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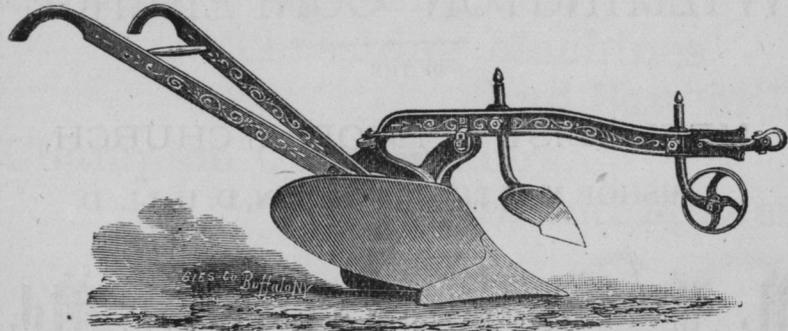
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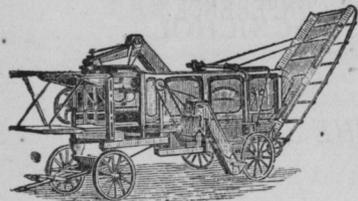
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5. FOURTH YEAR—S. T. Gardner, P. H. Rawlins, E. E. White, J. Robinson, W. M. Warner.
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T. R. Creamer,

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B. F. Price, *Alternate*.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION.

I hereby certify that on yesterday, March 11th, 1883, I ordained as Deacons, Charles S. Baker and Louis P. Corkran; and that, assisted by several Elders, I ordained as Elders, Olin S. Walton, Chas. A. Grice, J. Morris Lindale, Alfred Smith and Julius Dodd, according to the ritual of the Methodist Episcopal Church.
M. SIMPSON.

DAILY PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The fifteenth session of the Wilmington Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened in the M. E. Church in Cambridge, Md., March 7th, 1883, at 8½ o'clock, A. M., Bishop Simpson presiding. The Bishop read from the 5th chapter of 1 Peter, announced the 798th hymn, after which J. A. Brindle and Valentine Gray led the Conference in prayer. The Bishop then conducted the sacramental service, tenderly addressing the Conference respecting the simple and memorial nature of the ordinance, after which the Presiding Elders and others aided in the distribution of the elements.

The regular business of the Conference was taken up. The roll was called by the Secretary of the last session, and ninety-one members answered to their names.

J. D. Rigg was re-elected Secretary, with the following assistants; E. H. Nelson, Journal Secretary; E. P. Aldred, Statistical Secretary, and E. C. Macnichol, General Assistant.

The bar of the Conference was fixed at the seventh pew from the front.

The hours of 8½ A. M. and 12 M. were fixed as the time for meeting and adjourning; the first half hour to be a devotional service.

The usual standing committees were nominated and confirmed. (*See List*.)

A committee on the uses and abuses of camp-meetings was appointed, consisting of R. C. Jones, J. T. Van Burkalow, A. D. Davis and E. H. Hynson. (*See Special Committees*.)

C. S. Baker was appointed Conference Postmaster.

A committee was appointed to consider the celebration of the organization of the M. E. Church. (*See Special Committees*.)

The trustees of the Centenary fund were directed to prepare a report of the condition of that fund for publication in the Minutes.

J. O. Sypherd was appointed to audit the Church Relief accounts.

A draft on the Chartered fund for \$30 was ordered in favor of the Board of Stewards.

Dr. J. A. McCauley, President Dickinson College; Dr. F. S. Upham, Professor in Drew Theological Seminary; Dr. W. M. Frysinger, President Centenary Biblical Institute, and Dr. D. F. Ewell, of the Maryland Conference, Methodist Protestant Church, were introduced to the Conference.

J. France, T. H. Haynes, J. A. Brindle and S. T. Gardner were elected to fill vacancies in the Board of Stewards. (*See List of Officers*.)

The 15th question, "What traveling deacons have been elected elders?" was taken up. (*See Disciplinary Questions*.)

Question 20th, "Was the character of each preacher examined?" was taken up. (*See Disciplinary Questions*.)

J. M. Williams was announced as having been transferred to the Maine Conference.

A. T. Scott was changed from Effective to Supernumerary.

Benj. W. Chase was announced as having died December 11th, 1882. (*See Disciplinary Questions.*)

George S. Gassner was announced as withdrawn from the Ministry and membership of the M. E. Church, and T. S. Williams, P. E., was directed to request the surrender of his parchments.

Question 3, "Who remain on trial?" was taken up. (*See Disciplinary Questions.*)

A communication and printed matter from Dr. R. S. Rust, Secretary of Freedmen's Aid Society, and the report of the President of Centenary Biblical Institute, were referred to the Committee on Freedmen's Aid Society.

Papers from the Secretary of the Education Society were referred to the Committee on Education.

Revs. Manning, Bain and Sturgis, of the M. E. Church, South, and Monroe, of Delaware Conference was introduced to the Conference.

The hour of ten o'clock to-morrow was fixed as the time for the Board of Stewards to make their call.

Question 18, "Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?" was taken up. (*See Disciplinary Questions.*)

J. A. Brindle was directed to bear the sympathy of the Conference to I. T. Cooper in his infirmity.

A statistical session was ordered for 2.30 o'clock this afternoon.

Committees were called, notices given, and Conference adjourned with the Doxology and Benediction by A. W. Milby.

FIRST DAY.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Conference met at 2½ o'clock, J. B. Quigg in the chair. Devotional services by T. O. Ayres. The roll of the Conference was called, and the respective monies and reports were handed in.

The Conference then adjourned with the Doxology and Benediction by T. R. Creamer.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY MORNING.

The Conference met at 8½ o'clock, A. D. Davis in charge of the devotions. At 9 o'clock the Bishop took the chair.

The journal was read and approved.

A resolution directing the Secretary to deposit all papers of the Conference of monetary value in bank was adopted. (*See Resolutions.*)

W. L. S. Murray, C. W. Prettyman and T. B. Hunter, were appointed to nominate four Ministerial trustees for the Conference Academy. (*See Special Committees.*)

J. C. Hartzell, D. D., Assistant Secretary F. A. Society, was introduced to the Conference.

The report of the Treasurer of the Centenary Fund was read, and, after discussion, was recommitted.

A draft on the Treasurer of the Centenary Fund for \$106 was ordered in favor of the Board of Stewards.

Chas. Hill and Alex. Kelly were elected to fill vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the Centenary Fund.

J. M. Phillips, of the Book Concern, read an abstract of the annual exhibit of the Book Concern, and addressed the Conference respecting our publishing interests.

A committee was appointed to inquire into the matter of investing \$5,000 of the Centenary Fund in the Conference Academy (*See Special Committee.*)

A draft on the Book Concern for \$164.00 in favor of the Board of Stewards was ordered.

A communication from S. Hunt, Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund, was referred the Presiding Elders for apportionment.

The order of the day, the Stewards call, was made and the monies were handed in.

Dr. J. A. McCauley, Dr. J. C. Hartzell, Dr. F. S. Upham and Dr. W. M. Frysinger addressed the Conference respecting the institutions they represent.

B. S. Miley, Baltimore Conference M. E. Church, South, was introduced to the Conference.

The time was extended.

Dr. J. H. Vincent, Secretary of Sunday School Union and Tract Society, addressed the Conference in the interests of the Sunday School and Tract work.

Committees were called, notices given, and Conference adjourned with the Doxology and Benediction by Dr. F. S. Upham.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY MORNING.

Conference met at 8½ o'clock, E. Davis in charge of the devotions.

At 9 o'clock the Bishop took the chair.

The Journal was read and approved.

The report of the Conference Church Extension Board was read and adopted.

A resolution respecting the reference to candidates for admission on trial to the Committee on Ministerial Qualifications was adopted. (*See Resolutions.*)

Question 5, "Who are admitted into full connection?" was taken up. (*See Disciplinary Questions.*)

W. W. Redman was recommended to the Board of Stewards for favorable consideration.

The Presiding Elder was directed to request the return of the parchments of Robert D. Bradley, a local elder on Dover District, he having withdrawn from the M. E. Church.

Revs. F. H. Beck, New York Conference, Collett of the A. M. E. Church, — Horsey, J. W. Parker and — Morris, of the Delaware Conference, and A. Le Clare, of the Northern New York Conference, were introduced.

Geo. A. Phœbus addressed the Conference respecting the decline of his health, and requested a Supernumerary relation, which, on motion, was granted.

Resolutions referring to Dr. Phœbus were adopted. (*See Resolutions.*)

A collection for his benefit was taken, amounting to \$404.50.

The report of the Committee on Centenary Fund was read, and laid over as the order of the day, at 10 o'clock to-morrow.

Prof. R. H. Skinner, Principal of the Conference Academy, addressed the Conference in the interests of that institution.

The time was extended.

Dr. Elon Foster was introduced, and addressed the Conference with reference to his "Cyclopedia of Illustrations."

The benevolent monies were disposed of as follows: Episcopal Fund, Tract, Sunday School and Children's Day Collection to J. M. Phillips, of the Book Concern; Freedmen's Aid to W. M. Frysinger, Centenary Biblical Institute; Bible collections in Maryland to W. H. Cole, Treasurer Maryland State Bible Society;

those in Delaware to the treasurers of the respective counties; Education collection to C. M. Wharton, Financial Agent of the Conference Academy; Conference Education collection to J. F. Williamson, Treasurer, and Church Relief collections to L. C. Matlack.

In consequence of an error last year by which \$76.25 of Conference Academy funds were paid to the treasurer of the Conference Education Society, it was directed that said treasurer pay that amount to the Conference Academy out of the collection this year.

W. H. Hutchin and John Worthman were granted leave of absence.

G. A. Phœbus was recommended to the Board of Stewards for favorable consideration; committees were called, notices given, and Conference adjourned with the Doxology and Benediction by J. L. Houston.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Conference met at 8½ o'clock, with J. A. Arters in charge of the devotions. At 9 o'clock the Bishop took the chair. The journal was read and approved.

In view of the failure of Sewall N. Pilchard to study a part of the course of the second year the Conference directed that he pass an examination upon those books during the coming year.

The reports on Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and Freedmen's Aid were read and adopted. (*See Reports.*)

The Secretaries were directed to prepare for publication in the Minutes hereafter a statement of salaries received by the Ministers of this Conference. (*See Resolutions.*)

T. S. Williams presented the surrendered parchment of G. S. Gassner, withdrawn from the Ministry and membership of the M. E. Church.

The Committee to nominate Academy Trustees nominated those whose terms expire this year, and they were elected, the Secretary casting the ballot of the Conference. (*See List of Officers.*)

The report of the Trustees of the Conference Academy was presented and read by J. H. Caldwell, and was ordered to be filed.

The Stewards made their annual report, which was adopted, and the monies were distributed. (*See Report.*)

The report of the Committee on Celebrating the Centenary of Methodism was read and adopted. (*See Report.*)

Question 33, "Where shall the next Conference be held?" was called. Asbury church, Wilmington, Del., was nominated and unanimously chosen by a rising vote.

A committee to arrange for the celebration of the centenary of the organization of the M. E. Church was appointed. (*See Special Committees.*)

The report of the committee on the investment of Centenary Funds in the Conference Academy was read, discussed at length, and adopted. (*See Reports.*)

The report of the Trustees of the Centenary Fund was read, adopted and ordered to be printed in the minutes.

Resolutions looking to the aid of Metropolitan church were adopted. (*See Resolutions.*)

A memorial service was ordered for Monday at ten o'clock.

The committee appointed last year to inquire into the laws of the State of Delaware respecting religious corporations reported, through J. H. Caldwell, that no further legislation is needed to secure such corporations, and the report was adopted.

The report of the camp meeting committee was read, and recommitted for modification.

The time was extended.

Dr. C. C. McCabe addressed the Conference in regard to the debt of Metropolitan church, and the Conference directed that the charges be apportioned two cents per member for the liquidation of said debt, payable in sixty days from this Conference, and that J. S. Willis be appointed Treasurer of the same. A resolution calling for vigilance in selecting Sunday School literature was adopted. (*See Resolutions.*)

The report of the Committee on Revocation of the Charter of Wesleyan Female College was made. (*See Reports.*)

Resolutions respecting the buying and selling of votes were adopted. (*See Resolutions.*)

J. P. Otis was directed to prepare a brief memoir of Mrs. Dr. Kenney for publication in the Minutes.

The statistical report was read and adopted; committees were called, notices given, and Conference adjourned with the Doxology and Benediction by Dr. C. C. McCabe.

SIXTH DAY.

MONDAY MORNING.

Conference met at 8½ o'clock, T. B. Hunter in charge of the devotions.

At 9 o'clock the Bishop took the chair.

The journal was read and approved.

The Bishop presented the certificate of ordination of Deacons and Elders, (*See Report.*)

The Examining Committees were presented and confirmed. (*See List.*)

A resolution asking for aid from general Missionary Committee for Swedish Mission in Wilmington was adopted. (*See Resolutions.*)

The report of the Committee on Bible Cause was read and adopted. (*See Reports.*)

A Committee on thanks was appointed.

Question 2, "Who are admitted on trial?" was called. (*See Disciplinary Questions.*)

The report on Education, and that of the President of the Conference Education Society, were read, and adopted, and the latter was directed to be published as an appendix to the former.

Resolutions concerning Bishops Peck and Simpson were adopted. (*See Resolutions.*)

The report on Temperance was read and adopted.

The order of the day, the Memorial Services, was taken up.

B. F. Price was directed to prepare for publication in the Minutes of 1884 a memoir of Mrs. R. E. Kemp.

R. W. Todd read a memoir of Benj. W. Chase, and several of the brethren made remarks, after which the memoir was adopted.

J. S. Willis read a memoir of Mrs. Isabella M. Price, wife of B. F. Price, and remarks were made by T. E. Martindale and W. E. England and the memoir was adopted.

A committee was appointed to prepare a memoir of Bishop Scott. (*See Special Committees.*) Voluntary tributes of affection were paid to his memory by many of the brethren and Bishop Simpson.

The Conference ordered that copies of the minutes be presented to those of the citizens of Cambridge who entertained members of the Conference.

The relation of A. Chandler was changed from Effective to Supernumerary.

The nominations for officers and managers of the Conference Aid Society were made and confirmed. (*See List of Officers.*)

A committee on Anniversaries for 1884 was appointed. (*See Special Committees.*)

The report of the Committee on Camp Meetings was read and adopted.

A resolution calling for the organization of a Conference Historical Society was adopted. (*See Resolutions.*)

Resolutions on thanks to citizens, &c., were adopted. (*See Resolutions.*)

J. O. Sypherd made a report of the disposition of the church relief funds.

It was ordered that when we adjourn it be to meet this evening after the missionary anniversary.

The bar of the Conference was fixed at the fourth pew from the front.

R. W. Todd receiving intelligence of the sudden and unexpected death of his son, in Dover, the Conference was led in prayer by L. C. Matlack.

Notices were given and Conference adjourned with the Doxology and Benediction by J. S. Willis.

SIXTH DAY.

MONDAY EVENING.

Conference entered upon the closing session after the missionary anniversary at 9 o'clock, Bishop Simpson in the chair.

The journal was read and approved.

Resolutions looking to Missionary Aid for certain territory in Dorchester county, Md., were adopted. (*See Resolutions.*)

A resolution asking that some relic from the old jail be procured for preservation by the Conference Historical Society was adopted. (*See Resolutions.*)

Resolutions respecting the transfer of E. L. Hoffecker to Indiana Conference was adopted. (*See Resolutions.*)

Resolutions respecting the status of Methodism on the Peninsula were adopted. (*See Resolutions.*)

The Trustees of the Riddle Fund were elected and classified. (*See List.*)

The Conference Board of Church Extension were nominated and confirmed. (*See List.*)

The Conference Sunday School Board was nominated and confirmed. (*See List.*)

A collection for the Sexton was taken, amounting to \$32 90.

Resolutions respecting the transfer of J. M. Williams to Maine Conference were adopted. (*See Resolutions.*)

The relation of S. T. Gardner was changed from Effective to Supernumerary.

The relation of Vaughn Smith was changed from Effective to Superannuated.

A letter from J. B. Stiegler, formerly Professor in Wesleyan Female College, claiming back salary, was referred to a special committee for reply. (*See Special Committees.*)

The Presiding Elders were appointed to secure reduction of railroad fare for next session.

Resolutions of condolence were adopted with reference to R. W. Todd in his affliction. (*See Resolutions.*)

Q. 1. "Who are received by transfer and from what Conference?" was called. (*See Disciplinary Questions.*)

Q. 22. "Have any been transferred and to what Conference?" (*See Disciplinary Questions.*)

The Bishop announced an appropriate hymn, G. A. Phœbus led in prayer, and, after a brief address by the Bishop the appointments were announced (*See List*), and Conference finally adjourned with the Doxology and Benediction by Bishop Simpson.

ANNIVERSARIES.

TUESDAY EVENING.

TEMPERANCE SERMON, by T. E. Terry, of Centreville, Md.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

ANNIVERSARY OF FREEDMAN'S AID SOCIETY.

SPEAKERS:—W. M. Frysinger, D. D., of Centenary Biblical Institute.
F. S. Upham, D. D., of Drew Theological Seminary.

THURSDAY EVENING.

ANNIVERSARY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION AND TRACT SOCIETY.

SPEAKERS:—F. J. Cochran, of Chesapeake City, Md.
J. H. Vincent, D. D., Secretary of S. S. U. and Tract Society.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

ANNIVERSARY OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

SPEAKERS:—Mrs. Wheeler, of Philadelphia.
Mrs. E. B. Stevens, of Wilmington.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

ANNUAL MISSIONARY SERMON, by W. J. Duhadway, of Frankford, Del.

FRIDAY EVENING.

ANNIVERSARY OF CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

SPEAKERS:—J. E. Smith, of Greensboro, Md.
C. C. McCabe, D. D., Ass't. Secretary Church Extension Society.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

TEMPERANCE ANNIVERSARY.

SPEAKERS:—Theo A. H. O'Brien, of Madely Chapel, Wilmington, Del.
W. E. England, of Harrington, Del.

SATURDAY EVENING.

EDUCATION ANNIVERSARY.

SPEAKERS:—C. A. Hill, of Sassafras, Md.
J. S. Willis, of Milford, Del.

SABBATH SERVICES.

10½ A. M., Sermon by Bishop Matthew Simpson.—Ordination of Deacons.

2½ P. M., Sermon by J. H. Caldwell, D. D., of Dover, Del.—Ordination of Elders.

7½ P. M., Sermon by Geo. W. Miller, of Wilmington, Del.

MONDAY.

2½ P. M., DISCUSSION ON REVIVALS.

SPEAKERS:—J. A. B. Wilson and A. D. Davis.

MONDAY EVENING.

MISSIONARY ANNIVERSARY.

SPEAKER:—Thos. S. Hodson, Esq., of Crisfield, Md.

RULES

For the Government of the Wilmington Annual Conference

I. DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT.

1. The President shall call the Conference to order, punctually, at the time determined upon for the opening of its sessions, have each opened by appropriate devotional exercises, and see that all the business pertaining to the Conference shall be brought forward and transacted in a proper and orderly manner, according to the provision of the Discipline and the Rules of the Conference.
2. He shall preserve order in all of the proceedings, holding speakers strictly to the question, and call them to order when they wander from the point, violate the Rules of Order, or use any improper language.
3. He shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference by any two members.
4. He shall appoint all committees not otherwise provided for.
5. When two or more members claim the floor at the same time, he shall decide who is entitled thereto.

II. DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.

1. The Secretary shall keep a fair and correct record of all the proceedings of the Conference, to be read at the opening of each session, subject to correction by the Conference.
2. He shall carefully preserve the journal and papers of the Conference placed in his custody, and shall not allow any person but a member to examine the same, nor allow any one to take a transcript from either, without the permission of the Conference; he shall produce the journals and papers at each annual session, and see that the same be forwarded to General Conference.
3. In an appendix prepared for that purpose, he shall record all reports and documents ordered up on record by the Conference, and all documents so recorded shall be referred to on the journal.

III. DUTIES AND PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERS.

1. Each member of the Conference will be expected and required to be present at the opening of each session to participate in the devotional exercises, unless unavoidably detained; and no member may absent himself, without leave, from the seat of the Conference.
2. When a member would speak on any question, he shall arise in his place and respectfully address the President; refrain from all personalities and discourteous language; and no member shall speak more than once on the same question until every other member who so desires shall have spoken (except, simply, to explain when misrepresented) nor shall any one speak longer than fifteen minutes without the consent of the Conference.
3. When a member is called to order by the President, or by any member through him, he shall take his seat until the point of order is decided by the President.
4. Any member may call for the division of the question, which shall be granted when, in the judgment of the President, the same will admit of it.
5. When a question has been decided by a vote of Conference, any member who may have voted with the majority, may move for a reconsideration of the same.
6. It shall be in order for any member, during the discussion of any proposition before the Conference, (except in the examination of character,) to move the "previous question," and if such motion be seconded by a majority of the members present, the question shall be immediately put.
7. Any member may demand the "yeas and nays" upon any question, and if ONE-FIFTH of the members present, and voting, shall second such demand, the vote shall be taken.
8. Any member may object to the reading of a paper, and when such objection is made, the reading shall be dispensed with, unless the Conference, without debate, shall otherwise order.
9. No motion, unless seconded, shall be entertained; and all motions and resolutions shall be reduced to writing by the member presenting them, if so desired by the President, Secretary, or any member of the Conference.
10. When a motion is made, seconded and entertained by the President, it shall be in possession of the Conference, but it may be withdrawn at any time by the mover with the consent of the seconder, before a decision is had thereon or an amendment entertained by the President.
11. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, except when a member has the floor, when such a motion cannot be made without his consent.
12. In discussing the reports of committees, the chairman of the committee whose report is under consideration, or such member of the same as the committee may agree upon, shall be entitled to close the debate, (except when the previous question is ordered.)

IV. QUESTIONS TO BE TAKEN WITHOUT DEBATE.

- 1.—All motions, simply, to adjourn.
 - 2.—All motions to lay on the table.
 - 3.—Motions for the "previous question."
 - 4.—Demand for the "yeas and nays."
 - 5.—All appeals from decisions of the President.
 - 6.—All motions for extension of time, either of a member on the floor, or the session of the Conference.
 - 7.—All motions to re-commit.
 - 8.—All motions to place documents, reports, or other papers on record.
- All questions that may arise in the course of Conference proceedings, not determinable by these Rules of Order, shall be determined by the President, in accordance with established parliamentary law, subject to appeal to the Conference.

PLANS OF EXAMINATION.

CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL.

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| Catechism and Discipline of the M. E. Church..... | W. S. ROBINSON. |
| Compendium of Methodism..... | W. B. WALTON. |
| History of the United States, Common English Branches..... | C. F. SHEPPARD. |
| Scripture History..... | E. H. HYNSON. |
| History of Methodism..... | L. C. MATLACK. |

FIRST YEAR.

