.00	15.00		
32	Fawn Grove.....	.....	.....	4.00	3.25	6.00	10.00	20.00	12.00		
33	Felton.....	1.00	.85	3.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	7.00		
34	Finksburg.....	1.68	5.55	4.00	3.40	6.00	8.02	25.00	4.88		
35	First Church....	1.50	1.00	4.00	3.50	6.00	4.00	15.00	13.00		
36	Franklin City...	.50	.50	3.00	2.00	5.00	3.50	15.00	10.00		
37	Frederick.....	1.00	1.00	5.00	4.00	10.00	8.00	35.00	15.00		
38	Georget'n, D. C.	5.00	13.33	7.00	8.00	10.00	10.00	40.00	25.00		
39	Georget'n, Del..	.....	.....	2.00	1.00	2.00	1.75	5.00	1.50		
40	Greenwood.....	.....	.....	2.00	.....	2.00	.....	5.00	.....		
41	Grove.....	.50	.50	4.00	2.00	5.00	2.00	15.00	3.00		
42	Hampden.....	1.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	25.00	16.00		
43	Harper's Ferry.	.25	.25	2.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	5.00	2.50		
44	Harrington.....	.50	.50	4.00	2.00	6.00	4.00	15.00	8.00		
45	Heathsville.....	1.00	.50	3.00	2.00	3.00	2.00	10.00	5.00		
46	Howard.....	.....	.....	4.00	3.00	5.00	5.00	15.00	8.00		
47	Hurlock.....	.50	.50	.....	1.00	.....	2.00	.....	1.50		
48	Jefferson.....	5.00	17.25	8.00	6.00	12.00	10.00	40.00	20.61		
49	Kennedyville....	.....	.....	3.00	1.00	4.00	1.60	12.00	4.80		
50	Kent Island.....	.....	5.03	3.00	1.00	4.00	2.00	15.00	8.00		
51	Laurel.....	3.25	.50	5.00	2.00	6.00	3.00	20.00	10.00		
52	Leipsic.....	.25	.50	3.00	1.00	4.00	1.00	8.00	1.00		

For the Year Ending April, 1891.

No.	SUPERANNUATES.		HOME MISSIONS.		GEN. HOME MIS'NS.		F. MIS'NS	TOTAL.	
	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Paid.	Assess	Paid.
1	25.00	25.00	30.00	30.00	9.00	9.00	*65.00	148.00	148.00
2	38.00	38.00	30.00	30.00	13.00	13.00	92.59	143.00	197.46
3	20.00	6.31	12.00	8.04	13.00	10.83	29.59	78.00	75.70
4	56.00	18.00	36.00	15.00	19.00	5.00	34.15	214.95	91.75
5	25.00	8.00	30.00	5.00	8.00	2.00	29.60	123.00	55.18
6	20.00	2.70	21.00	2.95	8.00	1.00	2.55	78.00	10.67
7	38.00	15.00	50.00	15.00	13.00	8.00	30.73	179.99	92.99
8	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	10.00	10.00	30.00	138.05	138.05
9	30.00	30.00	21.00	21.00	10.00	10.00	55.48	199.99	208.08
10	18.00	4.50	26.00	8.85	6.00	.90	26.00	88.92	50.72
11	10.00	1.15	13.00	1.83	4.00	1.25	1.30	32.00	10.13
12	25.00	25.00	40.00	40.00	10.00	10.00	46.41	154.41	154.41
13	40.00	5.00	61.00	25.00	13.00	5.00	25.00	193.00	72.00
14	40.00	41.00	53.00	53.00	13.00	13.00	386.87	333.20	567.87
15	28.00	10.00	50.00	34.00	9.00	3.00	82.54	145.00	148.54
16	30.00	14.00	36.00	22.00	10.00	4.00	61.00	168.00	120.00
17	95.00	58.00	61.00	61.00	30.00	30.00	91.19	335.00	279.10
18	12.00	2.00	10.00	10.00	4.00	3.00	4.00	49.00	27.00
19	35.00	10.00	26.00	7.00	12.00	4.15	24.35	119.00	55.10
20	30.00	8.00	30.00	10.00	10.00	3.00	6.00	129.00	36.00
21	20.00	15.00	22.00	20.00	7.00	4.00	83.50	98.00	141.50
22	20.00	20.00	14.00	14.00	6.00	6.00	19.00	75.00	75.00
23	10.00	10.00	25.00	25.00	5.00	3.00	17.12	76.97	65.07
24	15.00	7.00	26.00	10.00	5.00	4.00	22.75	96.85	58.88
25	30.00	4.00	26.00	1.00	10.00	2.00	19.75	89.00	10.80
26	25.00	10.00	22.00	6.00	9.00	4.00	51.00	135.00	83.00
27	45.00	2.60	38.00	4.85	16.00	1.30	32.25	167.51	46.73
28	60.00	40.00	72.00	70.00	20.00	20.00	201.76	276.20	395.96
29	75.00	85.00	72.00	77.75	25.00	25.00	373.19	310.00	717.34
30	10.00	3.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	1.00	3.25	47.00	18.75
31	25.00	25.00	27.00	27.00	9.00	9.00	55.00	148.00	148.00
32	30.00	20.00	27.00	17.00	10.00	5.00	73.21	127.00	140.46
33	20.00	14.00	14.00	10.00	6.00	4.00	30.50	96.35	74.35
34	30.00	6.20	30.00	5.73	10.00	3.92	13.95	142.28	53.23
35	30.00	24.00	30.00	24.00	10.00	7.50	58.26	165.42	136.76
36	20.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	8.00	2.00	47.00	85.00	75.50
37	75.00	20.00	83.00	20.00	25.00	4.27	86.75	310.00	159.77
38	70.00	45.00	125.00	47.50	22.00	17.00	123.10	352.33	293.93
39	10.00	2.50	15.00	2.25	4.00	3.00	2.00	48.00	18.00
40	10.00	.....	15.00	.....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
41	20.00	5.00	21.00	9.00	7.00	2.00	3.00	66.00	43.00
42	40.00	35.00	52.00	40.00	13.00	13.00	54.00	181.00	175.00
43	25.00	5.00	11.00	2.00	10.00	2.00	14.40	88.50	28.40
44	30.00	12.00	37.00	20.00	10.00	5.00	15.00	106.00	80.00
45	30.00	30.00	21.00	8.00	10.00	4.50	87.00	108.50	140.00
46	30.00	20.00	38.00	21.03	10.00	4.50	20.01	132.00	81.54
47	.....	3.00	.....	3.00	.....	2.00	9.25	22.75	22.75
48	57.00	50.00	83.00	60.00	17.00	10.00	203.15	467.40	382.01
49	15.00	6.00	21.00	8.40	5.00	2.00	21.00	75.00	45.00
50	30.00	8.00	37.00	6.00	10.00	3.00	17.00	134.03	50.03
51	40.00	24.00	47.00	20.00	13.00	5.00	44.22	174.75	111.97
52	20.00	2.00	21.00	5.00	8.00	1.00	7.00	84.75	18.75

\* This includes money paid to W. F. M. S.

## Collections for General Interests

No.	CHARGES.			CONFERENCE.		MIN. EDUCAT'N.		SEMINARY.	
		Bible.	Tract.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.
53	Liberty .....	1.00	1.00	6.00	3.03	10.00	5.00	25.00	12.50
54	Lisbon.....	1.00	1.00	5.00	2.00	6.00	5.00	20.00	13.00
55	Lynchburg.....	4.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	10.00	10.00	40.00	40.00
56	Mariner's .....	.35	.50	4.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	15.00	15.00
57	Middleway.....	.50	.25	2.00	.25	3.00	1.00	10.00	1.00
58	Milton.....	.25	.25	3.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	15.00	10.00
59	Mt. Tabor.....	5.10	5.27	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	7.00	7.00
60	Newark .....	3.00	2.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	110.00	40.00	35.00
61	N. C. Avenue....	1.00	1.50	4.00	4.00	6.00	6.00	10.00	10.00
62	Oxford.....	1.25	1.00	4.00	2.00	8.00	8.00	18.00	10.00
63	Pipe Creek .....	3.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	20.00	20.00
64	Pittsville.....	.50	.25	3.00	2.00	3.00	3.00	20.00	15.00
65	Pocomoke.....	.50	.50	3.00	1.00	5.00	2.00	15.00	5.00
66	Pocomoke City.	3.00	3.50	6.00	4.00	10.00	10.00	35.00	25.00
67	Potomac.....	.....	.....	2.00	2.00	3.00	1.00	10.00	3.00
68	Powellsville .....	1.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	15.00	10.00
69	Quantico.....	2.00	2.00	4.00	1.60	5.00	2.05	20.00	8.20
70	Queen Anne.....	1.00	1.00	4.00	4.00	6.00	6.00	20.00	20.00
71	Reliance.....	.25	.25	3.00	1.00	3.00	2.00	10.00	4.00
72	Rowlandville....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	4.00	.....	12.00	.....
73	St. James'.....	2.00	21.00	4.00	3.00	8.00	5.00	25.00	15.00
74	St. Luke's.....	2.00	1.00	4.00	2.00	6.00	1.85	20.00	10.00
75	St. Michael's....	1.50	1.25	3.00	2.02	5.00	5.65	10.00	2.19
76	Salisbury.....	1.50	1.25	3.00	2.17	4.00	4.00	15.00	15.00
77	Seaford.....	3.50	2.12	3.00	2.80	5.00	4.00	15.00	7.50
78	Snow Hill.....	1.00	1.00	4.00	2.00	4.00	4.00	10.00	10.00
79	Somerset .....	1.37	5.05	4.00	4.00	7.00	14.00	25.00	25.00
80	South Baltimore	1.00	5.03	4.00	2.00	6.00	6.00	20.00	12.00
81	Starr .....	4.00	8.36	6.00	3.00	15.00	60.00	45.00	25.00
82	Stewartstown....	8.19	10.86	5.00	1.50	10.00	5.00	25.00	5.00
83	Surry .....	1.00	.50	3.00	1.25	2.00	1.00	10.00	4.00
84	Susquehanna....	21.25	2.00	4.00	4.00	8.00	8.00	20.00	20.00
85	Sussex.....	.70	1.00	3.00	1.00	4.00	2.00	12.00	6.30
86	Talbot .....	.50	.40	2.00	.50	2.00	1.00	5.00	2.00
87	Union .....	1.00	1.00	4.00	2.00	5.00	4.00	10.00	6.00
88	Union Bridge....	1.63	8.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	6.00	12.00	12.00
89	Warwick .....	.....	.54	5.00	4.00	6.00	6.00	23.00	20.00
90	Washington St..	5.00	5.75	6.00	2.50	8.00	10.23	20.00	20.00
91	West Baltimore	21.92	29.41	8.00	5.00	20.00	26.39	50.00	22.24
92	Westminster....	17.56	50.00	8.00	8.00	15.00	301.00	50.00	30.00
93	Williamsport....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
94	Wilmington.....	.25	.25	3.00	3.00	4.00	4.00	8.00	8.00
95	Waverly .....	.25	.20	2.00	.68	2.00	2.00	5.00	2.00
96	St. John's, Ind..	30.80	20.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
97	Chatsworth.....	10.00	10.50	.....	5.00	.....	15.00	.....	15.00
98	Indian River.	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	1.50	.....	1.00
		228.23	319.49	364.00	261.01	582.00	1,064.35	1,703.00	1,045.20



For the Year Ending April, 1891.

