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CONFERENCE DIRECTORY.

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2	Arnett, C. S.	Payson Street,	1	1617 Edmonston ave, Baltimore, Md.
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7	Bennington, H. E.	Mariners,	1	Bedsworth, Somerset co, Md.
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10	Benson, F. T.	St. Johns's, Mad'n Av	1	1728 McCullough st. Baltimore, Md.
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12	Bowers, J. S.	Clarke Memorial,	12	35 E 25th st, Baltimore, Md.
13	Brown, J. McL.	Warwick,	3	Warwick, Cecil co, Md.
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15	Bryan, J. F.	Georgetown, Del,	2	Georgetown, Delaware.
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19	Cassen, S. F.	New Market,	7	Maryland Line, Baltimore co, Md.
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29	Dickey, J. M.	St. Michaels,	2	St Michaels, Md.
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31	Donaldson, G. R.	Bedford,	1	Cumberland Valley, Pa.
32	Drinkhouse, E. J.	Supernumerary,	6	2331 N Calvert st, Baltimore, Md.
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34	Daugherty, C. L.	Christ Church,	2	1609 W North ave, Baltimore, Md.
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37	Elderdice, J. L.	Chesapeake,	2	Eadesville, Kent co, Md.
38	Ewell, J. E. T.	Waverly & Everg'n,	2	18 Ind'ncest, Waverly, Baltimore, Md.
39	Ewell, J. H. S.	Alexandria,	2	Alexandria, Va.
40	Ewing, E. O.	Salem,	2	Manokin, Somerset co, Md.
41	Farring, G. F.	Harper's Ferry,	3	Harper's Ferry, W Va.
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43	Gill, J. M.	Central,	2	1456 Corcoran st, Washington, D C.
44	Graham, W. R.	Easton,	1	Easton, Md.
45	Gray, J. W.	Potomac,	1	Ballston, Alexandria co, Va.
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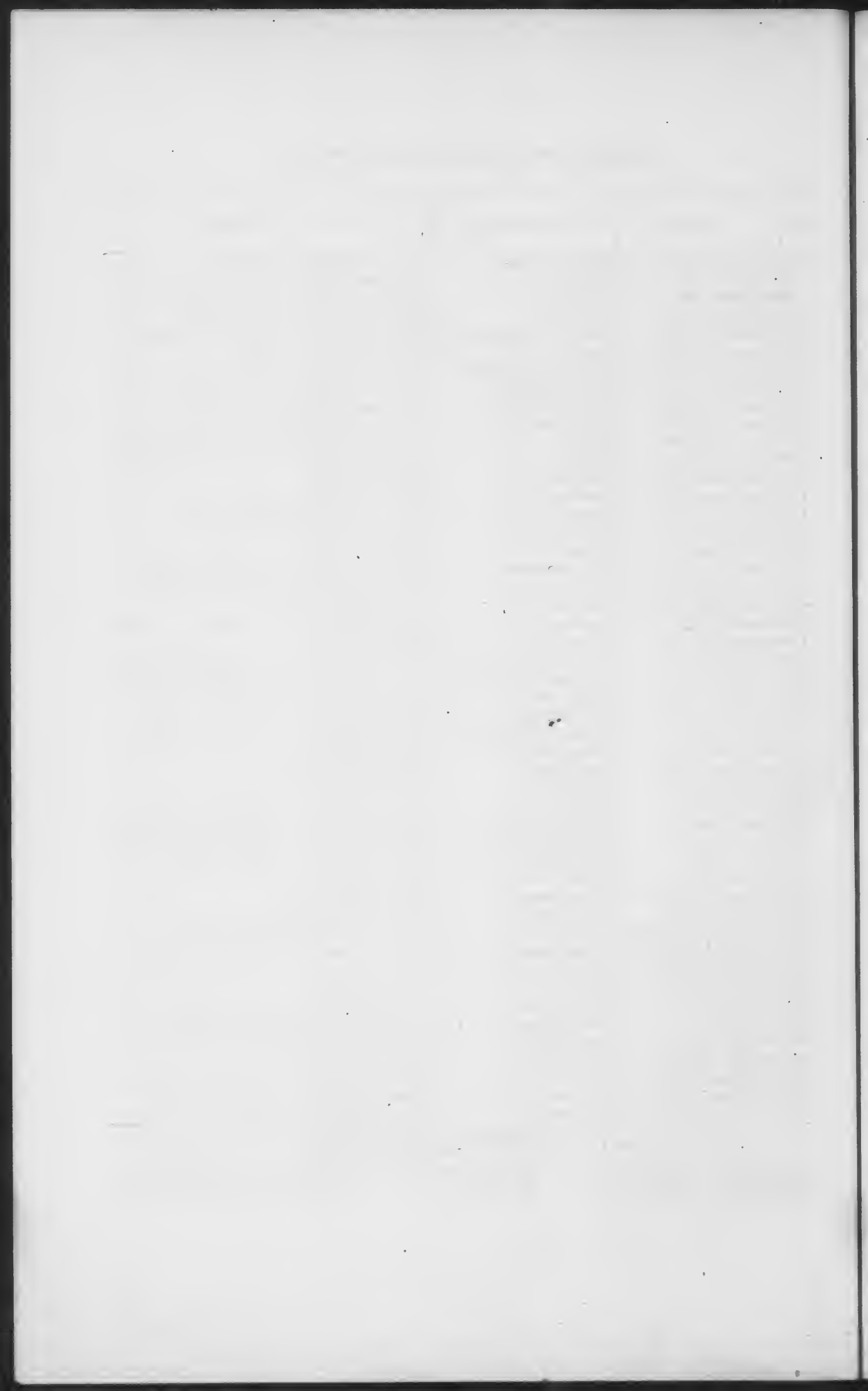
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47	Green, A. H.	Concord,	2	Roxbury, Franklin co, Pa.
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50	Hall, H. C.	No app. at request,		
51	Hammond, W. S.	No app. at request,	2	425 N Stricker st, Baltimore, Md,
52	Harryman, A. A.	Oak Gr & Pr. Geo.,	5	Alliance, Surry co, Va.
53	Hess, A.H.(supply)	Cecil,	1	Bay View, Cecil co, Md.
54	Hill, G. J.	Frederick,	2	New Market, Frederick co, Md.
55	Hines, G. W.	Queen Anne's,	3	Ruthsburg, Md.
56	Hoblitzell, S. A.	Lisbon,	2	Lisbon, Howard co, Md.
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59	Holmes, J. M.	East Baltimore,	2	1524 E Biddle st, Baltimore, Md.
60	Johnson, H. S.	Milton,	2	Milton, Del.
61	Johnson, H. W. D.	Union,	1	Sharptown, Md.
62	Jones, J. B.	St. Lukes,	6	Erie and Park aves, Philadelphia, Pa.
63	Jones, E. H.	Grove,	1	Grove, Caroline co, Md.
64	Judefind, W. B.	Parksley,	3	Parksley, Va.
65	Keen, H. O.	Chincoteague,	2	Chincoteague, Va.
66	Kindley, B. W.	Centreville,	1	Centreville, Md
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70	Lassell, J. T.	Oxford,	3	Oxford, Md.
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72	Lewis, T. H.	Western Md.Col'ge,	17	Westminster, Md.
73	Lewis, R. K.	Accomac,	2	Leemont, Accomac co, Va.
74	Lewis, F. H.	North Baltimore,	4	424 E North ave, Baltimore, Md.
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77	Little, F. T.	President,	1	251 N Hoffman st, Baltimore, Md.
78	Littleton, C. H.	Superannuate,	4	1124 N Stricker st, Baltimore, Md.
79	Lucas, W. J. D.	Superannuate,	11	Denton Md.
80	Makosky, E. C.	St. James,	5	Hanesville, Kent co, Md.
81	Maloy, J. E.	Rowlandville,	9	Rowlandville, Md.
82	Mather, A. W.	Franklin City,	1	Greenbackville, Accomac co, Va.
83	McCready, G. R.	Sussex,	7	Laurel, Del.
84	McCullough, C. E.	Pipe Creek,	1	Uniontown, Carroll co, Md.
85	McCaslin, C. K.	Liberty,	2	Libertytown, Frederick co, Md.
86	Melvin, A. D.	Agent W. Md. Col. ,	1	42 Parkin st, Baltimore, Md.
87	Mills, J. L.	Brooklyn,	5	Brooklyn, Anne Arundel Co, Md.
88	Morris, G.A.	Pittsville,	2	Pittsville, Md.
89	Mullineaux, F. H.	Kent Island,	2	Kent Island, Md.
90	Murray, J. J.	Superannuate,	4	35 Sprague avenue, Bellevue Station, Allegheny City, Pa.
91	Melvin, W. A.	Cumberland,	2	Cumberland, Md.
92	Neepier, W. J.	Hampden,	6	229 Falls R'd, Hampden, Balto, Md.
93	Nelson, H. E.	Talbot,	2	Trappe, Talbot co, Md.
94	Nicholson, J. E.	Finksburg,	2	Finksburg, Carroll co, Md.
95	Nichols, J. L.	West Wilmington,	3	511 W 7th st, Wilmington, Del.
96	Norris, J. W.	Eutaw,	2	Harford and Lake aves, Balto, Md.

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98	Parris, J. W.	Howard,	2	Clarksville, Howard co, Md.
99	Phillips, W. S.	Crisfield,	1	Crisfield, Md.
100	Phillips, F. J.	Quantico,	2	Quantico, Wicomico co, Md.
101	Poisal, W. M.	No app. at request,	2	643 N Calhoun st, Baltimore, Md.
102	Perry, E. P.	Leeds,	2	Leeds, Cecil co, Md,
103	Price, H. H.	Dover and Leipsic,	1	Dover, Del.
104	Rowe, R. S.	Kennedyville,	1	Kennedyville, Ken co, Md.
105	Randall, Louis	Dorchester,	1	Vienna, Dorchester co, Md.
106	Read, Edgar T.	Union Bridge,	1	Union Bridge, Md.
107	Revelle, T. P.	Seattle,	3	Cor 3d ave and Pine st, Seattle, Wash.
108	Ruley, B. F.	Wye,	1	Carmichael, Md.
109	Schlincke, H. L.	Clayton,	2	Clayton, Del.
110	Sheridan, J. M.	Pocomoke City,	2	Pocomoke City, Md.
111	Sherwood, W. N.	Lawsonia,	2	Lawsonia, Somerset co, Md.
112	Simpson, Elmer	Mardela,	3	Mardela, Wicomico, Md.
113	Smith, S. J.	Salisbury,	3	Salisbury, Md.
114	Southerland, S. B.	Superannuate,	18	816 N Fulton ave, Baltimore, Md.
115	Stevens, F. L.	Fox Hill,	2	Rip Raps, Elizabeth City co, Va.
116	Stocksdale, G. H.	Powellsville,	1	Powellsville, Md.
117	Stone, E. D.	Broadway,	2	1702 E Monument st, Baltimore, Md.
118	Straughn, J. L.	Baltimore,	2	Towson, Md.
119	Straughn, J. H.	Mt. Tabor,	2	1715 35th st N W, Washington, D C.
120	Strausburg, R. C.	St. John's (Canton),	1	822 East ave, Canton, Baltimore, Md.
121	Strayer, W. M.	Jefferson,	11	Buckeystown, Frederick co, Md.
122	Sullivan, J. G.	Superannuate,	3	Harpers Ferry, W Va.
123	Tagg, F. T.	Ed. METH. PROT.	11	8 E Baltimore st, Baltimore, Md.
124	Taylor, E. B.	Crumpton,	1	Crumpton, Md.
125	Tredway, S. B.	Cambridge,	3	Cambridge, Md.
126	Trout, J. W.	Elizabeth,	10	48 4th st, Elizabeth, N J.
127	Truitt, B. P.	Denton,	2	Denton, Md.
128	Van Dyke, E. H.	Missionary,	13	25 Nishi Kusabukacho, Shiznoka Jap.
129	Ward, A. N.	North Carolina Av.,	4	611 N C ave, S E, Washington, D C.
130	Ward, J. L.	Hurlocks,	3	Hurlocks, Dorchester co, Md.
131	Warfield, E. A.	Laurel,	2	Laurel, Del.
132	Warner, L. F.	Westminster,	1	Westminster, Md.
133	Wiegand, J. A.	Superannuate,	14	Westminster, Md.
134	Wheeler, Thomas	Reliance,	1	Reliance, Dorcheser co, Md.
135	Wilson, David	Supernumerary,	6	1624 Washington st, Denver, Col.
136	Wildridge, S. J.	Amelia,	1	
137	Wooden, J. F.	Felton,	1	Felton, Del.
138	Wolfe, G. L.	Wilmington,	7	6 E 13th st, Wilmington, Del.
139	Wright, J. A.	Kempton,	1	Kempton, Frederick co, Md.
140	Wright, T. H.	Caroline,	2	Burrsville, Caroline co, Md.
141	Wright, H. F.	Federalburg,	1	Federalburg, Md.
142	Woodford, T. R.	Bethany,	3	2024 E North ave, Baltimore, Md.
143	Yingling, J. M.	Conquest,	2	New Church, Va.
144	Zepp, C. M.	Mt. Nebo,	1	Slate Hill, York co, Pa.

APPOINTMENTS TO BE SUPPLIED.

Campbell. Fairview. Georgetown Circuit. Indian River. Lewistown.
 Middleway. Nichols Memorial. Patapsco. Violetsville. Williamsport.



ROLLS

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79	S. B. Southerland	1841	1843	284	S. F. Cassen	1883	1886
86	J. J. Murray	1842	1845	281	E. O. Ewing	1884	Tr.
121	David Wilson	1845	1847	286	E. A. Warfield	1884	1886
140	E. J. Drinkhouse	1850	1852	287	J. W. Norris	1884	1886
142	W. S. Hammond	1851	1853	292	J. W. Kirk	1885	1886
147	C. H. Littleton	1852	1853	293	B. W. Kindley	1885	1887
149	H. C. Cushing	1853	1853	294	H. L. Elderdice	1885	1885
155	A. D. Dick	1854	1856	296	F. T. Benson	1886	1887
163	B. F. Benson	1857	1859	298	Elmer Simpson	1886	1887
164	W. M. Strayer	1858	1860	299	J. F. Wooden	1886	1889
167	J. E. Maloy	1859	1861	300	B. F. Jester	1886	1886
168	J. E. T. Howell	1859	1860	301	G. D. Edmondston	1886	1868
169	S. A. Hoblitzell	1859	1860	302	B. P. Truitt	1887	1889
173	J. L. Mills	1860	1862	304	E. H. Van Dyke	1887	1889
180	J. W. Gray	1861	1863	305	G. W. Haddaway	1888	1890
182	J. B. Jones	1861	1862	308	H. W. D. Johnson	1888	1891
190	J. D. Kinzer	1863	1865	309	J. H. S. Ewell	1889	1891
192	W. D. Litsinger	1863	1865	310	G. R. Hodge	1889	1891
198	R. S. Rowe	1865	1865	312	W. S. Phillips	1889	1892
200	J. M. Holmes	1865	1867	314	C. E. McCullough	1889	1891
204	A. W. Mather	1866	1868	315	W. M. Poisal	1889	1864
206	J. T. Lassell	1866	1866	316	H. S. Johnson	1890	1892
209	D. L. Greenfield	1868	1870	321	R. K. Lewis	1891	1893
218	J. L. Straughn	1870	1872	322	L. F. Warner	1891	1893
225	F. T. Tagg	1870	1871	323	J. W. Parris	1891	1891
226	W. A. Crouse	1870	1870	324	Avery Donovan	1891	1892
228	W. J. Neeper	1871	1873	325	S. W. Coe	1891	Tr.
230	A. A. Harryman	1871	1873	326	Dorsey Blake	1892	1893
232	J. G. Sullivan	1871	1873	327	L. A. Bennett	1892	1892
236	A. D. Melvin	1872	1874	328	C. M. Cullum	1892	1893
237	F. T. Little	1872	1873	329	G. R. Donaldson	1892	1895
238	S. B. Tredway	1872	1874	330	E. S. Fooks	1892	1894
239	T. O. Crouse	1872	1874	331	A. H. Green	1892	1094
240	J. M. Yingling	1873	1875	333	F. H. Lewis	1892	1893
241	W. R. Graham	1873	1874	334	C. K. McCaslin	1892	1893
242	W. J. D. Lucas	1873	1876	336	L. R. Randall	1892	1894
244	G. F. Farring	1873	1876	337	E. B. Taylor	1892	1894
245	F. H. Mullineaux	1873	1876	338	J. A. Wright	1892	1892
246	J. A. Weigand	1874	1876	339	G. M. Clayton	1893	1896
249	G. Q. Bacchus	1874	1877	340	J. McL. Brown	1893	1894
253	C. S. Arnett	1875	1878	341	G. W. Hines	1893	1896
254	J. M. Sheridan	1875	1877	342	W. B. Judefind	1893	1896
261	T. H. Lewis	1876	1876	343	E. C. Makosky	1893	1895
262	J. W. Trout	1876	1879	344	C. P. Nowlin	1893	1895
265	S. J. Smith	1877	1881	345	T. P. Revelle	1893	1895
270	D. W. Anstine	1879	1882	346	G. L. Wolfe	1893	1895
271	F. C. Klein	1879	1881	347	A. S. Beane	1893	1891
274	J. L. Elderdice	1880	1883	348	G. J. Hill	1894	1894
275	G. R. McCready	1880	1883	349	W. H. Litsinger	1894	1896
278	J. S. Bowers	1881	1884	350	H. E. Nelson	1894	1896
279	J. W. Balderston	1881	1883	353	F. S. Cain	1895	1898
280	J. E. Nicholson	1881	1875	354	H. L. Schlincke	1895	1897
282	J. M. Gill	1882	1885	355	C. E. Dryden	1895	1897

MINISTERS AND PREACHERS.—Concluded.

Reg.		Rec'd.	Ord'd.	Reg.		Rec'd.	Ord'd.
356	H. O. Keen	1895	1898	375	H. C. Hall	1899	.....
357	G. A. Morris	1895	1898	376	C. M. Zepp.....	1899	1900
358	F. L. Stevens	1895	1897	377	B. F. Ruley	1899	1900
359	A. N. Ward	1895	1897	378	H. S. Leas	1899	1900
360	T. H. Wright.....	1895	1896	379	T. R. Woodford	1899	1900
361	J. F. Bryan.....	1896	1897	380	G. E. Brown	1899	.....
362	N. O. Gibson.....	1896	1898	381	C. M. Compher.....	1900	1901
363	F. A. Holland.....	1896	1897	382	J. L. Nichols	1900	.....
364	E. D. Stone.....	1896	1898	383	F. J. Phillips.....	1900	.....
365	G. H. Stocksdale.....	1896	1899	384	W. R. Sherwood.....	1900	.....
366	H. F. Wright.....	1896	1897	385	E. P. Perry... ..	1900	.....
367	H. E. Bennington	1896	1896	386	E. H. Jones.. ..	1900	.....
368	C. L. Daugherty.....	1897	1899	387	C. C. Baker.....	1901	.....
369	W. A. Melvin	1897	1898	388	J. H. Straughn	1901	.....
371	E. T. Read.....	1897	1899	389	Roscoe Strausberg.....	1901	.....
372	J. L. Ward	1897	1899	390	Thomas Wheeler.....	1901	.....
373	A. A. Bichell.....	1898	1899	391	H. H. Price.....	1902	.....
374	J. M. Dickey.....	1898	1900				

LAYMEN.

<i>Charge.</i>	<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Charge.</i>	<i>Delegate.</i>
Accomac.....	S. W. Parks	Denton.....	L. P. Fisher
Alexandria.....	J. T. Haring	Delta.....	E. J. Blain
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Amelia.....	J. A. Sydnor	Dover.....	W. E. Wilson
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Bedford.....	J. Growden	Easton.....	E. Reisler
Bethany.....	L. F. Larsen	Elizabeth.....	J. G. Coleman
Broadway.....	C. W. Simpson	Eutaw.....	H. M. Erdman
Brooklyn.....	A. Hamlen	Evergreen	J. Grimes
Belair.....	J. T. Norris	Fairfax.....	S. M. Follin
Cambridge.....	J. W. Brooks	Fawn Grove.....	A. J. Webb
Campbell.....		Felton.....	E. Dill
Caroline.....	T. W. Porter	Finksburg.....	L. F. Hanes
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Centreville.....	W. E. Thompson	Franklin City.....	W. E. Ellis
Chesapeake.....	S. Burgess	Frederick.....	C. D. Walker
Chestertown	C. Dodd	Georgetown, D. C.....	W. H. Harrison
Chincoteague.....	F. E. Powell	Georgetown, Del.....	W. E. Short
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Clayton	C. A. Brown	Greenwood.....	R. H. Thomas
Clinton Hill.....	H. Coleman	Grove.....	R. Patton
Concord.....	S. H. Reed	Hampden	I. S. Crowther
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Crumpton		Harrington.....	W. J. Potter
Cumberland.....	D. W. Snyder	Heathsville.....	J. H. Barber
Deer Creek.....	J. H. Barrow	Howard	C. B. Zepp
Deer Park.....	H. T. Smith	Hurlocks.....	D'Arcy Brinsfield
Delmar.....	W. H. Cordrey	Indian River.....	

<i>Charge.</i>	<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Charge.</i>	<i>Delegate.</i>
Jefferson.....	C. H. Millard	Potomac.....	W. Ball
Keen Memorial.....	J. C. Hitchcock	Powellville.....	J. W. Gordy
Kemptown.....	S. B. Browning	Prince George.....	H. Warthan
Kennedyville.....	W. M. Clendaniel	Quantico.....	W. L. Wilson
Kent Island.....	A. Clark	Queen Anne.....	R. Bishop
Laurel.....	S. J. Thomison	Reliance.....	J. T. Oday
Lawsonia.....	T. I. Ward	Rowlandville.....	J. J. Smith
Leipsic.....	J. W. Fennimore	Salisbury.....	E. W. Windsor
Lewistown.....	J. Bowers	Salem.....	R. F. Maddox
Liberty.....	G. H. Whitmore	Seaford.....	L. M. Culver
Lisbon.....		South Baltimore.....	W. F. Johnson
Lynchburg.....	A. N. Pierce	Starr.....	W. F. Spangenberg
Leeds.....	J. J. McCauley	Stewartstown.....	A. Anstine
Mardela.....	J. A. Phillips	St. James.....	R. G. Nicholson
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Mariners.....		St. Luke's.....	J. Richardson
Middleway.....		St. Michaels.....	T. E. Harrison
Millville.....		Susquehanna.....	J. M. Macklem
Milton.....	W. G. Fearing	Sussex.....	G. H. Otwell
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Nichols' Memorial.....	C. N. Murray	Union.....	L. T. Cooper
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S. B. SOUTHERLAND—Constitution and Discipline of the M. P. Church.

First Year's Class.

T. H. LEWIS—Fisher's Manuel of Christian Evidences.

Miley's Theology, vol. I to page 155.

D. L. GREENFIELD—Broadus' Preparation and Delivery of Sermons.

A written Sermon submitted February 1st.

J. M. HOLMES—Nicholl's Help to the Study of the Bible.

J. W. GRAY—Drinkhouse's History of Methodist Reform, vol. I.

Students—E. H. Jones and C. C. Baker in Theology and Homiletics; Roscoe Strausberg and Henry H. Price.

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H. C. CUSHING—Miley's Theology, vol. I, page 155 to end.

S. B. TREDWAY—Barrow's Sacred Geography and Antiquities.

W. M. STRAYER—Fisher's Church History. (Complete.)

J. E. MALOY—Drinkhouse's History of Methodist Reform, vol. II.

D. L. GREENFIELD—A written Sermon submitted February 1st.

Students—J. H. Straughn, Thomas Wheeler, C. C. Baker.

Third Year's Class.

B. F. BENSON—Miley's Theology, vol. II. A written sermon submitted by January 1st.

J. S. BOWERS—Foster's Supernatural Book.

A. W. MATHER—Miller's Christian Ministry.

The following books are to be read by the class and a written Syllabus presented to the examiners at the time indicated:

B. F. BENSON—Vincent's Modern Sunday-School, submitted August 1st.

J. S. BOWERS—Peck's The Revival and the Pastor, submitted November 1st.

A. W. MATHER—Buckley's Theory and Practice of Extemporaneous Preaching, submitted February 1st.

Students—C. M. Compher, J. L. Nichols, Frederick Phillips. E. P. Perry, a Syllabus on Miller's Christian Ministry.

Graduates from Westminster Theological Seminary shall not be examined in any of the studies of this course; but such students shall present each year theses on theological subjects to be appointed by the examiners in Systematic Theology.

All students who desire to be examined in Hebrew & Greek will appear before

H. L. ELDERDICE in Hebrew. 1st year, Ruth; 2nd year, Jonah; 3rd year, Malachi.

J. J. MURRAY and J. T. LASSELL, Associate, in Greek. Phil., 4th chapter, 4th to 20th verses inclusive.

S. B. Southerland will deliver a lecture on the Practice and Theory of our Church Government and every Student is required to attend this Lecture and Examination, and also to answer the question: "Have you spent a portion of each day in private study of the Word and in prayer?"

The Faculty meets Tuesday before Conference at 10:00 A. M. to examine Students, and at 7:30 P. M. for business.

Correct answers to two-thirds of the questions asked will be required to pass a candidate either for reception on trial or into any class of the course or for orders. Two-thirds will be marked 70. All questions answered, or less three, will be marked 100, and all receiving 100 will be reported to the Conference.

S. B. SOUTHERLAND, *President.*

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DEAD ROLL.