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| Compendium of Christian Theology..... | J. A. ARTERS. |
| Ancient History..... | J. E. MOWBRAY. |
| Plain account of Christian Perfection..... | T. L. TOMPKINSON. |
| Rhetoric..... | J. S. WILLIS. |
| Introduction to the Holy Scriptures..... | W. J. O'NEILL. |
| Sermons to be read before the committee. | |

SECOND YEAR.

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| Biblical Theology..... | A. STENGLE. |
| Systematic Theology..... | T. O. AYRES. |
| Sacraments, (1, Baptism; 2, Lord's Supper,)..... | J. H. CALDWELL. |
| History..... | J. T. VAN BURKALOW. |
| Logic..... | I. N. FORMAN. |

THIRD YEAR.

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| Church History..... | G. W. TOWNSEND. |
| Harman's Introduction and Miley's Atonement..... | T. R. CREAMER. |
| Intellectual Science..... | T. E. TERRY. |
| Pope's Theology..... | C. W. PRETTYMAN. |
| Homeletics and Sermons..... | R. C. JONES. |

FOURTH YEAR.

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| Harman's Introduction..... | P. H. RAWLINS. |
| Watson's Institutes, (Part II,)..... | S. T. GARDNER. |
| Butler's Analogy..... | JOS. ROBINSON. |
| "God's Written Word"..... | E. E. WHITE. |
| Written Sermons..... | W. M. WARNER. |

TO EXAMINE LOCAL PREACHERS FOR ORDERS.

J. CARROLL,

W. M. GREEN,

E. L. HUIBARD.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

1. *Who are received by transfer, and from what Conference?*
Joseph R. Boyle, Philadelphia Conference; Walter Underwood, Indiana Conference.
2. *Who are admitted on trial?*
Wm. B. Guthrie, Alpheus S. Mowbray, Vaughn S. Collins, Alvin W. Holt, Geo. L. Hardesty.
3. *Who remain on trial?*
Benjamin Warren, Allison P. Prettyman. Charles H. Williams.
4. *Who are discontinued?*
None.
5. *Who are admitted into full connection?*
Frederick J. Cochran, Sewall N. Pilchard, Isaiah D. Johnson, Charles S. Baker, Lewis P. Corkran.
6. *Who are re-admitted?*
None.
7. *Who are received on credentials from other Churches?*
None.
8. *What traveling preachers have been elected Deacons?*
Charles S. Baker, Lewis P. Corkran.
9. *What traveling Preachers have been ordained Deacons?*
Chas. S. Baker and Lewis P. Corkran.
10. *What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?*
None.
11. *What Local Preachers have been ordained Deacons?*
None.
12. *Who are traveling Deacons of the first class?*
Fred'k. J. Cochran, Sewell N. Pilchard, Isaiah D. Johnson, Chas. S. Baker, Lewis P. Corkran.
13. *Who are the traveling Deacons of the second class?*
None.
14. *What traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?*
Olin S. Walton, Chas. A. Grice, J. Morris Lindale, Alfred Smith, Julius Dodd.
15. *What traveling Deacons have been ordained Elders?*
Olin S. Walton, Chas. A. Grice, J. Morris Lindale, Alfred Smith, Julius Dodd.
16. *What Local Deacons have been elected Elders?*
None.

17. *What Local Deacons have been ordained Elders?*
None.
18. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*
J. Hubbard, I. T. Cooper, G. Barton, Jas. Esgate, J. L. Taft, W. Merrill, H. Sanderson, J. Allen, W. W. Redman, G. A. Phoebus, A. T. Scott, Albert Chandler, S. T. Gardner.
19. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*
J. L. Houston, E. J. Way, V. Gray, A. A. Fisher, Vaughn Smith.
20. *Was the character of each preacher examined?*
This question was disposed of by calling the name of each Preacher in open Conference.
21. *Have any died?*
Benjamin W. Chase.
22. *Have any been transferred, and to what Conference?*
Geo. W. Miller, to Philadelphia Conference; J. M. Williams, to Maine Conference; M. A. Richards, to Philadelphia Conference, E. L. Hoffecker, to Indiana Conference.
23. *Have any withdrawn?*
George S. Gassner.
24. *Have any been located at their own request?*
None.
25. *Have any been located?*
None.
26. *Have any been permitted to withdraw under charges?*
None.
27. *Have any been expelled?*
None.
28. *Who are selected for Triers of Appeals?*
J. H. Caldwell, J. B. Merritt, N. M. Browne, L. C. Matlack, R. W. Todd, T. S. Williams, J. B. Quigg.
29. *What is the Statistical Report?*
(See Tables.)
30. *What are the claims on the Conference Funds?*
\$7,050.
31. *What has been received on these claims?*
(See Report of Conference Stewards.)
32. *Where are the Preachers Stationed?*
(See List of Appointments.)
33. *Where shall the next Conference be held?*
Asbury Church, Wilmington, Del.

APPOINTMENTS.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

CHARLES HILL, P. E.

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| Bethel and Glasgow, Md. | H. COLCLAZER. |
| Charlestown Circuit, Md. | J. W. HAMMERSLEY. |
| Cherry Hill, Md. | E. E. WHITE. |
| Chesapeake City, Md. | To be supplied. |
| Chester, Del. | L. W. LAYFIELD. |
| Christiana Circuit, Del. | W. M. GREEN. |
| Claymont, Del. | To be supplied. |
| Delaware City and Port Penn, Del. | T. B. HUNTER. |
| Elkton and Crouch's Chapel, Md. | C. F. SHEPPARD. |
| Elk Neck Circuit, Md. | To be supplied. |
| Mt. Lebanon, Del. | L. C. ANDREW. |
| Mt. Pleasant, Del. | W. B. GREGG. |
| Newark and Wesley, Del. | T. H. HAYNES. |
| New Castle, Del. | N. M. BROWNE. |
| Newport Circuit, Del. | J. E. BRYAN. |
| North East, Md. | R. W. TODD. |
| Port Deposit, Md. | R. C. JONES. |
| Red Lion, Del. | JULIUS DODD. |
| Rising Sun, Md. | JOSEPH ROBINSON. |
| St. George's and Summit, Del. | F. J. COCHRAN. |
| Wilmington—Asbury | W. L. S. MURRAY. |
| “ Brandywine. | JOHN SHILLING. |
| “ Epworth. | C. A. HILL. |
| “ Grace. | J. R. BOYLE. |
| “ Madely. | T. A. H. O'BRIEN. |
| “ Mt. Salem. | J. E. SMITH. |
| “ Scott. | T. R. CREAMER. |
| “ St. Paul's. | R. H. ADAMS. |
| “ Swedish Mission. | (Supplied by CARL O. CARLSON.) |
| “ Union. | C. W. PRETTYMAN. |
| Zion Circuit, Md. | JOHN FRANCE. |

EASTON DISTRICT.

T. E. MARTINDALE, P. E.

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| Appoquinimink, Del. | D. F. WADDELL. |
| Cecilton, Md. | J. B. MERRITT. |
| Centreville, Md. | T. E. TERRY. |
| Chestertown, Md. | E. P. ALDRED. |
| Church Hill, Md. | W. B. WALTON. |
| Easton, Md. | A. W. LIGHTBOURN. |
| Galena, Md. | G. W. TOWNSEND. |
| Greensboro, Md. | ALFRED SMITH. |

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| Hillsboro, Md. | G. W. BURKE. |
| Ingleside, Md. | T. E. BELL. |
| Kent Island, Md. | J. A. ARTERS. |
| King's Creek, Md. | L. P. CORKRAN. |
| Marydel, Md. | N. MCQUAY. |
| Middletown, Del. | A. STENGLE. |
| Millington, Md. | T. L. TOMKINSON. |
| Odessa, Del. | J. P. OTIS. |
| Oxford, Md. | A. S. MOWBRAY. |
| Pomona, Md. | E. C. MACNICHOL. |
| Queenstown, Md. | B. F. PRICE. |
| Rock Hall, Md. | G. S. CONAWAY. |
| Royal Oak, Md. | B. WARREN. |
| St. Michael's, Md. | J. E. MOWBRAY. |
| Sassafras, Md. | A. S. WALTON. |
| Smyrna, Del. | J. D. RIGG. |
| Smyrna Circuit, Del. | J. T. VAN BURKALOW. |
| Still Pond, Md. | L. E. BARRETT. |
| Sudlersville, Md. | J. O. SYPHERD AND ROBT. J. WHITELEY. |
| Talbot, Md. | J. E. KIDNEY. |
| Townsend, Del. | To be supplied. |
| Trappe, Md. | R. K. STEPHENSON. |

DOVER DISTRICT.

A. W. MILBY, P. E.

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| Beckwith, Md. | J. CARROLL. |
| Bridgeville, Del. | W. S. ROBINSON, and W. JAGGARD. |
| Cambridge, Md. | L. C. MATLACK. |
| Camden, Del. | J. A. BRINDLE. |
| Church Creek, Md. | To be supplied. |
| Denton, Md. | A. D. DAVIS, and W. F. DAWSON. |
| Dorchester, Md. | T. O. AYRES, and C. H. WILLIAMS. |
| Dover, Del. | J. H. CALDWELL, and V. S. COLLINS. |
| Ellendale, Del. | D. F. MCFAUL. |
| Farmington, Del. | J. W. POOLE. |
| Federalburg, Md. | E. H. NELSON, and R. A. TUFF. |
| Felton, Del. | I. JEWELL. |
| Frederica, Del. | W. W. W. WILSON. |
| Galestown, Md. | J. DARE. |
| Georgetown, Del. | P. H. RAWLINS. |
| Harrington, Del. | F. C. MCSORLEY, and one to be supplied. |
| Leipsic, Del. | E. C. ATKINS. |
| Lewes, Del. | J. D. KEMP. |
| Lincoln, Del. | I. N. FOREMAN. |
| Little Creek, Del. | A. W. HOLT. |
| Magnolia, Del. | S. N. PILCHARD. |
| Milford, Del. | J. S. WILLIS. |
| Millsborough, Del. | A. P. PRETTYMAN. |
| Milton, Del. | T. S. WILLIAMS. |
| Nassau, Del. | J. WARTHMAN. |
| Seaford, Del. | WALTER UNDERWOOD. |
| Woodlandtown, Md. | G. L. HARDESTY. |
| Wyoming, Del. | A. T. MELVIN. |

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

J. A. B. WILSON, P. E.

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| Accomac, Va., | I. G. FOSNOCHT. |
| Asbury, Md., | W. E. AVERY. |
| Barren Creek, Md., | JOSHUA GRAY. |
| Berlin, Md., | C. A. GRICE. |
| Bethel Circuit, Del., | W. L. P. BOWEN. |
| Chincoteague, Va., | E. H. MILLER. |
| Crisfield, Md., | E. L. HUBBARD. |
| Deal's Island, | W. R. NCFARLANE. |
| Delmar, Del., | G. W. WILCOX. |
| Fairmount, Md., | W. H. HUTCHIN. |
| Frankford, Del., | W. J. DUHADWAY. |
| Fruitland, Md., | J. M. LINDALE. |
| Gumboro, Del., | W. F. CORKRAN. |
| Holland's Island, Md., | G. P. SMITH. |
| Laurel, Del., | J. B. QUIGG. |
| Newark, Md., | E. DAVIS. |
| Parsonsborg, Md., | JAMES CONNER. |
| Pocomoke City, Md., | W. E. ENGLAND. |
| Pocomoke Circuit, Md., | W. B. GUTHERIE. |
| Princess Anne, Md., | W. J. O'NEIL. |
| Quantico, Md., | T. H. HARDING. |
| Roxana, Del., | E. H. HYNSON. |
| St. John's Circuit, Del., | S. WEBB. |
| St. Peter's and Quindocqua, Md., | I. D. JOHNSON. |
| Salisbury, Md., | J. D. C. HANNA. |
| Sharptown, Md., | R. ROE. |
| Smiths' Island, Md., | JOHN TYLER. |
| Snow Hill, Md., | J. H. WILLY. |
| Stockton, Md., | W. M. WARNER. |
| Tangier, Va., | C. S. BAKER. |
| Westover, Md., | W. F. TALBOT. |
| Worcester, Md., | J. M. COLLINS. |

REPORTS OF THE PRESIDING ELDERS.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

This closing year of my oversight of the district leaves all its interests in good condition. A brief personal illness, the prolonged illness of Dr. Phœbus and family, with the later sickness of Bro. Shilling and Creamer, are exceptions to the general good health of the preachers.

I have attended three quarterly meetings on each of eleven charges, and four on each of eighteen charges, being one hundred and five quarterly conferences—averaging two weekly for the year; and I have preached twice or thrice each week for ten months.

The material value of church and parsonage property has been largely increased. Asbury, in the city, has on hand a church building enterprise at Silver Creek. Glasgow has a few hundred dollars provided towards a house to be erected soon. Chesapeake has improved the church premises. Chester re-furnished the parsonage. Christiana circuit has commenced building a parsonage at the village. Elk Neck parsonage is finished and nearly paid for. Mt. Pleasant church building and its premises have been in complete order, with bills all paid; cost near \$500. On Newport circuit, at Hokessin, a new church building was recently dedicated; value, \$2,500; debt provided for. Red Lion proposes erecting a parsonage this year. Rising Sun has paid off four-fifths of its large debt, and has the balance provided for amply. Epworth chapel has been improved within and without; expense, \$300. Grace Church has, during the last pastorate, realized \$50,000 of its grand subscription on church debt three years ago; \$17,500 remains unpaid. Interest-bearing notes to that amount are held by the Trustees, which will mature within two years; Mt. Salem has only a small debt remaining, which is lessening constantly by a sinking fund plan. Scott Church has newly seated and improved the large Sunday School room, making it first class in every respect. The entire outlay, \$1,500, all paid. St. Paul's has secured a subscription of \$6,800, purchased a \$12,000 property adjacent to the church, and reconstructed the audience room, refrescoing and carpeting anew, at an outlay of \$3,800. Union, in the city, has paid \$1,500 on their new parsonage during the year. Delaware City has lessened its church debt one-fifth this year, and will probably cancel it wholly within two years. Zion circuit has improved the parsonage.

Special meetings have been held in each of the forty-three churches on the district. Several hundred probationers have been added to the societies. Much spiritual improvement has been realized. The largest work on the district is now in progress at Scott church, where a large number have professed conversion. Madely reports seventy-five conversions. Many other places have added scores to their communion.

These causes of congratulation are offset by facts less gratifying. The want of personal energy on the part of Stewards, rather than lack of ability, in many churches, makes the support of the pastor very meagre. The estimates seldom exceed the bare cost of living, and frequently fall below that figure, and sometimes that is not promptly paid.

Ignorance of our general church work by the great majority of the official and private membership both, prevents large generosity or systematic benevolence.

Nine-tenths of our families probably are without the *Christian Advocate*. Of five hundred and fifty official members, four-fifths, I judge, have no copy of the last issue of our Discipline, or any other of recent date. And, therefore, the plans for promoting the missionary work and other benevolent enterprises of the church are not fully carried out.

The yearly slacking of attendance upon Class Meetings and Love Feasts, except with a few churches, has dried up the springs of piety in thousands of our people. And yet the tithes of Christian workers everywhere, the few who work unweariedly for the Master, retain the Divine presence and the Divine power grandly. "Would God that all the Lord's people were (such) prophets." But alas for us, the touching appeal of Jesus is too often in place even now "Were there not ten cleansed, where are the nine?"

These regretful words are kindly written admonitions to the many I speak of for the last time officially. I have only pleasant personal reminiscences of those with whom I have mingled at their hospitable homes—in quarterly conferences—and in public worship for four years past.

To all my fellow laborers in the ministry the strengthening bonds of Christian affection will hold me closely, long after the present official ties are severed.

L. C. MATLACK, P. E.

EASTON DISTRICT.

In presenting this, my third annual report for Easton District, I desire, first of all, to record my devout gratitude to the great head of the church who has smiled upon His people, given strength to his servants, and, in many places, graciously established "the work of our hands upon us."

The health of the brethren has been providentially preserved. None have died, nor have any been obliged by protracted sickness to resign their charges. Bro. B. F. Price was called, in the early autumn, to part with the wife of his youth. She was a lady of high character, and though for years an invalid, she made the itinerant's home bright with her presence and love. Bro. Price is sorely stricken, yet; "the Lord has stood with him, and strengthened him." Bro. G. W. Burke also has been severely afflicted in the loss of his little daughter, Laura, an interesting child, who passed away after a brief illness in December last. The District has been sadly bereaved by the death of several prominent and godly laymen.

Unusually persistent, faithful work has been done by the pastors in revival services, although the continuously stormy weather has greatly hindered, especially at country churches. Several promising meetings had to be suspended after the first or second week. Interesting services have been held at Greensborough, King's Creek, Halls x Roads on Hillsborough Circuit, Easton, Tilghman's Island and Broad Creek on Talbot Circuit, Trappe, Middletown and Millington; while at Smyrna, Marydell and Chesterville on Galena Circuit, the spirit has been poured out in unusual power. At Blackston's, on Millington Circuit, the revival was conducted in a way somewhat novel to us, although familiar to our fathers, the prayer meetings being held on Sunday mornings after the regular preaching. Eleven souls were thus brought to the Lord in two Sabbaths. From reports in hand we shall probably reach seven hundred conversions.

While the pastors have so industriously devoted themselves to the work of strengthening the charges, the charges themselves have not been unmindful of their obligations. A steady, although not rapid, improvement is observable in the matter of Ministerial support. While the recent inclement weather has, no doubt, operated against the collection of salaries, the general showing will be favorable. There has been no decrease at any point: eighteen charges have paid the same, and eleven have advanced. The average salary of married preachers in charge for this year (exclusive of house-rent) is \$760.00; that of both married and single

preachers, \$680.00. Middletown and Odessa, two prosperous stations on the District, which formally constituted a single charge, have recently settled an old salary debt in a way which deserves honorable mention. Many years ago, at the removal of Bro. B. F. Price, one of the honored, and now venerable members of this Conference, they owed him a balance of \$33.00. Within two months past he has received this amount, with *forty years' interest*, making a total of \$112.00. Their example is heartily commended to charges in the same situation.

This has been a year of unusual success in the matter of church building and improvement. Five new houses of worship have been erected. The beautiful church at Locust Grove, described in our last report, was completed and dedicated last summer by Bishop Andrews. The debt is fully provided for. Trinity Chapel, on Kent Island, a neat, new structure, costing \$1,200, was dedicated in October without indebtedness. The old church at Roseville has given place to a pleasant and substantial building, costing \$1,500. The dedicatory services were very successful, the contributions exceeding the amount asked. The new church at Trappe, Md., constructed after one of our church extension plans at an outlay of \$5,000, is nearly completed. Although it is now in use, the brethren are unwilling to have the formal dedication until the remaining debt, which is about \$750.00, is provided for. The long and deeply felt need of a new sanctuary at Hillsborough is being supplied. It is also after one of our church extension draughts, 30 x 50, with chapel, corner-tower-bell, stained glass, cellar furnaces, and other modern appointments. It is to be dedicated in April. The work of improving other church property has also been prosecuted with great vigor. At Centreville, Md., the main auditorium has been thoroughly re-modelled by frescoing, re-carpeting, imitation stained-glass windows, and the putting in of a new pipe organ of fine tone. The entire building is supplied with gas from an automatic machine. The expense incurred was \$2,480, which is substantially covered by cash and subscriptions. The Oxford church has been enlarged; a new front erected, with steeple and bell, and the interior frescoed and carpeted. It was re-opened February 18th. The pastor writes: "\$2,300 asked for; \$2,300 in hand and in reliable subscriptions. The noblest giving I have ever seen." This society has made exceptional progress in two years. The most extensive work of rebuilding, however, is at Still Pond. The entire structure is being remodelled, with the addition of a new roof and a handsome steeple. The outlay will be \$6,000. It is to be completed by the 1st of June. The brethren at Blackston's on Millington Circuit, and at Broad Creek on Talbot Circuit have greatly added to their churches by recess pulpits, painting and refurnishing generally, the indebtedness in each case being met. A thousand dollars (\$1,000) has been spent upon church property at Smyrna, while minor improvements have been made at Townsend and Greensboro. The children of the late Capt. R. A. Dodson, of St. Michael's, have deeded the old homestead in that town to the church, reserving to themselves a life estate in the property.

A new parsonage has recently been purchased at Millington for \$1,000, and paid for; and the parsonages at Blackbird and Smyrna have been improved.

The following debts, largely on parsonage property, have been paid:—\$700.00 at Hillsborough; \$1,545 at Odessa; \$1,125 at Easton, and the indebtedness of St. Michael's, Pomona and Kent has been reduced.

It is contemplated during the next year to build new churches at Sudlersville, Ebenezer on Centreville charge, and Cordova on King's Creek Circuit, a lot at the latter place having been donated for the purpose. Royal Oak Circuit has also determined upon the erection of a parsonage. It is cause of regret that many of the buildings on the District are not insured. The matter has been earnestly urged at the Quarterly Conferences.

Some advancement has been made in regard to the keeping of Church Records. Many Boards of Trustees, however, are yet without records of any kind; and many class leaders keep no regular account of the attendance of their members, while a few have been found who are in the habit of dropping from their

books the names of full members because of non-attendance. Only sixteen charges out of the twenty-nine can be said to have well kept records. Faithful examinations and frank reports on the part of committees appointed for the purpose will go a great way toward remedying these defects.

The canvass for subscribers to the *Advocate* has been spirited, yet much remains to be done. On two charges there are but six copies taken. The number taken this year will approximate four hundred.

The brethren generally seem to be earnest and enthusiastic in their advocacy of the great benevolent enterprises of the church. On some charges there is an advance, yet it is to be feared that the necessary suspension of services during the last two months will affect the general result. The disciplinary plan has been more fully worked than during last year.

Special attention has been given to the class-meetings, yet the results are far from satisfactory. The average attendance is about the same as a year ago; the number contributing to the support of the church nearly two-thirds; and the heads of families holding family worship about one-half. The latter items are an advance over the showing at last report.

Much may be said in just praise of our growing Sunday School work. The pastors are more generally interested than formerly, and we have many devoted and competent officers and instructors. Nearly all the schools are disciplinary in organization; and fifty-seven are working as Missionary Societies, as against forty-six last year. The study of the Catechism is still being insisted upon. Special emphasis has been laid upon the matter of running the schools all winter, with the following result: forty-six are holding on, while twenty-one have closed.

My own work has been done in the fear of God, and with reference to His glory. I have been enabled, by His blessing, to be constantly at my post, having held every Quarterly Conference since my assignment to the District, three years ago, and filled for the most part, three appointments on each Sabbath. I am grateful to my brethren and the churches for many kindly attentions, and, with them, sincerely desire and look forward to fuller consecration, and more diligent toil in the "time to come."

T. E. MARTINDALE, P. E.

DOVER DISTRICT.

With profound thankfulness to God for the blessed and helpful influences of His kind providence and grace continuously bestowed through the past four years, I gladly approach the task of making my final annual report.

During my administration I have been under the necessity of filling ten pastoral vacancies in the interims of our Conference sessions; two of which have occurred during the past year. Rev. S. M. Morgan, employed as junior preacher on Dorchester Circuit, was released in August, to enter upon a collegiate course at Dickinson College; and Rev. R. B. Hazzard, residing within the bounds of the same charge, was employed to supply the vacancy. On the 29th day of October, Rev. B. W. Chase, stationed at Seaford, Del., on account of failing health, tendered his resignation of that pastoral charge, and Rev. W. W. Redman Supernumerary, was appointed in his stead.