No.	SUPERANNUATES.		HOME MISSIONS.		GEN. HOME MIS'NS.		F. MIS'NS	TOTAL.	
	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Assess	Paid.	Paid.	Assess	Paid.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
53	35.00	15.00	40.00	9.50	13.00	10.00	43.00	166.00	116.07
54	38.00	15.00	37.00	15.00	13.00	5.00	74.48	163.00	132.44
55	45.00	45.00	52.00	52.00	15.00	15.00	289.00	222.00	466.00
56	30.00	30.00	21.00	21.00	10.00	10.00	42.27	128.12	128.12
57	15.00	2.00	21.00	2.00	5.00	1.00	7.00	70.00	15.00
58	30.00	20.00	37.00	11.85	10.00	10.00	45.25	129.00	103.60
59	35.00	35.00	14.00	14.00	12.00	12.00	54.41	126.78	365.78
60	65.00	55.00	60.00	54.00	22.00	22.00	117.00	324.00	403.00
61	30.00	30.00	14.00	14.00	10.00	10.00	38.00	106.50	119.50
62	25.00	25.00	22.00	11.74	10.00	8.00	53.55	114.25	120.54
63	30.00	30.00	33.00	33.00	10.00	10.00	130.00	237.00	237.00
64	22.00	15.00	27.00	16.00	7.00	4.00	15.00	104.75	70.75
65	22.00	9.00	21.00	8.25	7.00	2.09	36.22	95.00	64.47
66	50.00	23.00	72.00	55.00	16.00	12.00	56.00	245.50	191.50
67	13.00	8.00	16.00	10.00	4.00	4.00	12.00	55.00	40.00
68	25.00	12.00	21.00	21.00	8.00	3.00	29.49	103.00	83.49
69	30.00	12.30	21.00	8.60	10.00	4.00	46.58	124.00	87.33
70	38.00	34.00	30.00	30.00	13.00	13.00	78.89	195.64	187.89
71	20.00	5.00	21.00	3.00	6.00	3.00	15.00	83.50	33.50
72	30.00	5.25	21.00	.....	10.00	.....	5.00	.....	.....
73	65.00	48.00	52.00	37.00	20.00	10.00	81.25	278.25	222.25
74	40.00	10.00	40.00	5.00	13.00	1.00	75.00	153.00	81.50
75	20.00	6.00	14.00	6.00	7.00	5.75	27.45	61.00	57.81
76	22.00	21.25	16.00	16.00	7.00	5.50	48.55	91.75	115.22
77	25.00	10.50	21.00	21.00	6.00	6.00	47.62	105.62	105.04
78	30.00	10.00	37.00	10.00	12.00	3.00	29.06	129.90	70.06
79	30.00	30.00	40.00	40.00	13.00	13.00	34.00	149.00	166.42
80	30.00	13.00	33.00	24.00	10.00	5.00	38.00	102.00	106.04
81	100.00	50.00	153.00	75.00	32.00	10.00	162.47	487.83	397.83
82	40.00	10.00	40.00	30.00	15.00	3.30	83.96	194.05	157.81
83	25.00	8.00	30.00	10.00	10.00	2.00	7.00	106.50	44.32
84	30.00	30.00	40.00	40.00	10.00	10.00	76.00	165.25	211.25
85	20.00	5.00	16.00	9.40	6.00	4.15	16.00	102.75	45.60
86	20.00	5.00	27.00	5.68	6.00	2.00	30.01	82.90	47.09
87	30.00	15.00	30.00	15.00	10.00	8.00	66.50	171.00	118.50
88	30.00	28.00	27.00	25.00	10.00	10.00	80.00	171.63	174.63
89	57.00	25.00	40.00	40.00	19.00	10.00	40.85	206.00	146.39
90	60.00	30.25	40.00	29.00	19.00	16.25	72.15	223.75	191.13
91	100.00	72.28	107.00	65.80	33.00	20.36	640.00	418.00	663.00
92	80.00	54.75	92.00	62.25	25.00	25.00	184.62	512.31	737.38
93	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.59	.....	4.59
94	20.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	6.00	3.00	53.01	112.50	101.50
95	10.00	2.01	7.00	1.31	4.00	1.00	11.30	40.00	20.65
96	.....	86.50	.....	10.00	.....	.....	240.00	.....	392.30
97	.....	40.00	.....	25.00	.....	.....	50.00	.....	170.50
98	.....	2.50	.....	2.00	.....	3.00	13.00	.....	20.00
	3,114.00	1,962.55	3,271.00	2,036.56	1,057.00	661.52	6,338.24	*13,753.72	13,917.15

\* Includes Assessment for F. M.

## Report of Foreign Missionary Steward.

No.	CHARGES.	On Assessment.	Children's Day.	Lafayette Cottage.	Busy Workers.	Special.	W. F. M. S.	Assessment.	*Total.
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Accomac .....	25 00	40 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	65 00
2	Alexandria.....	38 00	27 13	.....	.....	.....	27 46	38 00	92 59
3	Amelia.....	9 75	19 84	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	29 59
4	Anne Arundel .	8 43	19 27	.....	.....	.....	6 45	56 00	34 15
5	Baltimore . ....	5 00	24 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	29 60
6	Barren Creek....	2 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	2 55
7	Bedford . ....	30 73	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38 00	30 73
8	Belair .....	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	30 00
9	Broadway.....	30 00	12 98	.....	.....	.....	12 50	30 00	55 48
10	Cambridge.....	11 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 00	26 00
11	Campbell... ..	1 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	1 30
12	Caroline .....	25 00	21 41	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	46 41
13	Cecil .....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 00	25 00
14	Central .....	135 19	28 84	75 64	.....	20 00	127 20	40 00	386 87
15	Centreville.....	20 00	30 00	22 00	.....	5 00	5 54	28 00	82 54
16	Chesapeake.....	30 00	30 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	30 00	61 00
17	Chestertown....	55 00	36 19	.....	.....	.....	.....	95 00	91 19
18	Chincoteague...	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 00	4 00
19	Clayton .....	9 50	14 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 00	24 35
20	Concord.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	6 00
21	Crisfield.....	.....	44 50	.....	39 00	.....	.....	20 00	83 50
22	Crumpton . ....	2 86	16 14	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	19 00
23	Cumberland .....	4 60	12 52	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	17 12
24	Deer Creek.....	6 00	16 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	22 75
25	Deer Park.....	4 00	15 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	19 75
26	Delta .....	15 00	36 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	51 00
27	Dorchester.....	32 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45 00	32 25
28	East Baltimore.	30 00	28 50	.....	.....	15 38	127 88	60 00	201 76
29	Easton.....	76 00	60 19	150 00	.....	10 00	77 00	75 00	373 19
30	Ellicott City ...	3 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	3 25
31	Eutaw .....	25 00	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	55 00
32	Fawn Grove .....	15 00	58 21	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	73 21
33	Felton .....	14 00	16 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	30 50
34	Finksburg .....	3 80	10 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	13 95
35	First Church....	20 34	25 00	.....	.....	.....	12 92	30 00	58 26
36	Franklin City...	.....	47 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	47 00
37	Frederick .....	16 75	50 00	.....	.....	.....	20 00	75 00	86 75
38	Georget'n, D. C.	28 91	43 50	.....	.....	.....	50 69	70 00	123 10
39	Georget'n, Del..	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	2 00
40	Greenwood.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....
41	Grove.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	3 00
42	Hampden .....	38 00	16 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 00	54 00
43	Harper's Ferry.	.....	14 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	14 40
44	Harrington .....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	15 00
45	Heathsville .....	17 00	70 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	87 00
46	Howard .....	15 71	4 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	20 01
47	Hurlock's.....	2 00	7 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 25
48	Jefferson.....	25 00	153 15	.....	.....	.....	25 00	50 00	203 15
49	Kennedyville....	6 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	21 00
50	Kent Island.....	17 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	17 00

Report of Foreign Missionary Steward.

No.	CHARGES.	On Assessment	Children's Day.	Lafayette Cottage.	Busy Workers.	Special.	W. F. M. S.	Assessment	*Total.
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
51	Laurel .....	7 00	25 22		12 00			40 00	44 22
52	Leipsic .....	7 00						20 00	7 00
53	Liberty .....	43 00						35 00	43 00
54	Lisbon .....	70 23	4 25					38 00	74 48
55	Lynchburg .....	45 00	156 00				88 00	45 00	289 00
56	Mariner's .....	30 00	12 27					30 00	42 27
57	Middleway .....	2 00	5 00					15 00	7 00
58	Milton .....	20 35	25 25					30 00	45 25
59	Mt. Tabor .....	35 00	19 41					35 00	54 41
60	Newark .....	25 00				40 00	52 00	65 00	117 00
61	N. C. Avenue ...	25 00	13 00	5 00				30 00	38 00
62	Oxford .....	25 00	28 55					25 00	53 55
63	Pipe Creek .....	30 00	50 00				50 00	30 00	130 00
64	Pittsville .....	15 00						22 00	15 00
65	Pocomoke .....		15 72		20 50			22 00	36 22
66	Pocomoke City.	40 00	16 00					50 00	56 00
67	Potomac .....	12 00						13 00	12 00
68	Powellsville .....	11 00	18 49					25 00	29 49
69	Quantico .....	12 30	34 28					30 00	46 58
70	Queen Anne .....	34 25	44 64					38 00	78 89
71	Reliance .....	5 00	10 00					20 00	15 00
72	Rowlandville .....	3 00	2 00					30 00	5 00
73	St. James' .....	50 00	21 25				10 00	65 00	81 25
74	St. Luke's .....	28 00	40 00				7 00	40 00	75 00
75	St. Michael's .....	8 25	19 20					20 00	27 45
76	Salisbury .....	23 55	25 00					22 00	48 55
77	Seaford .....	13 60	25 00		9 02			25 00	47 62
78	Snow Hill .....	3 00	26 06					30 00	29 06
79	Somerset .....	4 00	30 00					30 00	34 00
80	South Baltimore	18 00					20 00	30 00	38 00
81	Starr .....	105 00	30 00				27 47	100 00	162 47
82	Stewartstown .....	25 20	58 76					40 00	83 96
83	Surry .....	7 00						25 00	7 00
84	Susquehanna .....	20 00	56 00					30 00	76 00
85	Sussex .....	6 00	10 00					20 00	16 00
86	Talbot .....	6 00	24 01					20 00	30 01
87	Union .....		50 00		16 50			30 00	66 50
88	Union Bridge .....	30 00	50 00					30 00	80 00
89	Warwick .....	9 00	31 85					57 00	40 85
90	Washington St.	52 75	19 40					60 00	72 15
91	West Baltimore	200 00	60 00	240 00		60 00	80 00	100 00	640 00
92	Westminster .....	55 00	32 75			29 87	67 00	80 00	184 62
93	Williamsport .....		4 59						4 59
94	Wilmington .....	15 00	21 25				16 75	18 00	53 00
95	Waverly .....	11 30						10 00	11 30
96	Indian River .....	1 00	12 00						13 00
97	Chatsworth, Ind	25 00		25 00					50 00
98	St. John's, Ind.	5 00		25 00			210 00		240 00
		2,158 35	2,238 12	543 64	97 02	180 25	1,120 86	3,115 00	6,338 24

\*This includes money paid to W. F. M. S.

## MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS.

No.	CHARGES.	No. Unstationed Min. & Prev's.	Probationers.	Members.	PROBATIONERS.						
					No. on Roll at last Conference.	Rec'd during the year.	Elected to M'bership	Withdr'wn by Certificate	Discontin'd	Deceased.	Now on Roll
1	Accomac.....			281	2	16	18				
2	Alexandria.....	1		151	8		2		2		
3	Amelia.....		3	185		8	5				3
4	Anne Arundel.....		2	235	9	3	3		7		2
5	Baltimore.....	2	7	236		9	2			1	7
6	Barren Creek... ..	1	11	186	8	19	15		1		11
7	Bedford.....		8	243	14	21	27				8
8	Belair.....	1	8	198	20	33	38		6	1	8
9	Broadway.....	2	68	180	8	77	5		9	3	68
10	Cambridge.....			250		29	28				
11	Campbell.....	1	30	173	12	27	11				30
12	Caroline.....		23	198	19	23	2		10		23
13	Cecil.....	3	5	372	4	20	15				5
14	Central.....	1	3	162	2	15	14			1	3
15	Centreville.....	1	11	132	7	10	6				11
16	Chesapeake.....	1	1	101	11	1	6		5		1
17	Chestertown.....		29	222	25	14	5	1	4		29
18	Chincoteague... ..		37	84	5	32	1				37
19	Clayton.....	2	2	186	2	31	29				2
20	Concord.....	1		168							
21	Crisfield.....		7	240							7
22	Crumpton.....		19	97	3	53	40				19
23	Cumberland.....		10	111	3	12	5				10
24	Chesterfield.....										
25	Deer Creek.....		1	155	9	3	11				1
26	Deer Park.....		7	142	6	9	3		2		7
27	Delta.....		106	254	43	94	10		24		106
28	Dorchester.....	2	24	246	10	20	6				24
29	East Baltimore.....		26	255	30	30	16		18		26
30	Easton.....		16	240	22	18	20	1	2		16
31	Ellicott City... ..	1	15	46		16	6				15
32	Eutaw.....			76	1			1			
33	Fawn Grove... ..	1	25	357	20	25	12		8		25
34	Felton.....	2	63	146	4	67	7	1			63
35	Finksburg.....			267	12	23	28		7		
36	First Church... ..			151	1	9	9		1	1	
37	Franklin City.....	3	10	264		10			1		10
38	Frederick.....	2	3	494	2	87	84				3
39	Georgetown.... ..		7	227	13	5	10				7
40	Georget'n, Del.....		8	25	1	7					8
41	Grove.....	3		219		9	9	2	49	3	
42	Hampden.....	3		368		15		1	4		
43	Harper's Ferry.....			101		3	3				
44	Harrington.....	1	95	275		95		5		2	95
45	Heathsville.....		7	270	11	7	7		4		7
46	Howard.....		2	170	20	2	10		10		2
47	Hurlocks.....			29		2	2				
48	Indian River... ..		6	34	9	3	5	1		1	6
49	Jefferson.....	1	67	245	20	70	23				67
50	Kennedyville... ..			113		24	24				
51	Kent Island.....			152		7	7				
52	Laurel.....	1	119	156	29	91				1	119

For the Year Ending April, 1891.

