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FACULTY OF INSTRUCTION.

PREPARATORY COURSE.

- S. B. SOUTHERLAND... { *Watson's Institutes.*
 { *Evidences of Christianity.*
- J. T. LASSELL..... { *English Grammar.*
- L. W. BATES..... { *Constitution and Discipline M. P. Church.*
 { *Miller on Clerical Habits and Manners.*

FIRST YEAR'S CLASS.

- J. T. MURRAY..... { *Watson's Institutes—Doctrines of Christianity.*
 { *Attributes of God.*
- J. T. WARD..... { *Mosheim's Church History, 1st to 5th Century.*
- B. F. BENSON..... { *Powell on Succession.*

STUDENTS—S. J. Willey, S. J. Smith, Wm. T. Valiant, and J. M. Brown.

SECOND YEAR'S CLASS.

- E. R. MCGREGOR..... { *Watson's Institutes—Doctrines of Christianity.*
 { *Original Sin.*
- J. D. KINZER..... { *Watson's Institutes—Redemption.*
- D. A. SHERMER..... { *Mosheim's Church History, 5th to 12th Century.*
- R. S. NORRIS..... { *Watson's Institutes—Institutions of Christianity.*

STUDENT—J. D. McFaden.

THIRD YEAR'S CLASS.

- F. SWENTZEL..... { *Watson's Institutes—Moral Law.*
- E. J. DRINKHOUSE..... { *Butler's Analogy.*
- W. S. HAMMOND..... { *Mosheim's Church History, 12th Century to the*
 { *of Volume.*
- H. C. CUSHING..... { *Wayland's Moral Science.*

STUDENTS—J. W. Trout, S. R. Murray, T. A. King, A. C. Berryman, C. Middleton, and W. E. Thompson.

The Faculty meets Tuesday before Conference, at 3 o'clock P. M., to examine Students, and at 7.30 P. M. for business.

L. W. BATES, *President.*

W. S. HAMMOND, *Secretary.*

MINUTES

OF THE

MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

The Fiftieth Session of the MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE convened in the Methodist Protestant church, in Easton, Md., on Wednesday, March 13th, 1878, at 9 o'clock A. M., and was opened by President D. W. Bates, who read the 4th chapter of Ephesians, announced the 54th hymn, and offered prayer.

J. E. T. Ewell and H. E. Miskimon were appointed a Committee on Credentials ; after whose report the roll of Ministerial and Lay Members was called, as follows :

MINISTERIAL MEMBERS.

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| 1. J. W. Everist, | 18. T. M. Bryan, |
| 2. J. K. Nichols, D. D., | 19. Jesse Shreeve, |
| 3. J. R. Nichols, | 20. J. A. McFaden, |
| 4. J. M. Elderdice, | 21. J. H. Ellegood, |
| 5. L. W. Bates, D. D., | 22. E. J. Drinkhouse, M. D., |
| 6. A. Baker, | 23. J. T. Murray, D. D., |
| 7. S. B. Southerland, D. D., | 24. J. Clay, |
| 8. J. J. Murray, D. D., | 25. Thomas Lee, |
| 9. P. L. Wilson, | 26. W. S. Hammond, |
| 10. D. W. Bates, | 27. H. C. Cushing, |
| 11. R. Scott Norris, | 28. T. A. Moore, |
| 12. W. T. Dumm, | 29. James Thompson, |
| 13. D. A. Shermer, M. D., | 30. A. D. Dick, |
| 14. David Wilson, M. D., | 31. W. G. Holmes, |
| 15. T. D. Valiant, | 32. C. H. Littleton, |
| 16. H. J. Day, | 33. D. F. Ewell, M. D., |
| 17. F. Swentzel, M. D., | 34. J. T. Ward, D. D., |

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| 35. B. F. Benson, | 68. W. J. Neepier, |
| 36. W. M. Strayer, | 69. R. L. Lewis, |
| 37. C. T. Cochel, | 70. A. A. Harryman, |
| 38. J. E. T. Ewell, M. D., | 71. W. J. Floyd, |
| 39. S. A. Hoblitzell, | 72. J. G. Sullivan, |
| 40. J. E. Maloy, | 73. J. B. Butler, M. D., |
| 41. J. L. Mills, | 74. J. L. Killgore, D. D., |
| 42. J. W. Charlton, | 75. E. R. McGregor, |
| 43. J. B. Jones, | 76. A. D. Melvin, |
| 44. J. W. Gray, | 77. F. T. Little, |
| 45. J. D. Kinzer, | 78. S. B. Tredway, |
| 46. W. D. Litsinger, | 79. W. F. Livingston, |
| 47. S. T. Ferguson, | 80. T. O. Crouse, |
| 48. S. T. Graham, | 81. J. M. Yingling, |
| 49. R. S. Rowe, | 82. W. R. Graham, |
| 50. J. E. Read, | 83. D. N. Gilbert, |
| 51. J. M. Holmes, | 84. W. J. D. Lucas, |
| 52. A. T. Melvin, | 85. G. F. Farring, |
| 53. A. W. Mather, | 86. F. H. Mullineaux, |
| 54. J. T. Lassell, | 87. J. A. Weigand, |
| 55. H. E. Miskimon, | 88. R. T. Smith, |
| 56. A. Webster, D. D., | 89. G. J. Smith, |
| 57. C. M. Thompson, | 90. T. H. Lewis, |
| 58. D. L. Greenfield, | 91. R. W. Berryman, |
| 59. W. C. Lipscomb, | 92. A. J. Walter, |
| 60. C. O. Melvin, | 93. H. C. Stern, |
| 61. Thomas McCormick, | 94. G. Q. Bacchus, |
| 62. J. L. Straughn, | 95. J. M. Sheridan, |
| 63. W. H. Lane, | 96. Walter W. White, |
| 64. I. T. Adkins, | 97. Philip T. Hall, |
| 65. Henry Bruner, | 98. C. S. Arnett, |
| 66. F. T. Tagg, | 99. A. C. Berryman. |
| 67. W. A. Crouse, | |

PROBATIONERS.

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| 1. C. B. Middleton, | 6. J. W. Trout, |
| 2. J. D. McFaden, | 7. S. J. Willey, |
| 3. A. C. Berryman, | 8. S. J. Smith, |
| 4. S. R. Murray, | 9. W. T. Valiant, |
| 5. T. A. King, | 10. J. Morrison Brown. |

LAY MEMBERS.

R. D. Abdel,	Thos. H. Wright,	R. L. Brockett,
John Coulbourn,	James Brockson,	W. J. Kinny,
R. L. Martin,	Robert Cooley,	B. T. Morgret,
John Dodd,	Thomas Barche,	H. W. Deek,
Robert G. Price,	G. A. Wicks,	Daniel N. Hahn,
John D. Payne,	Geo. W. Tarbutton,	G. W. Taylor,
S. M. Anderson,	David Jones,	James Boyer,
C. W. Button,	A. P. Ellis,	W. H. Ross,
Noah Pennuel,	Thos. L. Miller,	J. E. Nicholson,
A. Boyce,	Geo. L. Getyburgh,	Henry Swope,
Peter Baile,	A. Donelson,	G. H. Erdman,
E. W. Read,	William Slaughter,	Richard Thomas,
Alfred Leverage,	Edward M. Marsh,	S. S. Ewell,
George Frame,	John F. Cohee,	R. H. Smith,
Jas. E. C. Wright,	James L. Pettit,	George Adams,
William Scarff,	Caleb Freeland,	C. S. Jester,
James P. Rigby,	Augustus Watkins,	Geo. R. Berryman,
William Pulley,	Alfred P. White,	R. H. Gilbert,
Augustus Tabler,	E. A. Blankinship,	Samuel Vannort,
T. A. Newman,	A. W. Nicodemus,	Richard Tall,
Samuel Gaither,	A. T. Boswell,	S. V. Yantis,
James J. McCauley,	William Hawkins,	Thos. E. Colbourn.
	B. Milburn,	

After which the "Dead Roll" was impressively read by J. K. Nichols.

Revs. D. E. Reese, D. D., S. G. Valliant, and W. C. Ames, having died during the year, appreciative and appropriate tributes of respect and affection were expressed by J. J. Murray, S. B. Southerland, D. Wilson, A. D. Melvin, J. T. Murray, J. K. Nichols and J. B. Jones.

Conference adjourned to hear the annual sermon, which was preached by Rev. W. T. Dumm.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference devotional services conducted by J. E. T. Ewell.

The President read his annual report, and his character passed.

The Standing Committees were appointed as follows :

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Unfinished Business : D. A. Shermer, James Thompson, T. S. Linthicum.

Finance : William S. Hammond, J. M. Holmes, A. D. Melvin, George Frame, William Reed.

Statistics : C. T. Cochel.

Itinerancy and Orders : The Faculty of Instruction.

Boundaries : Robert G. Price, Caleb Freeland, Thomas Miller, R. D. Abdel, S. Gaither, James Brockson, Wm. Slaughter.

Missions : L. W. Bates, C. H. Littleton, W. M. Strayer, T. A. Newman, G. H. Erdman.

Literature : T. D. Valiant, S. A. Hoblitzell, J. D. Kinzer, David Jones, S. V. Yantis.

Western Maryland College : J. T. Murray, J. W. Gray, J. B. Jones, Henry Swope, A. W. Nicodemus.

Superannuated Claimants : J. J. Murray, F. Swentzel, T. A. Moore, C. W. Button, Benedict Milburn.

Temperance : Wm. T. Dumm, T. O. Crouse, W. J. Neeper, John Dodd, Peter Baile.

Fraternal Relations : S. B. Southerland, J. E. Maloy, F. T. Tagg, W. Hawkins, James Boyer.

Bible Cause : E. R. McGregor, A. T. Melvin, J. T. Lassell, J. E. Nicholson, F. L. Hering.

Pulpit Services : J. E. Read, E. R. McGregor, A. D. Melvin.

Sabbath Schools : J. W. Charlton, S. T. Graham, P. T. Hall, James McCauley, G. W. Taylor.

Ministerial Supply Outside of the District : D. Wilson, R. S. Norris, J. E. T. Ewell, Samuel Vannort, S. M. Anderson.

President's Annual Report : J. K. Nichols, F. T. Little, J. L. Killgore, Richard Thomas, R. L. Brockett.

Official Character and Official Reports: J. T. Ward, J. A. McFaden, H. E. Miskimon, Daniel N. Hahn, Wm. Scarff.

The order of the day having arrived, Conference proceeded to the selection of President, the result of which was the re-election of Rev. D. W. Bates.

Conference adjourned with the doxology, and the benediction was pronounced by T. D. Valiant.

S E C O N D D A Y .

THURSDAY, March 14th, 1878.

Conference devotional services conducted by J. B. Jones.

The following Special Committee was appointed on obituary of W. C. Ames: T. A. Moore, J. L. Straughn, J. G. Sullivan, Dr. Freeny, R. H. Smith.

The Standing District Committee was elected as follows: J. T. Murray, D. Wilson, J. W. Penuel, J. W. Thompson, Caleb Freeland, J. W. Hering.

The Committee on Appeals was elected as follows: S. A. Hoblitzell, L. W. Bates, J. D. Kinzer, C. W. Button, R. G. Price.

Rev. R. S. Rowe was elected Conference Steward.

J. E. Maloy was elected Superannuated Fund Steward.

A. W. Mather was elected Missionary Steward.

B. F. Benson was elected Secretary, and appointed J. D. Kinzer and A. C. Berryman as his assistants.

The list of Circuits and Stations was called for business.

A paper was presented from Starr church, and, on motion of W. S. Hammond, was referred to the Committee on Missions.

On motion of L. W. Bates, Lexington-street Station was stricken from the list of appointments.

A paper was presented by the members of Georgetown Station and read to the Conference, and, on motion of D. Wilson, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That a committee of four ministers and three delegates be appointed, to consider the question of "Suffrage and Eligibility to Office," remitted by the General Convention to the Annual Conferences, and to recommend a rule for the government of this Conference.

The obituary of D. E. Reese was ordered to be published on the first page of THE METHODIST PROTESTANT as soon as practicable after the rise of Conference.

A paper was presented by J. B. Walker and read to the Conference, and, on motion of W. M. Strayer, was referred to Special Committee of Five on Ministerial Education.

The hour for devotional services having arrived, the President directed the exercises and pronounced the benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference devotional services by J. K. Nichols.

A paper was received from Somerset Circuit, and, on motion, was referred to Committee on Boundaries.

The President announced the following committees :

On Ministerial Education : S. T. Graham, F. T. Tagg, J. L. Killgore, R. L. Brockett, B. Milburn,

Special Committee requested by the President : L. W. Bates, R. S. Norris, D. L. Greenfield, R. Thomas, A. W. Nicodemus.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the Steward of the Superannuated Fund be, and he is hereby instructed, to put back on the list of Claimants on the Fund, Sister Margaret Varden, who was struck from that list by the Report of the Committee on Claimants at the last Conference, and that she be allowed her proper *dividend* on the *funds* of the present year.

The following Committee on Suffrage was announced : D. Wilson, J. D. Kinzer, J. T. Lassell, J. E. T. Ewell, Geo. W. Taylor, W. Slaughter, A. T. Donelson.

A letter was read from Rev. S. Walker, and referred to the Faculty of Instruction.

The Committee on Superannuated Claimants was instructed to place the name of D. F. Ewell on the list of claimants, dating back to the rise of the last Annual Conference.

A report was made to the Conference by the Baltimore Branch of the Woman's Foreign Mission; and, after being read, was referred to Special Committee on adjusting our Annual Conference work to the new law.

The following resolution was, after amendment, adopted :

WHEREAS, The General Convention of the Church has intervened between the last session of this Conference and the present; therefore,

Resolved, That a committee of three ministers and two laymen, with Dr. E. J. Drinkhouse as chairman, be appointed on adjustment, to examine the Journal of said General Convention and report to this body what action is necessary to harmonize its work with the new law of the Church.

A paper from the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society was presented and read, and referred to Committee on Missions.

The report of the Educational Endowment Society was referred to Committee on Western Maryland College.

The report of the Book Directory was referred to the Committee on Literature.

A partial report of the Faculty of Instruction was adopted as follows :

The Committee on Itinerancy and Orders report as follows :

1. For Orders—Philip T. Hall, Chas. S. Arnett and W. W. White.
2. For the Itinerancy—J. M. Brown.
3. Recommended to the President—J. L. Leilich and Frederick Kline.

J. W. Charlton was excused from the chairmanship of the Committee on Sabbath Schools, and A. D. Dick was appointed in his place.

Conference adjourned with the doxology. Benediction by B. F. Benson.

T H I R D D A Y .

FRIDAY, March 15th, 1878.

Conference devotional services conducted by W. F. Livingston.

A paper from North Carolina Avenue Mission was referred to Committee on Missions.

A paper from Snow Hill Circuit was referred to the Committee on Boundaries.

A paper from Surry Circuit was referred to the Committee on Missions.

The following resolution, after amendment, was adopted :

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Committee on Entertainment of Delegates to the General Convention be instructed to pay the twenty dollars now in hand as the assessment of this Conference for the publication of the Journal, and that in the distribution they be sent to those charges which contributed to entertainment expenses.

The Annual Report of the President of Western Maryland College was received and read to the Conference; also, the report of the Trustees of Western Maryland College.

H. F. Zollickoffer, the Conference Agent for Western Maryland College, submitted his report, which was read and adopted.

The papers in reference to Western Maryland College were referred to the Committee on Western Maryland College.

The hour for religious services having arrived, they were conducted by J. J. Murray, and W. S. Hammond pronounced the benediction.

 A F T E R N O O N S E S S I O N .

Conference religious services conducted by W. F. Livingston, and immediately adjourned to give place to the meeting of the Superannuated Fund Society.

The Superannuated Fund Society met, with E. J. Drinkhouse in the chair.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :

E. J. Drinkhouse, 1st Vice President; J. T. Murray, 2d Vice President; W. R. Graham, Recording Secretary; A. W. Mather, Corresponding Secretary.