On Monday, the 11th day of December last, our highly esteemed Brother Chase, having well and faithfully finished his work on earth, entered into his rest. A suitable record has been prepared for our archives and for the memorial service.

With this sad exception, the lives of our preachers and of their families have been preserved. A few have suffered from malarial influences; but the general health is improved. At the last two sessions of our Conference our beloved brother, Rev. Jos. Robinson, was "with us in great affliction." It gives me pleasure to announce that he is now in his usual robust vigor.

In 1879 the church membership on Dover District exceeded that of any other in our Conference by about three hundred. One year ago this excess had increased to 1,000. Four years ago, our Sunday School scholars outnumbered those of any other district in the Conference by nearly six hundred; one year ago, by nearly eight hundred. It is probable the minutes will show the same or a greater ratio of healthy advance the present year.

Four years ago there were, on Dover District, ninety-three churches, valued at \$191,100; one year ago, ninety-nine churches valued at \$246,225; from which deduct for those added to the district by the transfer of Denton Circuit, \$20,000; and we have a net increase, in the value of church property, of \$25,125 in three years, to which is to be added the cost of improvements of old churches, and the erection of new ones, completed or in progress during the present year, which will show an increase, in the value of churches, of nearly \$40,000. The number of parsonages has been advanced from thirteen to eighteen; and their value has increased by the sum of about \$7,000; making a total increase, during four years, in the value of church property, of nearly \$50,000. During the same period old debts on church property have been reduced by the sum of about \$6,000.

Although leading the Districts of our Conference in church membership, as I have shown, we occupied four years ago, and still occupy, the third place in our contributions to the church benevolences. About one-third part of the territory of Dover District lies in regions not favored in fertility of soil and other natural advantages, which may, in part, account for our apparent want of liberality in giving; but we are growing in this grace, as a comparison of the statistics of Dover, and of the highly favored Easton District will show. Four years ago, we paid less than Easton District by more than \$5,000 for pastoral support. Our average pastoral salary was \$520, while that of Easton District was \$630. One year ago, we were but \$2,000 behind Easton District; and our average salary was increased to \$636, while that of Easton District was about \$700.

Four years ago our Missionary collection was \$453 less than that of the Easton District; last year we were behind our sister but \$337. We hope, in all these particulars to bridge this narrowing chasm by the reports of the present year.

The unfavorable weather has greatly interfered with our congregations, during the entire winter, and has affected seriously all our financial plans and interests. Many of the pastors have been compelled to take their collections by soliciting from house to house. All our benevolent enterprises have been faithfully brought before the Quarterly Conferences, as required by the Discipline; but the provisions and recommendations pertaining thereunto, in some cases, I regret to report, have not been fully carried out.

The unfavorable weather has also largely interfered with revival efforts; and in many cases they have been entirely defeated. Nevertheless, from reports that have reached me, it is safe to estimate about one thousand conversions, as the result of the year's work. While many gracious seasons have been enjoyed, in various places, Leipsic, Galestown and Denton Circuits have been especially favored. The first named place has been swept as by "a mighty rushing wind," and nearly one hundred souls have been added to them that believe.

At Galveston and Wesley of that charge, meetings of exceptional interest and power have moved the entire regions round about, and brought in nearly one hundred accessions to the church; while at every one of the eight appointments on Denton Circuit the people have seen the "wonderful works of God;" and rejoice, with their pastors, in the conversion of three hundred and thirty-five souls.

Our Sunday School work is advancing. Four years ago the Disciplinary plan of organization was quite generally ignored, and but inefficiently worked in most places where its authority was recognized. Not more than one fifth of the schools were organized into Missionary Societies; and one country school only continued its sessions throughout the winter. Now, and largely by reason of the

relation of the Quarterly Conference thereto, the Sunday School is beginning to be recognized as an important part of Christ's Kingdom; more than one half of the schools have become Missionary Auxiliaries; and some twenty-five or thirty country schools refuse, despite the stormy weather, to hibernate.

At Dover a church debt of nearly \$1000 has been paid; and initial steps have been taken for a church extension movement, that will be demanded in the near future, to meet the wants of our Methodism in that beautiful and rapidly growing little city.

The new churches at Wyoming, Woodland and Chestnut Grove, spoken of in my last report, have been delayed but now approach completion. At Willow Grove, on Wyoming circuit, a beautiful gothic chapel, with spire and bell, has been erected at a cost of \$2,000, and is now awaiting dedication.

At Ellendale, aided by a donation of \$250 by the Church Extension Society, the people have erected a neat chapel, worth \$1,200, and dedicated the same, free of debt, since which they have enjoyed God's recognition of their work in the conversion therein of more than a score of their sons and daughters.

Our Zion at Georgetown has put on her beautiful garments, costing over \$1,000, for which she has paid. The improvement is substantial and beautiful.

The new Wesley, in place of Little chapel, on Bridgeville Circuit, is a "thing of health and joy," being one of our Church Extension models. It was dedicated in December, more cash being raised on the occasion than was required to pay off the debt of \$400. It cost \$1,200.

The substantial, graceful, and every way attractive temple, in which we are assembled, needs no feeble words of mine. It speaks for itself; or rather it speaks for the heroic faith, and self-sacrificing labor and devotion of the pastor and people by whom it has been erected. Should no misfortune of fire or storm overtake it, it looks as if it might remain their graceful and eloquent monument for a thousand years. The rebuilding cost over \$14,000; and has been effected without embarrassing debt.

A very sightly, convenient, and comfortable parsonage, worth, with grounds and outbuildings \$1,500, has been completed and paid for at Denton. In this, as in all the other instances noted in this report, the work has been wrought, largely, through the influential energy of the preacher in charge.

The experience and observations of the past four years have, if possible, intensified my loyalty and devotion to the Methodist Episcopal Church. My intercourse with the preachers of my district has deepened my conviction that as a class, Methodist ministers are among the most liberal, devoted, self-sacrificing and conscientious with whose lives God has ever blessed the earth. My brothers and sisters of the laity have been thoughtful of my comfort and patient with my frailties, thus not only showing themselves angels of blessing to the church's servant, but loyal and devoted to her polity and work. I have done my work "with malice toward none—with charity for all;" and I shall retire to the now doubly attractive work of the pastorate, with a pleasure unmarred by one single regret for the *animus* of any official act; and a determination always to give to the action of my presiding elder and my Bishop the kindest possible construction.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBT. W. TODD, P. E.

I present herewith my report of the Wilmington Conference Academy, as follows:

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| Joint Principals, R. H. Skinner, A. M., W. L. Gooding, A. M. | |
| No. of Professors and Teachers..... | 8 |
| “ Students enrolled in Preparatory Department..... | 54 |
| “ “ “ in the Academic Department..... | 70 |
| “ “ “ in the Special..... | 16 |
| “ “ “ enrolled this year..... | 137 |
| “ Graduates..... | 61 |
| “ “ in the Ministry..... | 6 |
| “ “ not graduates in the Ministry..... | 11 |

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| Value of grounds, buildings, furniture, &c..... | \$50,000 |
| Volumes in Library..... | 700 |
| There is a valuable Philosophical and Chemical Apparatus; and a cabinet containing over one thousand mineral and geological specimens. | |
| Income last year from board, tuition, &c..... | \$ 450 |
| Income from Educational Collection..... | 306 |

Total income from these sources last year..... \$756

I have brought the plan for the relief of the Academy before the Quarterly Conferences, and secured a subscription of nearly \$1200, about four fifths of which was obtained in the Maryland part of my district. R. W. TODD.

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

Our appearance before the Conference body again to read the annual report of Salisbury District reminds us of the fact that another year has passed and of still another fact that our four years of toil and responsibility, of cares and anxieties, of defeats and successes, are about drawing to a close.

While some of our preachers are here, perhaps with feelings of deep regret that their labors have been attended with no more gratifying results, others are here, flushed with joy of blessed triumphs. Whatever the discouragements, they have been faithful in the discharge of duty; and we have worked together, with such ability as God has given us, to advance His Kingdom. And the Lord has not hid His face from us.

Death has entered none of the homes of the preachers, though sickness has not been altogether absent. Rev. A. Chandler was compelled to give up his work on account of ill health. He left his appointment November 1st. Rev. E. L. Hubbard took charge of the circuit the remainder of the year. The wife of Rev. C. S. Baker has also been heavily afflicted for several months. We commend these cases to the sympathies and prayers of our brethren.

On the 29th of May Rev. G. S. Gassner resigned the pastorate of Asbury church; June 5th he tendered his withdrawal from the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Rev. Vaughn Smith being invited to take charge of the appointment, served as its pastor for three months and a half.

The Preacher's Association, held in Princess Anne, commencing May 29th, was an interesting and profitable session to both preachers and people. The cordial welcome and the generous hospitality of the Princess Anne people are worthy of grateful recognition.

The social means of grace have been made more attractive, and consequently, have been better attended during the year than heretofore. They are the strong hold of Methodism; and we cannot be too careful in guarding that stronghold.

After careful observation and general consultation with preachers and laity, we are more than ever convinced that the great need of our Church on the District is a more general circulation of pure religious literature. I have pressed this matter upon the attention of class leaders and Sunday School superintendents. Literature of a certain character is abundant among the people, but it is not of the right kind; not of that high moral tone which purifies the heart and uplifts the soul. The *Christian Advocate* is gaining ground, but it is confined almost exclusively to the officary. If the non-official members could have, at least for the present, a less expensive paper, calculated to keep them generally informed on church matters, and, at the same time furnish them with plain, wholesome religious reading, a part of the need to which I have referred would be well supplied. Can we not do something?

The prospects for the general growth and prosperity of our Church within the bounds of Salisbury District are encouraging. The unpleasant prejudices,

heretofore existing, are dying out, and the young people, as they grow up for church relations, seem to cling more closely to the Mother of Methodism. Then, too, the preachers are giving to her that dignity and character which command the respect of all who are in any way familiar with her polity and doctrines.

The collections for benevolent purposes will show well this year, especially those from appointments where the finances have been managed according to a thorough and active system.

Revival services, held at Crisfield, Fairmount, Berlin, Snow Hill, Gumboro and Salisbury, have been attended with great success, while other charges have been more or less favored with rich harvests for the Master. Many precious souls have been won for Christ, and many new names added to our church rolls.

A number of improvements upon church property have been made during the year.

The interior of the church at Laurel has been remodeled, and the whole building repainted. This work gives the church a much more pleasing appearance, and makes it more convenient as well.

A neat parsonage is in course of erection at Frankford, which, when completed, will contribute greatly to the pleasure and comfort of its occupants.

At Friendship, on Berlin Circuit, a new church has been built at a cost of \$1,200. It was dedicated December 30th, free of debt.

The remodelling of the church at Snow Hill, mentioned in our last report, has been completed. Bishop Andrews and Rev. J. S. Willis officiated at the reopening, June 13th, when the amount necessary to cover the expenses of the improvement was raised.

At Zion, on Parsonsburg Circuit, a new church is being built, and will probably be completed this Spring.

Preparations are being made to erect a new church at Zion, on Fruitland Circuit.

One of the most convenient and handsome parsonages on the District has been built at Crisfield, through the indomitable perseverance of the pastor.

Now, with pleasing recollections of our four years association with both the pastors and the people of Salisbury District, and with grateful acknowledgements of their kindness and cordiality, we leave the field to another—praying that God's blessing may continually rest upon him, and upon all those with whom his lot is cast. Respectfully submitted, T. S. WILLIAMS.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—In submitting to you our annual report we desire first of all to record our gratitude to Almighty God for His merciful kindness to us in the management of this great enterprise of the Church.

We have held two sessions during the Conference year now closing: one in May and one in November, 1882. On the 22d of March, 1882, a donation of \$500.00 to Rising Sun M. E. Church, Wilmington District, was paid over by the Parent Board; and on the 26th of July last, \$250.00 was received from the same source for Locust Grove M. E. Church on Easton District; this, with the \$500.00 previously recommended as a loan to that church, increased the amount paid over for their benefit to \$750.00. We are glad to record that on the 30th day of November last, \$100.00 of the said loan had been returned to the Parent Board.

Applications from other charges have been received during the year, and commanded our most earnest consideration. Of those recommended to the Parent Board, Central Church, near Denton, Md., received a donation of \$150.00, which was paid by that Board, December 4th, 1882, and Ellendale received \$250, paid by said Board, January 17th, 1883.

None of the collections taken in the Conference during the present year have been received by the Parent Board, and there stands to our credit for the past year only the sum of \$68.33.

It will be seen on a review of this report, that there has been paid out during the

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| Conference year, | \$1,150.00 |
| The balance to our credit is, | 68.33 |

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| Total available through the year, | \$1,218.33 |
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There are several applications before our Board for consideration, and these, with the good work already done, and that which can be done, plead most earnestly for such a course of action on the part of both the ministry and the laity as shall give our Board the power to aid in the uprearing of the temple of God in places where the body of the Church is financially feeble.

Congratulating the Conference on what it has done, permit us to plead that no charge in the future be permitted to have a blank space inside of a reported collection in our Minutes, in behalf of this great enterprise. May God help us to give to His people a Christian temple in every community.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee would return grateful thanks to the Heavenly Father for the abundant yield of the ground this Conference year, enabling many of our people, not only to pay off their obligations, but to send their children to school, thus filling the institutions of learning under the patronage of the Conference as they were never filled before. Without an exception it has been a year of great prosperity to all our schools. It gives us great pleasure to notice the report of

Dickinson College, now approaching its one hundredth anniversary. Its able President, Dr. J. A. McCaulley, furnishes us the following items:

1st. The repairs and improvements made during the last year at an expense of over \$9,000, have put the property in excellent condition. The accommodations it furnished for students are more comfortable and attractive than they have ever been before.

2nd. Patronage is increasing, excellent work being done, and order most commendable.

3rd. The Trustees authorized the raising of \$150,000, two-thirds for endowment and one-third for additional buildings. Of this sum \$41,000 has been paid in, and other gifts are in good prospect.

4th. The centennial of the College will be commemorated during the commencement this year by appropriate observances; and he furthermore expresses a wish, which, with your Committee, respectfully submits to the Conference—that resolutions be passed pledging the co-operation of the ministers to secure gifts to the College, and that the College be made to share in the gifts of our people during the Centennial of 1884.

We respectfully recommend the appointment of the following visitors from the Conference to the College next commencement:

Ministerial—Rev. Dr. L. C. Matlack, Rev. Adam Stengle.

Laymen—Harry Cannon, John F. Dawson.

DREW THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY—No especial reports were handed to your Committee from this institution. But we learn it is prospering, has but little trouble financially, but needs students, and from the excellent ministerial work that is being done by graduates of that institution that are within the bounds of this Conference, we heartily commend it to the Conference and our people. It has won its laurels by its successful work. We would respectfully recommend as visitors to Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J.

Ministerial—Rev. R. W. Todd, Rev. W. S. Robinson.

Layman—Hon. Eli Saulsbury, Cap. Alex. Kelley.

WILMINGTON CONFERENCE ACADEMY—This child of the Conference we know lies very close to the heart of the Church, and it is with great satisfaction that we report its condition. The Academy this year has the largest enrollment of students in its history; it has already twenty-five in excess of the whole attendance last year. The working force has been increased during the past year by two professors, making now eight in all, and the facilities have also improved very much. The standard is firmly maintained and steadily advanced, and it is the deliberate opinion of your Committee that so far as in them lies, the brethren should patronize it in preference to any similar institutions outside of the bounds of this Conference, and to that end we offer the following resolution.

RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE WILMINGTON CONFERENCE ACADEMY.

Resolved that the Wilmington Conference Academy holds the first claim on the patronage and influence of the ministry and members of the Wilmington Annual Conference as a preparatory school.

Respectfully recommended as visitors to the Conference Academy:

Ministerial—Rev. Alfred Smith, Rev. W. L. S. Murray.

Layman—W. Spry Shearman, Alfred G. Cox.

The Centenary Biblical Institute, at Baltimore, Md., we learn is the only institution in the Middle States whose specialty is the Theological training of the colored race, preparing young men to enter the ministry. The colored people are here in our midst, and here they will stay, and are rapidly increasing in numbers, and they have the right of suffrage to say who shall govern us, and they are becoming educated, their minds are expanding. Then how important is it, not only to their future welfare but to ours, that their standard of right and wrong should be

made as correct as possible by having placed over them, intelligent pious men as their pastors, to whom they can look for examples of both moral and mental culture. This is the especial work committed to this institute, and nobly has it done its work under the most disadvantageous circumstances, the whole Board of Professors the last year working without salaries, or cutting off their salaries, to aid their students. The recital of their struggles reminds us of the deprivations endured by the founders of Methodism in the wilds of this country. We are rejoiced to announce that owing to the liberality of a few brethren the institution is on a broader and sounder basis than formerly, but still badly needs pecuniary assistance, and we heartily commend it to the liberality of our people.

We recommend as visitors to the Centenary Biblical Institute at Baltimore:

Ministerial—Rev. J. P. Otis, Rev. H. Colclazer.

Layman—J. F. Williamson, T. H. Medford.

Your committee have heretofore in this report alluded to those institutions of the Church that concern more especially the adult and the youth of the Church, but the great head of the Church put it into the heart of our leaders to call upon and to enlist the children in the cause of education. How grandly the children paid off the missionary debt of the Church when called upon, and how nobly year after year they lay upon the missionary altar their pennies, until the pile exceeds perhaps half a million dollars a year; and we believe, if the Church will take the pains to let them know the objects of the Children's Day,—they will not fail in this measure any more than in the other—so we commend to the thoughtful attention of the Conference, the Board of Education, and their Children's Day; and let the children know that other children are so taking interest in this great work that collections to this cause were sent in last year from almost one hundred Annual and Mission Conferences; that already, during only eight years of action, the Board has aided over nine hundred students, attending not less than seventy-three different institutions of the Church, twenty-three missionaries to-day in foreign fields, and one hundred and fifty-eight ministers in fifty-seven Annual Conferences were aided by it to acquire an education, and this is but a mere beginning of what the Church will accomplish in this line when the children of the Church become acquainted with the work and its needs. Therefore we ask of the members of the Conference, spread the knowledge among our people, and be sure and observe Children's Day.

Our beloved Presiding Bishop, as President of the Board of Education, in printed circulars sent to this Conference, draws especial attention to the cause of education as the chief object of the contributions of the Church in the Centenary offerings of 1884, and requests, "that measures be taken to inform our people every where of the opportunity to do good, by augmenting the funds of this Board, and that motives be set before them to co-operate liberally for that object during our coming Centenary celebration."

Therefore, your committee presents the following preamble and resolution:

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE CENTENARY CELEBRATION OF 1884.

WHEREAS, There is a growing interest throughout the church in the proposed celebration of the one hundredth year of the organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and it does seem fitting that some permanent monument should be built by the church to commemorate that event; and that in the judgment of this Conference, no monument can be so appropriate as a fund that will afford the opportunity to youth, generation after generation, to acquire a Christian education and to become heralds of the cross and teachers of the people; therefore,
Be it Resolved, That we will lay before our people the claims of the Board of Education to their liberality, and will endeavor to interest them in Children's Day.

To the Bishop and Members of Wilmington Conference, March, 1883:

The officers and members of the Conference Education Society fraternally report:

That at the date of their report submitted to the Conference, March, 1882, there remained in the hands of their treasurer a balance of \$71.

At that session we received from individual contributions the sum of \$19.50, and from the Finance Committee \$238, making the amount to be accounted for \$328.50.

Of the amount then received from the Finance Committee it is claimed that by a mistake of that committee, the sum of \$76.25, properly payable to the treasurer of the Conference Academy, was paid to our treasurer. This error has, under the order of the Conference, been corrected by the Finance Committee of the present session, refunding to the Academy the \$76.25 from the funds in their hands, payable to our treasurer.

Of the \$328.50 to be accounted for, we have appropriated the sum of \$175 to the aid of three young brethren in the prosecution of their studies for the ministry, each of whom have brought to us the proper testimonials required by our constitution and by-laws, and all of whom the benefits of the funds of the society we believe could be safely and surely imparted.

The balance remaining in our hands with such further sums as may be received by our treasurer at this session, we propose to apply in aid of the young brethren who are looking to us for assistance in their efforts to qualify themselves for effective work in the ministry of our Church.

Fraternally submitted, F. A. ELLIS, President.

REPORT OF TRACT COMMITTEE.

The Tract Committee in this report desire to say that the distribution of tracts is a work at once literary and evangelistic, and calls for the direct and practical attention of both ministers and people. That the Tract Department of our church furnishes reading on a great variety of subjects which will be found wholesome to Christian minds, and calculated so to instruct the irreligious that they may become "wise unto salvation."

It is further the judgment of this committee that while one-half the amount of our collections for the tract cause is returned in tracts, it would be well for the Department at New York to send tracts *free of cost* to all our preachers who request them for circulation, and by so doing it is believed the collections for the cause would be increased.

It is gratifying to learn that numerous tracts on important subjects and in attractive forms have lately been published, and are ready for our orders, the distribution of which may be like "leaves for the healing of the nations." We, therefore,

Resolved, 1st, That our preachers are hereby instructed to see that the Tract Committee of their respective charges be supplied with tracts for general distribution.

Resolved, 2nd, That our preachers are hereby advised to distribute tracts among the teachers and scholars of our Sabbath Schools.

Resolved, 3rd, That in this work we pledge ourselves as a Conference to *take a new departure*.

REPORT ON BIBLE CAUSE.

The Word of God is the instrument of enlightenment, civilization and salvation.

We record with great satisfaction the fact that, in spite of all opposing forces, the demand for the Word is greater than ever before, taxing the resources of the Bible Society to its utmost capacity, making necessary on our part an increase of contributions to this cause.

It is also important that in our pastoral work we carefully note cases destitute of the Scriptures, and see to it that all families within the boundaries of our work are supplied.

In order to this, we beg leave to present the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That we will increase the amount of our collection for the benefit of the Bible Cause.

Resolved, 2. That auxiliary Bible Societies, within the bounds of our Conference, be requested to supply our pastors with Bibles for gratuitous distribution on demand for special cases of need reported by them.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

With increasing zeal and larger success the "Woman's Foreign Missionary Society" is holding on in its way, having held the thirteenth of its annual meetings last November, in Philadelphia.

Its Auxiliary Societies at home are multiplying, the contributions to its treasury are increasing, and its hold upon the affections of the church is strengthening, until now it gives decisive evidence that in taking its place among the evangelizing agencies of the world it has come to stay, while among the nations of the earth from whom the Macedonian cry reaches us, it has already an influence, which, like that of the leaven in the measures of meal, is truly wonderful.

It is doing a grandly successful work in Japan, China, India, South India, Burmah, Bulgaria, Italy, and the work has been started with prospect of large success in Africa, Monrovia, Mexico, and in South America. God is unmistakably putting his seal upon it as his chosen instrument in the moral elevation of woman in heathen and in Romish lands.