No.	FULL MEMBERS.							SABBATH SCHOOLS.				CONVERSIONS.		BAPTISMS.	
	No. on Roll at last Conference.	Rec'd from Probation.	Received by Certificate.	Withdr'n by Certificate.	Discontin'd	Deceased.	Now on Roll	No. Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	New Scholars received.	Scholars now on Roll	In School.	In Congregation.	Infants.	Adults.
1	275	18	.....	2	8	2	281	4	49	124	424	4	17	4	11
2	156	2	.....	1	1	3	151	1	30	12	250	.....	.....	15	2
3	209	5	.....	1	7	2	185	3	20	.....	100	7	1	.....	6
4	238	3	.....	3	4	.....	235	3	37	41	243	2	1	41	.....
5	242	2	.....	5	.....	1	235	4	25	.....	308	6	3	12	2
6	179	15	.....	2	5	4	186	3	31	96	189	.....	24	3	1
7	219	27	.....	1	2	.....	243	6	68	56	334	4	4	25	26
8	162	38	.....	5	4	3	198	4	35	15	175	5	25	27	3
9	237	5	.....	3	.....	62	180	2	35	75	375	69	8	34	.....
10	226	28	.....	1	4	.....	250	2	25	8	214	4	35	25	.....
11	161	12	.....	2	1	.....	173	2	11	.....	163	12	30	.....	20
12	199	1	.....	2	4	.....	198	4	20	40	250	6	17	10	.....
13	360	19	.....	2	.....	5	372	6	87	50	475	.....	.....	19	.....
14	127	15	.....	20	2	.....	162	1	18	26	108	7	4	.....	2
15	103	6	.....	28	3	.....	132	2	21	12	150	2	4	27	1
16	107	6	.....	2	.....	5	101	1	9	.....	85	.....	1	8	.....
17	232	5	.....	3	7	8	222	1	38	10	282	1	19	17	.....
18	82	1	.....	3	1	.....	84	1	26	11	86	10	56	.....	.....
19	165	29	.....	1	3	.....	186	3	24	69	165	19	12	18	7
20	169	1	.....	.....	1	.....	168	4	45	28	249	.....	2	15	.....
21	240	.....	.....	3	.....	1	240	1	30	14	265	.....	14	16	.....
22	65	37	.....	2	1	4	97	2	22	44	165	.....	82	16	1
23	108	5	.....	.....	1	.....	111	1	25	21	145	3	8	10	.....
24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
25	157	11	.....	4	3	10	155	3	20	25	190	.....	5	28	17
26	147	3	.....	1	1	14	142	4	20	.....	250	8	4	15	4
27	251	10	.....	5	6	6	254	2	36	.....	155	27	19	12	30
28	255	6	.....	.....	11	.....	246	4	50	8	226	.....	17	30	1
29	235	28	.....	11	10	15	255	2	34	.....	350	5	15	42	2
30	225	20	.....	6	1	.....	240	1	33	50	220	14	4	7	2
31	40	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	46	1	18	80	105	.....	24	12	.....
32	105	.....	.....	3	25	7	76	1	10	4	80	1	1	4	1
33	352	12	.....	3	6	.....	357	4	46	.....	400	15	12	42	10
34	140	7	.....	1	2	.....	146	3	25	.....	198	.....	81	11	18
35	281	28	.....	.....	2	39	267	4	18	6	300	24	6	58	.....
36	145	9	.....	5	5	.....	151	1	19	36	120	.....	10	36	.....
37	289	.....	.....	2	.....	27	264	4	42	25	325	.....	30	7	.....
38	472	84	.....	9	8	63	494	8	162	68	687	8	.....	17	2
39	224	10	.....	2	1	5	227	1	24	18	170	.....	5	17	.....
40	25	.....	.....	2	.....	3	25	1	6	10	90	5	2	17	5
41	264	9	.....	.....	2	49	219	4	42	25	200	6	16	.....	.....
42	385	6	.....	6	1	17	368	2	50	.....	575	.....	.....	.....	10
43	104	3	.....	.....	.....	6	101	1	16	10	70	.....	4	.....	1
44	268	.....	.....	10	5	.....	271	3	30	10	410	40	55	5	2
45	276	7	.....	.....	4	6	270	4	40	25	245	3	4	3	.....
46	164	10	.....	1	4	.....	170	3½	30	13	183	.....	5	14	1
47	24	2	.....	8	2	2	29	1	10	40	40	.....	2	3	.....
48	31	5	.....	.....	1	.....	34	1	7	7	41	3	1	4	3
49	216	23	.....	9	1	.....	245	5	58	15	363	49	46	12	2
50	89	24	.....	2	.....	.....	113	1	15	.....	120	.....	27	1	.....
51	145	7	.....	2	.....	1	152	2	25	10	155	5	2	18	2
52	162	1	.....	1	.....	5	156	2	29	60	195	22	69	6	1

## MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS.

No.	CHARGES.	No. Unstationed Min & Prea's.	Probationers.	Members.	PROBATIONERS.						
					No. on Roll at last Con- ference.	Recei'd dur- ing the year.	Elected to M'mbership	Withdr'n by Certificate	Discontin'd	Deceased.	Now on Roll
53	Leipsic.....	2	.....	87	3	4	4	.....	3	.....	.....
54	Liberty.....	.....	.....	234	3	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
55	Lisbon.....	.....	83	254	37	61	24	.....	4	.....	83
56	Lynchburg.....	1	11	246	11	6	4	.....	.....	.....	11
57	Mariners.....	.....	39	206	54	36	22	1	27	1	39
58	Middleway.....	.....	2	80	3	3	3	.....	1	.....	2
59	Milton.....	1	36	174	20	42	10	.....	.....	.....	36
60	Mt. Tabor.....	.....	2	106	3	1	1	.....	.....	.....	2
61	Newark.....	3	13	229	2	30	17	.....	.....	.....	13
62	N. C. Avenue.....	.....	.....	96	4	.....	3	.....	1	.....	.....
63	Oxford.....	.....	39	98	5	34	.....	.....	.....	.....	39
64	Pipe Creek.....	.....	5	178	1	35	30	.....	.....	.....	5
65	Pittsville.....	1	3	242	.....	5	4	.....	.....	.....	3
66	Pocomoke.....	1	10	266	.....	14	4	.....	.....	.....	10
67	Pocomoke City.....	1	6	316	5	11	10	.....	.....	.....	6
68	Potomac.....	1	1	98	.....	6	7	.....	.....	.....	1
69	Powellsville.....	.....	9	164	22	6	19	.....	.....	.....	9
70	Quantico.....	.....	72	258	.....	72	.....	.....	.....	.....	72
71	Queen Anne.....	.....	9	148	14	47	47	1	4	.....	9
72	Reliance.....	1	2	187	.....	12	12	.....	1	.....	2
73	Rolandville.....	1	66	122	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	1	66
74	St. James'.....	.....	.....	128	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
75	St. Luke's.....	1	5	123	2	5	2	.....	.....	1	5
76	St. Michael's..	.....	22	115	2	28	8	.....	.....	.....	22
77	Salisbury.....	.....	3	209	35	25	49	.....	5	.....	3
78	Seaford.....	.....	43	174	76	4	26	.....	10	1	43
79	Snow Hill.....	1	141	387	62	128	32	2	15	.....	141
80	Somerset.....	1	31	264	21	19	6	.....	3	.....	31
81	S. Baltimore..	.....	28	169	34	59	32	.....	14	.....	28
82	Starr.....	1	17	256	8	19	8	2	.....	.....	17
83	Stewartstown..	.....	12	312	30	40	42	1	6	.....	12
84	Surry.....	1	5	189	.....	16	1	.....	8	.....	5
85	Susquehanna..	.....	.....	194	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
86	Sussex.....	.....	.....	236	.....	18	21	.....	.....	.....	.....
87	Talbot.....	.....	19	27	.....	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	19
88	Union.....	.....	21	353	19	40	34	2	10	.....	21
89	Union Bridge..	.....	.....	120	.....	10	10	.....	.....	.....	.....
90	Warwick.....	.....	7	166	56	23	35	.....	20	1	7
91	Washington St.	3	39	276	2	54	12	.....	5	.....	39
92	Waverly.....	1	15	103	12	11	.....	.....	8	.....	15
93	W. Baltimore..	5	47	346	63	2	17	.....	.....	.....	47
94	Westminster..	6	8	266	1	45	38	.....	.....	.....	8
95	Wilmington...	.....	3	81	11	15	12	.....	11	.....	3
96	Will'msp't Mis	.....	11	101	.....	45	34	.....	.....	.....	11
97	Itinerants.....	.....	.....	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Total.....	70	1,596	18,672	1,046	2,254	1,241	26	330	19	1,596
	Report of 1890.	61	1,046	17,563	.....	2,247	1,943	21	228	19	.....
	Gain.....	9	550	1,109	.....	7	.....	5	102	.....	.....
	Loss.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	702	.....	.....	.....	.....

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53	84	4	3	4	.....		87	1	13	10	105	1	2	.....	..
54	229	2	.....	9	.....	4	234	3	55	.....	191	...	6	13	8
55	255	24	2	2	23	2	254	5	61	23	318	...	22	18	2
56	242	4	7	3	.....	4	246	1	23	15	182	4	.....	2	4
57	198	22	5	11	1	7	206	1	28	40	239	23	13	17	...
58	67	3	.....	.....	.....	2	80	3	30	28	180	...	8	.....	4
59	186	10	.....	2	12	1	174	4	18	10	260	12	18	32	1
60	125	.....	.....	7	.....	1	106	1	21	.....	96	.....	.....	11	...
61	220	17	18	3	23	3	229	1	36	28	235	17	15	8	6
62	91	3	7	2	3	.....	96	1	20	25	159	...	1	14	1
63	113	.....	4	.....	19	.....	98	1	22	10	127	7	27	12	...
64	171	30	1	10	.....	3	178	2	27	20	161	8	25	2	5
65	233	4	.....	3	.....	2	242	3	35	29	350	2	1	5	2
66	302	4	.....	4	35	1	266	3	25	.....	220	3	11	6	4
67	307	10	2	1	1	1	316	2	36	23	232	2	7	11	5
68	93	3	3	.....	.....	1	98	4	50	45	312	...	6	15	...
69	146	19	2	3	.....	.....	164	4	11	46	186	6	.....	18	...
70	259	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	258	5	50	12	232	25	106	4	4
71	124	47	2	4	4	1	148	2	20	.....	130	...	42	10	3
72	175	12	.....	2	.....	2	187	2	27	5	130	10	14	5	2
73	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	122	3	28	.....	258	.....	.....	.....	.....
74	135	1	3	1	7	3	128	2	31	13	133	.....	.....	39	5
75	111	2	15	3	.....	1	123	1	32	26	206	.....	6	6	1
76	111	8	2	1	2	3	115	2	25	30	140	...	20	28	3
77	153	49	12	3	6	1	209	2	20	10	145	...	32	23	8
78	154	26	1	5	1	2	174	1	28	15	174	...	5	22	...
79	288	32	73	3	1	2	387	5	56	43	320	...	150	155	40
80	253	6	8	2	.....	.....	264	2	33	40	305	20	8	15	...
81	150	32	.....	3	19	4	169	1	28	50	347	30	50	73	8
82	225	8	25	7	8	3	256	1	38	58	300	20	15	92	3
83	264	42	6	6	.....	3	312	5	50	25	450	16	24	24	...
84	193	5	1	.....	8	4	189	2	20	5	106	...	22	6	...
85	189	30	.....	1	23	1	194	3	30	6	188	19	11	16	3
86	220	21	.....	2	4	1	236	4	50	.....	200	8	13	7	5
87	58	.....	.....	1	29	1	27	2	12	10	40	2	17	2	...
88	298	34	4	.....	11	1	353	5	60	10	370	13	30	13	3
89	97	10	10	.....	2	2	120	2	32	21	180	...	8	4	1
90	175	.....	1	5	38	1	166	3	24	3	200	...	45	9	...
91	265	13	7	3	2	4	276	1	29	26	263	14	40	49	1
92	99	.....	23	12	7	.....	103	1	24	54	200	...	15	23	1
93	338	17	15	7	8	5	346	1	37	48	433	.....	.....	15	...
94	233	38	6	10	.....	1	266	1	29	80	290	35	45	7	3
95	75	12	8	.....	21	.....	81	1	25	138	351	...	18	6	...
96	63	34	4	3	.....	1	101	2	12	.....	100	27	38	18	24
97	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	17,563	1,151	355	303	692	174	18,672	238 1/2	2,997	2,378	21,407	720	1780	1679	330
	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	225 1/2	2,918	2,514	20,638	682	1838	1262	498
	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	79	.....	769	38	.....	417	...
	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	136	.....	.....	58	.....	168