Board of Managers : E. J. Drinkhouse, L. W. Bates, R. S. Norris, J. M. Holmes, H. F. Zollickoffer, W. H. Griffith, James W. Cole, E. B. Bates.

Treasurer : Dr. H. F. Zollickoffer.

D. N. Gilbert was appointed to collect the annual dues from the members.

A bill was presented by the Corresponding Secretary for stamps and stationery, and ordered to be paid.

The account of H. F. Zollickoffer, Treasurer, was received and accepted.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Society be extended to Dr. H. F. Zollickoffer for his services as Treasurer of the Society.

A. W. Mather offered the following :

Resolved, That the Superannuated Fund Society petition the Legislature of Maryland, to extend the gross amount of property allowed to be held by this Society to one hundred thousand dollars.

Society then adjourned to meet at 7½ P. M., in Anniversary Society.

Met pursuant to adjournment, J. T. Murray, Vice President, in the chair. The anniversary address was delivered by F. T. Tagg. W. S. Hammond and R. S. Rowe made appeals for liberal collections, which were lifted and placed in the hands of the Steward for distribution.

Conference resumed its session, and considered the paper from Georgetown Station, providing for the entertainment of the Conference in the future. A motion was made to recommit, with instructions to refer the whole question of the entertainment of ministers and delegates to the respective Quarterly Conferences, which was lost, and W. M. Strayer offered the following resolution :

That the Ministerial and Lay members of this Conference hereafter attend its sessions at their own charges, unless they make arrangements with the Quarterly Conferences to pay them, and the church where the Conference meets be relieved from all obligation to provide entertainment.

The order of the day arrived, viz: the consideration of the interests of Western Maryland College.

The Committee on the College submitted its report, which was adopted, as follows :

The Committee on Western Maryland College respectfully report as follows :

We have a high estimate of the value of this Institution to our denomination. It has already done good service to the Church, fully compensating us for all the money which has been raised for its benefit in the Maryland District. The general management of the affairs of the College has been such as to give us confidence in the official ability of those who have controlled its several departments. And we hereby express our confidence in the Board of Trustees, the local board and the Faculty.

The report of the Board of Trustees is not encouraging as to the present financial condition of the College; it indicates that a crisis has been reached requiring the gravest consideration and the most prompt and determined action. The debt already too heavy to be carried, and annually increasing, must be provided for, or the College enterprise must be abandoned. The Conference must say whether it is worth the effort required to save it, and if its decision is affirmative, the Church must sustain that decision within the year by contributions sufficient to pay off the debt. The measures of relief heretofore proposed have been only partial; we must now adopt one that will be complete and final. This failing, no further appeal can be made; succeeding, the College will be established upon a permanent basis. The plan must not risk the loss of a single dollar contributed. The plan adopted by the Board of Trustees at the annual meeting in January, 1878, is as follows :

That individual notes be secured, payable at such time as may be agreed to by the maker of the note and the Agent; said notes to be binding only upon condition that enough reliable obligations be secured to cover the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars. That the money resulting from these notes shall be deposited in bank to the credit of the Educational Endowment Society of the Maryland Annual Conference of the M. P. Church, and no part of the same shall be used until the entire amount of \$25,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the entire debt, shall have been actually paid in. That it shall then be used by the said Society to liquidate the indebtedness upon the property of Western Maryland College, relieving it of all incumbrance; and the Board of Trustees shall then convey said property by deed of mortgage to the said Educational Endowment Society.

In case of ultimate failure to obtain the entire amount necessary to pay the debt, the money paid in shall be refunded to the donors, if required.

To carry out this plan it is proposed to enlist the services of Rev. J. B. Walker, whose successful work of fifteen years in financial agencies of the Methodist Church demonstrate his eminent fitness for this service. We recommend the adoption of this plan, and endorse the selection of the person for the agency.

We commend the Agent, Rev. J. B. Walker, to our people throughout the Maryland District, and enjoin upon the Pastors co-operation with him in his work.

We also recommend that the Conference assent to the proposition of the Board of Trustees, that whatever monies may hereafter be raised on the assessment plan, be placed in their hands for such use as they may determine will do the most good, and not require them to apply it to the payment of the Liens.

The itemized report of the College Agent, Rev. J. W. Charlton, will be read. The Committee sympathize with the Board of Trustees in disappointment that the agency did not fulfil their high hopes of its success.

In the report of Dr. H. F. Zollickoffer, Agent, he acknowledges that in view of the extreme urgency of the claims against the College for current expenses, placing the credit of the institution in great jeopardy, he did not conform to

direction of Conference (see Minutes of 1876, p. 22,) in regard to the application of funds received by him, but applied them to the use of the College for current expenses. For this amount he took the corporate note of the College, and passed the same to the Treasurer of the Maryland Educational Endowment Society of the M. P. Church.

We recommend, under the circumstances, the justification of this official act of the Agent, Dr. Zollickoffer.

The committee recommend the re-adoption of the resolutions of the last Conference:

"1. *Resolved*, That the assessments made heretofore be collected and paid over as soon as practicable; and that Superintendents be enjoined to give this business their prompt attention and faithful exertions.

"2. *Resolved*, That it be recommended to all our ministers and members to use their influence in behalf of an increase of students; and by all honorable means to promote the prosperity of Western Maryland College."

Your Committee find in the report of the assets of the College a large amount due on account of tuition and board, and deprecate the departure to so great an extent from the rule of advance payment, and recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the College authorities be instructed to carry out more fully and impartially the prepayment of expenses by those enjoying the benefits of the College.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. MURRAY, *Chairman*.

J. B. Walker, in pursuance of the plan adopted in the report of the Committee, proceeded to address the Conference in explanation of the plan, and, following his appeal, \$5,725 were subscribed.

L. W. Bates presented a paper, which was referred to the Committee on Literature.

Conference adjourned, with benediction by J. B. Walker.

F O U R T H D A Y .

SATURDAY, March 16th, 1878.

Conference devotional services conducted by A. T. Melvin.

The report of Committee on Official Reports was laid on the table for future consideration.

The report of the Faculty of Instruction was received and adopted, as follows:

The Faculty of Instruction report as follows :

1. S. J. Willey, S. J. Smith and W. T. Valiant were continued in the First Year Class.
2. J. W. Trout, C. B. Middleton, T. A. King, S. R. Murray, A. C. Berryman, Thos. H. Lewis and W. E. Thompson were passed to the third year.
3. J. D. McFaden was continued in the Second-Year Class.
4. T. H. Lewis and J. M. Sheridan having been ordained at our last session, and having promised to continue their studies, appeared before the Faculty, and were duly examined and passed.
5. In the Course of Study, the words Bullion's Analytical were stricken out, and the word English inserted.

The report of the Committee on Boundaries was adopted, as follows :

The Committee on Boundaries recommend the following to the action of the Conference :

1. That Cecil Circuit be divided, so that Harmony and Bethesda appointments be set off as a Circuit, to be called Rowlandville Circuit.
2. The changing of the name of Prince William Mission to Guilford Circuit.
3. The request of Cumberland Station, that Lonaconing be taken up as a mission, and supplied by a pastor, be granted.
4. That Hampden Mission and Eutaw Station be separated.
5. That Harper's Ferry Mission be divided, so as to leave Harper's Ferry as a mission, and Smithfield and Three Runs set off as a circuit, to be called Middleway.
6. That the request of Snow Hill Circuit be granted; that is, to set off Chincoteague Island as a mission, and to be supplied by a married man; and connect Pittsville and Wattsville with Snow Hill Circuit, to be supplied by one married and one single preacher.

J. K. Nichols presented a paper, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Finance without instruction.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the Conference Steward be authorized to refund the President the sum of five dollars, paid for a satchel for official uses; and, also, that he be authorized to purchase suitable satchels for the use of the Conference Steward, and the Stewards of the Missionary and the Superannuated Fund.

The Committee on the President's Report read their report, when, the hour having arrived for worship, the President conducted the services, and D. F. Ewell pronounced the benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference religious services conducted by E. J. Drinkhouse.

Conference resumed consideration of the report of Committee

on the President's Report, which was under consideration at close of morning session, and was adopted, as follows :

The Committee on President's Report respectfully submit the following :

We have given the Report of the President a careful examination, and are pleased with its fulness of detail, and the ability which marks its preparation. Believing that the general, as well as local, interests of the Methodist Protestant Church within the bounds of the Maryland District demands that definite and decided action be taken upon the suggestions therein contained, we respectfully recommend :

1st. That the attention of Pastors be called to the law relative to the deeding and incorporation of Church property. Manual, p. 68.

2d. A reference of that part referring to missions and missionaries to the Missionary Committee.

3d. A reference of that part referring to superannuated claimants to the Conference Committee on such claimants.

4th. A reference of that part referring to THE METHODIST PROTESTANT to the Committee on Literature.

5th. A reference of that part referring to Western Maryland College, to the Conference Committee on said College.

6th. That a special committee be appointed to arrange for a semi-centennial service, to be held at a convenient time during the present session of Conference.

7th. A reference of Middlebrook and Keyser appointments to the Committee on Boundaries.

A paper was received from Alexandria, and was referred to the Committee on Missions.

A letter was received from J. Clay, and he was left without an appointment at his own request for one year.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That each Pastor be required to report to this Conference, at its next session, the amount of church debt on his charge.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was read and adopted, as follows :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

WHEREAS, The exigencies of the present seem to demand an emphasized expression of judgment and feeling upon the subject of Temperance by this Conference :

Resolved, 1st, That we regard the manufacture, sale and use of intoxicating liquors, as a beverage, as a great evil, morally wrong in principle and depraving in its influences.

Resolved, 2d, That we cordially recognize all legitimate, Christian efforts for the suppression of intemperance, and extend to the workers in this noble cause our warmest sympathies, and pledge them our active co-operation.

The report of the Committee on Supply outside the District was adopted, as follows :

The Committee on the Supply of Churches Outside of the District respectfully recommend that the request from St. John's Independent M. P. church, for the return, as its Assistant Pastor, of Rev. T. H. Lewis, be granted.

On motion of J. T. Murray, J. J. Murray was left without an appointment for one year at his own request.

On motion of S. B. Southerland, J. L. Mills was left without appointment one year, with a view to the supply of Montgomery Station.

The application of Heathsville for ministerial supply was laid over until Monday.

The Committee on Ecclesiastical Communications and Visitations made their report, which was adopted, as follows :

The Committee on Ecclesiastical Communications and Visitations beg leave to report that letters of fraternal greetings have been received from Revs. W. M. Betts and George Nestor, of the West Virginia Conference, M. P. Church; from Revs. Alson Gray, D. D., and W. H. Wills, D. D., of the North Carolina Conference, M. P. Church; from Rev. G. W. Sterigere, of the Pennsylvania Conference, M. P. Church; and from Rev. William Collier, D. D., Pittsburgh Conference, M. P. Church.

We seriously regret that these brethren could not attend the Conference. We recommend that their letters of love and greeting be read to the Conference.

The Committee also take pleasure in the presence of Dr. G. B. McElroy, as messenger from the Annual Council of the M. P. Church; Rev. J. B. Walker, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Education, M. P. Church; Rev. Josiah Clift, fraternal messenger from the Virginia Conference of the M. P. Church; Rev. Dr. O. C. Payne, fraternal messenger from the Pennsylvania Conference, M. P. Church; Rev. Dr. Alexander Clark, of the Pittsburgh Conference, M. P. Church.

We further recommend that these fraternal visits and greetings be returned by the appointment of messengers to each of the Conferences from which messengers and letters of fraternity have been sent.

We further recommend that the fraternal messengers be heard on Monday morning next, at 11 o'clock.

We also recommend that the title of our committee be changed to that of *Fraternal Relations*.

The hearing of the fraternal addresses was made the order of the day for Monday, at 11 A. M.

On motion of Dr. Nichols, the allowance for D. F. Ewell for last year was fixed at \$406.00.

Conference adjourned with the doxology. Benediction by D. A. Shermer.

F I F T H D A Y .

MONDAY, March 18th, 1878.

Conference devotional services conducted by R. S. Rowe.

Letters were read from Rev. Alson Gray, D. D., of North Carolina Conference; Rev. W. M. Betts, of West Virginia Conference; Rev. William Collier, D. D., of Pittsburgh Conference; Rev. George Nestor, of West Virginia Conference; Rev. W. H. Wills, D. D., of North Carolina Conference; Rev. G. W. Sterigere, of the Pennsylvania Conference.

Rev. C. O. Payne, of the Pennsylvania Conference, addressed the Conference, bearing the fraternal greetings of his Conference.

Rev. G. B. McElroy, D. D., President of Adrian College, gave an interesting account of the work in his College.

Rev. Josiah Clift addressed the Conference, bearing the fraternal greetings of the Virginia Conference.

A letter was read from T. M. Bryan.

The President requested permission to eliminate part of his official report.

Objection was made by F. T. Tagg, and while under consideration the hour of adjournment arrived, and the session closed with the doxology. Benediction by Dr. McElroy.

A F T E R N O O N S E S S I O N .

Conference devotional services conducted by A. T. Melvin.

The report of Committee on Official Reports was taken up and adopted.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That this Conference disapproves of the practice of mortgaging church or parsonage property for the purpose of paying Pastor's salary, directly or indirectly.

The report of Committee on Superannuated Claimants was re-

ceived and laid on the table for twenty-four hours, according to rule.

The hearing of fraternal addresses, which was cut off by the close of the morning's session, was now in order.

Rev. J. B. Walker addressed the Conference, defining his work and relation to us.

Rev. Dr. A. Clarke bore the fraternal greetings of the Pittsburgh Conference, and presented the claims of THE METHODIST RECORDER.

The President of the Conference responded in appropriate terms to these fraternal addresses.

The consideration of the matter of the President's withdrawing his report, in order to eliminate a clause with regard to Broadway, was resumed, and, after a protracted discussion, Conference refused to allow the withdrawal.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the Pastor of the East Baltimore Station be authorized to give certificates to the members of Broadway church, in good standing.

Conference adjourned for a meeting of the Missionary Society, which was organized with R. S. Norris in the chair.

The report of R. S. Rowe, Treasurer, was read and adopted.

The election of officers was held, with the following result :

President : R. S. Norris.

Vice Presidents : R. S. Rowe, J. M. Elderdice.

Board of Managers : E. J. Drinkhouse, L. W. Bates, D. L. Greenfield, W. S. Hammond, J. G. Clarke, H. F. Zollickoffer, W. J. C. Dulany, William Pulley.

Secretary : S. A. Hoblitzell.

Treasurer : J. M. Holmes.

J. M. Sheridan was appointed to collect the annual dues, and \$61.00 was realized.

On motion of E. J. Drinkhouse, it was

Resolved, 1st, That the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society be authorized to trade the Norfolk church property in accordance with a proposition made to them.

Resolved, 2d, That the \$1,500.00 in money, accruing from the trade of Norfolk church, be left with the Board of Managers for disposition.

Society then adjourned to meet in anniversary exercises at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Conference resumed its session, and adjourned with the doxology. Benediction by J. L. Killgore.

The anniversary meeting of the Missionary Society was held at 7½ o'clock P. M., when the annual address was delivered by W. J. Neepier, who was followed by S. T. Graham and W. S. Hammond in appeals for liberal contributions, and \$162.00 was secured.

S I X T H D A Y .

TUESDAY, March 19th, 1878.

Conference religious services directed by R. S. Rowe.

The list of committees was called, and the report of the Faculty of Instruction was laid on the table; also the report of the Special Committee requested by the President, and the Committee on Statistics.

An additional report of the Committee on Boundaries was adopted, as follows:

1. We recommend that Severn appointment of Anne Arundel Circuit, Mt. Winans, or Leadenhall, Gideon, Centralia, All Saints, and other missionary ground adjacent, be formed into a mission, to be called Severn Mission, supplied by one minister.
2. We recommend that the request of brethren at Chester, Delaware county, Pa., be granted, that Chester be taken up as a Station, and be supplied with a Pastor.