We believe that a cordial welcome, an open door, and a generous liberality should be extended to the accomplished ladies who are the official representatives of the society, whenever they may find it convenient to come to our charges for the purpose of organizing auxiliary societies, or awakening the spirit of revival in those already existing.

Furthermore, we believe that the spirit of Missionary zeal among us which would find expression in more earnest prayers, and increased offerings, both to this and the parent society, would be kindled up into a brighter flame by the general circulation among us of the able little paper published by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, styled "The Heathen Woman's Friend."

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

WHEREAS, We believe the Sunday School to be one of the most efficient auxiliaries of our church; and

WHEREAS, We find some things connected with it which, to our minds, impede its progress; therefore

Resolved, 1. That while we would encourage the general use of the Berean Lesson Leaves and Journals, we caution our people against their substitution in the place of the Bible during the session of the school, and the simple use of their questions to the exclusion of all other and original ones.

Resolved, 2. That we recommend the use of the Catechism and suggest that, at least, five minutes of each session be devoted to its study.

Resolved, 3. That we also recommend the preaching of special sermons to the children, and a constant effort in and out of the church to bring them to Christ.

Resolved, 4. That we insist upon the importance and necessity of their attendance upon public worship, and recognize it to be the duty of parents, in view of their baptismal vow, to see that they attend.

Resolved, 5. That we urge upon our people the employment of every honorable and legitimate means for the increase of our Sunday School members, as from careful observation it will be found that as a general thing, there is not only a striking proportion, but an absolute equality between these and the membership of the church.

Resolved, 6. That we advise our people throughout the country to continue their schools during the winter; the fact being that in many instances where these schools are abandoned, the children regularly attend the secular schools during the week equally or more distant from their homes.

Resolved, 7. That all schools should be organized into Missionary Societies, and also into the regular Sunday School Board, provided for in the Discipline of 1880.

Resolved, 8. That we unqualifiedly condemn the purchase of any and all Sunday School matter from un-Methodistic and cheap publishing houses, believing that in the end, instead of being economical, the coveted object is the most costly, and in many instances, highly pernicious.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We have been cheered by some signs of advance in the great temperance movement, especially in Queen Anne's county, Md., where, in every district save one, the local option cause prevailed.

We are gratified at the firm stand which many of our ministers and people have taken in favor of prohibitory legislation against the liquor traffic; and we are persuaded that, at no distant day, the cause will be triumphant.

Some parts of our territory, especially in Delaware, have been favored by the labors of approved temperance workers, among whom we mention Miss Willard, Mrs. Leavitt and Rev. W. H. Boole. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Delaware, with Mrs. Annie E. Martindale as president, has done a noble work, and deserves the thanks of all good people. Under the auspices of the Delaware State Temperance Alliance a local option bill has been prepared and placed in the hands of a committee of the Senate, whose chairman is a pronounced friend of the measure.

Resolved, That we regard the prohibition of the liquor traffic, both by statute and by constitutional amendment, as the only adequate security against the evils which threaten our country in consequence of that traffic.

Resolved, That Local Option, as a means of attaining complete and permanent prohibition, commends itself to every citizen as fair, equitable and just, and that it is not in accord with the spirit of our Republican government for a legislative body to deny to a people petitioning for it, the opportunity to exercise such a plan.

REPORT ON CAMP MEETINGS.

We are not prepared to admit that the day of camp meetings is past, where properly conducted, but as managed in some localities, they have been very damaging to the church.

Among the evils to be deplored are the suspension of public worship on the Sabbath, for weeks together, in many churches: the disorganization of many Sunday Schools, and the demoralization of churches thereby: the desecration of the Sabbath by traffic and travel; a worldliness of spirit which fills the tents with companies of merry, pleasure seekers, and the avenues with gay, worldly-minded promenaders, leaving the prayer circle empty and sad.

These evils combined greatly present the work of saving souls; and in some cases the preponderance of evil is so great as to overcome the good.

We, therefore deem it important that some action should be taken by this Annual Conference that may tend to overcome the evils complained of.

We, therefore, make the following recommendation:

First. That public religious services and Sabbath Schools be nowhere suspended, where it is possible to continue them, on the account of camp-meetings held in the neighborhood.

Second. That we will not give our aid in holding camp-meetings that have not the official sanction of the church, and where the "privileges" so called, are not under the direction of the Pastor and Board of Managers, and where the sanctity of the Sabbath, in every way, is not carefully guarded.

Third. That we will refuse to attend any camp-meeting, where buying and selling any other than necessary refreshments are permitted on the Sabbath, or where promenading within the circle, loud conversation and social visiting are permitted during religious services at the stand.

Fourth. That every Board of Managers should have their code of rules printed and distributed, before the tents sites are chosen, so that all may know them before the camp begins.

REPORT ON CENTENARY FUND.

Your Committee of Inquiry as to the subscription of this Conference to the stock of the Conference Academy by the "Trustees of the Centenary Fund," respectfully report:

1. That when this Conference was organized, it was without any corporate existence or legal qualification to hold funds or property of any kind,
2. That a trust was established and incorporated under the style and title of "The Trustees of the Centenary Fund."
3. That this trust is legally qualified to hold and administer the funds or property of this Conference under the direction of the Conference.
4. Any fund set apart to any particular use by this Conference, or by the donor thereof, cannot be applied to any other use by the Trustees; or by the Conference, so as to defeat the intention of the donor.
5. That the money designated "Tract Fund," received by this Conference was never set apart to any particular use by this Conference, nor is it known that the said money was a donation made by anybody for any particular use; but it may be inferred that the Philadelphia Conference Tract Society conceded our claim to it, only because of the patronage of our people gave to its Depository in the purchase of books, etc., and hence the said society exacted of this Conference as a condition, the continued patronage of our Conference to its Depository.
6. That this Conference instructed the Trustees of the Centenary Fund to subscribe for 3,000 shares of the stock of the Conference Academy; that 2,000 shares were to be subscribed with the condition that it should be an endowment fund, bearing interest at six per cent: one thousand shares should be bought and paid for with the so-called tract fund; and when five thousand dollars (\$5,000) had been secured to the Academy, the stock should be sold again and the money refunded to this Conference.
7. That no improper diversion or misappropriation of funds has taken place in the action of this Conference. Five thousand dollars (\$5,000) has been invested in the stock of the Academy, and remains there as an investment the Conference had a right to make, and the same may be sold by direction of this Conference when we insist upon the sale and return of the said fund.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE CENTENARY FUND MADE TO THE WILMINGTON ANNUAL CONFERENCE MARCH 6TH, 1883.

The Treasurer reports that since the last session of the Conference he has

received from the executors of the late Geo. W. Sparks, late Treasurer; and other sources as follows:

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| For the fund for necessitous cases from mortgage of Geo. | |
| W. Sparks, paid by executors..... | \$3,000 00 |
| Interest due on same up to settlement..... | 22 50 |
| Interest on same to date (March 6th, 1883)..... | 90 00 |
| Total..... | \$3,112 50 |
| I have invested the \$3,000, placing it on three houses on Chestnut street, in the city of Wilmington Del., Nos. 1212, 1214, 1216. \$1,000 on each house at 6 per cent interest. | |
| Paid for recording same..... | \$6 50 |
| Total..... | \$ 3,106 00 |
| RECEIVED FOR THE TRACT FUND: | |
| On account of the O. Hanlon mortgage..... | \$ 50 00 |
| Interest on same, due Octobr 28th, 1882..... | 55 50 |
| Balance from late Treasurer's book..... | 370 07 |
| Balance due on the O. Hanlon mortgage..... | 900 00 |
| Total..... | \$1,375 57 |

Respectfully Submitted by,

ALEXANDER KELLEY,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF FREEDMENS' AID.

The Committee on the Freedmen's Aid Society respectfully submit the following matter to the consideration of the ministry and membership of the Wilmington Conference.

First. We especially call attention to the broadening of the field of operations of the society by its undertaking the guardianship of our educational work among our white, as well as our colored membership in the South. Particularly is the society to be congratulated for its work on this line in Little Rock, Arkansas, where a collegiate institution has been successfully inaugurated, to which the Governor of the State and prominent citizens have given their sympathy and material aid. We hail this as a sign that soon all special designations can be dropped and all our work on the line of Christian education be prosecuted under that simple name.

Second. We call attention to the fact that at present the Freedmen's Aid collections of our Conference are devoted to the support of the Centenary Biblical Institute at Baltimore. We desire to record our emphatic approval of the appointment of the Rev. W. M. Frysinger, D. D., as President of the Institute. His extraordinary ability as a public speaker, his manly bearing and his evident adaptation to his work, will make him a welcome visitor in our churches and at our Conference sessions. A few figures from his report will give some idea of the work of the institute. There are in it one hundred and forty-six students, seventy-three of them over twenty years of age, twenty-three preparing for the ministry, and fifty-five for teaching. Of its former students fifty are preachers and sixty are teachers. Its lowest, or primary grade, corresponds with the grammar grade of the Baltimore public schools, and its requirements are declared to be strict beyond what is usually found. Inasmuch as the amount apportioned to be raised by the Conferences will only about half meet the current expenses, we urge greater zeal and diligence in raising our share. Situated as the institute is, under the eyes of

Baltimore Methodism, one of the most honored ministers of that city, Rev. J. F. Goucher, having, at his own cost, erected the elegant building of the institute, our people may rest assured that their contributions will be most carefully used, and that the education there given will be such as to fit our colored youth in the best sense to be preachers and teachers for their race.

REPORT ON CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

DEAR BRETHERN:—Your Committee report the following Resolutions:

1. That a committee, consisting of five ministers and four layman, be appointed to arrange for celebrating the meeting of Bishops Coke and Asbury, on the 30th day of November, 1884, at Barrett's Chapel.
2. That said committee be instructed to solicit the attendance and participation of the Board of Bishops in said celebration.
3. That the presiding Bishop be, and he is hereby requested to appoint some member of this Conference to deliver an address on this subject at the next meeting of our Conference.
4. That we join to celebrate the Centennial by urging our ministers and people to contribute as they may be able to the cause of Education, and especially to the "General Education Fund" of the Church.
5. That we keep in view, and take all necessary steps to make a grand and special "Children's Day" observance on the second Sunday in June, 1884, in all our Churches and Sunday Schools.
6. That we commend the following institutions to the favor of our people, namely: "The Conference Academy," "Dickinson College" and the "Centenary Biblical Institute."

REPORT ON THE WESLEYAN FEMALE COLLEGE.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Wesleyan Female College, which was appointed a committee to secure from the General Assembly of Delaware the revocation of the Charter of the College, it is respectfully submitted:

That at a meeting of the Board of Trust held March 22 1882, Geo. M. Bates, L. C. Matlack and Geo. Townsend were made a committee to prepare and present a bill to the Assembly, as above.

As Mr. Bates resigned his place, the other members prepared and forwarded to the General Assembly the bill indicated.

The College seal and Trustee's Record are herewith delivered to the Conference.

RESOLUTIONS.

MISSIONARY TERRITORY.

WHEREAS, There exists in Dorchester county, Md., a large extent of territory, a portion of which is unoccupied by any church or evangelizing agency, and another portion of which might be regained to the Methodist Episcopal Church by proper service and effort; and

WHEREAS, Our Church Relief fund is unequal to the demands of our organized work; therefore,

Resolved, By the Wilmington Annual Conference that our presiding Bishop and the Rev. Dr. Edwards, the ministerial representative for this Missionary District, be requested to represent the said territory and our needs in relation thereto, to the General Missionary Committee, and ask that this Conference be placed on the list of Missionary Conferences, with an appropriation of five hundred dollars, pledging ourselves to confine the use thereof to the above expressed purpose.

SWEDISH MISSION.

Resolved, That the General Missionary Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church be requested to appropriate such an amount of aid to the Swedish Methodist Episcopal Mission Church, East Wilmington, Del., as in their judgment may be necessary to its success.

ON BISHOPS PECK AND SIMPSON.

WHEREAS, In the Providence of God our venerable brother, Bishop Jesse T. Peck, D. D., has been so prostrated by sickness as to be unable to preside in this meeting of the Wilmington Annual Conference; and

WHEREAS, Our beloved Bishop Simpson has, with his acknowledge ability, performed the duties pertaining to this office in connection with the Conference; therefore,

Resolved, 1st. That the Secretary of this Conference be instructed to convey to Bishop Peck our sympathy in his affliction.

Resolved, 2d. That the Conference hereby extends its greetings to Bishop Simpson as one always welcome and always profitable to us as an ecclesiastical body.

VALUABLE CONFERENCE PAPERS.

Resolved, That the Secretary be and is hereby directed to deposit all documents of monetary value to the Conference, in the vault of the bank, in or nearest his place of residence, for safe keeping.

DR. G. A. PHŒBUS.

Resolved, 1st, That we deeply sympathize with our beloved fellow laborer, G. A. Phœbus, D. D., and regret the necessity that, in his judgment, demands his release from the effective work for the present.

Resolved, 2nd, That in view of his having no appointment and no prospect of revenue for the ensuing Conference year, we will now, by a voluntary public contribution, provide a substantial token of our personal esteem and sympathy.

R. W. TODD.

Resolved, That in the affliction of our brother, R. W. Todd, we are afflicted, and weep with them that weep. That he has our deepest sympathy and our earnest prayers.

PRIVATE REFERENCE OF CANDIDATES.

Resolved, That the Presiding Elders be requested to refer all cases to the Committee on Ministerial Qualifications which, in their judgment, ought to be so referred, without bringing them before the Conference.

ON FREEBORN GARRETTSON.

WHEREAS, The jail in which Rev. Freeborn Garrettson was imprisoned in 1780 for preaching the gospel in Dorchester County still stands in this town; therefore,

Resolved, That the preacher who may be so fortunate as to be appointed to Cambridge, be requested to obtain from the proper authorities, a piece of plank to be taken from the old jail, out of which a small tablet may be made commemorative of said event, which tablet shall be placed in the coming Peninsular Museum.

ON HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Resolved, 1st. That it is important that we have, in connection with our Conference, a Historical Society for the collection and preservation of books, manuscripts and other reminders of the historic past in Peninsula Methodism.

Resolved, 2d. That a committee be appointed to prepare a form of organization, and present the same at the next Annual Conference.

ON BRIBERY AT ELECTIONS.

WHEREAS, It is currently reported and generally believed that a large body of voters in our Conference territory have been, from time to time, on sale to the highest bidder, and that corrupt men have not hesitated to offer a price, and many have sold themselves; and,

WHEREAS, Such dishonorable and wicked conduct tends to destroy our free institutions, gives a fearful power to money, debases manhood, makes elections only an expression of the will of corrupt men, and must ultimately lead to revolution, anarchy and ruin; therefore,

Resolved, That any member of the Methodist Episcopal Church who either sells, buys, or offers to sell or buy a vote, ought to be expelled from the church.

ON SUNDAY SCHOOL BOOKS.

WHEREAS, There is appearing in our Sabbath School libraries a class of corrupt literature which is not only deleterious to the minds, but dangerous to the morals of our children; therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the duty of our preachers to exercise, in accordance with the direction of the discipline, a vigilant supervision of all selections of books intended for our Sabbath School libraries.

ON THE METROPOLITAN CHURCH.

WHEREAS, The debt upon the Metropolitan Church has been virtually assumed by the General Conference;

WHEREAS, An effort is now being made to pay this debt off to the last dollar; therefore,

Resolved, That the Wilmington Conference does accept an apportionment equal to two cents per member of the entire ministry and laity of the Conference.

Resolved, That Bishop Simpson be requested to appoint the Presiding Elders to collect from their Districts and pay over this money within the next sixty days.

ON TABULATED SALARY STATEMENT.

Resolved, That the Secretaries be directed to prepare for publication in the Minutes hereafter, a tabulated statement of salaries received by the Ministers of this Conference; said statement not to include house rent.

REV. E. L. HOFFECKER. •

WHEREAS, We learn with profound regret that Brother Hoffecker is to be transferred from us; therefore,

Resolved, That in his removal we lose a brother beloved, an earnest worker, a faithful preacher, and one of our most successful men.

Resolved, That we commend him to the Conference whither he goes as a prize to be desired, and a brother worthy of all confidence.

REV. J. M. WILLIAMS, A. M.

WHEREAS, The Rev. J. M. Williams, a native of this Peninsula and a member of the Wilmington Conference, who has served successfully in the pastorate, also as Principal of the Conference Academy and President of Wesleyan Female College, has been transferred to the Maine Conference; therefore,

Resolved, That in parting with our brother we desire to express our high appreciation of his Christian character, culture and labors; also that we commend him to the sympathy and love of those among whom he has been appointed to labor.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Maine Conference.

ON DECLINE OF METHODISM.

WHEREAS, It is sometimes alleged that Methodism has retrograded, and is not now relatively what it has been on this Peninsula; and,

WHEREAS, By the number of our church sittings it is shown that we are numerically all we have ever been; and,

WHEREAS, By the whole line of benevolent and other statistics we are shown to be much advanced in all the particulars of church progress; therefore,

Resolved, That all representations that we are relatively less than we have been, are mistakes readily corrected by reference to the facts.

THANKS.

Resolved, That we congratulate our Presiding Bishop on the preservation of his health and his strength; on his great reputation as a minister of the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and tender to him our heartfelt thanks for his kindly bearing in the chair, and hereby assure him that our confidence in his justice and patient consideration of our personal interests, will do very much to stimulate our loyalty, whatever strain may be put upon it by our disappointments.

Resolved, That our thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the use of their handsome and convenient church building.

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to the citizens of Cambridge for the generous entertainment we have received. We shall remember in the years to come, with great satisfaction and delight, our Conference session in this new and prosperous city. May such cities multiply, and many such stations be added to the list of Conference appointments.

Resolved, That we give thanks to the Dorchester and Delaware Railroad Company, and especially to Brother Byrne, for the railroad accommodations afforded to us; and all steamboat and railroad companies affording us special favors and facilities.

Resolved, That we thank Brother Hoffecker, the pastor of this church, for his care, attention and consideration given to the Conference, in order to facilitate business, as well as to make our entertainment agreeable and pleasant.

Resolved, That we offer thanks to the choir of the church for their attention and services; also to the secretaries for their efficient work.

MEMORABILIA OF WILMINGTON CONFERENCE SESSIONS.

| No. | Date. | Place. | Bishop. | Secretary. | Deaths of Ministers. | Members. | Deaths of Members. | Missionary Collection. | Delegates to General Conference. | Preachers serving third year. |
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| 1 | Mar. 17, '69. | Wilmington. | M. Simpson. | S. L. Gracey. | 1 | 19688 | 296 | \$10186 06 | (T. J. Thompson, | 6 |
| 2 | Mar. 16, '70. | Port Deposit. | E. S. James. | " | 2 | 19959 | 284 | 10540 75 | { J. B. Quigg, | 14 |
| 3 | Mar. 8, '71. | Dover. | L. Scott. | " | 2 | 21217 | 295 | 10433 35 | { Wesley Keaneey, | 10 |
| 4 | Feb. 21, '72. | Laurel. | E. R. Ames. | T. E. Martindale. | 1 | 21376 | 256 | 10592 34 | { Chas. Hill, | 10 |
| 5 | Mar. 1, '73. | Easton. | L. Scott. | " | 2 | 21774 | 318 | 11260 78 | Reserves—J. D. Curtis, | 12 |
| 6 | Mar. 4, '74. | Salisbury. | I. W. Wiley. | " | 2 | 22312 | 321 | 11772 35 | { R. W. Todd, | 14 |
| 7 | Mar. 17, '75. | Smyrna. | E. S. James. | " | 2 | 23228 | 319 | 10680 32 | { L. C. Matlack, | 10 |
| 8 | Mar. 15, '76. | Wilmington. | L. Scott. | " | 1 | 23980 | 291 | 10416 00 | { W. E. England, | 18 |
| 9 | Mar. 7, '77. | Milford. | E. R. Ames. | " | 2 | 24908 | 320 | 9648 98 | Reserves—J. B. Quigg, | 10 |
| 10 | Mar. 13, '78. | Chestertown. | R. S. Foster. | " | 3 | 24932 | 359 | 10355 88 | { J. H. Caldwell, | 11 |
| 11 | Mar. 19, '79. | New Castle. | M. Simpson. | " | 3 | 25819 | 415 | 8267 09 | { L. C. Matlack, | 20 |
| 12 | Mar. 17, '80. | Dover. | E. G. Andrews. | " | 2 | 26734 | 353 | 9852 40 | { A. W. Hilby, | 15 |
| 13 | Mar. 16, '81. | Lewes. | Thos. Bowman. | Jno. D. Riggs. | 2 | 26468 | 368 | 11612 26 | Reserves—J. H. Caldwell, | 17 |
| 14 | Mar. 8, '82. | Middletown. | J. F. Hurst. | " | 3 | 24996 | 420 | 12922 13 | { R. W. Todd, | 16 |
| 15 | Mar. 7, '83. | Cambridge, Md. | M. Simpson. | " | 1 | 26623 | 396 | 13747 31 | | 12 |

ROLL OF THE DEAD
OF THE
WILMINGTON ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

| NAMES. | DATE OF DEATH. | PLACE OF DEATH. |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Rev. John E. Elliott, | November 8th, 1868, | Snow Hill, Md. |
| " Thomas J. Quigley, D. D., | October 19th, 1870, | Laurel, Del. |
| " Daniel Titlow, | February 7th, 1871, | Philadelphia, Penna. |
| " Amos A. Ewing, | January 19th, 1872, | Cecil County, Md. |
| " Alfred Cookman, |, 1871, | Newark, N. J. |
| " James Augustus Massey, | July 9th, 1872, | Royal Oak, Talbot Co., Md. |
| " John Brandreth, | October 3d, 1872, | Frankford, Del. |
| " Thos. Jefferson Thompson, D. I | November 29th, 1874, | Wilmington, Del. |
| " Robert E. Kemp, | March 6th, 1875, | Greensboro, Md. |
| " Wesley Kenney, D. D., | June 24th, 1875, | Smyrna, Del. |
| " Henry Sutton, | March 23d, 1876, | Philadelphia, Penna. |
| " George A. Campbell, | September 7th, 1876, | Frankford, Del. |
| " John W. Weston, | April 23d, 1877, | Wilmington, Del. |
| " John D. Curtis, | July 25th, 1877, | Wilmington, Del. |
| " David R. Thomas, | February 13th, 1878, | Wilmington, Del. |
| " Andrew J. Crozier, | January 21st, 1879, | Wilmington, Del. |
| " Joshua Humphriss, | January 23d, 1879, | Salisbury, Md. |
| " Francis M. Chatham, | May 29th, 1878, | Berlin, Md. |
| " Edward G. Irwin, | March 12th, 1879, | Wilmington, Del. |
| " John Hough, | March 27th, 1879, | near Trenton N. J. |
| " Thomas J. Williams, | March 29th, 1879, | New Castle, Del. |
| " Wm. I. Bain, | May 13th, 1880, | Pocomoke City, Md. |
| " Wm. Urie, | November 13th, 1880, | Smyrna, Del. |
| " Thomas F. Plummer, | February 2d, 1881, | Wilmington, Del. |
| " Elijah Miller, | April 15th, 1881, | Sudlersville, Md. |
| " John W. Pierson, | May 6th, 1881, | Wilmington, Del. |
| " Francis B. Quigley, | August 19th, 1881, | Hopewell, Md. |
| " Thomas J. Prettyman, | February 27th, 1882, | Newark, Md. |
| " Benj. W. Chase, | December 11th, 1882, | Seaford, Del. |

IN MEMORIAM.