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

<i>Name</i>	<i>Born</i>	<i>Entered Con- ference</i>	<i>Died</i>
Charles Rigby	1782	1829	1830
Joseph Scull	1785	1829	1830
Washington Hamilton Hays.....	....	1830	1831
William Bamber .....	....	1831	1832
Charles Wesley Jacobs.....	1812	1829	1833
John James Hanson.....	....	1829	1834
William Kesley .....	....	1830	1841
Isaac Webster Clippinger.....	....	1842	1842
Samuel L. Rawleigh.....	....	1834	1843
Daniel Davies, M. D.....	....	1833	1844
William W. Maddux.....	....	1838	1844
William W. Ball.....	....	1842	1844
William H. Boardley.....	....	1843	1846
Samuel D. Norwood.....	1820	1844	1847
Isaac Webster.....	1787	1829	1851
Levi Rogers Reese.....	1806	1832	1851
Frederick Stier.....	1783	1830	1851
Richard Adkinson.....	1817	1841	1851
Levin A. Collins.....	1814	1837	1853
John Smith Reese, M. D.....	1790	1829	1855
Francis George Wright.....	1823	1849	1859
Neville Steele Greenaway.....	1824	1852	1861
William Turbert Wright.....	1808	1845	1862
Washington Roby.....	1816	1839	1862
Thoroughgood C. Ewell.....	1832	1856	1862
Josiah Varden.....	1806	1831	1863
George D. Hamilton.....	1798	1831	1864
Reuben Tyler Boyd.....	1794	1833	1865
Thomas Hart Benton Austin.....	1842	1863	1865
James Francis Whiteside.....	1828	1850	1866
Eli Henkle.....	1787	1829	1867
Francis Waters, D. D.....	1792	1838	1867
Thomas H. Burgess.....	1828	1861	1868
Thomas Mahlon Wilson.....	1814	1842	1870
Luther J. Cox.....	1791	1869	1870
Christian Eversole.....	1820	1852	1870
Daniel Bowers.....	1832	1854	1871
John Morgan.....	1811	1844	1871
Henry C. Hayge.....	1844	1869	1871

DEAD ROLL—Continued.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Born</i>	<i>Entered Con- ference</i>	<i>Died</i>
John Elderdice.....	1814	1838	1874
John Roberts.....	1818	1843	1875
Amon Richards.....	1787	1870	1876
Abraham S. Eversole, M. D.....	1813	1839	1877
Daniel Evans Reese, D. D.....	1810	1830	1877
Samuel Guest Valiant.....	1852	1870	1877
William C. Ames, D. D. S.....	1839	1869	1878
John Edgar Read.....	1846	1865	1878
Thomas M. Bryan.....	1818	1846	1879
William Corrie Lipscomb.....	1792	1869	1879
Thomas Asbury Moore.....	1824	1845	1881
David Norwood Gilbert.....	1851	1873	1881
Isaac Tunnel Adkins.....	1809	1865	1881
Thomas Lee.....	1821	1857	1882
Peter Light Wilson.....	1822	1842	1883
Thomas McCormick.....	1792	1869	1883
Charles Theodore Cochell.....	1832	1859	1884
James Martin Elderdice.....	1817	1840	1884
Arthur Daniel Murray.....	1856	1879	1884
Henry Edward Miskimon.....	1845	1866	1885
Joseph Alexander McFaden.....	1825	1847	1885
Alfred Baker.....	1813	1841	1885
Christopher Burns Middleton.....	1854	1876	1886
William Thomas Dumm.....	1817	1843	1886
David Anthony Shermer, M. D.....	1824	1844	1886
Daniel Fitchett Ewell, M. D.....	1817	1839	1888
William Francis Livingston.....	1836	1861	1888
Charles McFeely Thompson.....	1843	1868	1889
Robert Thomas Smith.....	1850	1874	1889
Augustus Webster, D. D.....	1808	1832	1890
Samuel Tucker Ferguson.....	1840	1864	1890
James Thompson.....	1819	1853	1890
Robert Wilkins Berryman.....	1816	1876	1891
James Henry Ellegood.....	1817	1850	1892
Theodore Denny Valiant.....	1820	1846	1894
John Byrd Whaley, A. M., B. D.....	1867	1891	1894
Edwin Ruthven McGregor, A. M., B. D., D. C. L.....	1817	1872	1895
James Kane Nichols, D. D.....	1817	1836	1895
Daniel Webster Bates, D. D.....	1815	1843	1895
John William Charlton.....	1832	1860	1896
Thomas E. Coulbourn.....	1853	1880	1896
Riley Seth Williamson.....	1863	1887	1896
John Robert Nichols.....	1815	1838	1896
James Thomas Ward, D. D.....	1820	1843	1897
Rhesa Scott Norris.....	1820	1843	1897
James L. Killgore, D. D.....	1832	1872	1898
John Wesley Everist.....	1810	1834	1898
Robert Luther Lewis.....	1847	1871	1899
Andrew James Walter.....	1847	1874	1899
Joshua Thomas Murray, D. D.....	1830	1851	1899
George Jeffrey Smith.....	1844	1876	1900
Hamilton Jefferson Day.....	1820	1846	1900
William Greenbury Holmes.....	1822	1855	1900
Lawrence Webster Bates, D. D.....	1819	1840	1901
W. J. Floyd.....	1831	1871	1902
Jesse Shreeve.....	1824	1847	1902

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FIRST DAY.—Wednesday.

CENTREVILLE, MD., April 2, 1902.

The Seventy-fourth Session of the Maryland Annual Conference opened in Grace Church, Centreville, Md., at 9:00 o'clock, Wednesday morning, April 2, 1902. Devotional services consisted of Scripture reading by J. M. Sheridan, singing by the Conference, and prayer by President A. D. Melvin.

President called S. B. Southerland to the chair, and read his report. (Report A.)

President's character passed.

Roll was called.

Names of Jesse Shreeve and W. J. Floyd were placed on the dead-roll.

J. L. Straughn moved that the case of the election of delegate from Georgetown, Del., be referred to the Committee on Credentials.

L. F. Warner offered a resolution fixing the time of Memorial Services for Sunday afternoon, at 3:00 o'clock, the dead-roll to be called at that time and the Lord's Supper to be celebrated. (Resolution 1.)

By motion, R. C. Strausburg was appointed postmaster.

Hours of session were fixed from 9:00 o'clock to 12:00, and from 2:00 till adjournment at pleasure.

The bar of Conference was fixed at pews on line with the end of third window from the pulpit.

Directors of Centreville National Bank tendered their room to Conference, which was accepted with thanks.

Trustees of the M. E. Church offered their church for the use of the Conference which was accepted with thanks.

Order of the day suspended for ten minutes.

J. W. Gray offered resolution rescinding all resolutions to pay salaries to Conference officers. Adopted. (Resolution 2.)

Order of the day having arrived, the Conference Sermon was delivered by J. M. Sheridan from 2 Tim., 4:2.

AFTERNOON.

Conference convened at 2:00 o'clock, with President in the chair.

J. F. Wooden resigned as Foreign Missionary Steward and J. L. Ward was elected to fill the place.

G. Q. Bacchus offered resolution requesting J. M. Sheridan to furnish a copy of his sermon for publication in the METHODIST PROTESTANT Carried. (Resolution 3.)

Secretary read list of Standing Committees.

B. F. Ruley was appointed to receive collections for College Endowment.

Motion made to extend thanks to the Queen Anne's National Bank for the offer of their room at the service of the Conference. Adopted.

F. T. Tagg offered report regarding the publication of the minutes.

Order of the day having arrived, the following officers were elected: President, F. T. Little; Secretary, W. S. Phillips; Conference Steward, T. R. Woodford; Church Extension Steward, E. S. Fooks; Superannuate Steward, W. H. Litsinger; Foreign Missionary Steward, J. L. Ward; General Home Missionary Steward, G. M. Clayton; Educational Steward, J. M. Dickey; Church Home, L. A. Bennett; Bible and Tract Steward, N. O. Gibson.

T. H. Lewis moved to postpone further elections and consider the paper on publication of minutes. Carried.

Ten o'clock Friday morning was set as the time to hear report of Trustees of Western Maryland College

Motion to have the report of Our Church Home, made the order immediately after the former order. Carried.

Paper on publication of minutes considered by items. Item 1 adopted. Item 2 laid on the table. Item 3 lost. Item 4 adopted. Item 5 adopted. Item 6 laid on the table. Amendment to the paper offered by T. H. Lewis adopted. Paper as amended adopted. (Report C.)

President addressed the Conference.

T. H. Lewis granted leave of absence for to-morrow.

Adjournment with benediction by J. J. Murray.

SECOND DAY.—Thursday.

Conference opened with devotional exercises led by J. H. Straughn. Roll call.

Reading of minutes. Amended and adopted.

The Secretary of the Conference announced as his assistants, J. H. S. Ewell and J. H. Straughn.

Motion that T. R. Woodford be made Conference Steward in the place of J. H. S. Ewell, who resigned, was carried.

Election of officers was continued.

Vote was taken on the Standing District Committee and tellers were permitted to retire and count the ballot.

Roll was called and pastors deposited reports.

Additional tellers were appointed and vote was taken for Committee on Appeals. Tellers were permitted to retire and count the ballot.

G. E. McManiman, General Home Missionary Secretary; L. T. Wideman, Agent Maryland Bible Society; C. L. Whittaker, President of North Carolina Conference; C. E. Wilbur, Editor of Sunday School Literature, and T. J. Ogburn, General Foreign Missionary Secretary, were introduced to the Conference.

Dr. Wideman was permitted to address the Conference.

F. C. Klein moved that the general officers of our church be heard at 2:30 P. M. Carried.

J. M. Sheridan, by request, was appointed by the President as a member of the Board of Finance.

Papers from Georgetown Circuit and B. A. Bryan referred to the Faculty of Instruction.

Papers from Mt. Nebo and Beaver Dam referred to the Church Extension Committee.

Committee on President's Parsonage submitted report.

Tellers reported on ballot for Standing District Committee. J. D. Kinzer, W. S. Hammond, William Dale, T. P. Fisher, W. B. Usilton and W. G. Baker were declared elected.

President called A. D. Melvin to the chair.

F. T. Tagg offered an amendment to the report of the Committee on President's Parsonage. Adopted. Report as amended adopted. (Report D.)

Tellers on vote of Committee of Appeals reported. J. D. Kinzer, A. D. Melvin, W. S. Hammond, T. P. Fisher, Daniel Baker and Dr. Chas. Billingslea were declared elected.

J. M. Holmes offered a resolution respecting the time limit, and moved that it be made the order of the day immediately after hearing the General Conference officers. Motion adopted.

Papers from Bethany, Federalsburg and Potomac were referred to the Church Extension Committee.

Report from Washington and Alexandria Branch of W. F. M. S. was referred to Committee on Missions. (See report V.)

Paper from W. C. T. U. of Philadelphia was referred to Committee on Temperance.

Communication from Clark Memorial Independent Methodist Church, and a communication from St. John's Independent Methodist Church were referred to Committee on Fraternal Relations.

Communication from E. J. Drinkhouse was read. Motion that it be filed and Secretary reply was carried.

Communication from David Wilson was read. Motion that Dr. Wilson's relation to the Conference be continued was carried.

Motion that the relation of Dr. Drinkhouse as Supernumerary be continued was carried.

Communication from T. P. Revelle referred to Committee on Fraternal Relations.

Communication from G. A. Ogg, Fraternal Messenger of New York Conference, referred to Committee on Fraternal Relations.

Papers from Dover, South Baltimore, Reliance, Denton, Christ Church, Odenton and Violetsville referred to Church Extension Committee.

Communication from Anti-Saloon League referred to Committee on Temperance.

G. A. Morris excused from further attendance.

Motion that C. C. Baker take collection for Superannuated Fund Society, and C. M. Zepp take collection for Church Extension Society and H. E. Bennington for sexton. Carried.

F. T. Tagg read report of Board of Publication. (See report M.)

F. T. Tagg moved that the interest of the Book Concern be the order of the day for to-morrow immediately following report of our Church Home. Carried.

Report of Agent of Twentieth Century Thank-Offering Fund read and referred to Committee on Literature. (See report M.)

Report of Committee on Credentials read and adopted. (Report E.)
Time extended indefinitely.

Daniel Baker offered resolution that the Secretary write to the International Sunday-school Committee requesting continuance of the quarterly temperance lesson. Carried. (Resolution 10.)

Daniel Baker read communication from a special committee requesting the Conference's co-operation in their work and that two members be appointed to represent the Conference on the Fall Campaign Temperance Committee. Adopted. (See report K.)

E. C. Makosky was appointed to represent the Agent in receiving Thank-Offering money.

Adjournment.

AFTERNOON.

Conference convened at 2:00 o'clock, with the President in the chair. Papers from Millville, Wye, Kempton and West Wilmington referred to Church Extension Committee.

Paper from Mt. Nebo referred to Board of Finance.

Report of W. F. M. S., Md. Branch, referred to Committee on Missions. (See report V.)

Delegates from Kennedyville and Clayton excused from attendance until Monday.

Report of Educational Endowment Society was read and adopted. (See report A A.)

Report of Governors of Theological Seminary read and referred to Committee on Education. (See report AA.)

C. S. Arnett announced that he had on hand \$500, as a gift from Mrs. Sarah Ehlers, to be invested for the benefit of the Superannuated Fund Society.

F. C. Klein offered resolution concerning Conference Anniversary Chairmen and Speakers. Adopted. (Resolution 4.)

Order of the day having arrived, G. E. McManiman, General Home Mission Secretary; T. J. Ogburn, General Foreign Mission Secretary, and C. E. Wilbur, Editor of our Sunday-school Literature, addressed the Conference.

Revs. E. K. Creed, G. L. Hardesty, J. M. Lindale and R. T. Coursey, all of the M. E. Church, were introduced to the Conference.

Order of the day having arrived, the time-limit resolution was taken up.

Report of the Agent of President's Parsonage referred to Committee on Finance.

Adjournment with benediction by W. S. Hammond.

THIRD DAY.—Friday.

Devotional exercises conducted by W. A. Melvin.

Conference called to order at 9:30 o'clock by the President.

Motion that roll-call be dispensed with. Carried.

Minutes were read, corrected and adopted.

Papers from St. Luke's, Clinton Ave., St. Michaels, Fox Hill, Deer Creek, Lynchburg and Crumpton referred to Committee on Church Extension.

Papers from Georgetown and St. Michaels referred to Finance Committee.

Paper from West Wilmington referred to Faculty of Instruction.

Roll-call of Committees.

J. L. Mills read report of Trustees of Maryland Annual Conference. (Report F.) J. L. Mills, J. M. Sheridan, Roland Watts and T. A. Murray, whose terms expire at this Conference, were re-elected.

Ex-Secretary read his report. (Report B.) Referred to Committee on Finance.

The President appointed the following to lead the morning devotional exercises: Saturday, H. S. Leas; Monday, J. L. Nichols; Tuesday, C. M. Compher.

E. T. Read read a request from the C. E. Union of the Md. Annual Conference. Referred to Committee on Christian Endeavor.

Order of the day. A communication from the Trustees of Western Maryland College concerning Endowment was read.

Moved that the paper be adopted.

Dr. Hering, President of the Board of Trustees of the College, addressed the Conference.

Motion that the time be extended. Carried.

Adjournment with benediction by W. S. Hammond.

AFTERNOON.

Conference called to order by the President at 2:00 o'clock.

Discussion of College Endowment resumed.

Moved that the request be taken up by items. Carried. Item 1 adopted. Item 2 adopted. Moved that the assessment be laid on the basis of ten cents per Sunday-school scholar. Moved to amend so as to read five cents per Sunday-school member. Amendment adopted. Motion

as amended adopted. Request as amended adopted as a whole. (See report AA.)

Report of the Board of Managers of Our Church Home was read.
Order of the day extended indefinitely.

Report of the Board adopted. (Report G.)

Report of Committee on Pulpit Supply read and adopted.

E. T. Read moved that the C. E. Committee report be made the order of the day Saturday at 11:00 A. M. Carried.

J. D. Kinzer and J. S. Bowers were excused from Conference until Monday.

Papers from Quantico, Lawsonia and Broadway referred to Church Extension Committee.

Delegates from Harrington, Denton and St. Michaels were excused from Conference until Monday.

S. J. Smith was granted personal privilege, and submitted a paper. It was moved that a special committee of three ministers and two laymen be appointed to hear the matter. Carried. The President appointed J. L. Mills, E. A. Warfield, J. W. Trout, Dr. Charles Billingslea and W. E. Thompson.

Moved that the Book Concern interest be made the order of the day Monday, at 11:00 A. M.

Rev. C. L. Whittaker, President of the North Carolina Conference, brought fraternal greetings from that Conference.

T. H. Wright, W. A. Melvin and delegates from Quantico and West Baltimore were excused until Monday.

S. W. Coe excused from pulpit supply.

Order of the day having arrived, the discussion of the time-limit resolution was resumed. Resolution amended. Vote by orders was called. Resolution lost as follows: Ministerial vote—Aye, 37; Nay, 70. Lay vote—Aye, 27; Nay, 50.

Resolution that the Church Extension assessment be \$4,000 was adopted. (Resolution 5.)

Motion that the Statistical Steward be authorized to use the figures in Marley's report of last year as the basis of this year's report was adopted.

Resolution fixing the time of Conference for next year laid on the table until Saturday.

Adjournment with benediction by A. D. Melvin.

FOURTH DAY.—Saturday.

Devotional exercises conducted by H. S. Leas.

Conference called to order at 9:30 by the President.

Roll-call dispensed with.

Minutes read, amended and adopted.

Papers from North Carolina Ave., St. John's, Snow Hill and Keen Memorial, referred to Church Extension Committee.

Delegate from Pittsville excused from further attendance. J. B. Jones, E. C. Makosky and delegate from St. James, excused until Monday.

Roll-call of committees.

T. H. Lewis offered a resolution that session of Conference, Monday afternoon, be devoted to hearing committee reports, and that the chairmen be notified. Carried (Resolution 6.)

Request from the President was read and referred to the Faculty.

Committee on President's Report submitted. Adopted. (Report H.)

Alternate from Frederick granted a seat in Conference in the absence of the delegate.

Resolution requesting Baltimore Sun to publish Saturday's Conference news in Monday's paper was adopted. (Resolution 7.)

Paper from Mt. Tabor referred to the Faculty of Instruction.

The Ex-President was granted privilege to amend his report.

Report of President of Western Maryland College referred, without reading, to Committee on Education. (See report AA.)

F. C. Klein and E. A. Warfield excused until Monday.

Delegate from St. John's excused.

Report of Agent of Ecumenical Conference fund was referred to Committee on Finance for audit. (Report I.)

C. P. Nowlin moved that Conference give way to Mutual Relief Association. Carried. (See Minutes.)

Conference resumed its session.

W. J. Neepier offered resolution authorizing Board of Finance with reference to assessments. Adopted. (Resolution 8.)

Time extended five minutes.

Resolution fixing the time of next Conference was taken up. Adopted. (Resolution 9.)

Ex-President moved that Church Extension Steward be instructed to pay pastor of Mardela \$25. out of last year's appropriation for Mardela. Carried.

Order of day suspended indefinitely.

Pocomoke City, through its delegate, invited the Conference to hold its next session in that church.

Order of the day postponed.

Faculty of Instruction made a partial report. Action deferred.

Recess. Benediction by J. M. Sheridan.

AFTERNOON.

President called Conference to order.

C. C. Baker reported \$104.25 collected for Superannuates. Report accepted.

H. F. Wright and delegate from Reliance excused from further attendance.

Report of Faculty of Instruction taken up by items. Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 adopted. Report as a whole adopted. (Report J.)

F. T. Benson moved that C. E. Committee report be made order of the day Monday at 10:00 o'clock. Carried.

Paper from St. Luke's referred to Committee on Finance.

Report of Temperance Committee read and adopted. (Report K.)

Conference gave way to Church Extension Society. (See Minutes.)

Conference resumed its session.

Report of Committee on Superannuates read and laid on the table for twenty-four hours.

At his own request, C. S. Arnett was left without appointment for another year.

Committee on Church Extension submitted partial report. Considered by items. Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 adopted. Ex President offered amendment. Amendment adopted. (Report L.)

\$104.25 was reported as collected for Church Extension Society by C. M. Zepp.

Adjourned with benediction by W. R. Graham.

FIFTH DAY.—Monday.

Devotional exercises conducted by J. L. Nichols.

Conference called to order at 9:30 by the President.

Roll-call dispensed with.

Minutes read and approved.

Delegates from St. Luke's and Waltersville excused from further attendance.

F. T. Tagg read report of Treasurer of Superannuated Fund Society. Referred to Superannuated Fund Society.

Report of Steward of Our Church Home was read and adopted. (See report G.)

F. T. Tagg offered a resolution respecting the celebration in this Conference of the Diamond Jubilee of the Methodist Protestant Church. T. H. Lewis moved an amendment to item 4. Amendment adopted.

Order of the day postponed.

Amendments as additional items were offered and adopted. Item 3 amended. Resolution as amended adopted. (Resolution 11.)

Paper from Howard referred to Church Extension Committee.

Report of Committee on Literature was read. Report considered by paragraphs. Paragraph 1 amended. Paragraph 2 amended. Paragraphs 3 and 4 adopted. Report as amended adopted. (Report M.)

Paper from Powellville referred to Church Extension Committee.

Resolution that the trustees of the Home of the Aged be requested to change the name of the institution to "Our Church Home" was adopted. (Resolution 12)

W. M. Poisal, at his own request, was left without appointment for the next year.

Adjournment with benediction by W. S. Hammond.

AFTERNOON.

President called Conference to order at 2:30 o'clock.

E. P. Perry and delegate from Payson St., excused from further attendance.

Report of Committee on Sabbath Observance was read and adopted. (Report N.)

Report of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society read and referred to Committee on Church Extension. (See report L.)

J. S. Bowers offered a resolution that Steward of Church Extension Society be instructed to pay the Christ Church appropriation to Baltimore City Church Extension Society. Carried. (Resolution 13.)

Roll-call of Committees.

Committee on Itinerancy and Orders submitted partial report. Report adopted. (Report J.)

F. L. Stevens excused from further attendance.

Special committee submitted report. Adopted. (Report O.)

A. D. Melvin called to the chair.

Report of Committee on Benevolent Agencies read and adopted. (Report P.)

Report of Committee on Fraternal Relations read and considered by items. Items 1 and 2 adopted. Item 3 amended and adopted. Items 4, 5, and 6 adopted. Report as amended adopted. (Report Q.)

Report of Committee on Statistics read and adopted. (Report R.)

Report of Committee on Superannuates was taken up. Items 1, 2, 3, and 4 adopted. Report adopted. (Report S.)

B. F. Ruley excused from further attendance.

Report of Superannuated Fund Steward read and adopted. (See report S.)

J. D. Kinzer offered a resolution that Superannuate Steward be authorized to pay the amount due Jesse Shreeve to the Treasurer of Superannuate Fund Society. Carried. (Resolution 14.)

Adjournment with benediction by J. E. T. Ewell.

SIXTH DAY.—Tuesday.

Devotional exercises conducted by C. M. Compher.

Conference called to order by the President at 9.30 o'clock.

Reading of minutes deferred.

Roll-call dispensed with.

Delegates from Healthsville and Delta excused from further attendance.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools read and adopted. (Report T.)

J. D. Kinzer called to the chair.

Report of Committee on Christian Endeavor read and considered by items. Item 1 amended and adopted. Items 2 and 3 stricken out. Item

4 stricken out. Item 5 referred to the Board of Advisers. Item 6 adopted. Report as amended adopted. (Report U.)

F. T. Tagg moved that the Conference accept the invitation to meet at Pocomoke City. Carried.

S. W. Coe offered a resolution respecting the evening services of next Conference. Referred to Diamond Jubilee Committee.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

J. C. Berrien, Secretary of Board of Ministerial Education, and Rev. Dr. McIlvane, Agent of the Maryland Tract Society, were introduced to the Conference.

Report of Committee on Missions read and adopted. (Report V.)

Agent of the Maryland Tract Society addressed the Conference.

H. E. Bennington reported \$27.16 collected for sexton.

Time extended indefinitely.

Report of Committee on Church Enterprises read and adopted. (Report W.)

Moved that the Conference resolve itself into the Superannuated Fund Society. Carried. (See Minutes.)

AFTERNOON.

Conference called to order with J. D. Kinzer in the chair.

Report of General Home Mission Steward read and adopted. (See report V.)

Report of Church Extension Steward read and adopted. (See report L.)

Report of Committee on Official Character read and adopted. (Report X.)

President took the chair.

H. H. Price received into the itinerancy.

W. S. Hammond's relation to Conference continued.

J. D. Kinzer called to the chair.

Report of Special Committee on North Carolina Ave. Church was read and adopted. (Report Y.)

Report of Board of Finance read and adopted. (Report Z.)

Report of Committee on Education read.

Conference suspended business, and offered prayer that God would call more men into the ministry.

Report of Committee on Education adopted. (Report AA.)

G. D. Edmonston's relation continued for another year.

Report of Bible and Tract Steward read and adopted. (See report P.)

Special Committee to push claim of Mt. Olivet Church before Congress appointed as follows: F. T. Little, Jas. R. Caton and J. N. Warfield.

Special Committee on Lynchburg College discontinued.

Special Committee to confer with committees from other denominations on Sabbath Desecrations continued.

Special Committee to act jointly with Baltimore Book Directory continued.

Additional report of Committee on Church Extension read. Items referring to Broadway, South Baltimore and West Wilmington amended. Report as amended adopted as a whole. (Report L.)

Adjournment, to meet at eight o'clock, with benediction by A. D. Melvin.

EVENING.

Conference called to order at 8 o'clock by J. D. Kinzer.

J. B. Jones was granted personal privilege to speak.

Minutes of morning and afternoon sessions read and approved

Report of Educational Steward read and adopted. (See report AA.)

Final report of the Faculty read and considered by items. Items 1 and 2 adopted. Report adopted. (Report J.)

Report of Foreign Mission Steward read and adopted. (See report V.)

Report of Conference Steward read and adopted.

T. H. Lewis offered resolution requesting the Board of Home Missions to continue their appropriation to North Carolina Ave. Church. Adopted. (Resolution 15.)

C. L. Daugherty was granted personal privilege to address the Conference in the interest of Christ Church. An offering of \$113.15 cash and \$100 in subscription was raised. A motion that offering be placed in the hands of the Treasurer of Baltimore City Church Extension Society was carried.

W. M. Strayer moved that the leader of the Conference Choir be added to Diamond Jubilee Committee. Carried.

Special Committees announced.

S. B. Treadway offered resolution requesting the President, in his work among the churches, to urge the officary of the churches to raise their full assessments. Adopted. (Resolution 16.)

In the absence of the Treasurer of Baltimore City Church Extension Society, it was moved that the offering be paid to the President of the Society. Carried.

The President stated that he had arranged with C. S. Arnett to change the relation that had been granted him, and that he would take work. J. H. Daugherty was granted a transfer and W. W. White's request for his credentials had been granted.

Minutes of evening session read and approved.

President read his plan of appointments. (See Conference Directory.)

W. S. PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

Approved :

F. T. LITTLE, *President.*

REPORTS.

REPORT A.

President's Report.

DEAR BRETHREN:—After another year's work for Christ and the Church, we meet again in Conference session to make our reports and devise plans for the further extension of the kingdom of Christ. Praying that the Holy Spirit may direct us during this session, I herewith present my report.

I have not been able to visit all the charges during the year, because I have had to give more attention than usual to some of the weaker ones. Those that I have not visited, have not suffered thereby.

DEATHS.

The Conference this year had well nigh ended with our ranks unbroken by death. We were all indulging the hope that no name would have to be added to the dead roll, but in this we have been sadly disappointed. Two members of our Conference have died, and the names of three sisters, the wives and faithful companions and helpers of our ministers, must go to the list of those elect ladies deceased, who have passed from the trials and toils of an itinerant life, to the rest that remains for the people of God. "The sting of death is sin." To those whose names are to be officially announced, death has no sting. "Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory, through our Lord, Jesus Christ."

Mrs. Elizabeth W. Nichols, widow of the late Rev. John R. Nichols, died Oct. 6, 1901.

Mrs. Annie M. Parris, wife of Rev. J. W. Parris, died Oct. 21, 1901.

Mrs. Margaret F. Nicholson, wife of Rev. J. E. Nicholson, died Nov. 14, 1901.