The Committee on Missions submitted a report in part, which was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution with reference to the Lexington-street church:

WHEREAS, The St. John's Board of Beneficence has agreed that the Board of Managers of the Home Missionary Society may sell the Lexington-street property, and use for the benefit of the Missionary Society all monies in excess of \$4,600 due said Board of Beneficence; therefore,

Resolved, That the Board of Managers of the Home Missionary Society be, and they hereby are, authorized to sell said property.

Resolved, 2d, That we loan the Board of Managers of the Home Missionary Society a sufficient amount of money from the proceeds of the sale of Broadway church to pay the ground rent on the Lexington-street church up to the time we cease to occupy it.

Resolved, 3d, That the Board of Managers of the Home Missionary Society be authorized to use the residue of money accruing from the sale of Broadway church to build a chapel in the northwest part of the city of Baltimore—with the understanding that the Board is not to encumber the new property with a single dollar of debt.

NORFOLK.

1. *Resolved,* That the Missionary Steward be authorized to pay D. W. Bates, President of the Conference, \$26.25, to indemnify him for expense incurred in negotiating an exchange of Church property in the city of Norfolk, Va.

2. *Resolved,* That one-half of the expense (not more than \$30) of securing the legal transfer of Church property in Norfolk be paid by the Home Missionary Society of the Maryland Annual Conference.

Amounts received from the Methodist Protestant Church, Maryland Annual Conference, for the Baltimore Branch, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, for year ending March, 1878: Georgetown, \$40; Lexington-street, \$1.25; Eutaw Station, \$4.68; Greene-street, \$23.02; Bedford Circuit, \$2.80; Surry Mission, 60 cents; Cumberland, \$2.25; Preston Circuit, 80 cents; Pipe Creek, \$5; Pocomoke, \$6; Concord, \$2.25; Warwick, \$5; Howard, \$11.30; Deer Creek, \$3.05; Centreville, \$28; First Church, Washington, \$1.25; Milton Circuit, \$2.25; Deal's Island, \$1; Newark, N. J., \$2.50; Cassville, Pa., \$2; West Baltimore, \$1; J. E. Maloy, \$1; Starr Church, \$8.50; Westminster, \$2.15; Kent Island, \$2; Seaford Circuit, \$1.50; East Baltimore, \$43.07; Belair Circuit, \$3; Buckeystown Sunday school, \$30; Baltimore Circuit, \$1.75; South Baltimore Station, \$8.60; Williamsport, 30 cents; Leipsic Circuit, \$4; Crumpton, \$1; Cambridge, 75 cents; Frederick, \$17.85; Anne Arundel, \$1; Alexandria, \$5; Newtown, \$4; Susquehanna, \$7.90; Dorchester, \$1.41; Potomac Mission, \$1; Fawn Grove, \$1.21; Rev. C. S. Arnett, \$1; Berkeley Circuit, 88 cents; Salisbury, \$1.22; Somerset, \$1.15; Kent, \$5; Accomac, \$1.25; Chesapeake, \$2.64; Liberty, \$2.26; Lynchburg, \$10; Harper's Ferry, \$2.50; Finksburg, \$2; Washington-street, \$4; Talbot Circuit, \$4.15; Queen Anne's, \$2.75; Whaleyville, \$1; Prince William, 50 cents; Heathsville, \$4; Charleston, S. C., \$1; Rainsburg, \$2.78; Laurel, 95 cents; Quantico, \$1; Union Circuit, \$1.75—total, \$345.27.

The report of Special Committee on Communication from Charleston was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATION OF METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH, CHARLESTON, S. C.

We are gratified with the cheering assurances the communication from this church brings us, of the continued fidelity and prosperity of the Charleston Methodist Protestant Church, and we would reassure the faithful membership of our continued sympathy and confidence.

We respectfully recommend that their request be granted, to have the pastoral relation of Rev. Francis Brown to this church continued.

The Faculty of Instruction made a supplemental report, as follows:

The Faculty of Instruction recommend Edwin R. Washington, of Zion M. P. Church, of St. John's, Berkeley county, S. C., for orders.

J. H. Ellegood was referred to Committee on Superannuated Claimants.

The partial report of Committee on Finance, in reference to en-

tainment of Conference, was taken up, and the amendment of W. M. Strayer was laid on the table.

The following paper was adopted as a substitute for the partial report of the Committee on Finance :

Resolved, That if no invitation for the entertainment of the 51st Maryland Annual Conference be received by the President on or before the 1st day of November, proximo, he shall, in conjunction with the Standing District Committee, appoint a place and notify the District thereof, through the METHODIST PROTESTANT, that the respective Quarterly Conferences may make provision for the entertainment of their own ministers and representatives.

Committee on Semi-Centennial Service : S. B. Southerland, J. L. Killgore, T. A. Moore, C. W. Button, S. Vannort.

Committee on Broadway : J. T. Murray, P. L. Wilson, W. M. Strayer, T. A. Newman, George Frame.

The report of the Committee on Suffrage and Eligibility to Office was read, and while being considered Conference adjourned with the doxology. Benediction by T. A. Moore.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference devotional services conducted by J. R. Nichols.

The obituaries of S. G. Valliant and D. Evans Reese, D. D., were received.

The report of the Committee on Statistics was adopted, as follows :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS.

CHARGES.	Members.	Probationers	Net Increase.	Ministers.	Preachers.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Colored Members.	Sabbath Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Church Periodicals.	Value of Church Property.	Unstationed Ministers and Preachers.
Alexandria.....	138	8	26	..	2	1	1	....	1	17	120	479	....	\$12,000	J. Tacey, W. H. Herbert.
East Baltimore.....	205	....	18	1	..	1	1	....	1	22	175	400	25	28,000	
West Baltimore.....	163	12	16	..	..	1	1	....	1	18	142	250	....	25,000	
South Baltimore.....	179	12	31	..	..	1	1	....	1	20	250	500	8	21,000	
Centreville.....	146	13	23	..	1	1	1	....	2	17	120	500	30	10,000	W. E. Thompson.
Cumberland.....	124	18	24	..	..	1	1	....	1	24	200	250	13	10,000	
Eutaw.....	77	....	2	..	..	1	1	....	1	6	65	100	....	4,800	
Georgetown.....	293	5	15	1	..	2	1	....	2	52	366	1,050	42	40,000	P. H. Sweet.
Laurel.....	136	16	16	..	..	1	..	....	1	14	152	200	18	6,000	
Northwestern Mission....	80	6	....	1	..	1	..	....	1	18	81	448	4	15,000	H. T. Gernhardt.
Lynchburg.....	250	4	24	1	..	1	..	....	1	20	180	250	....	14,000	J. Clift.
North Carolina Avenue...	68	14	....	1	..	1	..	....	1	13	176	150	6	4,000	Oliver Cox.
Newark.....	154	....	....	1	1	1	1	....	1	32	175	600	....	35,000	L. Morris, D. Smith.
Ninth Street.....	143	7	19	..	..	1	1	....	1	25	210	1,000	....	30,000	
Starr Church.....	187	9	31	..	..	1	1	....	1	23	103	425	12	43,000	
First Church, Washington.	144	....	23	..	..	1	1	....	1	22	142	400	9	10,000	
Washington Street.....	181	15	5	..	1	1	1	....	1	20	265	150	12	16,000	E. Gilligan.
Westminster.....	210	42	34	..	1	1	..	....	1	22	160	300	37	18,400	Dr. C. Billingslea.
Anne Arundel.....	260	62	62	..	..	6	1	....	5	35	300	600	21	12,000	
Easton.....	140	3	....	1	..	1	1	....	1	25	150	300	....	15,000	T. J. Slaughter.
Norfolk.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hampden.....	133	....	28	..	3	1	..	....	1	18	185	260	5	13,000	{ J. Crabson, J. Baughman, J. S. Crowther.
Accomac.....	177	9	66	..	..	2	..	....	2	26	195	325	10	3,650	
Belair.....	115	60	....	1	..	3	1	....	4	20	185	....	22	8,000	A. H. Greenfield.
Baltimore.....	290	18	15	2	..	4	1	....	6	36	323	927	10	9,000	J. B. Mitchell, J. Cain.
Bedford.....	123	16	1	..	5	1	5	35	180	370	10	7,000	J. Growden.
Caroline.....	425	72	78	1	..	7	1	7	78	417	300	12,200	J. Irvin.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS — *Continued.*

CHARGES.	Members.	Probationers	Net Increase.	Ministers.	Preachers.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Colored Members.	Sabbath Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Church Periodicals.	Value of Church Property.	Unstationed Ministers and Preachers.
Cambridge.....	66	....	4	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	100	8	\$3,000	[gomery.
Cecil.....	352	73	11	2	2	7	1	..	6	68	430	1,130	....	11,900	Dr. J. M. Jordan, N. Mont-
Chesapeake.....	79	18	4	..	1	2	1	..	2	25	115	175	10	7,000	T. M. Pinkind.
Concord.....	179	12	4	..	..	4	1	..	2	24	140	100	16	6,000	
Dorchester.....	275	30	21	..	..	7	1	..	7	27	240	400	....	10,000	[wards.
Frederick.....	492	52	8	3	..	8	1	..	8	40	550	1,400	....	14,000	J. Day, G. F. Kindley, Bro. Ed-
Jefferson.....	50	....	4	..	..	2	1	..	1	24	86	565	15	5,000	
Frederick City.....	35	....	2	..	..	1	..	..	1	8	40	100	7	3,000	
Lewistown.....	68	2	3	..	..	2	..	..	1	6	59	30	....	3,800	
Finksburg.....	365	60	63	1	1	7	..	..	8	40	430	1,800	....	16,000	H. L. Shipley.
Howard.....	382	3	50	..	1	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	1	..	8	70	415	1,042	45	11,900	Z. M. Waters, R. Vansant.
Kent.....	275	50	..	..	..	3	1	..	3	60	300	500	....	18,000	
Kent Island.....	145	13	16	..	2	2	1	..	2	24	137	400	9	8,000	J. J. Taylor; W. K. White.
Leipsic.....	157	132	174	..	1	4	..	..	4	33	201	500	22	5,000	W. T. Potter.
Liberty.....	220	22	18	1	..	4	1	1	4	35	200	400	25	9,000	W. H. Todd.
Milton.....	170	16	9	..	..	3	..	..	3	15	90	400	8	3,200	
Pipe Creek.....	215	25	29	..	1	3	1	..	4	31	245	1,031	32	14,000	
Preston.....	110	81	..	..	..	2	..	..	2	20	156	95	....	3,075	
Pocomoke.....	166	16	15	..	1	4	..	..	4	24	150	190	18	5,000	J. H. McGrath.
Somerset.....	225	20	10	..	..	3	..	..	3	36	200	500	....	4,200	
Stewartstown.....	221	17	1	..	1	4	1	..	3	26	244	800	17	8,000	D. W. Anstine.
Seaford.....	158	14	13	1	..	3	1	..	3	23	175	200	29	9,100	J. E. Nicholson.
Susquehanna.....	123	46	44	..	..	3	1	..	3	42	170	975	32	10,000	
Talbot.....	126	26	32	1	..	3	1	..	..	20	130	250	14	5,000	
Union.....	200	12	9	..	..	5	1	..	4	30	180	1,000	20	7,500	
Quantico.....	169	7	..	..	2	5	..	..	4	30	175	300	8	6,000	R. Roberts, F. Robertson.
Warwick.....	244	84	166	..	..	4	1	..	2	15	106	500	42	9,000	
Queen Anne's.....	103	....	12	..	..	2	1	..	2	18	110	400	13	3,700	

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS — *Continued.*

CHARGES.	Members.	Probationers	Net Increase.	Ministers.	Preachers.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Colored Members.	Sabbath Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Church Periodicals.	Value of Church Property.	Unstationed Ministers and Preachers.
Snow Hill.....	235	....	50	..	2	5	..	....	2	14	130	150	....	\$2,300	J. Holdskom, Wm. Drink.
Newtown.....	179	1	1	1	..	2	1	....	2	20	150	240	28	6,000	W. Dale.
Whaleyville.....	333	....	60	1	1	8	1	....	8	35	210	450	12	7,350	R. H. Powell, J. H. Tilghman.
Deer Creek.....	105	3	2	..	..	2	..	....	2	11	130	250	9	3,000	
Potomac.....	76	....	....	..	2	2	1	....	2	15	60	600	....	3,500	H. Dye, H. Ball.
Prince William.....	40	....	3	..	1	2	..	....	2	10	90	100	8	3,000	A. Watkins.
St. Michaels.....	82	2	3	1	1	2	1	....	2	12	30	....	....	4,100	W. M. Poisal, J. A. Robinson.
Harper's Ferry.....	134	29	17	..	..	2	1	....	1	17	75	310	11	6,000	
Ellicott City.....	74	1	....	..	..	2	..	....	2	4	30	200	13	2,800	
Surry, Va.....	163	3	....	..	..	2	..	....	1	6	35	325	16	2,000	
Crumpton.....	51	34	34	..	..	2	..	....	2	17	138	200	7	2,690	
Williamsport.....	24	....	....	1	..	2	..	....	1	8	50	400	6	5,000	Jolin Light.
Fawn Grove.....	256	8	21	2	..	4	1	....	4	35	218	800	15	8,000	T. M. Cathcart.
Sussex.....	80	14	7	..	..	2	..	....	4	20	100	300	....	2,000	
Salisbury.....	111	9	18	1	..	2	1	....	1	6	40	400	16	7,000	J. P. Penuel.
Chincoteague.....	130	....	....	1	..	3	1	....	3	18	75	292	5	1,200	
Berkeley.....	94	....	....	..	..	4	..	....	2	19	103	387	7	2,500	
Campbell.....	92	....	9	1	..	5	..	....	..	..	..	..	4	1,500	
Mt. Carmel.....	60	4	11	..	..	1	..	....	1	6	108	100	3	1,500	
Rainsburg.....	60	1	2	1	..	2	..	....	2	16	100	250	4	2,800	S. Lee.
Charleston.....	....	....	....	1	4	....	..	291	3	10	....	218	2	3,000	
Heathsville.....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	32	....
	12,290	1361	1516	32	32	211½	45	292	195	1771	12,363	37,789	*882	\$718,665	

Colored Members. . . . 292

12,583

*The above does not represent the whole number of Periodicals taken in the District. The whole number is about 1,200.

C. T. COCHEL, *Committee on Statistics.*

The report of Committee on Sabbath Schools was adopted, as follows :

REPORT OF SABBATH-SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools would report as follows :

1. That the Superintendents of our various charges use their influence to have all of our Sabbath schools recognized as an essential part of the church ; and, also, that they make it a specialty to adapt their preaching to the capacities of Sabbath-school scholars.
2. That our Sabbath-school superintendents, officers and teachers make it a specialty to give attractiveness to the schools by such varied exercises as they may be enabled to employ, as well as by the circulation of religious matter, giving our own Sabbath-school paper, the MORNING GUIDE, the preference in all our schools.
3. That the International Bible Lessons be used in our schools, in connection with our Church Catechisms.
4. That the Editor of the METHODIST PROTESTANT continue to give so much space for Sabbath-school matter as he may find convenient, and shall judge profitable for the interest of the Sabbath-school cause.
5. That Sabbath-School Conventions be held by the various churches, as opportunities may offer, for the purpose of giving them greater publicity to the world, as an essential part of the church.
6. That the Annual Sabbath-School Convention of this Conference be continued, and be held on Sabbath afternoon, and a programme of exercises be arranged by the following committee: L. W. Bates, W. S. Hammond and George Frame, which programme shall be published in the METHODIST PROTESTANT four weeks previous to the meeting of the Annual Conference.

The report of Committee on the Bible Cause was adopted, as follows :

The Committee on Bible Cause make the following report :

Amounts Received and Paid to the Agent at this Conference.