BISHOP LEVI SCOTT, D. D.

Levi Scott, D. D., one of the Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was born about two miles from Cantwell's Bridge, now Odessa, Del., October 11, 1802, and died July 13, 1882, thus only by about two months failing to complete the four score years of strength. His parents were members of the church, his father being a class-leader and a local preacher, who became, in 1803, a member of the Philadelphia Conference, but died during the following year at Centreville, Md. His widowed mother then returned to his birth-place, and there lived the remainder of her life, greatly useful and beloved, and by old men there, "Mother Scott" is spoken of with nearly as much reverence as the Bishop himself. He engaged in farming and mechanical pursuits till he was about twenty-two, when he was converted at one of a series of neighborhood prayer-meetings, held by members of Union Church, at Fieldsboro, a hamlet near his home. He soon became active and useful in the church, but his first official position was the lowly one of sexton of old Union Church, so that he now waits the resurrection of the just, not far from the spot where nearly sixty years before he was a "doorkeeper in the House of the Lord." In 1825 he felt the call of the Spirit and was licensed to preach, and the following year admitted to the Philadelphia Conference. His appointments were to Talbot Circuit, Dover, St. George's, Philadelphia and West Chester. In 1832 he became supernumerary on account of impaired health, but resumed work the following year. In 1834 he became P. E. of Delaware District, and in 1840, Principal of Dickinson Grammar School, at Carlisle. He was a member of every General Conference from 1836 to 1852. In 1848 he was elected assistant Book Agent at New York; and in 1852 was elected Bishop, together with E. R. Ames, O. C. Baker, and Matthew Simpson, of whom only the last survives.

He was emphatically the finest fruit and the best credential of Peninsular Methodism, wherein he was cradled, and his character given that beauty and symmetry for which it was so eminently distinguished. "In an apparently frail physique there inhered an unusual degree of vitality, and in a clear, transparent soul existed intellectual and moral faculties which formed a solid and congenial basis for the distinction to which he attained. Perhaps his chief endowment was the balance of his powers. His perception, to the extent of its measure, was penetrating and accurate. His judgment, to the limit of his insight, was, perhaps, as nearly infallible as it is possible for man's to be. In all the principle elements of effective preaching he was a master. In his public and private relations he was as regardful of the proprieties as were the best types of Christian chivalry in the days of old. His sense of wit and humor, and especially of the ludicrous, was broad, deep and keen, but never bitter, never sarcastic, never indulged at the expense of the ignorant or unfortunate."

"The churches in the vicinity of his home were the objects of his constant solicitude, and continued bounty, and their pastors were made to feel

the assistance of his sympathy and the support of his prayers. When he returned from the General Conference of 1880 he did so, realizing that his work was ended. He said, "This General Conference is the grandest body of men ever assembled in the history of our church. I have come home feeling perfectly contented, and satisfied that the work has been committed by the Great Head of the church into competent hands. The new Bishops are the very men that I would have chosen. I am contented in my own case to await patiently the further development of my Father's will concerning me. I have my orders."

"Watchman let thy wanderings cease,
Hie thee to thy quiet home."

On the morning of his death he was apparently in better health than usual. When the death struggle came he asked for the doctor, and when his daughter said, "The doctor cannot help you, father; we have done all we can; none but Jesus can help you; he replied, "yes, none but Jesus, none but Jesus." Several times he said, "Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost," the "amen" fading on his lips. In the final struggle he said again and again, "Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly." The prayer was answered, and with a gasp or two, the weary warrior peacefully entered into rest."

There were present at his funeral, not only tributaries of esteem from ecclesiastical bodies, but an outpouring of personal affection from his neighbors, almost unparalleled in the history of public men. No where is his fame so jealously guarded, his character so revered as in that circle that saw him when all the restraints of official dignity were unfelt. His memory must be not only to the church at large, but in a particular sense, to the ministers of the Peninsula, a mighty and abiding inspiration to the loftiest ideals of character and work. Thank God that he was born, and lived, and died in our very midst.

REV. B. W. CHASE.

Rev. Benjamin Whittenmore Chase, A. M., was born at Haverhill, Mass., May 8th, 1834, and died in Seaford, Del., December 11th, 1882.

Brother Chase's early life was environed by obstacles that made the development of the sturdy manhood inherent in him, a difficult task. But working, teaching and preaching his own way, he graduated from the Wesleyan University in 1864. Soon afterwards he joined the New Hampshire Conference, and occupied important charges therein, among which were Hudson, Endfield, Hillsboro' Bridge, Amherst, Laconia, East Salisbury, Mass., Hooksett and Sunapee. For a few years, meanwhile, he was professor of Latin and German in the Conference Seminary at Tilton.

By the same energy in which he conquered his way to a liberal education, he also overcame the impediment of the apparent entire absence of the ability to distinguish between musical sounds; and, by persistent effort, became, not only a good singer and a musician of respectable ability, but also a musical composer and publisher. He was a clear and forcible writer; the author of numerous contributions to our periodical literature, and of a work on "Tobacco," which, while some may regard as extreme in some of its views, all will agree is valuable for its careful and interesting presentation and grouping of statistical and physiological facts.

Brother Chase was a ripe scholar; an intelligent, earnest and spiritual preacher, a conscientious and affectionate pastor, and a progressive and

valuable citizen. His industry was untiring; he was seldom unemployed or uselessly employed; and he continued a student until he passed to the heavenly degree.

In the spring of 1880, on account of his wife's failing health, he was transferred to the Wilmington Conference, and stationed at Cecilton, Md., where he remained two years, during which time his home was shadowed with deep affliction in the death of his wife and one of his children. At our last Conference session he was stationed at Seaford, Del., where he entered upon his work with a zeal and an intelligence that could hardly have failed to largely benefit the church in that community. In the early autumn, however, it became apparent that his health was seriously undermined and impaired; and, on the 29th day of October last, he felt impelled to relinquish his charge. He continued, however, to occupy the parsonage at Seaford, and busied himself with plans for usefulness and profit to himself and others; and, but a few days before his death, provided himself with an outfit as a canvasser, and, with faltering and unsteady step, started forth on his mission. With a hopefulness, characteristic of his stealthy and insidious disease, he cherished the expectation of still doing many years' work in the Master's Vineyard. In the garden of earthly enjoyment, too, he beheld many opening buds of promise and hope; and, until within a few days of his departure, confidently expected to enjoy their radiant blooming, and gather their ripening fruits. But when the end was inevitable, although shaken by the throbbing emotions of his great, manly, loving heart, he was enabled to look up through his tears, into God's face, and say submissively, "Nevertheless, not my will, but thine." With clear mind and unfaltering heart, he dictated his wishes concerning his family, and then, in weariness of earth, uttered, as the last expression of his departing spirit, the sweet words, "Rest, rest."

An appropriate Memorial Service was held December 14th, in the presence of his bereaved and weeping friends and parishioners, conducted by his Presiding Elder, R. W. Todd, and participated in by Revs. W. W. Redman and W. S. Robinson of this Conference, and Rev. Bros. Arnett and Whillock, of Sister Methodist Churches. It had been the intention of the preachers of Dover District, that very evening, to give Bro. Chase an expression of their esteem and sympathy, emphasized by a sum of money placed in the hands of his Presiding Elder for that purpose. He had passed to the inheritance of the treasure he had laid up in heaven; and was beyond the wants and anxieties earthly gold can satisfy. The donation was bestowed upon the needy orphans.

In response to telegrams, a brother—L. W. Chase, Esq., of Salem, N. H., and a brother-in-law, Rev. J. B. Robinson, of Illinois, were present and took charge of the remains of our departed brother; which, according to his request, were taken to Haverhill, Mass., for interment. The daughter, nearing young womanhood, has taken up her residence with kind relations at Haverhill, while the son makes his distant home with his uncle in Onarga, Ill. Thus, in the destiny of itinerants, the parents sleep in severed States, while the orphans are separated by more than one thousand miles. How glorious will be the final day which will unite all these precious, broken circles in heavenly rest!

"Thus star by star declines,
Till all are passed away,
As morning high and higher shines,
To pure and perfect day;
Nor sink those stars in empty night,
They hide themselves in heaven's own light"

ISABELLA M. PRICE.

Isabella Mansfield (Price,) born at Chestertown, Md, January 23d, 1821, was attractive in person, refined in taste, and of high-toned principle. These qualities increased with age, until at three score and beyond, she passed to the realms where beauty and goodness are immortal.

Converted in her seventeenth year, in 1840 she became the wife of Rev. B. F. Price, of the Wilmington Conference, M. E. Church. Patiently and hopefully she shared the itinerant's life seven years in Pennsylvania, eleven years in Delaware, and twenty-five years in Maryland; and after an affliction of more than three years, she died in the city of Baltimore, November 20th, 1882, full of peace and hope.

Funeral services were conducted in Baltimore by Rev. Dr. Lannaham, assisted by Rev. Mr. Kemp, of the P. E. Church. The body was conveyed thence to Still Pond, Md., for interment, where, after further services by Rev. Bro. Barrett, of this Conference, it was laid to rest until the resurrection of the just. In domestic virtues Sister Price had few superiors. Of devoted affection, she was a true wife and helpful mother. Her four surviving sons bear her honorable memory. Good taste and strict order characterized the management of her home. Her social qualities commended her to the admiration and friendship of persons of refinement and intelligence—and her piety, although not demonstrative, was yet sincere, substantial and abiding.

If noble instincts, large-minded generosity, cheerful dignity, love of truth and beauty, with strength and steadiness of life, constitute the model of female excellence, then our departed sister was a queen among the women of her sphere.

Public fame often exaggerates the character of the great, but the testimony of home-loves may be trusted to exhibit the virtues and sweetness of those who have nurtured us and suffered for us under the paternal roof.

In the case of the subject of this sketch, such testimony is rich and full.

One of her sons writing to his much-grieved father, says: "I remember as perfectly as you the high tone of Ma's thoughts, and how the minutest details were necessary to her eye of beauty, and I think of her as a full flower transplanted to another and brighter clime."

Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Canby, writes: "The loved companion of your life has left you. Dear Isabella is with the saints. Her angelic spirits is in the home of the angels, while you, my dear brother, are in the lonely home she so lately made cheerful by her beautiful presence."

Her husband says of her: "She never seemed older to me, but always the graceful, lovely girl whom I first saw in the congregation at Chestertown in 1838, and she always seemed to forget that we both had passed three score. We were oldish people with young hearts, and the honeymoon had never lost its sweetness and charm."

Beautiful testimony of home, and love and life. Beautiful the soul of the woman who can perpetuate such a pleasure. Happy the man whose fireside altar is ministered by such vestal hands. "The honeymoon never lost its sweetness and charm." The toils of the day wreathed with the roses of affection. Discontent and strife, forbidden by the voice of love to

transgress the sacred precinct, and the frugal board of the humble man of God beguiled into a royal feast. Out from such influences could he go thrice panoplied, and the hour of his return more than compensated by good cheer, the waste of struggle and anxiety. Would that all men were thus blessed! But as the trees and flowers have their time of dying, so the good angels who watch by our pillows and attend our footsteps, must, sometime leave us. And this beloved woman has gone like other kindred watchers, perhaps to draw closer the ties between earth and heaven.

Ripe in the richnees of a well-tried faith,
Honored of God and much beloved of man;
Counting the ills of the earth as little things,
In the sum total of high destiny.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS.

We beg leave to submit the following as our report.
The aggregate amount for distribution this year is \$5,138.75, an advance over last year of \$294.45.

This amount has been gathered from the following sources :

| | <i>Apportioned</i> | <i>Raised</i> | <i>Excess</i> | <i>Deficit</i> |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| Wilmington District..... | \$1,570 00 | \$1,633 65 | \$63 65 | |
| Easton "..... | 1,280 00 | 1,272 00 | | \$8 00 |
| Dover "..... | 1,090 00 | 955 70 | | 43 30 |
| Salisbury "..... | 790 00 | 715 90 | | 74 10 |
| Total from collections..... | \$4,577 25 | | Advance of | \$376 95 |
| From Chartered fund..... | 30 00 | | | |
| From Centenary fund..... | 106 50 | | | 73 60 |
| Interest on Riddle Legacy..... | 120 00 | | | |
| Interest on Bates Mortgage..... | 141 00 | | | |
| Book Concern Dividend..... | 164 00 | | | 11 00 |
| Total for distribution..... | \$5,138 75 | | | |
| Excess over last year..... | 294 45 | | | |

These figures speak not for themselves only, but they speak, and speak well for you and the people. Last year we advanced the assessment largely on some of the appointments, and are pleased to find them liberally responded to. This collection, familiarly known as a collecton for the "worn-out preachers, their widows and orphans," has always had a strong hold upon the hearts and feelings of the Methodist people; and we believe that the nearer we come to an unquestionably just discrimination in our distributions the heartier will be the co-operation of the pastors and more liberal will be our people. This point we have studied closely for years, and we find that the nearer we approach it the fewer and feebler are the complaints.

We have but one suggestion to make, which is: that the claimants upon this fund, in order to have their claims fairly considered and acted upon, had better present them in the proper disciplinary form.

The mere letter of a friend, or even a pastor, does not carry the weight and importance with it that the blanks for such cases, properly filled out will, concerning which blanks, we must suppose, the applicants or their friends must be informed. The following distribution we have thought to be about just, &c :

DISTRIBUTION OF CONFERENCE FUNDS, MARCH 11th, 1883.

| Date of Claim. | Term of Service. | NAME OF CLAIMANT. | POST-OFFICE. | Estimate of Quor-terly Con-ferences. | Amount receiv'd by each Claimant. |
|-----------------------|------------------|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| SUPERANNUATED. | | | | | |
| 1875 | 43yr | James L. Houston..... | Wilmington, Del..... | \$350 00 | \$ 200 00 |
| 1878 | 37yr | E. J. Way..... | 53 East Broadway, Baltimore..... | | 100 00 |
| 1882 | 43yr | Valentine Gray..... | Gap, Lancaster Co., Pa..... | 400 00 | 350 00 |
| 1878 | 18yr | A. A. Fisher..... | Federalburg, Md..... | 300 00 | 300 00 |
| SUPERNUMERARY. | | | | | |
| 1847 | 12yr | George Barton..... | Church Hill, Md..... | 250 00 | 250 00 |
| 1877 | 35yr | John Allen..... | 67 Irving Place, Brooklyn, N. Y..... | 500 00 | 200 00 |
| 1880 | 22yr | W. W. Redman..... | Farmington, Del..... | 350 00 | 200 00 |
| 1881 | 15yr | James Esgate..... | Chftondale, Mass..... | 200 00 | 150 00 |
| 1881 | 36yr | H. Sanderson..... | Wilmington, Del..... | 100 00 | 50 00 |
| 1883 | | G. A. Phoebus..... | Philadelphia, Pa..... | | 82 50 |
| WIDOWS. | | | | | |
| 1846 | 6mo | Hester A. Henderson..... | Philadelphia, Pa..... | 200 00 | 175 00 |
| 1844 | 3yr | Drucilla Willetts..... | Brooklyn, N. Y..... | 100 00 | 50 00 |
| 1865 | 10yr | Carrie B. Dennison..... | Wilmington, Del..... | 300 00 | 225 00 |
| 1873 | 14yr | Rebecca M. Brandreth..... | Philadelphia, Pa..... | 500 00 | 275 00 |
| 1877 | 24yr | Ann Sutton..... | Bryn Mawr, Pa..... | | 50 00 |
| 1878 | 15yr | Laura E. Weston..... | Wilmington, Del..... | 350 00 | 350 00 |
| 1878 | 21yr | Mary S. Thomas..... | " "..... | 300 00 | 225 00 |
| 1879 | 21yr | Annie Irwin..... | " "..... | 400 00 | 325 00 |
| 1879 | 10yr | Annie D. Chatham..... | Wilmington, Del..... | 500 00 | 300 00 |
| 1879 | 22yr | Sallie E. Williams..... | Georgetown, Del..... | 100 00 | 100 00 |
| 1881 | 11yr | Sadie B. Bain..... | Tipton, Blair county, Pa..... | 300 00 | 300 00 |
| 1882 | | E. W. Thompson..... | Smyrna, Del..... | 150 00 | 100 00 |
| 1882 | | Catharine B. Miller..... | Philadelphia, Pa..... | 300 00 | 150 00 |
| 1882 | 45yr | Eliza Pierson..... | Galena, Kent county, Md..... | 200 00 | 200 00 |
| 1882 | 8yr | Emma Prettyman..... | East New Market, Md..... | 400 00 | 200 00 |
| 1883 | | Children of B. W. Chase..... | Haverhill, Mass..... | 500 00 | 200 00 |
| | | New Trunk and other expenses of the Board..... | | | 56 50 |
| Total..... | | | | \$7050 00 | \$5138 75 |

| CIRCUITS AND STATIONS. | No. of Sunday-Schools. | No. Officers and Teachers. | No. of Scholars of all ages. | No. of Scholars 15 years old and over. | No. Scholars under 15 yrs old, except Infant Class. | No. of Scholars in Infant Class. | Average attendance of Teachers and Scholars. | No. of Library Books. | Total expense of Schools this year. | No. S. S. Advocates taken. | No. S. S. Classmates taken. | No. S. S. Journals taken. | Officers and Teachers who are Ch. Mem. or Probs. | Scholars who are Members or Probationers. | No. of Conversions. | | |
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| Bethel and Glasgow | 1 | 10 | 50 | 30 | 20 | 40 | 370 | 78 00 | 6 | 10 | 26 | 5 | 20 | 20 | ... | | |
| Charlestown | 4 | 32 | 210 | 45 | 141 | 34 | 155 | 370 | 49 | 25 | 40 | 5 | 20 | 20 | ... | | |
| Cherry Hill | 4 | 45 | 225 | 125 | 70 | 30 | 150 | 650 | 75 00 | 18 | 22 | 40 | 14 | 14 | ... | | |
| Chesapeake City | 1 | 25 | 175 | 90 | 70 | 45 | 150 | 300 | 20 00 | 11 | 11 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | | |
| Chester | 2 | 11 | 126 | 60 | 70 | 45 | 150 | 300 | 184 00 | 6 | 6 | 15 | 15 | 15 | ... | | |
| Claymont | 1 | 7 | 45 | 25 | 20 | 15 | 300 | 50 00 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 15 | 15 | 15 | ... | | |
| Christiana | 2 | 36 | 300 | 175 | 100 | 25 | 250 | 500 | 200 00 | 6 | 15 | 36 | 6 | 9 | ... | | |
| Delaware City and Port Penn | 3 | 33 | 200 | 57 | 80 | 63 | 132 | 380 | 52 00 | 100 | 13 | 26 | 20 | 7 | ... | | |
| Elkton and Crouch's Chapel | 5 | 60 | 496 | 165 | 280 | 51 | 300 | 600 | 185 00 | 57 | 60 | 90 | 30 | 30 | ... | | |
| Elk Neck | 5 | 13 | 120 | 48 | 37 | 35 | 80 | 150 | 13 00 | 75 | 2 | 13 | 12 | 1 | ... | | |
| Mt. Lebanon | 1 | 15 | 79 | 20 | 46 | 13 | 45 | 225 | 34 00 | 6 | 6 | 14 | 10 | 1 | ... | | |
| Mt Pleasant | 2 | 19 | 176 | 71 | 85 | 20 | 115 | 175 | 48 00 | 14 | 10 | 30 | 32 | 32 | ... | | |
| Newark and Wesley | 2 | 33 | 246 | 75 | 86 | 85 | 183 | 350 | 150 00 | 31 | 31 | 49 | 27 | 27 | ... | | |
| New Castle | 1 | 30 | 215 | 75 | 85 | 55 | 155 | 240 | 190 00 | 22 | 29 | 50 | 1 | 1 | ... | | |
| Newport and Stanton | 4 | 72 | 426 | 182 | 128 | 116 | 358 | 635 | 409 00 | 25 | 21 | 59 | 60 | 3 | ... | | |
| North East | 1 | 23 | 170 | 60 | 50 | 60 | 120 | 354 | 112 00 | 34 | 22 | 5 | 3 | 3 | ... | | |
| Port Deposit | 1 | 33 | 340 | 102 | 122 | 116 | 175 | 418 | 234 00 | 35 | 31 | 60 | 11 | 11 | ... | | |
| Red Lion | 2 | 19 | 106 | 44 | 32 | 30 | 53 | 450 | 20 00 | 6 | 14 | 13 | 2 | 2 | ... | | |
| Rising Sun | 4 | 33 | 321 | 111 | 151 | 69 | 271 | 652 | 225 00 | 32 | 28 | 21 | 2 | 2 | ... | | |
| St. George's and Summit | 2 | 32 | 165 | 70 | 95 | 30 | 82 | 480 | 45 00 | 6 | 30 | 28 | 6 | 6 | ... | | |
| Wilmington—Asbury | 1 | 39 | 532 | 344 | 75 | 193 | 317 | 725 | 248 00 | 20 | 39 | 102 | 6 | 6 | ... | | |
| Brandywine | 1 | 25 | 200 | 50 | 115 | 35 | 160 | 400 | 38 47 | 2 | 23 | 35 | 35 | 35 | ... | | |
| Epworth | 1 | 28 | 240 | 80 | 80 | 80 | 170 | 300 | 125 00 | 2 | 8 | 25 | 25 | 7 | ... | | |
| Grace | 2 | 108 | 855 | 388 | 190 | 277 | 640 | 1200 | 581 00 | 2 | 97 | 250 | 17 | 17 | ... | | |
| Madely | 1 | 23 | 210 | 62 | 104 | 44 | 163 | 355 | 252 00 | 125 | 12 | 23 | 45 | 23 | ... | | |
| Mt. Salem | 1 | 59 | 480 | 190 | 136 | 154 | 300 | 750 | 450 00 | 69 | 56 | 108 | 60 | 60 | ... | | |
| Scott | 2 | 77 | 550 | 330 | 90 | 130 | 417 | 600 | 320 00 | 48 | 68 | 108 | 60 | 60 | ... | | |
| St. Paul's | 1 | 87 | 775 | 250 | 350 | 175 | 475 | 1200 | 363 00 | 35 | 85 | 175 | 10 | 10 | ... | | |
| Union | 1 | 95 | 484 | 180 | 231 | 97 | 327 | 1252 | 200 00 | 31 | 80 | 120 | 11 | 11 | ... | | |
| Zoin | 6 | 63 | 1122 | 3517 | 3389 | 3049 | 2057 | 5783 | 14312 | 4326 | 28 | 272 | 81 | 629 | 1015 | 1423 | 331 |