Rev. William J. Floyd, died Feb. 13, 1902.

Rev. Jesse Shreeve, died March 9, 1902.

Obituary Committees were promptly appointed.

During the year we have lost by death, from the lay ranks, many valuable members. They can no longer be seen in their accustomed places. "They are not, for God took them." Their names have been transferred to the dead roll of the churches of which they were members.

UNSUPPLIED CHARGES.

When our last Conference adjourned, four charges were unsupplied. During the year they have been supplied as follows:

Evergreen, by Rev. Philip W. Crosby; Patapsco, by Rev. C. H. Littleton; Jones Memorial, by Rev. S. W. James; Middleway, by Rev. G. J. Sullivan. Epworth Church was placed under the care of the pastor of Crumpton; Fairview

Church after having been closed for a year and a half, was reopened by Rev. W. M. Jett, who has gathered a fine Sunday school and congregation. I recommend that this church be restored to the list of appointments. Ridgely Church has not been regularly supplied. I recommend its reference to the Committee on Church Extension.

CHANGES.

About the first of last December, Rev. B. F. Jester left Cecil charge, to which he was appointed at our last Conference, without permission, and has since taken work in another church. I recommend that his name be stricken from the roll.

On Dec. 12, 1901, Rev. Thomas Wheeler was released from Felton Charge on account of poor health. Since the above date, Rev. E. H. Jones has been supplying this charge.

ORDINATION.

Nov. 5, 1901, Rev. C. M. Compher was ordained. In this service I was assisted by Revs. J. W. Trout and F. C. Klein.

BENEVOLENT AGENCIES.

Mrs. T. A. Reese has continued her generous contributions to our pastors and the various interests represented in our Conference work. She deserves, and, I am sure has, the hearty thanks of all who have been the recipients of her many kindnesses.

The Pipe Creek and Jefferson Benevolent Societies and the St. John's Board of Beneficence have continued their generous assistance to our pastors and churches, and should receive the formal and hearty thanks of this Conference.

MINISTERIAL SUPPLY.

We should exert ourselves to obtain young men for our ministry. We must expect an annual loss by death and superannuation. Five appointments have been supplied by Seminary students. They have done as well as could be expected under the circumstances. All of these charges need a resident pastor. Our College and Seminary are doing good work for us. They are doing it so well that we ought to feel encouraged to give them more of it to do. *We* ought to have in these institutions, more young men. I call your attention to the fact that we are not getting many of the young men who are graduated. We will receive no one this year. This is discouraging to our people, in view of the fact that they contribute annually to Ministerial Education and in addition pay by special assessment, the salaries of the Professors. Our failure to receive into our Conference the young men we send, is not chargeable to the Seminary authorities. They do all they can to impress the graduates with a due sense of their obligation to the Conference through whose generosity they obtain an education. We should have a more definite understanding with those whom we recommend to the Board, as to their obligation to the Conference. Before any man is recommended he should be made to understand that we do not regard his education complete until he shall have graduated from

the Seminary, passed through the course of study prescribed by this Conference and received orders. Until then he must consider himself under the care of this Conference, and not at liberty to seek employment elsewhere. A man is under everlasting obligation to the church that saves him from a life of sin, and puts his feet in the path of life and glory. Whoever leaves the church that rescues him from sin and trains him into Christian manhood, be he minister or layman, leaves in debt. No church can do as much for us as has been done by the church through whose instrumentality we have been saved. This is one of the fundamental facts upon which true denominational loyalty is based. The young man who has been converted and educated for the ministry is under lifelong obligation to the Conference that does it, no matter whether he receives that education in our schools or in the pastorate.

OUR HYMN BOOK.

Our new hymn book has been published. It is all that anybody could ask and cheaper than anybody expected. Its publication comes nearer giving perfect satisfaction than anything that has been done by the church in many years. It is in use in many of our churches and should be in all of them. There is no longer any excuse for using other hymnals in our regular Sabbath services. Inasmuch as the ritual and selections of the Psalms are in the book, the order of service recommended by the General Conference should be followed, that our services may be uniform.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

The Maryland Conference C. E. Union held, in Washington during Feb. last, a profitable convention. In order that they may better co-operate with this Conference in its various religious enterprises, they propose to ask you to appoint an advisory committee, of which the President of this Conference shall be, *ex-officio*, a member. This is a wise proposition and should be adopted.

STATE OF THE CHURCH.

You will hear from Western Maryland College, the Westminster Theological Seminary, the Aged People's Home and the Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies through their reports. Pastors' reports will show that we have had a year of progress. For figures I refer you to their reports. A new church has been built on Bedford Circuit, and contracts for two new churches on Heathsville have been given out. A new church is in course of erection on Pittsville Circuit. St. James Church will be rebuilt in the spring. Clinton Ave. Church has bought a valuable lot and built on it a neat chapel. Bethany, Georgetown D. C., Kennedyville, Parksley, Waverly and Westminster Churches have been handsomely and expensively improved. There have been other churches and parsonages greatly improved. Some old and embarrassing church debts have been paid in full and others very much reduced. Broadway and North Carolina Ave. are steadily reducing their indebtedness and should continue to receive Conference encouragement. Lynchburg Church has paid \$1500 on its funded debt and met all its current expenses. A new

Church has been organized at Federalsburg, Md. and they will purchase or build a suitable house of worship soon. I recommend that Federalsburg be enrolled in our list of appointments and be supplied.

St. John's Church (Canton) has the offer of a fine lot in Highlandtown, free of charge, upon which to build a church. As the location is much better than the one they have, I have advised them to move and build.

Bates Memorial Church, at Snow Hill, which has been commenced, should receive our hearty support. We need the church and ought to honor the man.

Christ Church, Baltimore, has bought a lot in a much better location and have displayed great liberality in the large payment they have made on their purchase. I hope they will have all the moral and financial support that we are able to give them.

We have had a year of great revivals, and large accessions. The net increase in membership should put us well beyond 25,000. There is such a general disposition to drop the names of those who cease to attend and take an interest in the church that the figures reported represent, as nearly as is practicable, our actual membership.

In concluding my labors as President and in presenting my fifth annual report, allow me to thank you for the honor conferred upon me, the confidence reposed in me and the uniform kindness and respect shown me. In all that I have done, I have been conscientious. I have endeavored to act with wisdom, prudence and kindness. I have not spared myself labor nor money in the discharge of my duties. I wish I could have done more to advance the interest of the church. With gratitude to God, for His kind providence in preserving my health and life, and with thanks to the many friends who have so kindly entertained me during these years of travel and toil, I am,

Yours sincerely,

A. D. MELVIN, *President.*

REPORT B.

Secretary's Report.

Receipts.

April 5, 1901, From F. T. Tagg, bal. Gen. Conf. Ex. Fund.....	\$ 6 00	
April 6, 1901, From Conference Steward.....	346 03	
From sale of minutes.....	2 25	
From balance in hand.....	8 92	
From assessments from various charges for 1901-2.....	237 50	
Total.....		\$600 70

Expenses.

April 6, 1901, Conf. Steward's salary and expenses.....	\$ 21 40
April 11, Secretary's salary for year ending April, 1901.....	50 00

April 23,	W. J. C. Dulany Co., balance on minutes 1900.....	228 59	
	Expressage on trunk and pastor's blanks.....	1 31	
May 27,	W. J. C. Dulany Co., on account.....	45 00	
	7 copies minutes bought from F. C. Klein.....	1 40	
	Printed postal cards.....	3 87	
Sept. 17,	H. L. Schlincke, salary Committee on Statistics....	10 00	
Dec. 12,	W. J. C. Dulany Co., on account.....	125 00	
March 10, 1902,	" "	72 00	
	Postage.....	3 54	
March 28,	W. J. C. Dulany Co., on account.....	38 59	
	Bal. due W. J. C. Dulany Co.....	11 54	
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	Total Expenses.....		\$612 24
	Total Receipts.....		600 70
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	Deficit.....		\$ 11 54

REPORT C.

On Publication of Minutes.

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

Having been appointed by the President of the Conference to act with the Secretary as Committee on Publication of the Minutes, we have taken the matter under consideration with a view to making suggestions to remedy what seems to be considered an unsatisfactory condition.

The Minutes are too expensive, and they are now published regularly on credit; the Minutes of last Conference requiring the greater part of this year's collection to pay for their publication. To remedy this condition we make the following suggestions:

A very considerable saving of expenses as well as advantage of presentation can be made by printing the statistical tables without the totals at the bottom of the page, and the cents, in the financial reports. The totals would be printed as a summary on a separate page. This year's Minutes would account for the whole collection in this summary, but we suggest that the Conference order all assessments to be made in even dollars and that hereafter all collections be returned in the same way. Pastors to distribute the odd cents among the collections to make them all even, or to retain the cents for another year's report. This would save a great deal of labor to the Stewards. In most collections it takes more time to add up the cents than the dollars.

We recommend that the Conference Directory be omitted as a separate page, and that the addresses of ministers be added to their names in the plan of appointments.

We recommend that the Manual be printed this year, but bound separately,

and furnished free to those who want it, and not printed again until the supply is exhausted.

That the Committee be authorized to borrow the money necessary to provide for the publication of the Minutes, to be taken out of the next collection.

Respectfully submitted,

F. T. TAGG.

T. H. LEWIS.

REPORT D.

President's Parsonage, No. 42 Parkin Street, Baltimore, Md.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

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

Having carefully examined the President's Parsonage, we report it to be inconvenient, uncomfortable and unsanitary. Its location is not desirable. Its condition is not satisfactory. The President of the Conference ought to have a better home than the one that has been used for many years.

We recommend that the house on Parkin Street, Baltimore, be sold as early as possible.

We examined the furniture of the President's Parsonage, and found it to be meagre, old, worn-out, and, almost, worthless. It has scarcely any financial value. The home of the President needs to be newly furnished from cellar to garret.

In view of the emergency that is upon us, we recommend that the President rent a desirable dwelling, and that the salary and house rent be fixed at \$2,500; and that \$500 additional be appropriated for furniture, and that these two items be placed in one assessment.

F. T. LITTLE
W. J. NEEPIER
J. L. STRAUGHN
JARRETT N. GILBERT
N. T. MEGINNISS

} Committee.

Baltimore, March 24, 1902.

REPORT OF AGENT.

To the Maryland Annual Conference meeting in Centreville, Md., April 2, 1902:

Receipts.

1902	Special collection for improvements on Parsonage as reported by President A. D. Melvin.....	\$194 60	
	Other expenditures as reported by him.....	37 59	
			<u>\$232 19</u>
Feb. 27	Cash received from President A. D. Melvin.....	15 00	
March 15	Cash received from President A. D. Melvin.....	110 00	
March 29	Cash received from President A. D. Melvin.....	1 91	
			<u>126 91</u>
			<u>\$359 10</u>

Disbursements.

Amount used for improvement on Parsonage as reported		
by President A. D. Melvin.....		\$232 19
Feb. 27	3 years fire insurance on Parsonage, amount \$2500.....	11 00
March 20	City water tax on Parsonage.....	10 56
March 25	T. A. Murray, Treas. Superannuated Fund Society,	
	balance due from last year.....	5 29
	Interest on loan.....	33 45
	Ground rent	56 25
		95 29
		\$349 04.
	Balance in hand.....	10 06
Respectfully submitted, JARRETT.N. GILBERT.		

REPORT E.

Report of Committee on Credentials.

We respectfully report that we have carefully examined the certificates of election of Delegates to this Conference and find them correct. We recommend that Walter E. Short be recognized as delegate from Georgetown, Delaware.

W. D. LITSINGER, *Chairman.*

REPORT F.

Report of the Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference.

We report that the Trustees are J. D. Kinzer, A. W. Mather, Daniel Baker and John G. Clarke, whose terms expire in 1903.

F. T. Little, S. J. Smith, Franklin Mewshaw and C. A. Benjamin whose terms expire in 1904.

J. L. Mills, J. M. Sheridan, Roland Watts and T. A. Murray whose terms expire at this Conference.

J. L. MILLS, *President of the Board.*

REPORT G.

Our Church Home.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS.

The Board of Managers of the Home for the Aged herewith submit their report, embracing also the financial reports of the Treasurer and the Lady Managers.

These reports will fully show the financial condition of the Institution, both as to the permanent fund and also that of the current management.

Two deaths have occurred at the Home during the year, and there remain three inmates in the Institution at the present time.

The comfortable and home-like conditions which surround those who have entered our Home, have made it a blessing indeed, to worthy persons whose limited means could not have secured for them such comforts at any other place. It is a most deserving charity, and one which should commend itself to the care and liberal support of the Church. We especially urge that all our churches take collections for its support, and that the returns be made as early as possible in the Conference year, so that the Lady Managers may not be embarrassed in their work.

J. W. HERING, *Chairman Executive Committee.*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

Amount in hands of Treasurer, April, 1901.....	\$1,156	
Amount received during the year.....	1,000	
		<u>\$2,156</u>
Amount of Sundry Expenses during the year.....	\$ 170 63	
Amount in hands of Treasurer.....	1,740 37	
Amount due from Lady Managers being temporary loans.....	243 00	
		<u>\$2,156</u>

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. HERING, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE LADY MANAGERS.

Amount in hands of Treasurer, April, 1901.....	\$ 9 13	
Amount received at Conference, 1901.....	283 75	
Amount received during present Conference year.....	267 38	
Amount received from private donations.....	20 00	
Amount of temporary loans from permanent fund.....	245 00	
		<u>\$825 26</u>
Amount of current expenses during year.....	\$600 00	
Amount paid permanent fund loan.....	175 00	
Amount in hands of Treasurer.....	50 26	
		<u>\$825 26</u>

MRS. E. O. GRIMES, *President.*

REPORT OF STEWARD.

CENTREVILLE, MD., April 7, 1902.

Steward for the fund for Our Church Home begs leave to make the following report :

The amount received in cash.....	\$266 45
Receipts.....	251 96
Total.....	\$518 41

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. BENNETT, *Steward.*

REPORT H.

Report of Committee on President's Report.

Your Committee begs leave to report as follows:

We express our gratitude to Almighty God, the Great Head of the Church, for the measure of success which has attended the labors of the year. Many churches and parsonages have been built or improved, but best of all, we think, is the fact that many precious souls have been won from the power of Satan unto God. While some of our pastors have wrought without visible results, God has been graciously present with his people and in a number of charges there have been glorious displays of his saving power.

We recommend that Fairview Church be restored to the list of appointments as stated in the President's Report ;

That Ridgely and Federalburg be referred to Committee on Church Extension ;

That the name of Rev. B. F. Jester be stricken from the list .

That paragraph concerning Ministerial Supply be referred to Committee on Itinerancy and Orders ;

That the proposition of the Maryland Christian Endeavor Union concerning the appointment of an Advisory Committee, of which the President of this Conference be a member, *ex-officio*, be referred to Committee on Christian Endeavor.

Mrs. T. A. Reese, The Pipe Creek and Jefferson Benevolent Societies and The St. John's Board of Beneficence in their continued assistance to pastors and churches of this Conference have manifested a most generous spirit and hereby receives the hearty thanks of this Conference.

We are gratified to report that Mrs. Jeremiah Bail has provided in her will a bequest of \$1,000 for Pipe Creek Church, and that Bro. Isaac C. Forrest has left the same Church \$100.

Mrs. Sarah Ehlers has left a bequest of \$700 for the Aged People's Home.

Respectfully submitted,

R. K. LEWIS, *Chairman.*

REPORT I.

Report of the Treasurer of the Ecumenical Conference Fund.

		<i>Receipts.</i>	
Felton.....	\$ 3 60	Mt. Tabor.....	3 60
Alexandria.....	5 00	Cambridge.....	5 00
Franklin City.....	4 00	Central.....	5 00
Clinton Hill.....	2 00	St. James.....	5 00
Parksley.....	3 00	Westminster.....	5 00
Reliance.....	2 40	Hampden.....	6 00
Easton.....	7 00	Ruthsburg.....	1 50
New Market.....	3 60	West Baltimore.....	10 00
Accomac.....	3 75	Cecil.....	1 90
Seaford.....	3 00	Delta.....	3 00
Milton.....	1 75	Howard Circuit.....	3 60
Union Bridge.....	3 00	Nichols' Memorial.....	2 00
St. Michaels.....	3 00	Lisbon.....	5 00
Georgetown, D. C.....	10 00	Brooklyn.....	3 00
Union.....	5 00	Oak Grove.....	2 60
Bivalve.....	3 00	N. C. Ave.....	3 60
Chesapeake.....	2 25	Newark.....	10 00
Powellsville.....	2 40	Dorchester.....	4 00
Finksburg.....	4 00	Pipe Creek.....	4 00
Lawsonia.....	1 00	Payson Street.....	2 00
Fairfax.....	1 60	Alnutt Memorial.....	10 40
Georgetown, Del.....	3 00	Chestertown.....	9 00
Starr.....	10 00	Stewartstown.....	3 60
Conquest.....	3 60	Clayton.....	4 00
Chesapeake.....	1 35	Snow Hill.....	4 00
Mt. Nebo.....	2 50	Pittsville.....	3 00
Susquehannah.....	5 00	Beaver Dam.....	1 60
Pocomoke City.....	7 00	First Church Wilmington.....	3 00
Denton.....	2 00	Laurel, Del.....	6 00
Buckeystown.....	6 28		
Total.....			\$245 38

Yours respectfully,

F. M. WARNER, *Treasurer.*

REPORT J.

Report of the Faculty of Instruction.

We recommend the passage of the following:

WHEREAS, the Maryland Conference has, during the last few years, recommended some of her young men to the Board of Education, with the expectation of securing their services at the close of their college and seminary course, and

WHEREAS, upon their graduation they have requested permission to enter other Conferences, and these requests have been granted until many of our pulpits are vacant, therefore

Resolved, that the request of Harry H. Price to be released to enter the North Illinois Conference be not granted.

Resolved, that no man be recommended to the Board of Ministerial Education unless he pledge himself to enter into no agreement with any other Conference until he shall have served the Maryland Conference three years in case he be needed.

We recommend John S. Wildridge be continued in the hands of the President.

We report of the third year's class that H. S. Leas was given 100 in theology, W. N. Sherwood was given 100 in theology, that E. P. Perry is continued in the class in Miller's Christian Ministry, that H. S. Leas, B. F. Ruley, W. N. Sherwood, T. R. Woodford and C. M. Zepp are passed through the course.

Of the second year's class we report, that C. M. Compher was given 100 in Drinkhouse History, 100 in Sacred Geography and 100 in Fisher's Church History. That C. M. Compher, J. L. Nichols and F. J. Phillips were passed to the third year.

Of the first year's class we report, that J. H. Straughn was given 100 in Theology and 100 in Greek, that Thomas Wheeler was given 100 in Nichol's Help and 100 in Drinkhouse's History, that C. C. Baker was not passed in Theology nor in Homiletics, that H. C. Hall has, because of ill health, been discontinued at his own request; that Frederick Phillips passed in Theology and that J. H. Straughn and Thomas Wheeler were passed to the second year. That E. P. Perry was passed in Theology, that Roscoe Strausberg and E. H. Jones were continued in the first year's class.

We report that G. E. Brown and Richard Shipley are dropped from the list of students because they are taking a course at the Seminary.

At the request of the President of the Conference, we recommend that Edward P. Perry, W. N. Sherwood, F. J. Phillips, James L. Nichols, James H. Straughn and Thomas Wheeler be licensed to administer the ordinances.

We recommend that Harry H. Price be licensed to administer the ordinances.

We recommend that graduates of the Westminster Theological Seminary shall not be examined by the Faculty in any of the studies of the course; but such students shall present each year theses on theological subjects, to be appointed by the examiners in Systematic Theology.

J. L. MILLS, *Secretary*.

S. B. SOUTHERLAND, *President*.

REPORT K.

Report of Committee on Temperance.

Your Committee on Temperance begs leave to report that notwithstanding the espousal of the saloon in some form by men exalted in the literary and religious world, exciting a peculiar sense of strange and unexpected danger, we hail with feelings of profound gratitude to God the growing sentiment against the licensed saloon, and the more solid basis upon which this sentiment rests—love to humani-

ty, God and his Christ. Recent developments in the city of New York have done much to give the people at large a knowledge of the real purpose and strength of the liquor forces.

A certain secular newspaper of the city of Baltimore stated in a recent issue that, of thirty bills affecting the liquor question presented to the legislature on the last day of its session, twenty-seven were disposed of in a manner favorable to the cause of temperance, and the present status of the army-canteen question and the favorable attitude of men high in army circles, are sources of much encouragement and exalted hopes.

While we would commend any and every agency having for its purpose the overthrow of the liquor business, we believe the pulpit is the place, the minister the man, and the Gospel the power by which men are to be saved from inebriety, the traffic deposed and the world redeemed from this great blight. We also record our conviction that, by the continued, earnest, faithful preaching of the Gospel of our Lord and Master, responsive chords in the hearts of our people will be touched and they will soon see to it that the strong arm of the law, which has so long upheld this monstrosity upon our body politic, shall cast it away and stamp it out of existence. We therefore urge the ministry to preach the Word, to be instant in season and out of season as to this great question.

To the W. C. T. U. we extend the hand of co-operation and bid them Godspeed.

We unhesitatingly condemn any effort to discontinue the Quarterly Temperance Lesson in the International Sabbath-school Lesson System.

A. S. BEANE, *Chairman.*

PAPER SUBMITTED BY DANIEL BAKER.

To the Maryland Annual Conference :

DEAR FRIENDS :—A conference, at which a number of churches and temperance associations were informally represented, was held in Baltimore on January 30th last, at which a committee was appointed to suggest methods by which an amendment to the State Constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale of liquor may be obtained.

Realizing the magnitude of the task, and that the working together of all friends of temperance is essential to success, the committee would offer the following proposition for the consideration of your Conference:

That the temperance people of the State of Maryland should unite in the endeavor to secure the passing of an Act of the General Assembly, at its session in 1904, submitting to the voters of the State an amendment to the Constitution, prohibiting the manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquor as a beverage.

The adoption of this proposition involves a State-wide campaign of education, the effort to secure the election to the State Legislature of men favorable to such action, the dissemination of a large amount of literature, and the unselfish devotion of many of our people.

We ask that the above proposition be brought before your body at as early a date as circumstances permit, and that it may receive your careful consideration.

If the proposition be approved, we request that you so inform us, and suggest that you appoint two of your number to officially represent your body on the Campaign Committee, which will have direction of the work. If not approved, please report your action. Your co-workers—Provisional Committee.

MRS. MARY R. HASLUP,
REV. HENRY BRANCH,
REV. GEORGE SCHOLL,
JOHN N. PARKER,
W. C. BALLARD,

R. HENRY HOLME,
REV. H. D. MITCHELL,
M. E. REDDICKS,
DANIEL BAKER,
MRS. PAULINE W. HOLME,

MISS F. A. CATHCART,
HENRY N. HANNA,
ELMORE R. JEFFERY,
DR. O. E. JANNEY,
HORACE E. GAMBRILL.

REPORT L.

Conference Church Extension.

CHURCH EXTENSION COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The pressing and increasing demands for financial help as they appear from the many requests we have carefully considered is unprecedented in the history of the Church.

We trust those asking aid will gracefully accept the action of the committee. More than \$5,000 have been asked for. After providing for the deficiencies of last year we have \$3,100 to be distributed. We have done our best. We have received with interest and gratification the report of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society and heartily commend their judicious management of our Baltimore City Church interests to the favorable consideration of the Conference.

We recommend that the request in regard to the pastor of Waverly Church be granted and that the appropriation for Christ Church enterprise be used under the direction of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society, and the report adopted as a whole.

We recommend the following as to—

BOUNDARIES.

1. That the name Beaver Dam be changed to Harbeson.
2. That Cherrydale be attached to Potomac.
3. That the name of Clinton Avenue be changed to Clinton Hill.
4. That Frederica be attached to Felton.
5. That the name of Federalsburg be added to the list of charges.
6. That Holly Run be taken from Nichols' Memorial and attached to Brooklyn.
7. That Ridgely be temporarily attached to Caroline.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Bethany.....	\$100
Broadway, same conditions as last year.....	325
Christ Church, for new church enterprise.....	300
Clinton Hill.....	75
Crumpton.....	75

Cumberland, on parsonage rent.....	\$ 90
Denton	200
Dover on debt, provided they raise \$100 on debt	75
Federalburg.....	200
Keen Memorial, to be used under direction of Board of Managers of Church Extension Society.....	250
Kempton, for Junior pastor.....	50
Lawsonia, on debt, on condition that they raise 100 on debt	50
Lynchburg.	200
Howard (Clarksville church debt).....	50
Millville.....	75
North Carolina Avenue, church debt.....	250
Powellville.....	50
Quantico.....	75
Reliance.....	40
South Baltimore.....	500
\$250 to be paid this year and \$250 next year, provided they pay the bal- ance of church debt.	
St. Luke's, on mortgage.....	200
St. Michaels.....	50
Snow Hill, for new church.....	300
West Wilmington, on church debt if they raise same amount on debt	100
Wye.....	50

That \$4,000 be assessed on the district.

And the Conference encourage the society at Mt. Lebanon by promising to pay at least \$100 on their indebtedness on new church.

B. P. TRUITT, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF BALTIMORE CITY CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

To The Maryland Annual Conference :

DEAR BREATHREN:—According to our custom, we present our annual report.

During the year the property of Bethany Church was legally transferred to the trustees of that church. We are very much gratified to mention the progress this church has made. Bro. T. R. Woodford has been "in labors abundant" and his field has responded grandly. The church building has been very much improved and with its enthusiastic congregation and pastor is meeting the needs of that section of the city as never before.

Dr. Ewell, the wise and energetic pastor of Waverly, in his usual industrious way has accomplished much in improving the church and parsonage property. The entire property is in excellent condition inside and out, and affords a comfortable church building and home for the pastor. The money for these improvements was raised under the careful management of Dr. Ewell and the bills have all been paid. We desire to commend the spirit of self sacrifice manifested by this faithful

pastor who has been too poorly paid for his laborious work. We regret that we are not able to report this church in flourishing spiritual condition. We are hopeful, however, and look for better things.

At the last session of the Conference, Christ Church was given a relation to our Society. We have striven to do the work entrusted to our care. A Committee of our Society has been in close touch with the pastor and those concerned with the future of this church. All the facts are in our possession. At the last meeting of this Society the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

1. *Resolved*, that we heartily endorse the work of Bro. C. L. Daugherty at Christ Church, and approve the plan of the church to purchase and pay for the lot on which it is proposed to build.

2. *Resolved*, that we heartily endorse and commend the work of Christ Church; and commend the interests of this church to the favorable consideration of the Maryland Conference.

We believe that with careful management and some assistance from the Conference, this band of faithful and industrious and liberal people will soon have a commodious church building in a good location.

A very full statement of the financial accomplishments of this Society was made last year. We have made no debts this year. We have been able to meet our obligations. We desire to express our thanks to Mrs. T. A. Reese and all others whose generosity has enabled us to continue our work.