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No.	CHARGES.	No. of Ap- pointments.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Church Pa- pers Taken.	Our S. S. Papers Taken.	Volumes in S. S. Library.	Value of Church Property.	Amount of Debt.	Insured ?
1	Accomac .....	3	4	1	22	340	300	\$ 7,500	.....	Yes.
2	Alexandria .....	1	1	1	20	225	.....	17,000	\$ 3,000 00	Yes.
3	Amelia .....	3	3	..	23	90	150	2,000	.....	No.
4	Anne Arundel..	6	6	1	21	240	300	12,000	.....	No.
5	Baltimore .....	5	5	1	.....	75	275	3,700	200 00	Partly
6	Barren Creek...	4	3	1	7	270	.....	6,125	1,500 00	No.
7	Bedford .....	6	6	1	23	350	350	11,200	240 00	No.
8	Belair .....	4	4	1	30	170	200	12,000	700 00	Partly
9	Broadway .....	1	1	1	20	330	330	34,000	8,500 00	Yes.
10	Cambridge .....	3	3	1	17	205	100	5,500	1,000 00	Yes.
11	Campbell .....	6	6	..	7	116	51	3,550	.....	No.
12	Caroline .....	4	4	1	.....	210	300	6,100	.....	Partly
13	Cecil .....	6	5	1	.....	260	600	15,000	300 00	Partly
14	Central .....	1	1	..	42	300	600	120,000	30,000 00	Yes.
15	Centreville .....	2	2	1	12	200	140	15,500	2,750 00	Yes.
16	Chesapeake .....	2	2	1	14	80	.....	8,500	80 00	Yes.
17	Chestertown...	1	1	1	38	300	428	32,500	.....	Yes.
18	Chincoteague...	1	1	..	6	50	.....	2,000	50 00	Yes.
19	Clayton .....	3	3	1	.....	200	200	8,100	600 00	Partly
20	Concord .....	4	4	1	14	.....	.....	8,200	.....	Yes.
21	Crisfield .....	1	1	1	9	250	150	8,000	55 00	Yes.
22	Crumpton .....	2	2	1	14	140	130	5,600	30 29	No.
23	Cumberland .....	1	1	1	11	150	273	4,500	.....	No.
24	Deer Creek .....	3	3	1	5	153	100	6,000	363 00	Yes.
25	Deer Park .....	4	4	..	11	75	.....	4,000	400 00	Partly
26	Delta .....	3	2	1	20	300	196	9,000	1,400 00	Yes.
27	Dorchester .....	4	4	1	12	75	200	10,000	.....	Partly
28	East Baltimore.	2	2	..	22	350	300	20,500	.....	Yes.
29	Easton .....	1	1	1	44	150	145	20,000	339 00	Yes.
30	Ellicott City...	1	2	..	3	65	117	1,300	.....	No.
31	Eutaw .....	1	1	1	16	30	25	3,500	.....	Yes.
32	Fawn Grove .....	4	4	1	16	350	420	8,000	.....	No.
33	Felton .....	3	3	1	3	.....	100	2,200	.....	No.
34	Finksburg .....	4	4	1	20	200	385	12,000	.....	Partly
35	First Church...	1	1	1	12	160	300	17,000	1,025 00	Yes.
36	Franklin City..	4	4	1	13	200	.....	5,500	600 00	Partly
37	Frederick .....	8	8	1	30	.....	500	15,000	.....	Partly
38	Georget'n, D. C.	1	1	1	30	350	310	15,000	.....	Yes.
39	Georget'n, Del..	1	1	..	2	20	150	1,200	350 00	Yes.
40	Greenwood .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
41	Grove .....	4	4	1	8	175	150	6,000	325 00	No.
42	Hampden .....	2	2	1	.....	400	400	15,000	.....	Yes.
43	Harper's Ferry.	2	1	1	.....	.....	210	6,000	.....	No.
44	Harrington .....	3	3	1	37	300	.....	8,300	1,200 00	Yes.
45	Heathsville .....	7	6	1	101	270	160	18,000	.....	No.
46	Howard .....	4	3½	1	21	100	230	7,200	275 00	Yes.
47	Hurlock's .....	1	1	..	2	54	.....	2,000	250 00	No.
48	Jefferson .....	6	6	1	21	325	700	17,500	450 00	Partly
49	Kennedyville ...	1	1	1	5	.....	200	4,000	375 00	Yes.
50	Kent Island .....	2	2	1	8	150	170	10,000	.....	No.
51	Laurel .....	2	2	1	13	125	50	10,000	.....	Yes.
52	Leipsic .....	1	1	..	5	84	70	2,000	.....	No.



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53	Liberty .....	4	4	1	.....	.....	.....	10,000	.....	Partly
54	Lisbon .....	5	5	1	25	213	804	8,800	160 00	Yes.
55	Lynchburg .....	1	1	..	27	177	350	15,000	.....	Yes.
56	Mariner's .....	1	1	1	22	259	.....	3,250	.....	Yes.
57	Middleway .....	4	2	1	6	25	50	3,500	250 00	Yes.
58	Milton .....	4	4	1	20	45	200	5,400	130 00	Partly
59	Mt. Tabor .....	1	1	..	12	162	120	8,000	699 72	Yes.
60	Newark .....	1	1	1	26	410	500	35,000	2,300 00	Yes.
61	N. C. Avenue... ..	1	1	..	14	256	100	7,000	279 00	Yes.
62	Oxford .....	1	1	1	18	152	450	5,000	.....	Yes.
63	Pipe Creek .....	2	2	1	.....	100	750	9,000	90 00	Partly
64	Pittsville .....	3	3	1	18	160	200	5,000	.....	Partly
65	Pocomoke .....	4	4	1	13	.....	.....	6,000	100 00	Partly
66	Pocomoke City ..	2	2	1	31	.....	.....	11,200	.....	Yes.
67	Potomac .....	4	4	1	14	210	400	7,200	.....	Partly
68	Powellsville .....	4	4	1	14	150	200	4,000	.....	Partly
69	Quantico .....	5	5	1	12	40	290	7,000	.....	Partly
70	Queen Anne .....	2	2	1	40	220	100	4,000	.....	Yes.
71	Reliance .....	3	3	1	12	130	.....	3,920	300 00	Partly
72	Rowlandville .....	3	3	1	.....	.....	440	9,150	40 00	Yes.
73	St. James' .....	3	3	1	24	30	250	8,500	.....	Yes.
74	St. Luke's .....	1	1	..	12	205	312	10,000	.....	Yes.
75	St. Michael's .....	2	2	1	17	.....	250	6,250	.....	Yes.
76	Salisbury .....	2	2	1	16	194	100	11,000	.....	Yes.
77	Seaford .....	1	1	1	10	210	.....	2,500	350 00	Yes.
78	Snow Hill .....	5	5	1	20	300	300	10,000	1,200 00	Yes.
79	Somerset .....	2	2	1	36	300	300	5,000	.....	Yes.
80	South Baltimore ..	1	1	1	8	250	187	23,000	1,400 00	Partly
81	Starr .....	1	1	1	40	300	325	45,000	.....	Yes.
82	Stewartstown .....	5	5	1	12	650	700	15,300	650 00	Yes.
83	Surry .....	3	2	1	12	50	.....	3,141	100 00	Partly
84	Susquehanna .....	3	3	1	35	160	450	11,000	.....	Yes.
85	Sussex .....	4	4	1	17	.....	220	4,500	275 00	No.
86	Talbot .....	2	2	1	12	30	140	1,500	.....	No.
87	Union .....	5	5	..	20	350	288	8,400	.....	No.
88	Union Bridge .....	2	2	1	21	150	214	13,000	1,500 00	Yes.
89	Warwick .....	3	3	1	22	50	150	9,000	.....	Partly
90	Washington St. ..	1	2	1	19	300	263	45,000	12,370 00	Yes.
91	West Baltimore ..	1	1	..	86	415	750	30,000	.....	Yes.
92	Westminster .....	1	1	1	52	278	385	23,000	.....	Yes.
93	Williamsport .....	5	3	..	10	80	125	800	.....	No.
94	Wilmington .....	1	1	..	4	305	.....	8,500	3,300 00	Yes.
95	Waverly .....	1	1	..	.....	144	140	1,800	.....	Yes.
96	Indian River .....	1	1	..	4	.....	100	600	.....	No.
Total .....		261	253½	74	1,463	16,412	21,368	\$1,068,986	\$8,2151 01	.....
Report of 1890 ..		246	248½	71	1,720	16,619	22,702	1,003,918	7,9188 69	.....
Increase .....		15	5	3	.....	.....	.....	\$65,068	\$2,962 34	.....
Decrease .....		.....	.....	.....	257	207	1,334	.....	.....	.....

Number of Charges fully insured.....51  
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# SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY.

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Superannuated Fund Society met in West Baltimore M. P. Church, Friday, April 3d. B. F. Benson, First Vice-President, in Chair. Treasurer's report, which gave a satisfactory showing, was read and adopted. Distributed to superannuate claimants during the year \$4,378.46. Balance in hand for investment \$362.08.

The Board of Managers reported that Mrs. W. T. Wright, now deceased, bequeathed to the Superannuated Fund Society the sum of one thousand dollars.

The Corresponding and Recording Secretaries of the Society were appointed to prepare resolutions expressing its appreciation of the liberal bequest.

C. E. McCullough was appointed to collect annual dues.

Officers elected for the ensuing year are: B. F. Benson, First Vice-President; J. E. Nicholson, Second Vice-President; A. W. Mather, Corresponding Secretary; B. W. Kindley, Recording Secretary.

Board of Managers: E. J. Drinkhouse, D. L. Greenfield, J. E. T. Ewell, Horace Burrough, J. H. Elliott, J. H. C. Kahler, J. G. Clarke.

No further business, adjourned.

B. W. KINDLEY, Secretary.

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# MINUTES OF HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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APRIL 2D, 1891.

The Home Missionary Society met, J. E. Maloy in the chair. J. L. Elderdice was elected Secretary *pro tem*.

The report of the Board of Managers, with the accompanying report of the Treasurer, was read, and referred to the Conference.

On motion, it was ordered that the \$25 contributed by Chatsworth Church to Home Missions be paid over to the Treasurer of the Church Extension Society.

J. H. S. Ewell was appointed to collect the annual dues.

The report of the Treasurer of the Home Missionary Society was read and adopted.

The following officers were elected: President, J. L. Mills; First Vice-President, J. E. Maloy; Second Vice-President, J. S. Bowers; Third Vice-President, J. W. Trout; Secretary, J. L. Elderdice; Treasurer, W. H. Silk; Board of Managers, the Pastors of Lafayette, Mt. Lebanon, East Baltimore, and Starr Churches, in connection with W. H. Silk, W. J. C. Dulany, J. N. Gilbert and T. Harry Bartlett.

Adjourned to meet Monday night at 7.30.

J. L. ELDERDICE.

# SEMI-CENTENNIAL SERMON.

BY REV. S. B. SOUTHERLAND, D. D.

WE are made a spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to men.—  
1 Corinthians, iv: 9.

FOR we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves  
your servants for Jesus sake.—2 Corinthians, iv: 5.

In these passages, Paul, a preacher, speaks a word for preachers. He refers particularly and forcibly to the unselfishness of their labors; alleging this fact to be so patent and pronounced, that, in their devotedness to the interests of others, preachers absolutely become spectacular to all beholders. There should have been no need of this speaking. A work so clearly benevolent and self-sacrificing, should have been promptly recognized by all; precluding the necessity of preachers themselves coming forward to utter a syllable in their own vindication. But farther on in these same epistles, while making similar personal allusions, Paul offers this sufficient apology: "Ye have compelled me; for I ought to have been commended of you." An erroneous estimate of the motives of preachers might militate against their work. Hence, this grand old preacher stands up in defence of all who, like himself, are preaching the Gospel in the spirit of self-renunciation. In the text he thus challenges attention in this regard, accentuating current incontrovertible facts: "We," who preach, accepting all of hardship and responsibility that may be included in preaching—"We are made a spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to men. For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.