EASTON DISTRICT.—SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

| CIRCUITS AND STATIONS. | No. of Sunday-Schools. | No. Officers and Teachers. | No. of Scholars of all ages. | No. of Scholars 15 years old and over. | No. Scholars under 15 yrs old, except Infant Class. | No. of Scholars in Infant Class. | Average attendance of Teachers and Scholars. | No. of Library Books. | Total expense of Schools this year. | No. S. S. Advocates taken. | No. S. S. Classmates taken. | No. S. S. Journals taken. | Officers and Teachers who are Ch. Mem. or Probs. | Scholars who are Members or Probationers. | No. of Conversions. | |
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| Appoquinimink | 3 | 32 | 175 | 60 | 70 | 40 | 75 | 40 00 | 25 | 25 | 40 | 30 | 30 | 30 | ... | |
| Cecilton | 2 | 40 | 208 | 97 | 67 | 50 | 120 | 365 | 100 00 | 35 | 35 | 18 | 4 | 4 | ... | |
| Centreville | 2 | 35 | 300 | 150 | 67 | 83 | 150 | 112 | 12 00 | 30 | 29 | 4 | 1 | 1 | ... | |
| Chestertown | 1 | 33 | 201 | 40 | 109 | 52 | 140 | 568 | 141 60 | 27 | 31 | 50 | 11 | 11 | ... | |
| Church Hill | 4 | 50 | 302 | 106 | 122 | 74 | 153 | 640 | 79 00 | 18 | 48 | 49 | 11 | 11 | ... | |
| Easton | 1 | 19 | 235 | 101 | 33 | 101 | 100 | 62 00 | 20 | 19 | 50 | 20 | 20 | ... | | |
| Galena | 4 | 37 | 183 | 70 | 65 | 48 | 143 | 311 | 70 00 | 24 | 24 | 39 | 35 | 30 | ... | |
| Greensboro' | 2 | 45 | 230 | 125 | 125 | 125 | 150 | 150 00 | 16 | 16 | 45 | 21 | 21 | ... | | |
| Hillsboro' | 4 | 77 | 265 | 85 | 125 | 55 | 175 | 100 | 115 26 | 25 | 16 | 76 | 51 | 22 | ... | |
| Kent Circuit | 2 | 47 | 216 | 70 | 90 | 127 | 280 | 32 00 | 13 | 40 | 30 | ... | ... | ... | | |
| Kent Island | 3 | 20 | 113 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 20 00 | 20 00 | 13 | 18 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | | |
| King's Creek | 4 | 35 | 175 | 75 | 80 | 20 | 125 | 175 | 50 00 | 18 | 30 | 25 | 16 | 16 | ... | |
| Marydel | 4 | 54 | 355 | 172 | 96 | 87 | 189 | 250 | 75 00 | 18 | 48 | 82 | 30 | 30 | ... | |
| Middletown | 1 | 31 | 210 | 82 | 68 | 60 | 160 | 595 | 94 72 | 100 | 31 | 31 | 40 | 12 | ... | |
| Millington | 3 | 48 | 242 | 80 | 150 | 12 | 160 | 450 | 165 00 | 32 | 40 | 60 | 20 | 20 | ... | |
| Odessa | 1 | 23 | 203 | 68 | 60 | 75 | 400 | 105 95 | 19 | 23 | 52 | 4 | 4 | ... | | |
| Oxford | 1 | 11 | 120 | 75 | 25 | 20 | 100 | 150 | 20 00 | 6 | 9 | 20 | 3 | 3 | ... | |
| Pomona | 3 | 35 | 180 | 35 | 145 | 100 | 500 | 75 00 | 25 | 20 | 20 | 3 | 3 | ... | | |
| Queenstown | 2 | 16 | 210 | 120 | 58 | 32 | 125 | 250 | 45 00 | 12 | 16 | 56 | 19 | 19 | ... | |
| Royal Oak | 2 | 12 | 70 | 15 | 25 | 30 | 45 | 25 00 | 14 | 10 | 8 | ... | ... | ... | | |
| Sassafras | 1 | 14 | 72 | 13 | 45 | 14 | 50 | 30 00 | 14 | 14 | 5 | ... | ... | ... | | |
| Smyrna | 1 | 51 | 335 | 125 | 117 | 93 | 245 | 145 75 | 40 | 50 | 109 | 48 | 48 | ... | | |
| Smyrna Circuit | 4 | 65 | 265 | 104 | 117 | 44 | 176 | 658 | 33 77 | 25 | 43 | 56 | 23 | 6 | ... | |
| St. Michael's | 1 | 34 | 347 | 85 | 139 | 123 | 235 | 540 | 215 00 | 30 | 34 | 71 | 6 | 6 | ... | |
| Still Pond | 3 | 35 | 180 | 47 | 75 | 48 | 105 | 800 | 157 00 | 40 | 25 | 15 | 23 | 38 | ... | |
| Sudlersville | 7 | 74 | 248 | 128 | 220 | 244 | 1356 | 175 00 | 31 | 110 | 39 | 13 | 13 | ... | | |
| Talbot | 4 | 28 | 185 | 55 | 100 | 300 | 130 | 200 | 14 50 | ... | 28 | 50 | 10 | 10 | ... | |
| Townsend | 1 | 13 | 78 | 23 | 30 | 17 | 50 | 50 00 | 11 | 10 | 30 | ... | ... | ... | | |
| Trappe | 3 | 18 | 125 | 73 | 37 | 15 | 32 | 25 00 | 7 | 18 | 19 | 12 | 12 | ... | | |
| TOTAL | 75 | 1032 | 6128 | 2148 | 2335 | 1493 | 3639 | 8913 | 2423 | 67 | 239 | 49 | 572 | 971 | 1111 | 314 |

DOVER DISTRICT.—SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

| CIRCUITS AND STATIONS. | No. of Sunday Schools. | No. Officers and Teachers. | No. of Scholars of all ages. | No. of Scholars 15 years old and over. | No. of Scholars under 15 yrs. old, except Inf't Class. | No. of Scholars in Infant Class. | Average attendance of Teachers & Scholars. | No. of Library Books. | Total expense of Schools this year. | No. S. S. Advocates taken | No. S. S. Classmates taken | No. S. S. Journals taken. | Officers and Teachers who are Ch. Mem. or Probs. | No. of Scholars who are Members or Probat'ns. | No. of Conversions. | |
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| Beckwith | 2 | 19 | 130 | ... | ... | ... | 100 | ... | 25 | 16 | 19 | 15 | 27 | 27 | ... | |
| Bridgeville | 8 | 125 | 650 | 237 | 276 | 137 | 499 | 1780 | 211 48 | 25 | 88 | 106 | 24 | 9 | ... | |
| Cambridge | 1 | 31 | 225 | 70 | 30 | 100 | 200 | 375 | 103 50 | 9 | 31 | 28 | 28 | 28 | ... | |
| Camden | 2 | 25 | 225 | 33 | 115 | 150 | 38 | 200 | 50 | ... | 12 | 28 | 18 | 5 | ... | |
| Church Creek | 1 | 11 | 40 | 15 | 16 | 9 | 30 | 170 | 15 | ... | 6 | 8 | 6 | 4 | ... | |
| Denton | 8 | 121 | 562 | 259 | 190 | 126 | 353 | 568 | 122 96 | 48 | 30 | 112 | 173 | 113 | ... | |
| Dorchester | 9 | 90 | 490 | 230 | 190 | 100 | 375 | 400 | 150 | 25 | 50 | 100 | 105 | 20 | ... | |
| Dover | 1 | 47 | 430 | 370 | 60 | 168 | 325 | 581 | 442 | ... | 60 | 40 | 77 | 20 | ... | |
| Ellendale | 8 | 80 | 440 | 250 | 190 | 90 | 300 | 600 | 55 | ... | 15 | 60 | 80 | 30 | ... | |
| Federalburg | 7 | 87 | 602 | 260 | 231 | 111 | 410 | 882 | 243 51 | ... | 55 | 72 | 149 | 40 | ... | |
| Felton | 5 | 58 | 438 | 81 | 249 | 50 | 230 | 500 | 135 5 | 56 | 65 | 24 | 35 | 11 | ... | |
| Frederica | 1 | 27 | 203 | 93 | 40 | 70 | 150 | 200 | 200 88 | ... | 23 | 27 | 39 | 6 | ... | |
| Galestown | 4 | 59 | 249 | 108 | 80 | 61 | 175 | 294 | 175 | ... | 34 | 58 | 58 | 66 | ... | |
| Georgetown | 2 | 34 | 210 | 61 | 92 | 51 | 165 | 405 | 123 82 | 25 | 125 | 105 | 150 | 22 | ... | |
| Harrington | 8 | 170 | 640 | 130 | 510 | 250 | 350 | 802 | 115 | ... | 22 | 30 | 32 | 28 | ... | |
| Leipsic | 2 | 39 | 201 | 75 | 68 | 58 | 130 | 175 | 46 79 | ... | 30 | 20 | 17 | 3 | ... | |
| Lewes | 1 | 21 | 313 | 100 | 80 | 133 | 250 | ... | 125 | ... | 30 | 20 | 17 | 3 | ... | |
| Lincoln | 4 | 21 | 200 | 125 | 75 | ... | 165 | 350 | 25 | ... | 2 | 21 | 45 | ... | ... | |
| Little Creek | 2 | 20 | 175 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Magnolia | 3 | 35 | 325 | 75 | 100 | 150 | 150 | 150 | 60 | ... | 20 | 35 | 25 | ... | ... | |
| Milford | 2 | 55 | 365 | 190 | 100 | 75 | 240 | 950 | 160 | ... | 37 | 48 | 140 | 23 | ... | |
| Milford Neck | 2 | 20 | 160 | ... | ... | ... | 250 | 10 50 | ... | ... | 25 | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| Millsboro | 6 | 61 | 318 | 123 | 158 | 51 | 226 | 206 | 87 88 | ... | 74 | ... | 34 | ... | ... | |
| Milton | 1 | 28 | 220 | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 185 | 150 | 175 | ... | 27 | 27 | 70 | ... | ... |
| Nassau | 5 | 45 | 300 | 175 | 75 | 50 | 275 | 200 | 50 | 15 | 1 | 30 | 38 | 100 | 3 | ... |
| Seaford | 1 | 30 | 177 | 63 | 68 | 48 | 154 | ... | 64 68 | ... | 25 | 29 | 7 | ... | ... | |
| Woodlandtown | 4 | 30 | 192 | 72 | 90 | 30 | 125 | 175 | 4 50 | ... | 4 | 17 | 14 | 1 | ... | |
| Wyoming | 4 | 50 | 450 | ... | ... | ... | 100 | 25 | 15 | ... | 10 | ... | ... | ... | ... | |
| TOTAL | 105 | 1439 | 8930 | 3165 | 3083 | 2177 | 5610 | 10461 | 2992 | 50 | 184 | 100 | 815 | 1109 | 1732 | 463 |

SALISBURY DISTRICT.—SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

| CIRCUITS AND STATIONS. | No. of Sunday-Schools. | No. Officers & Teachers. | No. of Scholars of all ages | No. Scholars 15 years old and over. | No. Scholars under 15 yrs. old, except Infant Class. | No. of Scholars in Infant Class. | Average attendance of Teachers & Scholars. | No. of Library Books. | Total expense of Schools this year. | No. S. S. Advocates taken | No. S. S. Classmates taken | No. S. S. Journals taken. | Officers and Teachers who are Ch. Mem. or Probs. | No. of Scholars who are Members or Probat'ns. | No. of Conversions. |
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| Accomac..... | 4 | 52 | 379 | 131 | 158 | 90 | 250 | 350 | 62 25 | | | 7 | 50 | 100 | 14 |
| Asbury..... | 1 | 15 | 175 | 140 | 10 | 25 | 100 | | 20 00 | | | 12 | 10 | 20 | |
| Berlin..... | 3 | 35 | 245 | 144 | 76 | 25 | 143 | 400 | 32 53 | ..... | ..... | 10 | 35 | 100 | 49 |
| Bethel Circuit..... | 4 | 41 | 325 | 107 | 148 | 70 | 218 | 700 | 70 00 | ..... | ..... | 6 | 41 | 38 | 8 |
| Chincoteague..... | 1 | 10 | 125 | 35 | 70 | 20 | 60 | ..... | 30 00 | ..... | ..... | 4 | 7 | 2 | 2 |
| Crisfield..... | 1 | 17 | 160 | 100 | 50 | 50 | 125 | 256 | 175 00 | ..... | ..... | 20 | 17 | 25 | 7 |
| Deal's Island..... | 1 | 15 | 150 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 100 | ..... | 40 00 | ..... | ..... | 18 | 15 | 20 | 1 |
| Delmar..... | 4 | 60 | 270 | 70 | 140 | 60 | 230 | 200 | 60 00 | ..... | ..... | 6 | 40 | 20 | 2 |
| Fairmount..... | 2 | 35 | 340 | 150 | 130 | 60 | 240 | 100 | 125 00 | 100 | 1 | 35 | 35 | 160 | 70 |
| Frankford..... | 4 | 60 | 460 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 4 | 50 | 35 | 6 |
| Fruitland..... | 8 | 53 | 253 | 61 | 172 | 30 | 195 | 149 | 32 97 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Gumboro..... | 8 | 81 | 531 | 176 | 215 | 132 | 395 | 717 | 99 86 | 15 | ..... | 33 | 69 | 83 | 19 |
| Holland's Island..... | 1 | 16 | 60 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 50 | 15 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 6 | 10 | 26 | 8 |
| Laurel..... | 1 | 26 | 150 | 62 | 46 | 42 | 90 | ..... | 95 09 | 35 | 40 | 24 | 26 | 16 | 16 |
| Newark..... | 4 | 45 | 200 | 72 | 50 | 50 | 124 | 150 | 34 00 | 17 | ..... | 22 | 39 | 63 | 16 |
| Parsonsburg..... | 3 | 26 | 175 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 50 | 25 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 26 | 50 | ..... |
| Pocomoke City..... | 1 | 20 | 80 | 25 | 50 | 15 | 80 | 50 | 110 00 | ..... | ..... | 15 | 13 | 14 | ..... |
| Pocomoke Circuit..... | 3 | 21 | 110 | 28 | 38 | 44 | 30 | 140 | 12 76 | ..... | ..... | 5 | 20 | 10 | 4 |
| Princess Anne..... | 7 | 70 | 550 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Quantico..... | 4 | 30 | 200 | 60 | 100 | 40 | 130 | 500 | 40 00 | ..... | ..... | 12 | 30 | 20 | 7 |
| Roxanna..... | 7 | 70 | 450 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 25 00 | 15 | ..... | 6 | 65 | ..... | 15 |
| Salisbury..... | 2 | 28 | 189 | 82 | 55 | 52 | 110 | 40 | 94 00 | 52 | ..... | 18 | 28 | 69 | 26 |
| St. Peter's and Quindocqua | 2 | 16 | 160 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 12 | 22 | 50 | 10 |
| Sharptown..... | 3 | 23 | 226 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Smith's Islands..... | 1 | ..... | 100 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 75 | 150 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Snow Hill..... | 1 | 17 | 131 | 44 | 45 | 25 | 100 | ..... | 52 00 | ..... | ..... | 16 | 17 | 37 | 15 |
| Stockton..... | 4 | 36 | 325 | 125 | 135 | 65 | 180 | 225 | 50 00 | 25 | ..... | 15 | 33 | 40 | 9 |
| Westover..... | 3 | 9 | 42 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 100 | 100 | 10 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 7 | ..... | ..... |
| Worcester..... | 4 | 19 | 117 | 37 | 70 | 10 | 90 | ..... | 5 00 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 15 | 20 | 20 |
| Totals | 88 | 940 | 6618 | 1649 | 1758 | 805 | 3065 | 4327 | 1315 46 | 259 | 41 | 302 | 718 | 1018 | 315 |
| <i>Recapitulation by Districts.</i> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wilmington..... | 63 | 1122 | 8517 | 3389 | 3049 | 2057 | 5783 | 14312 | 4326 28 | 272 | 81 | 629 | 1015 | 1423 | 331 |
| Easton..... | 75 | 1032 | 6128 | 2148 | 2335 | 1493 | 3039 | 8913 | 2423 67 | 239 | 49 | 572 | 971 | 1111 | 314 |
| Dover..... | 105 | 1439 | 8930 | 3165 | 3083 | 2177 | 5610 | 10461 | 2992 50 | 184 | 100 | 815 | 1109 | 1732 | 463 |
| Salisbury..... | 88 | 940 | 6618 | 1649 | 1758 | 805 | 3065 | 4327 | 1315 46 | 259 | 41 | 302 | 718 | 1018 | 315 |
| Total this year..... | 331 | 4533 | 30193 | 10351 | 10225 | 6532 | 18097 | 38013 | 11057 91 | 954 | 271 | 2318 | 4813 | 5284 | 1423 |
| Total last year..... | 334 | 4556 | 29355 | 9990 | 9802 | 6304 | 17768 | 36102 | 10913 57 | 1322 | 248 | 1929 | 3826 | 4735 | 1121 |
| Increase..... | ..... | ..... | 838 | 361 | 423 | 228 | 329 | 1911 | 144 34 | ..... | 23 | 389 | ..... | 549 | 302 |
| Decrease..... | 3 | 23 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 368 | ..... | 13 | ..... | ..... | ..... |

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF MEMBERS.

WITH THEIR POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

[The letters designate the present relation. P., Probationers; D., Deacons; E., Elders; Sp., Supernumerary; S., Superannuated. The figures in the first column indicate the time of admission on trial. Those in the last column the year of appointment.]

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|-------|------------------------|-----|----------------------------------|-------|
| 1872 | Adams, R. H. | E. | Wilmington, Del. | 1 |
| 1864 | Aldred, E. P. | E. | Chestertown, Md. | 1 |
| 1841 | Allen, John | Sp. | 67 Irving Place, Brooklyn, N. Y. | |
| 1877 | Andrew, Louis E. | E. | Mt. Lebanon, Del. | 2 |
| 1877 | Atkins, E. C. | E. | Leipsic, Del. | 2 |
| 1870 | Arters, J. A. | E. | Kent Island, Md. | 1 |
| 1877 | Avery, Walter E. | E. | Crisfield, Md. | 1 |
| 1870 | Ayres, T. O. | E. | East New Market. | 3 |
| 1881 | Baker, C. S. | D. | Tangier, Va. | 1 |
| 1876 | Barrett, L. E. | E. | Still Pond, Md. | 2 |
| 1836 | Barton, Geo. | Sp. | Church Hill, Md. | ..... |
| 1859 | Bell, Thos. E. | E. | Ingleside, Md. | 1 |
| 1876 | Bowen, W. L. P. | E. | Bethel, Del. | 2 |
| 1843 | Brindle, James A. | E. | Camden, Del. | 2 |
| 1860 | Browne, N. M. | E. | New Castle, Del. | 2 |
| 1857 | Bryan, Jas. E. | E. | Newport, Del. | 3 |
| 1865 | Burke, George W. | E. | Hillsboro, Md. | 2 |
| ..... | Boyle, Jos. R. | E. | Wilmington, Del. | 1 |
| 1845 | Caldwell, J. H., D. D. | E. | Dover, Del. | 3 |
| 1865 | Carroll, James | E. | Cambridge, Md. | 2 |
| 1876 | Chandler, Albert | Sp. | Crumpton, Md. | ..... |
| 1881 | Cochran, F. J. | D. | St. Georges, Del. | 1 |
| 1828 | Colclazer, Henry | E. | Chesapeake City, Md. | 2 |
| 1876 | Collins, J. M. | E. | Westover, Md. | 2 |
| 1883 | Collins, Vaughn S. | P. | Dover, Del. | 1 |
| 1862 | Conoway, Geo. S. | E. | Rock Hall, Md. | 1 |
| 1868 | Conner, James | E. | Parsonsburg, Md. | 2 |
| 1835 | Cooper, I. T., D. D. | Sp. | Camden, Del. | ..... |
| 1876 | Corkran, W. F. | E. | Gumboro, Del. | 1 |
| 1881 | Corkran, L. P. | D. | Cordova, Md. | 2 |
| 1873 | Creamer, T. R. | E. | Wilmington, Del. | 2 |
| 1854 | Dare, Joseph | E. | Galestown, Md. | 1 |
| 1860 | Davis, A. D. | E. | Denton, Md. | 2 |
| 1869 | Davis, Edward | E. | Newark, Md. | 2 |
| 1879 | Dodd, Juliu.'s | E. | Red Lion, Del. | 2 |
| 1871 | Duhadway, W. J. | E. | Frankford, Del. | 2 |
| 1845 | England, W. E. | I. | Pocomoke City, Md. | 1 |
| 1866 | Esgate, James | Sp. | Cliftondale, Mass. | |

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|------|-----------------------|-----|---------------------|-------|---|
| 1859 | Fisher, A. A. | S. | Federalsburg, Md. | | |
| 1873 | Foreman, I. N. | E. | Lincoln, Del. | | 3 |
| 1868 | Fosnocht, I. G. | E. | Onancock, Va. | | 2 |
| 1856 | France, John. | E. | Zion, Md. | | 2 |
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| 1856 | Gardner, S. T. | Sp. | | | |
| 1839 | Gray, Valentine. | S. | Gap, Pa. | | |
| 1873 | Green, Wm. M. | E. | Christiana, Del. | | 1 |
| 1857 | Gregg, Wm. B. | E. | Wilmington, Del. | ..... | 2 |
| 1879 | Grice, Chas. A. | E. | Berlin, Md. | ..... | 2 |
| 1883 | Guthrie, W. B. | P. | Pocomoke City, Md. | ..... | 1 |
| | | | | | |
| 1873 | Hanna, Jno. D. C. | E. | Salisbury, Md. | ..... | 2 |
| 1851 | Hammersley, J. W. | E. | Charlestown, Md. | ..... | 3 |
| 1871 | Harding, Thos. H. | E. | Quantico, Md. | ..... | 1 |
| 1848 | Haynes, Thos. H. | E. | Newark, Del. | ..... | 1 |
| 1845 | Hill, Charles. | E. | Wilmington, Del. | ..... | 1 |
| 1878 | Hill, Chas. A. | E. | Wilmington, Del. | ..... | 1 |
| 1833 | Houston, J. L. | S. | Wilmington, Del. | ..... | 1 |
| 1878 | Hubbard, E. L. | E. | Crisfield, Md. | ..... | 2 |
| 1850 | Hubbard, J. mes. | Sp. | Laurel, Del. | ..... |  |
| 1869 | Hunter, Thos. B. | E. | Delaware City, Del. | ..... | 2 |
| 1868 | Hutchin, Wm. H. | E. | Fairmount, Md. | ..... | 1 |
| 1859 | Hynson, E. H. | E. | Roxanna, Del. | ..... | 2 |
| 1883 | Hardesty, Geo. L. | P. | Woodlandtown, Md. | ..... | 1 |
| 1883 | Holt, Alvin W. | P. | Dover, Del. | ..... | 1 |
| | | | | | |
| 1870 | Jewell, Isaac. | F. | Felton, Del. | | 1 |
| 1872 | Jones, R. C. | E. | Port Deposit, Md. | | 2 |
| 1881 | Johnson, I. D. | D. | Hopewell, Md. | | 1 |
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| 1872 | Kemp, John D. | E. | Lewes, Del. | | 1 |
| 1869 | Kidney, J. E. | E. | St. Michaels, Md. | | 2 |
| | | | | | |
| 1871 | Layfield, L. W. | E. | Claymont, Del. | | 2 |
| 1879 | Lindale, J. M. | E. | Fruitland, Md. | ..... | 1 |
| 1880 | Lightbourn, A. W. | E. | Easton, Md. | ..... | 1 |
| | | | | | |
| 1876 | Macnichol, E. C. | E. | Pomona, Md. | ..... | 2 |
| 1864 | Martindale, T. E. | E. | Smyrna, Del. | ..... | 4 |
| 1840 | Matlack, L. C., D. D. | E. | Cambridge, Md. | ..... | 1 |
| 1868 | McFarlane, W. R. | E. | Tangier, Md. | ..... | 2 |
| 1873 | McSorley, F. C. | E. | Harrington, Del. | ..... | 1 |
| 1873 | McQuay, Newton. | E. | Marydel, Md. | ..... | 2 |
| 1859 | Merrill, Wm. | Sp. | Fairmount, Md. | ..... |  |
| 1853 | Merritt, Jas. B. | E. | Cecilton, Md. | ..... | 2 |
| 1842 | Milby, A. W. | E. | Frederica, Del. | ..... | 1 |
| 1869 | Miller, E. H. | E. | Chincoteague, Va. | ..... | 1 |
| 1876 | Mowbray, J. E. | E. | St. Michael's Md. | | 3 |
| 1883 | Mowbray, Alpheus S. | P. | Oxford, Md. | | 1 |
| 1871 | Murray, W. L. S. | E. | Wilmington, Del. | | 1 |
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| 1870 | Nelson, E. H. | E. | Federalsburg, Md. | | 3 |
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| 1876 | O'Brien, T. A. H. | E. | Wilmington, Del. | | 3 |
| 1859 | O'Neill, W. J. | E. | Princess Anne, Md. | | 2 |
| 1872 | Otis, J. P. | E. | Odessa, Del. | | 2 |