We most respectfully request that you appoint a pastor to Waverly under the advice and direction of this Society, and believe us to be your servants for the extension of the Master's Kingdom.

JOHN S. BOWERS, *President.*

STEWARD'S REPORT.

Summary.

Amount appropriated.....	\$3,820 00	
Assessed more than appropriated.....	411 00	
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Total assessed on the District		4,231 00

Funds for Distribution.

From Assessment.....	\$2,796 58	
Bartlett's receipts.....	491 00	
Annual Dues.....	104 25	
		—————
		3,391 83

Less Amounts Paid.

Broadway.....	\$350 00	
Loan returned, F. T. Little.....	437 90	
Stewards expenses to date.....	4 10	
		—————
		792 00
Amount to be distributed.....		\$2,599 83

<i>Appropriations for 1901 and 1902.</i>	Prom.	Paid.	Due.
Bethany, T. R. Woodford.....	\$100 00	\$ 74 91	\$ 25 09
Cecil, B. F. Jester.....	100 00	74 91	25 09
Clarksville, J. W. Parris.....	50 00	37 45	12 55
Cumberland, W. A. Melvin.....	180 00	134 88	45 12
Christ Church, C. L. Daugherty.....	250 00	187 27	62 73
Crumpton, G. H. Stocksdales.....	75 00	56 17	18 83
Clinton Hill, C. M. Compher.....	100 00	74 91	25 09
Dover, N. O. Gibson.....	100 00	74 91	25 09
Denton, B. P. Truitt.....	200 00	149 82	50 18
Frederica, E. H. Jones.....	75 00	56 17	18 83
Oakley, H. E. Bennington.....	100 00	74 91	25 09
Kempton, C. M. Cullum.....	100 00	74 91	25 09
Keen Memorial (Board of Managers).....	350 00	262 18	87 82
Lynchburg, G. Q. Bacchus.....	200 00	149 82	50 18
Lawsonia, W. N. Sherwood.....	100 00	74 91	25 09
Hebron, Elmer Simpson and Phillips.....	100 00	74 91	25 09
Millville, B. F. Ruley.....	100 00	74 91	25 09
Mt. Nebo, A. A. Bichell.....	50 00	37 45	12 55
North Carolina Avenue, J. N. Warfield.....	250 00	187 27	62 73
Reliance, H. F. Wright.....	40 00	29 96	10 04
Snow Hill, A. Donovan.....	300 00	224 73	75 27
St. Luke's, J. B. Jones.....	250 00	187 27	62 73
St. Michaels, J. M. Dickey.....	50 00	37 45	12 55
Quantico, F. J. Phillips.....	100 00	74 91	25 09
West Wilmington, J. L. Nichols.....	100 00	74 91	25 09
Wye, J. F. Wooden.....	50 00	37 45	12 55
	<u>\$3470 00</u>	<u>\$2599 35</u>	<u>\$870 65</u>

Per centum, 74—91-100.

Additional Report.

Balance from Cecil Circuit for fund.....	\$ 33 34
Deficiency of the Board to date.....	837 31
	<u>\$870 65</u>

On the adjournment of Conference, the Board will call a meeting, and after arrangements are made to secure the deficiency at 5 per cent. interest, and the money is placed in the hands of the Steward, he will send checks as per balance due claimants according to report.

E. S. FOOKS, *Steward.*

REPORT II.

Literature.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE.

Your Committee on Literature respectfully submit the following:

We have examined the report of the Book Directory submitted to us, and we find therein much that is both gratifying and encouraging. One part of the report, however, is not so satisfactory. We note with pleasure the increase in the working

capital of the Concern, also in the use of our Sunday-school publications, but we deeply regret that there has been no increase in the number of subscribers to the **METHODIST PROTESTANT**. As our denominational organ, the **METHODIST PROTESTANT** should be in every Methodist Protestant home. Under the able editorial management of Dr. Tagg, the paper continues to maintain its high standard of excellence, and we are convinced that the reading thereof by our people would be largely helpful both to their home-life and their church-life. The paper needs the support of the Church, but more than the paper needs the support of the Church, the Church needs the connectional stimulus and enlightenment which the paper affords.

We recognize the difficulties arising from the great multiplication of undenominational and secular papers, but we would urge upon both ministry and laity the necessity for more earnest effort to increase the circulation of the **METHODIST PROTESTANT**. We recommend that the Conference request the pastor of each charge to appoint an agent at each appointment on his charge, and that the Agent of the Book Directory be requested to furnish gratis to each of the local agents thus appointed by the pastors, 25 copies of the first June issue of the **METHODIST PROTESTANT** for gratuitous distribution, and that on the following Sabbath pastor and agent use a portion of the service in obtaining new subscribers, and that we allow them to take trial subscriptions at fifty cents for four months.

We have also examined the report of the Agent of the Twentieth Century Thank-Offering Fund, and we find that this Fund aggregates to date \$14,716.49. Of this amount \$2,363.50 are in unpaid subscriptions.

A building for the Book Concern is now assured, but the selection of a suitable location is a work attended with great difficulty. We believe with the Committee that it is better to wait than purchase a place not properly suited to our work, or to attempt the payment of a place beyond our means. We further recommend that the matter of incurring indebtedness in connection with the purchase of the building be left to the discretion of the Committee.

We recommend that effort be made to increase the Twentieth Century Fund to at least \$15,000, and that Dr. F. T. Little be continued as Agent, to serve as opportunity may afford, in connection with his duties as President of the Conference, in soliciting contributions to the Fund. We further recommend that the pastors co-operate with the Agent in collecting the subscriptions yet unpaid.

Our Sunday-school publications, so ably edited by Dr. C. E. Wilbur, are surpassed by none, and we are pleased to know that there is a steady advance in their circulation. This is as it should be. We can only hope to have an intelligent and loyal Church membership as our own literature is used in our Sunday-schools. We therefore urge upon every Sunday-school the necessity and the duty of using our own publications.

Our new Church Hymnal has come from the press and has been received with general favor. It is a beautiful book, an excellent compilation, and at the price at which it is sold, is a marvel of cheapness. We commend the hymnal to our people, and trust that it will soon be in use in all our churches.

J. W. BALDERSTON, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE BALTIMORE BOOK DIRECTORY.

To the Maryland Annual Conference :

DEAR BRETHREN :—The arrangement made last year, by which the Editor of the METHODIST PROTESTANT became also the Agent of the Book Concern and publisher of the METHODIST PROTESTANT, continues. We may properly state again that this arrangement is not intended to be permanent. As soon as our matters can be brought into a condition to justify the change, we hope to be able to select an Agent and business manager to take charge of this part of the work. Having as yet failed to secure a suitable house for the Book Concern, our relation to the W. J. C. Dulany Co. continues unchanged. The business of the Concern, notwithstanding the large purchases which a change in our hymnal has demanded, is in better shape than it was last year. We have made some advance in the circulation of the Sunday-school literature. We have lost no patronage in the METHODIST PROTESTANT, which, when we consider that it has five local rivals in its territory, the publishers of which are pressing upon their respective Conferences the duty of "taking the home paper", is not a discouraging showing. We have been able this year to increase our capital nearly thirty-three per cent. Financially, we are \$1,600 better off than we were on the first of March a year ago. The Thank-Offering Fund under the direction of Rev. Dr. F. T. Little, has made all the progress that could be expected, when the field that was previously covered, and his duties as a pastor are taken into consideration. He will doubtless make some statement to the Conference of the present status and the outlook of that work.

We very much regret to report that the Committee of the Conference, whose duty it is to look for a building, suitable as a Book Concern, has not been able up to this time to make a purchase. In most cases owners of suitable buildings asked prices far beyond our ability to pay, and cheaper ones are not suitably situated. The Conference will appreciate the discretion of the Committee in hesitating to purchase. The Committee believes it far better to wait, than purchase a place not properly suited to our work, or to attempt the payment of a place beyond our means. This, too, will doubtless be more fully reported by others.

The need of a greater interest in our work by pastors and people, of doing what they can to put the METHODIST PROTESTANT in every home, of using our Sunday-school literature in all our Schools, of purchasing their books through our Book Concern, and of advertising our interests in all the churches is so apparent as to need no argument here.

The second edition of the hymnal has been entirely exhausted. The Church has shown its appreciation of the work of the Committee, and the need of a hymnal all our own, by a most generous and general patronage. This, of course, has increased our book sales far beyond any previous year of our history as a Book Concern. We trust this interest will not abate until the hymnal in sufficient quantities for worship is found in every church in our Conference.

In conclusion, we are happy to state that our business shows a more gratifying increase than for many years.

F. T. LITTLE, *Secretary.*

JOHN G. CLARK, *President.*

REPORT OF AGENT, TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

The Fund aggregates to date.....\$14,716.49

And is accounted for as follows:

Cash in Maryland Savings Bank.....	\$12,000.00
Unpaid subscriptions on books.....	2,363.50
Expense account for three years.....	352.99

\$14,716.49

The expense account of \$352.99 covers every item of expense during the whole period of effort in raising this money, including \$100 paid Rev. C. S. Arnett for two months' services at Starr Church while the pastor, as Agent of the Fund, was in the field prosecuting his work. Brother Arnett donated \$50, one-half of his pay for the two months, to the Fund.

We had hoped to be able to state, approximately at least, the cash value of the unpaid subscriptions still on our books, and long over-due, but we are unprepared to do so. The information in the possession of the Agent shows that about \$200 of the amount cannot be collected. Beyond this we are unable to estimate what shrinkage, if any, there may be.

To enable us to purchase a suitable building it is the judgment of your Agent, and we believe of the Joint Committee as well, that the Fund should be pushed up to \$15,000.

Respectfully submitted,

F. T. LITTLE, *Agent.*

BALTIMORE, MD., March 31, 1902.

REPORT N.

Report of Committee on Sabbath Observance.

Your Committee on Sabbath Observance respectfully submits the following report:

There is a growing tendency in these days to make unholy the Sabbath day. In the secularizing of this day there is danger ahead for the Church and the Nation. No church can fulfil her mission and no nation can stand where strenuous effort is not made to obey the command of God. The Sunday excursion, the summer resorts where everything is in full blast as on a week day and where hundreds of the people spend their Sabbaths in recklessness and frivolity, the distribution and reading of Sunday newspapers, the buying and selling of such things as are supposed to be necessities on the Sabbath day, all tend to the breaking down of the sanctity of the Sabbath.

Therefore, be it resolved, that we urge upon our pastors and people the necessity of being alert and uncompromising in their defence of the holy Sabbath day, and that our pastors preach sermons upon this subject and seek in every possible way to induce parents and guardians of the children of our homes to set the proper example in respect to a proper observance of this day.

A. N. WARD, *Chairman.*

REPORT O.**Report of Special Committee.**

Your Special Committee respectfully submits the following :

Having given careful consideration to the statements of Brother S. J. Smith, we are unanimously of the opinion that according to Art. 14, Sec. 2, of the Constitution, this Conference has no jurisdiction in the matter.

J. L. Mills, *for the Committee.*

REPORT P.**Report of Committee on Benevolent Agencies.**

Your Committee on Benevolent Agencies submits the following :

We note with pleasure that Mrs. Tamsey A. Reese has continued her contribution of \$200 each to the Bible and Tract Societies.

For the Maryland Bible Society there has been contributed in the district \$177.95, and we recommend L. A. Bennett for Life Director and E. D. Stone and J. F. Bryan for Life Members. \$23.00 was paid to other societies, making a total of \$200.95.

For the Maryland Tract Society there has been contributed in the District \$182.47, and we recommend J. L. Straughn, G. M. Clayton and T. R. Woodford for Life Directors.

A. S. JOHNSON, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF BIBLE AND TRACT STEWARD.

Amount raised in District for Bible, \$400.95; Tract, \$332.47.

N. O. GIBSON, *Steward.*

REPORT Q.**Report of Committee on Fraternal Relations.**

The Committee on Fraternal Relations beg leave to submit the following report :

We recommend that the request of St. John's Independent Methodist Church, Madison Avenue, Baltimore, asking for the loan of Rev. F. T. Benson, be granted.

We recommend that the request of St. John's Independent Methodist Church, Baltimore, requesting the loan of Rev. J. S. Bowers, for the coming year, as pastor of Clark Memorial Church, be granted.

We are gratified with the report of continuous prosperity following the labors of Rev. T. P. Revelle, in Seattle. The pleasing information that we now have four

places where preaching is regularly held, and that a new church building is under construction at Georgetown, is very gratifying. We recommend that his loan to the Board of Home Mission be continued.

We regret that circumstances prevented the attendance at our present session of the duly appointed Fraternal Messenger from the New York Conference, Rev. G. A. Ogg, and we recommend that the President appoint a messenger to bear our fraternal greetings to them.

We recognize with great pleasure the visit of Rev. C. H. Whittaker, President of the North Carolina Annual Conference, and recommend the appointment of a Fraternal Messenger to that body at its next session in November.

Inasmuch as the pastor and members of this church, and the friends in Centreville have placed the Conference under many obligations for hospitable entertainment, and for favors and attention which have contributed greatly to the comfort and pleasure of our sojourn in their midst, the Conference hereby tenders to them its heartfelt thanks.

We desire to express our appreciation to the railroad and steamboat companies for their courtesies and reduced rates.

The thanks of the Conference are due and are hereby extended to the Methodist Episcopal Church of Centreville for the use of their room by the Faculty of Instruction ; to the Queen Anne's and Centreville National Banks for the use of their rooms by the President and Board of Stewards; to the Smith Premier and Hammond Typewriter Companies for the use of their machines, to the Telephone Company for the use of a telephone. We also extend our thanks to the press of Centreville and Baltimore for the full and accurate reports published of the proceedings of the Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

G. Q. BACCHUS, *Chairman.*

REPORT S.

Report of Committee on Superannuates.

Your Committee on Superannuates respectfully submits the following report :

First, after a careful consideration of the subject we recommend that \$4,000 be assessed on the District for distribution next year.

Second, we recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year:

Rev. W. A. Crouse.....	\$200	Mrs. J. L. Killgore.....	250
“ H. C. Cushing.....	300	“ Thomas Lee.....	100
“ A. D. Dick.....	350	“ W. F. Livingston.....	100
“ C. H. Littleton.....	300	“ R. L. Lewis.....	200
“ W. J. D. Lucas.....	350	“ J. A. McFaden.....	150
“ J. J. Murray.....	400	“ E. R. McGregor.....	100
“ J. G. Sullivan.....	250	“ C. B. Middleton.....	200
“ S. B. Southerland.....	550	“ H. E. Miskimon.....	100
“ J. A. Wiegand.....	350	“ J. K. Nichols.....	125

Mrs. W. C. Ames.....	100	Mrs. R. S. Norris.....	225
" J. W. Charlton	200	" J. E. Read.....	125
" C. T. Cochell	100	" John Roberts.....	225
" H. J. Day.....	150	" D. A. Shermer.....	100
" W. T. Dumm	250	" G. J. Smith.....	200
" J. M. Elderdice.....	200	" C. M. Thompson.....	200
" J. H. Ellegood	125	" S. G. Valliant.....	125
" W. J. Floyd.....	200	" A. J. Walter.....	275
" S. T. Ferguson.....	200	" R. S. Williamson	275
" D. N. Gilbert.....	175	" P. L. Wilson.....	125

Orphan children of Rev. T. E. Coulbourne to be paid to their legal representative, 300

Mrs. D. Bowers makes no claim on the fund for the ensuing year.

Third, the Fund paid last year \$88 on each \$100 appropriated.

Fourth, we recommend that Rev. C. E. McCullough be transferred to the active list at his own request.

A. W. MATHER, *Chairman*.

REPORT OF THE SUPERANNUATED FUND STEWARD.

Receipts.

	Balance from 1900-1.....	\$ 2 47	
Oct. 1901.	Rec'd of T. A. Murray, Treasurer.....	2,250 00	
April, 1902.	" " " " " "	2,735 77	
	From Assessments.....	2,776 20	
	" J. L. Mills (Investment).....	5 00	
	" Annual dues.....	104 25	
			<u>\$7,873 69</u>

Disbursements.

Oct. 1901.	To Claimants.....	\$2,237 50	
April, 1902.	" "	5,506 50	
	Expenses of Steward and Secretary.....	5 84	
	To T. A. Murray, Treasurer (Investment).....	109 25	
			<u>\$7,859 09</u>

Per centum paid, 88.

Balance, 14 60

WM. H. LITSINGER, *Steward*.

REPORT T.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools.

Your Committee beg leave to report the following :

Recognizing the Sunday school to be to the Church what a nursery is to an orchard, therefore be it *resolved*,

1st. We notice with deep regret that not more than 10 per cent. of our adult members give any personal attention at all to the Sunday school work, not even to the extent of a visit, which is doubtless a pernicious example prompting many of our boys and girls to withdraw from the Sunday school in their early teens.

2nd. We earnestly repeat all previous recommendations in reference to the use of our literature in all our schools, because it is as good as the best and is our own.

3rd. We would gladly hail the day when the international lessons will present a systematic line of Bible study in place of the disconnected system we now have.

4th. We earnestly urge a constant and strenuous effort upon the part of the officers and teachers be made to lead the children to Christ in their early years, and to aid in the accomplishment of this we advise that the teachers be selected from the ranks of the most pious and consecrated members of the church.

5th. We believe Decision Day is a good thing and recommend its observance in every church. Also district and county conventions.

J. M. YINGLING, *Chairman.*

REPORT U.

Report of the Christian Endeavor Committee.

While the condition of the Christian Endeavor Society in the District is encouraging, it is not all that could be desired. We are pleased to note that there are over 6,500 members of the Christian Endeavor Societies. With such a host we ought to accomplish more for Christ and the Church.

We are glad to report that over \$1,800 of the \$2,000 of the Twentieth Century Thank-Offering Fund has been raised. While we commend this, yet it is a matter of regret that the entire sum has not been reached, but we wish to call attention to the fact that the Denominational Union did not obligate itself to pay the \$2,000, only promising to do its best to attain this sum.

We regret to report that a number of the churches have no societies, and respectfully and prayerfully call this to the attention of the pastors of churches having no Christian Endeavor Societies, and earnestly pray that they use every means possible in effecting such local organization of Junior and Senior Societies in their churches or on their charges.

A matter of congratulation to the denomination at large is that one of our number, Mr. George K. Mather, of Westminster, has been chosen President of the Inter-Denominational State Union of Maryland. We have also five other members on the Executive Committee, and also several county unions have for their executives, members of our denomination.

We call attention to the convention of the Denominational Union recently held in Washington City, which was, beyond doubt, the most spiritual and helpful convention this Union ever held.

We recommend that the Conference, at the request of the Denominational Convention, recently held in Washington, annually name three ministers and two laymen to be styled "The Board of Advisers", the President of the Conference to be a member *ex-officio*, to act in connection with the Executive Committee of the

Denominational Union, and further that this Board of Advisers be annually named by the President of the Conference.

We recommend that pastors be requested to organize societies in all their churches wherever possible.

FRANK H. LEWIS, *Chairman.*

REPORT V.

Missions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

We are gratified with the encouraging reports which we have received from the Secretaries of our Home and Foreign Boards. The information contained in them shows that the work is in a most prosperous condition, and should inspire to greater efforts to furnish the men and means necessary to meet the increased demands of the rapidly enlarging opportunities and opening fields.

Japan is now open for the Gospel as never before. Many hundreds of her college students have recently become interested in Christianity, and thousands of her citizens of all classes, have sought and found saving grace within the past year.

The missionaries are greatly encouraged as they behold with tears of grateful joy, the gracious fruits of years of toil. There are no serious discouragements now in the foreign field, and no obstacles which Christian faith and labor may not overcome.

We have in Japan about 600 members; 23 Sunday schools, with 1000 scholars; a conference of 18 ministers and preachers, and unincumbered property worth \$37,625. Our work and workers in Japan are in good repute with all the missions there, and command general respect. Rev. I. Inanuma, one of our ministers, is General Secretary of the C. E. Society in Japan, and is doing a work of national importance. God's blessing is upon the work.

The Board is entirely out of debt, but the necessary employment of two new missionaries within a few months will involve expenditures which only increased contributions can meet.

We have received communications from both the Maryland Branch and the Washington and Alexandria Branch of the W. F. M. S., in each of which we have the greetings and prayers of these splendid bands of Christian workers. They are still gleaning for the Master and His cause.

Special mention of thanks to the Conference, and the many friends thereof, is made for kindness shown to Miss Kuhns and Miss Forest, Secretaries in this department of the Church work.

The total amount of receipts, during the past year, from the Washington and Alexandria Branch is \$705.85. The amount received from the Maryland Branch is \$2,636.23.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. For the coming year we recommend that the same amounts be assessed on the District for Home and Foreign Missions as those of the past year.
2. That the Easter Service be held for Home Missions in all the Sunday schools of the Conference.
3. That every pastor be urged to observe the disciplinary requirements of preaching at least one sermon during the year dealing directly and specifically with the subject of Missions.
4. We recommend that every Sunday school be organized into a Juvenile Missionary Society to take quarterly collections and hold the Children's Day Service.

We also recommend that men of means be influenced, as far as possible, to donate or bequeath financial aid to this great work of saving the world.

We would emphasize the fact that the Children's Day collections are to be reported to the Conference separate from the assessments.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. GRAHAM, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF STEWARD.

Total from Sunday schools.....	\$ 114 71
Assessments.....	2,176 91
Children's Day.....	2,702 08
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.....	2,195 45
Special.....	548 24
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Total.....	\$7,637.37

J. L. WARD, *Steward.*

MARYLAND BRANCH W. F. M. S. REPORT FOR 1901-1902.

Maryland Branch Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Methodist Protestant Church, extend greetings to Maryland Annual Conference in session at Centreville, Md., and pray God's blessing on your deliberations.

We are still gleaning for the Master and the great cause of foreign missions.

Our membership needs stimulating, but how to create more activity is a knotty problem for us to solve.

We are trusting God. His work it is, and He will come to the rescue, if we do our part.

We do most respectfully thank the Conference and friends for their kindness to Miss Kulms and Miss Forest, our Secretaries, while they were touring the District. May God make us a Missionary Conference and raise up noble men and women for His service.

Receipts to date \$2,636.23.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HENRY HUPFIELD, *Cor. Sec'y.*

BALTIMORE, MD., March 31, 1902.

REPORT OF WASHINGTON AND ALEXANDRIA BRANCH W. F. M. S.

The Washington and Alexandria Branch Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Methodist Protestant Church, send greetings and prayers for our Heavenly Father's blessing on the Maryland Annual Conference, Methodist Protestant Church, Centreville, Md., April, 1902. We have seven auxiliaries in our Branch, one in each of the five churches in Washington, one in Alexandria, and one in Mt. Olivet Church, Va. We feel we have advanced somewhat during the year, in that we have workers in all of our churches, but feel that a vast amount of good could be accomplished by our little Branch if more would join our few earnest workers.

Total receipts during this year \$705.85.

MRS. THOMAS J. WILSON, *Cor. Sec'y.*

REPORT OF STEWARD OF GENERAL HOME MISSIONS.

Assessed.....	\$2,025 00
Paid.....	1,606 82
Deficit	\$ 418 18
Increase over 1901.....	\$406 27

G. M. CLAYTON, *Steward.*

REPORT W.

Report of Committee on Church Enterprises.

Your Committee on Church Enterprises beg leave to submit the following report. There appeared before the committee the delegate from Snow Hill, with the pastor, who submitted the following items of interest concerning the progress of the work on the church now in course of construction, known as Bates Memorial. To-wit:

1st. The lot for church and parsonage has been purchased and paid for at a cost of ten hundred and fiftyeight-dollars, on which has been erected a very suitable parsonage, at a cost of three thousand, five hundred dollars, which has also been paid. The foundation of the new church is laid and the walls have been built to the height of seven feet, and the first installment of three thousand dollars has been paid on the work.

The entire cost of building, completed, will be thirteen thousand three hundred dollars.

Arrangements have been made with the Bank of the town for the loan of the amount necessary to meet the payments as they come due, at the rate of five per cent interest.

2nd. We reconimend that the request of the pastor that he be permitted to

travel throughout the Maryland District in the interest of the work be granted, and that the President furnish a suitable supply to fill the pulpit during the absence of the pastor.

Your committee heartily recommend this enterprise to the favorable consideration of the Conference.

J. E. T. EWELL, *Chairman.*

REPORT X.

Report of Committee on Official Character.

Your Committee has carefully examined the personal and financial reports of the pastors, and respectfully submits the following :

The personal reports bear evidence of haste and carelessness in preparation. Many items, deemed of importance by this Conference, are ignored altogether by many pastors. Many reports give no answer to the question about subscriptions to the METHODIST PROTESTANT. Some reports are even unsigned by the pastors. Others give no answer in reference to disciplines furnished to new members, and the question about the incorporation of the Board of Trustees in a large number of instances is answered—No.

One brother reports an absence of six weeks from his charge, and another answers with the word, "vacation," leaving the Committee in ignorance whether it was two or six weeks.

We have also examined the financial reports of the pastors, and find that 72 pastors are deficient in the payment of assessments, yet 51 of these received their salaries in full and some were overpaid. We also learn that only about 50 out of 135 churches took a collection for College Endowment, though this interest was commended to the charges by the Conference, and a day appointed for the special collection.

Your Committee regards the pastors as the responsible agents in carrying into execution the will of the Conference in reference to these special interests. The stewards collect the pastors salary, but the pastor must be held accountable for the presentation of the General Interests and the collection of the assessments. When a charge pays the pastor in full and the assessments are only half paid, we are forced to the conclusion that the fault is with the pastor. It is not inability on the part of the charge, but want of strenuous effort on the part of the pastor.

We, therefore, make the following recommendations :

First, that, after this year, pastors who report their assessment, paid in part only, will be required to explain in open Conference why they have failed.

Secondly, that pastors who have been absent from their work an unreasonable length of time during the year will be called before the bar of the Conference to account for what appears to be a neglect of duty.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. KINZER, *Chairman.*

REPORT Y.

Your Special Committee on Delinquent Subscriptions to our North Carolina Avenue Church, reports that he has addressed two letters to each subscriber on the list handed to him, and has seen each one at this Conference, with the result that five of the twelve unpaid subscriptions have been received, amounting to \$28.50.

Very respectfully submitted,

C. P. NOWLIN, *Special Committee.*

CENTREVILLE, MD., April 8, 1902.

REPORT Z.**Report of the Board of Finance.**

The Board of Finance respectfully submits the following report :

We have examined the report of the Secretary of Conference, and the report of the Treasurer of the Ecumenical Conference Fund, with vouchers, and found them correct.

We have examined the report of the Agent of the President's Parsonage and found it correct as far as we are able to judge, not having all the receipts before us.

We have apportioned the various assessments on the charges as ordered by the the Conference. Respectfully submitted, J. M. SHERIDAN, *Chairman.*

REPORT AA.**Education.****REPORT OF COMMITTEE.**

Your Committee beg leave to submit the following report, viz :

The Conference will be greatly pleased to learn of the steady progress made at Western Maryland College, and that its requirements for admission place it abreast of the majority of colleges giving the degree of A. B.