The proposition here submitted is:

**THE UNSELFISHNESS AND PHILANTHROPY OF THE CHRISTIAN MINISTRY.**

"We preach not ourselves." No motive so unworthy as one in which personal interests dominate can possibly inspire entrance into the ministerial office, where the incumbent has any degree of fitness for the place. Indeed, nothing is more transparently true than that to enter the ministry intelligently and conscientiously, is to put self altogether aside. The honor of self, the comfort of self; and, what is far more dear, the independence of one's self, have to be excluded from all indulged contemplations. The very nature of the office requires the spirit which is voiced in the Pauline declaration, "We seek not yours, but you."

"Ourselves your servants." The extent of the service rendered the world by faithful preaching of the Gospel cannot be overestimated.

Enough for proof is its positive divine appointment for the ages, as the chief instrumentality of human rescue and salvation.

The most eminent civilians and statesmen have ever borne testimony to the superiority of preaching as an agency of human beneficence. The world builds monuments to its literati, jurists, statesmen, soldiers, and philanthropists; and yet, Daniel Webster, in a famous law case in the highest court in the land, where Christianity was involved, put the preaching of the Gospel—I had the good fortune to be present, and quote his very words—he put the preaching of the Gospel “above all literary efforts, above all legal adjudications, above all constitutional discussions, above all that has been said or done in favor of the great interests of universal man.”

Such the great statesman’s estimate of the public value of the Christian preacher’s labors. And in this emphatic utterance, this high tribute to preachers, he was practically joined by Horace Binney and John Sargent, the distinguished counsel on the other side of the main issue, as they suffered the encomium to go unchallenged.

Webster was right. And Cowper was right, when he wrote:

“The pulpit (in the sober use  
Of its legitimate, peculiar powers.)  
Must stand acknowledged while  
The world shall stand,  
The most important and effectual guard,  
Support and ornament of virtue’s cause.”

Ministers are servants in a larger sense than any other class of men. *Ich Dien*, German for I Serve, which the King of Bohemia made famous as a motto by taking it, as a volunteer, into the battle [of Cressy, in which he was slain, is far more appropriate as a sentiment for him who volunteers in the preacher’s self-abnegating service for his fellow men in waging the battle of the Lord. *Ich Dien* is inscribed on the crest of every true minister of God.

Ministers are voluntary servants. “Am I not free?” exclaims Paul. And this challenge may justly echo to-day from all ministerial lines. Free! Yet, we make ourselves servants unto all. We waive our natural rights as freemen. In view of the legitimate requirements of their office, and the demands of the people, reasonable and unreasonable, the ministry are absolute public servants. Practically, they are the obedient servants of all in the community who choose to draw upon their time and talents. Moreover, the fact is indisputable that, except in the rarest cases, no class of men are compensated in such inferior proportion to their ability, and so far beneath a business and equitable standard. It may be said, however, that the rewards of the ministry are reserved for eternity. True enough. Nevertheless, as ministers are now in the flesh, they need now what other living men need. Christmas Evans, the famous Welsh preacher, it is said, was kept on a starvation salary. His biographer, himself a Welshman, remarks: “It must be numbered

among the anomalies of Welsh religious life, that it combines an insatiable appetite for sermons with a marvellous disregard for the temporal comfort of the preacher." As an illustration, this anecdote is introduced: The great preacher, coming out of the pulpit one day, was thus accosted by an enthused sister: "Christmas Evans, dear, I hope you will be paid at the resurrection; you have given us a wonderful sermon." "Yes, yes, honey," was his quick reply, "no doubt of that; *but what am I to do till I get there?* And there is the old white mare that carries me; what will *she* do? for her there will be no resurrection."

By appointment I am now addressing my Conference. The body was only entering on its twelfth year when I became a member of it. It now inscribes 63 upon the arch which spans all its intervening time. Along that wide space many of our brethren have disappeared in death, but there have been regular fresh arrivals on the way, so that, in the original singleness of Christian purpose, the Conference of the past is the Conference of the present, with augmented numbers and corresponding enlargement of sphere for the exercise of consecrated activities. Last year you were saluted, through its single messenger, by the Conference of 1840. My salutations are substantially the same, only representing a year later. Through my worthy classmate, Dr. Ward, and myself, 1841 gives congratulatory greetings to 1891. When he and I were "first acquaint," and were both raw recruits, encouraging progress had been made by this Conference, but in our mutual fifty years it may be said with emphasis, "The Lord hath done great things for us."

Personal retrospection is in order, and will be expected. But I am moved, preliminarily, to submit some pointers of our Church identifications with the apostolic Church. There is in each case the same phenomena in the matter of the self-abnegations and philanthropy of the ministry. These are now, as they were then, a "spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to men."

The Methodist Protestant Church, in its origin, assumed a position as new to Methodism on our shores as it was magnanimous. Contrary to all precedent, it assumed, that men in becoming Methodists, retained their natural and civil manhood. It gave the ballot and open Conference doors to its people. It recognized and guaranteed the rights of all, ministry and laity. It opened the same door of governmental participation to the laity as to the ministry. It said, We all be Christ's freemen, and we all be brethren. And this was done against all Methodist theory and practice. In 1774, a precedent had been established of diametrical opposition. It was then decreed that ministers alone should govern in American Methodism. Nor was that strange. It was done by ministers. And it was, perhaps, natural—even as human nature exists among good men—that a class in legislating should legislate for their own class. But mark the difference! In 1828, the corner stone of another order of architectural Methodism was laid—a Methodism that seats laymen side by side with ministers in the councils of the Church—our own distinctive

Methodism; and yet the honor of the inception of this system belongs to ministers. They rose above themselves.

Paul says of the first Christian preachers that, in their devotion to the interests of others, at great cost to themselves, they were made a "spectacle;" or, as it is in the original, they were made a *theatre*, where the drama in real life of philanthropy was startling enough to claim the universe as a wondering audience. And surely the ministerial founders of this Church enacted a heroic part sufficient to command general surprise and equal admiration, as they turned away from the prestige, the strength and the wealth of their former ecclesiasticism, together with all the positions and prerogatives there, and went out into the drear field of the world to engage in the gigantic work of establishing a totally new governmental Methodism; a work as magnanimous as gigantic, because its very basis involved the renunciation of fully one-half of what had been formerly ruled as the Methodist itinerant's rightful powers.

Considering all the facts, it is beyond debate, that these original Methodist Protestant ministers exhibited a self-denial and a greatness of soul unparalleled in history.

Champions of laymen that they were, they left all behind them of place and power which they either possessed, or to which they might have reasonably aspired, and besides hardships and the consciousness of honorable action, they secured nothing in particular for themselves and their successors, but what, though wise and valuable as a check upon the Conference appointing power, is so rarely availed of, that it is in the general practically little more than an honoring manhood sentiment. Of course, the reference is to the right of appeal.

This is the Church, thus originated, by whose supplementary agency to home influence in my childhood, I was brought to Christ in early maturity, and with which my lot has been cast all these long years. I am turning a retrospective glance to-day adown what may be called its broadest and longest aisle: the Maryland Annual Conference. In a list of one hundred and thirteen preachers, there are but six whose vision can take such a backward sweep. I regret to use the personal pronoun, singular number, but my office as semi-centennarian preacher makes it unavoidable.

A word biographical. I am of good Maryland Methodist stock. My parents were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. They passed to their eternal reward, however, ere our bright particular denominational star arose. With my orphanage came removal to Virginia. A fostering kinsman there was a devoted member of the church of my parents, and thus there continued with me the home influence of that ecclesiasticism. But the Methodist Protestant Church had secured a footing in the place of my new home, and I was drawn into pleasant social relations with its prominent members. In addition to their regular pastoral supply, attractive and strong men, such as Josiah Varden, William Collier, Dr. John S. Reese and Augustus Webster were

occasionally in the pulpit. There was for me another attraction. This "sect" was at that time "dragged into fame" by being, if not "everywhere," yet much spoken against; and as I was of a sort of Berean turn of mind, I began to "search" the historic writings in the premises "to see whether these things were so." I procured documents and studied the two Methodisms, and by the time of my graduation in this department of ecclesiastical science, I came out of college, in clear convictions, a "Radical—" as Methodist Protestants were derisively called in those days by non-Latinist non-admirers. By the way, they classified better than they knew. Radical being from radix, root, in applying this sou-briquet it was admitted, unwittingly, but correctly, that our fathers, not content with the grafted off-shoots of Episcopal Methodism, had dug down to the root of the tree, and thus had become Methodists of the original stock. And, if radix, verbalized, be followed by porcus and mors, of the same venerable tongue, having a disjunctive particle between them, there may be suggested, in phrase more forcible than elegant, the alternative of our fathers. And now, in the light of the present one hundred and fifty thousand members, together with all the appliances of a living and progressive Church, it is evident that our sires did root, and equally evident that they did not die.

Having determined on a religious life, as helpful to that end, I was received into the Methodist Protestant Church, and soon thereafter professed faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour. Washington Roby, of precious memory, was my pastor for a month or two, then, Conference coming on, I was transferred to the same relation with that pure, sweet brother, John W. Everist, who still survives, though now for many years an honorably retired member of this body. He assumed the responsibility of putting me into the pulpit on several occasions while I was yet only a probationer in the Church. He divined, and truly, that I was exercised on the subject of preaching, and he trusted me sufficiently to put me at it without delay. At its first meeting after the expiration of my probationary term, the Quarterly Conference gave me license to preach, and my little boat was thus formally launched upon an unknown, but ever-eventful sea. At this Quarterly Conference, Dr. John S. Reese being present as the President of the Annual Conference, presided, and at the request of the secretary, the Rev. Augustus Webster, who was also in attendance, wrote the license. These, in themselves, are small matters, but the association of such venerable names with the inauguration of my preacher-life, is a very pleasant personal reminiscence. The official paper thus accrediting me to the Church and community, which would now be prized so highly, as also my parchments as Deacon and Elder, very much to my regret, have been lost for many a year. So far as I know, not a single member of that Harper's Ferry Quarterly Conference, except Brother Everist, is now in the land of the living, and I doubt that a member of that Church survives, except our beloved brother Charles W. Button. Peace to the ashes of

the departed! They were a noble little band. My own dear brother, Esmay Gray Southerland, one of the number, received his summons to the Master's presence while contemplating a place at my side in this Conference.

Hon. Philemon B. Hopper, of Centreville, Maryland, is an ever fragrant name in our denominational history. At his cordial invitation, I shared his hospitality for several months preceding the meeting of the Annual Conference of 1841. Rev. Samuel L. Rawleigh was in charge of the circuit, which included territory where we now have six appointees from the Conference. While a guest of Judge Hopper, I met under his roof for the first time a young preacher who had just finished his introductory year in the itinerancy, and was on his way to receive a second appointment. He preached for us in Centreville: no matter the day, sermons were always in demand at that time, when a Radical preacher came along. In beginning, the young man premised that, as "young preachers and niggers always took their texts from Revelation," he would follow the rule, and he did. I remember nothing of the sermon, except that it was delivered in good voice, and a plenty of it. He and I roomed together that night, and got on nicely; each getting down into the other without having to dive very far, as the water was not deep. But we did get in the direction of one another's hearts, and there, if I may speak for both, we have remained through all these years. Blessings on his tall form! He has grown all over as the years have come on; and, what the young preachers have not observed like the old ones, contrary to rule, there has been with his increasing years quite an increase of cranium covering, and of a more youthful hue, without resort to the transparent trick of chemical coloring. And, what is still more abnormal, except the appearance now and then of a few frosty filaments, the whole handsome hirsute crown seems always in statu quo. With some others of us time has made "room at the top" for improvement.

Rev. Augustus Webster, who, subsequently, afforded Pennsylvania (Lutheran) College the opportunity of honoring itself by conferring upon him the doctorate in divinity, was elected President of the Conference in 1841, and at that session, in company with the present Dr. Ward, the honored head of Westminster Theological Seminary, Alfred Baker, and John A. Jackson, my frail barque set sail upon itinerant waters. Never to-be-forgotton hour! Then I broke, beyond mending, with all the pleasures, gains and ambitions of the world.

Requirements then for Conference admission were very different from the present. Then, and for years afterward, there was simply a committee *pro forma* appointed on the spur of the moment, consisting of three ministers and two delegates, who put candidates through on their Quarterly Conference papers, together, possibly, with their good looks, and answers to a few improvised superficial theological and literary queries; a sort of omnium gatherum. Candidates were not always even required to be present. A "friend at court," as in my own case in the



person of good Brother Rawleigh, was sometimes sufficient. More or less, in this slipshod style, were receptions into the itinerancy, and also admittance to orders, year after year, until, in the absence of both college and theological seminary in our Church to educate and train our young preachers, the present Faculty of Instruction was organized under a college charter from the Legislature of Maryland.

My first appointment was Kent Circuit, one of the best of our charges; my colleague was Isaac Webster, one of the best of men. He the "superintendent," I the "assistant—" good old Wesleyan Methodist official titles, and I regret that we ever discontinued them. The year passed pleasantly and profitably on Kent. Nearly all whom the reminiscence brings up are dead. *One* of the number, however, survives. Hand in hand we have walked together all these years, and thus are walking still.