Starr Church.....	\$3.25	Howard.....	\$10.49
Washington-Street.....	3.00	Accomac.....	65
First Church, Washington....	1.25	Queen Anne's.....	2.56
N. C. Avenue, ".....	1.00	Prince William.....	1.00
Westminster.....	8.77	Kent.....	3.00
Cumberland.....	2.60	Talbot.....	4.14
Centreville.....	5.10	Kent Island.....	1.07
Laurel.....	1.00	Leipsic.....	1.02
Anne Arundel.....	3.09	Liberty.....	5.00
Belair.....	1.50	Pipe Creek.....	4.00
Dorchester.....	92	Pocomoke.....	1.15
Bedford.....	2.00	Susquehanna.....	4.25
Caroline.....	82	Union.....	1.25
Easton (by Gen. Thomas)....	5.00	Warwick.....	3.95
Cambridge.....	50	Newtown.....	1.55
Cecil.....	1.66	Deer Creek.....	70
Fawn Grove.....	1.10	Alexandria.....	2.10
Chesapeake.....	1.58	Potomac.....	1.02
Concord.....	1.50	St. Michael's.....	27
Frederick.....	1.75	Harper's Ferry.....	1.10
Jefferson.....	1.40	Ellicott City.....	1.26
Lewistown.....	1.00	Crumpton.....	50
Finksburg.....	2.00	Williamsport.....	50

Amounts received and Paid to the Agent at this Conference—Continued.

Mt. Carmel.....	\$0.25	Dr. J. T. Ward.....	\$5.00
Rainsburg.....	50	Quantico.....	1.03
Whaleyville.....	1.00	Cambridge.....	54
Heathsville.....	1.90	Chincoteague.....	54
Campbell.....	1.50	Preston.....	40
Snow Hill.....	1.00	Charleston.....	1.00
Total.....			\$118.98
Amount paid to Baltimore County Bible Society:			
Eutaw.....	\$3.20	Stewartstown.....	\$4.69
Finksburg.....	1.31	Baltimore.....	4.65
Total.....			\$13.85
Amount paid to Sussex County Bible Society:			
Seaford.....	\$5.00	Sussex.....	\$1.00
Milton.....	2.50		
Total.....			\$8.50
Amount to New Jersey State Bible Society:			
Newark.....			\$3.19
Amount paid to Agent directly:			
Easton.....	\$11.25	East Baltimore.....	\$1.00
South Baltimore.....	4.50	Hampden.....	3.53
West Baltimore.....	7.00	Mrs. Tamsey A. Reese.....	150.00
Total.....			\$177.28
Recapitulation—Amount paid at Conference.....			\$118.98
Amount paid to Baltimore County Bible Society.....			13.85
Amount paid to Sussex County Bible Society.....			8.50
Amount paid to New Jersey State Bible Society.....			3.19
Amount paid to Agent directly.....			177.28
Total.....			\$321.80

Your Committee recommend that R. S. Rowe and C. H. Littleton be made Life Directors, and E. R. McGregor be made a Life Member, of the Maryland Bible Society.

J. R. Nichols, J. W. Everist and P. Light Wilson were made Life Directors by Mrs. Tamsey A. Reese.

The Report of the Treasurer of Endowment Fund Society was ordered to be printed in the Minutes, as follows:

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENT SOCIETY.

BALTIMORE, March 5th, 1878.

To the Maryland Annual Conference of the M. P. Church:

BELOVED BRETHREN: In accordance with the Charter of our Society, we submit our Annual Report.

The annual election of officers, as provided by the By-Laws to take place in June, having been overlooked, on motion, the present officers were re-elected at a meeting held this day to serve until the next annual election.

The Conference Agent on the assessment plan for liquidating the College debt, Dr. H. F. Zollickofer, paid over to the Treasurer of the Western Maryland College, on the 26th day of April, 1877, the sum of \$930.77, and received the note of the College Incorporation for the same.

Attest:

E. J. DRINKHOUSE, *Secretary.*

NOTE.—The Society now holds, on the assessment plan for paying the College debt, the following:

In Liens.....	\$1,664.71
In Notes.....	2,369.10
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Total.....	\$3,933.81
Assessment for three years.....	\$10,800.00
Amount paid.....	3,933.81
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Deficiency.....	\$6,866.19

The Special Committee requested by the President report as follows, which was adopted :

SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Your Committee beg leave to report, first, on the paper from Little Georgetown, that we have not information enough to justify us in making recommendation to the Conference.

Secondly. In the matter of the sale of Clearspring Church, we recommend that the President of the Conference be authorized to investigate all the legal and ecclesiastical points bearing on the subject, and to proceed according to his best judgment in the case.

Conference resumed consideration of the Report of Committee on "Suffrage and Eligibility to Office," and the whole report was adopted, as follows :

Your Committee, to whom were referred the subject of "Suffrage and Eligibility," respectfully recommend the adoption of the following as the law of the Methodist Protestant Church within the Maryland District :

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

ITEM 2D. 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 to the age of twenty-one years, shall be "qualified members" for the purposes indicated in Section 3 of Article IV. of Constitution, and in divisions 1 and 4 of "General Duties of Trustees," found on pages 58 and 59 of Discipline.

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

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

ITEM 5TH. 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.

A statement from the Attorney and Auditing Committee in the Broadway church case, was presented, and referred to the Committee on Broadway Church.

The Committee on Literature made a report, which was read and adopted, as follows :

The Committee on Literature beg leave to report as follows :

The Committee have examined with care the report of the Book Directory of the METHODIST PROTESTANT, and are satisfied with the correctness of their

statements, and with the general management of the interests entrusted to their care. And while we regret the humiliating fact with regard to the loss of one hundred subscribers in the bounds of the Maryland District, we are satisfied that the loss is not attributable to the want of judgment or energy on the part of the Directory, or to lack of skill in the editorial management of the paper. We are gratified to learn that an appreciable increase of subscribers has been realized in all the other Conferences, except North Carolina, which sustains a local paper in the interest of her own Conference, and that this increase not only covers the loss of 100 at home, but leaves an excess of 150 above. The number of new subscribers aggregates about 400. What the Concern needs to put it upon a proper basis and secure its success is an increase of about 500 new subscribers. This number, we think, ought to be secured in Methodist Protestant families in the Maryland District. We have now a circulation of only about one paper to every thirteen members. This is not creditable to our Church, and does not bespeak that intelligent interest in the Church that we would reasonably expect. The Directory desires some plan to be suggested by this Conference that would become immediately operative, to remedy this defect. Your committee are at a loss to suggest any plan that will insure success. The expenses of an agent are a serious drawback to any success that might be hoped for in that direction. One plan only seems practicable, and that might be deemed objectionable, on account of the risk it involves to those who would be required to assume the responsibility. It is the only plan we can propose, namely, that each member of this Conference become personally responsible for one or more subscribers during the coming year. This would give a new impetus to the paper and secure, we have no doubt, the aid requisite to insure success. Our paper and our Church Discipline ought to be in every Methodist Protestant family.

Another item of painful interest was brought to the attention of your Committee by the report of the Directory. Our Book Agent and Publisher at Baltimore, Bro. W. J. C. Dulany, has been severely criticised and blamed by some of the Western Conferences. They have charged our Agent with a failure to fulfill his contract with the Convention, in not having published a faithful report of the actions of the Convention.

They have attempted thereby to exonerate themselves from all obligation to pay their proportion of the assessed expense of publishing. The Agent, realizing the serious consequences of such charges, desires a full investigation of the facts, believing that he can fully vindicate himself from the charges alleged, and receive the endorsement of this Conference as to the fidelity with which he has fulfilled his contract with said Convention. Your Committee, having examined both persons and papers, are fully persuaded that Bro. W. J. C. Dulany has not only fully performed his part of the contract, but did more, having published for gratuitous distribution 2,000 extra copies. And, furthermore, the failure of sundry Conferences to fulfill their obligations has subjected him to a loss of \$150.00.

Your Committee, therefore, regard these charges as injurious and unjust, and not sustained by the facts in the case.

Your Committee are favorably impressed with the COLLEGE REPERTORY, and recommend the passage of the resolution submitted by Revs. J. K. Nichols and L. W. Bates:

"WHEREAS, There exists in the Methodist Protestant Church a great and growing need of a literature especially adapted to us as a denomination; and, whereas this need is endeavored to be met, in part, by the COLLEGE REPERTORY, published monthly at Adrian, Mich., by Prof. D. S. Stephens; therefore,
Resolved, That we, as an Annual Conference, will do all we can, consistently with obligations already assumed, to promote the circulation of the said periodical among our people; and we do hereby commend it to their favorable notice, as worthy of their cordial support."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. D. VALIANT,
 J. D. KINZER,
 S. A. HOBLITZELL,
 S. V. YANTIS.

The Conference Steward made his report, which was adopted, as follows :

REPORT OF CONFERENCE STEWARD.

CHARGES.	Conference Incidental Collection.	Salary of Pastor.	Salary of Assistant.	Amount Paid.	Received from other Sources.	Deficit.	Excess.
East Baltimore...	\$1.00	\$1,200.00	.....	\$1,200.00	.....	.....	.....
West Baltimore...	4.38	700.00	.....	780.00	.....	.....	\$80.00
South Baltimore...	2.41	800.00	.....	800.00	.....	.....	.....
Starr Church.....	2.38	1,200.00	.....	1,200.00	.....	.....	.....
Washington-St....	2.00	900.00	.....	649.13	.....	\$250.87	.....
N. W. Mission....	1.41	600.00	.....	264.57	\$65.00	335.43	.....
9th St., Wash'g'n.	1.50	1,000.00	.....	1,000.00	.....	.....	.....
1st Ch., Wash'g'n.	1.75	800.00	.....	757.20	.....	42.80	.....
N. C. Avenue.....	35	500.00	.....	336.81	*200.00	163.19	.....
Georgetown.....	5.62	1,500.00	\$500.00	2,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Westminster.....	2.31	900.00	.....	900.00	.....	.....	.....
Cumberland.....	1.00	500.00	.....	500.00	.....	.....	.....
Centreville.....	2.30	700.00	.....	700.00	.....	.....	.....
Easton.....	5.00	800.00	.....	800.00	.....	.....	.....
Laurel.....	1.07	500.00	.....	500.00	.....	.....	.....
Lynchburg, Va...	2.00	1,000.00	.....	1,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Norfolk, Va.....	NoRep	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Montgomery, Ala.	NoRep	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Eutaw.....	3.25	500.00	.....	525.00	.....	.....	25.00
Hampden.....	1.66	260.00	.....	260.00	.....	.....	.....
1st M. P. Ch. Pitts.	NoRep	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. John's M. P. C.	NoRep	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Accomac.....	50	450.00	.....	450.00	.....	.....	.....
Anne Arundel....	1.21	750.00	200.00	816.82	.....	133.18	.....
Belair.....	1.85	700.00	.....	620.00	.....	80.00	.....
Baltimore.....	2.00	800.00	200.00	856.74	.....	143.26	.....
Bedford.....	1.25	500.00	.....	330.00	.....	170.00	.....
Caroline.....	3.25	600.00	200.00	800.00	.....	.....	.....
Cambridge.....	1.00	400.00	.....	300.00	.....	100.00	.....
Cecil.....	50	700.00	200.00	846.89	.....	53.61	.....
Chesapeake.....	1.37	530.00	.....	530.00	.....	.....	.....
Concord.....	1.50	475.00	.....	475.00	.....	.....	.....
Dorchester.....	1.00	650.00	200.00	569.43	.....	280.57	.....
Frederick.....	1.75	600.00	165.00	663.47	.....	101.53	.....
Jefferson.....	1.40	600.00	.....	600.00	.....	.....	.....
Frederick City...	25	200.00	.....	200.00	.....	.....	.....
Lewistown.....	1.00	175.00	.....	160.00	.....	15.00	.....
Finksburg.....	1.40	550.00	200.00	682.00	.....	68.00	.....
Howard.....	6.39	600.00	300.00	850.00	.....	50.00	.....
Kent.....	3.00	800.00	200.00	1,000.00	.....	.....	.....
Kent Island.....	1.03	400.00	.....	425.00	.....	.....	25.00
Leipsic.....	2.18	540.00	.....	540.00	.....	.....	.....
Liberty.....	5.25	600.00	.....	500.00	.....	100.00	.....
Milton.....	57	500.00	.....	300.00	.....	200.00	.....
Pipe Creek.....	2.00	650.00	.....	641.75	.....	8.25	.....
Preston.....	1.38	350.00	.....	355.25	.....	.....	5.25
Pocomoke.....	3.07	400.00	.....	400.00	.....	.....	.....
Somerset.....	50	800.00	.....	740.00	.....	60.00	.....
Stewartstown...	3.00	625.00	.....	505.78	.....	99.22	.....
Seaford.....	2.40	600.00	.....	502.61	.....	97.39	.....
Susquehanna..	5.65	700.00	.....	700.00	.....	.....	.....
Talbot.....	1.00	600.00	.....	600.00	.....	.....	.....
Union.....	1.25	500.00	.....	440.00	.....	60.00	.....
Quantico.....	90	400.00	.....	296.00	.....	104.00	.....
Warwick.....	3.71	700.00	.....	700.00	.....	.....	.....
Queen Anne's....	50	300.00	.....	300.00	.....	.....	.....

REPORT OF CONFERENCE STEWARD—Continued.

CHARGES.	Conference Incidental Collection.	Salary of Pastor.	Salary of Assistant.	Amount Paid.	Received from other Sources.	Deficit.	Excess.
Snow Hill.....	\$1.25	\$500.00	.....	\$334.50	\$150.00	165.50	.....
Newtown.....	2.32	800.00	.....	800.00	.....	.....	.....
Whaleyville.....	2.00	500.00	.....	500.00	.....	.....	.....
Deer Creek.....	75	400.00	.....	400.00	.....	.....	.....
Heathsville, Va...	2.00	550.00	.....	550.00	.....	.....	.....
Alexandria, Va...	1.23	500.00	.....	500.00	*200.00	.....	.....
Potomac.....	1.41	327.00	.....	165.00	25.00	.....	\$137.00
Newark, N. J.....	4.00	1,200.00	.....	1,200.00	.....	.....	.....
Prince William...	1.00	200.00	.....	150.00	.....	50.00	.....
St. Michael's.....	1.12	425.00	.....	379.00	*132.00	.....	46.00
Harper's Ferry....	52	400.00	.....	317.00	.....	83.00	.....
Ellicott City.....	50	600.00	.....	258.89	51.00	341.11	.....
Surry, Va.....	1.15	300.00	.....	250.00	.....	50.00	.....
Crumpton.....	75	200.00	.....	210.31	.....	.....	10.31
Williamsport.....	50	285.00	.....	285.00	.....	.....	.....
Fawn Grove.....	1.35	650.00	.....	650.00	.....	.....	.....
Sussex.....	2.25	300.00	.....	200.00	40.00	100.00	.....
Salisbury.. ..	2.64	475.00	.....	408.64	.....	66.36	.....
Chincoteague.....	74	300.00	.....	300.00	.....	.....	.....
Berkeley.....	50	135.00	.....	176.49	.....	.....	41.49
Campbell, Va.....	2.00	300.00	.....	146.95	.....	153.05	.....
Mt. Carmel, Va...	40	200.00	.....	200.00	25.00	.....	.....
Princess Anne, Va	No Rep	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rainsburg.....	50	200.00	.....	150.00	.....	50.00	.....
Charleston, S. C..	1.00	.....	.....	227.41	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	\$138.28	\$41,602.00	\$2365.00	\$40,666.14	\$1,088.00	\$3,742.32	\$370.05

Cash left in my hands at last Conference for publication of, and postage on, the Minutes\$130.18

Cr.

By Cash paid for publishing 1,500 copies.....	\$110.00	
By Cash paid for packing, postage and expressage.....	12.13	122.13
Balance.....		\$8.05
Amount of this year's collection.....		138.28
		\$146.33

Cr.