Special attention is directed to the high standard maintained by the student body, proving it to be the safest and best institution for the education of the young of our church.

The high character of the work done by the scientific department has so broadened and increased in importance that a Hall of Science is a growing necessity.

It is a matter of gratification that science is being so admirably taught under Christian auspices, and the generous friends of the College could very wisely direct a share of their benevolences in the interest of science to this Christian college.

The Conference having ordered an assessment for College Endowment equal to five cents per Sunday-school member, it is a satisfaction to note that over \$5,000, including the Sunday-school offering of last year of \$726.85, is in hand, and that annually the College proposes to place in the Endowment Fund an amount equal to that secured by the assessment up to \$1,500.

The loan of A. D. Melvin to the College as Endowment Secretary can only be regarded as an advance step in the steady progress of the institution, in that it must result in materially increasing the Endowment Fund, in securing new students, and bringing all of the interests of the college to the attention of the entire Conference District.

We recommend that our pulpits be opened to the Endowment Secretary in the furtherance of his work.

The report from the Theological Seminary shows a healthy state of affairs, as to the number of students representing seven states; the admirable course of lectures delivered during the year by representative ministers of several of our Conferences, and improvements to the property.

We heartily commend to our people the excellent example of the churches and friends who have supported scholarships as one of the best means to aid the institution and recruit our ministry.

The Church will rejoice to hear of the \$500 legacy from the estate of W. H. Starr, and the addition to the Free Scholarship Fund of \$2,000, and the hope is indulged that this will be largely increased during the year.

The deficiency amounting to \$116.62, is less than that of last year. The plan used heretofore to make up the deficiency having objectionable features ought not, in our judgement, to be used, and we therefore emphasize the imperative need of securing in full the Seminary Assessment.

We recommend :

1. That the request of the Board of Governors for the assignment of H. L. Elderdice and B. F. Benson for the ensuing year be granted.
2. That \$1,800 be assessed on the District.
3. That our churches observe a day of prayer that more young men may be called into the ministry.

FRED. C. KLEIN, *Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE.

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

March 26, 1902.

DEAR BRETHREN :—I beg leave to present my report for the sixteenth year as President of Western Maryland College.

I am glad to be able to report a good year. Our student roll has kept up to the average, and the work has improved, I think, in the various departments. The course of study has been enlarging and advancing gradually for several years, until our requirements for admission now place us on an equality with the majority of colleges giving the degree of A. B.

The administration of the year has been exceptionally easy by reason of the attitude of the student body. There has not been even a serious difference of opinion between faculty and students.

It is hard to repress the wish for some generous friends to make a realization out of a hope, which would enable us to take a step of great importance to our progress which the earnestness of our students seems to call for as a response. Our work in science has broadened and increased in importance to such an extent that a separate hall is greatly needed to provide better accommodations for laboratories. We are doing in Chemistry, for instance, work that is accepted by the Johns Hopkins Medical School as equivalent to that done by those taking the A. B. course in the Hopkins University. Yet we have only one small room for this important laboratory.

Other Colleges in this State meet such needs by appropriations from the legislature. I do not think a session of the legislature has been held in this State for fifteen years that has not given some College in the State an appropriation for buildings. Our College has never received and never asked a dollar for such purpose. We have never received any grant, donation or appropriation of any sort, except in payment of the bills for board and tuition of the students sent to us by the State.

But much as we need a Science Hall and some liberal friends to furnish the money to erect it, I feel that the only thing we can now press upon the attention of the Conference is endowment. This will be brought directly to the Conference in a report of a special committee appointed by the Board of Trustees at a special meeting held in February, and I will only mention here some matters of interest connected with it incidentally.

Since the last Conference I have visited and preached in 73 of our churches, and addressed 20 of our Sunday Schools. I took no collections, but tried to emphasize the doctrine and duty of Christian Education. I have received up to the date of this report, collections taken in pursuance of the instructions of the last Conference from 32 pastors, amounting to \$504.28. There will be others to report, no doubt, but it is not at all likely that one-half of the pastors will make any showing of having complied with what the Conference ordered to be done. It seems to me that it is clearly the duty of the Conference to go into this matter with more earnestness if it intends to succeed in it. Some change must evidently be made in the plan. Why do we need to seek out new devices? Is not the plan good enough for all other interests, good enough for this? Or is there any reason why our College should not be admitted to an equal place at our common table with the other children of the church?

And now as to the general idea of endowment, which is to come before the Conference for general discussion, I will not attempt to say anything here, but there are one or two things it will be proper to mention.

A pleasant item will come as a surprise to the Conference. It has been reported that the College has no endowment. This has been and is true in the strict sense. But for the last fourteen years we have been saving up odds and ends

of our finances and putting them away until now we have in the Savings Bank nearly \$5,000. This will do to lay our endowment on and keep the collections warm as they come in.

An effort has been started in another direction that promises further help to endowment. The bonds issued in 1898, bearing 2% interest and payable in 20 years, are very largely in the hands of friends of the College who have had the idea of giving them to the College at some time. We propose to approach these friends and ask them to give them now, promising on our part to pay them in full and turn the money over to the endowment fund. This plan will both pay our debt and create a fund. Already a beginning has been made and several thousand dollars of bonds have been promised. It is believed that it will be possible to acquire in this way at least ten thousand dollars. The College will set aside \$1,000 a year to redeem these bonds and pay it over to the endowment fund.

Another encouragement I would like to add to these, and I hope it may be understood and taken at a fair valuation. We should not go far wrong in saying that few Colleges pay their expenses. When Western Maryland pays its expenses, therefore, it deserves commendation. If in addition to paying its expenses it offers to meet its friends and give dollar for dollar towards creating an endowment fund, what does it deserve? I hope it will be the pleasure of the Conference to assess the charges an amount equal to ten cents a Sunday-school scholar for this purpose. From this assessment we might hope to realize fifteen hundred dollars. Now the College proposes to meet this amount by adding to it fifteen hundred dollars every year out of its current income, \$1,000 in payment of bonds as proposed above, and \$500 to deposit with the Conference collection. If we continue this for twenty years, simple interest at 3% will bring this fund to \$76,000.

Respectfully submitted, T. H. LEWIS.

REQUEST FROM TRUSTEES OF COLLEGE.

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

The Board of Trustees of Western Maryland College was greatly encouraged by the action of the last Conference in reference to the College. In response to that action, and especially that resolution which assures the Trustees of the willingness of the Conference to co-operate with them in any further plans for the endowment of the College, the Board was called into special session last February for the purpose of taking the whole subject into serious consideration.

The conclusions reached at that meeting were carefully considered and unanimously adopted. Among these were two requests to this Conference which the undersigned were appointed a committee to present:

1. To ask the Conference to include among its regular assessments one for the endowment of the College, and that the assessment be laid on the basis of five cents per Sunday-school member.
2. To request the loan of Rev. A. D. Melvin, D. D., to act as Endowment,

Secretary. We shall desire to renew this application for three years, as we think by that time the plans will be in such shape that they may be left to work themselves out without a special agent.

With these two requests granted the Board will be ready to begin active operations for endowment in several directions, and with high hopes of success we earnestly trust the requests may be granted with the same unanimity they are made.

J. W. HERING,
F. T. LITTLE,
T. H. LEWIS.

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

Twelve students have registered during the year. Senior Class, 4; Middle Class, 3; Junior Class, 5. One student comes from Ohio; one from Pennsylvania; one from New York; one from West Virginia; one from New Jersey; two from Virginia, and five from Maryland. The Graduating Class is composed of Philip Waxter Crosby, of Odenton, Maryland; Delmarter Marshall Dibble, of Rockville Center, New York; Harry Heffner Price, of Reading, Pennsylvania; and Silas Wright Rosenberger, of Tiffin, Ohio.

The regular curriculum has been supplemented by special instruction in the shape of a course of lectures: "Visiting the Sick," by Rev. A. D. Melvin, D. D.; "The Lord's Messengers," by Rev. S. J. Smith, D. D.; "I Have Learned —," by Rev. W. Sherman Phillips; "Personal Honesty," by Mr. Daniel Baker; "Nuggets From the Mine of Ministerial Experience," by Rev. F. T. Benson, A. M., B. D.; "The Authority of the Bible," by Rev. J. W. Trout; "The Preacher's Preparation," by Rev. J. H. Lucas, D. D., of the Pittsburg Conference, and "Pygmies and Giants," by Rev. G. E. McManiman, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Home Missions.

For the work of material improvements there has been received: Fairfax, \$12; Harrington, \$14; New Market, \$29.94—total \$55.94. This has been spent in the building of a poultry-house, a stockade wire-fence, the planting of fruit trees and the repairing of rooms.

The Prizes offered this year are: Extemporaneous Debate, Dr. E. J. Drinkhouse; Hebrew, Dr. J. W. Hering; New Testament Greek, Mr. E. O. Grimes; Thesis, Mr. J. Norman Wills, of Greensboro, North Carolina.

The \$100 Free-Scholarship plan is still supported and is awakening interest in new quarters. Our old friends—Trinity Church, Mr. Joseph D. Baker and Rev. N. T. Meginniss—continue their generous aid; and to meet the loss of other friends by death and other causes, new ones have come to the front—Chestertown Church, Dr. Joseph B. Watson, of St. Mary's, West Virginia, and the Alumni Association.

The Library has received gifts from Dr. D. L. Greenfield, Rev. C. S. Arnett and Rev. T. M. Beadenkoff, of Baltimore. From the estate of the late W. H. Starr, of Westminster, there has been received \$500, and from a generous layman who

will not permit the publication of his name, \$2,000.- This money is to be invested for the benefit of the Free-Scholarship Fund. The President has visited and enlisted the support of the following Conferences: New York, New Jersey, North Carolina, West Virginia, Ohio, and Muskingum

The Board of Governors desire to express their appreciation of the moral and financial support given the Seminary by the pastors and churches. The Maryland Conference is doing a noble work in sustaining the bulk of the burden of maintaining an Institution which is furnishing educated ministers not only for her own borders but for her weaker sisters. As the Alumni scatter among the various Conferences they awaken interest in and support of the Seminary. The management is doing all possible to make the Seminary do the work you desire it to do, and, with your continued co-operation, it will year by year grow stronger and become, we believe, a source of pride to our denomination. The deficiency this year in the Maryland District is \$112.62. We recommend:

First—the assignment of H. L. Elderdice and B. F. Benson for the ensuing year.

Second—the continuance of the customary assessment of \$1800.

Third—that our churches observe a Day of Prayer that more young men may be called into the ministry.

REPORT OF THE MARYLAND EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT SOCIETY
OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH, OF BALTIMORE CITY.

To the Maryland Annual Conference: BALTIMORE, March 12th, 1902.

BELOVED BRETHREN:—As required by our charter we make to your body our annual report. No change has occurred during the year in the financial relation of our Society to Western Maryland College.

Respectfully submitted, JOHN D. KINZER, *President.*
E. J. DRINKHOUSE, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL STEWARD.

Assessment for Seminary.....	\$1906 00
Paid.....	1684 38
Increase over 1901..	55 30
Assessment for Ministerial Education	617 25
Paid.....	504 02
Decrease.....	47 69

Respectfully, GEO. HINES, *Steward.*

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolution 1.

WHEREAS, death has invaded the ranks of our Conference during the year; and
WHEREAS, service in memory of these faithful ones should take place at the
most suitable time, therefore,

Be it Resolved, that we suspend, for this session, the Conference rule and hold
Communion and Memorial Service Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, and that the
Dead-Roll be called at this time. L. F. WARNER.

Resolution 2.

WHEREAS, the assessment for Conference incidental expenses is insufficient to
meet the demands created by the Conference, and

WHEREAS, we deem it unwise to increase the assessment, therefore,
Be it Resolved, that all resolutions adopted by the Conference granting a com-
pensation to its officers be, and the same are hereby, rescinded. J. W. GRAY.

Resolution 3.

Resolved, that Rev. J. M. Sheridan be requested to furnish the manuscript of
his excellent and profitable sermon preached before this Conference, for publica-
tion in the METHODIST PROTESTANT. G. Q. BACCHUS.

Resolution 4.

Resolved, that the President of the Conference hereafter appoint the Chairman
and Speakers of the Conference anniversary meetings. F. C. KLEIN.

Resolution 5.

Resolved, that Four Thousand Dollars be assessed on the District for this year,
and that the Church Extension Steward be authorized to borrow enough money to
meet the deficiency of the year just closed at the rate of five per cent. interest.
The same deficiency to be paid out of next year's collection, as usual.

B. P. TRUITT.

Resolution 6.

Resolved, that the Conference session of Monday afternoon be devoted to reports of Committees, and that Chairmen be notified. T. H. LEWIS.

Resolution 7.

WHEREAS, few of the ministerial and lay delegates to the Maryland Conference either see or subscribe to the Sunday Sun, and

WHEREAS, a large majority of the delegates and members of the Church read and subscribe to the Daily Sun, therefore be it

Resolved, that this Conference respectfully request the Publishers of the Baltimore Sun to publish Saturday's proceedings of the Conference in Monday's edition.

W. S. PHILLIPS.

Resolution 8.

Resolved, that the Board of Finance be authorized to make the following assessments upon the district :

Conference Incidentals.....	\$ 450
Ministerial Education.....	600
Seminary.....	1,800
General Home Missions.....	2,000
Superannuates	4,000
Foreign Missions	2,862

W. J. NEEPIER.

Resolution 9.

Resolved, that the date of the next Annual Conference be the first Wednesday in April, 1903. G. Q. BACCHUS.

Resolution 10.

WHEREAS, we feel the deep importance of training our youth in the principles of righteousness, temperance and purity, giving them both the Gospel and science as the "reason" for this "hope" which we strive to implant in their lives; and

WHEREAS, the Sunday school is the agency through which the Church influences and instructs the young; therefore,

Resolved, that as Sunday-school teachers and officers, we advocate the continuance of the Quarterly Temperance Lesson in the International Sunday-school Lesson System, recognizing it as one of its essential features, and that the Secretary of the Conference so notify the International Sunday-school Committee at its session to be held in Denver, Colorado.

DANIEL BAKER.

Resolution 11.

In view of the fact that we will meet next year in our Seventy-fifth Annual Session of the Maryland Conference, and in view of the further fact that 1903 is the seventy-fifth anniversary of the organization of the Methodist Protestant Church, we believe that it ought to be suitably celebrated at the Annual Conference and throughout the District by some special services suitable to such an event.

First—We suggest that whatever form the services may take, the event be known as the "Diamond Jubilee of the Methodist Protestant Church."

Second—that Dr. T. H. Lewis be requested to prepare a continuation of the historical minutes of 1878, and that they be brought down to date.

Third—that at the next annual session of this body, special consecration services be held to express our gratitude for divine favors in the past, to renew our vows for more vigorous and faithful service and to implore a deeper and richer experience of grace in our souls.

Fourth—that the conference sermon be in the nature of a review of the providence of God as it appears in the work and growth of our Church.

Fifth—that special service of a suitable character be held in the churches, at a time set by this Conference, at which the various interests of the church shall be considered, and collections taken, until at least every dollar of the assessments made by the Conference be secured.

Sixth—that the Christian Endeavor officers be requested to consider and provide for the event in their societies, and that special effort be made for the growth of the societies that are now existing, and for the organization of new societies, until at least one society shall exist in every Church.

Seventh—that in addition to the Sunday school services, there be a special service in each Sabbath school on the first Sunday in November that shall be known as College Endowment Day, and that the sum of five cents or more per member be requested to meet the assessment of this Conference for that work.

Eighth—that, inasmuch as the Superannuated Fund Society was the first organization made in the Maryland Conference, we recommend that special efforts be made on the part of the pastors to raise money to increase the permanent fund so as to bring this fund up to one hundred thousand dollars.

Ninth—that the President be requested to appoint a committee to carry these resolutions into effect.

Tenth—that this Conference invite the other Conferences of the Methodist Protestant Church to concur in this movement and celebrate the event by such services as they may adopt.

F. T. TAGG.

Resolution 12.

Resolved, that the Board of Managers of the Home of the Aged be requested to consider the advisability of changing the name of the Institution to "Our Church Home."

T. H. LEWIS.

Resolution 13.

Resolved, that the Steward of the Church Extension Society be, and is hereby, instructed to pay to the Treasurer of the Board of Managers of the Baltimore City Church Extension Society the amount of money appropriated to Christ Church, Baltimore, at the last session of the Conference.

J. S. BOWERS.

Resolution 14.

Resolved, that the Steward of the Superannuated Fund Society be directed to pay T. A. Murray, Treasurer of the Board of Superannuated Society, the money in his hands for Rev. Jesse Shreeve. Said money to be paid by him to the legal heirs of Brother Shreeve.

J. D. KINZER.

Resolution 15.

Resolved, that the Board of Home Missions be requested to continue their appropriation of \$250 to the North Carolina Avenue Church, and that J. N. Warfield be requested to continue to act as Treasurer.

T. H. LEWIS.

Resolution 16.

Resolved, that the President of the Conference, in his official visits to the charges throughout the District, be requested to urge the officary of the different charges to make every effort to raise the full assessment this year.

S. B. TREDWAY.

MINUTES

OF THE SOCIETIES.

Superannuated Fund Society of the Maryland Annual Conference.

CENTREVILLE, MD., April 8, 1902.

The Superannuated Fund Society met Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Centreville Church, W. J. Neepier in the Chair. The report of the Treasurer, Thos. A. Murray, was read and adopted.

The following officers were elected:—First Vice-President, W. J. Neepier; Second Vice-President, J. L. Straughn; Third Vice-President, J. W. Front; Corresponding Secretary, A. W. Mather; Recording Secretary, A. N. Ward.

The following Board of Managers were elected:—E. J. Drinkhouse, F. T. Tagg, J. W. Kirk, T. O. Crouse, John G. Clarke, T. A. Murray, F. M. Warner, and C. A. Benjamin. The Society then adjourned. A. N. WARD, *Secretary*.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR, APRIL 1901-1902.

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer, in account with SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY.

Investment Account.

DR.

To balance as per last report.....	\$ 109 27
To amount received from Wm. H. Litsinger, Steward.....	114 15
" " account of Gernhardt legacy.....	116 32
" " " McCrery mortgage.....	100 00
" from Sale of Bonds per order of Board.....	1671 25
	\$2,110 99

CR.

By amount invested in ground rent.....	\$1,749 30
" paid % Georgetown property.....	256 56
	\$2,005 86
By balance in hand to credit Investment Account.....	105 13
	\$2,110 99

Distribution Account.

DR.

To income received from investments.....	\$4,861 14	
Interest received on deposits.....	21 36	
Amount received from Wm. H. Litsinger, Steward.....	80 00	
		\$4,962 50
Amount Conference Assessments received.....		387 56
		<u>\$5,350 06</u>

CR.

By 1901 taxes on securities paid.....	\$101 46	
1902 taxes on securities paid.....	92 83	
Rent safe deposit box paid.....	15 00	
Amount paid account collection of ground rents.....	75 00	
		\$284 29
By amount remitted to Wm. H. Litsinger, Steward, April 29.....	\$ 80 00	
Amount remitted to Wm. H. Litsinger, Steward, Aug. 2.....	50 00	
Amount remitted to Wm. H. Litsinger, Steward, Oct. 8.....	2,200 00	
Check herewith to Wm. H. Litsinger, Steward.....	2,735 77	
		\$5,065 77
		<u>\$5,350 06</u>

Respectfully submitted,
 THOMAS A. MURRAY, *Treasurer.*

INVESTMENTS OF SUPERANNUATED FUND SOCIETY.

Ground rents, annual income.....	\$2,912 85	Capitalized at 6%.....	\$48,547 50
Bonds, annual income	1,180 00	Face value.....	20,500 00
Stocks, annual income.....	427 00	Par value.....	6,700 00
Mortgage, annual income.....	42 00	Principal.....	700 00
Loan, Conference parsonage.....	33 75	Principal.....	558 50
	<u>\$4,595 60</u>		<u>\$77,006 00</u>
Georgetown prop., net income this year	181 97	Estimated at.....	3,000 00
Gernhardt prop., net income this year...	125 57		3,500 00
	<u>\$4,903 14</u>		<u>\$83,506 00</u>

N. B. Of the ground rents above, one of \$90 per annum was purchased this year and only one semi-annual payment thereon has been collected.

We hereby certify that we have examined the securities of the Society and find them fully accounted for and deposited in the Box of the Society at the Safe Deposit and Trust Company of Baltimore.

F. T. TAGG,
 THOS. O. CROUSE,
 J. W. KIRK,
Committee to Examine Securities.

Church Extension Society of the Maryland Annual Conference.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING.

The Church Extension Society met at 2:45 p. m., Saturday, F. T. Little presiding by special request.

T. Harry Bartlett, Treasurer, submitted his report. Adopted.

Board of Managers submitted report. Adopted.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, J. M. Gill; Vice-Presidents, R. S. Rowe, J. W. Kirk; Secretary, F. A. Holland; Treasurer, T. Harry Bartlett.

Board of Managers:—W. J. Neeper, J. S. Bowers, T. O. Crouse, F. H. Lewis, *Ministers*. N. T. Meginniss, T. A. Murray, T. H. Bartlett, F. M. Warner, *Laymen*.

The meeting then adjourned.

F. A. HOLLAND, *Secretary*.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1901.		<i>Receipts.</i>	
July 16,	From Rev. H. T. Wright.....	\$21 00	
Oct. 23,	From Rev. H. S. Leas.....	14 00	
30,	From Rev. J. E. Maloy.....	8 00	
Nov. 1,	From Rev. J. W. Kirk.....	91 00	
Dec. 4,	From Rev. R. S. Rowe.....	26 00	
15,	From Rev. E. C. Makosky.....	44 00	
1902.			
Jan. 31,	From Rev. Wm. H. Litsinger.....	26 00	
Feb. 10,	From Rev. F. T. Little.....	25 00	
M'ch 4,	From Rev. A. H. Green.....	35 00	
4,	From Rev. W. A. Sherwood.....	9 00	
18,	From Rev. S. J. Smith.....	35 00	
19,	From Rev. A. N. Ward.....	32 00	
19,	From Rev. J. McLain Brown... ..	20 00	
19,	From Rev. W. M. Strayer.....	79 00	
20,	From Rev. J. F. Bryan.....	26 00	
Total from charges.....			\$491 00
1901.			
Oct. 7,	Interest on loan, Belair Circuit.....	\$10 00	
Feb. 18,	Interest on loan, Belair Circuit.....	5 00	
Total.....		\$15 00	
1901.		<i>Disbursements.</i>	
May 14,	To Rev. E. D. Stone, int. on Broadway Church debt.....	\$93 00	
Aug. 13,	To Rev. E. D. Stone, int. on Broadway Church debt.....	85 00	
Aug. 2,	To Rev. J. H. Dougherty on Note of Keen Memorial M. P. Church. and interest.....	62 00	

Dec. 2,	To Rev. E. D. Stone, int. on Broadway Church debt.....	87 50	
Dec. 5,	To Rev. J. H. Dougherty on note of Keen Memorial M. P. Church, and interest.....	35 40	
1902.			
Feb. 18,	To Rev. E. D. Stone, int. on Broadway Church debt.....	83 75	
Mch.10,	On account of mortgage on Keen Mem. M. P. Church...	100 00	
	To Niles & Wolff, professional services.....	55 00	
	Interest on mortgage, Keen Mem., from February 1st to March 10th.....	13 70	
	Magistrate's fee.....	1 20	
Mch.18,	Premium on fire insurance policy for Keen Memorial Church.....	18 00	
	Total		\$635 30
	Due Treasurer.....		\$144 30
<i>Bank Account, (Maryland Savings Bank).</i>			
1901.			
April 1,	To balance.....	\$371 09	
Oct.	Dep. interest on loan.....	15 00	
			\$386 09
1902.			
April 1,	To balance.....	\$241 79	
	Due Treasurer.....	144 30	
			\$386 09
T. HARRY BARTLETT, <i>Treasurer.</i>			

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS.

Your Board of Managers reports that it has carefully looked after the matters committed to its charge by the Society and the Conference.

First, it is our pleasure to state that at the request of the Trustees of North Baltimore Church we transferred to them the lease of the ground on which their church stands on Mt. Royal Avenue in the City of Baltimore. The legal title to that property is, therefore, now in the local board; and we confidently expect that the wise and liberal management of the pastor and people of that church will, e'er long, result in their owning that valuable property in *fee*.

Second, the Conference at its last session appropriated \$350.00 on the debt of Keen Memorial Church, ordering it to be paid through our Board. This wise action on the part of the Conference has enabled us to meet certain emergencies arising during the year, and has resulted in putting the debt on the property in more manageable shape. The claim against the ground has been refunded at a reduced rate of interest, saving to the congregation \$26.00 annually. One other claim against the church has also been reduced.

Should the Conference see fit to renew the appropriation for the ensuing year, making it payable through this Board as before, we think the Church and Board, co-operating heartily, will be able to show by the end of another year a very decided reduction, if not the entire extinction, of the floating debt.

T. HARRY BARTLETT, *Secretary.*

F. T. LITTLE, *President.*

Mutual Relief Association of the Maryland Annual Conference.

MINUTES OF THE MUTUAL RELIEF ASSOCIATION.

The Mutual Relief Association met in annual session at Centreville, Md., April 6, 1902. The President of the Conference in the Chair. Secretary called the roll. Secretary-Treasurer read his report, which on motion was adopted. On motion the report was referred to an auditing committee, composed of J. E. Nicholson, C. P. Nowlin, and S. W. Coe.

The Auditing Committee reported the Secretary-Treasurer's report in good form and correct. The report was adopted.

A resolution was adopted that the Secretary cast the ballot for the following officers:—B. F. Benson, 1st Vice President; J. L. Mills, 2nd Vice President; S. W. Coe, 3d Vice President; J. A. Weigand, Secretary-Treasurer.

J. A. WEIGAND, Sec'y.

REPORT OF SECRETARY-TREASURER, FOR THE YEAR ENDING

APRIL 2, 1902.

143 members paid first advance assessment.....	\$143 00
Expense of collecting.....	4 58
Paid heirs of Mrs. John R. Nichols.....	138 42
133 members paid second advance assessment.....	133 00
Expense of collecting.....	4 32
Paid Rev. J. E. Nicholson.....	128 68
128 members paid third advance assessment.....	128 00
Expense of collecting.....	4 25
Paid Mrs. J. W. Floyd.....	123 00
122 members paid fourth advance assessment.....	122 00
Expense of collecting.....	4 26
Paid heirs of Rev. Jesse Shreeve.....	117 00
Total collection for year.....	526 00
Total expenses for year.....	17 41
Paid beneficiaries.....	508 59
12 members, who lapsed during the year ended April 1, 1901, paid their dues. This amount has been paid to the several beneficiaries.	
4 members deceased, 2 resigned, and 10 lapsed during the year. Now on roll, 127.	

Assets.

Deposited in Westminster Savings Bank.....\$53 01'

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. WEIGAND, *Secretary-Treasurer.*

OBITUARY.

Rev. William James Floyd.