The Conference of 1842 gave me my first sight of the assembled body with whom, while absent, I had cast my lot a year before. The general external personal appearance was in considerable contrast with the Conference of to-day. So far as I now recall the members, they were, without exception, smooth-face men; not a bearded man, either in moustache or whiskers on cheek or chin, was to be seen. Perhaps the change in this respect is only another illustration of the fact that our polity, in nurturing manhood, naturally evolves some measure of individual idiosyncrasy. It has often been remarked that in some churches to see and hear the leading men is to see and hear all their men, at least in marked efforts of imitation. It has never been so among us. Not that we have not had as grand men in the leadership as other churches, but that our institutions promote personal independence. So it is that our younger preachers have never had models. Each one of us, whether young or old, is distinctively himself. As much so as our good old Brother Reuben T. Boyd, who carried his individuality into the pulpit sometimes to an extent inimitable and whimsically droll. On a certain occasion finding his text unresponsive to his best efforts; he suddenly paused and said: "Brethren, this text won't run. I'll try another one;" which he did, with what improvement in the "running" I do not now remember.

High neckwear, white and black, were common in the Conference of '42. And the grave President was conspicuous and impressive in his solitary "keel-bottom" coat. According to the times, it was a very clerical looking assemblage.

There they were! the preachers and the lay delegates, side by side. The fame of some of these preachers was in all the churches, and in the community as well. There they were! The older and the younger; though in fact, none were really old—the eldest of them all being but fifty-nine. There they were! The classic and serene Waters; the peerless orator, Stockton; the perfectly rounded figure in the pulpit and out of it, John S. Reese, his noble brother Levi; Stier, quaint, devout, fearless; Henkle, the sweet singer; Robert Wilson, the physical

counterpart of Andrew Jackson, and not unlike "Old Hickory" in heroic will; Collier, the strong preacher; Varden, the wit, sweet voice, and most excellent fancy; Isaac Webster, genial in intercourse and pathetic in the pulpit; William Kesley, simple as a child, but a polemic that taxed the resources of ablest opponents; Rawleigh, who, without a flower of fancy or trope of rhetoric, or necessary conclusion of logic, commanded a hearing for the Gospel from all classes of people; John G. Wilson, the clerically neat and Christianly suave brother; and, younger than all these, Andrew A. Lipsecomb, with his slight lisp, polished manners and brilliant mental conceptions—giving sure promise of his subsequent distinguished career. These all, with others of more or less mark in Gospel work, were there; constituting a circle, moral and intellectual, which any man might be proud to enter.

At that session four were received into the itinerant ranks, of whom one only now survives; and, at the risk of shocking his modesty, I will add, he is the peer of the best in any of the churches, while in our Conference he excels us all, in that he has given to our common work two noble sons—one of whom finished his labors in very early manhood and went up on high to receive the victor's deathless palm.

A shade of sadness comes over me as I think that of all the preachers at that Conference only seven remain. Everist, the Nichols brothers, L. W. Bates, Ward, J. J. Murray and Southerland alone have escaped to tell the story of that ministerial phalanx formed for battle in the old Georgetown church; yet, fallen brethren—

" Not upon you or yours the solemn angel  
Hath evil wrought:  
Your funeral anthems were a glad evangel—  
The good die not "

I bring affection's tributary offering to the worthy brethren departed. At every calling of the Dead Roll each name has a heart response among us, by those who knew him, far more emphatic than Napoleon's chivalric record of his fallen hero: "Dead on the field of honor." I draw nearer to those who, like myself, ere long in this Conference, will only be a memory; and then, with mingled solicitude and hope, contemplate the picture of the multiplied successors of my lovingly remembered early Conference contemporaries.

The younger brethren—a bright career be theirs!—may learn hereafter how it is that the old, live much in the past. With the old present experiences, are sometimes sad experiences, and they are compelled to think of the past, when, it may be, in the higher practical appreciation of the Church, the candle of the Lord shone on their heads; and when, as the effect, they were happier and more useful. Besides, whatever may be the unsolved problems of the future, the past, at least, is secure. And the past, in my own case, it is not improper for me to say at the end of half a century of Conference life, is a past—whatever else it be—of loyalty and devotedness to the

Methodist Protestant Church. I have borne its banner at home and abroad. It is a pleasure to remember that in 1881, in the land where Methodism had its providential birth, and in the immediate locality of John Wesley's grave, and before the world's Methodist representatives, of every branch of the immense family, while all were waving their banners, I had the honor of unfurling the starry standard, whose escutcheon bears the legend: "The Mutual Rights of the Ministry and Laity." And indulge me a little longer. I have borne this standard in war-times, when, as the result of this Conference's authority over me, I was expatriated; an exile; and, with a helpless household, exposed from day to day for years to the perils of war, and an actual sharer in all the deprivations of the beleaguered land where you sent me. I did not solicit the appointment. I never did seek any particular place. I have again and again even declined to express a preference between appointments when the option was afforded me. Whatever I may have thought, or however felt, I have always gone cheerfully wherever the appointing power indicated. That past is secure. As to the future, clouds may rest upon it. But I trust in God, and I have confidence in the justice of the Church. Six years ago, without will of mine; I was sent to—what Brother Dumm, a superannuate, with severe satire, once called on the floor of Conference—"Paradise." I did not then fully know what is involved in this relation. I know it now. Brother Dyott told the story at the last Conference remarkably well for one who has never been in "Paradise." But no one can tell it fully, except from actual personal experience. No one!

And in specifying the *back pay* of superannuates—for that is what their appropriations are—it may be well for the brethren of the pastorate to remember that they are possibly suggesting to the laity to be generous, or otherwise with them, in their present pay. My mind has undergone no change on this subject. I recall now with great gratification, that among the very first speeches I ever made on the Conference floor was one in defence of a superannuated brother's financial claims. A member of great ability in debate led the opposition, but he lost his case, and the superannuate was awarded his rights.

During the retirement of our great Snethen from itinerant labors, a friend in the active ranks questioned him as to the expediency of his retiring, also. The emphatic answer was: "I pray thee come not into this place of torment." And to all of you, beloved brethren, now in the pastorate, who can possibly stay where you are, your superannuates may well re-echo Nicholas Snetheu.

The earlier years of our Conference were the era of popular and successful camp-meetings. The old folio *Methodist Protestant*, in the season, generally had a full column of camps and their appointees, and columns afterwards of glorious results. The white tents, the great fire-stands piled with hard logs and resinous pine, the twinkling lamps among the trees, and all flanked by covered country wagons and vehicles of

every sort, made a picture that is as vivid in my memory to-day as it is replete with delightful associations. Camp-meetings were not for recreation, but for labor for souls. In the intervals of public services by the preachers, tent meetings were improvised by the brethren and sisters, and from those meetings I have seen penitents come weeping to preaching and converts come shouting for joy.

I recall an episode, somewhat serio-comic, at a camp on old Deer Creek circuit, where I was the assistant preacher. During John G. Wilson's sermon on Sunday morning, suddenly a fearful storm of thunder, lightning, wind and rain burst upon us. There was a panic. All fled in haste to the tents. While the storm was still crashing through the woods, and the preachers were huddling together in awe in our tent, our sensations were momentarily and humorously changed by a nervous young ecclesiastic. Like many others in that day, he was a firm believer in the now long decayed Thompsonian system of medicine, and generally had his specifics on hand. Previous to the storm he had been lauding high "composition" for colds, and "number six" for ills innumerable. And when the storm was on us, and once with awful crash struck somewhere near, he toppled over, crying out in affright, "Get me the number six out of my saddle-bags!" According to the well-known law of opposites in a fresh excitement, the shriek for this strange lightning antidote in a company of more or less scared men, produced an instant emotional transition and set the tent in a hilarious roar. It was a terrific storm: trees were shivered, some horses killed, and the metal mounting of harness and carriages was melted and ran down upon the ground.

Great scenes of awakening at camp-meetings are also recalled. At a camp in Kent, where Dr. Reese was the pentacostal Peter, many were visibly convicted. Among the number was a prominent lawyer, who, after the close of the meeting, sent for Rev. William Dale, who found him in great concern in his law office, and ere Brother Dale left him he was happily converted. This gentleman subsequently had a national reputation as the Hon. George Vickers, of the United States Senate. At a camp on Howard circuit, under the preaching of Levi R. Reese, Dr. Webster, William Collier and others, the people were mightily stirred. After one of Dr. Webster's great sermons, the people in crowds rushed to the altar. Oh! blessed are the memories of those camp-meeting days! But I must pause.

A closing word suggested by the text,

"A spectacle to the world, and to angels, and to men." Sublime enacting were early ministerial labors, in that they were so arduous, and yet performed so unselfishly and magnanimously. And this grand spectacle is still continued. For it is a fact before the eyes of the American people that, for more than sixty years, the successors of the philanthropists who first set the ball of Methodist governmental reform in motion have exhibited the same greatness of soul by giving their all in the perpetuation of this laymen's church. I say emphatically, this

laymen's church. It so struck Judge McArthur, of Washington, some years ago, as Brother Gray will remember. In a suit in the Judge's court instituted by an ex-pastor against one of our local churches, as a witness for that church, I was testifying, under direct examination by the church's counsel, as to the voluntary surrender of the rights of our ministry to the laity, when the plaintiff's counsel interposed, moving to throw my testimony out, as irrelevant; but the Judge, who is of another Christian communion, who was listening with evident equal interest and surprise, said, substantially, "Oh, no; let the witness go on; it is interesting information; the Methodist Protestant Church must have the most magnanimous ministers in all the world."

This was a compliment to the Church as well as to the ministry; for, if the ministry are thus elevated in sentiment and in practice, noble must be the cause that gives the inspiration.

That the world moves, is a truism trite enough. But what of Christianity, and of Methodism, one of its present potent factors? It requires no Galileo to affirm here. The physical world moves not more certainly than the spiritual; and the spiritual world includes in its mighty progressive forces John Wesley's practical idea: Methodism; and Methodism includes the idea, both practical and philanthropic, of Nicholas Snethen and his compeers: the Methodist Protestant Church. And *this* church-world of ours—so hindered at the beginning by the pre-occupation of its peculiar orbit—*this*, our own ecclesiastical planet, moves. Adjusted by the centripetal and centrifugal of religion and brotherly equality, it has moved, and is moving in unison with God's great thought of salvation for all the world. This Conference is a witness. My fifty years in it are fifty years' observation affirming the fact of progress. No large ecclesiasticism—not even that of our Methodist Episcopal brethren—reached its present proportions by a hop, skip, and jump. "Rome was not built in a day." We have advanced as rapidly as any of our neighbors. More rapidly than some of them. Our figures, be it remembered, do not fully make up the sum of our progress. There is to be added the no inconsiderable contingent of the modifying influence we have exercised upon the rigors of the other Methodist systems. Dr. Charles F. Deems, fresh from the General Conference of the Southern Methodist Episcopal Church, and its accredited messenger to our General Conference, referring to the adoption of lay delegation by his church, said: "Brethren, you have converted us!" He spoke the truth. They are our economic children; and there are a good many of them, too! The still more numerous body of the same general system were subsequently led to see the error of their ways, but they have never acknowledged any paternity. As they are silently non-committal—I mean no discourtesy—learned Law nomenclature might put them in the category of *Filius Nullius*.

Oh, brethren beloved, some of us have journeyed side by side for many a day, and while our advance couriers, in the persons of departed companions, have left us as a small remnant, the onward movement has

been steadily maintained in the reinforcements of the ranks by those who are young and strong, as once we were.

Five of our present number have passed the semi-centennial of Conference life, and at the rise of this annual session these five will open ranks to let two others in. And others are pressing hard at the heels of Dr. Ward and myself. Others are not very far behind. Others have made considerable progress. Others, still, have only fairly started in the race. God's blessing on us, every one! Old, and young, we be brethren all. One by one we are dropping out at the call from above. Webster, Thompson and Ferguson this year. It is noteworthy that, thus far, Dr. Webster is our only deceased Conference semi-centennarian. Most of our departed brethren were in comparatively short Conference membership, and some of them were summoned away in very early manhood. Suffer the reminder. Remember I am preaching. Preaching to old men, like myself. Whatever our present measure of bodily vigor, it will be timely for us to indulge an aged American statesman's subduing thought. He said: "I am walking on the broken arches of life, and am liable to stump through at any moment." Preaching to young men, successors to early departed comrades. But in both cases, veterans and freshly enlisted men, I am preaching gladly, because we be all soldiers of Jesus Christ. Old soldiers and young recruits, O, that each in the day of His coming may say:

I have fought my way through ;  
I have finished the work thou didst give me to do !  
O, that each from his Lord may receive the glad word,  
Well and faithfully done !  
Enter into my joy and sit down on my throne.