By Cash paid for President's Satchel.....	\$5.00	
By Cash paid bill of Secretary (Parchments, &c.).....	1.15	
By Cash paid Dulany & Co. (Stationery, &c.).....	15.66	21.81
Balance.....		\$124.52

ROBERT S. ROWE, *Conference Steward.*

The report of the Committee on Superannuated Claimants was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATED CLAIMANTS.

For the Conference Superannuate Collections, we report the following appropriations upon the disciplinary basis:

Mrs. S. G. Valliant, \$200; Mrs. J. F. Whiteside, \$250; H. J. Day, \$500; Mrs. R. T. Boyd, \$200; Mrs. John Roberts, \$300; Mrs. G. D. Hamilton, \$200; Mrs.

D. Bowers, \$350; Mrs. D. E. Reese, \$200; Mrs. F. G. Wright, \$200; Mrs. Ann Greenaway, \$300; Thomas Lee, \$400; J. W. Everist, \$200; J. A. McFaden, \$550; Mrs. Catharine Roby, \$200; Mrs. S. J. Wilson, \$200; Mrs. Christian Eversole, \$450; Mrs. Margaret Varden, \$200; Mrs. Julia A. Collins, \$200; Mrs. Wm. C. Ames, \$350; D. F. Ewell, \$550; Mrs. Wm. T. Wright, \$200; Mrs. A. S. Eversole, \$200; T. M. Bryan, \$400; J. H. Ellegood, \$400.

They further report the following claimants upon the appropriations of the income from the Superannuated Fund Society for the coming year:

Mrs. S. G. Valliant, \$100; Mrs. J. F. Whiteside, \$125; H. J. Day, \$150; Mrs. R. T. Boyd, \$125; Mrs. John Roberts, \$230; Mrs. G. D. Hamilton, \$150; Mrs. D. Bowers, \$125; Mrs. D. E. Reese, \$200; Mrs. F. G. Wright, \$125; Mrs. Ann Greenaway, \$150; Thomas Lee, \$150; J. W. Everist, \$100; J. A. McFaden, \$300; Mrs. Catharine Roby, \$150; Mrs. Sarah J. Wilson, \$125; Mrs. Christian Eversole, \$300; Mrs. Margaret Varden, \$50; Mrs. Julia A. Collins, \$125; Mrs. Wm. C. Ames, \$375; D. F. Ewell, \$250; Mrs. Wm. T. Wright, \$125; Mrs. A. S. Eversole, \$50; T. M. Bryan, \$150; J. H. Ellegood, \$150.

The Missionary Steward made a partial report, which was adopted. The Steward stated that he needed \$40 to make up deficiencies for year before last. The \$40 were subscribed and paid into hands of the Steward immediately.

The following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Maryland Tract Society is doing a great work in the cause of Christ, having employed during the past year eight regular colporteurs and 263 volunteer tract distributors, who have visited 14,426 families, distributed 2,092,285 pages of tracts, and report 163 well attested cases of conversion; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, heartily endorse this work, and give the Tract Agent access to our pulpits, when it does not interfere with our work; and that the amount thus raised be reported to the Conference in the official blank, just under the report of Bible Collections.

The President was authorized to supply Heathsville Circuit, in accordance with the request of the President of the Virginia Conference.

On motion of the President, Williamsport and Berkeley, which were separated last year, were reunited as one charge.

Conference adjourned with the doxology. Benediction by the President.

EVENING SESSION.

Religious services conducted by S. B. Tredway.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That at the event of the death of any member of this Conference, the President shall appoint some member to formally announce the fact to the ensuing Conference. That such announcement shall be made immediately after the reading of the Dead Roll; and that the name shall, on motion, be transferred to the Dead Roll by the Secretary, in the presence of the Conference

The report of the Committee on Semi-Centennial Services was adopted, as follows:

The Committee to whom the subject of semi-centennial services was referred, beg leave to report: that, owing to the present late period of the Conference session, and the hurry of routine and necessary business, in our judgment it is now impracticable to have such services at this Conference. We therefore recommend that semi-centennial services be held in such of our churches as the pastors and people may elect, on the Sabbath immediately succeeding the 12th of November ensuing.

The final report of the Missionary Steward was adopted, as follows:

MISSIONARY STEWARD'S REPORT.

CHARGES.	Assessment	Paid.	Deficiency.	Excess.
Accomac	\$13.00	\$13.00	.....	.....
Alexandria	26.00	26.00	.....	.....
Anne Arundel	65.00	48.17	16.83	.....
Baltimore	48.00	48.00	.....	.....
Bedford	50.00	12.00	38.00	.....
Belair	65.00	26.00	39.00	.....
Berkeley	10.00	2.88	7.12	.....
Broadway	25.00	No report.	25.00	.....
Cambridge .....	.....	5.00	.....	5.00
Campbell .....	.....	No report.	.....	.....
Caroline	40.00	30.00	10.00	.....
Cecil	45.00	34.15	10.85	.....
Centreville	50.00	50.00	.....	.....
Chesapeake	25.00	25.00	.....	.....
Chincoteague	13.00	3.27	9.73	.....
Concord	20.00	20.00	.....	.....
Crumpton	13.00	20.00	.....	7.00
Cumberland	25.00	25.00	.....	.....
Deer Creek	20.00	9.50	10.50	.....
Dorchester	40.00	19.36	20.64	.....
East Baltimore	100.00	100.00	.....	.....
Easton	80.00	80.00	.....	.....
Ellicott City	25.00	4.35	20.65	.....
Eutaw	20.00	23.30	.....	3.30
Finksburg	40.00	30.00	10.00	.....
First Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.	67.00	10.00	57.00	.....
First Church, Washington, D. C.	54.00	40.00	14.00	.....
Frederick Circuit	50.00	30.75	19.25	.....
Frederick City	20.00	No Coll'n	20.00	.....
Fawn Grove	30.00	7.00	23.00	.....
Georgetown, D. C.	35.00	.....	35.00	.....
Harper's Ferry	14.00	10.00	4.00	.....
Heathsville, Va.	20.00	20.00	.....	.....
Howard	50.00	50.00	.....	.....
Jefferson	45.00	40.00	5.00	.....
Kent	160.00	110.92	49.08	.....
Kent Island	13.00	13.00	.....	.....
Laurel	27.00	11.00	16.00	.....

MISSIONARY STEWARD'S REPORT—Continued.

CHARGES.	Asses'ment.	Paid.	Deficiency.	Excess.
Leipsic.....	\$40.00	\$35.00	\$5.00	
Liberty.....	50.00	45.00	5.00	
Lynchburg.....	50.00	40.00	10.00	
Lewistown.....	10.00	10.00		
Milton.....	20.00	17.00	3.00	
Montgomery, Ala.....	34.00	7.00	27.00	
Mount Carmel.....	7.00	7.00		
Newark.....	60.00	8.19	51.81	
Newtown.....	55.00	32.04	22.96	
Ninth-Street, Washington, D. C.	40.00	10.00	30.00	
Norfolk, Va.....	14.00	No Report	14.00	
N. C. Avenue, Washington, D. C.	20.00	20.00		
Northwestern Mission.....	55.00	50.73	4.27	
Pipe Creek.....	65.00	35.00	30.00	
Pocomoke.....	40.00	30.00	10.00	
Potomac.....	14.00	11.64	2.36	
Preston.....	20.00	16.73	3.27	
Prince William.....	7.00	7.00		
Quantico.....	32.00	7.50	17.50	
Queen Anne.....	40.00	15.06	24.94	
Rainsburg.....	10.00	2.00	8.00	
Salisbury.....	20.00	7.86	12.14	
Seaford.....	25.00	20.00	5.00	
Snow Hill.....	20.00	7.50	12.50	
Somerset.....	55.00	7.00	48.00	
South Baltimore.....	35.00	10.00	25.00	
Starr Church.....	125.00	40.00	85.00	
Stewartstown.....	45.00	13.35	31.65	
St. Michael's.....	33.00	9.09	23.91	
Surry, Va.....	20.00	10.00	10.00	
Susquehanna.....	55.00	51.00	4.00	
Sussex.....	20.00	14.50	5.50	
St. John's.....	50.00	No Report	50.00	
Talbot.....	30.00	16.74	13.26	
Union.....	34.00	6.00	28.00	
Warwick.....	60.00	44.45	15.65	
Washington-Street.....	40.00	8.00	32.00	
West Baltimore.....	65.00	47.50	17.50	
Westminster.....	100.00	100.00		
Whaleyville.....	30.00	7.00	23.00	
Williamsport.....	10.00	1.35	8.65	
Clarksburg.....	7.00		7.00	
Dame's Quarter.....	7.00		7.00	
Charleston, S. C.....		1.00		1.00
Hampden.....	15.00	12.00	3.00	
	\$3,020.00	\$1,838.88	\$1,197.42	\$16.30
Anniversary and dues.....		231.53		
Collection at Conference.....		40.00		
Total.....		\$2,110.41		

Georgetown, D. C., supports a missionary—\$500.00.

MISSIONARY STEWARD'S REPORT—Continued.

MISSIONS.	Appropriat'n.	Paid.	Deficiency.
Alexandria.....	\$200.00	\$26.00	\$174.00
Norfolk.....	118.00	Nothing	.....
Northwestern Mission.....	250.00	paid on	.....
North Carolina Avenue.....	200.00	appropri	.....
St. Michael's.....	99.00	ations of	.....
Broadway.....	33.00	1877.	.....

EXHIBIT.

Cash from Charges.....	\$1,838.88	
“ “ Anniversary and Dues.....	231.53	
“ “ Collection at Conference.....	40.00	
		\$2,110.40
“ Additional.....		36.03
		\$2,146.44
Paid D. W. Bates.....	\$26.25	
“ W. R. Graham.....	26.00	
“ Check Stamps.....	36	
“ Missionaries of 1876.....	1,716.12	
“ by Treasurer.....	347.71	
“ Ground Rent (Lexington street).....	30.00	
		\$2,146.44

A. W. MATHER, *Missionary Steward.*

The Steward of the Superannuated Fund Society made his report, which was adopted, as follows:

SUPERANNUATED FUND STEWARD'S REPORT.

East Baltimore.....	\$20.00	Eutaw.....	\$10.00
West Baltimore.....	37.00	1st M. P. Church, Pittsburg..	10.00
South Baltimore.....	5.90	St. John's M. P. Church.....	.....
Starr Church.....	29.00	Accomac—for Invest. \$10....	.....
Broadway.....	.....	Anne Arundel.....	6.03
Washington-Street.....	13.50	Belair.....	28.00
Northwest Mission.....	3.71	Baltimore Circuit.....	7.00
9th-Street, Washington.....	4.86	Bedford.....	4.00
1st Church, “.....	10.00	Caroline.....	14.65
N. C. Avenue, “.....	1.50	Cambridge.....	2.25
Georgetown*.....	31.91	Cecil.....	8.96
Westminster.....	10.06	Chesapeake.....	12.00
Cumberland.....	5.50	Concord.....	15.00
Centreville.....	8.75	Dorchester.....	3.08
Easton—for Investment, \$100. ....	.....	Frederick.....	9.00
Laurel.....	5.81	Jefferson—for Invest. \$10....	7.10
Lynchburg.....	11.75	Frederick City.....	25
Norfolk.....	.....	Lewistown.....	2.00
Montgomery, Ala.....	3.00	Finksburg.....	6.03
Howard.....	9.30	Williamsport.....	1.25
Kent—for Investment, \$93.50. ....	.....	Fawn Grove.....	5.80
Kent Island.....	4.00	Sussex.....	3.50
Leipsic.....	9.44	Salisbury.....	3.34

SUPERANNUATED FUND STEWARD'S REPORT—Continued.

Liberty.....	\$6.50	Chincoteague	\$1.87
Milton.....	2.25	Berkeley	2.36
Pipe Creek.....	14.00	Campbell, Va.....	4.00
Preston.....	1.88	Mount Carmel, Va.....	50
Pocomoke.....	5.00	Princess Anne, Va.....	.....
Somerset.....	3.12	Rainsburg.....	1.52
Stewartstown.....	6.00	Charleston, S. C.....	7.90
Seaford.....	4.00		
Susquehanna.....	8.06	Total amount from District	
Talbot.....	9.50	for distribution.....	\$568.29
Union.....	5.00	Total amount from District for	
Hampden.....	2.00	Investment.....	\$213.50
Quantico.....	3.50	Received from Secretary of	
Warwick.....	29.00	Society	66.81
Queen Anne's.....	7.36		
Snow Hill.....	3.00	Received from Secretary of So-	
Newtown.....	7.11	ciety for Investment, \$132.50	
Whaleyville.....	7.00	Total for distribution.....	\$635.10
Deer Creek.....	3.25	In hands of Dr. Zollickoffer,	
Heathsville.....	10.00	Treasurer, for distribution..	3,247.33
Alexandria.....	4.00	Received from Dr. Zollickoffer	
Potomac.....	4.75	subsequently.....	500.00
Newark, N. J.....	6.00		
Prince William.....	2.00	Total for distribution.....	\$3,747.33
St. Michael's.....	1.63	College Coupon.....	\$3.00
Harper's Ferry.....	2.60	Collection.....	1.57
Ellicott City.....	3.50	W. J. Neepier	10.00
Surry, Va.....	1.45		
Crumpton.....	2.50	Paid to Dr. Zollickoffer..	\$14.57

CLAIMANTS

Upon the Conference Superannuated Col-
lection upon the Disciplinary basis.

	Claim.	Paid.
Dr. D. F. Ewell.....	\$550	\$49.91
Thomas Lee.....	400	36.28
H. J. Day.....	500	45.38
T. M. Bryan.....	400	36.28
J. W. Everist.....	200	18.15
J. A. McFaden.....	600	54.42
D. E. Reese.....	400	36.28
S. G. Valliant.....	400	36.28
Mrs. C. Eversole.....	400	36.28
" N. S. Greenaway.....	300	27.21
" D. Bowers.....	350	31.77
" W. Roby.....	200	18.15
" J. F. Whiteside.....	200	18.15
" T. M. Wilson.....	200	18.15
" F. G. Wright.....	200	18.15
" W. Kesley.....	200	18.15
" R. T. Boyd.....	200	18.15
" J. Varden.....	200	18.15
" G. D. Hamilton.....	200	18.15
" W. T. Wright.....	200	18.15
" L. A. Collins.....	200	18.15
" A. S. Eversole.....	200	18.15
" John Roberts.....	300	27.21
.09 per cent.		\$7,000
		\$635.10

CLAIMANTS

On the Income from the Superannuated
Fund Society.

	Claim.	Paid.
Dr. D. F. Ewell.....	\$406	\$302.46
Thomas Lee.....	228	169.86
H. J. Day.....	154	114.73
T. M. Bryan.....	154	114.73
J. W. Everist.....	76	56.62
J. A. McFaden.....	456	339.72
D. E. Reese.....	456	339.72
Mrs. C. Eversole.....	380	283.10
" N. S. Greenaway.....	228	169.86
" D. Bowers.....	154	114.73
" W. Roby.....	192	143.04
" J. F. Whiteside.....	192	143.04
" T. M. Wilson.....	154	114.73
" W. Kesley.....	154	114.73
" R. T. Boyd.....	192	143.04
" G. D. Hamilton.....	154	114.73
" W. T. Wright.....	154	114.73
" L. A. Collins.....	154	114.73
" John Roberts.....	380	283.10
" S. G. Valliant.....	304	226.47
" F. G. Wright.....	154	114.73
" J. Varden.....	154	114.73

.74½ per cent. \$3,747.33
Total distributed from District 635.10
\$4,382.43

SUPERANNUATED FUND STEWARD'S REPORT—*Continued.*

Dr. D. F. Ewell's full claim... \$352.37	Mrs. J. F. Whiteside..... 161.19
Thomas Lee..... 206.14	" T. M. Wilson..... 132.88
H. J. Day..... 160.11	" F. G. Wright..... 132.88
T. M. Bryan..... 151.01	" W. Kesley..... 132.88
J. W. Everist..... 74.77	" R. T. Boyd..... 161.19
J. A. McFaden..... 394.14	" J. Yarden..... 132.88
D. E. Reese..... 376.00	" G. D. Hamilton..... 132.88
S. G. Valliant..... 262.75	" W. T. Wright..... 132.88
Mrs. C. Eversole..... 319.38	" L. A. Collins..... 132.88
" N. S. Greenaway..... 197.07	" A. S. Eversole..... 18.15
" D. Bowers..... 146.50	" John Roberts..... 310.31
" W. Roby..... 161.19	
Total.....	\$4,382.43

Respectfully submitted, J. EARLE MALOY, *Steward.*

The report of Committee on Ministerial Education was read, and Rev. J. B. Walker, the Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Education, addressed the Conference, defining his work as Secretary. The report was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the subject of ministerial education, submit the following report:

That we heartily endorse and recommend the Constitution and By-Laws of the Board of Ministerial Education, located at Pittsburgh, Pa.