Not long after the organization of the Methodist Protestant Church, and in Centreville, Md., where some of the leading spirits of the new organization made their home, William James Floyd was born, July 9, 1831. His father was a local preacher, and gifted in song—a gift which he exercised with power and effectiveness to the delight of the congregations where he worshipped. His children had such educational advantages only as the schools of that day could afford. At an early age William went to the city of Baltimore and learned a trade, at which he labored industriously for a number of years. He was married August 10, 1851, to Miss Elizabeth McCleary, in which relation he was happy up to the time of his death. Two children survive him, one of whom is Mrs. Alexander Clark, of Pocomoke City, and the other Mrs. W. F. Roberts, of Baltimore, Md.

At the revival held at Starr Church, in Baltimore, in the year 1867, by the late Rev. John R. Nichols, he was converted, and almost immediately began to exercise his gifts in prayer, in public address, and in Sunday-school work. Nature had given him a generous endowment, and when this was quickened by the Holy Spirit, he at once became an active, industrious and successful worker in the church. For a time he was superintendent of the Sunday-school at Starr Church, but it was not long before his ability as a Christian worker was recognized outside of the local church, and he was invited to go to a place not far from Ellicott's City to organize a mission church. Here he labored for nearly two years without compensation, giving to it as much time as he could, without interfering with his work at his trade. By that time the mission had sufficiently developed to justify its recognition as one of the appointments of the Conference, and Brother Floyd had sufficiently proven his fidelity as a Christian and his competence and call as a minister that he was received into the itinerancy, and ordained in 1881, and appointed as the pastor of Patapsco Mission. From that time to his death he preached faithfully and successfully—sometimes with much eloquence—and labored industriously and efficiently in various charges of the Conference. And to his great credit it may be said he invariably left his charge more aggressive and prosperous than he found it.

His early advantages in education were few, but with a large fund of natural endowment, and a persevering spirit which shrunk from no obstacles or difficulties, he made himself, in the province of God, an interesting, useful and effective minister of the Gospel. He made religion his business, and then he carried method, good judgment, conscience and religion into all the business affairs of his pastorate, winning for himself the enviable recognition of a wise, consistent and resourceful pastor. He did not know so much about books, but he knew the Bible, and he knew what a genuine and satisfying religious experience was, and its power in regenerating the life, and it was out of that abundant fullness that he preached, and he preached with power. The churches he served pay a willing and cheerful tribute to his force and effectiveness as a preacher, to his industry and resourcefulness as a pastor and to his fidelity, sincerity and consistency as a Christian gen-

tleman. He went to the charges assigned him cheerfully and hopefully, trusting in God for His blessing, laboring actively and constantly for the upbuilding of Christ's kingdom, often serving some of the most laborious and difficult circuits and stations, and always without murmur or complaint. And he labored until the end. He was faithful unto death. He was a good soldier of Jesus Christ. Not once did he loiter in the ranks nor fall into the rear when the battle was on.

Brother Clark of the committee, says :

Brother Floyd was a very popular man, particularly so on Howard Circuit. He could gain the esteem of those who felt little, if any, interest in religion, and secured the friendship and confidence of all denominations, even the Catholic clergy. He was a great reader of human nature.

He died in the parsonage at Mariner's on Thursday morning, February 13, after an illness of about a week from hemorrhage of the stomach, aged seventy years, seven months and four days, leaving a wife and two children to mourn his departure. He was conscious to the last, and died peacefully and triumphantly. From his wife we have the following :

" Thursday, February 5, he was taken sick with what was supposed to be a case of indigestion, which continued until the 12th, when he grew suddenly worse, and he suffered intense pain. His wife asked him, 'If the Lord sees fit to take you are you ready?' 'O yes,' he said, 'there is no trouble about that, but I am suffering.' His wife expressed sympathy for him, and sorrow that she could not afford him relief. To this he replied, 'Christ was perfected through suffering.' He continued to sink rapidly until early Thursday morning, at which time his sufferings were much relieved, and in the full possession of all his mental faculties, he said, 'Now, I would like to go to sleep and wake up in heaven,' and that is what actually happened."

A funeral service was held at Mariner's Church on Friday afternoon, February 14. It was held at the urgent request of the people he had served so faithfully, and was attended by seven ministers and a great throng of people. Some tender tributes were paid to his memory and the service was profoundly impressive. The next day the final service was held at Starr Church, Baltimore, under the direction of the president of the Conference. Addresses were made by Dr. Southerland, Dr. Drinkhouse and Dr. Tagg, after which he was buried at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Farewell, dear brother, thou hast gone out of the shadow into the sunshine ! Many of thy brethren, co-workers, in the flesh, have gone before thee. Now thou hast joined them in their immortal home. After a little while others of us, thy brethren, will join thee in the shadowless land and sing with thee the triumphs which thou hast tasted before us. We sorrow, but we sorrow not as those who have no hope. Thou art absent from the body, but we know thou art with the Lord.

Peace, peace, thou art not dead, thou dost not sleep !

Thou hast wakened from the dream of life.

'Tis we who lost in stormy visions keep

With phantoms an unprofitable strife.

Thou hast outsoared the shadows of our night ;

Envy and calumny and hate and pain,

And that unrest which men miscall delight,

Can touch thee not nor torture yet again.

From the contagion of the world's slow stain

Thou art secure, and now can'st never mourn

A heart grown cold, a head grown gray—in vain.

F. T. TAGG,
D. W. ANSTINE,
G. W. HADDAWAY,
JAMES H. WARD,
JAMES T. CLARK,
W. T. SWEADNER,
Committee.

Rev. Jesse Shreeve.

Through fifty-five years this name has been on the roll of the living ministry of the Maryland Annual Conference. Now it must be transferred to the lengthening list of revered and honored names on the "dead roll." In his superannuation the church and the world have known little of him, but the name will call up before thousands of good men and women the presence of this gentle, sweet-spirited, saintly man of God. How we will miss, in our Conference gathering, his familiar face and cordial greeting; but how blessed the fellowship he enjoys with the good men who have preceded him to the upper sanctuary.

Brother Shreeve was the son of Joseph and Comfort Shreeve, and was born near Sandymount, Carroll county, Md., January 22, 1824. His mother was a native of Baltimore county, but the father came from New Jersey and belonged to a Quaker family.

He was converted when 15 years old, and became a member of Sandymount M. P. Church, on what was then known as West Baltimore Circuit. From this charge he received his license to preach, and, subsequently, his recommendation to the annual Conference.

He began his public ministry under the direction of the president of the Conference as assistant to Dr. David Wilson on Alleghany (now called Bedford) Circuit in 1846. In 1847 he was received into Conference and appointed as assistant on New Market Circuit. Then his appointments, uninterrupted through fifty years, were in this order: 1848-9, Potomac; 1850-1, Talbot; 1852-3, Jefferson; 1854-5, East Baltimore; 1856-60, Washington street; 1861-3, Broadway; 1864-6, Newtown; 1867-70, Washington street; 1871-3, Susquehanna; 1874-7, North Carolina Avenue; 1878-82, Frederick; 1883-6, Liberty; 1887-90, Howard; 1891-4, Chesapeake; 1895-7, Kennedyville; 1898, superannuated.

There is interesting and thrilling history, never to be fully written in this world, in connection with some of these pastorates. In the midst of the weakness and wickedness of this world he stood heroically for righteousness, purity and peace among men. God gave him some wonderful victories. He did something for God and humanity. The blessed results of his ministry were seen of all men in his day, and we can put our hands on them to-day.

The greatest triumphs of the ministry were in the cities. The rushing tides of humanity about him seemed to arouse in activity all his powers of mind and heart. Hence he seized the opportunity to win men to Christ and enlist them in the work of God's kingdom. And he was eminently successful. While pastor at East Baltimore he reached out in missionary effort toward Southeast Baltimore, and soon he gathered the crowds, who were glad to hear him, in an engine-house. Hundreds were converted and Washington Street Church was organized. Subsequently, while pastor of the latter church, he planted and nurtured Broadway. And to-day these churches stand as monuments to his loyalty to Christ and the church of his choice; to his industry and devotion to the welfare of humanity. The same marvellous power attended his ministry at North Carolina Avenue, Washington. The church would not hold the people. They had to be gathered on the open square under a great canvas. And hundreds were led to Christ in the meeting. And down to old age his ministry was fruitful. On Chesapeake, and at Kennedyville, his last two charges, he did some of the best work of his life. What was the secret of this wonderful success? We may not understand fully now, but some things are manifest: He was a devout, prayerful man. He lived close to God. Spirituality, humility, intense earnestness were characteristics of his life. Paul's paradox may explain it, "When I am weak then am I strong."

As a preacher of the Gospel, Bro. Shreeve was simple, earnest and persuasive. He made no claim to scholarship. He did not attempt oratory, or any attractive declamation. He was, in his own estimation, simply a messenger, with a message

from God to men. And he delivered it so earnestly and lovingly that the people listened and were greatly moved.

In Conference his voice was seldom heard. He was willing that others should plan and direct, and he would go cheerfully where he was sent.

Bro. Shreeve married early in his ministry, Miss Margaret Hoffman, an estimable lady of Baltimore. She died in less than one year. Nine years afterward he married Miss Emily C. Taylor, of Baltimore county. She was a noble Christian woman, and went a little more than a year in advance of him into the heavenly home. They had four children, two of them died in tender childhood, and the other two are living. The son, Dr. Shreeve, lives and practices medicine in Uniontown, Md., and the daughter, Lula, is the wife of Mr. Laurence Stevens, near Rock Hall, Kent county, Md.

Bro. Shreeve, had, at different times, been the pastor of the three laymen on this committee. They all testify alike to his Godly work among the people, and his earnest, faithful and successful ministry of the Word.

He spent the last few months of his life at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chaney. He was tenderly nursed by Sister Chaney, who was like a daughter to him.

Rev. J. M. Gray and Rev. A. N. Ward, who were near him, saw him frequently and the former administered the sacrament to him in the home. He looked forward to death with perfect composure. He did not talk much about his departure, but one remark that was very characteristic was, "It gives me great comfort now to know that the Lord has been able to use me for His own glory."

He closed his eyes upon all earthly things in the quiet twilight hours of Sunday, March 9th. The funeral services were conducted at North Carolina Avenue Church, on 11th inst. The president of the Conference, and Rev. Mr. Hammond, of the M. E. Church South, and our ministers in the District participated in them. On Wednesday the body was taken to Kent county, and laid by the side of his good wife's remains in the beautiful cemetery of Wesley Chapel. Dr. J. L. Elderdice, the pastor, conducted the burial service.

J. D. KINZER,
J. W. GRAY,
A. NORMAN WARD,
W. H. HURLOCK,
SAMUEL BURGESS,
WM. B. MARCHE.

Committee.

March 25, 1902.

Mrs. Elizabeth Nichols.

Mrs. Elizabeth Nichols, widow of Rev. John R. Nichols, closed her life on earth the 6th of October, 1901, at the old home, near Odenton, Anne Arundel Co., Md. She was born near Philadelphia, Pa., June 9, 1820, and was, therefore, in her eighty-second year when she died. She was active in mind and body until a few weeks of the end, and her interest in the church never abated. In the churchyard of Nichols' Memorial, which was hallowed ground to her, we laid all that was mortal of her by the side of her honored husband and their grand-children. Her maiden name was Wood. There were eight sons and daughters in the family. All the others had preceded her to the spirit world. She was married to Rev. John R. Nichols by Rev. J. W. Everest, January 20th, 1842. More than fifty years the wife of a laborious and faithful itinerant in the Methodist Protestant Church. Her married life, beginning in the days when itinerancy meant long journeys, hard work, small salaries, and few of the comforts of home. A life sacrifice and heroic

work for God and the church. Those, however, were the days of power and triumph in the itinerant ministry. She entered heartily into this life of toil and sacrifice, and nobly did the best she could in the environments of such a life. She was a devoted wife and mother. Six children were born to them. Three of them died early in life, and three sons survive the mother. "She looked well to the ways of her household." Her home was always attractive, and she was "given to hospitality." She was ambitious for her husband; she fully appreciated his character and efficient labors, and thought the largest and best work of the church was not too large nor too good for him. She was, like all who are dependent upon Conference appointments, sometimes disappointed, but she was steadfast in devotion to the churches and the work Provisionally assigned them. Since the death of Bro. Nichols she has remained on their little farm, with some of her grand-children as companions and helpers. The evening time of life has been quiet and lonely. She held fast to the faith of her youth and active years, and found comfort and hope in it. Her face had long been turned toward the heavenly city, and in these last days there was no wavering in her purpose. Father and mother are now together where the feebleness of age and death are unknown. May the three sons who remain and the grand-children follow them as they followed Christ, and at last constitute an unbroken family circle in the heavenly kingdom. The three ministerial members of this committee conducted the funeral services in the presence of a large congregation of neighbors and friends in the Nichols' Memorial Church.

J. D. KINZER,
 J. W. GRAY,
 G. R. HODGE,
 JOHN G. CLARKE,
 C. A. BENJAMIN,
Committee.

Mrs. A. M. D. Parris.

Mrs. Anna May Donophin Parris, beloved wife of Rev. J. W. Parris, of the Maryland Annual Conference, was taken from earth to heaven on Monday, October 21, 1901, aged 41 years, 8 months and 29 days, having been born January 22, 1860. She professed religion in her girlhood and united in a probationary relation with the Methodist Episcopal Church. She was married September 22, 1880. In 1883 she renewed her covenant with God in the Methodist Protestant Church, and united with Harrington Church on December 12, of that year under the pastorate of Rev. C. S. Arnett.

Never strong and robust, but of a frail, nervous temperament, the last several months of her life here were spent in intense weakness and suffering. Her fatal illness dated from February 6, of this year, when she was attacked with la grippe, a complication of diseases following. All that a loving husband could do was done for her both in seeking the very best medical skill and aid, and in tender care and assiduous attention. But God knew best; for He took her and "she is not." She died in the faith. At the beginning of the end she was not reconciled to go because she said: "I want so much to live for my boys and my husband." But later the true Christian spirit of resignation came, and she left this assuring testimony: "Jesus is going to take me home. He has a much better home for me than this." She is survived by her husband and two sons, several children having preceded her to "that beautiful land."

Rev. J. F. Bryan writes: "Sister Parris was of a quiet and reserved disposition, and had to be known to be appreciated. It has been my privilege to have spent some time in their home on several occasions, assisting her husband in his work.

I shall ever remember those visits with pleasure. She was hospitable and kind, always trying to make one feel at home. She was a true and affectionate wife, and a loving, tender, indulgent mother. As a wife of a minister she was always interested in his chosen work, sympathizing and encouraging him in his labors for the Master and lost souls."

Mr. C. B. Zepp, of Clarksville, where she spent her last days, sends this tribute: "During her last months she was in constant pain, yet she never complained. Always trusting in God, she found His grace equal to her cross. When she had come to the dark valley she assured her loved ones that she had no fear of death, having the comfort of His rod and His staff. Though but a short time on Howard Circuit, and being an invalid, yet the people had learned to love her, and we realize in the fullest sense the great loss we have sustained in the death of such a noble woman." Rev. J. F. Holland and Mr. T. M. Jett also pay tender tributes to her memory. Funeral services were held in Harrington Church, conducted by the chairman of this committee, after which interment was made in Hollywood Cemetery.

W. S. PHILLIPS,
F. A. HOLLAND,
J. F. BRYAN,
T. M. JETT,
C. M. ZEPP,
Committee.

Mrs. M. F. Nicholson.

Mrs. Margaret Freeman Nicholson, wife of Rev. J. E. Nicholson, of the Maryland Annual Conference, departed this life at Finksburg, Carroll county, Md., at 11 o'clock, P. M., of Thursday, November 14, 1901. The clock on the mantel was striking the hour as the redeemed spirit of this lovely Christian woman took its flight to mansions in the skies. Sister Nicholson was the daughter of Major W. Allen, a prominent citizen of Seaford, Del., and was born January 26, 1841. She was married June 29, 1865, and though brought up under Protestant Episcopal influences, she professed conversion at the breaking up of the Shiloh camp-meeting on Friday morning, in the month of August, 1869, and subsequently united with our church in Seaford. She was the mother of seven children, four sons and three daughters, all of whom are still living, but only two daughters were with her at her death, the others being far from home. The distressing malady that terminated her life assumed a dangerous form nearly two years ago, and though everything was done by physicians and specialists and nurses, both in hospital and at home, to alleviate her suffering and effect a cure, still all was of no avail. Her sufferings at times were very severe, but she bore them all with wonderful composure and a confident assurance that these "light afflictions, which are but for a moment, would work out for her a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory." Sister Nicholson was a model wife and companion, devoted to the welfare of her husband and children, a splendid housekeeper, and an admirable hostess in entertaining company. Every guest who entered her house was received with a bright smile, a hearty welcome, and made to feel at home, and many a weary itinerant in traveling to and from their fields of labor, and having occasion to pass through Seaford, almost invariably tarried a day or so for refreshment and rest in her hospitable dwelling. In the church also she was an admirable helpmate to her husband, and in every possible way that she could be useful she was ready to respond, and wherever her lot was cast she won the affection of the membership and people generally by her splendid social qualities and untiring efforts to promote their welfare,

and, as a consequence, her praise was in all the churches. Of this noble woman I will now quote the following beautiful tributes from other members of the committee, who, like myself, knew her so long and well. Rev. D. W. Anstine, pastor of Trinity charge, writes: "She was one of the few about whose Christian character too much cannot be said; what she did and how much she accomplished for the Master will not be known until it is revealed in the great beyond, and the beauty of it all was she did not seem to think she was doing anything. I believe she fulfilled that part of the Scripture which says: 'When ye have done all these things, say we are unprofitable servants.' Sister Nicholson has gone to be with Christ, but her works do follow her, and the sweet memories of her beautiful home life, her devoted Christian life, her charming social life will ever linger with us, and, like the sweet fragrance of the springtime, flowers will continue to sweeten the life of those who were so fortunate as to know her on earth." Rev. H. L. Elderdice, president of the seminary at Westminster, writes: "Her cheerfulness and amiability were sunbeams in which no shadow could linger long. As a wife she was loving, as a mother she was devoted, and as a friend she was constant. When the time came to leave the home in which she enjoyed all the comforts of wealth, to share the uncertain home of the itinerant preacher, her cheerfulness and amiability did not desert her, and to these she added a rare tact which made her, indeed, a helpmeet for her husband on the various fields of labor he served. During the last few months of her suffering I saw her frequently, and found her still thoughtful of others, with all her old-time unselfishness. She has two immortalities, the one she leaves to us, and the other she has entered upon." Bro. Ara P. Bowen, a prominent layman on Snow Hill charge, pays her memory this tribute, "Richly endowed by nature she was a queen in society and a leader in whatever circle she moved, untiring in her devotion to her husband and the cause she served, almost constantly attending him in his pastoral work and bore uncomplaining the trials and privations of itinerant life. Her labors for the upbuilding of the work on Snow Hill charge will long be remembered; none knew her but to honor and love her, and none named her but to praise. She has left her impress upon the hearts of this people that time cannot efface." The following from the pen of Bro. Wm. B. Hartley, of First Church, Washington, is also appended: "Our acquaintance extended over a period of fourteen years, four of them as my pastor's wife. We could truly say she was all that anyone could wish. In the Sabbath school, where she was a successful and much loved teacher, in the primary department, in the C. E. Society, and every place where she could help the needy or relieve the distressed, and who that has met our sister socially, but admired her gracious hospitality. Our whole church sincerely mourns her loss." The closing moments of life were calm and peaceful, retaining her consciousness and thoughtfulness for the comfort and welfare of others to the last. To her husband and the children who were summoned to her bed side, loving words of counsel were said, and sentiments of affectionate appreciation expressed for kind attention received, and then gradually drifting out, the end being at hand, the parting spirit at near the midnight hour on that star-lit November night, made its way up to the realms of everlasting day. Her lifeless form was conveyed back to Seaford, the home of her early childhood, and after appropriate funeral services in our church, conducted by Rev. A. D. Melvin, president of the Conference, and Rev. D. W. Anstine and J. W. Balderston, pastor of the church, it was laid to rest at near the sunset hour in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery to await the glory and grandeur of the resurrection morning.

S. A. HOBLITZELL,
D. W. ANSTINE,
H. L. ELDERDICE,
ARA P. BOWEN,
W. B. HARTLEY,
Committee.

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TABLES

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL.

COLLECTIONS FOR GENERAL

CHARGES.	Presi- dent.		Confer- ence.		Min. Educa.		Semi- nary.		Col- lege.		Super- anu'tes		Church Ex.		Home Miss.		For Miss.		TOTAL.		Spec'l for Mis.	BIBLE.	TRA CT.			
	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd						
Accomac.....	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16			2	34	18	35	18	17	10	24	4	155	95	13	1	1		
Amelia.....	15	15	3	2	4	1	12	1			25	226	2	13	1	18	1	115	25			2	*	*		
Alexandria.....	25	25	5	5	6	6	20	20			7	42	42	44	44	21	21	30	30	193	193	126	*	*		
Alnutt Memorial.....	52	52	9	9	13	13	42	42			62	89	89	91	91	44	44	63	63	402	402	336	5	5		
Baltimore.....	18	18	4	2	5	5	14	10			4	30	20	32	20	15	9	22	6	140	90	24	1	1		
Beaver Dam.....	8	8	2	1	2	2	6	4			2	14	6	14	5	7	5	10	3	63	34	3	*	*		
Bedford.....	25	25	5	2	6	2	20	10			42	10	44	18	21	8	30	10	193	85						
Belair.....	25	25	5	5	6	5	20	20			42	38	44	38	21	15	30	15	193	161	111	2	2			
Broadway.....	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16			10	34	34	35	35	17	17	24	24	155	155	15	1	1		
Bethany.....	8	8	2	2	2	1	6	6			14	5	14	5	7	1	10	4	63	32	10					
Brooklyn.....	15	15	3	3	4	4	12	12			7	25	20	26	16	13	9	18	15	115	94	29	3	1		
Cambridge.....	25	25	5	3	6	4	20	14			37	42	24	44	28	21	15	30	18	193	131	16	1	*		
Caroline.....	20	20	4	3	5	5	16	12			34	15	35	21	17	15	24	10	155	101	15	1	1			
Campbell.....	10	9	2	1	3	2	8	3			17	4	18	2	9	3	12	2	79	25	2					
Cecil.....	15																									
Central.....	25	25	5	5	6	6	20	25			8	42	39	44	44	21	21	30	30	193	195	290	1	1		
Centreville.....	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16			13	34	34	35	35	17	17	24	24	155	155	71	*	*		
Chesapeake.....	18	18	4	4	5	5	14	14			10	30	30	32	32	15	15	22	22	140	140	25	1	1		
Chestertown.....	45	45	8	8	12	12	36	36			71	77	77	79	79	38	38	54	54	348	348	73	1	1		
Christ Church.....	5	5	1	1	2	1	4	2			8	5	9	7	4	2	6	6	39	29	8					
Clark Memorial.....								8																		
Clayton.....	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16			34	34	35	35	17	17	24	24	155	155	25	50	40			
Concord.....	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16			34	34	35	35	17	17	24	24	155	155	10	2	*			
Conquest.....	18	18	4	4	5	5	14	14			30	24	32	32	15	15	22	22	140	134		1	1			
Crisfield.....	35	35	6	6	9	9	28	28			59	59	61	61	30	30	42	42	270	270	30	1	1			
Crumpton.....	12	12	2	2	2	2	10	10			21	10	21	10	11	8	14	11	93	63						
Cumberland.....	18	18	4	4	5	5	14	14			10	30	30	32	32	15	18	22	22	140	143	20	1	1		
Chincoteague.....	15	12	3	2	4	3	12	9			25	15	26	10	13	8	18	115	59	13	13	13	1	1		
Clinton Hill.....	10	10	2	2	3	3	8	8			17	17	18	18	9	9	12	12	79	79	15	1	1			
Delmar.....	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16			34	24	35	23	17	7	24	14	155	110	12	1	1			
Deer Creek.....	12	12	2	1	2	1	10	5			21	15	21	14	11	6	14	10	93	64	5	1	1			
Deer Park.....	15	15	3	2	4	1	12	2			25	6	26	6	13	4	18	10	115	46						
Delta.....	15	15	3	3	4	4	12	12			25	25	26	26	13	13	18	18	115	115		*	*			
Dorchester.....	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16			10	34	34	35	35	17	17	24	24	155	155	44	1	1		
Dover.....	10	10	2	1	3	2	8	8			4	17	6	18	6	9	3	12	3	79	39	1	*	*		
Denton.....	10	10	2	2	3	3	8	8			5	17	17	18	18	9	9	12	12	79	79	15	1	1		
East Baltimore.....	35	35	6	6	9	9	28	28			59	59	61	61	30	30	42	42	270	270	96	1	1			
Easton.....	35	35	6	6	9	9	28	28			18	59	65	61	66	30	30	42	42	270	491	161	226	210		
Elizabeth.....	35	35	6	6	9	9	28	28			59	50	61	41	30	30	42	50	270	250	80					
Eutaw.....	18	18	4	2	5	5	14	9			30	16	32	17	15	8	22	25	140	98	24	1	1			
Evergreen.....	5	5	1	1	2	2	4	4			8	5	9	4		6		39	17	4						
Fairfax.....	8	8	2	2	2	2	6	6			14	14	14	14	7	7	10	10	63	63	32	*	*			
Fawn Grove.....	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	11			9	34	22	25	23	17	11	24	16	155	110	14	1	1		
Finksburg.....	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16			34	34	35	35	17	17	24	24	155	155	99	2	1			
First Church.....	25	25	5	5	6	5	20	20			4	42	26	44	28	21	17	30	10	193	135	119	1	1		
Franklin City.....	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16			4	34	17	35	16	17	5	8	8	85	155	15	1	1		

AND LOCAL INTERESTS.