# MANUAL.

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## RULES OF ORDER

FOR THE

### GOVERNMENT OF THE MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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#### ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCE.

1. Pastors shall send to the Secretary of the Annual Conference the certificate of election of the delegate or delegates to the Annual Conference immediately after the election of the same.

2. The Secretary shall make a list of the delegates so certified, omitting all contested cases; and this list, together with the list of the ministerial members, shall constitute the roll of Conference upon which the Conference shall organize.

#### OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE.

##### RULE I.

##### *Duties of the President.*

1. To take the chair precisely at the hour agreed on at the last adjournment.

2. Preserve the most rigid order, and confine the members to the subject under consideration.

3. Not allow improper personalities, nor reflections upon any religious communities.

4. Announce each person rising to speak, so soon as he shall have addressed the chair, by declaring him "The minister from —," or "The delegate from —."

5. State a question sitting, but stand when the question is put and taken; also when he states a point of order; and also when he makes any formal communication to the Conference.

6. Is not allowed to vote when a question is taken, unless there be a tie; but he may vote in cases of ballot.

7. May call any member to the chair, when he wishes to participate in debate, or for other purposes; but such person shall not be entitled to the chair after an adjournment.

##### RULE II.

##### *Duties of Secretary.*

1. To perform such duties as are usually required of the Secretary of a deliberative body. And also,

2. Should the President not be in place at the hour of meeting, the Secretary, or in his absence one of his assistants, shall announce the fact, and the Conference shall elect a chairman pro tempore, and proceed to business.

3. Have charge of all the papers belonging to the Conference, and be accountable for them.

4. Be in his place precisely at the hour agreed on at the last adjournment.

5. Keep an accurate list of the members of the Conference.

6. Keep correct minutes of the proceedings of Conference, including all written resolutions whether adopted or rejected, and the mover and seconder of all written resolutions.

7. Keep a list of business, on which he shall record all business brought before the Conference, and in the order of its presentation.

8. Keep a list of Committees, on which he shall record, *First*, The standing committees, in the order of their arrangement in these rules; and, *Second*, All other committees that may be appointed, and in the order of their appointment.

9. Keep a correct list of the Circuits and Stations, to be used as occasion may require.

10. Report to the Conference any unfinished business of the preceding annual session.

11. Be the Committee on Publication of the Minutes.

12. Supply the pastors with blanks.

### COMMITTEES.

#### RULE III.

All committees shall be appointed by the President, except otherwise directed in the Book of Discipline, or by special vote of the Conference.

#### RULE IV.

##### *Standing Committees.*

1. Finance, 2 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

2. Itinerancy and Orders, the Faculty of Instruction.

3. Boundaries, 7 Laymen.

4. Pulpit Services, 3 Ministers.

5. Home Missions, 3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

6. Superannuates, 3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

7. Literature, 3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

8. Sabbath Schools, 3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.

9. Temperance, 3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.

10. Benevolent Agencies, 3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.

11. Fraternal Relations, 3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.

12. Official Character, 3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.

13. Statistics, 1 Minister, 1 Layman.

14. Obituaries, 3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. This committee not to be appointed until the death of some minister requires it.

15. Education, 3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.

16. Foreign Missions, 3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

17. President's Report, 2 Ministers, 1 Layman.

18. Sabbath Observance, 3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

19. Committee on Credentials.

20. General Home Missions, 3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.

#### RULE V.

Any person being a member of two committees, shall have the right to decline an appointment to another.

### MOTIONS.

#### RULE VI.

Every motion shall be written, signed, and read aloud by the mover, handed to the chair, and read aloud by the Secretary, before any order can be taken upon it by the Conference: except motions for amendment, to lie on the table, the previous question, or to adjourn.



RULE VII.

Any motion may be divided, if the sense will admit of the proposed division.

RULE VIII.

When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to lie on the table, for the previous question, to commit, to substitute, to amend, or to make the order of the day: which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand in this rule: the *first three* to be taken without debate: and the *first* always in order. But when the report of a committee has been under discussion, the motion to lay on the table shall not prevail until the chairman of the committee shall have been heard once on the subject, if he desires to speak.

RULE IX.

The question under discussion shall be put whenever a call for it is made by five brethren, and sustained by a majority of the Conference.

RULE X.

When motions are made for reference of the same subject to a select committee, and to a standing committee, the question on reference to the standing committee shall be first put.

RULE XI.

No motion to commit, or to lie on the table, being decided, shall be again allowed, on the same day, at the same stage of the proposition.

RULE XII.

A motion after it is seconded, is the property of the Conference, and the mover has no power to withdraw or have it amended, without leave.

RULE XIII.

No amendment shall be in order, further than an amendment to the amendment.

RULE XIV.

In filling up blanks, the largest sum and longest time shall be first put. In balloting, blanks shall be rejected and not reported by the tellers.

DECORUM.

RULE XV.

When a member desires to present any business, or to speak to any question, he shall rise and address the chair, "Brother President," and then pause until he is announced to the Conference: after which he may proceed, addressing the chair, and restricting his remarks to the subject before the Conference.

RULE XVI.

If two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall determine which of them is entitled to the floor.

RULE XVII.

No interruption shall be allowed, while a member is addressing the chair, except a call to order by the President or by a member.

RULE XVIII.

When a member is called to order, he shall take his seat immediately, and be silent, until the President or member who made the call shall state the rule of order supposed to be infringed; after which the member called to order shall have the right to explain, and the President shall decide.

## XIX.

In deciding a question of order, the President shall restrict himself to the rules of order, and any member declared to be out of order by the President, may, if he obtain a second, appeal to the Conference; the question on such appeal shall be taken without debate; but the appellant may state the ground of his appeal. If the Conference sustain the chair, the member shall be allowed to proceed only in order.

## RULE XX.

No member shall speak oftener than twice to the same question, without special leave of Conference; nor longer than fifteen minutes at any one time, unless by the same special permission.

## RULE XXI.

No member shall be allowed to explain remarks made in a previous speech, except in regular debate, unless the member replying thereto request it, or unless another member requests.

## RULE XXII.

Any member shall have the right to call for the reading of the subject under consideration.

## RULE XXIII.

Every member shall report at Roll call of the first day's session, and be present at the daily sessions of Conference.

## RULE XXIV.

After the affirmative of a question has been put, any member who has not spoken before to the question may rise and speak before the negative be put.

## RULE XXV.

A member may change his vote at any time before the Chair announces the decision of the question.

## ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE ANNUAL SESSION.

## RULE XXVI.

At nine o'clock A. M., on the day to which the Conference adjourned from the last annual session, the President shall open the Conference by reading a portion of the Word of God, singing and prayer.

## RULE XXVII.

I. Examination of the President. The President shall call another minister to the chair and read his annual report. The Chairman shall then address the Conference thus: "Brethren, you have heard the report of the President; shall his character pass?" In case of any charge against the official character of the President, it shall be handed to the Standing District Committee, and the chairman of that committee shall answer the question, "Shall his character pass?"

2. Roll Call. The roll shall then be called, including the Dead Roll. In the event of the death of any member of this Conference, the President shall appoint some member to formally announce the fact to the Conference, and such announcement shall be made when the name of the deceased is reached in the calling of the Conference Roll; and the name shall then, on motion, be transferred to the Dead Roll by the Secretary in the presence of the Conference, and when the name is reached on the Dead Roll, an order of the day shall be named for memorial services for the deceased.

## RULE XXVIII.

At eleven o'clock the President, or his substitute, shall preach an appropriate discourse, and in the evening the Lord's Supper shall be administered.

RULE XXIX.

At two-and-a-half o'clock P. M., on the first day of the session, the officers of the Conference shall be elected by ballot, as follows: 1. President; 2. Secretary; 3. Conference Steward; 4. Home Missionary Steward; 5. Superannuated Fund Steward; 6. Foreign Missionary Steward; 7. General Home Missionary Steward; 8. Educational Steward; 9. Standing District Committee, consisting of three elders, one of whom must be unstationed; 10. Committee of Appeals, three ministers and three laymen.

RULE XXX.

Examination of Official Character. The roll shall be called and the pastors shall deposit their reports, and the collections prescribed by the Conference, each in a sealed envelope, upon which shall be marked the amount, the name of the collection, the name of the pastor, and the name of the charge, in the box of the Conference Steward. The reports, and all charges against official character, shall be handed to the Committee on Official Character. Pastors whose official reports are defective in any point shall be summoned before the committee to explain, and only those cases in which explanations may be unsatisfactory to the committee, shall be reported to the Conference; and the characters of all ministers whose names are not reported shall be considered passed.

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE DIURNAL SESSIONS.

RULE XXXI.

The Conference shall be opened each day by reading the scriptures, singing a hymn, and prayer.

From 11.30 to 12 o'clock, each day shall be spent in devotional exercises.

RULE XXXII.

The reading of the minutes of the preceding day for correction shall be first in order.

RULE XXXIII.

The President shall then announce that it is in order for delegates to present any business from the churches they represent. When any delegate upon recognition by the chair, may present any business, and it shall be recorded without debate on the list of business.

RULE XXXIV.

The business next in order shall be the Reports of Committees, called for in the order in which they stand on the List of Committees. They shall not report at any other time without special leave.

RULE XXXV.

When any business is laid before the Conference, it may be made the order of the day for any other day of the session, and at a specific hour.

RULE XXXVI.

Unfinished business from the last annual session shall have precedence of all business except the order of the day.

RULE XXXVII.

Ordinary business shall have precedence in the order in which it stands on the List of Business.

RULE XXXVIII.

When any business is taken into consideration, it shall not be interrupted by any other business (except the order of the day), or by adjournment.

## RULE XXXIX.

When there are present Fraternal Messengers, and other visitors to whom the courtesy of formal recognition is due, the Chairman of the Committee on Fraternal Relations shall quietly inform the President; whereupon the President may request the visitors to be brought to him, to be by him introduced to Conference, either at that time, or when the state of the business may with more propriety be arrested.

## RULES OF ADMINISTRATION.

*Duties of the President.*

1. The President shall appoint the speakers who shall address the Superannuated Fund, and Missionary Societies at the ensuing Annual Conference; and Friday and Monday evenings are set apart for the public meetings, the anniversaries to alternate in the order of their occurrence.

2. The office of stationing the ministers and preachers is committed to the hands of the President of the Conference.

3. It shall be the duty of the President to fill blanks in statistical reports for all charges unsupplied.

4. In the event of the death of any ministerial member, the President shall immediately appoint an Obituary Committee from any number of the most intimate acquaintances of the deceased.

5. The failure of the President to visit any charge does not vitiate his right to the amount assessed for his salary.

6. The President shall represent the General Interest of the Conference, and shall present their claims in such a manner and at such times as in his judgment may be necessary.

## DUTIES OF STEWARDS.

1. The Conference Steward, Home Missionary Steward, Superannuated Fund Steward, Foreign Missionary Steward, General Home Missionary Steward, and Educational Steward, shall constitute a Conference Board of Stewards, to whom the Secretary shall hand all reports and collections as received from pastors.

2. The Board of Stewards shall meet immediately after their election and open the envelopes containing the various collections, count the money enclosed, noting its agreement with the statement on the official report and on the envelope, and prepare a report of collections to the Conference. The money in hand shall then be passed to the persons designated by the Conference to receive it, and the reports to the Committee on Official Reports.

3. Other duties belonging to the several Stewards shall be performed and reported upon separately as now.

## DUTIES OF PASTORS.

1. The pastor shall seek the co-operation of the Stewards in collecting the assessments made by the Annual Conference; admonishing them of their duty in this matter as contained in the Discipline under the head of "Duties of Stewards," pp. 116-17.

2. It is the duty of pastors to examine and see that suitable deeds be had for all our churches, so as to secure them to the Methodist Protestant Church, and, wherever possible, have them incorporated.

3. Pastors are required to apportion the President's salary equitably among the several appointments, and use their utmost endeavors to collect the same before the annual visit of the President.

4. Pastors are required to see that the families belonging to their respective charges are duly supplied with the Catechism of our Church.

5. Pastors are instructed to ascertain of those received into the church whether they have been baptized, and, if not, to administer the ordinance of baptism without unnecessary delay.

6. Every pastor is required to do his utmost to collect the full amount of the assessments made upon his charge, whatever may be the difficulties that he may encounter.

7. It is the duty of the pastor to preside on the trial of an accused un-stationed minister or preacher.

8. Pastors are required to report to the Annual Conference the amounts contributed to Foreign missions by the auxiliaries of Woman's F. M. Societies, and due credit shall be given in the Minutes.