We would call attention to the disciplinary requirement, to be found on pages 51 and 55 of the Discipline, requiring "aid and support to all the Church Boards," and an annual collection to be raised in all our churches for this important work.

We would also commend to all our churches the Corresponding Secretary of the Board, Rev. J. B. Walker, whose work in this department has already met with such eminent success.

Your Committee suggests, that great caution be exercised in recommending young men to this Board—that only those should be selected who are truly worthy and of promising talent.

We have had before us Frederick C. Klein, and are fully satisfied that he is a proper young man to recommend to the fostering care of this Board, and do hereby make the recommendation.

The report of Committee on Adjustment was adopted, except the last item, which was postponed for one year.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ADJUSTMENT.

The Committee on Adjustment beg leave to report as follows:

1st. We recommend that the itemized statement of the collections for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society be published in the Minutes of this Conference.

2d. That the old form of Superintendents' Reports be abandoned, and the new disciplinary form be adopted, supplemented by these additional questions: Superannuated Fund? Conference Fund? Maryland Tract Society? and Amount received from other Sources? in relation to salary.

3d. Sub-Districts. See p. 46, Sec. 28, Discipline. First, that there be two

districts on the Eastern Shore, and that the Choptank river be the dividing line; the upper, including Newark, N. J., to be known as Sub-District No. 1, the lower as No. 2. That No. 3 include Baltimore city, Westminster, Eutaw, Hampden, Belair, Baltimore Circuit, Finksburg, Stewartstown, Susquehanna, Deer Creek and Fawn Grove. No. 4 include Washington city, Georgetown, all the work in Virginia, Anne Arundel, Severn, Centralia and All Saints. No. 5 include all the charges bordering on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, from Ellicott City west, and Pipe Creek, Liberty, Jefferson, Lewistown, Middleway, Bedford, Rainsburg and Concord. No. 6 shall consist of Charleston, S. C., and all the churches associated with it. The Committee further recommend that the President, in announcing the plan of appointments, shall group them according to these divisions, naming the chairman of each sub-district.

Also, that the matter of Church Extension be referred to the Conference.

On motion, it was determined that one layman shall be elected by Members' Meetings in Stations, and Quarterly Conference in Circuits, for each pastor in District meetings.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That in the event the Board of Missions find it expedient and necessary to build a chapel in the northwestern part of the city of Baltimore, that it shall be dedicated under the title of "The Memorial Chapel."

On motion, it was resolved to hold our next annual session on the second Wednesday in March, 1879.

Conference adjourned with the doxology. Benediction by W. M. Strayer.

SEVENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY, March 20th, 1878.

Religious services conducted by R. S. Rowe.

On motion of W. S. Hammond, it was resolved to ordain Edwin R. Washington this morning at the hour for devotional services.

The report of Special Committee requested by the President was adopted as follows:

SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Your Committee beg leave to report, in the matter of complaint against Bro. W. H. Lane, that, after a careful examination of several members of Conference on the subject, and a patient hearing of Bro. Lane in explanation, we are convinced that Bro. Lane cannot be efficiently employed as an itinerant

member of this Conference; and therefore recommend, with the kindest feelings towards him, and the best wishes for his welfare, that he be transferred to the unstationed list.

The Committee on Western Maryland College made a supplemental report, which was adopted, as follows:

The Committee on Western Maryland College further report the following memorial, to be adopted and conveyed by messengers appointed to the West Virginia, New York and New Jersey Conferences:

To the President and Members of the ————— Annual Conference:

DEAR BRETHREN: The Maryland Annual Conference, having more immediately in charge the interests of Western Maryland College, located at Westminster, Carroll county, Maryland, desire to bring before you this Institution, with the view of enlisting your co-operation in giving it greater breadth of influence in carrying forward our denominational interests. To this end we earnestly solicit your patronage in students, and contributions to the plan to relieve the debt upon the College buildings.

We have two Colleges far apart as to location. Your Conference being more contiguous to our work in Maryland, we think the common interest, in connection with our educational enterprises, will be more efficiently subserved by your patronage of the College located in Maryland. We have been struggling single-handed to establish this College, and have had encouraging success; your endorsement of the enterprise, and substantial aid will greatly strengthen our hands and extend the beneficent influences of this Institution.

For particular information, we refer you to the Annual Catalogue of Western Maryland College, a copy of which is transmitted, and to our messengers, who will present to you, in behalf of our Conference, this respectful memorial.

Signed by the President and Secretary of the Maryland Annual Conference.

—————, *Secretary.*

—————, *President.*

The report of Committee on Finance was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

1st. They have examined the furnished statement of Dr. Zollickoffer, the Conference Agent of the Presidential Parsonage, with the accompanying vouchers, and found them correct.

2d. They recommend that Dr. Zollickoffer be tendered the thanks of the Conference for his generous services, and J. N. Gilbert be selected for the position.

3d. We deeply regret that the assessments for the President's salary were not all paid, and that, in consequence, it fell short about \$200.

4th. They herewith recommend that the President's salary be assessed upon the District as follows: (See tabular statement.)

5th. They present the College assessments for the coming year, in accordance with the resolution of Conference:

<i>President's Salary.</i>		College Assessment.	<i>President's Salary.</i>		College Assessment.
East Baltimore.....	\$50.00	\$90.00	Westminster	50.00	\$90.00
West Baltimore.....	50.00	Paid.	Easton	40.00	72.00
South Baltimore	30.00	45.00	Norfolk	10.00	27.00
Washington-Street....	30.00	54.00	Laurel (Del.).....	30.00	54.00
Starr Church.....	50.00	108.00	Deer Creek.....	15.00	45.00
Georgetown	80.00	144.00	Baltimore Circuit....	40.00	72.00
Northwest Mission....	15.00	50.00	Lewistown	15.00	27.00
Newtown	45.00	81.00	Bedford	30.00	45.00

<i>President's Salary.</i>		<i>College Assessment.</i>	<i>President's Salary.</i>		<i>College Assessment.</i>
Rainsburg.....	\$20.00	\$36.00	Susquehanna.....	\$35.00	\$63.00
Howard.....	50.00	90.00	Talbot.....	25.00	45.00
Caroline.....	60.00	81.00	Queen Anne's.....	25.00	45.00
Cambridge.....	15.00	36.00	Crumpton.....	15.00	27.00
Concord.....	30.00	45.00	Whaleyville.....	40.00	70.00
Dorchester.....	35.00	72.00	Alexandria.....	25.00	45.00
Frederick.....	50.00	90.00	1st Church, Washing'n	35.00	63.00
Liberty.....	50.00	90.00	9th Street, Washington	35.00	63.00
Kent.....	75.00	144.00	Potomac.....	15.00	18.00
Union.....	25.00	45.00	St. Michael's.....	20.00	36.00
Milton.....	20.00	36.00	Sussex.....	10.00	18.00
Pipe Creek.....	40.00	72.00	Salisbury.....	15.00	32.00
Pocomoke.....	25.00	45.00	Fred'k City Mission...	10.00	27.00
Somerseset.....	30.00	45.00	St. John's.....	50.00	.....
Cumberland.....	20.00	Paid.	Surry.....	10.00	14.00
Lynchburg.....	45.00	45.00	Seaford.....	20.00	27.00
Eutaw.....	15.00	25.00	Warwick.....	45.00	63.00
Hampden.....	15.00	20.00	Snow Hill.....	30.00	45.00
Anne Arundel.....	50.00	126.00	Newark.....	35.00	90.00
Belair.....	40.00	63.00	Accomac.....	15.00	22.00
Finksburg.....	40.00	63.00	Harper's Ferry.....	10.00	36.00
Jefferson.....	30.00	45.00	Centreville.....	30.00	Paid.
Cecil.....	25.00	63.00	Fawn Grove.....	30.00	36.00
Chesapeake.....	20.00	45.00	Kent Island.....	20.00	36.00
Leipsic.....	35.00	63.00	Heathsville.....	20.00	.....
Middlebrook.....	8.00	15.00	Chincoteague.....	5.00	.....
Severn.....	10.00	15.00	Quantico.....	30.00	45.00
Rowlandsville.....	15.00	25.00	Preston.....	20.00	27.00
Piedmont.....	10.00	15.00	Mt. Carmel.....	5.00	.....
All Saints.....	10.00	15.00	Campbell.....	15.00	15.00
Chester, Pa.....	10.00	15.00	Middleway.....	15.00	25.00
Guilford.....	10.00	9.00	Williams'g & Berkeley.	15.00	26.00
Stewartstown.....	30.00	Paid.			
				\$2,278.00	.....

Of this amount (\$2,278) the President is required to pay \$278 on the ground-rent and other expenses of the Presidential Parsonage.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That this Conference recognizes those who were members of Lexington-street church as members of the Methodist Protestant Church without organization, and authorize the missionary of Northwestern Mission to give to such as desire them, certificates of good standing, there appearing to him nothing to make his giving such certificates in individual cases improper.

The report of Committee on Missions was read and adopted, as follows :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

<i>Appropriations.</i>	
Sussex.....	\$50.00
Alexandria.....	150.00
Chincoteague.....	100.00
Kent Island.....	100.00
North Carolina Avenue.....	175.00
Harper's Ferry.....	100.00
Severn.....	325.00
N. W. Mission, for ground rent.	\$250.00
St. Michael's.....	200.00
Frederick City.....	150.00
Total appropriations.....	\$1,600.00
Deficiencies of last year.....	900.00
Total amount to be assessed.....	\$2,500.00

Your Committee unanimately recommend that every Pastor be required to do his utmost to collect the full amount of this assessment, whatever difficulties may arise in his charge.

<i>Assessments.</i>			
East Baltimore.....	\$85.00	Warwick.....	\$50.00
West Baltimore.....	54.00	Quantico	20.00
South Baltimore.....	30.00	Jefferson.....	40.00
Washington-Street	34.00	Lewistown.....	10.00
Northwestern Mission.....	45.00	Rainsburg	10.00
Starr Church.....	105.00	Alexandria.....	20.00
1st Church, Washington.....	45.00	Ninth-Street, Washington.....	30.00
Westminster.....	100.00	St. Michael's.....	28.00
Cumberland.....	20.00	Williamsport and Berkeley....	18.00
Laurel.....	25.00	Potomac.....	10.00
Easton.....	68.00	Guilford.....	5.00
Centreville	42.00	Salisbury	15.00
Anne Arundel.....	54.00	Ellicott's City.....	20.00
Baltimore Circuit.....	40.00	Eutaw.....	20.00
Belair.....	54.00	Hampden	15.00
Bedford.....	42.00	Harper's Ferry.....	10.00
Caroline.....	35.00	Preston.....	16.00
Cecil.....	35.00	Sussex.....	12.00
Chesapeake.....	21.00	Newark.....	40.00
Concord.....	17.00	Accomac.....	15.00
Dorchester.....	35.00	Kent Island.....	10.00
Frederick Circuit.....	42.00	Fawn Grove.....	25.00
Finksburg.....	35.00	Frederick City.....	15.00
Howard.....	42.00	Lynchburg.....	42.00
Leipsic.....	35.00	Norfolk, Va.....	10.00
Kent.....	130.00	Heathsville.....	17.00
Liberty.....	42.00	Montgomery, Ala.....	25.00
Milton.....	15.00	N. C. Avenue Mission.....	17.00
Somerset.....	46.00	Crumpton.....	10.00
Stewartstown.....	38.00	Deer Creek.....	15.00
Newtown.....	5.00	Surry, Va.....	20.00
Pipe Creek.....	55.00	First Church, Pittsburgh.....	55.00
Queen Anne's.....	35.00	St. John's.....	50.00
Snow Hill.....	20.00	Chincoteague.....	5.00
Seaford.....	20.00	Mt. Carmel.....	5.00
Susquehanna.....	46.00	Dame's Quarter.....	5.00
Talbot.....	25.00	Rowlandsville.....	15.00
Union.....	25.00	Piedmont.....	15.00
Whaleyville.....	25.00	Campbell.....	15.00
Pocomoke.....	30.00		

The report of College Agent was received and read, and adopted as follows:

COLLECTIONS FOR THE COLLEGE.

Accomac, 67 cts.; Alexandria, \$18; All Saints, \$2.39; Anne Arundel, \$20.75; Baltimore, \$26.80; Bedford, \$2; Belair, \$13.87; Berkeley, no report; Cambridge, \$3; Campbell, \$4; Caroline, \$3.27; Cecil, \$29.57; Centreville, paid up; Charleston, \$1; Chesapeake, \$28.70; Chincoteague, \$1.92; Concord, \$18; Crumpton, \$12.55; Cumberland (paid up), \$7.88; Deer Creek, \$3; Dorchester, \$2.50; Easton, \$5; East Baltimore, no report; Ellicott City, no report; Eutaw, \$20.25; Fawn Grove, \$4.60; Finksburg, will be paid; 1st Church, Washington, \$6; Frederick, \$22.33; Frederick City, no report; Georgetown, \$76.36; Hampden, \$12; Harper's Ferry, \$1; Howard, \$66; Jefferson, \$54.39; Kent, \$58.25; Kent

Island, \$5; Laurel, 70 cts.; Leipsic, \$4.10; Lewistown, \$1.25; Liberty, \$27; Lynchburg, will be paid; Milton, \$4.20; Newark, \$47.70; Newtown, \$15.80; Ninth-Street, Washington, \$63; Norfolk, no report; North Carolina Avenue Mission, \$4.50; Northwestern Mission, Baltimore, no report; Pipe Creek, \$7; Pocomoke, \$8.55; Potomac, \$1.88; Preston, 65 cts.; Prince William, \$1; Quantico, \$2.50; Queen Anne's, \$6; Rainsburg, \$2.25; Salisbury, no report; Seaford, \$27; Snow Hill, \$2.23; Somerset, \$2.50; South Baltimore, \$25.80; Starr Church, \$20; Stewartstown, \$225.55; St. Michael's, \$10; Surry, 75 cts.; Susquehanna, \$8; Sussex, \$4; Talbot, \$6.26; Union, no report; Warwick, \$24.47; Washington-Street, \$10.12; West Baltimore, paid up; Westminster, \$47; Whaleyville, no report; Williamsport, \$1—total, \$1,143.81.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the Board of Foreign Missions at Springfield, Ohio, as recognized by the General Convention of the Methodist Protestant Church, receives the endorsement of this Conference, and that we transfer our collections on this behalf from the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to our own Board, and that we pledge ourselves to increased interest in this work.

On motion of S. B. Southerland, and at the request of the President, Conference ordered the ordination of A. C. Berryman.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That it is the judgment of this Conference, that it is very desirable that the Committee on Hymn Book, appointed by the General Convention, proceed at once to compile a hymn book to be reported to the ensuing General Conference.

On motion, Conference heard Rev. Francis Brown, of Charleston, S. C., in reference to his work among the colored people. S. B. Southerland addressed the Conference in pleasant reminiscences of his pastorate in Charleston.

The order of the day (the ordination of Edwin R. Washington) having arrived, the President, assisted by S. B. Southerland and Josiah Clift and D. F. Ewell, ordained him an Elder in the Church of God.

On motion—

Resolved, That the President be requested to read the Plan of Appointments at 5 P. M. to-day.