Church Home.	Miscellaneous.	Interests		PASTORS SALARY.		Parsonage Rent.	Current Expenses.	Sun'-y-School Expenses.	Y. P. S. C. E.	Paid on Build. and Improv.	Paid on debt.	Miscellaneous.	Total local interests.	Total all pur-poses.	CHARGES.
		General	Total	As.	Pd.										
5		114	600	600		75	68	109			22	438	81312	1434	..... Accomac
*		27	325	250			20	18					288	315	..... Amelia
5		324	600	600		150	395	310			65		611520	1906	..... Alexandria
5		758	1200	1200			680	428			525		5602833	4150	..... Allnut Memorial
1		117	500	500		150	100	100			150		61000	1123	..... Baltimore
1		39	350	374			40	26			173	119	29732	800	..... Beaver Dam
2		87	600	575		60	100	100		1000	15		1801850	2017	..... Bedford
		274	700	700		150	250	35		600	250		241985	2283	..... Belair
5		177	600	600			283	118			93	503	641597	1837	..... Broadway
4		46	500	450			298	90			235		111073	1129	..... Bethany
5		131	500	550		150	78	35		100	325		191238	1388	..... Brooklyn
1		149	700	700		150	200	75			75	120	1931320	1661	..... Cambridge
4		122	550	553		50	125	40		125			5893	1020	..... Caroline
		27	255	196			30	25					251	278	..... Campbell
															..... Cecil
6		491	1300	1400			200	150					901750	2331	..... Central
5		231	700	700		200	400	51		83			1434	1665	..... Centreville
5		171	400	400		100	57	25		121	79		19782	971	..... Chesapeake
6		429	1000	1000			569	228					4821797	2708	..... Chestertown
		37	500	500			125	50		1500	500		42675	2716	..... Christ Church
20		455											455		..... Clark Memorial
5		188	575	577		120	115	97		145	276		591330	1576	..... Clayton
5		170	450	450			100	60			35		4645	819	..... Concord
5		140	700	700			200	100			75		71075	1222	..... Conquest
5		307	1000	1000		150	700			150	750		2750	3057	..... Crisfield
5		68	375	350			125	44					519	587	..... Crumpton
5		169	600	510		180	193	83			810		1131776	2058	..... Cumberland
		73	500	513			63	38		128			59742	874	..... Chincoteague
1		95	400	480			254	274		4248			35255	5353	..... Clinton Hill
3		126	600	700			134	133		600			441566	1736	..... Delmar
5		76	325	289			50	20					40359	475	..... Deer Creek
		46	375	375		75	35	75		38	50		3648	697	..... Deer Park
1		116	500	500		150	145	45		45	160		101035	1161	..... Delta
5		206	650	650		75	100	60			75		71960	1237	..... Dorchester
1		41	450	450			168	86		24	403		51131	1177	..... Dover
5		100	400	400			110	89		950			141549	1663	..... Denton
5		372	1000	1000			680	130		353			52163	2540	..... East Baltimore
16		1102	800	800		200	548	53		40			1121641	2855	..... Easton
		327	1200	1200			882	368			877		123327	3667	..... Elizabeth
		123	500	500		200	50	35		300			11085	1219	..... Eutaw
		21	207	170			50				96		316	337	..... Evergreen
5		101	410	435			84	93		243			57855	1013	..... Fairfax
		126	600	600			110	52		110			71872	1078	..... Fawn Grove
10		267	600	600		100	167	119		95	400		281481	1776	..... Finksburg
5		261	700	700			810	180		120			171810	2087	..... First Church
2		103	600	500		80	150	80			250		161060	1179	..... Franklin City

COLLECTIONS FOR GENERAL

CHARGES.	Presi- dent.		Confer- ence.		Min. Educa.		Semi- nary.		Col- lege		Super- ann'les		Church Ex.		Home Mis.		For. Miss.		TOTAL.		Spec'l for Mis.	BIBL.R.	TRACT.	
	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd.				
	Frederick.....	18	18	4	3	5	3	14	12			30	25	32	23	15	10	22	140	94				66	1	1
Felton.....	18	16	4	1	5		14				30		32	1	15		22	140	17	14				
Fox Hill.....	5	5	1	1	2	2	4	4			8	8	9	9	4	4	6	6	39	39				
Georgetown, D. C....	50	50	9	9	13	13	40	40			10	86	86	88	43	46	60	389	392	234	3	3		
Georgetown, Del....	15	15	3	3	4	4	12	12			5	25	25	26	13	13	18	10	115	107	18	1	1	
Grove.....	18	15	4	2	5	3	14	3			30	5	32	10	15	5	22	140	43	10	*	*		
Greenwood.....	18	18	4	3	5	3	14	10			30	15	32	20	15	9	22	12	140	90	13	1	1	
Georgetown Circuit	10	10	2	2	3	3	8	5			17	5	18	2	9	3	12	2	79	31	7	1	1	
Hampden.....	30	30	4	4	8	8	24	24			3	51	51	53	26	26	36	16	233	211	121	1	1	
Harper's Ferry.....	18	18	4	1	5	2	14	5			30	9	32	10	15	4	22	9	140	58	26	1	1	
Harrington.....	20	20	4	2	5	3	16	12			34	17	35	18	17	9	24	3	155	83	22	1	*	
Heathsville.....	25	25	4	3	6	5	20	20			42	42	44	35	21	6	30	30	193	166		*	*	
Howard.....	18	18	4	4	5	5	14	14			30	30	32	32	15	15	22	22	140	140	26	1	1	
Hurlocks.....	10	10	2	2	3	3	8	8			17	17	18	12	9	9	12	12	79	73	21	*	*	
Indian River.....	5	5						3					3						11	7				
Jefferson.....	45	45	8	8	12	12	36	36			59	77	77	79	38	53	54	54	348	363	126	1	1	
Keen Memorial.....	10	6	2	1	3	1	8	1			17	1	18	2	9	1	12	1	79	13	2			
Kennedyville.....	15	15	3	3	4	4	12	12			25	25	26	24	13	13	18	115	113	15	1	1		
Kemptown.....	23	23	4	3	6	3	18	18			10	40	25	42	26	20	3	22	175	123		1	1	
Kent Island.....	18	18	4	2	5	3	14	10			5	30	20	32	20	15	10	22	15	140	98	21	1	1
Laurel.....	32	32	6	6	8	8	24	24			53	53	55	55	27	27	40	40	244	244	82	5	1	
Leipsic.....	8	8	2	2	2	2	6	6			14	5	14	4	7	2	10	7	63	35	4	*	*	
Lewistown.....	5	5	1	1	2	2	4	4			8	8	9	9	4	4	6	6	39	39	6			
Liberty.....	18	18	4	4	5	5	14	14			30	30	32	32	15	15	22	22	140	140	70	1	1	
Lisbon.....	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16			63	34	28	35	30	17	17	24	24	155	144	56	1	1
Lynchburg.....	20	20	4	2	5	3	16	10			34	25	35	30	17	10	24	5	155	105	107	1	1	
Lawsonia.....	5	5	1	1	2	2	4	4			8	8	9	9	4	4	6	6	39	39	4	*	*	
Leeds.....	15	15	3	2	4	2	12	12			25	10	26	9	13	10	18	115	60	31	1	1		
Mariner's.....	18	18	4	5	5	5	14	11			30	20	32	10	15	5	22	18	140	89	20			
Mardela.....	10	9	2	1	3	1	8	2			17	2	18	3	9	2	12	2	79	21	5			
Marley.....	10	10	2	1	3	3	8	4			17	7	18	3	9	7	12	1	79	36	8	1	1	
Middleway.....	10																							
Milton.....	10	10	2	2	3	3	8	8			7	17	17	18	18	9	9	12	12	79	79	3	1	1
Millville.....	8	8	2	2	2	2	6	6			2	14	5	14	3	7	3	10	4	63	33	5	*	*
Mt. Tabor.....	18	18	4	4	5	5	14	14			21	30	30	32	32	15	15	22	22	140	140	80		
Mt. Nebo.....	12	12	2	2	2	2	10	10			21	21	21	21	11	11	14	14	93	93	21	*	*	
Montgomery.....	5																							
Newark.....	50	50	9	9	13	13	40	40			38	86	86	88	43	43	60	60	389	389	155	3	3	
N. C. Avenue.....	18	18	4	4	5	5	14	14			12	30	30	32	32	15	25	22	140	150	77	10		
New Market.....	25	25	5	4	6	4	20	20			12	42	33	44	31	21	13	30	15	193	144	60	2	1
North Baltimore.....	22	22	4	4	6	6	17	17			38	38	41	41	19	19	27	27	173	173	101	1	1	
Nichols' Memorial..	10	10	2	1	3	1	8	3			17	5	18	5	9	3	12	3	79	31	4	1	1	
Oxford.....	20	20	4	4	5	3	16	10			2	34	21	35	22	17	11	24	15	155	106	7	10	2
Oak Grove.....	15	15	3	2	4	2	12	10			25	15	26	17	13	4	18	13	115	78	17	*	*	
Prince Georges.....	5	4	1	1	2	1	4	2			8	2	9	3	4	1	6	1	39	14	2	*	*	
Pipe Creek.....	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16			34	34	35	35	17	17	24	24	255	155	68	1	1	

AND LOCAL INTERESTS.

Church Home.	Miscellaneous.	PASTORS SALARY.		Parsonage Rent.	Current Expenses.	Sun-day-School Expenses.	Y. P. S. C. H.	Paid on Build. and Improv.	Paid on deot.	Miscellaneous.	Total local interests.	Total all purposes.	CHARGES.
		As.	Pd.										
16		176	500	500	100	125	70	229		13	1024	1213	Frederick
		31	500	432	75	105	15				627	657	Felton
		39	225	325	60	22	45	300		1	752	782	Fox Hill
15		646	1200	1200	400	762	231	5293		70	5185	5800	Georgetown, D. C.
3		130	600	600	96	95	96	388	2	53	1277	1459	Georgetown, Del.
		53	450	426		32	56	31		17	545	615	Grove
1		106	600	602	75	50	50	167	303	4	1247	1357	Greenwood
1		39	300	250		33	19	28		23	330	391	Georgetown Circuit
5		339	800	800		587	230	175		32	1792	2163	Hampden
7		93	500	500	48	120	37	6		24	711	828	Harper's Ferry
1		110	700	700	85	162	150	130	100	59	1327	1496	Harrington
2		168	610	613	100	55	46	281	27	81	1122	1371	Heathsville
5		172	500	550		50	20	6		2	626	800	Howard
1		95	450	450		100	90	75	500	21	1215	1331	Hurlocks
		18	60	60						22	60	100	Indian River
29		521	800	800	240	356	179			239	1575	2335	Jefferson
		15	500	400		125			200		725	740	Keen Memorial
6		135	500	500		95	31	1282		4	1907	2045	Kennedyville
1		125	884	884	72	250	150	800		122	2156	2408	Kempton
		121	500	500	100	85	17	30		16	731	868	Kent Island
5		337	800	800	135	100	83	83		24	1201	1562	Laurel
1		39	250	250		48	32	65		8	394	441	Leipsic
		46	115	115		17	35	27			194	240	Lewistown
		212	500	500	75	144	124	86		9	930	1150	Liberty
5		207	600	600		125	40	130		73	895	1175	Lisbon
		214	800	800		500	60		1500	25	2860	3099	Lynchburg
1		44	300	302		154	25	65	100	2	645	691	Lawsonia
1		93	500	500	100	156	31	230	450	45	1467	1605	Leeds
		107	700	600	150	100	75				925	1032	Mariner's
1		27	450	430		33	47	42	161	14	713	754	Mardela
1		45	300	303		50	23	8		100	384	530	Marley
													Middleway
		82	500	500	75	48	26	70	117	38	836	956	Milton
1		39	300	300		25	30	50		48	405	592	Millville
2		221	500	500		235	55	65	78	27	932	1180	Mt. Tabor
1		115	400	400		102	32	80	101	15	715	844	Mt. Nebo
													Montgomery
5		555	1200	1200	500	1372	325	216		377	3613	4546	Newark
5		242	900	900		302	193	2069		17	3464	3723	N. C. Avenue
22		229	700	700	96	296	153	301	104	55	1650	1933	New Market
5		282	1000	1000		600	100	212	438	129	2350	2761	North Baltimore
1		36	400	420		75	15	15		5	540	581	Nichols' Memorial
5		129	550	550	171	213	121	285		74	1339	1542	Oxford
3		99	325	325	60	29	34	200		6	648	752	Oak Grove
1		17	100	100		12	18	104			234	251	Prince George
5		230	550	600		193	49	76		1055	918	2203	Pipe Creek

COLLECTIONS FOR GENERAL

CHARGES	Presi- dent.		Confer- ence.		Min. Class.		Se mi- nary.		Col- lege.		Super- ann' tes		Church Ex		Home Mis.		For. Mis.		TOTAL.		Spec' for Mis.	BIBLE.	TRACT.
	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd	As	Pd			
Pittsville	15	15	3	3	4	4	12	12			25	25	26	26	13	13	18	18	115	115	13	1	1
Pocomoke.....	10	10	2	2	3	2	8	8			17	9	18	9	9	5	12	12	79	56	6	*	*
Pocomoke City..	35	35	3	3	9	9	28	28	10	59	59	61	61	30	30	42	42	270	270	43	3	3	
Powellville	12	15	2	2	2	2	10	10			21	10	21	8	10	6	14	14	93	67		1	*
Patapsco	5																						
Payson Street....	10	10	2	1	3	2	8	5	1	17	7	18	8	9	3	12	4	79	39	3	1	1	
Potomac.....	15	15	3	3	4	4	12	12	5	25	20	26	20	13	13	18	18	115	104	16	*	*	
Parksley.....	15	15	3	3	4	4	12	12	6	25	7	26	7	13	13	18	18	115	78	18	1	1	
Quantico	12	12	2	2	2	1	10	10			21	5	21	15	11	5	14	10	93	60		*	*
Queen Anne.....	12	12	2	2	2	2	10	10	5	21	21	21	21	11	11	14	14	93	94	97	1	1	
Reliance.....	12	12	2	2	2	2	10	10	6	21	21	21	21	11	11	14	14	93	93	25	*	*	
Rowlandville	12	12	2	2	2	2	10	8			21	5	21	8	11	3	14	5	93	45		*	*
St. James.....	25	25	5	7	6	6	20	20	42	42	44	44	21	21	30	30	193	195	128		2	1	
St. Johns(Canton)	10	10	2	2	3	2	8	5	17	10	18	10	9	4	12	7	79	50	2		*	*	
St. Michaels.....	15	15	3	3	4	4	12	12	25	25	26	26	13	13	18	18	115	115	25		1	1	
St. Lukes.....	25	25	5	5	6	2	20	3	42	5	44	21	21	10	30	7	193	78	9				
Salisbury.....	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16	34	29	35	25	17	17	24	24	155	150	21				
Seaford.....	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16	15	34	34	35	35	17	17	24	24	155	155	40	5	1	
Snow Hill	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16	34	34	35	35	17	17	24	24	155	155	8		1	1	
Salem.....	12	12	2	2	2	2	10	10	21	10	21	10	11	6	14	6	93	60	10		1	1	
South Baltimore	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16	8	34	34	35	35	17	17	24	24	155	155	14	*	*	
Starr	50	50	9	5	13	5	40	40	40	86	40	88	25	43	10	60	43	389	218	171	2	2	
Stewartstown....	18	18	4	4	5	5	14	14	16	30	30	32	32	15	15	22	22	140	140	26	1	1	
Susquehanna	25	25	5	6	6	6	20	20	42	42	44	44	21	21	30	30	193	193	116		3	3	
Sussex	20	20	4	4	5	5	16	16	10	34	25	35	21	17	8	24		155	99	67	2	1	
Talbot.....	10	10	2	1	3	2	8	5	17	8	18	5	9	4	12	6	79	41					
Trinity.....	25	25	5	5	6	6	20	20	15	42	42	44	44	21	21	30	30	193	193	106			
Tyreanna	5																						
Union.....	25	25	5	5	6	6	20	20	18	42	38	44	37	21	17	30	35	193	177	55	2	1	
Union Bridge....	15	15	3	3	4	4	12	12	10	25	25	26	26	13	13	18	18	115	115	17	2	1	
Violetsville.....	5	6	1	1	2	2	4	4			8	8	9	9	4	4	6	6	39	40		1	1
Warwick	15	15	3	3	4	4	12	12			25	15	26	20	13	13	18	15	115	96	85	1	1
Waltersville	15	15	3	3	4	4	12	12	0	25	25	26	26	13	17	18	18	115	119	23	1	1	
Waverly.....	8	6	2	1	2	1	6	2			14	3	14	4	7	2	10	2	63	20	5		*
West Baltimore..	50	50	9	9	13	10	40	40	86	86	88	80	43	30	60	50	389	355	343		3	3	
Westminster.....	45	45	8	8	12	12	36	36	76	54	78	56	38	38	54	37	348	285	37		8	2	
Williamsport.....	8	8	2	2	2	1	6	6	14	4	14	4	7	2	10	15	63	42					
Wilmington	15	15	3	3	4	4	12	12	25	25	26	26	13	13	18	18	115	115	19		1	1	
W. Wilmington.	8	8	2	2	2	2	6	6	14	14	14	14	7	7	10	10	63	63	22		*	*	
Wye	10	10	2	2	3	3	8	8	17	17	18	18	9	9	12	5	79	72	30		1	1	

*Amount less than 50 cents.

Mrs. T. A. Reese contributed \$100 to Maryland Annual Church Extension Society and \$100 to Baltimore City Church Extension Society in addition to amount credited to Easton.

AND LOCAL INTERESTS.

Church Home.	Miscellaneous.	Total General Interests.		PASTORS SALARY.		Parsonage Rent.	Current Expenses.	Sun-day-School Expenses.	Y. P. S. C. E.	Paid on Build. and Improv.	Paid on debt.	Miscellaneous.	Total Local Interests.	Total all Purposes.	CHARGES.
		As.	Pd.	As.	Pd.										
5	135	600	600	50	55	62				75	8	18	850	1003	Pittsville
2	64	320	320		27	29				65		1	441	505	Pocomoke
7	324	850	850		440	130				40		157	1460	1941	Pocomoke City
2	70	400	400	20	20	12				155		9	607	686	Powellville
		100	100		12								112	112	Patapsco
2	45	468	500		252	43				69	17	63	881	989	Payson Street
3	124	475	500		50	30				250	15	42	845	1011	Potomac
6	103	550	550	72	100	81				425	262	10	1490	1604	Parksley
*	61	300	275		10	27				56	12		380	441	Quantico
9	201	400	400		122	60				108		70	691	962	Queen Anne
5	123	425	428		61	45				100		34	634	791	Reliance
3	48	200	200		12	10							222	270	Rowlandville
10	336	600	600	100	127	63				129		311	1019	1666	St. James
	53	420	400		134	135				38	253	1	959	1013	St. Johns (Canton)
5	147	400	450		100	80				130		61	760	968	St. Michaels
5	92	900	900		273	253					902	53	2328	2473	St. Luke
5	175	800	800		252	137				27		175	1216	1567	Salisbury
2	203	700	700	125	312	62				75	150	43	1424	1669	Seaford
10	174	650	650		100	75				2000	800	50	3625	3849	Snow Hill
3	71	400	400		45	25				18		2	488	562	Salem
5	174	500	625	240	450	100				550	100	10	2065	2249	South Baltimore
12	405	1200	1200		1003	100				200		220	2503	3128	Starr
5	172	525	525		155	136				415		35	1231	1439	Stewartstown
21	335	600	639	50	184	95				500		80	1468	1883	Susquehanna
	168	600	579		165	28				113	140	12	1026	1206	Sussex
1	42	350	350		75	18				500	25	6	968	1016	Talbot
8	306	850	850		181	60				148	74	140	1313	1759	Trinity
															Tyreanna
5	245	700	700		75	30				200		390	1005	1640	Union
6	142	500	500	150	150	100				25	140	15	1065	1222	Union Bridge
4	45	150	150		111	63				50		59	374	478	Violetsville
2	184	500	500	60	118	50				115		85	843	1112	Warwick
5	150	550	552		88	70				155	387	23	1252	1424	Waltersville
	26	500	414	180	35	153				240	25	5	1033	1077	Waverly
14	718	1200	1200		1496	337					121	60	3154	3932	West Baltimore
5	337	1000	1000	240	383	103				2000		76	3726	4139	Westminster
	42	200	199			11				101			311	353	Williamsport
1	136	1000	1000		400	120				150	250	5	1920	2060	Wilmington
*	86	400	400		278	192				200	45	20	1085	1191	West Wilmington
5	109	300	300		34	31				40		5	405	519	Wye

Mrs. T. A. Reese contributed \$200 and General Richard Thomas \$20 of the amount credited to Easton for Bible.

Mr. T. A. Reese contributed \$200 and General Richard Thomas \$10 of the amount credited to Easton for Tract.

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE STEWARD.

Total for General Interests.

	1902	1901	Increase	Decrease
President	\$ 2,336 00	2,383 25		47 25
Conference	387 19	351 03	36 16	
Ministerial Education	504 02	551 71		47 69
Seminary.....	1,687 38	1,628 08	59 30	
College.....	726 85			
Superannuates.....	3,202 76	3,148 23	54 53	
Church Extension.....	3,287 58	3,336 60		49 02
Home Missions	1,606 80	1,200 55	406 25	
Foreign Missions.....	2,176 91	2,027 17	149 74	
Special for Foreign Missions.....	5,560 46	4,371 54	1,188 92	
Bible	400 95	383 28	17 67	
Tract	332 47	373 62		41 15
Church Home.....	518 61	522 48		3 87
Total.....	22,727 98	20,943 25	1,784 73	

Total for Local Interests.

Pastors' salary.....	71,945 00	70,998 89	946 11	
Parsonage rent.....	6,665 00	540 00	6,125 00	
Current expenses.....	29,070 60	29,417 60		3,347 00
Sunday-school expenses.....	10,727 63	9,776 80	950 83	
Paid on building and improvements.....	33,423 50	27,395 63	6,027 87	
Paid on debt.....	14,835 84	14,687 37	148 47	
Miscellaneous	7,081 29	10,661 84		3,580 55
Total for local interests	170,748 86	163,894 14	6,854 72	
Total for all purposes.....	193,476 84	184,837 39	8,639 45	

THOMAS R. WOODFORD.

Conference Steward.

MEMBERSHIP.

CHARGES.	Unsta. Min. & Pr.	Probationers.					Full Members.			Sunday Schools.			Y. P. S. C. E.													
		Probationers.	Full Members.		At last Conf.	Received.	Elected to Mem.	Withdrawn.	Discontinued.	Deceased.	Received.	Withdrawn.	Discontinued.	Deceased.	Schools.	Off. and Teach.	New Scholars.	Scholars on roll.	Societies	Members.	Junior Societies.	Members.	Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	Conversions.	
Accomac.....		2	198	3	2	4				5	4	3	2	27			212							2		
Alexandria.....	3	24	230	24	9	9				13	2	11	4	1	31		29	372	1	34	1	40	2	9	10	
Alnutt Memorial....	3	8	495	9	38	38		1		45	10	8	5	1	33		47	375	1	53	1	45	2	12	42	
Amelia.....			184		6	6				6	2				2	22	4	140						4	6	
Baltimore.....		4	235		6	2	2			4	4	2		4	3	28	20	210	3	114				6	4	
Beaver Dam.....		13	181	45	2	23				25	4		1	3	22		181			1	15	1	20	17		
Bedford.....			332							40	1		7	6	40		400	1	35				21	75		
Belair.....		10	266		7	19	11		1	13		7	1	4	36		10	225	3	68	1	10	1	13	24	
Bethany.....		27	92		9	21	2		1	18	2		1	1	15		20	175	1	26	1	40		23	28	
Broadway.....		15	143		2	45	30			36	2	39	3	1	26		25	230	1	30	1	60		20	65	
Brooklyn.....		14	81	15	7	8				16	4				2	25	14	144	1	32				12	5	
Cambridge.....	2	1	242			29	28			30	1		1	3	34		15	283					3	22	29	
Campbell.....	1	5	192		5				1	1		3	2	10		15	40								1	
Caroline.....			136							20	7	43	2	3	49		204		3	70				10	12	
Cecil.....		32	241											3	20		180	1	50						10	
Central, Wash.....	2		70		5	5				12	34	4	1	8	10		40	1	16	1	15	1	1	4		
Centreville.....		3	144	16		13				14					116		10	110	1	56	1	31		4		
Chesapeake.....	1	5	130	22	14	17				23	6	2	3	2	25		175	1	25					22	14	
Chestertown.....		1	222		1					3	258	6	1	33		304		2	103	1	60		10			
Chincoteague.....		4	132		4	20				20		1	1	124		20	153							1	16	
Christ Church, Balto.	1		117	2	2	2				11	6			1	19		15	150		150				7	2	
Clayton.....	1	57	156	3	7	16		2		53	3	27	2	3	43	115	179	2	40				8	33	88	
Clinton Hill.....		11	46	7	8	3	1			20	2	7	1	1	25		25	225	1	35	1	35	6		7	
Concord.....		13	247		13					10	2		7	3	49		10	240						7	12	30
Conquest.....			187		2	2				2	16			2	46		10	360					3	4	11	
Crisfield.....		81	282	81	13	11		2		19	1	1	5	1	40		9	366	1	100	1	50		16	25	
Crumpton.....		7	187		6			6	1	6	2	6	1	2	16		120	1	22					5	42	
Cumberland.....	2	4	196	12	43	43		1	1	55	5		1	1	22	12	141	1	45	1	40	241		55		
Deer Creek.....		5	177	7	5	2		5		2		13	2	2	17		6	120	1	20			2	8	5	
Deer Park.....	1	31	232	44	27	40				68	4		1	4	51		21	360	2	68				236	27	
Delmar.....		10	226		181	65		5	2	55	4	6	4	2	35	185	360	1	55					4	16	133
Delta.....		3	129	2	2	1				6					117		8	75	1	28	1	23	1	9	3	
Denton.....			86	7		2		5		9		1			117		51	158	1	37	1	62		1	1	
Dorchester.....		14	301		4	45	30		5	30			3	4	55		10	250	1	20				11	44	
Dover.....		12	91	12	2	2				5			1	1	14		30	110	1	15				13	1	
East Baltimore.....		12	180	11	1					4	5		3	1	24		57	274	1	45				8	1	
Easton.....			218							10	1	2			124		34	175	1	30	1	30		5	10	
Elizabeth.....		32	229	42	3	3		9	1	17	4	5	3	1	46		47	451	1	60	1	35	14		2	
Eutaw.....		1	85	2	1	2				3	1		1	1	10		5	80	1	25	1	116		5	1	
Evergreen.....		01	42	3				2		1	1				114		88				1	22				
Fairfax.....	1		211		9	9				16	2	4	2	4	31		205		2	69					9	
Fawn Grove.....	1		321							1		1			236		10	450	2	86			210		3	
Felton.....	1	04	188	3	3	3				3					320		10	100	1	17				402		
Finksburg.....		07	354	12	12	12		5		12	4	16	7	4	57		63	503	4	146	1	20	18		23	

MEMBERSHIP.