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| 1853 | Phoebus, Geo. A. | Sp. | | | |
| 1881 | Pilchard, S. N. | D. | Magnolia, Del. | | 1 |
| 1870 | Poole, Jno. W. | E. | Farmington, Del. | | 1 |
| 1868 | Prettyman, C. W. | E. | Wilmington, Del. | | 1 |
| 1882 | Prettyman, A. P. | P. | Millsboro, Del. | | 2 |
| 1836 | Price, B. F. | E. | Queenstown, Md. | | 1 |
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| 1850 | Quigg, J. B. | E. | Laurel, Del. | | 2 |
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| 1869 | Rawlins, P. H. | E. | Georgetown, Del. | | 2 |
| 1858 | Redman, W. W. | Sp. | Farmington, Del. | | |
| 1867 | Rigg, Jno. D. | E. | Smyrna, Del. | | 3 |
| 1867 | Robinson, Joseph. | E. | Rising Sun, Md. | | 1 |
| 1878 | Robinson, W. S. | E. | Bridgeville, Del. | | 2 |
| 1873 | Roe, Robert. | E. | Sharptown, Md. | | 2 |
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| 1845 | Sanderson, Henry. | Sp. | Wilmington, Del. | | |
| 1858 | Scott, A. T. | Sp. | Wilmington, Del. | | |
| 1859 | Sheppard, Chas. F. | E. | Elkton, Md. | | 1 |
| 1869 | Shilling, John. | E. | Wilmington, Del. | ..... | 1 |
| 1879 | Smith, Alfred. | E. | Greensborough, Md. | ..... | 1 |
| 1872 | Smith, John E. | E. | Wilmington, Del. | ..... | 1 |
| 1840 | Smith, Vaughn. | S. | Wilmington, Del. | ..... | 1 |
| 1870 | Stengle, Adam. | E. | Middletown, Del. | | 1 |
| 1878 | Stephenson, R. K. | E. | Trappe, Md. | | 1 |
| 1860 | Sypherd, J. O. | E. | Sudlersville, Md. | | 2 |
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| 1833 | Taft, Jno. L. | Sp. | Norristown, Pa. | | |
| 1857 | Talbot, W. F. | E. | Westover, Md. | | 2 |
| 1876 | Terry, Thos. E. | E. | Centreville, Md. | | 2 |
| 1853 | Todd, Robt. W. | E. | North East, Md. | | 1 |
| 1860 | Tompkinson, T. L. | E. | Millington, Md. | | 1 |
| 1876 | Townsend, Geo. W. | E. | Galena, Md. | | 1 |
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| 1859 | Van Burkalow, Jas. T. | E. | Smyrna, Del. | | 2 |
| | | | | | |
| 1879 | Walton, Olin S. | E. | Sassafras, Md. | | 1 |
| 1848 | Walton, Wm. B. | E. | Church Hill, Md. | | 3 |
| 1853 | Warner, Wm. M. | E. | Stockton, Md. | ..... | 1 |
| 1840 | Way, Elon J. | S. | Baltimore, Md. | ..... | 1 |
| 1866 | White, E. E. | E. | Cherry Hill, Md. | ..... | 3 |
| 1872 | Wilcox, Geo. W. | E. | Delmar, Del. | ..... | 2 |
| 1878 | Willy, J. H. | E. | Snow Hill, Md. | ..... | 2 |
| 1857 | Williams, T. S. | E. | Milton, Del. | ..... | 1 |
| 1869 | Wilson J. A. B. | E. | Princess Anne, Md. | ..... | 1 |
| 1877 | Wilson, W. W. W. | E. | Frederica, Del. | ..... | 3 |
| 1865 | Warthman, John. | E. | Nassau, Del. | ..... | 2 |
| 1874 | Waddell, D. F. | E. | Blackbird, Del. | ..... | 1 |
| 1882 | Warren, Benjamin. | P. | Royal Oak, Md. | ..... | 1 |
| 1882 | Williams, Chas. H. | P. | East New Market, Md. | ..... | 1 |
| 1854 | Willis, Jon'a. S. | E. | Milford, Del. | ..... | 2 |

LOCAL PREACHERS.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

The figures indicate the date of license. The letters indicate the present relation. The last column indicates the Post Office.

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|------|----|--------------------|------------------------|
| 1881 | L. | Astle, Thos. B. | Mechanic's Valley, Md. |
| 1872 | D. | Booth, M. A. | Newport, Del. |
| 1866 | L. | Brickley, W. | Bay View, Md. |
| | D. | Collins, G. T. D. | Wilmington, Del. |
| 1865 | L. | Chaphan, C. W. | " " |
| 1855 | D. | Cann, J. | Fair Hill, Md. |
| | L. | Dodd, D. | Wilmington, Del. |
| 1881 | D. | Dawson, W. T. | Upper Principio, Md. |
| | L. | Dumbracco, Jas. | " " " |
| | L. | Ford, J. | North East, Md. |
| 1864 | L. | Frier Thos. | Cherry Hill, Md. |
| 1869 | L. | Flinn, V. G. | Newport, Del. |
| 1876 | L. | Galloway, W. | Wilmington, Del. |
| 1877 | L. | Garrett, Levi | " " |
| 1877 | L. | Grant, W. J. | Cherry, Hill, Md. |
| 1866 | D. | Green, D. | Newport, Del. |
| 1880 | L. | Hambleton, W. | Wilmington, Del. |
| 1869 | L. | Hendrickson, W. H. | Faukland, Del. |
| 1874 | D. | Hodson, J. | Elkton, Md. |
| 1881 | L. | Kyle, Wm. | North East, Md. |
| 1866 | D. | Logan, Samuel | Charlestown, Md. |
| 1866 | L. | McLaughlin, J. T. | Wilmington, Del. |
| | L. | McCoy, Jas. | Glasgow, Del. |
| | L. | Moore, Chas. | Wilmington, Del. |
| 1862 | L. | Mendinhall, E. | " " |
| | D. | Mulford, Jas. | Summit Bridge, Del. |
| 1834 | L. | Miller, Joseph | Mechanic's Valley, Md. |
| 1859 | L. | Miller, Wm. T. | " " " |
| 1876 | L. | Rodgers, R. L. | Wilmington, Del. |
| 1876 | L. | Sentman, C. H. | " " |
| | D. | Scott, Jas. T. | New Castle, Del. |
| | L. | Smith, Wm. H. | Wilmington, Del. |
| 1841 | L. | Simmons, John. | " " |
| | L. | Smith, Robert T. | Rockland, Del. |
| | L. | Stimmel, W. | Wilmington, Del. |
| | | Taylor, Wm. | " " |
| | E. | Tull, Wm. T. | " " |
| 1862 | L. | Todd, L. E. | Edgemoor, Del. |
| 1878 | L. | Thatcher, A. | Wilmington, Del. |
| 1871 | L. | Van Horn, Wm. N. | " " |
| 1870 | L. | Weldin, G. W. | " " |
| | L. | Williamson, J. F. | Newark, Del. |
| 1875 | L. | White, John | Wilmington, Del. |
| 1878 | L. | White, Wm. E. | " " |

EASTON DISTRICT

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|------|----|--------------------|-------------------|
| | L. | Benson, T. E. | Royal Oak, Md. |
| 1848 | E. | Boone, J. T. | Greensboro, Md. |
| | E. | Burton, Thos. | Chestertown, Md. |
| | L. | Clark, J. M. | Downs Chapel, Md. |
| | L. | Christopher, Isaac | Matthewstown, Md. |
| | | Dill, Jas. R. | Templeville, Md. |
| 1870 | L. | Edes, John P. | Edesville, Md. |
| 1881 | L. | Faries, Wm. | Smyrna, Del. |
| 1881 | L. | Golt, Richard | Downs Chapel, Md. |
| | L. | Gudgeon, A. M. | Chestertown, Md. |
| 1858 | L. | Kendal, James | Fairlee, Md. |
| | | Lassell, Jas. C. | Smyrna, Del. |
| 1845 | D. | Leary, George | Edesville, Md. |
| 1877 | L. | McLean, R. D. | Matthewstown, Md. |
| 1882 | L. | Morgan, F. M. | Trappe, Md. |
| | | Morris, Chas. | Sassafras, Md. |
| 1872 | L. | Nichols, Z. J. | Oxford. |
| | | Numbers, Thos. | Millington, Md. |
| 1856 | | Perkins, James A. | Chestertown, Md. |
| | | Price, D. H. | Millington, Md. |
| | | Purnell, James | Dover, Del. |
| 1859 | D. | Smith, J. V. | Smyrna, Del. |
| 1831 | L. | Stubbs, James | " " |

DOVER DISTRICT.

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|------|----|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1868 | L. | Bell, J. H. | Galestown, Dorchester Co., Md. |
| | L. | Betts, W. H. | Millsboro, Sussex Co., Del. |
| | L. | Cahoon, W. R. | Dover, Kent Co., Del. |
| | | Clifton, G. W. | Lincoln, Sussex Co., Del. |
| | | Conway, R. H. | Harrison, Dorchester Co., Md. |
| | D. | Creamer, V. | Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md. |
| 1871 | D. | Donohoe, S. M. | Hoopersville, Dorchester Co., Md. |
| | D. | Dawson, W. H. | Dover, Kent Co., Del. |
| 1856 | D. | Dawson, E. (M. D.) | Frederica, Kent Co., Del. |
| | | Evans, W. | Lewes, Sussex Co., Del. |
| | E. | Hazzard, R. B. | Hurlocks', Dorchester Co., Md. |
| | | Hall, Houston | Milton, Sussex Co., Del. |
| | D. | Horney, J. P. | Harrington, Kent Co., Del. |
| | D. | Harris, W. | Bridgeville, Sussex Co., Del. |
| | D. | Hudson, Jos. | Angola, Sussex Co., Del. |
| 1860 | L. | Kenney, J. L. | Hynson, Caroline Co., Md. |
| | D. | Morgan W. W. | Concord, Sussex Co., Del. |
| | L. | Minner, S. | Felton, Kent Co., Del. |
| | L. | Millman, J. | Ellendale, Sussex Co., Del. |
| | L. | Packard, E. | Linkwood, Dorchester Co., Md. |
| 1872 | L. | Roach, E. J. | Georgetown, Sussex Co., Del. |
| | D. | Rich, J. H. | Denton, Caroline Co., Md. |
| | D. | Simmons, Chas. | Harrington, Kent Co., Del. |
| | L. | Sullivan F. J. | Fowling Creek, Dorch'r Co., Md. |
| | D. | Wright, D. R. | " " " " " " |

ANNUAL MINUTES OF THE
SALISBURY DISTRICT.

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|------|----|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1881 | L. | Brewington, J. A. | Up. Fairmount, Somerset Co., Md. |
| 1872 | | Beauchamp, J. | Fairmount, Somerset Co., Md. |
| | | Bowen, Z. | Mt. Vernon, Somerset Co., Md. |
| | L. | Conner, N. J. | Marion, Somerset Co., Md. |
| 1846 | D. | Covington, D. W. | Pocomoke City, Md. |
| 1871 | L. | Connelly, J. H. | Bethel, Sussex Co., Del. |
| 1864 | D. | Daveraux, J. H. | Snow Hill, Worcester Co., Md. |
| 1874 | L. | Daniels, J. T. | Deal's Island, Somerset Co., Md. |
| 1881 | L. | Gray, J. W. | Gumboro, Sussex Co., Del. |
| | | Gault, A. | Newark, Worcester Co., Md. |
| 1868 | L. | Foxwell, B. F. | Mt. Vernon, Somerset Co., Md. |
| | L. | Hitch, E. | Laurel, Sussex Co., Del. |
| 1861 | L. | Hodgson, T. H. | Crisfield, Somerset Co., Md. |
| | L. | Hill, M. M. | Delmar, Sussex Co., Del. |
| 1877 | L. | Hopkins, G. | Monie, Somerset Co., Md. |
| | L. | Jones, J. | Gumboro, Sussex Co., Del. |
| 1871 | L. | Kenney, J. T. | Chincoteague, Va. |
| 1864 | D. | Lawson, H. | Crisfield, Somerset Co., Md. |
| | L. | Leatherbury, P. H. | Onancock, Va. |
| 1849 | D. | Miller, J. | Pocomoke City, Md. |
| | L. | Pitts, J. | Berlin, Worcester Co., Md. |
| 1871 | L. | Passwaters, W. B. | Princess Anne, Md. |
| 1867 | L. | Reed, S. P. | Berlin, Worcester Co., Md. |
| 1862 | L. | Robertson, Jno. | Sharptown, Md. |
| | L. | Roop, F. A. | Bethel, Sussex Co., Del. |
| 1855 | E. | Reed, J. T. | Frankford, Sussex Co., Del. |
| 1858 | | Scott, J. W. | Mt. Vernon, Somerset Co., Md. |
| | D. | Tyndal, W. J. | Georgetown, Sussex Co., Del. |
| 1863 | D. | Tilghman, N. J. | Salisbury, Wicomico Co., Md. |
| | L. | Tyler, Jno. | Smith's Island, Md. |
| 1869 | L. | Tubbs, W. R. | Roxanna, Sussex Co., Del. |
| 1852 | L. | White, S. Q. | Salisbury, Wicomico Co., Md. |
| 1852 | E. | Webb, Samuel. | Fruitland, Wicomico Co., Md. |
| 1868 | L. | White, H. P. | Dame's Quarter, Md. |
| 1867 | L. | Wilson, J. | Monie, Somerset Co., Md. |

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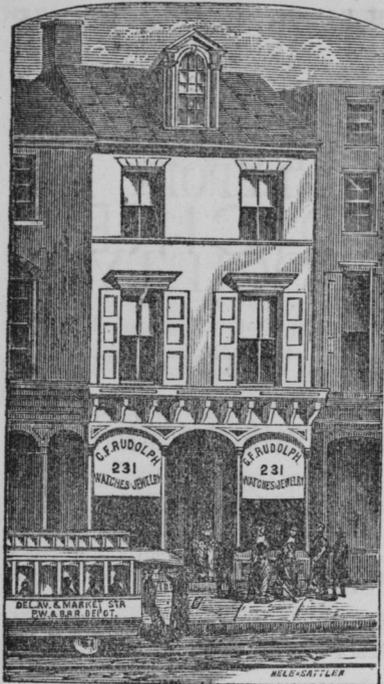
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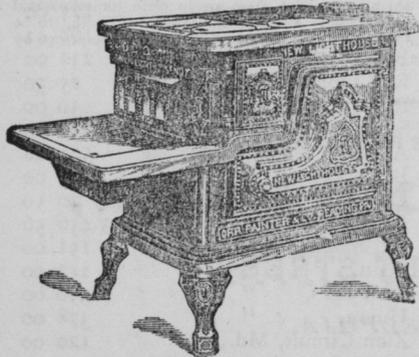
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FOR THE

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IN ACCOUNT WITH ALFRED G. COX, TREASURER.

CAMBRIDGE, MD., MARCH 7, 1883.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

| | | | |
|---------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|----------|
| Received from | Rev. H. Colclazer, | Bethel and Glasgow, | \$ 50 00 |
| " | " " J. W. Hammersley, | Charlestown, Md., | 17 00 |
| " | " " E. E. White, | Cherry Hill, Md., | 50 22 |
| " | " " F. J. Cochran, | Chesapeake City, Md., | 40 00 |
| " | " " L. W. Layfield, | Chester, | 51 40 |
| " | " " David Dodd, | Claymont, | 34 00 |
| " | " " D. F. Waddell, | Christiana | 21 52 |
| " | " " Thos. B. Hunter, | Delaware City and Port Penn, | 27 00 |
| " | " " W. E. Avery, | Elkton and Crouch's Chapel, | 300 00 |
| " | " " G. S. Conaway, | Elk Neck, Md., | 10 00 |
| " | " " L. C. Andrew, | Mt. Lebanon, | 26 00 |
| " | " " W. B. Gregg, | Mt. Pleasant, | 26 00 |
| " | " " W. H. Hutchin, | Newark and Wesley, | 100 00 |
| " | " " N. N. Browne, | New Castle, | 110 00 |
| " | " " J. E. Bryan, | Newport and Stanton, | 125 00 |
| " | " " C. F. Sheppard, | North East, Md., | 108 42 |
| " | " " R. C. Jones, | Port Deposit, Md., | 232 00 |
| " | " " Julius Dodd, | Red Lion, Del., | 25 50 |
| " | " " Jno. D. Kemp, | Rising Sun, Md., | 30 00 |
| " | " " G. A. Phœbus, | St. George's and Summit, | 34 00 |
| " | " " Chas. Hill, | Asbury, Wilmington, | 574 28 |
| " | " " Jno. Shilling, | Brandywine, " | 50 00 |
| " | " " J. White, | Epworth, " | 20 50 |
| " | " " G. W. Miller, | Grace, " | 3,456 56 |
| " | " " T. L. Tomkinson, | Mt. Salem, " | 151 00 |
| " | " " T. R. Creamer, | Scott, " | 112 00 |
| " | " " M. A. Richards, | St. Paul's, " | 350 00 |
| " | " " A. Stengle, | Union, " | 378 00 |
| " | " " John France, | Zion Circuit, Md., | 120 00 |

\$6,630 40

EASTON DISTRICT.

| | | | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------|
| Received from Rev. | K. K. Stephenson, | Appoquinimink, | \$ 65 00 | |
| " | " | J. B. Merritt, | Cecilton and St. Paul, | 100 00 |
| " | " | T. E. Terry, | Centreville, | 116 00 |
| " | " | T. H. Haynes, | Chestertown, | 200 00 |
| " | " | W. B. Walton, | Church Hill, | 75 00 |
| " | " | E. P. Aldred, | Easton, | 125 00 |
| " | " | W. M. Warner, | Galena, | 33 00 |
| " | " | J. E. Smith, | Geensboro, | 84 00 |
| " | " | G. W. Burke, | Hillsboro, | 40 00 |
| " | " | W. M. Green, | Kent Circuit, | 23 08 |
| " | " | B. F. Price, | Kent Island, | 53 00 |
| " | " | L. P. Corkran, | King's Creek, | 30 00 |
| " | " | N. McQuay, | Marydell, | 42 00 |
| " | " | W. L. S. Murray, | Middletown, | 357 00 |
| " | " | R. H. Adams, | Millington | 136 00 |
| " | " | J. P. Otis, | Odessa, | 189 00 |
| " | " | Alfred Smith, | Oxford, | 15 00 |
| " | " | E. C. Macnichol, | Pomona, | 60 00 |
| " | " | Isaac Jewell, | Queenstown, | 35 00 |
| " | " | E. H. Miller, | Royal Oak, | 30 00 |
| " | " | C. A. Hill, | Sassafras, | 60 00 |
| " | " | J. D. Rigg, | Smyrna, | 473 00 |
| " | " | J. T. VanBurkalow, | Smyrna Circuit, | 90 00 |
| " | " | J. E. Mowbray, | St. Michael's, | 170 00 |
| " | " | L. E. Barrett, | Still Pond, | 140 00 |
| " | " | J. O. Sypherd, | Sudlersville, | 106 00 |
| " | " | J. E. Kidney, | Talbot, | 50 00 |
| " | " | T. E. Bell, | Townsend, | 20 00 |
| " | " | F. C. McSorley, | Trappe, | 25 00 |

\$2942 08

DOVER DISTRICT.

| | | | | |
|--------------------|-------------|------------------------|---------------|--------|
| Received from Rev. | J. Carroll, | Beckwith and Spedden's | \$ 50 00 | |
| " | " | W. S. Robinson, | Bridgeville, | 450 00 |
| " | " | E. L. Hoffecker, | Cambridge, | 25 00 |
| " | " | J. A. Brindle, | Camden, | 51 00 |
| " | " | J. W. Poole, | Church Creek, | 15 00 |
| " | " | A. D. Davis, | Denton, | 28 00 |
| " | " | T. O. Ayers, | Dorchester, | 150 00 |
| " | " | J. H. Caldwell, | Dover, | 432 00 |
| " | " | I. D. Johnson, | Ellendale | 20 00 |
| " | " | E. H. Nelson, | Federalburg | 152 00 |
| " | " | A. W. Milby, | Felton, | 80 00 |
| " | " | W. W. W. Wilson, | Frederica, | 160 00 |
| " | " | Jos. Robinson, | Galestown, | 45 00 |
| " | " | P. H. Rawlins, | Georgetown, | 44 13 |
| " | " | W. E. England, | Harrington, | 62 20 |
| " | " | E. C. Atkins, | Leipsic, | 42 00 |
| " | " | C. W. Prettyman, | Lewes, | 150 00 |
| " | " | I. N. Foreman, | Lincoln, | 40 00 |
| " | " | W. F. Corkran, | Magnolia, | 42 00 |
| " | " | J. S. Willis, | Milford, | 175 00 |
| " | " | Wilmer Jaggard, | Milford Neck, | 17 50 |
| " | " | A. P. Prettyman, | Millsboro, | 25 00 |

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|-------------------|---------------|-------|
| " | " | " | A. W. Lightbourn, | Milton, | 75 00 |
| " | " | " | J. Warthman, | Nassau, | 50 00 |
| " | " | " | W. W. Redman, | Seaford, | 49 05 |
| " | " | " | J. M. Lindale, | Woodlandtown, | 20 00 |
| " | " | " | S. N. Pilchard, | Wyoming, | 10 00 |