Conference adjourned with the doxology. Benediction by H. J. Day.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference devotional services conducted by W. E. Thompson.

On motion, \$17.53 from Broadway was voted to the President as part payment of the assessment for salary.

On motion, Norfolk Station was changed to Norfolk Mission.

The Committee on Semi-Centennial Services was ordered to publish a programme for such services in THE PROTESTANT.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference be most heartily tendered to the inhabitants of Easton and vicinity, for the kind hospitality extended to us during the session of Conference.

The report of the Special Committee on Broadway was read and adopted, as follows :

Your Committee, from the papers submitted in the Broadway case, as explained by the Pastor involved, finds that the amount collected in the Maryland District, outside of Broadway, and more, was expended in defending and securing that property.

That the statement made by the President, touching the use of the money raised in the District, seems to have arisen from a misapprehension of the rather confused and informal exhibit of its finances.

The report of the Attorney in the case of Broadway was adopted, as follows :

BROADWAY STATION M. P. CHURCH, WITH E. B. BATES, ATTORNEY.

1877.

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By gross amount of purchase money from Rev. Graves and Church. . . \$12,000.00
Less face amount of the C. M. Wright mortgage. 7,500.00

\$4,500.00

By cash on this amount received. \$925.00
Afterward paid by deposit. 1,185.12
By final payment, December 1, 1877. 2,564.42

\$4,674.54

DR.

To amount paid John Stewart, Esq., Attorney for Carlotta
M. Wright—costs and interest in arrears on mortgage. \$897.53
To amount paid H. T. Gernhardt note. 119.42
“ “ “ Cunningham account. 4.00
“ “ “ Bokce & Co. account. 29.05
“ “ “ Rouse & Co. account. 31.18
“ “ “ Water Rents since 1869. 146.42
“ “ “ Gas Account, arrears. 5.50
“ “ “ Frank Mann, note (less interest). 50.00
“ “ “ Steinbach & Zirkel (Festival account). 60.00

1,543.10

To Attorney's Fees as per account. 250.00

\$3,131.44

Balance in my hands subject to order. \$2,881.44

March 11, 1878. This account audited and approved, and the balance in hands of E. B. Bates ordered to be paid to the President of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church.

W. H. BLAKENEY,
EDWARD IRVING,
H. T. GERNHARDT, } Committee.

The following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Conference be, and are hereby, tendered to the several Railway and Steamboat Companies granting commutation in fare to the members of this Conference.

Resolved, That we heartily commend the efforts of Rev. J. E. Read and W. H. Council, and the success which has attended, in the publication of THE DAILY PROTESTANT.

Resolved, That we so endorse this effort as to encourage similar efforts for our future Conferences.

The following resolution in reference to missionary collections was adopted :

Resolved, That in view of the missionary deficiencies of the past year, and the necessity of our missionaries receiving their appropriations at the earliest practicable moment, all our Pastors be requested to lift the missionary collection early in the Conference year, and forward the same to the Treasurer for distribution.

The President, assisted by J. R. Nichols, J. L. Killgore and J. T. Murray, ordained A. C. Berryman to the office of Elder in the Church of God.

The President addressed the Conference, and announced the Plan of Appointments as follows :

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS.

D. W. BATES, *President*.

SUB-DISTRICT, No. 1—T. D. Valiant, Chairman.		<i>Post Office.</i>
Newark—S. T. Graham.....	97 Walnut St., Newark, N. J.	
Chester, Pa.—To be supplied.		
Cecil—C. T. Cochel.....	Bay View, Md.	
Rowlandsville—Henry Bruner.....	Rowlandsville, Md.	
Warwick—R. S. Rowe.....	Warwick, Md.	
Kent—J. B. Jones, C. B. Middleton.....	Chestertown, Md.	
Chesapeake—C. M. Thompson.....	Edesville, Md.	
Kent Island—J. L. Killgore.....	Stevensville, Md.	
Queen Anne's—J. A. Weigand.....	Centreville, Md.	
Centreville—J. D. Kinzer.....	Centreville, Md.	
Crumpton—R. T. Smith.....	Crumpton, Md.	
Leipsic—J. M. Yingling.....	Leipsic, Del.	
Easton—J. E. Read.....	Easton, Md.	
St. Michael's—T. D. Valiant.....	St. Michael's, Md.	
Talbot—A. D. Melvin.....	Oxford, Md.	

SUB-DISTRICT, No. 2—B. F. Benson, Chairman.	
Caroline—A. D. Dick, J. L. Leilich.....	Burrsville, Md.
Preston—W. J. D. Lucas.....	Preston, Md.
Dorchester—W. J. Neepier, W. W. White.....	East New Market, Md.
Cambridge—To be supplied.	
Seaford—S. A. Hoblitzell.....	Seaford, Del.
T. A. Moore, Supernumerary Assistant.	
Milton—A. A. Harryman.....	Milton, Del.
Laurel—J. L. Straughn.....	Laurel, Del.
Sussex—W. A. Crouse.....	Lowes X Roads, Del.
Whaleyville—A. T. Melvin.....	Whaleyville, Md.
Salisbury—H. E. Miskimmon.....	Salisbury, Md.

Union—W. G. Holmes.....	Barren Creek Springs, Md.
Quantico—D. N. Gilbert.....	Quantico, Md.
Somerset—B. F. Benson.....	Marion, Md.
Snow Hill—W. M. Strayer, S. J. Smith.....	Snow Hill, Md.
Pocomoke—G. Q. Bacchus.....	Newtown, Md.
Newtown—J. E. T. Ewell.....	Newtown, Md.
Chincoteague—I. T. Adkins.....	Hornstown, Va.
Accomac—F. H. Mullineaux.....	Onancock, Va.

SUB-DISTRICT, No. 3—S. B. Southerland, Chairman.

Belair—F. Swentzell.....	Belair, Md.
Deer Creek—W. F. Livingston.....	Hickory, Md.
Susquehanna—J. T. Lassell.....	Hopewell X Roads, Md.
Washington-Street—R. S. Norris.....	12 N. Washington St., Balt.
East Baltimore—D. L. Greenfield.....	90 E. Fayette St., Balt.

T. McCormick, Supernumerary Assistant.

South Baltimore—J. W. Charlton.....	400 Light St., Balt.
West Baltimore—J. M. Holmes.....	41 S. Greene St., Balt.
Starr Church—W. S. Hammond.....	57 S. Poppleton St., Balt.
Northwest Mission—T. A. King.....	332 W. Baltimore St., Balt.
Baltimore Circuit—J. W. Gray, J. D. McFaden.....	Towsontown, Md.
Eutaw—F. T. Tagg.....	Lauraville, Md.
Hampden—S. B. Tredway.....	Woodberry, Md.
Finksburg—S. T. Ferguson, J. M. Brown.....	Finksburg, Md.
Stewartstown—W. T. Dunm.....	Stewartstown, Pa.
Fawn Grove—W. D. Litsinger.....	Fawn Grove, Pa.
Westminster—S. B. Southerland.....	Westminster, Md.

SUB-DISTRICT, No. 4—D. Wilson, Chairman.

Anne Arundel—D. A. Shermer.....	Brooklyn, Md.
Severn—John R. Nichols.....	Odenton, Md.
First Church, Washington—W. J. Floyd.....	Cor. 5th St. E. & Va. Av. Wash.
North Carolina Avenue—J. W. Trout.....	Washington, D. C.
Ninth-Street—D. Wilson.....	517 9th St. N. W., Wash., D. C.
Georgetown—J. T. Murray, J. M. Sheridan.....	Georgetown, D. C.

W. C. Lipscomb, Supernumerary Assistant.

Alexandria, Va.—W. R. Graham.....	Alexandria, Va.
Potomac—H. C. Stern.....	Georgetown, D. C.
Guilford—J. B. Butler.....	Great Falls, Va.
Lynchburg, Va.—L. W. Bates.....	Lynchburg, Va.
Campbell, Va.—A. C. Berryman.....	Campbell C. H., Va.
Mt. Carmel, Va.—W. T. Valiant.....	Lynchburg, Va.
Surry, Va.—J. G. Sullivan.....	Surry C. H., Va.

R. W. Berryman, Supernumerary Assistant.

Norfolk, Va.—E. R. McGregor.....	Norfolk, Va.
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SUB-DISTRICT, No. 5—J. K. Nichols, Chairman.

Pipe Creek—C. H. Littleton.....	Uniontown, Md.
Liberty—J. K. Nichols.....	Libertytown, Md.

P. L. Wilson, Supernumerary Assistant.

Jefferson—J. E. Maloy.....	Frederick City, Md.
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A. Baker, Supernumerary Assistant.

Frederick—Jesse Shreeve, A. J. Walter.....	New Market, Md.
Frederick City—C. O. Melvin.....	Frederick City, Md.
Howard—A. W. Mather, S. R. Murray.....	Lisbon, Md.
Williamsport and Berkeley—G. J. Smith.....	Williamsport, Md.
Harper's Ferry—P. T. Hall.....	Harper's Ferry, W. Va.
Middleway—T. O. Crouse.....	Middleway, W. Va.
Cumberland—F. T. Little.....	Cumberland, Md.
Piedmont—C. S. Arnett.....	Piedmont, W. Va.
Rainsburg—G. F. Farring.....	Rainsburg, Pa.
Bedford—J. M. Elderdice.....	Cumberland Valley, Pa.
Concord—James Thompson.....	Roxbury, Pa.

Lewistown—To be supplied.

Middlebrook—To be supplied.

SUB-DISTRICT, No. 6, State of South Carolina—Francis Brown, Chairman.

Charleston—Francis Brown (colored).....Charleston, S. C.

St. John's, Berkeley county—Edward R. Washington (colored).

Appointed by request of the President of Virginia Conference :

Heathsville—R. L. Lewis.....Burgess Store, Va.

Loaned to St. John's Independent M. P. Church : A. Webster, 201 Franklin street, Balt.; T. H. Lewis, 332 W. Baltimore street.

Editor of METHODIST PROTESTANT, E. J. Drinkhouse, 332 W. Baltimore St.; President Western Maryland College, J. T. Ward, Westminster, Md.; Vice President Western Maryland College, H. C. Cushing, Westminster, Md.

Left without appointments at their own request—J. J. Murray, 19 Stockton Ave., Alleghany, Pa.; J. L. Mills, Montgomery, Ala.; J. Clay, Duncannon, Pa.

Superannuated—Thomas Lee, Rainsburg, Pa.; H. J. Day, 22 Camden street, Balt.; T. M. Bryan, St. Michael's, Md.; J. W. Everist, St. Michael's, Md.; J. A. McFaden, Harper's Ferry, W. Va.; J. H. Ellegood; D. F. Ewell, Church Creek, Md.

Left in the hands of the President for the present—S. J. Willey.

Conference closed with the doxology. Benediction by the President.

R. S. ROWE,

Conference Steward.

B. F. BENSON,

Secretary.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That the Steward of the Superannuated Fund be, and he is hereby instructed, to put back on the list of Claimants on the Fund, Sister Margaret Varden; who was struck from that list by the Report of the Committee on Claimants at the last Conference, and that she be allowed her proper *dividend* on the *funds* of the present year.

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Committee on Entertainment of Delegates to the General Convention be instructed to pay the twenty dollars now in hand as the assessment of this Conference for the publication of the Journal, and that in the distribution they be sent to those charges which contributed to entertainment expenses.

Resolved, That the Conference Steward be authorized to refund the President the sum of five dollars, paid for a satchel for official uses; and, also, that he be authorized to purchase suitable satchels for the use of the Conference Steward, and the Stewards of the Missionary and the Superannuated Fund.

WHEREAS, The General Convention of the Church has intervened between the last session of this Conference and the present; therefore,

Resolved, That a committee of three ministers and two laymen, with Dr. E. J. Drinkhouse as chairman, be appointed on adjustment, to examine the Journal of said General Convention and report to this body what action is necessary to harmonize its work with the new law of the Church.

Resolved, That each Pastor be required to report to this Conference, at its next session, the amount of church debt on his charge.

Resolved, That if no invitation for the entertainment of the 51st Maryland Annual Conference be received by the President on or before the 1st day of November, proximo, he shall, in conjunction with the Standing District Committee, appoint a place and notify the District thereof, through the METHODIST PROTESTANT, that the respective Quarterly Conferences may make provision for the entertainment of their own ministers and representatives.

Resolved, That the Pastor of the East Baltimore Station be authorized to give certificates to the members of Broadway church, in good standing.

Resolved, That this Conference disapproves of the practice of mortgaging church or parsonage property for the purpose of paying Pastor's salary, directly or indirectly.

Resolved, 1st, That the Board of Managers of the Missionary Society be authorized to trade the Norfolk church property in accordance with a proposition made to them.

Resolved, 2d, That the \$1,500.00 in money, accruing from the trade of Norfolk church, be left with the Board of Managers for disposition.

WHEREAS, The Maryland Tract Society is doing a great work in the cause of Christ, having employed during the past year eight regular colporteurs and 263 volunteer tract distributors, who have visited 14,426 families, distributed 2,092,285 pages of tracts, and report 163 well attested cases of conversion; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, heartily endorse this work, and give the Tract Agent access to our pulpits, when it does not interfere with our work; and that the amount thus raised be reported to the Conference in the official blank, just under the report of Bible Collections.

Resolved, That in the event the Board of Missions find it expedient and necessary to build a chapel in the northwestern part of the city of Baltimore, that it shall be dedicated under the title of "The Memorial Chapel."

Resolved, That this Conference recognizes those who were members of Lexington-street church as members of the Methodist Protestant Church without organization, and authorize the missionary of Northwestern Mission to give to such as desire them, certificates of good standing, there appearing to him nothing to make his giving such certificates in individual cases improper.

Resolved, That the Board of Foreign Missions at Springfield, Ohio, as recognized by the General Convention of the Methodist Protestant Church, receives the endorsement of this Conference, and that we transfer our collections on this behalf from the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to our own Board, and that we pledge ourselves to increased interest in this work.

Resolved, That in the judgment of this Conference, it is very desirable that the Committee on Hymn Book, appointed by the General Convention, proceed at once to compile a hymn book to be reported to the ensuing General Conference.

Resolved, That in view of the missionary deficiencies of the past year, and the necessity of our missionaries receiving their appropriations at the earliest practicable moment, all our Pastors be requested to lift the missionary collection early in the Conference year, and forward the same to the Treasurer for distributions.

OBITUARY.

REV. DANIEL EVANS REESE, D. D.

REV. DANIEL EVANS REESE, D. D., departed this life, after a brief illness, at his residence in St. Michael's, Talbot county, Md., on the 23d of April, 1877, in the 68th year of his age.

Dr. Reese belonged to a family of preachers—four brothers—all of them gifted and able ministers of the New Testament; Rev. John S. Reese, M. D., a man of wonderful power, especially as a camp-meeting preacher; Rev. Levi R. Reese, a man of brilliant talents and commanding presence in the sacred desk; Rev. Eli Yeates Reese, D. D., both preacher and poet, a gifted son of song, and in the pulpit and on the platform the peer of the most popular orators of his day; and the subject of this notice, a man of acknowledged ability and usefulness in his holy calling.

Dr. Reese was born in the city of Baltimore, Md., on the 17th day of February, 1810. He was of Quaker stock, and it may here be acknowledged that Methodism has drawn some of its best blood and pulpit talent from that interesting source. Indeed, the Quaker and Methodist elements, though distinct in themselves, largely sympathize in character, and readily coalesce, like kindred drops, and mingle into one. No marvel, then, if when brought into contact, the deep *inward feeling* of the one should take form in the *rapturous utterances* of the other, and *silence* break forth into *song*! His early religious training, therefore, was rather of the spirit and inspiration, than of the forms and ceremonies of religion, leading him to look for the *inward light*, and revelation of Jesus Christ to his conscious experience. Accordingly, thus trained and instructed, in his 14th year he gave his heart to the Saviour, united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, and entered upon a life of consecration to God. His advantages of early education were limited, being confined to the ordinary schools of his native city, which in that day were far from being what they are now. But he felt he had something to live for, and "he at once addressed himself to the development of mind and heart for usefulness in his day and generation."