CHARGES.	Unsta. Min. & Pr.	Probationers.				Full Members.				Sunday Schools.			Y. P. S. C. E.			Adults Baptized.	Children Baptized.	Conversions.	
		Probationers.		Full Members.		Sunday Schools.		Y. P. S. C. E.											
		Received.	Withdrawn.	Received.	Withdrawn.	Schools. Off. and Teach.	New Scholars.	Scholars on Roll.	Societies.	Members.	Junior Societies.	Members.							
Oxford.....		123	5	5		5		125	29	140	1	55	1	43	11	2			
Parksley.....		6178	11	10	12	3		230	30	235			1	35	2	10			
Patapsco.....		5	28	2	5		2								12				
Payson Street.....		12	76	19	6	16		20	1	2	111	26	120	1	15	13	6		
Pipe Creek.....		211						10	3	4	237	14	165	1	59	1	8		
Pittsville.....		10	311	18	10		13		2	51	2	430		215	1	37	4	2	
Pocomoke City.....		130	275	130	1			81	4	3	231	38	195	1	25		5	33	
Pocomoke Circuit...		1	8	137	1	10	3	4	1	2	227	8	110			2	5	7	
Potomac.....		10	119		10			3	4	3	222	10	137	1	65		6	10	
Powellville.....	2	131	1	2	2			28	7	1	2	210	12	80	6	25	25		
Prince George.....		82					2			2	214	13	60					7	
Quantico.....		13	155	12	4		3	7	1	1	538	62	157				21		
Queen Anne.....	1	5	147	7	5	7		9		1	227	8	135	2	60		2	5	
Reliance.....		26	212	23	20	12		4	1	13	1	333	3	238	1	35	25	13	
Rowlandville.....		59						1	1	1	215		100				1	1	
Salisbury.....		3	276	40	25	28		28	2	3	2	126	27	236	1	47	3	11	
Salem.....		122		12	12			13		4	116	3	61	1	45	1	33	1	2
Seaford.....		3	244	30				4	1	8	1	119	40	230	1	58	1	61	12
Snow Hill.....	1	4	296	12	6	2		63	4	10	4	328	103	228	2	71	1	30	2
South Baltimore.....		131	127	37	5			30	1	13	2	122	50	186				10	58
Starr.....		200	1	2		1	2	2	7	12	4	123	27	200	1	45	1	20	5
Stewartstown.....	1	9	244	26	3	1	19	5	2	1	232	50	185	2	22	1	24	1	9
St. James.....		11	209	16	3	3		3	4	1	226	3	100	2	84			16	3
St. John's, Canton...		237	74	57	6	10	17	1	19	2	22	115	43	251	1	37	1	95	1
St. Lukes.....	1	138		24	22			29	1	2	130	25	300	1	63	1	35	19	0
St. Michaels.....		1	15	124	1	14		6	3		225	18	124	2	44	2	49	4	17
Susquehanna.....		114	229		14			6	5	4	328		160	2	76			1	16
Sussex.....	1	2	344	5	5	8		14	3	2	469	3	323					1	8
Talbot.....		68						2		1	321	49	149	2	32			6	3
Trinity.....		117	204	37	3	8	15	9	7	8	2	219	33	247	1	58		1	14
Union.....		127	281	24	17	8	6	16	6	1	438	20	250					15	27
Union Bridge.....		1	113	2	5	6	1	7	15		225	10	150						1
Violetsville.....		4	50	2	3	9		9			114	30	130	1	25	1	32	3	22
Waltersville.....		26	158	55	11	17	17	1	17	2	28	236	303	1	25			1	14
Warwick.....		4	140	6	2			5	1	4	2	323	18	135	1	54	1	24	19
Waverly.....		115	75	20	1	6	1	7	4		120	40	126			2	35		5
West Baltimore.....		3	544	42	56	10	12	26	11	5	139	62	520	1	62	1	75	4	10
Westminster.....		3	239	1	7	8		26	2		121	15	149	2	55	1	39	1	2
Wilmington.....		4	12	216	12	12	10	2	21	5	25	2	115	25	150				11
West Wilmington....		30	79	40	21	6	37	14	1	1	126	15	225	1	20	1	25		4
Williamsport.....		7	104	7							218	7	128	1	14				
Wye.....		91						4	2	1	220	15	140	1	28	1	16		14

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PROPERTY AND ASSESSMENTS.

CHARGES.	PROPERTY.							ASSESSMENTS 1902-3.									
	Appointments.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage Property	Debt on Church and Parsonage Property.	Insurance on Church and Parsonage Property.	Church Papers taken.	President.	Conference.	Min. Education.	Seminary.	College.	Superannuated.	Ch. Extension.	Home Missions.	For. Missions.
Accomac	2	2	1	6500	600	1700	4100	18	25	4	5	16	12	34	35	17	24
Alexandria.....	1	1	1	15000	1800	2400	7000	17	25	3	4	12	20	25	26	12	18
Alnutt Memorial.....	1	1	1	48000	6000	360	14800	28	65	9	13	42	21	89	91	44	63
Amelia.....	3	3		1500				13	20	3	4	12	8	25	26	13	18
Baltimore.....	3	3	1	6000	2000		4200	12	22	4	5	14	12	30	32	15	22
Beaver Dam.....	3	3	1	3400	800	32	500	3	10	3	2	6	10	14	14	7	10
Bedford.....	6	6	1	10000	1000	200		32	30	5	6	20	22	42	44	21	30
Belair.....	4	4	1	17000	5000	1050	9750	20	30	5	6	20	13	42	44	21	30
Bethany.....	1	1		4000		689	2000	2	10	2	2	6	9	14	14	7	10
Broadway.....	1	1	1	40000	3000	6500	8500	12	25	3	5	16	13	34	35	17	24
Brooklyn.....	1	1	1	10000	2000		4750	16	20	3	4	12	8	25	26	12	18
Cambridge.....	3	3	1	6000	2000	150	5500	22	30	5	6	20	16	42	44	21	30
Campbell.....	5	5		3750				7	12	2	3	8	3	17	18	9	12
Caroline.....	3	3	1	6000	1200		1000	10	25	4	5	16	13	34	35	17	24
Cecil.....	3	3	1	8000	2000	400	10000	20	30	3	4	12	10	25	26	13	18
Central.....	1	1		35000				12	22	3	4	12	3	25	26	13	18
Centreville.....	1	1	1	13500	2500	500	6500	20	25	4	5	16	6	3	35	17	24
Chesapeake....	2	2	1	5000	2000		3885	20	25	4	5	16	10	30	32	15	22
Chestertown.....	1	1	1	30000	5000		16600	36	60	8	12	36	17	77	79	38	54
Chincoteague.....	1	1	1	2800	1000	200	1500	3	20	3	4	12	9	25	26	13	18
Christ Church.....	1	1		1500				10	8	1	2	4	8	8	9	4	6
Clayton.....	3	3	1	5000	1700		5200	19	25	4	5	16	11	34	35	17	24
Clinton Hill.	1	1		6000		2000	1000	3	12	2	3	8	12	17	18	9	12
Concord.....	3	3	1	4700	900		2600	23	25	4	5	16	14	34	35	17	24
Conquest.....	4	4	1	8000	2000	500	4600	26	22	4	5	14	21	30	32	15	22
Crisfield.....	1	1	1	28000	2000	2750	7000	18	45	6	9	28	20	59	61	30	42
Crumptom.....	3	3	1	5800	600	100	2213	3	15	2	2	10	7	21	21	11	14
Cumberland.....	1	1		12000	215	3650	4000	16	22	4	5	14	8	30	32	15	22
Deer Creek.....	2	2	1	5700	1500		3900	10	15	2	2	10	7	21	21	10	14
Deer Park.....	4	4	1	6600	1500		2200	8	20	3	4	12	21	25	26	12	18
Delmar.....	2	2	1	5000	1835		4500	15	25	3	5	16	20	34	35	17	24
Delta.....	1	1	1	4500	2500	540	2900	8	20	3	4	12	5	25	26	12	18
Denton.....	1	1	1	6500	1800	750	5780	7	20	3	3	12	8	25	26	12	18
Dorchester.....	4	4	1	6000	1000		6000	37	25	4	5	16	16	34	35	17	24
Dover.....	1	1		6000		800	2175	5	12	2	3	8	6	17	18	9	12
East Baltimore.....	1	1	1	22000	1000	500	6000	29	45	6	9	28	15	59	61	30	42
Easton.....	1	1	1	15000	2000		9000	35	45	6	9	28	10	59	61	30	42
Elizabeth.....	1	1		16300		4000	13000	14	45	6	9	28	25	59	61	30	42
Eutaw.....	1	1	1	2000	2000		3500	16	22	3	5	14	5	30	32	15	22
Evergreen.....	1	1		1650			1400	2	8	1	2	4	5	8	9	4	6
Fairfax.....	4	4		5000			4000	12	12	2	2	6	12	14	14	7	10
Fawn Grove.....	3	3	1	6000	800		4000	13	25	4	5	16	24	34	35	17	24
Felton.....	4	4		3800	300			11	22	4	5	14	6	32	32	15	22
Finksburg.....	4	4	1	18000	2000	1514	10200	38	25	4	5	16	28	34	35	17	24
First Church (Wash).....	1	1	1	20000	5000	7500	11000	8	30	4	6	20	13	42	44	21	30

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CHARGES.	PROPERTY.							ASSESSMENTS 1902-3.									
	Appointments.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Value of Church Property	Value of Parsonage Property	Debt on Church and Parsonage Property.	Insurance on Church and Parsonage Property	Church Papers Taken.	President.	Conference.	Min. Education.	Seminary.	College.	Superannuated.	Ch. Extension.	Home Missions.	For. Missions.
Fox Hill.....	1	1	1	1500	800	500	1500	7	8	1	2	4	6	8	9	4	6
Franklin City	4	4	1	7000	800	200	1850	12	25	4	5	16	22	34	35	17	24
Frederica	1	1		2300		100	1000										
Frederick	4	4	1	5300	1400		2300	18	22	4	5	14	19	30	32	15	22
Georgetown, D. C.....	1	1	1	18000	5000		10000	42	60	9	13	40	10	86	88	43	60
Georgetown, Del.....	1	1		3500	300		1500	8	20	3	4	12	10	25	26	12	18
Georgetown Cir.....	3	3		3200		86	2100	3	12	2	3	8	11	17	18	8	12
Greenwood.....	3	3	1	5000	1500	75	4000	11	22	4	5	14	13	30	32	15	22
Grove.....	4	4	1	6000	500			10	22	4	5	14	9	30	32	15	22
Hampden	1	1	1	16000	1500		12000	12	40	4	8	24	26	51	53	26	36
Harper's Ferry.....	2	2	1	6000	500	175	2600	4	22	3	5	14	9	30	32	15	22
Harrington.....	2	2	1	4500	1600		4000	26	25	4	5	16	14	34	35	17	24
Heathville	5	5	1	3500	1500		500	37	30	5	6	20	14	42	44	21	30
Howard.....	4	3½	1	7000	2000		8750	16	22	4	5	14	14	30	32	15	22
Hurlock	4	4	1	4500	1200	700	3600	10	12	2	3	8	14	17	18	8	12
Indian River.....	1	1		600			400		5	1	2	4	2	8	9	4	6
Jefferson.....	2	2	1	21000	4000		14500	57	55	8	12	36	12	77	79	39	54
Keen Memorial.....	1	1		8000		4000	3000	2	12	2	3	8	13	17	18	8	12
Kempt Town.....	8	8	1	9500	800		9100	20	30	4	6	18	39	40	42	20	28
Kennedyville	1	1	1	4750	1500	135	2700	18	20	3	4	12	4	25	26	12	18
Kent Island.....	2	2	1	1800	1000		1400	20	22	4	5	14	7	30	32	15	20
Laurel	1	1	1	5000	2000		5000	18	40	6	8	24	10	53	55	26	40
Lawsonia.....	1	1		3000		800	2000		8	1	2	4	6	8	9	4	6
Leeds.....	2	2	1	6500	1500	242	6500	20	20	3	4	12	8	25	26	13	18
Leipsic.....	1	1		3000			1500	3	10	2	2	6	5	14	14	7	10
Lewistown	3	3		2500			935	1	8	1	2	4	8	8	9	4	6
Liberty	4	4	1	9000	1200		5850	31	22	4	5	14	13	30	32	15	22
Lisbon.....	4	4	1	9000	1500		7200	29	25	4	5	16	20	34	35	17	24
Lynchburg.....	1	1		20000		1500	4000	9	25	3	5	16	6	34	35	17	24
Mardela.....	4	4	1	5500	725	449	2200	2	12	2	3	8	14	17	18	9	12
Mariners.....	1	1	1	6000	1500		5000	7	22	4	5	14	15	30	32	15	22
Marley.....	3	3	1	4000			1300	5									
Middleway.....	4	3	1	2000	550	150	1200	1	12	2	3	8		17	18	8	12
Millville	2	2		2400		275	1400	3	10	2	2	6	4	14	14	7	10
Milton	1	1	1	1500	1000		800	7	17	3	4	12	6	25	26	13	18
Mt. Nebo.....	2	2	1	4600	1800	800	5300	1	15	2	2	10	7	21	21	11	14
Mt. Tabor.....	1	1		8000		158	4900	4	22	4	5	14	6	30	32	15	22
Newark	1	1	1	35000	7000		18000	16	65	9	13	40	11	86	88	43	60
New Market.....	4	4	1	13000	2300	500	7900	26	30	5	6	20	21	42	44	21	30
Nichols' Memorial	3	3		3600			2100	4	12	2	3	8	7	17	18	8	12
North Baltimore.....	1	1		13000			9500	30	25	3	6	17	6	38	41	19	27
North Carolina Ave.....	1	1		35000		10000	15000	23	22	4	5	14	10	30	32	15	22
Oak Grove.....	1	1	1	1500	700			15	20	3	4	12	4	25	26	13	18
Oxford.....	1	1	1	2200	2000		3300	11	25	4	5	16	8	34	35	17	24
Parksley.....	2	2		5400		165	1800	7	20	3	4	12	13	25	26	13	18

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	Appointm'ts.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Value of Church Property.	Value of Parsonage Prop.	Debt on Ch. and Parsonage Property.	Insuran'ce on Ch. & Par'ge Property.	Church Papers Taken	President.	Conference.	Min. Educa.	Seminary.	College.	Superan'u'd.	Church Ex.	Home Mis.	Forei'n Mis.	
Patapsco.....	1	1		1000					8	1	2	4	5	8	9	4	6	
Paysou Street.....	1	1		1500		23	1500	2	12	2	3	8	7	17	18	8	12	
Pipe Creek.....	2	2	1	10000	4000		8150	20	25	4	5	16	10	34	35	17	24	
Pittsville.....	4	4	1	6700	875		1200	18	20	3	4	12	12	25	26	13	18	
Pocomoke City.....	2	2	1	10000	3500		7760	25	45	6	9	28	11	59	61	30	42	
Pocomoke Circuit.....	2	3	1	1200	1100		500	9	12	2	3	8	7	17	18	9	12	
Potomac.....	2	2	1	6000	800		6525	9	20	3	4	12	8	25	26	13	18	
Powellville.....	4	4	1	3650	750		1650	8	15	2	2	10	4	21	21	11	14	
Prince George.....	2	2		1500				2	8	1	2	4	4	8	9	4	6	
Quantico.....	5	5	1	3600	500		400	2	15	3	2	10	10	21	21	10	14	
Queen Anne.....	2	2	1	2400	1000	23	2800	25	15	3	2	10	8	21	21	10	14	
Reliance.....	3	3	1	3500	1000		2600	6	15	3	2	10	14	21	21	11	14	
Rowlandville.....	3	3	1	4000	1000		3800	2	15	2	2	10	6	4	21	10	14	
Salisbury.....	1	1	1	6000	2000		5200	20	25	4	5	16	13	34	35	17	34	
Salem.....	1	1	1	4000	1200		2900	11	15	2	2	10	4	21	22	11	11	
Seaford.....	1	1	1	10000	1500	1225	6900	10	25	4	5	16	12	34	35	17	24	
Snow Hill.....	3	3	1	7600	3000	1500	5600	19	25	4	5	16	13	34	35	17	24	
South Baltimore.....	1	1	1	21000	2000	1500	2300	18	25	3	5	16	10	34	35	17	24	
Starr.....	1	1	1	37000	3000		12500	20	65	9	13	40	11	86	88	43	60	
Stewartstown.....	2	2	1	5600	1400		4242	15	22	4	5	14	11	30	32	15	22	
St. James.....	2	2	1	7000	1650		5600	27	30	5	20	6	42	44	21	30		
St. Johns (Canton).....	1	1		1800		322	2200	4	12	2	3	8	13	17	18	8	12	
St. Lukes.....	1	1	1	8000	5000	4571	4000	3	30	3	5	16	16	34	35	17	24	
St. Michaels.....	2	2	1	3500	1500		4000	23	20	3	4	12	7	25	26	13	18	
Susquehanna.....	3	3	1	6500	1000		6100	30	30	5	6	20	9	42	44	21	30	
Sussex.....	4	4	1	4800	1500	400	5500	22	25	4	5	16	20	34	35	17	24	
Talbot.....	3	3		4000		550	1000	12	12	2	3	8	8	17	18	9	12	
Trinity.....	2	2	1	9000	1000	126	9000	30	5	6	20	13	42	44	21	30		
Union.....	4	4	1	5000	1000		2300	28	30	5	6	20	14	42	44	21	30	
Union Bridge.....	2	2	1	9000	2000	700	4925	12	20	3	4	12	9	25	26	13	18	
Violetsville.....	1	1		750			600	1	8	1	2	4	7	8	9	4	6	
Waltersville.....	2	2	1	4500	1600	670	3900	21	20	3	4	12	17	25	26	13	18	
Warwick.....	3	3	1	3400	900			15	20	3	4	12	8	25	26	13	18	
Waverly.....	1	1	1	2500	1500	25	3700	4	12	2	2	6	7	14	14	7	10	
West Baltimore.....	1	1	1	36000	1500		16800	50	65	9	13	40	28	86	88	43	60	
Westminster.....	1	1	1	25500	4000		17300	42	55	8	12	36	9	76	79	39	54	
Wilmington.....	1	1		8500		3300	4000	15	25	4	5	16	8	34	35	17	24	
West Wilmington.....	1	1		4000		2200	1600	1	10	2	2	6	12	14	14	7	10	
Williamsport.....	3	3		1500			700	8	12	2	2	6	7	14	14	7	10	
Wye.....	1	1	1	1000	2000		2400	10	12	2	3	8	8	17	18	9	12	
Federalburg.....										2	1	2	4	2	8	9	4	6

MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

REPORT R.

Statistical Summary.

<i>Membership.</i>	1902	1901	Increase	Decrease
Unstated Ministers and Preachers.....	68	76		8
Probationers.....	1,408	1,526		118
Full Members.....	23,458	23,094	364	
Probationers at last Conference.....	1,354	1,968		614
“ received	1,321	1,366		45
“ elected to membership.....	929	1,331		402
“ withdrawn	16	35		19
“ discontinued.....	293	458		165
“ deceased	22	10	12	
Full Members received.....	1,877	2,047		170
“ withdrawn.....	306	315		9
“ discontinued.....	795	627	168	
“ deceased	232	268		36
Sunday-schools	265½	263½	2	
Sunday-school officers and teachers.....	3,586	3,519	67	
New scholars.....	2,886	2,595	291	
Sunday-school scholars on roll.....	25,327	24,564	763	
Y. P. S. C. E. societies.....	122	117	5	
“ members.....	4,395	4,427		32
Junior C. E. societies	57	57	0	0
“ members.....	2,067	2,406		339
Adults baptized.....	153	196		43
Children baptized	1,388	1,454		66
Conversions.....	2,149	2,333		184
<i>Property:</i>				
Appointments.....	285	289		4
Churches.....	285½	285½	0	0
Parsonages.....	94	93	1	
Value of church property	\$1,122,650	\$1,132,043		9,978
“ parsonage “	173,000	172,465	535	
Debt on churches and parsonages.....	76,930	91,453		14,523
Insurance on “ “	578,390	587,302		8,912
Church papers taken.....	1,863	1,910		46
<i>Assessments:</i>				
President.....	2,991	2,394.00	597.00	
Conference.....	457	450.25	6.75	
Ministerial Education.....	613	617.75		4.75
Seminary.....	1,883	1,906.50		20.50
College.....	1,446		1,446.00	
Superannuates.....	3,979	4,050.00		71.00
Church Extension.....	4,155	4,231.00		76.00
Home Missions	2,055	2,025.00		20.00
Foreign Missions	2,852	2,881.50		29.50

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MANUAL.

RULES OF ORDER

FOR THE

Government of the Maryland Annual Conference.

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. He shall also send the name to the President of the Conference and the pastor of the church where the Conference is held.

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 as 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 case 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 adjournment.
8. There shall be a meeting on Tuesday evening before the meeting of the Annual Conference in the interest of Temperance. On Wednesday evening (the first day of the session) there shall be a meeting in the interest of Sunday-Schools and Christian Endeavor; on Thursday evening, in the interest of Literature and Education; on Friday evening, in the interest of Missions, and on Monday evening, in the interest of Ministerial Support.
The President shall appoint a chairman for each of these meetings, who shall secure speakers, preside at the meeting and make all other necessary arrangements.
9. The office of stationing the ministers and preachers is committed to the hands of the President of the Conference.
10. It shall be the duty of the President to fill blanks in statistical reports for all charges unsupplied.
11. 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.
12. The failure of the President to visit any charge does not vitiate his right to the amount assessed for his salary.

13. The President shall represent the general interests of the Conference, and shall present their claims in such a manner and at such times as in his judgment may be necessary. And he shall use his utmost efforts with the Quarterly Conferences of the various charges to secure a salary of not less than \$600 for the minister with family, appointed as pastor, who has itinerated five years within the bounds of the Maryland Conference, and he shall urge upon the various charges the prompt payment of the salaries of the pastors.

Rule II—Duties of the Secretary:—

1. To perform such duties as are usually required of the Secretary of a deliberative body.
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 members of the Conference.
6. Keep correct minutes of the proceedings of the 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 a member of the Committee on the Publication of the Minutes.
12. Supply the pastors with blanks.

COMMITTEES.

Rule III—All committees shall be appointed by the President, except when otherwise directed in the Book of the 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. Pulpit Service—3 Ministers.
4. Church Extension—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
5. Superannuates—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
6. Literature—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
7. Sunday Schools—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
8. Temperance—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
9. Benevolent Agencies—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
10. Fraternal Relations—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
11. Official Character—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
12. Statistics—1 Minister, 1 Layman.
13. Obituaries—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. This committee not to be appointed until the death of some minister requires it.
14. Education—3 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
15. Committee on Missions—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
16. President's Report—2 Ministers, 1 Layman.
17. Sabbath Observance—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
18. Committee on Credentials—1 Minister, 2 Laymen.
19. Christian Endeavor Work—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
20. Publication of Minutes—The Secretary and 2 Ministers.
21. Committee on Transportation.
22. Committee on Church Enterprises—2 Ministers, 3 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 arise 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.

Rule 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 sustains 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 the 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 previous speech, except in regular debate, unless the member replying thereto requests it, or unless another member requests.

Rule XXII—Any member shall have the right to call or 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 is 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 9 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:—

1. 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 same 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 10:30 o'clock on the first day of each session of the Annual Conference the President, or his substitute, shall preach a sermon, and immediately thereafter the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered. The President shall also appoint some one to preach the Ordination Sermon at 11 A. M. on Sunday.

Rule XXIX—At 2:30 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. Church Extension Steward. 5. Superannuated Fund Steward. 6. Foreign Missionary Steward. 7. General Home Missionary Steward. 8. Educational Steward. 9. Our Church Home Steward. 10. Bible and Tract Steward. The Board of Stewards elected at one session to serve the following session of Conference, and the Conference Steward to appoint an assistant. 11. Standing District Committee, consisting of three elders and three laymen. 12. 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 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 explanation 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 SESSION.

Rule XXXI—The Conference shall be opened each day by reading the Scriptures, singing a hymn, and prayer.

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, 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 the Conference, either at that time or when the state of business may with more propriety be arrested.

DUTIES OF STEWARDS.

1. The Conference Steward, Church Extension Steward, Superannuated Fund Steward, Foreign Missionary Steward, General Home Missionary Steward, Educational Steward, Our Church Home Steward, and Bible and Tract 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 on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock and open the envelopes containing the various collections, count the money enclosed, noting its agreement with the statement of 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 churches, so as to secure them to the Methodist Protestant Church, and, whenever 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 unstationed minister or preacher.

8. Pastors are required to report to the Annual Conference the amounts contributed to Foreign Missions by the auxiliaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies, and due credit shall be given 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.

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

The Conference shall be opened by reading a portion of the Word of God and prayer, after which the business shall proceed in the following order:—

1. Call the roll, noting those present and absent.
2. Read minutes of last meeting.
3. Make necessary corrections in official list.
4. Consider objections to official character.
5. At first Quarterly Conference elect a Secretary, an Advisory Committee and Committee on Examinations.
6. Hear reports—
 - a. From pastor and associates.
 - b. From superannuates.
 - c. From unstationed ministers, preachers and exhorters.
 - d. From class-leaders, S. S. Superintendents and Presidents of C. E. Societies.
 - e. From Trustees and Stewards.
7. Hear and decide on appeals.
8. Inquire faithfully whether candidates for exhorter's and preacher's license for itinerancy and orders pursue the prescribed course of study and reading.
9. Grant and renew licenses.
10. Recommend to Board of Ministerial Education.
11. Recommend for orders and itinerancy.
12. Consider applications of ministers and preachers who desire to become members of this Quarterly Conference.
13. Hear suggestions from Advisory Committee.
14. Inquire why church property is not insured.
15. Incidental business.
16. Fix place for next Quarterly Conference.
17. Adjourn with benediction.

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 purpose indicated in Section 3 of Article IV of the Constitution, and in divisions 1 and 4 of "General Duties of Trustees," found on pages 114 and 115 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 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 hav-

ing attained the age of twenty-one years shall be eligible as a Trustee and 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 qualifications.

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.

3. The obituaries of wives and widows of the ministerial members of the Conference shall also be published in the Minutes.

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.

TITLES AND DEGREES.

Inasmuch as the degree of Doctor of Philosophy is the badge of University work and most rigid examinations—a degree which our better Colleges refuse to confer, and Universities do not confer for honor, but only for merit in advanced special studies—we feel sure no worthy institution would confer such a title for work done by correspondence, and the man who consents to bear a title so conferred subjects himself to the ridicule of scholars and involves the ministry in a charge of vanity and insincerity. Therefore, this Conference expresses its disapproval of this method of obtaining degrees, and declines to recognize in any way a title so obtained.

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 to 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.

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. Upon receiving from a quarterly conference a request for ministerial supply and a pledge that the above regulations will be faithfully observed, the President of the Annual Conference shall appoint members of this Conference to assist in conducting the camp-meeting.

In the absence of a request and a pledge such as are named above, the President shall not appoint such ministerial supply, nor shall any member of this Conference conduct such camp-meeting as pastor.

Appointees to camp-meeting service must be given four weeks' notice of their appointment. If they find it inconvenient to attend they shall promptly present their excuse to the President. If the President declines to revoke their appointment, a failure to attend shall be reported to this Conference by the President.

MISSIONARY REGULATIONS.

1. Contributions for church extension shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Church Extension Society, that he may disburse the funds to the missionaries according to their various claims.

2. Pastors are instructed to have the Church Extension collections in the hands of the Treasurer by the end of the second quarter of the conference year.

3. The Committee on Church Extension shall ascertain what amount of funds may be regarded as available for church extension purposes the ensuing year.

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

5. The Church Extension Society of this Conference shall elect seven Trustees for each mission, who shall hold all the property on our mission fields in trust of 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 the power to elect their own Trustees, to whom the Trustees appointed by the Church Extension 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 the 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 applicants 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 Church Extension 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 traveling 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 Church Extension 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, etc. 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 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?