#### EXPENSES OF CONFERENCE.

The churches shall be assessed in a sum sufficient to meet the incidental expenses, including the publication of the Minutes; each church receiving Minutes in proportion to the amount contributed.

#### SUFFRAGE AND ELIGIBILITY.

1. Every minister, preacher and member in full communion and fellowship, having attained the age of twenty-one years, shall be entitled to vote in all cases.

2. All members in full communion and fellowship shall have the right to vote in the election of their class-leaders; and those who have attained the age of twenty-one years shall be "qualified members" for the purposes indicated in Section 3 of Article IV, of Constitution, and in divisions 1 and 4 of "General Duties of Trustees," found on pages 109 and 110 of Discipline.

3. Every minister, preacher and lay male member in full communion and fellowship, having attained the age of twenty-five years, shall be eligible as a representative in the General Conference.

4. Every male member in full communion and fellowship, having attained the age of twenty-one years, shall be eligible as a steward and as a trustee, and also as a delegate to the Annual Conference.

5. No minister shall be eligible to the office of President of the Annual Conference until he shall have faithfully exercised the office of elder two years.

#### ADMINISTERING ORDINANCES.

No person, in virtue merely of a license to preach, or even election to orders, is empowered to administer, or assist in administering, the Christian ordinances.

#### UNSTATIONED MINISTERS.

The Conference will not recognize as a minister of the Methodist Protestant Church any man who does not bring credentials from some other orthodox denomination, or who has not received suitable testimonials of ministerial character from our own Church. In returning the list of ministers and preachers, pastors shall name no person who does not possess the foregoing qualification.

#### LOTTERIES.

The practice of raising funds for church purposes, by means of lotteries and other games of hazard, is disapproved by the Conference, and pastors are enjoined to discountenance their use.

#### MORTGAGING CHURCH PROPERTY.

The placing of mortgages upon church property, for the purpose, directly or indirectly, of paying the pastor's salary, is so far as it has authority disallowed by the Conference.

#### OBITUARIES.

1. It shall be the duty of the Committee, appointed in accordance with the rule of Conference, to prepare an obituary, without delay, containing

a notice of the place and date of the birth of the brother, the date of his conversion, receiving license to preach, and his reception into the Conference, together with any other important facts connected with his history which their judgment may dictate, in addition to the particulars of his death, and said obituary shall at once be forwarded to THE METHODIST PROTESTANT for publication, and be reported to the ensuing session of Conference.

2. Every ministerial member of this Conference is hereby requested to make and keep by him a record of his nativity, and of all the prominent acts in his Christian and ministerial history.

#### MOTIONS TO FIX TIME AND PLACE.

All motions to fix time and place of the meeting of the Annual Conference shall lie on the table twenty-four hours.

#### MARRIAGES.

The Conference cannot encourage any of its members to expect support as married men until they shall have served at least four years in the itinerancy.

#### CAMP MEETINGS.

Camp Meetings shall have the sanction of Conference and receive ministerial aid from it on the following conditions:

1. There shall be no traffic on the Lord's day on the camp-ground, or the adjacent territory protected by the laws of the State.

2. The managers or other officers of the camp meeting, shall not bargain for or receive any portion of the money paid to railroads, or the owner or owners of any conveyance or conveyances, as a consideration for conveying persons to the camp-ground, or the vicinity thereof, on the Lord's day.

3. Faithful efforts shall be made by the official members of the church, and all persons having authority at camp-meetings, to maintain the due observance of the Lord's day.

4. No advertisement of the running of trains on the Lord's day shall be made by any of the persons referred to in the preceding paragraphs, nor shall anything be done by their authority, or solicitation to contravene the foregoing regulations.

5. Quarterly Conferences, or associations recognized by this Conference, shall deliver to the President, at least four weeks before the time appointed for said meetings, a written pledge, duly attested, that the foregoing regulations shall be observed in good faith.

6. The President shall have no authority to assign ministers for service at camp meetings, until he shall have received the written pledge as above described; nor shall any camp meeting held in contravention of these regulations be recognized as a camp meeting of the Methodist Protestant Church.

#### MISSIONARY REGULATIONS.

1. Contributions for Home Missions shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Missionary Society, that he may disburse the funds to the missionaries according to their various claims.

2. Pastors are instructed to have the missionary collections in the hands of the Treasurer by the end of the second quarter of the Conference year.

3. The Committee on Missions shall ascertain what amount of funds may be regarded as available for missionary purposes the ensuing year.

4. Appropriations shall not exceed the amount which may reasonably be expected from collections and interest on legacies.

5. The Missionary Society of this Conference shall elect seven Trustees for each mission, who shall hold all the property on our mission fields in

trust for said Society, and yearly thereafter select a new Board of Trustees as long as the mission relation is sustained. But whenever the mission shall become a circuit or station, the "qualified members," at a meeting regularly called for the purpose, shall have power to elect their own Trustees, to whom the Trustees appointed by the Missionary Society, shall surrender the church property, together with the books, papers, or other valuables held by them as Trustees.

6. When any number of the members of any of our missions shall, through disaffection, or from other causes form themselves into classes, withholding themselves from the means of grace, or suffer themselves to be led by those who refuse to attend the official meetings of the church, or shall in any other way walk disorderly, on a charge being brought against such person or persons, the missionary shall see that the accused are tried according to Discipline, Trial of Members. But should the class, of which the accused is a member, refuse or neglect to select two of their number to serve on the committee of trial, then the missionary shall fill the committee by having them selected from any other class in the mission, or from an adjoining station or circuit, as he may think proper; and should the accused be found guilty, he, she or they shall be suspended or expelled, as the committee may direct. And should the entire mission become refractory, the missionary shall be authorized to select them according to the provision of the Discipline for trial of churches; *provided, however*, that the person convicted shall in this, and in all cases where the trial is by jury, have an appeal to the Quarterly Conference of the church from which the committee of trial is selected, at the session next ensuing, whose decision shall be final.

7. Missions shall hold Quarterly Conferences.

8. When a charge is preferred against any member of the church, the missionary shall see that the accused is tried in accordance with the regulations of the Discipline for trial of members.

9. Any mission having a missionary shall be entitled to one delegate to the Annual Conference, provided the missionary have a seat, who shall be elected by the qualified members of the mission, at least two weeks preceding the session of the Annual Conference.

10. No member of the Methodist Protestant Church shall hold membership in a mission and station at the same time.

11. Until a class is formed in a mission, the missionary shall have authority to receive probationers into full membership.

12. The missionary in charge is invested with authority to receive or reject applications for membership, as he in his judgment may deem most conducive to the welfare of the mission.

13. When a mission becomes a circuit or station, the property must be so transferred to the trustees elected by the qualified members, as to secure it to the Methodist Protestant Church.

14. The Board of Managers of the Home Missionary Society is empowered to appoint or dismiss trustees in missions during the recess of Conference.

15. All qualified members shall be entitled to vote for stewards in missions.

16. The Society shall pay the travelling expenses of such members of the Board of Managers as do not reside in the city.

17. The Board of Managers has full power to act on all matters pertaining to the Missionary Society in the interim of Conference.

#### SUPERANNUATED FUND REGULATIONS.

1. The Committee on Superannuated Claimants shall report to Conference all those names which, in its judgment, properly belong to the Superannuated list.

2. The two interests, the collections for Superannuates and the interest on the Superannuated Fund, are blended, and the committee is instructed to act accordingly.

3. The Committee in making appropriations, shall be governed by the ascertained probable resources of the Conference; they shall discriminate according to the comparative claims of the several recipients, taking into consideration, 1. The time of service in the Conference; 2. The value of said service to the Conference; 3. The size of family; 4. The peculiarities of location, &c.; 5. Ability to contribute to self-support by business capacity, or private income.

4. The Steward of the Superannuated Fund shall disburse all moneys coming from the Superannuated Fund Society.

5. When the Committee shall have completed its report it shall be read to the Conference twenty-four hours before final action thereon, during which time objections to the report must be filed before the Committee.

6. The Steward of the Superannuated Fund holds his office from the time of election until his successor is elected, and he is authorized to receive and distribute collections lifted for this fund at any time during the year.

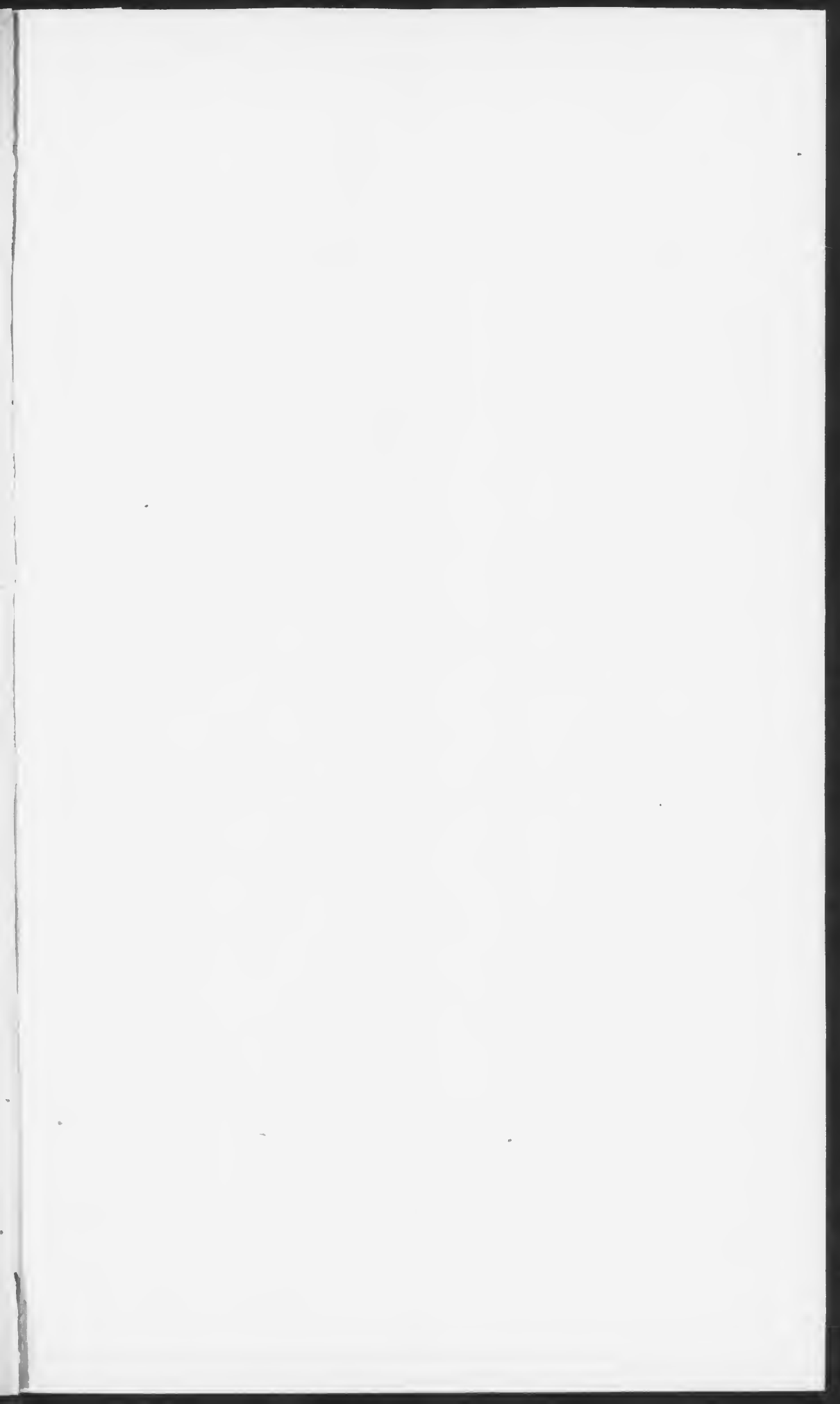
7. The Steward shall make a semi-annual distribution of the funds coming from the Superannuated Fund Society, provided the Treasurer of said society can make a payment in the interim of Conference.

8. Every pastor is requested to bring to each session of the Annual Conference at least \$5,00, in addition to the superannuated collection, to assist any person who may be placed on the superannuated list at that session.

9. The Corresponding Secretary of the Superannuated Fund Society shall furnish superannuated claimants with blanks containing the following questions, a neglect to answer which shall deprive the claimant of any portion in the distribution of said fund for the year:

1. What is your present place of residence? Post office address?
2. Do you desire a superannuated relation the ensuing year?
3. What is the number of your family? Ages of your children respectively?
4. In what business are you now engaged? How much does its product fall short of yielding you a necessary support? What is the amount of your private income from all sources?
5. What is the assessed value of the real estate owned by you?
6. Do you attend our church?  
If not, why not?
7. Do your children attend our Sabbath-school?  
If not, why not?







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