About this time the Reform movement, in which his uncle, Rev. D. E. Reese, Sr., and his two older brothers, John S. and Levi R., bore so prominent a part, took its rise. Young Reese had his attention naturally drawn to the subject, and as he grew up, with intelligent thoughtfulness he took his position on the side of lay rights in the Church; and when in 1828 the new Church was organized, he identified himself with it. Meanwhile, impressed that God had called him to preach the Gospel, he entered upon a course of preparation for the work, under the advice and direction of his brother, Dr. J. S. Reese, and in 1829, then but in his 20th year, he commenced the great work of his life, as an itinerant minister in the Methodist Protestant Church. His first appointment was under the President, in the interval of Conference, as assistant on the old Deer Creek Circuit, the territory which is now cut up into five distinct charges. While on this field, near the close of the year, he had a dream, in which he saw his friend, Rev. Josiah Varden, of precious memory, then a young man just contemplating the ministry, depressed in spirit and hesitant in regard to his duty. On waking out of sleep he was so impressed with his dream that he felt he must go to his friend and help him out of his mental conflicts, as though the Lord had called him to this service. With this impression on his mind, as the writer has heard him tell it, he rode all the way to Baltimore on horseback, called on his friend, and found him in the very state of mind in which he had seen him in his dream. The result of the interview was to induce Bro. Varden to accompany him to his field of labor, when he preached for him several times, and was much encouraged. The two young men continued to labor together

up to the time of Conference, when both were received on probation and regularly appointed to the work.

Dr. Reese soon took position in the Conference, and in the course of his itinerant life was called to fill all the more important fields of labor on the District, both in city and country, and he always well sustained the work committed to his hands. For a number of years he was charged with the onerous duties of Conference Steward, and he fulfilled the requirements of the office in the most satisfactory manner. On the founding of the Western Maryland College in 1868, as a mark of appreciation on the part of that institution, Dr. Reese was the first upon whom it conferred the honorary degree of D. D.—well bestowed compliment. He was repeatedly elected a representative to the General Conference; he was a member of the General Convention which met in Montgomery, Ala., in 1867, and for three successive years, from 1871 to 1873, inclusive, he was President of the Maryland Annual Conference. All these positions he filled with credit to himself and satisfaction to the Church.

On the 17th of July, 1834, Dr. Reese was united in marriage to Miss Anna B. J. Reed, daughter of Rev. George A. Reed, of Winchester, Va., who from that time to the day of his death was his sympathizing, loving companion in the privations and toils of itinerant life. Dr. Reese was a man of fine personal appearance, and was well preserved up to within a few years of his death, when a chronic infirmity began to make its inroads upon his health. He was a kind-hearted, companionable man, loved by his friends and highly-esteemed by all. As a friend he was true and obliging. In his domestic relations he was most tender and devoted, and was almost worshipped by the members of his family. As a preacher it has been said of him by another: "In the pulpit he was ever forcible, and at times there was a fervid eloquence which overawed all who heard him, and for the time gave him an almost complete mastery over the minds and hearts of his audience." As a pastor, he was always welcome among his people, his Christian cheerfulness ever shedding sunshine into their homes and hearts.

At the close of Dr. Reese's executive term in 1874, he was appointed to Aisquith street, Baltimore. But an unfortunate misunderstanding arising between that charge and the President in regard to the appointment, he magnanimously retired from the controversy, leaving the church to make its own arrangements, and took up his abode for the year with his son, Rev. W. W. Reese, of the Presbyterian Church, in Culpepper, Va. Here the Doctor was welcomed into all the pulpits of the place, and his preaching highly appreciated by the people. At the ensuing Conference, in view of his age and impaired health, he was granted a superannuated relation, and removed with his family to St. Michael's, Talbot county, Md., intending to make that his permanent place of residence. Here in this fine old Eastern Shore town, he found a pleasant home and congenial associations. As a mental recreation he furnished occasional articles, on various subjects, for publication in the St. Michael's *Comet*, a secular paper of the town. But agreeable as were these surroundings, he was destined, in the providence of God, not long to enjoy them. The Master had something better in store for His servant, and He said: "It is enough; come up higher!" He was sick but a few days, and for the most of the time in a state of unconsciousness. But as he neared the "shining shore" the mists of the mind were dissipated, and in full view of the "better land," he exclaimed in holy triumph, "Saved! saved!" and so he was—"with the power of an endless life!"

Thus, the last of the four Reese brothers has gone to his rest. Between the four, from first to last, they were identified with the Methodist Protestant Church from its very foundation up, almost, to the close of the first half century of its existence; and few, if any, did more, during that long interval, to promote its welfare and secure its success.

From his late home in St. Michael's, his remains were conveyed by steamer to Baltimore, accompanied by several of his ministerial brethren. Here they were met by others of the Conference, including the President, Rev. D. W. Bates, and borne to Baltimore Cemetery, where, as it has been beautifully said by another, "At the twilight hour of closing day, amid the shadows of the

quiet, moon-lit evening, its stillness only broken by the reading of the burial service by the officiating clergy, he was gently laid to rest," and left to mingle his sacred dust with that of his honored brothers and other kindred, till the resurrection morning, when those who sleep in Jesus God shall bring with Him.

The service for the dead was pronounced by Rev. J. W. Everist, assisted by Rev. W. M. Poisal and the President of the Conference. *Requiescat in pace!*

J. W. EVERIST,
J. K. NICHOLS,
D. L. GREENFIELD,
JOSEPH GRAHAM,
ORMOND HAMMOND.

REV. SAMUEL GUEST VALLIANT.

The subject of this sketch was born in Talbot county, Md., December 21st, 1852, and died at his father's residence, in said county, July 11th, 1877.

He was the son of Wm. H. Valliant, Esq., and his mother was the daughter of Samuel Guest, Esq., of Baltimore city. In early life he was a devoted student, and seldom enjoyed the ordinary sports of boys. He used to amuse himself by writing articles on the current subjects of the day, under assumed titles. His sedentary habits prevented that development of physical force, so essential to the active labors of ministerial life. He was converted to God, and joined the Methodist Protestant Church, in his boyhood; and began his public ministrations when only sixteen years old. His first field of labor was by the appointment of the President of the Conference to Williamsport and Berkeley Circuit. In the following spring of 1870 he came to Westminster to attend the session of the Conference, and was received into the itinerancy. At this Conference he was appointed to Kent Circuit, under the superintendency of Rev. H. C. Cushing. His labors here were very acceptable; but his zeal was beyond his strength. He remained in Kent with Bro. Cushing for two years. Bro. Cushing writes of him as follows: "I first saw Rev. S. G. Valliant at the Conference in Westminster, in 1870. He had been preaching a few months on Williamsport Circuit, under the superintendence of Rev. John D. Kinzer. I was struck with the frailness of his body, and his very youthful appearance. Physically, he looked like an old man, while his face and confiding manner indicated the child. For two years he was my colleague on Kent Circuit. Up to the time of his coming with me he had been preaching extempore. I requested him to prepare a sermon in writing, for, not having the opportunity to hear him preach, I desired to know something about both the matter and manner of his pulpit ministrations. In a few days he brought me a manuscript, which I read with surprise and admiration. It was evidently the production of a mature mind. I looked in vain for a mistake, or a weak place in it. I handed it back to him in silence. He immediately asked for my criticism. I could only reply, 'I have none to make.' After this I frequently conversed with him on scriptural and theological topics, and never, that I remember, had occasion to differ from him in opinion. Not then twenty years old, I found him mature in mind, and manly in everything, except his physical constitution. He had a perfect passion for sermonizing, enjoying it more than he did his daily bread. I saw how needful it was for him to take exercise, and urged it upon him as a conscientious duty; but the truth is, there was scarcely natural vigor enough in his mortal frame when I first knew him, to serve as a basis of physical manhood. His pulpit efforts were admirable, yet none could hear him without lamenting the absence of that bodily strength which alone was needed to make them effective. After many an effort he would sink down in the pulpit, utterly exhausted, and have to be taken in an unconscious state to his lodgings. A healthy mental activity is usually the result of a vigorous physi-

cal manhood; or, at least, the former is seldom found apart from the latter; but with him the case was exactly reversed. Here was a mind clear, bright, burning, and, seemingly like the sun, feeding on its own hidden resources. But, alas! was it not so, that the oil was exhausted, and the flame of life, burning so brightly, was but consuming the wick?"

He was inclined to rest for a while after leaving Kent Circuit, but consented to go to Alexandria, Va., as assistant to Dr. Killgore. He afterward was sent to North Carolina Avenue Mission, in Washington, D. C. Here he labored with great zeal and effectiveness. Rev. O. Cox, who had charge of the mission, spoke of his pulpit efforts as really wonderful for one so young. Here he became acquainted with Miss Kate Clemens, whom he married the following spring. He then returned to his father's for a season of rest and recreation, but was soon called to take charge of East Baltimore Station, where he labored successfully until Conference. His next appointment was to Laurel Station, Delaware. Here he labored for two years with great acceptability; endeared to the people, he expressed a wish that the Conference would let him remain there the full time allowed by law. This, indeed, was his last field of ministerial toil. He was taken sick before Conference, and did not reach Westminster, the place where he first attended its sessions, and where, seven years after, he was transferred to the list of superannuates.

He was removed from Laurel to his father's residence in Talbot county, Md., where he lingered on until death released him from his sufferings. His father wrote "that he was brought home about the first of May, so ill that he was brought on a bed, unable to walk, but calm and cheerful. He suffered greatly from a tumor, which had long since formed an abscess, which baffled all skill. As calm and cheerful as ever in his life, he bade all good-bye, and seemed to pass away. After which he revived, opened his eyes, looked around, and said, 'Am I coming back?' His face grew bright, and still brighter, until it was the brightest by far that I ever beheld. He talked in a strong, clear voice, for a minute or more. He seemed as transformed into an angel of light, surpassing any description that I can give, and thus calmly passed away, or fell asleep in Jesus."

A beautiful letter which we received from his afflicted widow, tells of his calm and happy contemplation of death. He said to her: "Kate, if it were not for you, I would rather go to heaven now; but if it is the Lord's will, I would not leave you." Their only child had died before his father, and he spoke of seeing it in that beautiful world on high.

"Thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

T. D. VALIANT,
H. C. CUSHING,
W. M. STRAYER,
GEO. VICKERS,
J. TURPIN MOORE.

REV. WILLIAM C. AMES, D. D. S.

The Committee appointed upon the obituary of REV. WM. C. AMES, D. D. S., of the Maryland Annual Conference of the M. P. Church, report:

Bro. Ames died March 10th, 1878, at the parsonage on Caroline Circuit. His death was sudden and unexpected. Though he had been indisposed for about two weeks, even his own family did not apprehend any serious result until the evening before he died, on Sabbath morning. Death, though coming as a thief in the night, did not find him unprepared to respond to his summons. It is evident from the last declarations that fell from his lips, that he died with a blessed anticipation of the rest that remains for the people of God. As his friends were endeavoring in his dying moments to relieve his sufferings, he re-

marked, "I shall soon be in that world where there is no more pain or suffering."

A number of his brethren, of the Conference, were summoned by telegraph to attend his funeral the day before the assembling of the Conference. After a very impressive memorial service, participated in by a number of his ministerial brethren, we consigned his remains to their last rest in the cemetery, near the church and parsonage at Union Corner, Caroline county, Md.

Bro. Ames was born in Clearfield county, Pa., in 1839, and converted in early manhood. He then entered the College at Dayton, Pa., to complete his studies and prepare for the ministry. He was received into the Maryland Annual Conference in the year 1869, and from that period to the day of his death faithfully preached the Gospel of Jesus to thousands in various fields of labor within the bounds of the Conference, and where he went he was highly esteemed and much beloved by all with whom he had intercourse. He was a warm-hearted, self-sacrificing man, cheerful in disposition, and generous to the needy, almost beyond his means.

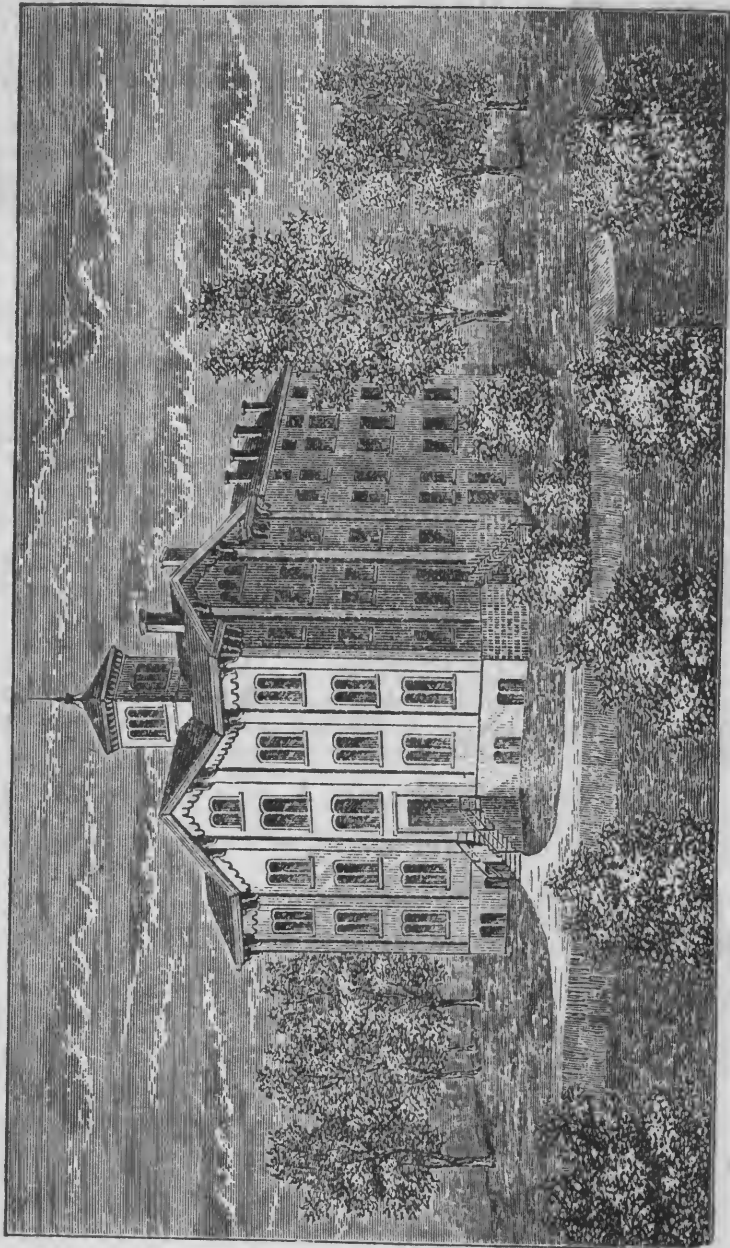
As a preacher, Bro. Ames was decidedly practical; although, at times, he might have been considered by some to be rather metaphysical in his pulpit effort, and to lay out too wide a field for the discussion of the subject he had in hand. But, even admitting this, all who have heard him preach, must acknowledge that, as he warmed up in his subject, bold, fearless truths fell from his lips, which told with unerring effect upon the consciences of the people to whom he preached. His manner was very deliberate and unassuming, with no attempt at display. His whole desire seemed to be to hide behind the cross, and hold up Jesus to the people. Out of the pulpit, he was a Christian gentleman—courteous, approachable at all times, and as simple and companionable as a little child. As a husband and father, he was especially kind and thoughtful, ever anticipating the desires and wants of his family, and leaving no effort unemployed to contribute to their happiness.

He leaves a wife and three small children to mourn their loss. May He, who has promised to be a husband to the widow and a father to the orphan, give them all needed grace to sustain them in this their sad bereavement.

T. A. MOORE,
J. L. STRAUGHN,
J. G. SULLIVAN,
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