\$2,459 88

SALISBURY DISTRICT.

| | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------------------|--------|
| Received from Rev. | I. G. Fosnocht, | Accomac, Va., | \$ 100 00 | |
| " | " | Hance Lawson, | Asbury, | 29 10 |
| " | " | C. A. Grice, | Berlin, | 45 00 |
| " | " | W. L. P. Bowen, | Bethel Circuit, | 40 00 |
| " | " | O. S. Walton, | Chincoteague, | 15 00 |
| " | " | E. L. Hubbard, | Crisfield, | 65 00 |
| " | " | W. R. McFarlane, | Deals' Island, | 50 00 |
| " | " | G. W. Wilcox, | Delmar, | 40 00 |
| " | " | J. A. B. Wilson, | Fairmount, | 450 00 |
| " | " | W. J. Duhadway, | Frankford, | 75 00 |
| " | " | Jos. Dare, | Fruitland, | 35 60 |
| " | " | T. H. Harding, | Gumboro, | 40 00 |
| " | " | G. P. Smith, | Holland's Island, | 20 00 |
| " | " | J. B. Quigg, | Laurel, | 100 00 |
| " | " | E. Davis, | Newark, Md., | 25 00 |
| " | " | Jas. Conner, | Parsonsburg, | 20 00 |
| " | " | G. W. Townsend, | Pocomoke City, | 35 00 |
| " | " | C. S. Baker, | Pocomoke Circuit, | 15 00 |
| " | " | W. J. O'Niell, | Princess Anne, | 141 63 |
| " | " | S. T. Gardner, | Quantico, | 62 00 |
| " | " | E. H. Hynson, | Roxanna, | 36 50 |
| " | " | J. D. C. Hanna, | Salisbury, | 90 37 |
| " | " | E. L. Hubbard, | St. Peter's and Quindocqua, | 20 00 |
| " | " | R. Roe, | Sharptown, | 12 00 |
| " | " | J. H. Willey, | Snow Hill, | 90 00 |
| " | " | J. A. Arters, | Stockton, | 40 00 |
| " | " | W. F. Talbott, | Westover Circuit, | 4 00 |
| " | " | J. M. Collins, | Worcester, | 5 00 |
| " | " | T. S. Williams, | Smith's Island, | 13 75 |

\$1,714 95

RECAPITULATION.

| | |
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| Received from Wilmington District, | \$6,630 40 |
| " " Easton | 2,942 08 |
| " " Dover | 2,459 88 |
| " " Salisbury | 1,714 95 |
| | <hr/> |
| Received last year from Wilmington District, | \$ 6,461 25 |
| " " " Easton | 2,676 00 |
| " " " Dover | 2,221 70 |
| " " " Salisbury | 1,563 18 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$12,922 13 |
| Advance over last year, | \$ 825 18 |

LIST OF CONTRIBUTORS.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

Bethel and Glasgow—H. Colclazer, Pastor.

| | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Bethel Congregation..... | \$ 28 25 |
| Glasgow Congregation..... | 21 75 |
| Total..... | \$ 50 00 |

Charleston—J. W. Hammersley, Pastor.

| | |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Churches..... | \$17 00 |
| Chester—L. W. Layfield, Pastor. | |
| Church..... | \$ 31 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 20 40 |
| Total..... | \$ 51 40 |

Chesapeake City—F. J. Cochran, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 18 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 22 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 40 00 |

Claymont—D. Dodd, Pastor.

| | |
|-------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 34 00 |
|-------------|----------|

Christiana—D. F. Waddell, Pastor.

| | |
|-------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 21 52 |
|-------------|----------|

Cherry Hill—E. E. White, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Cherry Hill..... | \$ 11 48 |
| Carter's Bank..... | 33 29 |
| Baldwin's..... | 5 45 |
| Total..... | \$ 50 22 |

Delaware City and Port Penn—T. B. Hunter, Pastor

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Churches..... | \$ 18 00 |
| Sunday Schools..... | 9 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 27 00 |

Elkton—W. E. Avery, Pastor.

| | |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Sunday School..... | \$ 217 00 |
| West Amwell..... | 30 00 |
| Wilna..... | 10 00 |
| Crouch's Chapel..... | 10 00 |
| Church..... | 33 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 300 00 |

Elk Neck—G. S. Conaway, Pastor.

| | |
|---|----------|
| Hart's Church, Miss Emma Johnson, (col.)..... | \$ 5 00 |
| Wesley's Church, Miss Addie Ford, (col.)..... | 5 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 10 00 |

Mount Lebanon—L. C. Andrew, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 10 79 |
| Sunday School..... | 15 21 |
| Total..... | \$ 26 00 |

Mount Pleasant—W. B. Gregg, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Sunday School..... | \$ 26 00 |
|--------------------|----------|

Newark and Wesley, Wm. H. Hutchin, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Church..... | \$ 27 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 73 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 100 00 |

Newport—J. E. Bryan, Pastor.

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Newport Sunday School..... | \$ 107 40 |
| “ Public Collection..... | 3 30 |
| Stanton, Sunday School..... | 7 40 |
| “ Public Collection..... | 2 00 |
| Hockessin, Sunday School..... | 2 75 |
| “ Public Collection..... | 2 15 |
| Total..... | \$ 125 00 |

North East—Chas. F. Sheppard, Pastor.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Church..... | \$ 23 40 |
| Sunday School..... | 87 55 |
| Less expenses for programmes..... | 110 95 |
| Total..... | \$ 253 90 |

New Castle—N. M. Browne, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Church..... | \$ 7 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 103 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 110 00 |

Port Deposit—R. C. Jones, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Church..... | \$ 32 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 200 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 232 00 |

Red Lion—Julius Dodd, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 17 87 |
| Sunday School..... | 7 13 |
| Total..... | \$ 25 00 |

Rising Sun—John D. Kemp, Pastor.

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Hopewell Sunday School..... | \$ 16 25 |
| Rising Sun “ “..... | 9 35 |
| Rolandville..... | 3 00 |
| Mt. Pleasant..... | 1 40 |
| Total..... | \$ 30 00 |

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|--|------------|
| St George and Summit—Geo. A. Phoebus, Pastor | |
| Church..... | \$ 15 00 |
| Sunday School..... | \$ 29 00 |
| Total.....\$ 34 00 | |
| Asbury, Wilmington—Chas. Hill, Pastor, | |
| Church..... | \$ 231 47 |
| Sunday School..... | 342 81 |
| Total.....\$ 574 28 | |
| Brandywine, Wilmington—John Shilling, Pastor. | |
| Sunday School..... | \$ 50 00 |
| Epworth, Wilmington—J. White, Pastor. | |
| Sunday School..... | \$ 15 00 |
| Church..... | 5 50 |
| Total.....\$ 20 50 | |
| Grace, Wilmington—Geo W. Miller, Pastor. | |
| Sunday School..... | \$3,006 25 |
| Church..... | 450 31 |
| Total.....\$3,456 56 | |
| Mount Salem—T. L. Tomkinson, Pastor. | |
| Church..... | \$ 77 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 74 00 |
| Total.....\$151 00 | |
| Scott, Wilmington—T. R. Creamer, Pastor. | |
| Church..... | \$ 8 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 104 00 |
| Total.....\$112 00 | |
| St. Paul, Wilmington—M. A. Richards, Pastor. | |
| Church..... | \$ 104 65 |
| Sunday School..... | 245 35 |
| Total.....\$ 350 00 | |
| Union, Wilmington—Adam Stengle, Pastor. | |
| Church..... | \$ 78 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 300 00 |
| Total.....\$378 00 | |
| Zion—Jno. France, Pastor. | |
| Church..... | \$ 70 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 50 00 |
| Total.....\$120 00 | |

EASTON DISTRICT

| | |
|---|---------|
| Appoquinimink—R. K. Stevenson, Pastor. | |
| Union Church..... | \$ 7 00 |
| Friendship Church..... | 47 40 |
| Friendship Sunday School..... | 10 60 |
| Total.....\$ 65 00 | |

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|--|-----------|
| Centreville—Thos. E. Terry, Pastor. | |
| Churches..... | \$ 90 00 |
| School..... | 26 00 |
| Total.....\$ 116 00 | |
| Chestertown—T. H. Haynes, Pastor. | |
| Church..... | \$ 121 16 |
| Sunday School..... | 78 84 |
| Total.....\$ 200 00 | |
| Church Hill—W. B. Walton, Pastor. | |
| Church Hill Church..... | \$ 24 50 |
| “ “ Sunday School..... | 10 00 |
| Union Church..... | 32 00 |
| “ “ Sunday School..... | 7 00 |
| Salem Church..... | 1 00 |
| “ “ Sunday School..... | 50 |
| Total.....\$ 75 00 | |
| Easton—E. P. Aldred, Pastor. | |
| Sunday School..... | \$92 00 |
| Church..... | 33 00 |
| Total.....\$ 125 00 | |
| Galena—W. M. Warner, Pastor. | |
| Churches..... | \$21 00 |
| Sunday Schools..... | 12 00 |
| Total.....\$ 33 00 | |
| Greensborough—J. E. Smith, Pastor. | |
| Church..... | \$ 58 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 26 00 |
| Total.....\$ 84 00 | |
| Hillsborough—G. W. Burke, Pastor. | |
| Church..... | \$ 40 00 |
| Kent Circuit—W. M. Green, Pastor. | |
| Churches..... | \$ 15 00 |
| Sunday Schools..... | 8 08 |
| Total.....\$ 23 08 | |
| Kent Island—B. F. Price, Pastor. | |
| Churches..... | \$ 45 00 |
| Sunday Schools..... | 8 00 |
| Total.....\$ 53 00 | |
| King's Creek—L. P. Corkran, Pastor. | |
| Churches..... | \$ 10 00 |
| Sunday Schools..... | 20 00 |
| Total.....\$ 30 00 | |

Marydel—N. McQuay, Pastor.

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Thomas' Chapel..... | \$ 14 00 |
| Marydel..... | 12 00 |
| Templeville..... | 12 00 |
| Hawkins..... | 4 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 42 00 |

Middletown—W. L. S. Murray, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Sunday School..... | \$ 200 00 |
| Church..... | 157 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 357 00 |

Millington Circuit—R. H. Adams, Pastor.

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Millington Sunday School..... | \$ 76 00 |
| " Congregation..... | 54 00 |
| Holden's "..... | 6 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 136 00 |

Odessa—J. P. Otis, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Church..... | \$ 46 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 143 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 189 00 |

Oxford—Alfred Smith, Pastor.

| | |
|-------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 15 00 |
|-------------|----------|

Pomona—E. C. Macnichol, Pastor.

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Churches..... | \$ 12 00 |
| Sunday Schools..... | 48 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 60 00 |

Queenstown—Issac Jewell, Pastor.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Queenstown Sunday School..... | \$ 27 00 |
| Perry's Corner Sunday School..... | 7 00 |
| Congregation..... | 1 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 35 00 |

Royal Oak—E. H. Miller, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Royal Oak..... | \$ 10 00 |
| Ferry Neck..... | 15 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 5 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 30 00 |

Sassafras—C. A. Hill, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 43 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 17 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 60 00 |

Smyrna—John D. Rigg, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Church..... | \$ 128 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 342 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 470 00 |

Smyrna Circuit—J. T. Van Burkalow, Pastor.

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| Bethel Church..... | \$ 36 00 |
| " Sunday School..... | 14 00 |
| Severson's Church..... | 13 90 |
| " Sunday School..... | 1 10 |
| Kenton Church..... | 15 00 |
| Central Church..... | 7 80 |
| " Sunday School..... | 2 20 |

Total.....\$ 90 00

Still Pond—Louis E. Barrett, Pastor.

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Still Pond Church..... | \$ 77 00 |
| Union..... | 20 00 |
| Still Pond Sunday School..... | 43 00 |

Total.....\$ 140 00

St. Michaels—J. E. Mowbray, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Sunday School..... | \$ 166 00 |
| Church..... | 4 00 |

Total.....\$ 170 00

Cecilton and St. Paul's—J. B. Merritt, Pastor.

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|--------------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 48 50 |
| Sunday School..... | 51 50 |

Total.....\$ 100 00

Sudlersville—J. Owen Syphend, Pastor.

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|--------------------------|----------|
| Sudlersville Church..... | \$ 22 00 |
| " Sunday School..... | 51 00 |
| Crompton..... | 12 00 |
| Dubley's..... | 8 00 |
| Busic's..... | 3 00 |
| Pippins..... | 2 25 |
| Roseville..... | 3 00 |
| Ingleside..... | 2 65 |
| Double Creek..... | 2 00 |

Total.....\$ 106 00

Talbot—J. Elmer Kidney, Pastor.

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|----------------------|---------|
| Bay Side Church..... | \$ 5 85 |
| " Sunday School..... | 5 45 |
| Tilghman Island..... | 10 00 |
| Broad Creek..... | 18 64 |
| Chathams..... | 12 25 |

Total.....\$ 52 19

Less expenses.....2 19

\$ 50 00

Townsend—T. E. Bell, Pastor.

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|-------------------------------|----------|
| Church and Sunday School..... | \$ 20 00 |
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Trappe—F. C. McSorley, Pastor.

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|--------------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 15 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 10 00 |

Total.....\$ 25 00

DOVER DISTRICT.

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|---|-----------|
| Beckwith and Spedden—James Carroll, stor. | |
| Beckwith..... | \$ 30 00 |
| Spedden..... | 20 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 50 00 |
| Bridgeville—W. S. Robinson, Pastor. | |
| Church..... | \$ 450 00 |
| Cambridge—E. L. Hofferker, Pastor. | |
| Church and Sunday School..... | \$ 25 00 |
| Camden Circuit—Jas. A. Brindle, Pastor. | |
| M. E. Church, of Camden..... | \$ 33 00 |
| Sunday School of Lebanon..... | 18 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 51 00 |
| Ten dollars (\$10 00) of the above was given to make Mrs. Ann Hurst a life member of the Conference Missionary Society. | |
| Church Creek—John W. Poole, Pastor. | |
| Church..... | \$ 15 00 |
| Denton—A. D. Davis, Pastor. | |
| Congregation..... | \$ 20 29 |
| Sunday Schools..... | 7 71 |
| Total..... | \$ 28 00 |
| Dorchester Circuit—T. O. Ayres, Pastor | |
| East New Market..... | \$ 50 39 |
| Washington..... | 50 00 |
| Vienna..... | 20 00 |
| Salem..... | 8 75 |
| Wainright's..... | 8 00 |
| Manship's..... | 6 86 |
| McKendree..... | 6 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 150 00 |
| Dover—J. H. Caldwell, Pastor. | |
| Church..... | \$ 80 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 352 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 432 00 |
| Ellendale—I. D. Johnson, Pastor. | |
| Churches..... | \$ 20 00 |
| Federalsburg—Edwin H. Nelson, Pastor. | |
| Federalsburg School..... | \$ 26 76 |
| “ congregation..... | 42 08 |
| Preston School..... | 16 66 |
| “ congregation..... | 31 44 |
| Friendship..... | 11 00 |
| St. Paul's..... | 9 75 |
| Harmony..... | 6 75 |
| Chestnut Grove..... | 4 00 |
| Bethlehem..... | 3 55 |
| Total..... | \$ 152 00 |

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| Felton—A. W. Milby, Pastor | |
| Church collection..... | \$ 58 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 22 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 80 00 |
| Frederica—W. W. W. Wilson, Pastor. | |
| Church..... | \$ 64 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 96 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 160 00 |
| Galestown—Jos. Robinson, Pastor. | |
| Church..... | \$ 40 00 |
| Snuday School..... | 5 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 45 00 |
| Georgetown—P. H. Rawlins, Pastor. | |
| St. John's Church..... | \$ 5 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 16 04 |
| Church..... | 23 09 |
| Total..... | \$ 44 13 |
| Harrington—W. E. England, Pastor. | |
| Harrington..... | \$ 10 70 |
| Laws..... | 15 60 |
| Farmington..... | 9 75 |
| Todd's..... | 10 70 |
| Prospect..... | 4 25 |
| White's..... | 2 50 |
| Asbury..... | 95 |
| Williamsville..... | 7 75 |
| Total..... | \$ 62 20 |
| Leipsic—E. C. Atkins, Pastor. | |
| Churches..... | \$ 39 92 |
| Sabbath Schools..... | 2 08 |
| Total..... | \$ 42 00 |
| Lewes—C. W. Prettyman, Pastor. | |
| Church..... | \$ 61 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 89 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 150 00 |
| Lincoln—I. N. Foreman, Pastor. | |
| Slaughter Neck Appointment..... | \$ 16 00 |
| Cedar Neck..... | 6 00 |
| Lincoln..... | 10 00 |
| A Friend..... | 8 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 40 00 |
| Magnolia—W. F. Corkran, Pastor. | |
| Magnolia Circuit..... | \$42 00 |

Milford—J. S. Willis, Pastor.

| | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Chapel Sunday School..... | \$ 22 00 |
| Avenue Sunday School..... | 120 00 |
| Avenue Church..... | 33 00 |

Total.....\$175 00

Milford Neck—Wilmer Jaggard, Pastor.

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|------------------------|---------|
| Church and School..... | \$17 50 |
|------------------------|---------|

Millsboro—A. P. Prettyman, Pastor.

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Churches..... | \$20 00 |
| Sunday Schools..... | 5 00 |

Total.....\$ 25 00

Milton—A. W. Lightbourn, Pastor.

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| Total..... | \$75 00 |
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Nassau—J. Warthman, Pastor.

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|----------------------------|----------|
| Connely's Chapel..... | \$ 17 75 |
| White's Chapel..... | 6 85 |
| White's Sunday School..... | 13 00 |
| Zion..... | 10 00 |
| Ebenezer..... | 2 50 |

Total.....\$ 50 00

Seaford—W. W. Redman, Pastor.

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|--------------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 16 05 |
| Sunday School..... | 33 00 |

Total.....\$ 49 05

Woodlandtown—J. M. Lindale, Pastor.

| | |
|---------------|----------|
| Churches..... | \$ 20 00 |
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Wyoming—S. N. Pilchard, Pastor.

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|-------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 10 00 |
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SALISBURY DISTRICT.**Accomac Circuit—I. G. Fosmocht, Pastor.**

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|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Tangier Island Sunday School..... | \$ 7 00 |
| Tangier congregation..... | 39 45 |
| Onancock..... | 50 15 |
| Ayer's Chapel..... | 3 40 |

Total.....\$ 100 00

Asbury District—Hance Lawson, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|---------|
| Church..... | \$ 7 10 |
| Sunday School..... | 22 00 |

Total.....\$ 29 10

Berlin Circuit—C. A. Grice, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 24 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 21 00 |

Total.....\$ 45 00

Bethel Circuit—Wm. L. P. Bowen, Pastor.

| | |
|-------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 40 00 |
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Chincoteague—J. S. Walton, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|---------|
| Church..... | \$ 6 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 9 00 |

Total.....\$ 15 00

Crisfield—E. L. Hubbard, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 45 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 20 00 |

Total.....\$ 65 00

Deal's Island—Wm. R. McFarlane, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Sunday School..... | \$ 50 00 |
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Delmar—G. W. Wilcox, Pastor.

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|--------------------|----------|
| Sunday School..... | \$ 26 00 |
| Others..... | 14 00 |

Total.....\$ 40 00

Fairmount—John A. B. Wilson, Pastor.

| | |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Christ Church..... | \$ 70 00 |
| Christ Church Sunday School..... | 311 00 |
| Union Church..... | 45 00 |
| Union Church Sunday School..... | 15 00 |

Total.....\$450 00

Frankford—W. J. Duhadway, Pastor.

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|--------------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 70 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 5 00 |

Total.....\$ 75 00

Fruitland Circuit—Joseph Dare, Pastor.

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|--------------------------------|---------|
| Fruitland Church..... | \$ 4 00 |
| “ Sabbath School..... | 16 10 |
| Siloam Church..... | 2 00 |
| “ Sabbath School..... | 3 00 |
| Lower Zion Church..... | 6 00 |
| “ “ Sabbath School..... | 3 00 |
| St. Luke's Sabbath School..... | 1 50 |

Total.....\$ 36 00

Gumboro—T. H. Harding, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Churches..... | \$ 30 00 |
| Sunday Schools..... | 5 00 |
| Florence H. Harding..... | 5 00 |

Total.....\$ 40 00

Holland's Island—G. P. Smith, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|---------|
| Church..... | \$ 4 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 16 00 |
| Total..... | \$20 00 |

Laurel—John B. Quigg, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 22 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 78 00 |
| Total..... | \$100 00 |

Newark—E. Davis, Pastor.

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| Churches on Circuit..... | \$ 25 00 |
| Miss Eva W. Conner and Miss Annie Rowley to be made life members. | |

Parsonsburg—J. Conner.

| | |
|---------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 23 00 |
| Expenses..... | 3 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 20 00 |

Pocomoke City—Geo. W. Townsend.

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|--------------------|----------|
| Sunday School..... | \$ 35 00 |
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Pocomoke Circuit—C. S. Baker.

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|---------------|----------|
| Churches..... | \$ 15 00 |
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Princess Anne Circuit—W. J. O'Neil, Pastor.

| | |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Asbury..... | \$ 10 40 |
| Danes Quarters..... | 11 40 |
| Roch Creek..... | 12 02 |
| John Wesley..... | 14 00 |
| Princess Anne Sunday School..... | 41 67 |
| " " Cash..... | 2 00 |
| St. Peter's..... | 50 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 141 63 |

Quantico—S. T. Gardner, Pastor.

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|-------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 62 00 |
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Roxana—E. H. Hynson, Pastor.

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|----------------------|----------|
| Roxana Church..... | \$ 14 42 |
| " Sunday School..... | 4 50 |
| Bethel..... | 5 77 |
| Sound..... | 3 38 |
| Ebenezer..... | 3 22 |
| St. Martins..... | 5 21 |

Total.....\$ 36 50

Salisbury—Jno. D. C. Hanna, Pastor.

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Sunday Schools..... | \$ 80 00 |
| Churches..... | 10 00 |
| Total..... | \$ 90 37 |

St. Peters, & Quindocqua—E. L. Hubbard, Pastor

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Sunday Schools..... | \$ 30 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

Sharptown—R. Roe, Pastor.

| | |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Missionary Collection..... | \$ 12 00 |
|----------------------------|----------|

Snow Hill—J. Heston Willey, Pastor.

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|--------------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 37 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 53 00 |

Total.....\$ 90 00

Stockton—J. A. Arters, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 33 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 7 00 |

Total.....\$ 40 00

Smith's Island—G. W. Covington, Pastor.

| | |
|-------------|----------|
| Church..... | \$ 13 75 |
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Westover—W. F. Talbot, Pastor.

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|-----------------------|---------|
| Westover Circuit..... | \$ 4 00 |
|-----------------------|---------|

Worcester—J. M. Collins, Pastor.

| | |
|--------------------|---------|
| Sunday School..... | \$ 5 00 |
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